

Item

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AEAProcurement@akenergyauthority.org

REQUEST FOR QUOTATION

RFQ NO: **23101**

Quotations due on/before

12:00 PMLocal Time 03/16/2023

Hindcasting/Forecasting

Dixon Glacier Runoff Trends

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Typed Name and Title

Price

VENDOR NOTICE (This is NOT a Purchase Order)

This is an **informal quotation** that will not be read at public opening. The information may be publicly reviewed after award. The terms and conditions should be reviewed and understood before preparing a quotation. The quotation shall be the best net price, FOB destination, to include all delivery charges, but exclude applicable taxes. Delivery schedule and discount for early payment shall be indicated in the spaces provided below. Please return the quotation by the above time and date to the address: AEAProcurement@akenergyauthority.org. Please reference the RFQ number on the SUBJECT of the email.

PROCUREMENT OFFICER: Daniela Patterson (907) 771-3026 dpatterson@akenergyauthority.org

VENDOR QUOTATION

Description of Service

| | Dixon Glacier is a ~ 40 km2 located in the Kenai Mountains ~ 20 miles west of the city of Homer. AEA is proposing a redirection of Dixon Glacier runoff into Bradley Lake to increase future hydropower capabilities. | | | | | | | |
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| 1 | The Contractor agrees to perform the services and supply the deliverables as described below. All work is to be performed in a workman like manner, consistent with all industry standards, codes and regulations applicable to the work. The main research question seeks to determine hydrologic trends of Dixon Glacier runoff to determine when peak water is/was reached. Collected meteorological data will be compared to temporal overlapping SNOTEL site data located in adjacent watershed (Nuka Glacier, site 1037). Glacier volume change and stream discharge (already measured by USGS) will allow model calibration via a distributed enhance temperature index model (DETIM). Hydrological modeling will allow hindcasting using daily historic SNOTEL air temperature and precipitation data (1993-present) and forecasting (present-2100) using downscaled future climate scenarios using SNAP data. Vendor shall apply for and obtain all permits normally required in the name of Contractor for completion of the Work in accordance with all laws and regulations. In addition, Contractor shall apply for and obtain all permits specifically identified as Contractor's responsibility. Contractor shall include the cost of applying for and obtaining all such permits in the Contract Price. Contractor shall submit to AEA copies of all permits and approvals before beginning the Work unless relieved of this obligation in writing by AEA. 2023 spring install met station. 2024 spring draft & final document. | | | | | | | |
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| Delive | ry shall be made | | | cale | endar days aft | ter receipt of or | der. | |
| Payme | ent Terms: | | | | | | | |
| Company Name | | Address | City | State | ZIP Code | Phone Numb | er | |
| Alaska Business License No. | | Vendor Tax I.D. | | | | | | |
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Date

Signature

INSTRUCTIONS TO BIDDERS TERMS AND CONDITIONS

- 1. REQUEST FOR QUOTATION (RFQ) REVIEW: Offerors shall carefully review this RFQ for defects and questionable or objectionable material. Offerors' comments concerning defects and questionable or objectionable material in the RFQ must be made in writing and received by the purchasing authority before the date and time set for receipt of quotes. This will allow time for an amendment to be issued if one is required. It will also help prevent the opening of a defective quote, upon which award cannot be made, and the resultant exposure of offerors' prices. Offerors' original comments should be sent to the purchasing authority listed on the front of this RFQ.
- 2. QUOTATION FORMS: Offerors shall use this and attached forms in submitting quotes. A photocopied quote may be submitted.
- 3. SUBMISSION: Quotations shall be signed where applicable and received at the designated Purchasing Office no later than as indicated.
- 4. QUOTE REJECTION: The State reserves the right to reject any or all quotes, combinations of items, or lot(s), and to waive defects or minor informalities.
- 5. EXTENSION OF PRICES: In case of error in the extension of prices in the quote, the unit prices will govern; in a lot bid, the lot prices will govern. Negligence by the vendor in preparing the quotation confers no right for the withdrawal of the quotation after it has been opened.
- **6. ALASKA PROCUREMENT CODE:** The Procurement Code (AS.36.30) and its Regulations (2 AAC Ch. 12), are made a part of this document as if fully set forth herein. Note: AS.36.30 and 2 AAC Ch. 12 are available at most public libraries and legislative information offices; and both are available for review at Alaska State Purchasing Offices.
- 7. PRICES: The offeror shall state prices in the units of issue on this RFQ. Prices quoted for commodities must be in U.S. funds and include applicable federal duty, brokerage fees, packaging, and transportation cost to the FOB point so that upon transfer of title the commodity can be utilized without further cost. Prices quoted for services must be quoted in U.S. funds and include applicable federal duty, brokerage fee, packaging, and transportation cost so that the services can be provided without further cost. Prices quoted must be exclusive of federal, state, and local taxes. If the offeror believes that certain taxes are payable by the State, the offeror may list such taxes separately, directly below the bid price for the affected item. The State is exempt from Federal Excise Tax except the following:
 - Coal Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (IRC), Section 4121 on the purchase of coal;
 - "Gas Guzzler" IRC, Section 4064 on the purchase of low m.p.g. automobiles, except that police and other emergency type vehicles are not subject to the tax;
 - Air Cargo IRC, Section 4271 on the purchase of property transportation services by air;
 - Air Passenger IRC, Section 4261 on the purchase of passenger transportation services by air carriers;
 - Leaking Underground Storage Tank Trust Fund Tax (LUST) IRC, Section 4081 on the purchase of Aviation gasoline, Diesel Fuel, Gasoline, and Kerosene.
- **8. PAYMENT FOR STATE PURCHASES:** Payment for agreements under \$500,000 for the undisputed purchase of goods or services provided to a State agency, will be made within 30 days of the receipt of a proper billing or the delivery of the goods or services to the location(s) specified in the agreement, whichever is later. A late payment is subject to 1.5% interest per month on the unpaid balance. Interest will not be paid if there is a dispute or if there is an agreement which establishes a lower interest rate or precludes the charging of interest.
- **9. PAYMENT DISCOUNT:** Discounts for prompt payment will not be considered in evaluating the price you quote. However, the State shall be entitled to take advantage of any payment discount(s) offered by the vendor provided payment is made within the discount period. Payment discount periods will be computed from the date of receipt of the commodities or services and/or a correct invoice, whichever is later. Unless freight and other charges are itemized, any discount provided will be taken on full amount of invoice.
- 10. VENDOR TAX ID NUMBER: If goods or services procured through this RFQ are of a type that is required to be included on a Miscellaneous Tax Statement, as described in the Internal Revenue Code, a valid tax identification number must be provided to the State of Alaska before payment will be made
- 11. INDEMNIFICATION: The Contractor shall indemnify, hold harmless, and defend the contracting agency from and against any claim of, or liability for error, omission or negligent act of the Contractor under this agreement. The Contractor shall not be required to indemnify the contracting agency for a claim of, or liability for, the independent negligence of the contracting agency. If there is a claim of, or liability for, the joint negligent error or omission of the Contractor and the independent negligence of the Contracting agency, the indemnification and hold harmless obligation shall be apportioned on a comparative fault basis. "Contractor" and "Contracting agency", as used within this and the following article, include the employees, agents and other contractors who are directly responsible, respectively, to each. The term "independent negligence" is negligence other than in the Contracting agency's selection, administration, monitoring, or controlling of the Contractor and in approving or accepting the Contractor's work.
- 12. SEVERABILITY: If any provision of this contract is declared by a court to be illegal or in conflict with any law, the validity of the remaining terms and provisions shall not be affected; and the rights and obligations of the parties shall be construed and enforced as if the contract did not contain the particular provision held to be invalid.
- 13. TITLE: Title passes to the State for each item at FOB destination.
- 14. FILING A PROTEST: An offeror shall attempt to informally resolve a dispute with the procurement officer regarding a small procurement. If the attempt is unsuccessful, the vendor may protest the solicitation or the award of a small procurement contract under AS 36.30.320. The protest must be filed in writing with the commissioner of the purchasing agency or the commissioner's designee and include the following information: (1) the name, address, and telephone number of the protester; (2) the signature of the protester or the protester's representative; (3) identification of the contracting agency and the solicitation or contract at issue; (4) a detailed statement of the legal and factual grounds of the protest, including copies of relevant documents; and (5) the form of relief requested. The protester must file a copy of the protest with the procurement officer for the purchasing agency. Protests will be treated in accordance with AS 36.30.550 and 2 AAC 12.695.

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INSTRUCTIONS TO BIDDERS TERMS AND CONDITIONS

- **15. COMPLIANCE:** In the performance of a contract that results from this RFQ, the contractor must comply with all applicable federal, state, and borough regulations, codes, and laws; and be liable for all required insurance, licenses, permits and bonds; and pay all applicable federal, state, and borough taxes.
- **16. SUITABLE MATERIALS, ETC.:** Unless otherwise specified, all materials, supplies or equipment offered by an offeror shall be new, unused, and of the latest edition, version, model or crop and of recent manufacture.
- 17. SPECIFICATIONS: Unless otherwise specified in the RFQ, product brand names or model numbers are examples of the type and quality of product required, and are not statements of preference. If the specifications describing an item conflict with a brand name or model number describing the item, the specifications govern. Reference to brand name or number does not preclude an offer of a comparable or better product, if full specifications and descriptive literature are provided for the product. Failure to provide such specifications and descriptive literature may be cause for rejection of the offer.
- **18. FIRM OFFER:** For the purpose of award, offers made in accordance with this RFQ must be good and firm for a period of ninety (90) days from the date of quote opening.
- 19. QUOTE PREPARATION COSTS: The State is not liable for any costs incurred by the offeror in quote preparation.
- **20. CONSOLIDATION OF AWARDS:** Due to high administrative costs associated with processing of purchase orders, a single low quote of \$50 or less may, at the discretion of the State, be awarded to the next low offeror receiving other awards for consolidation purposes. This paragraph is not subject to the protest terms enumerated in "FILING A PROTEST" above.
- 21. CONTRACT FUNDING: Offerors are advised that funds are available for the initial purchase and/or the first term of the contract. Payment and performance obligations for succeeding purchases and/or additional terms of the contract are subject to the availability and appropriation of funds.
- 22. CONFLICT OF INTEREST: An officer or employee of the State of Alaska may not seek to acquire, be a party to, or possess a financial interest in, this contract if (1) the officer or employee is an employee of the administrative unit that supervises the award of this contract; or (2) the officer or employee has the power to take or withhold official action so as to affect the award or execution of the contract.
- 23. ASSIGNMENT(S): Assignment of rights, duties, or payments under a contract resulting from this RFQ is not permitted unless authorized in writing by the procurement officer of the contracting agency. Quotes that are conditioned upon the State's approval of an assignment will be rejected as nonresponsive.
- 24. SUBCONTRACTOR(S): Within five (5) working days of notice from the state, the apparent low bidder must submit a list of the subcontractors that will be used in the performance of the contract. The list must include the name of each subcontractor and the location of the place of business for each subcontractor and evidence of each subcontractor's valid Alaska business license.
- 25. FORCE MAJEURE (Impossibility to perform): The parties to a contract resulting from this RFQ are not liable for the consequences of any failure to perform, or default in performing, any of its obligations under the contract, if that failure or default is caused by any unforeseeable Force Majeure, beyond the control of, and without the fault or negligence of, the respective party. For the purposes of this Agreement, Force Majeure will mean war (whether declared or not); revolution; invasion; insurrection; riot; civil commotion; sabotage; military or usurped power; lightning; explosion; fire; storm; drought; flood; earthquake; epidemic; quarantine; strikes; acts or restraints of governmental authorities affecting the project or directly or indirectly prohibiting or restricting the furnishing or use of materials or labor required; inability to secure materials, machinery, equipment or labor because of priority, allocation or other regulations of any governmental authorities.
- 26. LATE QUOTES: Late quotes are quotes received after the time and date set for receipt of the quotes. Late quotes will not be accepted.
- 27. CONTRACT EXTENSION: Unless otherwise provided in this RFQ, the State and the successful offeror/contractor agree: (1) that any holding over of the contract excluding any exercised renewal options, will be considered as a month-to-month extension, and all other terms and conditions shall remain in full force and effect and (2) to provide written notice to the other party of the intent to cancel such month-to-month extension at least thirty (30) days before the desired date of cancellation.
- 28. DEFAULT: In case of default by the contractor, for any reason whatsoever, the State of Alaska may procure the goods or services from another source and hold the contractor responsible for any resulting excess cost and may seek other remedies under law or equity.
- 29. DISPUTES: If a contractor has a claim arising in connection with a contract resulting from this RFQ that it cannot resolve with the State by mutual agreement, it shall pursue a claim, if at all, in accordance with the provisions of AS 36.30.620 632.
- **30. GOVERNING LAW; FORUM SELECTION:** A contract resulting from this RFQ is governed by the laws of the State of Alaska. To the extent not otherwise governed by section 29 of these Standard Terms and Conditions, any claim concerning the contract shall be brought only in the Superior Court of the State of Alaska and not elsewhere.
- 31. CONSUMER ELECTRICAL PRODUCT: AS 45.45.910 requires that "...a person may not sell, offer to sell, or otherwise transfer in the course of the person's business a consumer electrical product that is manufactured after August 14, 1990, unless the product is clearly marked as being listed by an approved third party certification program." Electrical consumer products manufactured before August 14, 1990, must either be clearly marked as being third party certified or be marked with a warning label that complies with AS 45.45.910(e). Even exempted electrical products must be marked with the warning label. By signature on this quote the offeror certifies that the product offered is in compliance with the law. A list of approved third party certifiers, warning labels and additional information is available from: Department of Labor, Labor Standards & Safety Division, Mechanical Inspection Section, P.O. Box 107020, Anchorage, Alaska 99510-7020, (907)269-4925.

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- **32. CONTINUING OBLIGATION OF CONTRACTOR:** Notwithstanding the expiration date of a contract resulting from this RFQ, the contractor is obligated to fulfill its responsibilities until warranty, guarantee, maintenance and parts availability requirements have completely expired.
- **33. ORDER DOCUMENTS:** Except as specifically allowed under this RFQ, an ordering agency will not sign any vendor contract. The State is not bound by a vendor contract signed by a person who is not specifically authorized to sign for the State under this RFQ. The State of Alaska Purchase Order, Contract Award and Delivery Order are the only order documents that may be used to place orders against the contract(s) resulting from this RFQ.
- **34. BILLING INSTRUCTIONS:** Invoices must be billed to the ordering agency's address shown on the individual Purchase Order, Contract Award or Delivery Order. The ordering agency will make payment after it receives the merchandise or service and the invoice. Questions concerning payment must be addressed to the ordering agency.
- **35. OFFERORS WITH DISABILITIES:** The State of Alaska complies with Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990. Individuals with disabilities who may need auxiliary aids, services, and/or special modifications to participate in this procurement should contact the procurement officer named on the cover page of this RFQ as soon as possible, but no later than the date and time quotations are due to make any necessary arrangements.
- **36. COMPLIANCE WITH ADA:** By signature of their quote the bidder certifies that they comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 and the regulations issued thereunder by the federal government. Services or activities furnished to the general public on behalf of the State must be fully accessible. This is intended to ensure that agencies are in accordance with 28 CFR Part 35 Section 35.130 and that services, programs or activities furnished to the public through a contract do not subject qualified individuals with a disability to discrimination based on the disability.

CERTIFICATION REGARDING DEBARMENT, SUSPENSION, INELIGIBILITY AND VOLUNTARY EXCLUSION – LOWER TIER COVERED TRANSACTIONS

INSTRUCTIONS FOR CERTIFICATION

- 1. By signing and submitting this proposal, the prospective lower tier participant is providing the certification set out below.
- 2. The certification in this clause is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when this transaction was entered into. If it is later determined that the prospective lower tier participant knowingly rendered an erroneous certification, in addition to other remedies available to the Federal Government, the department or agency with which this transaction originated may pursue available remedies, including suspension and/or debarment.
- 3. The prospective lower tier participant shall provide immediate written notice to the person to which this proposal is submitted if at any time the prospective lower tier participant learns that its certification was erroneous when submitted or had become erroneous by reason of changed circumstances.
- 4. The terms covered transaction, debarred, suspended, ineligible, lower tier covered transaction, participant, person, primary covered transaction, principal, proposal, and voluntarily excluded, as used in this clause, have the meaning set out in the Definitions and Coverage sections of the rules implementing Executive Order 12549. You may contact the person to which this proposal is submitted for assistance in obtaining a copy of those regulations.
- 5. The prospective lower tier participant agrees by submitting this proposal that, should the proposed covered transaction be entered into, it shall not knowingly enter into any lower tier covered transactions with a person who is proposed for debarment under 48 CFR part 9, subpart 9.4, debarred, suspended, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this covered transaction, unless authorized by the department or agency with which this transaction originated.
- 6. The prospective lower tier participant further agrees by submitting this proposal that it will include the clause titled "Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility and Voluntary Exclusion Lower Tier Covered Transaction," without modification, in all lower tier covered transactions and in all solicitations for lower tier covered transactions.
- 7. A participant in a covered transaction may rely upon a certification of a prospective participant in a lower tier covered transaction that it is not proposed for debarment under 48 CFR part 9, subpart 9.4, debarred, suspended, ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from the covered transaction, unless it knows that the certification is erroneous. A participant may decide the method and frequency by which it determines the eligibility of its principals. Each participant may, but is not required to, check the List of Parties Excluded from Federal Procurement and Nonprocurement Programs.
- 8. Nothing contained in the foregoing shall be construed to require establishment of a system of records in order to render in good faith the certification required by this clause. The knowledge and information of a participant is not required to exceed that which is normally possessed by a prudent person in the ordinary course of business dealings.

9. Except for transactions authorized under paragraph 5 of these instructions, if a participant in a covered transaction knowingly enters into a lower tier covered transaction with a person who is proposed for debarment under 48 CFR part 9, subpart 9.4, suspended, debarred, ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this transaction, in addition to other remedies available to the Federal Government, the department or agency with which this transaction originated may pursue available remedies, including suspension and/or debarment.

CERTIFICATION

| (1) | The prospective lower tier participant certifies, by submission of this proposal, that neither its principals is presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, voluntarily excluded from participation in this transaction by any Federal department or age | | | | |
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| (2) | Where the prospective lower tier participant is unable to certify to any of the statements in this certification, such prospective participant shall attach an explanation to this proposal. | | | | |
| | Organization Name | PR/Award or Project Name | | | |
| | Name and Title | | | | |

Signature

Date

APPENDIX B² INDEMNITY AND INSURANCE

Article 1. Indemnification

The contractor shall indemnify, hold harmless, and defend the contracting agency from and against any claim of, or liability for error, omission or negligent act of the contractor under this agreement. The contractor shall not be required to indemnify the contracting agency for a claim of, or liability for, the independent negligence of the contracting agency. If there is a claim of, or liability for, the joint negligent error or omission of the contractor and the independent negligence of the contracting agency, the indemnification and hold harmless obligation shall be apportioned on a comparative fault basis. "Contractor" and "contracting agency", as used within this and the following article, include the employees, agents and other contractors who are directly responsible, respectively, to each. The term "independent negligence" is negligence other than in the contracting agency's selection, administration, monitoring, or controlling of the contractor and in approving or accepting the contractor's work.

Article 2. Insurance

Without limiting contractor's indemnification, it is agreed that contractor shall purchase at its own expense and maintain in force at all times during the performance of services under this agreement the following policies of insurance. Where specific limits are shown, it is understood that they shall be the minimum acceptable limits. If the contractor's policy contains higher limits, the state shall be entitled to coverage to the extent of such higher limits. Certificates of Insurance must be furnished to the contracting officer prior to beginning work and must provide for a notice of cancellation, non-renewal, or material change of conditions in accordance with policy provisions. Failure to furnish satisfactory evidence of insurance or lapse of the policy is a material breach of this contract and shall be grounds for termination of the contractor's services. All insurance policies shall comply with and be issued by insurers licensed to transact the business of insurance under AS 21.

- **2.1 Workers' Compensation Insurance:** The Contractor shall provide and maintain, for all employees engaged in work under this contract, coverage as required by AS 23.30.045, and; where applicable, any other statutory obligations including but not limited to Federal U.S.L. & H. and Jones Act requirements. The policy must waive subrogation against the State.
- **2.2 Commercial General Liability Insurance:** covering all business premises and operations used by the Contractor in the performance of services under this agreement with minimum coverage limits of \$300,000 combined single limit per claim.
- **2.3 Commercial Automobile Liability Insurance:** covering all vehicles used by the Contractor in the performance of services under this agreement with minimum coverage limits of \$300,000 combined single limit per claim.
- **2.4 Professional Liability Insurance:** covering all errors, omissions or negligent acts in the performance of professional services under this agreement. Limits required per the following schedule:

| Contract Amount | Minimum Required Limits | | | | |
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| Under \$100,000 | \$300,000 per Claim / Annual Aggregate | | | | |
| \$100,000-\$499,999 | \$500,000 per Claim / Annual Aggregate | | | | |
| \$500,000-\$999,999 | \$1,000,000 per Claim / Annual Aggregate | | | | |
| \$1,000,000 or over | Refer to Risk Management | | | | |

STANDARD AGREEMENT FORM FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES 2. Solicitation No. 1. Agency Contract Number 3. Agency Assigned Encumbrance Number 4. Contract Title 5. Alaska Business License Number This contract is between 6. Contractor Hereafter the Contractor 7. Mailing Address Email: 8. ARTICLE 1. Appendices: Appendices referred to in this contract and attached to it are considered part of it. ARTICLE 2. Performance of Service: 2.1 Appendix A (General Provisions), Articles 1 through 26, governs the performance of services under this contract. 2.2 Appendix B sets forth the liability and insurance provisions of this contract. 2.3 Appendix C sets forth the services to be performed by the Contractor. ARTICLE 3. Period of Performance: The period of performance for this contract begins: . ARTICLE 4. Considerations: 4.1 In full consideration of the Contractor's performance under this contract, the Authority shall pay the Contractor a sum not to exceed \$xxxxx in accordance with the provisions of Appendix D. 4.2 When billing the Authority, the Contractor shall refer to the Authority Number or the Agency Contract Number and send the billing to: 11. Authority of Attention: **Mailing Address Email** 12. CONTRACTOR 13.CERTIFICATION: I certify that the facts herein and on supporting documents are correct, that this voucher Name of Firm constitutes a legal charge against funds and appropriations cited, that sufficient funds are encumbered to pay this obligation, or that there is a sufficient balance in the Signature Date appropriation cited to cover this obligation. I am aware that to knowingly make or allow false entries or alternations on a public record, or knowingly destroy, Typed or Printed Name & Title of Authorized Representative mutilate, suppress, conceal, remove or otherwise impair

NOTICE: This contract has no effect until signed by the head of contracting agency or designee.

Appendix A. GENERAL PROVISIONS

Article 1. Definitions.

- 1.1 In this contract and appendices, "Project Director" means Project Manager. "Agency Head" means the Executive Director who signs this contract on behalf of the Authority and includes a successor or authorized representative; and "Chief Procurement Officer" means the person who signs this contract on behalf of the Requesting Agency and includes a successor or authorized representative.
- 1.2 "State Contracting Agency" or "Authority" means the Alaska Energy Authority (AEA) for which this contract is to be performed and for which the Authorized Designee acted in signing this contract.

Article2. Inspections and Reports.

- 2.1 The Authority may inspect, in the manner and at reasonable times it considers appropriate, all the contractor's facilities and activities under this contract.
- 2.2 The contractor shall make progress and other reports in the manner and at the times the Authority reasonably requires.

Article 3. Disputes.

Any dispute concerning a question of fact arising under this contract which is not disposed of by mutual agreement shall be decided in accordance with AS 36.30.620-632.

Article 4. Equal Employment Opportunity.

- 4.1 The contractor may not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, religion, color, national origin, or because of age, disability, sex, marital status, changes in marital status, pregnancy or parenthood when the reasonable demands of the position(s) do not require distinction on the basis of age, disability, sex, marital status, changes in marital status, pregnancy, or parenthood. The contractor shall take affirmative action to insure that the applicants are considered for employment and that employees are treated during employment without unlawful regard to their race, color, religion, national origin, ancestry, disability, age, sex, marital status, changes in marital status, changes in marital status, pregnancy or parenthood. This action must include, but need not be limited to, the following: employment, upgrading, demotion, transfer, recruitment or recruitment advertising, layoff or termination, rates of pay or other forms of compensation, and selection for training including apprenticeship. The contractor shall post in conspicuous places, available to employees and applicants for employment, notices setting out the provisions of this paragraph.
- 4.2 The contractor shall state, in all solicitations or advertisements for employees to work on State of Alaska contract jobs, that it is an equal opportunity employer and that all qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, religion, color, national origin, age, disability, sex, marital status, changes in marital status, pregnancy or parenthood.
- 4.3 The contractor shall send to each labor union or representative of workers with which the contractor has a collective bargaining agreement or other contract or understanding a notice advising the labor union or workers' compensation representative of the contractor's commitments under this article and post copies of the notice in conspicuous places available to all employees and applicants for employment.
- 4.4 The contractor shall include the provisions of this article in every contract, and shall require the inclusion of these provisions in every contract entered into by any of its subcontractors, so that those provisions will be binding upon each subcontractor. For the purpose of including those provisions in an contract or subcontract, as required by this contract, "contractor" and "subcontractor" may be changed to reflect appropriately the name or designation of the parties of the contract or subcontract.

- 4.5 The contractor shall cooperate fully with the Authority efforts which seek to deal with the problem of unlawful discrimination, and with all other Authority efforts to guarantee fair employment practices under this contract, and promptly comply with all requests and directions from the State Commission for Human Rights or any of its officers or agents relating to prevention of discriminatory employment practices.
- 4.6 Cooperation in paragraph 4.5 includes, but is not limited to, being a witness in any proceeding involving questions of unlawful discrimination if that is requested by any official or agency of the State of Alaska; permitting employees of the contractor to be witnesses or complainants in any proceeding involving questions of unlawful discrimination, if that is requested by any official or agency of the State of Alaska; participating in meetings; submitting periodic reports on the equal employment aspects of present and future employment; assisting inspection of the contractor's facilities; and promptly complying with all Authority directives considered essential by any office or agency of the State of Alaska to insure compliance with all federal and State laws, regulations, and policies pertaining to the prevention of discriminatory employment practices.
- 4.7 Failure to perform under this article constitutes a material breach of contract.

Article 5. Termination.

The Project Director, by written notice, may terminate this contract, in whole or in part, when it is in the best interest of the State. The Authority is liable only for payment in accordance with the payment provisions of this contract for services rendered before the effective date of termination.

Article 6. No Assignment or Delegation.

The contractor may not assign or delegate this contract, or any part of it, or any right to any of the money to be paid under it, except with the written consent of the Project Director and the Agency Head.

Article 7. No Additional Work or Material.

No claim for additional services, not specifically provided in this contract, performed or furnished by the contractor, will be allowed, nor may the contractor do any work or furnish any material not covered by the contract unless the work or material is ordered in writing by the Project Director and approved by the Agency Head.

Article 8. Independent Contractor.

The contractor and any agents and employees of the contractor act in an independent capacity and are not officers or employees or agents of the Authority in the performance of this contract.

Article 9. Payment of Taxes.

As a condition of performance of this contract, the contractor shall pay all federal, State, and local taxes incurred by the contractor and shall require their payment by any Subcontractor or any other persons in the performance of this contract. Satisfactory performance of this paragraph is a condition precedent to payment by the Authority under this contract.

Article 10. Ownership of Documents.

All designs, drawings, specifications, notes, artwork, and other work developed in the performance of this agreement are produced for hire and remain the sole property of the Authority and may be used by the Authority for any other purpose without additional compensation to the contractor. The contractor agrees not to assert any rights and not to establish any claim under the design patent or copyright laws. The contractor, for a period of three years after final payment under this contract, agrees to furnish and provide access to all retained materials at the request of the Project Director. Unless otherwise directed

by the Project Director, the contractor may retain copies of all the materials.

Article 11. Governing Law; Forum Selection

This contract is governed by the laws of the State of Alaska. To the extent not otherwise governed by Article 3 of this Appendix, any claim concerning this contract shall be brought only in the Superior Court of the State of Alaska and not elsewhere.

Article 12. Conflicting Provisions.

Unless specifically amended and approved by the Authority of Law the General Provisions of this contract supersede any provisions in other appendices. The contractor specifically acknowledges and agrees that provisions in any form contracts it appends hereto that purport to (1) waive the State of Alaska's sovereign immunity, (2) impose indemnification obligations on the State of Alaska that are not conditioned on legislative appropriation, or (3) seek to limit liability of the contractor for acts of contractor negligence, are expressly superseded by this contract and are void.

Article 13. Officials Not to Benefit.

Contractor must comply with all applicable federal or State laws regulating ethical conduct of public officers and employees.

Article 14. Covenant Against Contingent Fees.

The contractor warrants that no person or agency has been employed or retained to solicit or secure this contract upon an agreement or understanding for a commission, percentage, brokerage or contingent fee except employees or agencies maintained by the contractor for the purpose of securing business. For the breach or violation of this warranty, the Authority may terminate this contract without liability or in its discretion deduct from the contract price or consideration the full amount of the commission, percentage, brokerage or contingent fee.

Article 15. Compliance.

In the performance of this contract, the contractor must comply with all applicable federal, state, and borough regulations, codes, and laws, and be liable for all required insurance, licenses, permits and bonds.

Article 16. Force Majeure:

The parties to this contract are not liable for the consequences of any failure to perform, or default in performing, any of their obligations under this Agreement, if that failure or default is caused by any unforeseeable Force Majeure, beyond the control of, and without the fault or negligence of, the respective party. For the purposes of this Agreement, Force Majeure will mean war (whether declared or not); revolution; invasion; insurrection; riot; civil commotion; sabotage; military or usurped power; lightning; explosion; fire; storm; drought; flood; earthquake; epidemic; quarantine; strikes; acts or restraints of governmental authorities affecting the project or directly or indirectly prohibiting or restricting the furnishing or use of materials or labor required; inability to secure materials, machinery, equipment or labor because of priority, allocation or other regulations of any governmental authorities.

Article 17. Integration

The Standard Agreement for Professional Services set out on page 1, together with Appendices A, B, C, and D, contain the complete and final statement of the terms the parties have agreed upon with respect to the subject matter covered. No prior agreements, representations or negotiations, whether written or oral, that are not expressly set out in this contract shall be binding on, or enforceable against, or may be relied upon by, any party.

Article 18. Contract Personnel

The Authority reserves the right to approve or disapprove any change in the successful Offeror's project team members whose participation in the project is specifically offered in the proposal. Similarly, changes in the amount of participation by key project members will require AEA approval. This is to ensure that persons with vital experience and skill remain fully involved in the project.

Requests for any change in contractor personnel shall be submitted in writing to the Authority for the Authority's review and sign-off before the change is made. Contractor personnel changes not approved by the Authority may be cause for the Authority to terminate the contract.

Article 19. Subcontractors

The Authority must approve the use or replacement of subcontractors. The Contractor must provide a list of potential subcontractors, a one-page resume for each subcontractor including brief descriptions of previous work, and three references. Replacement of subcontractors may only be made in accordance with approval of the Project Manager and the terms of the final negotiated contract.

Article 20. Contract Invalidation

If any provision of the contract awarded as a result of this RFP is found to be invalid, such invalidation will not be construed to invalidate the entire contract.

Article 21. Termination for Default

If the Contractor refuses or fails to perform the work, or any separable part thereof, with such diligence as will ensure its completion within the written contracted time frame, the Authority may, by written notice to the Contractor, terminate the right to proceed with the work or such part of the work as to which there have been delays. This clause does not restrict AEA termination rights under the general contract provisions of Appendix A, which is attached to this Contract in the contract documents package.

Article 22. Conflict of Interest

Promptly after execution of this contract, Contractor shall provide a statement indicating whether or not the firm or any individual working on the contract has a possible conflict of interest. If there is a conflict of interest or appearance of such a conflict, a brief description of the nature of the conflict must be included in the statement. The Authority will evaluate the nature of the conflict, Contractor's statement, and make a determination whether in its opinion a conflict of interest exists. This decision shall be made solely in the Authority's best interest. If a conflict of interest is discovered after contract award, the Authority, after review of the facts surrounding the conflict, may terminate the contract in its entirety.

Article 23. News Releases

News releases pertaining to the contract shall not be made without prior approval of the Project Manager. The Contractor will be required to coordinate with Project Manager before making any response to a request for information regarding any work or work products related to this contract.

Article 24. Contract Changes

During the course of performing the work required by this contract, the Contractor may be requested to perform additional work within the general scope of the contract.

When additional work is required, the Project Manager shall send to the Contractor a description of the work to be accomplished and request that a proposal be offered within a given time period. No additional work shall commence by the Contractor without an approved written contract amendment by the Procurement Officer.

Article 25. Confidentiality and Ownership of Documents

Contractor agrees that all confidential information shall be used only for purposes of providing the deliverables and performing the services specified herein and shall not disseminate or allow dissemination of confidential information except as provided for in this section. The contractor shall hold as confidential and will use reasonable care (including both facility physical security and electronic security) to prevent unauthorized access by, storage, disclosure, publication, dissemination to and/or use by third parties of, the confidential information. "Reasonable care" means compliance by the contractor with all applicable federal and state law, including the Social Security Act and HIPAA. The contractor must promptly notify the Authority in writing if it becomes aware of any storage, disclosure, loss, unauthorized access to or use of the confidential information.

Confidential information, as used herein, means any data, files, software, information or materials (whether prepared by the Authority or its agents or advisors) in oral, electronic, tangible or intangible form and however stored, compiled or memorialized that is classified confidential as defined by State of Alaska classification and categorization guidelines https://doa.alaska.gov/dop/classification/jobClassAddenda/ (i) provided by the Authority to the contractor or a contractor agent or otherwise made available to the contractor or a contractor agent in connection with this contract, or (ii) acquired, obtained or learned by the contractor or a contractor agent in the performance of this contract. Examples of confidential information include, but are not limited to: technology infrastructure, architecture, financial data, trade secrets, equipment specifications, user lists, passwords, research data, and technology data (infrastructure, architecture, operating systems, security tools, IP addresses, etc.)

Article 25. Reimbursement to the Authority for Unacceptable Deliverables

The Contractor is responsible for quality, occurrence and completion of all work identified by the contract. All work shall be subject to evaluation and inspection by the Authority at all times to assure satisfactory progress, to be certain that work is being performed in accordance with the contract specifications, terms and conditions, and to determine if corrections and modifications are necessary. Should such inspections indicate substantial failure on the part of the Contractor, the Authority may terminate the contract for default. Furthermore, the Authority may require the Contractor to reimburse any monies paid (pro rata based on the identified proportion of unacceptable products received) and any associated damage costs.

APPENDIX B² INDEMNITY AND INSURANCE

Article 1. Indemnification

The contractor shall indemnify, hold harmless, and defend the contracting agency from and against any claim of, or liability for error, omission or negligent act of the contractor under this agreement. The contractor shall not be required to indemnify the contracting agency for a claim of, or liability for, the independent negligence of the contracting agency. If there is a claim of, or liability for, the joint negligent error or omission of the contractor and the independent negligence of the contracting agency, the indemnification and hold harmless obligation shall be apportioned on a comparative fault basis. "Contractor" and "contracting agency", as used within this and the following article, include the employees, agents and other contractors who are directly responsible, respectively, to each. The term "independent negligence" is negligence other than in the contracting agency's selection, administration, monitoring, or controlling of the contractor and in approving or accepting the contractor's work.

Article 2. Insurance

Without limiting contractor's indemnification, it is agreed that contractor shall purchase at its own expense and maintain in force at all times during the performance of services under this agreement the following policies of insurance. Where specific limits are shown, it is understood that they shall be the minimum acceptable limits. If the contractor's policy contains higher limits, the state shall be entitled to coverage to the extent of such higher limits. Certificates of Insurance must be furnished to the contracting officer prior to beginning work and must provide for a notice of cancellation, non-renewal, or material change of conditions in accordance with policy provisions. Failure to furnish satisfactory evidence of insurance or lapse of the policy is a material breach of this contract and shall be grounds for termination of the contractor's services. All insurance policies shall comply with and be issued by insurers licensed to transact the business of insurance under AS 21.

- **2.1 Workers' Compensation Insurance:** The Contractor shall provide and maintain, for all employees engaged in work under this contract, coverage as required by AS 23.30.045, and; where applicable, any other statutory obligations including but not limited to Federal U.S.L. & H. and Jones Act requirements. The policy must waive subrogation against the State.
- **2.2 Commercial General Liability Insurance:** covering all business premises and operations used by the Contractor in the performance of services under this agreement with minimum coverage limits of \$300,000 combined single limit per claim.
- **2.3 Commercial Automobile Liability Insurance:** covering all vehicles used by the Contractor in the performance of services under this agreement with minimum coverage limits of \$300,000 combined single limit per claim.
- **2.4 Professional Liability Insurance:** covering all errors, omissions or negligent acts in the performance of professional services under this agreement. Limits required per the following schedule:

| Contract Amount | Minimum Required Limits |
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| Under \$100,000 | \$300,000 per Claim / Annual Aggregate |
| \$100,000-\$499,999 | \$500,000 per Claim / Annual Aggregate |
| \$500,000-\$999,999 | \$1,000,000 per Claim / Annual Aggregate |
| \$1,000,000 or over | Refer to Risk Management |

Appendix C Description of Services

Should there be a conflict among documents, the following order of precedence shall govern the resolution of conflicts:

First, this contract document, Second, the RFP 23101 Third, Vendor proposal.

SCOPE OF WORK

This document does not and is not intended to include or address every item that will be included or addressed in the contract for professional services.

The base period of this contract shall be from date of ______,

RFPs for specific services will be issued to the selected term contractor(s) as need arises.

ADMINISTRATIVE REQUIREMENTS

The Contractor shall not perform services or incur billable expense except as authorized by issued Notice to Proceed (NTP).

The Contractor shall be responsible for all tasks and services authorized by the Notice to Proceed (NTP) signed by the designee established by the Authority, and shall provide such services in accordance with the project schedule.

Submittal Requirements. Deliverables shall be compatible with standard commercial software, and submitted in PDF.

AEA reserves the right to amend the contract for the addition of as-needed tasks and extend the period of performance.

Appendix D Payment for Services

Payment for services provided shall not exceed \$XXXXXX for the period of performance of this contract. Unless modified by contract amendment.

Services on this contract will be billed according to the follow:

| Name | Job Function | Hourly Billing Rate |
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Loaded rate caps are fixed until xxxxx. Labor billing rates are based on a fixed multiplier with a xxx profit on the burdened costs.

| Component | % Direct Costs |
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Invoicing

The Contractor will submit monthly invoices detailing services performed in accordance with Appendix C.

The invoice must:

- reference the Contractor's name, address and phone number
- reference the contract number: 23101
- include an invoice number
- Reference AEA
- itemize the contractual services provided during the period invoiced as described in Appendix C

The Contractor shall submit invoices to the address specified no later than 30 days after the end the period for which services were performed. Failure to include the required information on the invoice may cause an unavoidable delay to the payment process. AEA will pay all invoices within thirty (30) days of invoice approval by the Project Director.

Notwithstanding any other provision of this contract, it is understood and agreed that AEA shall withhold payment at any time the Contractor fails to perform work as required under Appendix C and/or D of this contract.

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CONTRACTOR for COST REIMBURSEMENT NOTICE TO PROCEED (NTP) & BILLING SUMMARY

- 1 Retain an unmarked, as issued, copy of this form to be used for reproduction and billing.
- If this NTP is unacceptable, notify the Contracting Agency immediately. If acceptable, acknowledge by signature where indicated on a copy of this NTP and return it within ten days after your receipt.
- 3 Submit monthly Invoices to the Agency Contract Manager named in this NTP. Provide a copy of page one of this form as the FACE PAGE of each invoice submitted and with the following entries accurately completed:
 - a) Indicate if the Invoice is for Progress or Final Payment and show the Sequential Invoice Number for this NTP.
 Entries in the following columns: Prior Approved Payments, This Billing, and Total to Date for each Task Group:
 - b) plus the SUM TOTALS for: Authorized To Date, Prior APPROVED Payments, THIS INVOICE, Prior Payments plus this Invoice, and Balance of Authorized Amount.

Note "Prior APPROVED Payments" amounts may NOT be the same as the total of all your prior invoices if some items were disallowed or adjustments were made. If a prior billing has not been acknowledged with any payment, or a different amount from your billing was paid without notification to you of the reason(s), attach a request for an explanation and remedial action.

4 Sign, date and enter printed or typed name under "PAYMENT REQUEST (Contractor)" thereby attesting to the following:

"By signature on this form, the Contractor certifies entries to be true and correct for the services performed to date under or by virtue of said Agreement and in accordance with AS 36.30.400. The Contractor further certifies that all applicable Federal, State and Local taxes incurred by the Contractor in the performance of the services have been paid and that all Subcontractors engaged by the Contractor for the services included in any invoice shall be fully compensated by the Contractor for such services."

5 When Applicable, ATTACH A CURRENT COPY OF EXHIBIT C-4, COST REIMBURSEMENT BILLING DETAIL FORM (from Appendix C of the Agreement) to each invoice. Internally check the form and correct mathematical extensions. The Contracting Agency may return erroneous invoices for correction before processing for payment.

6 Substantiate all charges in each billing, other than for Fixed Prices or Fixed Fees, by attaching a summary of hours expended and hourly labor rate per employee; summary of units completed; subcontractor invoices; expense receipts, etc.; or other proof of expenditures.

7 Prime Contractor's Labor and Indirect Cost shall be billed to the Contracting Agency within 45 days of performance. Subcontractors' Labor and Indirect Cost shall be billed to the Contracting Agency within 60 days of performance. All of the Contractor's and Subcontractors' Other Direct Costs (Expenses) shall be billed to the Contracting Agency within 90 days of being incurred. Charges submitted after the above stated times will, at the Contracting Agency's discretion, not be paid.

8 When each NTP is approximately 75% complete, the Contractor shall determine if the Authorized Amount(s) might be exceeded; and, if so, shall provide an estimate of cost to complete. The Contracting Agency will determine after discussion with the Contractor if additional cost is reasonable and does not include costs that should be absorbed by the Contractor. If additional cost is validated, a negotiated Amendment will be executed which either (1) reduces the scope of services/work products required commensurate with the Authorized Amount(s), or (2) increases the Authorized Amount(s) to that required for completion of the original contract scope.