Solicitation
For Participation in

JEA Trailers Procurement Acquisition

Jacksonville, FL

Solicitation Number

1410562046-22

Bids are due on February 8, 2022 by 12:00 PM EST

Bids must be electronically submitted per instructions in this Solicitation

JEA will publicly open all Bids received from qualified Bidder on February 8, 2022, via WebEx.

The WebEx information is located below.

WebEx Meeting Information

To view via Webex: https://www.jea.com/Events/

Bids/Responses are to only be delivered electronically via the JEA Zycus Platform. An automated, detailed auditing system provides sealed bid integrity. The Bidder can navigate to the Solicitation via the JEA Zycus Platform by the following this link:

https://zsn.zycus.com/guest/genericRegister/JEA074/iSource/248510/

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Solicitation

1. INVITATION FOR BID

1.1. INVITATION

1.1.1. SCOPE OF WORK (IFB)

The purpose of this Invitation for Bid (IFB) is to solicit pricing for the purchase of trailers for JEA's Fiscal Year 22 requirements as described in Appendix A to this IFB. All units must be tested and delivered to JEA's Fleet Facility (5717 New Kings Road, Jacksonville, Florida 32209) in complete condition. JEA has grouped these trailers into five (5) groupings identifies below:

Group 1
- EA CLASS 412: Trailer, 40,000 LB CAPACITY EQUIPMENT

Group 2
- JEA CLASS 412T: TILTING TRAILER, 16,000 LB EQUIPMENT / AIR BRAKE

Group 3
- JEA CLASS 410: TRAILER, CARGO / REEL AIR BRAKE

Group 4
- JEA CLASS 437: TRAILER, 80,000 LB GVWR 48' FLATBED

Group 5
- JEA CLASS 437: TRAILER, 80,000 LB GVWR 48' EXTENDABLE FLATBED (Extendable from 48' to 80')

A more detailed description of the Work is provided in the Technical Specifications included as Appendix A to this Solicitation.

Capitalized terms used in this Solicitation without definition shall have the definitions given to them in Section 2.2 of this Solicitation.

1.1.2. BACKGROUND

JEA owns, operates and manages the electric system established by the City of Jacksonville, Florida in 1895. In June 1997, JEA also assumed operation of the water and sewer system previously managed by the City. JEA is Florida's largest municipally owned utility and the seventh largest municipal in the United States.

1.1.3. INVITATION FOR BID

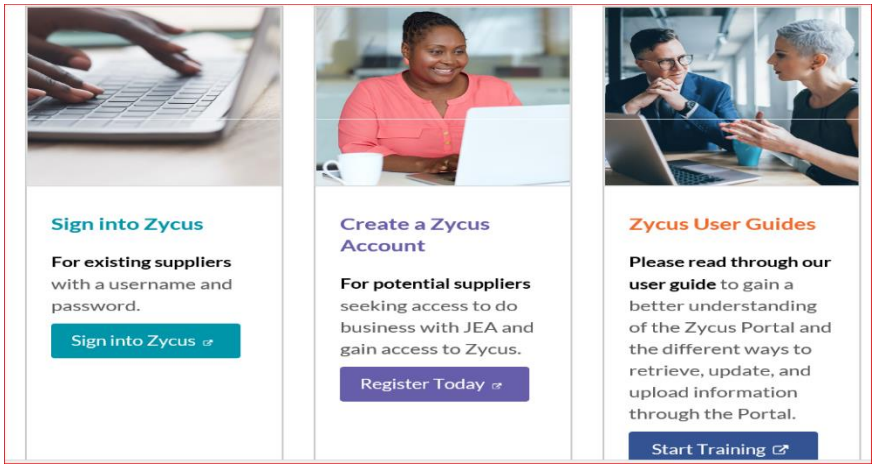
To obtain more information about this Solicitation:
Download a copy of the Solicitation, Appendices, and any required forms at jea.com, search key word "Zycus" to connect to the online sourcing platform. Or click the following link:
https://www.jea.com/about/procurement/zycus_portal/

JEA Solicitation Title: JEA Trailers Procurement Acquisition
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A complete copy of this Solicitation, the Appendices, forms and all other documents referenced in this Solicitation can be downloaded from jea.com.

Response Due Date: February 8, 2021
Response Due Time: 12:00 PM

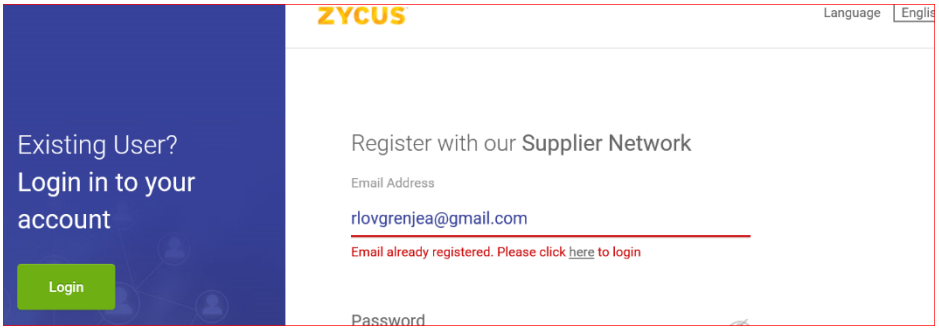
All Responses must reference the Solicitation Title and Number noted above. All Responses must be made on the appropriate forms as specified in this Solicitation and uploaded to JEA's Zycus sourcing platform (example below).



New Users will need to register to login. Registration will require Company name, Contact and Email Address.



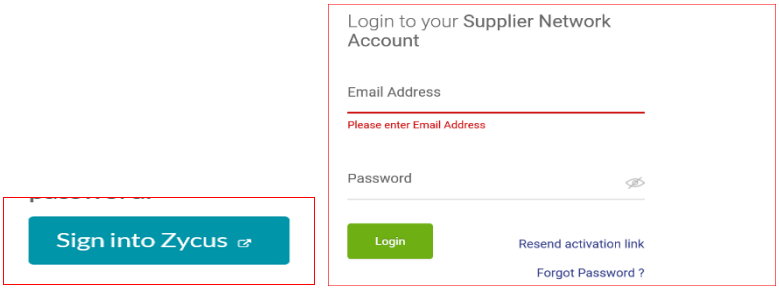
When users select new registration, the user will enter their email address and may find the company or email address may already be registered if the current email address and company is already registered to do business with JEA.



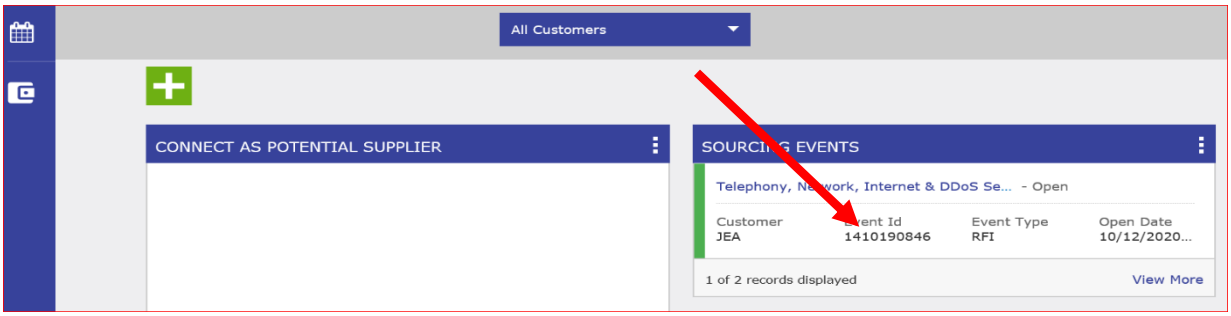
If you find your email address is already registered follow the prompts for a new activation code, or a password reset as appropriate.

Existing Users or New Users with ID (email registered) and password.

Once the user has a login on the sourcing platform select "Sign into Zycus", the Proposer may navigate to the solicitation by selecting the icon for the applicable solicitation.



Once logged in, Proposers will see all events, select the applicable event.

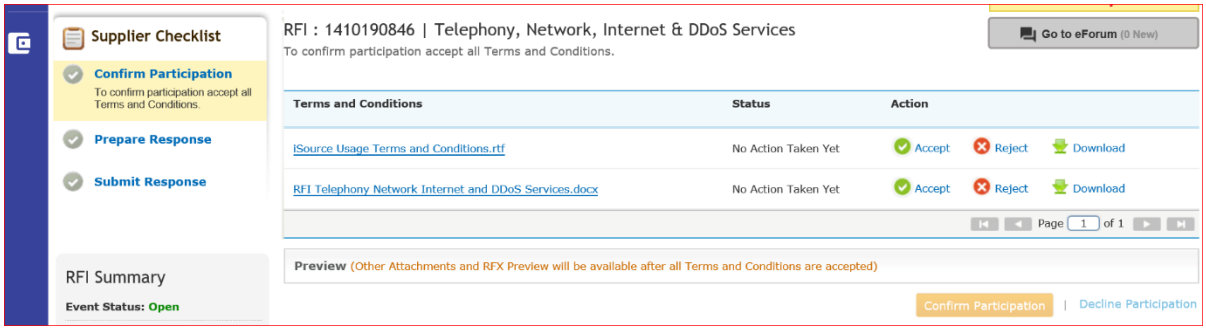


Once in the Event. The event has prompts for actions required to respond to the solicitation.

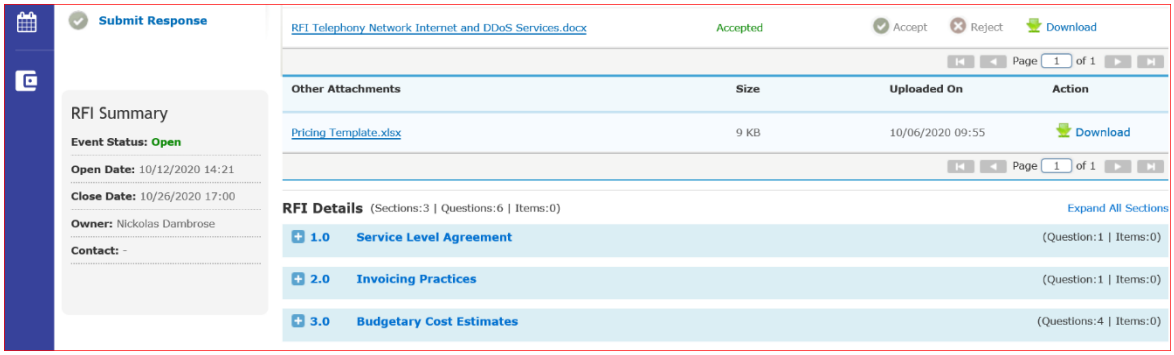
Initial Actions that may be require Acceptance of the Proposer may include but are not limited to:

1.) Acceptance of iSourcing usage Terms & Conditions.
2.) Acceptance of NDA requirements
3.) For Invitations for Bid (Bids where no exceptions are allowed to terms and conditions), Acceptance of Terms

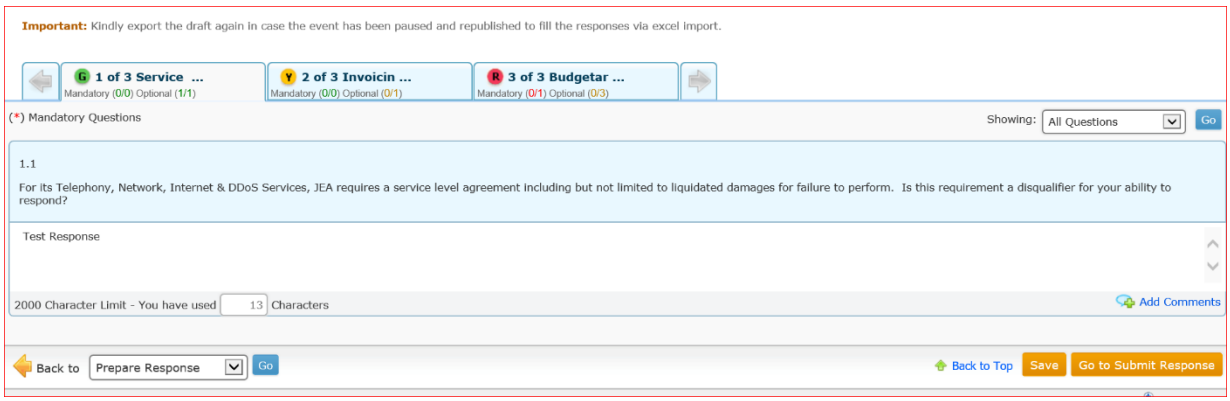
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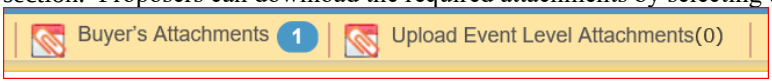
Once the initial conditions are accepted, additional Bid information will be available for viewing and Proposal by selecting “confirm participation”. This tells JEA you intend to respond.

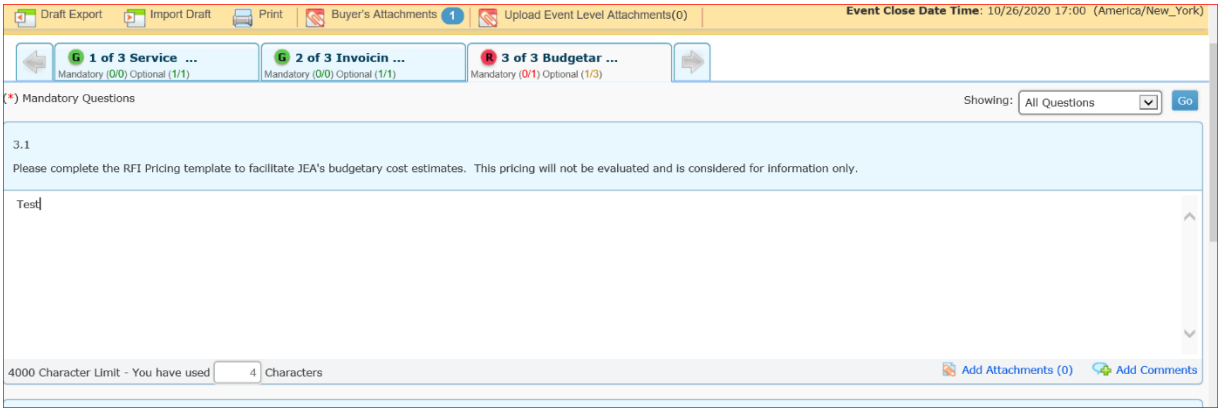


Respond to each section of the Solicitation, once completed with each section, select "Save", you'll note each section has a red, yellow, green light code. Items will turn green once completed. Yellow and red lights mean there is additional action required. Users may also note under each tab, there are multiple questions to respond to, scroll down the list to ensure all questions are answered.

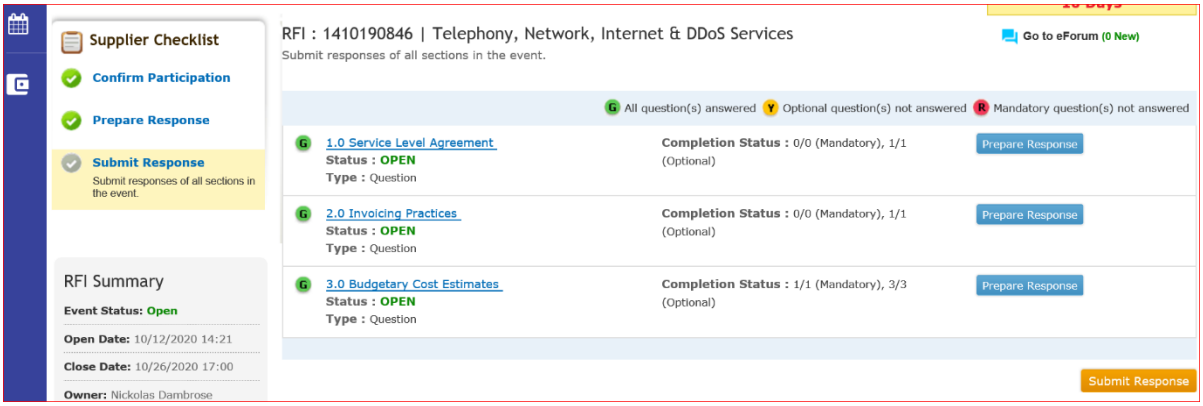


In most solicitations, JEA will provide technical specifications, pricing tables in excel which the Bidder will need to download. Additionally excel pricing tables may need to be uploaded once completed to complete a Proposal section. Proposers can download the required attachments by selecting the "Buyers Attachments" icon

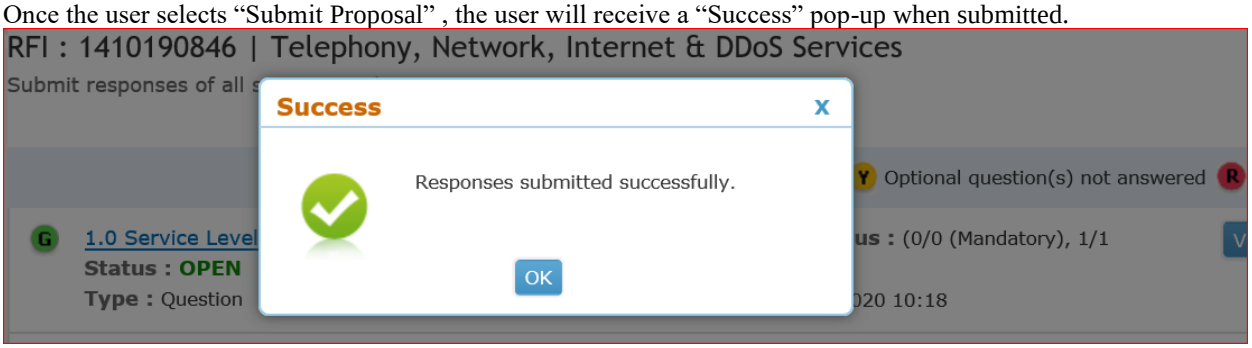




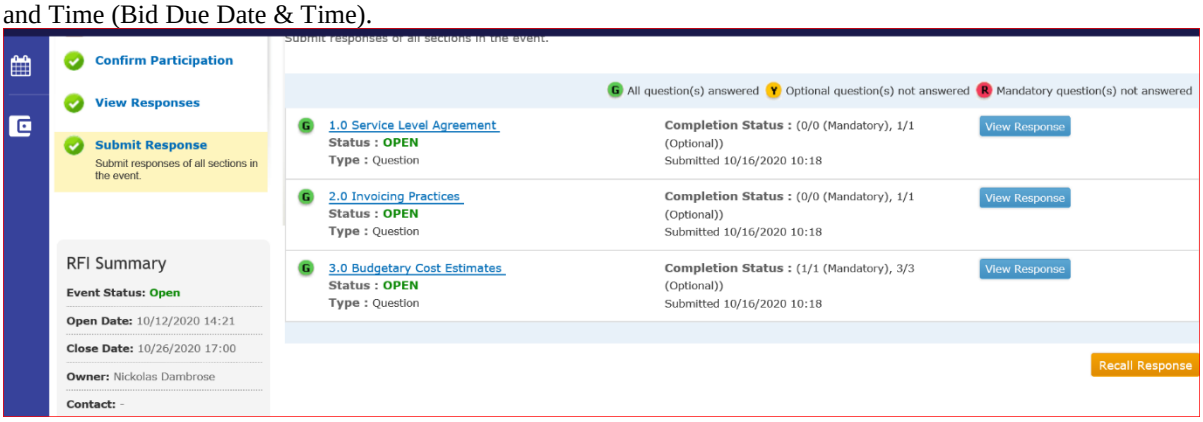
Once the required forms are uploaded and saved, the section light will turn green. Once all sections are completed and green lighted, the User may select "Submit Proposal".



Once the user selects “Submit Proposal” , the user will receive a “Success” pop-up when submitted.



Once submitted users may recall and modify submitted documentation and submit Proposals until the Close Date and Time (Bid Due Date & Time).



Proposals shall be delivered electronically via the Zycus platform. An automated, detailed auditing system provides sealed Proposal integrity. Proposals remain sealed on the platform until the Close Date & Time (Due Date & Time).

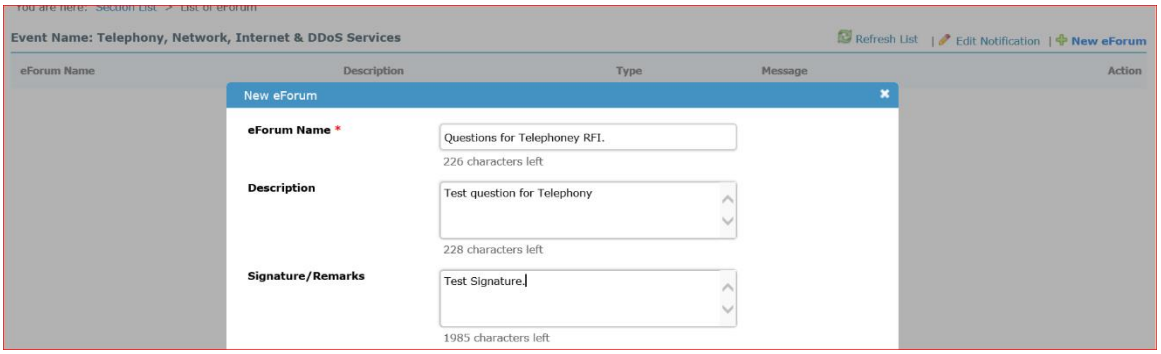
The Proposer shall be solely responsible for delivery of its Proposal to the electronic Zycus platform.

Proposals are due by the time and on the date listed above. Late Proposals may not be accepted.

Proposers are strongly encourages to acquire log in credentials early as possible. Additionally, Proposers are encouraged to submit bids early to ensure uploading process goes smoothly.

2.1.1. QUESTIONS

All questions must be submitted in writing or electronically on the eForum to the JEA Buyer listed below at least five (5) business days prior to the opening date. Questions received within five (5) business days prior to the opening date will not be answered. Bidder Questions may be submitted via the Zycus Chat function in the associated bid under eForum or by emailing the purchasing agent listed below. Responses shall be issued by addendum and attached to the online procurement on the Zycus platform.



Submitting an inquiry to the eForum section will sent a communication to the buyer. Any comments or queries are not Addendums to the Solicitation. Only Addendum(s) issued and attached to the Solicitation under "Buyers Attachments" will be considered to be a formally approved change or clarification.

Participants may also submit questions to the contact directly by emailing to:

Buyer: Eddie Bayouth
E-mail: bayoew@jea.com

2.1.2. OPTIONAL PRE-RESPONSE MEETING

There will not be an Optional Pre-Response meeting associated with this Solicitation. Interested Respondents may contact the buyer if they would like to arrange a visit to JEA to view the existing trailers.

2.1.3. OPENING OF RESPONSES

All Bids received shall be publicly announced and recorded at 2:00 PM on February 8, 2022, via WebEx. The details for the WebEx will be on jea.com at the following website:

WebEx Meeting Information

To view via Webex: https://www.jea.com/Events/

2.1.1. ALTERNATE PROVISIONS AND CONDITIONS

Terms and conditions found in Responses that are contrary to requirements found in this Solicitation, including, but not limited to, the Contract terms and conditions contained in Section 2 of this Solicitation and any requirements found in the Technical Specifications attached as Appendix A to this Solicitation, will be rejected and are of no force and effect. However, JEA reserves the right to negotiate different terms and conditions and requirements if JEA determines that such terms and conditions and requirements are in the best interest of JEA.

2.2. SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS

2.2.1. MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS

Respondent must meet the following Minimum Qualifications to be considered eligible to have its Response evaluated. JEA will reject Responses from Respondents not meeting all of the following Minimum Qualifications:

- The Respondent must meet all the Technical Specifications as listed and described within the corresponding Appendix A – Technical Specification documents. Any objections to these requirements must be specifically addressed no later than 5 days prior to bid submittal and JEA responding with a technical specification revision via addendum.
- The Respondent shall be a manufacturer authorized dealer of equipment being provided. JEA will verify this with the manufacturer if necessary.

Respondent must complete and submit the Minimum Qualification Form provided in Appendix B of this Solicitation with its Response.

JEA reserves the right to ask for additional back up documentation or additional reference projects to confirm the Respondent meets the requirements stated above.

2.2.2. NUMBER OF CONTRACTS TO BE AWARDED

JEA intends to Award One (1) or more Contract(s) for the Work for each Trailer Group identified in Section 1.1.1. There are no requirements to the number of Vehicle Groupings that need to be bid, as each grouping will be treated as a standalone scope. JEA reserves the right to Award more than one Contract based on certain groupings of the Work items, or JEA may exclude certain Work items, if JEA determines that it is in its best interest to do so.

2.2.3. INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS

Prior to JEA issuing a Purchase Order to the Company to begin the Work, the Company shall submit a certificate of insurance (COI) that is in compliance with amounts and requirements as indicated in this Solicitation. Note that the COI shall specifically indicate JEA as additional insured on all required insurance except Worker's Compensation and Professional Liability (if applicable). Furthermore, waiver of subrogation must be provided for all required insurance in favor of JEA, including its board members, officers, employees, agents, successors, and assigns.

2.2.4. REQUIRED FORMS TO BE SUBMITTED WITH RESPONSE

JEA Forms required to be submitted with this Solicitation are included in Appendix B or may be obtained on JEA's website at https://www.jea.com/about/procurement/bid_forms/.

The following forms must be completed and submitted to JEA at the timeframes stated below.

The following forms are required to be submitted with the Response:

- Response Form – found in Appendix B of this Solicitation
- Response Workbook – found in Appendix B of this Solicitation
- Minimum Qualifications Form- found in Appendix B of this Solicitation
- Conflict of Interest Certificate Form - found in Appendix B of this Solicitation

If the above listed forms are not submitted with the Response by the Response Due Time and Date, JEA may reject the Response.

The following documents must be submitted prior to execution of a Contract.Failure to submit these documents prior to Contract execution may result in rejection of the Response and recission of any Award.

- List of subcontractors/Shop Fabricators (if applicable)
- Insurance certificate
- W-9
- Evidence of active registration with the State of Florida Division of Corporations (www.sunbiz.org)
- Any technical submittals as requires by the Technical Specifications

2.2.5. LIQUIDATED DAMAGES IN CONTRACT

The Contract issued pursuant to this Solicitation does not contains liquidated damages tied to project completion deadlines.

2.3. EVALUATION METHODOLOGY

2.3.1. BASIS OF AWARD – LOWEST COST

JEA will Award a Contract to the responsive and responsible Respondent whose Response meets or exceeds the Minimum Qualifications set forth in this Solicitation, and whose Response is the lowest cost for each Trailer Group identified in Section 1.1.1. Each vehicle grouping will be treated as a standalone work scope so Respondents are encouraged to bid multiple groupings for efficiency purposes.

2.4. SELECTION CRITERIA

2.4.1. SELECTION CRITERIA (SOLICITATION)

The following criteria will be used by JEA to evaluate and rank Responses from Respondents who meet the Minimum Qualifications specified in this Solicitation.

2.4.2. QUOTATION OF RATES (100 Points)

Maximum score: 100 Points

Respondent shall provide a firm-fixed price quote for all Work in this Solicitation by completing the Response Form included in Appendix B. The prices quoted must include all profit, delivery, taxes, benefits, travel, and all other overhead items.

The prices quoted by Respondent on the Response Form must be firm-fixed prices, not estimates.

2.4.3. TIE

In the event of a tie score, the tie shall be resolved in accordance with JEA's Procurement Code and Operational Procedures.

2.5. GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS

2.5.1. SUBMITTING THE RESPONSE

The Respondent shall submit the Response documents electronically as described in section 1.1.3. **IF RESPONDENT IS INTERESTED IN RECEIVING A RESPONSE FORM IN A WORD FORMAT, PLEASE EMAIL bayoew@jea.com WITH THE REQUEST. REQUESTS MUST BE MADE NO LATER THAN FIVE BUSINESS DAYS PRIOR TO THE RESPONSE OPENING DATE.**

2.5.2. ADDENDA

JEA may issue Addenda prior to the opening of Responses to change or clarify the intent of this Solicitation. The Respondent is responsible for ensuring it has received all Addenda prior to submitting its Response and must acknowledge receipt of all Addenda by completing the Confirmation of Receipt of Addenda. JEA will post Addenda when issued online at JEA.com. Companies must obtain Addenda from the JEA.com website. It is the responsibility of each Respondent to ensure it has received and incorporated all Addenda into its Response. Failure to acknowledge receipt of Addenda may be grounds for rejection of a Response.

2.5.3. CONTRACT EXECUTION AND START OF WORK

Within 30 days from the date of Award, JEA will present the successful Respondent with the Contract Documents. Unless expressly waived by JEA, the successful Respondent must execute a Contract for the Work within ten days after receiving the Contract from JEA. If the Respondent fails to execute the Contract or associated documents as required, or if it fails to act on a JEA-issued Purchase Order (PO), JEA may cancel the Award with no further liability to the Respondent and retain any bid security or bond.

Upon JEA's receipt of the executed Contract and certificate of insurance, JEA will issue either a Notice to Proceed or a PO, in writing and signed by an authorized JEA representative as acceptance of the Proposal and authorization for the company to proceed with the Work, unless otherwise stated in the Contract or PO.

2.5.4. EX PARTE COMMUNICATION

Ex Parte Communication is defined as any inappropriate communication concerning an Solicitation between any officers, employees or other representatives of Respondent and a JEA representative during the time in which the Solicitation is being advertised through the time of Award. Examples of inappropriate communications include: private communications concerning the details of the Solicitation in which a company becomes privy to information not available to the other Respondents. Social contact between companies and JEA Representatives should be kept to an absolute minimum during the Solicitation process.

Ex Parte Communication is strictly prohibited. Failure to adhere to this policy will disqualify the noncompliant Respondent. Any questions or clarifications concerning this Solicitation must be sent in writing via email to the JEA Buyer at least five business days prior to the opening date. If JEA determines that a question should be answered or a requirement should be clarified, JEA will issue an Addendum on jea.com.

2.5.5. CERTIFICATION AND REPRESENTATIONS OF THE COMPANY

By signing and submitting its Response, the Respondent certifies and represents as follows:

A. That the individual signing the Response is duly authorized to contractually bind the Respondent to the terms and conditions of this Solicitation and the Contract. Respondent shall provide satisfactory evidence of such authority within three days of JEA's request.

B. That every aspect of the Response and the detailed schedule for the execution of the Work, are based on its own knowledge and judgment of the conditions and hazards involved, and not upon any representation of JEA. JEA assumes no responsibility for any understanding or representation made by any of its representatives during or prior to execution of the Contract unless such understandings or representations are expressly stated in the Contract and the Contract expressly provides that JEA assumes the responsibility.

C. That, if successful, the Respondent will be registered to conduct business in the State of Florida and in active status with the Florida Division of Corporations at the time of execution of a Contract.

D. That the Respondent maintains in active status any and all licenses, permits, certifications, insurance, bonds and other credentials including, but not limited to, all licenses necessary to perform the Work. The Respondent also certifies that, upon the prospect of any change in the status of applicable licenses, permits, certifications, insurances, bonds or other credentials, the Respondent shall immediately notify JEA of status change.

2.5.6. ETHICS

By submitting a Response, the Respondent certifies that its Response is made without any previous understanding, agreement or connection with any other person, firm, or corporation submitting a Response for the same Work other than as a Subcontractor or supplier, and that the Response is made without outside control, collusion, fraud, or other illegal or unethical actions. The Respondent shall comply with all JEA and City of Jacksonville ordinances, policies and procedures regarding ethics.

The Respondent shall submit only one Response to this Solicitation. If JEA has reasonable cause to believe the Respondent has submitted more than one Response for the same Work, other than as a Subcontractor or sub-supplier, JEA shall disqualify the Response and may pursue debarment actions.

The Respondent shall disclose the name(s) of any public officials who have any financial position, directly or indirectly, in Respondent or its Response by completing and submitting the Conflict of Interest Certificate Form available at jea.com. Failure to fully complete and submit the Conflict of Interest Certificate will disqualify the Response. If JEA has reason to believe that collusion exists among the Respondents, JEA shall reject any and all Responses from such Respondents and will proceed to debar the Respondents from future JEA Awards in accordance with the JEA Procurement Code.

JEA is prohibited by its Charter from awarding contracts to JEA board members, officers or employees, and is prohibited from awarding contracts in which a JEA officer or employee has a financial interest. JEA shall reject all Responses from JEA board members, officers or employees, as well as, all Responses in which a JEA officer or employee has a financial interest.

In accordance with Florida Statutes Sec. 287.133, JEA shall reject Responses from any persons or affiliates convicted of a public entity crime as listed on the Convicted Vendor list maintained by the Florida Department of Management Services. JEA shall not make an Award to any officer, director, executive, partner, shareholder, employee, member, or agent active in management of the Respondent listed on the Convicted Vendor list for any transaction exceeding $35,000 for a period of 36 months from the date of being placed on the Convicted Vendor list.

2.5.7. JEA PUBLICATIONS

Applicable JEA publications are available at jea.com.

2.5.8. MATHEMATICAL ERRORS

In the event of a mathematical error in calculation of the prices entered on the Response, the Unit Prices will prevail. The corrected price utilizing the Unit Prices quoted by Respondent will be used to determine if the Company is awarded a Contract for the Work and the corrected pricing will be used throughout the Term.

2.5.9. MODIFICATION OR WITHDRAWAL OF RESPONSES

The Respondent may modify or withdraw its Response at any time prior to the Response Due Date and Time by giving written notice to JEA's Chief Procurement Officer. JEA will not accept modifications submitted by telephone, telegraph, email, or facsimile, or those submitted after the Response Due Date and Time. The Respondent may not modify or withdraw its Response for a period of 90 days following the opening of Responses.

2.5.10. PROHIBITION AGAINST CONTINGENT FEES

The Respondent warrants that it has not employed or retained any company or person, other than a bona fide employee working for the Respondent, or an independent sales representative under contract with the Respondent, to solicit or secure a contract with JEA, and that it has not paid or agreed to pay any person, company, corporation, or other individual, other than a bona fide employee working solely for the Respondent, or an independent sale representative under contract with the Respondent, any fee, commission, percentage, gift, or any other consideration, contingent upon or resulting from the Award or the Contract. If a breach or violation of the provisions occurs, JEA shall have the right to terminate the Contract without liability, and at its discretion, to deduct from the Contract Price, or otherwise recover, the full amount of such fee, commission, percentage, gift or consideration.

2.5.11. PROTEST OF SOLICITATION AND AWARD PROCESS

Any protests regarding this Solicitation must be filed in writing and in accordance with the JEA Procurement Code, as amended from time to time. The JEA Procurement Code is available online at www.jea.com.

2.5.12. RESERVATION OF RIGHTS TO JEA

This Solicitation provides potential Respondents with information to enable the submission of written offers. This Solicitation is not a contractual offer or commitment by JEA to purchase products or services.

JEA reserves the right to reject all Responses, and to waive informalities if JEA deems such action to be in its best interest. JEA may reject any Responses that it deems incomplete or irregular including, but not limited to, Responses that omit a price on any one or more items for which prices are required, Responses that omit Unit Prices if Unit Prices are required, Responses that offer equal items when the option to do so has not been stated, and Responses that fail to include a Bid Bond, where one is required.

JEA reserves the right to cancel, postpone, modify, reissue and amend this Solicitation at its discretion.

JEA reserves the right to cancel or change the date and time announced for opening of Responses at any time prior to the time announced for the opening of Responses. JEA may Award the Contract in whole or in part. JEA may award multiple or split Contracts if it is deemed to be in JEA's best interest.

2.5.13. SUNSHINE LAW

Article I, Section 24, Florida Constitution, guarantees every person access to all public records and Chapter 119, Florida Statutes, provides a broad definition of public records. JEA is subject to these laws and related statutes ("Florida's Public Records Laws"). All responses to this Solicitation are public record and available for public inspection unless specifically exempt by law.

If a Respondent believes that any portion of the documents, data or records submitted in response to this Solicitation are exempt from Florida's Public Records Law, Respondent must (1) clearly segregate and mark the specific sections of the document, data or records as "Confidential," (2) cite the specific Florida Statute or other legal authority for the asserted exemption, and (3) provide JEA with a separate redacted copy of its Response (the "Redacted Copy"). The cover of the Redacted Copy shall contain JEA's title and number for this Solicitation and Respondent's name, and shall be clearly labeled "Redacted Copy." Respondent should only redact those portions of records that Respondent claims are specifically exempt from the Florida Public Records Laws. If Respondent fails to submit a redacted copy of information it claims is confidential, JEA is authorized to produce all documents, data and other records submitted to JEA in answer to a public records request for such information.

In the event of a request for public records to which documents that are marked as confidential are responsive, JEA will provide the Redacted Copy to the requestor. If a requestor asserts a right to any redacted information, JEA will notify Respondent that such an assertion has been made. It is Respondent's responsibility to respond to the requestor to assert that the information in question is exempt from disclosure under applicable law. If JEA becomes subject to a demand for discovery or disclosure of Respondent's redacted information under legal process. JEA shall give Respondent prompt notice of the demand prior to releasing the information (unless otherwise prohibited by applicable law.) Respondent shall be responsible for defending its determination that the redacted portions of its response are not subject to disclosure.

By submitting a Response to this Soliciation, Respondent agrees to protect, defend, and indemnify JEA from and against all claims, demands, actions, suits, damages, losses, settlements, costs and expenses (including but not limited to reasonable attorney fees and costs) arising from it relating to Respondent's determination that the redacted portions of its response to this Solicitation are not subject to disclosure.

IF THE RESPONDENT HAS QUESTIONS REGARDING THE APPLICATION OF CHAPTER 119, FLORIDA STATUTES, TO THE RESPONDENT'S DUTY TO PROVIDE PUBLIC RECORDS RELATING TO THIS SOLICITATION, CONTACT THE JEA CUSTODIAN OF PUBLIC RECORDS AT:

Public Records Request Coordinator
JEA, 21 West Church Street, T-8
Jacksonville, FL 32202
Ph: 904-665-8606
publicrecords@jea.com

2.5.14. SUBCONTRACTORS

The Respondent must list the names of the major Subcontractors that it intends to use for this Work, unless the Work will be self-performed by the Respondent. The Subcontractors must be listed on the Subcontractors Form which is available at jea.com. The winning bidder must submit the List of subcontractors form referenced in Section 1.2.4 prior to execution of a Contract. The Respondent shall not use Subcontractors other than those shown on the Subcontractor Form unless it shows good cause and obtains the JEA Representative's prior written consent.

2.6. JACKSONVILLE SMALL AND EMERGING BUSINESS (JSEB) PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS

2.6.1. OPTIONAL USE OF JACKSONVILLE SMALL AND EMERGING BUSINESS PROGRAM

It is at the Respondent's option as to whether it chooses to subcontract with a JSEB firm. JEA encourages the use of JSEB firms; however, the Respondent is not required to utilize a JSEB to be Awarded a Contract under this Solicitation.

For more information regarding the JSEB program, please contact Rita Smith, JEA, JSEB Manager, sctotrl@jea.com.

3. CONTRACT TERMS AND CONDITIONS

3.1. CONTRACT DOCUMENT TERMS AND CONDITIONS

Section 2 of this Solicitation contains JEA's general terms and conditions that will govern the Contract awarded under this Solicitation. The Contract Documents will incorporate by reference all of the terms and conditions of this Solicitation, including all Appendices, Exhibits, Schedules and Forms included with this Solicitation. An example of the Contract that the Company will be required to execute is available for review at jea.com.

3.2. DEFINITIONS

3.2.1. DEFINITIONS

Capitalized words and terms used in this Solicitation shall have the meaning given to them in this Section. Appendix A - Technical Specifications to this Solicitation may define additional words and terms where necessary to clarify the Work. Unless otherwise stated in this Solicitation or the Contract Documents, definitions set forth in Appendix A shall apply only within the Appendix A.

3.2.2. ACCEPTANCE

JEA's written notice by the Project Manager to the Company that all Work as specified in the Contract, or a portion of the Work as specified in a Task or Work Order, has been completed to JEA's satisfaction. Approval or recognition of the Company meeting a Milestone or interim step does not constitute Acceptance of that portion of Work. Acceptance does not in any way limit JEA's rights under the Contract or applicable laws, rules and regulations.

3.2.3. ADDENDUM/ADDENDA

An amendment to the Solicitation which is issued by JEA before the Response Due Date and Time.

3.2.4. AWARD

The written approval of the Contract by JEA's Awards Committee and Chief Executive Officer.

2.1.6. CHANGE ORDER

A written order issued by JEA after execution of the Contract, authorizing an addition, deletion, or revision of the Work, or an adjustment in the Contract Price or the Contract Time. Change Orders do not authorize expenditures greater than the maximum indebtedness shown in the Contract. A Change Order that involves a material change to the Contract may require a Contract Amendment.

2.1.7. COMPANY

The legal person, firm, corporation or any other entity with whom JEA executes the Contract.

2.1.8. COMPANY REPRESENTATIVE

The individual responsible for representing the Company in all activities concerning the fulfillment and administration of the Contract.

2.1.9. COMPANY SUPERVISOR

The individual employed or contracted by the Company to manage the Work on a day-to-day basis and ensure the Work is performed according to the Contract. The Company Supervisor may be authorized by the Company Representative to act on Contract matters. Such authorization shall be in writing and delivered to the Project Manager and shall clearly state the limitations of any such authorization. In the event that the Company Supervisor and the Company Representative are the same person, the Company shall notify the Project Manager.

3.2.5. CONTRACT

The written agreement executed by JEA and the Company which describes the rights and obligations of JEA and the Company with respect to the Work and incorporates all of the Contract Documents.

3.2.6. NOTICE TO PROCEED

The written approval given by JEA to the Company of the date and time for work to start.

3.2.7. CONTRACT ADMINISTRATOR

The individual assigned by JEA to have authority to administer the Contract, including the authority to negotiate all elements of the Contract with the Company, authorize Change Orders within the maximum amount awarded, terminate the Contract, seek remedies for nonperformance including termination, and otherwise act on behalf of JEA in all matters regarding the Contract. The Contract Administrator may authorize JEA Representative in writing to make minor changes to the Work with the intent of preventing Work disruption.

3.2.8. CONTRACT AMENDMENT

A written document signed by JEA and the Company issued after the execution of the Contract which authorizes an addition, deletion or revision of the Scope of Work, or the Contract Price, the Term or any other provision of the Contract.

3.2.9. CONTRACT DOCUMENTS

Contract Documents means the executed Contract, this Solicitation, all documents required by or submitted in connection with this Solicitation or the Contract, and any written Change Orders, contract amendments and Purchase Orders executed by JEA.

3.2.10. CONTRACT PRICE

The total amount payable by JEA to the Company during the Term in accordance with the terms and conditions of the Contract.

3.2.11. CONTRACT TIME

The number of calendar days or the period of time from when the written Purchase Order or Notice to Proceed is issued to the Company, to the date Company has agreed to complete the Work, as set forth in the Contract Documents.

3.2.12. DEFECT

Work that fails to reach Acceptance, or Work that fails meet the requirements of any test, inspection or approval required or permitted by the Contract Documents, and any Work that meets the requirements of any test or approval, but nevertheless does not meet the requirements of the Contract Documents.

3.2.13. INVOICE

A document seeking payment to the Company from JEA for all or a portion of the Work, in accordance with the Contract Documents.

3.2.14. JEA

JEA, a body politic and corporate, which is authorized to own, manage and operate for the benefit of the City of Jacksonville a utilities system within and without the City of Jacksonville.

3.2.15. JEA REPRESENTATIVES

The Contract Administrator, Contract Inspector, Contract Administrator's Representative, JEA Engineer, Field Engineer, Project Manager, and other persons designated by the Contract Administrator as JEA Representatives acting in a capacity related to the Work or Contract under the authority of the Contract Administrator.
A commercial document issued by JEA, authorizing work, indicating types, quantities, and agreed prices for products or services the Company will provide to JEA. Sending a PO to a Company constitutes a legal offer to buy products or services. The words "Purchase Order" are clearly marked across the top, a PO number is used for reference and invoicing purposes, includes an authorized JEA signature, and states the dollar amount of the lawfully appropriated funds.

3.2.16. JSEB

The City of Jacksonville Small and Emerging Business Enterprises as defined in Chapter 126, Part 6 of the City of Jacksonville, Ordinance Code, as may be amended from time to time.

3.2.17. ACCEPTABLE PERFORMANCE OR ACCEPTABLE PERFORMER

The Company averages more than 2.80 and less than 4.0 across all performance scorecard evaluation metrics, and does not receive a score of less than 2.0 on any metric.

3.2.18. TOP PERFORMANCE OR TOP PERFORMER

The Company averages 4.0 or more across all scorecard evaluation metrics and does not receive a score of less than 4.0 on any one metric.

3.2.19. UNACCEPTABLE PERFORMANCE OR UNACCEPTABLE PERFORMER

The Company averages less than 2.80 across all scorecard evaluation metrics, or scores a 1.0 on any one metric regardless of average, or receives a score of 2.0 on the same metric on two sequential performance evaluations.

2.1.11. PROJECT MANAGER

The individual assigned by JEA to have authority to administer the Contract, including the authority to issue Change Orders.

3.2.20. PURCHASE ORDER

A document issued by JEA, authorizing work, indicating types, quantities, and agreed prices for products or services the Company will provide to JEA.

3.2.21. RESPONSE

The document describing the Company's offer submitted in response to this Solicitation.

3.2.22. RESPONDENT

The respondent to this Solicitation.

3.2.23. SUBCONTRACTOR

A legal person, firm, corporation or any other entity that provides a portion of the Work to JEA on behalf of the Company, or provides supplies or materials in connection with the Work.

3.2.24. SOLICITATION

All documents issued by JEA to solicit Responses from Respondents including, but not limited to, all documents required to be submitted by a Respondent in connection with this Solicitation, the Technical Specifications, and any Addenda to the Solicitation issued by JEA.

3.2.25. TASK ORDER

A document that describes the Work or describes a series of tasks that the Company will perform in accordance with the Contract Documents.

3.2.26. TERM

The period of time during which the Contract is in force.

3.2.27. UNIT PRICE

The price for the performance of a unit of Work.

3.2.28. WORK

Any and all actions, products, documentation, electronic programs, reports, testing, transport, administration, management, services, materials, tools, equipment, and other deliverables to be furnished or performed by the Company under the Contract, together with any and all additional such deliverables that are not specifically provided in the Contract, but can be reasonably inferred as necessary to complete the Company's obligations under the Contract.

3.2.28.1. WORK ORDER

A document that describes the Work or describes a series of tasks that the Company will perform in accordance with the Contract Documents.

3.3. CONTRACT DOCUMENTS

3.3.1. ORDER OF PRECEDENCE

The Contract shall consist of all of the following documents which, to the extent of any conflict, shall have priority in the order listed below:

- Contract Amendments
- Executed Contract Documents
- Addenda
- This Solicitation, including all Appendices, Exhibits and Attachments to this Solicitation
- Company's Response

3.4. PRICE AND PAYMENTS

3.4.1. PAYMENT METHOD – UPON DELIVERY AND INVOICE

Company shall invoice JEA upon delivery and Acceptance of the Work. Invoices may be submitted for each delivery, or on a monthly basis for deliveries that occurred during the month.

3.4.2. COST SAVING PLAN

During the Term, JEA and Company are encouraged to identify ways to reduce the total cost to JEA related to the Work provided by the Company. JEA and Company may negotiate Contract Amendments that allow such reductions in total costs including, but not limited to, the sharing of savings resulting from implementation of cost-reducing initiatives between JEA and Company. The decision to accept any cost savings initiative shall be in the sole discretion of JEA, and JEA shall not be liable to Company for any cost that may be alleged to be related to a refusal to accept a cost savings initiative proposed by Company.

3.4.3. DISCOUNT PRICING

JEA offers any or all of the following optional payment terms, one of which may be elected at the request of the Company by sending an email to the JEA Buyer listed in this Solicitation:

- 1% 20, net 30
- 2% 10, net 30

The Company may request alternate payment terms for JEA's consideration, however, alternate payment terms are not effective until acceptance by JEA in writing. All payment dates are calculated from the date of receipt of a proper Invoice by JEA's Accounts Payable department.

3.4.4. INVOICING AND PAYMENT TERMS

Within sixty (60) days from completion of the Work, the Company shall submit all Invoices in accordance with the payment method agreed upon in these Contract Documents. Invoices shall be submitted to the following email address: acctpaycustsrv@jea.com or mailed to the following address: JEA Accounts Payable, P.O. Box 4910, Jacksonville, FL 32201-4910.

JEA will pay the Company the amount requested within thirty (30) calendar days after receipt of an Invoice from the Company subject to the provisions stated below.

JEA may reject any Invoice or Application for Payment within twenty (20) calendar days after receipt. JEA will return the Invoice or Application for Payment to the Company stating the reasons for rejection.

Upon receipt of an acceptable revised Invoice or Application for Payment, JEA will pay the Respondent the revised amount within ten (10) days.

JEA may withhold payment if the Respondent is in violation of any conditions or terms of the Contract Documents.

In the case of early termination of the Contract, all payments made by JEA against the Contract Price prior to notice of termination shall be credited to the amount, if any, due the Company. If the parties determine that the sum of all previous payments and credits exceeds the sum due the Company, the Company shall refund the excess amount to JEA within ten (10) days of determination or written notice.

3.4.5. LIQUIDATED DAMAGES

There are no liquidated damages associated with this contract.

3.4.6. JSEB - INVOICING AND PAYMENT

If the Company utilizes JSEB certified firms, regardless of whether these Contract Documents require or encourage the use of such firms, the Company shall Invoice for and report the use of JSEB certified firms according to the format and guidelines established by the City of Jacksonville.

3.4.7. OFFSETS

If the Company is in violation of any requirement of the Contract, JEA may withhold payments that may otherwise be due the Company, and may offset existing balances with any JEA incurred costs against funds due the Company under this and any other Company Contract with JEA, as a result of the violation, or other damages as allowed by the Contract Documents and applicable law.

3.4.8. TAXES

JEA is authorized to self-accrue the Florida Sales and Use Tax and is exempt from Manufacturer's Federal Excise Tax when purchasing tangible personal property for its direct consumption.

3.5. WARRANTIES AND REPRESENTATIONS

3.5.1. WARRANTIES

The Company shall provide a warranty (parts, travel & labor) of (2) two years, unlimited hours from the date of JEA Acceptance. The Company must also include a minimum warranty of one (1) year or the passed along Original Manufacturer’s Warranty, whichever is longer from the date of JEA Acceptance for any attachment or equipment component, and that all Work furnished under the Contract, including but not limited to, materials, equipment, goods, workmanship, labor, services, and intellectual property, including derivative works shall be:

- Performed in a safe, professional and workman-like manner; and

- Free from Defects in design, material, and workmanship; and
- Fit for the use and purpose specified or referred to in the Contract; and
- Suitable for any other use or purpose as represented in writing by the Company; and
- In conformance with the Contract Documents; and
- Merchantable, new and of first-class quality.
- Conform to all applicable standards and regulations promulgated by federal, state, local laws and regulations, standards boards, organizations of the Department of State, and adopted industry association standards.

Labor/Services:
At JEA's option, if the Company performs labor/services that fails to conform to the above mentioned warranties, JEA may correct the Defect at the Company's expense if the Company fails to make the appropriate corrections within a reasonable time upon notice by JEA, or JEA may return the Work at the Company's expense and terminate the Contract.

Materials, Supplies or Goods:
At JEA's option, if the Company provides materials, supplies, or goods that fail to conform to the above mentioned warranties, JEA may correct the Defect at the Company's expense if the Company fails to make the appropriate corrections within a reasonable time upon notice by JEA, or JEA may return the Work for correction or replacement at the Company's expense, or JEA may return the Work at the Company's expense and terminate the Contract.

If, within the warranty period, JEA determines that any of the materials, supplies or goods are defective or exhibit signs of excess deterioration, the Company, at its own expense, shall repair, adjust, or replace the defective Work to the complete satisfaction of JEA. The Company shall pay all costs of removal, transportation, reinstallation, repair, and all other associated costs incurred in connection with correcting such Defects in the Work. The Company shall correct any Defects only at times designated by JEA. The Company shall extend the warranty period an additional twelve (12) months for any portion of the Work that has undergone warranty repair or replacement, but in no case shall the maximum warranty be extended beyond thirty-six (36) months.

If Work includes items covered under a manufacturer's or Subcontractor's warranty that exceeds the requirements stated herein, Company shall transfer such warranty to JEA. Such warranties, do not in any way limit the warranty provided by the Company to JEA.

JEA may repair or replace any defective Work at the Company's expense when the Company fails to correct the Defect within a reasonable time of receiving written notification of the Defect by JEA, when the Company is unable to respond in an emergency situation, or when necessary to prevent JEA from substantial financial loss. Where JEA makes repairs or replaces defective Work, JEA will issue the Company a written accounting and invoice of all such work to correct Defects.

Where spare parts may be needed, Company warrants that spare parts will be available to JEA for purchase for at least seventy-five percent (75%) of the stated useful life of the product.

The Company's warranty excludes remedy for damage or Defect caused by abuse, improper or insufficient maintenance, improper operation, or wear and tear under normal usage

3.6. INSURANCE, INDEMNITY AND RISK OF LOSS

3.6.1. INSURANCE

INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS
Before starting the Work, and without further limiting its liability under the Contract, Company shall procure and maintain throughout the Term at its sole expense, insurance of the types and in the minimum amounts stated below:

Workers' Compensation
Florida Statutory coverage and Employer's Liability (including appropriate Federal Acts); Insurance Limits: Statutory Limits (Workers' Compensation) $500,000 each accident (Employer's Liability).

Commercial General Liability
Premises-Operations, Products-Completed Operations, Contractual Liability, Independent Contractors, Broad Form Property Damage, Explosion, Collapse and Underground, Hazards (XCU Coverage) as appropriate; Insurance Limits: $1,000,000 each occurrence, $2,000,000 annual aggregate for bodily injury and property damage, combined single limit.

Automobile Liability
All autos-owned, hired, or non-owned; Insurance Limits: $1,000,000 each occurrence, combined single limit.

Excess or Umbrella Liability
(This is additional coverage and limits above the following primary insurance: Employer's Liability, Commercial General Liability, and Automobile Liability); Insurance Limits: $4,000,000 each occurrence and annual aggregate.

Company's Commercial General Liability and Excess or Umbrella Liability policies shall be effective for two years after Work is complete. The Indemnification provision provided herein is separate and is not limited by the type of insurance or insurance amounts stated above.

Company shall specify JEA as an additional insured for all coverage except Workers' Compensation and Employer's Liability. Such insurance shall be primary to any and all other insurance or self-insurance maintained by JEA. Company shall include a Waiver of Subrogation on all required insurance in favor of JEA, its board members, officers, employees, agents, successors and assigns.

Such insurance shall be written by a company or companies licensed to do business in the State of Florida and satisfactory to JEA. Prior to commencing any Work under the Contract, certificates evidencing the maintenance of the insurance shall be furnished to JEA for approval. Company's and its subcontractors' Certificates of Insurance shall be mailed to JEA (Attn. Procurement Services), Customer Care Center, 6th Floor, 21 West Church Street, Jacksonville, FL 32202-3139.

The insurance certificates shall provide that no material alteration or cancellation, including expiration and non-renewal, shall be effective until 30 days after receipt of written notice by JEA.

Any subcontractors of Company shall procure and maintain the insurance required of Company hereunder during the life of the subcontracts. Subcontractors' insurance may be either by separate coverage or by endorsement under insurance provided by Company. Note: Any JSEB firms identified by Respondents for this Solicitation are considered Subcontractors under the direct supervision of the Company. Companies should show good faith efforts in providing assistance to JSEB firms in the securing of the insurance requirements in this Solicitation. Company shall submit subcontractors' certificates of insurance to JEA prior to allowing Subcontractors to perform any Work.

3.6.2. INDEMNIFICATION

The Company shall hold harmless and indemnify JEA against any claim, action, loss, damage, injury, liability, cost and expense of whatsoever kind or nature (including, but not by way of limitation, reasonable attorney's fees and court costs) arising out of injury (whether mental or corporeal) to persons, including death, or damage to property, arising out of or incidental to the negligence, recklessness or intentional wrongful misconduct of the Company and any person or entity used by Company in the performance of the Contract or Work performed thereunder. For purposes of this Indemnification, the term "JEA" shall mean JEA as a body politic and corporate and shall include its governing board, officers, employees, agents, successors and assigns. This indemnification shall survive the term of a Contract entered into pursuant to this solicitation, for events that occurred during the Contract term. This indemnification shall be separate and apart from, and in addition to, any other indemnification provisions set forth elsewhere in the Contract.

3.6.3. INDEMNIFICATION-RELEASE OF JEA CUSTOMER INFORMATION

The Company shall hold harmless and indemnify JEA against any and all claims actions, losses, damages, injuries, liability, costs and expenses of whatsoever kind or nature (including, but not by way of limitation, reasonable

attorney's fees and court costs) arising out of the unwarranted disclosure of any JEA customer information that is in the possession of Company or any of its employees, agents or Subcontractors either in paper or electronic format, including disclosure caused by theft, electronic system malfunction, negligence, or any other cause for the information to become public or otherwise used for any purpose whatsoever.

3.6.4. RISKS AND PROPERTY

Ownership, risks of damage to or loss shall pass to JEA only upon Acceptance. The Company shall retain the sole risk of loss to the Work up to and including the time of Acceptance. In the event of loss or damage to the Work, the Company shall bear all costs associated with any loss or damage.

3.7. TERM AND TERMINATION

3.7.1. TERM OF CONTRACT – THROUGH COMPLETION OF THE WORK

The Contract shall be in force through completion of all Work, Acceptance and final payment, including resolution of all disputes, claims, or suits, if any. Certain provisions of this Contract may extend past termination including, but not limited to, Warranty and Indemnification provisions.

This Contract, after the initial year, shall be contingent upon the existence of lawfully appropriated funds for each subsequent year of the Contract.

3.7.2. TERMINATION FOR CONVENIENCE

JEA shall have the absolute right to terminate the Contract in whole or part, with or without cause, at any time upon written notification to the Company of such termination.

In the event of termination for convenience, JEA will pay the Company for all Work performed by the Company prior to the termination date.

Upon receipt of such notice of termination, the Company shall stop the performance of the Work except as may be necessary to carry out a termination and take any other action toward termination of the Work that JEA may reasonably request, including all reasonable efforts to provide for a prompt and efficient transition as directed by JEA.

JEA shall have no liability to the Company for any cause whatsoever arising out of, or in connection with, termination including, but not limited to, lost profits, lost opportunities, or any resulting change in business condition.

3.7.3. TERMINATION FOR DEFAULT

JEA may terminate the Contract for default upon written notice to the Company if any of the following occurs (each, an “Event of Default”):

- The Company assigns or subcontracts the Work without JEA’s prior written consent;
- Any petition is filed or any proceeding is commenced by or against the Company for relief under any bankruptcy or insolvency laws;
- A receiver is appointed for the Company's properties or the Company commits any act of insolvency (however evidenced);
- The Company makes an assignment for the benefit of creditors;
- The Company suspends the operation of a substantial portion of its business;
- The Company suspends the whole or any part of the Work to the extent that it impacts the Company's ability to meet the schedule for the Work, or the Company abandons the whole or any part of the Work;
- The Company breaches or fails to comply with any of the conditions or provisions of the Contract Documents, and, if such breach or failure is capable of cure, Company does not cure the breach or failure within 15 days after receipt of written notice from JEA;
- The Company attempts to willfully impose upon JEA items or workmanship that are, in JEA's sole opinion, defective or of unacceptable quality;

- The Company has been placed on the list maintained under Section 287.135, Florida Statutes, of companies with activities in Sudan or in Iran Petroleum Energy Sector;
- The Company is determined, in JEA's sole opinion, to have misrepresented the utilization of funds or misappropriated property belonging to JEA; or
- Any material adverse change in the financial or business condition of the Company.

If within fifteen (15) days after service of such notice upon the Company an arrangement satisfactory to JEA has not been made by the Company for continuance of the Work, then JEA may declare Company to be in default of the Contract.

Once the Company is declared to be in default, JEA will charge the expenses of completing the Work to the Company and will deduct such expenses from monies due, or which at any time thereafter may become due, to the Company. If such expenses are more than the sum that would otherwise have been payable under the Contract, then the Company shall pay the amount of such excess to JEA upon receipt of notice of the expenses from JEA. JEA shall not be required to obtain the lowest price for completing the Work under the Contract, but may make such expenditures that, in its sole judgment, shall best accomplish such completion. JEA will, however, make reasonable efforts to mitigate the excess costs of completing the Work.

In addition, upon the occurrence of any of the above instances of default, the Company shall pay to JEA, in addition to any other amounts otherwise owed to JEA, the cost of obtaining, at current market rates, a third-party replacement of any warranty to be provided by the Company under the Contract. JEA shall be entitled to obtain one or more estimates from reputable warranty issuers suitable, in JEA's discretion, for JEA's particular purpose. JEA shall be entitled to retain the amount of such purchase price from any monies owed to the Company and JEA shall have no obligation to actually purchase such replacement warranty. Such payment shall be deemed a refund of amounts paid for services not rendered and shall not be deemed a penalty.

The Contract Documents shall in no way limit JEA's right to all remedies for nonperformance provided under law or in equity, except as specifically set forth herein. In the event of termination for nonperformance, the Company shall immediately surrender all Work records to JEA. In such a case, JEA may set off any money owed to the Company against any liabilities resulting from the Company's nonperformance.

JEA has no responsibility whatsoever to issue notices of any kind, including but not limited to deficient performance letters and scorecards, to the Company regarding its performance prior to default by Company for performance related issues.

JEA shall have no liability to the Company for termination costs arising out of the Contract, or any of the Company's subcontracts, as a result of termination for default.

3.8. CONFIDENTIALITY AND OWNERSHIP OF DOCUMENTATION

3.8.1. PUBLIC RECORDS LAWS

Article 1, Section 24, Florida Constitution, guarantees every person access to all public records, and Section 119.011, Florida Statutes, provides a broad definition of public records. All documents, data and other records received by JEA in connection with the Contract are public records and available for public inspection unless specifically exempt by law.

If the Company believes that any portion of any documents, data or other records submitted to JEA are exempt from disclosure under Chapter 119, Florida Statutes, the Florida Constitution and related laws ("Florida's Public Records Laws"), Company must (1) clearly segregate and mark as "Confidential" the specific sections of the document, data and records that the Company claims are confidential, (2) cite the specific Florida Statute or other legal authority for the asserted exemption, and (3) provide JEA with a separate redacted copy of the documents, data, or records (the "Redacted Copy"). The Redacted Copy shall contain JEA's contract name and number, and shall be clearly titled "Redacted Copy". Company shall only redact those portions of records that Company claims are specifically exempt from disclosure under Florida's Public Records Laws. If the Company fails to submit a redacted copy of documents,

data, or other records it claims is confidential, JEA is authorized to produce all documents, data, and other records submitted to JEA in answer to a public records request for these records.

In the event of a public records or other disclosure request under Florida's Public Records Laws or other authority to which the Company's documents, data or records are responsive, JEA will provide the Redacted Copy to the requestor. If a requestor asserts a right to any redacted information, JEA will notify the Company that such an assertion has been made. It is the Company's responsibility to respond to the requestor to assert that the information in questions is exempt from disclosure under applicable law. If JEA becomes subject to a demand for discovery or disclosure of the redacted information under legal process, JEA shall give the Company prompt notice of the demand prior to releasing the redacted information (unless otherwise prohibited by applicable law). The Company shall be responsible for defending it determination that the redacted portions of the information are not subject to disclosure.

The Company shall protect, defend, and indemnify JEA from and against all claims, demands, actions, suits, damages, liabilities, losses, settlements, judgments, costs, and expenses (including but not limited to reasonable attorney's fees and costs) arising from or relating to the Company's assertion that all or any portion of its information is not subject to disclosure.

If, under the Contract, the Company is providing services and is acting on behalf of JEA as contemplated by subsection 119.011(2), Florida Statutes, the Company shall:

1. Keep and maintain public records that ordinarily and necessarily would be required by JEA in order to perform service;
2. Provide the public with access to public records on the same terms and conditions that JEA would provide the records and at a cost that does not exceed the cost provided in Chapter 119, Florida Statues, or otherwise prohibited by law;
3. Ensure that public records that are exempt or confidential and exempt from public records disclosure requirements are not disclosed except as authorized by law; and
4. Meet all requirements for retaining public records and transfer, at no cost, to JEA all public records in possession of the Company upon termination of the contract and destroy any duplicate public records that are exempt or confidential and exempt from public records disclosure requirements. All records stored electronically shall be provided to JEA in a format that is compatible with the information technology systems of JEA.

IF THE COMPANY HAS QUESTIONS REGARDING THE APPLICATION OF CHAPTER 119, FLORIDA STATUTES, TO THE COMPANY'S DUTY TO PROVIDE PUBLIC RECORDS RELATING TO THE CONTRACT, CONTACT JEA’S CUSTODIAN OF PUBLIC RECORDS AT:

JEA
Attn: Public Records
21 West Church Street
Jacksonville, Florida 32202
Ph: 904-665-8606
publicrecords@jea.com

3.8.2. INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY

The Company grants to JEA an irrevocable, perpetual, royalty free and fully paid-up right to use (and such right includes, without limitation, a right to copy, modify and create derivative works from the subject matter of the grant of the right to sublicense all, or any portion of, the foregoing rights to an affiliate or a third party service provider) the Company's intellectual property including, without limitation, all trade secrets, patents, copyright and know-how

("Intellectual Property"), that is contained or embedded in, required for the use of, that was used in the production of or is required for the reproduction, modification, maintenance, servicing, improvement or continued operation of any applicable unit of Work.

If the Work contains, has embedded in, requires for the use of any third party Intellectual Property, or if the third party Intellectual Property is required for the reproduction, modification, maintenance, servicing, improvement or continued operation of the Work, the Company shall secure for JEA an irrevocable, perpetual, royalty free and fully paid-up right to use all third party Intellectual Property. The Company shall secure such right for JEA at the Company's expense and prior to incorporating any third party Intellectual Property into any Work, including, without limitation, all drawings or data provided under the Contract, and such right must include, without limitation, a right to copy, modify and create derivative works from the subject matter of the grant of the right and a right to sublicense all or any portion of the foregoing rights to an affiliate or a third party service provider.

The Company will, at its expense, defend all claims, actions or proceedings against JEA based on any allegation that the Work, or any part of the Work, constitutes an infringement of any patent or any other intellectual property right, and will pay to JEA all costs, damages, charges, and expenses occasioned to JEA by reason thereof. JEA will give the Company written notice of any such claim, action or proceeding and, at the request and expense of the Company, JEA will provide the Company with available information, assistance and authority for the defense.

If, in any action or proceeding, the Work, or any part thereof, is held to constitute an infringement, the Company will, within 30 days of notice, either secure for JEA the right to continue using the Work or will, at the Company's expense, replace the infringing items with non-infringing Work or make modifications as necessary so that the Work no longer infringes.

The Company will obtain and pay for all patent and other intellectual property royalties and license fees required in respect of the Work.

3.8.3. PROPRIETARY INFORMATION

The Company shall not copy, reproduce, or disclose to third parties, except in connection with the Work, any information that JEA furnishes to the Company. The Company shall insert in any subcontract a restriction on the use of all information furnished by JEA. The Company shall not use this information on another project. The Company shall return all information furnished by JEA upon completion of the Work. Upon request of JEA, Company must certify in writing that all information furnished to JEA has been returned to JEA and eliminated from Company's and any applicable subcontractors' computer systems.

3.8.4. PUBLICITY AND ADVERTISING

The Company shall not take any photographs, make any announcements or release any information concerning the Contract or the Work to any member of the public, press or official body unless prior written consent is obtained from JEA.

3.8.5. PATENTS AND COPYRIGHTS

Company shall hold harmless and indemnify JEA from and against liability or loss, including but not limited to any claims, judgments, court costs and attorneys' fees incurred in any claims, or any pretrial, trial or appellate proceedings on account of infringements of patents, copyrighted or uncopyrighted works, secret processes, trade secrets, trademarks, patented or unpatented inventions, articles or appliances, or allegations thereof, pertaining to the Work, or any part thereof, combinations thereof, processes therein or the use of any tools or implements used by Company.

Company will, at its own expense, procure for JEA the right to continue use of the Services, parts or combinations thereof, or processes used therein resulting from a suit or judgment on account of patent, trademark or copyright infringement.

If, in any such suit or proceeding, a temporary restraining order or preliminary injunction is granted, Company will make every reasonable effort, by giving a satisfactory bond or otherwise, to secure the suspension of such restraining order or temporary injunction.

If, in any such suit or proceeding, any part of the Services is held to constitute an infringement and its use is permanently enjoined, Company will, at once, make every reasonable effort to secure for JEA a license, authorizing the continued use of the Work. If Company fails to secure such license for JEA, Company will replace the Work with non-infringing Work, or modify the Work in a way satisfactory to JEA, so that the Work are non-infringing.

3.8.6. WORK MADE FOR HIRE

With the exception of Company's pre-existing intellectual capital and third-party Intellectual Property, JEA shall own all right, title and interest, including ownership of copyright (limited to the extent permitted by the terms of any governing licenses), in and to any product generated by the Work including, but not limited to, software, source code, reports, deliverables, or work product developed by the Company for JEA in connection with the Work, and derivative works relating to the foregoing. Such Work shall include, but shall not be limited to, those reports and deliverables specified in the Contract Documents. The Company understands and agrees that the Work, or any portion of the Work, shall be a "work made for hire" for JEA pursuant to federal copyright laws. Any software, report, deliverable, or work product as used in connection with the Work, but, previously developed by the Company specifically for other customers of the Company or for the purpose of providing substantially similar services to other Company customers, generally shall not be considered "work made for hire", so long as the foregoing are not first conceived or reduced to practice as part of the Work. To the extent any of JEA deliverables are not deemed works made for hire by operation of law, the Company hereby irrevocably assigns, transfers, and conveys to JEA, or its designee, without further consideration all of its right, title and interest in such Work, including all rights of patent, copyright, trade secret, trademark or other proprietary rights in such materials. Except as provided in the foregoing sentences, the Company acknowledges that JEA shall have the right to obtain and hold in its own name any intellectual property right in and to the Work. The Company agrees to execute any documents or take any other actions as may reasonably be necessary, or as JEA may reasonably request, to perfect or evidence JEA's ownership of the Work.

3.9. LABOR

3.9.1. QUALIFICATION OF EMPLOYEES, SUBCONTRACTORS AND AGENTS

All employees, subcontractors and agents of the Company performing work under the Contract shall be properly trained and qualified. Upon request, Company shall furnish a copy of a technical certification or other proof of qualification. All employees, subcontractors and agents performing work under the Contract must comply with all reasonable administrative requirements of JEA and with all controlling laws and regulations relevant to the services they are providing under the Contract.

The Company shall take all actions necessary to ensure that the Company's employees, subcontractors and agents are not considered employees of JEA. Such actions include, but are not limited to, ensuring that Company's employees, subcontractors and agents receive payment and any legally mandated insurance (e.g., workers' compensation and unemployment compensation) from an employer other than JEA.

3.9.2. NONDISCRIMINATION

The Company represents that it has adopted and shall maintain throughout the Term a policy of nondiscrimination against employees or applicants for employment on account of race, religion, sex, color, national origin, age or handicap, in all areas of employee relations. The Company shall, on written request from JEA, allow JEA reasonable access to the Company's records of employment, employment advertisement, application forms and other pertinent data and records for the purpose of investigation to ascertain compliance with the nondiscrimination provisions of the Contract; provided however, the Company shall not be required to produce, for inspection, records covering periods of time more than one year from the effective date of the Contract.

The Company shall comply with the following:

- The provisions of Presidential Order 11246, as amended, and the portions of Executive Orders 11701 and 11758 as applicable to Equal Employment Opportunity;
- The provisions of section 503 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended, and the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA); and

- The provisions of the Employment and Training of Veterans Act, 38 U.S.C. 4212 (formerly 2012).

The Company agrees that if any of the Work of the Contract will be performed by a Subcontractor, then the provisions of this subsection shall be incorporated into and become a part of the subcontract.

3.9.3. LEGAL WORKFORCE

JEA shall consider the Company's employment of unauthorized aliens a violation of section 274A(e) of the Immigration and Nationalization Act. Such violation shall be cause for termination of the Contract for default upon thirty (30) days' prior written notice of such termination, notwithstanding any other provisions to the contrary in the Contract Documents.

3.9.4. PROHIBITED FUTURE EMPLOYMENT

It shall be unlawful and a class C offense for any person, who was an officer or employee of JEA, after his or her employment has ceased, to be employed by or enter into any contract for personal services, with a person or company who contracted with, or had a contractual relationship with JEA, while the contract is active or being completed, or within two years of the cessation, completion, or termination of the person's or company's contractual relationship with JEA, where (1) the contract with JEA had a value that exceeded $250,000, and (2) the officer or employee had a substantial and decision-making role in securing or negotiating the contract or contractual relationship, or in the approval of financial submissions or draws in accordance with the terms of the contract; except that this prohibition shall not apply to an employee whose role is merely as a review signatory, or to contracts entered into prior to January 1, 2008, or to contracts that have been competitively procured. With respect to this subsection a contract is competitively procured if it has been obtained through a sealed low bid award. A "substantial and decision-making role" shall include duties and responsibilities that are collectively associated with: (i) approving solicitation or payment documents; (ii) evaluating formal bids and responses; and (iii) approving or issuing award recommendations for JEA Awards Committee approval. The contract of any person or business entity who hires or contracts for services with any officer or employee prohibited from entering into said relationship shall be voidable at the pleasure of JEA. This prohibition shall not apply to any former officer or employee after two years from cessation from JEA employment.

3.9.5. HIRING OF OTHER PARTY'S EMPLOYEES

Each party recognizes that the other party has incurred or will incur significant expenses in training its own employees and agrees that it will not pursue or hire, without the other party's consent, the other party's employees or the employees of its subsidiaries for a period of two years from the termination date of this Agreement. It shall not be considered a breach of this Section for either party to make employment solicitations to the general public or groups that may include employees of the other party. Nor shall it be considered a breach of this Section for either party to respond to, act upon, or accept inquiries and applications resulting from, or make offers of employment resulting from, (i) such solicitations to the general public or groups or (ii) unsolicited employment inquiries or applications.

3.9.6. COMPANY'S LABOR RELATIONS

The Company shall negotiate and resolve any disputes between the Company and its employees, or anyone representing its employees. The Company shall immediately notify JEA of any actual or potential labor dispute that may affect the Work and shall inform JEA of all actions it is taking to resolve the dispute. The Company is required to conduct all employee disciplinary actions, including terminations, off JEA property unless specifically approved by the JEA contract manager.

3.10. COMPANY'S RESPONSIBILITIES AND PERFORMANCE OF THE CONTRACT

3.10.1. JEA ACCESS BADGES

If the Work requires an individual to access JEA’s facilities or properties, the Project Manager or other JEA Representative will determine whether or not such individual must have a JEA access badge prior to accessing JEA facilities or properties. This determination will be made based upon the business need and in accordance with JEA’s applicable security policies and procedures. In no event shall individuals share JEA access badges.

Individuals issued an access badge must adhere to all of JEA's security badge usage policies and procedures. Violation of the provisions of this Section or any of JEA's security policies may result in immediate termination of the Contract.

In particular, JEA shall be notified within 24 hours of a lost or stolen JEA access badge or when an individual leaves the Company or any subcontractor. The Company will bear any costs associated with issuance, and production, of any lost or stolen JEA access badge. The Company is required to report all badge loss, or termination, notifications to the JEA Representative and JEA Security. JEA Security can be contacted at (904) 665-8200 and security@jea.com. Failure to make the reports required in this paragraph may result in significant regulatory fines and penalties. The Company shall be responsible for all such costs and JEA shall have the right to immediately terminate the Contract.

The provisions in this Section shall apply to Company's Subcontractors and agents performing any of the Work and shall be included in Company's contracts with its Subcontractors for any part of the Work.

3.10.2 BACKGROUND CHECKS AND OTHER INFORMATION SECURITY POLICIES

The Company, at its expense, shall conduct appropriate background checks and screen each individual who will provide services to JEA as a part of the Work or who will have access to JEA¿s computer systems, either through on-site or remote access. The minimum background screening process shall include, but not be limited to, the following checks:

1. Social Security Number (SSN) Trace;

2. Criminal Records (County and State Criminal Felony and Misdemeanor, National Criminal Database, Federal Criminal);

3. Background checks undertaken by JEA for its own employees who have duties similar to the duties of the Company's employee(s); and

4. Background checks which may be required pursuant to applicable background screening policies adopted by JEA from time to time.

The background screening must be conducted prior to the employee providing any services or performing any Work for JEA. JEA has the right to require more regular background checks and has the right to require that the Company provide background check results to JEA. JEA shall have the right to audit the Company's background check process to ensure compliance with JEA standards. If, at any time, the Company discovers that an individual providing services to JEA as a part of the Work has a criminal record that includes a felony or misdemeanor, the Company shall immediately inform JEA and JEA will assess the circumstances surrounding the conviction, time frame, nature, gravity and relevancy of the conviction to the job duties. JEA, in its sole discretion, shall determine whether the individual will be placed on, or terminated from, a JEA assignment. Additionally, all individuals providing services to JEA shall have the responsibility to self-disclose any misdemeanor or felony conviction that occurs while assigned to JEA within three business days of the conviction. If the Company learns of any such conviction, the Company shall notify JEA immediately. The Company shall comply with all applicable laws and regulations governing the conduct of background checks, including but not limited to the Fair Credit Reporting Act (FCRA). Failure of the Company to comply with the terms of this paragraph may result in immediate termination of its contract with JEA.

3.10.3. DATA OWNERSHIP, PROTECTION AND LOCATION

JEA shall own all right, title and interest in all data of JEA and JEA's customers that is related to the Work. The Company shall only access JEA's data and JEA's customers' accounts and data if (i) required to provide the Work, (ii) required in response to service or technical issues, (iii) required by the express terms of the Contract, or (iv) at JEA's written request. Protection of personal privacy and data shall be an integral part of the Work to ensure that there is no inappropriate or unauthorized use of data of JEA or JEA's customers at any time.

The Company shall safeguard the confidentiality, integrity, and availability of all data of JEA and its customers and comply with the following:

(a) The Company shall implement and maintain appropriate administrative, technical and organizational security measures to safeguard against the unauthorized access, disclosure or theft of Personal Data or Non-Public Data. For the purposes of the Contract, "Personal Data" shall mean data that includes information relating to a person that identifies the person by name and has any of the following personally identifiable information: government-issued identification numbers (e.g., Social Security, driver's license, passport); financial account information including account number, credit or debit card numbers; or protected health information relating to a person. Non-Public Data shall mean data, other than Personal Data, that is not subject to distribution to the public as public information and is deemed to be sensitive and confidential because it is exempt by statute, ordinance or administrative rule from access by the general public as public information;

(b) All data obtained by Company under the Contract shall become and remain the property of JEA;

(c) All Personal Data and Non-Public Data shall be encrypted at rest and in transit with controlled access. Unless otherwise agreed in writing by JEA and the Company, the Company shall be responsible for encryption of the Personal Data and non-Public Data;

(d) At no time shall any Personal Data or Non-Public Data of JEA or its customers be copied, disclosed or retained by the Company or any party related to the Company for subsequent use in any transaction that is not a part of the Work to be provided under the Contract;

(e) The Company shall not use any Personal Data, Non-Public Data or any other information collected in connection with the Contract for any purpose other than providing the Work; The Company will prevent its employees, other than employees with a need to know, from gaining access to JEA's data and information. The Company will direct and take all reasonable steps to insure that any Company employee who encounters any such information during the course of performing the Company's responsibilities of the Contract shall maintain the confidentiality of such information, which shall not be passed onto other Company employees or any other person. The Company shall also enforce separation of job duties, require commercially reasonable non-disclosure agreements, and limit staff knowledge of JEA data to that which is absolutely necessary to perform job duties. The Company shall provide the Work solely from data centers in the United States. Storage of JEA data at rest shall be located solely in data centers in the United States. The Company shall not allow its personnel or its subcontractors to store JEA and JEA customer data on portable devices, including personal computers, except for devices that are used and kept only at its data centers in the United States. The Company shall permit its personnel and subcontractors to access JEA and JEA customer's data remotely only as required to provide technical support. The Company shall deploy reasonable steps and safeguards as part of a network security program in accordance with accepted industry practices, including but not limited to, Purchasing Card Industry-Data Security Standards (PCI-DSS), to prevent unlawful hacking to gain surreptitious access into JEA's and JEA's customer's data.

The Company shall promptly notify JEA of any breaches or issues regarding the security of systems that maintain JEA or JEA's customer data. However, any such notification by the Company shall not affect the Company's obligations to secure JEA's data as provided under the Contract. The Company shall notify JEA within six hours if it learns that JEA or any of JEA's customers has been, have been, or may have been, the subject of a Security Incident (which is defined below) of any kind which may compromise data of JEA or its customers. In any such event, the Company shall: (i) investigate the incident(s) and provide a report to JEA with 24 hours; (ii) conduct a forensic investigation to determine a cause and what data/systems are implicated; (iii) provide daily updates of its investigation to JEA and permit JEA reasonable access to the investigation; (iv) communicate and cooperate with JEA concerning communication with outside parties such as law enforcement and media; and (v) cooperate with JEA in determining whether and how notice, if any, will be provided to JEA's customers with all applicable laws and regulations.

The term "Security Incident" means the potentially unauthorized access by non-authorized persons to Personal Data or Non-Public Data that the Company believes could reasonably result in the use, disclosure, or theft of unencrypted Personal Data or Non-Public Data of JEA or its customers within the possession or control of the Company. If a Data Breach (defined below) with respect to Personal Data or Non-Public data has occurred, the Company shall promptly implement necessary remedial measures and document responsive actions taken related to the Data Breach, including any post-incident review and actions taken to make changes in business practices in providing the Work, if necessary.

If a Data Breach is a result of the Company's breach of its obligation to encrypt Personal Data or Non-Public Data or otherwise prevent the release of Personal or Non-Public Data or the Company's failure to comply with any of the security requirements comply with the Contract, the Company shall bear the costs associated with (i) the investigation and resolution of the Data Breach; (ii) notifications to individuals, regulators or others required by state law; (iii) a credit monitoring service required by state or federal law; (iv) a website or toll-free number and call center for affected individuals required by state law; and (v) completing all corrective actions as reasonably determined by the Company based on root cause.

The term "Data Breach" means the unauthorized access by a non-authorized person or persons that results in the use, disclosure or theft of unencrypted Personal Data, Non-Public Data or JEA's customer information.

3.10.4. CHANGE IN SCOPE OF SERVICES

From time to time, JEA may direct changes and modifications to the scope of the services to be performed under this Contract. The Company is willing and agreeable to accommodate such changes. Such changes shall be in the form of a written amendment. The JEA Representative directly responsible for this Contract will make the final determination as to whether any compensable change to the Company exists.

3.10.5. TRANSITION SERVICES

At any time prior to the date the Contract expires or terminates for any reason (the “Termination Date”), JEA may request Company to provide reasonable transition assistance services (“Transition Assistance”). Company will provide such Transition Assistance until such time as JEA notifies the Company that JEA no longer requires such Transition Assistance, but in no event for more than 180 days following the Termination Date.

Transition Assistance shall mean any services, functions or responsibilities that are ordinarily or customarily provided to a purchaser to ensure that the services provided to that purchaser by a contractor are fully transitioned in a smooth and efficient manner to a new service contractor (either JEA itself or a third party contractor). Transition Assistance includes the development and implementation of a detailed transition plan. To the extent that Transition Assistance will involve third parties hired by JEA, those third parties shall cooperate with Company in its provision of Transition Assistance and sign any reasonable non-disclosure agreements required by Company.

Transition Assistance rendered before the Termination Date shall be provided at no additional cost to JEA. Transition Assistance rendered after the Termination Date shall be provided at the rates negotiated by the parties prior to the rendering of such service, which rates shall not exceed the standard market rates that Company charges to government entities for comparable services; provided however, that if JEA terminates the Contract because of a breach by Company, then (i) the Transition Assistance shall be provided at no cost to JEA, and (ii) JEA will be entitled to any other remedies available to it under law. Company may withhold Transition Assistance after the Termination Date if JEA does not provide reasonable assurance that the charges for such Transition Assistance will be paid to Company in accordance with the invoicing and payment provisions of the Contract.

3.10.6. COMPANY REPRESENTATIVES

The Company shall provide JEA with the name and responsibilities of the Company Representative, in writing after Award of the Contract and before starting the Work under the Contract. Should the Company need to change the Company Representative, the Company shall promptly notify JEA in writing of the change.

3.10.7. COMPANY REVIEW OF PROJECT REQUIREMENTS

The Company shall review all requirements and specifications prior to commencing Work. The Company shall immediately notify the Project Manager in writing of any conflict with applicable law, or any error, inconsistency or

omission it may discover. JEA will promptly review the alleged conflicts, errors, inconsistencies or omissions, and issue a Change Order or Contract Amendment as appropriate if JEA is in agreement with the alleged conflict, and issue revised specifications. Any Work the Company performs prior to receipt of approved Change Order will be at the Company's sole risk.

3.10.8. LICENSES

The Company shall comply with all licensing, registration and certification requirements pursuant to applicable laws, rules and regulations. The Company shall secure all licenses, registrations and certifications as required for the performance of the Work and shall pay all fees associated with securing them. The Company shall produce written evidence of licenses and other certifications immediately upon request from JEA.

3.10.9. SAFETY AND PROTECTION PRECAUTIONS

The Company shall comply with all applicable federal, state and local laws, ordinances, all JEA procedures and policies including any orders of any public body having jurisdiction for the safety of persons or protection of property. The Company understands and agrees that a violation of any provision of this clause is grounds for a Termination for Default, with no requirement to provide Company with a notice to cure. Additionally, the Company shall be responsible for all JEA damages associated with such termination.

The Company understands and agrees that JEA Representatives may stop Work at any time that JEA, in its sole discretion, determines that the Company's Work is unsafe or a risk to property, and may direct the Company to, at a minimum, perform as directed by JEA in such a way as to render the Work environment safe. The Company understands and agrees that it is responsible for paying all costs associated with providing a safe work environment including, but not limited to, any costs associated with any JEA directed safety improvements. The Company further understands and agrees that it is solely responsible for the safety of personnel and property associated with the Work, and that any actions taken by JEA to prevent harm to persons or damage to equipment does not, in any way, relieve the Company of its responsibility.

The Company Representative, or alternatively, the Company Supervisor, shall be designated as the Company's individual responsible for the prevention of accidents.

3.10.10. TELEPHONE CONSUMER PROTECTION ACT (“TCPA”)

Company indemnifies, defends and holds JEA harmless from any and all claims associated with a violation of the Telephone Consumer Protection Act (CFR Title 47 Part 64).

3.11. VENDOR PERFORMANCE EVALUATION

3.11.1. VENDOR PERFORMANCE EVALUATION

Use of Vendor Performance Evaluation Scorecards

JEA may evaluate the Company's performance using the evaluation criteria shown on the vendor scorecard available which are available online at jea.com.

Scores for all metrics shown on the evaluation range from a low of 1, meaning significantly deficient performance, to a high of 5, meaning exceptionally good performance. The Company's performance shall be classified as Top Performance, Acceptable Performance, or Unacceptable Performance, as defined herein. The evaluator will be a designated JEA employee. The evaluator's supervisor and the Chief Purchasing Officer will review deficient performance letters and Unacceptable Performance scorecards, as described below, prior to issuance. When evaluating the Company's performance, JEA will consider the performance of the Company's Subcontractors and suppliers, as part of the Company's performance.

Frequency of Evaluations

JEA may conduct performance evaluations and prepare scorecards in accordance with the procedures described herein at any time during performance of the Work or soon after the completion of the Work. JEA may conduct one or more evaluations determined solely at the discretion of JEA.

Unacceptable Performance
If at any time, JEA determines, using the criteria described on the scorecard, that the performance of the Company is Unacceptable, the Project Manager and Chief Procurement Officer or her designated alternate will notify the Company of such in a letter. The Company shall have 10 days to respond to the Project Manager. Such response shall include, and preferably be delivered in-person by an officer of the Company, the specific actions that the Company will take to bring the Company's performance up to at least Acceptable Performance.

Within 30 days from date of the first Unacceptable Performance letter, the Project Manager and Chief Purchasing Officer or her designated alternate will notify the Company by letter as to whether its performance, as determined solely by JEA, is meeting expectations, or is continuing to be Unacceptable. If the Company's performance is described in the letter as meeting expectations, no further remedial action is required by the Company, as long as Company's performance continues to be Acceptable.

If the Company's performance as described in the letter continues to be Unacceptable, or is inconsistently Acceptable, then the Company shall have 15 days from date of second letter to demonstrate solely through its performance of the Work, that it has achieved Acceptable Performance. At the end of the 15-day period, JEA will prepare a scorecard documenting the Company's performance from the start of Work, or date of most recent scorecard, whichever is latest, and giving due consideration to improvements the Company has made in its performance, or has failed to make. If the scorecard shows Company's performance is Acceptable, then no further remedial action is required by Company as long as Company's performance remains Acceptable. If the scorecard shows the Company's performance is Unacceptable, JEA will take such actions as it deems appropriate including, but not limited to, terminating the Contract for breach, suspending the Company from bidding on any JEA related solicitations, and other remedies available in the JEA Purchasing Code and in law. Such action does not relieve the Company of its obligations under the Contract, nor does it preclude an earlier termination.

In the event that the Contract Term or the remaining Term of the Contract does not allow for the completion of the deficient performance notification cycles described above for those in danger of receiving an Unacceptable Performance scorecard, JEA may choose to accelerate these cycles at its sole discretion.

If the Company receives five or more letters of deficiency within any 12-month period, then JEA will prepare a scorecard describing the deficiencies and the Company's performance will be scored as Unacceptable.

Acceptable Performance
JEA expects the Company's performance to be at a minimum Acceptable.

Disputes
In the event that the Company wants to dispute the results of its scorecard performance evaluation, the Company must submit a letter to the Chief Procurement Officer supplying supplemental information that it believes JEA failed to take into account when preparing the scorecard. Such letter, along with supplemental information, must be submitted no later than 10 days following the Company's receipt of the scorecard. If the Chief Procurement Officer decides to change the scorecard, the Company will be notified and a revised scorecard will be prepared, with a copy issued to the Company. If the Chief Procurement Officer decides that no change is warranted, the decision of the Chief Procurement Officer is final. If the Company is to be suspended from consideration for future Award of any contracts, the Company may appeal to the Procurement Appeals Board as per JEA Procurement Code.

Public Records
There can be no expectation of confidentiality of performance-related data in that all performance-related data is subject to disclosure pursuant to Florida Public Records Laws. All scorecards are the property of JEA.

3.12. JEA RESPONSIBILITIES

3.12.1. SUSPENSION OF WORK

JEA may suspend the performance of the Work, in whole or in part, by providing Company with five days' prior written notice of such suspension. In the event of a suspension of Work, the Company shall resume performance of the Work when and to the extent directed in writing to do so by JEA.

Suspension of Work shall not affect any other rights or remedies JEA may have under this Solicitation and the Contract.

3.12.2. FORCE MAJEURE

No party shall be liable for any default or delay in the performance of its obligations under the Contract due to an act of God or other event to the extent that: (a) the non-performing party is without fault in causing such default or delay; (b) such default or delay could not have been prevented by reasonable precautions; and (c) such default or delay could not have been reasonably circumvented by the non-performing party through the use of alternate sources, work-around plans or other means. Such causes include, but are not limited to: act of civil or military authority (including but not limited to courts or administrative agencies); acts of God; war; terrorist attacks; riot; insurrection; inability of JEA to secure approval, validation or sale of bonds; inability of JEA or the Company to obtain any required permits, licenses or zoning; blockades; embargoes; sabotage; epidemics; pandemics; outbreaks of communicable disease; quarantines; fires; hurricanes, tornados, floods; other natural disasters; or strikes.

In the event of any delay resulting from such causes, the time for performance of each of the parties hereunder (including the payment of monies if such event actually prevents payment) shall be extended for a period of time reasonably necessary to overcome the effect of such delay, except as provided for elsewhere in the Contract Documents.

In the event of any delay or nonperformance resulting from such causes, the party affected shall promptly notify the other in writing of the nature, cause, date of commencement and the anticipated impact of such delay or nonperformance. Such written notice shall indicate the extent to which it is anticipated that any delivery or completion dates will be thereby affected within seven calendar days.

3.12.3. COORDINATION OF SERVICES PROVIDED BY JEA

The JEA Project Manager, or other designated JEA Representative, will, on behalf of JEA, coordinate with the Company and administer the Contract. It shall be the responsibility of the Company to coordinate all assignment related activities with the designated JEA Representative. A JEA Representative will be assigned to perform day-to-day administration and liaison functions, and to make available to the Company appropriate personnel, to the extent practical, and to furnish records and available data necessary to conduct the Work. The JEA Representative will also authorize the Company to perform work under the Contract.

3.13. MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS

3.13.1. AMBIGUOUS CONTRACT PROVISIONS

The Contract will be the subject of meaningful analysis and discussions of the specifications, terms and conditions contained in the Contract. Therefore, doubtful or ambiguous provisions, if any, contained in the Contract shall not be construed against the party who physically prepared the Contract.

3.13.2. AMENDMENTS

The Contract shall not be altered or amended except in a written amendment executed by duly authorized representatives of JEA and the Company.

3.13.3. APPLICABLE STATE LAW; VENUE; SEVERABILITY

The rights, obligations and remedies of JEA and the Company as specified under the Contract will be interpreted and governed in all respects exclusively by the laws of the State of Florida without giving effect to the principles of conflicts of laws thereof. Should any provision of the Contract be determined by the courts to be illegal or in conflict with any law of the State of Florida, the validity of the remaining provisions will not be impaired. Litigation involving the Contract or any provision thereof shall take place in the State or Federal Courts located exclusively in Jacksonville, Duval County, Florida.

3.13.4. CUMULATIVE REMEDIES

Except as otherwise expressly provided in the Contract, all remedies provided for in the Contract shall be cumulative and in addition to and not in lieu of any other remedies available to either party at law, in equity or otherwise.

3.13.5. ENTIRE AGREEMENT

The Contract constitutes the entire agreement between the parties. No statement, representation, writing, understanding, or agreement made by either party, or any representative of either party, which are not expressed herein shall be binding.

3.13.6. EXPANDED DEFINITIONS

Unless otherwise specified, words importing the singular include the plural and vice versa and words importing gender include all genders. The term "including" means "including without limitation", and the terms "include", "includes" and "included" have similar meanings. Any reference in the Contract to any other agreement is deemed to include a reference to that other agreement, as amended, supplemented or restated from time to time. Any reference in the Contract to “all applicable laws” or "all applicable laws, rules and regulations" means all federal, state and local laws, rules, regulations, ordinances, statutes, codes and practices.

3.13.7. HEADINGS

Headings appearing herein are inserted for convenience or reference only and shall in no way be construed to be interpretations of text.

3.13.8. INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR

Company is performing the Contract as an independent contractor and nothing in the Contract will be deemed to constitute a partnership, joint venture, agency, or fiduciary relationship between JEA and Company. Neither Company nor JEA will be or become liable or bound by any representation, act, or omission of the other.

3.13.9. LANGUAGE AND MEASUREMENTS

All communication between the Company and JEA, including all documents, notes on drawings, and submissions required under the Contract, will be in the English language. Unless otherwise specified in the Contract, the US System of Measurements shall be used for quantity measurement. All instrumentation and equipment will be calibrated in US System of Measures.

3.13.10. MEETINGS AND PUBLIC HEARINGS

The Company will, upon request from JEA, attend all meetings and public hearings as directed by JEA.

3.13.11. NEGOTIATED CONTRACT

Except as otherwise expressly provided, all provisions of the Contract shall be binding upon and shall inure to the benefit of the parties, their legal representatives, successors and assigns. The parties agree that they have had meaningful discussion and negotiation of the provisions, terms and conditions contained in the Contract. Therefore, doubtful or ambiguous provisions, if any, contained in the Contract shall not be construed against the party who physically prepared the Contract.

3.13.12. NONEXCLUSIVE

Notwithstanding anything contained herein that may appear to be the contrary, the Contract is "non-exclusive" and JEA reserves the right, in its sole discretion, to retain other companies to perform all or any portion of the Work, and JEA may self-perform all or any portion of the Work itself.

3.13.13. REFERENCES

Unless otherwise specified, each reference to a statute, ordinance, law, policy, procedure, process, document, drawing, or other informational material is deemed to be a reference to that item, as amended or supplemented from time to time.

3.13.14. RIGHT TO AUDIT AND FINANCIAL REPORTING

Accounting System

The Company shall establish and maintain a reasonable accounting system that enables JEA to readily identify the Company's assets, expenses, cost of goods, and use of funds.

Audited Financial Statements

The Company shall provide to JEA audited financial statements for its most recent fiscal year not later than five days after receipt of written request from JEA.

Content and Retention of Records

The Company's records shall include, but not be limited to, accounting records; written policies and procedures; subcontract files (including proposals of successful and unsuccessful Respondents, bid recaps, etc.); all paid vouchers including those for out-of-pocket expenses; invoices as support for other reimbursement; ledgers; cancelled checks; deposit slips; bank statements; journals; original estimates; estimating work sheets; contract amendments and change order files; back-charge logs and supporting documentation; insurance documents; payroll documents; timesheets; memoranda; and correspondence. Company shall, at all times during the term of the Contract and for a period of five years after the completion of the Contract, maintain such records, together with such supporting or underlying documents and materials.

Inspection /Audit of Records

Upon JEA's request, the Company shall allow JEA to audit, to examine, and to make copies of or extracts from its financial and operating records (in whatever form they may be kept, whether written, electronic, or other) kept by the Company, its employees, agents, assigns, successors, and subcontractors, for the purpose of determining invoice accuracy, or otherwise assessing compliance with the Contract Documents.

The Company shall at any time requested by JEA, whether during or after completion of the Contract, and at Company's own expense make such records available for inspection and audit (including copies and extracts of records as required) by JEA. Such records shall be made available to JEA during normal business hours at the Company's office or place of business in a workspace suitable for the audit on three days' prior written notice. In the event that no such location is available, then the financial records, together with the supporting or underlying documents and records, shall be made available for audit at a time and location that is convenient for JEA. The Company shall have knowledgeable personnel available to answer questions for the auditors during the time they are performing the audit and for a period of two weeks thereafter. Company shall ensure JEA has these rights with Company's employees, agents, assigns, successors, and subcontractors, and the obligations of these rights shall be explicitly included in any subcontracts or agreements formed between the Company and any subcontractors to the extent that those subcontracts or agreements relate to fulfillment of the Company's obligations to JEA.

Cost of Audits

If the audit identifies (i) overpricing or overcharges of any nature by the Company to JEA in excess of one-half of one percent (.5%) of the total billings under the Contract at the time of the audit or (ii) fraud, misrepresentation or non-performance, the Company shall reimburse JEA for the total costs of the audit.

Billing Adjustments and Recoveries

The Company shall pay JEA all amounts identified as owing to JEA as a result of any such audit or inspection of the Company's invoices and records no later than 90 days after the Company's receipt of JEA's findings.

3.13.15. SEVERABILITY

In the event that any provision of the Contract is found to be unenforceable under applicable law, JEA and the Company agree to replace such provision with a substitute provision that most nearly reflects the original intentions of JEA and the Company and is enforceable under applicable law, and the remainder of the Contract shall continue in full force and effect.

With regard to any provision in this agreement pertaining to damages, equitable or otherwise, under no circumstances shall there be recovery by the Company for home office overhead. Any damages claimed shall be proven by discreet accounting of direct project costs and no theoretical formula or industry estimating reference manuals shall be permissible.

3.13.16. SUBCONTRACTING OR ASSIGNING OF CONTRACT

The Company shall not subcontract, assign, delegate, or otherwise dispose of the Contract, the duties to be performed under the Contract, or the monies to become due under the Contract without JEA's prior written consent.

The assignment of the Contract will not relieve the Company of any of its obligations until such obligations have been assumed in writing by the assignee. If the Contract is assigned by either of the parties, it will be binding upon and will inure to the benefit of the permitted assignee. The Company shall be liable for all acts and omissions of its assignees and its Subcontractors.

In the event the Company obtains JEA approval to use Subcontractors, the Company shall provide Subcontractors possessing the skills, certifications, registrations, licenses, training, tools, demeanor, motivation and attitude to successfully perform the Work for which they are subcontracted. The Company shall remove Subcontractors from performing Work under the Contract when the Company recognizes that a Subcontractor is failing to work in a manner consistent with the requirements of the Contract, or when JEA notifies the Company that JEA has determined a Subcontractor is failing to work in a manner consistent with the requirements of the Contract.

3.13.17. SURVIVAL

The obligations of JEA and the Company under the Contract that are not, by the express terms of the Contract, to be performed fully during the Term, shall survive the termination of the Contract.

3.13.18. TIME AND DATE

Unless otherwise specified, references to time of day or date mean the local time or date in Jacksonville, FL. If under the Contract any payment or calculation is to be made, or any other action is to be taken, on or as of a day that is not a regular business day for JEA, that payment or calculation is to be made, and that other action is to be taken, as applicable, on or as of the next day that is a regular business day. Where reference is made to day or days, it means calendar days. Where reference is made to workday, workdays, business day, or business days, it means regular working days for JEA’s Procurement department.

3.13.19. TIME OF ESSENCE

For every material requirement of the Contract, time is of the essence.

3.13.20. WAIVER OF CLAIMS

A delay or omission by JEA to exercise any right or power under the Contract shall not be construed to be a waiver thereof. A waiver by JEA under the Contract shall not be effective unless it is in writing and signed by the party granting the waiver. A waiver by a party of a right under or breach of, the Contract shall not be construed to operate as a waiver of any other or successive rights under, or breaches of, the Contract.

The Company's obligations to perform and complete the Work in accordance with the Contract shall be absolute. None of the following will constitute a waiver of any of JEA's rights under the Contract: approval of payments, including final payment; Certificate of Contract Completion; any use of the Work by JEA; nor any correction of faulty or defective work by JEA.

4. TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS/DETAILED SCOPE OF WORK (APPENDIX A)

Technical Specifications and a Detailed Scope of Work are located in Appendix A of this Document.

5. FORMS (APPENDIX B)

- Response Form – found in Appendix B of this Solicitation
- Response Workbook – found in Appendix B of this Solicitation
- Minimum Qualifications Form- found in Appendix B of this Solicitation
- Conflict of Interest Certificate Form - found in Appendix B of this Solicitation