

City of Miami

REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS

MISCELLANEOUS ENVIRONMENTAL ENGINEERING SERVICES

RFQ NUMBER 14-15-027

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PUBLIC NOTICE

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Completed Responses must be delivered to the Office of the City Clerk, City Hall, 3500 Pan American Drive, Miami, Florida 33133 by 2:00 PM, on Wednesday, August 19, 2015 (Response Submission Date). Any Responses received after the above date and time or delivered to a different address or location shall not be considered.

RFQ documents may be obtained on or after **Wednesday**, **July 15**, **2015**, from the City of Miami, Capital Improvements and Transportation Program (CITP) webpage at www.miamigov.com/capitalimprovements/pages/ProcurementOpportunities/Default.asp. It is the sole responsibility of all firms to ensure the receipt of any addendum(s) and it is definitely recommended that firms periodically check the CITP webpage for updates and the issuance of addenda.

The City of Miami reserves the right to accept any Responses deemed to be in the best interest of the City, to waive any minor irregularities, omissions, and/or technicalities in any Responses, or to reject any or all Responses, and to re-advertise for new Responses, in accordance with the applicable sections of the Solicitation Documents, City Charter and Code.

THIS SOLICITATION IS SUBJECT TO THE "CONE OF SILENCE" IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 18-74 OF THE CITY CODE.

DP No.: 19151 Daniel J. Alfonso, City Manager



SECTION 1

1.0 INTRODUCTION TO REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS

1.1. Invitation

Thank you for your interest in this Request for Qualifications (RFQ). The City of Miami (the City), through its Procurement Department (Department) invites responses (Responses) which offer to provide the services described in Section 2.0: "Scope of Services." This RFQ is being issued pursuant to Florida Statute 287.055: the Consultants Competitive Negotiation Act (CCNA). All references to Florida Statutes, City of Miami and Miami-Dade Codes and other laws/regulations will be interpreted to include "as amended from time to time".

1.2. Agreement Terms and Conditions

The Proposer(s) selected to provide the service(s) requested herein (the Successful Proposer(s)) shall be required to execute a Professional Services Agreement (Agreement) with the City in substantially the same form as the Agreement included as part of the RFQ.

1.3. Submission of Responses

Sealed written Responses must be received by the City of Miami, City Clerk's Office, no later than the date, time and at the location indicated in the Public Notice and on the cover of this RFQ in order to be responsive. Faxed documents are not acceptable. One original and seven copies plus one copy in digital form (on CD-ROM in .pdf format or USB Drive), of your Response and sets of Response forms must be returned to the City or your Response may be disqualified.

1.4. Cone of Silence

Pursuant to Section 18-74 of the City of Miami Code (Ordinance No. 12271), a "Cone of Silence" is imposed upon this RFQ.

Written communications must be in the form of a fax, mail, or e-mail to Sade Chaney, City of Miami, Procurement Department, at 444 SW 2nd Avenue, 6th Floor, Miami, FL 33130, Fax 305-400-5335, e-mail schaney@miamigov.com with a copy to the Office of the City clerk at reastillo@miamigov.com.

Proposers are hereby cautioned not to contact any member of the Evaluation Committee or any staff (except as provided herein) regarding this RFQ until such time as the Cone of Silence is lifted. Failure to abide by this condition of the RFQ shall be cause for rejection of your Proposal.

Please review City of Miami Ordinance No. 12271 codified as City Code Section 18-74 for complete details on the Cone of Silence Ordinance.



1.5. Additional Information or Clarification

Requests for additional information or clarifications must be made in writing. Proposers may fax or e-mail their requests for additional information or clarifications in accordance with Article 1.4 Cone of Silence. Facsimiles must have a cover sheet that includes the Proposer's name, the RFQ number and title, the specific project title (if applicable) and the number of pages transmitted. Any request for additional information or clarification must be received in writing **no later than 5:00 PM on Monday, August 3, 2015**. No oral requests may be made.

The City will issue responses to inquiries and any other corrections or amendments it deems necessary in written addenda issued prior to the Response Submission Date. Proposers shall not rely on any representations, statements, or explanations other than those made in this RFQ or in any written addendum to this RFQ. Where there appears to be conflict between the RFQ and any addenda issued, the last addendum issued shall prevail.

It is the Proposer's responsibility to assure submission and receipt of all addenda. Prior to submitting the Response, the Proposer should check the City of Miami, Capital Improvements and Transportation Program (CITP) webpage, where all addenda will be posted.

http://www.miamigov.com/CapitalImprovements/pages/ProcurementOpportunities.

1.6 Award of an Agreement

A City furnished Professional Services Agreement (PSA or Agreement) may, or may not, be awarded to the Successful Proposer for the project by the City Commission or City Manager, as applicable, based upon the qualification requirements reflected herein. The City reserves the right to award or not award, as applicable, an Agreement with the Successful Proposer when it is determined to be in the City's best interests. By submitting a proposal, a Proposer agrees that it has no expectation, entitlement or interest in obtaining an Agreement with the City or any work pursuant to the Agreement. Proposer shall have no recourse against the City from the operation of this Section. The award and execution of the Agreement shall comply with the Consultants' Competitive Negotiation Act (CCNA), §287.055, Florida Statute, as amended, codified in the City of Miami Code §18-87.

1.7 Agreement Execution

By submitting a Response, the Proposers agree to be bound to and execute the Agreement for Miscellaneous Environmental Engineering Services. Without diminishing the foregoing, the Proposer may request clarification and submit comments concerning the Agreement for City's consideration. There is no guarantee that the City will accept the proposed changes submitted in a Response. Only clarification requests, comments and proposed revisions included within the Requests for Additional Information or Clarifications will be considered by the City. Any comments identified after the Response has been received need not be considered by the City. Furthermore, any requests to negotiate provisions of the Agreement not identified in the Response after the Response has been received may be grounds for dismissal. None of the foregoing shall preclude the City from seeking to negotiate changes to the Agreement during the negotiation process.



The City shall require the Successful Proposer to provide, for itself, and the Subconsultant(s) any or all of the following documentation to support the Price Proposal (if applicable) as a condition precedent to execution of an Agreement.

- Current financial statement(s), preferably an audited financial statement(s) for the most recently completed fiscal year clearly showing the costs (not percentage) of direct labor, indirect labor, fringe benefits, general administrative costs and overhead and a statement of profit or operating margin requested.
- Raw labor rates by labor or professional classification certified as accurate by an officer of the company.
- Breakdown of the fee by task/labor classification and raw or billable hourly rate/number of hours.
- Updated information reflecting information resulting from negotiation of the Agreement.
- Copy of current Notice of Qualification letter from the Florida Department of Transportation.

The forms for submission of portions of the information contained above are available on the CITP webpage at:

http://www.miamigov.com/capitalimprovements/pages/ProcurementOpportunities/Project Pages/Work%20Order%20Forms.asp.

Where the City does not provide specific forms to be utilized the Proposer shall provide the information in a format acceptable to the City.

1.8 Unauthorized Work

The Successful Proposer(s) shall not begin work until the City issues a Notice to Proceed. Such Notice to Proceed shall constitute the City's authorization to begin work and is an express condition precedent to the Proposer being authorized to commence the Work. Any unauthorized work performed by the Successful Proposer(s) shall be deemed non-compensable by the City and Proposer will not have any recourse against the City for performing unauthorized work.

1.9. Submittal Instructions

Careful attention must be given to all requested items contained in this RFQ. Proposers are invited to submit Responses in accordance with the requirements of this RFQ. **PLEASE READ THE ENTIRE SOLICITATION BEFORE SUBMITTING A RESPONSE.** Proposers shall make the necessary entry in all blanks and forms provided for the Response.

Responses shall be submitted in a sealed envelope or package with the RFQ number and opening date clearly noted on the outside of the envelope.

1.10. Changes/Alterations

Proposer may change or withdraw a Response at any time **prior to** Response Submission Due Date. All changes or withdrawals shall be made in writing to the point of contact specified in Article 1.4, Cone of Silence. Oral/Verbal changes, modifications or withdrawals will not be recognized and will be disregarded. Written modifications will not be accepted after the



Response Submission Deadline. Proposers shall not assign or otherwise transfer their Response.

1.11. Sub-consultant(s)

A Sub-consultant is an individual or firm contracted by the Proposer or Proposer's firm to assist in the performance of services required under this RFQ. A Sub-consultant shall be paid through the Proposer or Proposer's firm and not paid directly by the City. Sub-consultants are allowed by the City in the performance of the services delineated within this RFQ. The Proposer must clearly reflect in its Response the major Sub-consultants to be utilized in the performance of required services. The City retains the right to accept or reject any Sub-consultant proposed in the Response of Successful Proposer(s) or proposed prior to Agreement execution. Any and all liabilities regarding the use of a Sub-consultant shall be borne solely by the Successful Proposer(s) and insurance for each Sub-consultant must be maintained in good standing and approved by the City throughout the duration of the Agreement. Neither the Successful Proposer(s) nor any of its Sub-consultants are considered to be employees or agents of the City. Failure to list all major Sub-consultants and provide the required information may disqualify any proposed Sub-consultants from performing work under this RFQ.

Proposers shall include in their Responses the requested Sub-consultant information and include all relevant information required of the Proposer.

The Proposer must identify each of its Community Business Enterprise (CBE) Subconsultants via Letter of Agreement (LOA) at the time of Proposal submittal. Additional information can be found in Section 3.12.

Proposers are expressly prohibited from substituting Sub-Consultants contained in the Response. Proposers shall not change any Sub-consultants without just cause and prior written approval by the City Manager or the manger's designee, as applicable. If approved, the City reserves the right to request additional required documentation as specified in the RFQ. If the City does not accept the proposed change(s) the Response will be rejected and not considered for award.

1.12. Discrepancies, Errors, and Omissions

Any discrepancies, errors, or ambiguities in the RFQ or addenda (if any) should be reported in writing to the City's Procurement Department in the manner prescribed in the RFQ Section 1.5. Should it be necessary, the City will issue a written addendum to the RFQ clarifying such conflicts or ambiguities.

1.13. Disqualification

This RFQ requires the use and submission of specific City Forms. In addition, the RFQ requires the submission of additional documents and information. Failure to utilize the City Forms and submit the required documents will result in the rejection of the Response as non-responsive and it will not be considered for award.

The City reserves the right to disqualify Responses before or after the Response Submission Due Date, upon evidence of collusion with intent to defraud or other illegal practices on the part of the Proposer. It also reserves the right to waive any immaterial defect or informality in any Response; to reject any or all Responses in whole or in part, or to reissue a Request for Qualifications.



Any Response submitted by a Proposer who is in arrears, (e.g., money owed or otherwise in debt or default) by failing to deliver goods or services to the City (including any agency or department of the city) or any breach of contract involving the City (including any agency or department of the City) or where the City has an open claim against a Proposer for monies owed the City at the time of Proposal submission, will be rejected as non-responsive and shall not be considered for award.

Any Proposer who submits in its Response any information that is determined by the City, in its sole opinion, to be substantially inaccurate, misleading, exaggerated, or incorrect, shall be disqualified from consideration for award of the Agreement.

The City reserves the right to reject Responses submitted by limited liability companies.

1.14. Proposer's Expenditures

Proposer(s) understand and agree that any expenditure they make in preparation and submittal of Responses or in the performance of any services requested by the City in connection with the Responses to this RFQ are exclusively at the expense of the Proposers. The City shall not pay or reimburse any expenditure or any other expense incurred by any Proposer in preparation of a Response and/or anticipation of a contract award and/or to maintain the approved status of the Successful Proposer(s) if an Agreement is awarded, and/or administrative or judicial proceedings resulting from the solicitation process.



SECTION 2

2.0 RFQ SCOPE OF SERVICES

2.1. Purpose

The City is seeking to procure qualified and experienced environmental engineering professionals (Proposers) with a minimum of five years of experience to provide Miscellaneous Environmental Engineering Services as stipulated in Florida Statute 287.055 (CCNA). Proposers submitting a Response must have been registered with the State of Florida Department of Business and Professional Regulation for five years prior to the date of submission of the Response. The actual named Proposer in the submittal must meet the foregoing registration requirement. Principals in the Proposer cannot meet this requirement by having this registration under a different name, person or firm. Failure to meet this requirement will result in the Response being rejected as non-responsive.

2.2. Scope of Services

The Consultant shall provide design, construction documents, construction administration and various reports for environmental engineering related projects. Consultant shall apply for, process and obtain permits from various environmental regulatory agencies, including, but not limited to Department for Environmental Resources Management (DERM), Department of Environmental Protection (DEP), and Army Corps of Engineers (ACOE) for City projects.

2.3. Initial Project Scope of Work

The Professional Service Agreement (PSA or Agreement) details the deliverables that will be required of the Consultant. A detailed scope of work will be developed for each work order issued. Projects will typically be issued on a rotational basis factoring in performance of previous work orders issued as a result of this solicitation.

It is anticipated that the Proposer's team will consist of the following disciplines:

- Environmental Engineering
- Environmental Engineering (as it relates to Asbestos, Lead-Based Paint and mitigation of hazardous chemicals and related materials)
- Miscellaneous Consultants as needed.

Further details concerning the Scope of Services are contained in the Agreement included as part of this RFQ.



SECTION 3

3.0 RFQ GENERAL CONDITIONS

3.1. Acceptance/Rejection

The City reserves the right to accept or reject any or all Responses or to select the Proposer(s) that, in the opinion of the City, is/are in its best interest(s). The City also reserves the right to reject any Proposer(s) who has previously failed to properly perform under the terms and conditions of a contract, to deliver on time any contracts with the City, and who is not in a position to perform the requirements defined in this RFQ. Further, the City may waive informalities, technicalities, minor irregularities, and/or request new Responses for the services specified in this RFQ and may, at its discretion, withdraw and/or re-advertise the RFQ.

3.2. Legal Requirements

This RFQ is subject to all applicable federal, state, county, city and local laws, codes, ordinances, rules and regulations that in any manner affect any and all of the services covered herein. Lack of knowledge by the Proposer shall in no way be cause for relief from responsibility.

3.3 Non-Appropriation of Funds

In the event that insufficient funds are appropriated and budgeting or funding is otherwise unavailable or not allocated in any fiscal period for this Project, then the City, shall have the unqualified right to terminate the Work Order(s), and/or the Agreement upon written notice to the Consultant, without any penalty or expense to the City. No guarantee, promise, warranty or representation is made that any particular work or any project(s) will be assigned to any Consultant firm(s).

3.4 Business Tax Receipt Requirement

Respondents shall meet the City's Business Tax Receipt (BTR) requirements in accordance with Chapter 31, Article II of the City of Miami Code, as amended and any applicable Miami-Dade County BTR requirement. Respondent(s) with a business location outside the City of Miami shall meet the applicable local BTR requirements. A copy of the license should be submitted with the Response. The City may, at its sole option, allow the Respondent to submit a copy of their BTR after the Response Submission Due Date.

3.5 Minimum Qualification Requirements

The City of Miami is seeking to procure qualified environmental engineering professionals with experience completing comprehensive environmental engineering projects for government and/or institutional clients in South Florida, as stipulated in Section 287.055, Florida Statute (CCNA). Proposers to this RFQ must have been licensed, registered and practicing in Florida as an engineering firm for at least the last five years under its current business name. The Proposer must have at least five environmental engineering projects in South Florida within the last five years. The Proposer must have a proven record of successfully completing projects. The actual named Proposer in the submittal must meet the foregoing experience requirement. Principals of the Proposer cannot meet this requirement by having this experience under a different name, person or firm. Failure to meet the above-stated requirements will result in the Proposer's response being rejected



as non-responsive. For purposes of this RFQ, South Florida shall mean Miami-Dade, Monroe, Broward and/or Palm Beach Counties.

A minimum of three references from Owners of project(s) of a similar, size, scope, and complexity are to be included in the Response. The Proposer must utilize Form RFQ-PP-R for these references and the form must be signed by the Owner of the project. Failure to submit the reference forms may result in the Response being deemed non-responsive.

In addition, Proposers must have at least one staff or team member who has been licensed and practicing as an engineer under Title XXXII, Regulation of Professions and Occupations, Florida Statutes 471 for at least three years and who will serve as Project Manager for this Project.

Each firm interested in responding to this RFQ must provide information on the firm's qualifications and experience, qualifications of the project team, members and staff, Project Manager's experience, and previous work of similar size, scope, and complexity. See Section 4.0 "Instructions for Submitting a Response: Submission Requirements" for further direction. Responses that do not completely adhere to all requirements may be considered non-responsive and eliminated from the process. Additional minimum qualifications may be stated in Section 4.0, "Instructions for Submitting a Response."

The City may consider a Response as responsive where a Proposer has less than the stipulated minimum number of years of experience solely where the Proposer has undergone a name change and such change-of-name has been filed with the State of Florida, or where the Proposer was a subsidiary of a larger firm and the Proposer's firm has been merged into the larger firm. The Proposer must include documentation substantiating such name change or merger as part of its Response for the City to consider crediting the years of experience from the Proposer under its previous name.

Failure to include such documentation with the Response may result in a determination that the submission is non-responsive.

3.6 Public Entity Crimes

A person or affiliate who has been placed on the convicted Proposer/Bidder list following a conviction for a public entity crime may not submit a Response on a contract to provide any goods or services to a public entity, may not submit a Response on a contract with a public entity for the construction or repair of a public building or public works project, may not submit a Response on a lease of real property to a public entity, may not be awarded or perform work as a contractor, supplier, subcontractor, or consultant under a contract with any public entity, and may not transact business with any public entity in excess of the threshold amount provided in Section 287.017, Florida Statutes, as amended, for Category Two for a period of 36 months from the date of being placed on the convicted Bidder/Proposer list.

3.7 Resolution of Protests

Any actual or prospective contractual party who feels aggrieved in connection with the solicitation or award of a contract may protest in writing to the Chief Procurement Officer who shall have the authority, subject to the approval of the City Manager and the City Attorney, to settle and resolve a protest subject to final approval by the City Commission.



Proposers are alerted to Section 18-103 through 18-107 of the City Code (Article III, Chapter 18, City Code City of Miami - Procurement Ordinance), describing the protest procedures. Protests failing to meet the requirements for filing shall **NOT** be accepted. Failure of a party to timely file shall constitute a forfeiture of such party's right to file a protest. **THERE SHALL BE NO EXCEPTIONS TO THESE REQUIREMENTS.**

3.8 Review of Responses for Responsiveness

Each Response will be reviewed to determine if it is responsive to the submission requirements outlined in the RFQ. A "responsive" Response is one which meets the requirements of the RFQ, is submitted in the format outlined in Section 4.1(B) of the RFQ, is of timely submission, and has appropriate signatures/attachments as required on each document.

3.9 Collusion

The Proposer, by submitting a Response, certifies that its Response is made without previous understanding, agreement or connection either with any person, firm, or corporation submitting a Response for the same services, or with any City department. The Proposer certifies that its Response is fair, without control, collusion, fraud, or other illegal action. The Proposer further certifies that it is in compliance with the conflict of interest and code of ethics laws. The City will investigate all situations where collusion may have occurred and the City reserves the right to reject any and all Responses where collusion may have occurred.

3.10 Clarifications

The City reserves the right to request clarifications of information submitted and to request any necessary supporting documentation or information of one or more Proposers after the deadline for submission of Responses.

3.11 Key Personnel

Subsequent to submission of a Response and prior to award of an Agreement, Key Personnel shall not be changed. Proposers shall not change any member of their Key Personnel without just cause <u>and</u> must obtain prior written approval by the City. The City reserves the right to request additional documentation as required by the RFQ. If the City does not accept the proposed change(s) the Response will be rejected and not considered for award.

3.12 Community Business Enterprise (CBE) Participation

Unless precluded by Florida Statutes, Federal laws or regulations or grant requirements, in accordance with Section 18-87, the City of Miami has established mandatory CBE Participation requirements as specified in the City Code. CITP has established procedures to assist proposers in complying with these CBE participation requirements. On the left side of CITP Procurements Opportunities and Forms webpage is a link to a new page called CBE Forms/Reports. That page contains links to required City CBE forms, as well as a forms checklist and a "Frequently Asked Questions" (FAQ) page containing important information.

In addition, there are also active links to the Miami-Dade County website for a listing of CBE certified firms and certification forms.



For detailed instructions and access to required CBE forms, click on the link below:

http://www.miamigov.com/CapitalImprovements/pages/ProcurementOpportunities/ProjectPages/CBE/CBE forms.asp

For all additional CBE questions, please use the contact information listed on the CBE Forms page.

Prospective firms must adhere to the following mandatory requirement:

 Assign a minimum of fifteen percent of the contract value to firms currently certified by Miami-Dade County as a Community Business Enterprise (CBE).

Unless precluded by Florida Statutes, Federal laws or regulations or grant requirements, Proposers who meet the mandatory CBE participation requirement through use of firms from within the City of Miami's municipal boundaries will be awarded five bonus points.

For information on the City's CBE requirements, visit the CITP website at: http://dev.miamigov.com/capitalimprovements/pages/ProcurementOpportunities/Project-Pages/CBE_forms.asp.

In addition to submitting the required CBE forms, refer to Section 5.0(C) "Five Bonus Points – CBE Participation", to qualify to receive the five bonus points which the Respondents must:

Include with your Response, copies of a) City of Miami Business Tax Receipt; <u>and</u> b) Miami-Dade County Business Tax Receipt.

To qualify to receive the five bonus points Proposer's must:

- 1. Attach copies of both a current **City of Miami** Business Tax Receipt **AND** a current **Miami-Dade County** Business Tax Receipt with the submittal.
- 2. Sign and attach Form 6.4 Certificate of Compliance
- 3. Sign and attach Form C-1 List of Sub Consultants.

To verify the above requirements, the City has provided Form "C-1 List of Sub-Consultants" to identify <u>all</u> sub-consulting firms (including CBE certified firms) that are part of the Proposer's team. This Form can be found posted on the CITP webpage with the solicitation documents. Failure to include this completed form with your Submittal may result in your response being deemed non-responsive.



SEC. 18-73 CITY OF MIAMI CODE

Local office means a business within the City which meets all of the following criteria:

- (1) Has had a staffed and fixed office or distribution point, operating within a permanent structure with a verifiable street address that is located within the corporate limits of the city for a minimum of twelve months immediately preceding to the date bids or proposals were received for the purchase or contract at issue; for purposes of this section, "staffed" shall mean verifiable, full-time, on-site employment at the local office for a minimum of forty hours per calendar week, whether as a duly authorized employee, officer, principal or owner of the local business; a post office box shall not be sufficient to constitute a local office within the city; and
- (2) If the business is located in the permanent structure pursuant to a lease, such lease must be in writing, for a term of no less than twelve months, been in effect for no less than the twelve months immediately preceding the date bids or proposals were received, and be available for review and approval by the chief procurement officer or its designee; for recently executed leases that have been in effect for any period less than the twelve months immediately preceding the date bids or proposals were received, a prior fully executed lease within the corporate limits of the city that documents, in writing, continuous business residence within the corporate limits of the city for a term of no less than twelve months immediately preceding the date bids or proposals were received shall be acceptable to satisfy the requirements of this section, and shall be available for review and approval by the chief procurement officer or its designee; further requiring that historical, cleared rent checks or other rent payment documentation in writing that documents local office tenancy shall be available for review and approval by the chief procurement officer or its designee; and
- (3) Has had, for a minimum of twelve months immediately preceding the date bids or proposals were received for the purchase or contract at issue, a current Business Tax Receipt issued by both the city and Miami-Dade County, if applicable; and
- (4) Has had, for a minimum of twelve months immediately preceding the date bids or proposals were received for the purchase or contract at issue, any license or certificate of competency and certificate of use required by either the city or Miami-Dade County that authorizes the performance of said business operations; and
- (5) Has certified in writing its compliance with the foregoing at the time of submitting its bid or proposal to be eligible for consideration under this section; provided, however, that the burden of proof to provide all supporting documentation in support of this local office certification is borne by the business applicant submitting a bid or proposal.

3.13 ADDITIONAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS

No additional terms and conditions included as part of your solicitation response shall be evaluated or considered, and any and all such additional terms and conditions shall have



no force or effect and are inapplicable to this solicitation. If submitted either purposely, through intent or design, or inadvertently, appearing separately in transmittal letters, specifications, literature, price lists or warranties, it is understood and agreed that the General Conditions and Special Conditions in this solicitation are the only conditions applicable to this solicitation and that the Proposer's authorized signature affixed to the Proposer's acknowledgment form attests to this Professional Services Agreement (PSA) is provided by the City and is expressly included as part of this solicitation, no additional terms or conditions which materially or substantially vary, modify or alter the terms or conditions of the PSA or Agreement, in the sole opinion and reasonable discretion of the City will be considered. Any and all such additional terms and conditions shall have no force or effect and are inapplicable to this PSA or Agreement.



SECTION 4

4.0 INSTRUCTIONS FOR SUBMITTING A RESPONSE

Submit the following information and documents with Proposer's Response to this RFQ. Failure to do so may deem your Responses non-responsive. Non-responsive submittals will receive no further consideration.

4.1 Submission Requirements

Each Response must contain the following documents and form required by Sections 4.1(A and B), each fully completed, and signed as required. Proposers shall prepare their Responses utilizing the same format outlined below in Section 4.1(B). Each section of the Response as stipulated in 4.1(B) shall be separated by a tabbed divider identifying the corresponding section number. Proposers are not to submit any information in response to this RFQ that has not been requested or which the Proposer considers confidential. Submission of any confidential information will be deemed a waiver of any confidentiality or other such protection, which would otherwise be available to the Proposer, except as specifically permitted under Florida Statute. Proposers are not to include any documents not specifically required or requested, including, but not limited to; media and public relations literature, annual reports, pictures, etc. Such documentation will not be considered and will be redacted from the copies provided to the Evaluation Committee. The submission of such documentation may adversely affect the evaluation of the Response by the Evaluation Committee.

Hard cover binders shall not be used in the submission of the Response. Only heavy stock paper, not exceeding #100, is to be used for the front and back covers as well as the required section dividers. Proposers should also make every effort to utilize recycled paper in preparing its proposal. Double sided printing is permitted provided that the Response complies with the format set forth in 4.1(B).

Do not include additional information not requested in this RFQ unless specified in the form of an Addendum. This RFQ requires the use and submission of specific City Forms. The City forms shall not be expanded or altered. Additional pages may not be added unless the form specifically states that pages can be added. Failure to utilize the City Forms will result in the rejection of the Response as non-responsive.

A. Contents of Qualification Statement:

All Forms referenced in Sections A-E are identified in Section 4.1(B).

Section A

1. Table of Contents

The table of contents should outline in sequential order the major areas of the submittal, including enclosures. All pages of the Response must be consecutively numbered and correspond to the Table of Contents.

2. Proposal Letter

Proposer shall complete and submit Form RFQ-PL for this section of the Response. (1 page maximum)



3. Narrative

Proposer shall complete and submit Form RFQ-N for this section of its Response. Provide a brief overview of the Proposer's firm and why the Proposer should be selected for this Project. (1 page maximum)

4. Qualifications of the Proposer

Proposer shall complete and submit Form RFQ-QP for this section of its Response. (1 form - 3 pages maximum)

5. **Qualifications of the Proposer's Team**

Proposer shall complete and submit Form RFQ-QT for this section of its Response. Form RFQ-WC is to be completed for each of the Key Personnel identified in Form RFQ-QT. An organizational chart of the Project Team shall be provided along with a one page resume for key personnel.

6. <u>Team Organizational Chart</u>

An organizational chart of the Proposer's team shall be provided for key personnel.

7. <u>Proposer's Project Experience</u>

Proposers shall complete and submit Form RFQ-PP for this section of its Response and provide a comprehensive summary of the Proposer's environmental engineering experience. The firm MUST have a minimum of five years of experience and have served as the lead on similar projects on a minimum of five previous occasions. Failure to meet the five year minimum requirement will in and of itself result in the proposal being deemed non-responsive.

A list of projects of similar size, scope and complexity must be submitted. Information should include:

- * Client's Name, address, phone number.
- * Description of work.
- * Year the project was completed.
- * Total of fees paid to firm.
- * Total cost of the construction, estimated and actual.

For each RFQ-PP Form, the Proposer must submit a RFQ-PP-R Form for the Proposer's Project Experience for this section of its Response.

Section B

1. <u>Design Philosophy and Process</u>

Proposer shall complete and submit Form RFQ-DPP for this section of its Response. Proposer shall include a brief explanation of its design philosophy & process as it relates to this Project. (2 page maximum)



2. <u>Technical Capabilities</u>

Proposer shall complete and submit Form RFQ-T for this section of its Response. (2 page maximum)

Proposer shall include a brief explanation of its technical capabilities as it relates to this Project in the following areas:

- Sustainable design Approach to minimizing the daily and long term operational and maintenance cost, including the application of "green" design.
- Value engineering Approach used in determining material and equipment quality, and maximizing efficiency within the design.

Quality control and assurance, including coordination between design disciplines, compliance with program requirements, professional/industry standards, and conformance with all applicable code requirements.

Section C

1. <u>Environmental Engineering Experience for Project Manager:</u>

Proposer shall complete and submit Form RFQ-PM for this section of its Response. For each Form RFQ-PM submitted, Form RFQ-PM-R must also be submitted with the Response. Proposer shall only include projects that have been completed and are comparable to the types of projects to be awarded under the Agreement. (List three projects)

Proposer shall provide a comprehensive summary of the Project Manager's experience related to the environmental evaluation and mitigation of hazardous materials. The individual MUST have a minimum of five years' experience and have served on similar projects on three previous occasions. A list of projects of similar size, scope and complexity must be submitted. Information should include: client's name, address, phone number, description of work, and the year the project was completed. Failure to meet the five year minimum requirement relative to the Project Manager will in and of itself result in the proposal being deemed non-responsive.

2. Proposer's Workload Capacity Form

Please complete Form RFQ-WC - Workload Capacity for the Proposer's current workload.

Section D

1. <u>Professional Service Agreement (PSA or Agreement) Provisions</u> (Exhibit A)

Provide comments on, and exceptions to the attached Agreement terms and conditions. Proposed changes to the Agreement must be returned to the City in Microsoft Word format with comments reflected by "red-lining" the original document utilizing the tracking feature. The Microsoft Word



document must be included in the proposal in both printed format and electronically on a CD-ROM or USB Drive. The City will only consider the identified comments and exceptions during negotiations. Where a proposal is returned without comments it will be deemed that the Proposer has no comments or exceptions to the draft Agreement. If the Proposer has no comments, a statement to that effect shall be included in the proposal in this section. As noted certain sections of the Professional Services Agreement (PSA or Agreement), including, without limitation, Hold Harmless/Indemnity, Insurance, Cancellation for Convenience, Funding Out, Ethics, Public Records, Sunshine, Lobbying and Compliance with Laws Sections are long standing City practices and cannot be modified.

2. Acknowledgment of Addenda

Sign <u>and</u> return copies of each addendum signature page.

3. RFQ Response Forms (Section 6.0)

Sign and return each RFQ Response Form for the Proposer.

 Information for Determining Joint Venture Eligibility - Form A (if applicable)

Section E

- 1. Letter of Agreement(s) (LOA)
- 2. Form C-1 List of Sub-consultants*
- Certificate of Compliance
- 4. Copies of CBE certification for Prime (if applicable)
- 5. Notice of Qualifications (FDOT)
- 6. Business Tax Receipts

*NOTE: Sub-consultants Information form C-1

Proposer shall list all proposed sub-consultants to be used, regardless of racial or gender grouping, to include names, addresses, phone numbers, type of work (service or commodity) and Certified Small Business Certification (CBE) by Miami-Dade County (if applicable).



B. Response Submission Format

Responses are to be prepared and submitted in the following format. Failure to comply with this format may result in the Response being determined non-responsive.

Section A

The following documents shall be included in the order listed.

- 1. RFQ-PL Proposal Letter
- 2. RFQ-N Narrative
- 3. RFQ-QP Qualifications of Proposer
- 4. RFQ-QT Qualifications of Proposer's Team
- 5. Team Organizational Chart
- 6. RFQ-PP Proposer's Project Experience
- 7. RFQ-PP-R Proposer's Project Reference Forms

Section B

- 1. RFQ-DPP Design Philosophy & Process
- 2. RFQ-T Technical Approach

Section C

- 1. RFQ-PM Qualifications of Project Manager
- 2. RFQ-PM-R Project Manager's Reference Forms
- 3. Resume of Project Manager
- 4. RFQ-WC Workload Capacity for the Proposer's current workload.

Section D

- 1. Professional Service Agreement (PSA or Agreement) Provisions (Exhibit A)
- 2. Acknowledgment of Addenda
- 3. RFQ Response Forms (Section 6.0)
- 4. Information for Determining Joint Venture Eligibility Form A (if applicable)

Section E

- 1. Letter of Agreement (LOA) 1 page for each Sub-consultant firm
- 2. Form C-1 List of Sub-consultants
- 3. Certificate of Compliance
- 4. Copies of CBE certification for Prime (if applicable)
- 5. Business Tax Receipt(s)
- 6. FDOT's Notice of Qualifications Letter



4.2. Response Submission

One original and seven bound copies, plus one digital copy (in .pdf file format on a CD or USB drive), of your complete response to this RFQ must be delivered to:

Mr. Todd Hannon, City Clerk City of Miami Office of the City Clerk 3500 Pan American Drive First Floor Miami, Florida 33133

Responses must be clearly marked on the outside of the package referencing:

RFQ No. 14-15-027

Miscellaneous Environmental Engineering Services

Responses received at any other location than the aforementioned or after the Response Submission Date and Time shall be deemed non-responsive and shall not be considered.

Responses should be signed by an official authorized to bind the Proposer to the provisions given in the Responses. Responses are to remain valid **for at least 180 days.** Upon award of an Agreement, the contents of the Responses of the Successful Proposer(s) may be included as part of the Agreement, at the City's discretion.

SUBMITTAL GUIDELINES

1. General

Only one Response from an individual, firm, partnership, corporation or joint venture will be considered in response to this RFQ. Sub-consultants, business entity, or Sub-Contractors may be included in more than one Response submitted by more than one Proposer. A firm, partnership, corporation or joint venture that submits a Response may not be a Sub-Consultant on another Response submitted under this RFQ.

Joint venture firms must complete and submit with their Response the form titled "Information for Determining Joint Venture Eligibility" (Form A) and submit a copy of the formal agreement between all joint-venture parties. This joint venture agreement must indicate their respective roles, responsibilities and levels of participation for the Project. Failure to timely submit Form A, along with an attached written copy of the joint venture agreement, may result in disqualification of your Response.

Joint Venture Submissions will be evaluated based on the combined team. Each member of a Joint Venture shall provide the information listed above.

Proposer must clearly reflect in its Response any Sub-Consultants proposed to be used, and provide for the Sub-Consultant the same information required of the Proposer. The City retains the right to accept or reject any proposed Sub-Consultants.



Throughout this RFQ, the phrases "must" and "shall" will denote mandatory requirements. Any Response that does not meet the mandatory requirements is subject to immediate disqualification.

It is the policy of the City that the Successful Proposers register as a Bidder/Vendor indicating the commodities/services which the Proposer can regularly supply to the City. Should the Successful Proposer not be currently listed on the City's Proposer/bidder's list, they may register via the internet http://egov.ci.miami.fl.us/bids/bids.asp. For any questions, contact the Procurement Department at (305) 416-1922. Proposers may be registered as a Bidder/Vendor prior to submitting its Response. It is the sole responsibility of the Proposer(s) to insure that they are properly registered with the City.



SECTION 5

5.0 EVALUATION/SELECTION PROCESS

A. Evaluation Procedures

The procedure for response evaluation and selection is as follows:

- 1. Request for Qualifications issued.
- 2. Receipt of Responses.
- Opening and listing of all Responses received.
- 4. Preliminary review by City staff for compliance with the submission requirements of the RFQ, including verification that each Response includes all documents required.
- 5. Review by professional staff and/or Selection Committee (Committee) certifying that the Proposer is qualified to render the required services according to State regulations.
- 6. The Committee, appointed by the City Manager, shall meet to evaluate each responsive Response in accordance with the requirements of this RFQ. The Committee will select a minimum of three firms deemed the most highly qualified to perform the required services, unless fewer than three Responses are received. At the Committee's option, they may decide to hold brief presentations and interview sessions with all Proposers or Shortlisted firms.
- 7. The Committee forwards its recommendation to the City Manager, listing the Proposers in rank order.
- 8. After reviewing the Committee's recommendation, the City Manager may:
 - a) approve the recommendation of the Committee, written notice of which shall be provided to all proposers, and the City Manager shall then submit his or her recommendation to the City Commission;
 - b) reject the Committee's recommendation and instruct the Committee to reevaluate and make further recommendations;
 - c) reject all Responses; or
 - d) recommend that the City Commission reject all Responses.

City Manager may accept the recommendation and authorize CITP to enter into negotiations with the top ranked Proposer(s), request that the Committee provide additional information as to the ranking of the Responses. Upon approval of the Committee recommendation the Proposers will be listed in rank order on the CITP webpage,

http://www.miamigov.com/CapitalImprovements/pages/ProcurementOpportunities/Default.asp.

 Upon successful negotiation of an Agreement, CITP will forward the recommended Agreement to the City Manager for approval and the City Manager upon acceptance of the negotiated Agreement will approve the award or recommend that the City



Commission, when required by the City's Procurement Code, approve the recommendation of the Committee and the award of the Agreement. Where CITP is not able to successfully negotiate an Agreement with the top ranked Proposer(s), CITP will recommend to the City Manager that such negotiations be terminated and that CITP enter into negotiations with the next ranked Proposer(s) until an Agreement is negotiated or all Responses are rejected.

10. After reviewing the City Manager's recommendation, the City Commission may: approve the City Manager's recommendation and authorize award of the Agreement; reject the Agreement; or reject all Responses and direct the City Manager re-open negotiations or to solicit new Responses.

B. Evaluation Criteria

Responses shall be evaluated according to the following criteria and respective weight:

	Proposer's Experience and Qualifications	Maximum 35 points
>	Proposer's Team Experience	Maximum 35 points
>	Experience of Project Manager	Maximum 10 points
>	Design Philosophy and Process	Maximum 10 points
\triangleright	Technical Approach	Maximum 10 points

C. Five Bonus Points - CBE Participation

Unless precluded by Florida Statutes, Federal laws or regulations or grant requirements, Bonus points will be awarded to Proposers who agree to use Miami-Dade County CBE Firms from within the City of Miami municipal boundaries. The awarded firm must agree to assign at a minimum fifteen percent of the contract value to certified CBE firms that maintain a "Local Office", as defined in City Code Section 18-73.



SECTION 6

6.0 RFQ RESPONSE FORMS

6.1. RFQ Information Form

RFQ No. 14-15-027: <u>Miscellaneous Environmental Engineering Services</u>

I certify that any and all information contained in this RFQ is true. I certify that this RFQ response is made without prior understanding, agreement, or connections with any corporation, firm or person submitting an RFQ for the same materials, supplies, equipment, or services and is in all respects fair and without collusion or fraud. I agree to abide by all terms and conditions of the RFQ, and certify that I am authorized to sign for the Proposer's firm. Please print the following and sign your name:

Firm's Name	
Principal Business Address	
Telephone	
Fax	
E-mail address	
Name	
Authorized Signature	



6.2.1 CERTIFICATE OF AUTHORITY

(IF CORPORATION OR LLC)

STATE OF)	
) SS:	
COUNTY OF)	
I HEREBY CERTIFY th	nat a meeting of the Board of Directors	of
		, a corporation existing under the laws of
the State of	, was held on	, 20, and the following
resolution was duly pa	ssed and adopted:	
"RESOLVED, that,	, as	of the Corporation, be and
is hereby authorized to	execute the Response dated,	, 20, between the City
of Miami and this Corpo	oration and that their execution thereof,	attested by the Secretary of the Corporation,
and with the Corporate	e Seal affixed, shall be the official act ar	nd deed of this Corporation."
I further certify that said	d resolution is now in full force and effe	ct.
IN WITNESS WHERE	OF, I have hereunto set my hand and a	affixed the official seal of the corporation this
, day of	, 20	
Secretary:		
(SEAL)		

FAILURE TO COMPLETE, SIGN, AND RETURN THIS FORM MAY DISQUALIFY YOUR RESPONSE.



6.2.2 CERTIFICATE OF AUTHORITY

(IF PARTNERSHIP)

STATE OF)				
) SS:				
COUNTY OF)				
I HEREBY CERTIF	f that a meeting of t	he Partners of			_
			, organized a	and existing un	der the
laws of the State of	·	, was held c	on	, 20	, and
the following resolu					
"RESOLVED, that, _		, as		of the Partners	hip, be
and is hereby author	rized to execute the	Response dated,	20	, between t	he City
of Miami and this Pa	rtnership and that t	heir execution thereof, attes	sted by the		
	shall be	the official act and deed of t	this Partnership."		
I further certify that s	said resolution is no	w in full force and effect.			
IN WITNESS WHEF	REOF, I have hereu	nto set my hand this	day of	, 20	
Secretary:					
(SEAL)					

FAILURE TO COMPLETE, SIGN AND RETURN THIS FORM MAY DISQUALIFY YOUR RESPONSE.



6.2.3 CERTIFICATE OF AUTHORITY

(IF JOINT VENTURE)

ST	ATE OF)								
) SS:								
CC	OUNTY OF)								
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wa	s held on			,	20		, and th	e following	resolution	was di	راد
pa	ssed and ado	pted:									
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be	tween the City	of Miami and	this Join	t Venture, ai	n official	act an	d deed	of the same	e."		
l fu	ırther certify th	nat said resolut	ion is no	w in full forc	e and ef	fect.					
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		, 20_	·								
Se	cretary:			 .							
(SI	EAL)										

FAILURE TO COMPLETE, SIGN AND RETURN THIS FORM MAY DISQUALIFY YOUR RESPONSE.



6.2.4 CERTIFICATE OF AUTHORITY (IF INDIVIDUAL)

STATE OF)	
) SS:	
COUNTY OF)	
I HEREBY CERTIFY	$^\prime$ that as an individual, I $_{ extsf{-}}$	
		(Name of Individual)
	and/or as a sole	e proprietorship (if applicable) d/b/a (doing business as
		-
	exist	under the laws of the State of Florida.
authorized to execut	e the Response dated,	as a sole proprietorship (if applicable), be and is hereby, 20, between the City of Miamo (if applicable) and that my execution thereof, attested by a
Notary Public of the	State, shall be the officia	Il act and deed of this attestation."
I further certify that s	aid resolution is now in f	ull force and effect.
	REOF, I have hereunto s	et my hand and affixed the official seal of Notary Public this
NOTARY PUBLIC:		
Commission No.:		<u></u>
I personally know th	ne individual/do not know	the individual (Please Circle)
Driver's License #_		
(SEAL)		

FAILURE TO COMPLETE, SIGN, AND RETURN THIS FORM MAY DISQUALIFY YOUR RESPONSE.



6.3 DEBARMENT AND SUSPENSION

(a) Authority and requirement to debar and suspend:

After reasonable notice to an actual or prospective contractual party, and after reasonable opportunity to such party to be heard, the City Manager, after consultation with the Chief Procurement Officer and the City Attorney, shall have the authority to debar a contractual party for the causes listed below, from consideration for award of city contracts. The debarment shall be for a period of not fewer than three years. The City Manager shall also have the authority to suspend a contractor from consideration for award of City contracts if there is probable cause for debarment, pending the debarment determination. The authority to debar and suspend contractors shall be exercised in accordance with regulations which shall be issued by the Chief Procurement Officer after approval by the City Manager, the City Attorney, and the City Commission.

(b) Causes for debarment or suspension include the following:

- Conviction for commission of a criminal offense incident to obtaining or attempting
 to obtain a public or private contract or subcontract, or incident to the performance
 of such contract or subcontract.
- Conviction under state or federal statutes of embezzlement, theft, forgery, bribery, falsification or destruction of records, receiving stolen property, or any other offense indicating a lack of business integrity or business honesty.
- 3. Conviction under state or federal antitrust statutes arising out of the submission of bids or Responses.
- 4. Violation of contract provisions, which is regarded by the Chief Procurement Officer to be indicative of non-responsibility. Such violation may include failure without good cause to perform in accordance with the terms and conditions of a contract or to perform within the time limits provided in a contract, provided that failure to perform caused by acts beyond the control of a party shall not be considered a basis for debarment or suspension.
- 5. Debarment or suspension of the contractual party by any federal, state or other governmental entity.
- 6. False certification pursuant to paragraph (c) below.
- 7. Found in violation of a zoning ordinance or any other city ordinance or regulation and for which the violation remains noncompliant.
- 8. Found in violation of a zoning ordinance or any other city ordinance or regulation and for which a civil penalty or fine is due and owing to the city.
- 9. A contractual party who has defaulted under the terms of a contract with the city or any of its boards, agencies, trusts, authorities, councils or committees and hasfailed to cure such default.
- 10. Any other cause judged by the City Manager to be so serious and compelling as to affect the responsibility of the contractual party performing City contracts.



(c) Certification:

All contracts for goods and services, sales, and leases by the City shall contain a certification that neither the contractual party nor any of its principal owners or personnel have been convicted of any of the violations set forth above or debarred or suspended as set forth in paragraph (b)(5).

The undersigned hereby certifies that neither the contractual party nor any of its principal owners or personnel have been convicted of any of the violations set forth above, or debarred or suspended as set forth in paragraph (b)(5).

Company Name:	
Individual Name:	
Signature:	
Date:	

FAILURE TO COMPLETE, SIGN, AND RETURN THIS FORM MAY DISQUALIFY YOUR RESPONSE. FAILURE TO SIGN THIS FORM SHALL DISQUALIFY YOUR RESPONSE. ADDITIONALLY, THIS FORM IS REQUIRED OF ALL SUB CONSULTANTS LISTED ON THE RESPONDENT'S TEAM AND FORMS SIGNED BY A REPRESENTATIVE OF EACH FIRM SHALL BE SUBMITTED WITH THE RESPONDENTS' RFQ PACKAGE



Information for Determining Joint Venture Eligibility - Form A

If the Proposer is submitting as a joint venture, please be advised that this form (2 pages) **MUST** be completed and the REQUESTED written joint-venture agreement **MUST** be attached and submitted with this form.

1.	Name of joint venture:
2.	Address of joint venture:
3.	Phone number of joint venture:
4.	Identify the firms that comprise the joint venture:
5.	Describe the role of the MBE firm (if applicable) in the joint venture:
	Provide a copy of the joint venture's written contractual agreement.
7. C (and	Control of and participation in this Agreement. Identify by name, race, sex, and "firm" those individuals d their titles) who are responsible for day-to-day management and policy decision making, including, but limited to, those with prime responsibility for:
	(a) Financial decisions:
	(b) Management decisions, such as:
	(1) Estimating:
	(2) Marketing and sales:
	(3) Hiring and firing of management personnel:
	(4) Purchasing of major items or supplies:
	(c) Supervision of field operations:



NOTE: If, after filing this form and before the completion of the joint venture's work on the Subject Contract, there is any significant change in the information submitted, the Joint Venture must inform the County in writing.

AFFIDAVIT

"The undersigned swear or affirm that the foregoing statements are correct and include all material information necessary to identify and explain the terms and operation of our joint venture and the intended participation by each joint venturer in the undertaking. Further, the undersigned covenant and agree to provide to the County current, complete and accurate information regarding actual joint venture work and the payment therefore and any proposed changes in any of the joint venturer relevant to the joint venture, by authorized representatives of the County. Any material misrepresentation will be grounds for terminating any Contract which may be awarded and for initiating action under Federal or State laws concerning false statements."

Name of Firm:	Name of Firm:
Signature:	Signature:
Name:	Name:
Title:	Title:
Date:	Date:

Form A