

# Lander University

Request for Proposal

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r RFP-SP-533-01-09-2024 12/04/2023 Scott Pilgrim (864) 388-8698 spilgrim@lander.edu 320 Stanley Ave. CPO 6023, Greenwood, SC 29649

Government entity (federal, state, or local)

#### DESCRIPTION: Exclusive Snack Vending 2024

The Term "Offer" Means Your "Bid" or "Proposal". Your offer must be submitted in a sealed package. Solicitation Number & Opening Date must appear on package exterior. See "Submitting Your Paper Offer or Modification" provision.

SUBMIT YOUR SEALED OFFER TO EITHER OF THE FOLL	OWING ADDRESSES:
MAILING ADDRESS: Lander University Procurement Services CPO 6023 Greenwood, SC 29649	PHYSICAL ADDRESS: 204 W Henrietta Ave Building FO 2, Room 212 Greenwood, SC 29649
SUBMIT OFFER BY (Opening Date/Time): 01/09/2024 3:00 p QUESTIONS MUST BE RECEIVED BY: 12/18/2023 12:00 Noo NUMBER OF COPIES TO BE SUBMITTED: One Original and t	
CONFERENCE TYPE: Not Applicable DATE & TIME:	LOCATION: Not Applicable
(As appropriate, see "Conferences - Pre-Bid/Proposal" & "Site Visit" provisions)	
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You must submit a signed copy of this form with Your Offer. By si Solicitation. You agree to hold Your Offer open for a minimum of Date. (See "Signing Your Offer" provision.)	
NAME OF OFFEROR (full legal name of business submitting the offer)	Any award issued will be issued to, and the contract will be formed with, the entity identified as the Offeror. The entity named as the offeror must be a single and distinct legal entity. Do not use the name of a branch office or a division of a larger entity if the branch or division is not a separate legal entity, i.e., a separate corporation, partnership, sole proprietorship, etc.
AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE	DATE SIGNED
(Person must be authorized to submit binding offer to contract on behalf of Offeror.)	
TITLE	STATE VENDOR NO.
(business title of person signing above)	(Register to Obtain S.C. Vendor No. at www.procurement.sc.gov)
PRINTED NAME	STATE OF INCORPORATION
(printed name of person signing above)	(If you are a corporation, identify the state of incorporation.)
OFFEROR'S TYPE OF ENTITY: (Check one)	(See "Signing Your Offer" provision.)
Sole ProprietorshipPartnership	Other

Corporate entity (not tax-exempt) COVER PAGE – PAPER ONLY (MAR. 2015)

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# Solicitation Outline

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# I. SCOPE OF SOLICITATION

Lander is requesting proposals for exclusive snack vending services for the campus. This contract is for an initial three (3) year term with the option to renew two (2), one (1) year terms.

MAXIMUM CONTRACT PERIOD – ESTIMATED (January 2006)

Start date: 02/06/2024 End date: 02/05/2029. Dates provided are estimates only. Any resulting contract will begin on the date specified in the notice of award. See clause entitled "Term of Contract – Effective Date/Initial Contract Period". [01-1040-1]

# **II. INSTRUCTIONS TO OFFERORS – A. GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS**

DEFINITIONS, CAPITALIZATION, AND HEADINGS (DEC 2015) CLAUSE HEADINGS USED IN THIS SOLICITATION ARE FOR CONVENIENCE ONLY AND SHALL NOT BE USED TO CONSTRUE MEANING OR INTENT. EVEN IF NOT CAPITALIZED, THE

NOT BE USED TO CONSTRUE MEANING OR INTENT. EVEN IF NOT CAPITALIZED, THE FOLLOWING DEFINITIONS ARE APPLICABLE TO ALL PARTS OF THE SOLICITATION, UNLESS EXPRESSLY PROVIDED OTHERWISE.

AMENDMENT means a document issued to supplement the original solicitation document.

AUTHORITY means the State Fiscal Accountability Authority or its successor in interest.

BUSINESS means any corporation, partnership, individual, sole proprietorship, joint stock company, joint venture, or any other legal entity. [11-35-310(3)]

CHANGE ORDER means any written alteration in specifications, delivery point, rate of delivery, period of performance, price, quantity, or other provisions of any contract accomplished by mutual agreement of the parties to the contract. [11-35-310(4)]

CONTRACT See clause entitled Contract Documents & Order of Precedence.

CONTRACT MODIFICATION means a written order signed by the procurement officer, directing the contractor to make changes which the clause of the contract titled "Changes," if included herein, authorizes the Procurement Officer to order without the consent of the contractor. [11-35-310(9)]

CONTRACTOR means the Offeror receiving an award as a result of this solicitation.

COVER PAGE means the top page of the original solicitation on which the solicitation is identified by number. Offerors are cautioned that Amendments may modify information provided on the Cover Page. OFFER means the bid or proposal submitted in response this solicitation. The terms Bid and Proposal are used interchangeably with the term Offer.

OFFEROR means the single legal entity submitting the offer. The term Bidder is used interchangeably with the term Offeror. See bidding provisions entitled Signing Your Offer and Bid/Proposal As Offer To Contract.

PAGE TWO means the second page of the original solicitation, which is labeled Page Two.

PROCUREMENT OFFICER means the person, or his successor, identified as such on either the Cover Page, an amendment, or an award notice.

YOU and YOUR means Offeror.

SOLICITATION means this document, including all its parts, attachments, and any Amendments.

STATE means the Using Governmental Unit(s) identified on the Cover Page.

SUBCONTRACTOR means any person you contract with to perform or provide any part of the work. US or WE means the using governmental unit.

USING GOVERNMENTAL UNIT means the unit(s) of government identified as such on the Cover Page. If the Cover Page identifies the Using Governmental Unit as "Statewide Term Contract," the phrase "Using Governmental Unit" means any South Carolina Public Procurement Unit [11-35-4610(5)] that has submitted a Purchase Order to you pursuant to the contract resulting from this solicitation. Reference the clauses titled "Purchase Orders" and "Statewide Term Contract."

WORK means all labor, materials, equipment, services, or property of any type, provided or to be provided by the Contractor to fulfill the Contractor's obligations under the Contract.[02-2A003-3]

AMENDMENTS TO SOLICITATION (MODIFIED) (a) The Solicitation may be amended at any time prior to opening. All actual and prospective Offerors should monitor the following web site for the issuance of amendments: <u>http://www.lander.edu/solicitations</u> (b) Offerors shall acknowledge receipt of any amendment to this solicitation (1) by signing and returning the amendment, (2) by identifying the amendment number and date in the space provided for this purpose on Page Two, (3) by letter, or (4) by submitting a bid that indicates in some way that the bidder received the amendment. (c) If this solicitation is amended, then all terms and conditions which are not modified remain unchanged.

# AUTHORIZED AGENT (FEB 2015)

All authority regarding this procurement is vested solely with the responsible Procurement Officer. Unless specifically delegated in writing, the Procurement Officer is the only government official authorized to bind the government with regard to this procurement or the resulting contract. [02-2A007-1]

#### AWARD NOTIFICATION (MODIFIED)

Notice regarding any award, cancellation of award, or extension of award will be posted at the location and on the date specified on the Cover Page or, if applicable, any notice of extension of award. Should the contract resulting from this Solicitation have a total or potential value of one hundred thousand dollars or more, such notice will be sent electronically to all Offerors responding to the Solicitation and any award will not be effective until the calendar day (including weekends and holidays) immediately following the seventh business day after such notice is given.

BID / PROPOSAL AS OFFER TO CONTRACT (JAN 2004): By submitting Your Bid or Proposal, You are offering to enter into a contract with the Using Governmental Unit(s). Without further action by either party, a binding contract shall result upon final award. Any award issued will be issued to, and

the contract will be formed with, the entity identified as the Offeror on the Cover Page. An Offer may be submitted by only one legal entity; "joint bids" are not allowed. [02-2A015-1]

BID ACCEPTANCE PERIOD (JAN 2004): In order to withdraw Your Offer after the minimum period specified on the Cover Page, You must notify the Procurement Officer in writing. [02-2A020-1]

BID IN ENGLISH & DOLLARS (JAN 2004): Offers submitted in response to this solicitation shall be in the English language and in US dollars, unless otherwise permitted by the Solicitation. [02-2A025-1]

### CERTIFICATE OF INDEPENDENT PRICE DETERMINATION (May 2008)

## GIVING FALSE, MISLEADING, OR INCOMPLETE INFORMATION ON THIS CERTIFICATION MAY RENDER YOU SUBJECT TO PROSECUTION UNDER SECTION 16-9-10 OF THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS AND OTHER APPLICABLE LAWS.

(a) By submitting an offer, the offeror certifies that—

(1) The prices in this offer have been arrived at independently, without, for the purpose of restricting competition, any consultation, communication, or agreement with any other offeror or competitor relating to—

(i) Those prices;

(ii) The intention to submit an offer; or

(iii) The methods or factors used to calculate the prices offered.

(2) The prices in this offer have not been and will not be knowingly disclosed by the offeror, directly or indirectly, to any other offeror or competitor before bid opening (in the case of a sealed bid solicitation) or contract award (in the case of a negotiated solicitation) unless otherwise required by law; and

(3) No attempt has been made or will be made by the offeror to induce any other concern to submit or not to submit an offer for the purpose of restricting competition.

(b) Each signature on the offer is considered to be a certification by the signatory that the signatory—

(1) Is the person in the offeror's organization responsible for determining the prices being offered in this bid or proposal, and that the signatory has not participated and will not participate in any action contrary to paragraphs (a)(1) through (a)(3) of this certification; or

(2)(i) Has been authorized, in writing, to act as agent for the offeror's principals in certifying that those principals have not participated, and will not participate in any action contrary to paragraphs (a)(1) through (a)(3) of this certification [As used in this subdivision (b)(2)(i), the term "principals" means the person(s) in the offeror's organization responsible for determining the prices offered in this bid or proposal];

(ii) As an authorized agent, does certify that the principals referenced in subdivision (b)(2)(i) of this certification have not participated, and will not participate, in any action contrary to paragraphs (a)(1) through (a)(3) of this certification; and

(iii) As an agent, has not personally participated, and will not participate, in any action contrary to paragraphs (a)(1) through (a)(3) of this certification.

(c) If the offeror deletes or modifies paragraph (a)(2) of this certification, the offeror must furnish with its offer a signed statement setting forth in detail the circumstances of the disclosure. [02-2A032-1]

CERTIFICATION REGARDING DEBARMENT AND OTHER RESPONSIBILITY MATTERS (JAN 2004): (a) (1) By submitting an Offer, Offeror certifies, to the best of its knowledge and belief, that-(i) Offeror and/or any of its Principals-(A) Are not presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, or declared ineligible for the award of contracts by any state or federal agency;(B) Have not, within a three-year period preceding this offer, been convicted of or had a civil judgment rendered against them for: commission of fraud or a criminal offense in connection with obtaining, attempting to obtain, or performing a public (Federal, state, or local) contract or subcontract; violation of Federal or state antitrust statutes relating to the submission of offers; or commission of embezzlement, theft, forgery, bribery, falsification or destruction of records, making false statements, tax evasion, or receiving stolen property; and(C) Are not presently indicted for, or otherwise criminally or civilly charged by a governmental entity with, commission of any of the offenses enumerated in paragraph (a)(1)(i)(B) of this provision.(ii) Offeror has not, within a three-year period preceding this offer, had one or more contracts terminated for default by any public (Federal, state, or local) entity.(2) "Principals," for the purposes of this certification, means officers; directors; owners; partners; and, persons having primary management or supervisory responsibilities within a business entity (e.g., general manager; plant manager; head of a subsidiary, division, or business segment, and similar positions).(b) Offeror shall provide immediate written notice to the Procurement Officer if, at any time prior to contract award, Offeror learns that its certification was erroneous when submitted or has become erroneous by reason of changed circumstances.(c) If Offeror is unable to certify the representations stated in paragraphs (a)(1), Offeror must submit a written explanation regarding its inability to make the certification. The certification will be considered in connection with a review of the Offeror's responsibility. Failure of the Offeror to furnish additional information as requested by the Procurement Officer may render the Offeror non responsible.(d) Nothing contained in the foregoing shall be construed to require establishment of a system of records in order to render, in good faith, the certification required by paragraph (a) of this provision. The knowledge and information of an Offeror is not required to exceed that which is normally possessed by a prudent person in the ordinary course of business dealings.(e) The certification in paragraph (a) of this provision is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when making award. If it is later determined that the Offeror knowingly or in bad faith rendered an erroneous certification, in addition to other remedies available to the State, the Procurement Officer may terminate the contract resulting from this solicitation for default.[02-2A035-1

CODE OF LAWS AVAILABLE (JAN 2006): The South Carolina Code of Laws, including the Consolidated Procurement Code, is available at: <u>http://www.scstatehouse.gov/code/statmast.php</u> The South Carolina Regulations are available at: <u>http://www.scstatehouse.gov/coderegs/statmast.php</u> [02-2A040-2]

DISCLOSURE OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST OR UNFAIR COMPETITIVE ADVANTAGE (FEB 2015): You warrant and represent that your offer identifies and explains any unfair competitive advantage you may have in competing for the proposed contract and any actual or potential conflicts of interest that may arise from your participation in this competition or your receipt of an award. The two underlying principles are (a) preventing the existence of conflicting roles that might bias a contractor's judgment, and (b) preventing an unfair competitive advantage. If you have an unfair competitive advantage or a conflict of interest, the state may withhold award. Before withholding award on these grounds, an offeror will be notified of the concerns and provided a reasonable opportunity to respond. Efforts to avoid or mitigate such concerns, including restrictions on future activities, may be considered. Without limiting the foregoing, you represent that your offer identifies any services that relate to either this solicitation or the work and that has already been performed by you, a proposed subcontractor, or an affiliated business of either. [02-2A047-2]

DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION OF OFFER (JAN 2004): Any offer received after the Procurement Officer of the governmental body or his designee has declared that the time set for opening has arrived, shall be rejected unless the offer has been delivered to the designated purchasing office or the governmental body's mail room which services that purchasing office prior to the opening. [R.19-445.2070(G)] [02-2A050-1]

DRUG FREE WORK PLACE CERTIFICATION (JAN 2004): By submitting an Offer, Contractor certifies that, if awarded a contract, Contractor will comply with all applicable provisions of The Drug- free Workplace Act, Title 44, Chapter 107 of the South Carolina Code of Laws, as amended. [02-2A065-1]

DUTY TO INQUIRE (FEB 2015) Offeror, by submitting an Offer, represents that it has read and understands the Solicitation and that its Offer is made in compliance with the Solicitation. Offerors are expected to examine the Solicitation thoroughly and should request an explanation of any ambiguities, discrepancies, errors, omissions, or conflicting statements in the Solicitation. Failure to do so will be at the Offeror's risk. All ambiguities, discrepancies, errors, omissions, or conflicting statements, or greater quantity of work and/or materials, unless otherwise directed by amendment. Offeror assumes responsibility for any patent ambiguity in the Solicitation that Offeror does not bring to the State's attention. See clause entitled "Questions from Offerors." [02-2A070-2]

ETHICS CERTIFICATE (MAY 2008) By submitting an offer, the offeror certifies that the offeror has and will comply with, and has not, and will not, induce a person to violate Title 8, Chapter 13 of the South Carolina Code of Laws, as amended (ethics act). The following statutes require special attention: Section 8-13-700, regarding use of official position for financial gain; Section 8-13-705, regarding gifts to influence action of public official; Section 8-13-720, regarding offering money for advice or assistance of public official; Sections 8-13-755 and 8-13-760, regarding restrictions on employment by former public official; Section 8-13-775, prohibiting public official with economic interests from acting on contracts; Section 8-13-790, regarding recovery of kickbacks; Section 8-13-1150, regarding statements to be filed by consultants; and Section 8-13-1342, regarding restrictions on contributions by contractor to candidate who participated in awarding of contract. The state may rescind any contract and recover all amounts expended as a result of any action taken in violation of this provision. If contractor participates, directly or indirectly, in the evaluation or award of public contracts, including without limitation, change orders or task orders regarding a public contract, contractor shall, if required by law to file such a statement, provide the statement required by Section 8-13-1150 to the procurement officer at the same time the law requires the statement to be filed. [02-2A075-2]

OMIT TAXES FROM PRICE (JAN 2004): Do not include any sales or use taxes in Your price that the State may be required to pay. [02-2A080-1

OPEN TRADE REPRESENTATION (JUN 2015): By submitting an Offer, Offeror represents that Offeror is not currently engaged in the boycott of a person or an entity based in or doing business with a jurisdiction with whom South Carolina can enjoy open trade, as defined in SC Code Section 11-35-5300. [02-2A083-1]

PROTESTS (MAY 2019) If you are aggrieved in connection with the solicitation or award of the contract, you may be entitled to protest, but only as provided in Section 11-35-4210. To protest a solicitation, you must submit a protest within fifteen days of the date the applicable solicitation document is issued. To protest an award, you must (i) submit notice of your intent to protest within seven business days of the date the award notice is posted, and (ii) submit your actual protest within fifteen days of the date the award notice is posted. Days are calculated as provided in Section 11-35-

310(13). Both protests and notices of intent to protest must be in writing and must be received by the appropriate Chief Procurement Officer within the time provided. See clause entitled "Protest-CPO". The grounds of the protest and the relief requested must be set forth with enough particularity to give notice of the issues to be decided. [02-2A085-2]

PROHIBITED COMMUNICATIONS AND DONATIONS (FEB 2015) Violation of these restrictions may result in disqualification of your offer, suspension or debarment, and may constitute a violation of law. (a) During the period between publication of the solicitation and final award, *you must not communicate, directly or indirectly, with the Using Governmental Unit or its employees, agents or officials regarding any aspect of this procurement activity*, *unless otherwise approved in writing by the Procurement Officer*. All communications must be solely with the Procurement Officer. [R. 19-445.2010]

(b) You are advised to familiarize yourself with Regulation 19-445.2165, which restricts donations to a governmental entity with whom you have or seek to have a contract. You represent that your offer discloses any gifts made, directly or through an intermediary, by you or your named subcontractors to or for the benefit of the Using Governmental Unit during the period beginning eighteen months prior to the Opening Date. [R. 19-445.2165] [02-2A087-1]

PUBLIC OPENING (JAN 2004): Offers will be publicly opened at the date/time and at the location identified on the Cover Page, or last Amendment, whichever is applicable. [02-2A090-1]

QUESTIONS FROM OFFERORS (FEB 2015) (a) Any prospective offeror desiring an explanation or interpretation of the solicitation, drawings, specifications, etc., must request it in writing. Questions regarding the original solicitation or any amendment must be received by the Procurement Officer no later than five (5) days prior to opening unless an earlier date is stated on the Cover Page. Label any communication regarding your questions with the name of the procurement officer, and the solicitation's title and number. Oral explanations or instructions will not be binding. [See R. 19- 445.2042(B)] Any information given a prospective offeror concerning a solicitation will be furnished promptly to all other prospective offerors as an Amendment to the solicitation, if that information is necessary for submitting offers or if the lack of it would be prejudicial to other prospective offerors. See clause entitled "Duty to Inquire." **We will not identify you in our answer to your question**. (b) The State seeks to permit maximum practicable competition. Offerors are urged to advise the Procurement Officer -- as soon as possible -- regarding any aspect of this procurement, including any aspect of the Solicitation that unnecessarily or inappropriately limits full and open competition. [See R. 19-445.2140] [02-2A095-2]

# \*PREFERRED METHOD FOR QUESTIONS IS EMAIL\*

Email questions to the procurement officer's email address noted above on page one (1) with the solicitation number noted in the subject line. If mailed, envelopes must have the following information noted on the outside of the package: Solicitation number, description and procurement officer. **Questions not addressed as noted above or not received by the due date may not be answered.** 

REJECTION/CANCELLATION (JAN 2004): The State may cancel this solicitation in whole or in part. The State may reject any or all proposals in whole or in part. [SC Code Section 11-35-1710 & R.19-445.2065] [02-2A100-1]

RESPONSIVENESS/IMPROPER OFFERS (JUN 2015): (a) Bid as Specified. Offers for supplies or services other than those specified will not be considered unless authorized by the Solicitation. (b) Multiple Offers. Offerors may submit more than one Offer, provided that each Offer has significant differences other than price. Each separate Offer must satisfy all Solicitation requirements. If this solicitation is an Invitation for Bids, each separate offer must be submitted as a separate document. If

this solicitation is a Request for Proposals, multiple offers may be submitted as one document, provided that you clearly differentiate between each offer and you submit a separate commission proposal for each offer, if applicable.

(c) Responsiveness. Any Offer which fails to conform to the material requirements of the Solicitation may be rejected as nonresponsive. Offers which impose conditions that modify material requirements of the Solicitation may be rejected. If a fixed price is required, an Offer will be rejected if the total possible commission to the State cannot be determined. Offerors will not be given an opportunity to correct any material nonconformity. Any deficiency resulting from a minor informality may be cured or waived at the sole discretion of the Procurement Officer. [R.19-445.2070 and Section 11-35- 1520(13)]

(d) Price Reasonableness: Any offer may be rejected if the Procurement Officer determines in writing that it is unreasonable as to price. [R. 19-445.2070].

(e) Unbalanced Bidding. The State may reject an Offer as nonresponsive if the prices bid are materially unbalanced between line items or subline items. A bid is materially unbalanced when it is based on prices significantly less than cost for some work and prices which are significantly overstated in relation to cost for other work, and if there is a reasonable doubt that the bid will result in the lowest overall cost to the State even though it may be the low evaluated bid, or if it is so unbalanced as to be tantamount to allowing an advance payment.

(f) **Do not submit bid samples or descriptive literature unless expressly requested.** Unsolicited bid samples or descriptive literature will not be examined or tested, will not be used to determine responsiveness, and will not be deemed to vary any of the provisions of the solicitation. S.C. Code Ann. Reg. 19-445.2077(D).[02-2A105-2]

SIGNING YOUR OFFER (JAN 2004): Every Offer must be signed by an individual with actual authority to bind the Offeror. (a) If the Offeror is an individual, the Offer must be signed by that individual. If the Offeror is an individual doing business as a firm, the Offer must be submitted in the firm name, signed by the individual, and state that the individual is doing business as a firm. (b) If the Offeror is a partnership, the Offer must be submitted in the partnership name, followed by the words by its Partner, and signed by a general partner. (c) If the Offeror is a corporation, the Offer must be submitted in the corporate name, followed by the signature and title of the person authorized to sign.

(d) An Offer may be submitted by a joint venturer involving any combination of individuals, partnerships, or corporations. If the Offeror is a joint venture, the Offer must be submitted in the name of the Joint Venture and signed by every participant in the joint venture in the manner prescribed in paragraphs (a) through (c) above for each type of participant. (e) If an Offer is signed by an agent, other than as stated in subparagraphs (a) through (d) above, the Offer must state that is has been signed by an Agent. Upon request, Offeror must provide proof of the agent's authorization to bind the principal. [02-2A115-1]

STATE OFFICE CLOSINGS (JAN 2004): If an emergency or unanticipated event interrupts normal government processes so that offers cannot be received at the government office designated for receipt of bids by the exact time specified in the solicitation, the time specified for receipt of offers will be deemed to be extended to the same time of day specified in the solicitation on the first work day on which normal government processes resume. In lieu of an automatic extension, an Amendment may be issued to reschedule bid opening. If state offices are closed at the time a pre-bid or pre-proposal conference is scheduled, an Amendment will be issued to reschedule the conference. Useful information may be available at: <a href="http://www.scemd.org">http://www.scemd.org</a> [02-2A120-3]

DISCLOSURE OF YOUR BID/PROPOSAL AND SUBMITTING CONFIDENTIAL DATA (FEB 2021) (a) According to Section 11-35-410, any person submitting a document in response or with regard to any solicitation or other request must "comply with instructions provided in the solicitation for marking information exempt from public disclosure. Information not marked as required by the applicable

instructions may be disclosed to the public." IF YOU IDENTIFY YOUR ENTIRE RESPONSE AS EXEMPT FROM PUBLIC DISCLOSURE, OR IF YOU DO NOT SUBMIT A REDACTED COPY AS REQUIRED. THE STATE MAY. IN ITS SOLE DISCRETION. DETERMINE YOUR BID OR **PROPOSAL NONRESPONSIVE AND INELIGIBLE FOR AWARD.** (b) By submitting a response to this solicitation or request, Offeror (1) agrees to the public disclosure of every page, or portion thereof, of every document regarding this solicitation or request that was submitted at any time prior to entering into a contract (including, but not limited to, documents contained in a response, documents submitted to clarify a response, and documents submitted during negotiations), unless the page, or portion thereof, was redacted and conspicuously marked "Trade Secret" or "Confidential" or "Protected", (2) agrees that any information not redacted and marked, as required by these bidding instructions, as a "Trade Secret" is not a trade secret as defined by the Trade Secrets Act, and (3) agrees that, notwithstanding any claims or markings otherwise, any prices, commissions, discounts, or other financial figures used to determine the award, as well as the final contract amount, are subject to public disclosure. (c) If your offer includes any information that you claim is exempt from public disclosure, you must submit one complete copy of your offer from which you have removed or concealed such information (the redacted copy). Except for the information removed or concealed, the redacted copy must be identical to your original offer. (d) Do not mark your entire response (bid, proposal, quote, etc.) as confidential, trade secret, or protected. If only portions of a page are subject to some protection, do not redact the entire page. The redacted copy must reflect the same pagination as the original and show the empty space from which information was redacted. The Procurement Officer must be able to view, search, copy and print the redacted copy without a password. If your response, or any part thereof, is improperly marked as confidential or trade secret or protected, the State may, in its sole discretion, determine it nonresponsive. (e) On the redacted copy, you must identify the basis of your claim by marking each redaction as follows: You must separately mark with the word "CONFIDENTIAL" every page, or portion thereof, that you redacted and claim as exempt from public disclosure because it is either (1) a trade secret as defined in Section 30-4-40(a)(1) of the Freedom of Information Act, or (2) privileged and confidential, as that phrase is used in Section 11-35-410. You must separately mark with the words "TRADE SECRET" every page, or portion thereof, that you redacted and claim as exempt from public disclosure as a trade secret pursuant to Section 39-8-20 of the Trade Secrets Act. You must separately mark with the word "PROTECTED" every page, or portion thereof, that you redacted and claim as exempt from public disclosure pursuant to Section 11-35- 1810. All markings must be conspicuous; use color, bold, underlining, or some other method in order to conspicuously distinguish the mark from the other text. (f) In determining whether to release documents, the State will detrimentally rely on your redaction and marking of documents, as required by these bidding instructions, as being either "Confidential" or "Trade Secret" or "Protected". By submitting a response, you agree to defend, indemnify and hold harmless the State of South Carolina, its agencies, officers and employees, from every claim, demand, loss, expense, cost, damage or injury, including attorney's fees, arising out of or resulting from withholding information by the State of South Carolina or any of its agencies, that you have redacted or marked as "Confidential" or "Trade Secret" or "Protected". (All references to S.C. Code of Laws.) [02-2A125-3]

SUBMITTING A PAPER OFFER OR MODIFICATION (MODIFIED): Paper offers are required. You must submit a paper offer or modification and the following instructions apply. (a) All prices and notations should be printed in ink or typewritten. Errors should be crossed out, corrections entered and initialed by the person signing the bid. Do not modify the solicitation document itself (including bid schedule). (b) (1) All copies of the offer or modification, and any other documents required to be submitted with the offer shall be enclosed in a sealed, opaque envelope or package. (2) Submit your offer or modification to the address on the Cover Page. (3) The envelope or package must show the time and date specified for opening, the solicitation number, and the name and address of the bidder. If the offer or modification is sent by mail or special delivery service (UPS, Federal Express, etc.), the

outermost envelope or wrapper must be labeled "OFFER ENCLOSED" on the face thereof. (c) If you are responding to more than one solicitation, submit each offer in a separate envelope or package. (d) Submit the number of copies indicated on the Cover Page. (e) Facsimile or e-mail offers, modifications, or withdrawals, will not be considered unless authorized by the Solicitation.

TAX CREDIT FOR SUBCONTRACTING WITH DISADVANTAGED SMALL BUSINESSES (JAN 2008): Pursuant to Section 12-6-3350, a taxpayer having a contract with this State who subcontracts with a socially and economically disadvantaged small business is eligible for an income tax credit equal to four percent of the payments to that subcontractor for work pursuant to the contract. The subcontractor must be certified as a socially and economically disadvantaged small business as defined in Section 11-35-5010 and regulations pursuant to it. The credit is limited to a maximum of fifty thousand dollars annually. A taxpayer is eligible to claim the credit for ten consecutive taxable years beginning with the taxable year in which the first payment is made to the subcontractor that qualifies for the credit. After the above ten consecutive taxable years, the taxpayer is no longer eligible for the credit. A taxpayer claiming the credit shall maintain evidence of work performed for the contract by the subcontractor. The credit may be claimed on Form TC-2, "Minority Business Credit." A copy of the subcontractor's certificate from the Governor's Office of Small and Minority Business (OSMBA) is to be attached to the contractor's income tax return. Questions regarding the tax credit and how to file are to be referred to: SC Department of Revenue, Research and Review, Phone: (803) 898-5786, Fax: (803) 898-5888. Questions regarding subcontractor certification are to be referred to: Governor's Office of Small and Minority Business Assistance, Phone: (803) 734-0657, Fax: (803) 734-2498. [02-2A135-1]

WITHDRAWAL OR CORRECTION OF OFFER (JAN 2004): Offers may be withdrawn by written notice received at any time before the exact time set for opening. If the Solicitation authorizes facsimile offers, offers may be withdrawn via facsimile received at any time before the exact time set for opening. A bid may be withdrawn in person by a bidder or its authorized representative if, before the exact time set for opening, the identity of the person requesting withdrawal is established and the person signs a receipt for the bid. The withdrawal and correction of Offers is governed by S.C. Code Section 11-35-1520 and Regulation 19-445.2085. [02-2A150-1]

# **II. INSTRUCTIONS TO OFFERORS – B. SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS**

CONTENTS OF OFFER (RFP) (FEB 2015) (a) Offers should be complete and carefully worded and should convey all of the information requested.

(b) Offers should be prepared simply and economically, providing a straightforward, concise description of offeror's capabilities to satisfy the requirements of the RFP. Emphasis should be on completeness and clarity of content.

(c) The contents of your offer must be divided into two parts, the technical proposal and the business proposal. Each part should be bound in a single volume.

(d) If your offer includes any comment over and above the specific information requested in the solicitation, you are to include this information as a separate appendix to your offer. Offers which include either modifications to any of the solicitation's contractual requirements or an offeror's standard terms and conditions may be deemed non-responsive and not considered for award. [02-2B040-2]

ELECTRONIC COPIES – REQUIRED MEDIA AND FORMAT (MAR 2015): In addition to your original offer, you must submit an electronic copy or copies on compact disk (CD), DVD, or USB drive. Submit the number of copies indicated on the cover page. Each copy should be on separate media. Your

business and technical proposals must be on separate media. Every disk or USB drive must be labeled with the solicitation number and the offeror's name, and specify whether its contents address technical proposal or business proposal. If multiple-disk sets are provided, each disk in the set must be appropriately identified as to its relationship to the set, e.g., 1 of 2. The electronic copy must be identical to the original offer. File format shall be compatible with Microsoft Office (version 2003 or later), or Adobe Acrobat or equivalent Portable Document Format (.pdf) viewer. The Procurement Officer must be able to view, search, copy and print electronic documents without a password. [02- 2B070-2]

MAIL PICKUP: Lander gets mail delivery from The US Postal Service once daily (excluding weekends and holidays). See provision entitled Deadline for Submission of Offer. - \*\*\*\*\*\*NOTICE for bids arriving by US Postal Service – consider the bid opening time and the late arrival of mail to Lander.

OPENING PROPOSALS -- INFORMATION NOT DIVULGED (FEB 2015) In competitive sealed proposals, neither the number or identity of offerors nor prices will be divulged at opening. [Section 11-35-1530 & R. 19-445.2095(C)(1)] [02-2B110-2]

PROTEST -CPO -MMO ADDRESS (JUN 2006): Any protest must be addressed to the Chief Procurement Officer, Materials Management Office, and submitted in writing (a) by email to protestmmo@mmo.state.sc.us, (b) by facsimile at 803-737-0639, or (c) by post or delivery to 1201 Main Street, Suite 600, Columbia, SC 29201. [02-2B122-1]

## III. SCOPE OF WORK / SPECIFICATIONS \*SEE BID SCHEDULE-SECTION VIII ALSO

GENERAL:

Lander University (Lander) is requesting proposals for exclusive snack vending services as specified herein. The primary considerations are a reasonable financial return, economy of price, enhancements and quality of service and products.

The initial contract period will be for one year with an option to renew for four (4) additional one (1) year periods.

The following requirements represent a minimum imposed by Lander and these requirements, in no way, restrict the Contractor from proposing additional or increased service:

# CONTRACTOR:

- The Contractor will be expected to maintain each piece of equipment in an excellent condition and in a professional manner. Lander will require very strict sanitation standards that will comply with all federal, state and local requirements. "Customer Satisfaction" must be one of the main objectives of the firm.
- 2. The contractor shall furnish, install, maintain, and operate at its own cost and expense such vending machines and changers as may be mutually agreed upon by the contractor and Lander. The contractor shall place and operate such machines only in designated areas.
- 3. All installed equipment must be approved and placed at the location designated by Lander.

Lander will furnish all electricity to the machine locations, however <u>no data communication lines</u>, <u>Wi-fi, or connectivity will be provided by Lander</u>. Any such connectivity must be provided by Contractor at no cost to Lander. There shall be no integration with Lander systems or infrastructure. All machines shall meet current vending industry energy efficiency standards. Each machine, at no cost to Lander, shall be capable of accepting debit/credit cards for payment. Contractor represents and warrants that for the life of the Contract, the software and services used for processing credit card transactions shall be compliant with standards established by the PCI Security Standards Council <u>www.pcisecuritystandards.org</u>. Contractor must clearly define the managed PCI DSS requirements and provide a written agreement that the Contractor is responsible for the security of the cardholder data the Contractor possesses or otherwise stores, processes or transmits on behalf of Lander.

- 4. If, in the opinion of Lander, at any time during the contract period, circumstances warrant changes to the quantity, types and/or specifications of the vending machines, the contractor shall make the changes required by Lander including the removal of, addition of, or other changes to vending machines. This shall include providing additional vending machines which may be required due to the expansion of Lander into additional or new facilities and/or the expansion or renovation of existing facilities. The contractor shall only make such changes upon the approval of Lander.
- 5. As vending machines are replaced by the contractor, the replacement vending machines must be brand new or like new and the latest in state-of-the-art technology. Acceptable like new machines will be less than five (5) years old and any proposed use of these machines must be approved by Lander prior to installation. New and updated equipment shall be listed as certified by the Automatic Merchandising Industry Health Code. Any machines deemed by Lander to be inadequate or unacceptable must be replaced by the contractor immediately upon request.
- The Contractor shall ensure that machines are stocked with adequate merchandise with due consideration to rotation and variety. All machines shall be stocked and in operation twenty-four (24) hours a day.
- 7. The Contractor shall ensure that food sold through vending machines and offered to patrons of vending machines shall be sound and free of spoilage, filth, or other contamination and shall be safe for human consumption. The food shall be obtained from sources that comply with all laws relating to food and food labeling. The use of food in hermetically sealed containers that was not prepared in a food-processing establishment is prohibited.
- 8. Contractor must use nationally known brand products and have access to immediate vending machine restocking items.
- 9. The Contractor shall maintain a staff of trained personnel to ensure prompt, efficient service. Personnel must be readily identifiable as Contractor's employees either by appropriate attire or by identification badge. Personnel servicing machines must greet Lander students and staff in a friendly and courteous manner.
- 10. The Contractor will strictly adhere to all Lander policies and instructions concerning parking and building access. Lander policies strictly forbid vehicles from driving on campus other than on paved streets and driveways that are made available to vehicular traffic. Repeated violations of driving and parking policies can result in substantial fines and/or breach of this contract. The job site is a high traffic coed area and as such, the Contractor and his/her personnel are cautioned

against creating interruptions, noise or offensive situations that may interfere with the learning process or could be construed as sexual harassment.

- 11. The Contractor is responsible for all damage done to any Lander property. Clean up and repair of all damage shall be accomplished at Contractor's expense in a manner satisfactory to Lander.
- 12. Sufficient service shall be provided, seven (7) days a week, if necessary, to supply demand, except during the times of official closing of Lander.
- 13. The Contractor shall schedule service in a manner that causes the least inconvenience to the campus community.
- 14. Each machine must be clearly identified with a number on its front so that reports of malfunctions can refer to a particular machine.
- 15. Contractor must furnish a "no-charge" phone number that can be used to contact the contractor when problems are detected with equipment. A representative will be available to handle on-call service calls.
- 16. When machines malfunction, with a loss of funds involved, the Contractor, in a process approved by Lander will reimburse customers. Prompt service to all equipment will be required and no single machine shall be out-of-service for more than one single twenty-four (24) hour period.
- 17. The Contractor shall provide Lander with all purchasing data associated with this effort at no charge.
- 18. The Contractor shall be responsible for all transactional data and shall not use data in any way other than to serve Lander.
- 19. The Contractor shall develop a marketing plan that will help to increase vending sales over the term of the contract.
- 20. Lander prefers that all monies be removed from each machine each time the machine is restocked. If this time frame is not feasible the Contractor(s) must advise Lander Procurement Services, in writing, of any other procedure that will be used to remove the money.
- 21. The Contractor shall make payment of royalties on gross sales, by percentage or per case, to Lander on a monthly basis by check accompanied by a breakdown of all sales (including volume by sales in case lots), location of machine and the amount of royalty to be paid to Lander.
- 22. The Contractor shall make checks payable to Lander, Attn: Business Office, for all monies due to Lander. Checks and reports will be mailed to the Lander Business Office by the 15th of each month for the past business period.
- 23. The Contractor will certify in an annual statement, for the period ending June 30th of each year, that the revenues paid to the Lander were correct. This statement must include a recap of gross sales and royalties paid for the year and be provided to Lander no later than August 15th of the same year. Lander reserves the right to audit at its own expense the records of the contractor, which relate to this agreement. At the request of Lander, the contractor must provide copies of

the SC Department of Revenue Sales Tax Reports showing reported sales at Lander locations.

- 24. The contractor will pay all federal, state and local taxes, license fees and other charges.
- 25. The Contractor is not required to furnish microwave ovens.
- 26. The Contractor shall comply with the Americans With Disability Act (ADA) in regard to access to and use of vending machines.
- 27. The contractor shall, at its own cost and expense, secure Workman's Compensation Insurance for the benefit of each of the persons employed by it in the operation of food service operation, and keep said insurance during the term of this contract. Certificates of said insurance shall be kept on file with Lander.
- 28. The Contractor shall provide restocking service, ensuring that no machine will be out of stock of more than two product offerings, and shall be provided, seven (7) days a week, if necessary, to supply demand, except during the times of official closing of Lander. Each machine must offer at least six (6) different drinks, two (2) of which must be of the diet type. NOTE: Lander would prefer to have one (1) or more "health or juice" type drinks. Please state if your company has products in this line or can offer products from other vendors.
- 29. The Contractor must furnish a "no-charge" phone number that can be used to contact the contractor when problems are detected with equipment. A representative will be available to handle on-call service calls.
- 30. The Contractor shall ensure that all machines be stocked and in operation twenty-four (24) hours a day. Restocking should ensure that all options remain available. Items reported out of stock are expected to be replenished within one week.
- 31. The Contractor shall clearly identify each machine with a number on its front so that reports of malfunctions can refer to a particular machine.
- 32. The Contractor shall remove any refuse caused by the stocking and maintenance of the machines, and in the circumstances of contractor's failure to do so contractor agrees to pay Lander all costs, charges and expenses for such removal.
- 33. The Contractor shall equip machines with large volumes to accept and refund change in the amounts of one (\$1) dollar bills, quarters, dimes and nickels. Lander reserves the right to determine where these types of machines are to be located.
- 34. All machines will be located in positions approved by Lander. No machine(s) will be moved or re-located in any manner without Lander approval. The Contractor shall not move or otherwise tamper with any other vendor(s) equipment. Non-compliance with this requirement will result in immediate cancellation of the contract. Any changes to vending machines (addition, relocation, replacement, removal) must be coordinated with Lander's designated contract manager.
- 35. The Contractor will conspicuously display at each vending location information for the customer as to where refunds are made. All information including appropriate permits, licenses, price regulations and tax notices shall be displayed in an appropriate place on or near the equipment.

- 36. The Contractor shall leave all vending machine areas in a condition satisfactory to Lander upon termination of this Agreement.
- 37. Machine Installation Timeline: If there is a change of vendors resulting from this contract award, the vending equipment belonging to the current contractor will be removed from campus during the period of March 4-8, 2024. The new contract holder will position equipment during the same period. The successful contractor must guarantee that it will have at least one (1) machine operating in each location as specified in this solicitation by the end of this installation window.
- 38. This contract will not include drink services.
- 39. The Contractor shall not use the results of this Request for Proposal as a part of any commercial advertising without prior approval from Lander.
- 40. The Contractor will be required to provide the following information on each machine\*:
  - Building machine is to be located in
  - Machine Manufacturer
  - Model Number
  - Volts
  - Amps

The current number of vending machines and the location of each is noted below under Historical Information.

- 41. Additions and deletions to any contract resulting from award of this bid may be negotiated with contractor during the contract period. Any change, addition, or alteration to this contract shall be binding unless made in writing and signed by the Procurement Officer or Vice President for Business and Administration.
- 42. Contractor agrees not to assign or transfer any contract resulting from award of this bid without approval of Lander.
- 43. The premises referred to herein are not available to the contractor for any of the dates mentioned herein until contract award is made.
- 44. Contractor agrees, upon the termination or expiration of this contract, to vacate the premises and surrender to Lander all equipment, appliances, and furnishings previously received by it, in good order and condition, reasonable wear and tear excepted. Contractor shall at the time of termination of the contract, promptly remove at its own cost and expense without damage to the buildings or property, all moveable auxiliary equipment furnished and installed by it under the terms of this agreement and shall further restore in good order and condition those areas utilized for these operations.
- 45. Contractor shall not use the name of Lander in making contracts with suppliers, or in other manner. Contractor shall make all contracts in it's own name, and Contractor alone shall be responsible for purchases and contracts made by it.
- 46. The Contractor shall provide a plan for increasing snack sales revenues.

- 47. The Contractor shall provide a list of proposed enhancements to the drink vending program at Lander.
- 48. The Contractor will be required to provide a detailed plan or approach to performing these requirements.

# LANDER:

- 1. Lander will not be responsible for any goods purchased by the contractor or for any other obligations or liabilities assumed or created by the contractor in the performance of this contract. The contractor shall not set or hold his/herself out to be an agent for Lander and nothing herein shall be construed as creating the relationship of partners, joint ventures or agency.
- 2. Lander shall in no way be responsible for any theft, disappearance or other misappropriation of any of the equipment to be supplies by the contractor under this contractor, nor for the theft, disappearance or misappropriation of monies, food supplies, or any other property of the contractor wherever located. Lander shall not be liable for any damage or injury to the goods or property of the gas, steam, or other pipes, or sewerage or breaking of any electric wire, the bursting, leaking or running or water from any source, or for any damage occasioned by fire, explosion, falling plaster, electricity, smoke, or for the loss or theft of any property of the contractor however occurring.
- 3. Lander has no available on-campus storage space for items to restock machines.
- 4. Lander shall be responsible for providing adequate security for the contractor's personnel, equipment, inventory, in machines and cash while on Lander premises; however, Lander does not warrant the prevention of any loss to the contractor due to vandalism, riot, or forcible entry and will not be responsible for the loss of cash, inventory in machine, cost of repairs or replacement of inventory in machines. The contractor waives any and all rights of recovery from Lander for property damage, loss of use or compensation thereof, however occurring. Lander shall take all reasonable measures to cooperate with the contractor in preventing damages to equipment or pilferage thereof but will not be liable for such damage or pilferage.
- 5. Lander will provide adequate ingress and egress including a reasonable use of existing elevators, corridors, driveways and parking spaces.
- 6. Lander shall provide contractor with necessary space for operation of vending machines, and shall, without cost to the contractor, provide the necessary utilities for the efficient performance of this agreement. The location, number and suitability of vending equipment to be installed shall remain subject to prior approval and subsequent satisfaction of Lander.
- 7. The location, number and suitability of vending equipment to be installed shall remain subject to prior approval and subsequent satisfaction of Lander, and may change during the contract.
- 8. Shall provide general area sanitation.
- 9. Shall provide for the disposal of snack containers and individual waste, but not for commercial packages.

- 10. Shall have the authority to approve or disapprove the price and portion of products vended.
- 11. Lander will not pay nor reimburse any travel, hotel costs, parking, presentation reproduction costs, etc. to the awarded contractor.

## **Background Checks**

The Contractor certifies that its employees, volunteers, and participants are not registered sex offenders and have not been convicted of a felony. The Contractor will be responsible for compliance with Title IX and Title VII of federal civil rights laws while on Lander property or while conducting associated activities off Lander property. Failure to comply with the above may result in unilateral and immediate revocation of this contract.

#### Tobacco Fee Campus

The use of all tobacco products is prohibited in or on all Lander property. Tobacco products include all forms of tobacco and smoke-related products, including but not limited to, cigarettes, cigars, pipes, chewing tobacco, snuff, water pipes (hookahs), bidis, kreteks, smokeless tobacco, electronic cigarettes and other devices allowing for the ingestion, combustion, inhalation or other use of tobacco.

### Historical Information

Currently Lander has an exclusive contract with Compass for vending rights. Sales and equipment information for the past three fiscal years are as follows:

Vending Quantities* & Sales							
Fiscal Year	Candy	Large Snacks	Pastry	Gross Sales			
2020-2021	2901	3028	900	\$11,219.10			
2021-2022	4216	4857	1455	\$19,235.25			
2022-2023	3718	4196	1038	\$16,424.75			
July '23 -TD	937	945	217	\$3,912.45			

\*These quantities have been estimated using information provided by the current vendor.

Current Vending Machine Locations	Possible Future Vending
	Machine Locations
Carnell Learning Center	Information Commons
Chipley Residence Hall	Chandler PEES Center
Science Building	Brookside Residence Hall
Centennial Hall	Barrett Hall
Grier Student Center	Nursing Legion Building
New Hall	Pool Pavilion
Jackson Library	Thomason Residence Hall
	School for Online & Graduate Programs
	LUPD Office
(Lander reserves the right to add or remo	ve locations as needed)

# **IV. INFORMATION FOR OFFERORS TO SUBMIT**

INFORMATION FOR OFFERORS TO SUBMIT - EVALUATION (JAN 2006): In addition to information

requested elsewhere in this solicitation, offerors should submit the following information for purposes of evaluation: [04-4005-1]

PROPOSAL CONTENTS: To be considered for award, all proposals should include, as a minimum, the following information. All information should be presented in the order listed.

- A Cover Letter: Clearly identifying the following information and be signed by an individual authorized to sign contracts on behalf of the Offeror.
  - 1. Name and position of the person who will have ultimate responsibility and accountability for this Contract, and act on behalf of the Offeror
  - 2. A statement indicating that the Offeror is licensed to do business in South Carolina (include license number) or, that business licensure is not required.
- **Business Proposal** Lander is seeking commission rates associated with your recommendation that will cover all aspects of the solution you propose.
- **Proposed enhancements** Should include enhancements to the program that go beyond the stated RFP requirements.
- Experience and Qualifications Offerors provide 3 client examples of services as defined in this RFP - Provide scope of work, contract value and Proposer's project manager; Offerors are required to provide 3 references for whom you have provided services to as requested in this RFP from higher education institutions including each contact persons' names, mailing addresses, telephone numbers and email addresses; Offerors must provide a completed IRS W-9 form.
- Marketing Plan for increasing Snack Sales Revenues Should include Approach/Methodology/Explanation.
- Unique Offerings Provide a listing of potential creative vending offerings that may be out of the normal offerings to entice students with something new or unique. Suggestions could include prepared items, made-to-order items that vend, and possibly convenience items commonly sought by students on a college campus. This may include a single machine to create a bit of an attraction or a few strategically placed machines to spark interest and differentiate such offerings from the typical offerings seen.

INFORMATION FOR OFFERORS TO SUBMIT – GENERAL (MAR 2015): You shall submit a signed Cover Page and Page Two. Your offer should include all other information and documents requested in this part and in parts II.B. Special Instructions; III. Scope of Work; V. Qualifications; VIII. Bidding Schedule/Price Proposal; and any appropriate attachments addressed in Part IX. Attachments to Solicitations. You should submit a summary of all insurance policies you have or plan to acquire to comply with the insurance requirements stated herein, if any, including policy types; coverage types; limits, sub-limits, and deductibles for each policy and coverage type; the carrier's A.M. Best rating; and whether the policy is written on an occurrence or claims-made basis. [04-4010-2]

# MINORITY PARTICIPATION (DEC 2015):

Is the bidder a South Carolina Certified Minority Business? [] Yes [] No

Is the bidder a Minority Business certified by another governmental entity? [] Yes [] No If so, please list the certifying governmental entity:

Will any of the work under this contract be performed by a SC certified Minority Business as a subcontractor? [] Yes [] No

If so, what percentage of the total value of the contract will be performed by a SC certified Minority Business as a subcontractor?

Will any of the work under this contract be performed by a minority business certified by another

governmental entity as a subcontractor? [] Yes [] No

If so, what percentage of the total value of the contract will be performed by a minority business certified by another governmental entity as a subcontractor?

If a certified Minority Business is participating in this contract, please indicate all categories for which the Business is certified:

- [] Traditional minority
- [] Traditional minority, but female
- [] Women (Caucasian females)
- [] Hispanic minorities
- [] DOT referral (Traditional minority)
- [] DOT referral (Caucasian female)
- [] Temporary certification
- [] SBA 8 (a) certification referral

[] Other minorities (Native American, Asian, etc.)(If more than one minority contractor will be utilized in the performance of this contract, please provide the information above for each minority business.) The Department of Administration, Division of Small and Minority Business Contracting and Certification, publishes a list of certified minority firms. The Minority Business Directory is available at the following URL: <u>http://osmba.sc.gov/directory.html[04-4015-3]</u>

# V. QUALIFICATIONS

QUALIFICATION OF OFFEROR (MAR 2015): (1) To be eligible for award, you must have the capability in all respects to perform fully the contract requirements and the integrity and reliability which will assure good faith performance. We may also consider a documented commitment from a satisfactory source that will provide you with a capability. We may consider information from any source at any time prior to award. We may elect to consider (i) key personnel, any predecessor business, and any key personnel of any predecessor business, including any facts arising prior to the date a business was established, and/or (ii) any subcontractor you identify. (2) You must promptly furnish satisfactory evidence of responsibility upon request. Unreasonable failure to supply requested information is grounds for rejection. (3) **Corporate subsidiaries are cautioned that the financial capability of an affiliated or parent company will not be considered in determining financial capability**; however, we may elect to consider any security, e.g., letter of credit, performance bond, parent-company corporate guaranty, that you offer to provide Instructions and forms to help assure acceptability are posted on procurement.sc.gov, link to "Standard Clauses & Provisions." [05-5005-2]

SUBCONTRACTOR – IDENTIFICATION (FEB 2015): If you intend to subcontract, at any tier level, with another business for any portion of the work and that portion either (1) exceeds 10% of your cost, (2) involves access to any "government information," as defined in the clause entitled "Information Security - Definitions," if included, or (3) otherwise involves services critical to your performance of the work (err on the side of inclusion), your offer must identify that business and the work which they are to perform. Identify potential subcontractors by providing the business name, address, phone, taxpayer identification number, and point of contact. In determining your responsibility, Lander may contact and evaluate your proposed subcontractors. [05-5030-2]

# VI. AWARD CRITERIA

AWARD CRITERIA - PROPOSALS (JAN 2006): Award will be made to the highest ranked, responsive,

and responsible offeror whose offer is determined to be the most advantageous to the State. [06-6030-1]

AWARD TO ONE OFFEROR (JAN 2006): Award will be made to one Offeror. [06-6040-1]

# DISCUSSIONS AND NEGOTIATIONS – OPTIONAL (FEB 2015)

Submit your best terms from both a price and a technical standpoint. Your proposal may be evaluated and your offer accepted without any discussions, negotiations, or prior notice. Ordinarily, nonresponsive proposals will be rejected outright without prior notice. Nevertheless, Lander may elect to conduct discussions, including the possibility of limited proposal revisions, but only for those proposals reasonably susceptible of being selected for award. [11-35-1530(6); R.19- 445.2095(I)] If improper revisions are submitted during discussions, Lander may elect to consider only your unrevised initial proposal, provided your initial offer is responsive. Lander may also elect to conduct negotiations, beginning with the highest ranked offeror, or seek best and final offers, as provided in Section 11-35-1530(8). Negotiations may involve both price and matters affecting the scope of the contract, so long as changes are within the general scope of the request for proposals. If negotiations are conducted, Lander may elect to disregard the negotiations and accept your original proposal. [06-6058-1]

EVALUATION FACTORS – PROPOSALS (JAN 2006): Offers will be evaluated using only the factors stated below. Evaluation factors are stated in the relative order of importance, with the first factor being the most important. Once evaluation is complete, all responsive offerors will be ranked from most advantageous to least advantageous. [06-6065-1]

- A. Business Proposal
- B. Proposed enhancements
- C. Experience and Qualifications
- D. Marketing Plan for increasing Snack Sales Revenues

# VII. TERMS AND CONDITIONS – A. GENERAL

ASSIGNMENT, NOVATION, AND CHANGE OF NAME, IDENTITY, OR STRUCTURE (MODIFIED) (a) Contractor shall not assign this contract, or its rights, obligations, or any other interest arising from this contract, or delegate any of its performance obligations, without the express written consent of the responsible procurement officer. The foregoing restriction does not apply to a transfer that occurs by operation of law (e.g., bankruptcy; corporate reorganizations and consolidations, but not including partial asset sales). Notwithstanding the foregoing, contractor may assign monies receivable under the contract provided that Lander shall have no obligation to make payment to an assignee until thirty days after contractor (not the assignee) has provided the responsible procurement officer with (i) proof of the assignment, (ii) the identity (by contract number) of the specific state contract to which the assignment applies, and (iii) the name of the assignee and the exact address or account information to which assigned payments should be made. (b) If contractor amends, modifies, or otherwise changes its name, its identity (including its trade name), or its corporate, partnership or other structure, or its FEIN, contractor shall provide the procurement officer prompt written notice of such change. (c) Any name change, transfer, assignment, or novation is subject to the conditions and approval required by Regulation 19-445.2180, which does not restrict transfers by operation of law. [07-7A004-2]

# BANKRUPTCY - GENERAL (FEB 2015)

(a) Notice. In the event the Contractor enters into proceedings relating to bankruptcy, whether voluntary or involuntary, the Contractor agrees to furnish written notification of the bankruptcy to the Using

Governmental Unit. This notification shall be furnished within two (2) days of the initiation of the proceedings relating to the bankruptcy filing. This notification shall include the date on which the bankruptcy petition was filed, the identity of the court in which the bankruptcy petition was filed, and a listing of all State contracts against which final payment has not been made. This obligation remains in effect until final payment under this Contract. (b) Termination. This contract is voidable and subject to immediate termination by the State upon the contractor's insolvency, including the filing of proceedings in bankruptcy. [07-7A005-2]

CHOICE-OF-LAW (JAN 2006): The Agreement, any dispute, claim, or controversy relating to the Agreement, and all the rights and obligations of the parties shall, in all respects, be interpreted, construed, enforced and governed by and under the laws of the State of South Carolina, except its choice of law rules. As used in this paragraph, the term "Agreement" means any transaction or agreement arising out of, relating to, or contemplated by the solicitation. [07-7A010-1]

CONTRACT ADMINISTRATION: Questions or problems arising after award of this order shall be directed to Lander University, Procurement Services, 320 Stanley Ave, Greenwood SC 29649. The office of Procurement Services is located in Facilities Operations, 204 W Henrietta Ave, Greenwood, SC.

CONTRACT DOCUMENTS & ORDER OF PRECEDENCE (MODIFIED)(a) Any contract resulting from this solicitation shall consist of the following documents: (1) a Record of Negotiations, if any, executed by you and the Procurement Officer, (2) the solicitation, as amended, (3) discussions [11-35-1530(6)] of an offer, if applicable, (4) your offer, (5) any statement reflecting the State's final acceptance (a/k/a "award"), and (6) purchase orders. These documents shall be read to be consistent and complementary. Any conflict among these documents shall be resolved by giving priority to these documents in the order listed above.(b) The terms and conditions of documents (1) through (5) above shall apply notwithstanding any additional or different terms and conditions in any other document, including without limitation, (i) a purchase order or other instrument submitted by the State, (ii) any invoice or other document submitted by Contractor, or (iii) any privacy policy, terms of use, or end user agreement. Except as otherwise allowed herein, the terms and conditions of all such documents shall be void and of no effect.(c) No contract, license, or other agreement containing contractual terms and conditions will be signed by any Using Governmental Unit. Any document signed or otherwise agreed to by persons other than the Procurement Officer shall be void and of no effect. [07-7A015-2]

DISCOUNT FOR PROMPT PAYMENT (JAN 2006):(a) Discounts for prompt payment will not be considered in the evaluation of offers. However, any offered discount will form a part of the award, and will be taken if payment is made within the discount period indicated in the offer by the offeror. As an alternative to offering a discount for prompt payment in conjunction with the offer, offerors awarded contracts may include discounts for prompt payment on individual invoices. (b) In connection with any discount offered for prompt payment, time shall be computed from the date of the invoice. If the Contractor has not placed a date on the invoice, the due date shall be calculated from the date the designated billing office receives a proper invoice, provided the state annotates such invoice with the date of receipt at the time of receipt. For the purpose of computing the discount earned, payment shall be considered to have been made on the date that appears on the payment check or, for an electronic funds transfer, the specified payment date. When the discount date falls on a Saturday, Sunday, or legal holiday when Federal Government offices are closed and Government business is not expected to be conducted, payment may be made on the following business day. [07-7A020-1]

DISPUTES (JAN 2006): (1) Choice-of-Forum. All disputes, claims, or controversies relating to the Agreement shall be resolved exclusively by the appropriate Chief Procurement Officer in accordance

with Title 11, Chapter 35, Article 17 of the South Carolina Code of Laws, or in the absence of jurisdiction, only in the Court of Common Pleas for, or a federal court located in, Richland County, State of South Carolina. Contractor agrees that any act by the government regarding the Agreement is not a waiver of either the government's sovereign immunity or the government's immunity under the Eleventh Amendment of the United States Constitution. As used in this paragraph, the term "Agreement" means any transaction or agreement arising out of, relating to, or contemplated by the solicitation. (2) Service of Process. Contractor consents that any papers, notices, or process necessary or proper for the initiation or continuation of any disputes, claims, or controversies relating to the Agreement; for any court action in connection therewith; or for the entry of judgment on any award made, may be served on Contractor by certified mail (return receipt requested) addressed to Contractor at the address provided as the Notice Address on Page Two or by personal service or by any other manner that is permitted by law, in or outside South Carolina. Notice by certified mail is deemed duly given upon deposit in the United States mail. [07-7A025-1]

EQUAL OPPORTUNITY (JAN 2006): Contractor is referred to and shall comply with all applicable provisions, if any, of Title 41, Part 60 of the Code of Federal Regulations, including but not limited to Sections 60-1.4, 60-4.2, 60-4.3, 60-250.5(a), and 60-741.5(a), which are hereby incorporated by reference. [07-7A030-1]

FALSE CLAIMS (JAN 2006): According to the S.C. Code of Laws Section 16-13-240, "a person who by false pretense or representation obtains the signature of a person to a written instrument or obtains from another person any chattel, money, valuable security, or other property, real or personal, with intent to cheat and defraud a person of that property is guilty" of a crime. [07-7A035-1]

FIXED PRICING REQUIRED (JAN 2006): Any pricing provided by contractor shall include all costs for performing the work associated with that price. Except as otherwise provided in this solicitation, contractor's price shall be fixed for the duration of this contract, including option terms. This clause does not prohibit contractor from offering lower pricing after award. [07-7A040-1]

#### NO INDEMNITY OR DEFENSE (MODIFIED)

Any term or condition is void to the extent it requires Lander to indemnify, defend, or pay attorney's fees to anyone for any reason. [07-7A045-2]

NOTICE (JAN 2006): (A) After award, any notices shall be in writing and shall be deemed duly given (1) upon actual delivery, if delivery is by hand, (2) upon receipt by the transmitting party of automated confirmation or answer back from the recipient's device if delivery is by telex, telegram, facsimile, or electronic mail, or (3) upon deposit into the United States mail, if postage is prepaid, a return receipt is requested, and either registered or certified mail is used. (B) Notice to contractor shall be to the address identified as the Notice Address on Page Two. Notice to the state shall be to the Procurement Officer's address on the Cover Page. Either party may designate a different address for notice by giving notice in accordance with this paragraph. [07-7A050-1]

OPEN TRADE (JUN 2015) During the contract term, including any renewals or extensions, Contractor will not engage in the boycott of a person or an entity based in or doing business with a jurisdiction with whom South Carolina can enjoy open trade, as defined in SC Code Section 11-35-5300.[07-7A053-1]

PAYMENT & INTEREST (FEB 2015)(a) The State shall pay the Contractor, after the submission of proper invoices or vouchers, the prices stipulated in this contract for supplies delivered and accepted or services rendered and accepted, less any deductions provided in this contract. Unless otherwise specified herein, including the purchase order, payment shall not be made on partial deliveries accepted

by the Government. (b) Unless otherwise provided herein, including the purchase order, payment will be made by check mailed to the payment address on "Page Two." (c) Notwithstanding any other provision, payment shall be made in accordance with S.C. Code Section 11-35-45, or Chapter 6 of Title 29 (real property improvements) when applicable, which provides the Contractor's exclusive means of recovering any type of interest from the Owner. Contractor waives imposition of an interest penalty unless the invoice submitted specifies that the late penalty is applicable. Except as set forth in this paragraph, the State shall not be liable for the payment of interest on any debt or claim arising out of or related to this contract for any reason. (d) Amounts due to the State shall bear interest at the rate of interest established by the South Carolina Comptroller General pursuant to Section 11-35-45 ("an amount not to exceed fifteen percent each year"), as amended, unless otherwise required by Section 29-6-30. (e) Any other basis for interest, including but not limited to general (pre-and post-judgment) or specific interest statutes, including S.C. Code Ann. Section 34-31- 20, are expressly waived by both parties. If a court, despite this agreement and waiver, requires that interest be paid on any debt by either party other than as provided by items (c) and (d) above, the parties further agree that the applicable interest rate for any given calendar year shall be the lowest prime rate as listed in the first edition of the Wall Street Journal published for each year, applied as simple interest without compounding. (f) The State shall have all of its common law, equitable and statutory rights of set-off. [07-7A055-3]

PUBLICITY (JAN 2006): Contractor shall not publish any comments or quotes by State employees, or include the State in either news releases or a published list of customers, without the prior written approval of the Procurement Officer. [07-7A060-1]

PURCHASE ORDERS (JAN 2006): Contractor shall not perform any work prior to the receipt of a purchase order from the using governmental unit. The using governmental unit shall order any supplies or services to be furnished under this contract by issuing a purchase order. Purchase orders may be used to elect any options available under this contract, e.g., quantity, item, delivery date, payment method, but are subject to all terms and conditions of this contract. Purchase orders may be electronic. No particular form is required. An order placed pursuant to the purchasing card provision qualifies as a purchase order. [07-7A065-1]

SURVIVAL OF OBLIGATIONS (JAN 2006): The Parties' rights and obligations which, by their nature, would continue beyond the termination, cancellation, rejection, or expiration of this contract shall survive such termination, cancellation, or expiration, including, but not limited to, the rights and obligations created by the following clauses: Indemnification –Third Party Claims, Intellectual Property Indemnification, and any provisions regarding warranty or audit. [07-7A075-1]

TAXES (JAN 2006): Any tax the contractor may be required to collect or pay upon the sale, use or delivery of the products shall be paid by the State, and such sums shall be due and payable to the contractor upon acceptance. Any personal property taxes levied after delivery shall be paid by the State. It shall be solely the State's obligation, after payment to contractor, to challenge the applicability of any tax by negotiation with, or action against, the taxing authority. Contractor agrees to refund any tax collected, which is subsequently determined not to be proper and for which a refund has been paid to contractor by the taxing authority. In the event that the contractor fails to pay, or delays in paying, to any taxing authorities, sums paid by the State to contractor, contractor shall be liable to the State for any loss (such as the assessment of additional interest) caused by virtue of this failure or delay. Taxes based on Contractor's net income or assets shall be the sole responsibility of the contractor. [07-7A080-1]

TERMINATION DUE TO UNAVAILABILITY OF FUNDS (JAN 2006): Payment and performance obligations for succeeding fiscal periods shall be subject to the availability and appropriation of funds therefor. When funds are not appropriated or otherwise made available to support continuation of performance in a subsequent fiscal period, the contract shall be canceled. In the event of a cancellation

pursuant to this paragraph, contractor will be reimbursed the resulting unamortized, reasonably incurred, nonrecurring costs. Contractor will not be reimbursed any costs amortized beyond the initial contract term. [07-7A085-1]

THIRD PARTY BENEFICIARY (JAN 2006): This Contract is made solely and specifically among and for the benefit of the parties hereto, and their respective successors and assigns, and no other person will have any rights, interest, or claims hereunder or be entitled to any benefits under or on account of this Contract as a third party beneficiary or otherwise. [07-7A090-1]

WAIVER (JAN 2006): The State does not waive any prior or subsequent breach of the terms of the Contract by making payments on the Contract, by failing to terminate the Contract for lack of performance, or by failing to strictly or promptly insist upon any term of the Contract. Only the Procurement Officer has actual authority to waive any of the State's rights under this Contract. Any waiver must be in writing. [07-7A095-1]

# VII. TERMS AND CONDITIONS – B. SPECIAL

CHANGES (JAN 2006):(1) Contract Modification. By a written order, at any time, and without notice to any surety, the Procurement Officer may, subject to all appropriate adjustments, make changes within the general scope of this contract in any one or more of the following:(a) drawings, designs, or specifications, if the supplies to be furnished are to be specially manufactured for the [State] in accordance therewith; (b) method of shipment or packing; (c) place of delivery; (d) description of services to be performed; (e) time of performance (i.e., hours of the day, days of the week, etc.); or, (f) place of performance of the services. Subparagraphs (a) to (c) apply only if supplies are furnished under this contract. Subparagraphs (d) to (f) apply only if services are performed under this contract.(2) Adjustments of Price or Time for Performance. If any such change increases or decreases the contractor's cost of, or the time required for, performance of any part of the work under this contract, whether or not changed by the order, an adjustment shall be made in the contract price, the delivery schedule, or both, and the contract modified in writing accordingly. Any adjustment in contract price made pursuant to this clause shall be determined in accordance with the Price Adjustment Clause of this contract. Failure of the parties to agree to an adjustment shall not excuse the contractor from proceeding with the contract as changed, provided that the State promptly and duly make such provisional adjustments in payment or time for performance as may be reasonable. By proceeding with the work, the contractor shall not be deemed to have prejudiced any claim for additional compensation, or an extension of time for completion.(3) Time Period for Claim. Within 30 days after receipt of a written contract modification under Paragraph (1) of this clause, unless such period is extended by the Procurement Officer in writing, the contractor shall file notice of intent to assert a claim for an adjustment. Later notification shall not bar the contractor's claim unless the State is prejudiced by the delay in notification.(4) Claim Barred After Final Payment. No claim by the contractor for an adjustment hereunder shall be allowed if notice is not given prior to final payment under this contract.[07-7B025-1]

COMPLIANCE WITH LAWS (JAN 2006): During the term of the contract, contractor shall comply with all applicable provisions of laws, codes, ordinances, rules, regulations, and tariffs. [07-7B035-1]

CONTRACTOR'S LIABILITY INSURANCE -GENERAL (FEB 2015)(a) Without limiting any of the obligations or liabilities of Contractor, Contractor shall procure from a company or companies lawfully authorized to do business in South Carolina and with a current A.M. Best rating of no less than A: VII, and maintain for the duration of the contract, insurance against claims for injuries to persons or damages to property which may arise from or in connection with the performance of the work and the

results of that work by the contractor, his agents, representatives, employees or subcontractors.(b) Coverage shall be at least as broad as:(1) Commercial General Liability (CGL): Insurance Services Office (ISO) Form CG 00 01 12 07 covering CGL on an "occurrence" basis, including productscompleted operations, personal and advertising injury, with limits no less than \$1,000,000 per occurrence. If a general aggregate limit applies, the general aggregate limit shall be twice the required occurrence limit. This contract shall be considered to be an "insured contract" as defined in the policy.(2) Auto Liability: ISO Form Number CA 00 01 covering any auto (Code 1), or if Contractor has no owned autos, hired, (Code 8) and non-owned autos (Code 9), with limits no less than \$1,000,000 per accident for bodily injury and property damage.(3) Worker's Compensation: As required by the State of South Carolina, with Statutory Limits, and Employer's Liability Insurance with limit of no less than \$1,000,000 per accident for bodily injury or disease.(c) Every applicable Using Governmental Unit, and the officers, officials, employees and volunteers of any of them, must be covered as additional insureds on the CGL policy with respect to liability arising out of work or operations performed by or on behalf of the Contractor including materials, parts or equipment furnished in connection with such work or operations. General liability coverage can be provided in the form of an endorsement to the Contractor's insurance at least as broad as ISO Form CG 20 10 11 85 or if not available, through the addition of both CG 20 10 and CG 20 37 if a later edition is used.(d) For any claims related to this contract, the Contractor's insurance coverage shall be primary insurance as respects the State, every applicable Using Governmental Unit, and the officers, officials, employees and volunteers of any of them. Any insurance or self-insurance maintained by the State, every applicable Using Governmental Unit, or the officers, officials, employees and volunteers of any of them, shall be excess of the Contractor's insurance and shall not contribute with it. (e) Prior to commencement of the work, the Contractor shall furnish the State with original certificates and amendatory endorsements or copies of the applicable policy language effecting coverage required by this section. All certificates are to be received and approved by the State before work commences. However, failure to obtain the required documents prior to the work beginning shall not waive the Contractor's obligation to provide them. The State reserves the right to require complete, certified copies of all required insurance policies, including endorsements required by this section, at any time.(f) Should any of the above described policies be cancelled before the expiration date thereof, notice will be delivered in accordance with the policy provisions. In addition, the Contractor shall notify the State immediately upon receiving any information that any of the coverages required by this section are or will be changed, cancelled, or replaced.(g) Contractor hereby grants to the State and every applicable Using Governmental Unit a waiver of any right to subrogation which any insurer of said Contractor may acquire against the State or applicable Using Governmental Unit by virtue of the payment of any loss under such insurance. Contractor agrees to obtain any endorsement that may be necessary to effect this waiver of subrogation, but this provision applies regardless of whether or not the State or Using Governmental Unit has received a waiver of subrogation endorsement from the insurer.(h) Any deductibles or self-insured retentions must be declared to and approved by the State. The State may require the Contractor to purchase coverage with a lower deductible or retention or provide proof of ability to pay losses and related investigations, claim administration, and defense expenses within the retention.(i) The State reserves the right to modify these requirements, including limits, based on the nature of the risk, prior experience, insurer, coverage, or other special circumstances.[07-7B056-2]

CONTRACTOR PERSONNEL (JAN 2006): The Contractor shall enforce strict discipline and good order among the Contractor's employees and other persons carrying out the Contract. The Contractor shall not permit employment of unfit persons or persons not skilled in tasks assigned to them. [07-7B060-1]

CONTRACTOR'S OBLIGATION –GENERAL (JAN 2006): The contractor shall provide and pay for all materials, tools, equipment, labor and professional and non-professional services, and shall perform all other acts and supply all other things necessary, to fully and properly perform and complete the work.

The contractor must act as the prime contractor and assume full responsibility for any subcontractor's performance. The contractor will be considered the sole point of contact with regard to all situations, including payment of all charges and the meeting of all other requirements. [07-7B065-1]

CONTRACTOR'S USE OF STATE PROPERTY (JAN 2006): Upon termination of the contract for any reason, the State shall have the right, upon demand, to obtain access to, and possession of, all State properties, including, but not limited to, current copies of all State application programs and necessary documentation, all data, files, intermediate materials and supplies held by the contractor. Contractor shall not use, reproduce, distribute, display, or sell any data, material, or documentation owned exclusively by the State without the State's written consent, except to the extent necessary to carry out the work. [07-7B067-1]

DEFAULT (JAN 2006):(a) (1) The State may, subject to paragraphs (c) and (d) of this clause, by written notice of default to the Contractor, terminate this contract in whole or in part if the Contractor fails to:(i) Deliver the supplies or to perform the services within the time specified in this contract or any extension; (ii) Make progress, so as to endanger performance of this contract (but see paragraph) (a)(2) of this clause): or(iii) Perform any of the other material provisions of this contract (but see paragraph (a)(2) of this clause).(2) The State's right to terminate this contract under subdivisions (a)(1)(ii) and (1)(iii) of this clause, may be exercised if the Contractor does not cure such failure within 10 days (or more if authorized in writing by the Procurement Officer) after receipt of the notice from the Procurement Officer specifying the failure.(b) If the State terminates this contract in whole or in part, it may acquire, under the terms and in the manner the Procurement Officer considers appropriate, supplies or services similar to those terminated, and the Contractor will be liable to the State for any excess costs for those supplies or services. However, the Contractor shall continue the work not terminated.(c) Except for defaults of subcontractors at any tier, the Contractor shall not be liable for any excess costs if the failure to perform the contract arises from causes beyond the control and without the fault or negligence of the Contractor. Examples of such causes include (1) acts of God or of the public enemy, (2) acts of the State in either its sovereign or contractual capacity, (3) fires, (4) floods, (5) epidemics, (6) guarantine restrictions, (7) strikes, (8) freight embargoes, and (9) unusually severe weather. In each instance the failure to perform must be beyond the control and without the fault or negligence of the Contractor.(d) If the failure to perform is caused by the default of a subcontractor at any tier, and if the cause of the default is beyond the control of both the Contractor and subcontractor, and without the fault or negligence of either, the Contractor shall not be liable for any excess costs for failure to perform, unless the subcontracted supplies or services were obtainable from other sources in sufficient time for the Contractor to meet the required delivery schedule. Optional. Use this clause for clauses with an expected value in excess of \$100,000. [An amount should be specified. FYI -\$100,000 is the small acquisition threshold for the federal acquisition regulations -Part 13.] For contracts below this threshold, use the Short Version. A "termination for cause," "termination for default," or "Default" clause is NOT essential. Under the common law, parties can terminate a contract without such a clause. Nevertheless, a Default clause does have benefits. (e) If this contract is terminated for default, the State may require the Contractor to transfer title and deliver to the State, as directed by the Procurement Officer, any (1) completed supplies, and (2) partially completed supplies and materials, parts, tools, dies, jigs, fixtures, plans, drawings, information, and contract rights (collectively referred to as "manufacturing materials" in this clause) that the Contractor has specifically produced or acquired for the terminated portion of this contract. Upon direction of the Procurement Officer, the Contractor shall also protect and preserve property in its possession in which the State has an interest.(f) The State shall pay contract price for completed supplies delivered and accepted. The Contractor and Procurement Officer shall agree on the amount of payment for manufacturing materials delivered and accepted and for the protection and preservation of the property; if the parties fail to agree, the Procurement Officer shall set an amount

subject to the Contractor's rights under the Disputes clause. Failure to agree will be a dispute under the Disputes clause. The State may withhold from these amounts any sum the Procurement Officer determines to be necessary to protect the State against loss because of outstanding liens or claims of former lien holders.(g) If, after termination, it is determined that the Contractor was not in default, or that the default was excusable, the rights and obligations of the parties shall, if the contract contains a clause providing for termination for convenience of the State, be the same as if the termination had been issued for the convenience of the State. If, in the foregoing circumstances, this contract does not contain a clause providing for termination for convenience of the State, the contract shall be adjusted to compensate for such termination and the contract modified accordingly subject to the contractor's rights under the Disputes clause.(h) The rights and remedies of the State in this clause are in addition to any other rights and remedies provided by law or under this contract.[07-7B075-1]

DISPOSAL OF PACKAGING (JAN 2006): Contractor shall dispose of all wrappings, crating, and other disposable materials pertaining to this contract at the end of each working day and upon completion of installation. [07-7B085-1]

ESTIMATED QUANTITY - UNKNOWN (JAN 2006): The total quantity of purchases of any individual item on the contract is not known. The State does not guarantee that the State will buy any specified item or total amount. The omission of an estimated purchase quantity does not indicate a lack of need but rather a lack of historical information. [07-7B095-1]

ILLEGAL IMMIGRATION (NOV. 2008) (An overview is available at www.procurement.sc.gov) By signing your offer, you certify that you will comply with the applicable requirements of Title 8, Chapter 14 of the South Carolina Code of Laws and agree to provide to the State upon request any documentation required to establish either: (a) that Title 8, Chapter 14 is inapplicable to you and your subcontractors or sub-subcontractors; or (b) that you and your subcontractors or sub-subcontractors are in compliance with Title 8, Chapter 14. Pursuant to Section 8-14-60, "A person who knowingly makes or files any false, fictitious, or fraudulent document, statement, or report pursuant to this chapter is guilty of a felony, and, upon conviction, must be fined within the discretion of the court or imprisoned for not more than five years, or both." You agree to include in any contracts with your subcontractors language requiring your subcontractors to (a) comply with the applicable requirements of Title 8, Chapter 14, and (b) include in their contracts with the sub-subcontractors language requiring the sub-subcontractors to comply with the applicable requirements of Title 8, Chapter 14, and (b) include in their contracts with the sub-subcontractors language requiring the sub-subcontractors to comply with the applicable requirements of Title 8, Chapter 14, and (b) include in their contracts with the sub-subcontractors language requiring the sub-subcontractors to comply with the applicable requirements of Title 8, Chapter 14. [07-7B097-1]

INDEMNIFICATION-THIRD PARTY CLAIMS – GENERAL (NOV 2011): Notwithstanding any limitation in this agreement, and to the fullest extent permitted by law, Contractor shall defend and hold harmless Indemnitees for and against any and all suits or claims of any character (and all related damages, settlement payments, attorneys' fees, costs, expenses, losses or liabilities) by a third party which are attributable to bodily injury, sickness, disease or death, or to injury to or destruction of tangible property arising out of or in connection with the goods or services acquired hereunder or caused in whole or in part by any act or omission of contractor, its subcontractors, their employees, workmen, servants, agents, or anyone directly or indirectly employed by them or anyone for whose acts any of them may be liable, regardless of whether or not caused in part by an Indemnitee, and whether or not such claims are made by a third party or an Indemnitee; however, if an Indemnitee's negligent act or omission is subsequently determined to be the sole proximate cause of a suit or claim, the Indemnitee shall not be entitled to indemnification hereunder. Contractor shall be given timely written notice of any suit or claim. Contractor's obligations hereunder are in no way limited by any protection afforded under workers' compensation acts, disability benefits acts, or other employee benefit acts. This clause shall not negate, abridge, or reduce any other rights or obligations of indemnity which would otherwise exist.

The obligations of this paragraph shall survive termination, cancelation, or expiration of the parties' agreement. This provision shall be construed fairly and reasonably, neither strongly for nor against either party, and without regard to any clause regarding insurance. As used in this clause, "Indemnitees" means the State of South Carolina, its instrumentalities, agencies, departments, boards, political subdivisions and all their respective officers, agents and employees. [07-7B100-2]

INFORMATION USE AND DISCLOSURE –STANDARDS (MODIFIED)To the extent applicable:(a) Breach of security of state agency data; notification; rights and remedies of injured parties; penalties; notification of Consumer Protection Division, S.C. Code Ann. Section 1-11-490.(b) South Carolina Financial Identity Fraud and Identity Theft Protection Act (FIFITPA), 2008 Act 190, as amended. Solely for purposes of Section 39-1-90 of the South Carolina Code of Laws, as amended, Contractor is deemed to be the owner of government information, as defined herein, and Contractor agrees that the Using Governmental Unit is not a licensee.(c) The South Carolina Family Privacy Protection Act of 2002, S.C. Code Ann. Sections 30-2-10, et seq.(d) Personal Identifying Information Privacy Protection, S.C. Code Ann. Sections 30-2-310 et seq.(e) Data Breach Notification, 2014 Act No. 286, Section 117.117, as revised in any future annual appropriations act. Reference the PCI DSS Standards at https://www.pcisecuritystandards.org/document\_library/

LICENSES AND PERMITS (JAN 2006): During the term of the contract, the Contractor shall be responsible for obtaining, and maintaining in good standing, all licenses (including professional licenses, if any), permits, inspections and related fees for each or any such licenses, permits and /or inspections required by the State, county, city or other government entity or unit to accomplish the work specified in this solicitation and the contract. [07-7B115-1]

OWNERSHIP OF DATA & MATERIALS (JAN 2006): All data, material and documentation prepared for the state pursuant to this contract shall belong exclusively to the State. [07-7B125-1]

PRICE ADJUSTMENTS (JAN 2006): (1) Method of Adjustment. Any adjustment in the contract price made pursuant to a clause in this contract shall be consistent with this Contract and shall be arrived at through whichever one of the following ways is the most valid approximation of the actual cost to the Contractor (including profit, if otherwise allowed):(a) by agreement on a fixed price adjustment before commencement of the pertinent performance or as soon thereafter as practicable;(b) by unit prices specified in the Contract or subsequently agreed upon;(c) by the costs attributable to the event or situation covered by the relevant clause, including profit if otherwise allowed, all as specified in the Contract; or subsequently agreed upon;(d) in such other manner as the parties may mutually agree; or,(e) in the absence of agreement by the parties, through a unilateral initial written determination by the Procurement Officer of the costs attributable to the event or situation covered by the clause, including profit if otherwise allowed, all as computed by the Procurement Officer in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles, subject to the provisions of Title 11, Chapter 35, Article 17 of the S.C. Code of Laws.(2) Submission of Price or Cost Data. Upon request of the Procurement Officer, the contractor shall provide reasonably available factual information to substantiate that the price or cost offered, for any price adjustments is reasonable, consistent with the provisions of Section 11-35-1830.[07-7B160-1]

PRICE ADJUSTMENTS – LIMITED BY CPI "OTHER GOODS & SERVICES" (JAN 2006): Upon request and adequate justification, the Procurement Officer may grant a price increase up to, but not to exceed, the unadjusted percent change for the most recent 12 months for which data is available, that is not subject to revision, in the Consumer Price Index (CPI) for all urban consumers (CPI-U), "Other Goods & Services" for services, as determined by the Procurement Officer. The Bureau of Labor and Statistics publishes this information on the web at www.bls.gov [07-7B175-1]

PRICING DATA -AUDIT -INSPECTION (JAN 2006): [Clause Included Pursuant to Section 11-35-1830, -2210, & -2220] (a) Cost or Pricing Data. Upon Procurement Officer's request, you shall submit cost or pricing data, as defined by 48 C.F.R. Section 2.101 (2004), prior to either (1) any award to contractor pursuant to 11-35-1530 or 11-35-1560, if the total contract price exceeds \$500,000, or (2) execution of a change order or contract modification with contractor which exceeds \$100,000. Your price, including profit or fee, shall be adjusted to exclude any significant sums by which the state finds that such price was increased because you furnished cost or pricing data that was inaccurate. incomplete, or not current as of the date agreed upon between parties. (b) Records Retention. You shall maintain your records for three years from the date of final payment, or longer if requested by the chief Procurement Officer. The state may audit your records at reasonable times and places. As used in this subparagraph (b), the term "records" means any books or records that relate to cost or pricing data submitted pursuant to this clause. In addition to the obligation stated in this subparagraph (b), you shall retain all records and allow any audits provided for by 11-35-2220(2). (c) Inspection. At reasonable times, the state may inspect any part of your place of business which is related to performance of the work. (d) Instructions Certification. When you submit data pursuant to subparagraph (a), you shall (1) do so in accordance with the instructions appearing in Table 15-2 of

48 C.F.R. Section 15.408 (2004) (adapted as necessary for the state context), and (2)submit a Certificate of Current Cost or Pricing Data, as prescribed by 48 CFR Section 15.406-2(a) (adapted as necessary for the state context). (e) Subcontracts. You shall include the above text of this clause in all of your subcontracts. (f) Nothing in this clause limits any other rights of the state.[07-7B185-1]

RELATIONSHIP OF THE PARTIES (JAN 2006): Neither party is an employee, agent, partner, or joint venturer of the other. Neither party has the right or ability to bind the other to any agreement with a third party or to incur any obligation or liability on behalf of the other party. [07-7B205-1]

RESTRICTIONS ON PRESENTING TERMS OF USE OR OFFERING ADDITIONAL SERVICES (FEB 2015)

(a) Citizens, as well as public employees (acting in their individual capacity), should not be unnecessarily required to agree to or provide consent to policies or contractual terms in order to access services acquired by the government pursuant to this contract (hereinafter "applicable services") or, in the case of public employees, to perform their job duties; accordingly, in performing the work, contractor shall not require or invite any citizen or public employee to agree to or provide consent to any end user contract, privacy policy, or other terms of use (hereinafter "terms of use") not

previously approved in writing by the procurement officer. Contractor agrees that any terms of use regarding applicable services are void and of no effect.

(b) Unless expressly provided in the solicitation, public contracts are not intended to provide contractors an opportunity to market additional products and services; accordingly, in performing the work, contractor shall not – for itself or on behalf of any third party – offer citizens or public employees (other than the procurement officer) any additional products or services not required by the contract.

(c) Any reference to contractor in items (a) or (b) also includes any subcontractor at any tier. Contractor is responsible for compliance with these obligations by any person or entity that contractor authorizes to take any action related to the work.

(d) Any violation of this clause is a material breach of contract. The parties acknowledge the difficulties inherent in determining the damage from any breach of these restrictions. Contractor shall pay the state liquidated damages of \$1,000 for each contact with a citizen or end user that violates this restriction. [07-7B212-1]

SERVICE PROVIDER SECURITY REPRESENTATION (FEB 2015)The following obligations are subordinate to any other contract clause to the extent the other clause specifically provides for

enhanced safeguarding of government information, applicable information systems, or applicable organizations. Offeror (i) warrants that the work will be performed, and any applicable information system (as defined in the clause titled "Information Security -Definitions") will be established and maintained in substantial conformity with the information provided in Offeror's Response to SPSAQ; (ii) agrees to provide the Using Governmental Unit with prompt notice of any material variation in operations from that reflected in the Response to SPSAQ; and (iii) agrees to comply with all other obligations involving either information security or information use and disclosure imposed by the contract, notwithstanding any inconsistent statement in Offeror's Response to SPSAQ. To the extent Offeror's Response to SPSAQ does not conform to any other contractual requirements, the Using Agency's lack of objection does not constitute a waiver [07-7B217-1]

TERM OF CONTRACT – EFFECTIVE DATE / INITIAL CONTRACT PERIOD (JAN 2006): The effective date of this contract is the first day of the Maximum Contract Period as specified on the final statement of award. The initial term of this agreement is 1 year from the effective date. Regardless, this contract expires no later than the last date stated on the final statement of award. [07-7B240-1]

TERM OF CONTRACT –OPTION TO RENEW (JAN 2015): (a) At the end of the initial term, and at the end of each renewal term, this contract shall automatically renew for a period of 1 year(s) unless contractor receives notice that the state elects not to renew the contract at least thirty (30) days prior to the date of renewal. Regardless, this contract expires no later than the last date stated on the final statement of award. [07-7B245-2]

TERMINATION FOR CONVENIENCE –INDEFINITE DELIVERY / INDEFINITE QUANTITY CONTRACTS (JAN 2006): Unless the termination so provides, a termination for convenience shall not operate to terminate any purchase orders issued prior to the effective date of termination. [07-7B255-1]

TERMINATION FOR CONVENIENCE (JAN 2006): (1) Termination. The Procurement Officer may terminate this contract in whole or in part, for the convenience of the State. The Procurement Officer shall give written notice of the termination to the contractor specifying the part of the contract terminated and when termination becomes effective.(2) Contractor's Obligations. The contractor shall incur no further obligations in connection with the terminated work and on the date set in the notice of termination the contractor will stop work to the extent specified. The contractor shall also terminate outstanding orders and subcontracts as they relate to the terminated work. The contractor shall settle the liabilities and claims arising out of the termination of subcontracts and orders connected with the terminated work. The Procurement Officer may direct the contractor to assign the contractor's right, title, and interest under terminated orders or subcontracts to the State. The contractor must still complete the work not terminated by the notice of termination and may incur obligations as are necessary to do so.(3) Right to Supplies. The Procurement Officer may require the contractor to transfer title and deliver to the State in the manner and to the extent directed by the Procurement Officer: (a) any completed supplies; and (b) such partially completed supplies and materials, parts, tools, dies, jigs, fixtures, plans, drawings, information, and contract rights (hereinafter called "manufacturing material") as the contractor has specifically produced or specially acquired for the performance of the terminated part of this contract. The contractor shall, upon direction of the Procurement Officer, protect and preserve property in the possession of the contractor in which the State has an interest. If the Procurement Officer does not exercise this right, the contractor shall use best efforts to sell such supplies and manufacturing materials in a accordance with the standards of Uniform Commercial Code Section 2-706. Utilization of this Section in no way implies that the State has breached the contract by exercise of the Termination for Convenience Clause.(4) Compensation. (a) The contractor shall submit a termination claim specifying the amounts due because of the

termination for convenience together with cost or pricing data required by Section 11-35-1830 bearing on such claim. If the contractor fails to file a termination claim within one year from the effective date of termination, the Procurement Officer may pay the contractor, if at all, an amount set in accordance with Subparagraph (c) of this Paragraph.(b) The Procurement Officer and the contractor may agree to a settlement and that the settlement does not exceed the total contract price plus settlement costs reduced by payments previously made by the State, the proceeds of any sales of supplies and manufacturing materials under Paragraph (3) of this clause, and the contract price of the work not terminated;(c) Absent complete agreement under Subparagraph (b) of this Paragraph, the Procurement Officer shall pay the contractor the following amounts, provided payments agreed to under Subparagraph (b) shall not duplicate payments under this Subparagraph:(i) contract prices for supplies or services accepted under the contract; Comments: (1) The contractual right to terminate for convenience may not be exercised in bad faith. S.C. Code Ann. Section 11-35-30 (requiring good faith in the performance of all contractual obligations). (2) Section 11-35-4310 states "(b) the contract may be terminated and the payment of such damages, if any, as may be provided in the contract, may be awarded." If a contract is terminated by the CPO or Panel, the termination should be effectuated by exercising any termination right granted by contract. (ii) costs reasonably incurred in performing the terminated portion of the work less amounts paid or to be paid for accepted supplies or services;(iii) reasonable costs of settling and paying claims arising out of the termination of subcontracts or orders pursuant to Paragraph (2) of this clause. These costs must not include costs paid in accordance with Subparagraph (c)(ii) of this paragraph; (iv) any other reasonable costs that have resulted from the termination. The total sum to be paid the contractor under this Subparagraph shall not exceed the total contract price plus the reasonable settlement costs of the contractor reduced by the amount of payments otherwise made, the proceeds of any sales of supplies and manufacturing materials under Subparagraph (b) of this Paragraph, and the contract price of work not terminated.(d) Contractor must demonstrate any costs claimed, agreed to, or established under Subparagraphs (b) and (c) of this Paragraph using its standard record keeping system, provided such system is consistent with any applicable Generally Accepted Accounting Principles.(5) Contractor's failure to include an appropriate termination for convenience clause in any subcontract shall not (i) affect the State's right to require the termination of a subcontract, or (ii) increase the obligation of the State beyond what it would have been if the subcontract had contained an appropriate clause.[07-7B265-1]

# VIII. BIDDING SCHEDULE/PRICE-BUSINESS PROPOSAL

BUSINESS PROPOSAL (JAN 2006): Offerors are to submit a Business Proposal as a separate document from the Technical Proposal. The Business Proposal may include the following considerations:(a) Total Cost of Ownership --What is the anticipated cost of purchasing, owning, leasing, operating, maintaining, and/or supporting the proposed solution for the total potential term of the contract? Provide a detailed accounting.(b) Risk Analysis --What internal or external factors could significantly impact the probability of completing this project on time and within budget?(c) Risk Mitigation --What actions can be taken to mitigate the identified risks?(d) Risk Sharing --Are there opportunities for mutually beneficial risk sharing?(e) Performance Incentives --Are there opportunities for performance-based incentives?(f) Financing Options --Are there alternative financing options available to the State?[08-8010-1]

The contractor agrees to pay Lander the commission below for merchandise dispensed by the contractor's vending machines. Commission will be paid on gross sales on, or before the 15th of the following month.

The selling prices of the snacks must be approved by Lander. Any change in pricing should be negotiated and approved by Lander Vice President for Business and Administration. Bidder agrees to provide vending services as described herein and pay Lander the percentage as listed:

#### COMMISSION

Commission Percentage to Lander \_\_\_\_\_%

OFFEROR: \_\_\_\_\_

Authorized Representative Signature

List the snacks and selling price you suggest to be dispensed in the machines:

# PLEASE REFER TO COST ITEM OF THE PROPOSAL CONTENTS CLAUSE IN SECTION IV. INFORMATION FOR OFFERORS TO SUBMIT

# **IX. ATTACHMENTS TO SOLICITATION**

n/a

# OFFEROR'S CHECKLIST AVOID COMMON BID/PROPOSAL MISTAKES

Review this checklist prior to submitting your bid/proposal. If you fail to follow this checklist, you risk having your bid/proposal rejected.

- DO NOT INCLUDE ANY OFYOUR STANDARD CONTRACT FORMS!
- UNLESS EXPRESSLY REQUIRED, DONOT INCLUDE ANY ADDITIONAL BOILERPLATE CONTRACT CLAUSES
- REREAD YOUR ENTIRE BID/PROPOSAL TO MAKE SURE YOUR BID/PROPOSAL DOES NOT TAKE EXCEPTION TO ANY OF THE STATE'S MANDATORY REQUIREMENTS.
- MAKE SURE YOU HAVE PROPERLY MARKED ALL PROTECTED, CONFIDENTIAL, OR TRADE SECRET INFORMATION IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE INSTRUCTIONS ENTITLED:SUBMITTINGCONFIDENTIALINFORMATION.DO NOTMARK YOUR ENTIRE BID/PROPOSAL AS CONFIDENTIAL, TRADE SECRET, OR PROTECTED!DO NOTINCLUDE A LEGEND ON THE COVER STATING THAT YOUR ENTIRE RESPONSE IS NOT TOBE RELEASED!
- HAVE YOU PROPERLY ACKNOWLEDGED ALL AMENDMENTS? INSTRUCTIONS REGARDING HOW TO ACKNOWLEDGE AN AMENDMENT SHOULD APPEAR IN ALL AMENDMENTS ISSUED.
- MAKE SURE YOUR BID/PROPOSAL INCLUDES A COPY OF THE SOLICITATION COVER PAGE.MAKE SURE THE COVER PAGE IS SIGNEDBY A PERSON THAT IS AUTHORIZEDTO CONTRACTUALLY BIND YOUR BUSINESS.
- MAKE SURE YOUR BID/PROPOSAL INCLUDES THE NUMBER OF COPIES REQUESTED.
- CHECK TO ENSURE YOUR BID/PROPOSAL INCLUDES EVERYTHING REQUESTED!
- IF YOU HAVE CONCERNS ABOUT THE SOLICITATION, DO NOT RAISE THOSE CONCERNS IN YOUR RESPONSE! AFTER OPENING, IT IS TOO LATE! IF THIS SOLICITATION INCLUDES A PRE-BID/PROPOSAL CONFERENCE OR A QUESTION & ANSWER PERIOD, RAISE YOUR QUESTIONSAS A PART OF THAT PROCESS! PLEASE SEE INSTRUCTIONS UNDER THE HEADING "SUBMISSION OF QUESTIONS" AND ANY PROVISIONS REGARDING PRE-BID/PROPOSAL CONFERENCES.

This checklist is included only as a reminder to help offerors avoid common mistakes. Responsiveness will be evaluated against the solicitation, not against this checklist. You do not need to return this checklist with your response

I certify that we will comply with all requirements of Section 44-107-10, ET Seq., relating to the S.C. Drug-Free Workplace Act.

AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE	PRINTED NAME			DATE
COMPANY			STATE VENDOR NO. (IF KNOW	N)
MAILING ADDRESS			SOCIAL SECURITY OR FEDERA	AL TAX NO.
CITY	STATE	ZIP CODE		
EMAIL ADDRESS (Please Provide)		•		
ACCEPTED BY STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA AS FOLLOWS:				
BUYER				

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#### IMPORTANT TAX NOTICE - NONRESIDENTS ONLY

Withholding Requirements for Payments to Nonresidents: Section 12-8-550 of the South Carolina Code of Laws requires persons hiring or contracting with a nonresident conducting a business or performing personal services of a temporary nature within South Carolina to withhold 2% of each payment made to the nonresident. The withholding requirement does not apply to (1) payments on purchase orders for tangible personal property when the payments are not accompanied by services to be performed in South Carolina, (2) nonresidents who are not conducting business in South Carolina, (3) nonresidents for contracts that do not exceed \$10,000 in a calendar year, or (4) payments to a nonresident who (a) registers with either the S.C. Department of Revenue or the S.C. Secretary of State and (b) submits a Nonresident Taxpayer Registration Affidavit - Income Tax Withholding, Form I-312 to the person letting the contract.

The withholding requirement applies to every governmental entity that uses a contract ("Using Entity"). Nonresidents should submit a separate copy of the Nonresident Taxpayer Registration Affidavit - Income Tax Withholding, Form I-312 to every Using Entity that makes payment to the nonresident pursuant to this solicitation. Once submitted, an affidavit is valid for all contracts between the nonresident and the Using Entity, unless the Using Entity receives notice from the Department of Revenue that the exemption from withholding has been revoked.

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Section 12-8-540 requires persons making payment to a nonresident taxpayer of rentals or royalties at a rate of \$1,200.00 or more a year for the use of or for the privilege of using property in South Carolina to withhold 7% of the total of each payment made to a nonresident taxpayer who is not a corporation and 5% if the payment is made to a corporation. Contact the Department of Revenue for any applicable exceptions.

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For information about other withholding requirements (e.g., employee withholding), contact the Withholding Section at the South Carolina Department of Revenue at **803-898-5383** or visit the Department's website at www.sctax.org.

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This notice is for informational purposes only. This agency does not administer and has no authority over tax issues. All registration questions should be directed to the License and Registration Section at 803-898-5872 or to the South Carolina Department of Revenue, Registration Unit, Columbia, S.C. 29214-0140. All withholding questions should be directed to the Withholding Section at 803-898-5383.

# SERVICE PROVIDER SECURITY ASSESSMENT QUESTIONNAIRE

Instructions: (1) Attach additional pages or documents as appropriate and make sure answers cross reference to the questions below. (2) As used in this Questionnaire, the phrase "government information" shall have the meaning defined in the clause titled "Information Security." (3) This Questionnaire must be read in conjunction with both of the following two clauses (a) Service Provider Security Assessment Questionnaire – Required, and (b) Service Provider Security Representation.

- 1. Describe your policies and procedures that ensure access to government information is limited to only those of your employees and contractors who require access to perform your proposed services.
- 2. Describe your disaster recovery and business continuity plans.
- 3. What safeguards and practices do you have in place to vet your employees and contractors who will have access to government information?
- 4. Describe and explain your security policies and procedures as they relate to your use of your contractors and nexttier sub -contractors.
- 5. List any reports or certifications that you have from properly accredited third-parties that demonstrate that adequate security controls and assurance requirements are in place to adequately provide for the confidentiality, integrity, and availability of the information systems used to process, store, transmit, and access all government information. (For example, an ISO/IEC 27001 compliance certificate, an AICPA SOC 2 (Type 2) report, or perhaps an AICPA SOC 3 report (i.e., a SysTrust or WebTrust seal)). For each certification, describe the scope of the assessment performed. Will these reports / certifications remain in place for the duration of the contract? Will you provide the state with most recent and future versions of the applicable compliance certificate / audit report?
- 6. Describe the policies, procedures and practices you have in place to provide for the physical security of your data centers and other sites where government information will be hosted, accessed or maintained.
- 7. Will government information be encrypted at rest? Will government information be encrypted when transmitted? Will government information be encrypted during data backups, and on backup media? Please elaborate.
- 8. Describe safeguards that are in place to prevent unauthorized use, reuse, distribution, transmission, manipulation, copying, modification, access or disclosure of government information.
- 9. What controls are in place to detect security breaches? What system and network activity do you log? How long do you maintain these audit logs?
- 10. How will government information be managed after contract termination? Will government information provided to the Contractor be deleted or destroyed? When will this occur?
- 11. Describe your incident response policies and practices.
- 12. Identify any third party which will host or have access to government information.

13. In the interest of PCI compliance, how often will you inspect the vending machines and card readers for evidence of tampering?

Offeror's response to this questionnaire includes any other information submitted with its offer regarding information or data security.

SIGNATURE OF PERSON AUTHORIZED TO REPRESENT THE ACCURACY OF THIS INFORMATION ON BEHALF OF CONTRACTOR:

By:

(authorized signature)

lts:

(printed name of person signing above)

(title of person signing above)

Date:

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#### STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE NONRESIDENT TAXPAYER REGISTRATION AFFIDAVIT INCOME TAX WITHHOLDING

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The undersigned nonresident taxpayer on oath, being first duly sworn, hereby certifies as follows:

1. Name of Nonresident Taxpayer:

2. Trade Name, if applicable (Doing Business As):

3.	Mailing Addre	ss:
4.	Federal Identi	fication Number:
5.		Hiring or Contracting with: Name:
		Address:
		Receiving Rentals or Royalties From: Name:
	,	Address:
		Beneficiary of Trusts and Estates: Name:
	,	Address:

6. I hereby certify that the above named nonresident taxpayer is currently registered with (check the appropriate box):

The South Carolina Department of Revenue Date of Registration:

- 7. I understand that by this registration, the above named nonresident taxpayer has agreed to be subject to the jurisdiction of the South Carolina Department of Revenue and the courts of South Carolina to determine its South Carolina tax liability, including estimated taxes, together with any related interest and penalties.
- 8. I understand the South Carolina Department of Revenue may revoke the withholding exemption granted under Code Sections 12-8-540 (rentals), 12-8-550 (temporarily doing business or professional services in South Carolina), and 12-8-570 (distributions to nonresident beneficiary by trusts or estates) at any time it determines that the above named nonresident taxpayer is not cooperating with the Department in the determination of its correct South Carolina tax liability.

The undersigned understands that any false statement contained herein could be punished by fine, imprisonment or both.

Recognizing that I am subject to the criminal penalties under Code Section 12-54-44 (B) (6) (a) (i), I declare that I have examined this affidavit and to the best of my knowledge and belief, it is true, correct and complete.

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Signature of Nonresident Taxpayer (Owner, Partner or Corporate Officer, when relevant)	Date
If Corporate officer state title:	

(Name - Please Print)

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#### Request for Taxpayer Identification Number and Certification

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Enter your TIN in the appropriate box. The TIN provided must match the name given on Line 1 to avoid backup withholding. For individuals, this is your social security number (SSN). However, for a resident alien, sole proprietor, or disregarded entity, see the Part I instructions on page 3. For other entities, it is your employer identification number (EIN). If you do not have a number, see *How to get a TIN* on page 3.

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Note. If the account is in more than one name, see the chart on page 4 for guidelines on whose number to enter.

#### Part II Certification

Under penalties of perjury, I certify that:

1. The number shown on this form is my correct taxpayer identification number (or I am waiting for a number to be issued to me), and

- I am not subject to backup withholding because: (a) I am exempt from backup withholding, or (b) I have not been notified by the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) that I am subject to backup withholding as a result of a failure to report all interest or dividends, or (c) the IRS has notified me that I am no longer subject to backup withholding, and
- 3. I am a U.S. person (including a U.S. resident alien).

Certification instructions. You must cross out item 2 above if you have been notified by the IRS that you are currently subject to backup withholding because you have failed to report all interest and dividends on your tax return. For real estate transactions, item 2 does not apply. For mortgage interest paid, acquisition or abandonment of secured property, cancellation of debt, contributions to an individual retirement arrangement (IRA), and generally, payments other than interest and dividends, you are not required to sign the Certification, but you must provide your correct TIN. (See the instructions on page 4.)

Sign Here	Signature of U.S. person ►	Date 🕨	
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#### Purpose of Form

A person who is required to file an information return with the IR8, must obtain your correct taxpayer identification number (TIN) to report, for example, income paid to you, real estate transactions, mortgage interest you paid, acquisition or abandonment of secured property, cancellation of debt, or contributions you made to an IRA.

U.S. person. Use Form W-9 only if you are a U.S. person (including a resident alien), to provide your correct TIN to the person requesting it (the requester) and, when applicable, to:

 Certify that the TIN you are giving is correct (or you are waiting for a number to be issued),

Certify that you are not subject to backup withholding, or

or 3. Claim exemption from backup withholding if you are a U.S. exempt payee.

Note. If a requester gives you a form other than Form W-9 to request your TIN, you must use the requester's form if it is substantially similar to this Form W-9.

For federal tax purposes you are considered a person if you are:

 An individual who is a citizen or resident of the United States,

A partnership, corporation, company, or association

created or organized in the United States or under the laws of the United States, or  Any estate (other than a foreign estate) or trust. See Regulations sections 301.7701-6(a) and 7(a) for additional information.

Foreign person. If you are a foreign person, do not use Form W-9. Instead, use the appropriate Form W-8 (see Publication 515, Withholding of Tax on Nonresident Aliens and Foreign Entities).

Nonresident alien who becomes a resident alien. Generally, only a nonresident alien individual may use the terms of a tax treaty to reduce or eliminate U.S. tax on certain types of income. However, most tax treaties contain a provision known as a "saving clause." Exceptions specified in the saving clause may permit an exemption from tax to continue for certain types of income even after the recipient has otherwise become a U.S. resident alien for tax purposes.

If you are a U.8. resident alien who is relying on an exception contained in the saving clause of a tax treaty to claim an exemption from U.8. tax on certain types of income, you must attach a statement to Form W-9 that specifies the following five items:

 The treaty country. Generally, this must be the same treaty under which you claimed exemption from tax as a nonresident alien.

2. The treaty article addressing the income.

The article number (or location) in the tax treaty that contains the saving clause and its exceptions.

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