FULTON COUNTY

Vision

People *Families*
Neighborhoods

Mission

To serve, protect and govern in concert with local municipalities

Values

People *Customer Services*
Ethics *Resource*
Management

REQUEST FOR INVITATION TO BID NO. 10ITB74465A-DR

Water Quality Sampling Services

For

Public Works

BID DUE DATE AND TIME: September 30, 2010 @ 11:00 A.M.
BID ISSUANCE DATE: August 24, 2010
PURCHASING CONTACT: Donald R. Riley, CPPB, APA
E-MAIL: Donald.Riley@fultoncountyga.gov

LOCATION: FULTON COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PURCHASING & CONTRACT COMPLIANCE
130 PEACHTREE STREET, S.W., SUITE 1168
ATLANTA, GA 30303

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INVITATION TO BID
10ITB74465A-DR, Water Quality Sampling Services
FULTON COUNTY GOVERNMENT

SECTION 1 - INSTRUCTIONS TO BIDDERS

Fulton County Government ("County") invites sealed bids for water quality monitoring and other services as specified in Section 7.

1. GENERAL INFORMATION

a. **Purchasing the Bid Document:** This document and supporting documents can be downloaded at the Fulton County Website http://www.co.fulton.ga.us under "Bid Opportunities".

b. **The Bid package consists of the following scope of work:** Vendors are to provide water quality monitoring and related services to the Department of Public Works. The detailed scope of work and technical specifications are outlined in Section 7 of this bid document.

c. The term "Bid Documents" denotes all contract documents, notices, instructions and letters issued by the County's Purchasing Director in connection with this procurement.

d. **Bid Contact**: Information regarding the bid, either procedural or technical, may be obtained by contacting **Donald R. Riley, CPPB, Assistant Purchasing Agent** at (404) 612-7916 or e-mail Donald.Riley@fultoncountyga.gov. Information regarding the bid requirements may be obtained by using the following procedure. Inquiries must be submitted in writing to:

Fulton County Purchasing Department
Attn: Donald R. Riley, CPPB, Assistant Purchasing Agent
130 Peachtree Street, S.W. Suite 1168
Atlanta, GA 30303
Phone: (404) 612-7916
Fax: (404) 893-1876
Reference Bid **# 10ITB74465A-DR, Water Quality Sampling Services**

2. PRE-BID CONFERENCE

A pre-bid conference will be held on **September 7, 2010 at 1:00 PM** at the **South Fulton Maintenance Operation Center, located at 7472 Cochran Road College Park, Georgia 30349**. ***Inquiries regarding the solicitation either technical or otherwise may be submitted in writing prior to the pre-bid conference and will be addressed at the pre-bid conference.*** Any additional questions asked at the pre-bid conference must be submitted in written form at the pre-bid conference and will be responded to in the form of an addendum with the County's official responses.

The Pre-bid conference will be conducted for the purpose of explaining the County's bid process, the specifications/technical documents, and to provide and initial verbal, non-binding verbal response to questions concerning these bid specifications and to discuss issues from the Bidders perspective. However, no verbal response provided at the pre-bid conference binds the County. Only those responses to written and responded to by the County in written communications will be official.

3. SUBCONTRACTING OPPORTUNITIES

Potential prime contractors submitting a bid on this project for Fulton County and are seeking subcontractors and/or suppliers can advertise those subcontracting opportunities on the County's website, http://www.fultoncountyga.gov under "Subcontracting Bid Opportunities".

4. **SITE VISIT:** There will be a site visit at the automated water quality sampling station (**Boat Rock Automated Sampling Station) which is located at 6058 Boat Rock Road, Atlanta, Georgia 30336** on **September 7, 2010 from 2:00 PM to 4:00 PM**.

5. **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 FIVE (5) 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 on 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.

b. 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
Fulton County Public Safety Building
130 Peachtree Street, S.W.
Suite 1168
Atlanta, Georgia 30303-3459

RE: 10ITB74465A-DR, Water Quality Sampling and Monitoring Services

6. **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.**

7. **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 Donald R. Riley, CPPB, Assistant Purchasing Agent **no later than 2:00 PM, on September 24, 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.

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

1. Bid Form
2. Bid Schedule *(if applicable)*
3. Bid Bond
4. Certification of Acceptance of Bid/Proposal Requirements
5. Corporate or Partnership Certificate
6. Non-Collusion Affidavit of Prime Bidder
7. Non-Collusion Affidavit of Subcontractor
8. 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 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 Purchasing Department. 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.

9. TERM OF CONTRACT

Any award made as a result of this bid will be from date of contract execution and continuing for five (5) consecutive years pending availability of departmental appropriated funding and Contractor compliance with County rules and policies.

a. Commencement Term.

The "Commencement Term" of this Agreement shall begin on the date of execution of the Agreement in the year 2010, the starting date. The Commencement Term shall be subject to events of termination and the County's termination rights that are described elsewhere in this Agreement. Notwithstanding anything contained in this Agreement, the County's obligation to make payments provided under this Agreement shall be subject to the County's annual appropriations of funds for the goods, services, materials, property and/or supplies procured under this Agreement by the County's governing body and such obligation shall not constitute a pledge of the County's full faith and credit within the meaning of any constitutional debt limitation.

b. Term Subject to Events of Termination.

All "Terms" as defined within this Section are subject to the section of this Agreement which pertain to events of termination and the County's rights upon termination.

c. Same Terms.

Unless mutually agreed upon in writing by the parties, or otherwise indicated herein, all provisions and conditions of any Term shall be exactly the same as those contained within in this Agreement.

d. Statutory Compliance Regarding Purchase Contracts.

The parties intend that this Agreement shall operate in conformity with and not in contravention of the requirements of O.C.G.A. § 36-60-15.1, as applicable, and in the event that this Agreement would conflict therewith, then this Agreement shall be interpreted and implemented in a manner consistent with such statute.

10. 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.

11. BID AND CONTRACT SECURITY: A Bid Bond for an amount equal to five percent (5%) of the bid amount must accompany each Proposal. The bid bond shall be submitted in a separate, sealed envelope marked "Bid Bond".

Bids must be accompanied by a bid bond or certified check in an amount of five percent (5%) of the TOTAL AMOUNT of the base bid. The bid bond or certified check shall apply ONLY TO THIS BID. The bid name and contract number must appear on the security instrument. The bond must remain in full force and effect until the Bidder executes the final Contract. Bids not satisfying the bonding requirements of this project will be declared non-responsive.

The Surety of the Bid Bond shall be from a surety company authorized to do business in the State of Georgia, shall be listed in the Department of Treasury Circular 570, and shall have an underwriting limitation in excess of 100% of the bid amount. The Bonds and Surety shall be subject to approval by the County Attorney.

As a condition of responsiveness the bid submission must contain a Bid Bond for an amount equal to 5% of the bid amount. Checks or letters of credit of any type will not be accepted. A certified cashier's check will be acceptable. When the bidder's package is opened, a Purchasing Agent will verify the presence of the Bid Bond and remove it from the bid package.

If the bidder withdraws its bid from the competition after the selection of its bid for a reason not authorized by Georgia law, the County will proceed on the Bid Bond, along with any other available remedies.

Any bid bond, performance bond, payment bond, or security deposit required for public works construction contract shall be approved and filed with purchasing agent. At the option of the County, if the surety named in the bond is other than a surety company authorized by law to do business in this state pursuant to a current certificate of authority to transact surety business by

the Commissioner of Insurance, such bond shall not be approved and filed unless such surety is on the United States Department of Treasury's list of approved bond sureties.

A Purchasing Agent shall approve as to form and as to the solvency of the surety any bid bond, performance bond, or payment bond required. In the case of a bid bond, such approval shall be obtained prior to acceptance of the bid or proposal. In the case of payment bonds and performance bonds, such approval shall be obtained prior to the execution of the contract.

Whenever, in the judgment of the County:
(1) Any surety on a bid, performance, or payment bond has become insolvent;
(2) Any corporation surety is not longer certified or approved by the Commissioner of Insurance to do business in the state; or
(3) For any cause there are no longer proper or sufficient sureties on any or all the bonds

The County may require the contractor to strengthen any or all of the bonds or to furnish a new or additional bond or bonds within ten (10) days. Thereupon, if so ordered by the County, all work on the contract shall cease unless such new or additional bond or bonds are furnished. If such bond or bonds are not furnished within such time, the County may terminate the contract and complete the same as the agent of and at the expense of the contractor and his or her sureties.

Attorneys-in-fact for bidders who sign bid bonds or contract bonds must file with each bond a certified and effectively dated copy of their power of attorney.

12. **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.

13. **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.

14. **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.

15. **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.

16. **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.

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

18. **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.

19. **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.

20. **BASIS OF AWARD:** The Contract, if awarded, will be awarded on a lump sum basis to the lowest responsive and responsible bidder. 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. Each Bid must be accompanied by a Bid Bond in accordance with the Bid Bond Requirements provided in the Contract Documents, on a Surety Company's Standard Bid Bond Form acceptable to the County in an amount no less than 5% of the amount bid. The successful bidder will be required to furnish a Performance Bond and Payment Bond, **on or before** the issuance of Notice to Proceed, each in the amount of 100% of the Contract Amount. All other required Contract Documents must be fully completed and executed by the Contractor and his/her Surety, and submitted to the Owner **on or before** the issuance of the Notice to Proceed.

21. **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.

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.

Should the contractor and/or surety fail to execute the documents within the time specified, the County shall have the right to proceed on the Bid Bond accompanying the bid.

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.

22. 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.

23. 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.

24. 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.

25. GEORGIA SECURITY AND IMMIGRATION COMPLIANCE ACT

This Request for Proposal is subject to the Georgia Security & Immigration Compliance Act. Pursuant to the Georgia Security & Immigration Compliance Act of 2006, as amended on May 11, 2009, bidders and proposers are notified that all bids/proposals for services that are to be physically performed within the State of Georgia must be accompanied by proof of their registration with and continuing and future participation in the E-Verify program established by the United States Department of Homeland Security. A completed affidavit must be submitted on the top of the bid/proposal at the time of submission, prior to the time for opening bids/proposals. Under state law, the County cannot consider any bid/proposal which does not include a completed affidavit. It is not the intent of this notice to provide detailed information or legal advice concerning the Georgia Security & Immigration Compliance Act. All bidders/proposers intending to do business with the County are responsible for independently apprising themselves and complying with the requirements of that law and its effect on County procurements and their participation in those procurements. For additional information on the E-Verify program or to enroll in the program, go to: https://e-verifty.uscis.gov.enroll .

See Section 3, Purchasing Forms & Instructions for declarations and affidavits.

26. PROFESSIONAL LICENSES *(NON-APPLICABLE)*

The State of Georgia requires that the following professions are required by state law to be licensed:

1. Electricians
2. Plumbers
3. Conditioned Air Contractors
4. Low voltage Contractors

Bidders and any sub-contractors performing any of the above described work must provide a copy of their license for the work they will perform on this project. Bidders must complete Form C: Georgia Professional License Certification in Section 3, Purchasing Forms & Instructions. Failure to provide the required license may deem your bid non-responsive.

27. 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.

A. 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.

B. All signatures must be executed by person(s) having contracting authority for the Bidder.

C. 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.

D. 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 proposal. 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.

E. 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 Provision" policy outlined in S35 and in Section 00020, Invitation to Bid.

F. 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.

G. 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.

H. 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.

I. 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.

J. A Bidder may submit only one (1) Bid response for each specific Bid solicitation unless otherwise authorized in the specifications.

K. 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.

L. 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.

M. 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.

N. 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.

O. 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.

P. 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.

Q. 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.

R. 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.

S. 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.

T. 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.

U. 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.

V. A successful Bidder is solely responsible for disposing of all wrappings, crating, and other disposable material upon delivery of item(s).

W. 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.

X. Bidders may be required to furnish evidence that they maintain permanent places of business of a type and nature compatible with their Bid proposal, 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.

Y. 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.

Z. 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.

AA. 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.

BB. 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.

CC. 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.

DD. Bids for projects that are solicited pursuant to the Georgia Local Government Public Works Construction Law (O.C.G.A. § 36-91-1 & O.C.G.A. § 36-60-15-1 et seq.) may withdrawn as follows:

a. 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.

EE. 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.

FF. 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.

GG. 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.

HH. 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.

II. 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.

JJ. 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".

KK. 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".

END OF SECTION 1

Required Bid Submittal Check List for Invitation to Bid (ITB)

The following submittals shall be completed and submitted with each bid (see table below "Required Bid Submittal Check List."). **Please check to make sure that the required submittals are in the envelope before it is sealed. Failure to submit all required submittals may deem your proposal non-responsive.**

Submit one (1) Original bid, signed and dated and ____ () **complete** copies of the Original Bid including all required documents.

Item #	Required Bid Submittal Check List	Check (√)
1	Bid Form – **submittal shall show amounts for both Base Bid and Alternate and shall be signed and sealed by the bidder.** All dollar amounts must be Both in writing AND figures and represent prices for the published scope of work without exceptions.	
2	Acknowledgement of each Addendum	
3	Bid Bond	
4	Purchasing Forms Form A - Non-Collusion Affidavit of Prime Bidder/Offeror Form B - Certificate of Acceptance of Request for Bid/Proposal Requirements Form C - Georgia Utility Contractor License (if applicable) Form D - Certificate Regarding Debarment Form E - Disclosure Form & Questionnaire Form F - Declaration of Employee-Number Categories Form G - Georgia Security and Immigration Contractor Affidavit and Agreement Form H - Georgia Security and immigration Subcontractor Affidavit	
5	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)	
6	Risk Management Insurance Provisions Form	
7	Itemized list of three similar projects performed for comparable entities within the last five years. Only projects performed for entities within the Piedmont region shall be acceptable.	
8	Pricing Forms	

SECTION 2

BID FORM

Water Quality Monitoring

Submitted September 30, 2010

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

The base bid may not be withdrawn or modified for a period of sixty (60) days following the receipt of bids.

BASE BID AMOUNT (Do not include any Bid Alternates)

$_____
(Dollar Amount in Numbers)

_____
(Dollar Amount in Words)

The Bidder agrees hereby to commence work under this Contract, with adequate personnel and equipment, on or before a date to be specified in the written 'Notice to Proceed" from the County and to fully complete the project within the time limits identified in the owner-contractor agreement.

The Bidder declares that he understands that the quantities shown for the unit prices items are subject to either increase or decrease, and that should the quantities of any of the items of work be increased, the Bidder proposes to do the additional work at the unit prices stated herein; and should the quantities be decreased, the Bidder also understands that payment will be made on the basis of actual quantities at the unit price bid and will make no claim for anticipated profits for any decrease in quantities; and that actual quantities will be determined upon completion of work, at which time adjustments will be made to the contract amount by direct increase or decrease.

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 _____

ADDENDUM # _____ DATED _____

ADDENDUM # _____ DATED _____

ADDENDUM # _____ DATED _____

BIDDER: _____

Signed by: _____
[Type or Print Name]

Title: _____

Business Address: _____

_____

_____

Business Phone: _____

Bidder's Contractor License No: _____
[State/County]

License Expiration Date: _____

Enclosed is a Bid Bond in the approved form, in the sum of:

_____Dollars

($_____) according to the conditions of "Instructions to Bidders" and provisions thereof.

Note: If the Bidder is a corporation, the Bid shall be signed by an officer of the corporation; if a partnership, it shall be signed by a partner. If signed by others, authority for signature shall be attached.

The full name and addresses of persons or parties interested in the foregoing Bid, as principals, are as follows:

Name	Address

END OF SECTION 2

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 ITB, 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.

- Form A: Non-Collusion Affidavit of Prime Bidder/Offeror
- Form B: Certificate of Acceptance of Request for Bid/Proposal Requirements
- Form C: Georgia Professional License Certifications ***(N/A)***
- Form D: Certification Regarding Debarment
- Form E: Disclosure Form and Questionnaire
- Form F: Georgia Security and Immigration Contractor Affidavit and Agreement
- Form G: Georgia Security and Immigration Sub-Contractor Affidavit

FORM A: 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 _____, 20__.

_____

(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)

FORM C: GEORGIA PROFESSIONAL LICENSE CERTIFICATION (not applicable)

NOTE: Please complete this form for the work your firm will perform on this project.

Contractor's Name: _____

Performing work as: Prime Contractor ____ Sub-Contractor _____

Professional License Type: _____

Professional License Number: _____

Expiration Date of License: _____

I certify that the above information is true and correct and that the classification noted is applicable to the Bid for this Project.

Signed: _____

Date: _____

(ATTACH COPY OF LICENSE)

FORM D: 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.

(2) 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.

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.

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 statues 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 _____, 20__

_____

(Legal Name of Offeror) (Date)

_____

(Signature of Authorized Representative) (Date)

_____

(Title)

FORM E: 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 proposal 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 or 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 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 ever 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 proposal.

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.

[SIGNATURES ON NEXT PAGE]

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 _____, 20__

_____

(Legal Name of Proponent) (Date)

_____

(Signature of Authorized Representative) (Date)

_____

(Title)

Sworn to and subscribed before me,

this _____ day of _____, 20__

_____

(Notary Public) (Seal)

Commission Expires _____

(Date)

FORM F: GEORGIA SECURITY AND IMMIGRATION CONTRACTOR AFFIDAVIT AND AGREEMENT

Instructions:

Contractors must attest to compliance with the requirements of O.C.G.A 13-10-91 and the Georgia Department of Labor Rule 300-10-01-.02 by executing the Contractor Affidavit provided. The affidavit should be executed by Contractors who have indicated on Form F, Declaration of Employee-Number Categories, that they have 100 or more employees.

STATE OF GEORGIA

COUNTY OF FULTON

FORM F: 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 (IRCA), P.L. 99-603], 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 Subcontract 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 _____, 20__.

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).**

FORM G: GEORGIA SECURITY AND IMMIGRATION SUBCONTRACTOR AFFIDAVIT

Instructions:

In the event that your company is awarded the contract for this project, and will be utilizing the services of any subcontractor(s) in connection with the physical performance of services pursuant to this contract, the following affidavit must be completed by such subcontractor(s). Your company must provide a copy of each such affidavit to Fulton County Government, Department of Purchasing & Contract Compliance with the proposal submittal.

All subcontractor affidavit(s) shall become a part of the contract and all subcontractor(s) affidavits shall be maintained by your company and available for inspection by Fulton County Government at any time during the term of the contract. All subcontractor(s) affidavit(s) shall become a part of any contractor/subcontractor agreement(s) entered into by your company.

STATE OF GEORGIA

COUNTY OF FULTON

FORM G: GEORGIA SECURITY AND IMMIGRATION SUBCONTRACTOR AFFIDAVIT

By executing this affidavit, the undersigned subcontractor 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]** _____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 (IRCA), P.L. 99-603], 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 Subcontract 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 _____, 20__.

Notary Public: _____

County: _____

Commission Expires: _____

NOTE:

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END OF SECTION NO. 3

SECTION 4

BID BOND REQUIREMENTS

No bid for a contract in Fulton County for work to be done shall be valid for any purpose unless the Contractor shall give a Bid Bond with good and sufficient surety payable to, in favor of, and for the protection of Fulton County. The Bid Bond shall be in the amount of not less than 5% of the total amount payable by the terms of the Contract. No bid shall be read aloud or considered if a proper bid bond has not been submitted.

Surety companies executing Bonds must appear on the Treasury Department's most current list (Circular 570 as amended) and be authorized to transact business in the State of Georgia.

Attestation for the corporation must be by the corporate officer; for a partnership by another partner; for an individual by a notary with the corporate seal.

Water Quality Monitoring
FULTON COUNTY GOVERNMENT

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, THAT WE_____

_____

hereinafter called the PRINCIPAL, and _____

_____

hereinafter call the SURETY, a corporation chartered and existing under the laws of the State of _____and duly authorized to transact Surety business in the State of Georgia, are held and firmly bound unto the Fulton County Government, in the penal sum of _____Dollars and Cents ($_____) good and lawful money of the United States of America, to be paid upon demand of the Fulton County Government, to which payment well and truly to be made we bind ourselves, our heirs, executors, and administrators and assigns, jointly and severally and firmly by these presents.

WHEREAS the PRINCIPAL has submitted to the Fulton County Government, for water quality monitoring**,** a Bid;

WHEREAS the PRINCIPAL desires to file this Bond in accordance with law:

NOW THEREFORE: The conditions of this obligation are such that if the Bid be accepted, the PRINCIPAL shall within ten (10) calendar days after receipt of written notification from the COUNTY of the award of the Contract execute a Contract in accordance with the Bid and upon the terms, conditions and prices set forth therein, in the form and manner required by the Fulton County Government, and execute sufficient and satisfactory Performance and Payments Bonds payable t the Fulton County Government, each in the amount of one hundred (100%) percent of the total contract price in form and with security satisfactory to said Fulton County Government, then this obligation to be void; otherwise, to be and remain in full force and virtue in law; and the SURETY shall upon failure of the PRINCIPAL to comply with any or all of the foregoing requirements within the time specified above immediately pay to the Fulton County Government, upon demand the amount hereof in good and lawful money of the United States of America, not as a penalty but as liquidated damages.

In the event suit is brought upon this Bond by the COUNTY and judgment is recovered, the SURETY shall pay all costs incurred by the COUNTY in such suit, including attorney's fees to be fixed by the Court.

Enclosed is a Bid Bond in the approved form, in the amount of

_____Dollars

($_____) being in the amount of five (5%) percent of the CONTRACT Sum. The money payable on this bond shall be paid to the Fulton County Government, for the failure of the Bidder to execute a CONTRACT within ten (10) days after receipt of the Contract form and at the same time furnish a Payment Bond and Performance Bond.

IN TESTIMONY THEROF, the PRINCIPAL and SURETY have caused these presents to be duly signed and sealed this _____day of _____, 20__.

(Signatures on next page)

ATTEST:

_____
PRINCIPAL

_____ BY_____

(SEAL)

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

_____ BY_____
(SEAL)

END OF SECTION NO. 4

SECTION 5

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 proposal 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 Technical Proposal.

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 owning 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	
Male/Female	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 _____Sub-Contractor

Submitted by: _____ Date Completed:_____

EXHIBIT C – SCHEDULE OF INTENDED SUBCONTRACTOR UTILIZATION

If the Bidder intends to subcontract any portion of this scope of work/service(s), this form **must be** completed and **submitted with the bid.** All Prime Bidders **must** include Letter(s) of Intent (Exhibit D) in the bid document for all Sub-Contractors 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:

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

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) **(Sub-Contractor)**

Signature_____ **Signature**_____

Title_____ **Title**_____

Date_____ **Date**_____

EXHIBIT E – DECLARATION REGARDING SUBCONTRACTING PRACTICES

If the Bidder **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_____
(ITB Number)

_____
(Description of Work)

In making this declaration, the Bidder 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 shall 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

ITB 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.

11. Percent of ownership by each joint venture in terms of profit and loss sharing:_____
_____
_____

12. 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:_____
_____
_____

EXHIBIT F – JOINT VENTURE DISCLOSURE AFFIDAVIT

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)

Name	Race	Sex	Financial Decisions	Supervision Field Operation
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____

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.**

EXHIBIT G – PRIME CONTRACTOR/SUBCONTRACTOR UTILIZATION REPORT

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	% Complete to Date
Name:						
Address:						
Telephone #:						

AMOUNT OF REQUISITION THIS PERIOD:$_____
TOTAL AMOUNT REQUISITION TO DATE:$_____
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 Period Starting Date	Ending Date
TOTALS						

Executed By:_____ _____
(Signature) (Printed Name)

SECTION 6

INSURANCE AND RISK MANAGEMENT PROVISIONS

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

8. **BUILDERS RISK:** ***If the bid/quotation involves construction-related services the respondent will provide*** "All-risk" form of builder's risk insurance providing coverage against loss or damage by fire or other peril on an "all-risk" form, including demolition and increased cost of construction, debris removal and the full replacement cost of the Project foundations and containing an agreed amount endorsement, and, until Final Completion and Acceptance of the Project. Such policy of insurance shall contain at least the following sub-limits of insurance and deductibles:

Sub-limits:	
Property in Transit	$1,000,000
Property in Offsite Storage	$1,000,000
Plans & Blueprints	$25,000
Debris Removal	25% of Insured Physical Loss
Delay in Completion / Soft Cost	TBD
Deductibles:	
Flood and Earthquake	$25,000
Water Damage other than Flood	$100,000
All other Perils	$10,000

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 t 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:_____

SECTION 7

SCOPE OF WORK AND TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS

Description of Project

Fulton County is soliciting bids to perform water quality monitoring and sampling activities, as described in the

- The County's Watershed Protection Plan (WPP) and associated Sampling Quality Assurance Plan (SQAP).
- The County's Municipal Separate Storm System (MS4) Permit and associated Stormwater Management Program (SWMP).
- The Metropolitan North Georgia Water Planning District (District) Watershed Management Plan (WMP).
- The District's Standards and Methodologies for Surface Water Quality Monitoring (Standard Methods)

In-stream water quality monitoring and sampling of in-stream water quality is also in part governed by a memorandum of understanding (MOU) that the County has with the cities in north Fulton County.

Prior to submitting bids, all bidders are required to thoroughly review the above listed documents. The above documents will be available at the County's Public Works Department, Water Services Division.

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Firms that are pre-qualified to provide Task 6 services are not prevented from bidding on this project.

The contractor selected may be required to assist the County in data collection and preparation of the County's NPDES, MS4 and WPP Annual Report (optional), to be submitted to the State of Georgia on June 15th of each year during the term of this Agreement.

Scope of Work

This project involves the efforts to continue and improve the County's stormwater monitoring covered by its MS4 Permit, the District's Watershed Management Plan, and the monitoring plan as described in the County's Watershed Protection Plan.

The County's MS4 Permit requires the collection of wet and dry weather samples at sampling stations. The County's existing in - stream station (FLLT-02) is located on an unnamed tributary to the Chattahoochee River at Boat Rock Boulevard in unincorporated South Fulton and utilizes an American Sigma 900 MAX Automatic Refrigerated Sampler. Currently the existing in – stream station is out of service and the Contractor shall take grab samples at that location until the station is back in service.

This project includes these important elements:

- Identifying water quality impairments and improvements;
- Using consistent data analysis techniques to ensure comparability between the applicable metro jurisdictions in compliance with requirements of the Georgia Environmental Protection Division (EPD), and

- The implementation of quality assurance and quality control measures and procedures to ensure the collection of precise and accurate data for the County's NPDES permits.

Monitoring, sampling, and reporting shall comply with the NPDES Permits for the Water Pollution Control Plant and the County's MS4 Permit. All analysis of samples shall be conducted according to approved test procedures outlined in 40 CFR Part 136. The selected Contractor shall follow EPD guidance for submitting water quality data. The Contractor shall provide containers necessary to perform all sampling activities, including the containers needed to deliver samples for laboratory analysis. The Contractor is required to comply with the District's Standard Methods. As the project monitoring and/or sampling efforts are in progress, the Contractor will be required to make the necessary adjustments to accommodate any updates to the Standard Methods approved by the Atlanta Regional Commission (ARC) and/or the District. The Contractor, before the start of any sampling effort shall obtain and follow the most recent draft of the Standard Operating Procedures (SOP) for the collection, identification and assessment of both benthic macroinvertebrates and fish and the appropriate EPD developed or approved subecoregional reference condition to be used in the analysis of the macroinvertebrate community data collected.

The selected Contractor will be required to work closely with the Water Services staff. The project base duration will be approximately 12 months. However, the work described in this scope of work is for each permit year, with the option to renew yearly, up to three (3) additional years.

The County's Storm Water Monitoring frequency consists of two seasons: water quality trend sampling seasons during the summer (May – October) and the winter (November – April) seasons. Samples are collected annually at approximately one per month from specific sampling locations.

The project goals and objectives are:

- Obtain specific and measurable water quality data from all sampling locations.
- Perform fecal coliform and E-coli monitoring/sampling effort on impaired waters identified on the State of Georgia 303(d) list streams applicable to Fulton County
- Assess the current status of streams in watersheds with respect to water quality improvements and designated uses
- Utilize the water quality data collected to identify the primary causes of the stream impairment in order to recommend necessary actions for improving stream integrity and/or the removal of the stream from off the State of Georgia 303(d) list (de-listing purposes)
- Collect and evaluate biological samples at the selected locations
- Develop and evaluate water quality trends from data collected from the receiving waters over the permit period
- Identify illicit discharges into the County's Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4)
- Identify fecal coliform and/or E-coli contamination of surface waters resulting from illicit connections or seepage into the Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4)
- Provide ongoing monitoring to verify that the BMPs or strategies and programs presented in the County Watershed Protection Plan (WPP) are working to prevent and/or reduce Fecal Coliform contamination.

- Provide the information necessary to modify BMPs or strategies where required to achieve water quality standard, as established by EPD.

Screening storm water outfalls to identify storm water quality pollutants, illicit discharges, and connections and provide the solution into reduce and/or eliminate the illicit discharges into the MS4 is included as an option.

The project involves the following tasks:
Task 1: Project management functions, which are performed throughout the project, including developing an approach to executing the project.
Task 2: Monitoring station maintenance
Task 3: Water quality flow composite monitoring (optional)
Task 4: Dry weather outfall screening for illicit discharges (optional)
Task 5: Grab Sampling Water Quality Monitoring
Task 6: Biological/Habitat Assessment
Task 7: Laboratory analysis (optional)
Task 8: Non-Routine/Emergency Services
Task 9: Annual report preparation and update of the County's report to EPD (optional)

Those items indicated as optional may not be performed under this contract at the County's discretion.

Contractor shall be responsible for the following Project Management efforts:

Task 1: Project Management

1.1. Project Management Plan

1.1.1. Prepare and submit a project schedule for review and approval by the County. This schedule will be used as a project control system for the contractor and as a basis for status reporting. The project shall utilize appropriate software and shall be developed in a software package that will export the electronic file in a format compatible with Microsoft Project. The scheduled tasks shall meet the tasks used in the budget.

1.1.2. Provide the County with an itemized list of tasks and estimated cost per task, such that no task exceeds five (5) percent of the total contract amount. As the project progresses and information becomes available, it may be appropriate to redistribute the individual task budgets. The redistribution is to be authorized by the County prior to implementation.

1.2. Project Work Plan

1.2.1. Prepare an overall draft project work plan that will provide the basis for accomplishing and completing the project. The work plan shall address the following subjects and include the following sections or items: Project Description, Preliminary Table of Contents, Preliminary List of Deliverables, Roles and Responsibilities, Sampling/Monitoring/Quality, Assurance/Control Plan, Schedule of Performance (Gantt Chart), all sub-plans and Project Budget for duration of the project and preliminary. The Gantt Chart will be used as project control system for the Contractor and as a basis for status reporting. The Gantt Chart shall be developed in a

software package that will export the electronic file in a format compatible with Microsoft Project.

1.2.2. The work plan shall be submitted within 10 business days of the Notice to Proceed. The County will review the plan and provide comments within 10 business days of receipt of the plan. The Contractor shall provide response to the comments within 5 days of receipt and incorporate appropriate comments into the final work plan, which shall be submitted within 5 days after their response to comments.

1.2.3. The work plan shall define roles and responsibilities of Contractor's project team members and how they will interface with the County's staff.

1.2.4. The Contractor's project Team Manager and task leaders shall meet at a place designated by the County to develop project work plan assignments. The County's project representative shall be notified and is afforded the opportunity to attend this meeting by the Contractor.

1.2.5. Develop draft Rainfall Sampling Communications Plan detailing specific approach to monitoring weather forecasts and procedures designed to alert members of the Contractors' sampling team of a predicted rainfall event.

The plan will include the identification of the sampling team leader capable of interpreting weather forecasts, alerting and mobilizing team members of a predicted rainfall event.

The plan will include the use of Internet, local cable network, radar or other existing communications media providing current weather information. In addition, up to three members of the sampling team shall be available to perform sampling activities in the event a representative rain event occurs.

1.2.6. Develop a draft of Grab Sampling Water Quality Monitoring Implementation and Management Plan detailing the specifics and steps for identifying the monitoring/sampling locations or sites in the field and provide a summary of the approaches and procedures to be used to implement the collection and analyses of samples collected. This plan shall describe the reporting mechanism the Contractor will utilize to report the sampling results with interpretation to the County to satisfy Task 5. The County's Watershed Protection Plan (WPP) and the appropriate MS4, NPDES Phase I Storm Water Monitoring/Sampling Program reports shall be reviewed by the Contractor.

1.2.7. The Contractor shall locate, map, and update sampling/monitoring sites database associated with 303(d) listed waters in Fulton County, and shall revise the map as 303(d) listed waters are revised by EPD. The Contractor shall develop map showing all of the proposed in – stream field grab sampling sites locations, and biological monitoring sites associated with the County's Water Reclamation Facilities (WRF) and Water Pollution Control Plants (WPCP). The Contractor may utilize Figure 4.1; Long Term Monitoring Stations from the Fulton County Watershed Protection Plan as a guide.

1.2.8. The Contractor is required to implement the data analysis and reporting recommendations for fecal coliform and other chemical monitoring as stated in the current District WMP and the County WPP.

1.2.9. The Contractor shall develop a draft of the Biological Monitoring Implementation Plan and Management Plan to satisfy Task 6. This plan shall identify the monitoring locations/sites in the field, a summary of the plan's approaches and procedures to implement Task 6, including the reporting mechanism, and the Contractor will utilize the report to monitor results with interpretation to the County.

1.2.10. The Contractor shall transfer quarterly and annually the results of all water quality sampling analysis to the County. All sampling analysis data and results shall be transferred to the County by the Contractor on or before April 1st of each year. If the County elects to approve the Contractor to complete Task 9, Annual Report preparation and update, the Contractor shall be responsible to transfer all water quality monitoring/sampling analyses/results, including documentation into the County's Annual Report, to be submitted to EPD. If the County elects not to approve the Contract or to complete Task 9, the Contractor shall develop and transfer all water quality monitoring/sampling information to the County. The transfer of water quality data/information to the County, by the Contractor shall be in a form ready to be inserted into the County's Annual Report, including all the necessary attachments and appendix to the report.

1.3. The Contractor will issue the draft plan for review by the County and incorporate comments. The Contractor shall:

- Develop all draft plans and overall plan;
- Review and revise draft project work plan based on County comments;
- Issue final work plan to the County for approval.

1.4. The Contractor shall incorporate all final plans into the overall project work plan.

1.5. The Contractor shall develop and update an Illicit Connection Implementation/Outfall and Management Plan through the contract term, detailing the specific approach and steps for identifying the source of existing illicit connections in order that they are eliminated. This item is optional, and is dependent on Task 4 being authorized.

1.6. The Contractor is required to conform to the requirements of the District's WMP and Standard Methods, Appendix A to ensure that laboratory selection and field QA/QC criteria are met.

1.7. The Contractor is required to replace contaminated samples delivered for analysis at no cost to the County.

1.8. The Contractor shall review current data collection methods, management procedures and analysis techniques being used by the District and EPD, and develop recommendations to the County on selecting a consistent data collection method, data management, data analysis technique, and reporting

procedure in conformance with District and EPD requirements in accordance with District's WMP and Standard Methods.

1.9. The Contractor shall perform the following:

- Review methods used by other Contractors and County staff to collect and track storm water monitoring data;
- Review all current storm water sampling/monitoring data collected during the permit cycles, and prepare and provide recommendation to the County as to the best applicable ways to utilize the findings into County's future storm water monitoring program;
- Review the method of analysis chosen to evaluate water quality trend data for its appropriateness in tracking trends over time;
- Develop a report detailing the specific approach for selecting a consistent method of data collection, management and data reporting;
- Issue the report for review and incorporate comments from the County; and
- Incorporate the approved report and recommendations into the final project work plan.

1.10. Monitoring and Reporting

1.10.1. Meet with the County quarterly to discuss all elements of the project; project status, milestones achieved, and prepare meeting minutes, including progress report.

1.10.2. Prepare monthly status report(s) that present the status of each task, update the project schedule, list milestones achieved, support and document schedule changes, update project costs and justify changes to the schedule or proposed project costs. The monthly status reports shall also note whether the project is on schedule, as developed in Task 1.1.1. When the project is falling behind schedule the contractor shall provide steps to be followed in the monthly status report to bring the project back on schedule.

1.10.3. Contractor shall inform the Water Services staff of all possible sampling times, when the field sampling is performed; field inspections and field screening occurrence, and provide a copy of inspections, sampling and field screening results, and laboratory report. (See Exhibit C – Schedule)

1.10.4. The Contractor shall immediately provide the County with an oral report at the time the Contractor becomes aware of any noncompliance actions or fails to collect and analyze required samples, etc., and followed by a written report within two (2) days. The written report shall contain a description of the noncompliance and its cause, the exact dates and times of noncompliance or if not corrected, the anticipated time the noncompliance is expected to continue and steps taken by the Contractor to reduce, eliminate and prevent recurrence of the compliance.

1.10.5. Basis for payment of project management functions:

The cost for project management activity shall be included in the unit price bid for sampling and monitoring and no separate payment shall be provided. Billing for all of Task #6 shall be divided into three (3) billing units, (1) Fish

sampling data completion 40%, (2) Macro invertebrate sampling completion 40%, and (3) Final Report 20%, upon approval of the County.

1.11. Project Closeout

1.11.1. Archive and deliver the following functional management information developed as part of this project: 1) Project Management Plan, 2) Project Work Plan, 3) Water Quality Data Collected in electronic format, including one hard copy, and 4) Lab Analyses results in electronic format, including one hard copy.

1.11.2. Archive and deliver hard copies and electronic files of deliverables with appropriate backup to the County.

1.11.3. Prepare and submit a project close out report to the County describing the performance of the project variances and lessons learned with recommendations to the County for improving future water quality monitoring efforts.

Task 2: Monitoring Station Maintenance

2.1. The Contractor shall maintain access to all monitoring stations.

2.2. The Contractor is required to establish and maintain electrical and telephone services to all permanent-monitoring stations. Modem lines and cellular forms of communication between the stations and the Contractor sampling team are encouraged. The Contractor shall ensure that all sampling stations are operating continuously throughout the term of the project.

2.3. The Contractor shall provide a schedule for maintenance activities. The schedule shall be included in the project work plan with procedures designed to ensure continuous sampling in order that the County remains in compliance with its WPP and MS4 Permit.

2.4. The Contractor shall conduct routine maintenance and inspections of equipment to prevent equipment damage during the term of this project and if equipment is damaged or is not operational perform all necessary activities and effort for the equipment to be ready for collecting samples.

2.5. Contractor shall operate and maintain the equipment in accordance with manufacturer's instructions. The following are activities where special attention is warranted:

2.5.1. Contractor shall place the sampler in the manual pump mode by pressing the Manual Mode key located on the front panel of the controller after collecting a sample and clean the intake tubing pump by pumping water with a mild detergent solution through the tubing. Do not lubricate the pump tubing or the intake tubing.

2.5.2. Contractor shall clean the interior and exterior of each sampler cabinet once a month with a damp sponge and mild detergent. Abrasive cleaners shall not be used.

2.5.3. Contractor shall clean the sample bottles at each station after collecting a sample using a brush and a mild detergent, followed by a fresh water rinse and a distilled water rinse.

2.5.4. Contractor shall inspect each sensor, surge protectors, and remove any debris found in the Rain Gauge Tipping Bucket and sampler tubing at each station. Results of inspection shall be forwarded to the County.

2.6. The Contractor shall submit monthly progress reports summarizing results of scheduled inspections and maintenance of monitoring stations, dates activities were performed as described in the schedule for maintenance activities.

2.7. The cost for routine maintenance of the monitoring stations shall be included in the unit price bid for the sampling and monitoring and no separate payment shall be provided.

Task 3: Water Quality Flow Composite Monitoring (Optional)

3.1. The CONTRACTOR is required to collect eight (8) samples per permit year at the County's existing permanent trend monitoring location (FLLT-02). Sampling location(s) are located at in-stream sites. Three (3) wet weather and one dry weather base flow sample will be collected during each of the summer (May-October) and winter (November-April) seasons, at each sampling location (a total of eight samples per monitoring location of which (6) shall be wet weather and two (2) shall be base flow samples collected during dry weather). Stage discharge relationship shall be developed by the Contractor, prior to collection of samples. State discharge relationship shall be developed in accordance with the guidelines identified in the District's WMP.

3.2. The CONTRACTOR is required to collect samples during representative wet weather events. Representative wet weather events requires a minimum precipitation of 0.3 inches with a minimum time of 72 (seventy-two) hours between each wet weather event sampled to ensure that the events are discrete and the measured water quality parameters are associated with the event sampled. Additionally the CONTRACTOR shall not collect a dry weather sample until after seventy-two (72) hours with less than 0.1 inch of precipitation after a wet weather event.

3.3. During wet weather events, the CONTRACTOR shall collect samples using the automated samplers to the maximum extent possible and shall use manual grab sampling methods if the automated sampler(s) fail. Flow-weighted composite samples of the stream flow shall be collected over the duration of each wet weather event and trailing hydrographs. The CONTRACTOR shall use flow proportional composite aliquots collected at equal increments for pollutant concentration differences throughout the storm hydrograph.

3.4. The CONTRACTOR is required to conduct dry weather base flow sample using automatic sampler at all of the County's permanent monitoring station(s).

3.5. The CONTRACTOR is required to collect samples during both wet and dry weather to be analyzed for the following parameters:

- Flow

- Temperature
- Total Suspended Solids
- Fecal Coliform*
- E. coli bacteria*
- Phosphorus (total)
- Phosphorus (ortho)
- Total Kjeldahl nitrogen (TKN)
- Ammonia
- Nitrite/Nitrate (total oxidized nitrogen)
- pH
- Dissolved oxygen
- Conductivity
- Turbidity
- Heptachor epoxide
- Zinc
- Copper
- Hardness
- BOD5
- COD

in accordance with the WPP and associated SQAP and the District's WMP.

3.6. The CONTRACTOR shall prepare a summer and winter season trend evaluation monitoring sampling report describing all of the activities and water quality trend findings, and storm water outfall screening activities completed to date, including interpretation of water quality data collected over both seasons (See Section 3 - Exhibit C -Schedule).

3.7. Renovate existing automated sampling station and construct new automated sampling station (Optional)

i) The contractor shall renovate the existing automated sampling station at Boat Rock Road. This item shall include construction and any demolition required to accommodate the renovation. This item shall include any construction administration or supervision, including design drawings, estimates, specifications, permits, etc. required to renovate the existing station.
ii) The contractor shall construct a new automated sampling station at the location determined in Task 9.3. This item shall include any construction administration or supervision, including design drawings, estimates, specifications, permits, etc. required to construct the new station.

To the greatest extent possible the contractor will install materials and instruments in the renovated and new station similar to those already in use by the County.

3.8. Water Quality Trend Monitoring Basis for Payment The unit price bid for collecting required Water Quality Trend Samples identified in Task 3 shall include all work required to collect samples during representative wet weather events, conduct dry weather base flow sampling and prepare summer and winter season trend evaluation monitoring report (3.6). Tasks 3.7.i and 3.7.ii shall be bid separately.

Task 4: Dry Weather Outfall Screening and Highly Visible Pollutant Sources (HVPS)

This task is optional, and if authorized this task will include the following elements:

4.1. Performing dry weather screening in accordance with the County's SWMP. Dry weather screening will be performed on a GIS inventory of MS4 outfalls provided by the County. Because the GIS inventory of stormwater structures is under way the number and location of outfalls will change as the project proceeds. The County can provide the GIS inventory as a geodatabase or shapefile.
4.2. The contractor shall perform dry weather screening on 20% of the outfalls identified in the County's GIS inventory annually.
4.3. The contractor shall update the County's HVPS Inventory in accordance with the SWMP. The contractor shall also be required to compare the method for selecting HVPS sites in Appendix A of the SWMP with hotspots as provided in the Georgia Stormwater Management Manual (GA SWMM), Volume 1, Section 1.1.6 Stormwater Hotspots and making recommendations to ensure the County is in compliance with both the District WMP and the recommendations in the GA SWMM.
4.4. Performing HVPS inspections in accordance with the standard operating procedure for inspecting HVPS sites provided by the County.
4.5. Tracking HVPS inspections in a spreadsheet or database compatible with Microsoft Excel or Microsoft Access, and providing a report of inspections by May 15th of each year for inclusion in the County's Annual MS4 Report. The SWMP requires a dry weather screening for HVPS sites with stormwater outfall. Dry weather screening performed as part of HVPS inspections shall be reported separately and not as part of the Dry Weather Screening in Task 4.1.
4.6. The contractor shall promptly any illicit or illegal discharges found during the HVPS inspections or dry weather screening within 24 hours of discovery, and document all findings to support legal action, if required.
4.7. Basis of payment: Dry weather screening performed as part of Task 4.1 will billed on a unit price basis for each outfall screened. HVPS inspections will be billed on a unit price basis for each site inspected, and dry weather screening performed in support of HVPS inspections as part of Tasks 4.3, 4.4 and 4.5 will be included in the unit price for the HVPS inspections. Reporting violations may be done by e-mail and shall not constitute a billable item.

All HVPS inspections and dry weather screening will be reported in electronic format on the forms provided in the County's SWMP, and will be prioritized in accordance with the SWMP. In areas where illicit discharge is suspected the contractor shall perform inspections and screenings at a time when the source is most likely to be causing a discharge.

Any samples collected for laboratory analysis shall be delivered to the laboratory at Big Creek Water Reclamation Facility, 1030 Roswell – Marietta Highway, Roswell, Georgia 30075 unless a commercial laboratory is previously approved by the County.

Task 5: Grab Sampling – Water Quality Monitoring

All sampling shall follow the guidelines presented in District WMP, District Standard Methods and Fulton County WPP and associated SQAP. Prior to start of the grab sampling effort, the grab sample collection methods and/or alternative, shall be approved by the County. The Contractor shall develop the applicable Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) for this task. The SOP shall be consistent with the applicable EPD SOP for sampling. Task five (5) water quality monitoring efforts may be adjusted after the County receives the acceptance of its Watershed Protection Plan from GA. EPD, including the number and/or locations of sites to be monitored and/or sampled.

5.1. Fecal Coliform/E-Coli Bacteria

The Contractor shall perform sampling at the 13 (thirteen) sites listed below. A total of 168 grab samples shall be collected annually by the contractor (12 samples per site). The samples collected shall be analyzed for the parameters Fecal Coliform and E-Coli Bacteria.

#1 (FLLT-3/LI-2, previously SS-2) Long Island Creek at Northside Drive, Sandy Springs;
#2 (WO-1) downstream end of White Oak Creek;
#3 (CP-3) downstream of wastewater discharge point @ Camp Creek;
#4 (CC-2) downstream of wastewater discharge point @ Cauley Creek;
#5 (LB-1) downstream of wastewater discharge point at Campbellton Redwine Road @ Bear Creek;
#6 (CP-2) Camp Creek at the most upstream point in Fulton County;
#7 (MA-1, previously SS-6) Marsh Creek at Brandon Mill Road;
#8 (CK-1) Ball Mill Creek near Chattahoochee River;
#9 (UT-1) downstream end of Utoy Creek;
#10 (LT-1) Little River at Arnold Mill Road;
#11 (PE-1) downstream at Pea Creek;
#12 (WT-3) Whitewater Creek near Fayette County line;
#13 (BC-1) Long Indian Creek at Waters Road upstream tributary of Big Creek

5.1.1. Monitoring Approach/Methods

The fecal coliform and E-coli bacteria samples shall be collected independent of the water quality trend stations. Fecal coliform and E-coli bacteria sampling results shall be reported as geometric means. Sampling efforts should focus on the waters identified as impaired, per the current State of Georgia 303(b)/305(d) listed streams. The intent of the sampling is to determine patterns of high fecal coliform contamination, the elimination of obvious sources of potential contamination, such as wastewater discharge, bypass, and sanitary sewer overflow (SSO). Bacteria sampling involves collection of one set of samples during the summer and one set of samples during the winter season of the year, in which each set includes four samples collected over a 30-day period at intervals not less than 24 hours. The wet weather grab samples will be utilized to determine if fecal coliform contribution is from wet weather events. E-coli shall be monitored in the same manner outlined to fecal coliform in an attempt to distinguish between human and animal sources. The Contractor shall evaluate, interpret sampling results, and make recommendations to the County as to where and what is the source of contamination in the stream.

5.1.2. Grab samples shall be collected directly into sterile bacteriological containers supplied by the Contractor. Sample containers shall be handled to avoid introducing contamination during sample collections. The membrane filtration method under 40 CFR 136 guidelines shall follow the collection of fecal coliform and e-coli sampling to be approved by the County.

5.1.3. The Contractor shall complete a chain of custody report. Grab samples shall be collected from each sampling location within the winter (November – April) and summer (May – October) seasons. The Contractor shall collect four (4) samples in order to collect a geometric mean in the summer season, four (4) samples in order to collect a geometric mean in the winter season, two (2) wet weather samples in the summer, and two (2) wet weather samples in the winter season.

5.2. Chemical Monitoring

The Contractor shall perform sampling at the 13 (thirteen) sites listed in 5.1. A total of 56 grab sample shall be collected annually. The samples shall be analyzed for the following parameters:

- Total Dissolved Solids (TDS)
- Total Suspended Solids (TSS)
- Phosphorus (Total)
- Phosphorus (Ortho)
- Dissolved Phosphorus
- Total Kjeldahl Nitrogen (TKN)
- Ammonia
- Nitrite/Nitrate
- pH
- Dissolved Oxygen
- Conductivity
- Turbidity
- Flow and Temperature
- 5-Day Biochemical Oxygen Demand (BOD5)
- Chemical Oxygen Demand (COD)
- Cadmium, Copper, Lead, and Zinc
- Conductivity and Hardness

Four (4) samples per year shall be collected. (A minimum of four (4) events annually and/or one per quarter as approved by the County).

5.2.1. Heptachlor Epoxide

The Contractor shall collect a total of ten (10) grab samples annually (two (2) samples per site) at the following sites:

- Site #2 (FLLT-3/L2-1/SS-2) Long Island Creek at Northside Drive
- Site #8 (MA-1) Marsh Creek at Brandon Mill Road
- Site #15 (SS-4) Game Creek at Northside Drive – Sandy Springs
- Site #16 (HD-1, previously SS-5) Heards Creek at Ferry Landing Drive - Sandy Springs
- Site #17 (SS-7) Powers Branch at Monterey Parkway – Sandy Springs

The samples collected at the above sites shall be analyzed for the parameter heptachlor epoxide.

5.3. The Contractor shall deliver representative samples collected for analysis within the required holding time for the applicable parameter, (i.e., fecal coliform (6) hours, this includes the collection, delivery, and analysis time by the laboratory) to the laboratory at the Big Creek Water Reclamation Facility located at 1030 Roswell-Marietta Highway, Roswell, Georgia 30075. Specific arrangements for delivering samples and notifying the laboratory of incoming samples shall be coordinated with Fulton County Laboratory staff prior to the collection of samples. The laboratory may not always have fresh ager for e-coli on hand; therefore, prior notification should be given before samples are submitted. This shall avoid potential problems that could jeopardize sample holding time requirements. Commercial environment laboratories providing sample analysis for a fee or contract basis must be approved or certified by the National Environmental Laboratory Accreditation Conference/Program (NELAC or NELAP). The Contractor is required to perform this effort for all applicable sub-task included in Task 5.

5.4. The contractor shall provide portable equipment and labor required to automatically collect water quality samples from sites and locations as directed and approved by the County. As part of the County's SWMP, Part III. Illicit Discharge Detection & Elimination Program the County anticipates that transient illicit discharge will be identified and this task is intended to collect water quality samples in support of the effort to eliminate illicit discharges to the County's MS4. This item is intended to be all inclusive and includes, but is not limited to, transportation of equipment to the site, set up, sample collection, breakdown, disassembly, removal of equipment and data analysis.

5.5. Basis of Payment: The unit price for grab sampling shall include all work associated with the samples collected at the sites identified in Task 5. Grab samples for fecal coliform and E-coli analysis shall be paid based upon each set of four samples collected for which a geometric mean is calculated for each set, per the State of Georgia (EPD) guidelines.

Task 6: Biological Monitoring

Biological components of a water body (i.e., fish and macroinvertebrates) function as monitors of environmental quality by responding to episodic and cumulative pollution, habitat degradation, and environmental stressors. An evaluation of biotic integrity is required at up to nine (9) monitoring locations, bi-annually as/or when approved by the County. Biological monitoring shall be conducted at the following locations: (1) downstream end of White Oak, (2) downstream at Camp Creek Wastewater discharge point, (3) downstream at Bear Little wastewater discharge point at Campbellton Redwine Road, (4) downstream point at Johns Creek, (5) Little River at Arnold Mill Road, (6) downstream end of Pea Creek, and (7) Whitewater Creek near Fayette County line and any other sites identified as applicable for this task. This effort is designed to satisfy the biological requirements of the District WMPlan and the County's WPP.

Biological sampling is a specialized field and Fulton County has pre-qualified the following firms to provide Task 6 services. Being pre-qualified does not preclude these firms from submitting a bid for the entire scope of work continued in this ITB. The

Contractor must use one of these firms. The Contractor's bid form must indicate which of these firms were selected to perform Task 6 services:

- CCR Environmental*
  Contact: Mr. Chris Crow
  3783 Presidential Parkway
  Suite 123
  Atlanta, GA 30340
  (770) 458-7943

- CH2M Hill
  Contact: Mr. Dale Jones
  115 Perimeter Center Place, NE
  Suite 700 Atlanta, GA 303346-1278
  (770) 604-9095

- Ecological Solutions, Inc.
  Contact: Mr. Lee Griffith, CPESC
  630 Colonial Park Drive, Suite 200
  Roswell, GA 30075
  (770) 998-7848

Biological monitoring will be conducted under methods outlined in the Georgia Macroinvertebrate Bioassessment Standard Operating Procedures (SOP), Metric Spreadsheets and other supporting documents as published by EPD. The primary components of the biological monitoring include physical habitat assessments and benthic macroinvertebrate and fish sampling. Prior to biological surveys, water quality will be assessed via insitu measurements of the following parameters: water temperature, dissolved oxygen (DO), ph, turbidity, and conductivity. No sampling or evaluation of reference site(s) will be required for this monitoring because reference data will be provided by EPD.

6.1. Habitat Assessment

Habitat assessments will be conducted at monitoring sites in accordance with the Macroinvertebrate Biological Assessment of Wadeable Streams in Georgia, Standard Operating Procedures (March 2007) as published by the Georgia Department of Natural Resources. The worksheet requires visual evaluation of physical habitat parameters, including instream cover, substrate, channel morphology and flow, bank stability and vegetation, and riparian zone condition. The DNR worksheet has ten Habitat Parameters (HPs). Assessing habitat allows the quality of the structure of the surrounding habitat that influences water quality and condition of the aquatic biota to be evaluated and may aid in identifying non-water quality affiliated factors of biological impairment, if present.

At each site, all individual habitat parameters will be scored (values of 0-20 or 0-10, depending on the parameter), and a total score obtained. Habitat parameters will be evaluated by two trained assessors, and an average of the two scores calculated to produce a total habitat score at each site. The average habitat scores will be used to derive an ecological condition rating. Under the DNR protocol, the condition ratings are interpreted as follows: optional (meets natural expectations), sub-optimal (less than desirable but satisfies expectations in most areas), marginal (moderate levels of degradation with severe degradation at frequent intervals in areas), and poor (substantially altered with severe degradation).

The habitat score at each monitoring site will be compared with the habitat score of a reference site (site data to be provided by EPD) to classify each site on the basis of its similarity to expected conditions (i.e., conditions at the reference site) and its apparent potential to support a measure of biotic integrity. Percent of comparability (ratio) of each monitoring station to the reference fall into one of four assessment categories: "comparable to reference", "similar to reference," partially similar to reference," or "dissimilar to reference."

In addition to the habitat assessment forms, DNR's Physical Characterization/Water Quality Field Sheets and Impairment Assessment Sheets will be completed at each site.

6.2. Macroinvertebrate Community Assessment

The macroinvertebrate community will be assessed under the Macroinvertebrate Biological Assessment of Wadeable Streams in Georgia, Standard Operating Procedures (March 2007) as published by the Georgia Department of Natural Resources. Standardized semi-quantitative sampling for macroinvertebrates will be conducted at each site for a variety of habitat types, including riffles, undercut banks/roots, woody debris, sand, and leaf packs/coarse particulate organic matter (CPOM). Sampling generally will consist of collecting six meters of riffle habitat (split between faster and slower currents), five meters of woody debris, three meters of undercut banks/roots, and three meters in the sandy areas. Each sample will consist of a kick, jab, or sweep with the dip net for a linear distance of one meter, except the woody debris samples, in which a brush will be used to brush or scrape a linear meter of the wooded surface. CPOM samples (about two liters) will be collected by hand throughout each study reach. Additionally, a 10-minute visual search and sampling of all habitat types will be conducted.

"D" frame dip nets with a 500-micron mesh will be used for all sampling. All habitat type samples will be composited into a single container at each site for preservation and transport to the laboratory. Analysis and data evaluation will be conducted in the laboratory. Macroinvertebrate sub-sampling shall be performed as specified in protocol. Identification and analyses should be conducted on a sub-sample of 200 (± 20%) organisms. Macroinvertebrate specimens should be identified to genus level, or if unattainable, to the lowest practicable taxon using standard taxonomic keys.

The study area lies within the Piedmont and would follow the Ecological Condition Worksheet for that ecoregion

6.3. Fish Community Assessment

The fish community will be assessed using Part I: Standard Operating Procedures for Conducting Biomonitoring on Fish Communities in Wadeable Streams in Georgia (June 1, 2005) as published by the Georgia Department of Natural Resources Wildlife Resources Division, Fisheries Management Section. Fish sampling will be conducted at all study sites, but not at the reference site. Sampling will be conducted April through October.

The surveys for fish will be conducted using backpack electrofishers or a boat (dependent on stream size). Collected fish will be identified, enumerated, and released alive. Fish should be identified to species level. Specimens that are unable

to be definitively identified in the field will be preserved in 10% formalin solution and taken to the laboratory for identification. Twelve scoring metrics are used for assessing biotic integrity, assigning a value of 1, 3, or 5 for each metric and summing these values for a total IBI score at each site. Additionally, a correction factor will be included for sites with diseased/anomalic individuals. Scoring is based on criteria relative to reference site data and from fixed criteria for a particular ecoregion and also is dependent on stream drainage area. Scoring for metrics number 1-6 and number 11-12 is sensitive to the drainage areas of the streams at the monitoring locations. The DNR protocol is based on five integrity or quality classes. This version of the IBI is a modification of the EpA Rapid Bioassessment Protocol V (Plafkin et al., 1989). The EPA and DNR versions of the IBI are based on the original premise of the IBI developed by Karr (1981).

In addition to the IBI, state protocol utilizes a modified Index of Well-Being (Iwb) to assess the fish community. The IBI is the primary tool used for evaluating the fish community, and the Iwb is used as a secondary assessment to confirm the results of the IBI. The Iwb is a composite index which combines two parameters of fish diversity and fish abundance into a single value reflective of these two components. The four parameters which comprise the Iwb are as follows:

1) Relative fish density
2) Relative fish biomass
3) Shannon-Wiener Index of Diversity based on numbers of fish
4) Shannon-Weiner Index of Diversity based on biomass of fish

The Iwb is calculated as follows:
Iwb = 0.5 1n (No./200m) + 0.5 1n(Kg/200m) + H(No.) + H(Kg)
where:
No./200m = number of individuals (minus tolerants, hybrids, and introduced species) per 200 meters of electrofishing
Kg./200m = total biomass (minus tolerants, hybrids, and introduced species) per 200 meters of electrofishing
H(No.) = Shannon-Wiener Index of Diversity based on numbers of fish
H(Kg) = Shannon-Wiener Index of Diversity based on biomass of fish

6.4. Biological Monitoring Report

A report shall be prepared by the Contractor summarizing the results of the biological monitoring including an evaluation and interpretation of the biological sampling findings. The report will include a statement of methods used, raw data, calculated metrics and narrative descriptors. A brief interpretation of the monitoring results shall also be included. A draft copy will be provided for review and comment by Fulton County. Comments will be addressed, and a final report will be provided.

6.5. Data Submittal

The raw data, calculated metrics, and narrative descriptors will be provided in a format prescribed by the Fulton County Department of Public Works. The intent is to be able to add the data and results of the biological monitoring effort into Fulton County's GIS program. The contractor shall review similar passed efforts by the County in order to enhance and/or be consistent as approved by the County.

6.6. Biological/Habitat Assessment Basis for Payment

The unit price bid for Biological/Habitat Assessment shall include all work associated with evaluating habitat quality at each monitoring location, collecting and evaluating biological samples and assessing each streams' health relative to "fishing" designation, including the evaluation and interpretation of the sampling efforts findings.

Task 7: Laboratory Analysis

7.1. The Contractor is directed to utilize Fulton County's Big Creek Laboratory for analysis of all samples collected as required in the scope of service. The Contractor is required to notify Fulton County Laboratory staff prior to the collection of samples. This shall avoid potential problems that could jeopardize sample holding time requirements. Fulton County Big Creek Water Reclamation Facility (WRF) Laboratory is located at 1030 Roswell-Marietta Highway, Roswell Georgia, 30075.

7.2. Use of private/commercial environmental laboratories:

When pre-approved by Fulton County, the Contractor may use approved or certified private/commercial environmental laboratories for analysis of samples when the County's Big Creek Laboratory is not available. Certified laboratories selected by the Contractor shall be certified through the National Environmental Laboratory Accreditation Conference/Program (NELAC or NELAP). The Contractor must provide verification of lab accreditation to the County prior to lab utilization. An allowance of $50,000.00 has been included in the project to cover laboratory cost incurred throughout the term of this project. These funds are to be used for laboratory analysis only if Fulton County labs are determined unable to accomplish the work. The Contractor must obtain approval from the County prior to the use of any approved or certified private/commercial environmental laboratories for analysis of samples. If a private laboratory is used the Contractor shall be paid actual cost of laboratory analyses as supported by invoices.

Task 8: Non-Routine/Operations and Maintenance

8.1. The Contractor shall provide non-routine and/or emergency maintenance and repairs at the existing sampling station and/or any new sampling stations if added during the project term. This effort is intended to correct and avoid potential equipment problems that could jeopardize the collection of required samples. An allowance of $15,000.00 shall be included in the project for performing non-routine/emergency maintenance of existing stations. All work associated with this item must be pre-approved by Fulton County.

The contractor shall provide a price to perform this work under the allowance prior to initiating work; if not, this work may not be authorized for payment by the County.

8.2. Non-Routine Operations and Maintenance Basis for Payment
The Sampler Controller, Refrigerator, Probes, Sensors and/or any other critical subsystems that may require Non-Routine Operations and Maintenance activities during the term of this project. Non-Routine Operations and Maintenance may

be required whenever the sampler controller displays a "Program Halted" message or other systems failures as approved by the County. The unit price bid for performing Non-Routine Operations and Maintenance activities on the sampler sub-systems shall include all cost estimated to identify, repair or replace all failed parts and program controller within an acceptable time frame in order to minimize loss of sample collection opportunities. The intent of the County is to ensure optimal performance of all samplers and provide consistency in sample collection.

Task 9: Annual Report preparation, Plan Updates and Staff Training

9.1. County-wide Annual Report (Completion of this task will be optional at County's discretion)

The Contractor may be required to prepare the County's annual system wide report covering the reporting period of May 1 – April 30. Contractor shall submit a draft to the County on or before May 10th of each year for review and comment. The County shall review the report and provide any comments to the Contractor within ten (10) days of receipt of the report.

The County's Watershed Protection Plan Annual Report shall be included as an appendix to the County-wide Annual Report. The Watershed Protection Plan should include a schedule for correcting current water quality problems that are causing water standards violations, provide ongoing monitoring to verify that the actions taken to correct water quality problems are effective, supporting data, provide an estimate of what percentage of the watershed assessment is complete, summary of BMPs that have been implemented and documented water quality improvements, including any necessary changes to the Watershed Protection Plan, and how the watershed protection plan will be implemented in attaining and maintaining compliance with water quality standards.

Contractor shall incorporate appropriate comments into the final report and submit the final report to the County within 15 days of receipt of County comments for review and approval. Also, the Contractor shall deliver the final report to EPD and assist the County in addressing EPD comments after June 15th of each year.

The report is due annually on the 15th of June and it shall incorporate sampling data furnished by the County collected prior to the date of contract award.

9.2. Basis for Payment of County-wide Annual Report Updates

The unit price bid to update the Annual Report shall include all work associated with preparing the County's annual system wide report for the period beginning May 1 – April 30 of each year during the term of this project, the County's Watershed Protection Plan Report as an appendix, and delivery of the MS4 final report to Environmental Protection Division (EPD) including assisting the County in addressing EPD comments after June 15th of each year.

9.3. Revise the WPP and SQAP (Optional at County's discretion)

The WPP will be revised to address changes in water quality standards and impacts and provide appropriate best management practices until instream water quality standards are achieved. Results of surface water monitoring will be reviewed and included in Plan revisions.

The Watershed Protection Plan addresses point and non-point sources of pollution that cause water quality impacts within local government political boundaries and sewer service areas. The purpose of this Watershed Protection Plan is to provide a strategy for protecting and enhancing waterbodies within all of Fulton County. Objectives of the Plan are to:

- Correct current water quality concerns causing violations of water quality standards;
- Develop and implement best management practices (BMPs) to minimize future violations of water quality standards; and
- Provide ongoing monitoring to verify that the BMPs are working and provide information necessary to modify BMPs where required to achieve water quality standards.

Concurrently with revising the WPP the contractor shall revise the County's SQAP. The SQAP's primary purpose is to

- Identify stream segments listed on the current Georgia Environmental Protection Divisions (EPD) 303(d) list within the Fulton County's jurisdiction;
- Develop a monitoring program in accordance with Fulton County's WPP, and
- Evaluating the subject stream segments for the ultimate purpose of removing subject stream segments from the 303(d) list as the water quality improves due to implementation of effective BMP's.

If authorized, revising the WPP and SQAP shall include reviewing the location and justification for all existing sampling locations and determining an appropriate location for a second automated sampling station. The contractor shall be responsible for selecting the location for the new automated sampling station in accordance with the guidance in the WMP and the location shall be subject to any guidance and/or approval required by EPD.

9.4. Staff Training (Optional at County's discretion)

An allowance of $15,000.00 shall be included in the project for county staff training. The contractor shall identify an independent quality firm, to be approved by the County, to perform the applicable quality field monitoring training, including other relevant training. The contractor's bid form must indicate this allowance.

SECTION 8A

PERFORMANCE BOND REQUIREMENTS

No contract with Fulton County for work to be done shall be valid for any purpose unless the Contractor shall give a Performance Bond with good and sufficient surety payable to, in favor of and for the protection of Fulton County. The Performance Bond shall be in the amount of at 100% of the total contract amount payable by the terms of the Contract and shall be written on the enclosed form.

Surety companies executing Bonds must appear on the Treasury Department's most current list (Circular 570 as amended) and be authorized to transact business as a surety in Georgia.

Attestation for the corporation must be by the corporate officer; for a partnership by another partner; for an individual by a notary with the corporate seal.

PERFORMANCE BOND

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS [INSERT CONTRACTOR NAME] (hereinafter called the "Principal") and [insert name of surety] (hereinafter called the "Surety"), are held and firmly bound unto **FULTON COUNTY**, a political subdivision of the State of Georgia (hereinafter called the "Owner") and their successors and assigns, the penal sum of [100% of contract amount], lawful money of the United States of America, for the payment of which the principal and the Surety bind themselves, their administrators, executors, successors and assigns, jointly and severally, firmly by these presents.

WHEREAS, the Principal has entered, or is about to enter, into a certain written contract (Contract) with the Owner, dated _____, which is incorporated herein by reference in its entirety, for the [NAME OF PROJECT], more particularly described in the Contract (herein called the "Project"); and

NOW, THEREFORE, the conditions of this obligation are as follows, that if the Principal shall fully and completely perform all the undertakings, covenants, terms, conditions, warranties, and guarantees contained in the Contract, including all modifications, amendments, changes, deletions, additions, and alterations thereto that may hereafter be made, then this obligation shall be void; otherwise it shall remain in full force and effect.

Whenever the Principal shall be, and declared by the Owner to be, in default under the Construction-Type Contract, the Surety shall promptly remedy the default as follows:

1. Complete the Contract in accordance with its terms and conditions; or, at the sole option of the Owner,

2. Obtain a bid or bids for completing the Contract in accordance with its terms and conditions, and upon determination by the Surety and the Owner of the lowest responsible bidder, arrange for a contract between such bidder and Owner and make available as the work progresses (even though there should be a default or succession of defaults under the Contract or contracts of completion arranged under this paragraph) sufficient funds to pay the cost of completion less the balance of the contract price; but not exceeding, including other costs and damages for which the Surety may be liable hereunder, the penal sum set forth in the first paragraph hereof, as may be adjusted, and the Surety shall make available and pay to the Owner the funds required by this Paragraph prior to the payment of the Owner of the balance of the contract price, or any portion thereof. The term "balance of the contract price," as used in this paragraph, shall mean the total amount payable by the Owner to the Contractor under the Contract, and any amendments thereto, less the amount paid by the Owner to the Contractor; or, at the sole option of the Owner,

3. Allow Owner to complete the work and reimburse the Owner for all reasonable costs incurred in completing the work.

In addition to performing as required in the above paragraphs, the Surety shall indemnify and hold harmless the Owner from any and all losses, liability and damages, claims, judgments, liens, costs and fees of every description, including reasonable attorney's fees, litigation costs and expert witness fees, which the Owner may incur, sustain or suffer by reason of the failure or default on the part of the Principal in the performance of any or all of the terms, provisions, and requirements of the Contract, including any and all amendments and modifications thereto, or incurred by the Owner in making good any such failure of performance on the part of the Principal.

The Surety shall commence performance of its obligations and undertakings under this Bond promptly and without delay, after written notice from the Owner to the Surety.

The Surety hereby waives notice of any and all modifications, omissions, additions, changes, alterations, extensions of time, changes in payment terms, and any other amendments in or about the Contract, and agrees that the obligations undertaken by this Bond shall not be impaired in any manner by reason of any such modifications, omissions, additions, changes, alterations, extensions of time, change in payment terms, and amendments.

The Surety hereby agrees that this Bond shall be deemed amended automatically and immediately, without formal or separate amendments hereto, upon any amendment to the Contract, so as to bind the Principal and the Surety to the full and faithful performance of the Contract as so amended or modified, and so as to increase the penal sum to the adjusted Contract Price of the Contract.

No right of action shall accrue on this Bond to or for the use of any person, entity or corporation other than the Owner and any other obligee named herein, or their executors, administrators, successors or assigns.

This Bond is intended to comply with O.C.G.A. Section 36-91-1 et seq., and shall be interpreted so; as to comply with; the minimum requirements thereof. However, in the event the express language of this Bond extends protection to; the Owner beyond that contemplated by O.C.G.A. Section 36-91-1 et seq. and O.C.G.A. Section 13-10-1, as amended, or any other statutory law applicable to this Project, then the additional protection shall be enforced in favor of the Owner, whether or not such protection is found in the applicable statutes.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF the undersigned have caused this instrument to be executed and their respective corporate seals to be affixed and attested by their duly authorized representatives this _____ day of _____, _____.

_____(SEAL)
(Principal)

By:_____

Attest:

_____
Secretary

_____(SEAL)
(Surety)

By:_____

Attest:

_____
Secretary

_____
(Address of Surety's Home Office)

_____
(Resident Agent of Surety)

END OF SECTION NO. 8A

SECTION 8B

PAYMENT BOND REQUIREMENTS

No Contract with Fulton County for work to be done shall be valid for any purpose unless the Contractor shall give a Payment Bond with good and sufficient surety payable to Fulton County for the use and protection of all sub-contractors and all persons supplying labor, materials, machinery, and equipment in the prosecution of the work provided for in the Contract. The Payment Bond shall be in the amount of 100% of the total contract amount payable by the terms of the Contract and shall be written on the following form.

Surety companies executing Bonds must appear on the Treasury Department's most current list (Circular 570 as amended) and be authorized to transact business in the State of Georgia.

Attestation for the corporation must be by the corporate officer; for a partnership by another partner; for an individual by a notary with the corporate seal.

PAYMENT BOND

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS that [insert name of contractor] (hereinafter called the "Principal") and [insert name of surety] (hereinafter called the "Surety"), are held and firmly bound unto **FULTON COUNTY**, a political subdivision of the State of Georgia (hereinafter called the "Owner"), its successors and assigns as obligee, in the penal sum of [100% of contract amount], lawful money of the United States of America, for the payment of which the Principal and the Surety bind themselves, their administrators, executors, successors and assigns, jointly and severally, firmly by these presents.

WHEREAS, the Principal has entered, or is about to enter, into a certain written contract with the Owner, dated [insert date of contract], which is incorporated herein by reference in its entirety (hereinafter called the "Contract"), for construction-type services of a project known as [insert name of project], as more particularly described in the Contract (hereinafter called the "Project");

NOW, THEREFORE, the condition of this obligation is such that if the Principal shall promptly make payment to all persons working on or supplying labor or materials under the Contract, and any amendments thereto, with regard to labor or materials furnished and used in the Project, and with regard to labor or materials furnished but not so used, then this obligation shall be void; but otherwise it shall remain in full force and effect.

1. A "Claimant' shall be defined herein as any subcontractor, person, party, partnership, corporation or the entity furnishing labor, services or materials used, or reasonably required for use, in the performance of the Contract, without regard to whether such labor, services or materials were sold, leased or rented, and without regard to whether such Claimant is or is not in privity of contract with the Principal or any subcontractor performing work on the Project, including, but not limited to, the following labor, services, or materials: water, gas, power, light, heat, oil, gasoline, telephone service or rental of equipment directly applicable to the Contract.

2. In the event a Claimant files a lien against the property of the Owner, and the Principal fails or refuses to satisfy or remove it promptly, the Surety shall satisfy or remove the lien promptly upon written notice from the Owner, either by bond or as otherwise provided in the Contract.

3. The Surety hereby waives notice of any and all modifications, omissions, additions, changes, alterations, extensions of time, changes in the payment terms, and any other amendments in or about the Contract and agrees that the obligations undertaken by this Bond shall not be impaired in any manner by reason of any such modifications, omissions, additions, changes, alterations, extensions of time, changes in payment terms, and amendments.

4. The Surety hereby agrees that this Bond shall be deemed amended automatically and immediately, without formal or separate amendments hereto, upon any amendment or modifications to the Contract, so as to bind the Principal and Surety, jointly and severally, to the full payment of any Claimant under the Contract, as amended or modified, provided only that the Surety shall not be liable for more than the penal sum of the Bond, as specified in the first paragraph hereof.

5. This Bond is made for the use and benefit of all persons, firms, and corporations who or which may furnish any materials or perform any labor for or on account of the construction-type services to be performed or supplied under the Contract, and any amendments thereto, and they and each of them may sue hereon.

6. No action may be maintained on this Bond after one (1) year from the date the last services, labor, or materials were provided under the Contract by the Claimant prosecuting said action.

7. This Bond is intended to comply with O.C.G.A. Section 13-10-1, and shall be interpreted so as to comply with the minimum requirements thereof. However, in the event the express language of this Bond extends protection to the Owner beyond that contemplated by O.C.G.A. Section 13-10-1, or any other statutory law applicable to this Project, then the additional protection shall be enforced in favor of the Owner, whether or not such protection is found in the applicable statutes.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Principal and Surety have hereunto affixed their corporate seals and caused this obligations to be signed by their duly authorized representatives this _____of , _____.

_____(SEAL)
(Principal)

By:_____

Attest:

_____
Secretary

_____(SEAL)
(Surety)

By:_____

Attest:

_____
Secretary

_____
(Address of Surety's Home Office)

_____
(Resident Agent of Surety)

END OF SECTION NO. 8B

SECTION 9

GENERAL CONDITIONS

EXHIBIT A – DELIVERABLES
The CONTRACTOR shall furnish the following deliverables during the course of the project:

1) Project Management Plan (Draft)
2) Project Management Plan (Final)
3) Draft Project Work Plan
    a. Rainfall Sampling Communications and Weather Forecasting Plan
    b. Grab Sampling Water Quality
    c. Data Management and Analysis Report in Access database format
    d. Telephone and Electrical Services Report
    e. Wet Weather Sampling/Analysis Report (per season)
    f. Dry Weather Screening/Illicit Connections Report 3.9) Monitoring Stations Maintenance Schedule
4) Final Project Work Plan
5) Bio-Assessment Monitoring Letter Report (Quarterly)
6) Bio-Assessment Raw Data Report
7) Illicit Connection Inspection Report (Letter)
8) Chemical Monitoring Letter Report (Quarterly)
9) Fecal Coliform and E-Coli Sampling Letter Report (Quarterly)
10) Revised Sampling and Quality Assurance Plan
11) Quality Field Inspection Report (Letter)
12) Annual Report on Water Quality Data Collected (Quarterly)
13) Database Management Information in Digital Format
14) Monthly project status reports include Project & Schedule updates, and monitoring
15) Meeting minutes
16) Field Data Sheets
17) Chain of Custody Records and Letter Reports
18) Information Maps of each sampling/monitoring sites, shown in Task 5 and 6 in Electronic format and hard copy approved by County GIS.
19) Monthly Project Invoices
20) Monthly laboratory results of grab samples, fecal coliform and E-coli samples, composite samples, dry weather outfall screening samples and wet weather samples collected and analyzed per season.
21) Summer and Winter Season Trend Evaluation Monitoring Report (Letter)
22) Draft County-wide Annual Report (Three (3) hard copies and four (4) CDs of complete report). (Required for each permit year, if option is approved by County)
23) Final County-wide Annual Report (Four (4) hard copies and four (4) CDs of complete report). (Required for each permit year, if option is approved by County)
24) Revised WPP and SQAP (Optional)

Note: As the project continues, other deliverables may be identified by the CONTRACTOR and/or County.

SECTION 10

SPECIAL CONDITIONS

O.C.G.A § 36-60-15.1.
Operation and maintenance of water treatment systems by private entities

Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, any county or municipal corporation of this state is authorized, in the discretion of its governing authority, to enter into valid and binding leases and contracts with private persons, firms, associations, or corporations for any period of time not to exceed 20 years to provide for the operation and maintenance of all or a portion of its waste-water treatment system, storm-water system, water system, or sewer system, or any combination of such systems, which leases and contracts may include provisions for the design, construction, repair, reconditioning, replacement, maintenance, and operation of the system, or any combination of such services and functions. If a contract or lease to be awarded pursuant to this Code section includes provisions for the construction of public works, the laws relating to the procurement of such contracts shall also apply; provided, however, that any bonding requirements shall apply only to the construction provisions of the contract or lease. Prior to entering into a lease or contract pursuant to this Code section, the governing authority shall solicit competitive sealed proposals. The governing authority shall first establish criteria for evaluation of any applicants submitting proposals on such leases or contracts for the purpose of assisting the governing authority in making a review of such applicants´ previous performance on projects of comparable magnitude, the environmental compliance record of such applicants, and any relevant civil or criminal penalties incurred by such applicants during the five years immediately preceding the execution of the lease or contract. The governing authority shall take into consideration such information to assist it in determining the eligibility of any applicant. The award of a lease or contract pursuant to this Code section shall be made to the responsible and responsive applicant whose proposal is determined in writing to be the most advantageous to the governmental entity, taking into consideration the evaluation factors set forth in the request for proposals. All information required by the county or municipality pursuant to this Code section shall be provided by the applicant under oath. For purposes of this Code section, 'applicant' means any individual, firm, association, or corporation submitting a proposal on such leases or contracts.

SECTION 11
Pricing Forms

Base Year 2011

Task	Units	Estimated Number of Units	Unit Price	Total Project Cost
Task 3 – Water Quality Flow Composite Monitoring Samples (Optional)	Each	24		
Task 3.7.i – Renovate existing automated sampling station (Optional)	Each	1		
Task 4.1 – Dry Weather Outfall Screening/Re-screening for Illicit Discharges (Optional)	Each	180		
Task 4.10 - Sampling of potential illicit discharges (Optional)	Each	35		
Task 5.1 – Fecal Coliform and E-Coli	Each	168		
Task 5.2 – Chemical Monitoring	Each	56		
Task 5.2.1 – Heptachlor Epoxide	Each	10		
Task 5.4 - Portable equipment and labor required to automatically collect water quality samples	Each	10		
Task 6 – Biological/Habitat Assessment	Each	3		
Task 7 – Laboratory Analysis (External) (Optional)	Allowance Amount	1	$50,000.00	$50,000.00
Task 8 – Non-Routine/Operations and Maintenance (Optional)	Allowance Amount	1	$15,000.00	$15,000.00
Task 9.1 – County-wide Annual Report (Optional)	Each	1		
Task 9.3 – Revise WPP and SQAP (Optional)	Each	1		
Task 9.4 – Staff Training			$15,000.00	$15,000.00
			TOTAL	

Year 2012

Task	Units	Estimated Number of Units	Unit Price	Total Project Cost
Task 3 – Water Quality Flow Composite Monitoring Samples (Optional)	Each	24		
Task 3.7.ii – Construct new automated sampling station (Optional)	Each	1		
Task 4.1 – Dry Weather Outfall Screening/Re-screening for Illicit Discharges (Optional)	Each	180		
Task 4.10 - Sampling of potential illicit discharges (Optional)	Each	35		
Task 5.1 – Fecal Coliform and E-Coli	Each	168		
Task 5.2 – Chemical Monitoring	Each	56		
Task 5.2.1 – Heptachlor Epoxide	Each	10		
Task 5.4 - Portable equipment and labor required to automatically collect water quality samples	Each	10		
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Task 7 – Laboratory Analysis (External) (Optional)	Allowance Amount	1	$50,000.00	$50,000.00
Task 8 – Non-Routine/Operations and Maintenance (Optional)	Allowance Amount	1	$15,000.00	$15,000.00
Task 9.1 – 2006 County-wide Annual Report Preparation and Update (Optional)	Each	1		
Task 9.4 – Staff Training			$15,000.00	$15,000.00
			TOTAL	

Year 2013

Task	Units	Estimated Number of Units	Unit Price	Total Project Cost
Task 3 – Water Quality Flow Composite Monitoring Samples (Optional)	Each	24		
Task 4.1 – Dry Weather Outfall Screening/Re-screening for Illicit Discharges (Optional)	Each	180		
Task 4.10 - Sampling of potential illicit discharges (Optional)	Each	35		
Task 5.1 – Fecal Coliform and E-Coli	Each	168		
Task 5.2 – Chemical Monitoring	Each	56		
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Task 8 – Non-Routine/Operations and Maintenance (Optional)	Allowance Amount	1	$15,000.00	$15,000.00
Task 9.1 – 2006 County-wide Annual Report Preparation and Update (Optional)	Each	1		
Task 9.4 – Staff Training			$15,000.00	$15,000.00
			TOTAL	

Year 2014

Task	Units	Estimated Number of Units	Unit Price	Total Project Cost
Task 3 – Water Quality Flow Composite Monitoring Samples (Optional)	Each	24		
Task 4.1 – Dry Weather Outfall Screening/Re-screening for Illicit Discharges (Optional)	Each	180		
Task 4.10 - Sampling of potential illicit discharges (Optional)	Each	35		
Task 5.1 – Fecal Coliform and E-Coli	Each	168		
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Work for the future years are dependent on the needs of the County, performance of CONTRACTOR(S), and approval of funding by the Board of Commissioners. Costs for Task 1 and Task 2 shall be included in the unit price bid for the remaining tasks. The cost of all work shall be included in the unit price.

_____ _____

Signature Title (Please Print) Firm (Please Print)

FULTON COUNTY

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*

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PROJECT NUMBER

PROJECT TITLE

For

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CONTRACT AGREEMENT

Contractor: ***[Insert Contractor Name]***

Contract No.: ***[Insert Project Number and Title]***

Address: ***[Insert Contractor Address]***
City, State

Telephone: ***[Insert Contractor telephone #]***

Email: ***[Insert Consultant Email]***

Contact: ***[Insert Contractor Contact Name]***
[Insert Contractor 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 Contractor Company Name]** to provide professional consulting services in Georgia, hereinafter referred to as **"Contractor".**

WITNESSETH

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

WHEREAS, Contractor 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 Contractor agree as follows:

ARTICLE 1. CONTRACT DOCUMENTS

County hereby engages Contractor, and Contractor 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: Scope of Work
V. Exhibit C: Compensation;
VI. Exhibit D: Purchasing Forms;
VII. Exhibit E: Contract Compliance Forms;
VIII. Exhibit F: Insurance and Risk Management Form;
IX. Exhibit G: Payment & Performance Bonds (if applicable)

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 Contractor'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 Bid document, 3) any Addenda, 4) change orders, 5) the exhibits, and 6) portions of Contractor's proposal 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 Contractor agree the Project is to perform ***[Insert project description]***. 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 Contractor shall not be construed to exceed those services specifically set forth herein. Contractor agrees to provide all services, products, and data and to perform all tasks described in Exhibit B, Scope of Services.

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ARTICLE 5. **SERVICES PROVIDED BY COUNTY**

Contractor 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 Contractor 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. Contractor may rely upon written consents and approvals signed by County's authorized representative that are consistent with County rules and regulations.

ARTICLE 6. **MODIFICATIONS**

If during the course of performing the Project, County and Contractor 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 7. **SCHEDULE OF WORK**

Contractor 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 Contractor from County. The Contractor shall begin work under this Agreement no later than five (5) days after the effective date of notice to proceed.

ARTICLE 8. **CONTRACT TERM**

[Insert contract term and any renewal options]

ARTICLE 9. **COMPENSATION**

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

The total contract amount for the Project shall not exceed ***[Insert amount approved by BOC]***, which is full payment for a complete scope of services.

ARTICLE 10. **PERSONNEL AND EQUIPMENT**

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

Contractor 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 Contractor 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 Contractor. No changes or substitutions shall be permitted in Contractor'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 11. **SUSPENSION OF WORK**

Suspension Notice: The County may by written notice to the Contractor, 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 Contractor 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 Contractor will immediately resume performance under this Agreement as required in the notice.

ARTICLE 12. **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 [insert user department name] designated representative. The representative shall reduce the decision to writing and mail or otherwise furnish a copy thereof to the Contractor. The Contractor 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, Contractor 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, Contractor shall proceed diligently with

performance of the Agreement and in accordance with the decision of the [insert user department name] designated representative.

ARTICLE 13. **TERMINATION OF AGREEMENT FOR CAUSE**

(1) Either County or Contractor 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 Contractor refuses or fails to perform the work as specified in Exhibit B, 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 proposal without prior approval of County shall constitute cause for termination

(4) The County may, by written notice to Contractor, terminate Contractor'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 Contractor shall be required to provide all copies of finished or unfinished documents prepared by Contractor under this Agreement.

(5) Contractor 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 Contractor's right to proceed with the work has been terminated, the Contractor shall be liable for any damage to the County resulting from the Contractor'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 Contractor to complete the project.

ARTICLE 14. **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 Contractor. If the Agreement is terminated for convenience by the County, as provided in this article, Contractor 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 Contractor which shall itemize each task element and briefly state what work has been completed and what work remains to be done.

If, after termination, it is determined that the Contractor was not in default, or that the default was excusable, the rights and obligations of the parties shall be the same as if the termination had been issued for the convenience of the government.

ARTICLE 15.**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 16. **INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR**

Contractor 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 Contractor or any of its agents or employees to be the agent, employee or representative of County.

ARTICLE 17. **RESPONSIBILITY OF CONTRACTOR**

Contractor 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 Contractor or under the direct supervision of Contractor. All personnel engaged in the Project by Contractor 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 Contractor without the prior written consent of the County.

ARTICLE 18. **INDEMNIFICATION**

Contractor 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, 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 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 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. These 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 19. **COVENANT AGAINST CONTINGENT FEES**

Contractor 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 Contractor for the purpose of securing business and that Contractor 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 20. **INSURANCE**

Contractor 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 21. **PROHIBITED INTEREST**

Section 21.01 **Conflict of interest:**

Contractor 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. Contractor further agrees that, in the performance of the Agreement, no person having any such interest shall be employed.

Section 21.02 **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 22. **SUBCONTRACTING**

Contractor 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 23. **ASSIGNABILITY**

Contractor 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 Contractor without the prior expressed written consent of County shall at County's sole option terminate this Agreement without any notice to Contractor of such termination. Contractor binds itself, its successors, assigns, and legal representatives of such other party in respect to all covenants, agreements and obligations contained herein.

ARTICLE 24. **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. Contractor hereby promises to comply with all applicable "Anti-Kickback" Laws, and shall insert appropriate provisions in all subcontracts covering work under this Agreement.

ARTICLE 25. **AUDITS AND INSPECTORS**

At any time during normal business hours and as often as County may deem necessary, Contractor 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. Contractor's records of personnel,

conditions of employment, and financial statements (hereinafter "Information") constitute trade secrets and are considered confidential and proprietary by Contractor. 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 Contractor'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 Contractor. Contractor shall maintain all books, documents, papers, accounting records and other evidence pertaining to costs incurred on the Project and used in support of its proposal and shall make such material available at all reasonable times during the period of the Agreement and for eight 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. Contractor agrees that the provisions of this Article shall be included in any Agreements it may make with any subcontractor, assignee or transferee.

ARTICLE 26. **ACCOUNTING SYSTEM**

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

ARTICLE 27. **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 Contractor 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 28. **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: Felicia Strong-Whitaker, Interim Director

Notices to Contractor shall be addressed as follows:

[Insert Contractor Representative for project]
[Insert Contractor Address]

Telephone:
Facsimile:
Attention: ***[Insert Contractor Representative for project]***

ARTICLE 29. **JURISDICTION**

This Agreement will be executed and implemented in Fulton County. Further, 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 the Fulton County Superior Courts. 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 30. **EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY**

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

Section 30.01 Contractor will not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, creed, color, sex or national origin;

Section 30.02 Contractor will, in all solicitations or advertisements for employees placed by, or on behalf of, Contractor state that all qualified applicants, will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, creed, color, sex or national origin;

Section 30.03 Contractor 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 31. **FORCE MAJEURE**

Neither County nor Contractor 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 Contractor from performing its obligations hereunder in the event of riots, rebellions or legal strikes.

ARTICLE 32. **OPEN RECORDS ACT**

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

ARTICLE 33. **CONTRACTOR'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 Contractor 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 Contractor and the County, such that the Contractor'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 34. **INVOICING AND PAYMENT**

Contractor 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 Contractor 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: Contractor 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]***

Contractor'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 Contractor 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-contractors/Suppliers: The Contractor must certify in writing that all sub-contractors of the Contractor and suppliers have been promptly paid for work and materials and previous progress payments received. In the event the prime Contractor is unable to pay sub-

contractors or suppliers until it has received a progress payment from Fulton County, the prime Contractor shall pay all sub-contractors or supplier funds due from said progress payments within forty-eight (48) hours of receipt of payment from Fulton County an in no event later than fifteen days as provided for by State Law.

Acceptance of Payments by Contractor; Release. The acceptance by the Contractor 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 Contractor for work performed or furnished for or relating to the service for which payment was accepted, unless the Contractor 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 35. **TAXES**

The Contractor shall pay all sales, retail, occupational, service, excise, old age benefit and unemployment compensation taxes, consumer, use and other similar taxes, as well as any other taxes or duties on the materials, equipment, and labor for the work provided by the Contractor which are legally enacted by any municipal, county, state or federal authority, department or agency at the time bids are received, whether or not yet effective. The Contractor shall maintain records pertaining to such taxes as well as payment thereof and shall make the same available to the County at all reasonable times for inspection and copying. The Contractor shall apply for any and all tax exemptions which may be applicable and shall timely request from the County such documents and information as may be necessary to obtain such tax exemptions. The County shall have no liability to the Contractor for payment of any tax from which it is exempt.

ARTICLE 36. **PERMITS, LICENSES AND BONDS**

All permits and licenses necessary for the work shall be secured and paid for by the Contractor. If any permit, license or certificate expires or is revoked, terminated, or suspended as a result of any action on the part of the Contractor, the Contractor shall not be entitled to additional compensation or time.

ARTICLE 37. **NON-APPROPRIATION**

This Agreement states the total obligation of the County to the Contractor 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 Contractor 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 38. **WAGE CLAUSE**

Contractor shall agree that in the performance of this Agreement the Contractor 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.

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 H. 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 Department Head Name Insert Department Head Title]

CONTRACTOR:

[Insert Contractor COMPANY NAME]

[Insert Name & Title of person authorized to sign contract]

ATTEST:

Secretary/
Assistant Secretary

(Affix Corporate Seal)

ADDENDA

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