

Region 4 Education Service Center (ESC)

Contract #R230802

for

Performing Arts Apparel, Instruments, Equipment and Related
Services

with

Music & Arts

Effective: July 1, 2024

The following documents comprise the executed contract between the Region 4 Education Service Center and Music & Arts Inc. effective July 1, 2024:

- I. Vendor Contract and Signature Form
- II. Supplier's Response to the RFP, incorporated by reference

APPENDIX A

CONTRACT

This Contract ("Contract") is made as of _____, 202X by and between Music & Arts ("Contractor") and Region 4 Education Service Center ("Region 4 ESC") for the purchase of Performing Arts Apparel, Instruments, Equipment and Related Services_ ("the products and services").

RECITALS

WHEREAS, Region 4 ESC issued Request for Proposals Number R230802___ for Performing Arts Apparel, Instruments, Equipment and Related Services__ ("RFP"), to which Contractor provided a response ("Proposal"); and

WHEREAS, Region 4 ESC selected Contractor's Proposal and wishes to engage Contractor in providing the services/materials described in the RFP and Proposal;

WHEREAS, both parties agree and understand the following pages will constitute the Contract between the Contractor and Region 4 ESC, having its principal place of business at 7145 West Tidwell Road, Houston, TX 77092.

WHEREAS, Contractor included, in writing, any required exceptions or deviations from these terms, conditions, and specifications; and it is further understood that, if agreed to by Region 4 ESC, said exceptions or deviations are incorporated into the Contract.

WHEREAS, this Contract consists of the provisions set forth below, including provisions of all attachments referenced herein. In the event of a conflict between the provisions set forth below and those contained in any attachment, the provisions set forth below shall control.

WHEREAS, the Contract will provide that any state and local governmental entities, public and private primary, secondary and higher education entities, non-profit entities, and agencies for the public benefit ("Public Agencies") may purchase products and services at prices indicated in the Contract upon the Public Agency's registration with OMNIA Partners.

- 1) Term of agreement. The term of the Contract is for a period of three (3) years unless terminated, canceled or extended as otherwise provided herein. Region 4 ESC shall have the right to renew the Contract for two (2) additional one-year periods or portions thereof. Region 4 ESC shall review the Contract prior to the renewal date and notify the Contractor of Region 4 ESC's intent renew the Contract. Contractor may elect not to renew by providing three hundred sixty-five days' (365) notice to Region 4 ESC. Notwithstanding the expiration of the initial term or any subsequent term or all renewal options, Region 4 ESC and Contractor may mutually agree to extend the term of this Agreement. Contractor acknowledges and understands Region 4 ESC is under no obligation whatsoever to extend the term of this Agreement.
- 2) Scope: Contractor shall perform all duties, responsibilities and obligations, set forth in this agreement, and described in the RFP, incorporated herein by reference as though fully set forth herein.

- 3) Form of Contract. The form of Contract shall be the RFP, the Offeror's proposal and Best and Final Offer(s).
- 4) Order of Precedence. In the event of a conflict in the provisions of the Contract as accepted by Region 4 ESC, the following order of precedence shall prevail:
 - i. This Contract
 - ii. Offeror's Best and Final Offer
 - iii. Offeror's proposal
 - iv. RFP and any addenda
- 5) Commencement of Work. The Contractor is cautioned not to commence any billable work or provide any material or service under this Contract until Contractor receives a purchase order for such work or is otherwise directed to do so in writing by Region 4 ESC.
- 6) Entire Agreement (Parol evidence). The Contract, as specified above, represents the final written expression of agreement. All agreements are contained herein and no other agreements or representations that materially alter it are acceptable.
- 7) Assignment of Contract. No assignment of Contract may be made without the prior written approval of Region 4 ESC. Contractor is required to notify Region 4 ESC when any material change in operations is made (i.e., bankruptcy, change of ownership, merger, etc.).
- 8) Novation. If Contractor sells or transfers all assets or the entire portion of the assets used to perform this Contract, a successor in interest must guarantee to perform all obligations under this Contract. Region 4 ESC reserves the right to accept or reject any new party. A change of name agreement will not change the contractual obligations of Contractor.
- 9) Contract Alterations. No alterations to the terms of this Contract shall be valid or binding unless authorized and signed by Region 4 ESC.
- 10) Adding Authorized Distributors/Dealers. Contractor is prohibited from authorizing additional distributors or dealers, other than those identified at the time of submitting their proposal, to sell under the Contract without notification and prior written approval from Region 4 ESC. Contractor must notify Region 4 ESC each time it wishes to add an authorized distributor or dealer. Purchase orders and payment can only be made to the Contractor unless otherwise approved by Region 4 ESC. Pricing provided to members by added distributors or dealers must also be less than or equal to the Contractor's pricing.

11) TERMINATION OF CONTRACT

- a) Cancellation for Non-Performance or Contractor Deficiency. Region 4 ESC may terminate the Contract if purchase volume is determined to be low volume in any 12-month period. Region 4 ESC reserves the right to cancel the whole or any part of this Contract due to failure by Contractor to carry out any obligation, term or condition of the contract. Region 4 ESC may issue a written deficiency notice to Contractor for acting or failing to act in any of the following:
 - i. Providing material that does not meet the specifications of the Contract;
 - ii. Providing work or material was not awarded under the Contract;
 - iii. Failing to adequately perform the services set forth in the scope of work and specifications;

- iv. Failing to complete required work or furnish required materials within a reasonable amount of time;
- v. Failing to make progress in performance of the Contract or giving Region 4 ESC reason to believe Contractor will not or cannot perform the requirements of the Contract; or
- vi. Performing work or providing services under the Contract prior to receiving an authorized purchase order.

Upon receipt of a written deficiency notice, Contractor shall have ten (10) days to provide a satisfactory response to Region 4 ESC. Failure to adequately address all issues of concern may result in Contract cancellation. Upon cancellation under this paragraph, all goods, materials, work, documents, data and reports prepared by Contractor under the Contract shall immediately become the property of Region 4 ESC.

- b) Termination for Cause. If, for any reason, Contractor fails to fulfill its obligation in a timely manner, or Contractor violates any of the covenants, agreements, or stipulations of this Contract Region 4 ESC reserves the right to terminate the Contract immediately and pursue all other applicable remedies afforded by law. Such termination shall be effective by delivery of notice, to the Contractor, specifying the effective date of termination. In such event, all documents, data, studies, surveys, drawings, maps, models and reports prepared by Contractor will become the property of the Region 4 ESC. If such event does occur, Contractor will be entitled to receive just and equitable compensation for the satisfactory work completed on such documents.
- c) Delivery/Service Failures. Failure to deliver goods or services within the time specified, or within a reasonable time period as interpreted by the purchasing agent or failure to make replacements or corrections of rejected articles/services when so requested shall constitute grounds for the Contract to be terminated. In the event Region 4 ESC must purchase in an open market, Contractor agrees to reimburse Region 4 ESC, within a reasonable time period, for all expenses incurred.
- d) Force Majeure. If by reason of Force Majeure, either party hereto shall be rendered unable wholly or in part to carry out its obligations under this Agreement then such party shall give notice and full particulars of Force Majeure in writing to the other party within a reasonable time after occurrence of the event or cause relied upon, and the obligation of the party giving such notice, so far as it is affected by such Force Majeure, shall be suspended during the continuance of the inability then claimed, except as hereinafter provided, but for no longer period, and such party shall endeavor to remove or overcome such inability with all reasonable dispatch.

The term Force Majeure as employed herein, shall mean acts of God, strikes, lockouts, or other industrial disturbances, act of public enemy, orders of any kind of government of the United States or the State of Texas or any civil or military authority; insurrections; riots; epidemics; landslides; lighting; earthquake; fires; hurricanes; storms; floods; washouts; droughts; arrests; restraint of government and people; civil disturbances; explosions, breakage or accidents to machinery, pipelines or canals, or other causes not reasonably within the control of the party claiming such inability. It is understood and agreed that the settlement of strikes and lockouts shall be entirely within the discretion of the party having the difficulty, and that the above requirement that any Force Majeure shall be remedied with all reasonable dispatch shall not require the settlement of strikes and lockouts by acceding to the demands of the opposing party or parties when such settlement is unfavorable in the judgment of the party having the difficulty.

- e) Standard Cancellation. Region 4 ESC may cancel this Contract in whole or in part by providing written notice. The cancellation will take effect 30 business days after the other party receives the notice of cancellation. After the 30th business day all work will cease following completion of final purchase order.

- 12) Licenses. Contractor shall maintain in current status all federal, state and local licenses, bonds and permits required for the operation of the business conducted by Contractor. Contractor shall remain fully informed of and in compliance with all ordinances and regulations pertaining to the lawful provision of services under the Contract. Region 4 ESC reserves the right to stop work and/or cancel the Contract if Contractor's license(s) expire, lapse, are suspended or terminated.
- 13) Survival Clause. All applicable software license agreements, warranties or service agreements that are entered into between Contractor and Region 4 ESC under the terms and conditions of the Contract shall survive the expiration or termination of the Contract. All Purchase Orders issued and accepted by Contractor shall survive expiration or termination of the Contract.
- 14) Delivery. Conforming product shall be shipped within 7 days of receipt of Purchase Order. If delivery is not or cannot be made within this time period, the Contractor must receive authorization for the delayed delivery. The order may be canceled if the estimated shipping time is not acceptable. All deliveries shall be freight prepaid, F.O.B. Destination and shall be included in all pricing offered unless otherwise clearly stated in writing.

Additional Delivery/Installation Charges: Contractor may enter into additional negotiations with a purchasing agency for additional delivery or installation charges based on onerous conditions. Additional delivery and/or installation charges may only be charged if mutually agreed upon by the purchasing agency and Contractor and can only be charged on a per individual project basis.

- 15) Inspection & Acceptance. If defective or incorrect material is delivered, Region 4 ESC may make the determination to return the material to the Contractor at no cost to Region 4 ESC. The Contractor agrees to pay all shipping costs for the return shipment. Contractor shall be responsible for arranging the return of the defective or incorrect material.
- 16) Payments. Payment shall be made after satisfactory performance, in accordance with all provisions thereof, and upon receipt of a properly completed invoice.
- 17) Price Adjustments. Should it become necessary or proper during the term of this Contract to make any change in design or any alterations that will increase price, Region 4 ESC must be notified immediately. Price increases must be approved by Region 4 ESC and no payment for additional materials or services, beyond the amount stipulated in the Contract shall be paid without prior approval. All price increases must be supported by manufacturer documentation, or a formal cost justification letter. Contractor must honor previous prices for thirty (30) days after approval and written notification from Region 4 ESC. It is the Contractor's responsibility to keep all pricing up to date and on file with Region 4 ESC. All price changes must be provided to Region 4 ESC, using the same format as was provided and accepted in the Contractor's proposal.

Price reductions may be offered at any time during Contract. Special, time-limited reductions are permissible under the following conditions: 1) reduction is available to all users equally; 2) reduction is for a specific period, normally not less than thirty (30) days; and 3) original price is not exceeded after the time-limit. Contractor shall offer Region 4 ESC any published price reduction during the Contract term.

- 18) Audit Rights. Contractor shall, at its sole expense, maintain appropriate due diligence of all purchases made by Region 4 ESC and any entity that utilizes this Contract. Region 4 ESC reserves the right to audit the accounting for a period of three (3) years from the time such purchases are made. This audit right shall survive termination of this Agreement for a period of one (1) year from the effective date of termination. Region 4 ESC shall have the authority to conduct random audits of Contractor's pricing at Region 4 ESC's sole cost and expense. Notwithstanding the foregoing, in the event that Region 4 ESC is made aware of any pricing being offered that is materially inconsistent with the pricing under this agreement, Region 4 ESC shall have the ability to conduct an extensive audit of Contractor's pricing at Contractor's sole cost and expense. Region 4 ESC may conduct the audit internally or may engage a third-party auditing firm. In the event of an audit, the requested materials shall be provided in the format and at the location designated by Region 4 ESC.
- 19) Discontinued Products. If a product or model is discontinued by the manufacturer, Contractor may substitute a new product or model if the replacement product meets or exceeds the specifications and performance of the discontinued model and if the discount is the same or greater than the discontinued model.
- 20) New Products/Services. New products and/or services that meet the scope of work may be added to the Contract. Pricing shall be equivalent to the percentage discount for other products. Contractor may replace or add product lines if the line is replacing or supplementing products, is equal or superior to the original products, is discounted similarly or greater than the original discount, and if the products meet the requirements of the Contract. No products and/or services may be added to avoid competitive procurement requirements. Region 4 ESC may require additions to be submitted with documentation from Members demonstrating an interest in, or a potential requirement for, the new product or service. Region 4 ESC may reject any additions without cause.
- 21) Options. Optional equipment for products under Contract may be added to the Contract at the time they become available under the following conditions: 1) the option is priced at a discount similar to other options; 2) the option is an enhancement to the unit that improves performance or reliability.
- 22) Warranty Conditions. All supplies, equipment and services shall include manufacturer's minimum standard warranty and one (1) year labor warranty unless otherwise agreed to in writing.
- 23) Site Cleanup. Contractor shall clean up and remove all debris and rubbish resulting from their work as required or directed. Upon completion of the work, the premises shall be left in good repair and an orderly, neat, clean, safe and unobstructed condition.
- 24) Site Preparation. Contractor shall not begin a project for which the site has not been prepared, unless Contractor does the preparation work at no cost, or until Region 4 ESC includes the cost of site preparation in a purchase order. Site preparation includes, but is not limited to moving furniture, installing wiring for networks or power, and similar pre-installation requirements.
- 25) Registered Sex Offender Restrictions. For work to be performed at schools, Contractor agrees no employee or employee of a subcontractor who has been adjudicated to be a registered sex offender will perform work at any time when students are or are reasonably expected to be present. Contractor agrees a violation of this condition shall be considered a

material breach and may result in the cancellation of the purchase order at Region 4 ESC's discretion. Contractor must identify any additional costs associated with compliance of this term. If no costs are specified, compliance with this term will be provided at no additional charge.

- 26) Safety measures. Contractor shall take all reasonable precautions for the safety of employees on the worksite and shall erect and properly maintain all necessary safeguards for protection of workers and the public. Contractor shall post warning signs against all hazards created by its operation and work in progress. Proper precautions shall be taken pursuant to state law and standard practices to protect workers, general public and existing structures from injury or damage.
- 27) Smoking. Persons working under the Contract shall adhere to local smoking policies. Smoking will only be permitted in posted areas or off premises.
- 28) Stored materials. Upon prior written agreement between the Contractor and Region 4 ESC, payment may be made for materials not incorporated in the work but delivered and suitably stored at the site or some other location, for installation at a later date. An inventory of the stored materials must be provided to Region 4 ESC prior to payment. Such materials must be stored and protected in a secure location and be insured for their full value by the Contractor against loss and damage. Contractor agrees to provide proof of coverage and additionally insured upon request. Additionally, if stored offsite, the materials must also be clearly identified as property of Region 4 ESC and be separated from other materials. Region 4 ESC must be allowed reasonable opportunity to inspect and take inventory of stored materials, on or offsite, as necessary. Until final acceptance by Region 4 ESC, it shall be the Contractor's responsibility to protect all materials and equipment. Contractor warrants and guarantees that title for all work, materials and equipment shall pass to Region 4 ESC upon final acceptance.
- 29) Funding Out Clause. A Contract for the acquisition, including lease, of real or personal property is a commitment of Region 4 ESC's current revenue only. Region 4 ESC retains the right to terminate the Contract at the expiration of each budget period during the term of the Contract and is conditioned on a best effort attempt by Region 4 ESC to obtain appropriate funds for payment of the contract.
- 30) Indemnity. Contractor shall protect, indemnify, and hold harmless both Region 4 ESC and its administrators, employees and agents against all claims, damages, losses and expenses arising out of or resulting from the actions of the Contractor, Contractor employees or subcontractors in the preparation of the solicitation and the later execution of the Contract. Any litigation involving either Region 4 ESC, its administrators and employees and agents will be in Harris County, Texas.
- 31) Marketing. Contractor agrees to allow Region 4 ESC to use their name and logo within website, marketing materials and advertisement. Any use of Region 4 ESC name and logo or any form of publicity, inclusive of press releases, regarding this Contract by Contractor must have prior approval from Region 4 ESC.
- 32) Certificates of Insurance. Certificates of insurance shall be delivered to the Region 4 ESC prior to commencement of work. The Contractor shall give Region 4 ESC a minimum of ten (10) days' notice prior to any modifications or cancellation of policies. The Contractor shall require all subcontractors performing any work to maintain coverage as specified.

33) Legal Obligations. It is Contractor's responsibility to be aware of and comply with all local, state, and federal laws governing the sale of products/services and shall comply with all laws while fulfilling the Contract. Applicable laws and regulation must be followed even if not specifically identified herein.

OFFER AND CONTRACT SIGNATURE FORM

The undersigned hereby offers and, if awarded, agrees to furnish goods and/or services in strict compliance with the terms, specifications and conditions at the prices proposed within response unless noted in writing.

Company Name Music & Arts

Address 5295 Westview Dr. Ste. 300

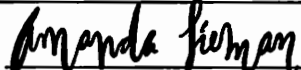
City/State/Zip Frederick, MD 21703

Telephone No. 301-620-4040

Email Address schools@musicarts.com

Printed Name Amanda Tieman

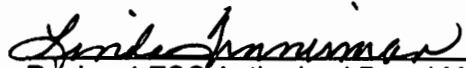
Title School Services Coordinator

Authorized signature 

Accepted by Region 4 ESC:

Contract No. R230802

Initial Contract Term 7/1/2024 to 6/30/2027


Region 4 ESC Authorized Board Member

6/25/2024
Date

Linda Tinnerman
Print Name


Region 4 ESC Authorized Board Member

6/25/2024
Date

Victor E. White
Print Name

Appendix B

TERMS & CONDITIONS ACCEPTANCE FORM

Signature on the Offer and Contract Signature form certifies complete acceptance of the terms and conditions in this solicitation and draft Contract except as noted below with proposed substitute language (additional pages may be submitted, if necessary). The provisions of the RFP cannot be modified without the express written approval of Region 4 ESC. If a proposal is submitted with modifications to the draft Contract provisions that are not expressly approved in writing by Region 4 ESC, the Contract provisions contained in the RFP shall prevail.

Check one of the following responses:

- ✓ Offeror takes no exceptions to the terms and conditions of the RFP and draft Contract.

(Note: If none are listed below, it is understood that no exceptions/deviations are taken.)

Offeror takes the following exceptions to the RFP and draft Contract. All exceptions must be clearly explained, reference the corresponding term to which Offeror is taking exception and clearly state any proposed modified language, proposed additional terms to the RFP and draft Contract must be included:

(Note: Unacceptable exceptions may remove Offeror's proposal from consideration for award. Region 4 ESC shall be the sole judge on the acceptance of exceptions and modifications and the decision shall be final.

If an offer is made with modifications to the contract provisions that are not expressly approved in writing, the contract provisions contained in the RFP shall prevail.)

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23-08 Addendum 4
Music & Arts
Guitar Center Stores, Inc.
Supplier Response

Event Information

Number: 23-08 Addendum 4
Title: Performing Arts Apparel, Instruments, Equipment and Related Services
Type: Request for Proposal
Issue Date: 11/8/2023
Deadline: 1/11/2024 02:00 PM (CT)
Notes: Oral communications concerning this RFP shall not be binding and shall in no way excuse an Offeror of the obligations set forth in this proposal.

Only online proposals will be accepted. Proposals must be submitted via Region 4 ESC's online procurement system:
region4esc.ionwave.net.

No manual, emailed, or faxed proposals will be accepted.

NON-MANDATORY PRE-PROPOSAL CONFERENCE

Meeting to be held on
Tuesday, November 28, 2023 at 1:00 pm
via ZOOM. Click [here](#) to join.

Offerors are strongly encouraged, but not required to participate in a

pre-proposal conference with the Procurement and Operations Specialist.

Contact Information

Address: Finance and Operations
7145 West Tidwell Road
TX 77092

Music & Arts Information

Contact: Amanda Tieman
Address: 5295 Westview Dr. Suite 300
Frederick, MD 21703
Phone: (301) 620-4040
Email: schools@musicarts.com
Web Address: www.musicarts.com

By submitting your response, you certify that you are authorized to represent and bind your company.

Amanda Tieman
Signature

schools@musicarts.com
Email

Submitted at 1/4/2024 09:41:05 AM (CT)

Requested Attachments

OFFER AND CONTRACT SIGNATURE FORM

OFFER AND CONTRACT
SIGNATURE FORM.pdf

Please complete the Offer and Contract Signature Form, located on the Attachments tab, and upload the completed document here.

Appendix B - Terms & Conditions Acceptance Form

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Acceptance Form.pdf

Please complete the Terms & Conditions Acceptance Form, located on the Attachments tab, and upload the completed document here.

Acknowledgment and Acceptance of Region 4 ESC's Open Records Policy

Acknowledgment and Acceptance
of Region 4 ESC Open Records
Policy.pdf

Please complete the Acknowledgment and Acceptance of Region 4 ESC's Open Records Policy, located on the Attachments tab, and upload the completed document here.

Antitrust Certification Statements

Antitrust Certification
Statements.pdf

Please complete the Antitrust Certification Statements, located on the Attachments tab, and upload the completed document here.

Certificate of Interested Parties (Form 1295)

Form 1295 Certificate
101144382.pdf

Must complete the form online at: https://www.ethics.state.tx.us/whatsnew/elf_info_form1295.htm

Texas Government Code 2270 Verification Form

Texas Government Code 2270
Verification Form.pdf

Please complete the Texas Government Code 2270 Verification Form, located on the Attachments tab, and upload the completed document here.

Submit FEIN and Dunn & Bradstreet report.

DUNS Notice.pdf

Upload FEIN and Dunn & Brandstreet report here.

Diversity Program Certifications

No response

If there are any diversity programs, provide a copy of their certification.

Minority Women Business Enterprise Certification

No response

Please upload Minority Women Business Enterprise Certification if applicable.

Small Business Enterprise (SBE) or Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) Certification

No response

Please upload Small Business Enterprise (SBE) or Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) Certification if applicable.

Historically Underutilized Business (HUB) Certification

No response

Please upload Historically Underutilized Business (HUB) Certification if applicable.

Historically Underutilized Business Zone Enterprise (HUBZone)

No response

Please upload Historically Underutilized Business Zone Enterprise (HUBZone) if applicable.

Other recognized diversity certificate holder

No response

Please upload other recognized diversity certificate holder if applicable.

Products and Pricing

23-08 Pricing.pdf

Each offeror awarded an item under this solicitation may offer their complete product and service offering/a balance of line. Describe the full line of products and services offered by supplier.

Value Add

No response

Provide any additional information related to products and services Offeror proposes to enhance and add value to the Contract. Furniture can be included as a Value-Add, include any fees such as installation, delivery options, setup/cleaning, classroom design/layout, special orders, etc.

Additional Agreements Offeror will require Participating Agencies to sign.

No response

Upload any additional agreements offeror will require Participating Agencies here.

OMNIA Partners - Exhibit A Response for National Cooperative Contract

No response

Please complete the OMNIA Partners - Exhibit A Response for National Cooperative Contract located on the Attachments tab and upload the completed documents here.

OMNIA Partners - Exhibit B Administration Agreement

No response

Please complete the OMNIA Partners - Exhibit B Administration Agreement, located on the Attachments tab, and upload the completed documents here.

OMNIA Partners - Exhibit F Federal Funds Certifications

OMNIA Partners - Exhibit F
Federal Funds Certifications
Form.pdf

Please complete the OMNIA Partners - Exhibit F Federal Funds Certifications, located on the Attachments tab, and upload the completed documents here.

OMNIA Partners - Exhibit G New Jersey Business Compliance

OMNIA Partners - Exhibit G New
Jersey Compliance Form.pdf

Please complete the OMNIA Partners - Exhibit G New Jersey Business Compliance forms, located on the Attachments tab, and upload the completed documents here.

Response Attachments

AA302 (New Jersey).pdf

AA302 (New Jersey)

NJ Business Registration 2011.pdf

NJ Business Registration

Bid Attributes

1 Oral Communication

Oral communications concerning this RFP shall not be binding and shall in no way excuse an Offeror of the obligations set forth in this proposal.

☒ I have read and agree.

2 Scope of Work

Please download and thoroughly review the Scope of Work, located on the Attachments Tab. Indicate your review and acceptance below.

☒ I have read and agree.

3 Terms and Conditions

Please download and thoroughly review the Terms and Conditions, located on the Attachments Tab. Indicate your review and acceptance below.

☒ I have read and agree.

4 Products/Pricing - Upload on Response Attachments Tab

Offerors shall provide pricing based on a discount from a manufacturer's price list, or fixed price, or a combination of both with indefinite quantities. Offeror may offer their complete product, and service offering as a balance of line. Prices listed will be used to establish the extent of a manufacturer's product lines, services, warranties, etc. that are available from Offeror and the pricing per item. Multiple percentage discounts are acceptable if, where different percentage discounts apply, the different percentages are specified. Additional pricing and/or discounts may be included. Products and services proposed are to be priced separately with all ineligible items identified. Offerors may elect to limit their proposals to any category or categories. The discount proposed shall remain the same throughout the term of the contract and at all renewal options. Price lists must contain the following: (if applicable)

- Manufacturer Part #
- Offeror's Part # (if different from manufacturer part #)
- Description
- Manufacturers Suggested List Price and Net Price
- Net price to Region 4 ESC (including freight)

5 Is pricing available for all products and services?

☒ Yes

☐ No

6 Equipment Offerings

Indicate any equipment offerings: New, Used, Parts, Accessories, Service and Repair, Trade-Ins, Leasing/Financing and providing pricing structure for each of these applicable items.

Musical Instruments, Musical Accessories/Equipment, Print Music, Audio/Visual Equipment, Instrument Repairs

7 Include any fees such as installation, delivery options, setup/cleaning, design/layout, special orders, etc.

N/A

8 Minimum Quantities

Describe any minimums quantities or fees.

N/A

9	Shipping Costs Describe any shipping charges, mileage, or fees. Free shipping on all orders \$25 and up
10	Warranty Pricing Provide pricing for warranties on all products and services. Manufacturer's warranty will be honored on all products
11	Additional Discounts or Rebates Describe any additional discounts or rebates available. Additional discounts or rebates may be offered for large quantity orders, single ship to location, growth, annual spend, guaranteed quantity, etc. N/A
12	Special Offers/Promotions In addition to decreasing prices for the balance of the Contract term due to a change in market conditions, Contractor may conduct sales promotions involving price reductions for a specified lesser period. Contractor may offer Participating Agencies competitive pricing which is lower than the not-to-exceed price set forth herein at any time during the Contract term and such lower pricing shall not be applied as a global price reduction under the Contract. No response
13	Verification of Contract Pricing Describe how customers verify they are receiving Contract pricing. Customer must notify Ed Rep that they wish to utilize the contract; The contract number will be listed on quotes and must be noted on the Purchase Order.
14	Payment Methods Describe payment methods offered. Indicate if payment will be accepted via credit card. If so, may credit card payment(s) be made online? Also state the Convenience Fee, if allowable, per the Visa Operating Regulations. Credit Card, ACH; Payments are accepted online with no convenience fee added.
15	Frequency of Pricing Updates Propose the frequency of updates to the Offeror's pricing structure. Describe any proposed indices to guide price adjustments. If offering a catalog contract with discounts by category, while changes in individual pricing may change, the category discounts should not change over the term of the Contract. Music & Arts is offering percentage discounts by category and will not change the discount structure over the term of the contract.
16	Future Product Introductions Describe how future product introductions will be priced and align with Contract pricing proposed. Percentage discounts by category will apply to future products, based on the category in which they best fit.

17	Federal Funding Pricing Due to products and services potentially being used in response to an emergency or disaster recovery situation in which federal funding may use, provide alternative pricing that does not include cost plus a percentage of cost or pricing based on time and materials; if time and materials is necessary, a ceiling price that the contract exceeds at its own risk will be needed. Products and services provided in a situation where an agency is eligible for federal funding, Offeror is subject to and must comply with all federal requirements applicable to the funding including, but not limited to the FEMA Special Conditions section located in the Federal Funds Certifications Exhibit. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Agree <input type="checkbox"/> Disagree
18	Appendix D, Exhibit A, OMNIA Partners Response for National Contract Include a detailed response to Appendix D, Exhibit A, OMNIA Partners Response for National Cooperative Contract. Responses should highlight experience, demonstrate a strong national presence, describe how Offeror will educate its national sales force about the Contract, describe how products and services will be distributed nationwide, include a plan for marketing the products and services nationwide, and describe how volume will be tracked and reported to OMNIA Partners.
19	Appendix D, Exhibit B, OMNIA Partners Administration Agreement The successful Offeror will be required to sign Appendix D, Exhibit B, OMNIA Partners Administration Agreement prior to Contract award. Offerors should have any reviews required to sign the document prior to submitting a response. Offeror's response should include any proposed exceptions to OMNIA Partners Administration Agreement on Appendix B, Terms and Conditions Acceptance Form.
20	Appendix D, Exhibits F and G Include completed Appendix D, Exhibits F. Federal Funds Certifications and G. New Jersey Business Compliance.
21	Ordering Methods Describe ordering methods, tracking, and reporting. <div>Orders may be placed online through our Educator Portal using purchase order or credit card; Educators may also place an order through the Educational Sales Representative (Ed Rep)</div>
22	Emergency Orders Describe how Offeror responds to emergency orders. <div>Emergency orders may be placed through the district's local Ed Rep and will be handled as soon as possible.</div>
23	<i>Attribute deleted as part of an Addendum</i>
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32	Describe Offeror's return and restocking policy. 30 Day Satisfaction Guarantee--product may be returned within 30 days of purchase. Returns may be completed via the local Ed Rep, any Music & Arts retail store, or 888-731-5396 (customer service)
33	Describe Offeror's ability to meet service and warranty needs. Our skilled repair technicians are qualified to do any repair and will honor all manufacturer's warranties. Ability to do repair is subject to district's proximity to a repair facility.
34	Describe Offeror's customer service/problem resolution process. Include hours of operation, number of services, etc. Customers may contact the local Ed Rep (contact schools@musicarts.com to help connect you with your rep). They may also visit a local retail store M-F 11:00 AM-8:00 PM, Saturday 10:00 AM-5:00 PM, Sunday 12:00 PM-5:00 PM. Finally, they may contact customer service at 888-731-5396.
35	Describe Offeror's invoicing process. Include payment terms and acceptable methods of payments. Offerors shall describe any associated fees pertaining to credit cards/p-cards. Invoices are distributed after the order is shipped from our warehouse. Items drop-shipped from a vendor partner are invoiced once the items are shipped and Music & Arts has received the vendor invoice. Repair invoices are completed once the repair is finished. Payment terms are Net 30. Credit Card and ACH are accepted, and no credit card/p-card fees are assessed.
36	Transition Plan Describe Offeror's contract methodology/implementation/customer transition plan. i. Retention and Workflow Schedules. ii. Roles and responsibilities of provider and participating public agency. iii. Levels of security for confidential documents. iv. Where are backup systems located. Music & Arts employs a team of School Services Coordinators who specialize in the end-to-end maintenance of school bids and RFPs. Upon signing a contract, this team is also responsible for maintaining reporting and any other obligations pertaining to the contract, collaborates with purchasing cooperative personnel on training and development opportunities, and signs any addendums and renewals during the course of the contract. Confidential documents are stored online in a secure and private environment. Although not publicly traded, Music & Arts adheres to all Sarbanes-Oxley requirements and frequently does internal audits to ensure privacy and confidentiality. Backup systems are maintained by the Guitar Center Corporation IT department.
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4 1	<p>Describe the financial condition of Offeror.</p> <p>Music & Arts is among the nation's largest retailer of band and orchestra instruments. Our financial condition is evident in our investment of millions of dollars into filling our warehouses and distribution centers with a large inventory of our most popular products, giving us a stock advantage that rivals our competitors.</p>
4 2	<p>Provide a website link in order to review website ease of use, availability, and capabilities related to ordering, returns and reporting. Describe the website's capabilities and functionality.</p> <p>www.musicarts.com/educator - Create an Educator Account to view items at our Educator Discount (which will be the maximum pricing honored in this contract). Educators may also purchase through the portal using a credit card or Purchase Order.</p>
4 3	<p>Describe the Offeror's safety record.</p> <p>OSHA Safety Frequency has ranged between 2.0 to 3.0 versus a national average for our industry of 5.0 (lower is better)</p>
4 4	<p>Describe Offeror's green or sustainability program. What type of reporting or reviews are available to participating agencies?</p> <p>1. Corrugate Recycling - Overhead trash lines lead to corrugate only compactor 2. Pallets - Partnership with strategic vendors using re-usable pallets that move back-n-forth between DC and Vendor. 3. Box Assortment - DCs have large assortment of sizes to ensure the smallest sized container is being used, avoiding waste and excessive use of packing materials 4. Dunnage (Air Fill or Paper) - Inbound package materials are collected and re-used for packing with Outbound orders 5. Consolidation of Transportation - Logistics scheduling is company owned, allowing for combined loads of multiple brands destined to the same location 6. Lighting/Electricity - DCs are fitted with high efficiency motion sensor light fixtures that remain off when employees are not working in a certain area 7. HVAC/Electricity - Temperature sensors automatically turn Ceiling and Wall Fans ON/OFF based on internal vs external temperatures, avoiding them from continuously running</p>
4 5	<p>Describe any social diversity initiatives.</p> <p>Our Diversity, Inclusion, and Belonging department has created a specific strategy to build a diverse team of associates that reflect the communities in which we work, as well as by working as a company to embrace inclusion and raise awareness of the needs and values of underrepresented groups. We have executed this strategic focus by creating a Women in Music Panel as well as Allyship Resources that are available to all associates. The Guitar Center Company networks with the Women Initiative Network and The Pride Collective.</p>
4 6	<p><i>Attribute deleted as part of an Addendum</i></p>
4 7	<p><i>Attribute deleted as part of an Addendum</i></p>
4 8	<p>Provide a brief history of the Offeror, including year it was established and corporate office location.</p> <p>Music & Arts was established in 1952 in Bethesda, MD and became part of the Guitar Center enterprise in 2005. Our corporate office is located in Frederick, MD.</p>
4 9	<p>Describe Offeror's reputation in the marketplace.</p> <p>As the nation's largest school musical instrument retailer, Music & Arts is well known to educators, serving thousands of school districts nationwide. The company now comprises 200+ retail stores, 120+ educational representatives, and 300+ affiliate locations.</p>

50	<p>Describe Offeror's reputation of products and services in the marketplace.</p> <p>Boasting one of the largest product offerings in the world, Music & Arts is the home of music education. We offer educator-approved band instruments and accessories like clarinets, saxophones, and the largest selection of reeds anywhere - with top brands like Rico and Vandoren. We also offer a wide variety of Violins, Electric Guitars, Acoustic Guitars, Mouthpieces and Accessories, and every method book or songbook you could ever need; including the best prices on Band Method Books!</p>
51	<p>Describe the experience and qualifications of key employees.</p> <p>Educational Representatives are the face of Music & Arts to school districts. Most reps are musicians themselves, and many are current and former music educators. They perform in bands, quartets, orchestras and ensembles. They teach. They understand instruments and music education and are available to support educators with everything from recruitment and rental events to arranging repairs.</p>
52	<p>Describe Offeror's experience working with the government sector.</p> <p>Music & Arts specializes in servicing school music programs; as such, we contract with thousands of public school districts nationwide.</p>
53	<p>Describe past litigation, bankruptcy, reorganization, state investigations of entity or current officers and directors</p> <p>On 11/13/20, Guitar Center entered into a comprehensive Restructuring Support Agreement with creditor groups and equity holders to restructure its balance sheet. On 11/21/20, Guitar Center filed for Chapter 11 protection to implement the transactions contemplated by the Restructuring Support Agreement in an orderly fashion, with the bankruptcy plan being confirmed on 12/17/20 and Guitar Center emerging from bankruptcy protection on 12/22/2020. The restructuring resulted in significant deleveraging and the expansion of capital structure runway, with a reduction of over \$675 million of debt and the issuance of new debt with a five year maturity and new ABL facility. As part of the restructuring, Guitar Center attracted \$165 million in new money equity investments from three private equity sponsors. Guitar Center Stores, Inc. CEO: Gabe Dalporto / Music & Arts President: Jeff Gottlieb</p>
54	<p>Value Add</p> <p>Provide any additional information related to products and services Offeror proposes to enhance and add value to the Contract.</p> <p>Music & Arts supports music educators in the following ways: 1) Access to a local Educational Representative (Reps may have to service remotely in markets where we do not have a physical location), 2) In addition to our 18 hubs and distribution centers, we run two 1-million square foot distribution centers, allowing us to stock the highest inventory levels of any music retailer, 3) Our partnership with Be Part of the Music gives educators access to free recruitment and retention tools developed by renowned educator and clinician Scott Lang</p>
55	<p>Detail Supplier's strategies under these options when responding to a solicitation.</p>
56	<p>Supplier Response</p> <p>Supplier must supply the following information for the Principal Procurement Agency to determine Supplier's qualifications to extend the resulting Master Agreement to Participating Public Agencies through OMNIA Partners.</p>
57	<p>Brief history and description of Supplier to include experience providing similar products and services.</p> <p>Music & Arts has provided millions of dollars in sales and repair businesses to school districts nationwide.</p>
58	<p>Total number and location of salespersons employed by Supplier.</p> <p>120+ Educational Representatives throughout the nation, plus 200+ fully staffed retail stores.</p>

59	Number and location of support centers (if applicable) and location of corporate office. <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; margin-top: 5px;"> The Music & Arts corporate office is located in Frederick, MD. We offer customer service call centers in English and Spanish, as well as a team of remote School Services Coordinators who are able to assist with school-related matters. </div>
60	Annual sales for the three previous fiscal years. <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; margin-top: 5px;"> \$0 </div>
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62	Annual sales for the three previous fiscal years. <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; margin-top: 5px;"> \$0 </div>
63	Describe any green or environmental initiatives or policies. <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; margin-top: 5px;"> Music & Arts has moved to digital rental contracts in order to reduce paper usage. </div>
64	Diversity Programs Describe any diversity programs or partners supplier does business with and how Participating Agencies may use diverse partners through the Master Agreement. Indicate how, if at all, pricing changes when using the diversity program. If there are any diversity programs, provide a list of diversity alliances and a copy of their certifications. <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; margin-top: 5px;"> N/A </div>
65	Minority Women Business Enterprise <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
66	If yes, list certifying agency: <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; margin-top: 5px;"> No response </div>
67	Small Business Enterprise (SBE) or Disadvantaged Business Enterprise <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
68	If yes, list certifying agency: <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; margin-top: 5px;"> No response </div>
69	Historically Underutilized Business (HUB) <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
70	If yes, list certifying agency: <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; margin-top: 5px;"> No response </div>
71	Historically Underutilized Business Zone Enterprise (HUBZone) <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No

7 2	If yes, list certifying agency: <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; margin-top: 5px;">No response</div>
7 3	Other recognized diversity certificate holder <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
7 4	If yes, list certifying agency: <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; margin-top: 5px;">No response</div>
7 5	Contractor Relationships List any relationships with subcontractors or affiliates intended to be used when providing services and identify if subcontractors meet minority-owned standards. If any, list which certifications subcontractors hold and certifying agency. <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; margin-top: 5px;">N/A</div>
7 6	Describe how supplier differentiates itself from its competitors. <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; margin-top: 5px;"> <p>Music & Arts differentiates itself by intentionally focusing on the music educator experience. Our partnership with Be Part of the Music provides a vast array of tools to aid in the recruitment and intention process, giving educators more time to focus on teaching. Our talented team of Educational Representatives provide an invaluable wealth of knowledge and convenience. With 70 repair facilities across the nation, Music & Arts is able to help get instruments back into the hands of students quickly. Finally, we have invested tens of millions of dollars into stocking our distribution centers with the largest available inventory of the top-selling products that are favored by educators. We are the top customer for many of the most sought-after manufacturers, allowing for partnerships that benefit all customers.</p> </div>
7 7	Litigation, Bankruptcy or reorganization Describe any present or past litigation, bankruptcy or reorganization involving supplier. <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; margin-top: 5px;"> <p>On 11/13/20, Guitar Center entered into a comprehensive Restructuring Support Agreement with creditor groups and equity holders to restructure its balance sheet. On 11/21/20, Guitar Center filed for Chapter 11 protection to implement the transactions contemplated by the Restructuring Support Agreement in an orderly fashion, with the bankruptcy plan being confirmed on 12/17/20 and Guitar Center emerging from bankruptcy protection on 12/22/2020. The restructuring resulted in significant deleveraging and the expansion of capital structure runway, with a reduction of over \$675 million of debt and the issuance of new debt with a five year maturity and new ABL facility. As part of the restructuring, Guitar Center attracted \$165 million in new money equity investments from three private equity sponsors.</p> </div>
7 8	Felony Conviction Notice Indicate if the supplier: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> is a publicly held corporation and this reporting requirement is not applicable; is not owned or operated by anyone who has been convicted of a felony; or is owned or operated by and individual(s) who has been convicted of a felony and provide the names and convictions. <div style="margin-top: 10px;"> <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No </div>
7 9	Debarment or suspension actions Describe any debarment or suspension actions taken against supplier. <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; margin-top: 5px;">N/A</div>

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Distribution, Logistics

Each offeror awarded an item under this solicitation may offer their complete product and service offering/a balance of line. Describe the full line of products and services offered by supplier.

Musical instruments, equipment, and accessories, print music, audio/visual equipment, instrument repairs

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Distribution

Describe how supplier proposes to distribute the products/service nationwide. Include any states where products and services will not be offered under the Master Agreement, including U.S. Territories and Outlying Areas.

Repair services are limited to market areas where a physical repair shop is located. Email schools@musicarts.com to see if your area has a repair shop. Products may be shipped to all 50 US states.

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Distribution

Describe how Participating Agencies are ensured they will receive the Master Agreement pricing; include all distribution channels such as direct ordering, retail or in-store locations, through distributors, etc. Describe how Participating Agencies verify and audit pricing to ensure its compliance with the Master Agreement.

This contract will guarantee our standard educator discount pricing as a maximum price, which is the default pricing for all educators. Additionally, the contract number must be listed on all quotes and Purchase Orders. The customer is responsible for communicating their intent to utilize the contract.

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Logistics

Identify all other companies that will be involved in processing, handling or shipping the products/services to the end user.

Music & Arts ships via FedEx, UPS, and various large-shipment carriers, including but not limited to R&L, LTL, and ABF Freight. Vendors who drop-ship items directly to the customer may use a logistics company of their choosing.

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Logistics

Provide the number, size and location of Supplier's distribution facilities, warehouses and retail networks as applicable.

Kansas City, MO Distribution Center - 1 million sq. feet; Brownsburg, IN Distribution Center - 1 million sq. feet; Frederick, MD Distribution Center - 100,000 sq. feet; 250 retail locations located in AK, AL, AZ, CA, CO, CT, DE, FL, GA, IL, KS, KY, LA, MA, MD, ME, MO, MS, MT, NC, NH, NJ, NV, NY, OH, OR, PA, SC, TN, TX, VA, VT, WA, WI, WV

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Marketing and Sales

Provide a detailed ninety-day plan beginning from award date of the Master Agreement describing the strategy to immediately implement the Master Agreement as supplier's primary go to market strategy for Public Agencies to supplier's teams nationwide, to include, but not limited to:

- Executive leadership endorsement and sponsorship of the award as the public sector go-to-market strategy within first 10 days.
- Training and education of Supplier's national sales force with participation from the Supplier's executive leadership, along with the OMNIA Partners team within first 90 days.

Publication of the Omnia Partners logo both on the Music & Arts website Listing the contract information internally for Ed Rep visibility Provision of training documents for over 200 Ed Reps Provision of training documents to call center personnel

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6**90-day Plan**

Provide a detailed ninety-day plan beginning from award date of the Master Agreement describing the strategy to market the Master Agreement to current Participating Public Agencies, existing Public Agency customers of Supplier, as well as to prospective Public Agencies nationwide immediately upon award, to include, but not limited to:

- Creation and distribution of a co-branded press release to trade publications
- Announcement, Master Agreement details and contact information published on the Supplier's website within first 90 days.
- Design, publication and distribution of co-branded marketing materials within first 90 days
- Commitment to attendance and participation with OMNIA Partners at national (i.e. NIGP Annual Forum, NPI Conference, etc.), regional (i.e. Regional NIGP Chapter Meetings, Regional Cooperative Summits, etc.) and supplier-specific trade shows, conferences and meetings throughout the term of the Master Agreement
- Commitment to attend, exhibit and participate at the NIGP Annual Forum in an area reserved by OMNIA Partners for partner suppliers. Booth space will be purchased and staffed by Supplier. In addition, Supplier commits to provide reasonable assistance to the overall promotion and marketing efforts for the NIGP Annual Forum, as directed by OMNIA Partners.
- Design and publication of national and regional advertising in trade publications throughout the term of the Master Agreement
- Ongoing marketing and promotion of the Master Agreement throughout its term (case studies, collateral pieces, presentations, promotions, etc.)
- Dedicated OMNIA Partners internet web-based homepage on Supplier's website with:
 - OMNIA Partners standard logo;
 - Copy of original Request for Proposal;
 - Copy of Master Agreement and amendments between Principal Procurement Agency and Supplier;
 - Summary of Products and pricing;
 - Marketing Materials
 - Electronic link to OMNIA Partners' website including the online registration page;
 - A dedicated toll-free number and email address for OMNIA Partners

Publication of the Omnia Partners logo both on the Music & Arts website Co-branded signage at trade shows - if provided by Omnia Partners Ed Reps will provide personal communications to districts in their territories
Maintenance of Omnia Partners microsite with all required documents

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7**Transition**

Describe how Supplier will transition any existing Public Agency customers' accounts to the Master Agreement available nationally through OMNIA Partners. Include a list of current cooperative contracts (regional and national) Supplier holds and describe how the Master Agreement will be positioned among the other cooperative agreements.

Current Omnia Partners members will transition to the new contract by means of changing the contract number on quotes and Purchase Orders. Generally, Music & Arts utilizes the contract requested by the customer. Omnia partners is generally used as a default cooperative in the event that Music & Arts must offer a solution, except for in the event that a regional cooperative contract is available with lower fees. Music & Arts currently holds the following contracts: TIPS 210302 BuyBoard 712-23 Omnia Partners R191201 Nassau Boces 1920-009 Eastern Suffolk BOCES 2020-030-0116 CiTi BOCES (Oswego) B19-2501 Broome-Tioga BOCES IP-10-E-21 Erie 2 Boces 20-21 MUSIC Monroe-Orleans BOCES 1875-19 OCM BOCES 219-66 St. Lawrence-Lewis BOCES SLLBOCES 20/21 DCMO BOCES 2019-111 ESCNJ 1718-52 CREC/OMNIA 191201 Mojave 17-fMA-0503 Kentucky Purchasing Cooperative 10100641-CLS2022.001 Clarkstown Ed Data EDS10514 NJ Ed Data EDS10433 Region 3 ESC 05-232-23 Region 5 ESC (Southeast TX Purchasing Coop) 20231008 Region 6 ESC (EPIC6) 19.22 Region 6 ESC (EPIC6) 35.22 Region 7 ESC MUSIC2324 Region 7 ESC AVS2324 Region 20 ESC (PACE) P00270

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8**Logo**

Acknowledge Supplier agrees to provide its logo(s) to OMNIA Partners and agrees to provide permission for reproduction of such logo in marketing communications and promotions. Acknowledge that use of OMNIA Partners logo will require permission for reproduction, as well.

☒ Yes

☐ No

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9**Sales**

Confirm Supplier will be proactive in direct sales of Supplier's goods and services to Public Agencies nationwide and the timely follow up to leads established by OMNIA Partners. All sales materials are to use the OMNIA Partners logo. At a minimum, the Supplier's sales initiatives should communicate:

- Master Agreement was competitively solicited and publicly awarded by a Principal Procurement Agency
- Best government pricing
- No cost to participate
- Non-exclusive

☒ Yes

☐ No
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0**Training**

Confirm Supplier will train its national sales force on the Master Agreement. At a minimum, sales training should include:

- Key features of Master Agreement
- Working knowledge of the solicitation process
- Awareness of the range of Public Agencies that can utilize the Master Agreement through OMNIA Partners
- Knowledge of benefits of the use of cooperative contracts

☒ Yes

☐ No
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1**Responsibility**

Provide the name, title, email and phone number for the person(s), who will be responsible for:

- Executive Support
- Marketing
- Sales
- Sales Support
- Financial Reporting
- Accounts Payable
- Contracts

Amanda Tieman, School Services Coordinator, schools@musicarts.com, 832-387-6046

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2**Sales Force**

Describe in detail how Supplier's national sales force is structured, including contact information for the highest-level executive in charge of the sales team.

School Services Division: Educational Representatives-->School Services District Manager-->Regional Sales Director-->VP, School Services Retail Division: Sales Associates-->Store Manager-->District Sales Manager-->Regional Sales Director-->VP, Store Operations Brian Wilson: VP, School Services bwilson@musicarts.com

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3**Implementation**

Explain in detail how the sales teams will work with the OMNIA Partners team to implement, grow and service the national program.

Cadence calls with Omnia Partners rep to discuss sales and strategy Training for Educational Representatives, both in-person and through published training documents Use of Omnia Connect Tool to discover new opportunities

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4**Program Management**

Explain in detail how Supplier will manage the overall national program throughout the term of the Master Agreement, including ongoing coordination of marketing and sales efforts, timely new Participating Public Agency account set-up, timely contract administration, etc.

Cooperative Partnerships are maintained by the School Services Coordinator for the region in which the contract is based. All coordinators are notified and trained on national contracts. This team also manages contract administration, reporting, cadence calls, etc.

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5**Supplier's Customer List**

State the amount of Supplier's Public Agency sales for the previous fiscal year. Provide a list of Supplier's top 10 Public Agency customers, the total purchases for each for the previous fiscal year along with a key contact for each.

We are unable to provide specific sales numbers, as we are a private company. Top 10 customers: Los Angeles USD Chicago PS Dallas ISD Fairfax County Montgomery County Wake County Jackson PS Frisco ISD Cypress-Fairbanks ISD Lewisville ISD

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6**System Capabilities and Limitations**

Describe Supplier's information systems capabilities and limitations regarding order management through receipt of payment, including description of multiple platforms that may be used for any of these functions.

Microsoft Office Suite - Communications, contract maintenance Salesforce: Quote creation, order placement
Microsoft Dynamics AX: Account & Payment management, pricing database, logistics management

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7**Projected Sales Year One**

Provide the Contract Sales (as defined in Section 12 of the OMNIA Partners Administration Agreement) that Supplier will guarantee each year under the Master Agreement for the initial three years of the Master Agreement ("Guaranteed Contract Sales"). To the extent Supplier guarantees minimum Contract Sales, the Administrative Fee shall be calculated based on the greater of the actual Contract Sales and the Guaranteed Contract Sales.

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8**Projected Sales Year Two**

Provide the Contract Sales (as defined in Section 12 of the OMNIA Partners Administration Agreement) that Supplier will guarantee each year under the Master Agreement for the initial three years of the Master Agreement ("Guaranteed Contract Sales"). To the extent Supplier guarantees minimum Contract Sales, the Administrative Fee shall be calculated based on the greater of the actual Contract Sales and the Guaranteed Contract Sales.

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9**Projected Sales Year Three**

Provide the Contract Sales (as defined in Section 12 of the OMNIA Partners Administration Agreement) that Supplier will guarantee each year under the Master Agreement for the initial three years of the Master Agreement ("Guaranteed Contract Sales"). To the extent Supplier guarantees minimum Contract Sales, the Administrative Fee shall be calculated based on the greater of the actual Contract Sales and the Guaranteed Contract Sales.

Not-to-exceed Pricing

Even though it is anticipated many Public Agencies will be able to utilize the Master Agreement without further formal solicitation, there may be circumstances where Public Agencies will issue their own solicitations. The following options are available when responding to a solicitation for Products covered under the Master Agreement.

- Respond with Master Agreement pricing (Contract Sales reported to OMNIA Partners).
- If competitive conditions require pricing lower than the standard Master Agreement not-to-exceed pricing, Supplier may respond with lower pricing through the Master Agreement. If Supplier is awarded the contract, the sales are reported as Contract Sales to OMNIA Partners under the Master Agreement.
- Respond with pricing higher than Master Agreement only in the unlikely event that the Public Agency refuses to utilize Master Agreement (Contract Sales are not reported to OMNIA Partners).
- If alternative or multiple proposals are permitted, respond with pricing higher than Master Agreement, and include Master Agreement as the alternate or additional proposal.

☒ Yes

☐ No
Equipment Offerings

New, Used, Parts, Accessories, Service and Repair, Trade-Ins, Leasing/Financing and provide pricing structure for each of these items.

Musical Instruments, Musical Accessories/Equipment--0% off educator discount; Print Music 0-25% off publisher pricing; Audio/Visual Equipment 0% off educator discount; Instrument Repairs 0% off educator pricing

OFFER AND CONTRACT SIGNATURE FORM

The undersigned hereby offers and, if awarded, agrees to furnish goods and/or services in strict compliance with the terms, specifications and conditions at the prices proposed within response unless noted in writing.

Company Name Music & Arts

Address 5295 Westview Dr. Ste. 300

City/State/Zip Frederick, MD 21703

Telephone No. 301-620-4040

Email Address schools@musicarts.com

Printed Name Amanda Tieman

Title School Services Coordinator

Authorized signature 

Accepted by Region 4 ESC:

Contract No. _____

Initial Contract Term _____ to _____

Region 4 ESC Authorized Board Member

Date

Print Name

Region 4 ESC Authorized Board Member

Date

Print Name

ACKNOWLEDGMENT AND ACCEPTANCE
OF REGION 4 ESC's OPEN RECORDS POLICY

OPEN RECORDS POLICY

All proposals, information and documents submitted are subject to the Public Information Act requirements governed by the State of Texas once a Contract(s) is executed. If an Offeror believes its response, or parts of its response, may be exempted from disclosure, the Offeror must specify page-by-page and line-by-line the parts of the response, which it believes, are exempt and include detailed reasons to substantiate the exemption. Price is not confidential and will not be withheld. Any unmarked information will be considered public information and released, if requested under the Public Information Act.

The determination of whether information is confidential and not subject to disclosure is the duty of the Office of Attorney General (OAG). Region 4 ESC must provide the OAG sufficient information to render an opinion and therefore, vague and general claims to confidentiality by the Offeror are not acceptable. Region 4 ESC must comply with the opinions of the OAG. Region 4 ESC assumes no responsibility for asserting legal arguments on behalf of any Offeror. Offeror is advised to consult with their legal counsel concerning disclosure issues resulting from this procurement process and to take precautions to safeguard trade secrets and other proprietary information.

Signature below certifies complete acceptance of Region 4 ESC's Open Records Policy, except as noted below (additional pages may be attached, if necessary).

Check one of the following responses to the Acknowledgment and Acceptance of Region 4 ESC's Open Records Policy below:

- ☐ We acknowledge Region 4 ESC's Open Records Policy and declare that no information submitted with this proposal, or any part of our proposal, is exempt from disclosure under the Public Information Act.
- ☒ We declare the following information to be a trade secret or proprietary and exempt from disclosure under the Public Information Act.

(Note: Offeror must specify page-by-page and line-by-line the parts of the response, which it believes, are exempt. In addition, Offeror must include detailed reasons to substantiate the exemption(s). Price is not confidential and will not be withheld. All information believed to be a trade secret or proprietary must be listed. It is further understood that failure to identify such information, in strict accordance with the instructions, will result in that information being considered public information and released, if requested under the Public Information Act.)

12/27/2023

Date


Amanda Tieman, School Services Coordinator
Authorized Signature & Title

ANTITRUST CERTIFICATION STATEMENTS
(Tex. Government Code § 2155.005)
Attorney General Form

I affirm under penalty of perjury of the laws of the State of Texas that:

1. I am duly authorized to execute this Contract on my own behalf or on behalf of the company, corporation, firm, partnership or individual (Company) listed below;
2. In connection with this proposal, neither I nor any representative of the Company has violated any provision of the Texas Free Enterprise and Antitrust Act, Tex. Bus. & Comm. Code Chapter 15;
3. In connection with this proposal, neither I nor any representative of the Company has violated any federal antitrust law; and
4. Neither I nor any representative of the Company has directly or indirectly communicated any of the contents of this proposal to a competitor of the Company or any other company, corporation, firm, partnership or individual engaged in the same line of business as the Company.

Company

Guitar Center Stores, Inc.

DBA Music & Arts

5295 Westview Dr. Ste. 300

Address

Frederick, MD 21703

Brian Wilson

Contact

**Official
Authorizing
Proposal**

Phone

301-620-4040

Fax

301-620-2567



Signature

Amanda Tieman

Printed Name

School Services Coordinator

Position with Company



Signature

Brian Wilson

Printed Name

Vice President of School Services

Position with Company

CERTIFICATE OF INTERESTED PARTIES

FORM 1295

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Complete Nos. 1 - 4 and 6 if there are interested parties.
Complete Nos. 1, 2, 3, 5, and 6 if there are no interested parties.

OFFICE USE ONLY CERTIFICATION OF FILING

1 Name of business entity filing form, and the city, state and country of the business entity's place of business.

Music & Arts
Frederick, MD United States

Certificate Number:
2023-1107179

Date Filed:
12/27/2023

Date Acknowledged:

2 Name of governmental entity or state agency that is a party to the contract for which the form is being filed.

Region IV ESC

3 Provide the identification number used by the governmental entity or state agency to track or identify the contract, and provide a description of the services, goods, or other property to be provided under the contract.

23-08
Performing Arts Apparel, Instruments, Equipment and Related Services

4	Name of Interested Party	City, State, Country (place of business)	Nature of interest (check applicable)	
			Controlling	Intermediary

5 Check only if there is NO Interested Party.



6 UNSWORN DECLARATION

My name is Amanda Tieman, and my date of birth is 8/1/1984.

My address is 502 Cordyon Dr., Huffman, TX, 77336, USA.
(street) (city) (state) (zip code) (country)

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed in Harris County, State of Texas, on the 27th day of December, 2023.
(month) (year)



Signature of authorized agent of contracting business entity
(Declarant)

Texas Government Code 2270 Verification Form

House Bill 89 (85R Legislative Session), which adds Chapter 2270 to the Texas Government Code, provides that a governmental entity may not enter into a contract with a company without verification that the contracting vendor does not and will not boycott Israel during the term of the contract.

Furthermore, Senate Bill 252 (85R Legislative Session), which amends Chapter 2252 of the Texas Government Code to add Subchapter F, prohibits contracting with a company engaged in business with Iran, Sudan or a foreign terrorist organization identified on a list prepared by the Texas Comptroller.

I, Amanda Tieman, as an authorized representative of

Music & Arts, a contractor engaged by

Insert Name of Company

Region 4 Education Service Center, 7145 West Tidwell Road, Houston, TX 77092, verify by this writing that the above-named company affirms that it (1) does not boycott Israel; and (2) will not boycott Israel during the term of this contract, or any contract with the above-named Texas governmental entity in the future.

Also, our company is not listed on and we do not do business with companies that are on the Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts list of Designated Foreign Terrorists Organizations found at <https://comptroller.texas.gov/purchasing/docs/foreign-terrorist.pdf>.

I further affirm that if our company's position on this issue is reversed and this affirmation is no longer valid, that the above-named Texas governmental entity will be notified in writing within one (1) business day and we understand that our company's failure to affirm and comply with the requirements of Texas Government Code 2270 et seq. shall be grounds for immediate contract termination without penalty to the above-named Texas governmental entity.

I swear and affirm that the above is true and correct.

Amanda Tieman
Signature of Named Authorized Company Representative

12/27/2023
Date

12/27/2023

To Whom it may concern,

Music & Arts is not in possession of a Dunn & Bradstreet report to submit for attachment #7 on RFP 23-08. Our FEIN and DUNS numbers are as follows:

FEIN: 95-4774340

DUNS: 180653912

UEI: RN8GYTJTV2R4

If there is any further information that can be provided, please contact us and we will do our best to accommodate your needs.

Sincerely,



Amanda Tieman
School Services Coordinator
Music & Arts
schools@musicarts.com
832-387-6046

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ADDENDUM FOR AGREEMENT FUNDED BY U.S. FEDERAL GRANT

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

Participating Agencies may elect to use federal funds to purchase under the Master Agreement. This form should be completed and returned.

DEFINITIONS

Contract means a legal instrument by which a non-Federal entity purchases property or services needed to carry out the project or program under a Federal award. The term as used in this part does not include a legal instrument, even if the non-Federal entity considers it a contract, when the substance of the transaction meets the definition of a Federal award or subaward

Contractor means an entity that receives a contract as defined in Contract.

Cooperative agreement means a legal instrument of financial assistance between a Federal awarding agency or pass-through entity and a non-Federal entity that, consistent with 31 U.S.C. 6302-6305:

- (a) Is used to enter into a relationship the principal purpose of which is to transfer anything of value from the Federal awarding agency or pass-through entity to the non-Federal entity to carry out a public purpose authorized by a law of the United States (see 31 U.S.C. 6101(3)); and not to acquire property or services for the Federal government or pass-through entity's direct benefit or use;
- (b) Is distinguished from a grant in that it provides for substantial involvement between the Federal awarding agency or pass-through entity and the non-Federal entity in carrying out the activity contemplated by the Federal award.
- (c) The term does not include:
 - (1) A cooperative research and development agreement as defined in 15 U.S.C. 3710a; or
 - (2) An agreement that provides only:
 - (i) Direct United States Government cash assistance to an individual;
 - (ii) A subsidy;
 - (iii) A loan;
 - (iv) A loan guarantee; or
 - (v) Insurance.

Federal awarding agency means the Federal agency that provides a Federal award directly to a non-Federal entity

Federal award has the meaning, depending on the context, in either paragraph (a) or (b) of this section:

- (a)(1) The Federal financial assistance that a non-Federal entity receives directly from a Federal awarding agency or indirectly from a pass-through entity, as described in § 200.101 Applicability; or
- (2) The cost-reimbursement contract under the Federal Acquisition Regulations that a non-Federal entity receives directly from a Federal awarding agency or indirectly from a pass-through entity, as described in § 200.101 Applicability.
- (b) The instrument setting forth the terms and conditions. The instrument is the grant agreement, cooperative agreement, other agreement for assistance covered in paragraph (b) of § 200.40 Federal financial assistance, or the cost-reimbursement contract awarded under the Federal Acquisition Regulations.
- (c) Federal award does not include other contracts that a Federal agency uses to buy goods or services from a contractor or a contract to operate Federal government owned, contractor operated facilities (GOCOs).
- (d) See also definitions of Federal financial assistance, grant agreement, and cooperative agreement.

Non-Federal entity means a state, local government, Indian tribe, institution of higher education (IHE), or nonprofit organization that carries out a Federal award as a recipient or subrecipient.

Nonprofit organization means any corporation, trust, association, cooperative, or other organization, not including IHEs, that:

- (a) Is operated primarily for scientific, educational, service, charitable, or similar purposes in the public interest;
- (b) Is not organized primarily for profit; and

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(c) Uses net proceeds to maintain, improve, or expand the operations of the organization.

Obligations means, when used in connection with a non-Federal entity's utilization of funds under a Federal award, orders placed for property and services, contracts and subawards made, and similar transactions during a given period that require payment by the non-Federal entity during the same or a future period.

Pass-through entity means a non-Federal entity that provides a subaward to a subrecipient to carry out part of a Federal program.

Recipient means a non-Federal entity that receives a Federal award directly from a Federal awarding agency to carry out an activity under a Federal program. The term recipient does not include subrecipients.

Simplified acquisition threshold means the dollar amount below which a non-Federal entity may purchase property or services using small purchase methods. Non-Federal entities adopt small purchase procedures in order to expedite the purchase of items costing less than the simplified acquisition threshold. The simplified acquisition threshold is set by the Federal Acquisition Regulation at 48 CFR Subpart 2.1 (Definitions) and in accordance with 41 U.S.C. 1908. As of the publication of this part, the simplified acquisition threshold is \$250,000, but this threshold is periodically adjusted for inflation. (Also see definition of § 200.67 Micro-purchase.)

Subaward means an award provided by a pass-through entity to a subrecipient for the subrecipient to carry out part of a Federal award received by the pass-through entity. It does not include payments to a contractor or payments to an individual that is a beneficiary of a Federal program. A subaward may be provided through any form of legal agreement, including an agreement that the pass-through entity considers a contract.

Subrecipient means a non-Federal entity that receives a subaward from a pass-through entity to carry out part of a Federal program; but does not include an individual that is a beneficiary of such program. A subrecipient may also be a recipient of other Federal awards directly from a Federal awarding agency.

Termination means the ending of a Federal award, in whole or in part at any time prior to the planned end of period of performance.

The following provisions may be required and apply when Participating Agency expends federal funds for any purchase resulting from this procurement process. Per FAR 52.204-24 and FAR 52.204-25, solicitations and resultant contracts shall contain the following provisions.

52.204-24 Representation Regarding Certain Telecommunications and Video Surveillance Services or Equipment (Oct 2020)

The Offeror shall not complete the representation at paragraph (d)(1) of this provision if the Offeror has represented that it "does not provide covered telecommunications equipment or services as a part of its offered products or services to the Government in the performance of any contract, subcontract, or other contractual instrument" in paragraph (c)(1) in the provision at [52.204-26](#), Covered Telecommunications Equipment or Services—Representation, or in paragraph (v)(2)(i) of the provision at [52.212-3](#), Offeror Representations and Certifications-Commercial Items. The Offeror shall not complete the representation in paragraph (d)(2) of this provision if the Offeror has represented that it "does not use covered telecommunications equipment or services, or any equipment, system, or service that uses covered telecommunications equipment or services" in paragraph (c)(2) of the provision at [52.204-26](#), or in paragraph (v)(2)(ii) of the provision at [52.212-3](#).

(a) *Definitions.* As used in this provision—

Backhaul, covered telecommunications equipment or services, critical technology, interconnection arrangements, reasonable inquiry, roaming, and substantial or essential component have the meanings provided in the clause [52.204-25](#), Prohibition on Contracting for Certain Telecommunications and Video Surveillance Services or Equipment.

(b) *Prohibition.*

(1) Section 889(a)(1)(A) of the John S. McCain National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2019 (Pub. L. 115-232) prohibits the head of an executive agency on or after August 13, 2019, from procuring or obtaining, or extending or renewing a

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contract to procure or obtain, any equipment, system, or service that uses covered telecommunications equipment or services as a substantial or essential component of any system, or as critical technology as part of any system. Nothing in the prohibition shall be construed to—

(i) Prohibit the head of an executive agency from procuring with an entity to provide a service that connects to the facilities of a third-party, such as backhaul, roaming, or interconnection arrangements; or

(ii) Cover telecommunications equipment that cannot route or redirect user data traffic or cannot permit visibility into any user data or packets that such equipment transmits or otherwise handles.

(2) Section 889(a)(1)(B) of the John S. McCain National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2019 (Pub. L. 115-232) prohibits the head of an executive agency on or after August 13, 2020, from entering into a contract or extending or renewing a contract with an entity that uses any equipment, system, or service that uses covered telecommunications equipment or services as a substantial or essential component of any system, or as critical technology as part of any system. This prohibition applies to the use of covered telecommunications equipment or services, regardless of whether that use is in performance of work under a Federal contract. Nothing in the prohibition shall be construed to—

(i) Prohibit the head of an executive agency from procuring with an entity to provide a service that connects to the facilities of a third-party, such as backhaul, roaming, or interconnection arrangements; or

(ii) Cover telecommunications equipment that cannot route or redirect user data traffic or cannot permit visibility into any user data or packets that such equipment transmits or otherwise handles.

(c) *Procedures.* The Offeror shall review the list of excluded parties in the System for Award Management (SAM) (<https://www.sam.gov>) for entities excluded from receiving federal awards for "covered telecommunications equipment or services".

(d) *Representation.* The Offeror represents that—

(1) It ☐ will, ☐ will not provide covered telecommunications equipment or services to the Government in the performance of any contract, subcontract or other contractual instrument resulting from this solicitation. The Offeror shall provide the additional disclosure information required at paragraph (e)(1) of this section if the Offeror responds "will" in paragraph (d)(1) of this section; and

(2) After conducting a reasonable inquiry, for purposes of this representation, the Offeror represents that—

It ☐ does, ☐ does not use covered telecommunications equipment or services, or use any equipment, system, or service that uses covered telecommunications equipment or services. The Offeror shall provide the additional disclosure information required at paragraph (e)(2) of this section if the Offeror responds "does" in paragraph (d)(2) of this section.

(e) *Disclosures.*

(1) Disclosure for the representation in paragraph (d)(1) of this provision. If the Offeror has responded "will" in the representation in paragraph (d)(1) of this provision, the Offeror shall provide the following information as part of the offer.

(i) For covered equipment—

(A) The entity that produced the covered telecommunications equipment (include entity name, unique entity identifier, CAGE code, and whether the entity was the original equipment manufacturer (OEM) or a distributor, if known);

(B) A description of all covered telecommunications equipment offered (include brand; model number, such as OEM number, manufacturer part number, or wholesaler number; and item description, as applicable); and

(C) Explanation of the proposed use of covered telecommunications equipment and any factors relevant to determining if such use would be permissible under the prohibition in paragraph (b)(1) of this provision.

(ii) For covered services—

(A) If the service is related to item maintenance: A description of all covered telecommunications services offered (include on the item being maintained: Brand; model number, such as OEM number, manufacturer part number, or wholesaler number; and item description, as applicable); or

(B) If not associated with maintenance, the Product Service Code (PSC) of the service being provided; and explanation of the proposed use of covered telecommunications services and any factors relevant to determining if such use would be permissible under the prohibition in paragraph (b)(1) of this provision.

(2) Disclosure for the representation in paragraph (d)(2) of this provision. If the Offeror has responded "does" in the representation in paragraph (d)(2) of this provision, the Offeror shall provide the following information as part of the offer:

(i) For covered equipment—

(A) The entity that produced the covered telecommunications equipment (include entity name, unique entity identifier, CAGE code, and whether the entity was the OEM or a distributor, if known);

(B) A description of all covered telecommunications equipment offered (include brand; model number, such as OEM number, manufacturer part number, or wholesaler number; and item description, as applicable); and

(C) Explanation of the proposed use of covered telecommunications equipment and any factors relevant to determining if such use would be permissible under the prohibition in paragraph (b)(2) of this provision.

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(ii) For covered services—

(A) If the service is related to item maintenance: A description of all covered telecommunications services offered (include on the item being maintained: Brand; model number, such as OEM number, manufacturer part number, or wholesaler number; and item description, as applicable); or

(B) If not associated with maintenance, the PSC of the service being provided; and explanation of the proposed use of covered telecommunications services and any factors relevant to determining if such use would be permissible under the prohibition in paragraph (b)(2) of this provision.

52.204-25 Prohibition on Contracting for Certain Telecommunications and Video Surveillance Services or Equipment (Aug 2020).

(a) *Definitions.* As used in this clause—

Backhaul means intermediate links between the core network, or backbone network, and the small subnetworks at the edge of the network (e.g., connecting cell phones/towers to the core telephone network). Backhaul can be wireless (e.g., microwave) or wired (e.g., fiber optic, coaxial cable, Ethernet).

Covered foreign country means The People's Republic of China.

Covered telecommunications equipment or services means—

(1) Telecommunications equipment produced by Huawei Technologies Company or ZTE Corporation (or any subsidiary or affiliate of such entities);

(2) For the purpose of public safety, security of Government facilities, physical security surveillance of critical infrastructure, and other national security purposes, video surveillance and telecommunications equipment produced by Hytera Communications Corporation, Hangzhou Hikvision Digital Technology Company, or Dahua Technology Company (or any subsidiary or affiliate of such entities);

(3) Telecommunications or video surveillance services provided by such entities or using such equipment; or

(4) Telecommunications or video surveillance equipment or services produced or provided by an entity that the Secretary of Defense, in consultation with the Director of National Intelligence or the Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, reasonably believes to be an entity owned or controlled by, or otherwise connected to, the government of a covered foreign country.

Critical technology means—

(1) Defense articles or defense services included on the United States Munitions List set forth in the International Traffic in Arms Regulations under subchapter M of chapter I of title 22, Code of Federal Regulations;

(2) Items included on the Commerce Control List set forth in Supplement No. 1 to part 774 of the Export Administration Regulations under subchapter C of chapter VII of title 15, Code of Federal Regulations, and controlled—

(i) Pursuant to multilateral regimes, including for reasons relating to national security, chemical and biological weapons proliferation, nuclear nonproliferation, or missile technology; or

(ii) For reasons relating to regional stability or surreptitious listening;

(3) Specially designed and prepared nuclear equipment, parts and components, materials, software, and technology covered by part 810 of title 10, Code of Federal Regulations (relating to assistance to foreign atomic energy activities);

(4) Nuclear facilities, equipment, and material covered by part 110 of title 10, Code of Federal Regulations (relating to export and import of nuclear equipment and material);

(5) Select agents and toxins covered by part 331 of title 7, Code of Federal Regulations, part 121 of title 9 of such Code, or part 73 of title 42 of such Code; or

(6) Emerging and foundational technologies controlled pursuant to section 1758 of the Export Control Reform Act of 2018 (50 U.S.C. 4817).

Interconnection arrangements means arrangements governing the physical connection of two or more networks to allow the use of another's network to hand off traffic where it is ultimately delivered (e.g., connection of a customer of telephone provider A to a customer of telephone company B) or sharing data and other information resources.

Reasonable inquiry means an inquiry designed to uncover any information in the entity's possession about the identity of the producer or provider of covered telecommunications equipment or services used by the entity that excludes the need to include an internal or third-party audit.

Roaming means cellular communications services (e.g., voice, video, data) received from a visited network when unable to connect to the facilities of the home network either because signal coverage is too weak or because traffic is too high.

Substantial or essential component means any component necessary for the proper function or performance of a piece of equipment, system, or service.

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(b) Prohibition.

(1) Section 889(a)(1)(A) of the John S. McCain National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2019 (Pub. L. 115-232) prohibits the head of an executive agency on or after August 13, 2019, from procuring or obtaining, or extending or renewing a contract to procure or obtain, any equipment, system, or service that uses covered telecommunications equipment or services as a substantial or essential component of any system, or as critical technology as part of any system. The Contractor is prohibited from providing to the Government any equipment, system, or service that uses covered telecommunications equipment or services as a substantial or essential component of any system, or as critical technology as part of any system, unless an exception at paragraph (c) of this clause applies or the covered telecommunication equipment or services are covered by a waiver described in FAR [4.2104](#).

(2) Section 889(a)(1)(B) of the John S. McCain National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2019 (Pub. L. 115-232) prohibits the head of an executive agency on or after August 13, 2020, from entering into a contract, or extending or renewing a contract, with an entity that uses any equipment, system, or service that uses covered telecommunications equipment or services as a substantial or essential component of any system, or as critical technology as part of any system, unless an exception at paragraph (c) of this clause applies or the covered telecommunication equipment or services are covered by a waiver described in FAR [4.2104](#). This prohibition applies to the use of covered telecommunications equipment or services, regardless of whether that use is in performance of work under a Federal contract.

(c) Exceptions. This clause does not prohibit contractors from providing—

(1) A service that connects to the facilities of a third-party, such as backhaul, roaming, or interconnection arrangements;
or

(2) Telecommunications equipment that cannot route or redirect user data traffic or permit visibility into any user data or packets that such equipment transmits or otherwise handles.

(d) Reporting requirement.

(1) In the event the Contractor identifies covered telecommunications equipment or services used as a substantial or essential component of any system, or as critical technology as part of any system, during contract performance, or the Contractor is notified of such by a subcontractor at any tier or by any other source, the Contractor shall report the information in paragraph (d)(2) of this clause to the Contracting Officer, unless elsewhere in this contract are established procedures for reporting the information; in the case of the Department of Defense, the Contractor shall report to the website at <https://dibnet.dod.mil>. For indefinite delivery contracts, the Contractor shall report to the Contracting Officer for the indefinite delivery contract and the Contracting Officer(s) for any affected order or, in the case of the Department of Defense, identify both the indefinite delivery contract and any affected orders in the report provided at <https://dibnet.dod.mil>.

(2) The Contractor shall report the following information pursuant to paragraph (d)(1) of this clause

(i) Within one business day from the date of such identification or notification: the contract number; the order number(s), if applicable; supplier name; supplier unique entity identifier (if known); supplier Commercial and Government Entity (CAGE) code (if known); brand; model number (original equipment manufacturer number, manufacturer part number, or wholesaler number); item description; and any readily available information about mitigation actions undertaken or recommended.

(ii) Within 10 business days of submitting the information in paragraph (d)(2)(i) of this clause: any further available information about mitigation actions undertaken or recommended. In addition, the Contractor shall describe the efforts it undertook to prevent use or submission of covered telecommunications equipment or services, and any additional efforts that will be incorporated to prevent future use or submission of covered telecommunications equipment or services.

(e) Subcontracts. The Contractor shall insert the substance of this clause, including this paragraph (e) and excluding paragraph (b)(2), in all subcontracts and other contractual instruments, including subcontracts for the acquisition of commercial items.

The following certifications and provisions may be required and apply when Participating Agency expends federal funds for any purchase resulting from this procurement process. Pursuant to 2 C.F.R. § 200.326, all contracts, including small purchases, awarded by the Participating Agency and the Participating Agency's subcontractors shall contain the procurement provisions of Appendix II to Part 200, as applicable.

APPENDIX II TO 2 CFR PART 200

(A) Contracts for more than the simplified acquisition threshold currently set at \$250,000, which is the inflation adjusted amount determined by the Civilian Agency Acquisition Council and the Defense Acquisition Regulations Council

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(Councils) as authorized by 41 U.S.C. 1908, must address administrative, contractual, or legal remedies in instances where contractors violate or breach contract terms, and provide for such sanctions and penalties as appropriate.

Pursuant to Federal Rule (A) above, when a Participating Agency expends federal funds, the Participating Agency reserves all rights and privileges under the applicable laws and regulations with respect to this procurement in the event of breach of contract by either party.

Does offeror agree? YES *ay* Initials of Authorized Representative of offeror

(B) Termination for cause and for convenience by the grantee or subgrantee including the manner by which it will be effected and the basis for settlement. (All contracts in excess of \$10,000)

Pursuant to Federal Rule (B) above, when a Participating Agency expends federal funds, the Participating Agency reserves the right to immediately terminate any agreement in excess of \$10,000 resulting from this procurement process in the event of a breach or default of the agreement by Offeror as detailed in the terms of the contract.

Does offeror agree? YES *ay* Initials of Authorized Representative of offeror

(C) Equal Employment Opportunity. Except as otherwise provided under 41 CFR Part 60, all contracts that meet the definition of "federally assisted construction contract" in 41 CFR Part 60-1.3 must include the equal opportunity clause provided under 41 CFR 60-1.4(b), in accordance with Executive Order 11246, "Equal Employment Opportunity" (30 CFR 12319, 12935, 3 CFR Part, 1964-1965 Comp., p. 339), as amended by Executive Order 11375, "Amending Executive Order 11246 Relating to Equal Employment Opportunity," and implementing regulations at 41 CFR part 60, "Office of Federal Contract Compliance Programs, Equal Employment Opportunity, Department of Labor."

Pursuant to Federal Rule (C) above, when a Participating Agency expends federal funds on any federally assisted construction contract, the equal opportunity clause is incorporated by reference herein.

Does offeror agree to abide by the above? YES *ay* Initials of Authorized Representative of offeror

(D) Davis-Bacon Act, as amended (40 U.S.C. 3141-3148). When required by Federal program legislation, all prime construction contracts in excess of \$2,000 awarded by non-Federal entities must include a provision for compliance with the Davis-Bacon Act (40 U.S.C. 3141-3144, and 3146-3148) as supplemented by Department of Labor regulations (29 CFR Part 5, "Labor Standards Provisions Applicable to Contracts Covering Federally Financed and Assisted Construction"). In accordance with the statute, contractors must be required to pay wages to laborers and mechanics at a rate not less than the prevailing wages specified in a wage determination made by the Secretary of Labor. In addition, contractors must be required to pay wages not less than once a week. The non-Federal entity must place a copy of the current prevailing wage determination issued by the Department of Labor in each solicitation. The decision to award a contract or subcontract must be conditioned upon the acceptance of the wage determination. The non-Federal entity must report all suspected or reported violations to the Federal awarding agency. The contracts must also include a provision for compliance with the Copeland "Anti-Kickback" Act (40 U.S.C. 3145), as supplemented by Department of Labor regulations (29 CFR Part 3, "Contractors and Subcontractors on Public Building or Public Work Financed in Whole or in Part by Loans or Grants from the United States"). The Act provides that each contractor or subrecipient must be prohibited from inducing, by any means, any person employed in the construction, completion, or repair of public work, to give up any part of the compensation to which he or she is otherwise entitled. The non-Federal entity must report all suspected or reported violations to the Federal awarding agency.

Pursuant to Federal Rule (D) above, when a Participating Agency expends federal funds during the term of an award for all contracts and subgrants for construction or repair, offeror will be in compliance with all applicable Davis-Bacon Act provisions.

Does offeror agree? YES *ay* Initials of Authorized Representative of offeror

(E) Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act (40 U.S.C. 3701-3708). Where applicable, all contracts awarded by the non-Federal entity in excess of \$100,000 that involve the employment of mechanics or laborers must include a provision for compliance with 40 U.S.C. 3702 and 3704, as supplemented by Department of Labor regulations (29 CFR Part 5). Under 40 U.S.C. 3702 of the Act, each contractor must be required to compute the wages of every mechanic and laborer on the basis of a standard work week of 40 hours. Work in excess of the standard work week is permissible

provided that the worker is compensated at a rate of not less than one and a half times the basic rate of pay for all hours worked in excess of 40 hours in the work week. The requirements of 40 U.S.C. 3704 are applicable to construction work and provide that no laborer or mechanic must be required to work in surroundings or under working conditions which are unsanitary, hazardous or dangerous. These requirements do not apply to the purchases of supplies or materials or articles ordinarily available on the open market, or contracts for transportation or transmission of intelligence.

Does offeror agree? YES *ax* Initials of Authorized Representative of offeror

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Pursuant to Federal Rule (H) above, when federal funds are expended by Participating Agency, the offeror certifies that during the term of an award for all contracts by Participating Agency resulting from this procurement process, the offeror certifies that neither it nor its principals is presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation by any federal department or agency. If at any time during the term of an award the offeror or its principals becomes debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation by any federal department or agency, the offeror will notify the Participating Agency.

Does offeror agree? YES AY Initials of Authorized Representative of offeror

Pursuant to Federal Rule (I) above, when federal funds are expended by Participating Agency, the offeror certifies that during the term and after the awarded term of an award for all contracts by Participating Agency resulting from this procurement process, the offeror certifies that it is in compliance with all applicable provisions of the Byrd Anti-Lobbying Amendment (31 U.S.C. 1352). The undersigned further certifies that:

(2) If any funds other than Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any Federal agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with this Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement, the undersigned shall complete and submit Standard Form-LLL, "Disclosure of Lobbying Activities," in accordance with its instructions.

This certification is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when this transaction was made or entered into. Submission of this certification is a prerequisite for making or entering into this transaction imposed by Section 1352, Title 31, U.S. Code. Any person who fails to file the required certification shall be subject to a civil penalty of not less than \$10,000 and not more than \$100,000 for each such failure.

Does offeror agree? YES ax Initials of Authorized Representative of offeror

When federal funds are expended by Participating Agency for any contract resulting from this procurement process, offeror certifies that it will comply with the record retention requirements detailed in 2 CFR § 200.333. The offeror further certifies that offeror will retain all records as required by 2 CFR § 200.333 for a period of three years after grantees or subgrantees submit final expenditure reports or quarterly or annual financial reports, as applicable, and all other pending matters are closed.

Does offeror agree? YES Initials of Authorized Representative of offeror

When Participating Agency expends federal funds for any contract resulting from this procurement process, offeror certifies that it will comply with the mandatory standards and policies relating to energy efficiency which are contained in the state energy conservation plan issued in compliance with the Energy Policy and Conservation Act (42 U.S.C. 6321 et seq.; 49 C.F.R. Part 18).

Does offeror agree? YES  Initials of Authorized Representative of offeror

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CERTIFICATION OF COMPLIANCE WITH BUY AMERICA PROVISIONS

To the extent purchases are made with Federal Highway Administration, Federal Railroad Administration, or Federal Transit Administration funds, offeror certifies that its products comply with all applicable provisions of the Buy America Act and agrees to provide such certification or applicable waiver with respect to specific products to any Participating Agency upon request. Purchases made in accordance with the Buy America Act must still follow the applicable procurement rules calling for free and open competition. Additionally:

- (1) The Contractor agrees to comply with 49 USC 5323(j) and 49 CFR Part 661, which provide that federal funds may not be obligated unless steel, iron and manufactured products used in FTA-funded projects are produced in the United States, unless a waiver has been granted by FTA or the product is subject to a general waiver. General waivers are listed in 49 CFR 661.7. A general public interest waiver from the Buy America requirements applies to microprocessors, computers, microcomputers, software or other such devices, which are used solely for the purpose of processing or storing data. This general waiver does not extend to a product or device that merely contains a microprocessor or microcomputer and is not used solely for the purpose of processing or storing data. Separate requirements for rolling stock are set out at 5323(j)(2)(C) and 49 CFR 661.11.
- (2) A bidder or offeror must submit to the FTA recipient the appropriate Buy America certification with all bids on FTA-funded contracts, except those subject to a general waiver. Bids or offers that are not accompanied by a completed Buy America certification must be rejected as nonresponsive. This requirement does not apply to lower tier subcontractors.

The following certificates titled FTA and DOT Buy America Certification should be completed and returned with the response as part of FTA and DOT requirements.

**FEDERAL TRASIT ADMINISTRATION (FTA) AND DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (DOT) -
BUY AMERICA: CERTIFICATION REQUIREMENT FOR PROCUREMENT OF ROLLING STOCK**

CERTIFICATE OF COMPLIANCE

(select one of the two options, NOT BOTH)

Certificate of Compliance with 49 USC §5323(j)

The proposer hereby certifies that it will comply with the requirements of 49 U.S.C. 5323(j), and the applicable regulations of 49 CFR 661.11.

Check for YES: ☒

OR

Certificate of Non-Compliance with 49 USC §5323(j)

The proposer hereby certifies that it cannot comply with the requirements of 49 U.S.C. 5323(j), but may qualify for an exception to the requirement consistent with 49 U.S.C. 5323(j)(2)(C), and the applicable regulations in 49 CFR 661.7.

Check for YES: ☐

**FEDERAL TRASIT ADMINISTRATION (FTA) AND DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (DOT) -
BUY AMERICA: CERTIFICATION REQUIREMENT FOR PROCUREMENT OF STEEL OR MANUFACTURED PRODUCTS**

CERTIFICATE OF COMPLIANCE (select one of the two options, NOT BOTH)

Certificate of Compliance with 49 USC §5323(j)(1)

The proposer hereby certifies that it will comply with the requirements of 49 U.S.C. 5323(j)(1), and the applicable regulations in 49 CFR part 661.

Check for YES: ☒

OR

Certificate of Non-Compliance with 49 USC §5323(j)(1)

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to the requirement pursuant to 49 U.S.C. 5323(j)(2), as amended, and the applicable regulations in 49 CFR 661.7.

Check for YES: ☐

Does offeror agree? YES ay Initials of Authorized Representative of offeror

Offeror's Name: Amanda Tieman

Address, City, State, and Zip Code: 5295 Westview Dr. Ste. 300, Frederick, MD 21703

Phone Number: 301-620-4040

Fax Number: 301-620-2567

Printed Name and Title of Authorized Representative: Amanda Tieman

Email Address: schools@musicarts.com

Signature of Authorized Representative: Amanda Tieman

Date: 12/27/2023

CERTIFICATION OF COMPLIANCE WITH BUY AMERICAN PROVISIONS

7 CFR Part 210.21 School Lunch Procurement.

The school food authority must include the following provisions in all cost reimbursable contracts, including contracts with cost reimbursable provisions, and in solicitation documents prepared to obtain offers for such contracts:

(i) Allowable costs will be paid from the nonprofit school food service account to the contractor net of all discounts, rebates and other applicable credits accruing to or received by the contractor or any assignee under the contract, to the extent those credits are allocable to the allowable portion of the costs billed to the school food authority;

(ii)

(A) The contractor must separately identify for each cost submitted for payment to the school food authority the amount of that cost that is allowable (can be paid from the nonprofit school food service account) and the amount that is unallowable (cannot be paid from the nonprofit school food service account); or

(B) The contractor must exclude all unallowable costs from its billing documents and certify that only allowable costs are submitted for payment and records have been established that maintain the visibility of unallowable costs, including directly associated costs in a manner suitable for contract cost determination and verification;

(iii) The contractor's determination of its allowable costs must be made in compliance with the applicable Departmental and Program regulations and Office of Management and Budget cost circulars;

(iv) The contractor must identify the amount of each discount, rebate and other applicable credit on bills and invoices presented to the school food authority for payment and individually identify the amount as a discount, rebate, or in the case of other applicable credits, the nature of the credit. If approved by the State agency, the school food authority may permit the contractor to report this information on a less frequent basis than monthly, but no less frequently than annually;

(v) The contractor must identify the method by which it will report discounts, rebates and other applicable credits allocable to the contract that are not reported prior to conclusion of the contract; and

(vi) The contractor must maintain documentation of costs and discounts, rebates and other applicable credits, and must furnish such documentation upon request to the school food authority, the State agency, or the Department.

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Unless Supplier is exempt (See FAR 25.103), when authorized by statute or explicitly indicated by Participating Public Agency, Buy American requirements will apply where only unmanufactured construction material mined or produced in the United States shall be used (see Subpart 25.6 – American Recovery and Reinvestment Act-Buy American statute for additional details).

CERTIFICATION OF ACCESS TO RECORDS – 2 C.F.R. § 200.336

Offeror agrees that the Inspector General of the Agency or any of their duly authorized representatives shall have access to any documents, papers, or other records of offeror that are pertinent to offeror's discharge of its obligations under the Contract for the purpose of making audits, examinations, excerpts, and transcriptions. The right also includes timely and reasonable access to offeror's personnel for the purpose of interview and discussion relating to such documents.

Does offeror agree? YES ay Initials of Authorized Representative of offeror

CERTIFICATION OF APPLICABILITY TO SUBCONTRACTORS

Offeror agrees that all contracts it awards pursuant to the Contract shall be bound by the foregoing terms and conditions.

Does offeror agree? YES ay Initials of Authorized Representative of offeror

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANTS

Purchases made under this contract may be partially or fully funded with federal grant funds. Funding for this work may include Federal Funding sources, including Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development. When such funding is provided, Offeror shall comply with all terms, conditions and requirements enumerated by the grant funding source, as well as requirements of the State statutes for which the contract is utilized, whichever is the more restrictive requirement. When using Federal Funding, Offeror shall comply with all wage and latest reporting provisions of the Federal Davis-Bacon Act. HUD-4010 Labor Provisions also applies to this contract.

Does offeror agree? YES ay Initials of Authorized Representative of offeror

Offeror agrees to comply with all federal, state, and local laws, rules, regulations and ordinances, as applicable. It is further acknowledged that offeror certifies compliance with all provisions, laws, acts, regulations, etc. as specifically noted above.

Offeror's Name:

Music & Arts

Address, City, State, and Zip Code:

5295 Westview Dr. Ste. 300, Frederick, MD 21703

Phone Number: 301-620-4040

Fax Number: 301-620-2567

Printed Name and Title of Authorized Representative:

Amanda Tieman, School Services Coordinator

Email Address:

schools@musicarts.com

Signature of Authorized Representative:

Amanda Tieman

Date: 12/27/2023

FEMA AND ADDITIONAL FEDERAL FUNDING SPECIAL CONDITIONS

Awarded Supplier(s) (also referred to as Contractors) may need to respond to events and losses where products and services are needed for the immediate and initial response to emergency situations such as, but not limited to, water damage, fire damage, vandalism cleanup, biohazard cleanup, sewage decontamination, deodorization, and/or wind damage during a disaster or emergency situation. By submitting a proposal, the Supplier is accepted these FEMA and Additional Federal Funding Special Conditions required by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) and other federal entities.

“Contract” in the below pages under FEMA AND ADDITIONAL FEDERAL FUNDING SPECIAL CONDITIONS is also referred to and defined as the “Master Agreement”.

“Contractor” in the below pages under FEMA AND ADDITIONAL FEDERAL FUNDING SPECIAL CONDITIONS is also referred to and defined as “Supplier” or “Awarded Supplier”.

Conflicts of Interest

No employee, officer, or agent may participate in the selection, award, or administration of a contract supported by a FEMA award if he or she has a real or apparent conflict of interest. Such a conflict would arise when the employee, officer, or agent, any member of his or her immediate family, his or her partner, or an organization which employs or is about to employ any of these parties, has a financial or other interest in or a tangible personal benefit from a firm considered for award. 2 C.F.R. § 200.318(c)(1); See also Standard Form 424D, ¶ 7; Standard Form 424B, ¶ 3. i. FEMA considers a “financial interest” to be the potential for gain or loss to the employee, officer, or agent, any member of his or her immediate family, his or her partner, or an organization which employs or is about to employ any of these parties as a result of the particular procurement. The prohibited financial interest may arise from ownership of certain financial instruments or investments such as stock, bonds, or real estate, or from a salary, indebtedness, job offer, or similar interest that might be affected by the particular procurement. ii. FEMA considers an “apparent” conflict of interest to exist where an actual conflict does not exist, but where a reasonable person with knowledge of the relevant facts would question the impartiality of the employee, officer, or agent participating in the procurement. c. Gifts. The officers, employees, and agents of the Participating Public Agency nor the Participating Public Agency (“NFE”) must neither solicit nor accept gratuities, favors, or anything of monetary value from contractors or parties to subcontracts. However, NFE’s may set standards for situations in which the financial interest is de minimus, not substantial, or the gift is an unsolicited item of nominal value. 2 C.F.R. § 200.318(c)(1). d. Violations. The NFE’s written standards of conduct must provide for disciplinary actions to be applied for violations of such standards by officers, employees, or agents of the NFE. 2 C.F.R. § 200.318(c)(1). For example, the penalty for a NFE’s employee may be dismissal, and the penalty for a contractor might be the termination of the contract.

Contractor Integrity

A contractor must have a satisfactory record of integrity and business ethics. Contractors that are debarred or suspended, as described in and subject to the debarment and suspension regulations implementing Executive Order 12549, *Debarment and Suspension* (1986) and Executive Order 12689, *Debarment and Suspension* (1989) at 2 C.F.R. Part 180 and the Department of Homeland Security’s regulations at 2 C.F.R. Part 3000 (Non-procurement Debarment and Suspension), must be rejected and cannot receive contract awards at any level.

Notice of Legal Matters Affecting the Federal Government

In the event FTA or DOT funding is used by Participating Public Agency, Contractor agrees to:

- 1) The Contractor agrees that if a current or prospective legal matter that may affect the Federal Government emerges, the Contractor shall promptly notify the Participating Public Agency of the legal matter in accordance with 2 C.F.R. §§ 180.220 and 1200.220.

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- 2) The types of legal matters that require notification include, but are not limited to, a major dispute, breach, default, litigation, or naming the Federal Government as a party to litigation or a legal disagreement in any forum for any reason.
- 3) The Contractor further agrees to include the above clause in each subcontract, at every tier, financed in whole or in part with Federal assistance provided by the FTA.

Public Policy

A contractor must comply with the public policies of the Federal Government and state, local government, or tribal government. This includes, among other things, past and current compliance with the:

- a. Equal opportunity and nondiscrimination laws
- b. Five affirmative steps described at 2 C.F.R. § 200.321(b) for all subcontracting under contracts supported by FEMA financial assistance; and FEMA Procurement Guidance June 21, 2016 Page IV- 7
- c. Applicable prevailing wage laws, regulations, and executive orders

Affirmative Steps

For any subcontracting opportunities, Contractor must take the following Affirmative steps:

1. Placing qualified small and minority businesses and women's business enterprises on solicitation lists;
2. Assuring that small and minority businesses, and women's business enterprises are solicited whenever they are potential sources;
3. Dividing total requirements, when economically feasible, into smaller tasks or quantities to permit maximum participation by small and minority businesses, and women's business enterprises;
4. Establishing delivery schedules, where the requirement permits, which encourage participation by small and minority businesses, and women's business enterprises; and
5. Using the services and assistance, as appropriate, of such organizations as the Small Business Administration and the Minority Business Development Agency of the Department of Commerce.

Bid Guarantee

For proposals that are to include construction/reconstruction/renovation and related services, bids must be accompanied by Certified or Cashier's Check or an approved Bid Bond in the amount of not less than five percent (5%) of the total bid. Surety shall provide a copy of the Power of Attorney authorizing the Executing Agent the authority to execute the bid bond documents and bind the surety to the bid bond conditions. The bid bond shall have a corporate Surety that is licensed to conduct business in the state of the lead agency and authorized to underwrite bonds in the amount of the bid bond.

Prevailing Wage Requirements

When applicable, the awarded Contractor (s) and any and all subcontractor(s) agree to comply with all laws regarding prevailing wage rates including the Davis-Bacon Act, applicable to this solicitation and/or Participating Public Agencies. The Participating Public Agency shall notify the Contractor of the applicable pricing/prevailing wage rates and must apply any local wage rates requested. The Contractor and any subcontractor(s) shall comply with the prevailing wage rates set by the Participating Public Agency.

Federal Requirements

If products and services are issued in response to an emergency or disaster recovery the items below, located in this FEMA Special Conditions section of the Federal Funds Certifications, are activated and required when federal funding may be utilized.

2 C.F.R. § 200.326 and 2 C.F.R. Part 200, Appendix II, Required Contract Clauses

1. CONTRACT REMEDIES

Contracts for more than the federal simplified acquisition threshold (SAT), the dollar amount below which an NFE may purchase property or services using small purchase methods, currently set at \$250,000 for procurements made on or after June 20, 2018,⁴ must address administrative, contractual, or legal remedies in instances where contractors violate or breach contract terms and must provide for sanctions and penalties as appropriate.

1.1 Applicability

This contract provision is required for contracts over the SAT, currently set at \$250,000 for procurements made on or after June 20, 2018. Although not required for contracts at or below the SAT, FEMA suggests including a remedies provision.

1.2 Additional Considerations

For FEMA's Assistance to Firefighters Grant (AFG) Program, recipients must include a penalty clause in all contracts for any AFG-funded vehicle, regardless of dollar amount. In that situation, the contract must include a clause addressing that non-delivery by the contract's specified date or other vendor nonperformance will require a penalty of no less than \$100 per day until such time that the vehicle, compliant with the terms of the contract, has been accepted by the recipient. This penalty clause should, however, account for force majeure or acts of God. AFG recipients should refer to the applicable year's Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) for additional information, which can be accessed at FEMA.gov.

2. TERMINATION FOR CAUSE AND CONVENIENCE

- a. Standard. All contracts in excess of \$10,000 must address termination for cause and for convenience by the non-Federal entity, including the manner by which it will be effected and the basis for settlement. See 2 C.F.R. Part 200, Appendix II(B).
- b. Applicability. This requirement applies to all FEMA grant and cooperative agreement programs.

3. EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

When applicable:

- a. Standard. Except as otherwise provided under 41 C.F.R. Part 60, all contracts that meet the definition of "federally assisted construction contract" in 41 C.F.R. § 60-1.3 must include the equal opportunity clause provided under 41 C.F.R. § 60- 1.4(b), in accordance with Executive Order 11246, *Equal Employment Opportunity* (30 Fed. Reg. 12319, 12935, 3 C.F.R. Part, 1964-1965 Comp., p. 339), as amended by Executive Order 11375, *Amending Executive Order 11246 Relating to Equal Employment Opportunity*, and implementing regulations at 41 C.F.R. Part 60 (Office of Federal Contract Compliance Programs, Equal Employment Opportunity, Department of Labor). See 2 C.F.R. Part 200, Appendix II(C).
- b. Key Definitions.
 - i. Federally Assisted Construction Contract. The regulation at 41 C.F.R. § 60-1.3 defines a "federally assisted construction contract" as any agreement or modification thereof between any applicant and a person for construction work which

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is paid for in whole or in part with funds obtained from the Government or borrowed on the credit of the Government pursuant to any Federal program involving a grant, contract, loan, insurance, or guarantee, or undertaken pursuant to any Federal program involving such grant, contract, loan, insurance, or guarantee, or any application or modification thereof approved by the Government for a grant, contract, loan, insurance, or guarantee under which the applicant itself participates in the construction work.

- ii. Construction Work. The regulation at 41 C.F.R. § 60-1.3 defines “construction work” as the construction, rehabilitation, alteration, conversion, extension, demolition or repair of buildings, highways, or other changes or improvements to real property, including facilities providing utility services. The term also includes the supervision, inspection, and other onsite functions incidental to the actual construction.
- c. Applicability. This requirement applies to all FEMA grant and cooperative agreement programs.
- d. Required Language. The regulation at 41 C.F.R. Part 60-1.4(b) requires the insertion of the following contract clause.

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

(1) The contractor will not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, or national origin. The contractor will take affirmative action to ensure that applicants are employed, and that employees are treated during employment without regard to their race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, or national origin. Such action shall include, but not be 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 setting forth the provisions of this nondiscrimination clause.

(2) The contractor 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 race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, or national origin.

(3) The contractor will not discharge or in any other manner discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because such employee or applicant has inquired about, discussed, or disclosed the compensation of the employee or applicant or another employee or applicant. This provision shall not apply to instances in which an employee who has access to the compensation information of other employees or applicants as a part of such employee's essential job functions discloses the compensation of such other employees or applicants to individuals who do not otherwise have access to such information, unless such disclosure is in response to a formal complaint or charge, in furtherance of an investigation, proceeding, hearing, or action, including an investigation conducted by the employer, or is consistent with the contractor's legal duty to furnish information.

(4) The contractor will send to each labor union or representative of workers with which he has a collective bargaining agreement or other contract or understanding, a notice to be provided advising the said labor union or workers' representatives of the contractor's

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commitments under this section and shall post copies of the notice in conspicuous places available to employees and applicants for employment.

(5) The contractor will comply with all provisions of Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, and of the rules, regulations, and relevant orders of the Secretary of Labor.

(6) The contractor will furnish all information and reports required by Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, and by rules, regulations, and orders of the Secretary of Labor, or pursuant thereto, and will permit access to his books, records, and accounts by the administering agency and the Secretary of Labor for purposes of investigation to ascertain compliance with such rules, regulations, and orders.

(7) In the event of the contractor's noncompliance with the nondiscrimination clauses of this contract or with any of the said rules, regulations, or orders, this contract may be canceled, terminated, or suspended in whole or in part and the contractor may be declared ineligible for further Government contracts or federally assisted construction contracts in accordance with procedures authorized in Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, and such other sanctions may be imposed and remedies invoked as provided in Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, or by rule, regulation, or order of the Secretary of Labor, or as otherwise provided by law.

(8) The contractor will include the portion of the sentence immediately preceding paragraph (1) and the provisions of paragraphs (1) through (8) in every subcontract or purchase order unless exempted by rules, regulations, or orders of the Secretary of Labor issued pursuant to section 204 of Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, so that such provisions will be binding upon each subcontractor or vendor. The contractor will take such action with respect to any subcontract or purchase order as the administering agency may direct as a means of enforcing such provisions, including sanctions for noncompliance:

Provided, however, that in the event a contractor becomes involved in, or is threatened with, litigation with a subcontractor or vendor as a result of such direction by the administering agency, the contractor may request the United States to enter into such litigation to protect the interests of the United States.

The applicant further agrees that it will be bound by the above equal opportunity clause with respect to its own employment practices when it participates in federally assisted construction work: *Provided*, That if the applicant so participating is a State or local government, the above equal opportunity clause is not applicable to any agency, instrumentality or subdivision of such government which does not participate in work on or under the contract.

The applicant agrees that it will assist and cooperate actively with the administering agency and the Secretary of Labor in obtaining the compliance of contractors and subcontractors with the equal opportunity clause and the rules, regulations, and relevant orders of the Secretary of Labor, that it will furnish the administering agency and the Secretary of Labor such information as they may require for the supervision of such compliance, and that it will otherwise assist the administering agency in the discharge of the agency's primary responsibility for securing compliance.

The applicant further agrees that it will refrain from entering into any contract or contract modification subject to Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, with a contractor debarred from, or who has not demonstrated eligibility for, Government contracts and federally assisted construction contracts pursuant to the Executive Order and will carry out such sanctions and penalties for violation of the equal opportunity clause as may be imposed upon contractors and subcontractors by the administering agency or the Secretary of Labor pursuant to Part II, Subpart D of the Executive Order. In addition, the

applicant agrees that if it fails or refuses to comply with these undertakings, the administering agency may take any or all of the following actions: Cancel, terminate, or suspend in whole or in part this grant (contract, loan, insurance, guarantee); refrain from extending any further assistance to the applicant under the program with respect to which the failure or refund occurred until satisfactory assurance of future compliance has been received from such applicant; and refer the case to the Department of Justice for appropriate legal proceedings.

4. DAVIS-BACON ACT

- a. Standard. All prime construction contracts in excess of \$2,000 awarded by non- Federal entities must include a provision for compliance with the Davis-Bacon Act (40 U.S.C. §§ 3141-3144 and 3146-3148) as supplemented by Department of Labor regulations at 29 C.F.R. Part 5 (Labor Standards Provisions Applicable to Contracts Covering Federally Financed and Assisted Construction). See 2 C.F.R. Part 200, Appendix II(D). In accordance with the statute, contractors must be required to pay wages to laborers and mechanics at a rate not less than the prevailing wages specified in a wage determination made by the Secretary of Labor. In addition, contractors must be required to pay wages not less than once a week.
- b. Applicability. The Davis-Bacon Act applies to the Emergency Management Preparedness Grant Program, Homeland Security Grant Program, Nonprofit Security Grant Program, Tribal Homeland Security Grant Program, Port Security Grant Program, and Transit Security Grant Program.
- c. Requirements. If applicable, the non-federal entity must do the following:
 - i. The non-Federal entity must place a copy of the current prevailing wage determination issued by the Department of Labor in each solicitation. The decision to award a contract or subcontract must be conditioned upon the acceptance of the wage determination. The non-Federal entity must report all suspected or reported violations to the Federal awarding agency.
 - ii. Additionally, pursuant 2 C.F.R. Part 200, Appendix II(D), contracts subject to the Davis-Bacon Act, must also include a provision for compliance with the Copeland "Anti-Kickback" Act (40 U.S.C. § 3145), as supplemented by Department of Labor regulations at 29 C.F.R. Part 3 (Contractors and Subcontractors on Public Building or Public Work Financed in Whole or in Part by Loans or Grants from the United States). The Copeland Anti- Kickback Act provides that each contractor or subrecipient must be prohibited from inducing, by any means, any person employed in the construction, completion, or repair of public work, to give up any part of the compensation to which he or she is otherwise entitled. The non-Federal entity must report all suspected or reported violations to FEMA.
 - iii. Include a provision for compliance with the Davis-Bacon Act (40 U.S.C. 3141-3144, and 3146-3148) as supplemented by Department of Labor regulations (29 CFR Part 5, "Labor Standards Provisions Applicable to Contracts Covering Federally Financed and Assisted Construction").

Suggested Language. The following provides a sample contract clause:

Compliance with the Davis-Bacon Act.

- a. All transactions regarding this contract shall be done in

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compliance with the Davis-Bacon Act (40 U.S.C. 3141- 3144, and 3146-3148) and the requirements of 29 C.F.R. pt. 5 as may be applicable. The contractor shall comply with 40 U.S.C. 3141-3144, and 3146-3148 and the requirements of 29 C.F.R. pt. 5 as applicable.

- b. Contractors are required to pay wages to laborers and mechanics at a rate not less than the prevailing wages specified in a wage determination made by the Secretary of Labor.
- c. Additionally, contractors are required to pay wages not less than once a week.

5. COPELAND ANTI-KICKBACK ACT

- a. **Standard.** Recipient and subrecipient contracts must include a provision for compliance with the Copeland “Anti-Kickback” Act (40 U.S.C. 3145), as supplemented by Department of Labor regulations (29 CFR Part 3, “Contractors and Subcontractors on Public Building or Public Work Financed in Whole or in Part by Loans or Grants from the United States”).
- b. **Applicability.** This requirement applies to all contracts for construction or repair work above \$2,000 in situations where the Davis-Bacon Act also applies. It DOES NOT apply to the FEMA Public Assistance Program.
- c. **Requirements.** If applicable, the non-federal entity must include a provision for compliance with the Copeland “Anti-Kickback” Act (40 U.S.C. § 3145), as supplemented by Department of Labor regulations at 29 C.F.R. Part 3 (Contractors and Subcontractors on Public Building or Public Work Financed in Whole or in Part by Loans or Grants from the United States). Each contractor or subrecipient must be prohibited from inducing, by any means, any person employed in the construction, completion, or repair of public work, to give up any part of the compensation to which he or she is otherwise entitled. The non-Federal entity must report all suspected or reported violations to FEMA. Additionally, in accordance with the regulation, each contractor and subcontractor must furnish each week a statement with respect to the wages paid each of its employees engaged in work covered by the Copeland Anti-Kickback Act and the Davis Bacon Act during the preceding weekly payroll period. The report shall be delivered by the contractor or subcontractor, within seven days after the regular payment date of the payroll period, to a representative of a Federal or State agency in charge at the site of the building or work.

Sample Language. The following provides a sample contract clause:

Compliance with the Copeland “Anti-Kickback” Act.

- a. **Contractor.** The contractor shall comply with 18 U.S.C. §874, 40 U.S.C. § 3145, and the requirements of 29 C.F.R. pt. 3 as may be applicable, which are incorporated by reference into this contract.
- b. **Subcontracts.** The contractor or subcontractor shall insert in any subcontracts the clause above and such other clauses as FEMA may by appropriate instructions require, and also a clause requiring the subcontractors to include these clauses in any lower tier subcontracts. The prime contractor shall be responsible for the compliance by any subcontractor or lower tier subcontractor with all of these contract clauses.

- c. Breach. A breach of the contract clauses above may be grounds for termination of the contract, and for debarment as a contractor and subcontractor as provided in 29 C.F.R. §5.12.”

6. CONTRACT WORK HOURS AND SAFETY STANDARDS ACT

- a. Standard. Where applicable (see 40 U.S.C. §§ 3701-3708), all contracts awarded by the non-Federal entity in excess of \$100,000 that involve the employment of mechanics or laborers must include a provision for compliance with 40 U.S.C. §§ 3702 and 3704, as supplemented by Department of Labor regulations at 29 C.F.R. Part 5. See 2 C.F.R. Part 200, Appendix II(E). Under 40 U.S.C. § 3702, each contractor must be required to compute the wages of every mechanic and laborer on the basis of a standard work week of 40 hours. Work in excess of the standard work week is permissible provided that the worker is compensated at a rate of not less than one and a half times the basic rate of pay for all hours worked in excess of 40 hours in the work week. Further, no laborer or mechanic must be required to work in surroundings or under working conditions which are unsanitary, hazardous, or dangerous.
- b. Applicability. This requirement applies to all FEMA contracts awarded by the non-federal entity in excess of \$100,000 under grant and cooperative agreement programs that involve the employment of mechanics or laborers. It is applicable to construction work. These requirements do not apply to the purchase of supplies or materials or articles ordinarily available on the open market, or contracts for transportation or transmission of intelligence.
- c. Suggested Language. The regulation at 29 C.F.R. § 5.5(b) provides contract clause language concerning compliance with the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act. FEMA suggests including the following contract clause:

Compliance with the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act.

(1) *Overtime requirements.* No contractor or subcontractor contracting for any part of the contract work which may require or involve the employment of laborers or mechanics shall require or permit any such laborer or mechanic in any workweek in which he or she is employed on such work to work in excess of forty hours in such workweek unless such laborer or mechanic receives compensation at a rate not less than one and one-half times the basic rate of pay for all hours worked in excess of forty hours in such workweek.

(2) *Violation; liability for unpaid wages; liquidated damages.* In the event of any violation of the clause set forth in paragraph (b)(1) of this section the contractor and any subcontractor responsible therefor shall be liable for the unpaid wages. In addition, such contractor and subcontractor shall be liable to the United States (in the case of work done under contract for the District of Columbia or a territory, to such District or to such territory), for liquidated damages. Such liquidated damages shall be computed with respect to each individual laborer or mechanic, including watchmen and guards, employed in violation of the clause set forth in paragraph (b)(1) of this section, in the sum of

\$27 for each calendar day on which such individual was required or permitted to work in excess of the standard workweek of forty hours without payment of the overtime wages required by the clause set forth in paragraph (b)(1) of this section.

(3) *Withholding for unpaid wages and liquidated damages.* The Federal agency or loan/grant recipient shall upon its own action or upon written request of an authorized

representative of the Department of Labor withhold or cause to be withheld, from any moneys payable on account of work performed by the contractor or subcontractor under any such contract or any other Federal contract with the same prime contractor, or any other federally-assisted contract subject to the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act, which is held by the same prime contractor, such sums as may be determined to be necessary to satisfy any liabilities of such contractor or subcontractor for unpaid wages and liquidated damages as provided in the clause set forth in paragraph (b)(2) of this section.

(4) *Subcontracts*. The contractor or subcontractor shall insert in any subcontracts the clauses set forth in paragraph (b)(1) through (4) of this section and also a clause requiring the subcontractors to include these clauses in any lower tier subcontracts. The prime contractor shall be responsible for compliance by any subcontractor or lower tier subcontractor with the clauses set forth in paragraphs (b)(1) through (4) of this section.

7. RIGHTS TO INVENTIONS MADE UNDER A CONTRACT OR AGREEMENT

- a. Standard. If the FEMA award meets the definition of “funding agreement” under 37 C.F.R. § 401.2(a) and the non-Federal entity wishes to enter into a contract with a small business firm or nonprofit organization regarding the substitution of parties, assignment or performance of experimental, developmental, or research work under that “funding agreement,” the non-Federal entity must comply with the requirements of 37 C.F.R. Part 401 (Rights to Inventions Made by Nonprofit Organizations and Small Business Firms Under Government Grants, Contracts and Cooperative Agreements), and any implementing regulations issued by FEMA. See 2 C.F.R. Part 200, Appendix II(F).
- b. Applicability. This requirement applies to “*funding agreements*,” but it DOES NOT apply to the Public Assistance, Hazard Mitigation Grant Program, Fire Management Assistance Grant Program, Crisis Counseling Assistance and Training Grant Program, Disaster Case Management Grant Program, and Federal Assistance to Individuals and Households – Other Needs Assistance Grant Program, as FEMA awards under these programs do not meet the definition of “funding agreement.”
- c. Funding Agreements Definition. The regulation at 37 C.F.R. § 401.2(a) defines “funding agreement” as any contract, grant, or cooperative agreement entered into between any Federal agency, other than the Tennessee Valley Authority, and any contractor for the performance of experimental, developmental, or research work funded in whole or in part by the Federal government. This term also includes any assignment, substitution of parties, or subcontract of any type entered into for the performance of experimental, developmental, or research work under a funding agreement as defined in the first sentence of this paragraph.

8. CLEAN AIR ACT AND THE FEDERAL WATER POLLUTION CONTROL ACT

- a. Standard. If applicable, contracts must contain a provision that requires the contractor to agree to comply with all applicable standards, orders, or regulations issued pursuant to the Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C. §§ 7401-7671q.) and the Federal Water Pollution Control Act as amended (33 U.S.C. §§ 1251-1387). Violations must be reported to FEMA and the Regional Office of the Environmental Protection Agency. See 2 C.F.R. Part 200, Appendix II(G).
- b. Applicability. This requirement applies to contracts awarded by a non-federal entity of

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amounts in excess of \$150,000 under a federal grant.

- c. Suggested Language. The following provides a sample contract clause.

Clean Air Act

1. The contractor agrees to comply with all applicable standards, orders or regulations issued pursuant to the Clean Air Act, as amended, 42 U.S.C. § 7401 et seq.
2. The contractor agrees to report each violation to the Participating Public Agency and understands and agrees that the Participating Public Agency will, in turn, report each violation as required to assure notification to the Federal Emergency Management Agency, and the appropriate Environmental Protection Agency Regional Office.
3. The contractor agrees to include these requirements in each subcontract exceeding \$150,000 financed in whole or in part with Federal assistance provided by FEMA.

Federal Water Pollution Control Act

1. The contractor agrees to comply with all applicable standards, orders, or regulations issued pursuant to the Federal Water Pollution Control Act, as amended, 33 U.S.C. 1251 et seq.
2. The contractor agrees to report each violation to the Participating Public Agency and understands and agrees that the Participating Public Agency will, in turn, report each violation as required to assure notification to the Federal Emergency Management Agency, and the appropriate Environmental Protection Agency Regional Office.
3. The contractor agrees to include these requirements in each subcontract exceeding \$150,000 financed in whole or in part with Federal assistance provided by FEMA.

9. DEBARMENT AND SUSPENSION

- a. Standard. Non-Federal entities and contractors are subject to the debarment and suspension regulations implementing Executive Order 12549, *Debarment and Suspension* (1986) and Executive Order 12689, *Debarment and Suspension* (1989) at 2 C.F.R. Part 180 and the Department of Homeland Security's regulations at 2 C.F.R. Part 3000 (Non-procurement Debarment and Suspension).
- b. Applicability. This requirement applies to all FEMA grant and cooperative agreement programs.
- c. Requirements.
 - i. These regulations restrict awards, subawards, and contracts with certain parties that are debarred, suspended, or otherwise excluded from or ineligible for

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participation in Federal assistance programs and activities. See 2 C.F.R. Part 200, Appendix II(H); and 2 C.F.R. § 200.213. A contract award must not be made to parties listed in the SAM Exclusions. SAM Exclusions is the list maintained by the General Services Administration that contains the names of parties debarred, suspended, or otherwise excluded by agencies, as well as parties declared ineligible under statutory or regulatory authority other than Executive Order 12549. SAM exclusions can be accessed at www.sam.gov. See 2 C.F.R. § 180.530.

- ii. In general, an “excluded” party cannot receive a Federal grant award or a contract within the meaning of a “covered transaction,” to include subawards and subcontracts. This includes parties that receive Federal funding indirectly, such as contractors to recipients and subrecipients. The key to the exclusion is whether there is a “covered transaction,” which is any non-procurement transaction (unless excepted) at either a “primary” or “secondary” tier. Although “covered transactions” do not include contracts awarded by the Federal Government for purposes of the non-procurement common rule and DHS’s implementing regulations, it does include some contracts awarded by recipients and subrecipients.
- iii. Specifically, a covered transaction includes the following contracts for goods or services:
 - 1. The contract is awarded by a recipient or subrecipient in the amount of at least \$25,000.
 - 2. The contract requires the approval of FEMA, regardless of amount.
 - 3. The contract is for federally-required audit services.
 - 4. A subcontract is also a covered transaction if it is awarded by the contractor of a recipient or subrecipient and requires either the approval of FEMA or is in excess of \$25,000.
- d. Suggested Language. The following provides a debarment and suspension clause. It incorporates an optional method of verifying that contractors are not excluded or disqualified.

Suspension and Debarment

- (1) This contract is a covered transaction for purposes of 2 C.F.R. pt. 180 and 2 C.F.R. pt. 3000. As such, the contractor is required to verify that none of the contractor’s principals (defined at 2 C.F.R. § 180.995) or its affiliates (defined at 2 C.F.R. § 180.905) are excluded (defined at 2 C.F.R. § 180.940) or disqualified (defined at 2 C.F.R. § 180.935).
- (2) The contractor must comply with 2 C.F.R. pt. 180, subpart C and 2 C.F.R. pt. 3000, subpart C, and must include a requirement to comply with these regulations in any lower tier covered transaction it enters into.
- (3) This certification is a material representation of fact relied upon by the Participating Public Agency. If it is later determined that the contractor did not comply with 2 C.F.R. pt. 180, subpart C and 2 C.F.R. pt. 3000, subpart C, in addition to remedies available to the Participating Public Agency, the Federal Government may pursue available remedies, including but not limited to suspension and/or debarment.

- (4) The bidder or proposer agrees to comply with the requirements of 2 C.F.R. pt. 180, subpart C and 2 C.F.R. pt. 3000, subpart C while this offer is valid and throughout the period of any contract that may arise from this offer. The bidder or proposer further agrees to include a provision requiring such compliance in its lower tier covered transactions.

10. BYRD ANTI-LOBBYING AMENDMENT

- a.** Standard. Each tier certifies to the tier above that it will not and has not used Federal appropriated funds to pay any person or organization for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with obtaining any Federal contract, grant or any other award covered by 31 U.S.C. § 1352. FEMA's regulation at 44 C.F.R. Part 18 implements the requirements of 31 U.S.C. § 1352 and provides, in Appendix A to Part 18, a copy of the certification that is required to be completed by each entity as described in 31 U.S.C. § 1352. Each tier must also disclose any lobbying with non-Federal funds that takes place in connection with obtaining any Federal award. Such disclosures are forwarded from tier to tier up to the Federal awarding agency.
- b.** Applicability. This requirement applies to all FEMA grant and cooperative agreement programs. Contractors that apply or bid for a contract of \$100,000 or more under a federal grant must file the required certification. See 2 C.F.R. Part 200, Appendix II(I); 31 U.S.C. § 1352; and 44 C.F.R. Part 18.
- c.** Suggested Language.

Byrd Anti-Lobbying Amendment, 31 U.S.C. § 1352 (as amended)

Contractors who apply or bid for an award of \$100,000 or more shall file the required certification. Each tier certifies to the tier above that it will not and has not used Federal appropriated funds to pay any person or organization for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with obtaining any Federal contract, grant, or any other award covered by 31 U.S.C. § 1352. Each tier shall also disclose any lobbying with non-Federal funds that takes place in connection with obtaining any Federal award. Such disclosures are forwarded from tier to tier up to the recipient who in turn will forward the certification(s) to the awarding agency.

- d.** Required Certification. If applicable, contractors must sign and submit to the non-federal entity the following certification.

APPENDIX A, 44 C.F.R. PART 18 – CERTIFICATION REGARDING LOBBYING

Certification for Contracts, Grants, Loans, and Cooperative Agreements

The undersigned certifies, to the best of his or her knowledge and belief, that:

1. No Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid, by or on behalf of the undersigned, to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of an agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with the awarding of any

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Federal contract, the making of any Federal grant, the making of any Federal loan, the entering into of any cooperative agreement, and the extension, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification of any Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement.

2. If any funds other than Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with this Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement, the undersigned shall complete and submit Standard Form-LLL, "Disclosure Form to Report Lobbying," in accordance with its instructions.
3. The undersigned shall require that the language of this certification be included in the award documents for all subawards at all tiers (including subcontracts, subgrants, and contracts under grants, loans, and cooperative agreements) and that all subrecipients shall certify and disclose accordingly.

This certification is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when this transaction was made or entered into. Submission of this certification is a prerequisite for making or entering into this transaction imposed by section 1352, title 31, U.S. Code. Any person who fails to file the required certification shall be subject to a civil penalty of not less than \$10,000 and not more than \$100,000 for each such failure.

The Contractor, Music & Arts, certifies or affirms the truthfulness and accuracy of each statement of its certification and disclosure, if any. In addition, the Contractor understands and agrees that the provisions of 31 U.S.C. Chap. 38, Administrative Remedies for False Claims and Statements, apply to this certification and disclosure, if any.



Signature of Contractor's Authorized Official

Amanda Tieman, School Services Coordinator

Name and Title of Contractor's Authorized Official

12/27/2023

Date

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11. PROCUREMENT OF RECOVERED MATERIALS

- a.** Standard. A non-Federal entity that is a state agency or agency of a political subdivision of a state and its contractors must comply with Section 6002 of the Solid Waste Disposal Act, as amended by the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act. See 2 C.F.R. Part 200, Appendix II(J); and 2 C.F.R. §200.322.
- b.** Applicability. This requirement applies to all contracts awarded by a non- federal entity under FEMA grant and cooperative agreement programs.
- c.** Requirements. The requirements of Section 6002 include procuring only items designated in guidelines of the EPA at 40 C.F.R. Part 247 that contain the highest percentage of recovered materials practicable, consistent with maintaining a satisfactory level of competition, where the purchase price of the item exceeds \$10,000 or the value of the quantity acquired by the preceding fiscal year exceeded \$10,000; procuring solid waste management services in a manner that maximizes energy and resource recovery; and establishing an affirmative procurement program for procurement of recovered materials identified in the EPA guidelines.
- d.** Suggested Language.

 - i. In the performance of this contract, the Contractor shall make maximum use of products containing recovered materials that are EPA-designated items unless the product cannot be acquired—

 1. Competitively within a timeframe providing for compliance with the contract performance schedule;
 2. Meeting contract performance requirements; or
 3. At a reasonable price.
 - ii. Information about this requirement, along with the list of EPA- designated items, is available at EPA's Comprehensive Procurement Guidelines web site, <https://www.epa.gov/smm/comprehensive-procurement-guideline-cpg-program>.
 - iii. The Contractor also agrees to comply with all other applicable requirements of Section 6002 of the Solid Waste Disposal Act.”

12. DOMESTIC PREFERENCES FOR PROCUREMENTS

As appropriate, and to the extent consistent with law, CONTRACTOR should, to the greatest extent practicable under a federal award, provide a preference for the purchase, acquisition, or use of goods, products or materials produced in the United States. This includes, but is not limited to, iron, aluminum, steel, cement, and other manufactured products.

Applicability For purchases in support of FEMA declarations and awards issued on or after November 12, 2020, all FEMA recipients and subrecipients are required to include in all contracts and purchase orders for work or products a contract provision encouraging domestic preference for procurements.

Domestic Preference for Procurements As appropriate, and to the extent consistent with law, the contractor should, to the greatest extent practicable, provide a preference for the purchase, acquisition, or use of goods, products, or materials produced in the United States. This includes, but is not limited to iron, aluminum, steel, cement, and other manufactured products. For purposes of this clause: Produced in the United States means, for iron and steel products, that all

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manufacturing processes, from the initial melting stage through the application of coatings, occurred in the United States. Manufactured products mean items and construction materials composed in whole or in part of non-ferrous metals such as aluminum; plastics and polymer-based products such as polyvinyl chloride pipe; aggregates such as concrete; glass, including optical fiber; and lumber.”

13. ACCESS TO RECORDS

- a. Standard. All recipients, subrecipients, successors, transferees, and assignees must acknowledge and agree to comply with applicable provisions governing DHS access to records, accounts, documents, information, facilities, and staff. Recipients must give DHS/FEMA access to, and the right to examine and copy, records, accounts, and other documents and sources of information related to the federal financial assistance award and permit access to facilities, personnel, and other individuals and information as may be necessary, as required by DHS regulations *and* other applicable laws or program guidance. See DHS Standard Terms and Conditions: Version 8.1 (2018). Additionally, Section 1225 of the Disaster Recovery Reform Act of 2018 prohibits FEMA from providing reimbursement to any state, local, tribal, or territorial government, or private non-profit for activities made pursuant to a contract that purports to prohibit audits or internal reviews by the FEMA administrator or Comptroller General.

Access to Records. The following access to records requirements apply to this contract:

- i. The Contractor agrees to provide Participating Public Agency, the FEMA Administrator, the Comptroller General of the United States, or any of their authorized representatives access to any books, documents, papers, and records of the Contractor which are directly pertinent to this contract for the purposes of making audits, examinations, excerpts, and transcriptions.
- ii. The Contractor agrees to permit any of the foregoing parties to reproduce by any means whatsoever or to copy excerpts and transcriptions as reasonably needed.
- iii. The Contractor agrees to provide the FEMA Administrator or his authorized representatives access to construction or other work sites pertaining to the work being completed under the contract.
- iv. In compliance with the Disaster Recovery Act of 2018, the Participating Public Agency and the Contractor acknowledge and agree that no language in this contract is intended to prohibit audits or internal reviews by the FEMA Administrator or the Comptroller General of the United States.

14. CHANGES

- a. Standard. To be eligible for FEMA assistance under the non-Federal entity's FEMA grant or cooperative agreement, the cost of the change, modification, change order, or constructive change must be allowable, allocable, within the scope of its grant or cooperative agreement, and reasonable for the completion of project scope.
- b. Applicability. FEMA recommends, therefore, that a non-Federal entity include a changes clause in its contract that describes how, if at all, changes can be made by either party to alter the method, price, or schedule of the work without breaching the contract. The language of the clause may differ depending on the nature of the contract and the end-item procured.

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15. DHS SEAL, LOGO, AND FLAGS

- a. Standard. Recipients must obtain permission prior to using the DHS seal(s), logos, crests, or reproductions of flags or likenesses of DHS agency officials. See DHS Standard Terms and Conditions: Version 8.1 (2018).
- b. Applicability. FEMA recommends that all non-Federal entities place in their contracts a provision that a contractor shall not use the DHS seal(s), logos, crests, or reproductions of flags or likenesses of DHS agency officials without specific FEMA pre-approval.
- c. "The contractor shall not use the DHS seal(s), logos, crests, or reproductions of flags or likenesses of DHS agency officials without specific FEMA pre-approval."

16. COMPLIANCE WITH FEDERAL LAW, REGULATIONS, AND EXECUTIVE ORDERS

- a. Standard. The recipient and its contractors are required to comply with all Federal laws, regulations, and executive orders.
- b. Applicability. FEMA recommends that all non-Federal entities place into their contracts an acknowledgement that FEMA financial assistance will be used to fund the contract along with the requirement that the contractor will comply with all applicable Federal law, regulations, executive orders, and FEMA policies, procedures, and directives.
- c. "This is an acknowledgement that FEMA financial assistance will be used to fund all or a portion of the contract. The contractor will comply with all applicable Federal law, regulations, executive orders, FEMA policies, procedures, and directives."

17. NO OBLIGATION BY FEDERAL GOVERNMENT

- a. Standard. FEMA is not a party to any transaction between the recipient and its contractor. FEMA is not subject to any obligations or liable to any party for any matter relating to the contract.
- b. Applicability. FEMA recommends that the non-Federal entity include a provision in its contract that states that the Federal Government is not a party to the contract and is not subject to any obligations or liabilities to the non-Federal entity, contractor, or any other party pertaining to any matter resulting from the contract.
- c. "The Federal Government is not a party to this contract and is not subject to any obligations or liabilities to the non-Federal entity, contractor, or any other party pertaining to any matter resulting from the contract."

18. PROGRAM FRAUD AND FALSE OR FRAUDULENT STATEMENTS OR RELATED ACTS

- a. Standard. Recipients must comply with the requirements of The False Claims Act (31 U.S.C. §§ 3729-3733) which prohibits the submission of false or fraudulent claims for payment to the federal government. See DHS Standard Terms and Conditions: Version 8.1 (2018); and 31 U.S.C. §§ 3801-3812, which details the administrative remedies for false claims and statements made. The non-Federal entity must include a provision in its contract that the contractor acknowledges that 31 U.S.C. Chap. 38 (Administrative Remedies for False Claims and Statements) applies to its actions pertaining to the contract.

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- b. Applicability. FEMA recommends that the non-Federal entity include a provision in its contract that the contractor acknowledges that 31 U.S.C. Chap. 38 (Administrative Remedies for False Claims and Statements) applies to its actions pertaining to the contract.
- c. "The Contractor acknowledges that 31 U.S.C. Chap. 38 (Administrative Remedies for False Claims and Statements) applies to the Contractor's actions pertaining to this contract."
- d. In the event FTA or DOT funding is used by a Participating Public Agency, Contractor further acknowledges U.S. DOT regulations, "Program Fraud Civil Remedies," 49 CFR Part 31, and apply to its actions pertaining to this Contract. Upon execution of the underlying Contract, Contractor certifies or affirms the truthfulness and accuracy of any statement it has made, it makes, it may make, or causes to be made, pertaining to the underlying Contract or the FTA assisted project for which this Contract Work is being performed.

In addition to other penalties that may be applicable, Contractor further acknowledges that if it makes, or causes to be made, a false, fictitious, or fraudulent claim, statement, submission, or certification, the Federal Government reserves the right to impose the penalties of the Program Fraud Civil Remedies Act of 1986 on Contractor to the extent the Federal Government deems appropriate.

Contractor also acknowledges that if it makes, or causes to be made, a false, fictitious, or fraudulent claim, statement, submission, or certification to the Federal Government under a contract connected with a project that is financed in whole or in part with Federal assistance originally awarded by FTA under the authority of 49 U.S.C. § 5307, the Government reserves the right to impose the penalties of 18 U.S.C. § 1001 and 49 U.S.C. § 5307 (n)(1) on the Contractor, to the extent the Federal Government deems appropriate.

Contractor agrees to include the above clauses in each subcontract financed in whole or in part with Federal assistance provided by FTA. It is further agreed that the clauses shall not be modified, except to identify the subcontractor who will be subject to the provisions.

Offeror agrees to comply with all terms and conditions outlined in the FEMA Special Conditions section of this solicitation.

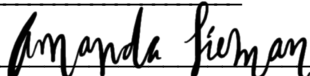
Offeror's Name: Music & Arts

Address, City, State, and Zip Code:
5295 Westview Dr. Ste. 300, Frederick, MD 21703

Phone Number: 301-620-4040 Fax Number: 301-620-2567

Printed Name and Title of Authorized Representative:
Amanda Tieman, School Services Coordinator

Email Address: schools@musicarts.com

Signature of Authorized Representative: 

Date: 12/27/2023

NEW JERSEY BUSINESS COMPLIANCE

Suppliers intending to do business in the State of New Jersey must comply with policies and procedures required under New Jersey statutes. All offerors submitting proposals must complete the following forms specific to the State of New Jersey. Completed forms should be submitted with the offeror's response to the RFP. Failure to complete the New Jersey packet will impact OMNIA Partners' ability to promote the Master Agreement in the State of New Jersey.

DOC #1	Statement of Ownership Disclosure
DOC #2	Non-Collusion Affidavit
DOC #3	Affirmative Action Affidavit
DOC #4	Political Contribution Disclosure Form
DOC #5	Stockholder Disclosure Certification
DOC #6	Disclosure of Investment Activities in Iran, Russia and Belarus
DOC #7	New Jersey Business Registration Certificate
DOC #8	EEOAA Evidence
DOC #9	McBride-Principles

New Jersey suppliers are required to comply with the following New Jersey statutes when applicable:

- all anti-discrimination laws, including those contained in N.J.S.A. 10:2-1 through N.J.S.A. 10:2-14, N.J.S.A. 10:5-1, and N.J.S.A. 10:5-31 through 10:5-38;
- Prevailing Wage Act, N.J.S.A. 34:11-56.26, for all contracts within the contemplation of the Act;
- Public Works Contractor Registration Act, N.J.S.A. 34:11-56.26; and
- Bid and Performance Security, as required by the applicable municipal or state statutes.

STATEMENT OF OWNERSHIP DISCLOSURE

N.J.S.A. 52:25-24.2 (P.L. 1977, c.33, as amended by P.L. 2016, c.43)

This statement shall be completed, certified to, and included with all bid and proposal submissions. Failure to submit the required information is cause for automatic rejection of the bid or proposal.

Name of Organization: Music & Arts

Organization Address: 5295 Westview Dr. Ste. 300, Frederick, MD 21703

Part I Check the box that represents the type of business organization:

- ☐ Sole Proprietorship (skip Parts II and III, execute certification in Part IV)
- ☐ Non-Profit Corporation (skip Parts II and III, execute certification in Part IV)
- ☒ For-Profit Corporation (any type) ☐ Limited Liability Company (LLC)
- ☐ Partnership ☐ Limited Partnership ☐ Limited Liability Partnership (LLP)
- ☐ Other (be specific): _____

Part II

- ☐ The list below contains the names and addresses of all stockholders in the corporation who own 10 percent or more of its stock, of any class, or of all individual partners in the partnership who own a 10 percent or greater interest therein, or of all members in the limited liability company who own a 10 percent or greater interest therein, as the case may be. **(COMPLETE THE LIST BELOW IN THIS SECTION)**

OR

- ☒ No one stockholder in the corporation owns 10 percent or more of its stock, of any class, or no individual partner in the partnership owns a 10 percent or greater interest therein, or no member in the limited liability company owns a 10 percent or greater interest therein, as the case may be. **(SKIP TO PART IV)**

(Please attach additional sheets if more space is needed):

Name of Individual or Business Entity	Home Address (for Individuals) or Business Address

Part III DISCLOSURE OF 10% OR GREATER OWNERSHIP IN THE STOCKHOLDERS, PARTNERS OR LLC MEMBERS LISTED IN PART II

If a bidder has a direct or indirect parent entity which is publicly traded, and any person holds a 10 percent or greater beneficial interest in the publicly traded parent entity as of the last annual federal Security and Exchange Commission (SEC) or foreign equivalent filing, ownership disclosure can be met by providing links to the website(s) containing the last annual filing(s) with the federal Securities and Exchange Commission (or foreign equivalent) that contain the name and address of each person holding a 10% or greater beneficial interest in the publicly traded parent entity, along with the relevant page numbers of the filing(s) that contain the information on each such person. **Attach additional sheets if more space is needed.**

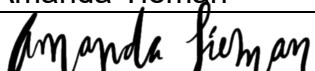
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Please list the names and addresses of each stockholder, partner or member owning a 10 percent or greater interest in any corresponding corporation, partnership and/or limited liability company (LLC) listed in Part II **other than for any publicly traded parent entities referenced above.** The disclosure shall be continued until names and addresses of every noncorporate stockholder, and individual partner, and member exceeding the 10 percent ownership criteria established pursuant to N.J.S.A. 52:25-24.2 has been listed. **Attach additional sheets if more space is needed.**

Stockholder/Partner/Member and Corresponding Entity Listed in Part II	Home Address (for Individuals) or Business Address

Part IV Certification

I, being duly sworn upon my oath, hereby represent that the foregoing information and any attachments thereto to the best of my knowledge are true and complete. I acknowledge: that I am authorized to execute this certification on behalf of the bidder/proposer; that the **<name of contracting unit>** is relying on the information contained herein and that I am under a continuing obligation from the date of this certification through the completion of any contracts with **<type of contracting unit>** to notify the **<type of contracting unit>** 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, and if I do so, I am subject to criminal prosecution under the law and that it will constitute a material breach of my agreement(s) with the, permitting the **<type of contracting unit>** to declare any contract(s) resulting from this certification void and unenforceable.

Full Name (Print):	Amanda Tieman	Title:	School Services Coordinator
Signature:		Date:	1/3/2024

NON-COLLUSION AFFIDAVIT

STANDARD BID DOCUMENT REFERENCE	
	Reference: VII-H
Name of Form:	NON-COLLUSION AFFIDAVIT
Statutory Reference:	No specific statutory reference State Statutory Reference N.J.S.A. 52:34-15
Instructions Reference:	Statutory and Other Requirements VII-H
Description:	The Owner's use of this form is optional. It is used to ensure that the bidder has not participated in any collusion with any other bidder or Owner representative or otherwise taken any action in restraint of free and competitive bidding.

NON-COLLUSION AFFIDAVIT

State of New Jersey

County of _____

ss:

I, Amanda Tieman residing in Huffman
(name of affiant) (name of municipality)
in the County of Harris and State of Texas of full
age, being duly sworn according to law on my oath depose and say that:

I am School Services Coordinator of the firm of Music & Arts
(title or position) (name of firm)

_____ the bidder making this Proposal for the bid

entitled ²³⁻⁰⁸ Performing Arts Apparel, Instruments, Equipment and Related Svcs, and that I executed the said proposal with
(title of bid proposal)

full authority to do so 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 above named project; and that all statements contained in said proposal and in this affidavit are true and correct, and made with full knowledge that the _____

ESC 4/Omnia Partners relies upon the truth of the statements contained in said Proposal
(name of contracting unit)

and in the statements contained in this affidavit in awarding the contract for the said project.

I further warrant 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 Music & Arts.

Subscribed and sworn to

before me this day

Amanda Tieman
Signature

JANUARY 3, 2024

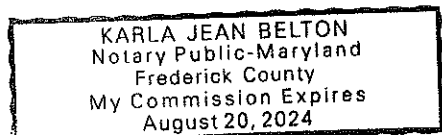
Karla Jean Belton
Notary public of

Amanda Tieman

(Type or print name of affiant under signature)

My Commission expires 8/20/24

(Seal)



**AFFIRMATIVE ACTION AFFIDAVIT
(P.L. 1975, C.127)**

Company Name: Music & Arts
Street: 5295 Westview Dr. Ste. 300
City, State, Zip Code: Frederick, MD 21703

Proposal Certification:

Indicate below company's compliance with New Jersey Affirmative Action regulations. Company's proposal will be accepted even if company is not in compliance at this time. No contract and/or purchase order may be issued, however, until all Affirmative Action requirements are met.

Required Affirmative Action Evidence:

Procurement, Professional & Service Contracts (Exhibit A)

Vendors must submit with proposal:

1. A photocopy of a valid letter that the contractor is operating under an existing Federally approved or sanctioned affirmative action program (good for one year from the date of the letter);

OR

2. A photocopy of a Certificate of Employee Information Report approval, issued in accordance with N.J.A.C. 17:27-4;

OR

3. A photocopy of an Employee Information Report (Form AA302) provided by the Division of Contract Compliance and Equal Employment Opportunity in Public Contracts and distributed to the public agency to be completed by the contractor in accordance with N.J.A.C. 17:27-4.

Public Work – Over \$50,000 Total Project Cost:

- A. No approved Federal or New Jersey Affirmative Action Plan. We will complete Report Form AA201. A project contract ID number will be assigned to your firm upon receipt of the completed Initial Project Workforce Report (AA201) for this contract.
- B. Approved Federal or New Jersey Plan – certificate enclosed

I further certify that the statements and information contained herein, are complete and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

1/3/2024
Date

 School Services Coordinator
Authorized Signature and Title

P.L. 1995, c. 127 (N.J.A.C. 17:27)
MANDATORY AFFIRMATIVE ACTION LANGUAGE

PROCUREMENT, PROFESSIONAL AND SERVICE
CONTRACTS

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

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, sex, affectional or sexual orientation. The contractor will take affirmative action to ensure that such applicants are recruited and employed, and that employees are treated during employment, without regard to their age, race, creed, color, national origin, ancestry, marital status, sex, affectional or sexual orientation. Such action shall include, but not be 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 non-discrimination clause.

The contractor or subcontractor, where applicable will, in all solicitations or advertisement 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, sex, affectional or sexual orientation.

The contractor or subcontractor, where applicable, will send to each labor union or representative of workers with which it has a collective bargaining agreement or other contract or understanding, a notice, to be provided by the agency contracting officer advising the labor union or workers' representative of the contractor's commitments under this act and shall post copies of the notice in conspicuous places available to employees and applicants for employment.

The contractor or subcontractor, where applicable, agrees to comply with any regulations promulgated by the Treasurer pursuant to P.L. 1975, c. 127, as amended and supplemented from time to time and the Americans with Disabilities Act.

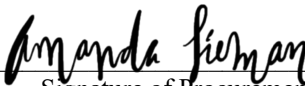
The contractor or subcontractor agrees to attempt in good faith to employ minority and female workers trade consistent with the applicable county employment goal prescribed by N.J.A.C. 17:27-5.2 promulgated by the Treasurer pursuant to P.L. 1975, C.127, as amended and supplemented from time to time or in accordance with a binding determination of the applicable county employment goals determined by the Affirmative Action Office pursuant to N.J.A.C. 17:27-5.2 promulgated by the Treasurer pursuant to P.L. 1975, C.127, as amended and supplemented from time to time.

The contractor or subcontractor agrees to inform in writing appropriate recruitment agencies in the area, including employment agencies, placement bureaus, colleges, universities, labor unions, that it does not discriminate on the basis of age, creed, color, national origin, ancestry, marital status, sex, affectional or sexual orientation, and that it will discontinue the use of any recruitment agency which engages in direct or indirect discriminatory practices.

The contractor or subcontractor agrees to revise any of its testing procedures, if necessary, to assure that all personnel 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.

The contractor or subcontractor agrees to review all procedures relating to transfer, upgrading, downgrading and lay-off to ensure that all such actions are taken without regard to age, creed, color, national origin, ancestry, marital status, sex, affectional or sexual orientation, and conform with the applicable employment goals, consistent with the statutes and court decisions of the State of New Jersey, and applicable Federal law and applicable Federal court decisions.

The contractor and its subcontractors shall furnish such reports or other documents to the Affirmative Action Office as may be requested by the office 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 Affirmative Action Office for conducting a compliance investigation pursuant to Subchapter 10 of the Administrative Code (NJAC 17:27).



Signature of Procurement Agent

C. 271 POLITICAL CONTRIBUTION DISCLOSURE FORM

Public Agency Instructions

This page provides guidance to public agencies entering into contracts with business entities that are required to file Political Contribution Disclosure forms with the agency. **It is not intended to be provided to contractors.** What follows are instructions on the use of form local units can provide to contractors that are required to disclose political contributions pursuant to N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.26 (P.L. 2005, c. 271, s.2). Additional information on the process is available in Local Finance Notice 2006-1 (http://www.nj.gov/dca/divisions/dlgs/resources/lfns_2006.html). Please refer back to these instructions for the appropriate links, as the Local Finance Notices include links that are no longer operational.

1. The disclosure is required for all contracts in excess of \$17,500 that are **not awarded** pursuant to a “fair and open” process (N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.7).
2. Due to the potential length of some contractor submissions, the public agency should consider allowing data to be submitted in electronic form (i.e., spreadsheet, pdf file, etc.). Submissions must be kept with the contract documents or in an appropriate computer file and be available for public access. **The form is worded to accept this alternate submission.** The text should be amended if electronic submission will not be allowed.
3. The submission must be **received from the contractor and** on file at least 10 days prior to award of the contract. Resolutions of award should reflect that the disclosure has been received and is on file.
4. The contractor must disclose contributions made to candidate and party committees covering a wide range of public agencies, including all public agencies that have elected officials in the county of the public agency, state legislative positions, and various state entities. The Division of Local Government Services recommends that contractors be provided a list of the affected agencies. This will assist contractors in determining the campaign and political committees of the officials and candidates affected by the disclosure.
 - a. The Division has prepared model disclosure forms for each county. They can be downloaded from the “County PCD Forms” link on the Pay-to-Play web site at <http://www.nj.gov/dca/divisions/dlgs/programs/lpcl.html#12>. They will be updated from time-to-time as necessary.
 - b. A public agency using these forms **should edit them to properly reflect the correct legislative district(s)**. As the forms are county-based, **they list all legislative districts** in each county. **Districts that do not represent the public agency should be removed from the lists.**
 - c. Some contractors may find it easier to provide a single list that covers all contributions, regardless of the county. These submissions are appropriate and should be accepted.
 - d. The form may be used “as-is”, subject to edits as described herein.
 - e. The “Contractor Instructions” sheet is intended to be provided with the form. It is recommended that the Instructions and the form be printed on the same piece of paper. The form notes that the Instructions are printed on the back of the form; where that is not the case, the text should be edited accordingly.
 - f. The form is a Word document and can be edited to meet local needs, and posted for download on web sites, used as an e-mail attachment, or provided as a printed document.
5. It is recommended that the contractor also complete a “Stockholder Disclosure Certification.” This will assist the local unit in its obligation to ensure that contractor did not make any prohibited contributions to the committees listed on the Business Entity Disclosure Certification in the 12 months prior to the contract (See Local Finance Notice 2006-7 for additional information on this obligation at http://www.nj.gov/dca/divisions/dlgs/resources/lfns_2006.html). A sample Certification form is part of this package and the instruction to complete it is included in the Contractor Instructions. NOTE: This section is not applicable to Boards of Education.

A. 271 POLITICAL CONTRIBUTION DISCLOSURE FORM

Contractor Instructions

Business entities (contractors) receiving contracts from a public agency that are NOT awarded pursuant to a “fair and open” process (defined at N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.7) are subject to the provisions of P.L. 2005, c. 271, s.2 (N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.26). This law provides that 10 days prior to the award of such a contract, the contractor shall disclose contributions to:

- any State, county, or municipal committee of a political party
- any legislative leadership committee*
- any continuing political committee (a.k.a., political action committee)
- any candidate committee of a candidate for, or holder of, an elective office:
 - of the public entity awarding the contract
 - of that county in which that public entity is located
 - of another public entity within that county
 - or of a legislative district in which that public entity is located or, when the public entity is a county, of any legislative district which includes all or part of the county

The disclosure must list reportable contributions to any of the committees that exceed \$300 per election cycle that were made during the 12 months prior to award of the contract. See N.J.S.A. 19:44A-8 and 19:44A-16 for more details on reportable contributions.

N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.26 itemizes the parties from whom contributions must be disclosed when a business entity is not a natural person. This includes the following:

- individuals with an “interest” ownership or control of more than 10% of the profits or assets of a business entity or 10% of the stock in the case of a business entity that is a corporation for profit
- all principals, partners, officers, or directors of the business entity or their spouses
- any subsidiaries directly or indirectly controlled by the business entity
- IRS Code Section 527 New Jersey based organizations, directly or indirectly controlled by the business entity and filing as continuing political committees, (PACs).

When the business entity is a natural person, “a contribution by that person’s spouse or child, residing therewith, shall be deemed to be a contribution by the business entity.” [N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.26(b)] The contributor must be listed on the disclosure.

Any business entity that fails to comply with the disclosure provisions shall be subject to a fine imposed by ELEC in an amount to be determined by the Commission which may be based upon the amount that the business entity failed to report.

The enclosed list of agencies is provided to assist the contractor in identifying those public agencies whose elected official and/or candidate campaign committees are affected by the disclosure requirement. It is the contractor’s responsibility to identify the specific committees to which contributions may have been made and need to be disclosed. The disclosed information may exceed the minimum requirement.

The enclosed form, a content-consistent facsimile, or an electronic data file containing the required details (along with a signed cover sheet) may be used as the contractor’s submission and is disclosable to the public under the Open Public Records Act.

The contractor must also complete the attached Stockholder Disclosure Certification. This will assist the agency in meeting its obligations under the law. **NOTE: This section does not apply to Board of Education contracts.**

* N.J.S.A. 19:44A-3(s): “The term “legislative leadership committee” means a committee established, authorized to be established, or designated by the President of the Senate, the Minority Leader of the Senate, the Speaker of the General Assembly or the Minority Leader of the General Assembly pursuant to section 16 of P.L.1993, c.65 (C.19:44A-10.1) for the purpose of receiving contributions and making expenditures.”

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Required Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.26

**This form or its permitted facsimile must be submitted to the local unit
no later than 10 days prior to the award of the contract.**

Part I – Vendor Information

Vendor Name:	Music & Arts		
Address:	5295 Westview Dr. Ste. 300		
City:	Frederick	State: MD	Zip: 21703

The undersigned being authorized to certify, hereby certifies that the submission provided herein represents compliance with the provisions of N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.26 and as represented by the Instructions accompanying this form.


Signature

Amanda Tieman
Printed Name

School Services Coordinator
Title

N/A

Part II – Contribution Disclosure

Disclosure requirement: Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.26 this disclosure must include all reportable political contributions (more than \$300 per election cycle) over the 12 months prior to submission to the committees of the government entities listed on the form provided by the local unit.

☐ Check here if disclosure is provided in electronic form

Contributor Name	Recipient Name	Date	Dollar Amount
			\$

☐ Check here if the information is continued on subsequent page(s)

List of Agencies with Elected Officials Required for Political Contribution Disclosure
N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.26

County Name:

State: Governor, and Legislative Leadership Committees

Legislative District #s:

State Senator and two members of the General Assembly per district.

County:

Freeholders

{County Executive}

County Clerk

Surrogate

Sheriff

Municipalities (Mayor and members of governing body, regardless of title):

**USERS SHOULD CREATE THEIR OWN FORM, OR DOWNLOAD
FROM THE PAY TO PLAY SECTION OF THE DLGS WEBSITE A
COUNTY-BASED, CUSTOMIZABLE FORM.**

STOCKHOLDER DISCLOSURE CERTIFICATION**Name of Business:**

☐ I certify that the list below contains the names and home addresses of all stockholders holding 10% or more of the issued and outstanding stock of the undersigned.

OR

☒ I certify that no one stockholder owns 10% or more of the issued and outstanding stock of the undersigned.

Check the box that represents the type of business organization:☐ Partnership☒ Corporation☐ Sole Proprietorship☐ Limited Partnership☐ Limited Liability Corporation☐ Limited Liability Partnership☐ Subchapter S Corporation**Sign and notarize the form below, and, if necessary, complete the stockholder list below.****Stockholders:**

Name:	Name:
Home Address:	Home Address:
Name:	Name:
Home Address:	Home Address:
Name:	Name:
Home Address:	Home Address:

Subscribed and sworn before me this 3rd day of January, 2024.

(Notary Public)

My Commission expires: 8/20/24

Amanda Tieman
(Affiant)

Amanda Tieman, School Services Coordinator

(Print name & title of affiant)

(Corporate Seal)

KARLA JEAN BELTON
Notary Public-Maryland
Frederick County
My Commission Expires
August 20, 2024

DISCLOSURE OF INVESTMENT ACTIVITIES IN IRAN, RUSSIA AND BELARUS
N.J.S.A. 52:32-57, et seq. (P.L. 2012, c.25 and P.L. 2021, c.4) and N.J.S.A. 52:32-60.1

Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 52:32-57, et seq. (P.L. 2012, c.25 and P.L. 2021, c.4) and N.J.S.A. 52:32-60.1 any person or entity that submits a bid or proposal or otherwise proposes to enter into or renew a contract must certify that neither the person nor entity, nor any of its parents, subsidiaries, or affiliates, is identified on the New Jersey Department of the Treasury's Chapter 25 List as a person or entity engaged in investment activities in Iran, Russia or Belarus. The Chapter 25 list is found on the Division's website at <https://www.state.nj.us/treasury/purchase/>. Vendors/Bidders must review this list prior to completing the below certification. If the Qualified Purchasing Agent of the Atlantic County Utilities Authority finds a person or entity to be in violation of the law, he 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.

CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX

I certify, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 52:32-57, et seq. (P.L. 2012, c.25 and P.L. 2021, c.4), and N.J.S.A. 52:32-60.1 that neither the Vendor/Bidder listed above nor any of its parents, subsidiaries, or affiliates is listed on the New Jersey Department of the Treasury's Chapter 25 List of entities determined to be engaged in prohibited activities in Iran, Russia or Belarus.



OR

I am unable to certify as above because the Vendor/Bidder and/or one or more of its parents, subsidiaries, or affiliates is listed on the New Jersey Department of the Treasury's Chapter 25 List. I will provide a detailed, accurate and precise description of the activities of the Vendor/Bidder, or one of its parents, subsidiaries or affiliates, has engaged in regarding investment activities in Iran by completing the information requested below.



Entity Engaged in Investment Activities _____

Relationship to Vendor/ Bidder _____

Description of Activities _____

Duration of Engagement _____

Anticipated Cessation Date _____

Attach Additional Sheets If Necessary.

CERTIFICATION

I, the undersigned, certify that I am authorized to execute this certification on behalf of the Vendor, that the foregoing information and any attachments hereto, to the best of my knowledge are true and complete. I acknowledge that the ACUA is relying on the information contained herein, and that the Vendor is under a continuing obligation from the date of this certification through the completion of any contract(s) with the ACUA to notify the Qualified Purchasing Agent 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 ACUA, I am permitting the ACUA to declare any contract(s) resulting from this certification void and unenforceable.

Amanda Tieman

Printed Name of Authorized Agent


Signature of Authorized Agent

School Services Coordinator

Title

1/3/2024

Date

Music & Arts

Company Name

DOC #7

**NEW JERSEY BUSINESS REGISTRATION CERTIFICATE
(N.J.S.A. 52:32-44)**

Offerors wishing to do business in New Jersey must submit their State Division of Revenue issued Business Registration Certificate with their proposal here. Failure to do so will disqualify the Offeror from offering products or services in New Jersey through any resulting contract.

<https://www.njportal.com/DOR/BusinessRegistration/>

DOC #8

EEOAA EVIDENCE

Equal Employment Opportunity/Affirmative Action
Goods, Professional Services & General Service Projects

EEO/AA Evidence

Vendors are required to submit evidence of compliance with N.J.S.A. 10:5-31 et seq. and N.J.A.C. 17:27 in order to be considered a responsible vendor.

One of the following must be included with submission:

- Copy of Letter of Federal Approval
- Certificate of Employee Information Report
- Fully Executed Form AA302
- Fully Executed EEO-1 Report

See the guidelines at: http://www.state.nj.us/treasury/contract_compliance/pdf/pa.pdf for further information.

I certify that my bid package includes the required evidence per the above list and State website.

Name: Amanda Tieman Title: School Services Coordinator

Signature:  Date: 1/3/2024

DOC #9
MCBRIDE-PRINCIPLES



STATE OF NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY
DIVISION OF PURCHASE AND PROPERTY

33 WEST STATE STREET, P.O. BOX 230
TRENTON, NEW JERSEY 08625-0230

MACBRIDE PRINCIPALS FORM

BID SOLICITATION #: 23-08 Addendum 4

VENDOR/BIDDER: Music & Arts

VENDOR'S/BIDDER'S REQUIREMENT
TO PROVIDE A CERTIFICATION IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE MACBRIDE PRINCIPALS
AND NORTHERN IRELAND ACT OF 1989

Pursuant to Public Law 1995, c. 134, a responsible Vendor/Bidder selected, after public bidding, by the Director of the Division of Purchase and Property, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 52:34-12, must complete the certification below by checking one of the two options listed below and signing where indicated. If a Vendor/Bidder that would otherwise be awarded a purchase, contract or agreement does not complete the certification, then the Director may determine, in accordance with applicable law and rules, that it is in the best interest of the State to award the purchase, contract or agreement to another Vendor/Bidder that has completed the certification and has submitted a bid within five (5) percent of the most advantageous bid. If the Director finds contractors to be in violation of the principals that are the subject of this law, he/she shall take such 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.

I, the undersigned, on behalf the Vendor/Bidder, certify pursuant to N.J.S.A. 52:34-12.2 that:

CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX

☒ The Vendor/Bidder has no business operations in Northern Ireland; or

OR

☐ The Vendor/Bidder will take lawful steps in good faith to conduct any business operations it has in Northern Ireland in accordance with the MacBride principals of nondiscrimination in employment as set forth in section 2 of P.L. 1987, c. 177 (N.J.S.A. 52:18A-89.5) and in conformance with the United Kingdom's Fair Employment (Northern Ireland) Act of 1989, and permit independent monitoring of its compliance with those principals.

CERTIFICATION

I, the undersigned, certify that I am authorized to execute this certification on behalf of the Vendor/Bidder, that the foregoing information and any attachments hereto, to the best of my knowledge are true and complete. I acknowledge that the State of New Jersey is relying on the information contained herein, and that the Vendor/Bidder is under a continuing obligation from the date of this certification through the completion of any contract(s) with the State to notify the State 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 State, permitting the State to declare any contract(s) resulting from this certification to be void and unenforceable.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Amanda Tieman".

Signature

1/3/2024

Date

Amanda Tieman, School Services Coordinator

Print Name and Title

11/29/11

Taxpayer Identification# 954-774-340/008

Dear Business Representative:

Congratulations! You are now registered with the New Jersey Division of Revenue.

Use the Taxpayer Identification Number listed above on all correspondence with the Divisions of Revenue and Taxation, as well as with the Department of Labor (if the business is subject to unemployment withholdings). Your tax returns and payments will be filed under this number, and you will be able to access information about your account by referencing it.

Additionally, please note that State law requires all contractors and subcontractors with Public agencies to provide proof of their registration with the Division of Revenue. The law also amended Section 92 of the Casino Control Act, which deals with the casino service industry.

We have attached a Proof of Registration Certificate for your use. To comply with the law, if you are currently under contract or entering into a contract with a State agency, you must provide a copy of the certificate to the contracting agency.

If you have any questions or require more information, feel free to call our Registration Hotline at (609)292-9292.

I wish you continued success in your business endeavors.

Sincerely,



James J. Fruscione
Director
New Jersey Division of Revenue

STATE OF NEW JERSEY BUSINESS REGISTRATION CERTIFICATE		DEPARTMENT OF TREASURY DIVISION OF REVENUE PO BOX 552 TRENTON, NJ 08646-0252
TAXPAYER NAME:	TRADE NAME:	
GUITAR CENTER STORES, INC.	MUSIC AND ARTS	
ADDRESS:	SEQUENCE NUMBER:	
100 US HWY 9 STE 2 MANALAPAN, NJ 07726-3017	1650496	
EFFECTIVE DATE:	ISSUANCE DATE:	
07/01/11	11/29/11	
FORM-BRC		Director New Jersey Division of Revenue
This Certificate is NOT assignable or transferable. It must be conspicuously displayed at above address.		

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State of New Jersey

DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY
DIVISION OF PURCHASE AND PROPERTY
CONTRACT COMPLIANCE & AUDIT UNIT
EEO MONITORING PROGRAM
33 WEST STATE STREET
P. O. BOX 206
TRENTON, NEW JERSEY 08625-0206

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Governor

SHEILA Y. OLIVER
Lt. Governor

ELIZABETH MAHER MUOIO
State Treasurer

MAURICE A. GRIFFIN
Acting Director

RENEWAL NOTICE

The Certificate of Employee Information Report (hereinafter referred to as the “State Certificate”) issued by this Division is due to expire within the next 90 days. In order for your firm to continue to provide a current State Certificate for public contract awards, you must apply for renewal by properly completing the following renewal documents:

1. The Employee Information Report Form AA-302 for the facility indicated on the “State Certificate” and any additional New Jersey facilities, with a check in the amount of **\$150.00** payable to **“the Treasurer, State of New Jersey” (fee is non-refundable)** and
2. The Vendor Activity Summary Report forms, one for each of the four (4) personnel activities noted (new hires, promotions, transfers and terminations etc.) for the previous “State Certificate” period, or
3. If you are operating under a federally approved affirmative action plan, a photocopy of the letter of Federal Approval issued by the US Department of Labor, Office of Federal Contract Compliance Programs, not greater than one year old, may be submitted to the awarding agency in lieu of the State Certificate. Please do not submit an EEO-1 Report as it will not be accepted.

All goods, service and professional service vendors are encouraged to complete and file these renewal documents electronically by accessing the Division’s website at **www.state.nj.us/treasury/contract_compliance**. This website provides access to the forms in electronic format or on-line internet submission registration via the internet. You may also call the Division at (609) 292-5473 and a representative will assist you. Please have your State Certificate number ready when calling. Your State Certificate number is noted at the end of your company name on your mailing label.

Upon receipt of the above-referenced documents, the Division will approve or reject your application within sixty (60) days of submission. If your application is approved, the Division will issue a State Certificate provided your firm meets the standards of good faith compliance with the Affirmative Action Regulations set forth in N.J.A.C. 17:27-1.1 et seq. Periodic reviews may be conducted and additional information may be requested, as required by the Division. In all instances, however, a copy of the State Certificate must be presented to the public agency awarding the contract, prior to the award of the contract.

IMPORTANT—READ INSTRUCTIONS CAREFULLY BEFORE COMPLETING FORM. FAILURE TO PROPERLY COMPLETE THE ENTIRE FORM AND TO SUBMIT THE REQUIRED \$150.00 FEE MAY DELAY ISSUANCE OF YOUR CERTIFICATE. DO NOT SUBMIT EEO-1 REPORT FOR SECTION B, ITEM 11. For Instructions on completing the form, go to: http://www.state.nj.us/treasury/contract_compliance/pdf/aa302ins.pdf

1. FID. NO. OR SOCIAL SECURITY		2. TYPE OF BUSINESS <input type="checkbox"/> 1. MFG <input type="checkbox"/> 2. SERVICE <input type="checkbox"/> 3. WHOLESALE <input type="checkbox"/> 4. RETAIL <input type="checkbox"/> 5. OTHER		3. TOTAL NO. EMPLOYEES IN THE ENTIRE COMPANY	
4. COMPANY NAME					
5. STREET		CITY	COUNTY	STATE	ZIP CODE
6. NAME OF PARENT OR AFFILIATED COMPANY (IF NONE, SO INDICATE)			CITY	STATE	ZIP CODE
7. CHECK ONE: IS THE COMPANY: <input type="checkbox"/> SINGLE-ESTABLISHMENT EMPLOYER <input type="checkbox"/> MULTI-ESTABLISHMENT EMPLOYER					
8. IF MULTI-ESTABLISHMENT EMPLOYER, STATE THE NUMBER OF ESTABLISHMENTS IN NJ					
9. TOTAL NUMBER OF EMPLOYEES AT ESTABLISHMENT WHICH HAS BEEN AWARDED THE CONTRACT_					
10. PUBLIC AGENCY AWARDED CONTRAC					
		CITY	COUNTY	STATE	ZIP CODE

Official Use Only	DATE RECEIVED	INAUG.DATE	ASSIGNED CERTIFICATION NUMBER

11. Report all permanent, temporary and part-time employees ON YOUR OWN PAYROLL. Enter the appropriate figures on all lines and in all columns. Where there are no employees in a particular category, enter a zero. Include ALL employees, not just those in minority/non-minority categories, in columns 1, 2, & 3. *DO NOT SUBMIT AN EEO-1 REPORT.*

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12. HOW WAS INFORMATION AS TO RACE OR ETHNIC GROUP IN SECTION B OBTAINED? <input type="checkbox"/> 1. Visual Survey <input type="checkbox"/> 2. Employment Record <input type="checkbox"/> 3. Other (Specify)		14. IS THIS THE FIRST Employee Information Report Submitted? 1. YES <input type="checkbox"/> 2. NO <input type="checkbox"/>	15. IF NO, DATE LAST REPORT SUBMITTED <div>MO DAY YEAR</div> <div> <div></div> <div></div> <div></div> </div>
13. DATES OF PAYROLL PERIOD USED From: _____ To: _____			

16. NAME OF PERSON COMPLETING FORM (Print or Type)			SIGNATURE		TITLE		DATE		
			MO		DAY		YEAR		
			David Kaplan, DOS						
17. ADDRESS NO. & STREET		CITY	COUNTY	STATE	ZIP CODE	PHONE (AREA CODE, NO., EXTENSION)			

INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETING THE EMPLOYEE INFORMATION REPORT (FORM AA302)

IMPORTANT: READ THE FOLLOWING INSTRUCTIONS CAREFULLY BEFORE COMPLETING THE FORM. PRINT OR TYPE ALL INFORMATION. FAILURE TO PROPERLY COMPLETE THE ENTIRE FORM **AND TO SUBMIT THE REQUIRED \$150.00 NON-REFUNDABLE FEE MAY DELAY ISSUANCE OF YOUR CERTIFICATE.** IF YOU HAVE A CURRENT CERTIFICATE OF EMPLOYEE INFORMATION REPORT, DO NOT COMPLETE THIS FORM UNLESS YOU ARE RENEWING A CERTIFICATE THAT IS DUE FOR EXPIRATION. DO NOT COMPLETE THIS FORM FOR CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT AWARDS.

ITEM 1 - Enter the Federal Identification Number assigned by the Internal Revenue Service, or if a Federal Employer Identification Number has been applied for, or if your business is such that you have not or will not receive a Federal Employer Identification Number, enter the Social Security Number of the owner or of one partner, in the case of a partnership.

ITEM 2 - Check the box appropriate to your TYPE OF BUSINESS. If you are engaged in more than one type of business check the predominate one. If you are a manufacturer deriving more than 50% of your receipts from your own retail outlets, check "Retail".

ITEM 3 - Enter the total "number" of employees in the entire company, including part-time employees. This number shall include all facilities in the entire firm or corporation.

ITEM 4 - Enter the name by which the company is identified. If there is more than one company name, enter the predominate one.

ITEM 5 - Enter the physical location of the company. Include City, County, State and Zip Code.

ITEM 6 - Enter the name of any parent or affiliated company including the City, County, State and Zip Code. If there is none, so indicate by entering "None" or N/A.

ITEM 7 - Check the box appropriate to your type of company establishment. "Single-establishment Employer" shall include an employer whose business is conducted at only one physical location. "Multi-establishment Employer" shall include an employer whose business is conducted at more than one location.

ITEM 8 - If "Multi-establishment" was entered in item 8, enter the number of establishments within the State of New Jersey.

ITEM 9 - Enter the total number of employees at the establishment being awarded the contract.

ITEM 10 - Enter the name of the Public Agency awarding the contract. Include City, County, State and Zip Code. This is not applicable if you are renewing a current Certificate.

ITEM 11 - Enter the appropriate figures on all lines and in all columns. THIS SHALL ONLY INCLUDE EMPLOYMENT DATA FROM THE FACILITY THAT IS BEING AWARDED THE CONTRACT. DO NOT list the same employee in more than one job category. **DO NOT attach an EEO-1 Report.**

Racial/Ethnic Groups will be defined:

Black: Not of Hispanic origin. Persons having origin in any of the Black racial groups of Africa.

Hispanic: Persons of Mexican, Puerto Rican, Cuban, or Central or South American or other Spanish culture or origin, regardless of race.

American Indian or Alaskan Native: Persons having origins in any of the original peoples of North America, and who maintain cultural identification through tribal affiliation or community recognition.

Asian or Pacific Islander: Persons having origin in any of the original peoples of the Far East, Southeast Asia, the Indian Sub-continent or the Pacific Islands. This area includes for example, China, Japan, Korea, the Phillippine Islands and Samoa.

Non-Minority: Any Persons not identified in any of the aforementioned Racial/Ethnic Groups.

ITEM 12 - Check the appropriate box. If the race or ethnic group information was not obtained by 1 or 2, specify by what other means this was done in 3.

ITEM 13 - Enter the dates of the payroll period used to prepare the employment data presented in Item 12.

ITEM 14 - If this is the first time an Employee Information Report has been submitted for this company, check block "Yes".

ITEM 15 - If the answer to Item 14 is "No", enter the date when the last Employee Information Report was submitted by this company.

ITEM 16 - Print or type the name of the person completing the form. Include the signature, title and date.

ITEM 17 - Enter the physical location where the form is being completed. Include City, State, Zip Code and Phone Number.

TYPE OR PRINT IN SHARP BALL POINT PEN

THE VENDOR IS TO COMPLETE THE EMPLOYEE INFORMATION REPORT FORM (AA302) AND RETAIN A COPY FOR THE VENDOR'S OWN FILES. THE VENDOR SHOULD ALSO SUBMIT A COPY TO THE PUBLIC AGENCY AWARDED THE CONTRACT IF THIS IS YOUR FIRST REPORT; AND FORWARD ONE COPY **WITH A CHECK IN THE AMOUNT OF \$150.00 PAYABLE TO THE TREASURER, STATE OF NEW JERSEY(FEE IS NON-REFUNDABLE)** TO:

**NJ Department of the Treasury
Division of Purchase & Property
Contract Compliance Audit Unit
EEO Monitoring Program
P.O. Box 206**

Trenton, New Jersey 08625-0206

Telephone No. (609) 292-5473

STATE OF NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY
Division of Purchase & Property Contract Compliance Audit Unit EEO Monitoring Program
VENDOR ACTIVITY SUMMARY REPORT

☐ NEW HIRES ☐ PROMOTIONS ☐ TRANSFERS ☐ TERMINATIONS (CHECK (X) APPROPRIATE ACTIVITY)

CERTIFICATE NO. _____ DATES OF PAYROLL PERIOD USED: FROM _____ TO _____
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NAME OF FACILITY: _____

Street _____ City _____ County _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

MALE							FEMALE					
JOB	Total	Black	Hispanic	AM.Indian	Asian	Non-Min.	Total	Black	Hispanic	AM.Indian	Asian	Non-Min.
CATAGORIES												
OFFICIALS & MANAGERS												
PROFESSIONALS												
TECHNICIANS												
SALES WORKERS												
OFFICE & CLERICAL												
CRAFTWORKERS												
OPERATIVES												
LABORERS												
SERVICE WORKERS												
TOTAL												

I certify that the information on this Form is true and correct.

NAME OF PERSON COMPLETING FORM (Print or Type)

SIGNATURE

DATE SUBMITTED

LAST FIRST MI

ADDRESS (NO. & STREET) (CITY) (STATE) (ZIP) PHONE (AREA CODE, NO., EXTENSION)

INSTRUCTIONS

VENDOR ACTIVITY SUMMARY REPORTS

1. You should complete 4 blank Vendor Activity Summary Reports with your AA-302, Employee Information Report Renewal Application package. These 4 Reports are to be completed for new hires, promotions, transfers and terminations that took place between the time you received your Certificate of Employee Information Report (hereafter referred to as "Certificate") and the date of your Renewal Application.
2. The Vendor Activity Summary Reports must be completed to show your firm's total personnel actions for the previous Certificate period. For example, if your firm renews its Certificate every 3 years, one of the reports should indicate the total number of people hired during the entire 3-year period during which you held the Certificate. Another report should indicate the total number of people terminated during that 3-year period. The third report should indicate the total number of people transferred during that 3-year period and the final report should indicate the total number of people promoted during that 3-year period. Please note, there is no need to re-state the information provided on the AA-302 form.