



SOQ 24-023

**Laboratory Services as needed for Inspections of Materials and
Equipment**

Submission Deadline: July 18, 2024 at 3:30 PM

ATTENTION VENDORS!!!

Please review all pages and respond accordingly, complying with all provisions in the public notice and Jefferson Parish Code of Ordinances Section 2-926 et seq. All submissions must be received on the Purchasing Department's e-Procurement site, www.jeffparishbids.net, by the SOQ submission deadline date and time. Late submissions will not be accepted.

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PUBLIC NOTICE
SOQ 24-023

Laboratory Services as needed for Inspection of Materials and Equipment

The Parish of Jefferson, authorized by **Resolution No.144326**, is hereby soliciting a Statement of Qualifications (TEC Professional Services Questionnaire) from persons or firms interested and qualified to provide Laboratory Services for inspection of materials and equipment for Public Works projects on an as-needed basis for a period of Two (2) years.

Deadline for Submissions: 3:30 p.m., July 18, 2024

General

The firms submitting a Statement of Qualifications (Jefferson Parish TEC Questionnaire) must identify all sub-consultant firms which they expect to use to provide professional services, and submit a Statement of Qualifications (Jefferson Parish TEC Questionnaire) for each sub-consultant firm. (Refer to Jefferson Parish Code Ordinance, Section 2-928).

With regard to the questionnaire, **Principal** means the sole proprietor of the firm, or one who shares an ownership interest with other persons in the firm, including but not limited to, a partner in a partnership, a shareholder in a corporation, or a member of a limited liability corporation.

Compensation

The maximum cumulative fee that can be charged for all work on this contract shall not exceed \$500,000 per year unless increased by contract amendment approved by the Jefferson Parish Council. The cost of these Laboratory Services will be negotiated by the Jefferson Parish Department of Engineering.

Minimum Requirements for Selection

1. one **principal** who is a professional engineer, who shall be registered as such in Louisiana.
2. a professional in charge of the project who is a professional engineer, who shall be registered as such in Louisiana, with a minimum of five (5) years of experience in the disciplines involved.
3. one employee who is a professional engineer, who shall be registered as such in Louisiana in the field or fields of expertise required for the project (A sub-consultant may meet the requirement only if the advertised project involves more than one discipline.)

Evaluation Criteria

The following criteria will be used to evaluate the statement of the firms submitting:

- 1) Professional training and experience in relation to the type of work required for laboratory testing services for inspection of materials and equipment - 35 points.
- 2) Size of firm, considering the number of professional and support personnel required to perform laboratory testing tasks, including drafting of reports – 10 points.
- 3) Capacity for timely completion of newly assigned work, considering the factors of current unfinished workload, and person or firm's available professional and support personnel - 20 points.
- 4) Past Performance by person or firm on projects of similar or comparable size, scope, and scale - 10 points (Assertions of fault by a person or firm, which shall include time delays, cost over-runs, and or design inadequacies in prior work completed for the Parish shall be evidenced by substantiating documentation provided by the Director of Public Works for the requesting department or the

Director of Engineering and received by the Chairman of the Evaluation Committee a minimum of two (2) weeks prior to the scheduled date of the Technical Evaluation Committee Meeting.)

5) Location of the principal office - 15 points (Preference shall be given to persons or firms with a principal business office as follows: (A) Jefferson Parish, including municipalities located within Jefferson Parish (15 Points); (B) Neighboring Parishes of the Greater New Orleans Metropolitan Region, which includes Orleans, Plaquemines, St. Bernard, St. Charles and St. Tammany Parishes (12 Points); (C) Parishes other than the foregoing (10 Points); (D) Outside the State of Louisiana (6 Points).)

6) Adversarial legal proceedings between the Parish and the person or firm performing professional services, in which the Parish prevailed or any ongoing adversarial legal proceedings between the Parish and the person or firm performing professional services, excluding those instances or cases where the person or firm was added as an indispensable party, or where the person or firm participated in or assisted the public entity in prosecution of its claim - 15 points (In the event that the person or firm fails to provide accurate and detailed information regarding legal proceedings with the Parish, including the absence of legal proceedings, the person or firm shall be deemed unresponsive with regard to this category, and zero (0) points shall be awarded.)

7) Prior successful completion of projects requiring laboratory testing services for which firm has provided verifiable references - 15 points.

Each firm's lowest and highest score shall be dropped and not count towards the firm's score. Only those persons or firms receiving an overall cumulative score of at least seventy (70) percent or greater, of the total possible points for all categories to be assigned by the participating technical evaluation committee members shall be deemed qualified to perform architectural, engineering, surveying, and laboratory and field services tasks.

The maximum cumulative fee that can be charged for all work on this contract shall not exceed \$500,000 per year unless increased by contract amendment approved by the Jefferson Parish Council. There is no limit to the number of assignments that can be awarded to a firm.

All firms (including sub-consultants) must submit a Statement of Qualifications (Jefferson Parish TEC Questionnaire). Please obtain the latest questionnaire form by calling the Purchasing Department by telephone at (504) 364-2678 or using our web address: www.jeffparish.net. Submissions shall be submitted on the eProcurement site at www.jeffparishbids.net. These submissions will only be accepted electronically via the Parish's e-Procurement system, Central Bidding, Central Bidding can be accessed by visiting either www.centralauctionhouse.com or www.jeffparishbids.net. All vendors will be required to register with Central Bidding. Jefferson Parish vendors are able to register for free by accessing the following link: www.centralauctionhouse.com/registration.

The firms submitting a Statement of Qualifications (Jefferson Parish TEC Professional Services Questionnaire) must identify all sub-consultant firms which they expect to use to provide professional services, and submit a Statement of Qualifications (Jefferson Parish TEC Professional Services Questionnaire) for each sub-consultant firm. (Refer to Jefferson Parish Code of Ordinances, Section 2-928).

No submittals will be accepted after the deadline

Affidavits and Insurances are not required to be submitted with the Statement of Qualifications, but shall be submitted prior to contract approval.

Insurances are not required to be submitted with the Statement of Qualifications, but shall be submitted prior to contract approval, including any subs.

Disputes/protests relating to the decisions by the evaluation committee or by the Jefferson Parish Council shall be brought before the 24th Judicial Court.

ADV: The New Orleans Advocate: June 12, 19 and 26, 2024

Technical Evaluation Committee (TEC) Questionnaire

Instructions

- The Technical Evaluation Committee (TEC) Questionnaire shall be used for professional services related to architecture, engineering, or survey projects.
- **The TEC Questionnaire should be completely filled out. Complete and attach ALL sections. Insert “N/A” or “None” if a section does not apply or if there is no information to provide.**
- Questionnaire must be signed by an authorized representative of the Firm. Failure to sign the questionnaire shall result in disqualification of proposer pursuant to J.P. Code of Ordinances Sec. 2-928.
- All subcontractors must be listed in the appropriate section of the Questionnaire. Each subcontractor must provide a complete copy of the TEC Questionnaire, applicable licenses, and any other information required by the advertisement. Failure to provide the subcontractors' complete questionnaire(s), applicable licenses, and any other information required by the advertisement shall result in disqualification of proposer pursuant to J.P. Code of Ordinances Sec. 2-928.
- If additional pages are needed, attach them to the questionnaire and include all applicable information that is required by the questionnaire.

TEC Professional Services Questionnaire

A. Project Name and Advertisement Resolution Number:

B. Firm Name & Address:

C. Name, title and contact information of Principal, as defined in Section 2-926 of the Jefferson Parish Code of Ordinances, who is a registered, licensed architect, professional engineer, or surveyor in the State of Louisiana:

D. Name and contact information of employee who is a registered and licensed architect, professional engineer, or surveyor in the State of Louisiana in the applicable discipline. A subcontractor may be substituted here only if the advertised Project requires more than one discipline.

E. Please provide the number of employees whose primary function corresponds with each category:

<input type="checkbox"/> Administrative	<input type="checkbox"/> Estimators	<input type="checkbox"/> Specification Writers
<input type="checkbox"/> Architects (Licensed)	<input type="checkbox"/> Geologists	<input type="checkbox"/> Structural Engineers
<input type="checkbox"/> Chemical Engineers	<input type="checkbox"/> Geotechnical Engineers	<input type="checkbox"/> Graduate Engineers
<input type="checkbox"/> Civil Engineers	<input type="checkbox"/> Interior Designers	<input type="checkbox"/> Project Managers
<input type="checkbox"/> Construction Inspectors	<input type="checkbox"/> Landscape Architects	<input type="checkbox"/> Clerical
<input type="checkbox"/> Ecologists	<input type="checkbox"/> Land Surveyor	<input type="checkbox"/> Grant/Funding Specialist
<input type="checkbox"/> Electrical Engineers	<input type="checkbox"/> Mechanical Engineers	<input type="checkbox"/> Sanitary Engineers
<input type="checkbox"/> Engineer Intern	<input type="checkbox"/> Environmental Engineers	
<input type="checkbox"/> Professional Land Surveyors		___ TOTAL

F. Is this submittal by a JOINT-VENTURE? Please check: YES NO

If marked "No" skip to Section I. If marked "yes" complete Sections G-H.

TEC Professional Services Questionnaire

G. If submittal is by JOINT-VENTURE, list the firms participating and outline specific areas of responsibility (including administrative, technical, and financial) for each firm. Please attach additional pages if necessary.

1.

2.

H. Has this JOINT-VENTURE previously worked together? Please check:
YES NO

I. List all subcontractors anticipated for this Project. Please note that all subcontractors must submit a fully completed copy of this questionnaire, applicable licenses, and any other information required by the advertisement. See Jefferson Parish Code of Ordinances, Sec. 2-928(a)(3). Please attach additional pages if necessary.

Name & Address:	Specialty:	Worked with Firm Before (Yes or No):
1.		
2.		
3.		

J. Please specify the total number of support personnel that may assist in the completion of this Project:

TEC Professional Services Questionnaire

K. List the professional in charge, key persons, specialists, and individual consultants anticipated for this Project and provide their relevant information below. If necessary, please attach additional documentation (i.e. resume) that demonstrates the employment history and experience of the Firm's key persons that may assist in the completion of this Project. Please attach additional pages if necessary.

PROFESSIONAL IN CHARGE OF PROJECT:

Name & Title:

Project Assignment:

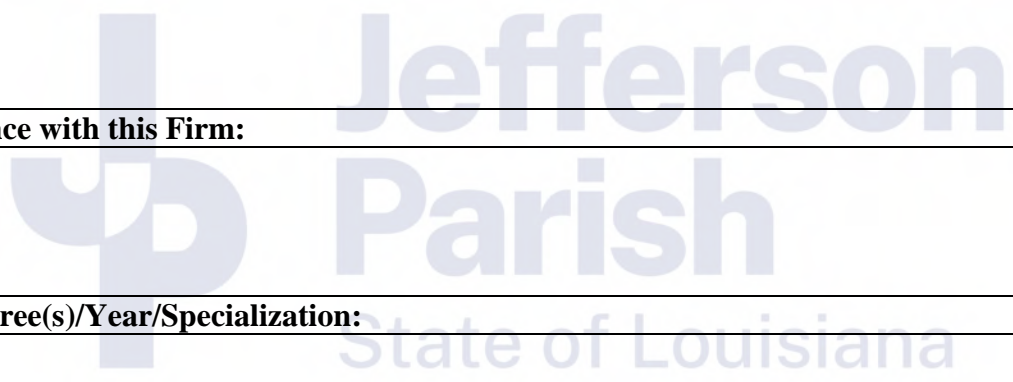
Name of Firm with which associated:

Years' experience with this Firm:

Education: Degree(s)/Year/Specialization:

Active registration: Year first registered/discipline:

Other experience and qualifications relevant to the proposed Project:



TEC Professional Services Questionnaire

KEY PERSON, SPECIALIST, OR INDIVIDUAL CONSULTANT:
Name & Title:
Project Assignment:
Name of Firm with which associated:
Years' experience with this Firm:
Education: Degree(s)/Year/Specialization:
Active registration: Year first registered/discipline:
Other experience and qualifications relevant to the proposed Project:

TEC Professional Services Questionnaire

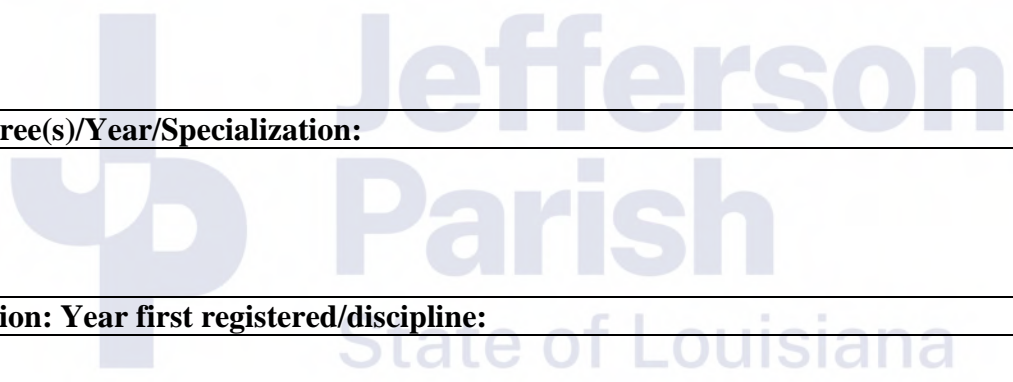
KEY PERSON, SPECIALIST, OR INDIVIDUAL CONSULTANT:
Name & Title:
Project Assignment:
Name of Firm with which associated:
Years' experience with this Firm:
Education: Degree(s)/Year/Specialization:
Active registration: Year first registered/discipline:
Other experience and qualifications relevant to the proposed Project:

TEC Professional Services Questionnaire

KEY PERSON, SPECIALIST, OR INDIVIDUAL CONSULTANT:
Name & Title:
Project Assignment:
Name of Firm with which associated:
Years' experience with this Firm:
Education: Degree(s)/Year/Specialization:
Active registration: Year first registered/discipline:
Other experience and qualifications relevant to the proposed Project:

TEC Professional Services Questionnaire

KEY PERSON, SPECIALIST, OR INDIVIDUAL CONSULTANT:
Name & Title:
Project Assignment:
Name of Firm with which associated:
Years' experience with this Firm:
Education: Degree(s)/Year/Specialization:
Active registration: Year first registered/discipline:
Other experience and qualifications relevant to the proposed Project:



TEC Professional Services Questionnaire

L. Work by Firm or Joint-Venture members which best illustrates current qualifications relevant to this Project. Please include any and all work performed for Jefferson Parish. Please attach additional pages if necessary.

PROJECT NO. 1

Project Name, Location and Owner's contact information:	Nature of Firm's Responsibility:	
Completion Date (Actual or estimated):	Estimated Cost:	
	Entire Project:	Work for which Firm was Responsible:

PROJECT NO. 2

Project Name, Location and Owner's contact information:	Nature of Firm's Responsibility:	
Completion Date (Actual or estimated):	Estimated Cost:	
	Entire Project:	Work for which Firm was Responsible:

TEC Professional Services Questionnaire

PROJECT NO. 3		
Project Name, Location and Owner's contact information:	Nature of Firm's Responsibility	
Completion Date (Actual or estimated)	Estimated Cost:	
	Entire Project:	Work for which Firm was Responsible:

PROJECT NO. 4		
Project Name, Location and Owner's contact information:	Nature of Firm's Responsibility:	
Completion Date (Actual or estimated):	Estimated Cost:	
	Entire Project:	Work for which Firm was Responsible:

TEC Professional Services Questionnaire

PROJECT NO. 5		
Project Name, Location and Owner's contact information:	Nature of Firm's Responsibility:	
Completion Date (Actual or estimated):	Estimated Cost:	
	Entire Project:	Work for which Firm was Responsible:

PROJECT NO. 6		
Project Name, Location and Owner's contact information:	Nature of Firm's Responsibility:	
Completion Date (Actual or estimated):	Estimated Cost:	
	Entire Project:	Work for which Firm was Responsible:

TEC Professional Services Questionnaire

PROJECT NO. 7		
Project Name, Location and Owner's contact information:	Nature of Firm's Responsibility:	
Completion Date (Actual or estimated):	Estimated Cost:	
	Entire Project:	Work for which Firm was Responsible:

PROJECT NO. 8		
Project Name, Location and Owner's contact information:	Nature of Firm's Responsibility:	
Completion Date (Actual or estimated):	Estimated Cost:	
	Entire Project:	Work for which Firm was Responsible:

TEC Professional Services Questionnaire

PROJECT NO. 9		
Project Name, Location and Owner's contact information:	Nature of Firm's Responsibility:	
Completion Date (Actual or estimated):	Estimated Cost:	
	Entire Project:	Work for which Firm was Responsible:

PROJECT NO. 10		
Project Name, Location and Owner's contact information:	Nature of Firm's Responsibility:	
Completion Date (Actual or estimated):	Estimated Cost:	
	Entire Project:	Work for which Firm was Responsible:

TEC Professional Services Questionnaire

M. List all prior and/or on-going litigation between Firm and Jefferson Parish. Please attach additional pages if necessary.

Parties:		Status/Result of Case:
Plaintiff:	Defendant:	
1.		
2.		
3.		
4.		

N. Use this space to provide any additional information or description of resources supporting Firm's qualifications for the proposed project.



O. To the best of my knowledge, the foregoing is an accurate statement of facts.

Signature: _____ **Print Name:** _____

Title: _____ **Date:** _____

Statement of Qualifications Affidavit Instructions

- **Affidavit is supplied as a courtesy to Affiants, but it is the responsibility of the affiant to insure the affidavit they submit to Jefferson Parish complies, in both form and content, with federal, state and parish laws.**
- **Affidavit must be signed by an authorized representative of the entity or the affidavit will not be accepted.**
- **Affidavit must be notarized or the affidavit will not be accepted.**
- **Notary must sign name, print name, and include bar/notary number, or the affidavit will not be accepted.**
- **Affiant MUST select either A or B when required or the affidavit will not be accepted.**
- **Affiants who select choice A must include an attachment or the affidavit will not be accepted.**
- **If both choice A and B are selected, the affidavit will not be accepted.**
- **Affidavit marked N/A will not be accepted.**
- **It is the responsibility of the Affiant to submit a new affidavit if any additional campaign contributions are made after the affidavit is executed but prior to the time the council acts on the matter.**

Instruction sheet may be omitted when submitting the affidavit

Statement of Qualifications

AFFIDAVIT

STATE OF _____

PARISH/COUNTY OF _____

BEFORE ME, the undersigned authority, personally came and appeared: _____
_____, (Affiant) who after being by me duly sworn, deposed and said that
he/she is the fully authorized _____ of _____ (Entity),
the party who submitted a Statement of Qualifications (SOQ) to _____
_____ (Briefly describe the services the SOQ
will cover), to the Parish of Jefferson.

Affiant further said:

Campaign Contribution Disclosures

(Choose A or B, if option A is indicated please include the required attachment):

Choice A _____ Attached hereto is a list of all campaign contributions, including the date and amount of each contribution, made to current or former elected officials of the Parish of Jefferson by Entity, Affiant, and/or officers, directors and owners, including employees, owning 25% or more of the Entity during the two-year period immediately preceding the date of this affidavit or the current term of the elected official, whichever is greater. Further, Entity, Affiant, and/or Entity Owners have not made any contributions to or in support of current or former members of the Jefferson Parish Council or the Jefferson Parish President through or in the name of another person or legal entity, either directly or indirectly.

Choice B _____ there are **NO** campaign contributions made which would require disclosure under Choice A of this section.

Affiant further said:

Debt Disclosures

(Choose A or B, if option A is indicated please include the required attachment):

Choice A _____ Attached hereto is a list of all debts owed by the affiant to any elected or appointed official of the Parish of Jefferson, and any and all debts owed by any elected or appointed official of the Parish to the Affiant.

Choice B _____ There are **NO** debts which would require disclosure under Choice A of this section.

Affiant further said:

Solicitation of Campaign Contribution Disclosures

(Choose A or B, if option A is indicated please include the required attachment):

Choice A _____ Attached hereto is a list of all elected officials of the Parish of Jefferson, whether still holding office at the time of the affidavit or not, where the elected official, individually, either by **telephone or by personal contact**, solicited a campaign contribution or other monetary consideration from the Entity, including the Entity's officers, directors and owners, and employees owning twenty-five percent (25%) or more of the Entity, during the two-year period immediately preceding the date the affidavit is signed. Further, to the extent known to the Affiant, the date of any such solicitation is included on the attached list.

Choice B _____ there are **NO** solicitations for campaign contributions which would require disclosure under Choice A of this section.

Affiant further said:

Subcontractor Disclosures

(Choose A or B, if option A is indicated please include the required attachment):

Choice A _____ Affiant further said that attached is a listing of all subcontractors, excluding full time employees, who may assist in providing professional services for the aforementioned SOQ.

Choice B _____ There are **NO** subcontractors which would require disclosure under Choice A of this section.

Affiant further said:

That Affiant has employed no person, corporation, firm, association, or other organization, either directly or indirectly, to secure the public contract under which he received payment, other than persons regularly employed by the Affiant whose services in connection with the construction, alteration or demolition of the public building or project or in securing the public contract were in the regular course of their duties for Affiant; and

[The remainder of this page is intentionally left blank.]

That no part of the contract price received by Affiant was paid or will be paid to any person, corporation, firm, association, or other organization for soliciting the contract, other than the payment of their normal compensation to persons regularly employed by the Affiant whose services in connection with the construction, alteration or demolition of the public building or project were in the regular course of their duties for Affiant.

Signature of Affiant

Printed Name of Affiant

SWORN AND SUBSCRIBED TO BEFORE ME

ON THE _____ DAY OF _____, 20____.

Notary Public

Printed Name of Notary

Notary/Bar Roll Number

My commission expires _____.

STANDARD INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS FOR BIDDING PURPOSES

All required insurance under this bid shall conform to Jefferson Parish Resolution No. 113646 or No. 113647, as applicable. Contractors may not commence any work under any ensuing contract unless and until all required insurance and associated evidentiary requirements thereto have been met, along with any additional specifications contained in the **Invitation to Bid**. Except as where otherwise precluded by law, the Parish Attorney or his designee, with the concurrence of the Director of Risk Management or his designee, may agree on a case-by-case basis, to deviate from Jefferson Parish's standard insurance requirements, as provided in this Section. Vendors requesting deviation therefrom shall submit such requests in writing, along with compelling substantiation, to the Purchasing Department prior to the bid's due date. Any changes to the insurance requirements will be reflected in the bid specifications and addenda. Prior to contract execution and at all times thereafter during the term of such contract, contractors must provide and continuously maintain all coverages as required by the foregoing Resolutions, and the contract documents. Failure to do so shall be grounds for suspension, discontinuation or termination of the contract.

For bidding purposes, bidders must submit with bid submission a current (valid) insurance certificate evidencing the required coverages. Failure to comply will cause bid to be rejected. The current insurance certificate will be used for proof of insurance at time of evaluation. Thereafter, and prior to contract execution, the low bidder will be required to provide final insurance certificates to the Parish which shall name **the Jefferson Parish, its Districts Departments and Agencies under the direction of the Parish President and the Parish Council** as additional insureds regarding negligence by the contractor for the Commercial General Liability and the Comprehensive Automobile Liability policies. Additionally, said certificates should reflect the name of the Parish Department receiving goods and services and reference the respective Jefferson Parish bid number.

JEFFERSON PARISH REQUIRED STANDARD INSURANCE

WORKER'S COMPENSATION INSURANCE

As required by Louisiana State Statute, exception; Employer's Liability, Section B shall be \$1,000,000 per occurrence when Work is to be over water and involves maritime exposures to cover all employees not covered under the State Worker's Compensation Act, otherwise this limit shall be no less than \$500,000 per occurrence.

Note: If your company is not required by law to carry workmen's compensation insurance, i.e. not a Louisiana company, sole employee of the company, then bidders must request a workmen's compensation insurance declaration affidavit prior to the bid opening date. This insurance declaration affidavit must be fully completed, signed, properly notarized and submitted with the bid. A scanned copy may be submitted with the bid; however, the successful bidder must submit the original affidavit in its original format and without material alteration upon contract execution. Failure to comply will result in the bid submission being

rejected as non-responsive. The Parish reserves the right to award bid to the next lowest responsive and responsible bidder in this event.

COMMERCIAL GENERAL LIABILITY

Shall provide limits not less than the following: \$1,000,000.00 Combined Single Limit per Occurrence for bodily injury and property damage.

COMPREHENSIVE AUTOMOBILE LIABILITY

Bodily injury liability \$1,000,000.00 each person; \$1,000,000.00 each occurrence.
Property Damage Liability \$1,000,000.00 each occurrence.

Note: This category may be omitted if bidders do not/will not utilize company vehicles for the project or do not possess company vehicles. Bidder must request an automobile insurance declaration affidavit prior to the bid opening date. This insurance declaration affidavit must be fully completed, signed, properly notarized and submitted with the bid. A scanned copy of the completed, signed and properly notarized affidavit may be submitted with the bid; however, the successful bidder must submit the original affidavit in its original format and without material alteration upon contract execution. Failure to comply will result in the bid submission being rejected as non-responsive. The Parish reserves the right to award bid to the next lowest responsive and responsible bidder in this event.

DEDUCTIBLES - The Parish Attorney with concurrence of the Director of Risk Management have waived the deductible section of the Terms and Conditions for all Invitations to Bid, until further notice.

UMBRELLA LIABILITY COVERAGE

An umbrella policy or excess may be used to meet minimum requirements.

FOR CONSTRUCTION AND RENOVATION PROJECTS:

The following are required if selected below. Such insurance is due upon contract execution.

OWNER'S PROTECTIVE LIABILITY

To be for the same limits of liability for bodily injury and property damage liability established for commercial general liability.

BUILDER'S RISK INSURANCE

The contractor shall maintain Builder's Risk Insurance at his own expense to insure both the owner (Parish of Jefferson) and contractor as their interest may appear.