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Description: Encelium Software Support

SUBMIT YOUR OFFER ON-LINE AT THE FOLLOWING URL (preferred): [Vendor Registry](#)

SUBMIT OFFER BY (Opening Date/Time): 10/10/2023 / 2:00 p.m. (EST)

ALL QUOTES MUST INCLUDE FREIGHT/SHIPPING. FOB Destination, Freight Prepaid and included:
Horry County School Facilities Department, 1160 E. HWY 501, Conway, SC 29526

Please quote your lowest delivered price of the below listed items. The Procurement Office reserves the right to reject any or all quotes and to waive any or all technicalities.

1. If an item cannot be furnished, indicate by **NO QUOTE**
2. All quotes must be signed by the Offeror's representative and terms noted, failure to comply with this instruction may result in disqualification of the quote.
3. No South Carolina sales tax will be paid on freight or labor.
4. Do not include any sales or use taxes in your price that the District may be required to pay.
5. The attached *Terms and Conditions* apply to all quotes and supersedes Vendor's Terms and Conditions.
6. Offers may be submitted to the Procurement Specialist via [Vendor Registry](#), fax to (843)488-6945 or email mjackson@horrycountyschools.net

BIDDING SCHEDULE

Item	Quantity	Unit of Measure	TOTAL PRICE	
1	1	Each	\$	
Item Description: Provide Software Support for Encelium Lighting System at six locations.				
Question		Mandatory/Optional	Multiple Responses Accepted?	Response
Are you requesting the SC Resident Vendor preference? See the SC procurement code, section 11-35-1524(c)(1)(i)&(ii) and section II.B of this solicitation for more information. For a FAQ on these preferences, please see www.procurement.sc.gov/preferences		Optional	No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
SC/US End-Product pref. Section 11-35-1524 and section II.B & VII.B of this solicitation. Select SC End Product preference if product is made, manufactured or grown in SC. Select US End Product if product is made, manufactured or grown in the US. Select "No", if not claiming a preference.		Optional	No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes, I am claiming SC End Product Preference <input type="checkbox"/> Yes, I am claiming US End Product Preference <input type="checkbox"/> No, I am not Claiming Either Preference

INFORMATION FOR OFFERORS TO SUBMIT

By signing this quote, offeror certifies under penalties of perjury that they have complied with section 12-54-120(B) of the S.C. code of Laws 1976 as amended pertaining to payment of taxes.

Authorized Signature: _____ Printed Name: _____ Date: _____

Company Name: _____ Federal Taxpayer ID /SSN: _____

Phone Number: _____ Fax Number: _____ Email Address: _____

Mailing Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

SC Minority Certification Number (if applicable) _____

Vendor's Best Delivery/Completion Date _____ Days ARO Vendor's Discount Terms: _____% _____Days
(after receipt of purchase order)

Do you collect SC Sales Tax? Yes No SC Tax Registration # (if applicable) _____

ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF AMENDMENTS Offeror acknowledges receipt of amendments by indicating amendment number and its date of issue. See "Amendments to Solicitation" Provision	Amend #	Amend. Issue Date	Amend. #	Amend. Issue Date

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PREFERENCES - ADDRESS AND PHONE OF IN-STATE OFFICE: Please provide the address and phone number for your in-state office in the space provided below. An in-state office is necessary to claim either the Resident Vendor Preference (11-35-1524(C)(1)(i)&(ii)) or the Resident Contractor Preference (11-35-1524(C)(1)(iii)). Accordingly, you must provide this information to qualify for the preference. An in-state office is not required, but can be beneficial, if you are claiming the Resident Subcontractor Preference (11-35-1524(D)).

(check only one)

_____ In-State Office Address same as Home Office Address: _____

_____ In-State Office Address same as Notice Address: _____

ACQUIRE SERVICES & SUPPLIES / EQUIPMENT: The purpose of this solicitation is to acquire services and supplies or equipment complying with the enclosed description and/or specifications and conditions.

BID BRAND NAME OR EQUAL: (Note: As used in this clause, the term "brand name" includes identification of products by make and model.)

(a) If items called for by this solicitation have been identified in the schedule by a "brand name or equal" description, such identification is intended to be descriptive, but not restrictive, and is to indicate the quality and characteristics of products that will be satisfactory. Bids offering "equal" products (including products of the brand name manufacturer other than the

one described by brand name) will be considered for award if such products are clearly identified in the bid and are determined by the District to meet fully the salient characteristics requirements listed in the solicitation.

(b) Unless the bidder clearly indicates in the bid that the bidder is offering an "equal" product, the bid shall be considered as offering the brand name product referenced in the solicitation.

(c)(1) If the bidder proposes to furnish an "equal" product, the brand name, if any, of the product to be furnished shall be inserted in the space provided in the solicitation, or such product shall be otherwise clearly identified in the bid. The evaluation of bids and the determination as to equality of the product offered shall be the responsibility of the District and will be based on information furnished by the bidder or identified in his/her bid as well as other information reasonably available to the procurement officer. CAUTION TO BIDDERS. The procurement officer is not responsible for locating or securing any information that is not identified in the bid and reasonably available to the procurement officer. Accordingly, to insure that sufficient information is available, the bidder must furnish as a part of his/her bid all descriptive material (such as cuts, illustrations, drawings or other information) necessary for the procurement officer to:

- (i) Determine whether the product offered meets the salient characteristics requirement of the solicitation, and
- (ii) Establish exactly what the bidder proposes to furnish and what the District would be binding itself to purchase by making an award. The information furnished may include specific references to information previously furnished or to information otherwise available to the procurement officer.

(2) If the bidder proposes to modify a product so as to make it conform to the requirements of the solicitation, he/she shall:

- (i) Include in his/her bid a clear description of such proposed modifications, and
- (ii) Clearly mark any descriptive material to show the proposed modifications.

(3) Modifications proposed after bid opening to make a product conform to a brand name product referenced in the solicitation will not be considered

SCOPE OF WORK/SPECIFICATIONS:

Service and Support for the Encelium Lighting Control System

Software system: Encelium X
 Utilizing Polaris Monitor V. 5.3.3.21 (SSU v. 5.3.3.65) or higher
 6 locations

	Total Nodes	3 scene	2 scene	5 scene	Other wall station	Occupancy Sensors	Photosensors	Luminaires
Location 1	231	2	2	8	1	1	0	217
Location 2	1003	90	35			305	59	514
Location 3	721	76	94			214	49	364
Location 4	904	69	29			289	48	469
Location 5	1042	94	29		2	320	65	541
Location 6	1042	94	29		2	320	65	541
Total	4943	425	218	8	5	1449	286	2646

Provide software and hardware support including:

- Priority level telephone support, with maximum 4-hour response time during business hours
- Software updates & upgrades included.
- Factory-trained service technicians
- Contract support hours to include customized training and troubleshooting including remote system diagnostic inspection, system configuration modifications, general system management, identifying and defining any system problems and providing solutions.
- 2 on-site system visits including all travel costs. Visits include testing, adjustments, repairs, training, system optimization and troubleshooting, as requested. Visits to be scheduled within 14 days of request.
- On-site support technicians to system components which are accessible such as; boards, switches, and other low voltage components that make up the Encelium Lighting Control System.
- The agreement will cover 12 months.

DELIVERY TIME – SPECIFIED: Delivery and installation shall be scheduled between 7:30 am and 4:30 pm. All testing involving the fire alarm or transfer to generator power would need to be done after school hours.

DELIVERY / PERFORMANCE LOCATION - SPECIFIED: After award, all deliveries shall be made and all services provided to the following address, unless otherwise specified:

Horry County Schools District Office
335 Four Mile Rd.
Conway, S.C. 29526

GENERAL CONDITIONS

DEFAULT: In case of default by the Contractor, Horry County Schools reserves the right to purchase any or all items in default in the open market, charging the Contractor with any additional costs. The defaulting Contractor shall not be considered a responsible Contractor until the assessed charge has been satisfied.

All amendments to and interpretation of this RFQ shall be in writing. The procurement officer shall not be legally bound by any amendment or interpretation that is not in writing.

Any contract entered into by Horry County Schools resulting from this quotation shall be subject to cancellation at the end of any fiscal or appropriated year unless otherwise provided by law.

Payment will be made in accordance with Section 11-35-45 of the South Carolina Consolidated Procurement Code and Disbursement Regulations. Delay in receiving invoices, as well as errors and omissions on the invoices, will be considered just cause for withholding payment without losing discount privileges. The District reserves the right to withhold payment or make such deductions as may be necessary to protect the District from loss or damage because of defective work, claims, damages or to pay for repair of correction of materials furnished hereunder.

Quoted prices must remain firm for a period of thirty (30) days beyond the Request for Quote deadline.

Unit prices will govern over extended prices unless otherwise stated.

Horry County Schools shall not consider payment discounts in the award of this contract when such discounts are for thirty (30) days or more after final inspection and acceptance of contract requirements. Payment discounts for less than thirty days are encouraged but shall not be a factor in award determination. Please state your discount terms using the above referenced information as the District's position on the matter.

All materials and products offered must be guaranteed to meet and comply with the requirements all the specifications, terms and conditions indicated or referred to.

The award will be made in accordance with Section 11-35-1550 (b) of the South Carolina Consolidated Procurement Code.

The District reserves the right to reject any and all quotations and to cancel the solicitation; waive any and all technicalities; the District reserves the right to reject any quotation in which the delivery time indicated to be of substantial length to cause disruption and/or delay in operation for which the item(s) is/are intended; ambiguous quotations which are uncertain as to terms, delivery, quantity or compliance with specifications may be rejected.

The contractor assumes sole responsibility and shall hold harmless Horry County Schools, its Board of Education, employees and agents from and against any and all claims, actions or liabilities of any nature which may be asserted against them by third parties in connection with the performance of the successful Contractor, its Board, employees and agents under this agreement. Horry County Schools agrees to accept responsibility for claims, actions or liabilities resulting from negligent acts of its employees occurring within the scope of their employment which may be asserted against them by third parties in connection with the performance of Horry County Schools, its Board, employees and agents under this agreement.

Contractor agrees not to refer to award of this contract in commercial advertising in such a manner to state or imply that the products or service provided are endorsed or preferred by the user.

Upon award of a contract under this quotation, the person, partnership, association or corporation to whom the award is made must comply with the laws of South Carolina that require such person or entity to be authorized and/or licensed to do business in this State. Notwithstanding the fact that applicable statutes may be exempt or exclude the successful Contractor from requirements that it be authorized and/or licensed to do business in this State, by submission of this signed quote, the Contractor agrees to subject itself to the jurisdiction and process of the courts of the State of South Carolina as to all matters and disputes arising or to arise under the contract and the performance thereof, including any questions as to the liability for taxes, licenses or fees levied by the State.

AWARD CRITERIA – BIDS: Award will be made to the lowest responsible and responsive bidder(s).

AWARD BY ITEM OR LOT (JAN 2006): Award will be made by individual items and/or complete lot(s). [06-6010-1]

AWARD TO ONE OFFEROR: Award will be made to one Offeror.

DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION OF OFFER: Any offer received after the Procurement Officer of the governmental body or his designee has declared that the time set for opening has arrived, shall be rejected unless the offer has been delivered to the designated purchasing office or the governmental body's mail room which services that purchasing office prior to the opening.

ON-LINE BIDDING INSTRUCTIONS: (a) Mandatory Registration. You must register before you can submit an offer online! See clause entitled "VENDOR REGISTRATION MANDATORY." (b) Steps for On-Line Bidding 1. The link provided on the solicitation's Cover Page will take you to our web based on-line bidding system, where you will enter and/or upload your offer. 2. Once registered and signed into the system, choose the solicitation you wish to submit an offer. The system will provide the necessary steps to obtain the required information from you. 3. Only offers with an email status of "Vendor Bid File Submittal" have been received by the District. Offers with a status of "saved" have not been received. If you have trouble entering your offer, call the Vendor Registry at 844-802-9202 or cservice@vendorregistry.com. The Procurement Office is not able to assist you in entering your offer. It is STRONGLY recommended that you enter your bid online well before the bid opening date and time.

OPEN TRADE REPRESENTATION: By submitting an Offer, Offeror represents that Offeror is not currently engaged in the boycott of a person or an entity based in or doing business with a jurisdiction with whom South Carolina can enjoy open trade, as defined in SC Code Section 11-35-5300.

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PREFERENCES - SC/US END-PRODUCT (SEP 2009): Section 11-35-1524 provides a preference to vendors offering South Carolina end-products or US end-products, if those products are made, manufactured, or grown in SC or the US, respectively. An end-product is the tangible project identified for acquisition in this solicitation, including all component parts in final form and ready for the use intended. The terms "made," "manufactured," and "grown" are defined by Section 11-35-1524(A). By signing your offer and checking the appropriate space(s) provided and identified on the bid schedule, you certify that the end-product(s) is either made, manufactured or grown in South Carolina, or other states of the United States, as applicable. Preference will be applied as required by law. Post award substitutions are prohibited. See "Substitutions Prohibited - End Product Preferences (Sep 2009)" provision. [02-2B112-1]

PREFERENCES - RESIDENT CONTRACTOR PREFERENCE (SEP 2009): To qualify for the RCP, you must maintain an office in this state. An office is a nonmobile place for the regular transaction of business or performance of a particular service which has been operated as such by the bidder for at least one year before the bid opening and during that year the place has been staffed for at least fifty weeks by at least two employees for at least thirty-five hours a week each. In addition, you must, at the time you submit your bid, directly employ, or have a documented commitment with, individuals domiciled in South Carolina that will perform services expressly required by the solicitation and your total direct labor cost for those individuals to provide those services must exceed fifty percent of your total bid price. [11-35-1524(C)(1)(iii)] Upon request by the procurement officer, you must identify the persons domiciled in South Carolina that will perform the services involved in the procurement upon which you rely in qualifying for the preference, the services those individuals are to perform, and documentation of your labor cost for each person identified. If requested, your failure to provide this information promptly will be grounds to deny the preference (and, potentially, for other enforcement action). [02-2B113A-1]

PREFERENCES - RESIDENT SUBCONTRACTOR PREFERENCE (SEP 2009): To qualify for this preference, You must meet the following requirements. (1) You must --at the time you submit your bid -- have a documented commitment from a single proposed first tier subcontractor to perform some portion of the services expressly required by the solicitation. (2) The subcontractor -- at the time you submit your bid -- must directly employ, or have a documented commitment with, individuals domiciled in South Carolina that will perform services expressly required by the solicitation and the total direct labor cost to the subcontractor for those individuals to provide those services exceeds, as applicable, either twenty percent for a 2% preference or forty percent of bidder's total bid price for a 4% preference. (3) You must identify the subcontractor that will perform the work, the work the subcontractor is to perform, and your factual basis for concluding that the subcontractor's work constitutes the required percentage of the work to be performed in the procurement. [11-35-1524(D)] You can stack this preference, i.e., earn another 2% or 4% preference for each additional qualifying subcontractor, but the preference is capped. [11-35-1524(D)(4), (E)(7)] Upon request by the procurement officer, you must identify the persons domiciled in South Carolina that are to perform the services involved in the procurement upon which you rely in qualifying for the preference, the services those individuals are to perform,

the employer of those persons, your relationship with the employer, and documentation of the subcontractor's labor cost for each person identified. If requested, your failure to provide this information promptly will be grounds to deny the preference (and, potentially, for other enforcement action). YOU WILL NOT RECEIVE THE PREFERENCE UNLESS YOU SPECIFY WHETHER YOU ARE CLAIMING THE 2% OR 4% PREFERENCE AND YOU PROVIDE THE INFORMATION REQUIRED BY ITEM (3) ABOVE. [02-2B113B-1]

PREFERENCES - RESIDENT VENDOR PREFERENCE (SEP 2009): To qualify for the RVP, you must maintain an office in this state. An office is a nonmobile place for the regular transaction of business or performance of a particular service which has been operated as such by the bidder for at least one year before the bid opening and during that year the place has been staffed for at least fifty weeks by at least two employees for at least thirty five hours a week each. In addition, you must either: (1) maintain at a location in South Carolina at the time of the bid an inventory of expendable items which are representative of the general type of commodities for which the award will be made and which have a minimum total value, based on the bid price, equal to the lesser of fifty thousand dollars [\$50,000] or the annual amount of the contract; or (2) be a manufacturer headquartered and having an annual payroll of at least one million dollars in South Carolina and the end product being sold is either made or processed from raw materials into a finished end product by that manufacturer or its affiliate (as defined in Section 1563 of the Internal Revenue Code). [02-2B114-1]

PURCHASE ORDERS: CONTRACTOR SHALL NOT PERFORM ANY WORK PRIOR TO THE RECEIPT OF A PURCHASE ORDER FROM Horry COUNTY SCHOOLS. The District shall order any supplies or services to be furnished under this contract by issuing a purchase order. Purchase orders may be used to elect any options available under this contract, e.g., quantity, item, delivery date, payment method, but are subject to all terms and conditions of this contract. Purchase orders may be electronic. No particular form is required. An order placed pursuant to the purchasing card provision qualifies as a purchase order.

SERVICE PROVIDER SECURITY REPRESENTATION: The following obligations are subordinate to any other contract clause to the extent the other clause specifically provides for enhanced safeguarding of District information, applicable information systems, or applicable organizations. Offeror (i) warrants that the work will be performed, and any applicable information system (as defined in the clause titled "Information Security - Definitions") will be established and maintained in substantial conformity with the information provided in Offeror's Response to SPSAQ; (ii) agrees to provide the District with prompt notice of any material variation in operations from that reflected in the Response to SPSAQ; and (iii) agrees to comply with all other obligations involving either information security or information use and disclosure imposed by the contract, notwithstanding any inconsistent statement in Offeror's Response to SPSAQ. To the extent Offeror's Response to SPSAQ does not conform to any other contractual requirements, the District's lack of objection does not constitute a waiver [07-7B217-1]

SOFTWARE LICENSES (JAN 2006): Proprietary Software: Proprietary software is non-custom written, non-made for hire computer software supplied by the contractor and documentation used to describe, maintain and use the software.

License: The District is hereby granted a non-exclusive, fully paid perpetual license to use the proprietary software acquired hereunder.

Title: Title to any proprietary software provided by the Contractor to the District will remain with the Contractor.

Trade Secrets: The District agrees that the proprietary software is a trade secret of the contractor. The District agrees to take reasonable precautions to protect the trade secret nature of the proprietary software and to prevent its disclosure to unauthorized personnel. The license herein granted cannot be transferred, assigned, or made available by the District for use by any other individual, firm, partnership, or legal entity not affiliated, associated, or connected with the District without the prior expressed written consent of the contractor, which consent will not be unreasonably withheld. Such transfer shall also be conditioned upon the execution by the transferee of a written declaration agreeing to be bound by the terms and conditions of confidentiality provided for in this section.

Source Code: Source code includes files used by assembly, basic, c or other language compatibles to produce object modules for linkage into applications programs. The source code media will contain source code, files for compiling and linking software, and any other files and documentation available in machine-readable form to facilitate compiling and linking the code.

In the event the contractor, at any point during the continued installation and operation of the products acquired under this contract, discontinues the conduct of business, or for any reason fails to continue to support its proprietary software, it will either make provision for the continued support under the same terms and conditions or provide the District with a copy of the source code for said proprietary software, at no expense to the District.

Export Control: The District acknowledges that the products acquired hereunder may be licensable by the U. S. Government. It further acknowledges that a valid export license must be obtained from the Department of Commerce prior to export of said products.

Customized Software: Customized software is made-for-hire, custom written and customer specific software or customizations to proprietary software developed for the District by contractor and documentation used to describe, maintain and use the software.

Title: Title to the customized software vests in the District as set forth herein. Contractor shall thereafter have no right, title or interest in any customized software. As herein used, title includes providing to the District all intellectual elements of the customized software including, but not limited to, developmental work product, notes, object and source codes, documentation, and any other items which would aid the District in understanding, using, maintaining, and enhancing said customized software.

Software Tools: The contractor shall provide to the DISTRICT, simultaneous with its initial installation, and any subsequent enhancements, upgrades, fixes, etc., software tools (including, but not limited to compilers, editors, etc.) that the DISTRICT would require to maintain or enhance the customized software. The price for said tools and the cost to train District personnel to maintain and/or to enhance the customized software shall be noted separately and included in the contractor's cost proposal submitted to the District in response to the District's solicitation.

Escrow for Source Code: In the event the contractor at any point during the continued installation and operation of the software herein acquired discontinues the conduct of business or for any other reason fails to continue to support the software, the District shall be provided a copy of the source code for said software within thirty days at no expense to the District.

For the effective term of this contract, contractor will provide, to a mutually agreed upon escrow agent in the United States, the most recent version of the source code on magnetic media.

Proprietary source code shall be deposited into the escrow account within fifteen (15) days of the initiation of the contract, or any major update, non-customized enhancement, version or release of said licensed software.

The source code may be accessed only upon the following conditions:

- a. Contractor refuses to provide software maintenance, bug fixes, upgrades, updates and/or enhancement services under the terms set forth in this contract or as generally provided similarly situated customers; or
- b. Contractor ceases to do business or exist as a valid business entity, as evidenced by an adjudication of bankruptcy or other definitive measure of cessation of operations.

With regards to proprietary software, the District may not sell, assign lease, or otherwise provide said source code(s) to any other person or entity, regardless of modification, without the express written consent of contractor, its successors, and assigns. [07-7B215-1]

SOFTWARE LICENSING AGREEMENTS–SINGLE SOLICITATION: (a) Definitions. As used in this clause, these terms are defined as follows:

“Commercial Off-The-Shelf (COTS) Software” means software used with no customization and for which source code is not made available to licensees.

“Configuration” means any customer-specific modification to software that does not require changes to the software’s source code, such as rules-based, rules engine based, or parameter driven modifications to configure the software.

“Customization” means any customer-specific modification to software that requires changes to the software’s source code.

“Firmware” means software sold or licensed only in conjunction with machines, designed for execution only on a machine with which it is provided, designed only for machines other than a dedicated computer, and embedded into or installed on the machine by the machine’s manufacturer or seller.

“Licensor” means an entity that owns the intellectual property rights for an item of software or has the authority to license or sublicense the software directly to the District.

“Software” means a combination of computer instructions and data definitions that enable computer hardware to perform computational or control functions, excluding firmware.

“Software licensing agreement” means any agreement, regardless of how designated, that defines the intellectual property rights for, or the rights to use, any software product. A software licensing agreement must address only terms directly associated with licensing the right to use the software and must not address any of the work governed by the contract or any services (other than warranty services regarding the software code or associated documentation).

“Software maintenance” means the process of modifying software after delivery to correct faults, improve performance or other attributes, or adapt to a changed environment. (Reference ISO/IEC 14764:2006, as amended or superseded.) Software maintenance does not include any customization or configuration.

“Software product” means any product which you propose to provide pursuant to the contract.

“Source code” means computer instructions and data definitions expressed in a form suitable for input into an assembler, compiler or other translator.

(b) Contract and Software Licensing Agreement are Separate. The State seeks to establish related but independent agreements, one with each applicable licensor and one with the contractor - regardless of whether the licensor and the contractor are the same or different entities. As provided in the clause titled “Bid / Proposal As Offer To Contract,” a contract between the District and the contractor results from an award made pursuant to this solicitation. In contrast, the District’s acceptance of your offer does not serve as the District’s acceptance of any software licensing agreement; rather, software licensing agreements must be separately executed in order to be binding, regardless of whether the license to use the software will be granted by you or a third party. The contract, as defined in the clause titled “Definitions,” will address all work (excluding the use rights for any software product) and all terms regarding pricing, payment, and delivery of any software product. Accordingly, the District intends to pay contractor in order to acquire license rights for any software product, but the license rights will be governed by a software licensing agreement with the licensor.

(c) **Critical Instructions.** (1) Your offer must identify each software product you propose to provide, identify the licensor, and explain which of the following licensing models apply: (i) you intend to license (or sublicense) the item directly to the District, or (ii) you intend to “resell” or distribute the item to the District (with licensing handled directly with the third-party licensor). (2) **Your offer must NOT include any software licensing agreements; however, for any software product identified in your offer, you must submit a software licensing agreement upon request of the Procurement Specialist.** You must be prepared to provide any requested software licensing agreement within one business day of receiving a request. (3) Regardless of your licensing model, your price must include the cost of providing every software product you propose to provide to the District and those terms will form part of the contract.

(d) Pre-Condition of Award. If the work you are offering to perform is dependent upon the licensing of a software product by the District and the District is unsuccessful in negotiating an acceptable software licensing agreement for any software product for which it finds such an agreement necessary, your offer will be rejected. [07-7B224-1]

TERMINATION: Subject to the provisions below, the contract may be terminated for any reason by the District providing a thirty-day advance notice in writing is given to the contractor.

TERMINATION FOR CAUSE: Termination by the District for cause, default, or negligence on the part of the Contractor shall be excluded from the foregoing provisions; termination costs, if any, shall not apply. The thirty-day advance notice requirement is waived and the default provision in this bid shall apply.

TERMINATION FOR CONVENIENCE: In the event that this contract is terminated or cancelled upon request and for the convenience of the District may negotiate reasonable termination costs, if applicable.

VENDOR REGISTRATION MANDATORY: The District has implemented an online, electronic bidding system to receive bids and proposals from prospective offerors. In order to submit offers in response to posted solicitations, prospective must be registered through this electronic system. Registration can be completed through the following link <https://vrapp.vendorregistry.com/Vendor/Register/Index/horry-county-schools-sc-vendor-registration>. . Once registered, suppliers must keep their information current.

VENDOR REGISTRATION ADDITIONAL-AWARDED VENDOR: The District requires the awarded vendor to complete the following forms in order to begin working with the District. The vendor application form can be found here: [Vendor Application](#)

SPECIAL CONDITIONS

IMPORTANT– Please Note - Contractors, we MUST have your Federal ID # (company) or Social Security # (individual) before processing any invoices for payment. Failure to provide this information will result in delay of payments until this information is received. Please include this information with your quote.

CONTRACT DOCUMENTS & ORDER OF PRECEDENCE (FEB 2015): (a) Any contract resulting from this solicitation shall consist of the following documents: (1) a Record of Negotiations, if any, executed by you and the Procurement Specialist, (2) the solicitation, as amended, (3) documentation of clarifications or discussions of an offer, if applicable, (4) your offer, (5) any statement reflecting HCS' final acceptance (a/k/a "award"), and (6) purchase orders. These documents shall be read to be consistent and complimentary. Any conflict among these documents shall be resolved by giving priority to these documents in the order listed above. (b) The terms and conditions of documents (1) through (5) above shall apply notwithstanding any additional or different terms and conditions in any other document, including without limitation (i) a purchase order or other instrument submitted by HCS or (ii) any invoice or other document submitted by Contractor, or (iii) any privacy policy, terms of use, or end user agreement. Except as otherwise allowed herein, the terms and conditions of all such documents shall be void and of no effect. (c) No contract, license, or other agreement containing contractual terms and conditions will be signed by HCS. Any document signed or otherwise agreed to by persons other than the Chief Procurement Officer shall be void and of no effect. [07-7A015-2]

CONTRACT DOCUMENTS & ORDER OF PRECEDENCE–SOFTWARE LICENSING–SINGLE AGENCY (FEB 2015): Notwithstanding the clause entitled "Contract Documents & Order of Precedence," but as provided in the clause titled "Software Licensing Agreements–Single Solicitation," any contract awarded pursuant to this solicitation shall not include a software licensing agreement. [07-7B042-1]

CONTRACTORS OBLIGATION – GENERAL: The contractor shall provide and pay for all materials, tools, equipment, labor and professional and non-professional services, and shall perform all other acts and supply all other things necessary, to fully and properly perform and complete the work. The contractor must act as the prime contractor and assume full responsibility for any subcontractor's performance. The contractor will be considered the sole point of contact with regard to all situations, including payment of all charges and the meeting of all other requirements.

CONTRACTOR PERSONNEL - OBLIGATION: Contractors are responsible for the conduct of their employees, representatives, and agents and for their subcontractors' and sub-subcontractors' employees, representative and agents. Suppliers are considered contractors, subcontractors, or sub-subcontractors when the performance of their work (including deliveries) is conducted on District property. All such businesses/individuals shall comply with the following:

1. No drugs, alcohol, tobacco products, knives, firearms, or other weapons on District property.
2. No fraternizing with, threats to, use of abusive or profane language or improper attire or actions while on District property or adjacent thereto.
3. Take all necessary precautions to ensure the safety of children and employees when performing contracted work or making/accepting deliveries on District property.
4. Secure SLED (State Law Enforcement Division) criminal background checks on every employee, representative and agent performing work, making deliveries or in any other way conducting business on District property. Ensure that no person having been convicted of violent crimes, crimes against children, illegal drug distribution, or other crimes of moral turpitude is assigned or performs work on District property. SLED background checks shall be maintained on file at the main office of the Contractor and made available to District personnel or the District's legal counsel immediately upon request.
5. Not employ or contract with, during the performance of the contract, any illegal alien workers or otherwise violate the provisions of the federal Immigration Reform and Control Act of 1986, as may be amended.
6. Not violate the provisions of the South Carolina Illegal Immigration Reform Act, as may be amended, beginning January 1, 2009, and abide by this Act regardless of the number of employees employed. Participation in E-Verify through the Dept. of Homeland Security is required by the District regardless of the number of employees you employ.

7. Provide picture ID badges for all persons performing work on District property and ensure they are worn at all times. The ID shall include the name of the individual, his/her picture, and the name of their employer.

Contractors are to ensure that their subcontractors, sub-subcontractors, as well as suppliers who meet the "contractor, subcontractor or sub-subcontractor" definition above are advised of these requirements and comply with them. These are mandatory conditions for doing business (whether directly or indirectly) with Horry County Schools. The District, at its discretion, may perform random compliance checks. Any Contractor, subcontractor, sub-subcontractor, or supplier found not to be in compliance with these requirements shall result in termination of any existing contract or non-award of a contract.

DRUG FREE WORKPLACE CERTIFICATION: By submitting an Offer, Contractor certifies that, if awarded a contract, Contractor will comply with all applicable provisions of The Drug-free Workplace Act, Title 44, Chapter 107 of the South Carolina Code of Laws, as amended. [02-2A065-1]

TOBACCO FREE ENVIRONMENT CERTIFICATION: The District provides a smoke and tobacco free environment for its staff, students, and visitors. No tobacco products are allowed in any building or on the grounds of any District building. By submitting an Offer, Contractor certifies that, if awarded a contract, Contractor will comply with all applicable provisions of the smoke and tobacco free environment.

EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY: Contractor is referred to and shall comply with all applicable provisions, if any, of with E.O. 11246—Equal Employment Opportunity, as amended by E.O. 11375—Amending Executive Order 11246 Relating to Equal Employment Opportunity, and as supplemented by regulations at 41 CFR Part 60—Office of Federal Contract Compliance Programs, Equal Employment Opportunity, Department of Labor.

ETHICS CERTIFICATE: By submitting an offer, the Offeror certifies that the Offeror has and will comply with, and has not, and will not, induce a person to violate Title 8, Chapter 13 of the South Carolina Code of Laws, as amended (ethics act). The following statutes require special attention: Section 8-13-700, regarding use of official position for financial gain; Section 8-13-705, regarding gifts to influence action of public official; Section 8-13-720, regarding offering money for advice or assistance of public official; Sections 8-13-755 and 8-13-760, regarding restrictions on employment by former public official; Section 8-13-775, prohibiting public official with economic interests from acting on contracts; Section 8-13-790, regarding recovery of kickbacks; Section 8-13-1150, regarding statements to be filed by consultants; and Section 8-13-1342, regarding restrictions on contributions by contractor to candidate who participated in awarding of contract. The district may rescind any contract and recover all amounts expended as a result of any action taken in violation of this provision. If contractor participates, directly or indirectly, in the evaluation or award of public contracts, including without limitation, change orders or task orders regarding a public contract, contractor shall, if required by law to file such a statement, provide the statement required by Section 8-13-1150 to the Procurement Specialist at the same time the law requires the statement to be filed.

ILLEGAL IMMIGRATION: (An overview is available at www.procurement.sc.gov) By signing your offer, you certify that you will comply with the applicable requirements of Title 8, Chapter 14 of the South Carolina Code of Laws and agree to provide to the District upon request any documentation required to establish either: (a) that Title 8, Chapter 14 is inapplicable to you and your subcontractors or sub-subcontractors; or (b) that you and your subcontractors or sub-subcontractors are in compliance with Title 8, Chapter 14. Pursuant to Section 8-14-60, "A person who knowingly makes or files any false, fictitious, or fraudulent document, statement, or report pursuant to this chapter is guilty of a felony, and, upon conviction, must be fined within the discretion of the court or imprisoned for not more than five years, or both." You agree to include in any contracts with your subcontractor's language requiring your subcontractors to (a) comply with the applicable requirements of Title 8, Chapter 14, and (b) include in their contracts with the sub-subcontractors language requiring the sub-subcontractors to comply with the applicable requirements of Title 8, Chapter 14

LICENSES, PERMITS, INSURANCE: All costs for required licenses, permits and insurance shall be borne by the Contractor. Horry County Schools requires all contractual activities to be performed in a manner that is consistent with all applicable federal, state and local laws, regulations, rules, rulings and ordinances.

MATERIAL AND WORKMANSHIP: Unless otherwise specifically provided in this contract, all equipment, material, and articles incorporated in the work covered by this contract are to be new and of the most suitable grade for the purpose intended.

SCHOOLS - HORRY COUNTY OFFICE OF PROCUREMENT SERVICES CLOSINGS: If an emergency or unanticipated event interrupts normal processes so that offers cannot be received at Horry County Schools Office of Procurement as designated for receipt of bids by the exact time specified in the solicitation, the time specified for receipt of offers will be deemed to be extended to the same time of day specified in the solicitation on the first work day on which normal processes resume. In lieu of an automatic extension, an Amendment may be issued to reschedule bid opening. If Horry County School district offices are closed at the time a pre-bid or pre-proposal conference is scheduled, an Amendment will be issued to reschedule the conference. Useful information is available online at: <https://www.horrycountyschools.net/Page/683>

TAXES: Any tax the contractor may be required to collect or pay upon the sale, use or delivery of the products shall be paid by the District, and such sums shall be due and payable to the contractor upon acceptance. Any personal property taxes levied after delivery shall be paid

by the State. It shall be solely the District's obligation, after payment to contractor, to challenge the applicability of any tax by negotiation with, or action against, the taxing authority. Contractor agrees to refund any tax collected, which is subsequently determined not to be proper and for which a refund has been paid to contractor by the taxing authority. In the event that the contractor fails to pay, or delays in paying, to any taxing authorities, sums paid by the District to contractor, contractor shall be liable to the District for any loss (such as the assessment of additional interest) caused by virtue of this failure or delay. Taxes based on Contractor's net income or assets shall be the sole responsibility of the contractor.

WARRANTY – STANDARD: Contractor must provide the manufacturer's standard written warranty upon delivery of product. Contractor warrants that manufacturer will honor the standard written warranty provided.

Company Name: _____

FOR OFFERORS TO SUBMIT

The District encourages the Bidder's use of minority-owned and women-owned businesses as subcontractors provided they meet all the requirements of the request for quote, as applicable.

MINORITY PARTICIPATION (JAN 2006)

Is the bidder a South Carolina Certified Minority Business? Yes No

Is the bidder a Minority Business certified by another governmental entity? Yes No

If so, please list the certifying governmental entity:

Will any of the work under this contract be performed by a SC certified Minority Business as a subcontractor? Yes No

If so, what percentage of the total value of the contract will be performed by a SC certified Minority Business as a subcontractor? Yes No

Will any of the work under this contract be performed by a minority business certified by another governmental entity as a subcontractor?
Yes No

If so, what percentage of the total value of the contract will be performed by a minority business certified by another governmental entity as a subcontractor? Yes No

If a certified Minority Business is participating in this contract, please indicate all categories for which the Business is certified:

- Traditional minority Traditional minority, but female Women (Caucasian females)
- Hispanic minorities DOT referral (Traditional minority) DOT referral (Caucasian female)
- Temporary certification SBA 8 (a) certification referral Other minorities (Native American, Asian, etc.)

(If more than one minority contractor will be utilized in the performance of this contract, please provide the information above for each minority business.)