



**INVITATION FOR BID  
IFB # 15-2811DC  
MSO FISH HATCHERY ELECTRICAL IMPROVEMENTS**

Manatee County, a political subdivision of the State of Florida, (hereinafter "Owner") will receive sealed bids from individuals, corporations, partnerships, and other legal entities organized under the laws of the State of Florida or authorized to conduct business in the State of Florida.

**NON-MANDATORY INFORMATION CONFERENCE**

In order to ensure all prospective bidders have sufficient information and understanding of Owner's needs, an Information Conference will be held at: **1:30 PM on September 30, 2015 at the Manatee County Sheriff Detention Center (Jail), 14470 Harlee Road (Port Manatee), Palmetto, Florida. The MANADATORY site visit will immediately follow the Information conference.**

**Project location is a non-public secured area. Prospective bidders shall contact the Sheriff Office at robert.williams@manateesheriff.com of your intention to participate in the site visit prior to above meeting date to ensure access to the facility. The bidders are to check in at the security gate to be directed to the appropriate waiting area. A valid picture identification and proof of employment (to substantiate reason for visit) is required for entrance at the Sheriff Detention Center. Failure to provide advance notice to the Sheriff Office of your intention to attend this meeting may result in refusal of your entrance in the facility at the time of the meeting.**

**DEADLINE FOR CLARIFICATION REQUESTS:**      **5:00 PM on October 4, 2015**  
Reference Bid Article A.06

**BID OPENING TIME AND DATE DUE:**      **2:30 PM on October 13, 2015**

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**MANATEE COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE  
CORRECTIONS BUREAU  
APPLICATION FOR FACILITY ENTRY**

**Section A:** *To be completed by Visitor / Contracted Employee / Volunteer:*

By completing and signing this form, I authorize a Manatee County Sheriff's Office employee or authorized representative bearing this release, or copy thereof, to obtain my criminal history by conducting an FCIC/NCIC check prior to my being granted entry. Consent is granted for the agency to furnish such information, as is described above, to third parties in the course of fulfilling its official responsibilities. I hereby release you, as the custodian of such records, both individually and collectively from any and all liability for damages of whatever kind, which may at any time result to me, my heirs, family, or associates because of compliance with this authorization, or any attempt to comply with it. A photocopy of this form will be as effective as the original.

Printed Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Race (white or black): \_\_\_\_\_ Sex: \_\_\_\_\_ Social Security Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Office phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Home phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email address: \_\_\_\_\_

Florida Private Investigator License # (if applicable): \_\_\_\_\_

Company/Organization represented: \_\_\_\_\_

Reason for facility entry: \_\_\_\_\_

Have you ever been convicted: Yes \_\_\_\_\_, No \_\_\_\_\_, If yes Explain: \_\_\_\_\_

Non-contact visits are conducted on the second floor of the jail where a glass window separates the inmates from the visitor. Participants speak to each other using a telephone. If documents are brought in and require signatures, a Deputy will pass the document over to the inmate for signature and then will return it to the visitor.

***If you require a face-to-face contact visit with an inmate (conducted on the 1<sup>st</sup> floor of the facility); it must be pre-approved by the Operations Commander. Please state the reason why you need a face-to-face contact visit:***

**WATVER:** By signing below, I hereby acknowledge that the Manatee County Sheriff's Office is hereby released, both individually and collectively, from any and all liability for damages of whatever kind, which may at any time, result to me as a direct or indirect consequence of any injury or harm inflicted during a contact visit with any inmate in the jail facility, and I agree to proceed at my own risk.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Printed Name: \_\_\_\_\_

**Section B:** *To be completed by Authorized Personnel:*

Authorized Personnel completing check: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Section C:** *To be completed by Operations Commander:*

Face-to-Face visit (1st floor): Approved: \_\_\_\_\_ Denied: \_\_\_\_\_ One time only: \_\_\_\_\_

Face-to-Face visit (2nd floor): Approved: \_\_\_\_\_ Denied: \_\_\_\_\_ One time only: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Revised: 1/9/14



**MANATEE COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE**  
**Corrections Bureau**  
**Prison Rape Elimination Act (PREA)**  
**Hiring and Promotion Decisions 115.17 (a)(1-3)**  
**Sexual Assault/Abuse Awareness/History Form**



The standards for the Prison Rape Elimination Act (PREA) of 2003 (Public Law 108-79 September 4, 2003) were officially signed into federal law August of 2012 to protect the Eighth Amendment rights of all inmates. PREA was enacted by the United States Congress to address the problem of sexual assault of inmates in all penal facilities. PREA requires that standards be developed and implemented for the detection, prevention, reduction and punishment of all sexual abuse/harassment.

It is the responsibility of the Manatee County Sheriff's Office personnel to be familiar with all the information readily available to prevent, detect, report and respond to incidents of sexual abuse and sexual harassment.

In accordance with the Prison Rape Elimination Act of 2003, the Manatee County Sheriff's Office has a zero tolerance policy towards inmate sexual assault, abuse and harassment. The Manatee County Sheriff's Office will investigate all reported incidents of sexual assaulted, abused or harassed and will discipline and/or prosecute those who sexually assault, abuse or harass inmates.

Any employee, volunteer, contractor, vendor or official visitor can and will accept any information from an inmate regarding sexual abuse, sexual assault or sexual harassment and will immediately forward the report to a supervisor. An inmate may feel more comfortable reporting sexual assault, sexual abuse or sexual harassment to someone other than a corrections deputy, and all individuals are legally bound to immediately report the information for further actions including medical and mental treatment, segregation from the suspect, collection of evidence, criminal investigation and other necessary procedures. Time is of the essence in reporting sexual abuse and sexual assault.

The definition of sexual assault/abuse is engaging in, or attempting to engage in, a sexual act with any inmate or the intentional touching of an inmate's genitalia, anus, groin, breast, inner thigh or buttocks with the intent to abuse, humiliate, harass, degrade, arouse or gratify the sexual desire of any person. Sexual acts or contacts between an inmate and a staff member, even when no objections are raised, are always illegal, and by law, considered non-consensual.

**Sexual abuse includes -**

- (1) Sexual abuse of an inmate, detainee, or resident by another inmate, detainee, or resident; and
- (2) Sexual abuse of an inmate, detainee, or resident by a staff member, contractor, or volunteer.

*Sexual abuse of an inmate, detainee, or resident by another inmate, detainee, or resident* includes any of the following acts, if the victim does not consent, is coerced into such act by overt or implied threats of violence, or is unable to consent or refuse:

- (1) Contact between the penis and the vulva or the penis and the anus, including penetration, however slight;
- (2) Contact between the mouth and the penis, vulva, or anus;
- (3) Penetration of the anal or genital opening of another person, however slight, by a hand, finger, object, or other instrument; and
- (4) Any other intentional touching, either directly or through the clothing, of the genitalia, anus, groin, breast, inner thigh, or the buttocks of another person, excluding contact incidental to a physical altercation.

*Sexual abuse of an inmate, detainee, or resident by a staff member, contractor, or volunteer* includes any of the following acts, with or without consent of the inmate, detainee, or resident:

- (1) Contact between the penis and the vulva or the penis and the anus, including penetration, however slight;
- (2) Contact between the mouth and the penis, vulva, or anus;
- (3) contact between the mouth and any body part where the staff member, contractor, or volunteer has the intent to abuse, arouse, or gratify sexual desire;
- (4) Penetration of the anal or genital opening, however slight, by a hand, finger, object, or other instrument, that is unrelated to official duties or where the staff member, contractor, or volunteer has the intent to abuse, arouse, or gratify sexual desire;
- (5) Any other intentional contact, either directly or through the clothing, of or with the genitalia, anus, groin, breast, inner thigh, or the buttocks, that is unrelated to official duties or where the staff member, contractor, or volunteer has the intent to abuse, arouse, or gratify sexual desire;
- (6) Any attempt, threat, or request by a staff member, contractor, or volunteer to engage in the activities described in paragraphs (1)-(5) of this section;
- (7) Any display by a staff member, contractor or volunteer of his or her uncovered genitalia, buttocks, or breast in the presence of an inmate, detainee, or resident, and
- (8) Voyeurism by a staff member, contractor, or volunteer.

*Voyeurism by a staff member, contractor, or volunteer* means an invasion of privacy of an inmate, detainee, or resident by staff for reasons unrelated to official duties, such as peering at an inmate who is using a toilet in his or her cell to perform bodily functions; requiring an inmate to expose his or her buttocks, genitals, or breasts; or taking images of all or part of an inmate's naked body or of an inmate performing bodily functions.

**INSTITUTION - (1)** The term "institution" means any facility or institution-

(A) which is owned, operated, or managed by, or provides services on behalf of any State or political subdivision of a State; and

(B) which is -

(i) for persons who are mentally ill, disabled, or retarded, or chronically ill or handicapped;

(ii) a jail, prison, or other correctional facility;

(iii) a pretrial detention facility;

(iv) for juveniles -

(I) held awaiting trial;

(II) residing in such facility or institution for purposes of receiving care or treatment; or

(III) residing for any State purpose in such facility or institution (other than a residential facility providing only elementary or secondary education that is not an institution in which reside juveniles who are adjudicated delinquent, in need of supervision, neglected, placed in State custody, mentally ill or disabled, mentally retarded, or chronically ill or handicapped); or

(IV) providing skilled nursing, intermediate or long-term care, or custodial or residential care.

**MANDATORY:** All Manatee County Sheriff's Office employees, contractors, volunteers and vendors must answer (3) questions required by the PREA 115.17 titled: "Hiring and Promotion Decisions". *(see the last page)*

MANATEE COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE  
Corrections Bureau  
Prison Rape Elimination Act (PREA)  
Sexual Assault/Abuse Awareness/History Form

**PREA 117.17 (A) (1-3)** The agency shall not hire or promote anyone who may have contact with inmates, and shall not enlist the services of any contractor or volunteer who may have contact with inmates who answer **YES** to any of the following questions:

1) Have you ever engaged in sexual abuse in a prison, jail, lockup, community confinement facility, juvenile facility, or other institution?

YES ☐ NO ☐

2) Have you been convicted of engaging or attempting to engage in sexual activity in the community facilitated by force, overt or implied threats of force, or coercion, or if the victim did not consent, was unable to consent or refused?

YES ☐ NO ☐

3) Have you been civilly or administratively adjudicated to have engaged in the activity described in question (2)?

YES ☐ NO ☐

By signing below you swear and affirm you have truthfully answered the above questions and/or understand the Manatee County Sheriff's Office Zero - Tolerance Sexual Assault, Sexual Abuse and Sexual Harassment policy. Additionally, you confirm you have read and understand the PREA definitions.

Check here if you are not an employee, vendor, volunteer or contractor. ☐

\_\_\_\_\_  
Printed Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Occupation/Title

\_\_\_\_\_  
Company/Agency

\_\_\_\_\_  
Company/Agency Telephone

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**SECTION A**  
**INFORMATION TO BIDDERS**

**A.01 OPENING LOCATION**

Sealed bids will be **publicly opened** at the **Manatee County Purchasing Division, 1112 Manatee Avenue West, Suite 803, Bradenton, Florida 34205** in the presence of Owner officials at the time and date stated, or soon thereafter. All bidders or their representatives are invited to attend the sealed bid opening.

Any bids received after the stated time and date will not be considered. It shall be the sole responsibility of the bidder to have their bid **delivered to the Manatee County Purchasing Division** for receipt on or before the stated time and date. Bidder shall be solely and strictly responsible for its timely delivery to the Purchasing Division. Bids delayed by mail, courier, or bids delayed for any other reason, shall not be considered, shall not be opened at the public opening, and arrangements shall be made for their return at the bidder's request and expense.

**A.02 SEALED & MARKED**

Bids shall be submitted in **triplicate, one original (marked Original) and two copy/copies (marked Copy)** of your **signed bid** shall be submitted in one **sealed** package, clearly marked on the outside **"Sealed Bid #15-2811DC MSO Fish Hatchery Electrical Improvements"** along with your company name.

For your convenience, a mailing label is provided with this Invitation for Bid (IFB) package. Or, you may address the package as follows:

Manatee County Purchasing Division  
1112 Manatee Avenue West, Suite 803  
Bradenton, Florida 34205  
Sealed Bid #15-2811DC MSO Fish Hatchery Electrical

All blank spaces on the bid form must be filled in as noted with amounts extended and totaled and no changes shall be made in the wording of the forms or in the items thereupon. In the event a change is made in your submittal, the bidder shall write its initials by the change. Any bid may be rejected which contains any omissions, alterations, irregularities of any kind, or which shall in any manner fail to conform to the requirements of this IFB.

A bid made by an individual, either in his/her own or proper person or under a trade or firm name, shall be executed under the individual's signature. If made by a partnership, the bid shall be executed by two or more of the general partners. If made by a corporation, the bid shall be executed by its President or other legally authorized corporate officer or agent.



**A.03 SECURING BID DOCUMENTS**

IFB's and related documents are available on <http://www.mymanatee.org/purchasing> for download in a portable document format (.PDF) file by clicking on "Bids and Proposals" from the Purchasing Division's web page. You may view and print these files using Adobe Reader software. If necessary, you may download a free copy of Adobe Reader from the link provided on the "Bids and Proposals" page.

Additionally, Manatee County collaborates with the Manatee Chamber of Commerce by announcing solicitation opportunities to the Chamber which are then passed to its members.

Manatee County may also use DemandStar to distribute bids. On the DemandStar website, <http://www.DemandStar.com>, click on the tab titled "My DemandStar" for more information regarding this service. Participation in the DemandStar system is not a requirement for doing business with Manatee County.

Complete copies of the IFB and all related documents are available for public inspection at the Manatee County Purchasing Division, 1112 Manatee Avenue West, Suite 803, Bradenton, FL 34205, or by calling (941) 749-3014. Appointments are encouraged. Documents are available between the hours of 9:00 AM and 4:00 PM Monday through Friday, with the exception of holidays. A complete set of the IFB documents must be used in preparing bids. Owner assumes no responsibility for errors and misinterpretations resulting from the use of incomplete sets of bid documents.

**A.04 EXAMINATION OF BID DOCUMENTS AND SITE(S)**

It is the responsibility of each bidder before submitting a bid, to (a) examine the IFB documents thoroughly; (b) visit the Project Site(s) to become familiar with local conditions that may affect cost, progress, performance, or furnishing of the Work; (c) consider federal, state, and local codes, laws, and regulations that may affect costs, progress, performance, or furnishing of the Work; (d) study and carefully correlate bidder's observations with the IFB documents; and (e) notify Owner of all conflicts, errors, or discrepancies in the IFB documents.

Each bidder may, at bidder's own expense, make or obtain any additional examinations, investigations, explorations, tests and studies, and obtain any additional information and data which pertain to the physical conditions at or contiguous to the Project Site(s) or otherwise which may affect cost, progress, performance or furnishing of the Work and which bidder deems necessary to determine his bid for performing and furnishing the Work in accordance with the time, price and other terms and conditions of the IFB documents. Owner will provide each bidder access to the site(s) to conduct such explorations and tests.

Bidder shall fill all holes, clean up and restore the Project Site(s) to its former condition upon completion of such explorations. The lands upon which the Work is to be performed, rights-of-way and easements for access thereto, and other lands designated for use by successful bidder in performing the Work are identified in the IFB documents.



All additional lands and access thereto required for temporary construction facilities or storage of materials and equipment are to be provided by successful bidder. Easements for permanent structures or permanent changes in existing structures are to be obtained and paid for by Owner unless otherwise provided in the IFB documents.

Inspection of the Project Site(s) is **a requirement** to be considered for award of this bid. Prior to submitting a bid, each bidder shall examine the Project Site(s) and all conditions thereon fully familiarizing themselves with the full scope of the Work. Failure to become familiar with Project Site conditions will in no way relieve the successful bidder from the necessity of furnishing any materials or performing any Work that is required to complete the Project in accordance with the Project Plans and Specifications. Bidder shall acknowledge inspection of the Project Site(s) on his/her signed, submitted Bid Form.

#### **A.05 MODIFICATION OF BID DOCUMENTS**

If a bidder wishes to recommend changes to the IFB documents, the bidder shall furnish, in writing, data and information necessary to aid Owner in evaluating the request to modify the IFB documents. Owner is not obligated to make any changes to the IFB documents. Unless an addendum is issued, the IFB documents shall remain unaltered. **Bidders must fully comply with the IFB documents in their entirety.**

#### **A.06 CLARIFICATION & ADDENDA**

Each bidder shall examine all IFB documents and shall judge all matters relating to their adequacy and accuracy. Any inquiries, suggestions or requests concerning interpretation, clarification or additional information pertaining to this IFB shall be made through the Manatee County Purchasing Division. Owner shall not be responsible for oral interpretations given by any Owner employee, representative, or others.

**5:00 PM on October 4, 2015** shall be the deadline to submit to the Purchasing Division, in writing, all inquiries, suggestions, or requests concerning interpretation, clarification or additional information pertaining to this IFB.

This deadline has been established to maintain fair treatment of all potential bidders, while maintaining progression of the Work.

If any addenda are issued to this IFB, Owner will post the documents on the Purchasing Division's web page at <http://www.mymanatee.org/purchasing>, and then by clicking on "Bids and Proposals". If the original solicitation was broadcast via DemandStar, the addenda will also be broadcast on the DemandStar distribution system to "Planholders" on this web service.

The issuance of a written addendum is the only official method whereby interpretation, clarification or additional information can be given.

It shall be the **responsibility of each bidder, prior to submitting a bid**, to contact the Purchasing Division (see contact information on the cover page) to **determine if any addenda were issued** and to make such addenda a part of their bid.

**A.07 LOBBYING**

After the issuance of any IFB, prospective bidders or their agents, representatives or persons acting at the request of such bidder shall not contact, communicate with or discuss any matter relating to the IFB with any officer, agent or employee of Manatee County other than the Purchasing Official or the contact identified in this IFB, pursuant to the Manatee County Code of Laws. This prohibition includes copying such persons on all written communication, including email correspondence. This requirement begins with the issuance of an IFB and ends upon execution of the final Agreement or when the IFB has been cancelled. Violators of this prohibition shall be subject to sanctions as provided in the Manatee County Code of Laws.

**A.08 UNBALANCED BIDDING PROHIBITED**

Owner recognizes that large and/or complex projects will often result in a variety of methods, sources, and prices. However, where in the opinion of Owner such variation does not appear to be justified, given bid requirements and industry and market conditions, the bid will be presumed to be unbalanced. Examples of unbalanced bids will include:

- a. Bids showing omissions, alterations of form, additions not specified, or required conditional or unauthorized alternate bids.
- b. Bids quoting prices that substantially deviate, either higher or lower, from those included in the bids of competitive bidders for the same line item unit costs.
- c. Bids where the unit costs offered are in excess of or below reasonable cost analysis values.

In the event Owner determines that a bid is presumed unbalanced, it will request the opportunity to and reserves the right to, review all source quotes, bids, price lists, letters of intent, etc., which the bidder obtained and upon which the bidder relied upon to develop its bid. Owner reserves the right to reject as nonresponsive any presumptive unbalanced bids where the bidder is unable to demonstrate the validity and/or necessity of the unbalanced unit costs.

**A.09 FRONT LOADING OF BID PRICING PROHIBITED**

Prices offered for performance and/or acquisition activities which occur early in the Project Schedule, such as mobilization; clearing and grubbing; or maintenance of traffic; that are substantially higher than pricing of competitive bidders within the same portion of the Project Schedule, will be presumed to be front loaded. Front loaded bids could reasonably appear to be an attempt to obtain unjustified early payments creating a risk of insufficient incentive for the bidder to complete the Work or otherwise creating an appearance of an undercapitalized bidder.

In the event Owner determines that a bid is presumed to be front loaded, it will request the opportunity to, and reserves the right to, review all source quotes, bids, price lists, letters of intent, etc., which the bidder obtained and upon which the bidder relied upon to develop the pricing or acquisition timing for these bid items. Owner reserves the right to reject as nonresponsive any presumptive front loaded bids where the bidder is unable to demonstrate the validity and/or necessity of the front loaded costs.

**A.10 WITHDRAWAL OF BIDS**

Bidders may withdraw bids as follows:

- a. Mistakes discovered before the public bid opening may be withdrawn by written notice from the bidder submitting the bid. This request must be received in the Purchasing Division prior to the time set for delivery and opening of the bids. A copy of the request shall be retained and the unopened bid returned to the bidder; or
- b. After the bids are opened or a selection has been determined, but before an Agreement is signed, a bidder alleging a material mistake of fact may be permitted to withdraw their bid if:
  1. The mistake is clearly evident in the solicitation document; or
  2. Bidder submits evidence which clearly and convincingly demonstrates that a mistake was made. Request to withdraw a bid must be in writing and approved by the Purchasing Official.

**A.11 IRREVOCABLE OFFER**

Any bid may be withdrawn up until the time and date set for opening of the bid. Any bid not so withdrawn shall, upon opening, constitute an irrevocable offer for a period of ninety (90) days to sell to Manatee County the goods or services set forth in the attached IFB until one or more of the bids have been duly accepted by Owner.

**A.12 BID EXPENSES**

All expenses for making bids to Owner are to be borne by the bidder.

**A.13 RESERVED RIGHTS**

Owner reserves the right to accept or reject any and/or all bids, to waive irregularities and technicalities, and to request resubmission. Also, Owner reserves the right to accept all or any part of the bid and to increase or decrease quantities to meet additional or reduced requirements of Owner. Any sole response received by the first submission date may or may not be rejected by Owner depending on available competition and current needs of Owner. For all items combined, the bid of the lowest, responsive, responsible bidder will be accepted, unless all bids are rejected.

The lowest, responsible bidder shall mean that bidder who makes the lowest bid to sell goods and/or services of a quality which meets or exceeds the quality of goods and/or services set forth in the IFB documents or otherwise required by Owner.

To be responsive, a bidder shall submit a bid which conforms in all material respects to the requirements set forth in the IFB.

To be a responsible bidder, the bidder shall have the capability in all respects to perform fully the bid requirements, and the tenacity, perseverance, experience, integrity, reliability, capacity, facilities, equipment, and credit which will assure good faith performance.

Also, Owner reserves the right to make such investigation as it deems necessary to determine the ability of any bidder to furnish the service requested. Information Owner deems necessary to make this determination shall be provided by the bidder. Such information may include, but shall not be limited to current financial statements, verification of availability of equipment and personnel, and past performance records.

**A.14 APPLICABLE LAWS**

Bidder must be authorized to transact business in the State of Florida. All applicable laws and regulations of the State of Florida and ordinances and regulations of Manatee County will apply to any resulting Agreement. Any involvement with the Manatee County Purchasing Division shall be in accordance with the Manatee County Purchasing Ordinance as amended.

**A.15 COLLUSION**

By submitting a bid to this IFB, bidder certifies that it has not divulged, discussed or compared its bid with any other bidder, and has not colluded with any other bidder or parties to this bid whatsoever. Also, bidder certifies, and in the case of a joint bid each party thereto certifies as to their own organization, that in connection with this bid:

- a. any prices and/or cost data submitted have been arrived at independently, without consultation, communication, or agreement, for the purpose of restricting competition, as to any matter relating to such prices and/or cost data, with any other bidder or with any competitor;
- b. any prices and/or cost data quoted for this bid have not been knowingly disclosed by the bidder and will not knowingly be disclosed by the bidder, prior to the scheduled opening, directly or indirectly to any other bidder or to any competitor;
- c. no attempt has been made or will be made by the bidder to induce any other person or firm to submit or not to submit a bid for the purpose of restricting competition;

- d. the only person or persons interested in this bid, principal or principals is/are named therein and that no person other than therein mentioned has any interest in this bid or in the resulting Agreement to be entered into; and
- e. no person or agency has been employed or retained to solicit or secure the resulting Agreement upon an agreement or understanding or a commission, percentage, brokerage, or contingent fee except bona fide employees or established commercial agencies maintained by bidder for purpose of doing business.

**A.16 CODE OF ETHICS**

With respect to this bid, if any bidder violates, directly or indirectly, the ethics provisions of the Manatee County Purchasing Ordinance and/or Florida criminal or civil laws related to public procurement, including but not limited to Chapter 112, Part III, Code of Ethics for Public Officers and Employees, Florida Statutes, such bidder will be disqualified from eligibility to perform the Work described in this IFB, and may also be disqualified from furnishing future goods or services to, and from submitting any future bids to supply goods or services to, Manatee County.

By submitting a bid, the bidder represents to Owner that all statements made and materials submitted are truthful, with no relevant facts withheld. If a bidder is determined to have been untruthful in their bid or any related presentation, such bidder will be disqualified from eligibility to perform the Work described in this IFB, and may also be disqualified from furnishing future goods or services to, and from submitting any future bids to supply goods or services to, Manatee County.

**A.17 PUBLIC CONTRACTING AND ENVIRONMENTAL CRIMES**

A person or affiliate who has been placed on the convicted vendor list following a conviction for a public entity crime, as that term is defined in Section 287.133, Florida Statutes, may not submit a bid to provide any goods or services to a public entity; may not submit a bid with a public entity for the construction or repair of a public building or public work; may not submit bids on leases of real property to a public entity; may not be awarded or perform Work as a contractor, supplier, Subcontractor, or consultant under an agreement with any public entity; and may not transact business with any public entity in excess of the threshold amount provided in Section 287.017, Florida Statutes, for CATEGORY TWO for a period of thirty-six (36) months following the date of being placed on the convicted list.

In addition, the Manatee County Code of Laws prohibits the award of any bid to any person or entity who/which has, within the past five (5) years, been convicted of, or admitted to in court or sworn to under oath, a public entity crime or of any environmental law that, in the reasonable opinion of the Purchasing Official, establishes reasonable grounds to believe the person or business entity will not conduct business in a responsible matter.

To ensure compliance with the foregoing, the Code requires all persons or entities desiring to do business with Owner to execute and file with the Purchasing Official an

affidavit, executed under the pain and penalties of perjury, confirming that person, entity and any person(s) affiliated with the entity, does not have such a record and is therefore eligible to seek and be awarded business with Owner. In the case of a business entity other than a partnership or a corporation, such affidavit shall be executed by an authorized agent of the entity. In the case of a partnership, such affidavit shall be executed by the general partner(s). A Public Contracting and Environmental Crimes Certification form is attached herein for this purpose.

**A.18 BID FORMS**

Bids must be submitted on the provided forms, although additional pages may be attached. **Bidders must fully complete all pages of the Bid Forms. Bid Forms must be executed by an authorized signatory who has the legal authority to make the bid and bind the company. Bidders must fully comply with all requirements of this IFB in its entirety.** Failure to comply shall result in bidder being deemed nonresponsive.

**A.19 AGREEMENT FORMS**

The Agreement resulting from the Acceptance of a bid shall be in the form of the Agreement stated in this IFB, which is attached herein.

A written notice confirming award or recommendation thereof will be forwarded to the successful bidder accompanied by the required number of unsigned counterparts of the Agreement. Within ten (10) days thereafter, successful bidder shall sign and deliver the required number of counterparts of the Agreement with any other required documents to Owner. (Note: Agreement must be approved in accordance with Chapter 2-26 of the Manatee County Code of Laws and the Administrative Standards and Procedures Manual approved by the County Administrator).

**A.20 LEGAL NAME**

Bids shall clearly indicate the legal name, address and telephone number of the bidder on the Bid Form. Bid Forms shall be signed above the typed or printed name and title of the signer. The signer must have the authority to bind the bidder to the submitted bid.

When bidder is a partnership, the Bid Form shall be signed in the name of the firm and by all partners required under the terms of the partnership agreement. When a corporation is a bidder, the authorized corporate officers shall sign.

Bidders who are corporations or limited partnerships shall provide a certified copy of their permit to transact business in the State of Florida, preferably along with the Bid Form, or within forty-eight (48) hours after request by Owner.

When submitting a bid as a joint venture, it must have filed paper documents with the Division of Profession's Construction Industry Licensing Board prior to submitting a bid.

**A.21 DISCOUNTS**

Any and all discounts must be incorporated in the prices contained in the bid and not shown separately. The prices indicated on the Bid Form shall be the prices used in determining award.

**A.22 TAXES**

Manatee County is exempt from Federal Excise and State Sales Taxes. (F.E.T. Cert. No. 59-78-0089K; Florida Sales Tax Exempt Cert. No. 85-8012622206C-6); therefore, the bidder is prohibited from delineating a separate line item in his bid for any sales or service taxes. Nothing herein shall affect the bidder's normal tax liability.

The Contractor shall be responsible for the payment of taxes of any kind and character, including, but not limited to sales, consumer, use, and other similar taxes payable on account of the work performed and materials furnished under the award in accordance with the laws and Regulations of the place of the project which are applicable during the performance of the work. Nothing herein shall affect the bidder's normal tax liability.

**A.23 DESCRIPTIVE INFORMATION**

Unless otherwise specifically provided in the IFB documents, all equipment, materials and articles provided shall be new and of the most suitable grade for the purpose intended. Unless otherwise specifically provided in the IFB documents, reference to any equipment, material, article or patented process, by trade name, brand name, make or catalog number, shall be regarded as establishing a standard of quality and shall not be construed as limiting competition.

**A.24 AUTHORIZED PRODUCT REPRESENTATION**

The bidder, by virtue of submitting the name and specifications of a manufacturer's product, will be required to furnish the named manufacturer's product. Failure to perform accordingly may, in Owner's sole discretion, be deemed a material breach of the resulting Agreement, and shall constitute grounds for Owner's immediate termination of the resulting Agreement.

**A.25 ROYALTIES AND PATENTS**

The successful bidder shall pay all royalties and license fees for equipment or processes in conjunction with the equipment and/or services being furnished. Successful bidder shall defend all suits or claims for infringement of any patent, trademark or copyright, and shall save Owner harmless from loss on account thereof, including costs and attorney's fees.

**A.26 AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT**

Owner does not discriminate upon the basis of any individual's disability status. This non-discrimination policy involves every aspect of Owner's functions including one's access to, participation, employment, or treatment in its programs or activities. Anyone requiring **reasonable accommodation** for an Information Conference or Bid Opening should contact the person named on the cover page of this IFB document at least twenty-four (24) hours in advance of either activity.



**A.27 EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY CLAUSE**

In accordance with the provisions of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and Title 15, Part 8 of the Code of Federal Regulations, Owner hereby notifies all bidders that they will affirmatively ensure minority business enterprises will be afforded full opportunity to participate in response to this advertisement and will not be discriminated against on the grounds of race, color or national origin in consideration for bid award.

**A.28 MBE/DBE**

The State of Florida Office of Supplier Diversity provides the certification process and the database for identifying certified MBE/DBE firms. This service may be directly accessed at: <http://www.osd.dms.state.fl.us/iframe.htm>. If you have any questions regarding this State service, please contact their office at (850) 487-0915.

**A.29 MATHEMATICAL ERRORS**

Bid Forms without mathematical formulas:

In the event of multiplication/extension error(s), the unit price shall prevail. In the event of addition error(s) the extension totals will prevail. In the event the dollar amount for contract contingency is omitted, it will be added to the total price of the bid.

Bid Forms with mathematical formulas:

Interactive Bid Forms that contain mathematical formulas may be used for automating lengthy and complex bid forms. In the event these forms are used and a multiplication/extension error(s) is discovered, the unit price entered by the vendor shall prevail. The vendor shall assume the responsibility and accuracy of the information input in the bid form and therefore shall verify that the calculations are correct before submitting their bid.

Regardless of which type of bid form is used, all bids shall be reviewed mathematically and corrected, if necessary, using these standards, prior to additional evaluation.

**A.30 SUBCONTRACTORS, SUPPLIERS AND OTHERS**

The identity of Subcontractors, suppliers, and other persons and organizations (including those who are to furnish the principal items of material and equipment) may be requested by Owner for each bid item from any of the bidders; and the bidder shall respond within five (5) days after the date of such request. Such list shall be accompanied by an experience statement with pertinent information regarding similar Work and other evidence of qualification for each such Subcontractor, supplier, persons or organization if requested by Owner. If Owner, after due investigation, has reasonable objection to any proposed Subcontractor, supplier, other person or organization, Owner may, before the notice of intent to award is given, request the successful bidder to submit an acceptable substitute without an increase in Contract Sum or Contract Time.

If successful bidder declines to make any such substitution, Owner may award the resulting Agreement to the next lowest qualified bidder that proposes to use acceptable Subcontractors, suppliers, and other persons who Owner does not make written objection to. Successful bidder shall not be required to employ any Subcontractor,

supplier, other person or organization who successful bidder has reasonable objection to.

Subcontractors shall be bound by the terms and conditions of the resulting Agreement insofar as it applies to their Work, but this shall not relieve the successful bidder from the full responsibility to Owner for the proper completion of all Work to be executed under the resulting Agreement.

### **A.31 DISCLOSURE**

Upon receipt, all inquiries and responses to inquiries related to this IFB become "Public Records", and shall be subject to public disclosure consistent with Florida Statutes, Chapter 119.

Bids become subject to disclosure thirty (30) days after the opening or if a notice of intent to award decision is made earlier than this time as provided by Florida Statutes § 119.071(1)(b). No announcement or review of the bid shall be conducted at the public bid opening.

Based on the above, Owner will receive bids at the time and date stated and will make public at the opening the names of the business entities of all that submitted a bid and any amount presented as a total offer without any verification of the mathematics or the completeness of the bid.

If Owner rejects all bids and concurrently notices its intent to reissue the solicitation, the rejected bids are exempt from public disclosure until such time as Owner provides notice of an intended decision concerning the reissued solicitation or until Owner withdraws the reissued solicitation. A bid is not exempt for longer than twelve (12) months after the initial notice rejecting all bids.

Pursuant to Section 119.0701, Florida Statutes, in any Agreement entered into by Owner wherein the successful bidder is acting on behalf of Owner, successful bidder must:

- a. Keep and maintain public records that ordinarily and necessarily would be required by Owner in order to perform the service.
- b. Provide the public with access to public records on the same terms and conditions that Owner would provide and at a cost that does not exceed the cost provided in Florida Statutes, Chapter 119, or as otherwise provided by law.
- c. Ensure that public records that are exempt or confidential and exempt from public records disclosure requirements are not disclosed except as authorized by law.

- d. Meet all requirements for retaining public records and transfer, at no cost, to Owner all public records in possession of successful bidder upon termination of the awarded Agreement and/or PO and destroy any duplicate public records that are exempt or confidential from public records disclosure requirements. All records stored electronically must be provided to Owner in a format that is compatible with Owner's information technology systems.

### **A.32 LOCAL PREFERENCE**

Local business is defined as a business legally authorized to engage in the sale of the goods and/or services to be procured, and which certifies within its bid that for at least six (6) months prior to the announcement of the solicitation of bids it has maintained a physical place of business in Manatee, Desoto, Hardee, Hillsborough, Pinellas or Sarasota County with at least one full-time employee at that location.

Local preference shall not apply to the following categories of Agreements:

1. Purchases or Agreements which are funded, in whole or in part, by a governmental or other funding entity, where the terms and conditions of receipt of the funds prohibit the preference.
2. Any bid announcement which specifically provides that the general local preference policies set forth in this section are suspended due to the unique nature of the goods or services sought, the existence of an emergency as found by either the County Commission or County Administrator, or where such suspension is, in the opinion of the County Attorney, required by law.

To qualify for local preference under this section, **a local business must certify to Owner** by completing an **"Affidavit as to Local Business Form"**, which is available for download at [www.mymanatee.org/vendor](http://www.mymanatee.org/vendor). Click on "Affidavit for Local Business" to access and print the form. Complete, notarize, and mail the notarized original to the following address: Manatee County Purchasing Division, 1112 Manatee Avenue West, Suite 803, Bradenton, FL 34205.

It is the responsibility of the bidder to ensure accuracy of the Affidavit as to Local Business and notify Owner of any changes affecting same.

### **A.33 VENDOR REGISTRATION**

Registering your business with Manatee County will enhance our opportunities to identify sources for goods and services, plus identify local businesses. This information is used for soliciting quotations up to \$250,000.00 and for competitive solicitations of larger purchases.

Our staff can assist you with your registration as needed. Our office hours are 8:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M., Monday through Friday on regular business days. Please call (941) 749-3014 if you wish to have a Purchasing staff member assist you.

**Quick steps to registration:**                      [www.mymanatee.org/purchasing](http://www.mymanatee.org/purchasing)

A link to Vendor Registration is listed on the Purchasing Division's web page under "Register as a Vendor". Click on "Vendor Registration Form" for on-line input.

Registration is not mandatory; however, by taking the time to register, you are helping Owner to provide timely notification of quotation, bid and proposal opportunities to your business.

**A.34 ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY**

All bidders are encouraged to use as many environmentally preferable "green" products, materials, supplies, etc. as possible in order to promote a safe and healthy environment. Environmentally preferable are products or services that have a reduced adverse effect on the environment.

Bidders shall acknowledge whether or not their organization has an environmental sustainability initiative by checking the appropriate box on the bid form. In addition, the bidder shall submit a summary of their environmental sustainability initiative along with their bid. This information will be used as a determining factor in the award decision when all other evaluative factors, including local preference policies are otherwise equal.

**A.35 ePAYABLES**

Manatee County and Clerk of the Circuit Court have partnered to offer the ePayables program, which allows payments to be made to vendors via credit cards. The Clerk will issue a unique credit card number to each vendor; the card has a zero balance until payments have been authorized.

After goods are delivered or services rendered, vendors submit invoices to the remit to address on the purchase order according to the current process. When payments are authorized, an email notification is sent to the vendor. The email notification includes the invoice number(s), invoice date(s), and amount of payment. There is no cost for vendors to participate in this program; however, there may be a charge by the company that processes your credit card transactions.

If you are interested in participating in this program, please complete the ePayables Application attached herein and return the completed form via email to Ms. Lori Bryan, Supervisor at [lori.bryan@manateeclerk.com](mailto:lori.bryan@manateeclerk.com).

**NOTE: ANY OR ALL STATEMENTS CONTAINED IN THE FOLLOWING SECTIONS: SCOPE OF WORK, BID SUMMARY, CONSTRUCTION AGREEMENT FOR STIPULATED SUM, AND GENERAL CONDITIONS OF THE CONSTRUCTION AGREEMENT, WHICH VARY FROM THE INFORMATION TO BIDDERS, SHALL HAVE PRECEDENCE.**

**END OF SECTION A**

**SECTION B**  
**SCOPE OF WORK**

**B.01 SCOPE OF WORK**

- A. The purpose of this project is to replace the deteriorated equipment and update the electrical systems for the facility which generally includes: the replacement of the electrical mains, sub-panels, the automatic transfer switch and listed options, conduits, and electrical wiring as described on the attached Drawings.

The project location is the Fish Hatchery located at the Manatee County Sheriff Department, 14470 Harlee Road (Port Manatee), Palmetto, Florida.

- B. There is a very short window to do change outs and replacements and the work shall be coordinated carefully for the survival of the fish. It is suggested for supplying power to the facility: The contractor may keep the existing power system as a temporary source until the new electrical system is operational. There is an existing generator at the site that is available to the contractor.
- C. The work site is a restricted area and the contractor's employees shall meet all Manatee County Sheriff requirements for entrance into the facility. All equipment, materials, and tools shall be locked away during breaks, before and after working hours. The County will coordinate locations that equipment and materials can be stored.

The County will approve the hours and days of operation in anticipation of Monday thru Friday work days and hours – 8:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M. or 7:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M. County holidays and schedules will be observed.

- D. The contractor shall furnish all working drawings, labor, materials, equipment, tools, services and incidentals necessary for the proper completion of all Work required. The contractor shall perform the Work complete, in place and ready for continuous service and shall include any repairs, replacements, and/or restoration required as a result of damages caused prior to acceptance by County

**B.02 EXAMINATION OF CONTRACT DOCUMENTS AND SITE**

**Inspection of the site is a prerequisite to be considered for award.** (Note: All bidders responding to this solicitation must view the site.) It is the responsibility of each bidder before submitting a bid, to (a) examine the Bid Documents thoroughly; (b) visit the site to become familiar with local conditions that may affect cost, progress, performance, or furnishing of the Work; (c) consider federal, state, and local codes, laws, and regulations that may affect costs, progress, performance, or furnishing of the Work; (d) study and carefully correlate bidder's observations with the Bid Documents; and (e) notify County of all conflicts, errors, or discrepancies in the Bid Documents.

The attached Manatee County Sheriff Office Corrections Bureau Application for Facility is required to be completed and submitted to the Sheriff Office for access to the work site property.

**END OF SECTION B**

## **SECTION C**

### **BID SUMMARY**

#### **C.01 MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS OF BIDDERS**

No person who is not certified or registered as a General or Electrical Contractor pursuant to Chapter 489, Florida Statutes, on the day the bid is submitted, and who has continuously held that certification or registration for a period of at least five (5) consecutive years immediately prior to the day the bid is submitted, may be qualified to bid on this Work. In the event that a bidder is a business organization, including a partnership, corporation, business trust or other legal entity as set forth in Section 489.119(2), Florida Statutes, then the bidder shall only be qualified to bid on this Work if: 1) the bidder (the business organization) is on the day the bid is submitted, and for at least five (5) consecutive years immediately prior to the day the bid is submitted has been, in continuous existence, properly licensed and registered as required by Florida law; and 2) the bidder, on the day the bid is submitted, has a certified or registered Qualifying Agent, as required by Section 489.119, Florida Statutes, and that Qualifying Agent has been the same Qualifying Agent of the bidder for a period of at least five (5) consecutive years immediately prior to the day the bid is submitted.

#### **C.02 BASIS OF AWARD**

Award shall be to the lowest, responsive, responsible bidder meeting specifications and having the lowest total offer for the requirements listed on the Bid Form for the Work as set forth in this IFB. Bid prices shall include costs for furnishing all labor, equipment and/or materials for the completion of the Work in accordance with and in the manner set forth and described in the IFB documents to Owner's satisfaction within the prescribed time.

**NOTE: Inspection of the site is a pre-requisite to be considered for award of this bid. (All contractors who anticipate responding to this solicitation shall visit the site.)**

In evaluating bids, Owner shall consider the qualifications of the bidders; and if required, may also consider the qualifications of the Subcontractors, suppliers, and other persons and organizations proposed. Owner may also consider the operating costs, maintenance requirements, performance data and guarantees of major items of materials and equipment proposed for incorporation in the Work.

Whenever two or more bids are equal with respect to price, the bid received from a local business shall be given preference in award.

Whenever two or more bids are equal with respect to price, and all other evaluative factors are otherwise equal, including local preference policies, if the company provides documented environmentally preferable "green" products, materials, or supplies, they shall be given preference in award.

Whenever two or more bids which are equal with respect to price are received, and neither of these bids are from a local business, and neither of these bids provides documented "green" products, the award shall be determined by a chance drawing, coin toss, or similar tie-breaking method conducted by the Purchasing Division and open to the public.

**END OF SECTION C**

SECTION D  
**GENERAL TERMS & CONDITIONS**

**D.01 AGREEMENT FORMS**

The Agreement resulting from the acceptance of a bid shall be in the form of a purchase order. A written notice confirming award or recommendation thereof will be forwarded to the successful bidder with instructions for award confirmation. (Note: Agreement must be approved in accordance with Chapter 2-26 of the Manatee County Code of Laws and the Administrative Standards and Procedures Manual approved by the County Administrator).

**D.02 ASSIGNMENT OF AGREEMENT**

Successful bidder shall not assign, transfer, convey, sublet or otherwise dispose of the resulting Agreement or of his right, title, or interest therein, or his power to execute such Agreement, or to assign any monies due or to become due there under to any other person, firm or corporation unless first obtaining the written consent of County. The giving of such consent to a particular subcontractor assignment shall not dispense with the necessity of such consent to any further or other assignment.

**D.03 COMPLETION OF WORK**

The Work will be completed and ready for final inspection **within 90 calendar days** from the date the Contract Time commences to run. The contractor shall provide the Manatee County representative with a work schedule and with their Schedule of Values prior to proceeding with the work. Material Safety Data Sheets (MSDS) shall be provided to Manatee County of all applicable products being used.

**D.04 LIQUIDATED DAMAGES**

If the successful bidder refuses or fails to prosecute the Work, or any separable part thereof, with such diligence as will hinder its completion within the time specified, County may seek damages. The actual damages for delay will be impossible to determine and in lieu thereof, the successful bidder shall pay to County the sum of **\$844** as fixed, agreed, and liquidated damages for each calendar day of the delay until the Work is finally accepted by County and the successful bidder.

**D.05 PAYMENT**

Successful bidder may apply for partial payment on monthly estimates, based on the amount of the Work done or completed in compliance with the provisions of the resulting Agreement. Successful bidder shall submit an application, on a standard pay application form provided or approved by County, of an approximate estimate of the proportionate value of the Work done, items and locations of the Work performed up to and including the last day of the period then ending.

County will then review said estimate and make any necessary revisions so that the estimate can receive approval for payment. If the successful bidder and County do not agree on the approximate estimate of the proportionate value of the Work done for any pay period, the determination of County will be binding. The amount of said estimate after deducting any required retainage and all previous payments shall be due and payable to the successful bidder, twenty (20) business days if County is its own Engineer of Record (EOR) or twenty-five (25) business days if outside agent approval is required after the pay estimate has been approved by the agent for County.



In accordance with the Prompt Payment Act, Florida Statutes § 218.735(7), a punch list shall be formulated. Time allowed for development of punch list is:

- a. Awarded agreements with an estimated cost of less than \$10 million will be within thirty (30) calendar days after reaching substantial completion.
- b. Awarded agreements with a cost of \$10 million dollars or more will be within thirty (30) calendar days OR if extended by Agreement, up to sixty (60) calendar days after reaching substantial completion.

The final completion date of the resulting Agreement must be at least thirty (30) days after delivery of the list of items. If the list is not provided to the successful bidder by the agreed upon date, the contract completion time must be extended by the number of days County exceeds the delivery date.

It is the successful bidder's responsibility for the care of the materials. Any damage to or loss of said materials is the full responsibility of the successful bidder. Any periodical pay estimate signed by the successful bidder shall be final as to the successful bidder for any or all Work covered by the periodical pay estimate.

Any requests for payment of materials stored on site must be accompanied with a paid receipt. Successful bidder warrants and guarantees that title to all Work, materials and equipment covered by any application for payment, whether incorporated in the Work or not, will pass to County at the time of payment free and clear of all liens, claims, security interests and encumbrances (hereafter referred to as "Liens").

Successful bidder agrees to furnish an affidavit stating that all laborers, material men, and subcontractors have been paid for Work covered by the application for payment and that a partial or complete release of lien, as may be necessary, be properly executed by the material men, laborers, subcontractors for Work covered by the application for payment, sufficient to secure County from any claim whatsoever arising out of the aforesaid Work. When the successful bidder has completed the Work in compliance with the terms of the Agreement, he shall notify County in writing that the Work is ready for final inspection.

County will then advise successful bidder as to the arrangements for final inspection and what Work, if any, is required to prepare the Work or a portion thereof for final inspection. When County determines the Work or portion thereof is ready for final inspection, County shall perform same. Upon completion of final inspection, County will notify successful bidder of all particulars in which this inspection reveals that the Work is incomplete or defective. Successful bidder shall immediately take such measures as are necessary to complete such Work or remedy such deficiencies. When all such errors have been corrected, a final re-inspection will be made.

The process will be repeated until, in the opinion of County, the Work has been completed in compliance with the terms of the IFB Documents.

When final acceptance has been made by County, County will make final payment of the resulting Agreement amount, plus all approved additions, less approved deductions and previous payments made. The resulting Agreement will be considered complete when all Work has been finished, the final inspection made, approved as-builts received, and the Work finally accepted in writing by County. Successful bidder's responsibility shall then terminate except as otherwise stated.

**D.06 CONTRACT CONTINGENCY WORK**

Contract contingency is a monetary allowance used solely at County's discretion to handle unexpected conditions as required to satisfactorily complete the Work in accordance with the IFB documents. A field directive must be issued by an authorized County representative to authorize use of contract contingency funds.

The percentage for contract contingency is listed on the Bid Form. Bidder shall enter the dollar amount for contract contingency based on the percentage of the total base bid. The total contract award will include contract contingency.

Appropriate uses of contract contingency include increases to existing bid item quantities that do not change the initial scope of work, which may be directed by staff; modification items not originally bid which were unforeseen yet necessary during the Work to provide a safe, complete project and that do not change the initial scope of work; and unanticipated conflicts and/or design changes required during construction which are necessary to provide a safe, complete project and that do not change the initial scope of work.

Inappropriate uses of contract contingency include anything that changes the initial scope of work, including the contract price and contract time, and adding bid items not previously contemplated that change the initial scope of work.

**D.07 RETAINAGE**

Retainage of 10% of the total Work in place shall be withheld until 50% complete. After 50% completion, the retainage shall be reduced to 5% of the total Work in place until final completion and acceptance of the Work by County. Upon final acceptance, the remaining retainage shall be included in the final payment.

**D.08 WARRANTY AND GUARANTEE PROVISIONS**

All Work, materials, and equipment furnished as defined herein shall be guaranteed and warranted by the successful bidder for a minimum period of three (3) years, unless otherwise specified, from final acceptance by County to be free from defects due either to faulty materials or equipment or faulty workmanship.

All materials, equipment, and workmanship furnished and installed by the successful bidder is warranted and guaranteed by the successful bidder to meet the required standards and to accomplish the purposes and functions of the Work as defined, detailed, and specified herein.

County shall, following discovery thereof, promptly give written notice to the successful bidder of faulty materials, equipment, or workmanship within the period of the guarantee and the successful bidder shall promptly replace any part of the faulty equipment, material, or workmanship at his own cost. These warranty and guarantee provisions create no limitations on County as to any claims or actions for breach of guaranty or breach of warranty that County might have against parties other than the successful bidder, and do not constitute exclusive remedies of County against the successful bidder.

**D.09 MATERIALS AND WORKMANSHIP**

All materials and apparatus required for this Work, except as specified otherwise, shall be new, of first class quality, and shall be furnished, delivered, connected and finished in every detail. Construction shall be prescribed by good industry practice and in accordance with manufacturer's recommendations for the type being installed.

Use skilled workman trained and experienced in the necessary trades and who are completely familiar with the specified requirements and the methods needed for proper performance of the Work of this section.

**D.10 PROJECT CLOSE-OUT**

Clean construction site and remove any and all excess materials. Correct any damages to property that may have occurred as a result of installation and/or delivery. Repair and patch all surfaces cut for installation. The successful bidder shall remedy any deficiencies promptly should County determine any Work is incomplete or defective.

When County determines the Work is acceptable in accordance with the IFB documents, successful bidder shall provide the close out submittals, including but not necessarily limited to the following:

- 1 set Certificate of Warranties
- 1 set Manufacturer's Product Literature (when applicable)
- 1 set Project Record Drawings
- 1 set Subcontractor Information (when applicable)

All manuals, schematics and handbooks shall be provided which are applicable to the equipment delivered. An operators manual, parts manual and technician manual must also be provided. Parts lists (manuals) must include OEM part numbers for items not manufactured by the successful bidder. Successful bidder shall furnish two (2) copies of each.

**D.11 ROYALTIES AND PATENTS**

The successful bidder shall pay all royalties and license fees for equipment or processes in conjunction with the equipment and/or services being furnished. Successful bidder shall defend all suits or claims for infringement of any patent, trademark or copyright, and shall save County harmless from loss on account thereof, including costs and attorney's fees.

**D.12 AUTHORIZED PRODUCT REPRESENTATION**

The bidder, by virtue of submitting the name and specifications of a manufacturer's product, will be required to furnish the named manufacturer's product. Failure to perform accordingly may, in County's sole discretion, be deemed a material breach of the resulting Agreement, and shall constitute grounds for County's immediate termination of the resulting Agreement.

**D.13 REGULATIONS**

It shall be the responsibility of the successful bidder to assure compliance with any OSHA, EPA and/or other federal or State of Florida rules, regulations or other requirements, as each may apply.

**D.14 CANCELLATION**

Any failure of the successful bidder to furnish or perform the Work (including, but not limited to, commencement of the Work, failure to supply sufficient skilled workers or suitable materials or equipment) in accordance with the resulting Agreement, County may order the stop of the Work, or any portion thereof, until the cause for such order has been eliminated. If the successful bidder persistently fails to perform the Work in accordance with the resulting Agreement, County reserves the right to terminate the resulting Agreement and select the next qualified bidder or re-advertise this procurement in part or in whole. County reserves the right to cancel all or any undelivered or unexecuted portion of the resulting Agreement with or without cause.

**D.15 INDEMNIFICATION**

The successful bidder covenants and agrees to indemnify and save harmless County, its agents and employees, from and against all claims, suits, actions, damages, causes of action, or judgments arising out of the terms of the resulting Agreement for any personal injury, loss of life, or damage to the property sustained as a result of the performance or non-performance of services or delivery of goods; from and against any orders, judgments, or decrees, which may be entered against County, its agents or employees; and from and against all costs, attorney's fees, expenses and other liabilities incurred in the defense of any such claim, suit or action, and the investigation thereof. Nothing in the resulting Agreement shall be deemed to affect the rights, privileges and immunities of County as set forth in Florida Statutes § 768.28.

**D.16 SUBCONTRACTORS, SUPPLIERS AND OTHERS**

The identity of subcontractors, suppliers, and other persons and organizations (including those who are to furnish the principal items of material and equipment) may be requested by County for each bid item from any of the bidders; and the bidder shall respond within five (5) days after the date of such request. Such list shall be accompanied by an experience statement with pertinent information regarding similar Work and other evidence of qualification for each such subcontractor, supplier, persons or organization if requested by County. If County, after due investigation, has reasonable objection to any proposed subcontractor, supplier, other person or organization, County may, before the notice of intent to award is given, request the successful bidder to submit an acceptable substitute without an increase in contract price or contract time.

If successful bidder declines to make any such substitution, County may award the resulting Agreement to the next lowest qualified bidder that proposes to use acceptable subcontractors, suppliers, and other persons who County does not make written objection to. Successful bidder shall not be required to employ any subcontractor, supplier, other person or organization who successful bidder has reasonable objection to.

Subcontractors shall be bound by the terms and conditions of the resulting Agreement insofar as it applies to their work, but this shall not relieve the successful bidder from the full responsibility to County for the proper completion of all Work to be executed under the resulting Agreement.

**D.17 E-VERIFY**

The employment of unauthorized aliens by any successful bidder is considered a violation of Section 274(e) of the Immigration and Employment Act. If successful bidder knowingly employs unauthorized aliens, such violation shall be cause for unilateral cancellation of the resulting Agreement.

A complete list of all subcontractors proposed for any portion of the Work may be requested of any bidder deemed necessary by County. Subcontracts shall be awarded only to those subcontractors considered satisfactory by County.

The successful bidder shall utilize the U.S. Department of Homeland Security's E-Verify system to verify the employment eligibility of all new employees hired by the successful bidder during the term of the Agreement; and

The successful bidder shall expressly require any subcontractors performing work or providing services pursuant to the state contract to utilize the U.S. Department of Homeland Security's E-Verify system to verify the employment eligibility of all new employees hired by the subcontractor during the term of the Agreement.

**D.18 NO DAMAGES FOR DELAY**

No claim for damages or any claim other than for an extension of time shall be made or asserted against County by reason of any delays. The successful bidder shall not be entitled to an increase in the total contract price or payment or compensation of any kind from County or direct, indirect, consequential impact or other costs, expenses for damages, including but not limited to costs of acceleration or inefficiency arising because of delay, disruption, interference or hindrance from any cause whatsoever; provided, however, that this provision shall not preclude recovery or damages by the successful bidder for hindrance or delays due solely to fraud, bad faith, or active interference on part of County or its agents. Otherwise, the successful bidder shall only be entitled to extensions of the contract time as the sole and exclusive remedy for such resulting delay, in accordance with and to the extent specifically provided above.

**D.19 NO INTEREST**

Any monies not paid by County when claimed to be due to the successful bidder under this Agreement shall not be subject to interest including prejudgment interest.

Any monies not paid by County when claimed to be due to the successful bidder for damages awarded in the case of construction delays shall not be subject to prejudgment interest.

**D.20 BE GREEN**

All bidders are encouraged to use as many **environmentally preferable** "green" products, materials, supplies, etc. as possible in order to promote a safe and healthy environment. **Environmentally preferable are products or services that have a reduced adverse effect on the environment.** Where all other evaluative factors, including local preference policies, are otherwise equal, such policies and practices will be a determinative factor in the award decision.

Provide detail of your organization's initiative and its ability to meet the goal of environmental sustainability.

**D.21 INSURANCE COVERAGE**

The Contractor will not commence Work under the resulting Contract until all insurance under this section and such insurance coverage as might be required by County has been obtained. The Contractor shall obtain, and submit to the Purchasing Division within ten (10) calendar days from the date of Notice of Intent to Award, at his expense, the following minimum amounts of insurance (inclusive of any amounts provided by an umbrella or excess policy):

a. Workers' Compensation/Employers' Liability

Part One - There shall be no maximum limit (other than as limited by the applicable statute) for liability imposed by Florida Workers' Compensation Act or any other coverage required by the resulting Contract Documents which are customarily insured under Part One of the standard Workers' Compensation Policy.

Part Two - The minimum amount of coverage required by the resulting Contract Documents which are customarily insured under Part Two of the standard Workers' Compensation Policy shall be:

(Each Accident)	<u>\$100,000</u>
(Disease-Policy Limit)	<u>\$500,000</u>
(Disease-Each Employee)	<u>\$100,000</u>

b. Commercial General Liability

The limits are to be applicable only to Work performed under the resulting Contract and shall be those that would be provided with the attachment of the Amendment of Limits of Insurance (Designated Project or Premises) endorsement (ISO Form CG 25 03) a Commercial General Liability Policy with the following minimum limits.

General Aggregate:

Products/Completed Operations Aggregate	<u>\$2,000,000</u>
Personal and Advertising Injury	<u>\$1,000,000</u>
Each Occurrence	<u>\$1,000,000</u>
Fire Damage (Any One Fire)	<u>\$Nil</u>
Medical Expense (Any One Person)	<u>\$Nil</u>

**ADDITIONAL INSURED:** Manatee County, a political subdivision of the State of Florida, shall be specifically named as additional insured on the Commercial General Liability Policy.

c. Business Auto Policy

Each Occurrence Bodily Injury and Property Damage Liability Combined	<u>\$300,000</u>
Annual Aggregate (if applicable)	<u>\$1,000,000</u>

d. Property Insurance

**If the resulting Contract includes** construction of or additions to above ground buildings or structures, Contractor shall provide "**Builder's Risk**" insurance with the minimum amount of insurance to be 100% of the value of such addition(s), building(s), or structure(s).

e. Installation Floater

**If the resulting Contract does not include** construction of or additions to above ground building or structures, **but does involve** the installation of machinery or equipment, Contractor shall provide an "**Installation Floater**" with the minimum amount of insurance to be 100% of the value of such addition(s), building(s), or structure(s).

f. Certificates of Insurance and Copies of Policies

Certificates of Insurance evidencing the insurance coverage specified herein shall be filed with the Purchasing Official before operations are begun. The required certificates of insurance shall name the types of policy, policy number, date of expiration, amount of coverage, companies affording coverage, and also shall refer specifically to the quote number and title of the Project. All insurance policies required herein shall be issued by companies that are authorized to do business under the laws of the state of Florida and hold an A.M. Best rating of A- or better. Insurance, as specified herein, shall remain in force and effect for the duration of the project including any warranty periods.

g. Complete Policies: The entire and complete insurance policies required herein shall be provided to County on request.

Nothing herein shall in any manner create any liability of County in connection with any claim against the Contractor for labor, services, or materials, or of Subcontractors; and nothing herein shall limit the liability of the Contractor or Contractor's Sureties to County or to any Workers, Suppliers, material men or employees in relation to the resulting Contract.

h. By way of its submission of a quote hereto, quoter:

1. Represents that quoter maintains, and will maintain during the term of any contract arising from this solicitation, insurance coverage from responsible companies duly authorized to do business in the state of Florida and deemed acceptable to County, as set forth in this solicitation; and



2. Agrees that, insurance should not be cancelled without thirty (30) days notice to County and must be endorsed to provide same. Failure of quoter to obtain and maintain proper amounts of insurance at all times as called for herein shall constitute a Material Breach of the resulting contract, which may result in immediate termination.
- i. Certification Requirements – In order for the certificate of insurance to be accepted it **must** comply with the following:
  1. The certificate holder shall be: **Manatee County Board of Commissioners.**
  2. Certificate shall be mailed to:  
**Manatee County Purchasing Division**  
**1112 Manatee Avenue West, Suite 803, Bradenton, FL 34205**  
**Attn: Deborah Carey-Reed, CPPB, Contract Specialist**  
**(email acceptable to: [deborah.carey-reed@mymanatee.org](mailto:deborah.carey-reed@mymanatee.org))**

**END OF SECTION D**

## **BID FORM**

### **For: IFB #15-2811DC MSO FISH HATCHERY ELECTRICAL SYSTEM**

**TOTAL OFFER: \$** \_\_\_\_\_

Construction completion days not to exceed \_\_\_\_\_ calendar days after notice to proceed date. (Shall not exceed 90 calendar days.)

We, the undersigned, hereby declare that we have carefully reviewed the RFQ Documents in their entirety and with full knowledge and understanding of the aforementioned herewith submit this quote, completely meeting each and every specification, term, and condition contained therein.

Two schedules for completion of the Work shall be considered. Each quote for completion by the specified stated time shall be offered as a separate "total offer". County has the sole authority to select the quote based on the completion time which is in the best interest of County. Only one award shall be made.

As bidder, we understand that the **IFB** documents, in its entirety, including but not limited to, all specifications, terms, and conditions shall be made a part of any resulting Agreement between Manatee County and the successful bidder. Failure to comply shall result in Agreement default, whereupon, the defaulting successful bidder shall be required to pay for any and all re-procurement costs, damages, and attorney fees as incurred by County, and agrees to forfeit his/her bid bond.

Communications concerning this bid shall be addressed as follows: **(Complete all fields)**

Bidder's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: (    ) \_\_\_\_\_ Fax: (    ) \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

I, \_\_\_\_\_ on [date(s)] \_\_\_\_\_ attest that I have  
visited the project site(s) to familiarize myself with the full scope of work required for the quote

Acknowledge Addendum No. \_\_\_\_\_ Dated: \_\_\_\_\_ Acknowledge Addendum No. \_\_\_\_\_ Dated: \_\_\_\_\_

Acknowledge Addendum No. \_\_\_\_\_ Dated: \_\_\_\_\_ Acknowledge Addendum No. \_\_\_\_\_ Dated: \_\_\_\_\_

**Environmental Sustainability** – The Company submitting this bid has an environmental sustainability initiative currently in place. ☐ Yes ☐ No If yes, the bidder shall submit a summary of their environmental sustainability initiative along with their bid.

**Authorized Signature(s):** \_\_\_\_\_

Name and Title of Above Signer(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

## **MAILING LABEL**

Cut along the outside border and affix this label to your sealed bid envelope to identify it as a “Sealed Bid”. Be sure to include the name of the company submitting the bid and the bid due date and time where requested.

### **MAILING LABEL TO AFFIX TO OUTSIDE OF SEALED BID PACKAGE:**

**BIDDER NAME:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Bid No.:** **IFB#15-2811DC**

**Bid Title:** **MSO FISH HATCHERY ELECTRICAL SYSTEM**

**DUE DATE/TIME:** \_\_\_\_\_

**BID FORM  
(SUBMIT IN TRIPLICATE)**

<b>BID ITEM</b>	<b>BID ITEM DESCRIPTION</b>	<b>U/M</b>	<b>EXTENDED TOTAL</b>
<b>1</b>	<b>Mobilization</b>	<b>1LS</b>	<b>\$</b>
<b>2</b>	<b>Demolition of Designated Systems</b>	<b>1LS</b>	<b>\$</b>
<b>3</b>	<b>Remove and dispose of existing electrical switchgear to be replaced</b>	<b>1 LS</b>	<b>\$</b>
<b>4</b>	<b>Installation and Provision of Electrical Wires, Conduits, Panels, and Disconnects- NEMA 3R or rated as described on the plans.</b>	<b>1 LS</b>	
<b>5</b>	<b>Provision and Installation of the Automatic Transfer Switch</b>	<b>1 LS</b>	
<b>6</b>	<b>Provision of the “Optional Accessories” of the ATS: NEMA 3R rating, remote annunciator control, etc.</b>	<b>1 LS</b>	
<b>7</b>	<b>As Built Documents (3 sets) for the Electrical Systems – 4 programming CDs – 4 sets of PDF documents and 3 sets of closeout folders(hard copies)</b>	<b>1 LS</b>	
	<b>TOTAL CONSTRUCTION COST (ITEMS 1 THRU 7 ABOVE)</b>		<b>\$</b>
	<b>CONTINGENCY WORK (Used Only with County Approval)</b>	<b>10% Of Above Total Cost</b>	<b>\$</b>
	<b>TOTAL BID PRICE</b>		<b>\$</b>

BIDDER: \_\_\_\_\_

**BID FORM**  
**CONTRACTOR'S QUESTIONNAIRE**

The quoter warrants the truth and accuracy of all statements and answers herein contained.

1. COMPANY'S NAME: \_\_\_\_\_  
CO. PHYSICAL ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_
2. Quoting as an; individual:\_\_\_\_; a partnership: \_\_\_\_; a corporation; \_\_\_\_; a joint venture; \_\_\_\_\_
3. Your organization has been in business (under this firm's name) as a \_\_\_\_\_  
for how many years? \_\_\_\_\_
4. Describe and give the date and owner of the last three government projects you've  
completed which are similar in cost, type, size, and nature as the one proposed (for a public  
entity). Include contact name and phone number:  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
5. Have you ever been assessed liquidated damages under a contract during the past five  
(5) years? If so, state when, where (contact name, address, and phone number) and why.  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
6. Have you ever been debarred or prohibited from bidding on a governmental entity's  
construction project? If yes, name the entity and describe the circumstances:  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
7. What specific physical conditions, including, but not limited to, the location of existing  
underground facilities have you found which will, in any manner, affect cost, progress,  
performance, or finishing of the work?  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
8. Will you subcontract any part of this Work? If so, describe which major portion(s):  
Surveyor: \_\_\_\_\_  
Other: \_\_\_\_\_

BIDDER: \_\_\_\_\_

GENERAL CONDITIONS  
For Construction Quotations as a Stipulated Unit Cost Contract

**ARTICLE 1. DEFINITIONS**

Whenever used in the Contract Documents, the following terms have the meaning indicated which are applicable to both the singular and plural thereof:

Addendum - Written or graphic instruments issued prior to the opening or receipt of Quotes which clarify or change the Quote Documents.

Administrative Contract Adjustment (ACA) – A minor change to a Contract, which is less than 10% of the Contract Price or less than 20% of the Contract Time, and does not require Board approval. (Reference Resolution R-07-189)

Application for Payment - The form accepted by the Project Representative which is to be used by Contractor in requesting progress or final payments and which is to include such supporting documentation as is required by the Contract Documents.

Award - Acceptance of the Quote from the person, firm, or corporation which in the County's sole and absolute judgment will under all circumstances best serve the public interest. Award shall be made in accordance with Chapter 2-26 of the Manatee County Code.

Bond Rider – A Bond Rider increases the Performance Bond coverage to ensure responsibility of the Contractor in executing the Work for the County in consideration of the increased value resulting from an approved change in the Contract amount.

Change Order - A document recommended by the Project Representative which is signed by Contractor and County and authorizes an addition, deletion, or revision in the Work or an adjustment in the Contract Price or the Contract Time, issued on or after the Effective Date of the Contract.

Compensable Delay - Any delay beyond the control and without the fault or negligence of the Contractor resulting from County-caused changes in the Work, differing site conditions, suspensions of the Work, or termination for convenience by County.

Contract - The written Contract between County and Contractor covering the Work to be performed; other Contract Documents are attached to the Contract and made a part thereof as provided therein.

Contract Contingency - A monetary allowance used at the County's discretion, which is part of the total sum of the Contract that allows for minor changes in the Contract that do not change the initial Scope of Work, including Contract Price and Contract Time.

Contract Documents - The Contract, Addenda (which pertain to the Quote Documents), Contractor's Quote (including documentation accompanying the Quote and any post-Quote documentation submitted prior to the Notice of Award), the bonds, the Specifications, Special Provisions and the drawings, together with all amendments, modifications and supplements issued on or after the Effective Date of the Contract.

Contract Price - The monies payable by County to Contractor under the Contract Documents as stated in the Contract.

Contract Time - The number of days or the date stated in the Notice to Proceed for the completion of the Work.

Contractor - The person, firm or corporation with whom County has entered into a Contract.

Days - All references to days are to be considered calendar days except as specified differently.

Defective - An adjective which when modifying the Work refers to work that is unsatisfactory, faulty or deficient, or does not conform to the Contract Documents, or does not meet the requirements of any

inspection, reference standard, test or approval referred to in the Contract Documents, or has been damaged prior to Project Representative's recommendation of final payment (unless responsibility for the protection thereof has been assumed by County).

Drawings - The drawings which show the character and Scope of Work to be performed and which have been prepared or approved by Engineer and are referred to in the Bid and Contract Documents.

Effective Date of the Contract - The date indicated in the Contract on which it becomes effective (date of execution).

Engineer – Licensed professional who is responsible for the preparation, signing, dating, sealing and issuing of any engineering document(s) for any engineering service or Work.

Excusable Delay - Any delay beyond the control and without the negligence of the Contractor, the County, or any other Contractor caused by events or circumstances such as, but not limited to, acts of God or of the public enemy, fires, floods, freight embargoes, acts of government other than County or epidemics. Labor disputes and above average rainfall shall give rise only to Excusable Delays.

Field Directive - A written order issued by an authorized County Representative which approves changes in the Work, but does not involve a change in the initial Scope of Work, including the Contract Price and the Contract Time. A Field Directive must be issued by an authorized County Representative to authorize use of Contract Contingency funds.

Final Completion – The Work (including items defined on the Punch List) has been completed, accepted in writing by the County, approved as-builts have been received, and is ready for final payment.

Float or Slack Time - The time available in the progress schedule during which an unexpected activity can be completed without delaying Substantial Completion of the Work.

Inexcusable Delay - Any delay caused by events or circumstances within the control of the Contractor, such as inadequate crewing, slow submittals, etc., which might have been avoided by the exercise of care, prudence, foresight, or diligence on the part of the Contractor.

Information (Pre-Bid) Conference – A meeting held by the Purchasing Division with potential QUOTERS, prior to the opening of the solicitation, for the purpose of answering questions, clarifying ambiguities, and responding to general issues in order to establish a common basis for understanding all of the requirements of the solicitation; may result in the issuance of an Addendum.

Material Breach – A substantial failure in the performance of the Contract, as to give the affected party the right to remedies available in the Contract.

Non-prejudicial Delay - Any delay impacting a portion of the Work within the available total Float or Slack Time and not necessarily preventing completion of the Work within the Contract Time.

Notice of Award - The written notice to the Successful Bidder stating Award has been approved by the Board of County Commissioners; or by the Purchasing Official in accordance with Chapter 2-26 of the Manatee County Code.

Notice of Intent to Award - The written notice to the apparent Successful Bidder stating Award has been recommended with final Award to be authorized by the Purchasing Official or Board of County Commissioners, as appropriate.

Notice to Proceed - Written notice by County (after execution of Contract) to Contractor fixing the date on which the Contract Time will commence to run and on which Contractor shall start to perform (ten (10) days from date of such notice) Contractor's obligations under the Contract Documents.

Payment Bond – An instrument, issued by a Surety that guarantees that Subcontractors will be paid for labor expended on the Contract.

Performance Bond – An instrument executed subsequent to Award by the successful Contractor that protects the County from loss due to Contractor's inability to complete the Contract as agreed.

Preconstruction Conference - Prior to starting the Work, a meeting scheduled by County with Contractor to review the Work schedules, to establish procedures for handling Shop Drawings and other submissions, for processing periodical pay estimates, and such other matters as may be pertinent to the project.

Prejudicial Delay - Any excusable or Compensable Delay impacting the Work and exceeding the total float time available in the progress schedule, thus preventing completion of the Work within the Contract Time unless the Work is accelerated.

Pre-operation Testing - All field inspections, installation checks, water tests, performance tests and necessary corrections required of Contractor to demonstrate that individual components of the Work have been properly constructed and do operate in accordance with the Contract Documents for their intended purposes.

Project - The total construction of which the Work to be provided under the Contract Documents (may be the whole or a part as indicated elsewhere in the Contract Documents).

Project Representative - The authorized representative of Manatee County who is assigned to the project or any part thereof.

Punch List – A list of minor deficiencies or additional Work that does not prohibit achieving Substantial Completion yet must be completed before Final Completion of the Contract can be achieved.

Quote - The offer of the quoter submitted on the prescribed form setting forth the prices for the Work to be performed.

Quoter - One who submits a Quote directly to the County, as distinct from a Sub-quoter, who submits a quote to a quoter.

Quote Documents - Consists of the Request for Quotes, which includes but is not limited to the Quote Form, drawings, technical Specifications, terms and conditions, and the proposed Contract Documents (including all Addenda issued prior to receipt of quotes); and becomes a part of the resulting Contract.

Quote Summary – Specifications or scope of Work that specifically describes the Work to be done for this Project.

Retainage – A certain percentage, identified in the solicitation document, is withheld from payment due to the Contractor until the Work is fully completed and accepted by County.

Schedule of Values – In the case of a total, lump sum Quote, unit prices shall be established for this Contract by the submission of a Schedule of Values. In the case of an itemized Quote, unit prices are the prices quoted. The Contractor shall submit a Schedule of Values within ten (10) days of Notice to Proceed date. The schedule shall include quantities and prices of items equaling the Total Offer and will subdivide the Work into components in sufficient detail to serve as the basis for progress payments during construction. Such prices will include an appropriate amount of overhead and profit applicable to each item of Work. Upon request of the County, the Contractor shall support the values with data which will substantiate their correctness.

Shop Drawings - All drawings, diagrams, illustrations, schedules and other data which are specifically prepared by or for Contractor to illustrate some portion of the Work and all illustrations, brochures, standard schedules, performance charts, instructions, diagrams and other information prepared by a Supplier and submitted by Contractor to illustrate material or equipment for some portion of the Work.

Special Provisions: As required to define Work or procedures not covered in the standard Specifications, and as necessary to supplement or modify items in the standard Specifications.



Subcontractor - An individual or corporation having a direct contact with Contractor or with any other Subcontractor for the performance of a part of the Work at the site. Such person or firm has contractual relations with the Contractor, not with the County.

Substantial Completion - The stage in the progress of the Work (or a specified portion thereof) is sufficiently complete in accordance with the Contract Documents so the Work (or a specified portion thereof) can be utilized for the intended purpose.

Successful Quoter - The lowest, responsible and responsive quoter to whom an Award is made.

Supplier - A manufacturer, fabricator, Supplier, distributor, material man or vendor.

Surety - A pledge or guarantee by an insurance company, bank, individual or corporation on behalf of the quoter which protects against default or failure of the principal to satisfy the contractual obligations.

Underground Facilities - All pipelines, conduits, ducts, cables, wires, manholes, vaults, tanks, tunnels or other such facilities or attachments and any encasement containing such facilities which have been installed underground to furnish any of the following services or materials: electricity, gases, steam, liquid petroleum products, telephone or other communications, cable television, sewage and drainage removal, traffic or other control systems or water.

Unit Price Work - Work to be paid for on the basis of unit prices.

Work - The entire completed construction or the various separately identifiable parts thereof required to be furnished under the Contract Documents. Work is the result of performing services, furnishing labor and furnishing and incorporating materials and equipment into the construction, all as required by the Contract Documents.

Work Directive Change - A written directive to Contractor, issued on or after the Effective Date of the Contract and signed by County and recommended by Project Representative ordering an addition, deletion or revision in the Work, or responding to differing or unforeseen physical conditions under which the Work is to be performed or to emergencies. A Work Directive Change itself may not change the Contract Price or Contract Time; but is evidence that the parties expect that the change directed or documented by a Work Directive Change will be incorporated in a subsequently issued Change Order following negotiations by the parties as to its effect, if any, on the Contract Price or Contract Time.

Written Amendment - A Written Amendment of the Contract Documents, signed by County and Contractor on or after the Effective Date of the Contract and normally dealing with the non-engineering or non-technical rather than strictly Work related aspects of the Contract Documents.

## **ARTICLE 2. PRELIMINARY MATTERS**

Computation of Time: When time is referred to in the Contract Documents by days, it will be computed to exclude the first and include the last day of such period. If the last day of any such period falls on a Saturday or Sunday or legal holiday, such day will be omitted from the computation.

- 2.1 The Contractor must submit a proposed schedule of the Work at the Preconstruction Conference. The purpose of this schedule is to enable the County to govern the Work, to protect the functions of the local government and its citizens and to aid in providing appropriate surveillance. The County shall have the right to reschedule Work provided such rescheduling is in accordance with the remainder of the terms of the Contract. The schedule shall show, as a minimum, the approximate dates on which each segment of the Work is expected to be started and finished, the proposed traffic flows during each month, the anticipated earnings by the Contractor for each month and the approximate number of crews and equipment to be used. The County, after necessary rescheduling and obtaining additional information for specific purposes, shall review and approve the schedule. The Contractor shall also forward to the County, as soon as practicable after the first day of each month, a summary report of the progress of the various parts of the Work under the Contract, in fabrication and in the field, stating the existing status, estimated time of completion and cause of

delay, if any. Together with the summary report, the Contractor shall submit any necessary revisions to the original schedule for the County's review and approval. In addition, more detailed schedules may be required by the County for daily traffic control.

- 2.2 A Notice to Proceed may be given at any time within thirty (30) days after the Effective Date of the Contract. The Contract Time will commence at the time specified in such notice. Contractor shall start to perform the Work on the date specified in the Notice to Proceed, but no Work shall be done at the site prior to the date on which the Contract Time commences to run.
- 2.3 If at any time the materials and appliances to be used appear to the County as insufficient or improper for securing the quality of Work required or the required rate of progress, the County may order the Contractor to increase his efficiency or to improve the character of his Work and the Contractor shall conform to such an order. The failure of the County to demand any increase of such efficiency or any improvement shall not release the County from its obligation to secure the quality of Work or the rate of progress necessary to complete the Work within the limits imposed by the Contract. The County may require the Contractor to remove from the Work such employees as the County deems incompetent, careless, insubordinate or otherwise objectionable, or whose continued employment on the Work is deemed to be contrary to the County's interest.
- 2.4 The County reserves the right to let other Contracts in connection with this Work. The Contractor shall afford other Contractors reasonable opportunity for the introduction and storage of their materials and execution of their Work, and promptly connect and coordinate the Work with theirs.

### **ARTICLE 3. CONTRACT DOCUMENTS: INTENT, AMENDING, RE-USE**

- 3.1 The Contract Documents comprise the entire Contract between County and Contractor concerning the Work. The Contract Documents are complementary; what is called for by one is as binding as if called for by all. The Contract Documents will be construed in accordance with the laws and ordinances of the State of Florida and Manatee County.

Should a conflict exist within the Contract Documents, the precedence in ascending order of authority is as follows: 1) Quote Summary, 2) Special Conditions, 3) General Conditions, and 4) Drawings.

Note: Computed dimensions shall govern over scaled dimensions.

- 3.2 It is the intent of the Contract Documents to describe a functionally complete project (or part thereof) to be constructed in accordance with the Contract Documents. Any work, materials or equipment that may reasonably be inferred from the Contract Documents as being required to produce the intended result will be supplied whether or not specifically called for in the Contract Documents. When words which have a well-known technical or trade meaning are used to describe Work, materials, or equipment, such words shall be interpreted in accordance with that meaning. Reference to standard Specifications, manuals or codes of any technical society, organization or association, or to the laws or regulations of any governmental authority, whether such reference be specific or by implication, shall mean the latest standard specification, manual, code or laws or regulations in effect at the time of opening of quotes, except as may be otherwise specifically stated. However, no provision of any referenced standard specification, manual or code (whether or not specifically incorporated by reference in the Contract Documents) shall be effective to change the duties and responsibilities of County, Contractor or Engineer, or any of their agents or employees from those set forth in the Contract Documents.
- 3.3 The Contract Documents may be amended to provide for additions, deletions and revisions in the Work or to modify the terms and conditions thereof in one or more of the following ways:
  - 3.3.1 A Written Amendment
  - 3.3.2 A Change Order
  - 3.3.3 An Administrative Contract Adjustment (ACA)

### 3.3.4 A Work Directive Change

- 3.4 In addition, the requirements of the Contract Documents may be supplemented and minor variations and deviations in the Work may be authorized in one or more of the following ways:

#### 3.4.1 Contract Contingency Work – Field Directive

#### 3.4.2 Engineer's approval of a Shop Drawing or sample

## **ARTICLE 4. CONTRACTOR'S RESPONSIBILITIES**

- 4.1 Contractor shall keep on the Work at all times during its progress a competent resident superintendent; who shall be the Contractor's representative at the site and shall have authority to act on behalf of Contractor. All communications given to the superintendent shall be as binding as if given to Contractor.
- 4.2 Contractor shall provide competent, suitable qualified personnel to survey and lay out the Work and perform construction as required by the Contract Documents. Contractor shall at all times maintain good discipline and order at the site. Except in connection with the safety or protection of persons or the Work or property at the site or adjacent thereto and except as otherwise indicated in the Contract Documents, all Work at the site shall be performed during regular working hours and Contractor will not permit overtime Work or the performance of Work on Saturday, Sunday or legal holiday without County's written consent given after prior notice to Engineer (at least seventy-two (72) hours in advance).
- 4.2.1 Contractor shall pay for all additional engineering charges to the County for any overtime Work which may be authorized. Such additional engineering charges shall be a subsidiary obligation of Contractor and no extra payment shall be made by County on account of such overtime Work. At County's option, overtime costs may be deducted from Contractor's monthly payment request or Contractor's Retainage prior to release of final payment.
- 4.3 Unless otherwise specified, Contractor shall furnish and assume full responsibility for all bonds, insurance, materials, equipment, labor, transportation, construction equipment and machinery, tools, appliances, fuel, power, light, heat, telephone, water, sanitary facilities, temporary facilities and all other facilities and incidentals necessary for the furnishing, performance, testing, start-up and completion of the Work.
- 4.4 All materials and equipment shall be of good quality and new, except as otherwise provided in the Contract Documents. If required by Engineer, Contractor shall furnish satisfactory evidence (including reports of required tests) as to the kind and quality of materials and equipment. All materials and equipment shall be applied, installed, connected, erected, used, cleaned and conditioned in accordance with the instruction of the applicable Supplier except as otherwise provided in the Contract Documents.
- 4.5 Contractor shall be fully responsible to County for all acts and omissions of the Subcontractors, suppliers and other persons and organizations performing or furnishing any of the Work under a direct or indirect Contract with Contractor just as Contractor is responsible for Contractor's own acts and omissions. Nothing in the Contract Documents shall create any contractual relationship between County or Engineer and any such Subcontractor, Supplier or other person or organization, nor shall it create any obligation on the part of County to pay or to see to the payment of any monies due any such Subcontractor, Supplier or other person or organization.
- 4.6 Permits: Unless otherwise provided, Contractor shall obtain and pay for all construction permits and licenses. County shall assist Contractor, when necessary, in obtaining such permits and licenses. Contractor shall pay all governmental charges and inspection fees necessary for the prosecution of the Work.
- 4.7 During the progress of the Work, Contractor shall keep the premises free from accumulation of waste materials rubbish and other debris resulting from the Work. At the completion of the Work,

Contractor shall remove all waste materials, rubbish, and debris from and about the premises as well as all tools, appliances, construction equipment and machinery and surplus materials and shall leave the site clean and ready for occupancy by County. Contractor shall restore to original conditions all property not designated for alteration by the Contract Documents.

- 4.8 Contractor shall not load nor permit any part of any structure to be loaded in any manner that will endanger the structure, nor shall Contractor subject any part of the Work or adjacent property to stresses or pressures that will endanger it.
- 4.9 Safety and Protection: Contractor shall comply with the Florida Department of Commerce Safety Regulations and any local safety regulations. Contractor shall be responsible for initiating, maintaining and supervising all safety precautions and programs in connection with the Work. Contractor shall take all necessary precautions for the safety of and shall provide the necessary protection to prevent damage, injury or loss to:
- 4.9.1 all employees on the Work and other persons and organizations who may be affected thereby;
  - 4.9.2 all the Work and materials and equipment to be incorporated therein, whether in storage on or off the site; and
  - 4.9.3 other property at the site or adjacent thereto, including trees, shrubs, lawns, walks, pavements, roadways, structures, utilities and Underground Facilities not designated for removal, relocation or replacement in the course of construction.
  - 4.9.4 Contractor shall comply with all applicable laws and regulations of any public body having jurisdiction for the safety of persons or property or to protect them from damage, injury or loss; and shall erect and maintain all necessary safeguards for such safety and protection. Contractor shall provide and maintain all passageways, guard fences, lights and other facilities for the protection required by public authority or local conditions. Contractor shall provide reasonable maintenance of traffic way for the public and preservation of the County's business, taking into full consideration all local conditions. Contractor's duties and responsibilities for the safety and protection of the Work shall continue until such time as all the Work is completed.
- 4.10 Emergencies: In emergencies affecting the safety or protection of persons or the Work or property at the site or adjacent thereto, Contractor, without special instruction or authorization from Engineer or County, is obligated to act to prevent threatened damage, injury or loss. Contractor shall give County prompt written notice if Contractor believes that any significant changes in the Work or variations from the Contract Documents have been caused thereby. If County determines that a change in the Contract Documents is required because of the action taken in response to an emergency, a Work Directive Change or Change Order will be issued to document the consequences of the changes or variation.
- 4.11 For substitutes not included with the quote, but submitted after the Effective Date of the Contract, Contractor shall make written application to Engineer for acceptance thereof, certifying that the proposed substitute will perform adequately the functions and achieve the results called for by the general design, be similar and of equal substance to that specified and be suited to the same use as that specified. The application will also contain an itemized estimate of all costs and delays or schedule impacts that will result directly or indirectly from review, acceptance and provisions of such substitute, including costs of redesign and claims of other Contractors affected by the resulting change, all of which will be considered by the Engineer in evaluating the proposed substitute. Engineer may require Contractor to furnish at Contractor's expense, additional data about the proposed substitute. In rendering a decision, County/Engineer and Contractor shall have access to any available Float or Slack Time in the construction schedule. In the event that substitute materials or equipment not included as part of the quote, but proposed after the Effective Date of the Contract, are accepted and are less costly than the originally specified materials or equipment, then the net difference in cost shall be credited to the County and an appropriate Change Order executed.

- 4.11.1 If a specific means, method, sequence, technique or procedure of construction is indicated in or required by the Contract Documents, Contractor may furnish or utilize a substitute means, method, sequence, technique or procedure of construction acceptable to Engineer if Contractor submits sufficient information to allow Engineer to determine that the substitute proposed is equivalent to that indicated or required by the Contract Documents.
- 4.11.2 Engineer will be allowed a reasonable time within which to evaluate each proposed substitute. Engineer will be the sole judge of acceptability and no substitute will be ordered, installed or utilized without Engineer's prior written acceptance which will be evidenced by either a Change Order or an approved shop drawing. County may require Contractor to furnish at Contractor's expense a special performance guarantee or other Surety with respect to any substitute.
- 4.11.3 Contractor shall reimburse County for the charges of Engineer and Engineer's consultants for evaluating each proposed substitute submitted after the Effective Date of the Contract and all costs resulting from any delays in the Work while the substitute was undergoing review.
- 4.12 The Contractor shall furnish, free of charge, all labor, stakes, surveys, batter boards for structures, grade lines and other materials and supplies and shall set construction stakes and batter boards for establishing lines, position of structures, slopes and other controlling points necessary for the proper prosecution of the construction Work. Where rights-of-way, easements, property lines or any other conditions which make the lay-out of the project or parts of the project critical are involved, the Contractor will employ a competent surveyor who is registered in the State of Florida for lay-out and staking. These stakes and marks shall constitute the field control by and in accord with which the Contractor shall govern and execute the Work. The Contractor will be held responsible for the preservation of all stakes, marks and if for any reason any of the stakes or marks or batter boards become destroyed or disturbed, they will be immediately and accurately replaced by the Contractor.
- 4.13 The Contractor has, by careful examination, satisfied himself as to the nature and location of the Work and all other matters which can in any way affect the Work under this Contract, including, but not limited to details pertaining to boring, as shown on the drawings, are not guaranteed to be more than a general indication of the materials likely to be found adjacent to holes bored at the site of the Work, approximately at the locations indicated. The Contractor shall examine boring data, where available, and make his own interpretation of the subsoil investigations and other preliminary data, and shall base their quote on their own opinion of the conditions likely to be encountered. In no event shall an extension of time be considered for any conditions that existed at the time of bidding, nor shall the Contractor receive extra compensation for completion of the project as intended by the drawings and in keeping with the Contract documents. No verbal agreement or conversation with any officer, agent or employee of the County, before or after the execution of this Contract, shall affect or modify any of the terms or obligations herein contained.
- 4.14 If the Contractor, in the course of the Work, finds that the drawings and/or Contract Documents cannot be followed, he shall immediately inform the County in writing, and the County shall promptly check the accuracy of the information. Any Work done after such discovery, until any necessary changes are authorized, will be done at the Contractor's risk.

## **ARTICLE 5. COUNTY'S RESPONSIBILITIES**

- 5.1 County shall furnish the data required of County under the Contract Documents promptly and shall make payments to the Contractor within a reasonable time after the Work has been accepted by the County. Payment shall be made no more than twenty (20) business days if County is its own Engineer of Record or twenty-five (25) business days if outside agent approval is required after the pay estimate has been approved by the agent for the County. The form of all submittals, notices, Change Orders and other documents permitted or required to be used or transmitted under the Contract Documents shall be determined by the County/Engineer. Standard County forms shall be utilized.

- 5.2 The County shall provide the lands upon which the Work under this Contract is to be done, except that the Contractor shall provide all necessary additional land required for the erection of temporary construction facilities and storage of his materials, together with right of access to same.
- 5.3 The County shall have the right to take possession of and use any completed portions of the Work, although the time for completing the entire Work or such portions may not have expired, but such taking possession and use shall not be deemed an acceptance of any Work not completed in accordance with the Contract Documents.

#### **ARTICLE 6. CHANGES IN THE WORK**

- 6.1 Without invalidating the Contract and without notice to any Surety, County may, at any time, order additions, deletions or revisions in the Work. These will be authorized by a Written Amendment, a Change Order, or a Work Directive Change. Upon receipt of any such document, Contractor shall promptly proceed with the Work involved which will be performed under the applicable conditions of the Contract Documents (except as otherwise specifically provided).
- 6.2 Contractor shall not be entitled to an increase in the Contract Price or an extension of the Contract Time with respect to any Work performed that is not required by the Contract Documents as amended, modified and supplemented.
- 6.3 County and Contractor shall execute appropriate Change Orders, or Written Amendments, covering changes in the Work which are ordered by County, or which may be required because of acceptance of defective Work.
- 6.4 At any time Engineer may request a quotation from Contractor for a proposed change in the Work and within twenty-one (21) calendar days after receipt, Contractor shall submit a written and detailed proposal for an increase or decrease in the Contract Price or Contract Time for the proposed change. Engineer shall have twenty-one (21) calendar days after receipt of the detailed proposal to respond in writing. The proposal shall include an itemized estimate of all costs and time for performance that will result directly or indirectly from the proposed change. Unless otherwise directed, itemized estimates shall be in sufficient detail to reasonably permit an analysis by Engineer of all material, labor, equipment, subcontracts, overhead costs and fees, and shall cover all Work involved in the change, whether such Work was deleted, added, changed or impacted. Notwithstanding the Request for Quotation, Contractor shall carry on the Work and maintain the progress schedule. Delays in the submittal of the written and detailed proposal will be considered non-prejudicial.

#### **ARTICLE 7. CHANGE OF CONTRACT PRICE**

- 7.1 The Contract Price constitutes the total compensation (subject to authorized adjustments) payable to Contractor for performing the Work. All duties, responsibilities and obligations assigned to or undertaken by Contractor shall be at his expense without change in the Contract Price.
- 7.2 The Contract Price may only be changed by Change Order or by a Written Amendment. Any claim for an increase or decrease in the Contract Price shall be based on written notice delivered by the party making the claim to the other party. Notice of the amount of the claim with supporting data shall be delivered within ten (10) days from the beginning of such occurrence and shall be accompanied by claimant's written statement that the amount claimed covers all known amounts (direct, indirect and consequential) to which the claimant is entitled as a result of the occurrence of said event.
- 7.3 The value of any Work covered by a Change Order or of any claim for an increase or decrease in the Contract Price shall be determined in one of the following ways, at the County's discretion:
- 7.3.1 Where the Work involved is covered by unit prices contained in the Contract Documents, cost will be determined by application of such unit prices to the quantities of the items involved.

- 7.3.2 By mutual acceptance of lump sum.
- 7.3.3 On the basis of the cost of the Work, plus a 15% Contractor's fee for overhead and profit. (Contractor shall submit an itemized cost breakdown together with supporting data.)
- 7.4 Either County or Contractor may make a claim for an adjustment in the Contract Price. The unit price of an item of Unit Price Work shall be subject to re-evaluation and adjustment under the following conditions:
  - 7.4.1 If the total cost of a particular item of Unit Price Work amounts to 5% or more of the Contract Price and the variation in the quantity of the particular item of Unit Price Work performed by Contractor differs by more than 15% from the estimated quantity of such item indicated in the Contract; and
  - 7.4.2 If there is no corresponding adjustment with respect to any other item of Work; and
  - 7.4.3 If a Contractor believes that it has incurred additional expense as a result thereof; or
  - 7.4.4 If County believes that the quantity variation entitles it to an adjustment in the unit price; or
  - 7.4.5 If the parties are unable to agree as to the effect of any such variations in the quantity of Unit Price Work performed.

#### **ARTICLE 8. CHANGE OF CONTRACT TIME**

- 8.1 Contract Time may only be changed by a Change Order or a Written Amendment. Any claim for an extension or shortening of the Contract Time shall be based on written notice delivered by the party making the claim to the other party. Notice of the extent of the claim with supporting data shall be delivered within fifteen (15) days from detection or beginning of such occurrence and shall be accompanied by the claimant's written statement that the adjustment claimed is the entire adjustment to which the claimant has reason to believe it is entitled as a result of the occurrence of said event.
- 8.2 The Contract Time will be extended in an amount equal to time lost due to delays beyond the control of Contractor. Such delays shall include, but not be limited to, acts or neglect by County or others performing additional Work; or to fires, floods, epidemics, abnormal weather conditions or acts of God.
- 8.3 All time limits stated in the Contract Documents are of the essence.

#### **ARTICLE 9. WARRANTY, TEST/INSPECTION, CORRECTION**

- 9.1 Contractor warrants, for a minimum period of three (3) years or as otherwise stated herein, and guarantees to County that all Work will be in accordance with the Contract Documents and will not be defective; that County, representatives of County, and governmental agencies with jurisdictional interests will have access to the Work at reasonable time for their observation, inspecting and testing (Contractor shall give Engineer timely notice of readiness of the Work for all required approvals and shall assume full responsibility, including costs, in obtaining required tests, inspections, and approval certifications and/or acceptance, unless otherwise stated by County).
- 9.2 If any Work (including work of others) that is to be inspected, tested, or approved is covered without written concurrence of Engineer, it must, if requested by Engineer, be uncovered for observation. Such uncovering shall be at Contractor's expense unless Contractor has given Engineer timely notice of Contractor's intention to cover the same and Engineer has not acted with reasonable promptness in response to such notice. Neither observations by Engineer nor inspections, tests, or approvals by others shall relieve Contractor from Contractor's obligations to perform the Work in accordance with the Contract Documents.

- 9.3 If the Work is defective, or Contractor fails to supply sufficient skilled workers, or suitable materials or equipment, or fails to furnish or perform the Work in such a way that the completed Work will conform to the Contract Documents, County may order Contractor to stop the Work, or any portion thereof and terminate payments to the Contractor until the cause for such order has been eliminated. Contractor shall bear all direct, indirect and consequential costs for satisfactory reconstruction or removal and replacement with non-defective Work, including, but not limited to fees and charges of engineers, architects, attorneys and other professionals and any additional expenses experienced by County due to delays to other Contractors performing additional Work and an appropriate deductive Change Order shall be issued. Contractor shall further bear the responsibility for maintaining schedule and shall not be entitled to an extension of the Contract Time and the recovery of delay damages due to correcting or removing defective Work.
- 9.3.1 If Contractor fails within seven (7) days after written notice to correct defective Work, or fails to perform the Work in accordance with the Contract Documents, or fails to comply with any other provision of the Contract Documents, County may correct and remedy any such deficiency to the extent necessary to complete corrective and remedial action. County may exclude Contractor from all or part of the site, take possession of all or part of the Work, Contractor's tools, construction equipment and machinery at the site or for which County has paid Contractor but which are stored elsewhere. All direct and indirect costs of County in exercising such rights and remedies will be charged against Contractor in an amount approved as to reasonableness by Engineer and a Change Order will be issued incorporating the necessary revisions.
- 9.3.2 If within three (3) years after the date of completion or such longer period of time as may be prescribed by laws or regulations or by the terms of any applicable special guarantee required by the Contract Documents, any Work is found to be defective, Contractor shall promptly, without cost to County and in accordance with County's written instructions, either correct such defective Work or if it has been rejected by County, remove it from the site and replace it with non-defective Work. If Contractor does not promptly comply with the terms of such instruction, County may have the defective Work corrected or removed and all direct, indirect and consequential costs of such removal and replacement will be paid by Contractor.

#### **ARTICLE 10. SUSPENSION OR TERMINATION OF WORK**

- 10.1 County reserves the right to suspend the Work, or any portion thereof, at any time without cause for a period not to exceed ninety (90) days by written notice to Contractor, which will fix the date on which Work will be resumed. Contractor shall be allowed an increase in the Contract Price or an extension of the Contract Time, or both, directly attributable to any suspension if Contractor makes an approved claim therefore.
- 10.1.1 If Work is suspended by County for a period that exceeds ninety (90) days; or if Work is suspended by an order of court or other public authority; or if County fails to pay Contractor, then Contractor may, upon seven (7) days written notice to County, terminate the Contract and recover payment for all Work executed.
- 10.1.2 In lieu of terminating the Contract, if the Engineer has failed to act on any Application for Payment or County has failed to make any payment as aforesaid, Contractor may, upon seven (7) days written notice to County, stop the Work until payment of all amounts then due have been received.
- 10.2 County reserves the right, after giving seven (7) days written notice, to terminate this Contract if:
- 10.2.1 Contractor persistently fails to perform the Work in accordance with the Contract Documents;
- 10.2.2 Contractor disregards laws or regulations of any public body having jurisdiction;



- 10.2.3 Contractor commences a voluntary case under any chapter of the Bankruptcy Code or any similar action by filing a petition under any other federal or state law relating to bankruptcy or insolvency;
- 10.2.4 Contractor has a petition filed against them under any chapter of the Bankruptcy Code or similar relief under any other federal or state law;
- 10.3 County may exclude Contractor from the site and take possession of the Work and of all Contractor's tools, construction equipment and machinery at the site and use same to the full extent they could be used (without liability to Contractor for trespass or conversion); incorporate in the Work all materials and equipment stored at the site or for which County has paid Contractor but which are stored elsewhere, and finish the Work as County may deem expedient.
- 10.3.1 Contractor shall not be entitled to receive any further payment beyond an amount equal to the value of material and equipment not incorporated in the Work, but delivered and suitably stored, less the aggregate of payments previously made.
- 10.3.2 If the direct, indirect and consequential costs of completing the Work exceed the unpaid balance of the Contract Price, Contractor shall pay the difference to County. Such costs incurred by County shall be verified by County and incorporated in a Change Order; but in finishing the Work, County shall not be required to obtain the lowest figure for the Work performed. Contractor's obligations to pay the difference between such costs and such unpaid balance shall survive termination of this Contract.
- 10.4 In the event sufficient budgeted funds are not available for a new fiscal year, County shall notify Contractor of such occurrence and Contract shall terminate on the last day of the current fiscal year without penalty or expense to County.
- 10.5 Failure of Contractor to comply with any of the provisions of this Contract shall be considered a Material Breach of Contract and shall be cause for immediate termination of Contract at the discretion of County.
- 10.6 In addition to all other legal remedies available to County, County reserves the right to terminate and obtain from another source, any commodities or services which have not been delivered within the Contract Time as stated in the Contract Documents.

#### **ARTICLE 11. CONTRACT CLAIMS & DISPUTES**

- 11.1 Except as otherwise provided herein, any dispute arising under this Contract shall be decided by the Purchasing Official in accordance with Section 2-26-63 of the Manatee County Code subject to an administrative hearing process provided in 2-26-64. The decision of the Board of County Commissioners in accordance with Section 2-26-64 of the Manatee County Code shall be the final and conclusive County decision subject to exclusive judicial review in the circuit court by a petition for certiorari.

#### **ARTICLE 12. RESIDENT PROJECT REPRESENTATIVE - DUTIES, RESPONSIBILITIES**

- 12.1 The Resident Project Representative is the Engineer's Agent, who will act as directed by and under the supervision of the Engineer, and who will confer with County regarding his actions. Resident Project Representative's dealing in matters pertaining to the on-site Work shall, in general, be only with the County and Contractor and dealings with Subcontractors shall only be through or with the full knowledge of Contractor.
- 12.2 Resident Project Representative will:
- 12.2.1 Review the progress schedule, schedule of shop drawing submissions and Schedule of Values prepared by Contractor and consult with County concerning their acceptability.

- 12.2.2 Attend Preconstruction Conferences. Arrange a schedule of progress meetings and other job conferences as required in consultation with County and notify those expected to attend in advance. Attend meetings and maintain and circulate copies of minutes thereof.
- 12.2.3 Serve as County's liaison with Contractor, working principally through Contractor's superintendent and assist him in understanding the intent of the Contract Documents. As requested by Contractor, assist in obtaining additional details or information when required at the job site for proper execution of the Work.
- 12.2.4 Receive and record date of receipt of Shop Drawings and samples, receive samples which are furnished at the site by Contractor and notify Engineer of their availability for examination.
- 12.2.5 Advise Engineer and Contractor or his superintendent immediately of the commencement of any Work requiring a shop drawing or sample submission if the submission has not been approved by the County.
- 12.2.6 Conduct on-site observations of the Work in progress to assist Engineer in determining if the Work is proceeding in accordance with the Contract Documents and that completed Work will conform to the Contract Documents.
- 12.2.7 Report to County whenever he or she believes that any Work is unsatisfactory, faulty or defective or does not conform to the Contract Documents, or does not meet the requirements of any inspections, tests or approvals required or if Work has been damaged prior to final payment; and advise Contractor when he believes Work should be corrected or rejected or should be uncovered of observation or requires special testing, inspection or approval.
- 12.2.8 Verify that tests, equipment and system start-ups and operating and maintenance instructions are conducted as required by the Contract Documents and in the presence of the required personnel, and that Contractor maintains adequate records thereof; observe, record and report to Engineer appropriate details relative to the test procedures and start-ups.
- 12.2.9 Accompany visiting inspectors representing public or other agencies having jurisdiction over the project; record the outcome of these inspections and report to County.
- 12.2.10 Transmit to Contractor, Engineer's clarifications and interpretations of the Contract Documents.
- 12.2.11 Consider and evaluate Contractor's suggestions or modifications in drawings or Contract Documents and report them with recommendations to County.
- 12.2.12 Maintain at the job site orderly files for correspondence, reports of job conferences, Shop Drawings and sample submissions, reproductions of original Contract Documents including all Addenda, Change Orders, field orders, additional drawings issued subsequent to the execution of the Contract, Engineer's clarifications and interpretations of the Contract Documents, progress reports and other project related documents.
- 12.2.13 Keep a diary or log book, recording hours on the job site, weather conditions, data relative to questions of extras or deductions; list of visiting officials and representatives or manufacturers, fabricators, Suppliers and distributors; daily activities, decisions, observations in general and specific observations in more detail as in the case of observing test procedures. Send copies to County.
- 12.2.14 Record names, addresses and telephone numbers of all Contractors, Subcontractors and major Suppliers of materials and equipment.

- 12.2.15 Furnish Engineer periodic reports as required of progress of the Work and Contractor's compliance with the approved progress schedule and schedule of shop drawing submissions.
- 12.2.16 Consult with Engineer in advance of scheduling major tests, inspections or start of important phases of the Work.
- 12.2.17 Report immediately the occurrence of any accident.
- 12.2.18 Review applications for payment with Contractor for compliance with the established procedure for their submission and forward them with recommendations to Engineer, noting particularly their relation to the Schedule of Values, Work completed and materials and equipment delivered at the site but not incorporated in the Work.
- 12.2.19 During the course of the Work, verify that certificates, maintenance and operations manuals and other data required to be assembled and furnished by Contractor are applicable to the items actually installed, and deliver this material to County for his review prior to final acceptance of the Work.
- 12.2.20 Before Engineer issues a certificate of Substantial Completion, submit to Contractor a list of observed items requiring completion or correction.
- 12.2.21 Conduct final inspection in the company of County and/or Engineer and Contractor and prepare a Punch List of items to be completed or corrected. Reference Florida Statutes § 218.735(7).
- 12.2.22 Verify that all items on final list have been completed or corrected and make recommendations to County concerning acceptance.

12.3 Except upon written instructions of Engineer, Resident Project Representative:

- 12.3.1 Shall not authorize any deviation from the Contract Documents or approve any substitute materials or equipment;
- 12.3.2 Shall not exceed limitations on Engineer's authority as set forth in the Contract Documents;
- 12.3.3 Shall not undertake any of the responsibilities of Contractor, Subcontractors or Contractor's superintendent, or expedite the Work;
- 12.3.4 Shall not advise on or issue directions relative to any aspect of the means, methods, techniques, sequences or procedures of construction unless such is specifically called for in the Contract Documents;
- 12.3.5 Shall not advise on or issue directions as to safety precautions and programs in connection with the Work;
- 12.3.6 Shall not authorize County to occupy the project in whole or in part; and
- 12.3.7 Shall not participate in specialized field or laboratory tests.

**ARTICLE 13. APPRENTICES**

- 13.1 If successful Contractor employs apprentices, he shall be governed and comply with the provisions of Fla.Stat. § 446.011.

Attachment

STATEMENT OF NO QUOTE

If you do not intend to quote please return this form immediately to:

Manatee County Purchasing  
1112 Manatee Avenue West, Suite 803  
Bradenton, Florida 34205

We, the undersigned, have declined to quote on RFQ No.: 15-2811DC MSO Fish Hatchery Electrical Improvements, for the following reason(s):

- ☐ Specifications too restrictive, i.e., geared toward one brand or manufacturer.
- ☐ Insufficient time to respond
- ☐ We do not offer this product or service
- ☐ Our schedule would not permit us to perform
- ☐ Unable to meet specifications
- ☐ Unable to meet Bond requirement
- ☐ Specifications unclear (explain below)
- ☐ Unable to meet insurance requirements
- ☐ Remove us from your "QUOTERS List"
- ☐ Other (specify below)

REMARKS:

We understand that if we do not submit a Quote and this Statement of No Quote is not executed and returned, our name may be deleted from your QUOTERS List for this commodity or service.

Company Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Company Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Print or type name and title of above signer)

## Attachment

### PUBLIC CONTRACTING AND ENVIRONMENTAL CRIMES CERTIFICATION

#### SWORN STATEMENT PURSUANT TO ARTICLE 5, MANATEE COUNTY PURCHASING CODE

THIS FORM MUST BE SIGNED AND SWORN TO IN THE PRESENCE OF A NOTARY PUBLIC OR OTHER OFFICIAL AUTHORIZED TO ADMINISTER OATHS.

This sworn statement is submitted to the Manatee County Board of County Commissioners by \_\_\_\_\_  
[print individual's name and title]

\_\_\_\_\_ for \_\_\_\_\_  
[print name of entity submitting sworn statement]

whose business address is: \_\_\_\_\_

and (if applicable) its Federal Employer Identification Number (FEIN) is \_\_\_\_\_. If the entity has no

FEIN, include the Social Security Number of the individual signing this sworn statement: \_\_\_\_\_

I understand that no person or entity shall be awarded or receive a county contract for public improvements, procurement of goods or services (including professional services) or a county lease, franchise, concession or management agreement, or shall receive a grant of county monies unless such person or entity has submitted a written certification to the County that it has not:

- (1) been convicted of bribery or attempting to bribe a public officer or employee of Manatee County, the State of Florida, or any other public entity, including, but not limited to the Government of the United States, any state, or any local government authority in the United States, in that officer's or employee's official capacity; or
- (2) been convicted of an agreement or collusion among QUOTERS or prospective QUOTERS in restraint of freedom of competition, by agreement to quote a fixed price, or otherwise; or
- (3) been convicted of a violation of an environmental law that, in the sole opinion of the County's Purchasing Director, reflects negatively upon the ability of the person or entity to conduct business in a responsible manner; or
- (4) made an admission of guilt of such conduct described in items (1), (2) or (3) above, which is a matter of record, but has not been prosecuted for such conduct, or has made an admission of guilt of such conduct, which is a matter of record, pursuant to formal prosecution. An admission of guilt shall be construed to include a plea of nolo contendere; or
- (5) where an officer, official, agent or employee of a business entity has been convicted of or has admitted guilt to any of the crimes set forth above on behalf of such an entity and pursuant to the direction or authorization of an official thereof (including the person committing the offense, if he is an official of the business entity), the business shall be chargeable with the conduct herein above set forth. A business entity shall be chargeable with the conduct of an affiliated entity, whether wholly owned, partially owned, or one which has common ownership or a common Board of Directors. For purposes of this Form, business entities are affiliated if, directly or indirectly, one business entity controls or has the power to control another business entity, or if an individual or group of individuals controls or has the power to control both entities. Indicia of control shall include, without limitation, interlocking management or ownership, identity of interests among family members, shared organization of a business entity following the ineligibility of a business entity under this Article, or using substantially the same management, ownership or principles as the ineligible entity.

Any person or entity who claims that this Article is inapplicable to him/her/it because a conviction or judgement has been reversed by a court of competent jurisdiction, shall prove the same with documentation satisfactory to the County's Purchasing Director. Upon presentation of such satisfactory proof, the person or entity shall be allowed to contract with the County.

I UNDERSTAND THAT THE SUBMISSION OF THIS FORM TO THE CONTRACTING OFFICER FOR MANATEE COUNTY IS VALID THROUGH DECEMBER 31 OF THE CALENDAR YEAR IN WHICH IT IS FILED. I ALSO UNDERSTAND THAT ANY CONTRACT OR BUSINESS TRANSACTION SHALL PROVIDE FOR SUSPENSION OF PAYMENTS, OR TERMINATION, OR BOTH, IF THE CONTRACTING OFFICER OR THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR DETERMINES THAT **SUCH PERSON OR ENTITY HAS MADE FALSE CERTIFICATION.**

\_\_\_\_\_  
[Signature]

STATE OF FLORIDA

COUNTY OF \_\_\_\_\_

Sworn to and subscribed before me this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_ by \_\_\_\_\_.

Personally known \_\_\_\_\_ OR Produced identification \_\_\_\_\_  
[Type of identification]

\_\_\_\_\_  
Notary Public Signature

My commission expires \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
[Print, type or stamp Commissioned name of Notary Public]

**Signatory Requirement** - In the case of a business entity other than a partnership or a corporation, this affidavit shall be executed by an authorized agent of the entity. In the case of a partnership, this affidavit shall be executed by the general partner(s). In the case of a corporation, this affidavit shall be executed by the corporate president.