

# ARLINGTON COUNTY, VIRGINIA OFFICE OF THE PURCHASING AGENT 2100 CLARENDON BOULEVARD, SUITE 500 ARLINGTON, VA 22201 (703) 228-3410

#### REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS NO. 24-DES-RFP-483

#### **ENVIRONMENTAL LAND SURVEY SERVICES**

ELECTRONIC SEALED PROPOSALS WILL BE RECEIVED BY ARLINGTON COUNTY VIA VENDOR REGISTRY, UNTIL 1:00 P.M. ON THE 2<sup>ND</sup> DAY OF FEBRUARY 2024. VENDORS ARE REQUIRED TO REGISTER ON <u>VENDOR REGISTRY</u> IN ORDER TO SUBMIT A RESPONSE TO THIS REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL. NO RESPONSES WILL BE ACCEPTED AFTER THE PROPOSAL DUE DATE AND TIME.

Proposals will not be publicly opened.

NOTICE: ANY OFFEROR ORGANIZED AS A STOCK OR NONSTOCK CORPORATION, LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY, BUSINESS TRUST OR LIMITED PARTNERSHIP, OR REGISTERED AS A LIMITED LIABILITY PARTNERSHIP, MUST BE AUTHORIZED TO TRANSACT BUSINESS IN THE COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA BEFORE CONTRACT AWARD (REFER TO <u>AUTHORITY TO TRANSACT BUSINESS</u> SECTION OF THE SOLICITATION FOR FURTHER INFORMATION).

Arlington County reserves the right to reject any and all proposals, cancel this solicitation, and waive any informalities as defined in the Arlington County Purchasing Resolution.

Arlington County, Virginia
Office of the Purchasing Agent

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#### I. INTRODUCTION TO EVALUATION PROCESS

Arlington County, Virginia, is soliciting proposals from Offerors having experience and abilities in the areas identified in this solicitation. Each proposal must contain evidence of the Offeror's qualifications in the specified areas and in other disciplines directly related to the proposed work. Offerors might also be required to submit profiles and resumes of the staff to be assigned to the project, references, examples of similar work performed and other information that will clearly demonstrate the Offeror's relevant expertise, as specified in the solicitation.

A County Selection Advisory Committee ("SAC") will review and evaluate all written proposals based on the criteria identified in this solicitation. Subsequent evaluations, such as to select firms for negotiation, may include, but are not limited to, review of more detailed proposals and/or oral presentations. Any such subsequent evaluations will be based on the same criteria.

The County reserves the right to accept or reject and to waive any informalities or irregularities in the proposals and to contract as the best interests of the County require in order to obtain the services described in this RFP. Selection of an Offeror's proposal does not mean that all aspects of the proposal are acceptable to the County. The County reserves the right to negotiate terms and conditions with the selected Offeror before executing a contract.

#### **MANDATORY REQUIREMENTS**

Note that this solicitation contains qualification requirements that are mandatory for all Offerors. Refer to the Proposal Submittal Elements section of this document for details.

#### II. INFORMATION FOR OFFERORS

#### 1. SOLICITATION SCHEDULE

#### RFP No. 24-DES-RFP-483 – TENTATIVE SCHEDULE

RFP ISSUANCE DECEMBER 22, 2023

QUESTION DEADLINE JANUARY 18, 2024, at 5:00 p.m. **PROPOSALS DUE** FEBRUARY 2, 2024, at 1:00 p.m.

#### 2. QUESTIONS AND ADDENDA

OFFERORS MUST BE REGISTERED IN VENDOR REGISTRY TO SUBMIT A QUESTION FOR THIS REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS.

All communications relating to this solicitation must be submitted online using Vendor Registry. For a question to be considered, the question must be entered in the Question Section of **RFP No. 24-DES-RFP-483**. Prior to the award of a contract resulting from this solicitation, Offerors are prohibited from contacting any County staff other than those assigned to the Office of the Purchasing Agent.

QUESTIONS REGARDING THE ORIGINAL SOLICITATION MUST BE SUBMITTED BY JANUARY 18, 2024, AT 5:00 P.M. EASTERN TIME TO BE CONSIDERED. ALL QUESTIONS RECEIVED BY THE QUESTION DEADLINE WILL BE RESPONDED TO WITHIN VENDOR REGISTRY AND POSTED FOR ALL OFFERORS. THE SYSTEM WILL NOT ACCEPT ANDY QUESTIONS AFTER THIS DATE AND TIME.

If any questions or responses require revisions to this solicitation, such revisions will be by formal Addendum only. Offerors are cautioned not to rely on any written, electronic, or oral representations made by any County representative or other person, including the County's technical contact, that appear to change any portion of the solicitation, unless the change is ratified by a written Addendum to this solicitation issued by the Office of the Purchasing Agent.

#### 3. OFFERORS' RESPONSIBILITY TO INVESTIGATE

Before submitting a proposal, each Offeror must make all investigations necessary to ascertain all conditions and requirements affecting the full performance of the contract and to verify any representations made by the County upon which the Offeror will rely. No pleas of ignorance of such conditions and requirements will relieve the successful Offeror from its obligation to comply in every detail with all provisions and requirements of the contract or will be accepted as a basis for any claim for any monetary consideration on the part of the successful Offeror.

#### 4. INTEREST IN MORE THAN ONE PROPOSAL, AND COLLUSION

Reasonable grounds for believing that an Offeror is interested in more than one proposal for a solicitation, including both as an Offeror and as a subcontractor for another Offeror, or that collusion exists between two or more Offerors, will result in rejection of all affected proposals. However, an individual or entity acting only as a subcontractor may be included as a subcontractor on two or more different Offerors' proposals. Offerors rejected under the above provision will also be disqualified if they respond to a resolicitation for the same work.

#### 5. COMPETITIVE NEGOTIATION FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

This solicitation is a competitive negotiation for professional services, as defined in the Arlington County Purchasing Resolution. The content of the proposals and the identity of the offerors are not public record until a Notice of Decision to Award has been issued. The opening of proposals is therefore not public.

#### 6. NOTICE OF DECISION TO AWARD

When the County has made a decision to award a contract(s), the County will post a Award Notice or Intent to Award to Vendor Registry.

#### 7. TRADE SECRETS OR PROPRIETARY INFORMATION

Trade secrets or proprietary information that an Offeror submits in connection with a procurement transaction may be exempted from public disclosure under the Virginia Freedom of Information Act ("VFOIA"). However, the Offeror must invoke VFOIA protection clearly and in writing on the Proposal Form for County review. The Proposal Form must include at least the following: (1) the data or other materials sought to be protected and (2) specific reasons why the material is confidential or proprietary. It is the Offeror's sole responsibility to defend such exemptions if challenged in a court of competent jurisdiction.

#### 8. FINANCIAL STATEMENT

If requested by the County, an Offeror must submit its most recent independent certified public accountant's audit of its finances, including the management letter and other ancillary audit components. If the audited financial statement is not available, the Offeror must submit a written statement explaining the statement's absence and provide other documents (e.g., tax returns) that enable the County to assess the Offeror's financial condition. Failure to submit a financial statement upon request will be grounds for immediate disqualification. If the financial statement is not for the identical organization submitting the offer, the Offeror must submit a written explanation of the relationship and financial responsibility of the organization whose financial statement is provided (e.g., parent-subsidiary).

The County will return the financial statement at the conclusion of the award process only upon receipt of a written request signed by an officer of the organization or the same person who signed the original Proposal Form. The County considers a non-public financial statement submitted pursuant to this paragraph to be proprietary information that is not subject to disclosure under VFOIA.

#### 9. **DEBARMENT STATUS**

The Offeror must indicate on the Proposal Form whether it or any of its principals is currently debarred, enjoined, or suspended from submitting proposals to the County or to any other state or political subdivision and whether the Offeror is an agent of any person or entity that is currently debarred, enjoined or suspended from submitting proposals to the County or to any other state or political subdivision. An affirmative response may be considered grounds for rejection of the proposal.

#### 10. CONFLICT OF INTEREST STATEMENT

The Offeror must provide a statement regarding any potential conflict of interest, with the notarized signature of a principal of the Offeror, on the form provided in this solicitation.

#### 11. REPLACEMENT OR AUGMENTATION OF KEY PERSONNEL OR SUBCONTRACTORS

The key personnel and subcontractors in an Offeror's proposal are considered essential to the Offeror's qualifications and may not be replaced or substituted, nor may additional personnel or subcontractors be added, after qualification of the Offeror's proposal unless the County approves the changes in advance in writing.

#### 12. REGISTRATION OF PROFESSIONAL SERVICE PROVIDERS

A person, corporation, partnership or other entity engaging in the practice of architecture, professional engineering, land surveying, certified landscape architecture or any combination thereof shall not offer to provide or provide such services to the County unless (1) it is registered with the Commonwealth of Virginia State Board for Architects, Professional Engineers, Land Surveyors and Landscape Architects ("Board") in accordance with the Code of Virginia, Sections 54.1-411 (business entities) or 13.1-549 (professional corporations) or (2) it is exempt from registration because of its status as a sole proprietorship, as defined in the statute. By submitting a signed proposal, an Offeror certifies that it has the required registration or is exempt from the requirement. The County may also require an Offeror to provide proof of registration or exemption. For further information on the registration requirement, contact the Board at the Virginia Department of Commerce, 3600 West Broad Street, Richmond, Virginia 23230, telephone number (804) 367-8500.

#### 13. AUTHORITY TO TRANSACT BUSINESS

Any Offeror organized as a stock or nonstock corporation, limited liability company, business trust, or limited partnership or registered as a registered limited liability partnership must be authorized to transact business in the Commonwealth of Virginia as a domestic or foreign business entity if so required by Title 13.1 or Title 50 of the Code of Virginia, or as otherwise required by law. The proper and full legal name of the entity and the identification number issued to the Offeror by the Virginia State Corporation Commission must be included on the Proposal Form. Any Offeror that is not required to be authorized to transact business in the Commonwealth must include in its proposal a statement describing why the Offeror is not required to be so authorized. The County may require an Offeror to provide documentation that 1) clearly identifies the complete name and legal form of the entity and 2) establishes that the entity is authorized by the State Corporation Commission to transact business in the Commonwealth of Virginia. Failure of an Offeror to provide such documentation will be a ground for rejection of the proposal or cancellation of any award. For further information refer to the Commonwealth of Virginia State Corporation Commission website at: <a href="https://www.scc.virginia.gov">www.scc.virginia.gov</a>. The County reserves the right to waive this requirement at any time, for any reason.

#### 14. EXCEPTIONS TO TERMS AND CONDITIONS

The attached draft Contract Terms and Conditions contain a number of mandatory terms, which are marked with an asterisk. Those terms are not negotiable. If an Offeror objects to a mandatory term, the County will consider the proposal non-responsive.

#### 15. INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS

Each Offeror must be able to demonstrate proof of the specific coverage requirements and limits applicable to this solicitation. If the Offeror is not able to do so, it may propose alternate insurance coverage in its exceptions to the County's Terms and Conditions.

#### 16. ARLINGTON COUNTY BUSINESS LICENSES

The successful Offeror must comply with the provisions of Chapter 11 ("Licenses") of the Arlington County Code, if applicable. For information on the provisions of that Chapter and its applicability to this solicitation, contact the Arlington County Business License Division, Office of the Commissioner of the Revenue, at 2100 Clarendon Blvd., Suite 200, Arlington, Virginia, 22201, tel. (703) 228-3060, or e-mail business@arlingtonva.us.

#### 17. ESTIMATED QUANTITIES/NON-EXCLUSIVITY OF CONTRACTOR

The contract that will result from this solicitation will not obligate the County to purchase a specific quantity of items or services during the Contract Term. Any quantities that are included in the contract documents are the present expectations the County for the period of the contract, and the County is under no obligation to buy that, or any, amount as a result of having provided this estimate or of having had any normal or otherwise measurable requirement in the past. The County may require more goods and/or services than the estimated annual amount, and any such additional quantities will not give rise to any claim for compensation other than at the unit prices and/or rates specified in the contract.

The items or services covered by this contract may be or become available under other County contract(s), and the County may determine that it is in its best interest to procure the items or services through such other contract(s). The County does not guarantee that the selected contractor will be the exclusive provider of the goods or services covered by the resulting contract.

#### 18. ELECTRONIC SIGNATURE

If awarded, the Offeror may be required to accept an agreement and sign electronically through the County's e-signature solution, DocuSign.

#### III. INTRODUCTION TO REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL NO. 24-DES-RFP-483

The intent of this solicitation and resulting agreement is to obtain the services of a qualified land surveying contractor to provide soil, groundwater and building inspection and testing and remediation services, including the provision of the necessary personnel and equipment for all shop, field, and laboratory testing and monitoring of the environmental status remediation, when necessary, of real property in the County.

The sum of all task order projects awarded in each one-year contract term shall not exceed one million dollars (\$1,000,000). The County provides no guarantee of the amount of work to be assigned to the selected firm. The County may, in its sole discretion, decide to issue separate solicitations for projects for which doing so is determined to be in the best interest of the County.

#### BACKGROUND/PURPOSE OF SOLICITATION

The County must obtain Level I ELS services and, when necessary, Level II and Level III services as part of County legal due diligence for all acquisitions of real estate by the County. The County also, at times, requires environmental land survey services for inspection, testing, monitoring, and remediation of real properties already owned by the County, or as part of County capital improvement, public accommodation or public infrastructure improvement projects.

#### IV. SCOPE OF SERVICES

The Contractor shall furnish all necessary labor, supervision, supplies, materials, and equipment required to conduct environmental land survey services. The Contractor shall provide inspection and testing services for soil, groundwater, and buildings, in addition to providing the personnel and equipment for all laboratory, field, and shop testing and monitoring of the environmental status of County-identified real property.

The County anticipates conducting six environmental land surveys annually; however, the number of projects requested is based on County's needs, therefore the County cannot guarantee an annual minimum or maximum.

- 1. Three Level Environmental Land Survey (ELS) Approach Assessing properties for past, present, and/or potential future on-site and off-site environmental liabilities will involve the application of a three-level approach by the County. This multi-level approach will enable the development of site-specific work scopes while reducing initial survey expenses. To meet particular time constraints, the County may require a combined phase approach for projects that are progressing at an accelerated schedule. The three-level approach consist of:
  - A. Level I: The Contractor shall perform a Level I ELS, which includes a comprehensive evaluation of published hydro-geological and geological data, land records, and regulatory agency file records. In additions, a physical inspection of the site shall be conducted. The Contractor shall evaluate all data and submit to the County a written report detailing the investigative activities upon completion of this review. If warranted by specific site conditions, this report shall include recommendations for additional investigation. Level I initiatives do not include subsurface/surface sampling and radon gas inspections, unless the County specifically requests such activities.

The Contractor shall immediately notify the County of any findings that suggests the potential discharge or presence of hazardous waste materials, contaminated soil and/or groundwater on the inspected site or on adjacent sites. The determination of the type and magnitude of contamination is not within the scope of a Level I ELS and shall be addressed in a Level II ELS. However, the County may request radon gas inspections and subsurface/surface sampling as part of the Level I efforts. The Contractor shall develop a Level II scope of work that is specific to the site, drawing upon the findings and recommendations of Level I.

Level I activities shall include the following:

- 1. <u>Historical Review:</u> The Contractor shall conduct a historical evaluation of the subject property and adjacent sites to identify conditions associated with prior usage which may indicate a potential for contamination, including, but not limited to, the following tasks:
  - Conduct an examination of publicly available documents in order to ascertain whether
    the site has been under public ownership since at least since 1940, as well as to identify
    any prior use of the site and adjacent sites;
  - Examine any aerial photographs of the property that are accessible;
  - Review of available building and utility permits for the subject property;

- Review of County/city directories and other available published information identifying former occupants/tenants of the site;
- Conducting interviews with present and former owners and tenants, whenever possible, to obtain information regarding the site's utilization;
- Evaluation of published hydro-geological and geological data for the site and vicinity;
- Examination of Arlington County Public Works, Zoning, Building Inspections, Health Department, Fire Department and other available records for the site.
- 2. <u>Regulatory File Review:</u> The Contractor shall perform a regulatory file review to identify any agency actions filed against the site which may indicate contamination of the subject property, including, but not limited to, the following tasks:
  - Examination of hazardous waste (Superfund) sites on the USEPA-National Priority List (NPL) that are located within a one-half (½) mile radius of the site;
  - Examination of USEPA-Comprehensive Environmental Response, Comprehensive Liability Information System (CERCLIS) inventory of potentially hazardous waste sites under investigation within a one-half mile radius of the site;
  - Examination of Virginia Department of Waste Management's inventory of Permitted Solid Waste Facilities;
  - Review of Virginia Department of Waste Management's Hazardous Waste Handlers List;
  - Review of the Virginia State Water Control Board files for the property and adjacent properties;
  - Review of the Virginia State Underground Storage Tank (UST) Database;
  - Review of Virginia State Water Control Board Leaking Underground Storage Tank (LUST)
     Database for subject and adjacent properties;
  - Review of State Health Department records relative to surface and ground water for the site;
  - Review of registry of underground storage tanks and reported hazardous materials incidents available through the Fire Prevention Division of the Fire Department;
  - Review of other available data relating to prior or current site usage;
  - Review of Corps of Engineers, FEMA, and other regulatory agencies files for the site.
- 3. <u>Physical Inspection of Property:</u> The Contractor shall conduct a site inspection, documenting current site conditions and identifying areas of potential environmental concern. Information obtained in the historical and regulatory review shall be considered during the site walkover. The Contractor shall perform the following tasks:
  - Conduct a visual investigation of the property to identify areas of potential environmental concern, including, but not limited, to:
    - Site Topography (including wetlands and surface water drainage)

- Containers (Drums, Tanks)
- Roads, Railroad Tracks
- Chemical Storage Areas
- Electrical Transformers (PCBs)
- Underground Storage Tanks
- ➤ Air Emission Sources
- > Evidence of Underground Voids
- Landmarks
- Disposal Areas
- Stressed Vegetation
- Water Wells
- Waterways
- Drainage Areas
- Surface Staining
- Pits, Ponds, Lagoons
- Conduct a visual investigation of exterior and interior of buildings and structures located on the property identifying areas of potential environmental concern including, but not limited, to:
  - > Size, Use, Condition
  - On-Site Disposal Areas or Equipment
  - ➤ Chemical Storage Areas
  - > Electrical Equipment
  - ➤ Stained/Cracked Building Surfaces
  - Chemical Handling
  - Drains, Sinks, Sumps, Trenches
  - > Landmarks
- Conduct a visual investigation of all accessible interior and exterior areas of all buildings
  and structures located on the property to determine the presence of asbestos containing
  materials (ACMs). This asbestos survey consists of identifying asbestos containing
  materials (ACMs). This work shall include confirmation sampling and analysis, and sitespecific work scopes outlining costs for removal and disposal. Asbestos survey work shall
  meet survey standards for Renovation and Demolition of the Commonwealth of Virginia,
  as well as Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) requirements for asbestos inspectors,
  management planners, and designers. The ACM survey shall identify the following:
  - location of ACMs
  - > type of ACMs
  - quantity of ACMs
  - estimate of cost for removal of ACMs
  - > estimate of cost for design and monitoring of an ACM abatement project.
- Investigate all accessible interior and exterior areas of all buildings and structures located on the property to determine the presence of lead containing materials (LCMs). This lead survey consists of identifying suspect lead containing building materials (LCMs). This option shall include confirmation sampling and analysis, and site-specific work scopes outlining costs. Lead survey work shall meet all requirements of the Commonwealth of Virginia, as well as EPA requirements for lead inspectors, management planners, and designers. The LCM survey shall identify the following:
  - location of LCMs
  - > type of LCMs

- quantity of LCMs
- estimate of cost for removal of LCMs.
- Examine adjacent properties for general condition and use as can be observed from the public right-of-way.
- Interview parties familiar with the history of the site and adjacent sites if possible;
- Document existing site conditions through photographs, field notes and detailed site map;
- When a Level I ELS indicates evidence of a potential release or presence of hazardous waste materials, contaminated soil and/or ground water on the site being inspected or on adjacent sites, the Contractor shall immediately notify the County Fire Department of such findings. Such notification shall be done consistent with the Statewide Fire Prevention Code (SFPC F 2310.1 and F 2310.2). The Contractor shall also notify the County Project Officer of the finding and the Fire Department notification.
- 4. <u>Written Report:</u> The Contractor shall submit electronically to the Project Officer a written report detailing the investigative activities and make recommendations regarding any further investigation. The ELS report shall include the following:
  - Executive Summary
  - Introduction
  - Facility or property description
  - Location Map
  - Site Map
  - Analysis of Historical Review
  - Analysis of Regulatory Review
  - Analysis of Field Investigation
  - Summary and Conclusions
  - Recommendation(s)
  - Site photographs (color, size 3 x 5)
  - Appendices

#### 5. LEVEL I ELS OPTION

<u>Wetland Survey</u>: As an option to the scope of service during a Level I ELS, the Contractor may be required to conduct a detailed wetland delineation in accordance with the Federal Manual for the Identification and Delineation of Jurisdictional Wetlands or most current regulatory standards. Should the requirements of a project impact upon a jurisdictional wetland, the Contractor may be required to prepare the necessary Corps of Engineers permit application for either a general or nationwide permit. (Should the approval of the permit require mitigation, the Contractor may be requested to provide experienced staff to design the wetland mitigation measures and monitor the implementation thereof.).

<u>Subsurface/surface sampling and radon gas inspections</u>: additional research required by the County may include, but is not limited to, subsurface/surface sampling and analysis of soil and/or ground water through installation of test pits, soil borings, and monitoring wells. The Contractor shall prepare a written report which details the investigative activities. Sampling and analysis of soil and/or groundwater shall follow all applicable EPA or state approved procedures.

- B. Level II: The Contractor shall conduct a Level II ELS consisting of additional research, geo-technical and electromagnetic surveys, and sampling program development, at the County's request. The additional research may include, but is not limited to, subsurface/surface sampling and analysis of soil and/or ground water through installation of test pits, soil borings, and monitoring wells. The Contractor shall provide a final report detailing the investigative activities. The Level II scope of work shall include the following field activities:
  - 1. Sample Collection: The sample collection shall follow applicable EPA or State approved procedures. The Contractor shall employ personnel to collect samples in accordance with chain-of-custody forms. This form is required to be enclosed with the sample from the time it is collected until it is delivered to the laboratory for analysis. This form shall provide constant and accurate information regarding the sample until its proper disposal. Field personnel shall assign accurate numbers to samples to ensure the integrity of the data. For the purpose of enhancing the data's reliability, all field data shall be recorded in a project record log using ink during sample collection. Inputted into the project record log shall comprise all relevant data, including dates, times, diagrams, instrumentation, calibration, and other pertinent information.

In accordance with applicable federal or state protocols, collecting field in addition to other samples for environmental testing is mandatory. The Contractor shall submit blanks to the laboratory. The laboratory analyzes blanks to determine the presence of the appropriate constituents.

Samples shall be collected in certified "clean" sampling containers, as specified by applicable protocol. Samples shall be preserved with the proper preservatives. The preparation of sample containers shall adhere to the guidelines set forth by the EPA by a qualified laboratory.

Property certification is required for installation of monitoring wells; installation must adhere to EPA standards.

The Contractor shall provide appropriate interim storage, testing, and disposal procedures for the following:

- 1) soil cuttings generated during site investigation of the site;
- 2) water generated from equipment decontamination, installation, purging, flushing, or sampling of groundwater monitoring wells; and
- 3) personal protective equipment and other disposable equipment used during the site investigation.

It is mandatory to store, handle, dispose of, and maintain records of all hazardous and non-hazardous materials in accordance with the regulations set forth by the US Environmental Protection Agency and the Virginia Department of Environmental Quality. In no case shall such materials be stored at the work site for more than 30 calendar days.

2. <u>Analytical Procedures:</u> The Contractor shall obtain all testing data related to this work from reliable laboratory. The Contractor shall conduct routine inspections of all off-site laboratories (which are under the Contractor's employment) in order to assess the internal quality assurance/quality control (QA/QC) programs' materials, equipment, and processes. All analytical services shall be completed according to Environmental Protection Agency's approved methods and other standards (National Voluntary Laboratory Accreditation Program (NVLAP) and National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST)) required to assure continued accreditation of the analytical laboratory.

The Contractor shall maintain a quality assurance and quality control program (QA/QC) that is approved by the County. The QA/QC program shall include field, laboratory, and data components. The field QA/QC program must be designed in a way that prevents any compromise on sample quality or sample analyses during handling and transport.

The laboratory QA/QC program must include analysis of blank, duplicate, and spiked samples to verify the precision and accuracy of the analyses. Additionally, compliance with all supplementary QA/QC procedures established by the accredited laboratory is required.

Prior to their submission to the County, the results of the sample analyses shall be subject to review as part of the data QA/QC program. Concerning any suspicious or nonconforming results, the Contractor shall advise the appropriate County personnel on whether to accept or reject them, following a discussion with said personnel.

C. Level III: Upon request by the County, if contamination is discovered on the site, the Contractor shall conduct a Level III ELS that addresses remedial action. A site-specific scope of work shall be prepared in accordance with the Level III ELS requirements, drawing from the findings and recommendations of the Level I and Level II ELS.

#### 2. General Requirements

#### A. Project Management

The Contractor shall employ a capable project team to maintain high-quality service. A firm Principal, geologist/environmental scientist, and qualified support personnel shall comprise each project team. In addition to ensuring budget and schedule adherence, project management shall prioritize the technical quality of the work.

Upon notice to proceed, the Contractor's Project Manager shall schedule an initial meeting on the goals and objectives of the project and to discuss any special situations. Throughout the duration of the project, the Contractor's Project Manager shall be responsible for project tracking. All pertinent information obtained during the investigations shall be recorded to enhance the reliability of the project data. Additionally, the Contractor's Project Manager shall review all data obtained during the record reviews, providing quality assurance, and quality control throughout the project. Each report shall undergo an internal review prior to being submittal to the County.

At the completion of each specific project task, preliminary written or verbal reports shall be required. These shall be followed by a detailed written report specifying the specific findings and recommendations. A draft report shall be submitted prior to final report release, if requested by the County. The Contractor is required to meet with the County to address any potential environmental concerns identified on and/or adjacent to the site and to address subsequent action.

#### B. Regulatory Compliance

The Contractor shall notify the County in order to ensure that the County complies with all applicable environmental regulations. The Contractor shall provide notification of compliance with the most stringent applicable regulation in cases where regulations differ. The Contractor's recommendations shall accurately reflect the most current regulations set forth by the federal, state, local, and Virginia governments. The Contractor shall provide the County with written notice of any modifications to these regulations that occur or are undergoing a legislative proposal process. In the absence of a project-specific regulatory standard, the Contractor shall provide an advisory opinion on the industry standard known as "state of the art" at the time, in addition to suggesting alternative standards/approaches.

#### C. Personnel

The Contractor shall assign a PROJECT MANAGER to oversee the undertaking. This individual must possess demonstrated leadership and management abilities and be well-versed in all facets of the necessary field testing. As the Contractor's lead person on the project, the Project Manager shall coordinate the activities of all laboratory and field personnel as required. This individual shall be permanently assigned to the project throughout the duration of the agreement.

Additionally, as specified in the Scope of Services, the Contractor shall appoint GEOLOGISTS, ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENTISTS, ASBESTOS SURVEY STAFF, and ENGINEERING TECHNICIANS to staff the project. Their primary responsibilities shall be to ensure exhaustive testing and data collection. These individuals shall be assigned as required by surveys requested by Arlington County.

The Contractor shall designate a staff member with practical experience in building design, construction, or systems.

Assign the PRINCIPAL OF THE FIRM to the project to ensure the quality of the field services, provide corporate assistance as needed, and provide consultation, engineering, and management services as required throughout the project.

The initial project set-up and staffing shall be the responsibility of the PROJECT MANAGER, in collaboration with the PRINCIPAL OF THE FIRM. In addition, the PROJECT MANAGER shall review and assess all test results and reports. Regular and frequent reviews of the job progress and quality assurance program shall be conducted between the PRINCIPAL OF THE FIRM and the PROJECT MANAGER, as dictated by the project requirements. The quality assurance and quality control program shall be the responsibility of the PRINCIPAL OF THE FIRM. The Contractor shall provide adequate staff and resources for assistance required during the performance of the services.

#### D. Task Assignment Procedures

When a task is required, the Contractor shall follow the procedures below:

- 1. For each new task, the County will notify the Contractor via email with a scope of work, including a written description of the work and deliverables. Upon request from the County, a meeting may be scheduled with the Contractor to discuss project requirements. Within ten (10) business days, the Contractor shall submit via email to the County Project Officer a not-to-exceed cost and technical approach task proposal to perform the work based upon the Contractor's fixed hourly rates as outlined in the contract. Preparation of all proposals shall be at no cost to the County. At a minimum, the proposal shall include the following elements.
  - a. Proposed a lump sum price (broken out by sub-tasks if any are included) and the total number of hours required for each staff category to complete the scope of work for the project.
  - b. A narrative describing the work needed for each task, including identifying obstacles and proposed solutions.
  - c. Estimated start and completion dates.
- 2. The County will review the Contractor's task proposal for acceptance and may elect to negotiate the scope, hours, fee, and schedule to meet the County's needs. If the County and the Contractor cannot agree on the negotiated scope, hours, fee, and/or schedule, the County reserves the right to issue a separate solicitation for the task.

3. If the County accepts the proposal, the County will issue a task order directing the Contractor to perform the work, and a purchase order to encumber funds for the project. No work can be performed by the Contractor for any project until the Project Officer has approved the proposal, and the Contractor has received an approved County purchase order covering the individual project.

#### E. Required Personnel

The Contractor shall have qualified personnel assigned to this project. At a minimum staff assigned for work under this contact shall have the following credentials:

- Certified Industrial Hygienist (CIH)
- Certified Hazardous Materials Manager (CHMM)
- VA licensed Professional Geologist (PG)
- VA licensed Professional Engineer (PE)
- VA licensed Surveyor

#### V. PROPOSAL REQUIREMENTS

#### 1. GENERAL

FAILURE TO SUBMIT A PROPOSAL WITH A FULLY COMPLETED PROPOSAL FORM <u>USING THE PROPOSAL</u> FORM PROVIDED IN THIS SOLICITATION MAY BE CAUSE FOR REJECTION OF THE PROPOSAL. THE PROPOSAL FORM MUST BE SIGNED BY A PERSON LEGALLY AUTHORIZED TO BIND THE OFFEROR.

The Offeror's proposal must address the Proposal Submittal Elements below, in the order listed. The proposal must be single-spaced, and the type size must not be less than 10-point.

#### 2. PROPOSAL SUBMISSION

The submitted Proposal Form must be signed and fully executed. The Proposal Form must be submitted electronically via Vendor Registry no later than the date and time specified in this solicitation. The Vendor Registry system will not accept responses after the close date and time. The County will not accept emailed or faxed proposals.

The Offeror name on the electronic proposal submittal shall be the same as the Contractor/Vendor name as the registration in Vendor Registry for the upload to be considered a valid response. ONLY ELECTRONIC SUBMISSION IS ALLOWED, NO PROPOSAL SUBMITTED OTHER THAN A VENDOR REGISTRY ELECTRONIC UPLOAD WILL BE ACCEPTED. Arlington County is not responsible for late submissions, missed Addendums, or questions not submitted before the end date and time.

Timely submission is solely the responsibility of the Offeror. The Vendor Registry System will not accept applications after the publicly posted date and time. A proposal may be rejected if the Proposal Form is not signed in the designated space by a person authorized to legally bind the Offeror.

Proposals and all documents related to this solicitation uploaded/submitted to Arlington County by an Offeror become the property of the County upon receipt. The County may reject any proposal that modifies or supplements the solicitation requirements.

#### 3. OFFEROR'S RESPONSIBILITY FOR ERRORS OR OMISSIONS IN DOCUMENTS

Each Offeror is responsible for having determined the accuracy and/or completeness of the solicitation documents, including electronic documents, upon which it relied in making its proposal and has an affirmative obligation to notify the Arlington County Purchasing Agent immediately upon discovery of an apparent inaccuracy or error in or omission from the solicitation documents.

If the successful Offeror is aware of such an error or omission and has not notified the County Purchasing Agent, the Offeror must perform any work described in such incomplete or missing documents at no additional cost to the County.

#### 4. PROPOSAL STANDARDS

Proposals submitted in response to this solicitation should be accurate and grammatically correct and should not contain spelling errors.

#### 5. EXPENSES INCURRED IN PREPARING PROPOSAL

The County accepts no responsibility for any expense incurred by any Offeror in the preparation or presentation of a proposal or related in any way to an offer.

#### 6. PROPOSAL EVALUATION CRITERIA AND WEIGHTS

The County will evaluate proposals that meet the above-stated requirements using the following criteria:

EVALUATION CRITERIA	POINTS
OFFEROR'S QUALIFICATION AND EXPERIENCE	40
QUALIFICATION AND EXPERIENCE OF THE OFFEROR'S PROJECT TEAM	25
OFFEROR'S METHODOLOGY AND UNDERSTANDING OF THE SCOPE	25
QUALITY ASSURANCE (QA)/ QUALITY CONTROL (QC) PLAN/PROCEDURES	10
TOTAL	100

#### 7. PROPOSAL SUBMITTAL ELEMENTS

The County may not evaluate proposals that do not contain all requested content. Each of the proposal elements should be provided in the order listed below.

#### A. EXECUTED FORMS

- 1. Proposal Form: original as detailed above.
- 2. Conflict of Interest Statement: included in the RFP document.
- 3. Addendum Acknowledgment Form(s): provided with any RFP addendum(s).

#### **B. MANDATORY REQUIREMENTS**

The following requirements are mandatory. If the County concludes after its initial review of a submitted proposal that the Mandatory Requirements are not met, the proposal will be considered non-responsive and will not be evaluated further.

- 1. The Offeror may not take exceptions to mandatory provisions of the draft Contract Terms and Conditions that are attached to this solicitation. Mandatory provisions are marked with an asterisk. Compliance with this mandatory requirement will be verified against the Offeror's exceptions, if any, to the County's draft Terms and Conditions.
- 2. The Offeror shall have the following personnel and provide proof of their credentials with their submission:
  - Certified Industrial Hygienist (CIH)
  - Certified Hazardous Materials Manager (CHMM)
  - VA licensed Professional Geologist (PG)
  - VA licensed Professional Engineer (PE)
  - VA licensed Surveyor

#### C. OFFEROR'S QUALIFICATION AND EXPERIENCE

The Offeror must provide a one-page letter of introduction summarizing why the Offeror is the most qualified.

The Offeror must provide examples of completed projects that demonstrate a minimum of five (5) years of experience:

- Providing environmental assessments and services to state and/or local governments
- Conducting hazardous materials/hazardous waste studies within Arlington County

- Performing ASTM-E 1528-05 Phase I ESAs for individual properties and corridor studies
- Performing asbestos, lead, and other hazardous materials identification, mitigation, and project design
- Performing Phase II ESAs and Human Health Risk Assessments following EPA Superfund protocols
- Providing subsurface remediation cost estimates, design, and implementation
- Performing electromagnetic and Ground Penetrating Radar data collection/processing capability to identify buried utilities and tanks as well as tracking contaminant plumes.
- Providing NEPA studies, compliance, and public hearings
- Providing environmental assessment and remediation experience with:
  - Industrial, commercial, and residential sites
  - Fueling sites
  - Electrical substations
  - Dry cleaning facilities

Referenced projects should demonstrate the Offeror's applicable skills and experience to successfully perform the work described. The listing of completed projects shall include:

- Project name.
- Description of services performed by Offeror.
- Offeror's specific roles in the project.
- For whom the work was performed (include company name, contact person with a valid email address and telephone number.
- Initial project budget and final project cost, provide reason(s) for cost variances between initial budget and final cost.
- Proposed number of days for completion and actual number of days for completion, provide reason(s) for variances between the proposed schedule and actual schedule.

#### D. QUALIFICATIONS AND EXPERIENCE OF THE OFFEROR'S PROJECT TEAM

Provide a detailed overview of the team's background and technical expertise in performance of services required in this solicitation. At a minimum, furnish the following information:

- Staffing and organizational capability, experience, and qualifications information.
- An organization chart of the proposed Project Team to include the role, team member name and firm for which each team member works.
- Provide resumes (1 page per resume) and detailed qualification descriptions for staff/subcontractor proposed to be assigned to this contract, their roles, and their qualifications, to include staff with the following credentials:
  - Certified Industrial Hygienist (CIH)
  - Certified Hazardous Materials Manager (CHMM)
  - > VA licensed Professional Geologist (PG)
  - VA licensed Professional Engineer (PE)
  - ➤ VA licensed Surveyor

- Information that illustrates Offeror's team capacity to manage task orders concurrently while meeting all schedules, to include in-house staff or subcontractors.
- Describe the inter-relationships of the proposed project team including the Offeror's basic approach to the management of the scope of work, to include reporting hierarchy of staff and sub-consultants, procedure for conflict resolution and clarify the individual(s) responsible for coordination of the separate components of the scope of work.

#### E. OFFEROR'S METHODOLOGY AND UNDERSTANDING OF THE SCOPE

The Offeror shall demonstrate that it has the resources and capability to provide the services. At a minimum, the Offeror shall include the following information.

- Provide explanation of procedures the Offeror proposes to use to maintain contact with the County on a day-to-day basis during an ongoing project.
- Describe your firm's methodology and process for providing rapid turn-around of Phase I ESAs on critical and/or time-sensitive projects.
- Describe your firm's methodology and process for ensuring regulatory compliance in performance of the services, including any proposed modifications to the approach outlined in the RFP. Provide a narrative on any innovations and or novel approaches that you will envision using for the County projects.
- Specify additional tasks or requirements not reflected in the "Scope of Services" that the
  Offeror deems essential for successful completion of each project. If the "Scope of
  Services" appears sufficient, note so in your response.

#### F. QUALITY ASSURANCE (QA)/ QUALITY CONTROL (QC) PLAN/PROCEDURES

The Offeror shall describe their Quality Assurance/Quality Control program to include:

- Staff training program;
- Project monitoring, report writing, and documentation procedures; and
- Identify positions responsible for quality assurance.

#### G. EXCEPTIONS TO THE COUNTY'S NON-MANDATORY CONTRACT TERMS AND CONDITIONS, if any

#### **VI. CONTRACT TERMS AND CONDITIONS**

THE FOLLOWING AGREEMENT WILL BE EXECUTED BY THE COUNTY AND THE SUCCESSFUL OFFEROR. BLANKS WILL BE COMPLETED DURING CONTRACT NEGOTIATIONS. NON-NEGOTIABLE PROVISIONS THAT ARE REQUIRED BY VIRGINIA LAW OR BY THE ARLINGTON COUNTY PURCHASING RESOLUTION ARE INDICATED BY AN ASTERISK (\*). THIS AGREEMENT IS SUBJECT TO REVIEW BY THE COUNTY ATTORNEY BEFORE BEING SUBMITTED TO THE SUCCESSFUL OFFEROR FOR SIGNATURE.



## ARLINGTON COUNTY, VIRGINIA OFFICE OF THE PURCHASING AGENT SUITE 500, 2100 CLARENDON BOULEVARD ARLINGTON, VA 22201

#### **SAMPLE AGREEMENT NO. 24-DES-RFP-483**

THIS	AGREEMENT	is	made	, on	,	between	<u>Contractor</u>	.'s	name,
	Contractor's	addı	ess	("Contractor") a	name	of state	type of en	tity	
autho	rized to do bus	sines	s in the	Commonwealth	of Virginia, a	and the Cou	unty Board of Arli	ngto	n County,
Virgin	ia ("County"). <sup>-</sup>	The C	County	and the Contracto	or, for the co	nsideration	hereinafter spec	ified	, agree as
follow	15.								

#### 1. CONTRACT DOCUMENTS

The "Contract Documents" consist of:

This Agreement

Exhibit A – Scope of Work

Exhibit B – Contract Pricing

Exhibit C – Contractor Performance Evaluation Form

Where the terms and provisions of this Agreement vary from the terms and provisions of the other Contract Documents, the terms and provisions of this Agreement will prevail over the other Contract Documents, and the remaining Contract Documents will be complementary to each other. If there are any conflicts, the most stringent terms or provisions will prevail.

The Contract Documents set forth the entire agreement between the County and the Contractor. The County and the Contractor agree that no representative or agent of either party has made any representation or promise with respect to the parties' agreement that is not contained in the Contract Documents. The Contract Documents may be referred to below as the "Contract" or the "Agreement".

#### 2. SCOPE OF WORK

The Contractor agrees to perform the services described in the Contract Documents (the "Work"). As detailed in the "Scope of Work" (Exhibit A), the primary purpose of the Work is to provide soil,

groundwater and building inspection and testing services, including the necessary personnel and equipment for all shop, field, and laboratory testing and monitoring of the environmental status of real property in Arlington County. It will be the Contractor's responsibility, at its sole cost, to provide the specific services set forth in the Contract Documents and sufficient services to fulfill the purposes of the Work. Nothing in the Contract Documents limits the Contractor's responsibility to manage the details and execution of the Work.

#### 3. PROJECT OFFICER

The performance of the Contractor is subject to the review and approval of the County Project Officer, who will be appointed by the Director of the Arlington County department or agency requesting the Work under this Contract.

The Work will commence on and must be completed no later than ("Initial Contract Term"), subject to any modifications provided in the Contract Documents. Upon satisfactory performance by the Contractor the County may, through issuance of a bilateral Notice of Renewal, authorize continuation of the Agreement under the same contract prices for not more than three (3) additional 12-month periods, from, 20 to, 20 (each a "Subsequent Contract Term"). The Initial Contract Term and any Subsequent Contract Term(s) are together the "Contract Term".
5. <u>CONTRACT AMOUNT</u> The County will pay the Contractor in accordance with the terms of the Payment section below and of Exhibit B for the Contractor's completion of the Work as required by the Contract Documents. The Contractor will complete the Work for the total amount specified in this section ("Contract Amount").
The County will not compensate the Contractor for any goods or services beyond those included in Exhibit A unless those additional goods or services are covered by a fully executed amendment to this Contract. Additional services will be billed at the rates set forth in Exhibit B unless otherwise agreed by the parties in writing.
6. <u>CONTRACT PRICE ADJUSTMENTS</u> The Contract Amount/unit price(s) will remain firm until ("Price Adjustment Date"). To request a price adjustment, the Contractor or the County must submit a written request to the other party not less than 90 days before the Price Adjustment Date. Adjustments to the Contract Amount/unit price(s) will not exceed the percentage of change in the U.S. Department of Labor Consumer Price Index, All Items, Unadjusted, Urban Areas ("CPI-U") for the 12 months of statistics available at the time of the Contract's renewal.

Any Contract Amount/unit price(s) that result from this provision will become effective the day after the Price Adjustment Date and will be binding for 12 months. The new Price Adjustment Date will be 12 months after the price adjustment.

If the Contractor and the County have not agreed on a requested adjustment by 30 days before the Price Adjustment Date, the County may not renew the Contract, whether or not the County has previously elected to renew the Contract's term.

#### 7. PAYMENT

The Contractor must submit invoices to the County's Project Officer, who will either approve the invoice or require corrections. The County will pay the Contractor within 45 days after receipt of an invoice for completed work that is reasonable and allocable to the Contract and that has been performed to the satisfaction of the Project Officer. All payments will be made from the County to the Contractor via ACH. The number of the County Purchase Order pursuant to which goods or services have been delivered or performed must appear on all invoices.

The Contractor also must submit to the County's Project Officer its W-9 Form, which will include its Federal Employer Identification Number ("FEIN") or Social Security Number ("SSN"), whichever is applicable, before the County can process payment to the Contractor under the Contract.

#### 8. ADJUSTMENTS FOR CHANGE IN SCOPE

The County may order additions, deletions and other revisions in the Work within the general scope of the project. If the Contractor believes that any change is not within the scope of the project or warrants additional compensation, the Contractor must notify the Project Officer as soon as the County requests the change; and the Contractor must then provide written notice of its position to the Project Officer within ten calendar days. The Contractor's notice must detail and document the basis for the claimed amount of additional compensation. The Contractor will not receive any additional compensation pursuant to this paragraph unless the parties execute a written Contract amendment, and the County issues a purchase order consistent with the amendment.

#### 9. REIMBURSABLE EXPENSES

The County will not reimburse the Contractor for any expenses under this Contract. The amount in Exhibit B includes all costs and expenses of providing the services described in this Contract.

#### 10. \* PAYMENT OF SUBCONTRACTORS

The Contractor is obligated to take one of the two following actions within seven days after receipt of payment by the County for work performed by any subcontractor under this Contract:

- a. Pay the subcontractor for the proportionate share of the total payment received from the County attributable to the work performed by the subcontractor under this Contract; or
- b. Notify the County and the subcontractor, in writing, of the Contractor's intention to withhold all or a part of the subcontractor's payment, with the reason for nonpayment.

The Contractor is obligated to pay interest to the subcontractor on all amounts owed by the Contractor to the subcontractor that remain unpaid after seven days following receipt by the Contractor of payment from the County for work performed by the subcontractor under this Contract, except for amounts withheld as allowed in subsection b., above. Unless otherwise provided under the terms of this Contract, interest will accrue at the rate of 1% per month.

The Contractor must include in each of its subcontracts, if any are permitted, a provision requiring each subcontractor to include or otherwise be subject to the same payment and interest requirements with respect to each lower-tier subcontractor.

The Contractor's obligation to pay an interest charge to a subcontractor pursuant to this section may not be construed to be an obligation of the County. A Contract modification may not be made for the

purpose of providing reimbursement for such interest charge. A cost reimbursement claim may not include any amount for reimbursement for such interest charge.

#### 11. \* NON-APPROPRIATION

All payments by the County to the Contractor pursuant to this Contract are subject to the availability of an annual appropriation for this purpose by the County Board of Arlington County, Virginia ("Board"). In the event that the Board does not appropriate funds for the goods or services provided under this Contract, the County will terminate the Contract, without termination charge or other liability to the County, on the last day of the fiscal year or when the previous appropriation has been spent, whichever event occurs first.

#### 12. ESTIMATED QUANTITIES/NON-EXCLUSIVITY OF CONTRACTOR

This Contract does not obligate the County to purchase a specific quantity of items or services during the Contract Term. Any quantities that are included in the Contract Documents are the present expectations of the County for the period of the Contract; and the County is under no obligation to buy that or any amount as a result of having provided this estimate or of having had any normal or otherwise measurable requirement in the past. The County may require more goods and/or services than the estimated annual quantities, and any such additional quantities will not give rise to any claim for compensation other than at the unit prices and/or rates in the Contract.

The County does not guarantee that the Contractor will be the exclusive provider of the goods or services covered by this Contract. The items or services covered by this Contract may be or become available under other County contract(s), and the County may determine that it is in its best interest to procure the items or services through those contract(s).

#### 13. \* COUNTY PURCHASE ORDER REQUIREMENT

County purchases are authorized only if the County issues a Purchase Order in advance of the transaction, indicating that the ordering County agency has sufficient funds available to pay for the purchase. If the Contractor provides goods or services without a signed County Purchase Order, it does so at its own risk and expense. The County will not be liable for payment for any purchases made by its employees that are not authorized by the County Purchasing Agent.

#### 14. REPLACEMENT OF PERSONNEL AND SUBCONTRACTORS

The County has the right reasonably to reject staff or subcontractors whom the Contractor assigns to the project. The Contractor must then provide replacement staff or subcontractors satisfactory to the County in a timely manner and at no additional cost to the County. The day-to-day supervision and control of the Contractor's and its subcontractors' employees is the sole responsibility of the Contractor.

The Contractor may not replace key personnel or subcontractors identified in its proposal, including the approved Project Manager, without the County's written approval. The Contractor must submit any request to remove or replace key personnel or subcontractors to the County Project Officer at least 15 calendar days in advance of the proposed action. The request must contain a detailed justification, including identification of the proposed replacement and his or her qualifications.

If the approved Project Manager must be absent for an extended period, the Contractor must provide an interim Project Manager, subject to the County's written approval.

If the approved Project Manager resigns or is terminated by the Contractor, the Contractor will replace the Project Manager with an individual with similar qualifications and experience, subject to the County's written approval.

#### 15. \* EMPLOYMENT DISCRIMINATION BY CONTRACTOR PROHIBITED

During the performance of its work pursuant to this Contract:

- A. The Contractor will not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, religion, color, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, national origin, age, disability or on any other basis prohibited by state law. The Contractor agrees to post in conspicuous places, available to employees and applicants for employment, notices setting forth the provisions of this nondiscrimination clause.
- B. Notices, advertisements, and solicitations placed in accordance with federal law, rule or regulation will be deemed sufficient for meeting the requirements of this section.
- C. The Contractor will state in all solicitations or advertisements for employees that it places or causes to be placed that such Contractor is an Equal Opportunity Employer.
- D. The Contractor will comply with the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 ("ADA"), which prohibits discrimination against individuals with disabilities in employment and mandates that disabled individuals be provided access to publicly and privately provided services and activities.
- E. The Contractor must include the provisions of the foregoing paragraphs in every subcontract or purchase order of more than \$10,000.00 relating to this Contract so that the provisions will be binding upon each subcontractor or vendor.

#### 16. \* EMPLOYMENT OF UNAUTHORIZED ALIENS PROHIBITED

In accordance with §2.2-4311.1 of the Code of Virginia, as amended, the Contractor must not during the performance of this Contract knowingly employ an unauthorized alien, as that term is defined in the federal Immigration Reform and Control Act of 1986.

#### 17. \* DRUG-FREE WORKPLACE TO BE MAINTAINED BY CONTRACTOR

During the performance of this Contract, the Contractor must: (i) provide a drug-free workplace for its employees; (ii) post in conspicuous places, available to employees and applicants for employment, a statement notifying employees that the unlawful manufacture, sale, distribution, dispensation, possession, or use of a controlled substance or marijuana is prohibited in the Contractor's workplace and specifying the actions that will be taken against employees for violating such prohibition; (iii) state in all solicitations or advertisements for employees placed by or on behalf of the Contractor that the Contractor maintains a drug-free workplace; and (iv) include the provisions of the foregoing clauses in every subcontract or purchase order of more than \$10,000.00 relating to this Contract so that the provisions will be binding upon each subcontractor or vendor.

For the purposes of this section, "workplace" means the site(s) for the performance of the work required by this Contract.

#### 18. \* SEXUAL HARASSMENT POLICY

If the Contractor employs more than five employees, the Contractor shall (i) provide annual training on the Contractor's sexual harassment policy to all supervisors and employees providing services in the Commonwealth, except such supervisors or employees that are required to complete sexual harassment training provided by the Department of Human Resource Management, and (ii) post the Contractor's sexual harassment policy in (a) a conspicuous public place in each building located in the Commonwealth that the Contractor owns or leases for business purposes and (b) the Contractor's employee handbook.

#### 19. SAFETY

The Contractor must ensure that it and its employees and subcontractors comply with all applicable local, state and federal policies, regulations and standards relating to safety and health, including the standards of the Virginia Occupational Safety and Health program of the Department of Labor and Industry for General Industry and for the Construction Industry and the applicable Federal Environmental Protection Agency and Virginia Department of Environmental Quality standards.

#### 20. <u>TERMINATION</u>

The County may terminate this Contract at any time as follows: (1) for cause, if, as determined by the County, the Contractor is in breach or default or has failed to perform the Work satisfactorily; or (2) for the convenience of the County.

Upon receipt of a notice of termination, the Contractor must not place any further orders or subcontracts for materials, services or facilities; must terminate all vendors and subcontracts, except as are necessary for the completion of any portion of the Work that the County did not terminate; and must immediately deliver all documents related to the terminated Work to the County.

Any purchases that the Contractor makes after the notice of termination will be the sole responsibility of the Contractor, unless the County has approved the purchases in writing as necessary for completion of any portion of the Work that the County did not terminate.

If any court of competent jurisdiction finds a termination for cause by the County to be improper, then the termination will be deemed a termination for convenience.

#### A. TERMINATION FOR CAUSE, INCLUDING BREACH AND DEFAULT; CURE

1. Termination for Unsatisfactory Performance. If the County determines that the Contractor has failed to perform satisfactorily, then the County will give the Contractor written notice of such failure(s) and the opportunity to cure them within 15 days or any other period specified by the County ("Cure Period"). If the Contractor fails to cure within the Cure Period, the County may terminate the Contract for failure to provide satisfactory performance by providing written notice with a termination date. The Contractor must submit any request for termination costs, with all supporting documentation, to the County Project Officer within 30 days after the expiration of the Cure Period. The County may accept or reject the request for termination costs, in whole or in part, and may notify the Contractor of its decision within a reasonable time.

In the event of termination by the County for failure to perform satisfactorily, the Contractor must continue to provide its services as previously scheduled through the termination date, and the County must continue to pay all fees and charges incurred through the termination date.

 Termination for Breach or Default. If the County terminates the Contract for default or breach of any Contract provision or condition, then the termination will be immediate after notice of termination to the Contractor (unless the County provides for an opportunity to cure), and the Contractor will not be permitted to seek termination costs.

Upon any termination pursuant to this section, the Contractor will be liable to the County for costs that the County must expend to complete the Work, including costs resulting from any related delays and from unsatisfactory or non-compliant work performed by the Contractor or its subcontractors. The County will deduct such costs from any amount due to the Contractor; or if the County does not owe the Contractor, the Contractor must promptly pay the costs within 15 days of a demand by the County. This section does not limit the County's recovery of any other damages to which it is entitled by law.

Except as otherwise directed by the County, the Contractor must stop work on the date of receipt the notice of the termination.

#### B. TERMINATION FOR THE CONVENIENCE OF THE COUNTY

The County may terminate this Contract in whole or in part whenever the Purchasing Agent determines that termination is in the County's best interest. The County will give the Contractor at least 15 days' notice in writing. The notice must specify the extent to which the Contract is terminated and the effective termination date. The Contractor will be entitled to termination costs, plus any other reasonable amounts that the parties might negotiate; but no amount will be allowed for anticipatory profits.

Except as otherwise directed by the County, the Contractor must stop work on the date of receipt of the notice of the termination.

## 21. <u>INDEMNIFICATION (Note: Virginia law does not permit the County to indemnify others; cross indemnity provisions are not acceptable to the County)</u>

The Contractor covenants for itself, its employees and its subcontractors to save, hold harmless and indemnify the County and all of its elected and appointed officials, officers, current and former employees, agents, departments, agencies, boards and commissions (collectively the "County Indemnitees") from and against any and all claims made by third parties for any and all losses, damages, injuries, fines, penalties, costs (including court costs and attorneys' fees), charges, liability, demands or exposure resulting from, arising out of or in any way connected with the Contractor's negligent acts, errors, or omissions, including the negligent acts, errors, or omissions of its employees and/or subcontractors, in performance or nonperformance of the Contract. This duty to save, hold harmless and indemnify will survive the termination of this Contract. If the Contractor fails or refuses to fulfill its obligations contained in this section, the Contractor must reimburse the County for any and all resulting payments and expenses, including reasonable attorneys' fees. The Contractor must pay such expenses upon demand by the County, and failure to do so may result in the County withholding such amounts from any payments to the Contractor under this Contract.

The Contractor agrees to indemnify, and hold harmless County from any and all damages, costs, claims, expenses, suits, losses, liabilities, or obligations of any kind including without limitation, environmental assessments, evaluations, remediations, fines, penalties, and clean-up costs which may be asserted against or imposed upon, or incurred by County arising from Contractor's discharge or disposal of any

hazardous or toxic materials, trash, debris, refuse, waste or other materials ("Materials") related in any way to contractor's operations herein.

#### 22. INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY INDEMNIFICATION

The Contractor warrants and guarantees that in providing services under this Contract neither the Contractor nor any subcontractor is infringing on the intellectual property rights (including, but not limited to, copyright, patent, mask and trademark) of third parties.

If the Contractor or any of its employees or subcontractors uses any design, device, work or material that is covered by patent or copyright, it is understood that the Contract Amount includes all royalties, licensing fees, and any other costs arising from such use in connection with the Work under this Contract.

The Contractor covenants for itself, its employees and its subcontractors to save, hold harmless, and indemnify the County Indemnitees, as defined above, from and against any and all claims, losses, damages, injuries, fines, penalties, costs (including court costs and attorneys' fees), charges, liability or exposure for infringement of or on account of any trademark, copyright, patented or unpatented invention, process or article manufactured or used in the performance of this Contract. This duty to save, hold harmless and indemnify will survive the termination of this Contract. If the Contractor fails or refuses to fulfill its obligations contained in this section, the Contractor must reimburse the County for any and all resulting payments and expenses, including reasonable attorneys' fees. The Contractor must pay such expenses upon demand by the County, and failure to do so may result in the County withholding such amounts from any payments to the Contractor under this Contract.

#### 23. COPYRIGHT

By this Contract, the Contractor irrevocably transfers, assigns, sets over and conveys to the County all rights, title and interest, including the sole exclusive and complete copyright interest, in any and all copyrightable works created pursuant to this Contract. The Contractor will execute any documents that the County requests to formalize such transfer or assignment.

The rights granted to the County by this section are irrevocable and may not be rescinded or modified, including in connection with or as a result of the termination of or a dispute concerning this Contract.

The Contractor may not use subcontractors or third parties to develop or provide input into any copyrightable materials produced pursuant to this Contract without the County's advance written approval and unless the Contractor includes this Copyright provision in any contract or agreement with such subcontractors or third parties related to this Contract.

#### 24. OWNERSHIP OF WORK PRODUCT

This Contract does not confer on the Contractor any ownership rights or rights to use or disclose the County's data or inputs.

All work product, in any form, that results from this Contract is the property of the County and must be provided or returned to the County upon completion, termination, or cancellation of this Contract. The Contractor will not use or allow others to use the work product for any purpose other than performance of this Contract without the written consent of the County.

The work product is confidential, and the Contractor may neither release the work product nor share its contents. The Contractor will refer all inquiries regarding the status of any work product to the Project

Officer or to his or her designee. At the County's request, the Contractor will deliver all work product, including hard copies of electronic files, to the Project Officer and will destroy all electronic files.

The Contractor must include the provisions of this section as part of any contract or agreement related to this Contract into which it enters with subcontractors or other third parties.

The provisions of this section will survive any termination or cancellation of this Contract.

#### 25. <u>CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION</u>

The Contractor and its employees, agents and subcontractors will hold as confidential all County information obtained under this Contract. Confidential information includes, but is not limited to, nonpublic personal information; personal health information (PHI); social security numbers; addresses; dates of birth; other contact information or medical information about a person; and information pertaining to products, operations, systems, customers, prospective customers, techniques, intentions, processes, plans and expertise. The Contractor must take reasonable measures to ensure that all of its employees, agents and subcontractors are informed of and abide by this requirement.

#### 26. \* ETHICS IN PUBLIC CONTRACTING

This Contract incorporates by reference Article 9 of the Arlington County Purchasing Resolution, as well as all state and federal laws related to ethics, conflicts of interest or bribery, including the State and Local Government Conflict of Interests Act (Code of Virginia § 2.2-3100 et seq.), the Virginia Governmental Frauds Act (Code of Virginia § 18.2-498.1 et seq.) and Articles 2 and 3 of Chapter 10 of Title 18.2 of the Code of Virginia, as amended (§ 18.2-438 et seq.). The Contractor certifies that its proposal was made without collusion or fraud; that it has not offered or received any kickbacks or inducements from any other offeror, supplier, manufacturer or subcontractor; and that it has not conferred on any public employee having official responsibility for this procurement any payment, loan, subscription, advance, deposit of money, services or anything of more than nominal value, present or promised, unless consideration of substantially equal or greater value was exchanged.

#### 27. \* COUNTY EMPLOYEES

No Arlington County employee may share in any part of this Contract or receive any benefit from the Contract that is not available to the general public.

#### 28. FORCE MAJEURE

Neither party will be held responsible for failure to perform the duties and responsibilities imposed by this Contract if such failure is due to a fire, riot, rebellion, natural disaster, war, act of terrorism or act of God that is beyond the control of the party and that makes performance impossible or illegal, unless otherwise specified in the Contract, provided that the affected party gives notice to the other party as soon as practicable after the force majeure event, including reasonable detail and the expected duration of the event's effect on the party.

#### 29. \* AUTHORITY TO TRANSACT BUSINESS

The Contractor must, pursuant to Code of Virginia § 2.2-4311.2, be and remain authorized to transact business in the Commonwealth of Virginia during the entire term of this Contract. Otherwise, the Contract is voidable at the sole option of and with no expense to the County.

#### 30. \* RELATION TO COUNTY

The Contractor is an independent contractor, and neither the Contractor nor its employees or subcontractors will be considered employees, servants or agents of the County. The County will not be responsible for any negligence or other wrongdoing by the Contractor or its employees, servants or agents. The County will not withhold payments to the Contractor for any federal or state unemployment taxes, federal or state income taxes or Social Security tax or for any other benefits. The County will not provide to the Contractor any insurance coverage or other benefits, including workers' compensation.

#### 31. ANTITRUST

The Contractor conveys, sells, assigns and transfers to the County all rights, title and interest in and to all causes of action under state or federal antitrust laws that the Contractor may have relating to this Contract.

#### 32. REPORT STANDARDS

The Contractor must submit all written reports required by this Contract for advance review in a format approved by the Project Officer. Reports must be accurate and grammatically correct and should not contain spelling errors. The Contractor will bear the cost of correcting grammatical or spelling errors and inaccurate report data and of other revisions that are required to bring the report(s) into compliance with this section.

#### 33. AUDIT

The Contractor must retain all books, records and other documents related to this Contract for at least five years, or such period of time required by the County's funding partner(s), if any, whichever is greater, after the final payment and must allow the County or its authorized agents to examine the documents during this period and during the Contract Term. The Contractor must provide any requested documents to the County for examination within 15 days of the request, at the Contractor's expense. Should the County's examination reveal any overcharging by the Contractor, the Contractor must, within 30 days of County's request, reimburse the County for the overcharges and for the reasonable costs of the County's examination, including, but not limited to, the services of external audit firm and attorney's fees; or the County may deduct the overcharges and examination costs from any amount that the County owes to the Contractor. If the Contractor wishes to destroy or dispose of any records related to this Contract (including confidential records to which the County does not have ready access) within five years after the final payment, or such period of time required by the County's funding partner(s), if any, whichever is greater, the Contractor must give the County at least 30 days' notice and must not dispose of the documents if the County objects.

The Purchasing Agent may require the Contractor to demonstrate that it has the necessary facilities, ability, and financial resources to comply with the Contract and furnish the service, material or goods specified herein in a satisfactory manner at any time during the term of this Contract.

#### 34. ASSIGNMENT

The Contractor may not assign, transfer, convey or otherwise dispose of any award or any of its rights, obligations or interests under this Contract without the prior written consent of the County.

#### 35. AMENDMENTS

This Contract may not be modified except by written amendment executed by persons duly authorized to bind the Contractor and the County.

#### 36. \* ARLINGTON COUNTY PURCHASING RESOLUTION AND COUNTY POLICIES

Nothing in this Contract waives any provision of the Arlington County Purchasing Resolution, which is incorporated herein by reference, or any applicable County policy.

#### **37.** \* DISPUTE RESOLUTION

All disputes arising under this Agreement or concerning its interpretation, whether involving law or fact and including but not limited to claims for additional work, compensation or time, and all claims for alleged breach of contract must be submitted in writing to the Project Officer as soon as the basis for the claim arises. In accordance with the Arlington County Purchasing Resolution, claims denied by the Project Officer may be submitted to the County Manager in writing no later than 60 days after the final payment. The time limit for a final written decision by the County Manager is 30 days. Procedures concerning contractual claims, disputes, administrative appeals and protests are contained in the Arlington County Purchasing Resolution. The Contractor must continue to work as scheduled pending a decision of the Project Officer, County Manager, County Board or a court of law.

#### 38. \* APPLICABLE LAW, FORUM, VENUE AND JURISDICTION

This Contract is governed in all respects by the laws of the Commonwealth of Virginia; and the jurisdiction, forum and venue for any litigation concerning the Contract or the Work is in the Circuit Court for Arlington County, Virginia, and in no other court.

#### 39. ARBITRATION

No claim arising under or related to this Contract may be subject to arbitration.

#### 40. NONEXCLUSIVITY OF REMEDIES

All remedies available to the County under this Contract are cumulative, and no remedy will be exclusive of any other at law or in equity.

#### 41. NO WAIVER

The failure to exercise a right provided for in this Contract will not be a subsequent waiver of the same right or of any other right.

#### 42. SEVERABILITY

The sections, paragraphs, clauses, sentences, and phrases of this Contract are severable; and if any section, paragraph, clause, sentence or phrase of this Contract is declared invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, the rest of the Contract will remain in effect.

#### 43. \* ATTORNEY'S FEES

In the event that the County prevails in any legal action or proceeding brought by the County to enforce any provision of this Contract, the Contractor will pay the County's reasonable attorney's fees and expenses.

#### 44. SURVIVAL OF TERMS

In addition to any statement that a specific term or paragraph survives the expiration or termination of this Contract, the following sections also survive: INDEMNIFICATION; INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY INDEMNIFICATION; RELATION TO COUNTY; OWNERSHIP OF WORK PRODUCT; AUDIT; COPYRIGHT; DISPUTE RESOLUTION; APPLICABLE LAW AND JURISDICTION; ATTORNEY'S FEES, AND CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION.

#### 45. HEADINGS

The section headings in this Contract are inserted only for convenience and do not affect the substance of the Contract or limit the sections' scope.

#### 46. AMBIGUITIES

The parties and their counsel have participated fully in the drafting of this Agreement; and any rule that ambiguities are to be resolved against the drafting party does not apply. The language in this Agreement is to be interpreted as to its plain meaning and not strictly for or against any party.

#### 47. NOTICES

Unless otherwise provided in writing, all written notices and other communications required by this Contract are deemed to have been given when either (a) delivered in person; (b) delivered by an agent, such as a delivery service; or (c) deposited in the United States mail, postage prepaid, certified or registered and addressed as follows:

TO THE CONTRACTOR:		
TO THE COUNTY:		
, Project Officer		

Dr. Sharon T. Lewis, LL.M, MPS, VCO, CPPB Purchasing Agent

Arlington County, Virginia 2100 Clarendon Boulevard, Suite 500

Arlington, Virginia 22201 Phone: (703) 228-3294

AND

Email: <a href="mailto:slewis1@arlingtonva.us">slewis1@arlingtonva.us</a>

#### TO COUNTY MANAGER'S OFFICE (FOR PROJECT CLAIMS):

Mark Schwartz, County Manager Arlington County, Virginia 2100 Clarendon Boulevard, Suite 318 Arlington, Virginia 22201

#### 48. ARLINGTON COUNTY BUSINESS LICENSES

The Contractor must comply with the provisions of Chapter 11 ("Licenses") of the Arlington County Code, if applicable. For information on the provisions of that Chapter and its applicability to this Contract, the Contractor must contact the Arlington County Business License Division, Office of the Commissioner of

the Revenue, 2100 Clarendon Blvd., Suite 200, Arlington, Virginia, 22201, telephone number (703) 228-3060, or e-mail business@arlingtonva.us.

#### 49. \* NON-DISCRIMINATION NOTICE

Arlington County does not discriminate against faith-based organizations.

#### 50. INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS

Before beginning work under the Contract or any extension, the Contractor must provide to the County Purchasing Agent a Certificate of Insurance indicating that the Contractor has in force at a minimum the coverage below. The Contractor must maintain this coverage until the completion of the Contract or as otherwise stated in the Contract Documents. All required insurance coverage must be acquired from insurers that are authorized to do business in the Commonwealth of Virginia, with a rating of "A-" or better and a financial size of "Class VII" or better in the latest edition of the A.M. Best Co. Guides.

- a. <u>Workers Compensation</u> Virginia statutory workers compensation (W/C) coverage, including Virginia benefits and employer's liability with limits of \$1,000,000/1,000,000/1,000,000. The County will not accept W/C coverage issued by the Injured Worker's Insurance Fund, Towson, MD.
- b. <u>Commercial General Liability</u> \$1,000,000 per occurrence, with \$2,000,000 annual aggregate covering all premises and operations and including personal injury, completed operations, contractual liability, independent contractors, and products liability. The general aggregate limit must apply to this Contract. Evidence of contractual liability coverage must be provided with the certificate.
- c. <u>Business Automobile Liability</u> \$1,000,000 combined single-limit (owned, non-owned and hired).
- d. <u>Errors and Omissions</u> \$1,000,000 per occurrence. The Contractor shall carry this insurance which will pay for damages arising out of errors or omissions in the rendering, or failure to render services or perform Work under the contract.
- e. <u>Additional Insured</u> The County and its officers, elected and appointed officials, employees and agents must be listed as additional insureds on all policies except workers compensation and automotive and professional liability; and the additional insured endorsement must be provided with the certificate.
- f. <u>Cancellation</u> If there is a material change or reduction in or cancellation of any of the above coverages during the Contract Term, the Contractor must notify the Purchasing Agent immediately and must, with no lapse in coverage, obtain replacement coverage that is consistent with the terms of this Contract. Not having the required insurance throughout the Contract Term is grounds for termination of the Contract.
- g. <u>Claims-Made Coverage</u> Any "claims made" policy must remain in force, or the Contractor must obtain an extended reporting endorsement, until the applicable statute of limitations for any claims has expired.
- h. Contract Identification All insurance certificates must state this Contract's number and title.

i. Environmental Impairment Liability, including coverage of insureds' on-site clean up, with the following minimum limits of liability:

Bodily Injury and Property 2,000,000 each occurrence Damage Liability 4,000,000 annual aggregate

The County Board of Arlington County, Virginia, is to be named in Additional Name Insured or a Broad Form Contractual Endorsement may be added to the policy as respects any liability that may arise out of or result from the handling of Work on this Project including specifically but without limitation thereto, the indemnity provisions in the Agreement. Such policies will be endorsed to provide that they are primary to an insurance carried by the County Board of Arlington County, Virginia.

- j. Should any of the Work hereunder involve the cleanup, remediation and/or removal of biosolids, bio-hazards waste, or any hazardous or toxic materials, trash, debris, refuse, or waste, the Contractor shall provide, or shall require its subcontractor performing the work to provide, the following coverage in addition to the above requirements:
  - i. Environmental Liability and Cleanup Coverage with limits of not less than \$2,000,000 per occurrence.
  - ii. Business Automobile Liability for transportation or regulated and/or hazardous waste, products, or materials with limits of not less than \$1,000,000, per occurrence. Said coverage shall include County as an additional insured and shall include both the MCS-90 and CA 9948 (or equivalent) endorsements, which shall be specifically referenced on the certificate of insurance.

The Contractor must disclose to the County the amount of any deductible or self-insurance component of any of the required policies. With the County's approval, the Contractor may satisfy its obligations under this section by self-insurance for all or any part of the insurance required, provided that the Contractor can demonstrate sufficient financial capacity. In order to do so, the Contractor must provide the County with its most recent actuarial report and a copy of its self-insurance resolution.

The County may request additional information to determine if the Contractor has the financial capacity to meet its obligations under a deductible and may require a lower deductible; that funds equal to the deductible be placed in escrow; a certificate of self-insurance; collateral; or another mechanism to guarantee the amount of the deductible and ensure protection for the County.

The County's acceptance or approval of any insurance will not relieve the Contractor from any liability or obligation imposed by the Contract Documents.

The Contractor is responsible for the Work and for all materials, tools, equipment, appliances and property used in connection with the Work. The Contractor assumes all risks for direct and indirect damage or injury to the property used or persons employed in connection with the Work and for of all damage or injury to any person or property, wherever located, resulting from any action, omission, commission or operation under the Contract or in connection in any way whatsoever with the Work. The Contractor's insurance shall be the primary non-contributory insurance for any work performed under this Contract.

The Contractor is as fully responsible to the County for the acts and omissions of its subcontractors and of persons employed by them as it is for acts and omissions of persons whom the Contractor employs directly.

#### 51. CONTRACTOR PERFORMANCE EVALUATION

Arlington County will perform written evaluations of the Contractor's performance at various intervals throughout the term of this Contract. The evaluations will address, at a minimum, the Contractor's work/performance, quality, cost controls, schedule, timeliness and sub-contractor management. The Project Officer shall be responsible for completing the evaluations and providing a copy to the Contractor and County Procurement Officer.

WITNESS these signatures:	
THE COUNTY BOARD OF ARLINGTON COUNTY, VIRGINIA	CONTRACTOR
AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE:	AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE:
NAME:	NAME:
TITLE:	TITLE:
DATE:	DATE:

#### **EXHIBIT C**

#### **CONTRACTOR PERFORMANCE EVALUATION FORM**

#### ARLINGTON COUNTY GOVERNMENT

Contractor Performance Evaluation Form

Contractor Name:	Contract No.:
Date:	Project/Contract Name:
Interim Evaluation Final Evaluation	
Scope of Work/Services Provided:	
Contract Start Date:// Contract Date://	act End Date:/ Actual Completion
Please rate the effectiveness of the Contractor's per dimensions:	formance on the Contract/Project across the following
Evaluation Criteria: Unacceptable	e Poor Satisfactory Excellent
Written comments to explain assigned ratings are record or an "excellent" in any category.	quired for any performance ratings below "satisfactory"
Evaluation Questions	
1. Quality of Workmanship	
·	ship. Were there quality-related or workmanship responsive to remedial work required?
Unacceptable Poor Satisfac	ctory Excellent N/A
Problem Solving and Decision Making	
-	e and creative problem solving, coordination and fair

	decision making on Contract/Project.								
	Unacceptable Poor Satisfactory Excellent N/A								
3.	Project Schedule								
	Rate the Contractor's performance with regard to adhering to contract schedules. Did the Contractor meet the contract schedule, or the schedule as revised by approved change orders? If not was the delay attributable to the Contractor?								
	Unacceptable Poor Satisfactory Excellent N/A								
4.	Subcontractor Management								
	Rate the Contractor's ability, effort and success in managing and coordinating subcontractors (if no subcontractors rate the Contractor's overall project management). Was the Contractor able to effectively resolve problems?								
	Unacceptable Poor Satisfactory Excellent N/A								
5.	Safety Rate the Contractor's safety procedures on this Contract/Project? Were there any OHSA violation or serious safety accidents?								
	Unacceptable Poor Satisfactory Excellent N/A								
6.	Environmental Compliance  Did the Contractor comply with local, state, and federal environmental standards in the performance of the Contract? Did the Contractor comply in good faith with local erosion and sedimentation control requirements and/or any Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan?								
	Unacceptable Poor Satisfactory Excellent N/A								
7.	Change Orders  Did the Contractor unreasonably claim change orders or extras? Were the Contractor's prices or change orders and extra work reasonable?								
	Unacceptable Poor Satisfactory Excellent N/A								
8.	Paperwork Processing								
	Rate this Contractor's performance in completing and submitting required project paperwork (i.e.								

	change orders, submittal, drawings, invoices, workforce reports, etc.) Did the Contractor submit the required paperwork promptly and in proper form?								
	Unacceptable _	Poor	Satisfactory	Excellent	N/A				
9.		formance of th		pervisory personnel. D	•				
	knowledge, managem	ent skills and exp	perience to run a p	roject of this size and sco	ppe?				
	Unacceptable	Poor	Satisfactory	Excellent	N/A				
10.	Expertise, Knowledge Rate this Contractor's of project.	·	e they dedicated, $\epsilon$	experienced and qualifie	d for the duratior				
	Unacceptable	Poor	Satisfactory	Excellent	N/A				
11.	Project/Contract Close	eout							
		nd Maintenance	Manuals, and train	ity of closeout deliverabl ing. Did the Contractor on hin the allotted time?					
	Unacceptable	Poor	Satisfactory	Excellent	N/A				
12.	Level of Overall Perfor	mance							
	Unacceptable	Poor	_ Satisfactory	Excellent	N/A				
Base	ed on these comments, $\Box$ Yes $\Box$	would you recor No	mmend this Contra	ctor for comparable wor	k in the future?				

Please provide any comments regarding the Contrac Contractor can also provide any comments or clarifica		
(Project Officer or Contractor, use additional sheets, in	f Necessary):	
Signatures and Certifications:		
The information contained in this evaluation for	rm rangeants to the host	of my knowledge, a
true and accurate analysis of the Contractor's p		
<ol><li>The contents on the evaluation form and the ra or its representative for any reason.</li></ol>	tings were not negotiated	with the Contractor
Evaluator's Signature:	Date:	
Evaluator's (PjO) Printed Name		Evaluator's
Title:		
Contractor's signature below acknowledges receipt a	and the opportunity to resp	ond:
Contractor Signature:		
Date:		
Contractor Printed Name:	——Title	

#### **EVALUATION RATINGS DEFINITIONS**

Rating	Definition	Notes
Excellent	Performance meets contractual requirements and exceeds many to the County's benefit. The contractual performance of the element or subelement being evaluated was accomplished with few minor problems for which corrective actions taken by the contractor were highly effective.	To justify an Exceptional rating, identify multiple significant events and state how they were of benefit to the County. A singular benefit, however, could be of such magnitude that it alone constitutes an Exceptional rating. Also, there should have been NO significant weaknesses identified.
Satisfactory	Performance meets contractual requirements. The contractual performance of the element or sub-element contains some minor problems for which corrective actions taken by the contractor appear or were satisfactory.	To justify a Satisfactory rating, there should have been only minor problems, or major problems the contractor recovered from without impact to the contract/order. There should have been NO significant weaknesses identified. A fundamental principle of assigning ratings is that contractors will not be evaluated with a rating lower than Satisfactory solely for not performing beyond the requirements of the contract/order.
Poor	Performance does not meet some contractual requirements. The contractual performance of the element or sub-element being evaluated reflects a serious problem for which the contractor has not yet identified corrective actions. The contractor's proposed actions appear only marginally effective or were not fully implemented.	To justify poor performance, identify a significant event in each category that the contractor had trouble overcoming and state how it impacted the County. A poor rating should be supported by referencing the management tool that notified the contractor of the contractual deficiency (e.g., management, quality, safety, or environmental deficiency report or letter).
Unacceptable	Performance does not meet most contractual requirements and recovery is not likely in a timely manner. The contractual performance of the element or sub-element contains a serious problem(s) for which the contractor's corrective actions appear or were ineffective.	To justify an Unsatisfactory rating, identify multiple significant events in each category that the contractor had trouble overcoming and state how it impacted the County. A singular problem, however, could be of such serious magnitude that it alone constitutes an unsatisfactory rating. An Unsatisfactory rating should be supported by referencing the management tools used to notify the contractor of the contractual deficiencies (e.g., management, quality, safety, or environmental deficiency reports, or letters).
Not Applicable (N/A)	N/A (not applicable) should be used if the area for evaluation.	e ratings are not going to be applied to a particular

#### VII. ATTACHMENTS AND FORMS

### ARLINGTON COUNTY, VIRGINIA REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS NO. 24-DES-RFP-483

#### PROPOSAL FORM

ELECTRONIC PROPOSALS WILL BE RECEIVED BY THE COUNTY VIA VENDOR REGISTRY NOT LATER THAN 1:00 P.M., FEBRUARY 2, 2024.

FOR PROVIDING ENVIRONMENTAL LAND SURVEY SERVICES PER THE SOLICITATION.

THE FULL <u>LEGAL NAME</u> OF THE ENTITY SUBMITTING THIS PROPOSAL MUST BE WRITTEN IN THE SPACE BELOW. THIS PROPOSAL FORM AND ALL OTHER DOCUMENTS THAT REQUIRE A SIGNATURE MUST BE FULLY AND ACCURATELY COMPLETED AND SIGNED BY A PERSON WHO IS AUTHORIZED TO BIND THE OFFEROR, OR THE PROPOSAL MAY BE REJECTED:

SUBMITTED BY: (legal name of entity)									
AUTHORIZED SIGNATU	JRE:								
PRINT NAME AND TITL	.E:								
ADDRESS:									
CITY/STATE/ZIP:									
TELEPHONE NO.:			E-MAII ADDRE	_					
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(check the applicable option)	GENE	RAL PARTNERSH	IP 🗆	)	UNINCORF	PORATE	D ASSO	CIATION	
	LIMITED LIA	ABILITY COMPAN	NY 🗆	)		SOLE P	ROPRIE	TORSHIP	
IS OFFEROR AUTHORIZ COMMONWEALTH OF IDENTIFICATION NO. IS SCC:	VIRGINIA?					YES		NO	
			_						

Any Offeror exempt from Virginia State Corporation Commission (SCC) authorization requirement must include a statement with its proposal explaining why it is not required to be so authorized.

**ENTITY'S DUN & BRADSTREET D-U-N-S NUMBER:** (if available)

HAS YOUR FIRM OR ANY OF ITS PRINCIPALS BEEN DEBARRED, ENJOINED, OR SUSPENDED FROM SUBMITTING PROPOSALS TO ARLINGTON COUNTY, VIRGINIA, OR ANY OTHER STATE OR POLITICAL SUBDIVISION WITHIN THE PAST THREE YEARS?	YES		NO				
HAS YOUR FIRM DEFAULTED ON ANY PROJECT IN THE LAST THREE YEARS?	YES		NO				
HAS YOUR FIRM HAD ANY TYPE OF BUSINESS, CONTRACTING OR TRADE LICENSE, REGISTRATION OR CERTIFICATION REVOKED OR SUSPENDED IN THE PAST THREE YEARS?	YES		NO				
HAS YOUR FIRM AND ITS PRINCIPALS/OWNERS BEEN CONVICTED OF ANY CRIME RELATING TO ITS CONTRACTING BUSINESS IN THE PAST TEN YEARS?	YES		NO				
HAS YOUR FIRM BEEN FOUND IN VIOLATION OF ANY LAW APPLICABLE TO ITS CONTRACTING BUSINESS (LICENSING LAWS, TAX LAWS, WAGE AND HOUR LAWS, PREVAILING WAGE LAWS, ENVIRONMENTAL) WHERE THE RESULT OF SUCH VIOLATION WAS THE PAYMENT OF A FINE, BACK PAY DAMAGES, OR ANY OTHER PENALTY IN THE AMOUNT OF \$5000 OR MORE?	YES		NO				
OFFEROR STATUS: MINORITY OWNED:  WOMAN OV	WNED:		NEITHER:				
THE UNDERSIGNED UNDERSTANDS AND ACKNOWLEDGES THE FOLLOWING:  THE OFFICIAL COPY OF THE SOLICITATION DOCUMENTS, WHICH INCLUDES ANY ADDENDA, IS THE ELECTRONIC COPY THAT IS AVAILABLE FROM THE VENDOR REGISTRY WEBSITE.  POTENTIAL OFFERORS ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR DETERMINING THE ACCURACY AND COMPLETENESS OF ALL SOLICITATION DOCUMENTS THEY RECEIVE FROM ANY SOURCE, INCLUDING THE COUNTY.							
<ol> <li>OFFEROR MUST SUBMIT: ONE ELECTRONIC COMPLETE SIGNED PROPOSAL THAT INCLUDES AS ITS FIRST PAGE THIS PROPOSAL FORM.</li> <li>INDICATE THE NAME AND CONTACT INFORMATION OF THE PERSON WHO CAN RESPOND AUTHORITATIVELY TO QUESTIONS REGARDING THIS PROPOSAL.</li> </ol>							
NAME (PRINTED): TIT	LE:						
E-MAII ADDRESS:	NO ·						

#### PROPOSAL FORM, PAGE 3 OF 5

#### TRADE SECRETS OR PROPRIETARY INFORMATION:

Trade secrets or proprietary information submitted by an Offeror in connection with a procurement transaction will not be subject to public disclosure under the Virginia Freedom of Information Act. Pursuant to Section 4-112 of the Arlington County Purchasing Resolution, however, an Offeror seeking to protect submitted data or materials from disclosure must, before or upon submission of the data or materials, identify the specific data or materials to be protected and state the reasons why protection is necessary. Please note that designation of an entire bid, proposal, or prequalification application or of line-item prices or the total bid amount is prohibited.

Please mark one:
☐ No, the proposal that I have submitted does <u>not</u> contain any trade secrets and/or proprietary information.
$lacksquare$ Yes, the proposal that I have submitted $\underline{does}$ contain trade secrets and/or proprietary information.
If Yes, you must clearly identify below the exact data or materials to be protected <u>and</u> lis all applicable page numbers, sections, and paragraphs, of the proposal that contain such data or materials:
State the specific reason(s) why protection is necessary and why the identified information constitutes a trade secret or is proprietary:

If you fail above to identify the data or materials to be protected or to state the reason(s) why protection is necessary, you will not have invoked the protection of Section 4-111 of the Purchasing Resolution. Accordingly, upon the award of a contract, the proposal will be open for public inspection consistent with applicable law.

#### PROPOSAL FORM, PAGE 4 OF 5

NAME:

<u>CERTIFICATION OF NON-COLLUSION:</u> The undersigned certifies that this proposal is not the result of or affected by (1) any act of collusion with another person engaged in the same line of business or commerce (as defined in Virginia Code §§ 59.1-68.6 *et seq.*) or (2) any act of fraud punishable under the Virginia Governmental Frauds Act (Virginia Code §§ 18.2-498.1 *et seq.*).

#### CONTACT PERSON AND MAILING ADDRESS FOR DELIVERY OF NOTICES

Provide the name and address of the person who is designated to receive notices and other communications regarding this solicitation. Refer to the "Notices" section in the draft Contract Terms and Conditions for information regarding delivery of notices.

ADDRESS:	 	
E-MAIL:	 	

OFFEROR'S PRINTED NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

#### **CONFLICT OF INTEREST STATEMENT**

I, whose name is subscribed below, a duly authorized representative and agent of the entity submitting this proposal to Arlington County in response to its Request for Proposal No. 24-DES-RFP-483, and on behalf of the Offeror certify that:

- 1. Neither the Offeror nor any affiliated entity has, within the past five years, been employed by or represented a deliverer of services that reasonably could be expected to be considered for purchase by the County as a result of this solicitation.
- if the Offeror is awarded a contract under this solicitation and during the term of that contract
  prepares an invitation to bid or request for proposal for or on behalf of the County, the Offeror
  must not (i) submit a bid or proposal for that procurement or any portion thereof or (ii) disclose
  to any potential bidder or offeror information concerning the procurement that is not available
  to the public.
- 3. The Offeror will not solicit or accept any commissions or fees from vendors who ultimately furnish services to the County as a result of any contract award made as a result of this solicitation.

OFFEROR'S NAME:	_
SIGNED BY:	<del>_</del>
PRINTED NAME/TITLE:	_
DATE:	_
NOTARY STATEMENT	
COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA/STATE OF)	
CITY/COUNTY OF) to wit:	
personally appeared by, 20 the undersigned a Notary Public in and for to, known to me (or satisfactorily proven) subscribed to within the instrument as an agent of the Offeror and executed the same for the purposes therein contained.	to be the person whose name is d acknowledged that he/she has
(Seal)	
Notary registration number:	
My commission expires:	