

REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

The enclosed **REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL (RFP)** and accompanying **SPECIFICATIONS** are for your convenience in submitting an offer for the enclosed referenced products and/or services for:

Disaster and/or Storm Recovery Monitoring

CLOSING DAY AND TIME: Sealed proposals will be received no later than:

10:00 A.M., Wednesday, June 15, 2022

MARK ENVELOPE:

"Disaster and/or Storm Recovery Monitoring"

RETURN PROPOSAL TO:

**CITY OF FREEPORT
200 WEST 2ND STREET
FREEPORT, TEXAS 77541
ATTN: CHRISTOPHER D. MOTLEY**

THE CITY OF FREEPORT appreciates your time and effort in preparing a proposal. Please note that all proposals must be received at the designated location by the deadline shown. Proposals received after the deadline will not be considered for award, and shall be returned unopened. Opening is scheduled at City Hall, 3rd Floor Room 360, 200 West 2nd Street, Freeport, Texas as listed above. You are invited to attend. Proposals will be declared responsive or non-responsive at that time, but will not be open to public review until evaluations are completed.

THE CITY OF FREEPORT is aware of the time and effort you expend in preparing and submitting bids and proposals to the city. Please let us know of any requirements causing you difficulty in responding. We want to make the process as easy and convenient as possible so that all responsible vendors can compete for the city's business.

SECTION I - INFORMATION & INSTRUCTIONS

1.0 SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS:

1.1 The complete original proposal must be submitted in a sealed package and received in accordance with the instructions detailed in the cover. All proposals shall be marked **Disaster and/or Storm Recovery Monitoring**. Proposers shall file all documents necessary to support their proposal and include them with their proposal. Proposers shall be responsible for the actual delivery of proposals during business hours to the address indicated in the cover letter. It shall not be sufficient to show that the proposal was mailed in time to be received before scheduled closing time.

1.2 Proposal Format: Proposals shall include the following information at a minimum:

- a) **Proposal Document** - This request for Proposal Document signed by a responsible party (Form A).
- b) **Description of Capabilities** - Detailed description of capabilities as requested.
- c) **Fee Schedule** - Fees per instructions in Section IV.
- d) **Debris Management Experience** - Relative information on Provider's response to a specific local disaster.
- e) **Firm Qualifications**- Description of vendor's staff, locations of staff, staff capabilities, and roles.
- f) **References** - References including municipal agencies and/or local businesses with contact names and description of the work.
- g) **Affidavit and Questionnaire** – Attached: Member Contact Information, BID Affidavit, Conflict of Interest Questionnaire, Blocked Persons Affirmation
- h) **Insurance** – Minimum Insurance qualifications listed below.
- i) **Financial Capability** – Financial Assurance, Bonding and Credit credentials as listed below.
- j) **NIMS Compliance** - Employee training and operations.

The Proposals must be typewritten and the original clearly marked and signed in **blue ink**. Legibility, clarity and completeness are important and essential. Proposals must include label tabs which identify the sections of the Proposal.

1.3 Copies: An original and three (3) copies of the proposal and supporting documents must be submitted in response to the RFP.

1.4 Addenda: Proposers will be notified in writing of any change in the specifications contained in this RFP. It is the sole responsibility of the **PROPOSER** to assure that they have received the entire Request for Proposal and any addenda(s).

1.5 Clarifications: No verbal or written information which is obtained other than through this RFP or its addenda(s) shall be binding on the City of Freeport. No employee of the City of Freeport, other than the person designated herein, is authorized to interpret any portion of this

RFP or give information as to the requirements of the RFP in addition to that contained in or amended to this written RFP document.

1.6 Accepting and Rejecting Proposals. The City of Freeport reserves the right to reject any and all proposals, to waive any and all formalities and to accept any proposal considered to be advantageous to the City. In the case of ambiguity or lack of clearness, the City reserves the right to construe a proposal in a manner most advantageous to the City, or to reject such proposal. The contract may be awarded either to the lowest responsible Proposer or to the Proposer that provides goods or services at the best value for the City.

1.7 Request for Additional Information: Prior to the final selection, proposers may be required to submit additional information or make oral presentations which the City may deem necessary to further evaluate the proposer's qualifications.

1.8 Denial of Reimbursement: The City of Freeport will not reimburse proposers for any costs associated with the preparation and submittal of any proposal, or for any travel and/or per diem costs that are incurred.

1.9 Gratuity Prohibition: Proposers shall not offer any gratuities, favors, or anything of monetary value to any official, employee, or agent of the City of Freeport for the purpose of influencing consideration of this proposal.

1.10 Right of Withdrawal: A proposal may not be withdrawn before the expiration of ninety (90) days from the proposal due date.

1.11 Right of Negotiation: The City of Freeport reserves the right to negotiate with the selected proposer the exact terms and conditions of the contract.

1.12 Exceptions to the RFP: Proposers may find instances where they must take exception with certain requirements or specifications of the RFP. All exceptions shall be clearly identified, and written explanations shall include the scope of the exceptions, the ramifications of the exceptions for the City of Freeport and a description of the advantage to be gained or disadvantages to be incurred by the City as a result of these exceptions.

1.13 Indemnification: Proposer, at its own expense and without exception, shall indemnify, defend and pay all damages, costs, expenses, including attorney fees, and otherwise hold harmless the City of Freeport, its employees, and agents, from any liability of any nature or kind in regard to the delivery of these services.

1.14 Rights to Submitted Material: All proposals, responses, inquiries, or correspondence relating to or in reference to this RFP, and all reports, charts, and other documentation submitted by proposers shall become the property of the City of Freeport when received. Any material that is to be considered as confidential in nature must be clearly marked as such and will be treated as confidential by the City to the extent allowable in the Open Records Act.

1.15 Basis of Award: Proposals will be evaluated according to the following criteria:

1. Company Experience on Similar Sized Projects – 20%
2. Staff Qualifications and Emergency Planning/Response Experience - 20 %
3. NIMS adoption and compliance in employee training and operations – 10 %
4. Project Understanding and Approach - 20 %
5. Management Systems/Reporting Systems/Training Manual – 10 %
6. Cost of Services Proposed - 15 %
7. Experience with City of Freeport – 5%

1.16 Contacts: Proposers must submit proposals in accordance with the instructions contained in this RFP. Questions regarding this request for proposal should be directed to:

City of Freeport, Chris Motley; 979-233-2111

1.17 Contract: The contract between the City of Freeport and the contractor shall consist of (1) the Request for Proposal (RFP) and any amendments thereto, and (2) the proposal submitted by the contractor in response to the RFP, including any resultant negotiation and shall be accepted only upon approval by City Council and signature by the Mayor. In the event of a conflict in language between the two documents referenced above, the provisions and requirements set forth and/or referenced in the RFP shall govern. However, the City of Freeport reserves the right to clarify any contractual relationship in writing with the concurrence of the proposer, and such written clarification shall govern in case of conflict with the applicable requirements stated in the RFP or the service provider's proposal. In all other matters not affected by the written clarifications, if any, the RFP shall govern.

1.18 Contract Term: The contract term shall begin upon award at City of Freeport Council approval and shall continue for three (3) years. Further, City of Freeport reserves the right to renew the contract for one additional two-year period. Such renewal shall be subject to the terms and conditions herein contained and shall be effective only if evidenced in writing. Renewal shall be subject to approval by City of Freeport Council each period. Once renewal option is exhausted, the contract must be rebid. City of Freeport retains the right to reject any and all solicitations or to request new solicitations at any time if in the best interest of City of Freeport.

1.19 Termination of Contract:

Termination with Cause:

"Upon written notice to the Contractor of a defect or breach of this Agreement, Contractor has five (5) business days to cure any defect(s) or breach(es) cited in said notice. If Contractor fails to cure the defect(s) or breach(es) within the five (5) business days allowed, City of Freeport may terminate this Agreement. Nevertheless, City of Freeport reserves the right to provide written notice to the Contractor that this Agreement shall continue if Contractor has in good-faith

commenced efforts to cure said defect(s) or breach(es) and Contractor agrees, in writing, to continue to act without undue delay to cure said defect(s) or breach(es).

Termination Without Cause:

This contract may be terminated by either the City or the Contractor at any time, without cause, by providing the other Party at least thirty (30) calendar days' prior written notice.

1.20 Compliance with Laws: In connection with the furnishing of supplies or performance of work under the contract, the provider agrees to comply with the Fair Labor Standard Act, Equal Opportunity Employment Act, and all other applicable Federal and State laws, regulations, and executive orders to the extent that the same may be applicable and further agrees to insert the foregoing provision in all subcontracts awarded hereunder.

§ 60-1.4 Equal opportunity clause.

Government contracts. Except as otherwise provided, each contracting agency shall include the following equal opportunity clause contained in section 202 of the order in each of its Government contracts (and modifications thereof if not included in the original contract):

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

Employment, upgrading, demotion, or transfer; recruitment or recruitment advertising; layoff or termination; rates of pay or other forms of compensation; and selection for training, including apprenticeship. The contractor agrees to post in conspicuous places, available to employees and applicants for employment, notices to be provided setting forth the provisions of this nondiscrimination clause.

(2) The contractor will, in all solicitations or advertisements for employees placed by or on behalf of the contractor, state that all qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, or national origin.

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

(4) The contractor will send to each labor union or representative of workers with which he has a collective bargaining agreement or other contract or understanding, a notice to be provided advising the said labor union or workers' representatives of the contractor's commitments under this section, and shall post copies of the notice in conspicuous places available to employees and applicants for employment.

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

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

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

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

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

Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act

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

(2) Violation; liability for unpaid wages; liquidated damages. In the event of any violation of the clause set forth in paragraph (1) of this section the contractor and any subcontractor responsible therefor shall be liable for the unpaid wages. In addition, such contractor and subcontractor shall be liable to the United States (in the case of work done under contract for the District of Columbia or a territory, to such District or to such territory), for liquidated damages. Such liquidated damages shall be computed with respect to each individual laborer or mechanic, including watchmen and guards, employed in violation of the clause set forth in paragraph (1) of this section, in the sum of \$10 for each calendar day on which such individual was required or permitted to work in excess of the standard workweek of forty hours without payment of the overtime wages required by the clause set forth in paragraph (1) of this section.

(3) Withholding for unpaid wages and liquidated damages. The (write in the name of the Federal agency or the loan or grant recipient) shall upon its own action or upon written request of an authorized representative of the Department of Labor withhold or cause to be withheld, from any moneys payable on account of work performed by the contractor or subcontractor under any such contract or any other Federal contract with the same prime contractor, or any other federally-assisted contract subject to the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act, which is held by the same prime contractor, such sums as may be determined to be necessary to satisfy any liabilities of such contractor or subcontractor for unpaid wages and liquidated damages as provided in the clause set forth in paragraph (2) of this section.

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

Rights to Inventions Made Under a Contract or Agreement

b. If the FEMA (or Federal) award meets the definition of “funding agreement” under 37 C.F.R. § 401.2(a) and the non-Federal entity wishes to enter into a contract with a small business firm or nonprofit organization regarding the substitution of parties, assignment or performance of experimental, developmental, or research work under that “funding agreement,” the non-Federal entity must comply with the requirements of 37 C.F.R. Part 401 (Rights to Inventions Made by Nonprofit Organizations and Small Business Firms Under Government Grants, Contracts and Cooperative Agreements), and any implementing regulations issued by 7 FEMA. See 2 C.F.R. Part 200, Appendix II, ¶ F.

c. The regulation at 37 C.F.R. § 401.2(a) currently defines “funding agreement” as any contract, grant, or cooperative agreement entered into between any Federal agency, other than the Tennessee Valley Authority, and any contractor for the performance of experimental, developmental, or research work funded in whole or in part by the Federal government. This term also includes any assignment, substitution of parties, or subcontract of any type entered into for the performance of experimental, developmental, or research work under a funding agreement as defined in the first sentence of this paragraph.

Clean Air Act

(1) The contractor agrees to comply with all applicable standards, orders or regulations issued pursuant to the Clean Air Act, as amended, 42 U.S.C. § 7401 et seq.

(2) The contractor agrees to report each violation to City of Freeport and understands and agrees that City of Freeport will, in turn, report each violation as required to assure notification to the applicable federal program Administrator, and the appropriate Environmental Protection Agency Regional Office.

(3) The contractor agrees to include these requirements in each subcontract exceeding \$100,000 financed in whole or in part with Federal assistance provided by the applicable federal

program Administrator.

Federal Water Pollution Control Act

- (1) The contractor agrees to comply with all applicable standards, orders or regulations issued pursuant to the Federal Water Pollution Control Act, as amended, 33 U.S.C. 1251 et seq.
- (2) The contractor agrees to report each violation to City of Freeport and understands and agrees that City of Freeport will, in turn, report each violation as required to assure notification to City of Freeport and the appropriate Environmental Protection Agency Regional Office.
- (3) The contractor agrees to include these requirements in each subcontract exceeding \$100,000 financed in whole or in part with Federal assistance provided by the applicable federal program Administrator.”

Byrd Anti-Lobbying Amendment

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

Energy Efficiency

The Contractor shall comply with the mandatory standards and policies relating to energy efficiency which are contained in the state energy conservation plan issued in compliance with the Energy Policy and Conservation Act (42 U.S.C. 6201)

1.21 Use of Local Resources As per the Robert T. Stafford Act and FEMA regulations, Proposer will be able to use his/her own subcontractor resources to meet the obligations of the contract. It is expected that the Awarded Contractor will utilize at least **30%** of local subcontractors from resources located within the disaster area, including but not limited to, procuring supplies and equipment, awarding subcontracts, and employing workmen.

1.22 Response to Emergency Contractor must have representative within the city limits of Freeport within 24 hours after the eye of the storm has passed or other within 24 hours of any natural disaster where cleanup efforts are needed. Contractor must make contact with City of Freeport representative within 48 hours of expected impact of storm.

1.23 Independent Contractor. The parties intend that Proposer, in performing services under this contract, shall act as an independent contractor and shall have control of the work and the manner in which it is performed. The Proposer shall be free to contract for similar services to be performed for other persons, firms or corporations and Proposer is not to be considered an agent or employee of the City of Freeport and is not entitled to participate in any employee benefits of the City of Freeport. Further, the City of Freeport shall be exempt from payment of all

Unemployment Compensation, FICA, retirement, life and/or medical insurance and Workers' Compensation Insurance except with respect to the employees of the City.

1.24 Place of Performance, Applicable Law and Venue. This contract is performable in Brazoria County, Texas, and shall be governed by the laws of the State of Texas (excluding conflict of laws rules if the application of such rules would require the application of the laws of a different state or nation). Venue for any action hereunder, at law or in equity, shall be in a court of competent jurisdiction located in Brazoria County, Texas.

1.25 Waiver of Interest. The Proposer selected by the City of Freeport shall waive all rights to interest on retainage as called for in Section 2252(2), Government Code, and shall execute a waiver of these rights simultaneously with the execution of the contract.

1.26 Accepting and Rejecting Proposals. The City of Freeport reserves the right to reject any and all proposals, to waive any and all formalities and to accept any proposal considered to be advantageous to the City. In the case of ambiguity or lack of clearness, the City reserves the right to construe a proposal in a manner most advantageous to the City, or to reject such proposal. The contract may be awarded either to the lowest responsible Proposer or to the Proposer that provides goods or services at the best value for the City.

1.27 Warranty of Authority. If any of the undersigned is acting on behalf of a partnership, corporation or other entity recognized by the law of the State of Texas, such person hereby REPRESENTS, WARRANTS, and COVENANTS that such person has the authority to do so, and that this instrument is binding upon such partnership, corporation or other entity according to its terms.

Section 2: Financial Responsibilities & Capabilities

2.1 INSURANCE

The proposer receiving the award and all subcontractors will obtain or possess the following insurance coverage's, and will provide Certificates of Insurance to the City to verify such coverage.

1. Workers' Compensation - The vendor shall provide coverage for its employees with statutory workers' compensation limits, and no less than \$1,000,000.00 for Employers' Liability. Said coverage shall include a waiver of subrogation in favor of the City of Freeport and its agents, employees and officials.
2. Commercial General Liability - The vendor shall provide coverage for all operations including, but not limited to Contractual, Products and Completed Operations, and Personal Injury. The limits shall be not less than \$1,000,000.00, per occurrence, with a \$2,000,000.00 aggregate.
3. Business Automobile Liability - The vendor shall provide coverage for all owned, non-owned and hired vehicles with limits of not less than \$1,000,000.00, per occurrence, Combined Single Limits (CSL) or its equivalent.
4. Professional Liability (Errors & Omissions) - The vendor shall provide coverage for all claims arising out of the services performed with limits not less than \$1,000,000.00 per claim. The aggregate limit shall either apply separately to this contract or shall be at least twice the required per claim limit.

2.2 BONDING AND OBLIGATIONS

The Contractor shall provide a payment and performance bond seven to ten days following activation of contract. Payment and performance bonds, individually, must be submitted for contracts over \$100,000.

Section III – Scope of Work

3.0 PURPOSE:

The City of Freeport is soliciting sealed proposals to provide Disaster and/or Storm Recovery Monitoring services during a declared emergency activation. It is the objective of this process to select a provider prior to the actual event(s) to include Hurricane damages, tornado damages, ice storm damages, and other severe weather disasters.

3.1 SCOPE OF SERVICES: The City of Freeport requires disaster management, recovery, and consulting services to support the oversight and management of debris recovery contractors. Other services may include, but not limited to, facilitating communication with FEMA, the State of Texas and other State and Federal agencies.

3.2 DISASTER DEBRIS MONITORING SERVICES: The selected firm will be expected to provide disaster debris monitoring services to include debris generated from the public rights-of-way, drainage areas/canals, waterways, and other public, eligible, or designated areas. Specific services may include:

1. Coordinating daily briefings, work progress, staffing, and other key items with the City.
2. Selection and permitting of TDSRS (Temporary Debris Staging and Reduction Sites) locations and any other permitting/regulatory issues as necessary.
3. Scheduling work for all team members and contractors on a daily basis.
4. Hiring, scheduling, and managing field staff.
5. Monitoring recovery contractor operations and making/implementing recommendations to improve efficiency and speed up recovery work.
6. Assisting the City with responding to public concerns and comments.
7. Certifying contractor vehicles for debris removal using methodology and documentation practices appropriate for contract monitoring.
8. Entering load tickets into a database application.
9. Digitization of source documentation (such as load tickets).
10. Developing daily operational reports to keep the City informed of work progress.
11. Development of maps, GIS applications, etc. as necessary.
12. Comprehensive review, reconciliation, and validation of debris removal contractor(s) invoices prior to submission to the City for processing.
13. Completing project worksheets and other pertinent report preparation required for reimbursement by FEMA and any other applicable agency for disaster recovery efforts by City staff and designated debris removal contractors.

14. Assessment of disaster related damages and reconstruction services.
15. Creating a final report, appeal preparations and assistance related reporting.
16. Cost recovery of eligible funds currently not obligated or potentially de-obligated by appropriate funding agencies. Separate pricing structures for this service may be included in the Consultant's proposal.
17. Other disaster recovery services as requested by the City.

3.3 EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT PLANNING AND TRAINING If requested by the City, the Consultant shall provide:

1. Comprehensive emergency management plans (e.g. COOP, EOP) to include plan development; review, and revisions.
2. Comprehensive mitigation programs to include development of mitigation plan(s), staff training, cost benefit analysis, project management, environmental review and staff augmentation.
3. Development of a debris management plan – including identification of an adequate number of TDSRS locations. Staff training as necessary.
4. Procurement assistance for debris removal contractors and other services as requested.
5. Project management to include the formulation and management of permanent work projects and task force management.
6. Technical support and assistance in developing public information.
7. Other training and assistance as requested by the City.
8. Other reports and data as required by the City.
9. Other emergency management and consulting services identified and required by the City.

3.4 POST-DISASTER DAMAGE ASSESSMENT AND RECONSTRUCTION SERVICES: If requested, the Consultant shall provide post-disaster damage assessment and reconstruction services to include assessment, planning, engineering, and construction management services. Specific areas where services may be requested include City facilities, utility systems, transportation systems, and other sectors as required. The consultant will assist, if directed by the City, with document preparation of permanent work projects.

3.5 QUALIFICATIONS OF THE FIRM: The contractor selected for this project must be qualified to provide emergency management services.

A. Contractor shall provide a description and history of the firm focusing on previous governmental experience using following guidelines:

1. Recent experience demonstrating current capacity and current expertise in debris removal, solid waste and hazardous waste management and disposal.
2. Documented knowledge and experience of Federal, State and Local emergency agencies, state and federal programs, funding sources and reimbursement processes.
3. Recent experience managing disaster debris collection operations including, but not limited to: damage assessment, Right-of-Way debris removal programs, leaner / hanger removal programs, processing site monitoring, and FEMA reimbursement.
4. Provide at least five references for which the firm has performed services within the past two (2) years that are similar to the requirements in the Scope of Services. A minimum of three of the references shall be from government entities for debris monitoring experience involving a minimum of 1,000,000 cubic yards of debris. Please provide the reference contact name, address, e-mail address, telephone numbers, and date of the contract.

3.6 KEY STAFF: Proposer shall provide an organizational chart, resumes, and summary of staff qualifications. Key project staff (management staff including, but not limited to: project manager, collection and disposal operations managers, FEMA reimbursement specialist, etc.) must be full time employees of the proposing firm and have experience in the following:

- A. Experience demonstrating current capacity and current expertise in debris removal, solid waste and hazardous waste management and disposal. The proposer must demonstrate experience managing debris monitoring for at least three government entities involving a minimum of 1,000,000 cubic yards of debris for each client. Recent debris monitoring from Hurricanes or natural disasters events is preferred.
- B. Documented knowledge and experience of Federal, State and Local emergency agencies, state and federal programs, funding sources and reimbursement processes. Proposer must demonstrate experience with project worksheet preparation, contractor procurements, hauler invoice reconciliation, and appeals/reimbursement support.

3.7 TECHNICAL APPROACH: The City of Freeport will require of the selected contractor an organized technical approach to the processes and procedures of disaster mitigation efforts. Proposers shall provide a description of their approach to the projects, to include startup procedures/requirements, debris estimate methodology, analysis of debris recovery operations and management of the debris recovery contractors, billing/invoices reporting procedures to FEMA and the City. Provide a copy of proposer's internal training program.

3.8 CONSULTANT COST: The City of Freeport will require a structured approach to the payment of the selected consultant. Each Proposer must complete and submit the Cost Proposal Form/Fee Schedule included herein. The Cost Proposal will be evaluated on the hourly rates submitted on the cost proposal form for the labor positions listed. Reasonable

travel, per diem, and other direct project costs (e.g., load tickets, communications, equipment rental, etc.) will be billed to the City at cost **without** markup.

3.9 FINANCIAL ASSURANCE: PROPOSERS must submit the most current, unqualified, audited financial statement or SEC Form 10K for the proposing organization. Proposals submitted without the most current certified financial statement or SEC Form 10K shall be considered non-compliant with the RFP.

3.10 SAFETY: Proposer shall be solely responsible for maintaining safety at all work sites. PROPOSER shall take all reasonable steps to insure safety for both workers and visitors to the site(s) to include traffic control. Proposer will also be solely responsible to ensure that all OSHA requirements are met and a safety officer assigned to the project for the duration of this contract.

SECTION IV – PROPOSAL STATEMENTS I have read and understand the requirements of this proposal, Debris Monitoring and Recovery Services, and agree to provide the required services in accordance with this proposal and all attachments, exhibits etc. I agree to furnish the services as described in RFP except where specific exception has been taken. The hourly labor rates shall include all applicable overhead and profit. All non-labor related project costs (including communications, supplies, rental equipment, and other direct project expenses) will be billed to the City at cost without mark-up. **Travel, lodging and per diem will not be allowable charges to the city.**

Positions	Hourly Rates
Project Manager	\$ _____
Operations Managers	\$ _____
GIS Analyst	\$ _____
Field Supervisor	\$ _____
Debris Site Monitors	\$ _____
Load Ticket Data Entry Clerks	\$ _____
Project Assistants	\$ _____
Field Coordinators (crew Monitors)	\$ _____

OTHER REQUIRED POSITIONS: Proposer may include other positions, with hourly rates, as needed.

Positions	Hourly Rates
_____	\$ _____
_____	\$ _____
_____	\$ _____
_____	\$ _____

SUBMITTED BY:

PROPOSER: _____

SIGNED: _____

NAME (PRINT) _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY/STATE: _____

TELEPHONE: (____) _____

FAX: (____) _____ EMAIL: _____

FORM A - OFFEROR IDENTIFICATION & AUTHORIZED SIGNATORY

Invitation No.:

(DO NOT *handwrite this Form. Information must be typed in.* **) Invitation Title:**

Offeror Company:

(Legal name of business which will appear on contract, if awarded)

Offeror Status:	Manufacturer	Dealer/Distributor	Other
Response Type(1):	Offeror Acting Alone	Joint Offering	
Contract Signatory(2):	Title:		
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Mailing Address(3):	<hr/>		
Physical Address:	<hr/>		
Phone:	Fax:		
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Email Address:	<hr/>		
Federal ID No.:	Web Page URL:		

(1) If Joint Offering, all parties must submit a signed Form A. A contract will be offered to each.

(2) Person who will sign final contract documents if an award is made.

(3) Address to which final contract documents would be sent for signature.

Member Contact Information

Contact Person(4):

Mailing Address:

Physical Address:

Toll Free Phone: Fax:

Email Address:

(4) Person who City of Freeport will contact for product information and to get pricing quotes.

The Signatory below, on behalf of Offeror:

-Acknowledges having thoroughly reviewed the Invitation;

-Attests to having the authority to sign this response and commit Offeror to honor all requirements;

-Makes, under penalty of perjury, all required Offeror Certifications as detailed in General Terms;

-Certifies that all information provided in this Response is true and correct.

Signature: _____ **Title:** _____

Printed Name: _____

Date: _____

BID AFFIDAVIT

All pages in offeror's PROPOSAL containing statements, letters, etc., shall be signed by a duly authorized officer of the company, whose signature is binding on the PROPOSAL.

The undersigned offers and agrees to furnish all of the items and/or services upon which prices are stated in the accompanying proposal. Further the undersigned certifies to having read and understands the terms of this invitation. The undersigned offers and agrees to furnish all of the items and/or services upon which prices are stated in the accompanying proposal. Further the undersigned certifies to having read and understood the terms of this invitation. The period of acceptance of this bid will be 90 calendar days from the date of the bid opening.

STATE OF _____ COUNTY OF _____

BEFORE ME, the undersigned authority, a Notary Public in and for the State of _____ on this day personally appeared, who after being by me duly sworn, did depose and say:

"I, _____, am a duly authorized officer of/agent for _____ and have been duly authorized to execute the foregoing bid on behalf of the said company, agency or proprietorship hereby certify that the foregoing proposal has not been prepared in collusion with any other offeror or other persons engaged in the same line of business prior to the official receipt of this proposal. Further, I certify that the officer is not now, nor has ever been for the past six (6) months, directly or indirectly concerned in any pool or agreement or combination, to control the price of services/items offered, or to influence any person or persons to offer or not to offer thereon."

STATE RESIDENT CERTIFICATION: Our principal place of business or corporate office is in the State of Texas. YES _____ NO _____

LOCAL RESIDENT CERTIFICATION: Our principal place of business or corporate office is in the City of Freeport, State of Texas. YES _____ NO _____

NON-RESIDENT CERTIFICATION: Our principal place of business is _____
(City & State)

Name and Address of offeror:

Telephone Number _____

by: _____ Title: _____

Signature: _____

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN to before me by the above-named,

_____ on this the _____ day of 20_____
(name of Notary)

Notary Public in and for the State of _____

RETURN THIS PAGE PROPERLY EXECUTED WITH YOUR PROPOSAL

NOTICE TO ALL CITY VENDORS AND ALL POTENTIAL CITY VENDORS:

On May 23, 2005, the Texas Senate passed House Bill 914, adding Chapter 176 to the Local Government Code, and imposing new disclosure and reporting obligations on vendors and potential vendors to local governmental entities beginning on January 1, 2006. Failure to abide by these new statutory requirements can result in possible criminal penalties. The City of Freeport is requiring you to complete the attached Conflict of Interest Questionnaire (CIQ) Form, prepared by the Texas Ethics Commission, at the direction of the legislature and strongly recommends you become familiar with House Bill 914. The City of will not provide any further interpretation or information regarding these new requirements; however, you may contact the Texas Ethics Commission at www.ethics.state.tx.us or at 1-800-1325-8506.

Please remit the CIQ form with your bid. Thank you.

City of Freeport, Texas

BIDDER/OFFEROR'S SDNs/BLOCKED PERSONS AFFIRMATION

NOTE: FAILURE TO SIGN AND RETURN THIS FORM WITHIN 10 DAYS MAY RESULT IN THE TERMINATION OF ANY RESULTING PURCHASE ORDER OR CONTRACT.

1. Pursuant to 44CFR Part 13.35, the Bidder/Respondent, hereby affirms that Bidder/Respondent:

(Please check all that are applicable)

_____ Is not excluded from doing business at the federal level.

_____ Is not listed as Specially Designated Nationals (SDN)s/Blocked Persons (individuals and companies owned or controlled by or acting for or on behalf of targeted Countries; or individuals, groups and entities, such as terrorists and narcotics traffickers designated under programs that are not country-specific).

2. City of Freeport may not make procurement transactions with SDNs/Blocked Persons.

Bidder/Respondent Company Name _____

Bidder (Signature) _____ Date _____

Bidder (Print Name) _____ Date _____

Position with Company _____

Signature of Company Official

Authorizing the Bid/Offer _____ Date _____

Company Official

(Printed Name) _____

Official's Position _____

Corporate Vendors Shall Furnish the Following Information:

Where Incorporated _____ Charter Number _____

CONFLICT OF INTEREST QUESTIONNAIRE

FORM CIQ

For vendor or other person doing business with local governmental entity

This questionnaire reflects changes made to the law by H.B. 1491, 80th Leg., Regular Session.

This questionnaire is being filed in accordance with Chapter 176, Local Government Code by a person who has a business relationship as defined by Section 176.001(1-a) with a local governmental entity and the person meets requirements under Section 176.006(a).

By law this questionnaire must be filed with the records administrator of the local governmental entity not later than the 7th business day after the date the person becomes aware of facts that require the statement to be filed. See Section 176.006, Local Government Code.

A person commits an offense if the person knowingly violates Section 176.006, Local Government Code. An offense under this section is a Class C misdemeanor.

OFFICE USE ONLY

Date Received

1 Name of person who has a business relationship with local governmental entity.

2 Check this box if you are filing an update to a previously filed questionnaire.

(The law requires that you file an updated completed questionnaire with the appropriate filing authority not later than the 7th business day after the date the originally filed questionnaire becomes incomplete or inaccurate.)

3 Name of local government officer with whom filer has employment or business relationship.

Name of Officer

This section (item 3 including subparts A, B, C & D) must be completed for each officer with whom the filer has an employment or other business relationship as defined by Section 176.001(1-a), Local Government Code. Attach additional pages to this Form CIQ as necessary.

A. Is the local government officer named in this section receiving or likely to receive taxable income, other than investment income, from the filer of the questionnaire?

Yes No

B. Is the filer of the questionnaire receiving or likely to receive taxable income, other than investment income, from or at the direction of the local government officer named in this section AND the taxable income is not received from the local governmental entity?

Yes No

C. Is the filer of this questionnaire employed by a corporation or other business entity with respect to which the local government officer serves as an officer or director, or holds an ownership of 10 percent or more?

Yes No

D. Describe each employment or business relationship with the local government officer named in this section.

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Signature of person doing business with the governmental entity

Date