

LOUISIANA TECH UNIVERSITY

INVITATION TO BID ONLY



BIDDER MUST FILL IN COMPANY NAME AND COMPLETE ADDRESS (PRINTED OR TYPED)

PHONE:

FAX:

EMAIL:

BID SUBMISSION DEADLINE:

October 23, 2024 @ 2:00PM

BID NUMBER:

50012-581-25

DEPARTMENT

Athletics

PRICE MUST BE FIRM FOR AT LEAST 30 DAYS FROM OPENING DATE

DELIVERY IN DAYS

TERMS

BIDDER AGREES TO COMPLY WITH ALL CONDITIONS BELOW AND ATTACHED TO THIS REQUEST.

Prices are to be complete and the FOB point to be Louisiana Tech University unless otherwise specified.

RETURN THIS FORM TO:

PURCHASING OFFICE
 P.O. Box 3157
 208 Keeny Circle, Rm. 408
 Ruston, LA 71272

Phone: 318-257-4205
 Fax: 318-257-3772

Company Quote #
 if applicable

FAILURE TO SIGN WILL DISQUALIFY BID

Typed or Printed Name

Authorized Signature/Title

ITEM:	COMPLETE SPECIFICATIONS	QTY. & UNIT:	UNIT PRICE:	AMOUNT:
1	<p>Louisiana Tech University's Athletics Department is now accepting SEALED bids for the following:</p> <p>Broadcasting Equipment *PLEASE SEE THE ATTACHED SPECIFICATIONS*</p> <p>A mandatory pre-bid meeting/site visit will be held on October 9, 2024 at 10:00 A.M. in room 209 at the Joe Aillet Field House located at 1450 W. Alabama Avenue, Ruston, LA 71270 on The Louisiana Tech University campus.</p> <p>Successful bidder must furnish complete insurance coverage of all workers compensation, commercial general liability insurance, and automobile liability insurance as required by law.</p> <p>**A LOUISIANA CONTRACTORS LICENSE IS REQUIRED FOR THIS BID**</p> <p>***A BID BOND IS REQUIRED FOR THIS BID. Bid bond MUST be received in the same envelope of the bid response in order to have a bid considered***</p> <p>ALL BIDS MUST BE RETURNED TO THE LOUISIANA TECH PURCHASING OFFICE VIA MAIL OR IN PERSON. DO NOT FAX OR EMAIL.</p> <p>For all questions or more information, please contact the Office of Purchasing at 318-257-4205 or purchasing@latech.edu.</p>			

IMPORTANT: If bidding other than requested brand and product number (or style), enclose sufficient literature to determine compliance with specifications. Failure to comply with this request may eliminate your bid from consideration. Any manufacturer's names, trade names, brand names, or catalog numbers used in the specifications are for the purpose of describing and establishing general quality levels. Such references or not intended to be restrictive. Bids will be considered for any brand which meets or exceeds the quality of the specifications listed for any item.

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<u>ITEM</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>QUANTITY</u>	<u>UNIT PRICE</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
	<p>This bid includes a mandatory pre-bid meeting/site visit will be held on October 9, 2024 at 10:00 A.M. in room 209 at the Joe Aillet Field House located at 1450 W. Alabama Avenue, Ruston, LA 71270 on The Louisiana Tech University campus. The site will be visited for bidders to become familiar with this university facility. Bidders must be present at 10:00 A.M. and must stay until the entire site is visited and meeting has ended. Bidders must have a representative sign-in to be eligible to bid and have a bid considered. No other site visits will be allowed after this date.</p> <p>Bids shall be accepted from contractors who are licensed under LA. R.S. 37:2150-2196 for the appropriate classification. Bidder is required to comply with provisions and requirements of LA. R.S. 38:2212(B)(1). No bid may be withdrawn for a period of forty-five (45) days after receipt of bids; except under the provisions of LA. R.S. 38:2214.</p> <p>The contract will be awarded to the lowest responsible and responsive bidder. Louisiana Tech reserves the right to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Award items on an all-or-none basis 2. Reject any or all bids and/or items 3. Waive any information <p>All equipment and installation must be completed by January 31, 2025 for the base bid.</p> <p>Prices to remain firm from date of award until June 30, 2025.</p>			

BASE BID:

The bidder must provide documentation demonstrating that each item meets the specifications outlined below. Additionally, evidence must be supplied to confirm that the product is compatible with Louisiana Tech's current broadcast system. If bidding an equivalent product, please include the brand and model number.

<p>HDR Studio Camera: Panasonic AK-HC3900 or Equivalent Features: Updated CCU* and ROP* Image Sensor: Large 11.14 Megapixel High Sensitivity: F10 at 59.94 Hz, F11 at 50 Hz Multi-format Support B4 Mount Built-in Optical Filter HDR (High Dynamic Range)</p>	3
<p>CCU for HDR Studio Camera: Panasonic AK-HCU250PSJ or Equivalent 4K Upgrade: Optional AK-HUC01 Kit Connections: One Intercom Line, Two Audio Lines Size: Compact & Lightweight 2 RU Unit Note: Must be compatible with HDR Studio Camera</p>	3
<p>Remote Operation Panel: Panasonic AK-HRP250GJ or Equivalent Control: Supports IP Control and PoE* Features: 1 Power Supply, Joystick Control Lever, IRIS/PEDESTAL Operation Note: Must be compatible with HDR Studio Camera</p>	3
<p>Rain Cover for Studio Camera: Panasonic SHAN-RC700 or Equivalent Description: Original rain cover for most Panasonic shoulder camcorders, made of clear waterproof material. Compatible with the following cameras: AJ-SP700 DVC-PRO; AJ-SDX900 DVC-PRO; AJ-HDX400 DVC-PRO; AJ-HD27H; AJ-SDC905; AJ-D410; AJ-D620; and AJ-D615.</p>	3
<p>Tripod Adapter: Panasonic SHAN-TM700 or Equivalent Description: Quick release camera mounting plate. Allows the camcorder to release from the support and be used handheld in a very easy and fast fashion. It is reattached to the tripod just as fast and easy. Must be compatible with AJ-D700 DVC Pro Camcorder.</p>	3
<p>7" Studio Viewfinder: Panasonic AK-HVF75GJ or Equivalent Resolution: 1280 x 800 (WXGA) Panel Size: 17.8 cm (7 inches) Color LCD Viewing Angle: 176° (Horizontal/Vertical) Brightness: 400 nits Contrast Ratio: 800:1 Features: Camera I/F Connector Must be compatible with the following: AK-HC3800; AK-UC3000; AK-HC5000 & AK-UC4000</p>	2

<p>ENG Viewfinder: Panasonic AJ-CVF25GJ or Equivalent Panel: 3.45-inch LCD Resolution: HD (720p), approximately 2,760,000 dots Features: Double Hinges, Automatic/Manual Image Enlargement Display: New high-resolution LCD with improved brightness, 16:9 aspect ratio. Functionality: LCD direct viewing with double hinges. Automatic/manual image enlargement when flipping up the eyepiece or PIC. SIZE switch set to FULL. Robust design with a layout of dials and switches similar to conventional EVFs. Back tally lamp with ON/OFF control via lever. Studio Use: Supports studio camera applications with Yellow and Amber Tally indicators in the display panel. Versatility: Can be used as an LCD monitor when the eyepiece is opened. Can be opened sideways and used as a side panel LCD monitor. Compatibility: Suitable for Panasonic broadcasting and professional camera recorders and studio handy cameras, with similar weight and size to conventional HD viewfinders.</p>	1
<p>Lens support for UA46: Fujinon ALH-127A-01A or Equivalent Lens Supporter for the UA46x Seris of Fujinon Lens</p>	1
<p>Fujinon Digipower Semi: Fujinon MS-15D/03 or Equivalent Description: Servo Control Kit for UA46x Lens Includes: Manual Focus Module Focus Grip Focus and Zoom Servo Control Cables This kit is designed to provide precise control over focus and zoom functions for the Fujinon UA46x lens, enhancing operational flexibility and accuracy.</p>	1
<p>4K Plus Premier Lens with Zoom/Focus Servo & OS-TECH: Fujinon UA46x13.5BERDU1 or Equivalent High-performance 4K Plus Premier lens designed for 2/3" cameras. With a focal range of 13.5-621mm and an integrated 2x extender that doubles the range to 27-1242mm. Its 46x zoom ratio ensures flexibility in framing shots, while its optical design minimizes distortions even at the ultra-wide 13.5mm focal length and maintains high-resolution imaging across the frame. Key Features: Zoom Range: 13.5-621mm standard, 27-1242mm with 2x extender. Resolution: Maintains higher than 4K-compatible resolution across the entire image, including the periphery. Aperture: Fast f/2.8 at 13.5-316mm and f/5.5 at 621mm Optical Stabilization: OS-TECH optical shift stabilization reduces shake and vibration. Features an optical shift system that compensates for detected movement with an on/off switch. Digital Servo: Enhanced performance for focus and zoom with precision position detection and FIZ data output, ideal for virtual production. Iris: Nine-blade rounded iris produces natural-looking bokeh (out-of-focus highlights) Focus/Zoom Servo: Handheld-style servo for precise control.</p>	1

<p>Fujinon Digipower Semi-Servo Control Kit: Fujinon MS-15D or Equivalent</p> <p>Components: Manual Focus Module Focus Grip Focus and Zoom Servo Control Cables. This kit offers enhanced control for Fujinon lenses, providing both manual focus capabilities and precise servo control for focus and zoom adjustments.</p>	2
<p>ENG Style Lens with Servo Zoom: Fujinon ZA12x4.5BERDS10 or Equivalent</p> <p>Zoom Range: 4.5-54mm with a 12x zoom ratio Extender: Includes 2x extender for additional range Aperture: Fast f/1.8 maximum aperture at 4.5-41mm Compatibility: Designed for 2/3" cameras This lens offers versatility and high performance for ENG-style shooting, featuring a substantial zoom ratio and fast aperture for excellent low-light capability.</p>	2
<p>HD Select Series Zoom Lens: Fujinon ZA22X7.6BERDS10 or Equivalent</p> <p>Zoom Range: 7.6-167mm, offering a 22x zoom ratio for 2/3" cameras. Aperture: Fast f/1.8 maximum aperture at 7.6-120mm, and f/2.5 at 167mm. Digital Drive Unit: Features the ergonomic S10 digital servo for precise control over focus, iris, and zoom. Compatibility: 16-bit encoders for integration with virtual effects systems. Breathing Compensation: Reduces the need for reframing after focusing. Design: Compact and ergonomic for stable, comfortable operation Additional Features: Includes a 2x extender for extended zoom range. An ENG-style lens known for its high optical performance and versatility, making it ideal for a wide range of shooting scenarios.</p>	1
<p>Quad High-Performance 3G Reclocking Distribution Amplifier: Ross QRA-8808 or Equivalent</p> <p>Rear Module: -R2H with 18 HD-BNCs Distribution Channels: 2 channels of 1x4 distribution 2 channels of 1x3 distribution Capacity: Supports up to 40 channels of distribution in a single openGear® frame Card Configuration: Utilizes 10 cards This high-density distribution amplifier provides extensive distribution capabilities with advanced reclocking features, maximizing efficiency in signal management.</p>	1
<p>DB25 Breakout Board: Winford BRK25FRDIN or Equivalent</p> <p>Screw terminal for each of the 25 lines, plus shield, Solder pad connection space for all 25 lines, plus shield</p>	4
<p>DB25 Extension cable: Winford EXT25M-6 or Equivalent 6 Foot</p> <p>Extends all 25 lines straight through</p>	4
<p>Custom Fiber Transport System: Joseph 240425A-101 or Equivalent</p> <p>Fibers via MX Mini or OpticalCon Quad or Lemo or ST, Supports SMPTE standard 424M -259M, 292M -310M, Weather resistant, Intercom & Ethernet</p>	1

Tote Caddie: SHAXX TOTE Shaxx Power - 1 x Lemo FXW 3K.93C SMPTE push pull connector with power cord included.	3
SMPTE Hybrid Alternative Connection Kit: Bluebell- Used in conjunction with Shax-CCU allows hybrid fibre enabled cameras to be connected to the CCU over standard fibre networks. Must be Compatible with Panasonic	3
Beyerdynamic DT 290 MK II 200/80 or Equivalent Powerful neodymium headphone system Nominal Impedance: 80 ohms system,	4
Connecting cable for DT 190 and 290 series with 5 pin XLR male. Beyerdynamic or Equivalent	4
Tripod- Cartoni KSDS18-A or Equivalent 2 Stage Aluminum legs Mid-Level Spreader 100mm Focus 18 fluid head Supports 13 to 40 Pounds Continuously Variable Counterbalance	2
Tripod: Cartoni KM40-1AM or Equivalent Model: Master 40 Head Tripod Includes: 2 Telescopic Pan Bars, Dovetail Plate, Mid-Level Spreader Maximum Load Capacity: 115 lbs Features: Continuous Fluid Drag, Continuous Counterbalance	1
LEMO Outside SMPTE Fiber Camera Cable - 25feet: Complex	4
1000 Base-SX Multimode LC Fiber Transceiver: Gtek	2
Panasonic or Equivalent 4K 60p Professional PTZ Camera: Advanced Features: V-LOG Output Support FreeD Protocol for AR/VR Camera Tracking PoE++ Optical Zoom: 20x Streaming Support: SRT Protocol for 4K/60p Video Streaming	2
Marshall CV566 or Equivalent Genlock Camera with 3.6mm Lens: 3.6mm, M12 Lens Mount Video Resolution: 1080p60 Outputs: 3G/HD-SDI and HDMI	4
Wall Camera Mount with Ball Head: 5/8" Baby pin arm with a mini ball head	4

Blackmagic or Equivalent ATEM Television Studio HD8: 8-Input 3G-SDI 1080p60 Live Switcher Redesigned Buttons and Layout Streaming Support, USB & M.2 Recording Blackmagic Cloud Integration Webcam Support, Runs Blackmagic OS Up to 16 Multiview Output Sources Audio Mixing, Transitions, T-Bar, AUX Customizable Electronic LCDs Studio Camera Control Timecode, MADI, Talkback	1
12G BNC Cable - 250 Feet, Connect 12G-SDI Cameras and Equipment, Highly Foamed PE Insulation, Nickel Body 75-Ohm Connectors	5
Compact Remote PTZ Camera Controller: A compact, hardware-based controller for use with Panasonic PTZ remote cameras. Features an improved joystick for smooth and responsive camera control of up to 200 robotic cameras, as well as easy management of up to 100 camera presets. AW-RP60 or Equivalent. Must be compatible with Panasonic equipment.	1
E-Image Aluminum Tripod with Rising Center Column & QR Plate for PTZ Cameras: QR Plate for Mounting PTZ Cameras 26.5 lb Load Capacity Geared Center Column with 18" Reach 33.25 to 92" Height Range Mid-Level Spreader Retractable Foot Spikes	2

The successful bidder must install and integrate equipment into Louisiana Tech University's current athletics broadcast system to ensure full interoperability and workflow compatibility. This will involve configuring IT settings, ensuring compatibility with the existing intercom system, setting up red/green tally lights, and configuring multi-view monitors. Integration with the existing routing and patch bay system is also required. Please provide a quote for installation costs. The bidder will also be responsible for supplying any additional materials needed for the installation.

Alternative 1:

In addition to the base bid, the following items and quantities may be ordered as required. Installation will also be necessary for items identified as needed. Prices should remain firm until June 30, 2025.

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12G BNC Cable - 250 Feet, Connect 12G-SDI Cameras and Equipment, Highly Foamed PE Insulation, Nickel Body 75-Ohm Connectors	3
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Power Supply for PTZ Camera: IA70	1

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LOUISIANA UNIFORM PUBLIC WORK BID FORM

TO: LOUISIANA TECH UNIVERSITY
P.O. BOX 3157
RUSTON LA 71272

BID FOR: Broadcasting Equipment

Bid Number: 50012-581-25

(Owner to provide name and address of owner)

(Owner to provide name of project and other identifying information)

The undersigned bidder hereby declares and represents that she/he; a) has carefully examined and understands the Bidding Documents, b) has not received, relied on, or based his bid on any verbal instructions contrary to the Bidding Documents or any addenda, c) has personally inspected and is familiar with the project site, and hereby proposes to provide all labor, materials, tools, appliances and facilities as required to perform, in a workmanlike manner, all work and services for the construction and completion of the referenced project, all in strict accordance with the Bidding Documents prepared by: Louisiana Tech University and dated:

(Owner to provide name of entity preparing bidding documents.)

Bidders must acknowledge all addenda. The Bidder acknowledges receipt of the following **ADDENDA:** (Enter the number the Designer has assigned to each of the addenda that the Bidder is acknowledging)_____.

TOTAL BASE BID: For all work required by the Bidding Documents (including any and all unit prices designated "Base Bid" * but not alternates) the sum of:

_____ Dollars (\$ _____)

ALTERNATES: For any and all work required by the Bidding Documents for Alternates including any and all unit prices designated as alternates in the unit price description.

Alternate No. 1 for the lump sum of:

_____ Dollars (\$ _____)

Alternate No. 2 for the lump sum of:

_____ Dollars (\$ _____)

Alternate No. 3 for the lump sum of:

_____ Dollars (\$ _____)

NAME OF BIDDER: _____

ADDRESS OF BIDDER: _____

LOUISIANA CONTRACTOR'S LICENSE NUMBER: _____

NAME OF AUTHORIZED SIGNATORY OF BIDDER: _____

TITLE OF AUTHORIZED SIGNATORY OF BIDDER: _____

SIGNATURE OF AUTHORIZED SIGNATORY OF BIDDER **: _____

DATE: _____

THE FOLLOWING ITEMS ARE TO BE INCLUDED WITH THE SUBMISSION OF THIS LOUISIANA UNIFORM PUBLIC WORK BID FORM:

* The Unit Price Form shall be used if the contract includes unit prices. Otherwise it is not required and need not be included with the form. The number of unit prices that may be included is not limited and additional sheets may be included if needed.

** A CORPORATE RESOLUTION OR WRITTEN EVIDENCE of the authority of the person signing the bid for the public work as prescribed by LA R.S. 38:2212(B)(5).

BID SECURITY in the form of a bid bond, certified check or cashier's check as prescribed by LA R.S. 38:2218(A) attached to and made a part of this bid.

INDEMNIFICATION AGREEMENT

PROJECT: Bid Number: 50012-581-25 for Broadcasting Equipment

_____ agrees to protect, defend, indemnify, save, and hold harmless, the State of Louisiana, all State Departments, Agencies, Boards and Commissions, its officers, agents, servants, employees, and volunteers, from and against any and all claims, damages, expenses, and liability arising out of injury or death to any person or the damage, loss or destruction of any property which may occur, or in any way grow out of, any act or omission of _____, its agents, servants, and employees, or any and all costs, expenses and/or attorney fees incurred by _____ as a result of any claims, demands, suits or causes of action, except those claims, demands, suits, or causes of action arising out of the negligence of LOUISIANA TECH UNIVERSITY, its officers, agents, servants, employees and volunteers.

_____ agrees to investigate, handle, respond to, provide defense for and defend any such claims, demands, suits, or causes of action at its sole expense and agrees to bear all other costs and expenses related thereto, even if the claims, demands, suits, or causes of action are groundless, false or fraudulent. The State of Louisiana may, but is not required to, consult with the Contractor in the defense of claims, but this shall not affect the Contractor's responsibility for the handling of and expenses for all claims.

Contractor Name

Signature

Date

Title

Address:

Telephone Number:

EQUAL OPPORTUNITY AND ASSURANCE STATEMENT

PROJECT: Bid Number: 50012-581-25 for Broadcasting Equipment

Contractor agrees to abide by the requirements of the following as applicable: Title VI and VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended by the Equal Opportunity act of 1972, Federal Executive Order 11246, the Federal Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended, the Vietnam Era Veteran's Readjustment Assistance Act of 1974, Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, the Age Act of 1972, and Designer agrees to abide by the requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990.

Contractor agrees not to discriminate in its employment practices and will render services under this contract without regard to race, color, religion, sex, national origin, veteran status, political affiliation, disabilities.

Contractor Name

Signature

Date

Title

STATE OF LOUISIANA
PARISH OF LINCOLN

**AFFIDAVIT ATTESTING THAT PUBLIC CONTRACT
WAS NOT, NOR WILL NOT BE SECURED
THROUGH EMPLOYMENT OR PAYMENT OF SOLICITOR**

PROJECT: Bid Number: 50012-581-25 for Broadcasting Equipment

Before me, the undersigned authority, duly commissioned and qualified within and for the State and Parish aforesaid, personally came and appeared _____ representing _____ who, being by me first duly sworn deposed and said that he has read this affidavit and does hereby agree under oath to comply with all provisions herein as follows:

PART I

Section 2224 of Part II of Chapter 10 of Title 38 of the Louisiana Revised statutes, as amended.

- (1) That the affiant 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 contact were in the regular course of their duties for affiant; and
- (2) 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.

PART II

Section 2190 of Part I of Chapter 10 of Title 38 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes, as amended.

That affiant, if an architect or engineer, or representative thereof, does not own a substantial financial interest, either directly or indirectly, in any corporation firm, partnership, or other organization which supplies materials for the construction of a public work when the architect or engineer has performed architectural or engineering services, either directly or indirectly, in connection with the public work for which the materials are being supplied.

For the purposes of this section, a "substantial financial interest" shall exclude any interest in stock being traded on the American Stock Exchange or the New York Stock Exchange.

That affiant, if subject to the provisions of this section, does hereby agree to be subject to the penalties involved for the violation of this section.

SWORN AND SUBSCRIBED BEFORE ME
THIS _____ DAY OF _____, 20__.

AFFIANT

NOTARY

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Directors of _____, Domiciled in the City of _____, that

Name: _____, Title: _____

Name: _____, Title: _____

Name: _____, Title: _____

is hereby authorized and empowered to execute any and all contracts of whatever kind on behalf of the Corporation with Louisiana Tech University.

CERTIFICATE

I, _____ of

_____ do hereby certify that the foregoing resolution is a true and exact copy unanimously adopted by the Board of Directors of said corporation at a meeting thereof legally held on the _____ day of _____, 20____; that said resolution is duly entered into the records of said corporation; that it has not been rescinded or modified; and that it is now in full force and effect.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and the seal of said corporation this _____ day of _____, 20____.

Name: _____

Title: _____

Broadcasting Equipment

Name of Project

Bid Number:50012-581-25

Project No.

STATE OF _____

PARISH OF _____

ATTESTATIONS AFFIDAVIT

Before me, the undersigned notary public, duly commissioned and qualified in and for the parish and state aforesaid, personally came and appeared Affiant, who after being duly sworn, attested as follows:

LA. R.S. 38:2227 PAST CRIMINAL CONVICTIONS OF BIDDERS

A. No sole proprietor or individual partner, incorporator, director, manager, officer, organizer, or member who has a minimum of a ten percent (10%) ownership in the bidding entity named below has been convicted of, or has entered a plea of guilty or nolo contendere to any of the following state crimes or equivalent federal crimes:

(a) Public bribery (R.S. 14:118)

(c) Extortion (R.S. 14:66)

(b) Corrupt influencing (R.S. 14:120)

(d) Money laundering (R.S. 14:23)

B. Within the past five years from the project bid date, no sole proprietor or individual partner, incorporator, director, manager, officer, organizer, or member who has a minimum of a ten percent (10%) ownership in the bidding entity named below has been convicted of, or has entered a plea of guilty or nolo contendere to any of the following state crimes or equivalent federal crimes, during the solicitation or execution of a contract or bid awarded pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 10 of Title 38 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes:

(a) Theft (R.S. 14:67)

(f) Bank fraud (R.S. 14:71.1)

(b) Identity Theft (R.S. 14:67.16)

(g) Forgery (R.S. 14:72)

(c) Theft of a business record
(R.S.14:67.20)

(h) Contractors; misapplication of
payments (R.S. 14:202)

(d) False accounting (R.S. 14:70)

(i) Malfeasance in office (R.S. 14:134)

(e) Issuing worthless checks
(R.S. 14:71)

LA. R.S. 38:2212.10 Verification of Employees

A. At the time of bidding, Appearer is registered and participates in a status verification system to verify that all new hires in the state of Louisiana are legal citizens of the United States or are legal aliens.

B. If awarded the contract, Appearer shall continue, during the term of the contract, to utilize a status verification system to verify the legal status of all new employees in the state of Louisiana.

C. If awarded the contract, Appearer shall require all subcontractors to submit to it a sworn affidavit verifying compliance with Paragraphs (A) and (B) of this Subsection.

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LA. R.S. 23:1726(B) Certification Regarding Unpaid Workers Compensation Insurance

- A. R.S. 23:1726 prohibits any entity against whom an assessment under Part X of Chapter 11 of Title 23 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950 (Alternative Collection Procedures & Assessments) is in effect, and whose right to appeal that assessment is exhausted, from submitting a bid or proposal for or obtaining any contract pursuant to Chapter 10 of Title 38 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950 and Chapters 16 and 17 of Title 39 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950.
- B. By signing this bid /proposal, Affiant certifies that no such assessment is in effect against the bidding / proposing entity.

NAME OF BIDDER

NAME OF AUTHORIZED SIGNATORY OF BIDDER

DATE

TITLE OF AUTHORIZED SIGNATORY OF BIDDER

SIGNATURE OF AUTHORIZED
SIGNATORY OF BIDDER/AFFIANT

Sworn to and subscribed before me by Affiant on the ____ day of _____, 20__.

Notary Public

INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS FOR CONTRACTORS

The Contractor shall purchase and maintain for the duration of the contract insurance against claims for injuries to persons or damages to property which may arise from or in connection with the performance of the work hereunder by the Contractor, its agents, representatives, employees or subcontractors.

A. MINIMUM SCOPE AND LIMITS OF INSURANCE

Workers Compensation insurance shall be in compliance with the Workers Compensation law of the State of the Contractor's headquarters. Employers Liability is included with a minimum limit of \$1,000,000 per accident/per disease/per employee. If work is to be performed over water and involves maritime exposure, applicable LHWCA, Jones Act, or other maritime law coverage shall be included. A.M. Best's insurance company rating requirement may be waived for workers compensation coverage only.

Commercial General Liability insurance, including Personal and Advertising Injury Liability and Products and Completed Operations, shall have a minimum limit per occurrence of \$1,000,000 and a minimum general annual aggregate of \$2,000,000. The Insurance Services Office (ISO) Commercial General Liability occurrence coverage form CG 00 01 (current form approved for use in Louisiana), or equivalent, is to be used in the policy. Claims-made form is unacceptable.

Automobile Liability Insurance shall have a minimum combined single limit per accident of \$1,000,000. ISO form number CA 00 01 (current form approved for use in Louisiana), or equivalent, is to be used in the policy. This insurance shall include third-party bodily injury and property damage liability for owned, hired and non owned automobiles.

B. DEDUCTIBLES AND SELF INSURED RETENTIONS

Any deductibles or self-insured retentions must be declared to and accepted by the Agency. The Contractor shall be responsible for all deductibles and self-insured retentions.

C. OTHER INSURANCE PROVISIONS

The policies are to contain, or be endorsed to contain, the following provisions:

1. Commercial General Liability and Automobile Liability Coverages

The Agency, its officers, agents, employees and volunteers shall be named as an additional insured as regards negligence by the contractor. ISO Forms CG 20 10 (for ongoing work) AND CG 20 37 (for completed work) (current forms approved for use in Louisiana), or equivalents, are to be used when applicable. The coverage shall contain no special limitations on the scope of protection afforded to the Agency.

The Contractor's insurance shall be primary as respects the Agency, its officers, agents, employees and volunteers for any and all losses that occur under the contract. Any insurance or self-insurance maintained by the Agency shall be excess and non-contributory of the Contractor's insurance.

2. Workers Compensation and Employers Liability Coverage

To the fullest extent allowed by law, the insurer shall agree to waive all rights of subrogation against the Agency, its officers, agents, employees and volunteers for losses arising from work performed by the Contractor for the Agency.

3. All Coverages

All policies must be endorsed to require 30 days written notice of cancellation to the Agency. Ten-day written notice of cancellation is acceptable for non-payment of premium. Notifications shall comply with the standard cancellation provisions in the Contractor's policy. In addition, Contractor is required to notify Agency of policy cancellations or reductions in limits.

The acceptance of the completed work, payment, failure of the Agency to require proof of compliance, or Agency's acceptance of a non-compliant certificate of insurance shall not release the Contractor from the obligations of the insurance requirements or indemnification agreement.

The insurance companies issuing the policies shall have no recourse against the Agency for payment of premiums or for assessments under any form of the policies.

Any failure of the Contractor to comply with reporting provisions of the policy shall not affect coverage provided to the Agency, its officers, agents, employees and volunteers.

D. ACCEPTABILITY OF INSURERS

All required insurance shall be provided by a company or companies lawfully authorized to do business in the jurisdiction in which the Project is located. Insurance shall be placed with insurers with an A.M. Best's rating of A-:VI or higher. This rating requirement may be waived for workers compensation coverage only.

If at any time an insurer issuing any such policy does not meet the minimum A.M. Best rating, the Contractor shall obtain a policy with an insurer that meets the A.M. Best rating and shall submit another Certificate of Insurance within 30 days.

E. VERIFICATION OF COVERAGE

Contractor shall furnish the Agency with Certificates of Insurance reflecting proof of required coverage. The Certificates for each insurance policy are to be signed by a person authorized by that insurer to bind coverage on its behalf. The Certificates are to be received and approved by the Agency before work commences and upon any contract renewal or insurance policy renewal thereafter.

The Certificate Holder Shall be listed as follows:

State of Louisiana
Agency Name, Its Officers, Agents, Employees and Volunteers
Address, City, State, Zip
Project or Contract #:

In addition to the Certificates, Contractor shall submit the declarations page and the cancellation provision for each insurance policy. The Agency reserves the right to request complete certified copies of all required insurance policies at any time.

Upon failure of the Contractor to furnish, deliver and maintain required insurance, this contract, at the election of the Agency, may be suspended, discontinued or terminated. Failure of the Contractor to purchase and/or maintain any required insurance shall not relieve the Contractor from any liability or indemnification under the contract.

F. SUBCONTRACTORS

Contractor shall include all subcontractors as insureds under its policies OR shall be responsible for verifying and maintaining the Certificates provided by each subcontractor. Subcontractors shall be subject to all of the requirements stated herein. The Agency reserves the right to request copies of subcontractor's Certificates at any time.

G. WORKERS COMPENSATION INDEMNITY

In the event Contractor is not required to provide or elects not to provide workers compensation coverage, the parties hereby agree that Contractor, its owners, agents and employees will have no cause of action against, and will not assert a claim against, the State of Louisiana, its departments, agencies, agents and employees as an employer, whether pursuant to the Louisiana Workers Compensation Act or otherwise, under any circumstance. The parties also hereby agree that the State of Louisiana, its departments, agencies, agents and employees shall in no circumstance be, or considered as, the employer or statutory employer of Contractor, its owners, agents and employees. The parties further agree that Contractor is a wholly independent contractor and is exclusively responsible for its employees, owners, and agents. Contractor hereby agrees to protect, defend, indemnify and hold the State of Louisiana, its departments, agencies, agents and employees harmless from any such assertion or claim that may arise from the performance of this contract.

H. INDEMNIFICATION/HOLD HARMLESS AGREEMENT

Contractor agrees to protect, defend, indemnify, save, and hold harmless, the State of Louisiana, all State Departments, Agencies, Boards and Commissions, its officers, agents, servants, employees, and volunteers, from and against any and all claims, damages, expenses, and liability arising out of injury or death to any person or the damage, loss or destruction of any property which may occur, or in any way grow out of, any act or omission of Contractor, its agents, servants, and employees, or any and all costs, expenses and/or attorney fees incurred by Contractor as a result of any claims, demands, suits or causes of action, except those claims, demands, suits, or causes of action arising out of the negligence of the State of Louisiana, all State Departments, Agencies, Boards, Commissions, its officers, agents, servants, employees and volunteers.

Contractor agrees to investigate, handle, respond to, provide defense for and defend any such claims, demands, suits, or causes of action at its sole expense and agrees to bear all other costs and expenses related thereto, even if the claims, demands, suits, or causes of action are groundless, false or fraudulent. The State of Louisiana may, but is not required to, consult with the Contractor in the defense of claims, but this shall not affect the Contractor's responsibility for the handling of and expenses for all claims.

THIS IS A REQUEST FOR A SEALED BID INSTRUCTIONS TO BIDDERS

1. Read the entire bid, including all terms and conditions and specifications.
2. Louisiana Tech University is not liable for any cost incurred by the bidders prior to execution of a contract and the issuance of a purchase order. Any bidder who ships or otherwise expends time or money prior to award as defined does so at the bidder's own risk.
3. All bid prices must be typed or written in ink. Any corrections, erasures or other forms of alteration to unit prices should be initialed by the bidder. If the bidder needs to submit a change, question, exception, or modification to any aspect of the bid specifications, terms, conditions, or bidder instructions, must do so in written form submitted to the Louisiana Tech University Purchasing Office prior to the bid opening date. All responses and/or addenda will be officially submitted by the Louisiana Tech University Purchasing Office 72 business hours before the bid opening date. Business hours is defined as University operating hours while the University is open. Unless received as specified above, all bid information will remain unchanged.
4. This bid is to be manually signed in ink.
5. Bid prices shall include all delivery charges paid by the vendor, F.O.B. Destination, unless otherwise provided in the solicitation. Bids requiring deposits, "payment in advance" or "C.O.D" may be rejected. Payment is to be made within 30 days after receipt of properly executed invoice or delivery, whichever is later.
6. Amount of bid bond required: every bid submitted for in excess of fifty thousand dollars shall be accompanied by a bid bond guaranteed by a surety company qualified to do business in the state of Louisiana. The bid bond shall be for five percent of the official bid amount.
7. To assure consideration of your bid, all bids and addenda should be returned in an envelope or package clearly marked with the bid opening date and the bid number; or submitted in the special envelope, if furnished for that purpose.
8. Bids submitted are subject to provisions of the laws of the State of Louisiana including but not limited to L.R.S. 39:1551-1736; Purchasing rules and regulations; executive orders; standard terms and conditions; special conditions; and specifications listed in this solicitation.
9. Important: By signing the bid, the bidder certifies compliance with all instructions to bidders, terms conditions and specifications, and further certifies that this bid is made without collusion or fraud. This bid is to be manually signed in ink by a person authorized to bind the vendor (see no. 27). All bid information shall be in ink or typewritten.
10. Address all inquiries and correspondence to the Louisiana Tech University Office of Purchasing at the address and telephone number listed herein.
11. Bid forms: All written bids, unless otherwise provided for, must be submitted on, and in accordance with, forms provided, and properly signed (see no. 27). Bids submitted in the following manner will not be accepted:
 - A. Bid contains no signature indicating intent to be bound;
 - B. Bid sent by facsimile equipment;
 - C. Bid filled out in pencil; and
 - D. Bid not submitted on the designated bid forms.
12. Bids must be received at the address specified in the solicitation prior to bid opening time in order to be considered.
13. Standards of quality – Any product or service bid shall conform to all applicable federal, state, and local laws and regulations, and the specifications contained in the solicitation. If bidding other than the requested brand or product number (or style), enclose sufficient literature to determine compliance with specifications. Failure to comply with this request may eliminate your bid from consideration. Unless otherwise specified in the solicitation document, any manufacturer's name,

trade name, brand name, or catalog number used in the specification is for the purpose of describing the standard of quality, performance, and characteristics desired; and is not intended to limit or restrict competition. Bidder must specify the brand and model name of the product offered in the bid. Bids not specifying brand and model number shall be considered as offering the exact product specified in the solicitation. See bid document for full requirements.

14. New Products: Unless specifically called for in the solicitation documents, all products for purchase must be new, never previously used, and the current model and/or packaging. No remanufactured, demonstrator, used or irregular product will be considered for purchase unless otherwise specified in the solicitation documents. The manufacturer's standard warranty will apply unless otherwise stated in the solicitation.
15. Louisiana Tech University reserves the right to award items separately, grouped or on an all-or-none basis and to reject any or all bids and waive any informalities.
16. This agreement is non-exclusive and shall not in any way preclude Louisiana Tech University from entering into similar agreements and/or arrangements with other vendors or from acquiring similar, equal, or like goods and/or services from other entities or sources.
17. Bid opening: Bidders may attend the bid opening, but no information or opinions concerning the ultimate contract award will be given at the bid opening or during the evaluation process. Bids may be examined within 72 hours after bid opening. Information pertaining to completed files may be secured by visiting the Louisiana Tech University Purchasing Office during normal working hours. Written bid tabulations will not be furnished prior to 72 hours.
18. Prices: Unless otherwise specified by Louisiana Tech University in the solicitation, bid prices must be complete, including transportation prepaid by bidder to destination and firm for acceptance for a minimum of 30 days. If accepted, prices must be firm for the contractual period.
19. Taxes: Vendor is responsible for including all applicable taxes, fees, and tariffs in the bid price. Louisiana Tech University is exempt from all Louisiana state and local sales and use taxes. By accepting an award, resident and non-resident firms acknowledge their responsibility for the payment of all taxes duly assessed by the State of Louisiana and its political subdivisions for which they are liable, including but not limited to: franchise taxes, privilege taxes, sales taxes, use taxes, ad valorem taxes, etc.
20. Contract renewals: In the event that bid specifications include a renewal option, a term contract may be extended for two additional 12-month periods at the same prices, terms, and conditions upon mutual agreement of the State of Louisiana agency and the contractor. In such cases, the total contract term cannot exceed 36 months.
21. Contract cancellation: Louisiana Tech University has the right to cancel any contract, in accordance with purchasing rules and regulations, including but not limited to: (1) failure to deliver within the time specified in the contract; (2) failure of the product or service to meet specifications, conform to sample quality or to be delivered in good condition; (3) misrepresentation by the vendor; (4) fraud, collusion, conspiracy or other unlawful means of obtaining any contract with the University; (5) conflict of contract provisions with constitutional or statutory provisions of state or federal law; (6) any other breach of contract. Louisiana Tech University has the right to cancel any contract for convenience at any time by giving thirty (30) days written notice to the vendor. In such cases, the vendor shall be entitled to payment for complaint deliverables in progress.
22. Applicable law: All contracts shall be construed in accordance with and governed by the laws of the State of Louisiana.
23. In accordance with Executive Order Number JBE 2018-15, effective May 22, 2018, for any contract for \$100,000 or more and for any contractor with five or more employees, Contractor, or any Subcontractor, shall certify it is not engaging in a boycott of Israel, and shall, for the duration of this contract, refrain from a boycott of Israel. The State reserves the right to terminate this contract if the Contractor, or any Subcontractor, engages in a boycott of Israel during the term of the contract.

24. The bidder agrees to abide by the requirements of the following as applicable: Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended by the Equal Employment Opportunity Act of 1972, Federal Executive Order 11246 as amended, the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended, the Vietnam Era Veteran's Readjustment Assistance Act of 1974, Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, the Age Discrimination Act of 1975, the Fair Housing Act of 1968 as amended, and bidder agrees to abide by the requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990. Bidder agrees not to discriminate in its employment practices, and will render services under this contract without regard to race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, national origin, veteran status, political affiliation, disability, or age in any matter relating to employment. Any act of discrimination committed by bidder, or failure to comply with these statutory obligations when applicable shall be grounds for termination of any contract entered into as a result of this solicitation.
25. Special accommodation: Any "qualified individual with a disability" as defined by the Americans with Disabilities Act, who has submitted a bid and desires to attend the bid opening, must notify the Louisiana Tech University Office of Purchasing in writing not later than seven days prior to the bid opening date of their need for special accommodations. If the request cannot be reasonably provided, the individual will be informed prior to the bid opening.
26. Indemnity: Contractor agrees, upon receipt of written notice of a claim or action, to defend the claim or action, or take other appropriate measure, to indemnify, and hold harmless, the state, its officers, its agents and its employees from and against all claims and actions for bodily injury, death or property damages caused by the fault of the contractor, its officers, its agents, or its employees. Contractor is obligated to indemnify only to the extent of the fault of the contractor, its officers, its agents, or its employees. However, the contractor shall have no obligation as set forth above with respect to any claim or action from bodily injury, death or property damages arising out of the fault of the state, its officers, its agents or its employees.
27. Signature authority: Attention: R.S. 39:1594(c) (4) requires evidence of authority to sign and submit bids to the State of Louisiana. You must indicate which of the following apply to the signer of this bid.

Please circle one:

- 1) The signer of this bid is either a corporate officer who is listed on the most current annual report on file with the Secretary of State or a member of a partnership or partnership in commendam as reflected in the most current partnership records on file with the Secretary of State. A copy of the annual report or partnership must be submitted to this office before contract award.
 - 2) The signer of this bid is a representative of the bidder authorized to submit this bid as evidenced by documents such as Corporate Resolution, Certification as to Corporate Principal, etc. If this applies, a copy of the resolution, certification, or other supportive documents must be attached hereto.
 - 3) The bidder has filed with the Secretary of State an affidavit or resolution or other acknowledged/authentic document indicating that the signer is authorized to submit bids for public contracts. A copy of the applicable document must be submitted to this office before contract award.
28. In accordance with the provisions of R.S. 39:2182, in awarding contracts after August 15, 2010, any public entity is authorized to reject a proposal or bid form, or not award the contract to, a business in which any individual with an ownership interest of five percent or more, has been convicted of, or has entered a plea of guilty or nolo contendere to any state felony or equivalent federal felony crime committed in the solicitation or execution of a contract or bid awarded under the laws governing public contracts under the provisions of chapter 10 of Title 38 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950; professional, personal, consulting, and social services procurement under the provisions of Chapter 16 of Title 39, or the Louisiana Procurement Code under the provisions of Chapter 17 of Title 39.
 29. It is agreed that the Legislative Auditor of the State of Louisiana and/or the Office of the Governor, Division of Administration auditors shall have the option of auditing all accounts which relate to this contract.
 30. The continuation of this contract is contingent upon the appropriation of funds to fulfill the requirements of the contract by the legislature. If the legislature fails to appropriate sufficient monies to provide for the continuation of the contract, or if

such appropriation is reduced by the veto of the Governor or by any means provided in the Appropriations Act to prevent the total appropriation for the year from exceeding revenues for that year, or for any other lawful purpose, and the effect of such reduction is to provide insufficient monies for the continuation of the contract.

31. Whenever a public entity enters in to a contract in excess of five-thousand dollars (\$5,000) for the construction, alteration, or repair of any Public Works, the official representative of the public entity shall reduce the contract to writing and have it signed by the parties. When an emergency as provided in R.S. 38:2212(D) is deemed to exist for the construction, alteration, or repair of any Public Works and the contract for such emergency work is less than fifty-thousand dollars (\$50,000), there shall be no requirement to reduce the contract to writing (R.S. 38:2241).
32. For each contract in excess of twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000) per project, the public entity shall require of the contractor a bond with good, solvent, and sufficient surety in a sum of not less than fifty percent (50%) of the contract price for the payment by the contractor or subcontractor to claimants as defined in R.S. 38:2242. The bond furnished shall be a statutory bond and no modification, omissions, additions in or to the terms of the contract, in the plans or specifications, or in the manner and mode of payment shall in any manner diminish, enlarge, or otherwise modify the obligations of the bond. The bond shall be executed by the contractor with surety or sureties approved by the public entity and shall be recorded with the contract in the office of the recorder of mortgages in the parish where the work is to be done not later than thirty days after the work has begun.
33. For construction projects falling within classifications of 37:2150 the bidder must be fully qualified under any state or local licensing law for contractors in effect at the time and at the location of the work before submitting his bid. In the state of Louisiana, revised statutes 37:2150, et seq. Will be considered, if applicable. The contractor shall be responsible for determining that all of his sub-bidders or prospective subcontractors are duly licensed in accordance with law. On any bid in excess of fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000), the Contractor shall certify that he is licensed under R.S. 37:2150-2163 and show his license number on the bid. The bid envelope shall be identified on the outside with the Name of the Project, Bid Number, Bid Time, the Name of the Bidder and the License Number of the Bidder.
34. Prohibited Contractual Arrangements – Per Louisiana R.S. 42:1113.A, no public servant, or member of such a public servant's immediate family, or legal entity in which he has a controlling interest shall bid on or enter into any contract, subcontract, or other transaction that is under the supervision or jurisdiction of the agency of such public servant. See statute for complete law, exclusions, and provisions.

TO: Louisiana Veteran-Owned and Service-Connected Disabled Veteran-Owned Small Entrepreneurships

RE: Veteran Initiative – Act 167 of the 2009 Legislative Session

➤ **ARE YOU ELIGIBLE FOR PARTICIPATION?**

- Are you a veteran-owned small entrepreneurship or a service-connected disabled veteran-owned small entrepreneurship in accordance with documentation from the United States Department of Veteran Affairs or the Louisiana Department of Veteran Affairs?
- Are you a Louisiana domiciled business?
- Do you have less than fifty (50) full-time employees?
- Are your annual gross revenue receipts \$5,000,000 or less (for construction) or \$3,000,000 for (non-construction) for each of the previous three (3) tax years?

If your answers are yes, your company may be eligible for participation in the Louisiana Veteran-Owned and Service-Connected Disabled Veteran-Owned Small Entrepreneurship Program, also known as the Veteran Initiative.

➤ **WHAT IS THE VETERAN INITIATIVE?**

The Veteran Initiative, created by LRS 39:2171 through 2179 and LRS 51:931, provides additional opportunities for certified Louisiana-based small entrepreneurships to participate in contracting and procurement with the State. Key features of the programs are:

- This is a goal-oriented program
- It is race and gender neutral
- Participation is restricted to Louisiana-based certified veteran-owned and service-connected disabled veteran-owned small entrepreneurships

The rules governing the implementation of the program are located at <http://www.doa.louisiana.gov/osp/se/se.htm>.

➤ **WHY IS CERTIFICATION IMPORTANT?**

Certification is required for the participation in the Veteran Initiative. Under this program, you may be given increased opportunity to participate in Louisiana state contracts. Certain contracts may be awarded to your business without competition. And, certification is one of the methods that the State of Louisiana will utilize as a basis for benchmarking for annualized procurement and contracting goals.

➤ **WHAT AGENCY IS RESPONSIBLE FOR CERTIFICATION?**

The Louisiana Department of Economic Development (LED) is responsible for certifying Small Entrepreneurships for participation in the program. The (LED) Small Business Certification System may be accessed by <https://smallbiz.louisianaeconomicdevelopment.com/Account/Login>. For additional information regarding certification, please contact the LED at 800.450.8115 or 225.342.3000.

➤ **WHAT IS THE ROLE OF THE DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS?**

The Louisiana Department of Veterans Affairs is responsible for disseminating information on this program and other veterans' benefits to Louisiana veterans. Information on this program and other veterans' benefits can be accessed at www.vetaffairs.al.gov.

The State of Louisiana is committed to the success of this program and encourages your participation.