



**MISSOURI DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION  
 BID GUIDELINES AND DOCUMENTATION**

**THIS IS NOT AN ORDER**

**REQUEST FOR BID**

**\*\*\*THIS DOCUMENT MUST BE RETURNED AS A SEALED BID\*\*\***

It is the vendor's responsibility to read and comply with all conditions, specifications, and instructions outlined in this document. This document and any subsequent attachments shall supersede all confirmation forms, receipts, or any other paperwork needed to secure materials, equipment, or services.

TODAY'S DATE: AUGUST 31, 2010	<b>BID DUE BY (DATE AND TIME): SEPTEMBER 21, 2010 1:00 PM CST</b>	F.O.B. REQUIREMENTS: DESTINATION (SEE DELIVERY LOCATIONS BELOW)
CONTRACT PERIOD:  OCTOBER 1, 2010 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 2011	<b>BID #: B4-10-012 (PROPANE)</b> THIS BID # SHOULD BE REFERENCED ON ALL MAILING LABELS, ENVELOPES, AND ANY OTHER CORRESPONDENCE. <b>***SEALED BID***</b>	BUYER NAME:  TONI TERRY 816-347-4112
District Mailing Address: Missouri Department of Transportation – District 4 General Services Procurement Division 600 NE Colbern Road Lee's Summit, MO 64086		Delivery Locations:  Please refer to the address/location cross-reference list

**SUBMIT BID PRICING FOR EACH FACILITY YOU ARE INTERESTED IN SERVICING**

County	Location	Estimated Gallons	Bid Price Per Gallon	List the servicing propane plant & phone number (Example: XYZ Propane Co. – Any Town Plant, 660-555-1234)
Cass	Belton	5,800		
Cass	Harrisonville	6,000		
Cass	Pleasant Hill	4,500		
Clay	Chouteau	5,500		
Clay	Kearney Weigh Scales	No. Est.		
Henry	Clinton	10,000		
Henry	Urich	3,000		
Henry	Clinton RE Office	725		
Jackson	Roadside Enhancement	500		
Johnson	Warrensburg	10,000		
Lafayette	Lexington	4,200		
Lafayette	Odessa	4,500		
Lafayette	Mayview Weigh Scales	No. Est.		
Platte	Platte City	3,960		
Platte	Nashua	5,500		
Platte	Nashua RE Office	725		
Platte	Dearborn Rest Area	3,000		
Platte	Dearborn Weigh Scales	No. Est.		
Ray	Millville	2,000		
Ray	Richmond	5,735		

**VENDOR NAME:**

(Please enter your company name in this space)

**SCOPE OF WORK:**

Propane prices submitted with this Request for Bid must be FIRM for the entire contract period (October 1, 2010 through September 30, 2011). The quantities listed above are ESTIMATES ONLY for the contract period. Actual order quantities may vary. MoDOT reserves the right to increase or decrease these quantities during the contract period.

The awarded vendor will be required to monitor propane usage and top off tanks on an as-needed basis, unless other arrangements are made with the MoDOT supervisor who is responsible for the tank at a specific location.

The awarded vendor shall supply Material Safety Data Sheets to the MoDOT supervisor at each location. MoDOT owns their own tanks and are only interested in the purchase of propane.

The unit prices are to be bid F.O.B. Destination. The unit price per gallon must include all freight / handling / delivery costs and should not be listed as a separate item on any invoices. The Missouri Department of Transportation is exempt from Missouri State Sales Tax and Federal Excise Tax. Do Not include taxes in the bid amount.

**AWARD:**

Award of this bid will be made on an “Item By Item” basis using the “lowest and best” principle of award.

**FACILITY ADDRESS / LOCATION CROSS-REFERENCE LISTING:**

Facility	County	Address	Location
Belton	Cass	17321 S. Peculiar Drive, Belton, MO 64012	Rt. 71 – west outer road
Harrisonville	Cass	27821 S. State Rt. 7, Harrisonville, MO 64701	Rt. 7 – 2 miles south of Rt. 71
Pleasant Hill	Cass	1109 Rt. VV, Pleasant Hill, MO 64080	Rt. VV – 3/8 mile east of Rt. 7
Chouteau	Clay	3500 Chouteau Trway, Kansas City, MO 64117	Rt. 269 – north of Chouteau Bridge
Kearney Scale	Clay	12401 I-35, Kearney, MO 64060	I-35 – 4 miles north of Liberty
Clinton	Henry	1047 Gaines Drive, Clinton, MO 64735	Rt. 7 – north county road
Clinton RE	Henry	1057 E. Gaines Drive, Clinton, MO 64735	Rt. 7 – north county road
Urich	Henry	726 NW 1271 Outer Road, Urich, MO 64788	Rt. 7 – east of Jct. Rts. 7 & B
Roadside	Jackson	5117 E. 31 <sup>st</sup> Street, Kansas City, MO 64128	31 <sup>st</sup> & Van Brunt
Warrensburg	Johnson	8 NE 375, Warrensburg, MO 64093	Rt. 13 – north of Jct. Rts, 13 & 50
Lexington	Lafayette	11618 Hwy 24, Lexington, MO 64067	Rt. 24 – west of Rt. 13
Odessa	Lafayette	7353 Outer Road, Odessa, MO 64076	Rt. I-70 & 131 – northwest outer road
Mayview Scales	Lafayette	13844 Old Hwy 40	I-70 at the 43 mile marker
Platte City	Platte	16105 Elm Grove Rd., Platte City, MO 64079	East of I-29 & 371
Nashua	Platte	1910 N Cookingham Dr., KCMO 64155	I-435 & Cookingham Drive
Nashua RE	Platte	1900 N Cookingham Dr., KCMO 64155	I-435 & Cookingham Drive
Dearborn RA	Platte	21205 Camden Point, Platte City, MO 64079	I-29 – 4 miles north of 273
Dearborn Scales	Platte	18651 I-29 Northbound, Platte City, MO 64079	I-29 – 3 miles north of Platte City
Millville	Ray	18613 Hwy. E, Richmond, MO 64085	Rt. E – 0.1 mile north of Rt. K
Richmond	Ray	42896 Old Hwy 10, Richmond, MO 64085	Rt. 10 – 2 miles east of city limits

**All responses to this Request for Bid MUST be submitted on this form and ALL pages MUST be returned IN A SEALED ENVELOPE, with the bid number plainly marked on the exterior of the envelope or on the mailing label, to the Buyer listed above at the District mailing address shown. Failure to do so could result in a rejected bid for non-compliance.**

**VENDOR NOTES**

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**Missouri Department of Transportation purchase orders must be issued to the invoicing company/address. If the invoicing company/address will be different from that listed in the vendor information section (below), the vendor must specify the “remit to” company/address in the vendor notes section (above).**

**VENDOR INFORMATION**

Vendor Name/Mailing Address:	Vendor Contact Information (including area codes):  Phone #:  Fax #:  Cellular #:
Printed Name and Title of Responsible Officer or Employee:	Signature:
Is your company registered/certified with the State of Missouri as a (please circle):	
MINORITY BUSINESS ENTERPRISE (MBE) ?	YES                      NO
WOMEN BUSINESS ENTERPRISE (WBE) ?	YES                      NO
Would your company like information on becoming a registered/certified MBE/WBE vendor?	YES                      NO

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**PREFERENCE IN PURCHASING PRODUCTS**

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

The bidders attention is directed to Section 34.076 RsMO 1986 which gives preference to Missouri corporations, firms, and individuals when letting contracts or purchasing products.

Bids/Quotations received will be evaluated on the basis of this legislation.

**All vendors submitting a bid/quotation must furnish ALL information requested below.**

**FOR CORPORATIONS:**

State in which incorporated: \_\_\_\_\_

**FOR OTHERS:**

State of domicile: \_\_\_\_\_

**FOR ALL VENDORS:**

List address of Missouri offices or places of business:

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**THIS SECTION MUST BE COMPLETED AND SIGNED:**

**FIRM NAME:** \_\_\_\_\_

**ADDRESS:** \_\_\_\_\_

**CITY:** \_\_\_\_\_ **STATE:** \_\_\_\_\_ **ZIP:** \_\_\_\_\_

**BY (signature required):** \_\_\_\_\_

**Federal Tax I.D. #:** \_\_\_\_\_ **if no Federal Tax I.D. # - list Social Security #:** \_\_\_\_\_

NOTE: For bid/quotation to be considered, the "Preference in Purchasing Products" form must be on file in the General Services (Procurement) Division and must be dated in the current calendar year.

## MISSOURI DOMESTIC PRODUCTS PROCUREMENT ACT

The bidder's attention is directed to the Missouri Domestic Products Procurement Act, Sections 34.350 to 34/359, RsMO, which requires all manufactured goods or commodities used or supplied in the performance of this contract or any subcontract to be manufactured or produced in the United States.

Section 34.355, RsMO, requires the vendor or contractor to certify his compliance with Section 34.353 and, if applicable, Section 34.359, RsMO, at the time of bidding **and** prior to payment. Failure to comply with Section 34.353, RsMO, during the performance of the contract **and** to provide certification of compliance prior to payment will result in nonpayment for those goods or commodities.

Section 34.353.2, RsMO, specifies that it does not apply where the total contract is less than Twenty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$25,000.00). If your total bid is Twenty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$25,000.00) or more, you **must** complete this form as directed below.

**Failure to complete and return this document with this bid will cause the State to presume the manufactured goods or products listed in the bid are not manufactured or produced in the United States, and the bid will be evaluated on that basis. Please read the certification appearing below on this form.**

- [ ] If all the goods or products specified in the attached bid which the bidder proposes to supply to the State shall be manufactured or produced in the "United States" as defined in Section 34.350, RsMO, check the box at left.
  
- [ ] If only one item of any particular goods or products specified in the attached bid is manufactured or produced in the "United States" as defined in Section 34.350, RsMO, check the box at left and list the items (or item number) here:  


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- [ ] If any or all of the goods or products specified in the attached bid which the bidder proposes to supply to the State are **not** manufactured or produced in the "United States" as defined in Section 34.350, RsMO, then: (a) check the box at left; (b) list below, by item (or item number), the country other than the United States where each good or product is manufactured or produced; and (c) check the boxes to the left of the paragraphs below if applicable and list the corresponding items (or item numbers) in the spaces provided.

Item (or item number)	Location Where Item Manufactured or Produced

(attach an additional sheet if necessary)

- [ ] The following specified goods or products cannot be manufactured or produced in the United States in sufficient quantities or in time to meet the contract specifications. Items (or item numbers): \_\_\_\_\_  


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- [ ] The following specified goods or products must be treated as manufactured or produced in the United States, in accordance with an existing treaty, law, agreement, or regulation of the United States, including a treaty between the United States and any foreign country regarding export-import restrictions or international trade. Items (or item numbers): \_\_\_\_\_  


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### CERTIFICATION

**By submitting this document, completed as directed above, with a bid, the bidder certifies under penalty of making false declaration (Section 575.060, RsMO) that the information contained in this document is true, correct and complete, and may be relied upon by the State in determining the bidders qualifications under and in compliance with the Missouri Domestic Products Procurement Act.**

**The bidder's failure to complete and return this document with the bid as directed above will cause the State to presume the manufactured goods or products listed in the bid are not manufactured or produced in the United States, and the bid will be evaluated on that basis pursuant to Section 34.353.3(2), RsMO.**

## MISSOURI SERVICE-DISABLED VETERAN BUSINESS PREFERENCE

By virtue of statutory authority, RSMo 34.074, a preference will be given all contracts for the performance of any job or service to service-disabled veteran business either doing business as Missouri firms, corporations, or individuals; or which maintain Missouri offices or places of business, when the quality of performance promised is equal or better and the price quoted is the same or less or whenever competing bids, in their entirety, are comparable.

**Definitions:**

**Service-Disabled Veteran** is defined as any individual who is disabled as certified by the appropriate federal agency responsible for the administration of veterans' affairs.

**Service-Disabled Veteran Business** is defined as a business concern:

- a. Not less than fifty-one (51) percent of which is owned by one or more service-disabled veterans or, in the case of any publicly owned business, not less than fifty-one (51) percent of the stock of which is owned by one or more service-disabled veterans; and
- b. The management and daily business operations of which are controlled by one or more service-disabled veterans.

If an offeror meets the definitions of a service-disabled veteran and a service-disabled veteran business as defined in 34.074 RSMo and is either doing business as a Missouri firm, corporation, or individual; or maintains a Missouri office or place of business, the offeror **must** provide the following with the proposal in order to receive the Missouri service-disabled veteran business preference over a non-Missouri service-disabled veteran business when the quality of performance promised is equal or better and the price quoted is the same or less or whenever competing proposals, in their entirety, are comparable:

- a. A copy of a letter from the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA), or a copy of the offeror's discharge paper (DD Form 214, Certificate of Release or Discharge from Active Duty) from the branch of service the offeror was in, stating that the offeror has a service-connected disability rating ranging from 0 to 100% disability; and
- b. A completed copy of this exhibit

(NOTE: For ease of evaluation, please attach copy of the above-referenced letter from the VA or a copy of the offeror's discharge paper to this Exhibit.)

By signing below, I certify that I meet the definitions of a service-disabled veteran and a service-disabled veteran business as defined in 34.074 RSMo and that I am either doing business as a Missouri firm, corporation, or individual; or maintain Missouri offices or places of business at the location(s) listed below.

Veteran Information

Business Information

\_\_\_\_\_  
Service-Disabled Veteran's Name, (Please Print)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Service-Disabled Veteran Business Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
*Service-Disabled Veteran's Signature*

\_\_\_\_\_  
Missouri Address of Service-Disabled Veteran Business

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**STANDARD SOLICITATION PROVISIONS**

- a. The Missouri Department of Transportation (MoDOT) reserves the right to reject any or all bids/quotes/proposals, and to accept or reject any items thereon, and to waive technicalities. In case of error in the extension of prices in the bid/quote/proposal, unit prices will govern.
- b. All bids/quotes/proposals must be signed with the firm name and by a responsible officer or employee. Obligations assumed by such signature must be fulfilled.
- c. By virtue of statutory authority, a preference will be given to materials, products, supplies, provisions and all other articles produced, manufactured, made or grown, within the State of Missouri.
- d. Time of delivery is a part of the consideration and, if not otherwise stated in the solicitation documents, must be stated in definite terms by the Bidder/Offeror and must be adhered to. If time varies on different items, the Bidder/Offeror shall so state.
- e. If providing bids/quotes/proposals for commodities, the Bidder/Offeror will state brand or make on each item. If bidding or proposing other than the make, model or brand specified, the manufacturer's name, model number or catalog number must be given.
- f. **For bids/proposals of \$25,000 or more**, no bids/proposals by telephone, telegram or telefax will be accepted.
- g. The date specified for the returning of bids/quotes/proposals is a firm deadline and all bids/quotes/proposals must be received at the designated office by that time. The Department does not recognize the U.S. Mail, Railway Express Agency, Air Express, or any other organization, as its agent for purposes of accepting proposals. All proposals arriving at the designated office after the deadline specified will be rejected.

GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS

**General Performance**

- a. This work is to be performed under the general supervision and direction of the Missouri Department of Transportation (MoDOT) and, if awarded any portion of the work, the Contractor agrees to furnish at his own expense all labor and equipment required to complete the work, it being expressly understood that this solicitation is for completed work based upon the price(s) specified and is not a solicitation for rental of equipment or employment of labor by MoDOT, and MoDOT is to have no direction or control over the employees used by the Contractor in performance of the work.

**Deliveries**

- a. Unless otherwise specified on the solicitation documents or purchase order, suppliers shall give at least 24 hours advance notice of each delivery. Delivery will only be received between the hours of 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., Monday through Friday. Material arriving after 3:00 p.m. will not be unloaded until the following workday. No material will be received on Saturday, Sunday or state holidays.
- b. If the prices bid herein include the delivery cost of the material, the Contractor agrees to pay all transportation charges on the material as FOB - Destination. Freight costs must be included in the unit price bid and not listed as a separate line item.
- c. Any demurrage is to be paid by the Contractor direct to the railroad or carrier.

**Nondiscrimination**

- a. The Contractor shall comply with the Regulations relative to nondiscrimination in federally-assisted programs of the Department of Transportation, Title 49, Code of Federal Regulations, Part 21, as they may be amended from time to time, (hereinafter referred to as the Regulations), which are herein incorporated by reference and made a part of this contract.
- b. All solicitations either by competitive bidding or negotiation made by the Contractor for work to be performed under a subcontract, including procurements of materials or leases of the Contractor's obligations under this contract and the Regulations, will be relative to nondiscrimination on the grounds of race, color, or national origin.
  - 1) Sanctions for Noncompliance: In the event of the Contractor's noncompliance with the nondiscrimination provisions of this contract, MoDOT shall impose such contract sanctions as it or the Federal Highway Administration may determine to be appropriate, including, but not limited to:
    - i. withholding of payments to the Contractor under the contract until the Contractor complies, and/or,
    - ii. cancellation, termination or suspension of the contract, in whole or in part.

**Contract/Purchase Order**

- a. By submitting a bid/quote/proposal, the Bidder/Offeror agrees to furnish any and all equipment, supplies and/or services specified in the solicitation documents, at the prices quoted, pursuant to all requirements and specifications contained therein.
- b. A binding contract shall consist of: (1) the solicitation documents, amendments thereto, and/or Best and Final Offer (BAFO) request(s) with any changes/additions, (2) the Contractor's proposal and/or submitted pricing, and (3) the MHTC's acceptance of the proposal and/or bid by purchase order or post-award contract.
- c. A notice of award does not constitute an authorization for shipment of equipment or supplies or a directive to proceed with services. Before providing equipment, supplies and/or services, the Contractor must receive a properly authorized purchase order and/or notice to proceed.
- d. The contract expresses the complete agreement of the parties and performance shall be governed solely by the specifications and requirements contained therein. Any change, whether by modification and/or supplementation, must be accomplished by a formal contract amendment signed and approved by and between the duly authorized representative of the Contractor and the duly authorized representative of the MHTC, by a modified purchase order prior to the effective date of such modification. The Contractor expressly and explicitly understands and agrees that no other method and/or no other document, including correspondence, acts, and oral communications by or from any person, shall be used or construed as an amendment or modification.

**Subcontracting**

- a. It is specifically understood that no portion of the material or any interest in the contract, shall be subcontracted, transferred, assigned or otherwise disposed of, except with the written consent of MoDOT. Request for permission to subcontract or otherwise dispose of any part of the work shall be in writing to MoDOT and accompanied by documentation showing that the organization which will perform the work is particularly experienced and

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equipped for such work.

- b. Consent to subcontract or otherwise dispose of any portion of the work shall not be construed to relieve the Contractor of any responsibility for the production and delivery of the contracted work and the completion of the work within the specified time.
- c. All payments for work performed by a subcontractor shall be made to the Contractor to whom the contract was awarded and the purchase order issued.

**Invoicing and Payment**

- a. MoDOT is exempt from paying Missouri Sales Tax, Missouri Use Tax and Federal Excise Tax. However, the Contractor may themselves be responsible for the payment of taxes on materials they purchase to fulfill the contract. A Project Tax Exemption Certificate will be furnished to the successful Bidder/Offeror upon request if applicable.
- b. Each invoice should be itemized in accordance with items listed on the purchase order and/or contract. The statewide financial management system has been designed to capture certain receipt and payment information. Therefore, each invoice submitted must reference the purchase order number and must be itemized in accordance with items listed on the purchase order. Failure to comply with this requirement may delay processing of invoices for payment.
- c. Unless otherwise provided for in the solicitation documents, payment for all equipment, supplies, and/or services required herein shall be made in arrears. The Missouri Highways and Transportation Commission (MHTC) shall not make any advance deposits.
- d. The MHTC assumes no obligation for equipment, supplies, and/or services shipped or provided in excess of the quantity ordered. Any authorized quantity is subject to the MHTC's rejection and shall be returned at the Contractor's expense.
- e. The MHTC reserves the right to purchase goods and services using the state-purchasing card.

**Applicable Laws and Regulations**

- a. The contract shall be construed according to the laws of the State of Missouri. The Contractor shall comply with all local, state, and federal laws and regulations related to the performance of the contract.
- b. The Contractor must be registered and maintain good standing with the Secretary of State of the State of Missouri and other regulatory agencies, as may be required by law or regulations. Prior to the issuance of a purchase order and/or notice to proceed, the Contractor may be required to submit to MoDOT a copy of their current Authority Certificate from the Secretary of State of the State of Missouri.
  - 1) Prior to the issuance of a purchase order and/or notice to proceed, all **out-of-state** Contractors **providing services** within the state of Missouri must submit to MoDOT a copy of their current Transient Employer Certificate from the Department of Revenue, in addition to a copy of their current Authority Certificate from the Secretary of State of the State of Missouri.
- c. The exclusive venue for any legal proceeding relating to or arising, out of the contract shall be in the Circuit Court of Cole County, Missouri.

**Preferences**

- a. In the evaluation of bids/quotes/proposals, preferences shall be applied in accordance with Chapter 34 RSMo. Contractors should apply the same preferences in selecting subcontractors.
- b. By virtue of statutory authority, RSMo. 34.076 and 34.350 to 34.359, a preference will be given to materials, products, supplies, provisions and all other articles produced, manufactured, made or grown within the State of Missouri. Such preference shall be given when quality is equal or better and delivered price is the same or less.
  - 1) If attached, the document entitled "**PREFERENCE IN PURCHASING PRODUCTS**" should be completed and returned with the solicitation documents.
  - 2) If attached, the document entitled "**MISSOURI DOMESTIC PRODUCTS PROCUREMENT ACT**" should be completed and returned with the solicitation documents. **Applies if bid is Twenty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$25,000.00) or more.**
- c. By virtue of statutory authority, RSMo 34.074, a preference will be given all contracts for the performance of any job or service to service-disabled veteran business either doing business as Missouri firms, corporations, or individuals; or which maintain Missouri offices or places of business, when the quality of performance promised is equal or better and the price quoted is the same or less or whenever competing bids, in their entirety, are comparable.
  - 1) If attached, the document entitled "**MISSOURI SERVICE-DISABLED VETERAN PREFERENCE**" should be completed and returned with the solicitation documents.
- d. In the event of a tie of low bids, the MHTC reserves the right to establish the method to be used in determining the award

**Remedies and Rights**

- a. No provision in the contract shall be construed, expressly or implied, as a waiver by the MHTC of any existing or future right and/or remedy available by law in the event of any claim by the MHTC of the Contractor's default or breach of contract.
- b. The Contractor agrees and understands that the contract shall constitute an assignment by the Contractor to the MHTC of all rights, title and interest in and to all causes of action that the Contractor may have under the antitrust laws of the United States or State of Missouri for which causes of action have accrued or will accrue as the result of or in relation to the particular equipment, supplies, and/or services purchased or produced by the Contractor in the fulfillment of the contract with the MHTC.

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- c. In the event a Contractor becomes involved in, or is threatened with, litigation with a subcontractor or supplier as a result of such direction, the Contractor may request MoDOT to enter into such litigation to protect the interests of the MHTC, and, in addition, the Contractor may request the United States to enter into such litigation to protect the interests of the United States.

**Cancellation of Contract**

- a. The MHTC may cancel the contract at any time for a material breach of contractual obligations or for convenience by providing the Contractor with written notice of cancellation. Should the MHTC exercise its right to cancel the contract for such reasons, cancellation will become effective upon the date specified in the notice of cancellation sent to the Contractor.
- b. If the MHTC cancels the contract for breach, the MHTC reserves the right to obtain the equipment, supplies, and/or services to be provided pursuant to the contract from other sources and upon such terms and in such manner as the MHTC deems appropriate and charge the Contractor for any additional costs incurred thereby.

**Bankruptcy or Insolvency**

- a. Upon filing for any bankruptcy or insolvency proceeding by or against the Contractor, whether voluntary or involuntary, or upon the appointment of a receiver, trustee, or assigned the benefit or creditors, the Contractor must notify MoDOT immediately. Upon learning of any such actions, the MHTC reserves the right, at its sole discretion, to either cancel the contract or affirm the contract and hold the Contractor responsible for damages.

**Inventions, Patents, and Copyrights**

- a. The Contractor shall defend, protect, and hold harmless the MHTC, its officers, agents, and employees against all suits of law or in equity resulting from patent and copyright infringement concerning the Contractor's performance or products produced under the terms of the contract.

**Inspection and Acceptance**

- a. No equipment, supplies, and/or services received by MoDOT pursuant to a contract shall be deemed accepted until MoDOT has had reasonable opportunity to inspect said equipment, supplies, and/or services.
- b. All equipment, supplies, and/or services which do not comply with the specifications and/or requirements or which are otherwise unacceptable or defective may be rejected. In addition, all equipment, supplies, and/or services which are discovered to be defective or which do not conform to any warranty of the Contractor upon inspection (or at any later time if the defects contained were not reasonably ascertainable upon the initial inspection) may be rejected.
- c. The MHTC reserves the right to return any such rejected shipment at the Contractor's expense for full credit or replacement and to specify a reasonable date by which replacements must be received.
- d. The MHTC's right to reject any unacceptable equipment, supplies, and/or services shall not exclude any other legal, equitable or contractual remedies the MHTC may have.

**Warranty**

- a. The Contractor expressly warrants that all equipment, supplies, and/or services provided shall: (1) conform to each and every specification, drawing, sample or other description which was furnished to or adopted by MoDOT, (2) be fit and sufficient for the purpose expressed in the solicitation documents, (3) be merchantable, (4) be of good materials and workmanship, and (5) be free from defect.
- b. Such warranty shall survive delivery and shall not be deemed waived either by reason of the MHTC's acceptance of or payment for said equipment, supplies, and/or services.

**Status of Independent Contractor**

- a. The Contractor represents itself to be an independent Contractor offering such services to the general public and shall not represent itself or its employees to be an employee of the MHTC. Therefore, the Contractor shall assume all legal and financial responsibility for taxes, FICA, employee fringe benefits, workers' compensation, employee insurance, minimum wage requirements, overtime, etc., and agrees to indemnify, save and hold the MHTC, its officers, agents and employees harmless from and against any and all losses (including attorney fees) and damage of any kind related to such matters.

**Indemnification**

- a. The Offeror shall defend, indemnify and hold harmless the Commission, including its members and department employees, from any claim or liability whether based on a claim for damages to real or personal property or to a person for any matter relating to or arising out of the Offeror's performance of its obligations under this Agreement.

**SPECIAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS**

**Insurance**

The Contractor shall maintain or cause to be maintained at Contractor's own expense commercial general liability, automobile liability, worker's compensation insurance against negligent acts, errors or omissions of the Contractor, or its subcontractors and anyone directly or indirectly employed by any of them. Any insurance policy required as specified in this Section shall be written by a company that is licensed and authorized to issue such insurance in the state of Missouri and shall provide insurance coverage for not less than the following limits of liability:

- a. General Liability: Not less than \$500,000 for any one person in a single accident or occurrence, and not less than \$3,000,000 for all claims arising out of a single occurrence;

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b. Automobile Liability: Not less than \$500,000 for any one person in a single accident or occurrence, and not less than \$3,000,000 for all claims arising out of a single occurrence;

c. Missouri State Workmen's Compensation policy or equivalent in accordance with state law.

Upon request from the Commission, the Contractor shall provide the Commission with certificates of insurance evidencing the required coverage and that such insurance is in effect.

**Award**

a. Award of this bid will be made on an "Item By Item" basis using the "lowest and best" principle of award.

