THE NEW JERSEY TURNPIKE AUTHORITY PROCUREMENT AND MATERIALS MANAGEMENT DEPARTMENT

New Jersey Turnpike Administrative Offices 1 Turnpike Plaza P.O. Box 5042 Woodbridge, New Jersey 07095-5042 Tel. - 732-750-5300 Ext. 8640

REQUEST FOR BID

TITLE: TREE TRIMMING AND REMOVAL SERVICES

BID NO: <u>**RM-176422**</u>

DUE DATE: <u>02/22/2023</u>

TIME: <u>11:30 AM</u>

MANDATORY PRE-BID MEETING: FEBRUARY 14, 2023 AT 10:00 AM (SEE PG. 21)

SUBMIT BIDS BEFORE THE DUE DATE AND TIME STATED ABOVE TO THE ABOVE ADDRESS

BIDDER INFORMATION (PLEASE PRINT)

NAME OF BIDDING ENTITY

ADDRESS

CITY, STATE AND ZIP CODE

E-MAIL ADDRESS

REPRESENTATIVE TO CONTACT-NAME & TITLE

TELEPHONE NO.

FEDERAL TAX I.D. NO. or TAXPAYER I.D. NO.

FAX NO

SECTION I

A. INTRODUCTION

The New Jersey Turnpike Authority (the "Authority") was created by an act of the New Jersey Legislature in 1948, known as the New Jersey Turnpike Authority Act (as amended and supplemented, "Act"). The Act authorizes the Authority to construct, maintain, repair, and operate the New Jersey Turnpike, to collect tolls, and to issue Turnpike Revenue Bonds or Notes, subject to the approval of the Governor, payable from tolls and other revenues of the Authority. On May 27, 2003, the Act was amended to empower the Turnpike to assume all powers, rights, obligations and duties of the New Jersey Highway Authority (the "Highway Authority"), which owned and operated the Garden State Parkway and PNC Bank Arts Center. On July 9, 2003, the Authority currently operates both the Garden State Parkway ("GSP") and the New Jersey Turnpike ("Turnpike") (both roads are collectively referred to herein as the ("Roadways").

The Authority is governed by an eight-member Board of Commissioners ("Board"). The Governor of New Jersey appoints each of its members and has the statutory authority to overturn an action of the Board by vetoing any Board action within 10 days of receiving the minutes of the meeting. The Board authorizes awards of all public contracts over \$100,000, except in cases where it has delegated authority to the Executive Director.

This bid solicitation is being conducted pursuant to the Authority's enabling statute as found in N.J.S.A. 27:23-6.1 and Executive Order number 37 (Corzine 2006) and the regulations and policies of the Authority with regard to public bid procurement.

B. BIDDER GUIDELINES/CHECKLIST

BIDS THAT FAIL TO CONFORM TO THE FOLLOWING REQUIREMENTS MAY BE REJECTED:

- The Request for Bid ("RFB"), including specifications and related bid documents ("Bids") must be received at or before the due date and time stated on the cover page at the following place: New Jersey Turnpike Authority, Administration Building, 1 Turnpike Plaza, Woodbridge, New Jersey 07095. <u>LATE BIDS WILL BE RETURNED UNOPENED. ELECTRONIC, EMAILED OR FACSIMILE BIDS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.</u> Bid opening will take place via teleconference call only. See page 6.
- 2. <u>The entity submitting a Bid ("Bidder") must provide one original and one copy of the Bid.</u> The Bid must include all price information. Bid prices shall include delivery of all items F.O.B. destination or as otherwise provided. Price quotes must be firm through issuance of contract.
- 3. All Bid prices must be typed or written in ink. Quote the specified unit of measure. If bidding an alternate, provide detailed specifications on the exception form attached.
- 4. All corrections, white-outs, erasures, re-striking of type, or other forms of alteration or the appearance of alteration, to unit and/or total prices must be initialed in ink by the Bidder.
- 5. The Bidder must attend the **MANDATORY PRE-BID MEETING** at the following date(s) and time(s) if applicable: FEBRUARY 14, 2023 AT 10:00 AM. See page 21 of the RFB for information.

6. IF CHECKED, THIS RFB REQUIRES THE FOLLOWING MANDATORY DOCUMENT(S). FAILURE TO COMPLY WILL RESULT IN REJECTION OF THE BID.

(a)	Bid Bond, Letter of Surety or a Cashier's Check for 10% of the amount Bid	X
(b)	Ownership Disclosure Statement	\times
(c)	Disclosure of Investment Activities in Iran	\boxtimes
(d)	Vendor Disclosure Form	\times

7. TO FACILITATE THE CONTRACT AWARD PROCESS, THE FOLLOWING DOCUMENTS SHOULD BE SUBMITTED WITH THE BID. IN THE EVENT THE DOCUMENTS ARE NOT SUBMITTED WITH THE BID, THEY SHALL BE SUBMITTED WITHIN THREE (3) BUSINESS DAYS FOLLOWING A VERBAL OR WRITTEN REQUEST FROM THE AUTHORITY.

(a)	Certification of Registration with the Secretary of State (only if non-NJ corporation)	\times		
(b)	Acknowledgement of requirement for Disclosure of Political Contributions (ELEC)	\boxtimes		
(c)	SBE/WBE/MBE/VOB/DVOB Certificates and Form	\boxtimes		
Bid	Bidder must sign the Bid			

9. <u>SEE</u> THE AUTHORITY'S INSTRUCTION TO BIDDERS (ATTACHED) FOR A COMPLETE LIST OF THE AUTHORITY'S STANDARD CONTRACT TERMS AND CONDITIONS, AS WELL AS OTHER FORMS THAT ARE REQUIRED PRIOR TO THE AWARD OF CONTRACT(S). THE RECOMMENDED LOW BIDDER(S) MUST SUBMIT THE FOLLOWING CHECKED DOCUMENTS PRIOR TO CONTRACT AWARD.

(a)	Mandatory Equal Employment Opportunity Language	\times
(b)	Affirmative Action Information Sheet with Certificate or Form AA302	\boxtimes
(c)	State Contractor Political Contributions Compliance Public Law 2005, Chapter 51 & EO 117	\boxtimes
(d)	Notice to All Bidders of Set-Off for State Tax	\boxtimes
(e)	Insurance Certificate	\boxtimes
(f)	State of New Jersey Division of Business Registration Certificate	\boxtimes
(g)	Instruction and agreement for Direct Payment (ACH)	\times
(h)	Certified Tree Expert (CTE) License (See page 14)	\times
(i)	Russia Interim Certification (P.L. 2022, C.3)	\boxtimes

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SECTION II

A. INTENTION

- 1. Sealed Bids (<u>Paper Submission Only</u>) for <u>RM-176422</u> must be received at the New Jersey Turnpike Authority Administrative Offices, 1 Turnpike Plaza, Woodbridge, New Jersey 07095-5042, by the due date and time stated on the cover page of this "RFB" at which time and place said Bid will be opened and read in public.
- Bidders mailing Bids should allow for their normal mail delivery time to ensure timely receipt of the Public Bids. <u>Please be advised that using an overnight/next-day delivery service does not</u> <u>guarantee overnight/next-day deliveries to our location. The Authority will not be responsible</u> <u>for any Bid not being received by the required date and time</u>.
- 3. It is the intention of the Authority to issue a Purchase Order/ "NOA" for the procurement of <u>TREE</u> <u>TRIMMING AND REMOVAL SERVICES</u>.
- 4. Items purchased under this contract will be delivered as directed by the Authority.
- 5. The term of the contract shall be for "one year with the option to extend for two additional one-year terms at the Authority's discretion and the vendor's concurrence".
- 6. Please contact CHRISTINE NOBLE with any questions regarding this procurement contract at noble@njta.com.

B. **BID SHEET INSTRUCTIONS**

- 1. Bidders must follow all instructions in this RFB and in the Instructions to Bidders issued by the Authority, and any other documents issued by the Authority in connection with this RFB (collectively, "Bid Documents").
- 2. Bidders must examine the bid documents carefully before bidding and must ask the Director of Procurement and Materials Management Department ('PMM'') in writing for any interpretation or correction of any apparent ambiguity, inconsistency or apparent error therein. If necessary, an interpretation or correction to the specifications in the form of an addendum shall be issued at least three (3) days prior to the bid opening by the Director of PMM to Bidders who have obtained the Bid Documents in accordance with N.J.A.C. 19:9-2.2(a)(3). <u>Requests for interpretation or correction shall be considered only if received at least 5 business days prior to the Bid opening date</u>. Please contact Christine Noble with any questions regarding this procurement contract at noble@njta.com.
- 3. The submission of the Bid is conclusive evidence that the Bidder is fully aware of the conditions, requirements, and details as stated in the Bid Documents. If the Bidder, prior to submitting its Bid, fails to notify the Director of PMM of the existence of an ambiguity or inconsistency in the Bid Documents, a Bid will conclusively be presumed to have been based upon the Authority's interpretation of such ambiguity or inconsistency.

- 4. All erasures, interpolations or other physical changes on the Bid form shall be signed or initialed by the Bidder. Bids containing any conditions, omissions, erasure's, alterations, or items not called for in this "RFB" or irregularities of any kind, may be rejected by the Authority, in its sole discretion.
- 5. The Bidder shall not attach conditions, limitations or provisos to its Bid.
- 6. <u>The Authority will accept Approved Equivalent items on this Bid.</u> If a Bidder is basing the RFB on items other than what is specified, and wishes the items proposed to be considered as an "Approved Equivalent", the Bidder shall enter a price on the Bid sheet then submit on the Exception Form in the exact format of the line item on the RFB contained herein, the item number, an item description including manufacturers name, model number, informational brochure(s), and packaging quantities of those items that the Bidder proposes to substitute.

C. BASIS OF AWARD

- The bid is divided into five Regions (Parkway South Region MP 0.0 106.0, Parkway Central Region MP 106.0 – 145.0, Parkway – North Region MP 145.0 – 172.3, Turnpike – Southern Region MP 0.0 – 75.5 and Turnpike – Northern Region MP 75.5 – 122 and HCTE MP 0.0-6.0) ("Region"). Bidders must supply a price for every item per Region chosen, bids not having a price in all items per Region chosen may rejected. The bid will be awarded to the Bidder(s) who supplies the lowest cost for all items listed per Region. A Bidder may receive an award for one or more Regions.
- 2. Bidders must quote only one price per line item. <u>If a Bidder quotes multiple prices per line item,</u> <u>the Bid may be rejected</u>.
- 3. The Authority will purchase amounts of any given item as needed, at the sole discretion of the Authority and shall not be bound by any quantities listed. The Authority reserves the right to make reasonable increases to line item quantities.
- 4. All items are to be Bid FOB Destination. All shipping, handling, and other costs should be considered in the Bid price(s).
- 5. The Authority is tax exempt from New Jersey Sales and Excise Tax.
- 6. Award will be made to the lowest responsible and responsive bidder for the total line items Bid.

D. MISCELLANEOUS

- 1. ELECTRONIC PAYMENT: The Vendor will be required to accept <u>payment(s) for goods or</u> <u>services via automatic deposit</u> from the Authority. <u>NO OTHER FORM OF PAYMENT WILL</u> <u>BE PROVIDED</u>. <u>See</u> Exhibit M in the Instructions to Bidders on the Authority's website for the required electronic payment forms: <u>http://www.njta.com/doing-business/goods-and-services</u>
- 2. Contract Bond: The successful bidder will be required upon award, to provide a contract bond in an amount of: <u>20</u> % of the Contract amount.

3. Please be advised that the public bid opening for Solicitation RM-176422 which is scheduled for FEBRUARY 22, 2023 AT 11:30 AM will be by **CONFERENCE CALL ONLY.**

Conference call details are as follows:

Dial-in Number: 646-992-2010 Access code: 2340 862 4339

For any bidder who wishes to participate, conference call access will be open 5 minutes prior to opening and remain until all bids have been read.

E. BID QUOTATION SHEET

ITEM	QTY	UNIT	DESCRIPTION	UNIT	TOTAL
				PRICE	DOLLAR AMOUNT
1.		CREW	NORMAL WORK SCHEDULE TREE		
	608	HOURS	TRIMMING CREW-3 MAN, as per attached specifications	\$	\$
2.		CREW	EMERGENCY CALLOUT/OVERTIME/		
2.	8	HOURS	HOLIDAY TREE CREW-3 MAN, as per attached specifications	\$	\$
3.	88	HOURS	LOG TRUCK, as per attached specifications	\$	\$
4.	96	HOURS	CRANE, as per attached specifications	\$	\$
5.	80	HOURS	ADDITIONAL LABORER(S), as per attached specifications	\$	\$
6.	104	HOURS	ADDITIONAL CHIP TRUCK, as per attached specifications	\$	\$
7.	16	HOURS	STUMP GRINDING, as per attached specifications	\$	\$
8.	16	HOURS	SKID STEER, as per attached specifications	\$	\$
9.	80	HOURS	SPIDER LIFT, as per attached specifications	\$	\$
TOTAL OF LINES 1 THROUGH 9				\$	

PARKWAY – SOUTH REGION MP 0.0 – 106.0

BID QUOTATION SHEET CON'T.

ITEM	QTY	UNIT	DESCRIPTION	UNIT PRICE	TOTAL DOLLAR AMOUNT
1.		CREW	NORMAL WORK SCHEDULE TREE		
	660	HOURS	TRIMMING CREW-3 MAN, as per	\$	\$
			attached specifications		
2.		CREW	EMERGENCY CALLOUT/OVERTIME/		
	8	HOURS	HOLIDAY TREE CREW-3 MAN, as per	\$	\$
			attached specifications		
3.	120		LOG TRUCK, as per attached		
	120	HOURS	specifications	\$	\$
4.	56	HOURS	CRANE, as per attached specifications	\$	\$
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5.	80	HOURS	ADDITIONAL LABORER(S), as per attached specifications	\$	\$
6.	96	HOURS	ADDITIONAL CHIP TRUCK, as per attached specifications	\$	\$
7.			STUMP GRINDING,		
/.	24	HOURS	as per attached specifications	\$	\$
8.	24	HOUDS	SKID STEER, as per attached specifications	¢	¢
		HOURS		\$	\$
9.	80	HOURS	SPIDER LIFT, as per attached	ф.	
		110 0105	specifications	\$	\$
TOTAL OF LINES 1 THROUGH 9					\$

BID QUOTATION SHEET CON'T.

PARKWAY –NORTH REGION MP 145.0 – 172.3

ITEM	QTY	UOM	DESCRIPTION	UNIT PRICE	TOTAL DOLLAR AMOUNT
1.	632	CREW HOURS	NORMAL WORK SCHEDULE TREE TRIMMING CREW-3 MAN, as per attached specifications	\$	\$
2.	8	CREW HOURS	EMERGENCY CALLOUT/OVERTIME/ HOLIDAY TREE CREW-3 MAN, as per attached specifications	\$	\$
3.	96	HOURS	LOG TRUCK, as per attached specifications	\$	\$
4.	88	HOURS	CRANE, as per attached specifications	\$	\$
5.	88	HOURS	ADDITIONAL LABORER(S), as per attached specifications	\$	\$
6.	120	HOURS	ADDITIONAL CHIP TRUCK, as per attached specifications	\$	\$
7.	40	HOURS	STUMP GRINDING, as per attached specifications	\$	\$
8.	32	HOURS	SKID STEER, as per attached specifications	\$	\$
9.	80	HOURS	SPIDER LIFT, as per attached specifications	\$	\$
TOTAL ITEMS 1 THROUGH 9				\$	

BID QUOTATION SHEET CON'T.

TURNPIKE – SOUTHERN REGION MP 0.0 - 75.5 and PHMTE MP 0.0 - 6.0ITEMQTYUNITDESCRIPTIONUNITTOTAL					
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1.		CREW	NORMAL WORK SCHEDULE TREE		
	688	HOURS	TRIMMING CREW-3 MAN, as per attached specifications	\$	\$
2.			EMERGENCY CALLOUT/OVERTIME/		
	8	CREW HOURS	HOLIDAY TREE CREW-3 MAN, as per attached specifications	\$	\$
2		HOURS	1		
3.	104	HOURS	LOG TRUCK, as per attached specifications	\$	\$
4.	96	HOURS	CRANE, as per attached specifications	\$	\$
5.	88	HOURS	ADDITIONAL LABORER(S), as per attached specifications	\$	\$
6.	120	HOURS	ADDITIONAL CHIP TRUCK, as per attached specifications	\$	\$
7.	16	HOURS	STUMP GRINDING, as per attached specifications	\$	\$
8.	32	HOURS	SKID STEER, as per attached specifications	\$	\$
9.	80	HOURS	SPIDER LIFT, as per attached specifications	\$	\$
TOTAL OF LINES 1 THROUGH 9					\$

TURNPIKE - SOUTHERN REGION MP 0.0 - 75.5 and PHMTE MP 0.0 - 6.0

BID QUOTATION SHEET CON'T

ITEM	QTY	UOM	DESCRIPTION	UNIT	TOTAL
				PRICE	DOLLAR
					AMOUNT
1.		CREW	NORMAL WORK SCHEDULE TREE		
	480	HOURS	TRIMMING CREW-3 MAN, as per	\$	\$
			attached specifications		
2.		CREW	EMERGENCY CALLOUT/OVERTIME/		
	8	HOURS	HOLIDAY TREE CREW-3 MAN, as per	\$	\$
			attached specifications		
3.					
	96	HOURS	LOG TRUCK, as per attached	\$	\$
			specifications		
4.	72	HOLDG		Φ	¢
		HOURS	CRANE, as per attached specifications	\$	\$
5. 80			ADDITIONAL LABORER(S), as per		
	80	HOURS	attached specifications	\$	\$
6.	100		ADDITIONAL CHIP TRUCK, as per		
	120	HOURS	attached specifications	\$	\$
7.			STUMP GRINDING, as per attached		
	40	HOURS	specifications	\$	\$
8.					
0.	32	HOURS	SKID STEER, as per attached specifications	\$	\$
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9.	80	HOURS	SPIDER LIFT, as per attached	\$	\$
			specifications	Φ	Φ
TOTAL ITEMS 1 THROUGH 9					\$

ANY INQUIRIES CONCERNING THIS BID MUST BE SENT VIA EMAIL TO NOBLE@NJTA.COM NO LATER THAN FEBRUARY 13, 2023.

PURSUANT TO N.J.A.C. 19:9-2.2 (a)(3), Addenda will be distributed and posted on the Authority's website at least three days prior to the bid opening.

NEW JERSEY TURNPIKE AUTHORITY

Very truly yours, Janet Rzepka, Acting Director Procurement and Materials Management

Name of Company / Authorized Signature of Bidder

F. SIGNATURE PAGE

 1. ADDENDA / INQUIRIES: COMPLETE (if applicable) BEFORE SUBMITTING BID:

 Receipt of Addendum / Inquiries #_____dated_____is hereby acknowledged.

 Receipt of Addendum / Inquiries #______dated______is hereby acknowledged.

CHECK BOX IF NO ADDENDA/INQUIRY ISSUED

(All Addenda / Inquiries must be acknowledged as indicated above.)

- 2. **<u>BID IRREVOCABLE</u>**: This offer shall be irrevocable for ninety (90) working days after the date on which the Authority publicly opens this Bid except in those instances where an unsuccessful Bidder has filed a bid protest pursuant to *N.J.A.C.* 19:9-2.12. Upon notification of a protest, Bidders are required to hold their prices for an additional 90 days. All Bidders will be notified in writing of the action taken by the Authority.
- 3. <u>OFFER/CERTIFICATION:</u> The undersigned offers and agrees to furnish to the New Jersey Turnpike Authority the services and/or materials in compliance with all terms, conditions, specifications and addenda of the RFB, Bid Documents, and resulting contract. The undersigned further certifies understanding and compliance with the requirements of the standard terms and conditions as stated in the Instructions to Bidders included with the Bid Documents. The undersigned certifies that he or she executes this Bid with full authority so to do; and that all statements contained in this Bid and in this certification are true and correct, and made with full knowledge that the Authority relies upon the truth of the statements contained herein and in any statements requested by the Authority showing evidence of qualifications in awarding the contract.

I certify that the foregoing statements made by me are true. I am aware that if any of the foregoing statements made by me are willfully false, I am subject to punishment.

4. AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE:

Print Name and Title:	
Bidder:	
Address:	
City, State, Zip:	
E-mail address:	
Telephone #:	 Fax: #
Date:	-

SECTION III

A. SPECIFICATIONS

1.0 RESPONSIBILITY OF THE CONTRACTOR

All bidders shall demonstrate competence and experience concerning the agreement's terms and conditions.

The Contractor shall be in full compliance with the 'Tree Expert and Tree Care Operators Licensing Act', *N.J.S.A.* 45:15C-11, having on staff during the duration of the contract a full time Certified Tree Expert (CTE) who would be responsible to oversee the work performed and provide their professional support regarding tree issues when needed. Licenses shall be submitted showing proof of certification with bid submittal. All aerial bucket truck operators, climbers, and crew foreman shall be trained and hold a ACRT (or an approved equivalent) Line Clearance Certification. Certificate shall be presented to the Authority upon request.

1.1 Limits of Work

This agreement shall be both the NJ Turnpike and the Garden State Parkway, sectored into 2 Regions of the Turnpike – Northern Region (MP 75.5 - 122 and the 'HCTE' (Hudson County Turnpike Extension) MP 0.0 to 6.0) and Southern Region (MP 0.0 - 75.5 and the PHMTE (Pearl Harbor Memorial Turnpike Extension) MP 0.0 - 6.0) and 3 Regions of the Parkway – Northern Region (MP 145.0 - 172.3), Central Region (MP 106. - 145.0), and Southern Region (MP 0.0 - 106.0).

2.0 SCOPE OF WORK

Under this Contract, the successful Contractor shall be expected to do trimming of the side and top of trees and brush encroaching along the roadside of the roadway and/or shoulder, as well as the total clearing of trees and brush from the Roadways right-of-way. Work also includes mulching of debris in place, grinding of stumps and the application of a herbicide to prevent re-growth. Mulched debris can be left in place as long as it does not create a hazard or block drainage as determined by a New Jersey Turnpike Authority representative. However, certain areas may require the collection and disposal of chipped and/or mulched debris. The designation of these areas shall be at the sole discretion of the Authority representative.

The Contractor shall furnish all necessary equipment, labor, tools, and materials required for tree trimming and tree removals of scheduled or emergencies as specified during the price agreement period.

2.1 Tree Trimming

The trimming of trees shall be done in accordance with the latest classes of pruning as stipulated by the 'Tree Care Industry Association (formerly the National Arborist Association) - Pruning Standards for Shade Trees – ANSI A300, Rev.2001'. Those Classes pertinent to this agreement shall be:

Class I – Fine pruning to improve the structure and health of the tree.

Class II – Standard Pruning consisting of the removal of hazardous, interfering, obstructing, and weak branches.

Class III – Hazard pruning consisting of the removal of damaged or dangerous limbs.

During all pruning work, cuts shall be at the branch collar without leaving stubs, ensuring a proper callus. Remaining branches shall be protected during pruning process, ensuring the continued health of the tree shall not be compromised.

2.2 Tree Removals

All trees slated for removal shall be handled in an expeditious manner without compromising the safety of those performing the removal, the Authority's motoring patrons, and/or its employees.

In certain instances, complete removal shall include the grinding of stumps and exposed roots to a depth of 12" below existing grade utilizing a stump grinder. The stump grinding operation shall be separate from the Tree Removal operation and a separate rate shall incur in accordance to the work performed by the crew as indicated in section 3.0.

All tree trimming/removals shall include the pickup and disposal of all wood chips and any logs derived from scheduled trimming/removals off site unless otherwise directed by the Turnpike Authority's representative. Cost of log removals shall be in accordance to section 4.2 - Log Truck. Removal of wood chips shall be in accordance to section 5.1.

2.3 Herbicide Application

A herbicide shall be applied to the cambial area of the stumps in accordance with the product label ensuring translocation down to the root system. Once the herbicide application has occurred and enough time has transpired according to manufacturer's application instructions and recommendations, the grinding of stumps shall be performed. The herbicide shall be Garlon 4 Ultra or Pathfinder II as manufactured by Dow Agro Sciences Co. or an approved equivalent and shall be supplied by the contractor during the term of the contract when requested. The herbicide cost and its application shall be included in the proposed hourly crew rate in accordance to subsection 3.1. Any person applying herbicides shall be properly licensed and trained in accordance to the NJ Pesticide Control Regulations – NJAC 7:30 - 6.4.

3.0 EQUIPMENT AND CREW

In the case of this agreement, a crew shall be defined as both laborers and equipment as defined in Subsection 3.1 and 4.1 of these specifications unless otherwise stated in these specifications. In the instance that all two (2) areas within the limits of this agreement are awarded to the same Contractor, the said Contractor may be required to furnish two (2) crews as defined in Subsection 4.1 along with any additional equipment that may be required to cover the entire road on any given day. Under certain circumstances, the Contractor may also be required to furnish up to two (2) crews as defined in Subsection 3.1 within each area awarded to them on any given day until the requirement of those circumstances are met.

3.1 Tree Trimming/Removal Crew

As a minimum, each crew shall consist of one (1) working crew leader, one (1) climber/ journeyman, and one (1) ground man/laborer; one (1) aerial bucket truck having a maximum reach not less than sixty feet (60') working height and forty feet (40') height at thirty-five feet (35' side) reach; one brush chipper with the capability of chipping logs with a minimum (twelve inch (12") diameter, towed by a truck containing an enclosed dump body capable of collecting a minimum twelve (12) yards of wood chips (the aerial bucket may come complete with chipper box having the capability of performing both operations simultaneously without interruption from each); minimum two (2) chainsaws – one (1) having the capability of cutting trees/logs with a forty-eight (48") circumference. All crew members shall be competent with the operation of a chainsaw as well as the brush chipper

and stump grinder. The Authority may require a demonstration and approval before operations of the tree climber's ability and competence in climbing, along with journeyman and ground man/laborer's ability to operate a chainsaw and brush chipper prior to the award of this contract. At the minimum, at least one (1) member of each crew shall be proficient in the English language with the ability to maintain daily work records and log as to each crew's daily work records.

The contractor shall also be required to supply an Attenuator System as a requisite for each given crew while working along the Roadways. The attenuator to be supplied is to have been tested in accordance with the 'National Cooperative Highway Research Program Report 350: for test level III at a speed of 62 MPH (100 KM). The attenuating system shall also be equipped with a minimum 4 foot by 8 foot flashing arrow board attached to the system and shall be fully visible, at all times, to vehicles approaching or following the attenuating system. This system shall be operated by one of the three members of the crew while traveling to and from the work site and during the mobile process of the tree trim/removal operations being conducted.

4.0 ADDITIONAL LABOR PERSONNEL

In certain circumstances, additional personnel to the crew would allow the tree trim/removal activities to be more expeditious and efficient. In the event the Authority deems additional labor is necessary, the Contractor shall supply the necessary ground man/laborer as defined in subsection 4.1. The Contractor shall be compensated on an hourly rate for each additional person supplied.

4.1 Stump Grinding Crew

As indicated in section 2.2, stumps and exposed roots may be required for removal. The stump grinding operation shall be handled by a stump grinding crew and shall be separate from the scope of the tree removal process and shall carry a separate rate from the hourly crew rate for trimming and removal. The stump grinding crew shall include one stump grinder capable of grinding all stumps twelve inches (12") below ground level with an operator and one helper. This crew shall perform the stump and exposed roots removal by grinding the stump and its parts to a depth of no less than 12". The Contractor shall be responsible for all mark outs necessary prior to the removal process.

4.2 Additional Equipment

<u>Crane</u> - Certain tree removals may require at the Authority direction the use of a crane to remove said trees in a safe, expeditious manner. The crane shall have a twenty (20) ton working capacity with a capable reach of one hundred (100) feet. The crane operation shall include one (1) operator to work in conjunction with the tree trimming/removal crew. The crane operator shall be trained and certified by the National Commission for the Certification of Crane Operators (NCCCO). or an approved equivalent. Certificate shall be presented to the Authority upon request. In the instance when the crane is summoned for the tree removal process, the supporting tree/trim removal crew shall include a chipper with winch, capable of chipping 18" logs or greater (No exceptions).

<u>Skid Steer</u> – During clean up, in extreme cases the use of a skid steer maybe required at the Authority's direction to make the work process more efficient. The skid steer shall be equipped on rubber tracks with a minimum 3/4 yard bucket and capable of handling the following attachments - a Grapple Bucket capable of a safe lift capacity of three thousand pounds (3,000 lbs). The skid steer operation shall include one (1) operator to work in addition with the tree trimming/removal crew.

<u>Chip Truck</u> - In certain circumstances, the Authority may require an additional chip truck (to the truck defined in subsection 3.1), on site to help expedite the tree work activities. The additional chip truck shall contain a box that would hold a minimum 16 yards of wood chips. The additional chip truck shall be used for the collection of wood chips only and the aerial bucket would not be required. The truck shall come with a driver/laborer in addition and supportive to the tree trim/removal crew. The contractor shall be compensated for the additional chip truck and operator on an hourly rate supplied.

<u>Log Truck</u> – The Authority may require wood removal from site could also be expedited through the use of a Prentice log truck Model 120 (or an approved equivalent) equipped with a hydraulic grapple. Truck shall be equipped to handle a minimum of thirty (30 yards) of log material with the grapple having a minimum 7,500 lb. lift capacity with a reach of 27'. The log truck operation shall include one operator to work in addition with the tree trimming/removal crew. The rate for the log truck shall be based on its hours of service. Disposal of logs shall be at the sole responsibility of the contractor. All disposal sites shall be within $\frac{1}{2}$ hour of the log removal locations unless otherwise approved by Authority personnel.

In the event that the Authority finds that the wood chips collected shall be temporarily stored at a designated site close to the work area within the Authority's right-of-way, the contractor shall be responsible to supply a truck and operator with an open trailer/container capable of hauling a minimum 40 yards of chips for its removal at a later determined date. The Authority's Maintenance department will load the stored chips onto the contractor's truck. The contractor shall be compensated at the hourly rate of a log truck for the truck used during removal of the stored chips.

<u>Spider Lift –</u> In limited circumstances in which work is required in areas where large vehicle access is not feasible (for examples: a residential yard adjacent to the Roadway or space limited Right of Ways) the Authority may require the use of a spider lift (remote self-drive tracked single man lift). This lift must be able to gain access in openings ranging from 36"- 72" and must have a working range of 65' to 100'. The unit must be certified and inspected annually and the contractor must show proof of inspection.

Contractor to provide all equipment necessary (trucks/trailers) to move all equipment from work location to work location as directed.

4.3 Inspection of Equipment

The Authority reserves the right to inspect all equipment prior to the award of the agreement. All inspections shall take place during regular Authority business hours, (Monday-Friday, 7:00 AM – 4:00 PM). Inspections shall be conducted at the proposed vendor's site in the State of New Jersey. The proposed vendor shall give the Authority seventy-two (72) hours advance notice as to the location of equipment. All equipment shall be on site at the time of the agreed inspection.

5.0 SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS

5.1 Cleanup

At certain locations of the roadway, all debris resulting from any tree work shall be removed and disposed of at the conclusion of each workday unless otherwise directed by the Authority. All cleanup and disposal shall be performed by the contractor at no additional cost to the Authority. Disposal sites_accepting chips, logs, or brush utilized by the successful bidder shall be within ½ hour from the work site when disposing of these materials during the workday. Cleanup costs shall be included in the proposed hourly work rate as proposed in accordance to subsections 3.1 and 4.1. The Authority reserves the right to claim all clean wood chips and cut logs to be dropped at a site within close proximity of the workplace.

5.2 Maintenance and Protection of Traffic and Night Lighting

All maintenance and protection of traffic (excluding truck mounted attenuators which will be supplied by the contractor) required for this Agreement shall be provided by the Authority in accordance to the 2011 Manual for Traffic Control in Work Zones. The Authority shall also make available mobile light towers to provide adequate lighting if and when nighttime work is scheduled.

5.3 Personal Protective Equipment

All personnel involved in Tree Trimming and/or Removals shall be required to wear head protection (hardhat), ear plugs and safety glasses/face shield when performing work operations. All personnel shall be required to wear a reflective breakaway safety vest which meets ANSI Standard 107-2010, Class Three (3) Conspicuity, during any activities along the traveled thoroughfare of the Roadways. Any personnel who fail to wear the approved safety vest and personal protective equipment shall be considered unauthorized and will be removed from site with no monetary compensation for work performed and all work will be suspended until each member of the crew is equipped with the proper personal protective safety equipment approved by the Authority.

6.0 WORK SCHEDULE

6.1 Award of Contract

After the successful bidder(s) receives notice of award to this Contract, the Authority shall contact the Contractor to schedule all necessary work. The Contractor will be required to respond to two (2) work schedules and respond to each as defined in subsections 6.2 and 6.3.

6.2 Normal Work Schedule

The New Jersey Turnpike Authority shall notify the Contractor prior to the start date for any tree trimming or tree removals. In the event the Authority cannot reach the Contractor upon initial call, the Authority shall leave a message with the answering party/voice mail and the Contractor will be required to call the Authority within twenty four (24hrs) following the initial call. At that time, the Authority will provide the Contractor with the pertinent information regarding the tree work to be scheduled. A site visit by both parties may be necessary (at no cost to the Authority) to estimate and plan all necessary details regarding work to be accomplished. The Contractor should be prepared to commence work within three (3) business days unless otherwise authorized and directed by the Authority for a full eight (8) hour shift or until the designated work assignment(s) are accomplished. Normal working hours shall be between 7:00 AM - 3:00 PM (Parkway) and 8:00 - 4:30PM (Turnpike) with a one-half (1/2) hour lunch break, Monday - Friday, (unless otherwise indicated in the Authority's, MANUAL FOR TRAFFIC CONTROL IN WORK ZONES (manual can be found on the Authority's www.njta.com/doing-business/professional-services/manuals/other-manuals/trafficwebsite control), 1.5 Lane Closure and Shoulder Closure Tables, and Appendix B), excluding Authority holidays. Any hours worked in excess of eight (8) hours per day, or forty (40) hrs. per week will be considered as overtime hours.

6.3 Night Work Schedule

In accordance to the Authority's 'Traffic Control Manual', designated areas of the roadway only allow the necessary lanes closures between the hours of 7:00 PM - 6:00 AM. Under this circumstance, the Authority shall notify the Contractor of its intent to complete any necessary tree trimming or removals within these designated areas between the normal scheduled night crew hours from 9:00 PM - 7:00 AM, 7 business days prior

to the start date of these activities. At that time, the Authority will provide the Contractor with the pertinent information regarding the tree work to be scheduled during the 'Night Work Schedule'. A site visit by both parties may be necessary (at no cost to the Authority) to estimate and plan all necessary details regarding work to be accomplished. The Contractor shall be compensated for <u>all</u> hours worked at the proposed 'Night Work Schedule' as bid per the Normal Work Schedule bid rate.

In the instance where any additional equipment as indicated in section 4.2 is necessary for use during the 'Night Work Schedule', the Contractor shall be compensated for all hours utilized at the proposed 'Normal Work Schedule' bid rate.

During the scheduled night work, the Authority shall provide mobile lighting equipment necessary for ample illumination of the work site to ensure the proper and safe implementation of chain sawing and the felling of tree part activities.

The Contractor should be prepared to commence work during the 'Night Schedule' within 3 business days of the scheduled start date unless otherwise authorized and directed by the Authority.

6.4 Emergency Work Schedule

In the circumstance where natural or unnatural causes create a hazardous condition which may impose imminent danger to life or property, immediate action shall be taken to remediate the situation. The Authority shall notify the Contractor of the emergency situation and assign the necessary emergency work required. In the event the Authority cannot reach the Contractor upon the initial call, the Authority shall leave a message with the answering party/voice mail and the Contractor will be required to call the Authority within two (2) hrs. following the initial call. Once contact has been established and the Contractor has received their assignment, they shall arrive at the work site within two (2) hours to commence work.

All work completed during the normal work hours, whether routine or emergency will be considered as straight time. Any emergency response work completed outside the normal work hours will be considered overtime. The Contractor will be insured a minimum of four (4) hours for emergency work call-out.

6.5 Holiday Work Schedule

The following days shall be considered Holidays:

New Year's Day Martin Luther King's Birthday Presidents Day Thanksgiving Day Christmas Day Easter Sunday

In addition, whenever any of the six mentioned Holidays falls on a weekend and is observed on a weekday, the day of observance shall be considered as a Holiday.

6.6 Failure to Respond

In the event the Contractor fails to comply with conditions set forth herein above or if the Authority is unable to make initial contact with the Contractor within the prescribed time, the Authority shall authorize the use of Contractors assigned to adjoining areas and any additional costs incurred shall be deducted from any moneys due the defaulting Contractor. In the event that another Contractor cannot be retained to perform the work prescribed within the time specified elsewhere herein or discontinues its contract with the Authority, the Contractor shall pay the Authority liquidated damages in lieu of the stated actual damages, in the amount of five (5) hundred dollars (\$500.00) for each twenty-four (24) hour period or segment thereof beyond the specified time as described in each work schedule. These liquidated damages will be deducted from payment due the Contractor.

6.7 Contractor Response Compensation

The Contractor's time will begin when he/she reports at the work site fully equipped (saws sharp ready for operation and all equipment fueled and operational for that day), per specifications, to commence work. On a normal schedule (eight) 8hr day) the Contractor is expected to be at the designated work site between the hours of 7:00AM until 5:00 PM depending on the Roadway

Due to factors beyond the control of the Authority, such as adverse weather conditions, and/or traffic conditions that prohibit necessary lane closings (In accordance to the Authority's '<u>MANUAL FOR TRAFFIC</u> <u>CONTROL IN WORK</u> ZONES') or produces unsafe work conditions to the Contractor, Authority personnel and or the motoring public, the Authority reserves the right to stop all work at its discretion and reschedule work completion on the next possible business day. In the event work stoppage occurs before the end of the <u>eight (8)</u> <u>hour shift</u>, scheduled work shift, the Contractor shall be compensated as follows:

- a. If the Contractor reports to the designated work site but does not commence work operations, the Contractor will be credited with a minimum of two (2) crew hours.
- b. If the Contractor commences work operations but it is necessary to suspend work before four (4) hours worked, the Contractor will be credited with a minimum of four (4) crew hours.
- c. If the Contractor commences work operations but it is necessary to suspend work after four (4) hours worked, the Contractor will then be compensated for the actual hours worked.

The Contractor shall be responsible for performing all work in a continuous operation until complete unless an exception is approved in writing by the Authority.

7.0 MEASUREMENT AND PAYMENT

The Contractor shall be compensated based on crew hours worked and equipment time as defined in Subsections 3.1, 4.1 and 4.2 of these specifications. In the event the Contractor is summoned for work that is completed within two (2) weeks, the Contractor shall submit an invoice upon completion of work. If the scheduled work term is greater than two (2) weeks, the Contractor shall submit a monthly invoice covering all work performed during the preceding thirty (30) days.

All billing shall include Date(s) of time worked; exact location of site worked by milepost or interchange; and all crew/equipment hours as they correspond to signed 'Daily Report of Tree Trimming and Removal' form supplied by the Authority for each day's work.

8.0 TERMINATION OF CONTRACT

It is recognized by the parties hereto that the services to be provided under this Agreement form a part of an essential public service and that services must be timely and thorough. Accordingly, it is agreed that this Contract may be terminated by the Authority upon thirty (30) days prior written notice to the Contractor, if in the opinion of the Director of Operations, the Contractor's performance is unsatisfactory. Upon such termination, the parties hereto shall be released from any and all liability, claims or causes of action arising out of this Contract, except for the payment to the Contractor for work performed up to and including the date of termination, less any damage caused by the Contractor to the property of the Authority, prior to the date of termination.

The Authority also reserves the right to cancel, upon immediate notice, any contract or obligation of the Authority based upon these specifications if the Contractor:

a. Fails to meet any of the qualification requirements set forth in these specifications.

b. Fails, for whatever reason(s), to maintain the required insurance coverage during the period of this agreement.

c. Knowingly performs work that is in violation of Federal, State, County, and/or local law, statute or regulation.

d. Fails to provide the required services within the specified times, unless given a written extension by the Authority.

e. Petitions any court for bankruptcy proceedings or becomes insolvent in fact or in law.

f. Performs any work that could reasonably place any person in grave danger of life, limb, or general safety.

8.1 Extension Option

If the Director of PMM deems it to be in the best interest of the Authority to extend the period of any term contract entered into as a result of this agreement, for an additional period of time, the Contractor will be notified, in writing, prior to the expiration of the existing contract. The Contractor shall respond with his concurrence, in writing. Such extensions will not exceed a 5% increase per annum at the same terms and conditions as the original contract and shall remain firm for the entire extension period.

9.0 MANDATORY PRE-BID MEETING

Mandatory Pre-bid meeting will be held prior to the submission of bids on <u>FEBRUARY 14, 2023 AT</u> <u>10:00 AM</u> via Webex only. Attendees must notify Christine Noble at <u>noble@njta.com</u> no later than FEBRUARY 10, 2023.

<u>All Bidders must be represented at the mandatory pre-bid meeting or he/she/it cannot participate in the bidding process.</u> Such failure to attend this mandatory pre-bid meeting will result in rejection of the Bid and will disqualify the applicant from submitting a bid for Tree Trimming and Removal Services.

Prospective bidders must e-mail <u>noble@njta.com</u> to receive Webex video conference call details.

SECTION IV

A. <u>NO RESPONSE BID SURVEY</u>

BID REQUISITION NUMBER: RM-176422

PROPOSAL TITLE: TREE TRIMMING AND REMOVAL SERVICES

If you do not choose to respond to this Bid, please complete this form and email to noble@njta.com

Name of Company				
Reason you did not respond (Check all that apply)				
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Cannot me	eet delivery specifications			
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Yes	No			
Additional comments:				
Signed :(optional)				
Company:				

B. EXCEPTION FORM

Bidders may list proposed equivalent items below for consideration by the Authority, and should include the item number, item description, manufacturer's name, model number and packaging quantities of those items which the Bidder proposes to substitute. Bidders may not use this form to attach conditions, limitations, or other provisos to their bid. Please be advised that any proposed equivalent or other exceptions that are deemed to be a material deviation from the specifications shall be a mandatory cause for rejection of the bid.

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Vendor's Name_____ Signature of Vendor Responsible Officer_____ Date_____

C. <u>DRAFT AGREEMENT</u>

TREE TRIMMING AND REMOVAL SERVICES <u>RM -176422</u>

THIS AGREEMENT, dated ______, by and between the New Jersey Turnpike Authority, a body corporate and politic of the State of New Jersey having its principal office at One Turnpike Plaza, Woodbridge, New Jersey 07095 (the "Authority") and ______a corporation of the State of New Jersey, having principal offices located ______ (the "Contractor").

WITNESSETH, that the said Contractor, for and in consideration of the payments hereinafter specified, hereby covenants, and agrees to furnish the labor, materials, equipment, and insurance to provide for the services of ______ specified in this Agreement in strict conformance with Specifications attached hereto and made a part hereof. Defined terms used herein carry the same meaning as defined in the Specifications.

The term of the Agreement shall commence on the date of the Purchase Order and terminate one (1) year therefrom, unless earlier terminated as provided in the Specifications. The Authority may opt, at its sole discretion, to renew this Agreement for two (2) additional one (1) year terms.

STRICT LIABILITY INDEMNITY	
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NEGLIGENCE BASED INDEMNITY

In consideration of the premises, the Authority hereby agrees to pay, as sole compensation for the performance of the Project, payments for the actual quantity of authorized work performed, as provided in the Specifications, at the prices for the Scheduled Items of Work in the Proposal.

This Agreement is to be binding upon the Authority, its successor or successors, and upon the Contractor and its heirs, executor, administrators, successor or successors, and is voidable and may be terminated by the Authority, in accordance with the terms of the Specifications, or upon violation by the Contractor of any statute relative thereto.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have caused their duly authorized representatives to execute this agreement and to affix their respective corporate seals thereto on the day and year first above written.

BY_____ John M. Keller

Executive Director

ATTEST:

NEW JERSEY TURNPIKE AUTHORITY

Kim Schurman Secretary to the Authority

[Corporate Seal]

ATTEST:

Company Name

BY

Name / Title

Name / Title

[Corporate Seal]



NEW JERSEY TURNPIKE AUTHORITY

P.O. Box 5042 Woodbridge, New Jersey 07095 or 1 Turnpike Plaza Woodbridge, New Jersey 07095 Tel. – 732-750-5300 Fax – 732-750-5399

INSTRUCTIONS TO BIDDERS

PLEASE READ THE INSTRUCTIONS CAREFULLY BEFORE SUBMITTING YOUR BID

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INSTRUCTIONS TO BIDDERS FOR SUBMISSION OF BIDS STANDARD TERMS AND CONDITIONS

The following Standard Terms and Conditions apply to all contracts, purchase agreements or purchase orders with the New Jersey Turnpike Authority unless specifically stated otherwise in the Invitation to Bid/Request for Bids ("RFB"). Bidders are hereby notified that all Terms and Conditions contained herein will become a part of any contract(s) awarded or order(s) placed as a result of any RFB fully and to the same extent as if copied at length therein. In the case of a conflict between these general Terms and Conditions and the specific provisions of the RFB, the RFB shall control. Failure to comply with each and every one of the below Terms and Conditions, as well as the specific requirements set forth in the RFB, may be grounds for rejection of the bid.

I. <u>DEFINITIONS</u>

The following definitions will be a part of any RFB issued by the New Jersey Turnpike Authority, and any contract(s) awarded or order(s) placed as a result of such documents.

- a. "Authority" shall mean the New Jersey Turnpike Authority.
- b. "Bidder" shall mean any potential vendor submitting a response to an RFB issued by the Authority.
- c. "Contract" shall mean the RFB (including these Standard Terms and Conditions), the response thereto submitted by the bidder, and the Authority's Notice of Award.
- d. "Director" shall mean the Director of Procurement & Materials Management Department of the Authority.
- e. "Vendor" shall mean the successful bidder who is awarded the contract at issue.

II. STATE LAWS REQUIRING MANDATORY COMPLIANCE BY ALL BIDDERS

A. DIVISION OF REVENUE REGISTRATION-Pursuant to the terms of *N.J.S.A.* 52:32-44, bidders are required to submit to the Authority proof of valid business registration with the New Jersey Division of Revenue in the Department of Treasury, prior to entering into a contract with the Authority. No contract shall be entered into by the Authority unless the bidder first provides proof of valid business registration. In addition, bidders are required to provide to the Authority proof of valid business registration with the Division of Revenue for any and all subcontractors that will be used to provide goods or services under the contract. A copy of the bidder's and any subcontractor's valid Certificate of Registration should be included with the bid submission and must be in effect prior to the contract award.

All questions regarding this requirement should be referred to the Division of Revenue hotline at (609)-292-9292 or/online: <u>http://www.nj.gov/treasury/revenue/forms/njreg.pdf</u>

- B. EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY COMPLIANCE Bidders must agree not to discriminate in employment and are required to comply with all applicable anti-discrimination laws, including those contained within N.J.S.A. 10:2-1 through 10:2-4, N.J.S.A. 10:5-1, et seq., and N.J.S.A. 10:5-31, et seq., P.L. 1975, c. 127. The mandatory language required by P.L. 1975, c. 127, as set forth in Exhibit A, shall be deemed a material term of any and all contracts, purchase agreements, and purchase orders entered into by the Authority. Bidders must acknowledge their agreement with the terms set forth in Exhibit A by signing where indicated and returning the exhibit with the bid. In addition, Bidders must affirmatively demonstrate compliance with P.L. 1975, c. 127 by submitting with the bid the completed Affirmative Action Information Sheet, set forth in Exhibit B, and any required attachments.
 - 1) Anti-discrimination provision required by *N.J.S.A.* 10:2-1 In the hiring of persons for the performance of work under this contract or any subcontract hereunder, or for the procurement, manufacture, assembling or furnishing of any such materials, equipment, supplies or services to be acquired under this contract, no contractor, nor any person acting on behalf of such contractor or subcontractor, shall, by reason of race, creed, color, national origin, ancestry, marital status, gender identity or expression, affectional or sexual orientation or sex, discriminate against any person who is qualified and available to perform the work to which the employment relates.
 - 2) No contractor, subcontractor, nor any person on his behalf shall, in any manner, discriminate against or intimidate any employee engaged in the performance of work under this contract or any subcontract hereunder, or engaged in the procurement, manufacture, assembling or furnishing of any such materials, equipment, supplies or services to be acquired under such contract, on account of race, creed, color, national origin, ancestry, marital status, gender identity or expression, affectional or sexual orientation or sex.
 - 3) There may be deducted from the amount payable to the contractor by the contracting public agency, under this contract, a penalty of \$ 50.00 for each person for each calendar day during which such person is discriminated against or intimidated in violation of the provisions of the contract; and
 - 4) This contract may be canceled or terminated by the contracting public agency, and all money due or to become due hereunder may be forfeited, for any violation of this section of the contract occurring after notice to the contractor from the contracting public agency of any prior violation of this section of the contract.

B-1 Equal Pay Reporting Requirement Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 34:11-56.1 et seq.

Pursuant to the Diane B. Allen Equal Pay Act (N.J.S.A. 34:11-56.1 <u>et seq.</u>), any employer, regardless of the location of the employer, that enters into a contract with the Authority to provide any service that is not a public work as defined by N.J.S.A. 34:11-56.25 (5) must file annual Equal Pay Reports with the New Jersey Commissioner of Labor and Workforce Development, including information regarding the compensation and hours worked by employees categorized by gender, race, ethnicity and job category. Forms and instructions for Equal Pay Reports have been adopted for services contractors, which forms must be filed annually by March 31 for the preceding year, using employment figures from any period in October through December. See https://nj.gov/labor/equalpay.html.

- C. OWNERSHIP DISCLOSURE FORM-Bidders who are corporations, partnerships or limited liability companies must comply with <u>P.L.</u> 1977, <u>c.</u> 33, *N.J.S.A.* 52:25-24.2, by completing the Ownership Disclosure Form, set forth in Exhibit C, and submitting it with the bid. Failure to do so shall result in rejection of the bid.
- **D. POLITICAL CONTRIBUTIONS COMPLIANCE-**To be eligible for an award, bidders must comply with the requirements of <u>P.L.</u> 2005, <u>c.</u> 51, *N.J.S.A* 19:44 A-20.13 et seq., and with the requirements of Executive Order 117 (Corzine). No award may be made to a bidder who has not complied with these laws regarding political contributions. A more detailed explanation of these requirements is set forth in Exhibit D.

1. ADDITIONAL DISCLOSURE REQUIREMENTS OF P.L. 2005, C. 271

Bidders are advised of their responsibility to file annual disclosure statements on political contributions with the New Jersey Election Law Enforcement Commission (ELEC), pursuant to <u>P.L.</u> 2005, <u>c.</u> 271, section 3, if they receive contracts in excess of \$50,000 from any public entity in a calendar year. It is the bidder's responsibility to determine if filing is necessary. Failure to so file can result in the imposition of financial penalties by ELEC. Bidders must include with their bid a statement acknowledging this requirement, on the form set forth in Exhibit E. Additional information about this requirement is available from ELEC at 888-313-3532 or at www.elec.state.nj.us.

- **E. PREVAILING WAGE ACT-**The New Jersey Prevailing Wage Act, *N.J.S.A.* 34:11-56.26 et seq., is hereby made a part of every contract entered into on behalf of the Authority, except those contracts which are not within the contemplation of the Act. The bidder's signature on its bid is its guarantee that neither it nor any subcontractors it might employ to perform the work covered by the contract has been suspended or debarred by the New Jersey Department of Labor and Workforce Development for violation of the provisions of the Prevailing Wage Act and/or the Public Works Contractor Registration Act. The bidder's signature on its bid is its guarantee that both it and any subcontractors it might employ to perform the work covered by the contract will comply with the provisions of the Prevailing Wage and Public Works Contractor Registration Acts, where required.
- **F. PUBLIC WORKS CONTRACTOR REGISTRATION ACT**-The New Jersey Public Works Contractor Registration Act requires all contractors, subcontractors and lower tier subcontractors who bid on or engage in any contract for "public work," as defined in *N.J.S.A.* 34:11-56.51, to be first registered with the Department of Labor and Workforce Development. No vendor or subcontractor, including lower tier subcontractors, shall engage in the performance of any public work subject to the contract unless they are registered pursuant to this Act. Bidders can submit a valid copy of their Public Works Contractor Registration Certificate and valid copies of the Registration Certificates for all subcontractors along with the bid, but the certificate(s) must be submitted prior to contract award. The Registration Certificate(s) shall be maintained at the worksite and shall be made readily available for inspection at any time. Pursuant to *N.J.S.A.* 34:11-56.55 applications for registration shall not be accepted as a substitute for a Registration Certificate for subcontractors.

Any questions regarding this requirement should be directed to the Division of Wage and Hour Compliance, Department of Labor and Workforce Development at (609) 292-9464.

- **G. FOREIGN CORPORATION**-If applicable, the bidder shall register as a "Foreign Corporation" with the Secretary of the State of New Jersey, designating a resident agent for the service of process. Foreign corporations must obtain a certificate of authority to do business in NJ pursuant to *N.J.S.A.* 14A:13-3. Written proof of such registration must be included with the bid submission.
- **H. SMALL BUSINESS ENTERPRISE SET-ASIDE CONTRACT FOR GOODS AND SERVICES** It is the policy of the Authority that small business enterprises ("SBE") as determined and defined by the State of New Jersey, Division of Revenue and Enterprise Services ("Division") in the Department of the Treasury (*N.J.A.C.*17:13-1.2) have the opportunity to compete for and participate in the performance of contracts and subcontract for construction and for the purchase of goods and services. The Authority further requires that its contractors/vendors agree to take all necessary and responsible steps, in accordance with *N.J.S.A.* 52:32-17 et seq. and *N.J.A.C.* 17:13-1 et seq. to ensure that SBE's have these opportunities, as an aid in meeting the commitment of its SBE Programs. When applicable the Authority will designate the contract as a <u>SBE Set-Aside Contract</u>. In such cases requests for bid proposals shall be confined to businesses not designated as an SBE, when applicable, will be rejected.
- I. CODE OF ETHICS: Bidders are advised that the Authority has adopted the New Jersey Uniform Code of Ethics, a copy of which can be viewed by going to the following web site: http://nj.gov/ethics/docs/ethics/uniformcode.pdf By submitting a bid, bidders agree to be subject to the intent and purpose of said Code and to the requirements of the New Jersey State Ethics Commission.
 - 1) No vendor shall pay, offer to pay, or agree to pay, either directly or indirectly, any fee, commission, compensation, gift, gratuity, or other thing of value of any kind to any State officer or employee or special State officer or employee, as defined by *N.J.S.A.* 52:13D-13b. and e., in the Department of the Treasury or any other agency with which such vendor transacts or offers or proposes to transact business, or to any member of the immediate family, as defined by *N.J.S.A.* 52:13D-13i., of any such officer or employee, or any partnership, firm, or corporation with which they are employed or associated, or in which such officer or employee has an interest within the meaning of *N.J.S.A.* 52:13D-13g.
 - 2) The solicitation of any fee, commission, compensation, gift, gratuity or other thing of value by any State officer or employee or special State officer or employee from any State vendor shall be reported in writing forthwith by the vendor to the Attorney General and the Executive Commission on Ethical Standards.
 - 3) No vendor may, directly or indirectly, undertake any private business, commercial or entrepreneurial relationship with, whether or not pursuant to employment, contract or other agreement, express or implied, or sell any interest in such vendor to, any State officer or employee or special State officer or employee having any duties or responsibilities in connection with the purchase, acquisition or sale of any property or services by or to any State agency or any instrumentality thereof, or with any person, firm or entity with which he is employed or associated or in

which he has an interest within the meaning of *N.J.S.A.* 52:13D-13g. Any relationships subject to this provision shall be reported in writing forthwith to the Executive Commission on Ethical Standards, which may grant a waiver of this restriction upon application of the State officer or employee or special State officer or employee upon a finding that the present or proposed relationship does not present the potential, actuality or appearance of a conflict of interest.

- 4) No vendor shall influence, or attempt to influence or cause to be influenced, any State officer or employee or special State officer or employee in his official capacity in any manner which might tend to impair the objectivity or independence of judgment of said officer or employee.
- 5) No vendor shall cause or influence, or attempt to cause or influence, any State officer or employee or special State officer or employee to use, or attempt to use, his official position to secure unwarranted privileges or advantages for the vendor or any other person.
- 6) The provisions cited shall not be construed to prohibit a State officer or employee or special State officer or employee from receiving gifts from or contracting with vendors under the same terms and conditions as are offered or made available to members of the general public subject to any guidelines the Executive Commission on Ethical Standards may promulgate as stated above.
- **J. VENDOR LOCATION DISCLOSURE-**Pursuant to *N.J.S.A.* 52:34-13.2, every contract entered into by the Authority primarily for the performance of services shall specify that all services performed under the contract or performed under any subcontract awarded under the contract shall be performed within the United States. The statute requires all bidders to disclose the origin and location of the performance of their services, including any subcontracted services that are the subject matter of the contract. Bidders must include with their bid a completed Vendor Disclosure Form, attached hereto as Exhibit G.

J-1 DISCLOSURE OF INVESTMENT ACTIVITIES IN IRAN- Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 52:32-

58, the bidder must certify that neither the bidder, nor one of its parents, subsidiaries, and/or affiliates (as defined in *N.J.S.A.* 52:32-56(e)(3)), is listed on the Department of the Treasury's List of Persons or Entities Engaging in Prohibited Investment Activities in Iran and that neither is involved in any of the investment activities set forth in *N.J.S.A.* 52:32-56(f). If the bidder is unable to so certify, the bidder shall provide a detailed and precise description of such activities. Bidders must include with their bid a completed Disclosure of Investment Activities in Iran, attached hereto as Exhibit G-1.

J-2 RUSSIA INTERIM CERTIFCATION - Prior to the time a contract is awarded, pursuant to P.L.2022, c.3, the successful Bidder must certify that neither the successful Bidder, nor one of its parents, subsidiaries, or affiliates may have engaged in prohibited activities in Russia or Belarus. If the successful Bidder is unable to so certify, the Bidder shall provide a detailed and precise description of such activities to the Authority. Failure to provide such description will result in the Proposal being rendered as non-responsive, and the Authority will not be permitted to contract with such person or entity, and if a Proposal is accepted or contract is entered into

without delivery of the certification, appropriate penalties, fines and/or sanctions will be assessed as provided by law.

If the Bidder certifies that the Bidder is engaged in activities prohibited by P.L. 2022, c. 3, the Bidder shall have 90 days to cease engaging in any prohibited activities and on or before the 90th day after this certification, shall provide an updated certification. If the Bidder does not provide the updated certification or at that time cannot certify on behalf of the entity that it is not engaged in prohibited activities, the State shall not award the business entity any contracts, renew any contracts, and shall be required to terminate any contract(s) the business entity holds with the State that were issued on or after the effective date of P.L. 2022, c. 3.

The Authority requests that all Bidders submit a copy of the form entitled "Certification of Non-involvement in Prohibited Activities in Russia or Belarus Pursuant to P.L.2022, c.3" with their Proposal. Bidders must include with their bid a completed Certification of Non-Involvement in Activities in Russia, attached hereto as Exhibit J-2.

- K. SET-OFF FOR OUTSTANDING TAX LIABILITY-Bidders are advised that pursuant to <u>P.L.</u> 1995, <u>c.</u> 159, effective January 1, 1996, and notwithstanding any provision of the law to the contrary, the State of New Jersey has the right to set-off any tax indebtedness from payments made under contracts with the Authority. The State's rights are explained in more detail in Exhibit H, attached. Bidders must provide a copy of Exhibit H acknowledging that they have received notice of the State's right of set-off prior to contract award.
- L. MSDS REQUIREMENTS-Any vendor, Vendor, or subcontractor who provides the Authority materials in the form of a single chemical substance or a mixture containing two or more chemical substances, or who delivers to or stores such materials at an Authority facility, must provide the Authority with a clear, legible copy of the manufacturer's most recent Material Safety Data Sheet (MSDS) for each and every one of those materials, pursuant to *N.J.A.C.* 8:59-2.2(i).
- **M. LABELING REQUIREMENTS**-Any vendor, Vendor or subcontractor who provides the Authority materials which fall under the purview of the New Jersey Worker and Community Right-to-Know-Act, *N.J.S.A.* 34:5A-1 et seq., or who stores any such materials at an Authority facility, shall ensure that each and every container of those materials is labeled in accordance with the Act and its regulations.
- **N. VOC REQUIREMENTS-**Any architectural coating, as defined by *N.J.A.C.* 7:27-23.2, provided to the Authority for its use or used and applied by any vendor or subcontractor in conjunction with an Authority project must comply with each and every requirement of the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection's Volatile Organic Compounds in Consumer Products (VCC) regulation, *N.J.A.C.* 7:27-23.1 et seq.
- **O. COMPLIANCE WITH STATE AND FEDERAL LAWS**-The vendor must comply with all local, state and federal laws, rules and regulations applicable to the contract at issue and to the work to be done thereunder.

- P. SAFETY & HEALTH REQUIREMENTS-The goods, services and/or equipment provided through the contract at issue shall be so designed and installed to meet all applicable federal and state safety and health regulations and national consensus standards including, but not limited to US DOL-OSHA, NJ LWD-PEOSHA, NFPA and ANSI standards
- **Q. CHOICE OF LAW**-It is agreed and understood that any contract entered into and/or purchase orders placed as a result of any RFB issued by the Authority shall be governed and construed and the rights and obligations of the parties thereto shall be determined in accordance with the laws of the STATE OF NEW JERSEY.

III. **BID PREPARATION**

A. **BID SUBMISSION**-Unless the Authority has made provision for bids to be submitted online, bids must be submitted in paper format, in ink or typewritten. If space is provided on the RFB for bid details, bids must be submitted using that document. Paper bids must be signed and returned in a sealed envelope addressed to the New Jersey Turnpike Authority with the bid opening date, time and bid identification on the outside of the envelope. Bidders shall state on such form a unit price for each item and extend such unit price by multiplying same by the indicated quantities on the bids solicited by the Authority.

All bids must be received in the Authority's Purchasing Department on or before the date and time specified on the RFB. Bids received after the time indicated shall be rejected and returned to the bidder(s) unopened after being processed in accordance with established Authority procedures. The Authority will not be responsible for late postal or delivery service.

- **B. CORRECTIONS-**Any correction of an entry made on the bid should be initialed by a duly authorized representative of the bidder. If the total price is found to be incorrectly computed, discrepancies will be corrected by the Authority on the basis of the written unit prices, and determination of the low bidder will be made on the basis of the correct total price so determined.
- **C. BID PRICES-**All prices quoted shall be firm and not subject to increase during the term of the contract, unless otherwise specified in the RFB. Prices shall include transportation and delivery to the site designated by the Authority in the RFB. All delivery charges shall be borne by the vendor.
- **D. PAYMENT TERMS**-The bidder shall state the terms, if any, requested for the Authority to make payment within a certain period of time after receipt of the bidder's invoice.
- **E. ALTERNATES-**All items are to be quoted as specified in the RFB or as an approved equivalent. In those cases when an alternate product is offered, it is the bidder's responsibility to provide detailed specifications, brand, make and model of the alternate offered, in the bidder's response/bid submission. In the event a bidder fails to take exception to the published bid specifications, the Authority shall evaluate the bid as offering the specified product/service. The Authority shall determine, at its sole discretion, if any alternate product offered is acceptable as an approved equivalent.

In the event the Authority specifies a model number or item that has been replaced/superseded by another model number or item, the bidder may quote the replacement item as an alternate. In this case, the bidder must specify the manufacturer and model number of the replacement item on the response/bid submission and must supply detailed descriptive literature and/or prints with that submission. The Authority will evaluate the proposed item to determine, in its sole discretion, whether it is an approved equivalent.

IV. BIDDER GUARANTEES AND MISCELLANEOUS CONTRACT REQUIREMENTS

A. WARRANTY-The bidder hereby represents and warrants that the equipment offered is standard new equipment, latest model of regular stock product, with parts regularly used for the type of equipment offered, that such parts are all in production and none likely to be discontinued; also, that no attachment or part has been substituted or applied contrary to manufacturer's recommendations and standard practice.

The bidder shall unconditionally guarantee all new equipment for a term of one year from time of acceptance by the Authority unless specified otherwise in the RFB and shall render prompt service of such equipment without charge, regardless of geographic location. The bidder shall maintain sufficient quantities of parts necessary for proper service to equipment at distribution points and service headquarters.

- **B. BID SECURITY-**Bidder shall submit with its bid proposal, fully executed by its bonding company and itself, either: (1) the standard form Authority Letter of Surety (attached hereto as Exhibit I), or (2) the standard form Authority Proposal Bond (attached hereto as Exhibit J), in the amount of 10% of its bid price. In lieu of the Letter of Surety or Proposal Bond, the bidder may elect to furnish with its bid proposal a <u>Cashier's check</u> in the amount of 10% of the bid price as a performance warranty deposit. This bid surety will be held by the Authority until award of the contract to ensure compliance by the successful bidder with the terms and obligations of the bid including, but not limited to, delivery date.
- C. CONTRACT BOND-The vendor shall, within ten (10) calendar days of receipt of the Notice of Award, furnish and deliver the Contract Bond on the standard form of the Authority, attached hereto as Exhibit K. The Contract Bond shall be in a sum of up to 100% of the total amount bid for the contract, as specified in the RFB, and shall be maintained by the vendor until final payment is made. In the event of insolvency of the Surety, the vendor shall forthwith furnish and maintain other Surety satisfactory to the Authority.
- D. ELECTRONIC PAYMENT With the award of this contract, the successful vendor(s) will be required to receive their payment(s) electronically and invoices should be emailed to; invoicefb@njta.com In order to receive your payments via automatic deposit from the Authority, complete and return the "Authorization Agreement for Direct Payments (ACH Credits)" Form with an original voided check or bank letter. The form must include ABA number (routing or transit number), bank account number and if the bank account is a checking or savings account. The form and instructions are located in the Instruction to Bidders on the Authority's website http://www.state.nj.us/turnpike/purchasing.html. The completed form along with the required voided check or bank letter should be emailed to achvendor@njta.com

E. NON-COLLUSION-. The bidder's signature on its bid is its guarantee that said bidder has not, directly or indirectly, entered into any agreement, participated in any collusion, or otherwise taken any action in restraint of free, competitive bidding in connection with the referenced contract; and that all statements contained in the bid and any additional statements requested by the Authority are true and correct, and made with full knowledge that the Authority relies upon the truth of the statements contained therein in awarding the contract.

The bidder's signature on its bid is its guarantee, in accordance with *N.J.S.A.* 52:34-15, that no person or selling agency has been employed or retained to solicit or secure such contract upon an agreement or understanding for a commission, percentage, brokerage or contingent fee, except bona fide employees or bona fide established commercial or selling agencies maintained by the bidder for the purpose of securing business.

V. INSURANCE AND INDEMNIFICATION

A. INSURANCE-The bidder shall procure and maintain at its own expense for the entire term of the contract insurance for liability for damages imposed by law and assumed under this contract, of the kinds and in the amounts hereinafter provided. All insurance companies used must be authorized to do business in the State of New Jersey and must carry an A.M. Best Rating of A-/VII or better. Before commencing any services hereunder, the bidder shall furnish to the Authority a certificate(s) of insurance. The Authority reserves the right to request and obtain complete copies of all insurance policies showing that it has complied with this Section. All certificate(s) and notices of cancellation or change shall be mailed to: Director, Purchasing Department, New Jersey Turnpike Authority, P.O. Box 5042, Woodbridge, New Jersey 07095. Upon request, the bidder shall furnish the Authority with a certified copy of each policy itself, including the provision establishing premiums.

The type and minimum limits of insurance shall be:

1. <u>Commercial General Liability Insurance.</u> The minimum limits of liability for this insurance per accident shall be as follows:

•	Bodily injury and property damage each occurrence	\$2,000,000.00
•	Personal injury each occurrence	\$2,000,000.00
•	General Aggregate	\$2,000,000.00
•	Products and Completed Operations Aggregate	\$2,000,000.00
•	Fire Damage Legal Liability	\$100,000.00
•	Medical Payments	\$5,000.00

The above required Commercial General Liability Insurance shall name the Authority, its Commissioners, officers, employees, and agents as additional insureds. The coverage to be provided under this policy shall be provided on the ISO CG 00 01 Form or its equivalent. The insurance policy shall be endorsed to include Personal Injury, Broad Form Property Damage, Contractual Liability (including the deletion of the coverage restriction related to work conducted within fifty (50) feet of a railroad), Products/Completed Operations, Independent Consultants and XCU if applicable. Products/Completed Operations coverage shall remain in force for a period of two (2) years following the completion and/or termination of the contract.

2. <u>Business Automobile Liability Insurance.</u> The Comprehensive Automobile Liability policy shall cover owned, non-owned, and hired vehicles with minimum limits as follows:

Combined Single Limit of Liability for Bodily Injury or Property Damage for any one accident: \$2,000,000. This policy shall include an endorsement amending the Contractual Liability coverage to delete the exclusion for work done within fifty feet of the railroad, an MCS 90 as required by law and the ISO CA 99 48.

This policy shall name the Authority, its Commissioners, officers, employees, and agents as additional insured.

3. <u>Workers Compensation and Employers' Liability Insurance.</u> Workers Compensation Insurance shall be provided in accordance with the requirements of the laws of the State of New Jersey and shall include an All-States endorsement or similar statement in the policy declarations, extending coverage to any state which may be interpreted to have legal jurisdiction. Employers' Liability Insurance shall be provided with a limit of liability of not less than \$1,000,000 for each accident.

4. <u>Umbrella Liability Insurance.</u>

Umbrella liability insurance is required with limits **in excess** of those underlying policies stated under parts (a) Commercial General Liability, (b) Commercial Automobile Liability and (c) Employers' Liability with minimum limits as follows:

Minimum limit each occurrence and annual aggregate.....\$3,000,000 Limits can be achieved in any combination of primary and excess limits.

This policy shall name the Authority, its officers, employees, and agents as additional insured.

5. <u>Certificate and Endorsement Requirements</u>

Each of the above required policies shall contain the endorsements as stated below:

- (a) Sixty (60) days' notice of cancellation or any restriction in coverage by registered mail to the Authority.
- (b) All policies, except Workers Compensation and Employers' Liability Insurance, shall contain a waiver of subrogation clause in favor of the Authority.
- (c) With respect to the Workers' Compensation and Employers' Liability, this policy shall contain a waiver of subrogation in favor of the Authority, where allowed by law.
- (d) With respect to Commercial General Liability and Automobile Liability policies, the other insurance clause under each policy shall be amended to read as follows: "This policy will act as primary insurance and not contribute with policies issued to the Authority."

The vendor shall also require that all of its contracting parties comply with the insurance requirements stated above including providing evidence of such insurance coverages in the same manner as stated above.

Due to future changes in economic financial and/or insurance market conditions the Authority at its discretion may modify the above stated insurance requirements.

NOTWITHSTANDING THAT MINIMUM AMOUNTS OF INSURANCE COVERAGE CARRIED OR REQUIRED TO BE CARRIED BY THE BIDDER ARE SPECIFIED HEREIN, THE LIABILITY OF THE BIDDER SHALL NOT BE LIMITED TO THE AMOUNTS SO SPECIFIED AND SHALL EXTEND TO ANY AND ALL LIABILITY IN EXCESS OF THE INSURANCE COVERAGES SO PROVIDED NOR SHALL THESE MINIMUM LIMITS PRECLUDE THE AUTHORITY FROM TAKING ANY ACTION AVAILABLE TO IT UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF THE CONTRACT OR OTHERWISE IN LAW.

B. INDEMNIFICATION-Vendor agrees to defend, indemnify and save harmless the Authority, its Commissioners, officers, employees, and agents and each and every one of them against and from all liabilities, judgments, threatened, pending or completed actions, suits, demands for damages or costs of every kind and description actually and reasonably incurred (including attorney's fees and costs and court costs) (collectively "Liabilities") including, without implied limitations, Liabilities for damage to property or Liabilities for injury or death of the officers, agents and employees of either the vendor or the Authority, resulting from any act or omission or willful misconduct of the vendor or any of its officers, agents, sub-consultants, or employees in any manner related to the subject matter of the contract. In the event that the vendor fails to defend, indemnify and save harmless the Authority, its Commissioners, officers, employees, and agents, and each and every one of them, in accordance with this Section, any money due to the vendor under and by virtue of the contract as shall be considered necessary by the Authority may be retained by the Authority and held until any and all liabilities shall have been settled and suitable evidence to that effect furnished to the Authority. The obligations in this Section shall survive the termination, expiration or rescission of the contract.

C. **PATENT INDEMNIFICATION**-The vendor hereby agrees that it will indemnify, defend, and save harmless the Authority, its Commissioners, officers, agents and servants from all suits, actions, claims and judgments of any kind or character whatsoever for infringement of patent, trademark or copyright regarding the items bid herein that may be brought by any person, corporation, or firm.

VI. <u>DELIVERY REQUIREMENTS</u>

- **A. DELIVERY DATE-**A FIRM delivery date must be stated on the bid. Statements such as "stock" or "immediate" are not acceptable. Where the RFB calls for delivery within a specified time, it shall be indicated in the bid whether delivery will be made within the time specified.
- **B. F.O.B.**-Price shall include delivery to the Authority F.O.B. destination, freight paid to any destination on the New Jersey Turnpike or Garden State Parkway. No additional charge will be allowed for any transportation cost resulting from partial shipments made at vendor's convenience when a single shipment is ordered. Prices quoted are firm throughout the term of the contract for complete delivery of quantities specified.

Bids submitted on an F.O.B. destination basis are mandatory; however, in instances where customs of the trade or unusual circumstances dictate F.O.B. shipping point, an estimate of the shipping charges must be noted on the bid and may be accepted in the Director's sole discretion. In such cases, actual shipping charges are to be prepaid and added to the invoice.

- C. DELIVERY-Upon award of the contract:
 - 1. Deliveries shall be made at such time and in such quantities as ordered in strict accordance with conditions stated in the RFB.
 - 2. Deliveries may be set on a scheduled basis as arranged between the Authority and the vendor. It shall be the responsibility of the vendor to maintain an adequate supply stock.
 - 3. The vendor will be responsible, at the point of delivery, for the delivery of material in such quality and condition as required by Paragraph IV.A. hereof and in accordance with good commercial practice.
 - 4. Items delivered must be strictly in accordance with those bid upon.
 - 5. As applicable, bidders must state in the space provided on the RFB/bid solicitation documents the number of days required to make delivery after notification to ship.
 - 6. In the event delivery is not made within the number of days stipulated, the Authority may purchase the required material from any available source. The difference in price, if any, will be paid by the vendor failing to meet its commitments.

VII. OTHER TERMS AND CONDITIONS

- A. CONTRACT PERIOD- Except as otherwise stated in the RFB, the term of the contract shall be for one (1) year, with the option to extend for two (2) one-year options, at the Authority's discretion, and with vendor's concurrence.
- **B. EXTENSION OPTION-**If, in the opinion of the Director, it is in the best interest of the Authority to extend any contract beyond the original term, for a period of all or any part of a year, the vendor will be so notified of the Director's intent, prior to the expiration date of the existing contract. The Authority reserves the right to make up to two extensions of this contract for not more than one year each. If the extension is acceptable to the Authority at the original prices and on the original terms, notice will be given to the vendor by the Director in writing. If the original contract required a Contract Bond, a new Contract Bond must be submitted to cover the period of the extension. The same insurance requirements will be required for each extension period.
- **C. TERMINATION OF CONTRACT**-The contract awarded may be terminated by the Authority at any time for inadequate or improper performance, or for breach of any terms, conditions, or obligations of the contract by the vendor, as determined by the Authority, or if the vendor shall make an assignment for the benefit of creditors, or file a voluntary petition in bankruptcy, or if an involuntary petition in bankruptcy is filed against the vendor and the act of bankruptcy therein alleged is not denied by the vendor, or if denied, is found by a court or jury. Further, the Authority reserves the right to terminate any contract for any reason provided written notice has been given by the Director to the vendor at least thirty (30) days prior to such proposed termination date.

The notice of termination shall be in writing and shall be effective upon receipt by the vendor. Upon termination, the Authority shall be liable only for payment for goods or services properly delivered or performed in accordance with the contract. The Authority shall have the right to purchase non-delivered goods, to replace defective goods or services on the open market and hold the vendor liable for the difference between the price set forth in the contract for such goods or services and the prices paid on the open market or pursue any other right available by law. In addition, the Authority shall have the right, without the necessity of court proceedings, to recover all equipment, material or supplies that are the property of the Authority and have been entrusted with the vendor to be used in the performance of said contract. Nothing in this paragraph is intended to limit the Authority's right to legally pursue all costs which exceed the amount due and owing the vendor under said contract. The list of remedies in this paragraph is not exclusive.

- **D. SCOPE-**The total quantities of any contract are estimated. There is no guarantee of any minimum quantity. It is understood and agreed that contract prices shall cover the quantities actually required and ordered by the Authority during the term of the contract, whether more or less than the approximate quantity stated.
- **E. BIDDERS FACILITIES**-The Authority reserves the right to inspect the bidder's establishment before making an award.
- **F. TESTING-**The Authority reserves the right to have the material tested prior to the award and during the contract by an independent testing laboratory, to determine if the material meets the specifications of the RFB. If required for testing purposes, the low bidder shall submit a reasonable quantity of the product as samples. If these samples prove satisfactory, the contract shall be awarded. If they do not prove satisfactory, a test shall be made of the next low bidder's sample, until satisfactory products are found to meet requirements. Should the laboratory find that any shipment does not meet specifications, the Authority shall have the right to reject same.
- **G. INSPECTION-** All work done and supplies furnished shall be subject to inspection, testing and rejection by the Authority, or its representatives, at all times and places, both during manufacture and at destination. After award of the contract, should the result of any test or inspections show that the material supplied fails to meet the requirements of the Authority, the material shall be rejected and immediately replaced by the vendor. Rejected supplies or materials will be returned at the vendor's risk, and all inspection, handling, and transportation charges to and from the Authority's delivery site will be assumed by the vendor. The vendor shall bear any and all expenses resulting from delay caused by failure to meet test or inspection standards. Should the Authority for any reason decide to accept any shipment which fails to meet specifications, the Authority may make an appropriate price adjustment with regard to same.

- **H. AWARDS-**Comparison of bids will be based on the total price stated in the bid and an award will be based on the total price, terms and delivery date given by the bidder. If the total price is found to have been incorrectly computed, discrepancies will be corrected by the Authority on the basis of the unit prices and a determination of the low bidder will be made on the basis of the corrected total price. The Authority shall not be liable for any failure on its part to detect or correct errors, and the Authority's action in connection therewith shall not give rise to any rights to the bidder.
- I. NOTICE TO VENDORS AND AUTHORITY DEPARTMENTS-The Authority is authorized to order, and vendors are authorized to ship only those items covered by the contract. If a review of orders placed by the Authority reveals that material other than that covered by the contract has been ordered and delivered, the Director will take such steps as are necessary to have the material returned regardless of the time elapsed between the date of delivery and discovery of the violation. A full refund to the Authority by the vendor will be required.
- J RIGHT TO AUDIT-Vendor shall keep and maintain proper and adequate books, records and accounts accurately reflecting all costs and amounts billed to Authority under the contract at issue. Authority, its employees, officers, or representatives shall have the right upon written request and reasonable notice, to inspect and examine all of the vendor's books and records related to the contract. Such records shall be retained by vendor for at least five (5) years from the termination of the contract. In no event shall books and records be disposed of or destroyed of prior to five (5) years from the termination of the contract or during any dispute or claim between the Authority and vendor with regard to the contract at issue.
 - 1. In accordance with the New Jersey Office of the State Comptroller ("OSC") document retention policy *N.J.A.C.* 17:44-2.2 The vendor shall maintain all documentation related to products, transactions, or services under this contract for a period of five years from the date of final payment. Such records shall be made available to the OSC upon request.
- **K. TAXES**-The Authority is exempt from Federal Excise Tax, New Jersey State Sales and Use Tax and other tax as applicable.
- L. TRANSFER OF BUSINESS-It is understood by all parties that, if, during the term of the contract, the vendor disposes of its business by sale, transfer or by any means to another party, all obligations are transferred to such purchaser.

M. INTERAGENCY COOPERATIVE PURCHASING-Pursuant to *N.J.S.A.* 27:23-6.1(a), vendors may receive inquiries by the entities listed below, with respect to extending this contract to them based upon the same prices, terms, and conditions:

South Jersey Transportation Authority New Jersey Sports & Exposition Authority New Jersey Meadowlands Commission New Jersey Water Supply Authority Port Authority of New York & New Jersey Delaware River Port Authority Higher Education Student Assistance Authority

N. CONTRACT CHANGES-During the term of contract, no change will be permitted in any of its conditions and specifications unless the vendor receives written approval from the Director.

Should the vendor find at any time that existing conditions make modification in requirements necessary, the vendor shall promptly report such matter to the Director for consideration and decision.

- **O. SUBCONTRACTING OR ASSIGNMENT**-The contract may not be subcontracted or assigned by the vendor, in whole or in part, without the prior written consent of the Director. In the event that bidder proposes to subcontract some or all of the services to be provided under the contract, it shall state so in its bid and attach for approval a list of said subcontractors and an itemization of the goods and/or services to be supplied by them.
- **P. REJECTION OF BIDS**-Failure to comply with mandatory requirements of the bid shall be considered grounds for rejection. The Authority retains the right to reject any or all bids, to waive informalities and minor irregularities and to rebid the entire contract.
- **Q. LIABILITIES OR DEBTS OWED TO THE AUTHORITY-** The failure by any Contractor or subcontractor during the term of the Contract to satisfy in a timely manner any outstanding debts or fees owed to the Authority, whenever incurred, including but not limited to those related to nonpayment of tolls or administrative fees, as required by *N.J.A.C.* 19:9-1.19 and *N.J.A.C.* 19:9-9.2, shall be grounds for suspension or termination of the Contract, in the sole discretion of the Authority.

EXHIBIT A MANDATORY EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY LANGUAGE N.J.S.A. 10:5-31 et seq., <u>N.J.A.</u>C. 17:27

GOODS, PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AND GENERAL SERVICE CONTRACTS

During the performance of this contract, the contractor agrees as follows:

- A. The Contractor or Subcontractor, where applicable, will not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of age, race, creed, color, national origin, ancestry, marital status, affectional or sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, disability, nationality, or sex. Except with respect to affectional or sexual orientation and gender identity or expression, the contractor will ensure that equal employment opportunity is afforded to such applicants in recruitment and employment and that employees are treated during employment without regard to their age, race, creed, color, national origin, ancestry, marital status, affectional or sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, disability, nationality or sex. Such equal employment opportunity shall include, but not limited to the following: employment, upgrading, demotion, or transfer; recruitment or recruitment advertising; layoff or termination; rates of pay or other forms of compensation; and selection for training, including apprenticeship. The contractor agrees to post in conspicuous places, available to employees and applicants for employment, notices to be provided by the Public Agency Compliance Officer setting forth provisions of this nondiscrimination clause.
- B. The Contractor or Subcontractor, where applicable will, in all solicitations or advertisements for employees placed by or on behalf of the contractor, state that all qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to age, race, creed, color, national origin, ancestry, marital status, affectional or sexual orientation, gender identity, or expression, disability, nationality or sex.
- C. The Contractor or Subcontractor will send to each labor union with which it has a collective bargaining agreement a notice, to be provided by the agency contracting officer, advising the labor union of the Contractor's commitments under this chapter and shall post copies of the notice in conspicuous places available to employees and applicants for employment.
- D. The Contractor or Subcontractor, where applicable, agrees to comply with any regulations promulgated by the Treasurer pursuant to *N.J.S.A.* 10:5-31 et seq., as amended and supplemented from time to time, and the Americans with Disabilities Act.
- E. The Contractor or Subcontractor agrees to make good faith efforts to meet targeted county employment goals established in accordance with *N.J.A.C.* 17:27-5.2.
- F. The Contractor or Subcontractor agrees to inform in writing its appropriate recruitment agencies including, but not limited to, employment agencies, placement bureaus, colleges, universities and labor unions, that it does not discriminate on the basis of age, race, creed, color, national origin, ancestry, marital status, affectional or sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, disability, nationality or sex, and that it will discontinue the use of any recruitment agency which engages in direct or indirect discriminatory practices.

- G. The Contractor or Subcontractor agrees to revise any of its testing procedures, if necessary, to assure that all personal testing conforms with the principles of job-related testing, as established by the statutes and court decisions of the State of New Jersey and as established by applicable Federal law and applicable Federal court decisions.
- H. In conforming with the targeted employment goals, the Contractor or Subcontractor agrees to review all procedures relating to transfer, upgrading, downgrading and layoff to ensure that all such actions are taken without regard to age, creed, color, national origin, ancestry, marital status, affectional or sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, disability, nationality or sex, consistent with the statutes and court decisions of the State of New Jersey, and applicable Federal law and applicable Federal court decisions.
- I. The Contractor shall submit to the public agency, after notification of award but prior to execution of a goods and services contract, one of the following three documents:
 - i. LETTER OF FEDERAL AFFIRMATIVE ACTION PLAN APPROVAL
 - ii. CERTIFICATE OF EMPLOYEE INFORMATION REPORT
 - iii. EMPLOYEE INFORMATION REPORT FORM AA302

The Contractor and its Subcontractors shall furnish such reports or other documents to the Division of Public Contracts Equal Employment Opportunity Compliance as may be requested by the Division from time to time in order to carry out the purposes of these regulations, and public agencies shall furnish such information as may be requested by the Division of Public Contracts Equal Employment Opportunity Compliance for conducting a compliance investigation pursuant to **Subchapter 10 of the Administrative Code at** *N.J.A.C.* **17:27**

Submitted by:	
Firm Name:	
Signature:	
Print Name:	
Title:	
Date:	

EXHIBIT B AFFIRMATIVE ACTION INFORMATION SHEET

BIDDERS ARE REQUIRED TO SUBMIT ONE OF THE FOLLOWING FORMS RELATING TO COMPLIANCE WITH AFFIRMATIVE ACTION REGULATIONS. PLEASE COMPLETE AND RETURN THIS FORM AND ANY REQUIRED DOCUMENTS WITH THE BID.

1. The bidder has a Federal Affirmative Action Plan Approval which consists of a valid letter from the United States Department of Labor Office of Federal Contract Compliance Programs (Good for one year of the date of letter).

YES_____ NO____ If Yes, a photocopy of the Letter of Approval is to be submitted with the bid.

(OR)

2. The bidder has submitted an Affirmative Action Employee Information Report (Form AA302) to the State Treasurer, and the State Treasurer has approved said report pursuant to *N.J.A.C.* 17:27-4.6.

YES_____NO____ If Yes, a photocopy of the Certificate of Employee Information Report is to be submitted with the bid. (Expiration Date on Certificate) Certificate Number

(OR)

3. The bidder has submitted an Employee Information Report (Form AA302) to the State Treasurer, and the State Treasurer has not yet approved said report.

YES____ NO____ If Yes, a photocopy of the Form AA302 is to be submitted with the bid.

If you are the <u>successful</u> Proposer and have none of the above, please contact the Procurement and Materials Management Department at (732) 750-5300 ext. 8628 within five (5) days of notification of award for AA-302 Form. This AA-302 Form must be forwarded to the <u>States' Affirmative Action</u> <u>Office</u> with a copy returned to the Authority's Procurement and Materials Management Department.

The signature below certifies that one of the above forms of Affirmative Action evidence has been submitted, and all information contained above is correct to the best of my knowledge.

Signed	Date Signed
Print Name and Title	
Bidder's Company Name	
Address	
Telephone Number	Fax Number

<u>EXHIBIT C</u> OWNERSHIP DISCLOSURE FORM

BID SOLICITATION: _____ BIDDER/PROPOSER: _____

<u>PART 1</u>

PLEASE COMPLETE THE QUESTIONS BELOW BY CHECKING EITHER THE "YES" OR "NO" BOX. ALL PARTIES ENTERING INTO A CONTRACT WITH THE NEW JERSEY TURNPIKE AUTHORITY ARE REQUIRED TO COMPLETE THIS FORM PURSUANT TO *N.J.S.A.* 52:25-24.2

PLEASE NOTE THAT IF THE BIDDER/PROPOSER IS A NON-PROFIT ENTITY, THIS FORM IS NOT REQUIRED.

1. Are there any individuals, corporations, partnerships, or limited liability companies owning a **10% or greater** interest in the Bidder/Proposer?

YES 🗆 NO 🗆

IF THE ANSWER TO QUESTION 1 IS "NO", PLEASE SIGN AND DATE THE FORM.

IF THE ANSWER TO QUESTION 1 IS "YES", PLEASE ANSWER QUESTIONS 2-4 BELOW.

2. Of those parties owning a 10% or greater interest in the Bidder/Proposer, are any of those parties individuals?

YES \square NO \square

3. Of those parties owning a 10% or greater interest in the Bidder/Proposer, are any of those parties corporations, partnerships, or limited liability companies?

YES 🗆 NO 🗆

4. If your answer to Question 3 is "YES", are there any parties owning a **10% or greater** interest in the corporation, partnership, or limited liability company referenced in Question 3?

YES \square NO \square

IF ANY OF THE ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS 2-4 ARE "YES", PLEASE PROVIDE THE REQUESTED INFORMATION IN PART 2.

<u>PART 2</u>

PLEASE PROVIDE FURTHER INFORMATION RELATED TO QUESTIONS 2-4 ANSWERED AS "YES".

If you answered "YES" for questions 2, 3, or 4 you must disclose identifying information related to the individuals, corporations, partnerships, and/or limited liability companies owning a 10% or greater interest in the Bidder/Proposer. Further, if one or more of these entities is itself a corporation, partnership, or limited liability company, you must also disclose all parties that own a 10% or greater interest in that corporation, partnership, or limited liability company. This information is required by statute.

INDIVIDUALS

NAME		DATE OF BIRTH	
ADDRESS 1			
		ZIP	
NAME		DATE OF BIRTH	
ADDRESS 1			
ADDRESS 2			
CITY	STATE	ZIP	
NAME		DATE OF BIRTH	
ADDRESS 1			
ADDRESS 2			
CITY	STATE	ZIP	

Attach Additional Sheets if Necessary.

PART 2 continued

PARTNERSHIPS/CORPORATIONS/LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANIES

ENTITY NAME			
PARTNER NAME			
ADDRESS 2			
	STATE		
ENTITY NAME			
PARTNER NAME			
ADDRESS 1			
ADDRESS 2			
CITY	STATE	ZIP	
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ENTITY NAME			
PARTNER NAME			
ADDRESS 1			
CITY	STATE	ZIP	

Attach Additional Sheets if Necessary.

In the alternative, to comply with the ownership disclosure requirement, a Bidder/Proposer with any direct or indirect parent entity which is publicly traded may submit the name and address of each publicly traded entity and the name and address of each person that holds a 10% or greater beneficial interest in the publicly traded entity as of the last annual filing with the federal Securities and Exchange Commission or the foreign equivalent, and, if there is any person that holds a 10% or greater beneficial interest , also shall submit links to the websites containing the last annual filings with the federal securities and Exchange Commission or the foreign equivalent and the relevant page number(s) of the filings that contain the information on each person that holds a 10 percent or greater beneficial interest. *N.J.S.A* 52:25-24.2.

CERTIFICATION

I, the undersigned, certify that I am authorized to execute this certification on behalf of the Bidder/Proposer, that the foregoing information and any attachments hereto, to the best of my knowledge are true and complete. I acknowledge that the New Jersey Turnpike Authority is relying on the information contained herein, and that the Bidder/Proposer is under a continuing obligation from the date of this certification through the completion of any contract(s) with the New Jersey Turnpike Authority to notify the New Jersey Turnpike Authority in writing of any changes to the information contained herein; that I am aware that it is a criminal offense to make a false statement or misrepresentation in this certification. If I do so, I will be subject to criminal prosecution under the law, and it will constitute a material breach of my agreement(s) with the New Jersey Turnpike Authority, permitting the New Jersey Turnpike Authority to declare any contract(s) resulting from this certification void and unenforceable.

Signature

Date

Print Name and Title

FEIN/SSN

EXHIBIT D State Contractor Political Contributions Compliance Public Law 2005, Chapter 51 and Executive Order 117

In order to safeguard the integrity of State government procurement by imposing restrictions to insulate the award of State contracts from political contributions that pose the risk of improper influence, purchase of access, or the appearance thereof, Executive Order 134 (McGreevey) was signed on September 22, 2004 and became effective October 15, 2004. EO134 was applicable to all State agencies, the principal departments of the executive branch, any division, board, bureau, office, commission within or created by a principal executive branch department, and any independent State authority, board, commission, instrumentality, or agency. EO134 was superseded by <u>P.L.</u> 2005, <u>c.</u> 51, signed into law on March 22, 2005 ("Chapter 51"). In September 2008, Executive Order 117 (Corzine) was signed and became effective November 15, 2008. EO117, which applies only prospectively, extends Chapter 51's political contribution restrictions by expanding the definition of "business entity" to include, for example, more corporate shareholders and sole proprietors. EO117 and Chapter 51 contain restrictions and reporting requirements that will necessitate a thorough review of their provisions by bidders.

Pursuant to the requirements of Chapter 51 and EO117, the terms and conditions set forth in this Exhibit are material terms of any contract entered into by the Authority.

DEFINITIONS

For the purpose of this Exhibit, the following shall be defined as follows:

a) "**Contribution**" – means a contribution reportable by the recipient under the New Jersey Campaign Contributions and Expenditures Reporting Act, <u>P.L.</u> 1973, <u>c.</u> 83, *N.J.S.A.* 19:44A-1 et seq., and implementing regulations set forth at *N.J.A.C.* 19:25-7 and *N.J.A.C.* 19:25-10.1 et seq., made on or after October 15, 2004. As of January 1, 2005, contributions in excess of \$300 are reportable.

b) "**Business Entity**" – means any natural or legal person; business corporation (and any officer, person, or business entity that owns or controls 10% or more of the corporation's stock); professional services corporation (and any of its officers or shareholders); limited liability company (and any members); general partnership (and any partners); limited partnership (and any partners); in the case of a sole proprietorship: the proprietor; a business trust, association or any other legal commercial entity organized under the laws of New Jersey or any other state or foreign jurisdiction, including its principals, officers, or partners. The definition of a business entity also includes (i) all principals who own or control more than 10 percent of the profits or assets of a business entity; (ii) any subsidiaries directly or indirectly controlled by the business entity; (iii) any political organized under section 527 of the Internal Revenue Code that is directly or indirectly controlled by the business entity, other than a candidate committee, election fund, or political party committee; and (iv) if a business entity is a natural person, that person's spouse, civil union partner or child, residing in the same household, except for contributions by spouses, or to a political party committee within whose jurisdiction the contributor resides.

PROHIBITION ON CONTRACTS/BREACH OF EXISTING CONTRACT

As set forth in Chapter 51 and EO117, the Authority shall not enter into a contract to procure from any Business Entity services or any material, supplies or equipment, or to acquire, sell or lease any land or building, where the value of the transaction exceeds \$17,500, if that Business Entity has solicited or made any contribution of money, or pledge of contribution, including in-kind contributions, to a candidate committee and/or election fund of any candidate for or holder of the public office of Governor or Lieutenant Governor, or to any State, county or municipal political party committee, or legislative leadership committee during specified time periods.

Further, it shall be a breach of the terms of any contract with the Authority for any Business Entity who has been awarded the contract, during the term of the contract or any extension thereof, to:

- (i) make or solicit a contribution in violation of Chapter 51 or EO117;
- (ii) knowingly conceal or misrepresent a contribution given or received;
- (iii) make or solicit contributions through intermediaries for the purpose of concealing or misrepresenting the source of the contribution;
- (iv) make or solicit any contribution on the condition or with the agreement that it will be contributed to a campaign committee or any candidate of holder of the public office of Governor or Lieutenant Governor, or to any State, county or municipal party committee, or legislative leadership committee;
- (v) engage or employ a lobbyist or consultant with the intent or understanding that such lobbyist or consultant would make or solicit any contribution, which if made or solicited by the Business Entity itself, would subject that entity to the restrictions of Chapter 51 or EO117;
- (vi) fund contributions made by third parties, including consultants, attorneys, family members, and employees;
- (vii) engage in any exchange of contributions to circumvent the intent of Chapter 51 or EO117; or
- (viii) directly or indirectly through or by any other person or means, do any act which would subject that entity to the restrictions of Chapter 51 or EO117.

CERTIFICATION AND DISCLOSURE REQUIREMENTS

Prior to the award of any contract or agreement, the Authority shall notify any Business Entity to which it intends to award a contract of the need to submit to the Authority a completed Certification and Disclosure of Political Contributions form, as issued by the State Treasurer. The <u>intended</u> <u>awardee</u> will receive the applicable form from the Authority's Purchasing Department <u>to be</u> <u>completed and returned to the Authority</u> for submission to the State Treasurer.

In completing this form, the Business Entity must certify that no contributions prohibited by Chapter 51 or EO117 have been made by the Business Entity and must report all contributions the Business Entity made during the preceding four years to any political organization organized under 26 <u>U.S.C.</u> § 527 of the Internal Revenue Code that also meets the definition of a "continuing political committee" within the meaning of *N.J.S.A.* 19:44A-3(n) and *N.J.A.C.* 19:25-1.7. Failure

to submit the required forms will preclude award of the contract at issue, as well as future contract opportunities.

Upon approval by the State Treasurer, the Authority will issue a contract. However, if the State Treasurer determines that any contribution or action by a Business Entity poses a conflict of interest in the awarding of the contract or agreement at issue, the State Treasurer shall disqualify the Business Entity from award of such contract.

Once approved by the State Treasurer, a Business Entity's Political Contributions Certification is valid for a two (2) year period from the date of approval. If, prior to the award of a contract, the State Treasurer confirms to the Authority that the intended awardee has an approved Certification that will remain valid for the term of the contract, the Authority may waive the requirement that the awardee complete an additional Certification and Disclosure of Political Contributions form.

Any Business Entity entering into a contract with the Authority is required, on a continuing basis, to report to the Authority any contributions it makes during the term of the contract, and any extension(s) thereof, at the time any such contribution is made. Such reports shall be subject to review by the Authority and the State Treasurer. If the State Treasurer determines that any such contribution poses a conflict of interest, such contribution shall be deemed a material breach of the contract or agreement at issue.

EXHIBIT E NEW JERSEY ELECTION LAW ENFORCEMENT COMMISSION REQUIREMENT FOR DISCLOSURE OF POLITICAL CONTRIBUTIONS

All business entities are advised of their responsibility to file on annual disclosure statement of political contributions with the New Jersey Election Law Enforcement Commission (ELEC) pursuant to N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.27 if they receive contracts in excess of \$50,000.00 from public entities in a calendar year. Business entities are responsible for determining if filing is necessary. Additional information on this requirement is available from ELEC at 888-313-3532 or at <u>www.elec.state.nj.us</u>

DISCLOSURE OF CONTRIBUTIONS TO NEW JERSEY ELECTION LAW ENFORCEMENT COMMISSION IN ACCORDANCE WITH *N.J.S.A.* 19:44A-20.27

The undersigned Bidder submitting the bid for the goods/services herein hereby acknowledges its responsibility to file an annual disclosure statement of political contributions with the New Jersey Election Law Enforcement Commission (ELEC) pursuant to *N.J.S.A.* 19:44A-20.27 if in receipt of contracts in excess of \$50,000.00 from public entities in a calendar year. Bidder further acknowledges that business entities are solely responsible for determining if filing is necessary and that all statements contained in said bid and in this certification, are true and correct, and made with full knowledge that the New Jersey Turnpike Authority relies upon the truth of the statements contained in said bid and in statements contained in this certification in awarding the contract at issue.

I certify that I am authorized to make the foregoing statements on behalf of the Bidder and that the foregoing statements made by me are true. I am aware that if any of the foregoing statements made by me are willfully false, I am subject to punishment.

AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE:

Print Name and Title:_____

Bidder :

<u>EXHIBIT F</u> SMALL/MINORITY/WOMAN OWNED BUSINESS ENTERPRISE

If your firm is registered with the State of New Jersey as a Small Business Enterprise (SBE) and/or certified as a Woman Business Enterprise (WBE), a Minority Business Enterprise (MBE), a Veteran Owned Business (VOB) or as a Disabled Veteran Owned Business (DVOB), you must send a copy of the Registration/Certification Form(s) with your quotation.

Please check off the gross receipt category of your business if registered as an SBE

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ç	SBE CATEGORY 2	\$500,001	thru \$5,000,000
S	SBE CATEGORY 3	\$5,000,0	01 thru \$12,000,000
]	NOT APPLICABLE		
SBE Re	gistration #		
Please c	heck below if applicable		
W B E	MBE	VOB	DVOB

COMPANY
SIGNATURE
NAME
TITLE
DATE

EXHIBIT G VENDOR DISCLOSURE FORM

Please be advised that in accordance with *N.J.S.A.*52:34-13.2, the New Jersey Turnpike Authority has developed this form under the policy and procedures directed under this Order. In entering into contracts, the State contracting agencies must consider the requirements of New Jersey's contracting laws, the best interests of the State of New Jersey and its citizens, as well as applicable federal and international requirements.

The State contracting agencies shall ensure that all vendors seeking to enter into any contract in which services are procured on behalf of the State of New Jersey must disclose:

- A. The location by country where services under the contract will be performed; and
- B. Any subcontracting of services under the contract and the location by country where any subcontracted services will be performed.

THE LOCATION BY COUNTRY WHERE SERVICES UNDER THIS CONTRACT WILL BE PERFORMED:

Contractor Name:
Address:
Country:
Subcontractor #1 Name:
Address:
Country:
Subcontractor #2 Name:
Address:
Country:
(For additional subcontractors, attach additional copies of this form)
I certify that all information is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.
Signature:
Print Name: Title:

<u>EXHIBIT G-1</u> <u>NEW JERSEY TURNPIKE AUTHORITY</u> <u>DISCLOSURE OF INVESTMENT ACTIVITIES IN IRAN</u>

NAME OF CONTRACTOR /BIDDER:

PART 1: CERTIFICATION

CONTRACTORS/BIDDERS <u>MUST COMPLETE</u> PART 1 BY CHECKING <u>EITHER BOX</u>.

FAILURE TO CHECK ONE OF THE BOXES SHALL RENDER THE PROPOSAL NON-RESPONSIVE.

Pursuant to Public Law 2012, c. 25, any person or entity that submits a bid or proposal or otherwise proposes to enter into or renew a contract must complete the certification below to attest, under penalty of perjury, that neither the person or entity, nor any of its parents, subsidiaries, or affiliates, is identified on the Department of Treasury's Chapter 25 list as a person or entity engaging in investment activities in Iran. The Chapter 25 list follows this certification and can also be found on the State of New Jersey, Department of Treasury, Division of Purchase and Property website at http://www.state.nj.us/treasury/purchase/pdf/Chapter25List.pdf. Contractors/Bidders must review this list prior to completing the below certification. FAILURE TO COMPLETE THE CERTIFICATION WILL RENDER A CONTRACTOR'S/BIDDER'S PROPOSAL NON-RESPONSIVE. If the Authority finds a person or entity to be in violation of law, it shall take action as may be appropriate and provided by law, rule or contract, including but not limited to, imposing sanctions, seeking compliance, recovering damages, declaring the party in default and seeking debarment or suspension of the party.

PLEASE CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX:

I certify, pursuant to Public Law 2012, c. 25, that neither the contractor/bidder listed above nor any of the contractor's/bidder's parents, subsidiaries, or affiliates is <u>listed</u> on the N.J. Department of the Treasury's list of entities determined to be engaged in prohibited activities in Iran pursuant to P.L. 2012, c. 25 ("Chapter 25 List"). I further certify that I am the person listed above, or I am an officer or representative of the entity listed above and I am authorized to make this certification on its behalf. <u>*I will skip Part 2 and sign and complete the CERTIFICATION below.*</u>

<u>OR</u>

I am unable to certify as above because the contractor/bidder and/or one or more of its parents, subsidiaries, or affiliates is listed on the Department's Chapter 25 list. I will provide a detailed, accurate and precise description of the activities in Part 2 below and sign and complete the CERTIFICATION below. Failure to provide such will result in the proposal being rendered a non-responsive and appropriate penalties, fines and/or sanctions will be assessed as provided by law.

Part 2: PLEASE PROVIDE FURTHER INFORMATION RELATED TO INVESTMENT ACTIVITIES IN IRAN

You must provide a detailed, accurate and precise description of the activities of the bidding person/entity, or one of its parents, subsidiaries or affiliates, engaging in the investment activities in Iran outlined above by completing the requested information below. Please provide thorough answers to each question. If you need to make additional entries, provide the requested information on a separate sheet

IameRelationship to Contractor/Bidder	
Description of Activities	
Duration of Engagement	Anticipated Cessation Date
Contractor/Bidder Contact Nam	eContact Phone Number

CERTIFICATION <u>MUST BE SIGNED BY BIDDER</u>

I, being duly sworn upon my oath, hereby represent and state that the foregoing information and any attachments thereto to the best of my knowledge are true and complete. I attest that I am authorized to execute this certification on behalf of the above referenced person or entity. I acknowledge that the New Jersey Turnpike Authority ("Authority") is relying on the information contained herein and thereby acknowledge that I am under a continuing obligation from the date of this certification through the completion of any contracts with the Authority to notify the Authority in writing of any changes to the answers of information contained herein. I acknowledge that I am aware that it is a criminal offense to make a false statement or misrepresentation in this certification, and if I do so, I recognize that I am subject to criminal prosecution under the law and that it will also constitute a material breach of my agreement(s) with the Authority and that the Authority at its option may declare any contract(s) resulting from this certification void and unenforceable.

FULL NAME (print):	SIGNATURE	
TITLE:	DATE:	



EXHIBIT G-2

CERTIFICATION OF NON-INVOLVEMENT IN PROHIBITED ACTIVITIES IN RUSSIA OR BELARUS PURSUANT TO P.L.2022, c.3

CONTRACT / BID SOLICITATION TITLE

CONTRACT / BID SOLICITATION No.

CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX

I, the undersigned, am authorized by the person or entity seeking to enter into or renew the contract identified above, to certify that the Bidder is not engaged in prohibited activities in Russia or Belarus as such term is defined in <u>P.L.2022, c.3</u>,¹ section 1.e, except as permitted by federal law.

I understand that if this statement is willfully false, I may be subject to penalty, as set forth in P.L.2022, c.3, section 1.d.

OR

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I, the undersigned am unable to certify above because the person or entity seeking to enter into or renew the contract identified above, or one of its parents, subsidiaries, or affiliates may have engaged in prohibited activities in Russia or Belarus. A detailed, accurate and precise description of the activities is provided below.

Failure to provide such description will result in the Proposal being rendered as non-responsive, and the Authority will not be permitted to contract with such person or entity, and if a Proposal is accepted or contract is entered into without delivery of the certification, appropriate penalties, fines and/or sanctions will be assessed as provided by law.

Description of Prohibited Activity

Attach Additional Sheets If Necessary.

If you certify that the Bidder is engaged in activities prohibited by P.L. 2022, c. 3, the Bidder shall have 90 days to cease engaging in any prohibited activities and on or before the 90th day after this certification, shall provide an updated certification. If the Bidder does not provide the updated certification or at that time cannot certify on behalf of the entity that it is not engaged in prohibited activities, the State shall not award the business entity any contracts, renew any contracts, and shall be required to terminate any contract(s) the business entity holds with the State that were issued on or after the effective date of P.L. 2022, c. 3.

Signature of Authorized Representative

<u>Date</u>

Print Name and Title of Authorized Representative

Bidder Name

¹ Engaged in prohibited activities in Russia or Belarus" means (1) companies in which the Government of Russia or Belarus has any direct equit y share; (2) having any business operations commencing after the effective date of this act that involve contracts with or the provision of goods or services to the Government of Russia or Belarus; (3) being headquartered in Russia or having its principal place of business in Russia or Belarus, or (4) supporting, assisting or facilitating the Government of Russia or Belarus in their campaigns to invade the sovereign country of Ukraine, either through in-kind support or for profit.

EXHIBIT H NOTICE TO ALL BIDDERS SET-OFF FOR STATE TAX

Please be advised that pursuant to <u>P.L.</u> 1995, <u>c.</u> 159, effective January 1, 1996 and notwithstanding any provision of the law to the contrary, whenever any taxpayer, partnership, or S corporation under contract to provide goods or services or construction projects to the State of New Jersey or its agencies or instrumentalities, including the legislative and judicial branches of State government, is entitled to payment for those goods or services or construction projects and at the same time the taxpayer, or the partner or shareholder of that entity, is indebted for any State tax, the Director of the Division of Taxation shall seek to set-off that taxpayer's, partner's or shareholder's share of the payment due to the taxpayer, partnership, or S corporation. The amount of set-off shall not allow for the deduction of any expenses or other deductions which might be attributable to a partner or shareholder subject to set-off under this act. No payment shall be made to the taxpayer, the provider of goods or services, or the contractor or subcontractor of construction projects pending resolution of the indebtedness.

The Director of Division of Taxation shall give notice of the set-off to the taxpayer, the provider of goods or services, or the contractor or subcontractor of construction projects and provide an opportunity for a hearing with thirty (30) days of such notice under the procedures for protests established under *N.J.S.A.* 54:49-18. No requests for conference, protest or subsequent appeal to the Tax Court from any protest under this section shall stay the collection of the indebtedness. Interest that may be payable by the State pursuant to <u>P.L.</u> 1987, <u>c.</u> 184, *N.J.S.A.* 52:32-32 et seq. to the taxpayer, the provider of goods or services, or the contractor or subcontractor of construction projects shall be stayed.

"I HAVE BEEN ADVISED OF THIS NOTICE."

COMPANY
SIGNATURE
NAME
TITLE
DATE

EXHIBIT I

LETTER OF SURETY

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, that we, the undersigned

as PRINCIPAL: and

as Surety and duly qualified to transact business in the State of New Jersey, are hereby held and firmly bound unto the New Jersey Turnpike Authority in the sum by which the amount of the Contract, covering the attached proposal, properly and lawfully executed by and between the New Jersey Turnpike Authority and some third party, may exceed the amount bid by the Principal for the payment of which, well and truly to be made, we hereby jointly and severally bind ourselves, our heirs, executors, administrators, successors and assigns.

Signed, this _____ day of _____ A.D.

Two Thousand and

THE CONDITION OF THE ABOVE OBLIGATION IS SUCH that whereas the Principal has submitted to the New Jersey Turnpike Authority a certain Proposal, attached hereto and hereby made a part hereof, to enter into a Contract in writing for Contract No. ______ of the New Jersey Turnpike Authority;

NOW, THEREFORE,

(a) If said Proposal shall be rejected by the New Jersey Turnpike Authority, or in the alternative,

(b) If said Proposal shall be accepted by the New Jersey Turnpike Authority, and the Principal shall duly execute the Contract Agreement and furnish the required Contract Bond, within the stipulated time,

Then this obligation shall be void, otherwise the same shall remain in force and effect; it being expressly understood and agreed that the liability of the Surety for any and all claims hereunder shall, in no event, exceed the amount of this obligation as herein stated.

The Surety, for value received, hereby stipulates and agrees that the obligation of said Surety and its bond shall be in no way impaired or affected by any extension of the time within which the Authority may accept such Proposal; and said Surety does hereby waive notice of any such extension. IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Principal and the Surety have hereunto set their hands and seals, and such of them as are corporations have caused their corporate seals to be hereto affixed and these presents to be signed by their proper officers, the day and year first set forth above.

[Corporate Seal]	
WITNESS OR ATTEST:	
	Principal
[Corporate Seal]	
WITNESS OR ATTEST:	
	Surety

EXHIBIT J

PROPOSAL BOND

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, that we, the undersigned

			as PRINCIPAL: and
			as Surety and duly qualified
to transact business i Jersey Turnpike Auth		sey, are hereby held and	firmly bound unto the New
	-		Dollars and
		Cents \$	for the payment of
	y to be made, we her tors, successors, and as		v bind ourselves, our heirs,
Signed, this	day of	A.D.	
Two Thousand and			

THE CONDITION OF THE ABOVE OBLIGATION IS SUCH that whereas the Principal has submitted to the New Jersey Turnpike Authority a certain Proposal, attached hereto and hereby made a part hereof, to enter into a Contract in writing for Contract No. ______ of the New Jersey Turnpike Authority;

NOW, THEREFORE,

(a) If said Proposal shall be rejected by the New Jersey Turnpike Authority, or in the alternative,

(b) If said Proposal shall be accepted by the New Jersey Turnpike Authority and the Principal shall duly execute the Contract Agreement and furnish the required Contract Bond, within the stipulated time,

Then this obligation shall be void, otherwise the same shall remain in force and effect; it being expressly understood and agreed that the liability of the Surety for any and all claims hereunder shall in no event, exceed the amount of this obligation as herein stated.

The Surety, for value received, hereby stipulates and agrees that the obligation of said Surety and its bond shall be in no way impaired or affected by any extension of the time within which the Authority may accept such proposal; and said Surety does hereby waive notice of any such extension. IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Principal and the Surety have hereunto set their hands and seals, and such of them as are corporations have caused their corporate seals to be hereto affixed and these presents to be signed by their proper officers, the day and year first set forth above.

[Corporate Seal]

WITNESS OR ATTEST

Principal

[Corporate Seal]

WITNESS OR ATTEST:

Surety

<u>EXHIBIT K</u> CONTRACT BOND

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS:

That we,				
Duly organized un	der the Laws of the			
	(An	individual, a parti	nership, a corporation)	
State of	and having a usu	al place of		
	at		as	
Principal, and			a	
			and duly authorized to do	
business in the Sta	te of New Jersey and having	a usual place of b	usiness at	
as Surety, are ho	olden and stand firmly bo	und and obligated	l unto the New Jersey Turnpike	
Authority, as Oblig	gee, in the sum of	lawf	ul money of the United States of	
			lves and each of us, our heirs,	
executors, adminis	trators, successors, and assig	ns, jointly and sev	verally, firmly by these presents.	
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dov of	701 ontor into	a contract with th	a Obligga Now Igrany Turnnika	

_____day of _____, 201____, enter into a contract with the Obligee, New Jersey Turnpike Authority generally described as follows: ______ which said contract is made part of this Bond the same as though set forth herein.

Now, if the said Principal shall well and faithfully do and perform the things agreed by the Principal to be done and performed according to the terms of said contract, and shall pay all lawful claims of laborers and other beneficiaries as defined by *N.J.S.A* 2A:44-143 for labor performed or materials, provisions, provender of other supplies, or teams, fuels, oils, implements or machinery furnished, used or consumed in the carrying forward, performing or completing of said contract, we agreeing and assenting that this undertaking shall be for the benefit of laborers and any beneficiary as defined in *N.J.S.A* 2A:44-143 having a just claim, as well as, for the Obligee herein, then this obligation shall be void; otherwise, the same shall remain in full force and effect; it being expressly understood and agreed that the liability of the Surety for any and all claims hereunder shall in no event exceed the penal amount of this obligation as herein stated.

The said Surety hereby stipulates and agrees that no modifications, omissions, or additions in or to the terms of the said contract or in or to the plans or specifications therefore shall in anywise affect the obligation of said Surety on its bond, and the Surety hereby waives notice of same.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have hereunto set our hands and seals

<u>EXHIBIT L</u> <u>CERTIFICATION AND REQUEST FOR WAIVER</u> <u>OF THE COMPREHENSIVE AUTOMOBILE LIABILITY INSURANCE</u> <u>REQUIREMENT</u>

Purchase Requisition #_____

I hereby request an exemption from the New Jersey Turnpike Authority's Comprehensive Automobile Liability Insurance policy for the above reference Purchase Requisition. I certify that if the company referenced below (hereinafter, "the Company") is the successful low bidder the Company will utilize a recognized, commercial third party shipper (i.e. UPS, Federal Express, DHL, U.S. Postal Service, Air Borne Express, etc..) to deliver all Goods to the New Jersey Turnpike Authority. By signing this certification, a representation is made that no vehicle either owned, rented or leased by the Company will be used for the delivery of any goods to the New Jersey Turnpike Authority, and that, any delivery made will be restricted to the use of third parties providing package delivery service in the ordinary course of business. Accordingly, a waiver of Comprehensive Automobile Liability Insurance is hereby requested.

Company (insert name of Company)

By:

(print and sign name)

Title

Date

EXHIBIT M

INSTRUCTIONS FOR DIRECT PAYMENTS (ACH CREDITS)

PLEASE PRINT ALL ENTRIES (except for signature)

COMPANY NAME – Enter your company's name as registered with the New Jersey Turnpike Authority.

NJTA VENDOR ID NUMBER – Enter the number assigned to your company by the New Jersey Turnpike Authority*.

TELEPHONE NUMBER - Enter your telephone number, including area code.

EMAIL ADDRESS - Enter your email address. You will receive detailed notification of ACH payment.

DEPOSITORY NAME – Enter the name of your depository bank/financial institution.

BRANCH - Enter the name of your bank's branch office/location.

CITY/STATE/ZIP CODE – Enter your bank's address.

ROUTING NUMBER (DFI ID) – Enter your bank's routing number. This is your bank's nine position American Banking Association number, also known as the bank transit code.

ACCOUNT NUMBER – Enter your checking or savings account number. This is a variable length field.

NAME AND TITLE– Enter the name and title of the person who has the authority to accept ACH payment as an alternative to receiving check payment for your company.

AUTHORIZED SIGNATORY – Enter your signature.

If you require assistance, please call Carol Sabanos at (732) 750-5300, ext. 8149 or email her at <u>achvendor@njta.</u>

Following completion, forward the form (attached with the required <u>original</u> voided check or bank letter) to: New Jersey Turnpike Authority, ATTN: Accounts Payable, Finance Department/AP, PO Box 5042, Woodbridge, NJ 07095-5042 or you may scan and email the completed form (with the required <u>original</u> voided check or bank letter) to <u>achvendor@njta</u>.

New Jersey Turnpike Authority ATTN: Accounts Payable, Finance Department PO Box 5042 Woodbridge, NJ 07095-5042

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AUTHORIZATION AGREEMENT FOR DIRECT PAYMENTS (ACH CREDITS)				
Company Name	NJTA Vendor ID			
Telephone Number	Email Address			
I (we) hereby authorize New Jersey Turnpike Authority (NJTA) to initiate ACH credit entries to my (our) [] Checking Account / [] Savings Account (select one) indicated below at the depository financial institution named below, hereafter called DEPOSITORY.				
I (we) acknowledge that that origination of ACH transactions to my (our) account must comply with the provisions of U.S. law.				
Depository Name	Branch			
City	StateZip			
Routing Number (DFI ID)	Account Number			
This authorization is to remain in full force and effect until New Jersey Turnpike Authority (NJTA) has received written notification from me (or either of us) of its termination in such time and in such manner so as to afford New Jersey Turnpike Authority and DEPOSITORY a reasonable opportunity to act on it.				
Name(s)(please print)	Title			
(please print)				
Date Authorized Signa	tory			
PLEASE INCLUDE AN ORIGINAL VOIDED CHECK OR BANK LETTER WITH THIS FORM.				
For NJTA use only:				
Received by:	Date:			

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