

# **REQUEST FOR BID**

# One (1) New Heavy-Duty Pickup Truck

Bid Number 2020-DC-03

# February 2020

CLAYTON COUNTY WATER AUTHORITY 1600 Battle Creek Road, Morrow, Georgia 30260

Bid Opening:

Tuesday, March 17, 2020 at 3:00 p.m. (local time) 1600 Battle Creek Road, Morrow, Georgia 30260

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### Division 1 Section 1: Request for Bids

February 2020

Clayton County Water Authority 1600 Battle Creek Road Morrow, Georgia 30260

# Name of Project: One (1) New Heavy-Duty Pickup Truck

The Clayton County Water Authority will open sealed bids from vendors at its offices located at 1600 Battle Creek Road, Morrow, Georgia 30260, on **Tuesday, March 17**, **2020 at 3:00 p.m. (local time)** for **One (1) New Heavy-Duty Pickup Truck.** Any bids received after the specified time will not be considered.

CCWA encourages participation of Small Local, Minority and Women-Owned businesses.

In an effort to promote responsible environmental practices the bid package is available in electronic (Adobe PDF) format and can be requested by calling **770-960-5223**, M-F, 8:00 am - 5:00 pm or by e-mail to **CCWA\_Procurement@ccwa.us**. Bidders will need to provide contact information and an email address and any file size transfer limits to ensure email transmittals can be made. A hardcopy bid package can also be requested at a cost of \$25.

Clayton County Water Authority

By: Robin Malone, Chairman

### General Overview

### Section 2: General Information

### 2.1 Bid Overview

This is an invitation to your firm to submit a sealed bid for supplying One (1) New Heavy-Duty Pickup Truck in accordance with the specifications outlined herein.

The bids shall be delivered or mailed to the Clayton County Water Authority (CCWA), located at 1600 Battle Creek Road, Morrow, Georgia, 30260, in a sealed envelope, on or before **Tuesday, March 17, 2020 at 3:00 p.m. (local time).** The envelope shall be marked "Sealed Bid" and carry the bid title, date, and time of bid opening (refer to General Instructions to Bidders). Any and all bids received after this date and time will be considered unresponsive.

### 2.2 Bid Evaluation

The bid will be awarded to the lowest responsive responsible bidder whose bid conforms to the RFB specifications and will be the most advantageous to the Clayton County Water Authority. Determination of best responsive responsible bidder will be the sole judgment of the CCWA.

### 2.3 Addendum

Bidders may ask questions regarding this bid prior to the bid opening. To be considered, all questions must be received in writing via email at CCWA\_Procurement@ccwa.us by **3:00 p.m. (local time) on Thursday, March 5, 2020.** Any and all responses to bidders' questions will be issued in the form of an Addendum by fax or email. All Addenda issued shall become part of the Bid Documents.

### Section 1: Instructions to Bidders

These instructions are to be followed by every entity bidding to provide the Clayton County Water Authority (CCWA) with goods and/or services. These instructions constitute an integral part of the bid, and any bidder agrees that tender of a bid constitutes acknowledgment and acceptance of its obligation to adhere to these instructions, which are to be incorporated into, and considered part of any contract the bidder ultimately executes with the CCWA.

- 1. If there is any question whatsoever regarding any portion of the specifications, it shall be the bidder's responsibility to seek clarification immediately from the CCWA, as early as possible, prior to the bid opening. All requests for interpretations of specifications must be made in writing as instructed in this document not later than five (5) business days prior to receipt of bids.
- 2. Any changes to this solicitation will be issued via a written addendum. Such addendum will be issued no later than 72 business hours prior to the bid opening. The CCWA will take reasonable steps to ensure that known perspective Bidders have all applicable addenda, however, it is ultimate responsibility of the Bidder to ensure they have all applicable addenda to the bid submission. An addendum may be issued via the CCWA website, email, fax or regular mail. The CCWA assumes no responsibility for the Bidder's failure to receive any addenda issued.
- 3. The Bidders must acknowledge any issued addenda. Bidders who fail to acknowledge the receipt of any addendum will result the rejection of the bid if the addendum contained information which substantively changed the CCWA's requirements. This determination will be at the sole discretion of CCWA. The CCWA assumes no responsibility for the Bidder's failure to acknowledge any addenda issued.
- 4. Unless it is otherwise stated in the bid documents, it shall be the responsibility of the bidder to inform itself as to all conditions of the work site and to make and take account thereof in calculating and submitting its bid. Documents may be made available by the CCWA during the bid process; no warranty of accuracy is made in regard to these documents, and it is the responsibility of the bidder to make its own investigations as to the nature of the work and the conditions under which it shall be performed, and to make its own independent assumptions as to these matters. The burden of anticipating unforeseen circumstances, either hidden or latent, and the conditions of the work site and all related circumstances, and the cost of accommodating therefore should unanticipated circumstances later be encountered shall rest upon the bidder.

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- 5. Pre-bid meeting or any other information session will be held at the location as indicated in the solicitation. Unless indicated otherwise, attendance is not mandatory; although vendors are strongly encouraged to attend. However, in the event the meeting is mandatory, then a representative of the vendor must attend the meeting in its entirety to be considered eligible for solicitation award. Late entry to the meeting will not be allowed.
- 6. In the event that, after the acceptance of a bid by the Board of Directors of the CCWA, any unsuccessful bidder wishes to contest such action, a written "Notice of Contest" must be filed with the General Manager no later than close of business on the 5th business day after the selection of successful bidder by the Board. Failure to timely file such notice shall forever preclude the filing of a contest of the award, or any civil action in the courts of the State of Georgia or of the United States.
- 7. Information submitted by the Bidder in the bid process shall be subject to disclosure after bid award in accordance with the Georgia Open Records Act. Proprietary information must be identified and be accompanied by a signed affidavit outlining the redacted information. Entire bids may not be deemed proprietary.
- 8. Bids must be made on the enclosed Bid Form. Unless otherwise requested, one (1) original and at least two (2) copies of the Bid Form need to be submitted, and these copies must be <u>typewritten or printed in ink.</u> All copies of any Bid Forms must be signed in ink by the person or persons authorized to sign the Bid Form. The person signing the Bid Form must initial any changes or corrections.
- 9. The name of the person, firm, or corporation making the bid must be printed in ink, along with the bidder's signature, on all separate sheets of the Bid Form. If a bid is made by an individual, his name and post office address must be shown. If made by a firm, or partnership, the name and the post office address of each member of the firm or partnership must be shown. If made by a Corporation, the person or persons signing the bid must show the name of the State under the laws of which the Corporation is chartered and his, or their authority for signing same. The names, titles and addresses of the President, Secretary and the Treasurer and the corporate authority for doing business in this state shall be listed and returned with the Bid Form.
- 10. All bids must be hand delivered, delivered by courier service, or mailed via the United States Postal Service. No facsimiles will be accepted. The person, firm, or corporation making the bid shall submit it in a sealed envelope on or before the

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date and time specified in the bid package. The envelope shall be marked "**Sealed Bid**" and carry the bid title, and date and time of opening as set forth in the bid package. The envelope shall also bear the name of the party making the bid and the party's address. Unless otherwise instructed, address bids to *Clayton County Water Authority, 1600 Battle Creek Road, Morrow, Georgia, 30260.* Even if a bid is not submitted, the Bid Form should be returned signed and with an explanation, otherwise the result will be deletion from the mailing list.

- 11. Alterations to the documents are strictly prohibited and shall result in automatic disqualification of the Bidder's bid. If there are "exceptions" to the specifications or comments to any of the solicitation requirements or other language, then the bidder may ask questions regarding those requirements or submit additional documentation as to the variation from the specifications but may not alter any of the language contained in the solicitation.
- 12. In the case of goods, the person, firm or corporation making the bid may bid all items. All items may be considered separately, at the discretion of the CCWA.
- 13. In the case of equipment, these must be new and the most current model available. Determination of best bid response relies in part on the number of required specifications met.
- 14. In the event that no bidders meet specifications, the CCWA reserves the right to either reject all bids, or choose whichever equipment is most advantageous to CCWA.
- 15. No person shall prevent or attempt to prevent competition in such bid. Such bidders must make an oath filed with the officer who makes payments under the contract that they have not prevented or attempted to prevent competition in the bid process. Such oath must be signed by: if a partnership, all partners and any officer or agent or other person who acted on the partnership's behalf during the bid process; if a corporation, all officers, agents, or other persons who acted for the corporation in the bid process.
- 16. Bids shall not be withdrawn or cancelled by the bidder past the bid opening date and time. The bidder may make modifications/corrections to the bid by submitting a corrected seal bid but only if the change is prior to the bid opening. The corrected document should be clearly marked that it supersedes the bid originally submitted. No modification or corrections will be allowed subsequent to the bid opening.

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- 17. By tendering a bid, a Bidder agrees to leave the bid open for acceptance by the CCWA for ninety (90) days after the date set for the opening thereof.
- 18. By tendering a bid, the bidder certifies that the bidder has carefully examined these instructions and the terms and specifications applicable to and made a part of the bid. The bidder further certifies that the prices shown in any schedule of items on which the bidder is proposing are in accordance with the conditions, terms and specifications of the bid, and that they are aware that any exception taken thereto may disqualify the bid. Bidders are required to inform themselves fully as to the availability of materials and the conditions relating to construction and labor under which any work will be or is now being performed. No error or misjudgment nor any lack of information on local conditions, general laws or regulations on the part of the bidder shall merit withdrawal of the bid.
- 19. Copies of all communication pertaining to bids must be sent to the Contracts, Compliance and Risk Management Section.
- 20. The purpose of this bid is to establish contract prices. Unit price extension and net total must be shown if applicable. Cash discounts should be indicated separately. The CCWA is exempt from federal or state sales taxes; do not include such amounts in the bid; however, any applicable sales taxes should be included in the unit prices for all materials to be provided by the successful Bidder.
- 21. Bidders are hereby notified and agree by submission of a Bid Form that if additional items not listed in the Bid Form become necessary and require unit prices not established by the Bid Form, the unit prices of such items shall be negotiated and shall be directly proportional to the established unit prices of similar items in the Bid Form.
- 22. All prices on goods shall be for delivery, our destination, f.o.b. freight prepaid Jonesboro, Georgia, and/or Morrow, Georgia, unless otherwise shown. Any deliveries shall be made as needed and requested throughout the contract period. The Bidder shall retain title for the risk of transportation, including filing for loss or damage. In case of critical need, if the successful bidder cannot deliver the goods upon CCWA's urgent demands, CCWA reserves the right to pick up the goods from the bidder at a discount,
- 23. Quantities when shown are estimates only, based on anticipated needs. The CCWA does not guarantee any minimum or maximum quantities under this bid/contract. The CCWA reserves the right to purchase more or less based on

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actual need at contract price. If a bidder intends to offer minimum or maximum shipment quantities, such intent and such quantities should be specified on the Bid Form. Otherwise, none will be assumed.

- 24. The time for completion of the work is stated in the Bid Form. Failure to complete the work within this period shall result in payment to the CCWA of liquidated damages in an amount provided for by contract for each calendar day in excess of the contract time.
- 25. The bidder must employ such methods and means in carrying out the work as will not cause any interruption of or interference with any other Contractor.
- 26. The successful bidder must comply with the applicable Risk Management Requirements prior to beginning performance, and during the contract period.
- 27. The Contract between the CCWA and the Contractor shall be executed on a form provided by CCWA, and will be subject to all requirements of the contract documents (which include but may not be limited to the Contract, these instructions, any Purchase Orders, and the Risk Management Requirements), and shall form a binding contract between the contracting parties.
- 28. Failure to execute the Contract, any required Surety Performance and Payment Bonds, or to furnish any required satisfactory proof of carriage of required insurance within ten (10) days from the date of notice of award of the Contract shall be just cause for the annulment of the award and for forfeiture of the bid guaranty to the CCWA, not as a penalty, but in liquidation of damages sustained. At the discretion of the CCWA, the award may then be made to the next lowest responsible vendor, or the work may be re-advertised or constructed by the CCWA.
- 29. Award of this bid shall be by action of the CCWA Board at its regular monthly meeting.
- 30. The CCWA reserves the right, with or without notice or cause, to accept any bid regardless of the cost thereof; to reject any bid, or any number of bids; to negotiate with any bidder for a reduction of or alterations in its bid; to reject all bids and to call for additional bids upon the same or different invitations to bid, plans or specifications; to be sole judge, in its discretion, on all questions as to whether or not a bid complies with the invitation to bid, the plans or the specifications, and as to the solvency and sufficiency of any and all sureties on all bonds.

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- 31. The apparent low bid for goods shall be considered to be the lowest aggregate total price of specified products at their unit prices times the estimated required quantities of these specified products. All bids should be tabulated, totaled and checked for accuracy. The unit price will prevail in case of error(s).
- 32. Bids received from two (2) or more vendors that are identical in price, delivery and meet the requirements of the bid specifications shall be awarded on the following basis:
  - a. The bid submitted by a vendor who does not have a documented negative vendor performance record.
  - b. The bid submitted by a vendor who is located within Clayton County.
  - c. The bid submitted by a vendor who is certified by our Small Local Business Enterprise Program.
  - d. If the tie bids meet all the above criteria, and it is not in CCWA's best interest (at its sole discretion) to split the award, the bid award is based on the toss of a coin by CCWA staff in a public session. The vendors involved will be invited to attend the coin toss at a stated date and time. One or more witnesses from both CCWA Procurement and the Requesting Department may be present. A simple coin toss (called by the vendor listed first in the alphabet) will break the tie and decide the award.
- 33. While price is the prime criteria, and the CCWA intends to purchase at the lowest responsible bid available, price shall not be the sole criteria utilized by the CCWA in evaluating the bid package submitted. The following criteria shall also be utilized by the CCWA in determining the lowest responsible bid:
  - a. Ability of bidder to perform in the time frame needed by the CCWA.
  - b. Reputation of the bidder in its industry.
  - c. Reasonableness of the bid in relation to anticipated costs.
  - d. Ongoing relationships with the CCWA based on above-average prior performance of work with CCWA.
  - e. Preference for local vendors where there is no significant variance in price or service.
- 34. Bidders are notified that CCWA reserves the right to include among the factors considered in awarding the contract the proximity of each bidder's place of business to any affected Authority facility. CCWA further reserves the right to

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award the contract to a bidder other than the bidder offering the lowest price where: (a) the difference in price between the low bidder and the preferred bidder is nominal; and (b) CCWA's Board determines that the preferred bid provides the most cost effective option due to the closer proximity of the preferred bidder's place of business to the affected Authority facility or facilities. In such a situation, by responding to this bid, the bidder waives any cause of action against CCWA for frustration of bid or under any similar legal theory; furthermore, the bidder agrees to pay all costs and expenses, including but not limited to, attorney fees, incurred by CCWA in defending against any such claim.

- 35. It is the policy of the Clayton County Water Authority (CCWA) to promote award of sub-agreements for goods and/or services to qualified minority and women-owned businesses. Bidders are encouraged to solicit minority and women-owned businesses whenever they are potential sources.
- 36. Bidders are encouraged to utilize the services and assistance of the U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA), and the office of the Department of Commerce Minority Business Development Agency (MBDA). These agencies can provide assistance in securing the names of qualified minority and women-owned businesses.

The Georgia Department of Transportation (DOT) has established a list of qualified Disadvantaged Business Enterprises. Information is available online under the tab for "Directories", link for "UCP Directory - Excel" at: <a href="http://www.dot.ga.gov/PS/Business/DBE">http://www.dot.ga.gov/PS/Business/DBE</a>.

The successful Bidder will be asked to provide, along with his Request for Payment each month a list of qualified MBE/WBE businesses utilized on this Project.

### GEORGIA SECURITY AND IMMIGRATION COMPLIANCE ACT OF 2006

37. Pursuant to the Georgia Security and Immigration Compliance Act of 2006, the successful Contractor understands and agrees that compliance with the requirements of O.C.G.A.13-10-91 and Georgia Department of Labor Rule 300-10-02 are conditions of this bid and contract document. The Contractor further agrees that such compliance shall be attested by the Contractor and any of his Subcontractors by execution of the appropriate Affidavit and Agreement included after the Agreement Form of these documents.

### Section 3: Bid Submittals

# **Bid Requirements**

### 3.1 Bid Submittal Requirements:

The following items are required to be included as part of the bid submittal. Failure to include any of these items may result in the bid being deemed non-responsive.

- A. Bid Form Division 2 Section 4.
- B. Bidder Qualification Information Form Division 2 Section 6.
- C. Non-Collusion Certificate Division 2, Section 7.
- D. General Requirements provided Division 3, Section 1.
- E. Copy of the manufacturer's warranty statements.
- F. Any other items as required in this RFB including but not limited to the items contained in the instructions to bidders.
- G. Bidder Completed W-9 Form.
- H. Bidder Completed Vendor Form.
- I. Addenda (if any issued).

### Division 2 Section 4: Bid Form

### **Bid Requirements**

Bid of	 	 	

(Hereinafter "Bidder"), organized and existing under the laws of the State of \_\_\_\_\_\_,

doing business as \_\_\_\_\_(insert "a corporation," "a partnership," or "an individual" or such other business entity designation as is applicable).

To the Clayton County Water Authority (hereinafter "Owner").

In compliance with the Request for Bids, Bidder hereby proposes to provide: **One (1) New Heavy-Duty Pickup Truck** in strict accordance with the bid documents as enumerated in the Request for Bids, within the time set forth therein, and at the prices stated below.

By submission of this bid, Bidder certifies, and in the case of joint bid each party thereto certifies as to the party's own organization that this bid has been arrived at independently, without consultation, communication, or agreement as to any matter relating to this bid with any other Bidder or with any competitor. Bidder also certifies compliance with the Instructions to Bidders.

In submitting this bid, Bidder certifies Bidder is qualified to do business in the state of Georgia as required by laws, rules, and regulations or, if allowed by statute, covenants to obtain such qualification prior to contract award.

Bidder accepts the terms and conditions of the Bid Documents.

ADDENDA: Bidder acknowledges receipt of the following Addenda:

Clayton County Water Authority One (1) New Heavy-Duty Pickup Truck

Division 2	Bid Requirements
Section 4: Bid Form	
EQUIPMENT MAKE AND MODEL:	
PRICE F.O.B. JONESBORO, GA:	\$
PAYMENT TERMS (Including discounts):	
ESTIMATED DELIVERY TIME (Days):	
Submitted by:	
COMPANY NAME OF BIDDER:	
By: (OFFICER NAME)	
SIGNATURE:	
TITLE:	
COMPANY ADDRESS:	
CITY, STATE, ZIP CODE:	
PHONE NUMBER:	
EMAIL ADDRESS:	
DATE:	

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Section 6: Bidder (	Qualification Inform	mation
COMPANY NAME O	F BIDDER:	
NUMBER OF YEARS	IN BUSINESS	
BUSINESS ADDRES	S OF COMPANY:	
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NAME OF PRINCIPA		y):

Section 7: Non-Collusion Certificate
STATE OF, COUNTY OF
Personally appeared before the undersigned officer duly authorized by law to administer oaths
who, after being first duly sworn, depose and say that they are all the officers, agents, persons or employees who have acted for or represented
in procuring the
Contract with the Clayton County Water Authority on the following Project: One (1) New
Heavy-Duty Pickup Truck, and that said

has not by (himself, themselves) or through any persons, officers, agents or employees prevented or attempted to prevent by any means whatsoever competition in such bidding; or by any means whatsoever prevented or endeavored to prevent anyone from making a proposal therefore, or induced or attempted to induce another to withdraw a bid for said work.

ATTEST:	By: Bidder	
By: Name	By: Name	
Title:	Title:	
Sworn to and subscribed before me this	day of	20
Notary Public:	My Commission expires:	

### END OF SECTION

**Specifications** 

**Section 1:** General Requirements – Indicate by checking the boxes under YES or NO whether your proposed equipment meets or does not meet CCWA's specification requirements. Include comments as needed.

SPECIFICATIONS		MEETS SPECS		COMMENTS	
		YES	NO	(If specifications are NOT met, enter your comments here)	
		-			
1	Truck shall be a new 2019 or current model 5500 4 x 4 Crew Cab.				
2	The towing capacity of the truck shall be at a minimum 28,500 lbs.				
3	The truck shall have a GVW rating of at least 19,500 Pounds.				
4	The engine shall be a 6.7 Liter I6 Cummins Turbo Diesel.				
5	The engine shall be PTO equipped.				
6	Transmission shall be an AISIN Heavy Duty 6-Speed Automatic.				
7	Truck shall have a Smart Exhaust Brake.				
8	Truck shall have Trailer Brake Control.				
9	Truck shall have rear Heavy Duty Stabilizer Bar.				
10	Truck shall have Power Take Off Prep.				
11	Truck shall be a 4x4 Crew Cab.				
12	Exterior color shall be bright white clear coat.				
13	Truck shall have Dual 730-Amp Maintenance Free batteries.				

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SPECIFICATIONS		MEETS SPECS		COMMENTS	
		YES	NO	(If specifications are NOT met, enter your comments here)	
14	Truck shall have Selective Catalytic Reduction.				
15	Truck shall have a Transfer Case Skid Plate Shield installed.				
16	Truck shall be equipped with a Rear Backup Alarm.				
17	Interior shall be black with Heavy Duty Vinyl 40/20/40 split bench seat.				
18	Truck shall be equipped with full size spare tire.				
19	Truck shall be equipped with Black Tubular Side Steps.				
20	Truck shall be equipped with front and rear rubber floor mats.				
21	Truck shall be equipped with 115V Auxiliary Power Outlet (400 W)				
22	Truck shall have Anti-Spin Differential Rear Axle.				
23	Truck shall have Instrumental Panel Mounted Auxiliary Switches.				
24	Truck shall be equipped with 7 Pin Wiring Harness.				
25	Truck must have air conditioning.				
26	Truck shall be equipped with a factory radio.				

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SPECIFICATIONS		MEETS SPECS		COMMENTS	
	SPECIFICATIONS		NO	(If specifications are NOT met, enter your comments here)	
27	Truck shall have keyless door entry.				
28	Tuck shall be equipped with dual stage driver and passenger seat-mounted Side airbags.				
29	Truck shall be equipped with dual stage driver and passenger front airbags.				
30	Truck shall be equipped with D.O.T approved front and rear emergency strobe lights (clear).				
31	Truck shall have two (2) factory Tow Hooks installed.				
32	Two (2) hard copies of the Owner Manuals as well as a Factory Service Manual will be provided at time of delivery. An electronic copy on a flash drive is also accepted.				
33	A copy of the manufacturer's warranty statements is to be provided with bid.				

SUBMITTED BY:

COMPANY NAME OF BIDDER

# ATTACHMENTS

► Go to www.irs.gov/FormW9 for instructions and the latest information.

	2 Business name/disregarded entity name, if different from above	
Je 3.		4 Exemptions (codes apply only to
on page		certain entities, not individuals; see instructions on page 3):
e. ns c		Exempt payee code (if any)
ctio	Limited liability company. Enter the tax classification (C=C corporation, S=S corporation, P=Partnership)	
rint or type. Instructions	LLC if the LLC is classified as a single-member LLC that is disregarded from the owner unless the owner of the LLC is	Exemption from FATCA reporting
า ม ม	another LLC that is <b>not</b> disregarded from the owner for U.S. federal tax purposes. Otherwise, a single-member LLC that is disregarded from the owner should check the appropriate box for the tax classification of its owner.	code (if any)
P Specific		(Applies to accounts maintained outside the U.S.)
	5 Address (number, street, and apt. or suite no.) See instructions. Requester's name and	d address (optional)
See		
	6 City, state, and ZIP code	
	7 List account number(s) here (optional)	
Par	Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN)	

Enter your TIN in the appropriate box. The TIN provided must match the name given on line 1 to avoid	Social security number		
backup withholding. For individuals, this is generally your social security number (SSN). However, for a			
resident alien, sole proprietor, or disregarded entity, see the instructions for Part I, later. For other			
entities, it is your employer identification number (EIN). If you do not have a number, see How to get a			
TIN, later.	or		
Note: If the account is in more than one name, see the instructions for line 1. Also see What Name and	Employer identification number		

*Number To Give the Requester* for guidelines on whose number to enter.

### Certification Part II

Under penalties of perjury, I certify that:

- 1. The number shown on this form is my correct taxpayer identification number (or I am waiting for a number to be issued to me); and
- 2. I am not subject to backup withholding because: (a) I am exempt from backup withholding, or (b) I have not been notified by the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) that I am subject to backup withholding as a result of a failure to report all interest or dividends, or (c) the IRS has notified me that I am no longer subject to backup withholding; and
- 3. I am a U.S. citizen or other U.S. person (defined below); and
- 4. The FATCA code(s) entered on this form (if any) indicating that I am exempt from FATCA reporting is correct.

Certification instructions. You must cross out item 2 above if you have been notified by the IRS that you are currently subject to backup withholding because you have failed to report all interest and dividends on your tax return. For real estate transactions, item 2 does not apply. For mortgage interest paid, acquisition or abandonment of secured property, cancellation of debt, contributions to an individual retirement arrangement (IRA), and generally, payments other than interest and dividends, you are not required to sign the certification, but you must provide your correct TIN. See the instructions for Part II, later.

Sign	Signature of	
Here	U.S. person >	

### **General Instructions**

Section references are to the Internal Revenue Code unless otherwise noted.

Future developments. For the latest information about developments related to Form W-9 and its instructions, such as legislation enacted after they were published, go to www.irs.gov/FormW9.

### **Purpose of Form**

An individual or entity (Form W-9 requester) who is required to file an information return with the IRS must obtain your correct taxpayer identification number (TIN) which may be your social security number (SSN), individual taxpayer identification number (ITIN), adoption taxpayer identification number (ATIN), or employer identification number (EIN), to report on an information return the amount paid to you, or other amount reportable on an information return. Examples of information returns include, but are not limited to, the following.

• Form 1099-INT (interest earned or paid)

- Form 1099-DIV (dividends, including those from stocks or mutual funds)
- Form 1099-MISC (various types of income, prizes, awards, or gross proceeds)
- Form 1099-B (stock or mutual fund sales and certain other transactions by brokers)
- Form 1099-S (proceeds from real estate transactions)

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- Form 1099-K (merchant card and third party network transactions)
- Form 1098 (home mortgage interest), 1098-E (student loan interest),
- 1098-T (tuition)
- Form 1099-C (canceled debt)
- Form 1099-A (acquisition or abandonment of secured property)
- Use Form W-9 only if you are a U.S. person (including a resident alien), to provide your correct TIN.

If you do not return Form W-9 to the requester with a TIN, you might be subject to backup withholding. See What is backup withholding, later.

By signing the filled-out form, you:

1. Certify that the TIN you are giving is correct (or you are waiting for a number to be issued),

2. Certify that you are not subject to backup withholding, or

3. Claim exemption from backup withholding if you are a U.S. exempt payee. If applicable, you are also certifying that as a U.S. person, your allocable share of any partnership income from a U.S. trade or business is not subject to the withholding tax on foreign partners' share of effectively connected income, and

4. Certify that FATCA code(s) entered on this form (if any) indicating that you are exempt from the FATCA reporting, is correct. See *What is FATCA reporting*, later, for further information.

**Note:** If you are a U.S. person and a requester gives you a form other than Form W-9 to request your TIN, you must use the requester's form if it is substantially similar to this Form W-9.

**Definition of a U.S. person.** For federal tax purposes, you are considered a U.S. person if you are:

• An individual who is a U.S. citizen or U.S. resident alien;

• A partnership, corporation, company, or association created or organized in the United States or under the laws of the United States;

An estate (other than a foreign estate); or

• A domestic trust (as defined in Regulations section 301.7701-7).

**Special rules for partnerships.** Partnerships that conduct a trade or business in the United States are generally required to pay a withholding tax under section 1446 on any foreign partners' share of effectively connected taxable income from such business. Further, in certain cases where a Form W-9 has not been received, the rules under section 1446 require a partnership to presume that a partner is a foreign person, and pay the section 1446 withholding tax. Therefore, if you are a U.S. person that is a partner in a partnership conducting a trade or business in the United States, provide Form W-9 to the partnership to establish your U.S. status and avoid section 1446 withholding on your share of partnership income.

In the cases below, the following person must give Form W-9 to the partnership for purposes of establishing its U.S. status and avoiding withholding on its allocable share of net income from the partnership conducting a trade or business in the United States.

 In the case of a disregarded entity with a U.S. owner, the U.S. owner of the disregarded entity and not the entity;

• In the case of a grantor trust with a U.S. grantor or other U.S. owner, generally, the U.S. grantor or other U.S. owner of the grantor trust and not the trust; and

• In the case of a U.S. trust (other than a grantor trust), the U.S. trust (other than a grantor trust) and not the beneficiaries of the trust.

**Foreign person.** If you are a foreign person or the U.S. branch of a foreign bank that has elected to be treated as a U.S. person, do not use Form W-9. Instead, use the appropriate Form W-8 or Form 8233 (see Pub. 515, Withholding of Tax on Nonresident Aliens and Foreign Entities).

Nonresident alien who becomes a resident alien. Generally, only a nonresident alien individual may use the terms of a tax treaty to reduce or eliminate U.S. tax on certain types of income. However, most tax treaties contain a provision known as a "saving clause." Exceptions specified in the saving clause may permit an exemption from tax to continue for certain types of income even after the payee has otherwise become a U.S. resident alien for tax purposes.

If you are a U.S. resident alien who is relying on an exception contained in the saving clause of a tax treaty to claim an exemption from U.S. tax on certain types of income, you must attach a statement to Form W-9 that specifies the following five items.

1. The treaty country. Generally, this must be the same treaty under which you claimed exemption from tax as a nonresident alien.

2. The treaty article addressing the income.

3. The article number (or location) in the tax treaty that contains the saving clause and its exceptions.

4. The type and amount of income that qualifies for the exemption from tax.

5. Sufficient facts to justify the exemption from tax under the terms of the treaty article.

**Example.** Article 20 of the U.S.-China income tax treaty allows an exemption from tax for scholarship income received by a Chinese student temporarily present in the United States. Under U.S. law, this student will become a resident alien for tax purposes if his or her stay in the United States exceeds 5 calendar years. However, paragraph 2 of the first Protocol to the U.S.-China treaty (dated April 30, 1984) allows the provisions of Article 20 to continue to apply even after the Chinese student becomes a resident alien of the United States. A Chinese student who qualifies for this exception (under paragraph 2 of the first protocol) and is relying on this exception to claim an exemption from tax on his or her scholarship or fellowship income would attach to Form W-9 a statement that includes the information described above to support that exemption.

If you are a nonresident alien or a foreign entity, give the requester the appropriate completed Form W-8 or Form 8233.

### **Backup Withholding**

What is backup withholding? Persons making certain payments to you must under certain conditions withhold and pay to the IRS 24% of such payments. This is called "backup withholding." Payments that may be subject to backup withholding include interest, tax-exempt interest, dividends, broker and barter exchange transactions, rents, royalties, nonemployee pay, payments made in settlement of payment card and third party network transactions, and certain payments from fishing boat operators. Real estate transactions are not subject to backup withholding.

You will not be subject to backup withholding on payments you receive if you give the requester your correct TIN, make the proper certifications, and report all your taxable interest and dividends on your tax return.

### Payments you receive will be subject to backup withholding if:

1. You do not furnish your TIN to the requester,

2. You do not certify your TIN when required (see the instructions for Part II for details),

3. The IRS tells the requester that you furnished an incorrect TIN,

4. The IRS tells you that you are subject to backup withholding because you did not report all your interest and dividends on your tax return (for reportable interest and dividends only), or

5. You do not certify to the requester that you are not subject to backup withholding under 4 above (for reportable interest and dividend accounts opened after 1983 only).

Certain payees and payments are exempt from backup withholding. See *Exempt payee code*, later, and the separate Instructions for the Requester of Form W-9 for more information.

Also see Special rules for partnerships, earlier.

### What is FATCA Reporting?

The Foreign Account Tax Compliance Act (FATCA) requires a participating foreign financial institution to report all United States account holders that are specified United States persons. Certain payees are exempt from FATCA reporting. See *Exemption from FATCA reporting code*, later, and the Instructions for the Requester of Form W-9 for more information.

### **Updating Your Information**

You must provide updated information to any person to whom you claimed to be an exempt payee if you are no longer an exempt payee and anticipate receiving reportable payments in the future from this person. For example, you may need to provide updated information if you are a C corporation that elects to be an S corporation, or if you no longer are tax exempt. In addition, you must furnish a new Form W-9 if the name or TIN changes for the account; for example, if the grantor of a grantor trust dies.

### **Penalties**

Failure to furnish TIN. If you fail to furnish your correct TIN to a requester, you are subject to a penalty of \$50 for each such failure unless your failure is due to reasonable cause and not to willful neglect.

**Civil penalty for false information with respect to withholding.** If you make a false statement with no reasonable basis that results in no backup withholding, you are subject to a \$500 penalty.

**Criminal penalty for falsifying information.** Willfully falsifying certifications or affirmations may subject you to criminal penalties including fines and/or imprisonment.

**Misuse of TINs.** If the requester discloses or uses TINs in violation of federal law, the requester may be subject to civil and criminal penalties.

# **Specific Instructions**

### Line 1

You must enter one of the following on this line; **do not** leave this line blank. The name should match the name on your tax return.

If this Form W-9 is for a joint account (other than an account maintained by a foreign financial institution (FFI)), list first, and then circle, the name of the person or entity whose number you entered in Part I of Form W-9. If you are providing Form W-9 to an FFI to document a joint account, each holder of the account that is a U.S. person must provide a Form W-9.

a. **Individual.** Generally, enter the name shown on your tax return. If you have changed your last name without informing the Social Security Administration (SSA) of the name change, enter your first name, the last name as shown on your social security card, and your new last name.

**Note: ITIN applicant:** Enter your individual name as it was entered on your Form W-7 application, line 1a. This should also be the same as the name you entered on the Form 1040/1040A/1040EZ you filed with your application.

b. **Sole proprietor or single-member LLC.** Enter your individual name as shown on your 1040/1040A/1040EZ on line 1. You may enter your business, trade, or "doing business as" (DBA) name on line 2.

c. Partnership, LLC that is not a single-member LLC, C corporation, or S corporation. Enter the entity's name as shown on the entity's tax return on line 1 and any business, trade, or DBA name on line 2.

d. **Other entities.** Enter your name as shown on required U.S. federal tax documents on line 1. This name should match the name shown on the charter or other legal document creating the entity. You may enter any business, trade, or DBA name on line 2.

e. **Disregarded entity.** For U.S. federal tax purposes, an entity that is disregarded as an entity separate from its owner is treated as a "disregarded entity." See Regulations section 301.7701-2(c)(2)(iii). Enter the owner's name on line 1. The name of the entity entered on line 1 should never be a disregarded entity. The name on line 1 should be the name shown on the income tax return on which the income should be reported. For example, if a foreign LLC that is treated as a disregarded entity for U.S. federal tax purposes has a single owner that is a U.S. person, the U.S. owner's name is required to be provided on line 1. If the direct owner of the entity is also a disregarded entity, enter the first owner that is not disregarded for federal tax purposes. Enter the disregarded entity's name on line 2, "Business name/disregarded entity name." If the owner of the disregarded entity is a foreign person, the owner must complete an appropriate Form W-8 instead of a Form W-9. This is the case even if the foreign person has a U.S. TIN.

### Line 2

If you have a business name, trade name, DBA name, or disregarded entity name, you may enter it on line 2.

### Line 3

Check the appropriate box on line 3 for the U.S. federal tax classification of the person whose name is entered on line 1. Check only one box on line 3.

IF the entity/person on line 1 is a(n)	THEN check the box for
Corporation	Corporation
<ul> <li>Individual</li> <li>Sole proprietorship, or</li> <li>Single-member limited liability company (LLC) owned by an individual and disregarded for U.S. federal tax purposes.</li> </ul>	Individual/sole proprietor or single- member LLC
<ul> <li>LLC treated as a partnership for U.S. federal tax purposes,</li> <li>LLC that has filed Form 8832 or 2553 to be taxed as a corporation, or</li> <li>LLC that is disregarded as an entity separate from its owner but the owner is another LLC that is not disregarded for U.S. federal tax purposes.</li> </ul>	Limited liability company and enter the appropriate tax classification. (P= Partnership; C= C corporation; or S= S corporation)
Partnership	Partnership
Trust/estate	Trust/estate

### Line 4, Exemptions

If you are exempt from backup withholding and/or FATCA reporting, enter in the appropriate space on line 4 any code(s) that may apply to you.

### Exempt payee code.

• Generally, individuals (including sole proprietors) are not exempt from backup withholding.

• Except as provided below, corporations are exempt from backup withholding for certain payments, including interest and dividends.

• Corporations are not exempt from backup withholding for payments made in settlement of payment card or third party network transactions.

• Corporations are not exempt from backup withholding with respect to attorneys' fees or gross proceeds paid to attorneys, and corporations that provide medical or health care services are not exempt with respect to payments reportable on Form 1099-MISC.

The following codes identify payees that are exempt from backup withholding. Enter the appropriate code in the space in line 4.

1 - An organization exempt from tax under section 501(a), any IRA, or a custodial account under section 403(b)(7) if the account satisfies the requirements of section 401(f)(2)

2-The United States or any of its agencies or instrumentalities

3-A state, the District of Columbia, a U.S. commonwealth or possession, or any of their political subdivisions or instrumentalities

4-A foreign government or any of its political subdivisions, agencies, or instrumentalities

### 5-A corporation

6—A dealer in securities or commodities required to register in the United States, the District of Columbia, or a U.S. commonwealth or possession

7-A futures commission merchant registered with the Commodity Futures Trading Commission

8-A real estate investment trust

9—An entity registered at all times during the tax year under the Investment Company Act of 1940

10-A common trust fund operated by a bank under section 584(a)

11-A financial institution

 $12-A \ \mbox{middleman}$  known in the investment community as a nominee or custodian

13—A trust exempt from tax under section 664 or described in section 4947

The following chart shows types of payments that may be exempt from backup withholding. The chart applies to the exempt payees listed above, 1 through 13.

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IF the payment is for	THEN the payment is exempt for
Interest and dividend payments	All exempt payees except for 7
Broker transactions	Exempt payees 1 through 4 and 6 through 11 and all C corporations. S corporations must not enter an exempt payee code because they are exempt only for sales of noncovered securities acquired prior to 2012.
Barter exchange transactions and patronage dividends	Exempt payees 1 through 4
Payments over \$600 required to be reported and direct sales over \$5,000 <sup>1</sup>	Generally, exempt payees 1 through 5 <sup>2</sup>
Payments made in settlement of payment card or third party network transactions	Exempt payees 1 through 4

<sup>1</sup> See Form 1099-MISC, Miscellaneous Income, and its instructions.

<sup>2</sup> However, the following payments made to a corporation and reportable on Form 1099-MISC are not exempt from backup withholding: medical and health care payments, attorneys' fees, gross proceeds paid to an attorney reportable under section 6045(f), and payments for services paid by a federal executive agency.

**Exemption from FATCA reporting code.** The following codes identify payees that are exempt from reporting under FATCA. These codes apply to persons submitting this form for accounts maintained outside of the United States by certain foreign financial institutions. Therefore, if you are only submitting this form for an account you hold in the United States, you may leave this field blank. Consult with the person requesting this form if you are uncertain if the financial institution is subject to these requirements. A requester may indicate that a code is not required by providing you with a Form W-9 with "Not Applicable" (or any similar indication) written or printed on the line for a FATCA exemption code.

A—An organization exempt from tax under section 501(a) or any individual retirement plan as defined in section 7701(a)(37)

B-The United States or any of its agencies or instrumentalities

C-A state, the District of Columbia, a U.S. commonwealth or possession, or any of their political subdivisions or instrumentalities

D-A corporation the stock of which is regularly traded on one or more established securities markets, as described in Regulations section 1.1472-1(c)(1)(i)

E—A corporation that is a member of the same expanded affiliated group as a corporation described in Regulations section 1.1472-1(c)(1)(i)

F-A dealer in securities, commodities, or derivative financial instruments (including notional principal contracts, futures, forwards, and options) that is registered as such under the laws of the United States or any state

G-A real estate investment trust

H-A regulated investment company as defined in section 851 or an entity registered at all times during the tax year under the Investment Company Act of 1940

I-A common trust fund as defined in section 584(a)

J—A bank as defined in section 581

K-A broker

L-A trust exempt from tax under section 664 or described in section 4947(a)(1)

M-A tax exempt trust under a section 403(b) plan or section 457(g) plan

**Note:** You may wish to consult with the financial institution requesting this form to determine whether the FATCA code and/or exempt payee code should be completed.

### Line 5

Enter your address (number, street, and apartment or suite number). This is where the requester of this Form W-9 will mail your information returns. If this address differs from the one the requester already has on file, write NEW at the top. If a new address is provided, there is still a chance the old address will be used until the payor changes your address in their records.

### Line 6

Enter your city, state, and ZIP code.

### Part I. Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN)

**Enter your TIN in the appropriate box.** If you are a resident alien and you do not have and are not eligible to get an SSN, your TIN is your IRS individual taxpayer identification number (ITIN). Enter it in the social security number box. If you do not have an ITIN, see *How to get a TIN* below.

If you are a sole proprietor and you have an EIN, you may enter either your SSN or EIN.

If you are a single-member LLC that is disregarded as an entity separate from its owner, enter the owner's SSN (or EIN, if the owner has one). Do not enter the disregarded entity's EIN. If the LLC is classified as a corporation or partnership, enter the entity's EIN.

**Note:** See *What Name and Number To Give the Requester,* later, for further clarification of name and TIN combinations.

**How to get a TIN.** If you do not have a TIN, apply for one immediately. To apply for an SSN, get Form SS-5, Application for a Social Security Card, from your local SSA office or get this form online at *www.SSA.gov.* You may also get this form by calling 1-800-772-1213. Use Form W-7, Application for IRS Individual Taxpayer Identification Number, to apply for an ITIN, or Form SS-4, Application for Employer Identification Number, to apply for an EIN. You can apply for an EIN online by accessing the IRS website at *www.irs.gov/Businesses* and clicking on Employer Identification Number (EIN) under Starting a Business. Go to *www.irs.gov/Forms* to view, download, or print Form W-7 and/or Form SS-4. Or, you can go to *www.irs.gov/OrderForms* to place an order and have Form W-7 and/or SS-4 mailed to you within 10 business days.

If you are asked to complete Form W-9 but do not have a TIN, apply for a TIN and write "Applied For" in the space for the TIN, sign and date the form, and give it to the requester. For interest and dividend payments, and certain payments made with respect to readily tradable instruments, generally you will have 60 days to get a TIN and give it to the requester before you are subject to backup withholding on payments. The 60-day rule does not apply to other types of payments. You will be subject to backup withholding on all such payments until you provide your TIN to the requester.

**Note:** Entering "Applied For" means that you have already applied for a TIN or that you intend to apply for one soon.

**Caution:** A disregarded U.S. entity that has a foreign owner must use the appropriate Form W-8.

### Part II. Certification

To establish to the withholding agent that you are a U.S. person, or resident alien, sign Form W-9. You may be requested to sign by the withholding agent even if item 1, 4, or 5 below indicates otherwise.

For a joint account, only the person whose TIN is shown in Part I should sign (when required). In the case of a disregarded entity, the person identified on line 1 must sign. Exempt payees, see *Exempt payee code*, earlier.

**Signature requirements.** Complete the certification as indicated in items 1 through 5 below.

1. Interest, dividend, and barter exchange accounts opened before 1984 and broker accounts considered active during 1983. You must give your correct TIN, but you do not have to sign the certification.

2. Interest, dividend, broker, and barter exchange accounts opened after 1983 and broker accounts considered inactive during 1983. You must sign the certification or backup withholding will apply. If you are subject to backup withholding and you are merely providing your correct TIN to the requester, you must cross out item 2 in the certification before signing the form.

**3. Real estate transactions.** You must sign the certification. You may cross out item 2 of the certification.

4. Other payments. You must give your correct TIN, but you do not have to sign the certification unless you have been notified that you have previously given an incorrect TIN. "Other payments" include payments made in the course of the requester's trade or business for rents, royalties, goods (other than bills for merchandise), medical and health care services (including payments to corporations), payments to a nonemployee for services, payments made in settlement of payment card and third party network transactions, payments to certain fishing boat crew members and fishermen, and gross proceeds paid to attorneys (including payments to corporations).

5. Mortgage interest paid by you, acquisition or abandonment of secured property, cancellation of debt, qualified tuition program payments (under section 529), ABLE accounts (under section 529A), IRA, Coverdell ESA, Archer MSA or HSA contributions or distributions, and pension distributions. You must give your correct TIN, but you do not have to sign the certification.

### What Name and Number To Give the Requester

For this type of account:	Give name and SSN of:
1. Individual	The individual
2. Two or more individuals (joint account) other than an account maintained by an FFI	The actual owner of the account or, if combined funds, the first individual on the account <sup>1</sup>
3. Two or more U.S. persons (joint account maintained by an FFI)	Each holder of the account
4. Custodial account of a minor (Uniform Gift to Minors Act)	The minor <sup>2</sup>
5. a. The usual revocable savings trust (grantor is also trustee)	The grantor-trustee <sup>1</sup>
b. So-called trust account that is not a legal or valid trust under state law	The actual owner <sup>1</sup>
6. Sole proprietorship or disregarded entity owned by an individual	The owner <sup>3</sup>
<ol> <li>Grantor trust filing under Optional Form 1099 Filing Method 1 (see Regulations section 1.671-4(b)(2)(i) (A))</li> </ol>	The grantor*
For this type of account:	Give name and EIN of:
8. Disregarded entity not owned by an individual	The owner
9. A valid trust, estate, or pension trust	Legal entity <sup>4</sup>
10. Corporation or LLC electing corporate status on Form 8832 or Form 2553	The corporation
11. Association, club, religious, charitable, educational, or other tax- exempt organization	The organization
12. Partnership or multi-member LLC	The partnership
13. A broker or registered nominee	The broker or nominee

For this type of account:	Give name and EIN of:
14. Account with the Department of Agriculture in the name of a public entity (such as a state or local government, school district, or prison) that receives agricultural program payments	The public entity
<ol> <li>Grantor trust filing under the Form 1041 Filing Method or the Optional Form 1099 Filing Method 2 (see Regulations section 1.671-4(b)(2)(i)(B))</li> </ol>	The trust

<sup>1</sup> List first and circle the name of the person whose number you furnish. If only one person on a joint account has an SSN, that person's number must be furnished.

<sup>2</sup> Circle the minor's name and furnish the minor's SSN.

<sup>3</sup> You must show your individual name and you may also enter your business or DBA name on the "Business name/disregarded entity" name line. You may use either your SSN or EIN (if you have one), but the IRS encourages you to use your SSN.

<sup>4</sup> List first and circle the name of the trust, estate, or pension trust. (Do not furnish the TIN of the personal representative or trustee unless the legal entity itself is not designated in the account title.) Also see *Special rules for partnerships*, earlier.

\*Note: The grantor also must provide a Form W-9 to trustee of trust.

**Note:** If no name is circled when more than one name is listed, the number will be considered to be that of the first name listed.

### Secure Your Tax Records From Identity Theft

Identity theft occurs when someone uses your personal information such as your name, SSN, or other identifying information, without your permission, to commit fraud or other crimes. An identity thief may use your SSN to get a job or may file a tax return using your SSN to receive a refund.

To reduce your risk:

- Protect your SSN,
- · Ensure your employer is protecting your SSN, and
- Be careful when choosing a tax preparer.

If your tax records are affected by identity theft and you receive a notice from the IRS, respond right away to the name and phone number printed on the IRS notice or letter.

If your tax records are not currently affected by identity theft but you think you are at risk due to a lost or stolen purse or wallet, questionable credit card activity or credit report, contact the IRS Identity Theft Hotline at 1-800-908-4490 or submit Form 14039.

For more information, see Pub. 5027, Identity Theft Information for Taxpayers.

Victims of identity theft who are experiencing economic harm or a systemic problem, or are seeking help in resolving tax problems that have not been resolved through normal channels, may be eligible for Taxpayer Advocate Service (TAS) assistance. You can reach TAS by calling the TAS toll-free case intake line at 1-877-777-4778 or TTY/TDD 1-800-829-4059.

**Protect yourself from suspicious emails or phishing schemes.** Phishing is the creation and use of email and websites designed to mimic legitimate business emails and websites. The most common act is sending an email to a user falsely claiming to be an established legitimate enterprise in an attempt to scam the user into surrendering private information that will be used for identity theft. The IRS does not initiate contacts with taxpayers via emails. Also, the IRS does not request personal detailed information through email or ask taxpayers for the PIN numbers, passwords, or similar secret access information for their credit card, bank, or other financial accounts.

If you receive an unsolicited email claiming to be from the IRS, forward this message to *phishing@irs.gov*. You may also report misuse of the IRS name, logo, or other IRS property to the Treasury Inspector General for Tax Administration (TIGTA) at 1-800-366-4484. You can forward suspicious emails to the Federal Trade Commission at *spam@uce.gov* or report them at *www.ftc.gov/complaint*. You can contact the FTC at *www.ftc.gov/idtheft* or 877-IDTHEFT (877-438-4338). If you have been the victim of identity theft, see *www.ldentityTheft.gov* and Pub. 5027.

Visit *www.irs.gov/IdentityTheft* to learn more about identity theft and how to reduce your risk.

### **Privacy Act Notice**

Section 6109 of the Internal Revenue Code requires you to provide your correct TIN to persons (including federal agencies) who are required to file information returns with the IRS to report interest, dividends, or certain other income paid to you; mortgage interest you paid; the acquisition or abandonment of secured property; the cancellation of debt; or contributions you made to an IRA, Archer MSA, or HSA. The person collecting this form uses the information on the form to file information returns with the IRS, reporting the above information. Routine uses of this information include giving it to the Department of Justice for civil and criminal litigation and to cities, states, the District of Columbia, and U.S. commonwealths and possessions for use in administering their laws. The information also may be disclosed to other countries under a treaty, to federal and state agencies to enforce civil and criminal laws, or to federal law enforcement and intelligence agencies to combat terrorism. You must provide your TIN whether or not you are required to file a tax return. Under section 3406, payers must generally withhold a percentage of taxable interest, dividend, and certain other payments to a payee who does not give a TIN to the payer. Certain penalties may also apply for providing false or fraudulent information.



# **COVER SHEET**

### FOR

### VENDOR INFORMATION FORM

The enclosed Vendor Information Form is used by the Clayton County Water Authority (CCWA) for adding vendors to its financial database system that are awarded procurement or service work. This form has two parts. **Part 1** is designed to obtain general company information. Completion of this part is required to successfully add the vendors to CCWA's financial database system. Part 2 is intended for information gathering purposes only. While information requested on Part 2 is optional to the vendors, it will help the CCWA obtain business ownership classification description from its vendors.

**Product(s) / Service(s) Provided:** Select a NIGP code from the drop-down menu. If the code is unknown, you can search it by clicking the link provided on the form. Go to page 5. At the same time, press CTRL-F. This will open a small FIND box on your screen. In the box, type the key word that best describes your goods or services and click NEXT until you find the best fit. Write down the 5 digit code number and go to the drop-down menu of this Form to select the code.

For the purposes of executing this document, the following definitions apply:

- Small Local Business Enterprise (SLBE) is one that is at least 51% owned by one or more of the applicant individuals identified and a citizen or lawfully admitted permanent resident of the United States. Independently owned and operated with average annual gross receipts for the previous three years not exceeding (1) Construction Firms- \$18,250,000 (2) Professional Services Firms - \$5,500,000, Architectural Firms - \$3,750,000, Engineering Firms- \$7,500,000 and Goods & Services - less than 250 employees. Locally based, meaning located and operating in Clayton County or the ten (10) counties of Cherokee, Cobb, DeKalb, Douglas, Fayette, Fulton, Gwinnett, Henry, Rockdale and Spalding for at least one year prior to submitting application for certification.
- > A Woman Business Enterprise (WBE) is one that is at least 51% owned by a Female, who also controls and operates the business, and is a permanent resident of the State of Georgia. The business must have a permanent, functioning office within the State of Georgia and must be lawfully licensed within the relevant jurisdiction.
- $\blacktriangleright$  A Minority Business Enterprise (MBE) is one that is at least 51% owned by one of the minority groups identified below, who also control and operate the business, and are permanent residents of the State of Georgia. The business must have a permanent, functioning office within the State of Georgia and must be lawfully licensed within the relevant jurisdiction.

### **Minority Groups:**

Hispanic American

African American

- Native American
- Asian American

- Pacific Islander  $\geq$
- > A Disabled Citizen Enterprise (DCE) of the US refers to a business that is at least 51% owned by one or more disabled US citizens, who also control and operate the business, and are permanent residents of the State of Georgia. The business must have a permanent, functioning office within the State of Georgia, and must be lawfully licensed within the relevant jurisdiction.

### Vendor Information Forms should be submitted to the Procurement Department.

For questions related to the verification of certifications, please email ccwa\_slbe\_program@ccwa.us

# **VENDOR INFORMATION FORM**

	PART 1			
Vendor Name:				
Phone Number:	Fax #:			
E-Mail Address:				
Mailing Address:				
Pay to Address:				
Same as above				
ACH is a way to move money between banks electronically. If you are interested in ACH payments, please complete all of the information below, and attach a copy of a voided check confirming your account information:				
Bank Name:				
Routing No.:	Account No.:			
Account Name:				
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-	Fax Identification Number (TIN):			
Payment Terms:	NET 30 DAYS Cher:			
	VICES PROVIDED: GP Code(s)			
	For help finding NIGP Codes, click here: <u>NIGP Code Listing</u>			
R	equired: A signed W-9 form must be submitted with this form.			
	<u>PART 2</u>			
<u>(For informat</u>	ion gathering purposes only. You are not required to complete PART 2).			
COMPANY'S (	OWNERSHIP CLASSIFICATION - See Cover Sheet for additional information.			
<u>To partipate in</u>	the Small Local Business Program, please complete the following section:			
<b>SLBE</b> Are yo	u certified? 🗌 Yes 🔲 No Certifying Agency			
<b>County of Primar</b>	y Business Located:			
If you are certified as one of the following classifications, please check the appropriate box: WBE MBE * DCE				
* IF <b>MBE</b> , PLEAS CHOOSE ONE ONL				
If <b>"Publicly Owned Company"</b> has been chosen, no other designation (Hispanic American, African American, Etc.) may be chosen. This option will serve as your company's classification.				

<u>Vendor Information Forms should be submitted to ccwa\_slbe\_program@ccwa.us.</u> If your company's ownership is certified as SLBE, WBE, MBE, or DCE with the State of Georgia (GDOT) Certification Program, Clayton County, DeKalb County or with the City of Atlanta, please submit a copy of your business certification (including your phone, fax, and email address) to: ccwa\_slbe\_program@ccwa.us Certification from any other entity is not needed at this time.