



FULTON COUNTY



PURCHASING DEPARTMENT INVITATION TO BID NO. 10ITB71596C-MT

Master Lease Financing

For

Finance Department

BID DUE TIME AND DATE: 11:00 A.M., February 26, 2010

BID ISSUE DATE: February 12, 2010

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ATLANTA, GA 30303**

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FULTON COUNTY GOVERNMENT**

**SECTION 1
INSTRUCTIONS TO BIDDERS**

Fulton County Government (“County”) invites sealed bids for **Master Lease Financing of equipment, information systems, and energy savings projects.**

1. GENERAL INFORMATION

- a. **Obtaining the Bid Document:** This document and supporting documents can be downloaded at the Fulton County Website <http://www.fultoncountyga.gov> under “Bid Opportunities”.
- b. The term “Bid Documents” denotes all contract documents, notices, instructions and letters issued by the County’s Purchasing Director in connection with this procurement.
- c. **Bid Contact:** Information regarding the bid, either procedural or technical, may be obtained by contacting Malcolm Tyson, Assistant Purchasing Agent at (404) 612-5811 or e-mail malcolm.tyson@fultoncountyga.gov Information regarding the bid requirements may be obtained by using the following procedure. Inquiries must be submitted in writing to:

Fulton County Department of Purchasing and Contract
Compliance
Attn: Malcolm Tyson, Assistant Purchasing Agent
130 Peachtree Street, S.W. Suite 1168
Atlanta, GA 30303
Phone: (404) 612-5811
Fax: (404) 335-5808
Reference Bid # **10ITB71596C-MT**

2. SITE VISIT: There are no site visits for this project.

3. PREPARATION AND SUBMISSION OF BIDS

Bid forms must be filed in accordance with the following instructions:

- a. Bidders shall **SUBMIT ONE (1) ORIGINAL, SIGNED AND DATED, AND TWO (2) COPIES** on the forms provided in the Bid Documents. All Bids must be made on the Bid forms contained herein. All blank spaces must be typed or hand written in **blue ink**.

All dollar amounts must be BOTH in writing and figures and represent prices for the published scope of work without exceptions. Written prices prevail over number prices in the event of error. All corrections to any entry must be lined out and initialed by the Bidder. Please do not use correction tapes or fluids. **Indicate all addenda incorporated in the Bid.** Bids shall be signed by hand by an officer of principal of the Bidder with the authority to make a Contract.

Bids by joint ventures, consortia, associations or partnerships shall designate one single participant to represent all those forming the bidding entity. Bids shall be signed by a duly authorized representative of the bidding entity and evidence of the Signatory's authority signed by and listing the full names and addresses of all participants in the bidding entity shall be attached to the Bid submittal.

- a. Bids must be sealed and clearly marked identifying the following information:
 - 1. Bidder's Name/Company Name and Address.
 - 2. Bids shall be addressed to:

**Department of Purchasing and Contract Compliance
Fulton County Public Safety Building
130 Peachtree Street, S.W.
Suite 1168
Atlanta, Georgia 30303-3459**

RE: 10ITB71596C-MT

*****NOTE*****

THE OFFICIAL BUSINESS HOURS OF OPERATIONS FOR FULTON COUNTY GOVERNMENT ARE: 8:30 AM TO 5:00 PM, MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY. BID SUBMISSIONS MUST BE DELIVERED TO THE FULTON COUNTY PURCHASING DEPARTMENT BY THE VENDOR OR VENDOR DESIGNATED COURIER.

BID SUBMISSIONS THAT ARE SENT VIA THE UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICES MUST BE RECEIVED IN THE FULTON COUNTY POSTAL DEPARTMENT BY THE APPOINTED DUE DATE AND TIME OF THE BID SUBMISSION NOTICE.

- 4. **BIDDER'S MODIFICATION AND WITHDRAWAL OF BIDS:** A Bidder may modify or withdraw its bid by written request, provided that the request is received by the County prior to the bid due date and time at the address to which bids are to be submitted. Provided further, that in case

of an electronic request (i.e. facsimile, e-mail, etc.) a written confirmation thereof over the authorized signature of the Bidder must be received by the County at the address to which original Bids are to be submitted within three (3) calendar days after issue of the electronic message. Following withdrawal of its bid, the Bidder may submit a new, providing delivery is affected prior to the established bid opening date and time. **No bid may be withdrawn after bid due date for sixty (60) calendar days.**

5. **ADDENDA AND INTERPRETATIONS:** No interpretations of the meaning of the Drawings, Specifications or other pre-bid documents will be made to any Bidder orally. Bidders requiring clarification or interpretation of the Bidding Documents shall make a request to Malcolm Tyson, Assistant Purchasing Agent at 130 Peachtree Street, SW, Suite 1168, Atlanta, Georgia 30303 no later than **5:00 PM, February 19, 2010**. Written requests for clarification or interpretation may be mailed, hand delivered, e-mailed or faxed to the Bid Contact listed in Section 1(d). Telephone inquiries will not be accepted.

Only communications from firms that are in writing and signed will be recognized by the County as duly authorized expressions on behalf of proposers/bidders. Any and all such interpretations and any supplemental instructions will be in the form of written Addenda to the Specifications which, and if any addenda are issued to this Invitation to Bid.

6. **REQUIRED SUBMITTALS:** The bidder **must complete and execute** the following:

1. Bid Price Form
2. Non-Collusion Affidavit of Prime Bidder
3. Certificate of Acceptance of Request for Bid Requirements
4. Corporate Certificate
5. Disclosure Form and Questionnaire
6. Declaration of Employee-Number Categories
7. Georgia Security and Immigration Contractor Affidavit
8. Georgia Security and Immigration Subcontractor Affidavit
9. Contract Compliance Forms, fully executed
 - a. Promise of Non-Discrimination (Exhibit A)
 - b. Employment Report (Exhibit B)
 - c. Schedule of Intended Subcontractor Utilization (Exhibit C)
 - d. Letter of Intent to Perform As a Subcontractor or Provide Materials or Services (Exhibit D)
 - e. Declaration Regarding subcontractor Practices (Exhibit E)
 - f. Joint Venture Disclosure Affidavit (Exhibit F)
 - g. Equal Business Opportunity (EBO) Plan

Any bids received after the stated time and date shall not be considered. It shall be the sole responsibility of the bidder to have his/her bid delivered

to the Fulton County Department of Purchasing and Contract Compliance for receipt on or before the stated time and date (section 00020). If a bid is sent by U.S. Mail, the bidder shall be responsible for its timely delivery to the Department of Purchasing and Contract Compliance. Bids delayed by mail will not be considered, shall not be opened, and arrangements shall be made for their return at the bidder's request and expense.

7. TERM OF CONTRACT

The term of each Appendix entered into pursuant to this Agreement shall be for a period of three (3), five (5), seven (7) or ten (10) years, as determined by the County, and as shown in each applicable Appendix, beginning on the applicable Lessor Payment Date of the applicable Appendix and will be terminated, except as otherwise provided in this Agreement, on the last payment date described in Part 2 of the applicable Appendix.

The term of the Acquisition Period may be extended upon mutual agreement of the County and the Lessor, and will be accomplished by a document extending the Acquisition Period.

8. NO CONTACT PROVISION

It is the policy of Fulton County that the evaluation and award process for County contracts shall be free from both actual and perceived impropriety, and that contacts between potential vendors and County officials, elected officials and staff regarding pending awards of County contracts shall be prohibited.

- A. No person, firm, or business entity, however situated or composed, obtaining a copy of or responding to this solicitation, shall initiate or continue any verbal or written communication regarding this solicitation with any County officer, elected official, employee, or designated County representative, between the date of the issuance of this solicitation and the date of the County Manager's recommendation to the Board of Commissioners for award of the subject contract, except as may otherwise be specifically authorized and permitted by the terms and conditions of this solicitation.
- B. All verbal and written communications initiated by such person, firm, or entity regarding this solicitation, if same are authorized and permitted by the terms and conditions of this solicitation, shall be directed to the Purchasing Agent.

C. Any violation of this prohibition of the initiation or continuation of verbal or written communications with County officers, elected officials, employees, or designated County representatives shall result in a written finding by the Purchasing Agent that the submitted Bid or proposal of the person, firm, or entity in violation is “non-responsive”, and same shall not be considered for award.

9. **BID AND CONTRACT SECURITY:** No bid bond is required.
10. **RIGHT TO REJECT BIDS:** The County reserves the right to reject any or all bids and to waive informalities. No bids will be received after the time set for opening bids. Any unauthorized conditions, limitations or provisions attached to the Bid, except as provided herein, will render it informal and may cause its rejection. Unbalanced bids will be subject to rejection. Any bidder may withdraw his/her bid, either personally or by telegraphic or written request, at any time prior to the scheduled closing time for receipt of bids. Telegraphic or written requests for withdrawal must be in the possession of the County prior to the closing time for receipt of bids.
11. **APPLICABLE LAWS:** All applicable laws and regulations of the State of Georgia and ordinances and regulations of Fulton County shall apply. Protestors shall seek resolution of their complaints in the manner provided in the Fulton County Code of Laws §2-324, which is incorporated by reference herein.
12. **EXAMINATION OF CONTRACT DOCUMENTS:** Prospective bidders shall examine the contract documents and before submitting a bid, shall make a written request to the County for an interpretation or correction of any ambiguity, in consistency or error therein which could be discovered by a bidder. At the bid opening each bidder shall be presumed to have read and be familiar with the contract documents.
13. **TERMINATION OF NEGOTIATIONS:** The County at its sole discretion may, at any time, to the extent permitted by Applicable Law, exclude a Proposer from further participation in any negotiation process if the County determines that such Proposer is failing to progress in the negotiations or if the terms of its Bid are less advantageous than those of other Proposers and such Proposer is deemed to be no longer susceptible of selection. The County will give written notice of its decision to the Proposer, which shall be sent in writing, signed by the County.
14. **INSURANCE AND RISK MANAGEMENT PROVISIONS:** Insurance and Risk Management Provisions and Indemnification and Hold Harmless provisions are outlined in Section 6 of this bid document. The bidder is required to sign the document and include it with its bid submission.
15. **WAGE CLAUSE:** Pursuant to Fulton County Code section 102-391, Each Contractor shall agree that in the performance of the Contract he will

comply with all lawful agreements, if any, which the Contractor had made with any association, union, or other entity, with respect to wages, salaries, and working conditions, so as not to cause inconvenience, picketing, or work stoppage.

16. BID OPENING: Bids will be opened in public and read aloud. All bidders are requested to be present at the opening.

17. DETERMINATION OF SUCCESSFUL BIDDER: Fulton County desires to complete this work in a timely manner. The Contract will be awarded to the lowest responsive, responsible bidder(s), if awarded.

1) **Responsibility:** The determination of the bidder's responsibility will be made by the County based on whether the bidder meets the following minimum requirements:

- a) The County reserves the right to reject any bid if the evidence submitted by, or investigation of, the bidder fails to satisfy the County that he/she is properly qualified to carry out the obligations of the Contract.
- b) Maintains a permanent place of business individually or in conjunction with the prime contractor.
- c) Has the appropriate and adequate technical experience. Designated Project Manager must be proficient in all aspects of contracted work.
- d) Has adequate personnel and equipment to do the work expeditiously.
- e) Has suitable financial means to meet obligations incidental to the work.

2) **Responsiveness:** The determination of responsiveness will be made by the County based on a consideration of whether the bidder has submitted a complete Bid form without irregularities, excisions, special conditions, or alternative bids for any item unless specifically requested in the Bid form.

18. NOTICE OF AWARD OF CONTRACT: As soon as possible, and within sixty (60) days after receipt of bids, the County shall notify the successful Bidder of the Award of Contract.

The award shall be made by the Board of Commissioners of Fulton County to the lowest responsive, responsible bidder(s) as soon as possible after receipt of bids, taking into consideration price and the responsiveness to the requirements set forth in the Invitation for Bid. In such case, no claim shall be made by the selected Contractor(s) for loss of profit if the contract is not awarded or awarded for less work than is indicated and for less than the amount of his bid. The total of the awarded contract shall not exceed the available funds allocated for this project.

Should the County require additional time to award the contract, the time may be extended by mutual agreement between the County and the successful bidder. If an Award of Contract has not been made within sixty (60) days from the bid date or within the extension mutually agreed upon, the Bidder may withdraw the Bid without further liability on the part of either party.

Any award made by the Board of Commissioners as a result of this bid will begin from the date of the notice to proceed. The Bidder agrees hereby to commence work under this Contract, with adequate personnel and equipment, on a date to be specified in a written order of the Program Manager. The contract shall become effective on the Contract Date and shall continue in effect until the end of the term of the contract or until the project has been closed-out by the User Department unless earlier terminated pursuant to the termination provisions of the contract.

19. **BASIS OF AWARD:** The Contract, if awarded, will be awarded to the lowest responsive and responsible bidder based on the bid price provided. No bid may be withdrawn for a period of sixty (60) days after the date of bid opening except as permitted by O.C.G.A., §36-91-41 et seq., as amended.
20. **EXECUTION OF CONTRACT DOCUMENTS:** Upon notification of Award of Contract, the County shall furnish the Contractor the conformed copies of Contract Documents for execution by the Contractor and Contractor's surety. Additionally, the contractor will provide the County with their standard Master Lease Agreement for review by the County Attorney's Office.

Within fifteen (15) days after receipt the Contractor shall return all the documents properly executed by the Contractor and the Contractor's surety. Attached to each document shall be an original power-of-attorney for the person executing the bonds for the surety and certificates of insurance for the required insurance coverage.

After receipt of the documents executed by the Contractor and his surety with the power-of-attorney and certificates of insurance, the County shall complete the execution of the documents. Distribution of the completed documents will be made upon completion.

If the County fails to execute the documents within the time limit specified, the Contractor shall have the right to withdraw the Contractor's bid without penalty.

Should an extension of any of the time limits stated above be required, this shall be done only by mutual agreement between both parties.

Any agreement or contract resulting from the acceptance of a bid shall be on a County approved document form. The County reserves the right to reject any agreement that does not conform to the Invitation for Bid and any County requirements for agreements and contracts. The County reserves the right to modify the agreement resulting from this bid upon the recommendation of the County Attorney.

21. JOINT VENTURE: Any Bidder intending to respond to this solicitation as a joint venture must submit an executed joint venture agreement with its offer. The agreement must designate those persons or entities authorized to execute documents or otherwise bind the joint venture in all transactions with Fulton County, or accompanied by a document, binding upon the joint venture and its constituent members, making such designation. Offers from joint ventures that do not include these documents will be rejected as being non-responsive.

22. CONTRACTORS COMPLIANCE WITH ALL ASSURANCES AND/OR PROMISES MADE IN RESPONSE TO PROCUREMENT: Should any Bidder submit a response to the County promising to provide a certain level of service for either the scope of work, MFBE participation, or any other matter, including where such promise or assurance is greater than what is required by the procurement documents, and should this response containing the promise or assurance be accepted by the County and made a part of the Contract Documents, then this degree or level of service promised by the bidder relating to the scope of work, MFBE participation, or other matter shall be considered to be a material part of the Agreement between the bidder and the County, such that the bidder's failure to provide the agreed upon degree or level of service or participation shall be a material breach of the Agreement giving the County just cause to terminate the Agreement for cause, pursuant to the General Conditions of the Agreement.

23. MINIMUM PARTICIPATION OF REQUIREMENTS FOR PRIME CONTRACTORS

Pursuant to Fulton Code section 102-357, the prime contractor or vendor for this project or contract actually perform no less than 51% of the scope of work of the prime contract.

Construction contracts are exempt from the requirements of this section.

24. DEFINITIONS

Acquisition Period - means the period commencing upon execution of this Agreement and continuing through the completed implementation of the association projects. All Appendices received by the Lessor during the

Acquisition Period shall be governed by the terms and conditions of the Agreement.

Addendum – Revision to the ITB documents issued by the County prior to the receipt of Bids.

Agreement – refers to the executed contract between the County and Contracting Entity.

Appendix - means the Project list and payment schedule submitted by the Lessee .

County – Fulton County Government and its authorized representatives.

Contact Person – Purchasing staff designated by the Fulton County Department of Purchasing and Contract Compliance to submit any questions and suggestions to.

Energy Savings Projects – Work that is considered vital in reducing energy consumption to achieve the County’s long term energy goals.

Equipment: means the items of new or reconditioned personal property leased to Lessee for a term not exceeding the useful life of the item pursuant to this Agreement and listed in an applicable Appendix.

Financing Request Date - means the date on which an Appendix is mailed via overnight delivery to the Lessor.

Index - The most recent weekly average of the current annualized interest rate on three, five, seven or ten year maturities of Treasury Note adjusted to constant maturities as reported by the Federal Reserve (H-15) in the calendar week of the Financing Request Date. Interest will be calculated on the basis of a year with 360 days consisting of twelve 30-day months. Financing for Projects on a three-year term will use the three-year Treasury Note as the relevant index. Financing for Projects on a five-year term will use the five-year Treasury Note as the relevant index. Financing for Projects on a seven-year term will use the seven-year Treasury Note as the relevant index. Financing for Projects on a ten-year term will use the ten-year Treasury Note as the relevant index. The rate of interest to be charged for each Project, or groups of Projects, will be determined and fixed as of the Financing Request Date.

Lease Payment_ means a payment made by the County to the Lessor as specified herein.

Lessor Payment Date - means each date on which a payment is made by the Lessor .

Offeror – the entity of individual submitting a Bid in response to this ITB.

Owner – Fulton County Government

Percentage - means the percentage bid by the Lessor that is to be applied to the Index in the calculation of the Lease Payments in an Appendix.

Projects – means equipment, software, consulting services, labor and materials for the acquisition of a Criminal Justice Information System, Land Records Management System, and Energy Savings Projects

Proposer – the entity or individual submitting a Bid in response to his ITB.

Scope of Work – All the services specified, indicated, shown, or contemplated by the Contract, and furnishing by the Contractor of all materials, equipment, labor, methods, processes, construction and manufacturing materials and equipment, tools, plants, supplies, power, water, transportation and other things necessary to complete such services in accordance with the Contract.

Term of this Agreement - means the period beginning with the execution of the Agreement by both parties and ending on the date when the final Lease Payment has been paid.

FULTON COUNTY PURCHASING DEPARTMENT

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BID GENERAL REQUIREMENTS

The following information pertains to the submission of a Bid to Fulton County, and contains instructions on how Bids must be presented in order to be considered. Listed below are the requirements for all Bidders interested in doing business with Fulton County.

1. The Bid sheets included in this Invitation to Bid (“Bid”) must be fully completed and returned with the Bid unless otherwise specified in writing by the Purchasing Department. Type or neatly print the date, company name, and the full legal name and title of the person(s) signing the Bid in the place provided at the bottom of each Bid sheet. Any additional sheets submitted must contain the same signature and Bidder information.
2. All signatures must be executed by person(s) having contracting authority for the Bidder.
3. Absolutely no fax Bids or reproduction Bids will be accepted, except that photocopies may be submitted in addition to the original when multiple copies of the Bid are specifically requested in the solicitation.
4. The envelope in which the Bid response is submitted must be sealed and clearly labeled with the Bid number, project title, due date and time, and the name of the company or individual submitting the Bid. Bids must be received by the opening date and time shown on this Bid in order to be considered. The Purchasing Agent has no obligation to consider Bids which are not in properly marked envelopes. Contract Compliance submittals shall be submitted in a separate sealed envelope or package.
5. The original and the required number of copies of the Bid must be returned to:

Fulton County Purchasing Agent
Fulton County Department of Purchasing and Contract Compliance
130 Peachtree Street, S.W., Suite 1168
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Any inquiries, questions, clarifications or suggestions regarding this solicitation should be submitted in writing to the Purchasing Contact Person. Contact with any other County personnel in regard to a current solicitation is strictly prohibited in accordance with Fulton County “No Contact” policy outlined in Section 35.

6. Show information and prices in the format requested. Prices are to be quoted F.O.B. Destination, and must include all costs chargeable to the Contractor executing the Contract, including taxes. Unless otherwise provided in the Contract, Fulton County shall have no liability for any cost not included in the price. The Contractor shall provide Fulton County the benefit through a reduction in price of any decrease in the Contractor's costs by reason of any tax exemption based upon Fulton County's status as a tax-exempt entity.
7. All prices Bid must be audited by the Bidder to ensure correctness before the Bid is submitted. The Bidder is solely responsible for the accuracy of information placed on a Bid sheet, including prices. Clerical or mathematical error is insufficient to void a successful Bid but a Bidder may withdraw a sealed Bid prior to opening without a penalty.
8. All prices must be submitted in the format requested and less all trade discounts. When multiple items are being Bid, Bidder must show both the unit price and the total extended price for each item. When applicable, the Bidder must include an additional lump sum Bid for groups or items. In the event a Bidder is offering an additional discount on groups of items, Bidder must indicate the total lump sum Bid for the particular group of items before any extra discount, the amount of extra discount, and the net total for the particular group. In the event of an extension error, unit pricing shall prevail.
9. By submitting a signed Bid, Bidder agrees to accept an award made as a result of that Bid under the terms and conditions spelled out in the Bid documents. In the event of a conflict between the different Bid documents, the County's cover Contract (if used) shall have precedence, followed in order by the Invitation to Bid, Purchase Order, Bid, Contractor's Warranty Agreement, Maintenance Agreement, and/or other Contractor provided agreements.
10. A Bidder may submit only one (1) Bid response for each specific Bid solicitation unless otherwise authorized in the specifications.
11. All prices submitted by the Bidder to Fulton County must be guaranteed by the authorized person(s) against any price increase for the time period designated in the Bid specifications, and Fulton County must be given the benefit of any price decrease occurring during such designated time period.
12. All items Bid must be new. Used, rebuilt and refurbished items will not be considered unless specifically authorized by Fulton County in the written specifications.
13. All Bidders must specify in the Bid response the earliest actual delivery date for each item unless otherwise specified in writing by Fulton County. The delivery date may be a factor in deciding the Bidder's capability to perform.
14. A successful Bidder's delivery ticket(s) and invoice(s) must list each item separately and must show Fulton County's purchase order number as well as

the proper department and address to which delivery was made, as listed on the purchase order or in the Bidder's contract with Fulton County.

15. Unless clearly shown as "no substitute" or words to that effect, any items in this invitation to Bid which have been identified, described or referenced by a brand name or trade name are for reference only. Such identification is intended to be descriptive but not restrictive, and is to indicate the general quality and characteristics of products that may be offered. Each item Bid must be individually identified as to whether it is a specified item or an equivalent item by typing or printing after the item(s): The brand name; model or manufacturer's number, or identification regularly used in the trade. Deviations from the specifications must be clearly and fully listed on the Bid sheet, including photographs or cuts, specifications, and dimensions of the proposed "alternate". Fulton County is the sole judge of "exact equivalent", or "alternate". The factors to be considered are: function, design, materials, construction, workmanship, finishes, operating features, overall quality, local service facilities, warranty terms and service, and other relevant features of item(s) Bid.
16. For all Bids, Fulton County reserves the right to request representative samples. If requested, samples must be delivered at the Bidder's cost within three (3) business days. Samples are submitted at the risk of the Bidder and may be subjected to destructive tests by Fulton County. Samples must be plainly tagged with Fulton County's Bid number, item name, manufacturer, and the name of the Bidder.
17. Item(s) Bid must be complete and ready to operate. No obvious omissions of components or necessary parts shall be made even though the specifications may not detail or mention them. Unit(s) must be furnished with factory installed equipment and must be comparable with the basic form, fit, and functional requirements which are all to be included in the base price as well as any other equipment included as standard by the manufacturer or generally provided to the buying public.
18. All successful Bidders must assume full responsibility for all item(s) damaged prior to F.O.B. Destination delivery and agree to hold harmless Fulton County of all responsibility for prosecuting damage claims.
19. All successful Bidders must assume full responsibility for replacement of all defective or damaged goods within thirty (30) days of notice by Fulton County of such defect or damage.
20. All successful Bidders must assume full responsibility for providing or ensuring warranty service on any and all items including goods, materials, or equipment provided to the County with warranty coverage. If a successful Bidder is not the manufacturer, all manufacturers' warranties must be passed through to Fulton County. The Bidder and not Fulton County is responsible for contacting the manufacturer of the warranty service provided during the

warranty period and supervising the completion of the warranty service to the satisfaction of Fulton County.

21. As a successful Bidder providing any equipment which requires fitting and assembly, the Bidder shall be solely responsible for such installation being performed by a manufacturer's authorized or approved servicer or an experienced worker, utilizing workmanship of the highest caliber. The Bidder must verify all dimensions at the site, shall be responsible for their correctness, and shall be responsible for the availability of replacement parts when specified in writing by Fulton County in the specifications, purchase order, or other contract.
22. A successful Bidder is solely responsible for disposing of all wrappings, crating, and other disposable material upon deliver of item(s).
23. All Bidders are required to be authorized distributors or regularly engaged in the sale or distribution of the type of goods, materials, equipment or services for which the Bidder is submitting a Bid response in addition, all Bidders are required to provide Fulton County with three (3) written references documenting the successful completion of Bids or contracts for the types of items including goods, materials, equipment, or services for which the Bidder is submitting a Bid response. In instances where a Bidder has never supplied such goods, material, equipment, or services before, the Bidder must submit with the Bid response a statement and supporting documentation demonstrating such expertise, knowledge, or experience to establish the Bidder as a responsible Bidder, capable of meeting the Bid requirements should an award be made. No exceptions to this provision will be made unless authorized in the Bid specifications.
24. Bidders may be required to furnish evidence that they maintain permanent places of business of a type and nature compatible with their Bid, and are in all respects competent and eligible vendors to fulfill the terms of the specifications. Fulton County may make such investigations as it deems necessary to determine the ability of the Bidder to perform such work, and reserves the right to reject any Bidder if evidence fails to indicate that the Bidder is qualified to carry out the obligation of the Contract and to complete the work satisfactorily.
25. All Bidders must comply with all Fulton County Purchasing laws, policies, and procedures, non-discrimination in contracting and procurement ordinances, and relevant state and federal laws including but not limited to compliance with EEOC hiring guidelines and requirements under the Americans with Disabilities Act. Successful Bidder must obtain all permits, licenses, and inspections as required and furnish all labor, materials, insurance, equipment, tools, supervision, and incidentals necessary to accomplish the work in these specifications.
26. If a successful Bidder is unable or unwilling to enter into a Contract with Fulton County subsequent to being granted an award, or who fails to perform

in accordance with the Bid specifications the Bidder will be subject to damages and all other relief allowed by law.

27. Successful Bidders contract directly with Fulton County and are the party or parties obligated to perform. Contracts may not be assigned and any failure to perform the Contract in accordance with the specifications will constitute a breach of Contract and may result in a Bidder being found to be “non-responsive” in the future.
28. In case of default by the successful Bidder, Fulton County may procure the articles for services from another source and hold the successful Bidder responsible for any resulting excess cost.
29. The County may award any Bid in whole or in part to one or more vendors or reject all Bids and/or waive any technicalities if it is in the best interests of the County to do so. In the event that all Bids are not rejected, Bids for items including goods, materials, equipment, and services will be awarded to the lowest “responsible” Bidder(s) as determined by Fulton County. Submitting the lowest Bid, as published at the Bid opening, does not constitute an award or the mutual expectation of an award of a Contract and purchase order. For purposes of this notice and the attached Bid sheets, a purchase order is a Contract to provide items including goods, materials, equipment, and services and is intended to have the full force and effect of a Contract. A breach of the terms and conditions of a purchase order constitutes a breach of Contract.
30. Bids for projects that are solicited pursuant to the Georgia Local Government Public Works Construction Law (O.C.G.A. § 36-91-1 et seq.) may withdrawn as follows:

Competitive sealed Bids (“Bid”) may not be revoked or withdrawn until 60 days after the time set by the governmental entity for opening of Bids. At the end of this time period, the Bid will cease to be valid, unless the Bidder provides written notice to the County prior to the scheduled expiration date that the Bid will be extended for a time period specified by the County.
31. In the evaluation of the Bids, any award will be subject to the Bid being:
 - A. Compliant to the specification – meets form, fit, and function requirements stated or implied in the specification.
 - B. Lowest cost to the County over projected useful life.
 - C. Administratively Compliant – Including all required bonds, insurance, established quality of work and general reputation, financial responsibility, relevant experience, and related criteria.
32. All proposals and Bids submitted to Fulton County are subject to the Georgia “Open Records Act”, Official Code of Georgia, Annotated (O.C.G.A.) §50-18-70 et seq.

33. All proposals and Bids submitted to Fulton County involving Utility Contracting are subject to the Georgia law governing licensing of Utility Contractors, O.C.G.A. §43-14-8.2(h). The Utility Contractor License number of the person who will perform the utility work shall be written on the face of the Bid envelope.
34. The apparent silence of this specification, and any supplement thereto, as to details, of the omission from it of a detailed description concerning any point, will be regarded as meaning only the best commercial practices are to prevail. Only materials of the highest quality, correct type, size, and design are to be used. All interpretations of this specification will be made upon the basis of this statement, with Fulton County interpretation to prevail.
35. It is the policy of Fulton County that the evaluation and award process for County contracts shall be free from both actual and perceived impropriety, and that contacts between potential vendors and County officials, elected officials and staff regarding pending awards of County contracts shall be prohibited.
 - A. No person, firm, or business entity, however situated or composed, obtaining a copy of or responding to this solicitation, shall initiate or continue any verbal or written communication regarding this solicitation with any County officer, elected official, employee, or designated County representative, between the date of the issuance of this solicitation and the date of the County Manager's recommendation to the Board of Commissioners for award of the subject contract, except as may otherwise be specifically authorized and permitted by the terms and conditions of this solicitation.
 - B. All verbal and written communications initiated by such person, firm, or entity regarding this solicitation, if same are authorized and permitted by the terms and conditions of this solicitation, shall be directed to the Purchasing Agent.
 - C. Any violation of this prohibition of the initiation or continuation of verbal or written communications with County officers, elected officials, employees, or designated County representatives shall result in a written finding by the Purchasing Agent that the submitted Bid or proposal of the person, firm, or entity in violation is "non-responsive", and same shall not be considered for award.
36. Any Bidder intending to respond to this solicitation as a Joint Venture must submit an executed Joint Venture Agreement with this Bid. This agreement must designate those persons or entities authorized to execute documents or otherwise bind the Joint Venture in all transactions with Fulton County, or are accompanied by a document, binding upon the Joint Venture and its constituent members, making such designation. Bids from Joint Ventures

that do not include these documents will be rejected as being “non-responsive”.

37. Any Bidder intending to respond to this solicitation must complete all of the Procurement Affidavit Forms provided in this solicitation. Bids that do not include these completed documents will be rejected as being “non-responsive”.

Bidder's Name: _____

Item #	Required Bid Submittal Check Sheet	Check (√) (if applicable)	Check (√) (completed)
1.	One (1) Bid marked " Original ", _____() copies		
2.	Bid Form (Section 2)		
3.	Purchasing Forms Non-Collusion Affidavit of Prime Bidder/Offeror Certificate of Acceptance of Request for Bid/Proposal Requirements Certificate Regarding Debarment Corporate Certificate Disclosure Form & Questionnaire Declaration of Employee-Number Categories Georgia Security and Immigration Contractor Affidavit Georgia Security and Immigration Subcontractor Affidavit		
4.	Office of Contract Compliance Requirements Exhibit A - Promise of Non-Discrimination Exhibit B - Employment Record Exhibit C - Schedule of Intended Subcontractor Utilization Exhibit D - Letter of Intent to Perform as Subcontractor Exhibit E - Declaration Regarding Subcontractor Practices Exhibit F - Joint Venture Disclosure Affidavit Exhibit G - Prime Contractor/Subcontractor Utilization Report Equal Business Opportunity Plan (EBO Plan)		
5	Risk Management Insurance Provisions Form		
6.	Project References		
7.	Bid Price Form (Section 7)– submittal shall be in the format requested as a percentage of the applicable index plus or minus any spread.		

BID FORM

10ITB71596C-MT– Master Lease Financing

Submitted _____, 20 .

The undersigned, as Bidder, hereby declares that the only person or persons interested in the Bid as principal or principals is or are named herein and that no other person than herein mentioned has any interest in this Bid or in the Contract to be entered into; that this Bid is made without connection with any other person, company or parties making a Bid; and that it is in all respects fair and in good faith without collusion or fraud.

The Bidder further declares that he has examined the site of the work and informed himself fully in regard to all conditions pertaining to the place where the work is to be done; that he has examined the Drawings and Specifications for the work and contractual documents relative thereto, and has read all instructions to Bidders and General Conditions furnished prior to the openings of bids; that he has satisfied himself relative to the work to be performed.

The Bidder proposes and agrees, if this Bid is accepted, to contract with the Board of Commissioners of Fulton County, Atlanta, Georgia, in the form of contract specified, to furnish all necessary materials, equipment, machinery, tools, apparatus, means of transportation and labor necessary, and to complete the construction of the work in full and complete accordance with the shown, noted, and reasonably intended requirements of the Specifications and Contract Documents to the full and entire satisfaction of the Board of Commissioners of Fulton County, Atlanta, Georgia, with a definite understanding that no money will be allowed for extra work except as set forth in the attached General Conditions and Contract Documents for the following prices.

THE BID PERCENTAGE PRICE IS THE AMOUNT UPON WHICH THE BIDDER WILL BE FORMALLY EVALUATED AND WHICH WILL BE USED TO DETERMINE THE LOWEST RESPONSIBLE BIDDER.

The Bidder furthermore agrees that, in the case of a failure on his part to execute the Contract Agreement and Bonds within ten days after receipt of conformed contract documents for execution, the Bid Bond accompanying his bid and the monies payable thereon shall be paid into the funds of the Owner as liquidated damages for such failure.

The undersigned acknowledges receipt of the following addenda (list by the number and date appearing on each addendum) and thereby affirms that its Bid considers and incorporates any modifications to the originally issued Bidding Documents included therein.

ADDENDUM # _____ DATED _____

BIDDER: _____

Signed by: _____

[Type or Print Name]

Title: _____

Business Address: _____

Business Phone: _____

Bidder's Contractor License No: _____

[State/County]

License Expiration Date: _____

SECTION 3

PURCHASING FORMS & INSTRUCTIONS

This section contains the procurement forms that are required to be executed and submitted with the bid package. This section does not contain all forms required to be included with the bid package submittal.

To be deemed responsive to this Bid, Bidders must provide the information requested and complete in detail all Purchasing Forms. The appropriate individual(s) authorized to commit the Bidder to the Project must sign the Purchasing Forms. Bidders should reproduce each Purchasing Form, as required, and complete the appropriate portions of the forms provided in this section.

Non-Collusion Affidavit of Prime Bidder
Certificate of Acceptance of Request for Bid Requirements
Certification Regarding Debarment
Corporate Certificate
Disclosure Form and Questionnaire
Declaration of Employee-Number Categories
Georgia Security and Immigration Contractor Affidavit
Georgia Security and Immigration Subcontractor Affidavit

NON-COLLUSION AFFIDAVIT OF BIDDER/OFFEROR

**STATE OF GEORGIA
COUNTY OF FULTON**

I, _____ certify that pursuant to Fulton County Code Section 2-320 (11), this bid or proposal is made without prior understanding, agreement or connection with any corporation, firm or person submitting a bid for the same work, labor or service to be done or the supplies, materials or equipment to be furnished and is in all respects fair and without collusion or fraud. I understand collusive bidding is a violation of state and federal law and can result in fines, prison sentences and civil damages awards. I agree to abide by all conditions of this bid or proposal and certify that I am authorized to sign this bid or proposal for the bidder.

Affiant further states that pursuant to O.C.G.A. Section 36-91-21 (d) and (e), _____ has not, by itself or with others, directly or indirectly, prevented or attempted to prevent competition in such bidding or proposals by any means whatsoever. Affiant further states that (s)he has not prevented or endeavored to prevent anyone from making a bid or offer on the project by any means whatever, nor has Affiant caused or induced another to withdraw a bid or offer for the work.

Affiant further states that the said offer of _____ is bona fide, and that no one has gone to any supplier and attempted to get such person or company to furnish the materials to the bidder only, or if furnished to any other bidder, that the material shall be at a higher price.

(COMPANY NAME)

(PRESIDENT/VICE PRESIDENT)

Sworn to and subscribed before me this _____ day of _____, 200__.

(SECRETARY/ASSISTANT SECRETARY)

(Affix corporate seal here, if a corporation)

Notary Public: _____

County: _____

Commission Expires: _____

NOTE:

IF THE OFFEROR IS A PARTNERSHIP, ALL OF THE PARTNERS AND ANY OFFICER, AGENT, OR OTHER PERSON WHO MAY HAVE REPRESENTED OR ACTED FOR THEM IN BIDDING FOR OR PROCURING THE CONTRACT SHALL ALSO MAKE THIS OATH. IF THE OFFEROR IS A CORPORATION, ALL OFFICERS, AGENTS, OR OTHER PERSONS WHO MAY HAVE ACTED FOR OR REPRESENTED THE CORPORATION IN BIDDING FOR OR PROCURING THE CONTRACT SHALL MAKE THE OATH.

Form B

**FULTON COUNTY CERTIFICATE OF ACCEPTANCE OF BID/PROPOSAL
REQUIREMENTS**

This Is To Certify That On This Day Bidder/Proposer Acknowledges That He/She Has Read This Bid Document, Pages _____ To _____ Inclusive, Including Addendum(s) To _____, And/Or Appendices ____ To _____, In Its Entirety, And Agrees That No Pages Or Parts Of The Document Have Been Omitted, That He/She Understands, Accepts And Agrees To Fully Comply With The Requirements Therein, And That The Undersigned Is Authorized By The Bidding/Proposing Company To Submit The Bid/Proposal Herein And To Legally Obligate The Bidder/Proposer Thereto.

Company: _____

Signature: _____

Name: _____

Title: _____

Date: _____

(Corporate Seal)

CERTIFICATION REGARDING DEBARMENT

- (1) The Offeror certifies that neither it or its subcontractors is presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or otherwise excluded from doing business with any government agency. Any such exclusion may cause prohibition of your firm from participating in any procurement by the Fulton County Government.

- (1) If the Offeror is unable to certify to any of the statements in this certification, such Offeror or subcontractor shall attach an explanation to this bid or proposal.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR CERTIFICATION

By signing and submitting this certification, the Offeror is providing the certification set out below:

- (1) The certification in this clause is a material representation of fact upon which reliance will be placed. If it is later determined that the prospective vendor knowingly rendered a false certification, the Purchasing Agent may pursue all available remedies, including suspension and/or debarment, for withdrawal of award or termination of a contract.

- (2) The prospective Offeror shall provide immediate written notice to the Purchasing Agent if at anytime the Offeror learns that its certification was erroneous when submitted or has become erroneous by reason of changed circumstances.

- (3) Offeror shall be under a continuing duty to immediately inform the Purchasing Agent in writing of any changes, if as a result of such changes, the Offeror certification regarding debarment is affected.

DEBARMENT ORDINANCE

The following Section 2-322 of Fulton County Code of Laws establishes the procedure for the debarment of contractors.

(a) Authority to suspend.

After reasonable notice to the entity involved and reasonable opportunity for that entity to be heard, the Purchasing Agent, after consultation with user department, the County Manager and the County Attorney shall have the authority to suspend an entity for cause from consideration for award of county contracts. As used in this section, the term entity means any business entity, individual, firm, contractor, subcontractor or business corporation, partnership, limited liability corporation, firm, contractor, subcontractor or business structured; provided, further, that any such entity shall also be subject to suspension under this section if any of its constituents, members, subcontractors at any tier of such entity's and the entity, or any constituent or member, knew or should have known of the commission of the act. The suspension shall be for a

period not to exceed three (3) years unless cause is based on a felony conviction for an offense related or associated with fraudulent contracting or misappropriation of funds wherein the suspension shall not exceed seven (7) years.

(b) Causes for Suspension. The causes for suspension include:

- 1) Conviction for commission of a criminal offense as an incident to obtain or attempting to obtain a public or private contract or subcontract, or in performance of such contract or subcontract;
- 2) Conviction of state or federal statutes of embezzlement, theft, forgery, bribery, falsification or destruction of records, receiving stolen property or other offense indicating a lack of business integrity or business honesty which currently, seriously and directly affects responsibility as a county contractor.
- 3) Conviction of state or federal anti-trust statutes arising out of the solicitation and submission of bids and proposals;
- 4) Violation of contract provisions, as set forth below, of a character which is regarded by the Purchasing Agent to be so serious as to justify suspension action:
 - a. Failure to perform in accordance with the specifications within a time limit provided in a county contract;
 - b. A recent record of failure to perform or unsatisfactory performance in accordance with the terms of one or more contracts; provided, that failure to perform or unsatisfactory performance caused by acts beyond the control of the contractor shall not be considered to be a basis for suspension;
 - c. Material representation of the composition of the ownership or workforce or business entity certified to the county as a minority business enterprise; or
 - d. Falsification of any documents.
- 5) For violation of the ethical standards set forth in Fulton County Code Chapter 9, Code of Ethics.
- 6) Knowing misrepresentation to the county, of the use which a majority owned contractor intends to make a minority business enterprise (a business entity at least 51 percent of which is owned and controlled by minority persons, as defined in Fulton County Code Chapter 6, Article B, Minority Business Enterprise Affirmative Action Program and certified as such by the County) as a subcontractor or a joint venture partner, in performing work under contract with the County.

Failure to fully and truthfully provide the information required, may result in the disqualification of your bid/proposal from consideration or termination of the Contract, once awarded. This document must be completed and included as a part of the bid/proposal package along with other required documents.

[SIGNATURES ON NEXT PAGE]

Under penalty of perjury, I declare that I have examined this certification and all attachments hereto, if applicable, to the best of my knowledge and belief, and all statements contained hereto are true, correct, and complete.

On this _____ day of _____, 2007

(Legal Name of Offeror) (Date)

(Signature of Authorized Representative) (Date)

(Title)

CORPORATE CERTIFICATE

Corporations

I, _____, certify that I am the Secretary of the Corporation named as Contractor in the foregoing Bid; that _____, who signed said Bid on behalf of the Contractor was then _____ of said Corporation; that said Bid was duly signed for and on behalf of said Corporation by authority of its Board of Directors, and is within the scope of its corporate powers; that said Corporation is organized under the laws of the State of _____.

This _____ day of _____, 20 ____ .

(SEAL) must be affixed

Partnership or other entities:

I, _____, certify that I am authorized to sign to commit _____ named as Contractor in the foregoing Bid. That said company is formed under the laws of the State of _____.

This _____ day of _____, 20 ____ .

It is necessary to attach a letter on company letterhead and dated on or after the date of this certificate that the individual signing to commit the partnership or other entity not a

corporation to the stipulations of this bid is authorized to do so. The letter should be signed by an individual working for the company who has knowledge of this fact.

DISCLOSURE FORM AND QUESTIONNAIRE

1. Please provide the names and business addresses of each of the Offeror's firm's officers and directors.

For the purposes of this form, the term "Offeror" means an entity that responds to a solicitation for a County contract by either submitting a bid in response to a Request for Proposal or a Request for Qualification or a Bid in response to an Invitation to Bid.

Describe accurately, fully and completely, their respective relationships with said Offeror, including their ownership interests and their anticipated role in the management and operations of said Offeror.

2. Please describe the general development of said Offeror's business during the past five (5) years, or such shorter period of time that said Offeror has been in business.
3. Please state whether any employee, agent or representative of said Offeror who is or will be directly involved in the subject project has or had within the last five (5) years: (i) directly or indirectly had a business relationship with Fulton County; (ii) directly or indirectly received revenues from Fulton County; or (iii) directly or indirectly receives revenues from the result of conducting business on Fulton County property or pursuant to any contract with Fulton County. Please describe in detail any such relationship.

LITIGATION DISCLOSURE:

Failure to fully and truthfully disclose the information required, may result in the disqualification of your bid or proposal from consideration or termination of the Contract, once awarded.

1. Please state whether any of the following events have occurred in the last five (5) years with respect to said Offeror. If any answer is yes, explain fully the following:

- (a) whether a petition under the federal bankruptcy laws or state insolvency laws was filed by or against said Offeror, or a receiver fiscal agent or

similar officer was appointed by a court for the business or property of said Offeror;

- (b) whether Offeror was subject of any order, judgment, or decree not subsequently reversed, suspended or vacated by any court of competent jurisdiction, permanently enjoining said Offeror from engaging in any type of business practice, or otherwise eliminating any type of business practice; and
- (c) whether said Offeror's business was the subject of any civil or criminal proceeding in which there was a final adjudication adverse to said Offeror, which directly arose from activities conducted by the business unit or corporate division of said Offeror which submitted a bid or proposal for the subject project. If so please explain.

2. Have you or any member of your firm or team to be assigned to this engagement ever been indicted or convicted of a criminal offense within the last five (5) years?

Circle One: YES NO

3. Have you or any member of your firm or team been terminated (for cause or otherwise) from any work being performed for Fulton County or any other Federal, State or Local Government ?

Circle One: YES NO

4. Have you or any member of your firm or team been involved in any claim or litigation adverse to Fulton County or any other federal, state or local government, or private entity during the last three (3) years?

Circle One: YES NO

5. Has any offeror, member of offeror's team, or officer of any of them (with respect to any matter involving the business practices or activities of his or her employer), been notified within the five (5) years preceding the date of this offer that any of them are the target of a criminal investigation, grand jury investigation, or civil enforcement proceeding?

Circle One: YES NO

If you have answered "YES" to any of the above questions, please indicate the name(s) of the person(s), the nature, and the status and/or outcome of the information, indictment, conviction, termination, claim or litigation, the name of the court and the file

or reference number of the case, as applicable. Any such information should be provided on a separate page, attached to this form and submitted with your Bid.

NOTE: If any response to any question set forth in this questionnaire has been disclosed in any other document, a response may be made by attaching a copy of such disclosure. (For example, said Offeror's most recent filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") may be provided if they are responsive to certain items within the questionnaire.) However, for purposes of clarity, Offeror should correlate its responses with the exhibits by identifying the exhibit and its relevant text.

Disclosures must specifically address, completely respond and comply with all information requested and fully answer all questions requested by Fulton County. Such disclosure must be submitted at the time of the bid or proposal submission and included as a part of the bid/proposal submitted for this project. Disclosure is required for Offerors, joint venture partners and first-tier subcontractors.

Failure to provide required disclosure, submit officially signed and notarized documents or respond to any and all information requested/required by Fulton County can result in the bid/proposal declared as non-responsive. This document must be completed and included as a part of the bid/proposal package along with other required documents.

Under penalty of perjury, I declare that I have examined this questionnaire and all attachments hereto, if applicable, to the best of my knowledge and belief, and all statements contained hereto are true, correct, and complete.

On this _____ day of _____, 2007

(Legal Name of Proponent) (Date)

(Signature of Authorized Representative) (Date)

(Title)

Sworn to and subscribed before me,

this _____ day of _____, 2007

(Notary Public)

(Seal)

Commission Expires _____
(Date)

GEORGIA SECURITY AND IMMIGRATION COMPLIANCE ACT

- (1) Effective as of July 1, 2007, and pursuant to O.C.G.A. 13-10-91, every public employer, every contractor of a public employer, and every subcontractor of a public employer's contractor must register and participate in a federal work authorization program as follows:
 - (a) No public employer shall enter into a contract for the physical performance of services within this state unless the contractor registers and participates in a federal work authorization program to verify the work eligibility information of all new employees.
 - (b) No contractor or subcontractor who enters into a contract with a public employer shall enter into such a contract or subcontract in connection with the physical performance of services within this state unless such contractor or subcontractor registers and participates in a federal work authorization program to verify the work eligibility information of all new employees.
- (2) In accordance with O.C.G.A. 13-10, the requirements of paragraphs (a) and (b) of paragraph (1) shall apply to public employers, their contractors and subcontractors, as follows:
 - (a) On or after July 1, 2007, to public employers, contractors, or subcontractors of 500 or more employees;
 - (b) On or after July 1, 2008, to public employers, contractors or subcontractors of 100 or more employees; and
 - (c) On or after July 1, 2009, to all other employers, their contractors, or subcontractors.

See Section 3, Purchasing Forms for declarations and affidavits.

DECLARATION OF EMPLOYEE-NUMBER CATEGORIES

Please affirmatively indicate by checking the appropriate box the employee-number category applicable to your organization:

500 or more employees

100 or more employees

Fewer than 100 employees

Organization Name: _____

I certify that the above information is true and correct and that the classification noted is applicable for this project

Signed: _____

Printed: _____

Title: _____

Date: _____

STATE OF GEORGIA

COUNTY OF FULTON

FORM G: GEORGIA SECURITY AND IMMIGRATION CONTRACTOR AFFIDAVIT AND AGREEMENT

By executing this affidavit, the undersigned contractor verifies its compliance with O.C.G.A. 13-10-91, stating affirmatively that the individual, firm or corporation which is engaged in the physical performance of services under a contract with [insert name of prime contractor]

_____ on behalf of **Fulton County Government** has registered with and is participating in a federal work authorization program* [any of the electronic verification of work authorization programs operated by the United States Department of Homeland Security or any equivalent federal work authorization program operated by the United States Department of Homeland Security to verify information of newly hired employees, pursuant to the Immigration Reform and Control Act of 1986 (IRA), [P.L. 99-6031], in accordance with the applicability provisions and deadlines established in O.C.G.A. 13-10-91.

The undersigned further agrees that, should it employ or contract with any subcontractor(s) in connection with the physical performance of services to this contract with **Fulton County Government**, contractor will secure from such subcontractor(s) similar verification of compliance with O.C.G.A 13-10-91 on the Subcontractor Affidavit provided in Rule 300-10-01-08 or a substantially similar form. Contractor further agrees to maintain records of such compliance and provide a copy of each such verification to the **Fulton County Government** at the time the subcontractor(s) is retained to perform such service.

EEV/Basic Pilot Program* User Identification Number

BY: Authorized Officer of Agent
(Insert Subcontractor Name)

Title of Authorized Officer or Agent of Subcontractor

Printed Name of Authorized Officer or Agent

Sworn to and subscribed before me this _____ day of _____, 200__.

Notary Public: _____

County: _____

Commission Expires: _____

NOTE:

*** As of the effective date of O.C.G.A. 13-10-91, the applicable federal work authorization program is the "EEV/Basic Pilot Program" operated by the U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Bureau of the U.S. Department of Homeland Security, in conjunction with the Social Security Administration (SSA)**

STATE OF GEORGIA

COUNTY OF FULTON

FORM H: GEORGIA SECURITY AND IMMIGRATION SUBCONTRACTOR AFFIDAVIT AND AGREEMENT

By executing this affidavit, the undersigned contractor verifies its compliance with O.C.G.A. 13-10-91, stating affirmatively that the individual, firm or corporation which is engaged in the physical performance of services under a contract with [insert name of prime contractor] on behalf of Fulton County Government has registered with and is participating in a federal work authorization program* [any of the electronic verification of work authorization programs operated by the United States Department of Homeland Security or any equivalent federal work authorization program operated by the United States Department of Homeland Security to verify information of newly hired employees, pursuant to the Immigration Reform and Control Act of 1986 (IRA), [P.L. 99-6031], in accordance with the applicability provisions and deadlines established in O.C.G.A. 13-10-91.

EEV/Basic Pilot Program* User Identification Number

BY: Authorized Officer of Agent
(Insert Subcontractor Name)

Title of Authorized Officer or Agent of Subcontractor

Printed Name of Authorized Officer or Agent

Sworn to and subscribed before me this _____ day of _____, 200__.

Notary Public: _____

County: _____

Commission Expires: _____

NOTE:

*** As of the effective date of O.C.G.A. 13-10-91, the applicable federal work authorization program is the "EEV/Basic Pilot Program" operated by the U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Bureau of the U.S. Department of Homeland Security, in conjunction with the Social Security Administration (SSA)**

CERTIFICATE AS TO CORPORATE PRINCIPAL

I, _____, certify that I am the Secretary of the Corporation named as principal in the within bond; that _____

_____,
Who signed the said bond of said corporation; that I know this signature, and his/her signature thereto is genuine; and that said bond was duly signed, sealed and attested for in behalf of said Corporation by authority of its governing body.

SECRETARY

(CORPORATE SEAL)

SURETY

(SEAL)

BY _____

SECTION 4

CONTRACT COMPLIANCE REQUIREMENTS

NON-DISCRIMINATION IN CONTRACTING AND PROCUREMENT

Policy Statement: It is the policy of Fulton County Government that discrimination against businesses by reason of the race, color, gender or national origin of the ownership of any such business is prohibited. Furthermore, it is the policy of the Board of Commissioners (“Board”) that Fulton County and all vendors and contractors doing business with Fulton County shall provide to all businesses the opportunity to participate in contracting and procurement paid, in whole or in part, with monetary appropriations of the Board. Similarly, it is the policy of the Board that the contracting and procurement practices of Fulton County should not implicate Fulton County as either an active or passive participant in the discriminatory practices engaged in by private contractors seeking to obtain contracts with Fulton County.

Equal Business Opportunity Plan (EBO Plan): In addition to the Bid submission requirements, each vendor **must** submit an Equal Business Opportunity Plan (EBO Plan) with their bid/proposal. The EBO Plan is designed to enhance the utilization of a particular racial, gender or ethnic group by a bidder/proposer, contractor, or vendor or by Fulton County. The respondent **must** outline a plan of action to encourage and achieve diversity and equality in the available procurement and contracting opportunities with *this solicitation*.

The EBO Plan **must** identify and include:

1. Potential opportunities within the scope of work of *this solicitation* that will allow for participation of racial, gender or ethnic groups.
2. Efforts that will be made by the bidder/proposer to encourage and solicit minority and female business utilization in this solicitation.

Fulton County encourages joint ventures, teaming, partnering and mentor-protégé relationships with minority and female businesses in an effort to achieve contracting and procurement diversity.

Prompt Payment: The prime contractor **must** certify in writing and **must** document on the Exhibit G Form (Prime Contractor/Subcontractor Utilization Report) that all subcontractors, sub-consultants and suppliers have been promptly paid for work and materials, (less any retainage by the prime contractor prior to receipt of any further progress payments). In the event the prime contractor is unable to pay subcontractors, sub-consultants or suppliers until it has received a progress payment from Fulton County, the prime contractor shall pay all subcontractors, sub-consultants or suppliers funds due from said progress payments within forty-eight (48) hours of receipt of payment from Fulton County. In no event shall a subcontractor, sub-consultant or supplier be paid later than fifteen (15) days as provided for by state law.

REQUIRED FORMS AND EBO PLAN:

In order to be compliant with the intent and provisions of the Fulton County Non-Discrimination in Purchasing and Contracting Ordinance (99-0960), bidders/proposers **must** submit the following completed documents. Failure to provide this information **shall** result in the bid/proposal being deemed non-responsive:

- **Exhibit A** - Promise of Non-Discrimination
- **Exhibit B** - Employment Report
- **Exhibit C** - Schedule of Intended Subcontractor Utilization
- **Exhibit D** - Letter of Intent to Perform As a Subcontractor or Provide Materials or Services
- **Exhibit E** - Declaration Regarding Subcontractor Practices
- **Exhibit F** - Joint Venture Disclosure Affidavit
- **Equal Business Opportunity Plan (EBO Plan)** – This document is not a form. It is a statement created by the bidder/proposer on its company letter head addressing the EBO Plan requirements.

All Contract Compliance documents (Exhibits A – F and EBO Plan) are to be placed in a **separate sealed envelope** clearly marked “Contract Compliance”. The EBO Plan must be submitted on company letterhead. These documents are considered part of and should be submitted with the Bid.

The following document **must** be completed as instructed if awarded the bid:

- **Exhibit G** - Prime Contractor’s Subcontractor Utilization Report

EXHIBIT A – PROMISE OF NON-DISCRIMINATION

“Know all persons by these presents, that I/WE (_____)
Name _____

_____ Title _____ Firm Name _____

Hereinafter “Company”), in consideration of the privilege to bid on or obtain contracts funded, in whole or in part, by Fulton County, hereby consent, covenant and agree as follows:

- 1) No person shall be excluded from participation in, denied the benefit of, or otherwise discriminated against on the basis of race, color, national origin or gender in connection with any bid submitted to Fulton County for the performance of any resulting there from,
- 2) That it is and shall be the policy of this Company to provide equal opportunity to all businesses seeking to contract or otherwise interested in contracting with this Company without regard to the race, color, gender or national origin of the ownership of this business,
- 3) That the promises of non-discrimination as made and set forth herein shall be continuing in nature and shall remain in full force and effect without interruption,
- 4) That the promise of non-discrimination as made and set forth herein shall be made a part of, and incorporated by reference into, any contract or portion thereof which this Company may hereafter obtain,
- 5) That the failure of this Company to satisfactorily discharge any of the promises of non-discrimination as made and set forth herein shall constitute a material breach of contract entitling the Board to declare the contract in default and to exercise any and all applicable rights and remedies, including but not limited to cancellation of the contract, termination of the contract, suspension and debarment from future contracting opportunities, and withholding and/or forfeiture of compensation due and owing on a contract; and
- 6) That the bidder shall provide such information as may be required by the Director of Contract Compliance pursuant to Section 4.4 of the Fulton County Non-Discrimination in Purchasing and Contracting Ordinance.

SIGNATURE: _____

ADDRESS: _____

TELEPHONE NUMBER: _____

EXHIBIT B – EMPLOYMENT REPORT

The demographic employment make-up for the bidder **must** be identified and submitted with this bid/proposal. In addition, if subcontractors will be utilized by the bidder/proposer to complete this project, then the demographic employment make-up of the subcontractor(s) must be identified and submitted with this bid.

EMPLOYEES

CATEGORY	NATIVE INDIAN		AFRICAN AMERICAN		ASIAN AMERICAN		HISPANIC AMERICAN		CACUSIAN AMERICAN		OTHER	
	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F
Mgmt/Official												
Professional (Arch., P.E., etc.)												
Supervisors												
Office/ Clerical												
Craftsmen												
Laborers												
Others (Specify)												
TOTALS												

FIRM'S NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

TELEPHONE NUMBER: _____

This completed form is for (Check one) _____ Bidder/Proposer
 _____ Subcontractor

Submitted by: _____

Date Completed: _____

EXHIBIT C – SCHEDULE OF INTENDED SUBCONTRACTOR UTILIZATION

If the bidder/proposer intends to subcontract any portion of this scope of work/service(s), this form **must be** completed and **submitted with the bid/proposal**. All prime bidders/proposers **must** include Letter(s) of Intent (Exhibit D) in the bid document for all subcontractors who will be utilized under the scope of work/services.

Prime Bidder/Proposer: _____

ITB/RFP NUMBER: _____

Project Name or Description of Work/Service(s): _____

1. My firm, as Prime Bidder/Proposer on this scope of work/service(s) is _____ is not a minority or female owned and controlled business. (Please indicate below the portion of work, including, percentage of bid amount that your firm will carry out directly):

If the Prime Bidder/Proposer is a Joint Venture, please complete Exhibit F: Joint Venture Disclosure Affidavit and attach a copy of the executed Joint Venture Agreement.

2. Sub-Contractors (Including suppliers) to be utilized in the performance of this scope of work/service(s), if awarded, are:

SUBCONTRACTOR NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

PHONE: _____

CONTACT PERSON: _____

ETHNIC GROUP*: _____ COUNTY CERTIFIED** _____

WORK TO BE PERFORMED: _____

DOLLAR VALUE OF WORK: \$ _____ PERCENTAGE VALUE: ____
%

***Ethnic Groups: African American (AABE); Asian American (ABE); Hispanic American (HBE); Native American (NABE); White Female American (WFBE); **If yes, attach copy of recent certification letter.**

SUBCONTRATOR NAME: _____
ADDRESS: _____

PHONE: _____
CONTACT PERSON: _____
ETHNIC GROUP*: _____ COUNTY CERTIFIED** _____
WORK TO BE PERFORMED: _____

DOLLAR VALUE OF WORK: \$ _____ PERCENTAGE VALUE: ____
%

SUBCONTRATOR NAME: _____
ADDRESS: _____

PHONE: _____
CONTACT PERSON: _____
ETHNIC GROUP*: _____ COUNTY CERTIFIED** _____
WORK TO BE PERFORMED: _____

DOLLAR VALUE OF WORK: \$ _____ PERCENTAGE VALUE: ____
%

SUBCONTRATOR NAME: _____
ADDRESS: _____

PHONE: _____
CONTACT PERSON: _____
ETHNIC GROUP*: _____ COUNTY CERTIFIED** _____
WORK TO BE PERFORMED: _____

DOLLAR VALUE OF WORK: \$ _____ PERCENTAGE VALUE: ____
%

SUBCONTRATOR NAME: _____
ADDRESS: _____

PHONE: _____
CONTACT PERSON: _____

ETHNIC GROUP*: _____ COUNTY CERTIFIED** _____
WORK TO BE PERFORMED: _____

DOLLAR VALUE OF WORK: \$ _____ PERCENTAGE VALUE: _____
%

***Ethnic Groups: African American (AABE); Asian American (ABE); Hispanic American (HBE); Native American (NABE); White Female American (WFBE); **If yes, attach copy of recent certification letter.**

EXHIBIT C – SCHEDULE OF INTENDED SUBCONTRACTOR UTILIZATION

Total Dollar Value of Subcontractor Agreements: (\$)

Total Percentage Value: (%)

CERTIFICATION: The undersigned certifies that he/she has read, understands and agrees to be bound by the Bid provisions, including the accompanying Exhibits and other terms and conditions regarding sub-contractor utilization. The undersigned further certifies that he/she is legally authorized by the Bidder to make the statement and representation in this Exhibit and that said statements and representations are true and correct to the best of his/her knowledge and belief. The undersigned understands and agrees that if any of the statements and representations are made by the Bidder knowing them to be false, or if there is a failure of the intentions, objectives and commitments set forth herein without prior approval of the County, then in any such event the Contractor's acts or failure to act, as the case may be, shall constitute a material breach of the contract, entitling the County to terminate the Contract for default. The right to so terminate shall be in addition to, and in lieu of, any other rights and remedies the County may have for other defaults under the contract.

Signature/Title: _____

Firm or Corporate Name: _____

Address: _____

Telephone: () _____

Fax Number: () _____

Email Address: _____

EXHIBIT D

**LETTER OF INTENT TO PERFORM AS A SUBCONTRACTOR
OR
PROVIDE MATERIALS OR SERVICES**

This form **must** be completed by **ALL** known subcontractors/suppliers and submitted with the bid. The Prime Contractor **must** submit Letters of Intent for ALL known subcontractors/suppliers at time of bid submission.

To: _____
(Name of Prime Contractor Firm)

From: _____
(Name of Subcontractor Firm)

ITB/RFP Number: _____

Project Name: _____

The undersigned is prepared to perform the following described work or provide materials or services in connection with the above project (specify in detail particular work items, materials, or services to be performed or provided):

Description of Work	Project Commence Date	Project Completion Date	Estimated Dollar Amount

(Prime Bidder)

(Subcontractor)

Signature _____

Signature _____

Title _____

Title _____

Date _____

Date _____

EXHIBIT E – DECLARATION REGARDING SUBCONTRACTING PRACTICES

If the bidder/proposer **does not intend to subcontract** any portion of the scope of work services(s), this form **must be** completed and submitted with the bid.

_____ Hereby declares that it is my/our intent to

(Bidder)

Perform 100% of the work required for _____
(IFB/RFP Number)

(Description of Work)

In making this declaration, the bidder/proposer states the following:

1. That the bidder does not customarily subcontract elements of this type project, and normally performs and has the capability to perform and will perform **all elements** of the work on this project with his/her own current work forces;
2. If it should become necessary to subcontract some portion of the work at a later date, the bidder will comply with all requirements of the County’s Non-Discrimination Ordinance in providing equal opportunities to all firms to subcontract the work. The determination to subcontract some portion of the work at a later date shall be made in good faith and the County reserves the right to require additional information to substantiate a bidder’s decision to subcontract work following the award of the contract. Nothing contained in this provision shall be employed to circumvent the spirit and intent of the County’s Non-Discrimination Ordinances;
3. The bidder will provide, upon request, information sufficient for the County to verify Item Number one.

AUTHORIZED COMPANY REPRESENTATIVE

Name: _____ **Title:** _____ **Date:** _____

Signature: _____

Firm: _____

Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

Fax Number: _____

Email Address: _____

EXHIBIT F – JOINT VENTURE DISCLOSURE AFFIDAVIT

IFB No. _____

Project Name _____

This form must be completed and submitted with the bid if a Joint Venture approach is to be undertaken.

The firms listed below do hereby declare that they have entered into a joint venture agreement pursuant to the above mentioned project. The information requested below is to clearly identify and explain the extent of participation of each firm in the proposed joint venture. All items must be properly addressed before the business entity can be evaluated.

1. Firms:

1) Name of Business: _____

Street Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

County: _____

Nature of Business: _____

2) Name of Business: _____

Street Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

County: _____

Nature of Business: _____

3) Name of Business: _____

Street Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

County: _____

Nature of Business: _____

NAME OF JOINT VENTURE (If applicable): _____

OFFICE ADDRESS: _____

PRINCIPAL

OFFICE:

OFFICE PHONE:

EXHIBIT F – JOINT VENTURE DISCLOSURE AFFIDAVIT

Note: Attach additional sheets as required

1. Describe the capital contributions by each joint venturer and accounting thereof. Indicate the percentage make-up for each joint venture partner.
2. Describe the financial controls of the joint venture, e.g., will a separate cost center be established? Which venturer will be responsible for keeping the books? How will the expense therefore be reimbursed? What is the authority of each joint venture to commit or obligate the order?
3. Describe any Ownership, options for Ownership, or loans between the joint ventures. Identify terms thereof.
4. Describe the estimate contract cash flow for each joint venturer.
5. To what extent and by whom will the on-site work be supervised?
6. To what extent and by whom will the administrative office be supervised?
7. Which joint venturer will be responsible for material purchases including the estimated cost thereof? How will the purchase be financed?
8. Which joint venturer will provide equipment? What is the estimated cost thereof? How will the equipment be financed?
9. Describe the experience and business qualifications of each joint venturer.
10. Submit a copy of all joint venture agreements and evidence of authority to do business in the State of Georgia as well as locally, to include all necessary business licenses.
Percent of ownership by each joint venture in terms of profit and loss sharing: _____

11. The authority of each joint venturer to commit or obligate the other: _____

13. Number of personnel to be involved in project, their crafts and positions and whether they are employees of the small business enterprise, the majority firm or the joint venture: _____

14. Identification of control and participation in venture; list those individuals who are responsible for day-to-day management and policy decision-maker, including, but not limited to, those with prime responsibility for areas designated below; (use additional sheets if necessary)

<u>Name</u> <u>Operation</u>	<u>Race</u>	<u>Sex</u>	<u>Financial</u> <u>Decisions</u>	<u>Supervision</u> <u>Field</u>
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____

In connection with any work that these firms, as a joint venture, might be authorized to perform in connection with above captioned contract, we each do hereby authorize representatives of the Fulton County Department of Contract Compliance, Departments of Purchasing and Finance, under the direction of the County Manger's Office, to examine, from time to time, the books, records and files to the extent that such relate to this County project.

WE DO SOLEMNLY DECLARE AND AFFIRM UNDER THE PENALTIES OF PERJURY THAT THE CONTENTS OF THE FOREGOING DOCUMENT ARE TRUE AND CORRECT, AND THAT WE ARE AUTHORIZED, ON BEHALF OF THE ABOVE FIRMS, TO MAKE THIS AFFIDAVIT AND GRANT THE ABOVE PRIVILEGE.

FOR: _____
 (Company)

Date: _____

 (Signature of Affiant)

 (Printed Name)

 (Company)

Date: _____

 (Signature of Affiant)

 (Printed Name)

State of _____:

County of _____:

On this _____ day of _____, 20_____, before me, appeared _____, the undersigned known to me to be the person described in the foregoing Affidavit and acknowledge that he (she) executed the same in the capacity therein stated and for the purpose therein contained.

This report is required to be submitted by the tenth day of each month, with a copy of your payment invoice (schedule of values/payment application) to Contract Compliance. Failure to comply may result in the County commencing proceedings to impose sanctions on the successful bidder, in addition to purchasing any other available legal remedy. Sanctions may include the suspending of any payment or part thereof, termination or cancellation of the contract, and the denial to participate in any future contracts awarded by Fulton County.

REPORTING PERIOD		PROJECT NAME:	
FROM:		PROJECT NUMBER:	
TO:		PROJECT LOCATION:	

PRIME CONTRACTOR		Contract Award Date	Contract Award Amount	Change Order Amount	Contract Period
Name:					
Address:					
Telephone #:					

AMOUNT OF REQUISITION THIS PERIOD:\$ _____
 TOTAL AMOUNT REQUISITION TO DATE:\$ _____

SUBCONTRACTOR UTILIZATION (add additional rows as necessary)

Name of Sub-contractor	Description of Work	Contract Amount	Amount Paid To Date	Amount Requisition This Period	Contract Start Date
TOTALS					

Executed By: _____

(Signature) _____
 Name)

(Printed

SECTION 5

INSURANCE AND RISK MANAGEMENT PROVISIONS

This section should contain the appropriate insurance information, forms and requirements for this project.

It is Fulton County Government's practice to obtain Certificates of Insurance from our Contractors and Vendors. Insurance must be written by a licensed agent in a company licensed to write insurance in the State of Georgia. Respondents shall submit with the bid/proposal evidence of insurability satisfactory to Fulton County Government as to form and content. Either of the following forms of evidence is acceptable:

- A letter from an insurance carrier stating that upon your firm/company being the successful Bidder/Respondent that a Certificate of Insurance shall be issued in compliance with the Insurance and Risk Management Provisions outlined below.
- A Certificate of Insurance complying with the Insurance and Risk Management Provisions outlined below (Request for Bid/Proposal number and Project Description must appear on the Certificate of Insurance).

Upon award, the Contractor/Vendor must maintain at their expense, insurance with policy limits equal to or greater than the limits described below. Any and all Insurance Coverage(s) and Bonds required under the terms and conditions of the contract shall be maintained during the entire length of the contract, including any extensions or renewals thereto, and until all work has been completed to the satisfaction of Fulton County Government.

Accordingly the Respondent shall provide a certificate evidencing the following:

1. **WORKERS COMPENSATION/EMPLOYER'S LIABILITY INSURANCE – STATUTORY (In compliance with the Georgia Workers Compensation Acts and any other State or Federal Acts or Provisions in which jurisdiction may be granted)**

Employer's Liability Insurance	BY ACCIDENT - EACH ACCIDENT	\$500,000
Employer's Liability Insurance	BY DISEASE - POLICY LIMIT	\$500,000
(Aggregate)	BY DISEASE - EACH EMPLOYEE	\$500,000

2. **COMMERCIAL GENERAL LIABILITY INSURANCE (Including contractual Liability Insurance)**

Bodily Injury and Property Damage Liability	Each Occurrence -	\$1,000,000
(Other than Products/Completed Operations)	General Aggregate -	\$2,000,000

Products\Completed Operation	Aggregate Limit	-	\$1,000,000
Personal and Advertising Injury	Limits	-	\$1,000,000
Fire Damage	Limits	-	\$ 100,000

3. **BUSINESS AUTOMOBILE LIABILITY INSURANCE**

Combined Single Limits Each Occurrence - \$1,000,000
(Including operation of non-owned, owned, and hired automobiles).

4. **ELECTRONIC DATA PROCESSING LIABILITY**

(Required if computer contractor) Limits - \$1,000,000

5. **UMBRELLA LIABILITY**

(In excess of above noted coverage's) Each Occurrence - \$2,000,000

6. **PROFESSIONAL LIABILITY**

Each Occurrence - \$1,000,000
(Required if respondent providing bid/quotation for professional services).

7. **FIDELITY BOND**

(Employee Dishonesty) Each Occurrence - \$ 100,000

Owner and Contractor waive all rights against each other and any of their subcontractors, sub-subcontractors, agents and employees, each of the other, for damages caused by fire or other causes of loss to the extent covered by property insurance obtained pursuant to this Section, or other property insurance applicable to the Work, accept such rights as they have to the proceeds of such insurance.

Certificates shall state that the policy or policies shall not expire, be cancelled or altered without at least thirty (30) days prior written notice to Fulton County Government. Policies and Certificates of Insurance are to list Fulton County Government as an Additional Insured (except for Workers' Compensation) and shall conform to all terms and conditions (including coverage of the indemnification and hold harmless agreement) contained in the Insurance and Risk Management Provisions.

If Fulton County Government shall so request, the Respondent, Contractor or Vendor will furnish the County for its inspection and approval such policies of insurance with all endorsements, or confirmed specimens thereof certified by the insurance company to be true and correct copies.

Such certificates and notices shall be sent to:

Fulton County Government – Department of Purchasing and Contract Compliance
130 Peachtree Street, S.W.
Suite 1168
Atlanta, Georgia 30303-3459

It is understood that Insurance in no way limits the Liability of the Contractor/Vendor.

USE OF PREMISES

Contractor shall confine its apparatus, the storage of materials and the operations of its workers to limits/requirements indicated by law, ordinance, permits and any restrictions of Fulton County Government and shall not unreasonably encumber the premises with its materials.

PROTECTION OF PROPERTY

Contractor will adequately protect its own work from damage, will protect Fulton County Government's property from damage or loss and will take all necessary precautions during the progress of the work to protect all persons and the property of others from damage or loss.

Contractor shall take all necessary precautions for the safety of employees of the work and shall comply with all applicable provisions of the Federal, State and local safety laws and building codes to prevent accidents or injury to persons on, about, or adjacent to the premises where work is being performed.

Contractor shall erect and properly maintain at all times as required by the conditions and progress of the work, all necessary safeguards for the protection of its employees, Fulton County Government employees and the public and shall post all applicable signage and other warning devices to protect against potential hazards for the work being performed.

INDEMNIFICATION AND HOLD HARMLESS AGREEMENT

Contractor/Vendor hereby agrees to release, indemnify, defend and hold harmless Fulton County, its Commissioners, officers, employees, subcontractors, successors, assigns and agents, from and against any and all losses (including death), claims, damages, liabilities, costs and expenses (including but not limited to all actions, proceedings, or investigations in respect thereof and any costs of judgments, settlements, court costs, attorney's fees or expenses, regardless of the outcome of any such action, proceeding, or investigation), caused by, relating to, based upon or arising out of any act or omission by Contractor/Vendor, its directors, officers, employees, subcontractors, successors, assigns or agents, or otherwise in connection (directly or indirectly) with its acceptance, or the performance, or nonperformance, of its obligations under these agreements. Such obligations shall not be construed to negate, abridge or otherwise reduce any other rights or obligations of indemnity which would otherwise exist as to any party or person as set forth in this paragraph.

Contractor/Vendor's obligation to protect, defend, indemnify and hold harmless, as set forth hereinabove, shall also include, but is not limited to, any matter arising out of any actual or alleged infringement of any patent, trademark, copyright, or service mark, or other actual or alleged unfair competition disparagement of product or service, or other tort or any type whatsoever, or any actual or alleged violation of trade regulations.

Contractor/Vendor further agrees to protect, defend, indemnify and hold harmless Fulton County, its Commissioners, officers, employees, subcontractors, successors, assigns and agents from and against any and all claims or liability for compensation under the Worker's Compensation Act, Disability Benefits Act, or any other employee benefits act arising out of injuries sustained by any employees of Contractor/Vendor. These indemnities shall not be limited by reason of the listing of any insurance coverage.

If the bid/quotation involves construction services Contractor/Vendor will be responsible fully for any and all damage to the work during the course of construction, until the point of Final acceptance by Fulton County.

FULTON COUNTY ACKNOWLEDGES THAT ALL PROVISIONS OF THIS INDEMNITY AGREEMENT MAY NOT BE APPLICABLE TO THE CONTRACTOR/VENDOR'S BUSINESS. TO THE EXTENT THAT CONTRACTOR/VENDOR MAY DEMONSTRATE SUCH NONAPPLICABILITY, FULTON COUNTY MAY NEGOTIATE AMENDMENTS TO THIS AGREEMENT AS THE CIRCUMSTANCES DICTATE.

CONTRACTOR/VENDOR ACKNOWLEDGES HAVING READ, UNDERSTANDING, AND AGREEING TO COMPLY WITH THIS INDEMNIFICATION AND HOLD HARMLESS AGREEMENT, AND THE REPRESENTATIVE OF THE CONTRACTOR/VENDOR IDENTIFIED BELOW IS AUTHORIZED TO SIGN CONTRACTS ON BEHALF OF THE RESPONDING CONTRACTOR/VENDOR.

COMPANY: _____ SIGNATURE: _____

NAME: _____ TITLE: _____

DATE: _____

SCOPE OF WORK AND TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS

OVERVIEW

The purpose of this ITB is to solicit firms having specific experience and qualifications in local government master lease financing. The County seeks to establish a master lease agreement (the "Lease Agreement") to provide funding to finance its general needs. Bids provided in response to this ITB that comply with the submittal requirements set forth in Section 3.0, including all forms and certifications outlined will be evaluated in accordance with the criteria and procedures described. The County will award the contract to the most advantageous Proposer based on the Bid Quote Proposal Form.

PURPOSE

The purpose of this Agreement is to provide for the terms of the lease of the Projects by the Lessor to the County. Payment obligations of the County with respect to Projects acquired under this Agreement begin when the County executes the Master Lease Agreement, attached hereto in Section 8.

The obligation of the Lessee to make Lease Payments under this Agreement is subject to annual appropriation by the County. **NEITHER THE COUNTY'S FULL FAITH AND CREDIT NOR ITS TAXING POWER IS PLEDGED BY VIRTUE OF THIS AGREEMENT. THIS OBLIGATION SHALL NOT CONSTITUTE DEBT OF THE COUNTY WITHIN THE MEANING OF THE CONSTITUTION AND LAWS OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA.**

The Lessor agrees to lease to the County the Projects described herein of each properly executed Appendix (Project List) for the consideration indicated in Part 2 of the Appendix (Payment Schedule) and the County agrees to lease such Projects from the Lessor. The County shall be entitled to retain possession of the Projects as long as the County is not in default under this Agreement.

No Projects shall be acquired on behalf of Lessee under this Agreement by the Lessor or will be paid for by Lessor, until the Lessor has been provided an Appendix signed by the County.

DESCRIPTION AND BACKGROUND OF THE PROJECT

Through the issuance of this Invitation to Bid (ITB), the County is soliciting quotes from qualified Proposers for the purpose of awarding a contract for a master lease agreement. Under the Lease Agreement, the County plans to acquire various information systems including, but not limited to, a Criminal Justice Information System, Land Records Management System, and Energy Savings Projects. The County expects to finance the costs of acquiring projects, including implementation costs and maintenance, totaling approximately \$11.1 million.

PLAN OF FINANCE

As described in the attached standard Master Lease Agreement, this financing will function as a master lease facility, with the County financing various equipment and Projects acquired during an Acquisition Period at different times over the term of the agreement. The County expects to finance approximately \$11.1 million in projects during the Acquisition Period. The “Project(s)” will be initially purchased by the County. Invoices and copies of cancelled checks or verification of electronic transfers will be provided to the selected firm. Once these items are provided, the firm will provide the County with an amortization schedule and will reimburse the County for the purchases. This master lease will not be structured as a “revolving” credit.

TERM OF EACH FINANCE

The term of each financing under the agreement will be based on the useful life of the equipment being financed, as generally shown below.

- | | |
|--|------------------------|
| 1) Criminal Justice Information System | 3 to 10 years |
| 2) Land Record Management System | 5 to 10 Year |
| 3) Energy Savings Projects | 5 to 10 years |
| 4) Other equipment | depends on useful life |

DEBT RATINGS

The County’s General Obligation Bond Ratings are as follows:

Moody’ Investors Service	Aa3
Standard & Poor’s	AA+
Fitch	AA

Each financing under the agreement will be unrated.

INTEREST RATE

The County desires to make lease payments based on a fixed interest rate using a percentage of an index. Each respondent is asked to provide a percentage of an index for each of the three, five, seven, and ten-year lease terms.

Respondents should provide responses that are based on both/either a percent of the (1) annualized interest rate on the appropriate 3, 5, 7, or 10-year Treasury note adjusted to constant maturities as reported by the Federal Reserve (H-15) (www.federalreserve.gov/releases/h15/update/) and/or (2) the Municipal Market Data (MMD) General Obligation Yield on uninsured triple-A bonds for the 3, 5, 7 or 10-year maturity as the index. The County will select the index it deems to be in its best interests. Interest will be paid on a semi-annual basis and calculated on a 30/360 day count basis. ITBs must remain firm for a minimum of 20 days from the date of submission. If the Offeror wishes the County to consider other financing options in addition to those outlined in the Bid Price Form, the Offeror should provide the same information required in the form for each additional financing option.

REPAYMENT STRUCTURE

Semi annual payment dates will be on January 1st and July 1st

TITLE OF EQUIPMENT

Title of equipment shall remain with the County throughout the term of the Lease Agreement, subject to the rights of the Lessor under the Lease Agreement.

OTHER TERMS AND CONDITIONS

Federal Income Tax Law

The Lease Agreement is intended to be a financing agreement within the meaning of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code") and it is the opinion of the County that a portion of each Lease Payment allocated as "interest" will be excludable from the gross income for federal income tax purposes pursuant to Section 103(a) of the Code, subject to certain exceptions, including the alternative minimum tax on corporations. The Lease Agreement will not be designated as a Qualified Tax Exempt Obligation for financial institutions.

Exclusivity

The Agreement will not, in any way, convey exclusive financing rights to the OFFEROR and will permit the County to enter into other financing arrangements, including vendor financing, in addition to the financing to be provided under the Agreement. The County will pursue such financing outside the Agreement in its discretion to the extent it can obtain more favorable terms and conditions.

Security

A security interest in the equipment will be granted, although title will remain with the County. The County's obligations under the Lease Agreement will be subject to annual appropriation by the County. Neither the County's full faith and credit nor its taxing power will be pledged to the lease agreement and this obligation will not constitute a general obligation debt of the County.

Bid Price Form

Include the percentage of each index plus or minus any spread for each of the lease terms stated below.

NO PREPAYMENT OPTION

Lease Term	Percentage of Treasury Note Index* Federal Reserve H-15	Percentage of MMD G.O. Yield Uninsured AAA Index*
3 Years (no prepayment option)	3-year _____ %	3-year _____ %
5 Years (no prepayment option)	5-year _____ %	5-year _____ %
7 Years (no prepayment option)	7-year _____ %	7-year _____ %
10 Years (no prepayment option)	10-year _____ %	10-year _____ %

WITH PREPAYMENT OPTION

Lease Term	Percentage of Treasury Note Index* Federal Reserve H-15	Percentage of MMD G.O. Yield Uninsured AAA Index*	Prepayment Penalty**
3 Years (pre-payable)	3-year _____ %	3-year _____ %	_____
5 Years (pre-payable)	5-year _____ %	5-year _____ %	_____
7 Years (pre-payable)	7-year _____ %	7-year _____ %	_____
10 Years (pre-payable)	10-year _____ %	10-year _____ %	_____

*Round no more than four (4) decimal places.

****Specify penalty amount and timeframe, e.g. prepayable at 101% on or after first interest payment date, 100.5% on or after second interest payment date, etc. Attach additional pages as needed.**

If the Offeror wishes the County to consider other financing options in addition to those outlined above, the Offeror should provide the same information required in the table above for each additional financing option.

The undersigned Offeror certifies that this ITB is firm for 20 days from the submittal deadline.

Firm: _____

Signed: _____

Title: _____ **Date:** _____



Vision
People Families Neighborhoods

Mission
To serve, protect and govern in concert with local municipalities

Values
People Customer Services
Ethics Resource Management
Innovation Equal Opportunity

“SAMPLE” CONTRACT DOCUMENTS FOR
10ITB71596C-MT
Master Lease Agreement
 For
Finance Department

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MASTER LEASE AGREEMENT

Consultant: **[Insert Consultant Name]**
Contract No.: **[Insert Project Number and Title]**
Address: **[Insert Consultant Address]**
County, State
Telephone: **[Insert Consultant telephone #]**
Facsimile: **[Insert Consultant Facsimile #]**
Contact: **[Insert Consultant Contact Name]**
[Insert Consultant Contact Title]

This Agreement made and entered into effective the _____ day of _____, 20__ by and between **FULTON COUNTY, GEORGIA**, a political subdivision of the State of Georgia, hereinafter referred to as "**County**", and **[Insert Consultant Company Name]** to provide professional consulting services in Georgia, hereinafter referred to as "**Consultant**".

WITNESSETH

WHEREAS, County through its **[Insert User Department Name]** hereinafter referred to as the "**Department**", desires to retain a qualified and experienced Consultant to perform **[Insert project description/services to be provided]**, hereinafter, referred to as the "**Project**".

WHEREAS, Consultant has represented to County that it is experienced and has qualified and local staff available to commit to the Project and County has relied upon such representations.

NOW THEREFORE, for and in consideration of the mutual covenants contained herein, and for other good and valuable consideration, County and Consultant agree as follows:

ARTICLE 1. CONTRACT DOCUMENTS

County hereby engages Consultant, and Consultant hereby agrees, to perform the services hereinafter set forth in accordance with this Agreement, consisting of the following contract documents:

- I. Form of Agreement;
- II. Addenda;
- III. Exhibit A: General Conditions;
- IV. Exhibit B: Special Conditions [where applicable];
- V. Exhibit C: Scope of Work
- VI. Exhibit D: Project Deliverables;
- VII. Exhibit E: Compensation;
- VIII. Exhibit F: Office of Contract Compliance Forms;
- IX. Exhibit G: Insurance and Risk Management Forms

The foregoing documents constitute the entire Agreement of the parties pertaining to the Project hereof and is intended as a complete and exclusive statement of promises, representations, discussions and agreements oral or otherwise that have been made in connection therewith. No modifications or

amendment to this Agreement shall be binding upon the parties unless the same is in writing, conforms to Fulton County Policy and Procedure 800-6 governing change orders, is signed by the County's and the Consultant's duly authorized representatives, and entered upon the meeting minutes of the Fulton County Board of Commissioners.

If any portion of the Contract Documents shall be in conflict with any other portion, the various documents comprising the Contract Documents shall govern in the following order of precedence: 1) the Agreement, 2) the ITB, 3) any Addenda, 4) change orders, 5) the exhibits, and 6) portions of Consultant's Bid Price Form that was accepted by the County and made a part of the Contract Documents.

The Agreement was approved by the Fulton County Board of Commissioners on **[Insert Board of Commissioners approval date and item number]**.

ARTICLE 2. **SEVERABILITY**

If any provision of this Agreement is held to be unenforceable for any reason, the unenforceability thereof shall not affect the remainder of the Agreement, which shall remain in full force and effect, and enforceable in accordance with its terms.

ARTICLE 3. **DESCRIPTION OF PROJECT:**

County and Consultant agree the Project is to perform **Master Lease Financing**. All exhibits referenced in this agreement are incorporated by reference and constitute an integral part of this Agreement as if they were contained herein.

ARTICLE 4. **SCOPE OF SERVICES**

Unless modified in writing by both parties in the manner specified in the agreement, duties of Consultant shall not be construed to exceed those services specifically set forth herein. Consultant agrees to provide all services, products, and data and to perform all tasks described in Exhibit C, Scope of Services.

ARTICLE 5. **DELIVERABLES**

Consultant shall deliver to County all reports prepared under the terms of this Agreement that are specified in Exhibit D, Project Deliverables. Consultant shall provide to County all deliverables specified in Exhibit D, Project Deliverables. Deliverables shall be furnished to County by Consultant in a media of form that is acceptable and usable by County at no additional cost at the end of the project.

ARTICLE 6. **SERVICES PROVIDED BY COUNTY**

Consultant shall gather from County all available non-privileged data and information pertinent to the performance of the services for the Project. Certain services as described in Exhibit C, Scope of Services, if required, will be performed and furnished by County in a timely manner so as not to unduly delay Consultant in the performance of said obligations. County shall have the final decision as to what data and information is pertinent.

County will appoint in writing a County authorized representative with respect to work to be performed under this Agreement until County gives written notice of the appointment of a successor. The County's authorized representative shall have complete authority to transmit instructions, receive information, and define County's policies, consistent with County rules and regulations. Consultant may rely upon written consents and approvals signed by County's authorized representative that are consistent with County rules and regulations.

ARTICLE 7. **MODIFICATIONS**

If during the course of performing the Project, County and Consultant agree that it is necessary to make changes in the Project as described herein and referenced exhibits, such changes will be incorporated by written amendments in the form of Change Orders to this Agreement. Any such Change Order and/or supplemental agreement shall not become effective or binding unless approved by the Board of Commissioners and entered on the minutes. Such modifications shall conform to the requirements of Fulton County Policy 800-6, which is incorporated by reference herein.

ARTICLE 8. **SCHEDULE OF WORK**

Consultant shall not proceed to furnish such services and County shall not become obligated to pay for same until a written authorization to proceed (Notice to Proceed) has been sent to Consultant from County. The Consultant shall begin work under this Agreement no later than five (5) days after the effective date of notice to proceed.

ARTICLE 9. **CONTRACT TERM**

The term of each Appendix entered into pursuant to this Agreement shall be for a period of three (3), five (5), seven (7) or ten (10) years, as determined by the County, and as shown in each applicable Appendix, beginning on the applicable Lessor Payment Date of the applicable Appendix and will be terminated, except as otherwise provided in this Agreement, on the last payment date described in Part 2 of the applicable Appendix.

The term of the Acquisition Period may be extended mutual agreement of the County and the Lessor, and will be accomplished by a document extending the Acquisition Period, duly executed by the County and Lessor.

ARTICLE 10. **COMPENSATION**

Compensation for work performed by Consultant on Project shall be in accordance with the payment provisions and compensation schedule, attached as Exhibit E, Compensation.

ARTICLE 11. **PERSONNEL AND EQUIPMENT**

Consultant shall designate in writing a person(s) to serve as its authorized representative(s) who shall have sole authority to represent Consultant on all manners pertaining to this contract.

Consultant represents that it has secured or will secure, at its' own expense, all equipment and personnel necessary to complete this Agreement, none of whom shall be employees of or have any contractual relationship with County. All of the services required hereunder will be performed by Consultant under his supervision and all personnel engaged in the work shall be fully qualified and shall be authorized or permitted under law to perform such services.

Written notification shall be immediately provided to County upon change or severance of any of the authorized representative(s), listed key personnel or subcontractor performing services on this Project by Consultant. No changes or substitutions shall be permitted in Consultant's key personnel or subcontractor as set forth herein without the prior written approval of the County. Requests for changes in key personnel or subcontractors will not be unreasonably withheld by County.

ARTICLE 12. **SUSPENSION OF WORK**

Suspension Notice: The County may by written notice to the Consultant, suspend at any time the performance of all or any portion of the services to be performed under this Agreement. Upon receipt of a suspension notice, the Consultant must, unless the notice requires otherwise:

- 1) Immediately discontinue suspended services on the date and to the extent specified in the notice;
- 2) Place no further orders or subcontracts for material, services or facilities with respect to suspended services, other than to the extent required in the notice; and
- 3) Take any other reasonable steps to minimize costs associated with the suspension.

Notice to Resume: Upon receipt of notice to resume suspended services, the Consultant will immediately resume performance under this Agreement as required in the notice.

ARTICLE 13. **DISPUTES**

Except as otherwise provided in this Agreement, any dispute concerning a question of fact arising under this contract which is not disposed of by agreement shall be decided by the Fulton County Board of Tax Assessors designated representative. The representative shall reduce the decision to writing and mail or otherwise furnish a copy thereof to the Consultant. The Consultant shall have 30 days from date the decision is sent to appeal the decision to the County Manager or his designee by mailing or otherwise furnishing to the County Manager or designee, copy of the written appeal. The decision of the County Manager or his designee for the determination of such appeal shall be final and conclusive. This condition shall not be pleaded in any suit involving a question of fact arising under this Agreement, unless the same is fraudulent, or capricious, or arbitrary, or so grossly erroneous as necessarily to imply bad faith, or is not supported by substantial evidence. In connection with any appeal proceeding under this clause, Consultant shall be afforded an opportunity to be heard and to offer evidence in support of an appeal. Pending any final decision of a dispute hereunder, Consultant shall proceed diligently with performance of the Agreement and in accordance with the decision of the Tax Assessors designated representative.

ARTICLE 14. **TERMINATION OF AGREEMENT FOR CAUSE**

- (1) Either County or Consultant may terminate work under this Agreement in the event the other party fails to perform in accordance with the provisions of the Agreement. Any party seeking to terminate this Agreement is required to give thirty (30) days prior written notice to the other party.
- (2) Notice of termination shall be delivered by certified mail with receipt for delivery returned to the sender.
- (3) **TIME IS OF THE ESSENCE** and if the Consultant refuses or fails to perform the work as specified in Exhibit C, Scope of Services and maintain the scheduled level of effort as proposed, or any separable part thereof, with such diligence as will insure completion of the work within the specified time period, or any extension or tolling there of, or fails to complete said work within such time. The County may exercise any remedy available under law or this Agreement. Failure to maintain the scheduled level of effort as proposed or deviation from the aforesaid Bid without prior approval of County shall constitute cause for termination
- (4) The County may, by written notice to Consultant, terminate Consultant's right to proceed with the Project or such part of the Project as to which there has been delay. In such event, the County may take over the work and perform the same to completion, by contract or otherwise, and Consultant shall be required to provide all copies of finished or unfinished documents prepared by Consultant under this Agreement to the County as stated in Exhibit D, "Project Deliverables".
- (5) Consultant shall be entitled to receive compensation for any satisfactory work completed on such documents as reasonably determined by the County.
- (6) Whether or not the Consultant's right to proceed with the work has been terminated, the Consultant shall be liable for any damage to the County resulting from the Consultant's refusal or

failure to complete the work within the specified time period, and said damages shall include, but not be limited to, any additional costs associated with the County obtaining the services of another Consultant to complete the project.

ARTICLE 15. **TERMINATION FOR CONVENIENCE OF COUNTY**

Notwithstanding any other provisions, the County may terminate this Agreement for its convenience at any time by a written notice to Consultant. If the Agreement is terminated for convenience by the County, as provided in this article, Consultant will be paid compensation for those services actually performed. Partially completed tasks will be compensated for based on a signed statement of completion to be submitted by Consultant which shall itemize each task element and briefly state what work has been completed and what work remains to be done.

ARTICLE 16. **WAIVER OF BREACH**

The waiver by either party of a breach or violation of any provision of this Agreement, shall not operate or be construed to be, a waiver of any subsequent breach or violation of the same or other provision thereof.

ARTICLE 17. **INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR**

Consultant shall perform the services under this Agreement as an independent contractor and nothing contained herein shall be construed to be inconsistent with such relationship or status. Nothing in this Agreement shall be interpreted or construed to constitute Consultant or any of its agents or employees to be the agent, employee or representative of County.

ARTICLE 18. **PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITY**

Consultant represents that it has, or will secure at its own expenses, all personnel appropriate to perform all work to be completed under this Agreement;

All the services required hereunder will be performed by Consultant or under the direct supervision of Consultant. All personnel engaged in the Project by Consultant shall be fully qualified and shall be authorized or permitted under applicable State and local law to perform such services.

None of the work or services covered by this Agreement shall be transferred, assigned, or subcontracted by Consultant without the prior written consent of the County.

ARTICLE 19. **COOPERATION WITH OTHER CONSULTANTS**

Consultant will undertake the Project in cooperation with and in coordination with other studies, projects or related work performed for, with or by County's employees, appointed committee(s) or other Consultants. Consultant shall fully cooperate with such other related Consultants and County employees or appointed committees. Consultant shall provide within his schedule of work, time and effort to coordinate with other Consultants under contract with County. Consultant shall not commit or permit any act, which will interfere with the performance of work by any other consultant or by County employees. Consultant shall not be liable or responsible for the delays of third parties not under its control nor affiliated with the Consultant in any manner.

ARTICLE 20. **ACCURACY OF WORK**

Consultant shall be responsible for the accuracy of his work and shall promptly correct its errors and omissions without additional compensation. Acceptance of the work by the County will not relieve Consultant of the responsibility of subsequent corrections of any errors and the clarification of any ambiguities. Consultant shall prepare any plans, report, fieldwork, or data required by County to correct its errors or omissions. The above consultation, clarification or correction shall be made without added compensation to Consultant. Consultant shall give immediate attention to these changes so there will be a minimum of delay to others.

ARTICLE 21. REVIEW OF WORK

Authorized representatives of County may at all reasonable times review and inspect Project activities and data collected under this Agreement and amendments thereto. All reports, drawings, studies, specifications, estimates, maps and computations prepared by or for Consultant, shall be available to authorized representatives of County for inspection and review at all reasonable times in the main office of County. Acceptance shall not relieve Consultant of its professional obligation to correct, at its expense, any of its errors in work. County may request at any time and Consultant shall produce progress prints or copies of any work as performed under this Agreement. Refusal by Consultant to submit progress reports and/or plans shall be cause for County, without any liability thereof, to withhold payment to consultant until Consultant complies with County's request in this regard. County's review recommendations shall be incorporated into the plans by Consultant.

ARTICLE 22. INDEMNIFICATION

The Consultant shall indemnify, defend and hold harmless the County, its officers, agents, employees and successors and assigns from and against any and all liability, loss, damages, claims, suits, liens, and judgments including attorneys fees, of whatever nature, including claims for contributions and/or indemnification, for injuries to or death or any person or persons, or damage to property or other rights of any person or persons caused by (1) any failure by the Consultant to perform its obligations under this Agreement; (2) the negligent, intentional or willful misconduct of the Consultant or any of its officers, directors, employees, representatives, agents or Subcontractors in connection with this Agreement; (3) Consultant's fault; or (4) the performance of the Consultant's obligations under this Agreement. The Consultant shall also indemnify the County to the extent provided elsewhere in this Agreement. To the extent there is a determination that Consultant has acted as an agent of the County, the Consultant is specifically excluded from the term "agent" mentioned in the previous sentence, such that Consultant will be required to comply with the requirements of this Article. Consultant's obligation to protect, defend, indemnify, and hold harmless, as set forth hereinabove, shall also included but not limited to any matter arising out of any actual or alleged infringement of any patent, trademark, copyright, or service mark, or any actual or alleged unfair competition disparagement of produce or service, or other business tort of any type whatsoever, or any actual or alleged violation of trade regulations. Consultant shall not indemnify or hold harmless the County for the sole acts or omissions of employees or officers of the County. Consultant further agrees to protect, defend, indemnify and hold harmless County, its officers, agents and employees from and against any and all claims or liability for compensation under the Worker's Compensation Act arising out of injuries sustained by any employees of Consultant. These Consultant indemnities shall not be limited by reason of the listing of any insurance coverage.

These indemnity provisions are for the protection of the County indemnities only and shall not establish, of themselves, any liability to third parties. The provisions of this article shall survive termination of this Agreement.

ARTICLE 23. CONFIDENTIALITY

Consultant agrees that its conclusions and any reports are for the confidential information of County and that it will not disclose its conclusions in whole or in part to any persons whatsoever, other than to submit its written documentation to County, and will only discuss the same with it or its authorized representatives, except as required under this Agreement to provide information to the public. Upon completion of this Agreement term, all documents, reports, maps, data and studies prepared by Consultant pursuant thereto and any equipment paid for by County as a result of this Agreement, shall become the property of County and be delivered to the Chief Appraiser, County Board of Tax Assessors.

Articles, papers, bulletins, reports, or other materials reporting the plans, progress, analyses, or results and findings of the work conducted under this Agreement shall not be presented publicly or published without prior approval in writing of County.

It is further agreed that if any information concerning the Project, its conduct results, or data gathered or processed should be released by Consultant without prior approval from County, the release of the same shall constitute grounds for termination of this Agreement without indemnity to Consultant, but should any such information be released by County or by Consultant with such prior written approval, the same shall be regarded as Public information and no longer subject to the restrictions of this Agreement.

ARTICLE 24. **OWNERSHIP OF INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY AND INFORMATION**

Consultant agrees that Fulton County is the sole owner of all information, data, and materials that are developed or prepared subject to this Agreement. Consultant or any subcontractor is not allowed to use or sell any information subject to this contract for educational, publication, profit, research or any other purpose without the written and authorized consent of the **[Insert User Department Representative for project]**. All electronic files used in connection to this Agreement, which are by definition, any custom software files used in connection to this Agreement, (collectively, the "Software"), shall be turned over to the County for its use after termination hereof and Consultant shall have no interest of any kind in such electronic files. Any required licenses and fees for the Software or other required materials shall be purchased and/or paid for by Consultant and registered in the name of the **[Insert User Department Representative for project]**, if possible. The Software as defined hereunder, specifically excludes all software, documentation, information, and materials in which Consultant has pre-existing proprietary rights and/or has otherwise been licensed to Consultant prior to this Agreement, and any upgrades, updates, modifications or enhancements thereto. Consultant agrees to provide at no cost to County any upgrades to any software used in connection with this Agreement which may be subsequently developed or upgraded for a period of three (3) years from the date of completion of the work under the Agreement, except in the case of commercial Software licensed to the County or **[Insert User Department Representative for project]**. Any information developed for use in connection with this Agreement may be released as public domain information by the County at its sole discretion.

ARTICLE 25. **COVENANT AGAINST CONTINGENT FEES**

Consultant warrants that no person or selling agency has been employed or retained to solicit or secure this Agreement upon an agreement or understanding for a commission, percentage, brokerage or contingent fee, excepting bona fide employees maintained by Consultant for the purpose of securing business and that Consultant has not received any non-County fee related to this Agreement without the prior written consent of County. For breach or violation of this warranty, County shall have the right to annul this Agreement without liability or at its discretion to deduct from the Contract Price or consideration the full amount of such commission, percentage, brokerage or contingent fee.

ARTICLE 26. **INSURANCE**

Consultant agrees to obtain and maintain during the entire term of this Agreement, all of the insurance required as specified in the Agreement documents, Exhibit G, Insurance and Risk Management Forms, with the County as an additional insured and shall furnish the County a Certificate of Insurance showing the required coverage. The cancellation of any policy of insurance required by this Agreement shall meet the requirements of notice under the laws of the State of Georgia as presently set forth in the Georgia Code.

ARTICLE 27. **PROHIBITED INTEREST**

Section 27.01 **Conflict of interest:**

Consultant agrees that it presently has no interest and shall acquire no interest direct or indirect that would conflict in any manner or degree with the performance of its service hereunder. Consultant further agrees that, in the performance of the Agreement, no person having any such interest shall be employed.

Section 27.02 **Interest of Public Officials:**

No member, officer or employee of County during his tenure shall have any interest, direct or indirect, in this Agreement or the proceeds thereof.

ARTICLE 28. **SUBCONTRACTING**

Consultant shall not subcontract any part of the work covered by this Agreement or permit subcontracted work to be further subcontracted without prior written approval of County.

ARTICLE 29. **ASSIGNABILITY**

Consultant shall not assign or subcontract this Agreement or any portion thereof without the prior expressed written consent of County. Any attempted assignment or subcontracting by Consultant without the prior expressed written consent of County shall at County's sole option terminate this Agreement without any notice to Consultant of such termination. Consultant binds itself, its successors, assigns, and legal representatives of such other party in respect to all covenants, agreements and obligations contained herein.

ARTICLE 30. **ANTI-KICKBACK CLAUSE**

Salaries of engineers, surveyors, draftsmen, clerical and technicians performing work under this Agreement shall be paid unconditionally and not less often than once a month without deduction or rebate on any account except only such payroll deductions as are mandatory by law. Consultant hereby promises to comply with all applicable "Anti-Kickback" Laws, and shall insert appropriate provisions in all subcontracts covering work under this Agreement.

ARTICLE 31. **AUDITS AND INSPECTORS**

At any time during normal business hours and as often as County may deem necessary, Consultant shall make available to County and/or representatives of the County for examination all of its records with respect to all matters covered by this Agreement.

It shall also permit County and/or representative of the County to audit, examine and make copies, excerpts or transcripts from such records of personnel, conditions of employment and other data relating to all matters covered by this Agreement. Consultant's records of personnel, conditions of employment, and financial statements (hereinafter "Information") constitute trade secrets and are considered confidential and proprietary by Consultant. To the extent County audits or examines such Information related to this Agreement, County shall not disclose or otherwise make available to third parties any such Information without Consultant's prior written consent unless required to do so by a court order. Nothing in this Agreement shall be construed as granting County any right to make copies, excerpts or transcripts of such information outside the area covered by this Agreement without the prior written consent of Consultant. Consultant shall maintain all books, documents, papers, accounting records and other evidence pertaining to costs incurred on the Project and used in support of its Bid and shall make such material available at all reasonable times during the period of the Agreement and for three years from the date of final payment under the Agreement, for inspection by County or any reviewing agencies and copies thereof shall be furnished upon request and at no additional cost to County. Consultant agrees that the provisions of this Article shall be included in any Agreements it may make with any subcontractor, assignee or transferee.

ARTICLE 32. **ACCOUNTING SYSTEM**

Consultant shall have an accounting system, which is established, and maintaining in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. Consultant must account for cost in a manner consistent with generally accepted accounting procedures, as approved by Fulton County.

ARTICLE 33. VERBAL AGREEMENT

No verbal agreement or conversation with any officer, agent or employee of County either before, during or after the execution of this Agreement, shall affect or modify any of the terms of obligations herein contained, nor shall such verbal agreement or conversation entitle Consultant to any additional payment whatsoever under the terms of this Agreement. All changes to this shall be in writing and the form of a change order in supplemental agreement, approved by the County, and entered on the Minutes of the Board of Commissioners.

ARTICLE 34. NOTICES

All notices shall be in writing and delivered in person or transmitted by certified mail, postage prepaid.

Notice to County, shall be addressed as follows:

[Insert User Department Representative Position for project]

[Insert User Department Address]

Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Telephone:

Facsimile:

Attention: **[Insert User Department Representative for project]**

With a copy to:

Fulton County Department of Purchasing

Purchasing Director

130 Peachtree Street, Suite 1168

Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Telephone: (404) 730-5800

Facsimile: (404) 893-6273

Attention: Jerome Noble

Notices to Consultant shall be addressed as follows:

[Insert Consultant Representative for project]

[Insert Consultant Address]

Telephone:

Facsimile:

Attention: **[Insert Consultant Representative for project]**

ARTICLE 35. JURISDICTION

This Agreement shall be administered and interpreted under the laws of the State of Georgia. Jurisdiction of litigation arising from this Agreement shall be in that state. If any part of this Agreement is found to be in conflict with applicable laws, such part shall be inoperative, null and void insofar as it is in conflict with said laws, but the remainder of this Agreement shall be in full force and effect.

Whenever reference is made in the Agreement to standards or codes in accordance with which work is to be performed, the edition or revision of the standards or codes current on the effective date of this Agreement shall apply, unless otherwise expressly stated.

ARTICLE 36. EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

During the performance of this Agreement, Consultant agrees as follows:

Section 36.01 Consultant will not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, creed, color, sex or national origin;

Section 36.02 Consultant will, in all solicitations or advertisements for employees placed by, or on behalf of, Consultant state that all qualified applicants, will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, creed, color, sex or national origin;

Section 36.03 Consultant will cause the foregoing provisions to be inserted in all subcontracts for any work covered by the Agreement so that such provision will be binding upon each subcontractor, provided that the foregoing provisions shall not apply to contracts or subcontracts for standard commercial supplies or raw materials.

ARTICLE 37. **FORCE MAJEURE**

Neither County nor Consultant shall be deemed in violation of this Agreement if either is prevented from performing its obligations hereunder for any reason beyond its control, including but not limited to acts of God, civil or military authority, act of public enemy, accidents, fires, explosions, earthquakes, floods or catastrophic failures of public transportation, provided however, that nothing herein shall relieve or be construed to relieve Consultant from performing its obligations hereunder in the event of riots, rebellions or legal strikes.

ARTICLE 38. **OPEN RECORDS ACT**

The Georgia Open Records Act, O.C.G.A. Section 50-18-70 et seq., applies to this Agreement. The Consultant acknowledges that any documents or computerized data provided to the County by the Consultant may be subject to release to the public. The Consultant also acknowledges that documents and computerized data created or held by the Consultant in relation to the Agreement may be subject to release to the public, to include documents turned over to the County. The Consultant shall cooperate with and provide assistance to the County in rapidly responding to Open Records Act requests. The Consultant shall notify the County of any Open Records Act requests no later than 24 hours following receipt of any such requests by the Consultant. The Consultant shall promptly comply with the instructions or requests of the County in relation to responding to Open Records Act requests.

ARTICLE 39. **CONSULTANT'S COMPLIANCE WITH ALL ASSURANCES OR PROMISES MADE IN RESPONSE TO PROCUREMENT**

Where the procurement documents do not place a degree or level of service relating to the scope of work, M/FBE participation, or any other matter relating to the services being procured, should any Consultant submit a response to the County promising to provide a certain level of service for the scope of work, M/FBE participation, or any other matter, including where such promises or assurances are greater than what is required by the procurement documents, and should this response containing these promises or assurances be accepted by the County and made a part of the Contract Documents, then the degree or level of service promised relating to the scope of work, M/FBE participation, or other matter shall be considered to be a material part of the Agreement between the Consultant and the County, such that the Consultant's failure to provide the agreed upon degree or level of service or participation shall be a material breach of the Agreement giving the County just cause to terminate the Agreement for cause, pursuant to ARTICLE 14 of the Agreement.

ARTICLE 40. **INVOICING AND PAYMENT**

Consultant shall submit monthly invoices for work performed during the previous calendar month, in a form acceptable to the County and accompanied by all support documentation requested by the County, for payment and for services that were completed during the preceding phase. The County shall review for approval of said invoices. The County shall have the right not to pay any invoice or part thereof if not properly supported, or if the costs requested or a part thereof, as determined by the County, are reasonably in excess of the actual stage of completion.

Time of Payment: Invoices for payment shall be submitted to County by the first (1st) calendar day of the month to facilitate processing for payment in that same month. Invoices received after the first (1st) calendar day of the month may not be paid until the last day of the following month. The County shall make payments to Consultant by U.S. mail approximately thirty (30) days after receipt of a proper invoice. Parties hereto expressly agree that the above contract term shall supersede the rates of interest, payment periods, and contract and subcontract terms provided for under the Georgia Prompt Pay Act, O.C.G.A. 13-11-1 et seq., pursuant to 13-11-7(b), and the rates of interest, payment periods, and contract and subcontract terms provided for under the Prompt Pay Act shall have no application to this Agreement; parties further agree that the County shall not be liable for any interest or penalty arising from late payments.

Submittal of Invoices: Consultant shall submit all invoices in original and one (1) copy to:

[Insert User Department Representative Position for project]

[Insert User Department Address]

Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Telephone:

Facsimile:

Attention: **[Insert User Department Representative for project]**

Consultant's cumulative invoices shall not exceed the total not-to-exceed fee established for this Agreement.

Optional: [A narrative of one (1) page only, listing the scope of services billed for shall accompany each invoice.]

County's Right to Withhold Payments: The County may withhold payments for services that involve disputed costs, involve disputed audits, or are otherwise performed in an inadequate fashion. Payments withheld by the County will be released and paid to the Consultant when the services are subsequently performed adequately and on a timely basis, the causes for disputes are reconciled or any other remedies or actions stipulated by the County are satisfied. The County shall promptly pay any undisputed items contained in such invoices.

Payment of Sub-consultants/Suppliers: The Consultant must certify in writing that all sub-consultants of the Consultant and suppliers have been promptly paid for work and materials and previous progress payments received. In the event the prime Consultant is unable to pay sub-consultants or suppliers until it has received a progress payment from Fulton County, the prime Consultant shall pay all sub-consultants or supplier funds due from said progress payments within forty-eight (48) hours of receipt of payment from Fulton County and in no event later than fifteen days as provided for by State Law.

Acceptance of Payments by Consultant; Release. The acceptance by the Consultant of any payment for services under this Agreement will, in each instance, operate as, and be a release to the County from, all claim and liability to the Consultant for work performed or furnished for or relating to the service for which payment was accepted, unless the Consultant within five (5) days of its receipt of a payment, advises the County in writing of a specific claim it contends is not released by that payment.

ARTICLE 41. **NON-APPROPRIATION**

This Agreement states the total obligation of the County to the Consultant for the calendar year of execution. Notwithstanding anything contained in this Agreement, the obligation of the County to make payments provided under this Agreement shall be subject to annual appropriations of funds thereof by the governing body of the County and such obligation shall not constitute a pledge of the full faith and credit of the County within the meaning of any constitutional debt limitation. The Director of Finance shall

deliver written notice to the Consultant in the event the County does not intend to budget funds for the succeeding Contract year.

Notwithstanding anything contained in this Agreement, if sufficient funds have not been appropriated to support continuation of this Agreement for an additional calendar year or an additional term of the Agreement, this Agreement shall terminate absolutely and without further obligation on the part of the County at the close of the calendar year of its execution and at the close of each succeeding calendar year of which it may be renewed, unless a shorter termination period is provided or the County suspends performance pending the appropriation of funds.

ARTICLE 42. WAGE CLAUSE

Consultant shall agree that in the performance of this Agreement the Consultant will comply with all lawful agreements, if any, which the Consultant had made with any association, union, or other entity, with respect to wages, salaries, and working conditions, so as not to cause inconvenience, picketing, or work stoppage.

ARTICLE 43. RESPONSIBILITIES OF LESSEE

Care and Use of Equipment: The Lessee shall use the Equipment or cause the Equipment to be used in a proper manner, in compliance with all applicable laws and regulations, and at its sole cost and expense, service, repair and maintain the Equipment so as to keep the Equipment in good condition, repair, appearance and working order for the purposes intended, ordinary wear and tear excepted, and shall replace any material part of the Equipment as may from time to time become worn out, lost, stolen, destroyed, damaged or unfit for use. Any and all additions to or replacements of the Equipment and all parts thereof shall constitute accessions to the Equipment and shall be subject to all the terms and conditions of this Agreement and included in the term "Equipment" as used in this Agreement.

Inspection: Subject to security regulations, laws, policies, and ordinances and other applicable laws, regulations, ordinances and policies, Lessee will allow Lessor, with reasonable prior notice to Lessee, to enter premises where the Equipment is located during normal business hours for the purposes of inspecting the Equipment and observing whether Lessee is in compliance with its responsibilities under this Agreement.

Taxes and Licenses: It is the Lessee's good faith belief that the items acquired by it pursuant to this Agreement should be exempt from the payment of Federal excise taxes and from all State and Local taxes imposed by the State of Texas or its political subdivisions.

Assignment or Delegation of Lessee: Lessee may not assign all or any part of its rights and obligations under this Agreement or in the Equipment to another party.

Delivery of Related Documents:

For each item of Equipment, Lessee shall execute or deliver, as appropriate, the following documents:

1. An Appendix in substantially the form attached.
2. To the extent required and as prepared by Lessor, financing statements or other documents to evidence Lessor's security interest provided that such statements shall not impose liabilities and/or responsibilities inconsistent with this Agreement.
3. A copy of IRS form 8038-G; original to Internal Revenue Service.

4. A certificate in substantially the form of Exhibit A relating to the essentiality of the Equipment.
6. County's maintenance contract of the Equipment, if applicable.

Liability and Property Insurance: During the term of this Agreement, the Lessee agrees to provide the following insurance coverages under Lessee's self insurance program or through its purchased commercial property insurance policies:

1. Insurance or self insurance in the amount of the full replacement cost of the Equipment against the risk of any direct physical loss of or damage to the Equipment.
- 2.. Comprehensive general liability insurance or self insurance against liability for death or bodily injury and for damage to property, arising out of the ownership, maintenance or use of the Equipment, which insurance coverage shall not be circumscribed by any endorsements limiting the breadth of coverage (limited only as may be provided in the standard form for such coverage at the time in use in Texas). The proceeds of such insurance coverage shall be applied to satisfaction of the liability.

Lessee shall furnish to the Lessor evidence of the above coverages prior or contemporaneous to execution of the Contract Documents.

Damage to or Destruction of Equipment: If after delivery of any Equipment to Lessee all or any material part of the Equipment is lost, stolen, destroyed or damaged beyond repair, Lessee shall as soon as practicable after such event either: (a) replace the same at Lessee's sole cost and expense with Equipment of equal or greater value to the Equipment immediately prior to the time of the loss occurrence, such replacement Equipment to be subject to Lessor's reasonable approval, whereupon such replacement Equipment shall be substituted in this Agreement and other related documents by appropriate endorsement or amendment; or (b) pay the applicable prepayment price (as set forth in Section 7.2 hereof) of the Appendix to which such Equipment belongs. Lessee shall notify Lessor of which course of action it will take within thirty (30) days after the loss occurrence. In the event Lessor shall replace or repair the Equipment, as described above, it shall be deemed that no Event of Default hereunder has occurred. Upon payment of the prepayment price as set forth in Section 7.1 hereof with respect to any Appendix, this Agreement shall terminate with respect to the relative Equipment and Lessee thereupon shall become entitled to such Equipment on an **AS IS, WHERE IS** basis and Lessor makes no warranties or representations of any type as to the Equipment, except that such Equipment shall not be subject to any lien or encumbrance created by or arising through Lessor.

Risk of Loss: Unless Section 6.9 of this Agreement is applicable, all risk of loss to the Equipment arising out of the ownership, possession or use of the Equipment shall be borne by Lessee.

Application of Funds: All funds authorized or appropriated for payments under this Agreement shall be applied by the County to such payment requirements to the extent required by this Agreement.

ARTICLE 44. EQUIPMENT

Title: Title to Equipment listed in an Appendix shall pass to the Lessee upon acceptance thereof. Title will revert to Lessor upon the occurrence of the Event of Default, and expiration of the notice and cure period, under Section 4.4, or upon non-appropriation of payments due regarding such Equipment listed in the applicable Appendix under this Agreement.

Security Interest: The Lessee grants to Lessor and Lessor retains a purchase money security interest in the Equipment. Lessee will not change or remove any insignia or lettering, which Lessor may place on the Equipment to indicate its interest therein until all Lease Payments are made. Until all Lease Payments are made or prepayment is complete, Lessee shall keep the Equipment free from any lien, encumbrance or legal process, which would conflict with this security interest.

Filing: Subject to the provisions of Section 5.5.a.ii, Lessee authorizes Lessor to make Lessor's security interest a matter of public record by filings of any standard documents necessary for that purpose. Lessee agrees to sign or execute such documents, if required, to evidence its consent to the filing. Lessee will provide sixty (60) days written notice to Lessor that Equipment is being relocated to insure that Lessor may perfect additional filings as necessary.

Personal Property: The Equipment shall remain the personal property as defined in V.T.C.A, Local Government Code, Subchapter A of Chapter 271, as amended, of the Lessee and shall not be deemed to have become real property regardless of the manner in which it is affixed to real property.

Alternations, Additions, Attachments: Lessor hereby agrees to allow the Lessee to add and attach to the Equipment such additional equipment, facilities or fixtures as the Lessee may subsequently acquire (exclusive of repair, service replacement parts, which do not constitute new equipment, but shall become part of the Equipment) notwithstanding the form of financing that the Lessee might use, which additional equipment, facilities or fixtures shall not be a part of or subject to this Agreement, unless by express written amendment.

Removal of Alterations, Additions, Attachments: In the event title to the Equipment reverts to Lessor, Lessee, at its own expense, will remove all alterations, additions and attachments and repair the Equipment as necessary so as to return the Equipment to the condition in which it was furnished, reasonable wear and tear excepted. Lessee will not be responsible for any maintenance repairs if the Equipment has been under a continuous maintenance agreement since it was put into service and accepted by the County.

Return of Equipment: In the event title to the Equipment reverts to Lessor, as specified herein, for the Equipment listed in any Appendix, Lessee shall deliver possession of the Equipment to Lessor at the premises of Lessee in the condition in which the Equipment is required to be maintained according to this Agreement.

Quiet Enjoyment: The Lessee shall be entitled to possess and use the Equipment during the term of this Agreement without interruption by the Lessor, provided that the Lessee has duly performed its obligations under this Agreement. Any Equipment acquired under terms of this Agreement may be operated at any time at the convenience of the Lessee (exclusive of time required for preventive maintenance, remedial maintenance and/or approved engineering changes). There shall be no restrictions as to consecutive hours, length of personnel shifts, etc., unless such restrictions are specifically incorporated in an Appendix. Lessee may make Equipment available to other users, provided that such use is supervised by the County, such Equipment is used by other governmental units, and Lessor has consented in writing to such use by a substitute user, such consent to not be unreasonably withheld.

Liability of Lessor: Notwithstanding Section 11.2 of this Agreement, in the event that the Lessor is required to perform work at the Lessee's location and such work is performed by Lessor, its agents, employees, contractors or assigns the Lessor shall (1) maintain such bodily injury and property damage liability insurance as necessary to protect itself from claims arising out of performance of this Agreement, and (2) indemnify and hold harmless the County, its elected and appointed officers, officials, agents, employees and designated representatives from and against any and all claims, suits, actions, liabilities, and costs of any kind, including attorney's fees for bodily injury and damage to real or personal property arising from or related to acts or omissions of the Lessor, its agents, officers, employees, contractors or assigns.

ARTICLE 45. PREPAYMENT

Prepayment: Lessee shall have the right, exercisable as of any date following the first interest payment date of an Appendix, to prepay the principal amount outstanding under such Appendix in whole or in part, plus accrued but unpaid interest to the prepayment date.

Lessee's right hereunder shall be exercised by:

1. Lessee advising Lessor, at least thirty (30) days in advance in writing, of its intention to prepay its obligations under any Appendix, the principal amount, the Equipment to which the prepayment is applicable, and the effective date of that payment (Prepayment Date); and
2. Lessee paying Lessor the outstanding principal balance as of the Prepayment Date together with accrued but unpaid interest from the most recent Payment Date to and including the Prepayment Date.

Lessee's Rights on Prepayment or Payment in Full: Upon (1) Lessee's exercise of its right of prepayment in accordance with the preceding subsection; or (2) Lessee's having satisfied all of its monetary obligations hereunder, Lessor shall deliver to Lessee, at its expense, all documents necessary to evidence the termination of Lessor's interest of any kind in the Equipment or portion of the Equipment to which the prepayment or payment applies and to confirm such Equipment is free and clear of any claim or lien arising through Lessor.

IN WITNESS THEREOF, the Parties hereto have caused this Contract to be executed by their duly authorized representatives as attested and witnessed and their corporate seals to be hereunto affixed as of the day and year date first above written.

OWNER:

FULTON COUNTY, GEORGIA

John Eaves, Commission Chair
Board of Commissioners

ATTEST:

Mark Massey
Clerk to the Commission (Seal)

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Office of the County Attorney

APPROVED AS TO CONTENT:

[Insert User Department Head]
[Name and Title]

CONSULTANT:

[Insert Consultant Company Name & Title]

ATTEST:

Secretary/
Assistant Secretary

(Affix Corporate Seal)

ADDENDA

EXHIBIT A

GENERAL CONDITIONS

EXHIBIT B

SPECIAL CONDITIONS

EXHIBIT C

SCOPE OF WORK

EXHIBIT D

PROJECT DELIVERABLES

EXHIBIT E

COMPENSATION

Amount and Times of Payment by Lessee: The total purchase price for Equipment indicated in each Appendix shall be reimbursed to the County by the Lessor and the County shall pay the Lessor the Lease Payments in the amounts and on the dates indicated in each Appendix. The interest component of the initial Lease Payment with respect to each Appendix shall include accrued interest from the date the Lessor reimburses the County for the Equipment. All interest payments including payments for partial months and accrued interest shall be calculated on the basis of a year with 360 days consisting of twelve 30-day months. A fixed rate of interest will be established by executing of an Appendix as set forth on the Appendix, Part 2. Using the terms of the Appendix, the rate will be determined by multiplying the Percentage bid times the applicable Index published in the week of the Financing Request Date for the term. The net effective interest rate may not exceed the net effective interest rate of which public securities may be issued in accordance with Chapter 1204 of the Texas Government Code. In the event the net effective interest rate does so exceed such rate, the net effective interest rate in such instance, for all purposes hereof, shall be the net effective interest rate at which public securities may be issued in accordance with Chapter 1204 of the Texas Government Code. Invoices shall be submitted by the Lessor directly to the County at the County's address shown on the Appendix not less than 15 days before the due date of each Lease Payment. All invoices shall show the Appendix number and the federal employer identification number of the Lessor. Subject to Section 4.3, all Lease Payments will be made upon County's receipt of an accurate invoice meeting the requirements of this Agreement. If paid by wire transfer, the date of the County's wire transfer shall be deemed to be the date of payment by the County to the Lessor. Subject to Section 4.3, there will be no abatement or reduction of Lease Payments by the Lessee for any reason, including but not limited to, any defense, recoupment, set off, counterclaim, or any claim arising out of or related to any defects, damages, malfunctions, breakdowns or insuitability of the Equipment.

Amount and Times of Payment by Lessor: Payment by Lessor must be made to the County by the Financing Request Date of an Appendix, as evidenced in writing and receipt of the documents described in Section 5.5(a). The amount of payment will be stated in the Appendix covering such Equipment. The date of the Lessor's wire transfer shall be deemed to be the Lessor Payment Date.

Appropriation of Payments: Notwithstanding any provision in this Agreement to the contrary, all funds for payment by the Lessee under this Agreement, including all Lease Payments, are subject to the availability of an annual appropriation for this purpose by the County Council of the Lessee. While recognizing that it is not empowered to make any binding commitment beyond the current fiscal year of the Lessee, it is the current intention of the Lessee to make sufficient annual appropriations during the Term of this Agreement to pay all Lease Payments and other amounts required to be paid by the Lessee under this Agreement. Failure to make any payments hereunder as a result of non-appropriation

shall not be deemed to be an Event of Default, but such failure shall entitle the Lessor to exercise the remedies set forth in Section 4.6.

Events of Default by Lessee: Any of the following events shall constitute an Event of Default by the Lessee under this Agreement, provided that no such default shall constitute an Event of Default unless it is not cured within thirty (30) days after the receipt by the Lessee of written notice, as provided herein, thereof from the Lessor to the Lessee:

The nonpayment of any Lease Payment required hereunder, or the default by the Lessee in the performance of any of the obligations, covenants, terms and provisions contained or referred to in this Agreement; provided, however, that failure to make any payments as a result of nonappropriation by the County Council shall not constitute an Event of Default but shall entitle the Lessor to exercise the remedies set forth in Section 4.6.

Any warranty, representation, or statement of Lessee contained in this Agreement proves to have been false in any material respect when made or furnished.

Loss, theft, substantial damage, destruction, except as provided in Section 5.7, sale or encumbrance, subject to Section 5.4 and Section 7.1, of or to any of the Equipment, or the making on any levy, seizure or attachment thereof or thereon provided that the Lessee is not taking reasonable steps to replace, repair, or remove any encumbrances from such Equipment.

Events of Default by Lessor: Any of the following events shall constitute an Event of Default by Lessor under this Agreement:

Late payment by Lessor for Equipment following timely notification and documentation from the County with respect to such Equipment as per Section 4.2.

Lessor's failure to observe any of the covenants and requirements of this Agreement.

Any warranty, representation, or statement of Lessor contained in this Agreement proves to have been false in any material respect when made or furnished.

4.1 Remedies of Lessor: Upon the occurrence of an Event of Default by the Lessee, then Lessor may, as its option, take any one or more of the following actions with respect to the Appendix wherein such Event of Default or non-appropriation has occurred:

(a) Declare the entire amount of unpaid Lease Payments due under this Appendix wherein the Event of Default or non-appropriation has occurred to be immediately due and payable, without further notice.

(b) Repossess the Equipment or sell or lease the Equipment in a commercially reasonable manner, and in accordance with Chapter 9 of the Texas Business and Commerce Code, through public or private transaction after giving Lessee reasonable prior written notice with or without having the Equipment at any such sale or leasing. Lessor may purchase all or part of the Equipment at any such sale or leasing. The proceeds of any sale or leasing will be applied to the payment of the unpaid balance of Lessee's obligations under this Agreement and Lessor shall have no further rights or recourse under this Agreement against Lessee with respect to such repossessed Equipment except to recover any amounts then appropriated and unexpended by Lessee to make Lease

Payments under this Agreement. To the extent the proceeds of any such sale or leasing exceed the amount required to pay the unpaid balance of Lessee's obligations under this Agreement, such excess shall be paid to Lessee.

Or

- (c) Terminate this Agreement as to and only as to the Appendix wherein the Event of Default or non-appropriation has occurred.

Lessor's attempt to exercise any of the remedies herein entitles Lessee to prepay all amounts due under this Agreement, without notice to Lessor, as provided in Section 7.1 and Section 7.2 herein, notwithstanding any provisions to the contrary contained herein.

4.2 Remedies of Lessee: Upon the occurrence of an Event of Default by Lessor, the Lessee may, at its option, take any one or more of the following actions:

- (a) Should Lessor not make the entire payment requested in any Appendix on or before the Financing Request Date as described in Section 4.2, Lessee may require payment of liquidated damages at the rate of one percent (1%) per day of the requested amount as designated in the related Appendix. The amount of the damages will be paid by Lessor to Lessee.
- (b) Institute any or all remedies available to Lessee as allowed by law, contract, equity or otherwise.

Terminate this Agreement as to all or any part of the Equipment, provided that the Lessee prepays its obligations in accordance with Section 7.1 with respect to any Equipment for which this Agreement

EXHIBIT F

PURCHASING FORMS

EXHIBIT G

**OFFICE OF CONTRACT COMPLIANCE
FORMS**

EXHIBIT H

INSURANCE AND RISK MANAGEMENT FORMS

1. Certificate of Insurance
2. Payment Bonds
3. Performance Bonds

SECTION 9

Exhibit A

PREPAYMENT OPTION

Notwithstanding the provisions in Article VII of this Agreement, in the event lessee exercises its prepayment option in the Agreement, such prepayment price shall be computed as follows:

EARLY TERMINATION. Lessee shall not be entitled to terminate the Lease prior to the end of its scheduled initial term except in accordance with the following: Lessee shall have the right to terminate the Lease in whole, but not in part, in advance of such scheduled term only if (i) such termination is accompanied by full payment of the unpaid outstanding balance of the amount advanced by Lessor to purchase the Equipment, all accrued but unpaid interest thereon, and unpaid fees, costs, and taxes, (ii) Lessee shall provide written notice to Lessor not less than thirty (30) days prior to the date of such termination, and (iii) Lessee shall pay to Lessor an early termination premium in accordance with the following:

Lessee agrees that if Lessee terminates the Lease in advance of its scheduled initial term, Lessee shall pay, in addition to all accrued but unpaid interest on the amount advanced by Lessor to purchase the Equipment, an early termination premium equal to the product of (x) the outstanding principal balance of the amount advanced by Lessor to purchase the Equipment times (y) the Early Termination Factor times (z) the number of months remaining from the early termination date to the scheduled date for payment of the final rental payment under the Lease (with any fraction of a month counted as a whole month), discounted to net present value at the Discount Rate on a monthly basis.

"Early Termination Factor" means A minus B divided by 12, where

A = The sum of (i) the Treasury Rate for the Determination Date plus (ii) one half of one percent ($\frac{1}{2}\%$); and

B = The Treasury Rate for the early termination date.

"H.15" means "Statistical Release H.15, Selected Interest Rates" of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, or any successor publication; "Treasury Rate" means, for any date, the Treasury constant maturity yield value displayed for the date in question in H.15 for the maturity closest in length to the term of this Lease; "Determination Date" means the date of the Lease; "Discount Rate" means the Treasury Rate for the early termination date.

Lessor shall deliver to Lessee a statement setting forth the amount and manner of determining such early termination premium, which statement shall be conclusive and binding upon Lessee for all purposes, absent

manifest error. Subject to the appropriation conditions contained within this Agreement, including without limitations, the immediately following paragraph, Lessee agrees to pay such early termination premium to Lessor within three (3) calendar days after receipt of such statement. If no Treasury Rate is displayed in H.15 for the Determination Date or the early termination date, Lessor shall use the Treasury Rate for the next preceding date for which it is displayed. If, in the case of any early termination, Lessor determines that B in the Early Termination Factor equals or exceeds A, the early termination premium will be determined but will not exceed 2% of the outstanding balance of the amount advanced by Lessor to purchase the equipment. Failure by Lessor to collect or demand such a premium at the time of early termination shall not be deemed a waiver of Lessor's right to such premium.

Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Agreement, in no event shall any prepayment be made by Lessee hereunder, unless said prepayment amount was appropriated by Lessee in the cu