

**CITY OF KNOXVILLE
EVALUATED INVITATION TO BID**

Propane Services

The City of Knoxville is requesting bids from responsible firms or teams to provide propane services, to include setting of cages, provision of cylinders, and filling services to multiple sites for the City of Knoxville. The City of Knoxville purchases propane for use in machinery operated by the City's Fleet department and the City's Public Service department. Contract will be for one year with the option to renew for two additional 1-year terms.

Sealed bids, invited by the City of Knoxville, will be received by the Purchasing Division of the City of Knoxville, in Room 667-674, City County Building; 400 Main Avenue; Knoxville, Tennessee, until 11:00:00 a.m. (Eastern Time) on Wednesday, October 30, 2019, at which time they will be opened and publicly read aloud and a contract awarded as soon thereafter as practicable.

In making its award, the City will evaluate, in addition to pricing, customer service, references, prior experience with the City of Knoxville, ongoing training with employees for alternative fuel service, and inventory control process. In short, **the lowest bid does not equate to guaranteed award**, as these other evaluation criteria are extremely important to the City and the City's **evaluated** decision shall be final.

SPECIFICATIONS

Bidders are providing a proposal to service two sites at this time. These needs are subject to change as the City continues to grow in its usage of propane. The agreement resulting from this bid will be made available for use by additional City departments if needed.

Services Required:

- a.) Onsite delivery will be required daily (Monday–Friday) during the period of March 1st through October 31st.
- b.) Onsite delivery will be required weekly during the period of November 1st through February 28th.
- c.) Bidder will provide onsite training to City of Knoxville employees on use of propane and propane driven fuel systems.
- d.) Forklift cylinder cages will be placed at each of the required sites at no cost to the City of Knoxville.
- e.) Bidder will provide Worthington OPD cylinders or equivalent cylinders equipped with an overfill protection device.
 - Required cylinder types will include liquid, vapor, and BBQ.
 - If rental fees are assessed to cylinders, fixed prices must be included in this bid.
- f.) Bidder will fill the cylinders on site and bill only for what is filled.

- g.) Vessels are to be weighed prior to and immediately following filling. The City of Knoxville reserves the right to verify at any time that the successful bidder is following this procedure.
- h.) Bidder will provide an outline of the inventory control system (e.g. scanning tanks in and out of inventory, tracking system of tanks, sample inventory reports, etc.) that will be implemented with this contract.
- i.) The City of Knoxville estimates an approximate consumption of 1500 gallons of vapor product and 600 gallons of liquid product per year. There is no guarantee of the consumption rates detailed herein; these estimated amounts are included in good faith to help guide bidders in establishing pricing.

Site-Specific Needs

Location	Delivery Hours	Cages Required	Liquid Delivery Cylinders	Vapor Delivery Cylinders
1400 Loraine Street, Knoxville, TN 37921	6:30am – 8:00pm Early morning delivery is preferred	Five (5) twelve-cylinder cages Two (2) nine-cylinder cages	Approximately thirty (30) 30-pound cylinders	Approximately forty (40) 40-pound cylinders
3407 Vice Mayor Jack Sharpe Road, Knoxville, TN 37914	6:30am – 8:00pm Early morning delivery is preferred	One (1) nine-cylinder cage	Approximately nine (9) 40-pound cylinders	None required at this time

The City’s point of contact for propane services will be Nick Spine, Store Systems Manager, 865-215-6191.

Pricing

The City of Knoxville is a tax exempt local government entity exempt from the federal excise tax. **DO NOT** add any special tax or fee in the bid price. If a tax or fee is assessed or legislated, the amount is to appear on the invoice as a separate line item if the City is not exempt from payment of the tax or fee.

Bidders will provide a set per gallon price, delivery fees, and any other applicable fees for year one as well as prices for years two and three if the City of Knoxville chooses to renew the contract.

EVALUATION CRITERIA

An evaluation team, composed of representatives of the City, will evaluate bid submissions on a variety of criteria. Upon receipt of bid submissions, the City will review to determine the most responsive and responsible contractor. The criteria and the associated weights upon which the evaluation of submissions will be based include, but are not limited to, the following:

Bids must include information that responds to all the following criteria:

1) Customer Service – 10 Points

- All bidders must supply at least three references from current delivery customers.
- Bids should include any prior experience with the City of Knoxville
- Bids should include typical method of invoicing, such as paper or electronic.

2) Inventory Control – 10 Points

- All bidders must detail methods used for tracking all equipment that is rented or leased in the duration of a contract. This can include, but is not limited to, scanning items in and out, keeping a detailed list of serial numbers, and periodic inventory reconciliation.

3) Cost – 70 Points

- Enter your cost on the bid form provided noting the cost per pound of the propane as well as the cost of each cylinder type.

4) Training – 10 Points

- Provide information regarding onsite training provided for City of Knoxville operators and shop staff on Alternative Fuel Service

Contractor shall be responsible for containing any release of propane caused by the driver while fueling onsite whether caused by neglect or equipment failure. The driver must immediately report any release to the City's designee as soon as possible.

BID SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS

Bidders must furnish the following information in writing with their submission:

1. Bid Form showing bidder's name, address, quoted price, business license number, date of expiration of business license. A copy of the bidder's current business license may be submitted in lieu of providing the license expiration date.
2. Bid Bond
3. Non-Collusion Affidavit
4. Drug-Free Workplace Affidavit
5. Iran Divestment Act Certification of Noninclusion
6. Diversity Business Enterprise (DBE) Program form

GENERAL INFORMATION

1. Sealed bids will be received by the Purchasing Division of the City of Knoxville in Room 667-674, City/County Building, 400 Main Avenue, Knoxville, Tennessee until **Wednesday, October 30, 2019, at 11:00:00 a.m.**, at which time they will be publicly opened and read aloud and the contract awarded as soon as practicable. **No bid will be received or accepted after the above-specified time for the opening of bids.** Bids that arrive late due to the fault of U. S. Postal Service, United Parcel Service, DHL, FEDEX, any delivery/courier service, or any other carrier of any sort are still considered late and shall not be accepted by the City. Such bids shall remain unopened and will be returned to the submitting entity upon request.

2. The City of Knoxville reserves the right to waive any informalities or to reject any or all bids, to evaluate bids, and to accept any bid which, in its opinion, may be for the best interest of the City.
3. Prior to submitting their bids, bidders are to be registered with the Purchasing Division through the City of Knoxville's online Vendor Registration system. Instructions for registering on-line are available at www.knoxvilletn.gov/purchasing. **Bid submissions from un-registered bidders may be rejected.**
4. Included in the Invitation to Bid is an affidavit in proof that the undersigned has not entered into any collusion with any person in respect to this bid or any other bid. The fully executed and notarized affidavit must be submitted with the sealed bid. Also included is the Diversity Business Program contracting packet. Submissions must indicate on the enclosed form whether or not the bidder intends to use subcontractors and/or suppliers from one of the defined groups. Bidders are advised that the City tracks use of such use, but it does not influence or affect evaluation or award.
5. **NO CONTACT POLICY:** After the posting of this solicitation to the Purchasing Division's website, any contact initiated by any proposer with any City of Knoxville representative concerning this proposal is strictly prohibited, unless such contact is made with the Purchasing Division representative listed herein or with said representative's authorization. Any unauthorized contact may cause the disqualification of the proposer from this procurement transaction.
6. **INCLEMENT WEATHER:** During periods of inclement weather, the Purchasing Division will enact the following procedures with regard to solicitations and weather delays:
 - If City offices are closed due to inclement weather on the date that bids/proposals/qualifications/letters of interest are due into the Purchasing Office, all solicitations due that same day will be moved to the next operational business day.
 - The City of Knoxville shall not be liable for any commercial carrier's decision regarding deliveries during inclement weather.
7. Each bid must be submitted in a sealed envelope, addressed to the Purchasing Division; City of Knoxville; City/County Building; 400 Main Street, Room 667-674; Knoxville, Tennessee, 37902. Each sealed envelope containing a bid must be plainly marked on the outside as: "Propane Services"
8. All bids must be made on the Bid Form supplied with the contract documents, and no interlineations, excisions, or special conditions shall be made or included in the Bid Evaluation Sheet by the Bidder. **Any bid on which there is an alteration of or departure from the Bid Form may be considered irregular and may be rejected.** All bids must be signed in full by the Bidder or Bidders in their business name or style when submitted and must show his or their complete address.
9. No bidder may withdraw his bid for a period of 60 days after the actual date of the opening thereof.

10. All bidders must provide the City Purchasing Division with a copy of its valid business license or with an affidavit explaining why it is exempt from the business licensure requirements of the city or county in which it is headquartered.
11. Payment for completed services delivered to and accepted by the City shall be at the contract price.
12. State make or brand on each item. If quoting on other than the make, model, or brand specified, the manufacturer's name and catalog number must be given, along with warranty information and detailed specifications. Because the City is committed to environmentally sound practices, brands are expected to be procured with environmental responsibility in mind.
13. Time of delivery is part of the consideration and must be stated in definite terms; time of delivery is guaranteed by the bidder and must be adhered to upon award. If time varies on different items, the bidder shall so state.
14. All bids must be signed with the firm name and by a responsible officer or employee. Obligations assumed by such signature must be fulfilled.
15. Samples of items, when required, must be furnished free of expense to the City and if not called for within fifteen (15) days from the date of bid opening, same will be disposed of in a manner deemed to be in the best interest of the City. Items shipped as a result of an Agreement to purchase (Contract or Purchase Order) must match the sample provided with Vendor's bid submission. The City of Knoxville will be the sole judge as to whether or not the shipped items match said supplied sample, and the City's decision will be final. Should shipped items not, in the City's judgment, be as represented by the sample provided, Vendor shall pay the City in full for all costs associated with returning shipped items to the Vendor. No restocking fee or other fees will be assessed against the City of Knoxville.
16. Bidders shall verify bids before submission, as bids cannot be withdrawn or corrected after being opened. Bids will be evaluated by unit price in addition to qualification criteria.
17. If federal excise tax applies, show amount of same and deduct. Bear in mind that the City is exempt from Tennessee sales tax.
18. Prices are considered FOB Destination unless otherwise stated in the Invitation to Bid.
19. If neither the executed contract nor a written request for extension has been received by the City within 30 days of delivery, the City may award to the next most responsive, responsible bidder.
20. By execution and delivery of a bid submission, the bidder agrees that any additional terms and conditions, whether submitted to the City purposely or inadvertently, shall have no force or effect.

21. Bidders must provide a fully executed and notarized Drug-Free Workplace Affidavit with their bid submission.
22. The City's performance and obligation to pay under this contract is subject to funding contingent upon an annual appropriation.
23. Bidders must comply with the President's Executive Orders No.11246 and 11375 which prohibit discrimination in employment regarding race, color, religion, sex or national origin. Bidders must not maintain or provide for their employees any facilities that are segregated on the basis of race, color, religion or national origin. Bidders must also comply with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, Copeland Anti-Kick Back Act, the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standard Act, Section 402 of the Vietnam Veterans Adjustment Act of 1974 and Section 503 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, all of which are herein incorporated by reference.
24. All bidders must comply with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as codified in 42 U.S.C. 2000d. The successful bidder must follow Title VI guidelines in all areas including hiring practices, open facilities, insurance, and wages. The City of Knoxville reserves the right to review all compliance records by a contract compliance officer designated by the City.
25. No interpretation of the meaning of the plans, specifications, or other pre-bid documents will be made to any bidder orally. Each request for such interpretation should be in writing addressed to Karisa Scott, Procurement Specialist for the City of Knoxville, 400 Main Street, Room 667, Knoxville, TN 37902, or emailed to her at kscott@knoxvilletn.gov. To be given consideration, such requests/questions must be received at least five (5) business days prior to the date fixed for the opening of bids. Any and all such interpretations and any supplemental instructions will be in the form of written addenda to the specifications which, if issued, will be posted to the City's website at www.knoxvilletn.gov/bids. Submitting organizations are strongly encouraged to view this website often to see if addenda are posted. Failure of any bidder to receive such addendum or interpretation shall not relieve such Bidder from any obligation under his bid as submitted. All addenda so issued shall become part of the Contract Documents.
26. Attention of all bidders is directed to the set off provision contained in Article II, Section 24-33, entitled, "Debts owed by persons receiving payments other than salary", and Section 2-1049 entitled "Receipt of benefits from City contracts by council members, employees, and officers of the City" of the Code of the City of Knoxville.
27. The City may terminate this Agreement at any time, with or without cause, by written notice of termination to the Contractor. If the City terminates this Agreement, and such termination is not a result of a default by the Contractor, the Contractor shall be entitled to receive as its sole and exclusive remedy the following amounts from the City, and the City shall have no further or other obligations to the Contractor: (a). The amount due to the Contractor for work executed through the date of termination, not including any future fees, profits, or other compensation or payments which the Contractor would have been entitled to receive if the Project had not been terminated; and (b) the direct out-of-pocket costs incurred by the

Contractor for demobilization of the Project following receipt of the notice of termination, not to exceed the amount reasonably and actually required to demobilize the Project.

28. The City may, by written notice of default to the Contractor, terminate the whole or any part of this contract if the Contractor fails to make delivery of the supplies or to perform the services wherein the time specified herein or any extension thereof; or if the Contractor fails to perform any of the other provisions of the contract, or so fails to make progress as to endanger performance of this contract in accordance with its terms, and in either of these two circumstances does not cure such failure within a period of 10 days (or such longer period as the Purchasing Agent may authorize in writing) after receipt of notice from the Purchasing Division specifying such failure.
29. If the contract is terminated in whole or in part for default, the City may procure, upon such terms and in such manner as the Purchasing Agent may deem appropriate, supplies of services similar to those so terminated.
30. If, after notice of termination of this contract under the provisions of this clause, it is determined for any reason that the contractor was not in default under the provisions of this clause, or that the default was excusable under the provisions of this clause, the rights and obligations of the parties shall be the same as if the notice of termination had been issued pursuant to termination for convenience of the City.
31. The rights and remedies of the City provided in this clause shall not be exclusive and are in addition to any other rights and remedies provided by law or under this contract.
32. Before a contract will be signed by the City, the submitting entity, if selected, **must** provide the City Purchasing Division with a copy of its valid business license **or** with an affidavit explaining why it is exempt from the business licensure requirements of the city or county in which it is headquartered. If a contract is signed, the contractor's business license shall be kept current throughout the duration of the contract, and the contractor shall inform the City of changes in its business name or location. Any Contract resulting from this Invitation to Bid shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the substantive laws of the State of Tennessee and its conflict of laws provisions. Venue for any action arising between the City and the Vendor from the Agreement shall lie in Knox County, Tennessee.
33. When applicable and prior to the commencement of the contract, contractor must, at its sole expense, obtain and maintain in full force and effect for the duration of the Agreement and any extension hereof at least the following types and amounts of insurance for claims which may arise from or in connection with this Agreement. Contractor shall furnish the City of Knoxville with properly executed certificates of insurance which shall clearly evidence all insurance required by the City. All insurance must be underwritten by insurers with an A.M. Best rating of A-VIII or better. Such insurance shall be at a minimum the following:
 - A. **Commercial General Liability Insurance**; occurrence version commercial general liability insurance, and if necessary umbrella liability insurance, with a limit of not less than two million dollars (\$2,000,000) each occurrence for bodily injury, personal injury, property damage, and products and completed operations. If such insurance

contains a general aggregate limit, it shall apply separately to the work/location in this Agreement or be no less than three million dollars (\$3,000,000).

Such insurance shall:

(a.) Contain or be endorsed to contain a provision that includes the City, its officials, officers, employees, and volunteers as additional insureds with respect to liability arising out of work or operations performed by or on behalf of the Contractor including materials, parts, or equipment furnished in connection with such work or operations. The coverage shall contain no special limitations on the scope of its protection afforded to the above-listed insureds. Proof of additional insured status up to and including copies of endorsements and/or policy wording will be required.

(b.) For any claims related to this project, Contractor's insurance coverage shall be primary insurance as respects the City, its officials, officers, employees, and volunteers. Any insurance or self-insurance programs covering the City, its officials, officers, employees, and volunteers shall be excess of Contractor's insurance and shall not contribute with it.

(c.) At the sole discretion of the City, dedicated limits of liability for this specific project may be required.

- B. **Automobile Liability Insurance;** including vehicles owned, hired, and non-owned, with a combined single limit of not less than \$1,000,000 each accident. Such insurance shall include coverage for loading and unloading hazards. Insurance shall contain or be endorsed to contain a provision that includes the City, its officials, officers, employees, and volunteers as additional insureds with respect to liability arising out of automobiles owned, leased, hired, or borrowed by or on behalf of Contractor.
- C. **Workers' Compensation Insurance.** Contractor shall maintain workers' compensation insurance with statutory limits as required by the State of Tennessee or other applicable laws and employers' liability insurance with limits of not less than \$500,000. Contractor shall require each of its subcontractors to provide Workers' Compensation for all of the latter's employees to be engaged in such work unless such employees are covered by Contractor's workers' compensation insurance coverage. Such insurance shall include a waiver of subrogation in favor of the City. Proof of waiver of subrogation up to and including copies of endorsements and/or policy wording will be required.
- D. **Other Insurance Requirements.** Contractor shall:
- Prior to commencement of services, furnish the City with original certificates and amendatory endorsements effecting coverage required by this section and provide that such insurance shall not be cancelled, allowed to expire, or be materially reduced in coverage except on 30 days' prior written notice to the City Attorney of Knoxville; P.O. Box 1631; Knoxville, Tennessee 37901. Proof of policy provisions regarding notice of cancellation will be required.

- Upon the City's request, provide certified copies of endorsements and policies if requested by the City in lieu of or in addition to certificates of insurance. Copies of policies will only be requested when contracts are deemed to be extremely or uniquely hazardous, include a dollar amount that is significant to the overall budget of the City or a City Department, or the coverage(s) may not follow standard insurance forms. A policy will only be requested after the City's Risk Manager has reviewed the contract and proof of coverage has been provided. Should the certificate of insurance refer to specific coverage wording or endorsements(s), proof of such policy wording or endorsement(s) will be required.
- Replace certificates, policies, and endorsements for any such insurance expiring prior to completion of services.
- Maintain such insurance from the time services commence until services are completed. Failure to maintain or renew coverage or to provide evidence of renewal may be treated by the City as a material breach of contract.
- If Contractor cannot procure insurance through an insurer having an A.M. Best rating of A-VIII, Contractor may, in the alternative, place such insurance with insurer licensed to do business in Tennessee and having A.M. Best Company ratings of no less than A. Modification of this standard may be considered upon appeal to the City Law Director.
- Require all subcontractors to maintain during the term of the Agreement Commercial General Liability insurance, Business Automobile Liability insurance, and Workers' Compensation/Employer's Liability insurance (unless subcontractor's employees are covered by Contractor's insurance) in the same manner as specified for Contractor. Contractor shall furnish subcontractors' certificates of insurance to the City without expense immediately upon request.
- Any deductibles and/or self-insured retentions greater than \$50,000 must be disclosed to and approved by the City of Knoxville prior to the commencement of services. Use of large deductibles and/or self-insured retentions may require proof of financial ability as determined by the City.
- The insurer shall agree to waive all rights of subrogation against the City, its officers, officials, and employees for losses arising from work performed by Contractor for the City. Proof of waiver of subrogation up to and including copies of endorsements and/or policy wording will be required.
- All general liability policies must be written on an occurrence basis, unless the Risk Manager determines that a claims made basis is reasonable in the specific circumstance. Use of policies written on a claims made basis must be approved by the Risk Manager and retroactive dates and/or continuation dates must be provided to the City prior to commencement of any work performed. Professional Liability and Environmental Liability (Pollution Coverage) are most commonly written on a claims made basis and are generally acceptable in that form.

34. The successful proposer will be required to sign a contract which contains the following indemnification clause. This indemnification clause will not be altered in any way. Failure to agree with this indemnification clause in the contract may result in the City moving to the next responsible responsive proposer.

Contractor shall defend, indemnify and hold harmless the City, its officers, employees and agents from any and all liabilities which may accrue against the City, its officers, employees and agents or any third party for any and all lawsuits, claims, demands, losses or damages alleged to have arisen from an act or omission of Contractor in performance of this Agreement or from Contractor's failure to perform this Agreement using ordinary care and skill, except where such injury, damage, or loss was caused by the sole negligence of the City, its agents or employees.

Contractor shall save, indemnify and hold the City harmless from the cost of the defense of any claim, demand, suit or cause of action made or brought against the City alleging liability referenced above, including, but not limited to, costs, fees, attorney fees, and other expenses of any kind whatsoever arising in connection with the defense of the City; and Contractor shall assume and take over the defense of the City in any such claim, demand, suit, or cause of action upon written notice and demand for same by the City. Contractor will have the right to defend the City with counsel of its choice that is satisfactory to the City, and the City will provide reasonable cooperation in the defense as Contractor may request. Contractor will not consent to the entry of any judgment or enter into any settlement with respect to an indemnified claim without the prior written consent of the City, such consent not to be unreasonably withheld or delayed. The City shall have the right to participate in the defense against the indemnified claims with counsel of its choice at its own expense.

Contractor shall save, indemnify and hold City harmless and pay judgments that shall be rendered in any such actions, suits, claims or demands against City alleging liability referenced above.

The indemnification and hold harmless provisions of this Agreement shall survive termination of the Agreement.

CITY OF KNOXVILLE

BID FORM

TO: Purchasing Division
City of Knoxville
Suite 667-674
City/County Building
400 Main Street
Knoxville, TN 37902

Having carefully examined the specifications entitled "Propane Services" to open on October 30, 2019, at 11:00:00 a.m. and the other Contract Documents and addenda, and having familiarized ourselves with the existing conditions of the job, we hereby propose to furnish the equipment, delivery, and services to do the work as stated for the following sum:

BID:

Monthly Cylinder Rental Fees (If Applicable):

Liquid Delivery: _____ /per month
Vapor Delivery: _____ /per month
BBQ Cylinder: _____ /per month

Propane Price and Fees:

Per Gallon Price: _____
Delivery Fee: _____
Additional Fees (If Applicable): _____

Year Two Per Gallon Price: _____
Year Three Per Gallon Price: _____

Firm Name: _____

Official Address: _____

DUNS #: _____

Business License Expiration Date: _____

(By)

(Name Typed)

(Title)

Date _____

Email _____

Phone _____

NON-COLLUSION AFFIDAVIT OF PRIME BIDDER

State of _____

County of _____

_____, being first duly sworn, deposes and says that:

- (1) He is owner, partner, officer, representative, or agent of _____ , the Bidder that has submitted the attached Bid;
- (2) He is fully informed respecting the preparation and contents of the attached Bid and of all pertinent circumstances respecting such Bid;
- (3) Such Bid is genuine and is not a collusive or sham Bid;
- (4) Neither the said Bid nor any of its officers, partners, owners, agents, representatives, employees, or parties in interest, including this affiant, has in any way colluded, conspired, connived or agreed, directly or indirectly, with any other Bidder, firm or person to submit a collusive or sham Bid in connection with the Contract for which the attached Bid has been submitted or to refrain from proposing in connection with such Contract, or has in any manner, directly or indirectly, sought by agreement or collusion or communication or conference with any other Bidder, firm, or person to fix the price or prices in the attached Bid or of any other Bidder, firm, or person to fix any overhead, profit, or cost element of the bid price or the bid price of any other Bidder, or to secure through any collusion, conspiracy, connivance or unlawful agreement any advantage against the City of Knoxville or any person interested in the proposed Contract; and
- (5) The price or prices quoted in that attached Bid are fair and proper and are not tainted by any collusion, conspiracy, connivance or unlawful agreement on the part of the Bidder or any of its agents, representatives, owners, employees, or parties in interest, including this affidavit.

Signed: _____

Title: _____

Subscribed and sworn to before me this ____ day of _____, 2____.

My commission expires: _____

IRAN DIVESTMENT ACT

Certification of Noninclusion

NOTICE: Pursuant to the Iran Divestment Act, Tenn. Code Ann. § 12-12-106 requires the State of Tennessee Chief Procurement Officer to publish, using creditable information freely available to the public, a list of persons it determines engage in investment activities in Iran, as described in § 12-12-105. Inclusion on this list makes a person ineligible to contract with the state of Tennessee; if a person ceases its engagement in investment activities in Iran, it may be removed from the list. A list of entities ineligible to contract in the State of Tennessee Department of General Services or any political subdivision of the State may be found here:

https://www.tn.gov/content/dam/tn/generalservices/documents/cpo/cpo-library/public-information-library/List_of_persons_pursuant_to_Tenn._Code_Ann._12-12-106_Iran_Divestment_Act_updated_7.7.17.pdf

By submission of this bid, each bidder and each person signing on behalf of any bidder certifies, and in the case of a joint bid each party thereto certifies as to its own organization, under penalty of perjury, that to the best of its knowledge and belief that each bidder is not on the list created pursuant to T.C.A. § 12-12-106.

Vendor Name (Printed)	Address
By (Authorized Signature)	Date Executed
Printed Name and Title of Person Signing	

NOTARY PUBLIC:

Subscribed and sworn to before me this _____ day of _____, 2_____.

My commission expires:_____

DRUG-FREE WORKPLACE AFFIDAVIT

State of _____

County of _____

_____, being duly sworn, deposes, and says that:

- (1) He/She is a principal officer of _____, the firm that has submitted the attached Proposal, his or her title being _____ of the firm; and
- (2) He/She has personal knowledge of the policies of the above-named firm with respect to the maintenance of a drug-free workplace; and
- (3) He/She certifies that all provisions and requirements of the Tennessee Drug-Free Workplace Program, as established by Tenn. Code Ann. §§ 50-9-101 et. seq., have been met and implemented.

(Signed)

(Title)

Subscribed and sworn to before me this ____ day of _____, 20__.

Title _____

My Commission expires _____

DIVERSITY BUSINESS ENTERPRISE (DBE) PROGRAM

The City of Knoxville strongly encourages prime contractors to employ diverse businesses in the fulfillment of contracts/projects for the City of Knoxville.

The City of Knoxville's Fiscal Year 2017 goal is to conduct 3.06% of its business with minority-owned businesses, 10.03% of its business with woman-owned businesses, and 38.71% with small businesses.

While the City cannot engage (pursuant to state law) in preferential bidding practices, the City does **strongly encourage** prime contractors to seek out and hire diverse businesses in order to help the City meet its goals as stated above. As such, the City encourages prime contractors to seek out and consider competitive sub-bids and quotations from diverse businesses.

For DBE tracking purposes, the City requests that prime contractors who are bidding, proposing, or submitting statements of qualifications record whether or not they plan to employ DBE's as sub-contractors or consultants. With that in mind, please fill out, sign and submit (with your bid/proposal) the following sub-contractor/ consultant statement.

CITY OF KNOXVILLE DIVERSITY BUSINESS DEFINITIONS

Diversity Business Enterprise (DBE's) are minority-owned (MOB), women-owned (WOB), service-disabled veteran-owned (SDVO), and small businesses (SB), who are impeded from normal entry into the economic mainstream because of past practices of discrimination based on race or ethnic background. These persons must own at least 51% of the entity and operate or control the business on a daily basis.

Minority: A person who is a citizen or lawful admitted permanent resident of the United States and who is a member of one (1) of the following groups:

- a. African American, persons having origins in any of the Black racial groups of Africa;
- b. Hispanic American, persons of Mexican, Puerto Rican, Cuban, Central or South American or other Spanish culture or origin, regardless of race;
- c. Native American, persons who have origin in any of the original peoples of North America ;
- d. Asian American, person having origins in any of the original peoples of the Far East, Southeast Asia, the Indian subcontinent, or the Pacific Islands.

Minority-owned business (MOB) is a continuing, independent, for profit business that performs a commercially useful function, and is at least fifty-one percent (51%) owned and controlled by one (1) or more minority individuals.

Woman-owned business (WOB) is a continuing, independent, for profit business that performs a commercially useful function, and is at least fifty-one percent (51%) owned and controlled by one (1) or more women.

Service Disabled Veteran-owned business (SDOV) is a continuing, independent, for profit business that performs a commercially useful function, owned by any person who served honorably on active duty in the armed forces of the United States with at least a twenty percent (20%) disability that is service connected. Meaning such disability was incurred or aggravated in the line of duty in the active military, naval or air service, and is at least fifty-one percent (51%) owned and controlled by one (1) or more service disabled veteran.

Small Business (SB) is a continuing, independent, for profit business which performs a commercially useful function and has total gross receipts of not more than ten million dollars (\$10,000,000) average over a three-year period or employs no more than ninety-nine (99) persons on a full-time basis.

Subcontractor/Consultant Statement
(TO BE SUBMITTED IN THE BID/PROPOSAL ENVELOPE)

We _____ do certify that on the
(Bidder/Proposer Company Name)

(Project Name)
\$ _____
(Amount of Bid)

Please select one:

Option A: Intent to subcontract using Diverse Businesses

A Diversity business will be employed as subcontractor(s), vendor(s), supplier(s), or professional service(s). The estimated **dollar value** of the amount that we plan to pay is:

\$ _____.
Estimated Amount of Subcontracted Service

Diversity Business Enterprise Utilization			
Description of Work/Project	Amount	Diverse Classification (MOB, WOB, SB, SDOV)	Name of Diverse Business

Option B: Intent to perform work “without” using Diverse Businesses

We hereby certify that it is our intent to perform 100 % of the work required for the contract, work will be completed without subcontracting, or we plan to subcontract with non-Diverse companies.

DATE: _____ COMPANY NAME: _____

SUBMITTED BY: _____ TITLE: _____
(Authorized Representative)

ADDRESS: _____

CITY/STATE/ZIP CODE: _____

TELEPHONE NO: _____