

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Isiah Leggett County Executive Al R. Roshdieh **Director**

Local Small Business Reserve Program (LSBRP) Notice

INFORMAL (SMALL PURCHASE/MINI-CONTRACT) #1087203

Transaction Reconciliation Management Solution

This solicitation is reserved for only **application submitted/certified** status local small businesses timely registered with the County's LSBRP. This solicitation thus comes under County Code, sections 11B-17A; 11B-65; 11B-70 and Executive Regulation 21-05AM. These documents can be accessed through the LSBRP web site at (www.montgomerycountymd.gov/LSBRP).

LSBRP criteria are based on a firm's location, ownership status, number of employees and annual revenue amount, submitting a proposal constitutes willfully stating your firm is an **application submitted/certified** Local Small Business. Therefore, if you wish to submit a proposal for this solicitation adhering to the LSBRP, you must:

- 1. Submit an application as a LSBRP firm prior to the proposal's due date. If your LSBRP status is not **application submitted/certified** in our database prior to the proposal's due date and time, then your proposal will be deemed unacceptable and removed from consideration. Go to the LSBRP web site (www. montgomerycountymd.gov/LSBRP) and follow the instructions under "<u>Register.</u>"
- 2. After the informal solicitation closes and upon notification by the County, you must provide within three (3) business days the LSBRP documentation of:
 - all of its business location(s) (if more than one),
 - number of employees by location
 - annual gross revenue of the business for the past three fiscal years.

(The preferred documents are copy of a lease, Maryland Unemployment Insurance Contribution Report (summary or quarterly), and Financial Statement/Tax Returns. At the discretion of the LSBRP, an alternative type of documents might be accepted.)

If, after receipt of these documents, the LSBRP finds that your firm does not meet the LSBRP requirements, then your bid will be deemed non-responsive and rejected or your proposal will be deemed unacceptable and removed from further consideration. For questions, contact the LSBRP (240-777-9913).



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REQUEST FOR QUOTATION

#1087203

for

Transaction Reconciliation Management Solution

ISSUE DATE: 8:00 A.M. on March 19, 2018

SUBMISSION DEADLINE: 4:30 P.M. on March 26, 2018

The Department of Transportation, Division of Parking Management is soliciting proposals for the above-referenced Request For Quotation. Proposals must be returned not later than the date and time listed above. If an offeror is interested in submitting an offer but cannot make the submission deadline, the offeror must contact the Division of Parking Management to see if an extension may be granted.

The following pages contain the terms, conditions and specifications for this Request For Quotation.

NOTE: All submitted quotations must reference the Quotation Number and Title above and be signed by an authorized representative of the responding firm.

Proposals must be submitted to the address/email below by the closing date and time:

Department of Transportation Division of Parking Management 100 Edison Park Drive, 4th Floor Gaithersburg, Maryland 20878 ATTN: Javier Torres

Or Via Email javier.torres@montgomerycountymd.gov

Should you have questions regarding the specifications in this solicitation, please contact Alex Kinyenje at (240) 777-8717 or <u>alex.kinyenje@montgomerycountymd.gov</u>

SECTION I - INSTRUCTIONS, CONDITIONS AND NOTICES

INTENT

The intent of this Request For Quotation is to solicit proposals for the procurement of transaction reconciliation management software, as per the Terms and Conditions contained herein.

VERBAL EXPLANATIONS

Verbal explanations or instructions given by a Montgomery County employee to a bidder in regard to this Request For Quotation will not be binding on the County. Any information given to a bidder in response to a request will be furnished to all bidders as an amendment to this Request For Quotation, if such information is deemed necessary for the preparation of bids, or if the lack of such information would be detrimental to the uninformed bidders. Such amendments only, when issued by the Contracting Officer will be considered as being binding on the County.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

The offeror is to include the signed Acknowledgement (Page 4) indicating agreement with all the terms and conditions of the solicitation.

DETERMINATION OF RESPONSIBILITY

The offeror has the burden of demonstrating affirmatively its responsibility in connection with this solicitation. A debarred potential offeror must automatically be considered non-responsible in connection with this solicitation. The County reserves the right to consider an offeror non-responsible who has previously failed to perform properly or to complete, in a timely manner, contracts of a similar nature, or if investigation shows the offeror unable to perform the requirements of the contract.

An offeror may be requested at any time by the Director, Office of Procurement or the Using Department to provide additional information, references and other documentation and information that relate to the determination of responsibility. Failure of an offeror to furnish requested information may constitute grounds for a finding of non-responsibility of the prospective offeror.

The Director may deny the award, renewal, or assignment of a contract to or for any offeror who is in default of payment of any money due the County.

The factors, which may be considered in connection with a determination of responsibility, include:

- 1. The ability, capacity, organization, facilities, and skill of the offeror to perform the contract or provide the goods or services required;
- 2. The ability of the offeror to perform the contract or provide the services within the time specified without delay, interruption or interference;
- 3. The integrity, reputation, and experience of the offeror, and its key personnel;
- 4. The quality of performance of previous contracts or services for the County or other entities. Past unsatisfactory performance, for any reason, is sufficient to justify a finding of non-responsibility;
- 5. The previous and existing compliance by the offeror with laws and ordinances relating to the contract or services;
- 6. The sufficiency of financial resources of the offeror to perform the contract or provide the services;
- 7. The certification of an appropriate accounting system, if required by the contract type; and
- 8. Past debarment by the County or other entity.

MONTGOMERY COUNTY CODE AND PROCUREMENT REGULATIONS

The Montgomery County Code and the Montgomery County Procurement Regulations are applicable to this solicitation and any contract awarded pursuant to this solicitation.

PAYMENT TERMS

The County's payment terms are net thirty (30) days upon receipt of a correct and acceptable invoice. Prompt payment discounts will be considered in the evaluation of your proposal if the discount on payments is not conditioned on payment being made in less than thirty (30) days from receipt of invoice.

METHOD OF AWARD/EVALUATION CRITERIA

1. PROCEDURES

- a. Upon receipt of proposals, the Qualification and Selection Committee (QSC) will review and evaluate all proposals in accordance with the evaluation criteria listed below. The QSC will also review an offeror for responsibility.
- b. Vendor interviews will not be conducted.
- c. The County will enter into contract with the highest ranked offeror based on the QSC's written score and its responsibility determination.
- d. The Director, Office of Procurement, may approve, approve with conditions, or reject the Using Department Head's recommendation.
- e. The County reserves the right to cancel the solicitation. The solicitation cancellation will be publicly posted.

2.	EVA	ALUATION CRITERIA	POINTS
	Wri	itten Proposal Evaluation Criteria	
	The	e QSC will evaluate the written proposals based on the following criteria.	
	a.	Automated reconciliation, importing data, managing exceptions, reporting	40
	b.	Flexible implementation	20
	c.	Cost	40
		Highest possible QSC score for written proposal evaluation:	100

QUALIFICATION OF OFFERORS

Offerors may be required to furnish satisfactory evidence that they are qualified and regularly engaged in performing the services for which they are submitting a proposal and maintain a regularly established place of business. An authorized representative of the County may visit any prospective contractor's place of business to determine ability, capacity, reliability, financial stability and other factors necessary to perform the contract.

PROPOSAL SUBMISSIONS

FAILURE OF AN OFFEROR TO SUBMIT ALL REQUIRED PROPOSAL SUBMISSIONS MAY RENDER YOUR PROPOSAL UNACCEPTABLE AS DETERMINED BY THE DIRECTOR, DEPARTMENT OF OFFICE OF PROCUREMENT.

Offerors must submit their proposal in the format below. Written proposals will be evaluated on only what is submitted. The offeror must submit sufficient information to enable the QSC to evaluate the offeror's capabilities and experience. Proposals must include the following information:

- a. A cover letter with a brief description of the firm, including the offeror's name, address, telephone number, and email address.
- b. The Acknowledgment (Page 4) of this solicitation must be submitted and signed by a person authorized to bind the offeror to the proposal.
- c. Mid-Atlantic Purchasing Team Rider Clause (Page 5).
- d. Minority, Female, Disabled Persons Subcontractor Performance Plan Attachment C.
- e. Product overview of solutions offered.
- f. Cost proposal.

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ACKNOWLEDGMENT

The offeror must include a signed acknowledgment that all the terms and conditions of the offer may, at the County's option, be made applicable in any contract issued as a result of this solicitation. Offers that do not include such an acknowledgment <u>may be rejected</u>. Executing and returning (with the offer) the acknowledgment shown below will satisfy this requirement.

The undersigned agrees that all the terms and conditions of this solicitation and offer may, at the County's option, be made applicable in any contract issued as a result of this solicitation.

Business Firm's Typed		
Name:		
Printed Name and Title of		
Person Authorized to Sign		
Proposal:		
Signature:	Date:	

NAME AND SIGNATURE REQUIREMENTS FOR PROPOSALS AND CONTRACTS

The correct legal business name of the offeror must be used in all contracts. A trade name (i.e., a shortened or different name under which the firm does business) must not be used when the legal name is different. Corporations must have names that comply with State Law. The offeror's signature must conform to the following:

All signatures must be made by an authorized officer, partner, manager, member, or employee. The signing of this offer or a contract is a representation by the person signing that the person signing is authorized to do so on behalf of the offeror or contractor.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF SOLICITATION AMENDMENTS

The Offeror acknowledges receipt of the following amendment(s) to the solicitation:

Amendment Number

Date

MID-ATLANTIC PURCHASING TEAM RIDER CLAUSE

USE OF CONTRACT(S) BY MEMBERS COMPRISING MID-ATLANTIC PURCHASING TEAM COMMITTEE

A. Extension to Other Jurisdictions

The [issuing jurisdiction] extends the resultant contracts(s), including pricing, terms and conditions to the members of the Mid-Atlantic Purchasing Team, as well as all other public entities under the jurisdiction of the United States and its territories.

B. <u>Contract Agreement</u>

Any jurisdiction or entity using the resultant contract(s) may enter into its own contract with the successful Contractors(s). There shall be no obligation on the party of any participating jurisdiction to use the resultant contract(s). Contracts entered into with a participating jurisdiction may contain general terms and conditions unique to the jurisdiction including, by way of illustration and not limitation, clauses covering minority participation, non-discrimination, indemnification, naming the jurisdiction as an additional insured under any required Comprehensive General Liability policies, and venue.

- C. A negative reply will not adversely affect consideration of your bid.
- D. It is the awarded offeror's responsibility to notify the members shown below of the availability of the Contract(s)
- E. The issuing jurisdiction shall not be held liable for any costs or damages incurred by another jurisdiction as a result of any award extended to the jurisdiction by the awardee.

F. Inclusion of Governmental and Nonprofit Participants (Optional Clause)

This shall include but not be limited to private schools, Parochial schools, non-public schools such as charter schools, special districts, intermediate units, nonprofit agencies providing services on behalf of government and/or state community and/or private colleges/universities that require these goods, commodities and/or services.

G. Notification and Reporting

The Contractor agrees to notify the issuing jurisdiction of those entities that wish to use any contract resulting from this solicitation and will also provide usage information, which may be requested. The Contractor will provide the copy of the solicitation and resultant contract documents to any requesting jurisdiction or entity.

MID-ATLANTIC PURCHASING TEAM:

YES	NO	JURISDICTION	YES	NO	JURISDICTION
		Alexandria, Virginia			Howard County Schools
		Alexandria Public Schools			Herndon, Virginia
		Alexandria Sanitation Authority			Leesburg, Virginia
		Annapolis City			Loudoun County, Virginia
		Anne Arundel County			Loudoun County Public Schools
		Anne Arundel Schools			Loudoun County Water Authority
		Arlington County, Virginia			Manassas, Virginia
		Arlington County Public Schools			City of Manassas Public Schools
		Baltimore City			Manassas Park, Virginia
		Baltimore County Schools			MD-National Capital Park & Planning Comm.
		Bladensburg, Maryland			Metropolitan Washington Airports Authority
		Bowie, Maryland			Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments
		BRCPC			Montgomery College
		Carroll County			Montgomery County Public Schools
		Carroll County Schools			Prince George's County, Maryland
		Charles County Government			Prince George's Public Schools
		Charles County Schools			Prince William County, Virginia
		City of Fredericksburg			Prince William County Public Schools
		College Park, Maryland			Prince William County Service Authority
		District of Columbia Government			Rockville, Maryland
		District of Columbia Schools			Spotsylvania County Govt. & Schools
		District of Columbia Water & Sewer Auth.			Stafford County, Virginia
		Fairfax County, Virginia			Takoma Park, Maryland
		Fairfax County Water Authority			Upper Occoquan Sewage Authority
		Falls Church, Virginia			University of the District of Columbia
		Fauquier County Schools & Govt., Virginia			Vienna, Virginia
		Frederick, Maryland			Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Auth.
		Gaithersburg, Maryland			Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission
. <u></u>		Greenbelt, Maryland			Winchester, Virginia
		Harford County			Winchester Public Schools
		Harford County Schools			
		Howard County			

Vendor Name

SECTION II - GENERAL CONDITIONS OF CONTRACT BETWEEN COUNTY & CONTRACTOR

1. ACCOUNTING SYSTEM AND AUDIT, ACCURATE INFORMATION

The contractor certifies that all information the contractor has provided or will provide to the County is true and correct and can be relied upon by the County in awarding, modifying, making payments, or taking any other action with respect to this contract including resolving claims and disputes. Any false or misleading information is a ground for the County to terminate this contract for cause and to pursue any other appropriate remedy. The contractor certifies that the contractor's accounting system conforms with generally accepted accounting principles, is sufficient to comply with the contract's budgetary and financial obligations, and is sufficient to produce reliable financial information.

The County may examine the contractor's and any first tier subcontractor's records to determine and verify compliance with the contract and to resolve or decide any claim or dispute arising under this contract. The contractor and any first tier subcontractor must grant the County access to these records at all reasonable times during the contract term and for 3 years after final payment. If the contract is supported to any extent with federal or state funds, the appropriate federal or state authorities may also examine these records. The contractor must include the preceding language of this paragraph in all first tier subcontracts.

2. AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT

The contractor agrees to comply with the nondiscrimination requirements of Titles II and III, and other provisions, of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, Pub. Law 101-336, and ADA Amendments Act of 2008, Pub. Law 110-325, as amended, currently found at 42 U.S.C., § 12101, et seq., and 47 U.S.C., ch. 5.

3. <u>APPLICABLE LAWS</u>

This contract must be construed in accordance with the laws and regulations of Maryland and Montgomery County. The Montgomery County Procurement Regulations are incorporated by reference into, and made a part of, this contract. In the case of any inconsistency between this contract and the Procurement Regulations, the Procurement Regulations govern. The contractor must, without additional cost to the County, pay any necessary fees and charges, obtain any necessary licenses and permits, and comply with applicable federal, state and local laws, codes and regulations. For purposes of litigation involving this contract, except for contract Disputes discussed in paragraph 8 below, exclusive venue and jurisdiction must be in the Circuit Court for Montgomery County, Maryland or in the District Court of Maryland for Montgomery County.

The County's prevailing wage law, as found at §11B-33C of the County Code, applies to certain construction contracts. To the extent applicable, the County's prevailing wage requirements are enumerated within this solicitation/contract in the "Prevailing Wage Requirements for Construction Contract Addendum to the General Conditions of Contract between County and Contractor." If applicable to this contract, the Addendum will be attached to the contract, and will be incorporated herein by reference, and made a part thereof.

Furthermore, certain non-profit and governmental entities may purchase supplies and services, similar in scope of work and compensation amounts provided for in a County contract, using their own contract and procurement laws and regulations, pursuant to the Md. State Finance and Procurement Article, Section 13-101, et. seq.

Contractor and all of its subcontractors must comply with the provisions of County Code §11B-35A and must not retaliate against a covered employee who discloses an illegal or improper action described in §11B-35A. Furthermore, an aggrieved covered employee under §11B-35A is a third-party beneficiary under this Contract, who may by civil action recover compensatory damages including interest and reasonable attorney's fees, against the contractor or one of its subcontractors for retaliation in violation of that Section.

The contractor agrees to comply with the requirements of the Displaced Service Workers Protection Act, which appears in County Code, Chapter 27, Human Rights and Civil Liberties, Article X, Displaced Service Workers Protection Act, §§ 27-64 through 27-66.

Montgomery County's Earned Sick and Safe Leave Law, found at Sections 27-76 through 27-82 of the County Code, became effective October 1, 2016. An employer doing business in the County, as defined under the statute, must comply with this law. This includes an employer vendor awarded a County contract. A vendor may obtain information regarding this law at http://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/humanrights/

4. ASSIGNMENTS AND SUBCONTRACTS

The contractor must not assign or transfer this contract, any interest herein or any claim hereunder, except as expressly authorized in writing by the Director, Office of Procurement. Unless performance is separately and expressly waived in writing by the Director, Office of Procurement, an assignment does not release the contractor from responsibility for performance of this contract. Unless otherwise provided in the contract, the contractor may not contract with any other party for furnishing any of the materials or services herein contracted for without the written approval of the Director, Office of Procurement. Any subcontract for any work hereunder must comport with the terms of this Contract and County law, and must include any other terms and conditions that the County deems necessary to protect its interests. The contractor must not employ any subcontractor that is a debarred or suspended person under County Code §11B-37. The contractor is fully responsible to the County for the acts and omissions of itself, its subcontractor and the County, and nothing in the contract documents is intended to make any subcontractor a beneficiary of the contract documents between the County and the contract or.

5. CHANGES

The Director, Office of Procurement, may unilaterally change the work, materials and services to be performed. The change must be in writing and within the general scope of the contract. The contract will be modified to reflect any time or money adjustment the contractor is entitled to receive. Contractor must bring to the Contract Administrator, in writing, any claim about an adjustment in time or money resulting from a change, within 30 days from the date the Director, Office of Procurement, issued the change in work, or the claim is waived. Any failure to agree upon a time or money adjustment must be resolved under the "Disputes" clause of this contract. The contractor must proceed with the prosecution of the work as changed, even if there is an unresolved claim. No charge for any extra work, time or material will be allowed, except as provided in this section.

6. CONTRACT ADMINISTRATION

- A. The contract administrator, subject to paragraph B below, is the Department representative designated by the Director, Office of Procurement, in writing and is authorized to:
 - (1) serve as liaison between the County and the contractor;
 - (2) give direction to the contractor to ensure satisfactory and complete performance;
 - (3) monitor and inspect the contractor's performance to ensure acceptable timeliness and quality;

- (4) serve as records custodian for this contract, including wage and prevailing wage requirements;
- (5) accept or reject the contractor's performance;
- (6) furnish timely written notice of the contractor's performance failures to the Director, Office of Procurement, and to the County Attorney, as appropriate;
- (7) prepare required reports;
- (8) approve or reject invoices for payment;
- (9) recommend contract modifications or terminations to the Director, Office of Procurement;
- (10) issue notices to proceed; and
- (11) monitor and verify compliance with any MFD Performance Plan.
- B. The contract administrator is NOT authorized to make determinations (as opposed to recommendations) that alter, modify, terminate or cancel the contract, interpret ambiguities in contract language, or waive the County's contractual rights.

7. COST & PRICING DATA

Chapter 11B of the County Code and the Montgomery County Procurement Regulations require that cost & pricing data be obtained from proposed awardees/contractors in certain situations. The contractor guarantees that any cost & pricing data provided to the County will be accurate and complete. The contractor grants the Director, Office of Procurement, access to all books, records, documents, and other supporting data in order to permit adequate evaluation of the contractor's proposed price(s). The contractor also agrees that the price to the County, including profit or fee, may, at the option of the County, be reduced to the extent that the price was based on inaccurate, incomplete, or noncurrent data supplied by the contractor.

8. DISPUTES

Any dispute arising under this contract that is not disposed of by agreement must be decided under the Montgomery County Code and the Montgomery County Procurement Regulations. Pending final resolution of a dispute, the Contractor must proceed diligently with contract performance. Subject to subsequent revocation or alteration by the Director, Office of Procurement, the head of the County department, office or agency ("Department Head") of the contract administrator is the designee of the Director, Office of Procurement, for the purpose of dispute resolution. The Department Head, or his/her designee, must forward to the Director, Office of Procurement, a copy of any written resolution of a dispute. The Department Head may delegate this responsibility to another person (other than the contract administrator of a claim in writing, and must attempt to resolve a claim with the contract administrator prior to filing a dispute with the Director, Office of Procurement or designee. The contractor waives any dispute or claim not made in writing and received by the Director, Office of Procurement, within 30 days of the event giving rise to the dispute or claim, whether or not the contract administrator has responded to a written notice of claim or resolved the claim. The Director, Office of Procurement, must dismiss a dispute that is not timely filed. A dispute must be in writing, for specific relief, and any requested relief must be fully supported by affidavit of all relevant calculations, including cost and pricing information, records, and other information. At the County's option, the contractor agrees to be made a party to any related dispute involving another contractor.

9. DOCUMENTS, MATERIALS, AND DATA

All documents materials or data developed as a result of this contract are the County's property. The County has the right to use and reproduce any documents, materials, and data, including confidential information, used in the performance of, or developed as a result of, this contract. The County may use this information for its own purposes, including reporting to state and federal agencies. The contractor warrants that it has title to or right of use of all documents, materials or data used or developed in connection with this contract. The contractor must keep confidential all documents, materials, and data prepared or developed by the contractor or supplied by the County.

10. DURATION OF OBLIGATION

The contractor agrees that all of contractor's obligations and warranties, including all requirements imposed by the Minority Owned Business Addendum to these General Conditions, if any, which directly or indirectly are intended by their nature or by implication to survive contractor performance, do survive the completion of performance, termination for default, termination for convenience, or termination by mutual consent of the contract.

11. ENTIRE AGREEMENT

There are no promises, terms, conditions, or obligations other than those contained in this contract. This contract supersedes all communications, representations, or agreements, either verbal or written, between the parties hereto, with the exception of express warranties given to induce the County to enter into the contract.

12. ETHICS REQUIREMENTS/POLITICAL CONTRIBUTIONS

The contractor must comply with the ethics provisions contained in Chapters 11B and 19A, Montgomery County Code, which include the following:

- (a) a prohibition against making or offering to make certain gifts. Section 11B-51(a).
- (b) a prohibition against kickbacks. Section 11B-51(b).
- (c) a prohibition against a person engaged in a procurement from employing or offering to employ a public employee. Section 11B-52 (a).
- (d) a prohibition against a contractor that is providing a recommendation to the County from assisting another party or seeking to obtain an economic benefit beyond payment under the contract. Section 11B-52 (b).
- (e) a restriction on the use of confidential information obtained in performing a contract. Section 11B-52 (c).
- (f) a prohibition against contingent fees. Section 11B-53.

Furthermore, the contractor specifically agrees to comply with Sections 11B-51, 11B-52, 11B-53, 19A-12, and/or 19A-13 of the Montgomery County Code. In addition, the contractor must comply with the political contribution reporting requirements currently codified under the Election Law at Md. Code Ann., Title 14.

13. GUARANTEE

- A. Contractor guarantees for one year from acceptance, or for a longer period that is otherwise expressly stated in the County's written solicitation, all goods, services, and construction offered, including those used in the course of providing the goods, services, and/or construction. This includes a guarantee that all products offered (or used in the installation of those products) carry a guarantee against any and all defects for a minimum period of one year from acceptance, or for a longer period stated in the County's written solicitation. The contractor must correct any and all defects in material and/or workmanship that may appear during the guarantee period, or any defects that occur within one (1) year of acceptance even if discovered more than one (1) year after acceptance, by repairing, (or replacing with new items or new materials, if necessary) any such defect at no cost to the County and to the County's satisfaction.
- B. Should a manufacturer's or service provider's warranty or guarantee exceed the requirements stated above, that guarantee or warranty will be the primary one used in the case of defect. Copies of manufacturer's or service provider's warranties must be provided upon request.
- C. All warranties and guarantees must be in effect from the date of acceptance by the County of the goods, services, or construction.
- D. The contractor guarantees that all work shall be accomplished in a workmanlike manner, and the contractor must observe and comply with all Federal, State, County and local laws, ordinances and regulations in providing the goods, and performing the services or construction.

E. Goods and materials provided under this contract must be of first quality, latest model and of current manufacture, and must not be of such age or so deteriorated as to impair their usefulness or safety. Items that are used, rebuilt, or demonstrator models are unacceptable, unless specifically requested by the County in the Specifications.

14. HAZARDOUS AND TOXIC SUBSTANCES

Manufacturers and distributors are required by federal "Hazard Communication" provisions (29 CFR 1910.1200), and the Maryland "Access to Information About Hazardous and Toxic Substances" Law, to label each hazardous material or chemical container, and to provide Material Safety Data Sheets to the purchaser. The contractor must comply with these laws and must provide the County with copies of all relevant documents, including Material Safety Data Sheets, prior to performance of work or contemporaneous with delivery of goods.

15. HEALTH INSURANCE PORTABILITY AND ACCOUNTABILITY ACT (HIPAA) COMPLIANCE

In addition to the provisions stated above in Section 3. "Applicable Laws," contractor must comply with all requirements in the federal Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA), to the extent that HIPAA is applicable to this contract. Furthermore, contractor must enter into the County's standard Business Associate Agreement or Qualified Service Organization Agreement when contractor or the County, as part of this contract, may use or disclose to one another, to the individual whose health information is at issue, or to a third-party, any protected health information that is obtained from, provided to, made available to, or created by, or for, the contractor or the County.

16. IMMIGRATION REFORM AND CONTROL ACT

The contractor warrants that both the contractor and its subcontractors do not, and shall not, hire, recruit or refer for a fee, for employment under this contract or any subcontract, an alien while knowing the alien is an unauthorized alien, or any individual without complying with the requirements of the federal Immigration and Nationality laws, including any verification and record keeping requirements. The contractor further assures the County that, in accordance with those laws, it does not, and will not, discriminate against an individual with respect to hiring, recruitment, or referral for a fee, of an individual for employment or the discharge of an individual from employment, because of the individual's national origin or, in the case of a citizen or prospective citizen, because of the individual's citizenship status.

17. INCONSISTENT PROVISIONS

Notwithstanding any provisions to the contrary in any contract terms or conditions supplied by the contractor, this General Conditions of Contract document supersedes the contractor's terms and conditions, in the event of any inconsistency.

18. INDEMNIFICATION

The contractor is responsible for any loss, personal injury, death and any other damage (including incidental and consequential) that may be done or suffered by reason of the contractor's negligence or failure to perform any contractual obligations. The contractor must indemnify and save the County harmless from any loss, cost, damage and other expenses, including attorney's fees and litigation expenses, suffered or incurred due to the contractor's negligence or failure to perform any of its contractual obligations. If requested by the County, the contractor must defend the County in any action or suit brought against the County arising out of the contractor's negligence, errors, acts or omissions under this contract. The negligence of any agent, subcontractor or employee of the contractor is deemed to be the negligence of the contractor. For the purposes of this paragraph, County includes its boards, agencies, agents, officials and employees.

19. INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR

The contractor is an independent contractor. The contractor and the contractor's employees or agents are not agents of the County.

20. INSPECTIONS

The County has the right to monitor, inspect and evaluate or test all supplies, goods, services, or construction called for by the contract at all reasonable places (including the contractor's place of business) and times (including the period of preparation or manufacture).

21. INSURANCE

Prior to contract execution by the County, the proposed awardee/contractor must obtain at its own cost and expense the minimum insurance specified in the applicable table (See Tables A and B) or attachment to these General Conditions, with one or more insurance company(s) licensed or qualified to do business in the State of Maryland and acceptable to the County's Division of Risk Management. The minimum limits of coverage listed shall not be construed as the maximum as required by contract or as a limitation of any potential liability on the part of the proposed awardee/contractor to the County, nor shall failure by the County to request evidence of this insurance in any way be construed as a waiver of proposed awardee/contractor's obligation to provide the insurance coverage specified. Contractor must keep this insurance in full force and effect during the term of this contract, including all extensions. Unless expressly provided otherwise, Table A is applicable to this contract. The insurance must be evidenced by one or more Certificate(s) of Insurance and, if requested by the County, the proposed awardee/contractor must submit to the Director, Office of Procurement, one or more Certificate(s) of Insurance and of this contract, and prior to any contract modification extending the term of the contract, and prior to any contract modification extending the term of the contract, as evidence of compliance with this provision. The contractor's insurance must be primary. Montgomery County, MD, including its officials, employees, agents, boards, and agencies, must be named as an additional insured on all liability policies. Contractor must provide to the County at least 30 days written notice of a cancellation of, or a material change to, an insurance policy. In no event may the insurance coverage be less than that shown on the applicable table, attachment, or contract provision for required insurance. After consultation with the Department of Finance, Division of Risk Management, the Director, Office of Procurement,

Please disregard TABLE A. and TABLE B., if they are replaced by the insurance requirements as stated in an attachment to these General Conditions of Contract between County and Contractor.

TABLE A. INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS (See Paragraph #21 under the General Conditions of Contract between County and Contractor)

CONTRACT DOLLAR VALUES (IN \$1,000's)

<u>Up to 50</u>

<u>Up to 100</u>

<u>Up to 1,000</u>

Over <u>1,000</u>

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Bodily Injury by Accident (each)	100	100	100	See
Disease (policy limits)	500	500	500	Attachment
Disease (each employee)	100	100	100	1 11110110
Commercial General Liability for bodily injury and property damage per occurrence, including contractual liability, premises and operations, and independent contractors	300 Attachment	500	1,000	See
Minimum Automobile Liability (including owned, hired and non owned automobiles) Bodily Injury				
each person	100	250	500	See
each occurrence	300	500	1,000	Attachment
Property Damage				
each occurrence	300	300	300	
Professional Liability* for errors, omissions and negligent acts, per claim and aggregate, with one year discovery period and maximum deductible of \$25,000	250	500	1,000	See Attachment
Certificate Holder Montgomery County Maryland (Contract #) Office of Procurement 255 Rockville Pike, Suite 180 Rockville, Maryland 20850 4166				
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TABLE B. INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS(See Paragraph #21 under the General Conditions of Contract
between County and Contractor)

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Commercial General Liability minimum combined single limit for bodily injury and property damage per occurrence, including contractual liability, premises and operations, independent contractors, and product liability	300	500	1,000	See Attachment
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22. INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY APPROVAL AND INDEMNIFICATION - INFRINGEMENT

If contractor will be preparing, displaying, publicly performing, reproducing, or otherwise using, in any manner or form, any information, document, or material that is subject to a copyright, trademark, patent, or other property or privacy right, then contractor must: obtain all necessary licenses, authorizations, and approvals related to its use; include the County in any approval, authorization, or license related to its use; and indemnify and hold harmless the County related to contractor's alleged infringing or otherwise improper or unauthorized use. Accordingly, the contractor must protect, indemnify, and hold harmless the County from and against all liabilities, actions, damages, claims, demands, judgments, losses, costs, expenses, suits, or actions, and attorneys' fees and the costs of the defense of the County, in any suit, including appeals, based upon or arising out of any allegation of infringement, violation, unauthorized use, or conversion of any patent, copyright, trademark or trade name, license, proprietary right, or other related property or privacy interest in connection with, or as a result of, this contract or the performance by the contractor of any of its activities or obligations under this contract.

23. INFORMATION SECURITY

A. Protection of Personal Information by Government Agencies:

In any contract under which Contractor is to perform services and the County may disclose to Contractor personal information about an individual, as defined by State law, Contractor must implement and maintain reasonable security procedures and practices that: (a) are appropriate to the nature of the personal information disclosed to the Contractor; and (b) are reasonably designed to help protect the personal information from unauthorized access, use, modification, disclosure, or destruction. Contractor's requirement to implement and maintain reasonable security practices and procedures must include requiring any third-party to whom it discloses personal information that was originally disclosed to Contractor by the County to also implement and maintain reasonable security of a system if the unauthorized acquisition of an individual's personal information has occurred or is reasonably likely to occur, and also must share with the County all information related to the breach. Contractor must provide the above notification to the County as soon as reasonably practicable after Contractor discovers or is notified of the breach of the security of a system. Md. Code Ann., State Gov't. § 10-1301 through 10-1308 (2013).

B. Payment Card Industry Compliance:

In any contract where the Contractor provides a system or service that involves processing credit card payments (a "Payment Solution"), the Payment Solution must be Payment Card Industry Data Security Standard Compliant ("PCI-DSS Compliant"), as determined and verified by the Department of Finance, and must (1) process credit card payments through the use of a Merchant ID ("MID") obtained by the County's Department of Finance by and in the name of the County as merchant of record, or (2) use a MID obtained by and in the name of the Contractor as merchant of record.

24. NON-CONVICTION OF BRIBERY

The contractor hereby declares and affirms that, to its best knowledge, none of its officers, directors, or partners or employees directly involved in obtaining contracts has been convicted of bribery, attempted bribery, or conspiracy to bribe under any federal, state, or local law.

25. NON-DISCRIMINATION IN EMPLOYMENT

The contractor agrees to comply with the non-discrimination in employment policies and/ or provisions prohibiting unlawful employment practices in County contracts as required by Section 11B 33 and Section 27 19 of the Montgomery County Code, as well as all other applicable state and federal laws and regulations regarding employment discrimination.

The contractor assures the County that, in accordance with applicable law, it does not, and agrees that it will not, discriminate in any manner on the basis of race, color, religious creed, ancestry, national origin, age, sex, marital status, disability, or sexual orientation.

The contractor must bind its subcontractors to the provisions of this section.

26. PAYMENT AUTHORITY

No payment by the County may be made, or is due, under this contract, unless funds for the payment have been appropriated and encumbered by the County. Under no circumstances will the County pay the contractor for legal fees. The contractor must not proceed to perform any work (provide goods, services, or construction) prior to receiving written confirmation that the County has appropriated and encumbered funds for that work. If the contractor fails to obtain this verification from the Office of Procurement prior to performing work, the County has no obligation to pay the contractor for the work.

If this contract provides for an additional contract term for contractor performance beyond its initial term, continuation of contractor's performance under this contract beyond the initial term is contingent upon, and subject to, the appropriation of funds and encumbrance of those appropriated funds for payments under this contract. If funds are not appropriated and encumbered to support continued contractor performance in a subsequent fiscal period, contractor's performance must end without further notice from, or cost to, the County. The contractor acknowledges that the County Executive has no obligation to recommend, and the County Council has no obligation to appropriate funds for this contract in subsequent fiscal years. Furthermore, the County has no obligation to encumber funds to this contract in subsequent fiscal years, even if appropriated funds may be available. Accordingly, for each subsequent contract term, the contractor to perform work for the next contract term.

27. P-CARD OR SUA PAYMENT METHODS

The County is expressly permitted to pay the vendor for any or all goods, services, or construction under the contract through either a procurement card ("p-card") or a Single Use Account("SUA") method of payment, if the contractor accepts the noted payment method from any other person. In that event, the County reserves the right to pay any or all amounts due under the contract by using either a p-card (except when a purchase order is required) or a SUA method of payment, and the contractor must accept the County's p-card or a SUA method of payment, as applicable. Under this paragraph, contractor is prohibited from charging or requiring the County to pay any fee, charge, price, or other obligation for any reason related to or associated with the County's use of either a p-card or a SUA method of payment.

28. PERSONAL PROPERTY

All furniture, office equipment, equipment, vehicles, and other similar types of personal property specified in the contract, and purchased with funds provided under the contract, become the property of the County upon the end of the contract term, or upon termination or expiration of this contract, unless expressly stated otherwise.

29. TERMINATION FOR DEFAULT

The Director, Office of Procurement, may terminate the contract in whole or in part, and from time to time, whenever the Director, Office of Procurement, determines that the contractor is:

(a) defaulting in performance or is not complying with any provision of this contract;

(b) failing to make satisfactory progress in the prosecution of the contract; or

(c) endangering the performance of this contract.

The Director, Office of Procurement, will provide the contractor with a written notice to cure the default. The termination for default is effective on the date specified in the County's written notice. However, if the County determines that default contributes to the curtailment of an essential service or poses an immediate threat to life, health, or property, the County may terminate the contract immediately upon issuing oral or written notice to the contractor without any prior notice or opportunity to cure. In addition to any other remedies provided by law or the contract, the contractor must compensate the County for additional costs that foreseeably would be incurred by the County, whether the costs are actually incurred or not, to obtain substitute performance. A termination for default is a termination for convenience if the termination for default is later found to be without justification.

30. TERMINATION FOR CONVENIENCE

This contract may be terminated by the County, in whole or in part, upon written notice to the contractor, when the County determines this to be in its best interest. The termination for convenience is effective on the date specified in the County's written notice. Termination for convenience may entitle the contractor to payment for reasonable costs allocable to the contract for work or costs incurred by the contractor up to the date of termination. The contractor must not be paid compensation as a result of a termination for convenience that exceeds the amount encumbered to pay for work to be performed under the contract.

31. <u>TIME</u>

Time is of the essence.

32. WORK UNDER THE CONTRACT

Contractor must not commence work under this contract until all conditions for commencement are met, including execution of the contract by both parties, compliance with insurance requirements, encumbrance of funds, and issuance of any required notice to proceed.

33. WORKPLACE SAFETY

The contractor must ensure adequate health and safety training and/or certification, and must comply with applicable federal, state and local Occupational Safety and Health laws and regulations.

THIS FORM MUST NOT BE MODIFIED WITHOUT THE PRIOR APPROVAL OF THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY ATTORNEY.

SECTION III – SCOPE OF SERVICES

1. BACKGROUND

The County, through the Montgomery County Department of Transportation, Division of Parking Management, desires annual subscription for transaction reconciliation management, fully integrated balance sheet software, and task manager for streamlining accounting processes to support our parking operations.

2. OFFERORS ARE ASKED TO SUBMIT WITH THEIR PROPOSAL:

- a. Proposed subscription must meet the needs of the County based on the information provided in this RFQ document. Proposals should include information about attributes including, but not limited to:
 - 1) Transaction reconciliation management with data import capability, automatic reconciliation, management of exceptions, and reporting capabilities;
 - 2) Balance Sheet reconciliation software;
 - 3) Task management capability of processes;
 - 4) Flexible implementation;
 - 5) Available training;
- b. Cost proposal for all items listed on 2.a above and any proposed additional options.

RFQ #1087203 SECTION IV - SPECIAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS

1. CONTRACT TERM

The term of this Contract is for \underline{ONE} (1) year from the date of signature by the Director, Office of Procurement. Before the contract term ends, the Director may (but is not required to) renew this Contract, if the Director determines that renewal is in the best interests of the County. Contractor's satisfactory performance does not guarantee renewal of this Contract. The Director may exercise this option to renew for <u>TWO</u> (2) additional one-year periods.

2. DATA STORAGE AND OWNERSHIP

All County data collected with Contractor's Software remains at all time the property of the County. The Contractor will not use or make available any personally identifiable information other than for administering the County's account and collecting usage statistics in order to improve Contractor products and services specifications. During the term of this Contract and after termination or expiration of this Contract, the Contractor will not in any way transfer to any third party or use in direct or indirect competition with the other party any information or data posted by County and others on the Contractor's website and acknowledges that all such information is confidential.

If the Contractor receives a request from a third party for County data, the Contractor must promptly notify the County's Contract Administrator of the request and must cooperate with any County effort to oppose or otherwise respond to the third party request. If the County attempts but does not successfully oppose the third party request, the Contractor must provide the County an opportunity to review for privilege any responsive County data prior to its production, and must provide the County with a copy of any customer data ultimately produced.

3. FORCE MAJEURE

The Contractor shall not be liable to the County for any delay or failure of performance of this Contract if such delay or failure is caused by weather conditions, earthquake, fire, flood, externally caused transmission interferences, satellite failure, war, riot, acts of terrorism, civil disturbance, or any cause beyond the control of the Contractor (each an "Event of Force Majeure"). If a delay or failure of performance by the Contractor is caused by an Event of Force Majeure, the Contractor shall notify the County and may be released without any liability from its performance under this Contract to the extent and for the period of time that such performance is prevented by the Event of Force Majeure.

4. FAILURE TO PERFORM/DELIVER

In the event of the Contractor's failure to comply with the established delivery schedule, the County reserves the right to make an open market purchase of the required materials/goods and to charge as damages, the difference between the established price and the actual cost incurred by the County and to collect such charges from the Contractor, from any money due under this Contract, or any other Contract with the County.

5. GENERAL CONDITIONS

The Contractor must comply with the General Conditions of Contract Between County and Contractor ("General Conditions") attached, incorporated by reference into and made part of this Contract as Section II. However, paragraph 21, Insurance, is superseded by the Mandatory Insurance Requirements in Attachment A.

6. <u>INVOICES</u>

All true and corrected invoices are to be sent to: MCDOT/Division of Parking Management Attn: Alex Kinyenje 100 Edison Park Drive, 4th Floor Gaithersburg, MD 20878 240-777-8717

Or via email to: alex.kinyenje@montgomerycountymd.gov

7. METHOD OF ORDERING

It is the intention of the County to issue written purchase orders or blanket purchase order(s) to the Contractor. Issuance of all purchase orders will be contingent upon appropriation of funds by the Montgomery County Council and encumbrance of such funds as provided by the Montgomery County Code.

8. MINORITY, FEMALE, DISABLED PERSON PROGRAM COMPLIANCE

Under County law this Contract is subject to the Montgomery County Code and the Montgomery County Procurement Regulations regarding participation in the Minority, Female, Disabled Person (MFD) procurement program. Further information regarding the County's MFD program is contained in the "Minority-Owned Business Addendum to General Conditions of Contract Between County and Contractor", and its companion document entitled "Minority, Female, Disabled Person Subcontractor Performance Plan."

9. MONTGOMERY COUNTY PROCUREMENT REGULATIONS

The Montgomery County Procurement Regulations are applicable to this Request For Quotation and any contract awarded pursuant to this Request for Quotation.

10. NAME AND SIGNATURE REQUIREMENTS FOR CONTRACTS

The correct and full legal business name of the Contractor must be used on the Contract. A trade name, i.e., a shortened or different name under which the firm does business, must not be used when the full legal name is different. Corporations must have names that comply with State law, which requires a suffix indicating the corporate status of the business (i.e., Inc., Incorporated, etc.). Trade names may be indicated by individuals or corporations with the individual or corporate name followed by t/a (trading as) or d/b/a (doing business as), respectively. The signature on the Contract or amendment must conform to the following: All signatures must be made by an authorized officer, partner, manager, member or employee. The signing of a contract is a representation by the person signing that the person signing is authorized to do so on behalf of the Contractor.

11. NET PRICES

Prices are net, inclusive of all charges for performance of work as outlined herein. Prices are less Federal, State, and Local taxes.

12. TRAINING

Training, at no additional cost to the County, shall consist of instructing County staff on the set-up and operation of the automated reconciliation solution.

RFQ #1087203 <u>ATTACHMENT A</u>

MANDATORY MINIMUM INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS

Transaction Reconciliation Management Solution - Annual Subscription for Balance Sheet Software for Streamlining the Accounting Process for Parking Operations (No PI)

Prior to the execution of the contract by the County, the proposed awardee/contractor and their contractors (if requested by County) must obtain, at their own cost and expense, the following *minimum* (not maximum) insurance coverage with an insurance company/companies licensed to conduct business in the State of Maryland and acceptable to the Division of Risk Management. This insurance must be kept in full force and effect during the term of this contract, including all extensions. The insurance must be evidenced by a certificate of insurance, and if requested by the County, the proposed awardee/contractor shall provide a copy of the insurance policies and additional insured endorsements. The minimum limits of coverage listed below shall not be construed as the maximum as required by contract or as a limitation of any potential liability on the part of the proposed awardee/contractor to the County nor shall failure to request evidence of this insurance in any way be construed as a waiver of proposed awardee / contractor's obligation to provide the insurance coverage specified. The Contractor's insurance shall be primary. Coverage pursuant to this Section shall not include any provision that would bar, restrict, or preclude coverage for claims by Montgomery County against Contractor, including but not limited to "cross-liability" or "insured vs insured" exclusion provisions.

Commercial General Liability

A minimum limit of liability of *one million dollars (\$1,000,000), per occurrence*, for bodily injury, personal injury and property damage coverage per occurrence including the following coverages:

Contractual Liability Premises and Operations Independent Contractors & Subcontractors Products and Completed Operations

Professional Liability (Errors and Omissions Liability)

The policy shall cover professional errors and omissions, negligent acts, misconduct or lack of ordinary skill during the period of contractual relationship and services rendered with the County with a limit of liability of at least:

Each Claim \$1,000,000

In the event that the professional liability insurance required by this Contract is written on a claims-made basis, Contractor warrants that any retroactive date under the policy shall precede the effective date of this Contract; and that either continuous coverage will be maintained or an extended discovery period will be exercised for a period of three (3) years beginning at the time work under this Contract is completed.

Worker's Compensation/Employer's Liability

Meeting all statutory requirements of the State of Maryland Law and with the following minimum Employers' Liability limits: Bodily Injury by Accident - \$100,000 each accident

Bodily Injury by Disease - \$500,000 policy limits Bodily Injury by Disease - \$100,000 each employee

Additional Insured

Montgomery County, Maryland, its elected and appointed officials, officers, consultants, agents and employees, must be included as an additional insured on Contractor's commercial general, automobile insurance, and contractor's excess/umbrella insurance if used to satisfy the Contractor's minimum insurance requirements under this contract, for liability arising out of contractor's products, goods and services provided under this contract. The stipulated limits of coverage above shall not be construed as a limitation of any potential liability of the contractor.

Policy Cancellation

Should any of the above policies be cancelled before the expiration date thereof, written notice must be delivered to the County in accordance with the policy provisions.

<u>Certificate Holder</u> Montgomery County, MD Parking Management / Javier Torres 100 Edison Park Drive, 4th floor Gaithersburg, MD 20878

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MINORITY BUSINESS PROGRAM & OFFEROR'S REPRESENTATION

It is the policy of the County to recruit actively, minority-owned businesses to provide goods and services to perform governmental functions pursuant to Section 11B-57 of the County Code. Minority-owned businesses are described in County law as Minority/Female/Disabled Person owned businesses (MFD). MFD businesses include certain non-profit entities organized to promote the interests of persons with a disability demonstrating (on a contract by contract basis) that at least 51% of the persons used by the non-profit entity to perform the services or manufacture the goods contracted for by the County, are persons with a disability. MFD firms also include those firms that are 51% owned, controlled and managed by one or more members of a socially or economically disadvantaged minority group, which include African Americans who are not of Hispanic origin, Hispanic Americans, Native Americans, Asian Americans, Women and Mentally or Physically Disabled Persons.

Section 7 - "Minority Contracting", Montgomery County Procurement Regulations specifies the procedure to be followed and will govern the evaluation of offers received pursuant to this solicitation. A copy of Section 7 of the Procurement Regulations is available upon request.

Prior to awarding contracts with a value of \$50,000 or more, a prospective Contractor must demonstrate that a minimum percentage of the overall contract value as set by the County, will be subcontracted to certified MFD businesses. A decision as to whether the prospective Contractor has demonstrated a good faith effort to meet this subcontracting requirement will be made by the Director, Office of Procurement, or his/her designee, who may waive this requirement.

A sample of the MFD Report of payment Received is attached. This form is mailed to the MFD Subcontractor to complete for documentation of payment by the Prime Contractor. It is not to be completed by the Prime Contractor nor submitted with the MFD Subcontractor Performance Plan.

The Director, Office of Procurement, or his /her designee determines whether a waiver of MFD subcontracting would be appropriate, under Section 7.3.3.5 of the Procurement Regulations.

For further information regarding the MFD Business Program, please contact the MFD Program Manager, Division of Business Relations and Compliance at (240) 777-9912.

Offerors are encouraged (but not required) to complete the following:

I hereby represent that this is a Minority Business firm as indicated below (CIRCLE ONE):

AFRICAN AMERICAN	ASIAN AMERICAN	DISABLED PERSON
FEMALE	HISPANIC AMERICAN	NATIVE AMERICAN

Attach one of the following certification documents from: Maryland Department of Transportation (MDOT); Virginia Small, Women & Minority-Owned Business: Federal SBA 8(a); MD/DC Minority Supplier Development Council, Women's Business Enterprise National Council; or City of Baltimore.

ATTACHMENT C

Minority-Owned Business Addendum to General Conditions of Contract Between County and Contractor

A. This contract is subject to the Montgomery County Code and the Montgomery County Procurement Regulations regarding participation in the Minority-Female-Disabled Person (MFD) procurement program.

B. Contractor must subcontract a percentage goals listed below of the total dollar value of the contract, including all modifications and renewals, to certified minority owned businesses. The MFD subcontracting goal may be waived under appropriate circumstances by submission of a letter to the Minority Business Program Manager. The letter must explain why a waiver is appropriate. The Director of the Office of Procurement or designee may waive, in whole or in part, the MFD subcontracting goal if the Director determines that a waiver is appropriate under Section 7.3.3.5 of the Montgomery County Procurement Regulations. In determining if a waiver should be granted, the Director may require the Contractor to submit additional information; the Director may require the Contractor to submit some or all of this information on forms approved by the Director.

For Goals by each purchasing category, please refer to www.montgomerycountymd.gov/mfd

C. The attached MFD Subcontractor Performance Plan, which must be approved by the Director, is an integral part of the contract between County and Contractor. In a multi-term contract, Contractor must submit a MFD Subcontract Performance Plan to be in effect for the life of the contract, including any renewal or modification.

D. Contractor must include in each subcontract with a minority owned business a provision that requires the use of binding arbitration with a neutral arbitrator to resolve disputes between the Contractor and the minority owned business subcontractor. This arbitration provision must describe how the cost of dispute resolution will be apportioned; the apportionment must not, in the judgment of the Director, attempt to penalize a minority owned business subcontractor for filing an arbitration claim.

E. County approval of the MFD Subcontractor Performance Plan does not create a contractual relationship between the County and the minority owned business subcontractor.

F. Contractor must notify and obtain prior written approval from the Director regarding any change in the MFD Subcontractor Performance Plan.

G. Before receiving final payment under this contract, Contractor must submit documentation showing compliance with the MFD Subcontracting Performance Plan. Documentation may include, at the direction of the Director, invoices, copies of subcontracts with minority owned businesses, cancelled checks, affidavits executed by minority owned business subcontractors, waivers, and arbitration decisions. The Director may require Contractor to submit periodic reports on a form approved by the Director. The Director may conduct an on-site inspection for the purpose of determining compliance with the MFD Subcontractor Performance Plan. If this is a multi-term contract, final payment means the final payment due for performance rendered for each term of the contract.

If the Contractor fails to submit documentation demonstrating compliance with the MFD Subcontractor Performance Plan, to the satisfaction of the Director, after considering relevant waivers and arbitration decisions, the Contractor is in breach of this contract. In the event of a breach of contract under this addendum, the Contractor must pay to the County liquidated damages equal to the difference between all amounts the Contractor has agreed under its Plan to pay minority owned business subcontractors and all amounts actually paid minority owned business subcontractors with appropriate credit given for any relevant waiver or arbitration decision. Contractor and County acknowledge that damages which would result to the County as a result of a breach under this addendum are difficult to ascertain, and that the liquidated damages provided for in this addendum are fair and reasonable in estimating the damage to the County of a breach of this addendum by Contractor. In addition, the County may terminate the contract. As the result of a breach under this addendum, The Director of the Office of Procurement must find the Contractor non-responsible for purposes of future procurement with the County for the ensuing three years.

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The Contractor submits this MFD Subcontractor Performance Plan (Plan Modification No.) in accordance with the Minority Owned Business Addendum to General Conditions of Contract between County and Contractor.

CONTRACTOR SIGNATURE

USE ONE:

1. TYPE CONTRACTOR'S NAME:

Signature

Typed Name

Date

2. TYPE CORPORATE CONTRACTOR'S NAME:

Signature

Typed Name

Date

I hereby affirm that the above named person is a corporate officer or a designee empowered to sign contractual agreements for the corporation.

Signature

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Title

Date

APPROVED:

Cherri Branson, Director, Office of Procurement

Date

Section 7.3.3.4(a) of the Procurement Regulations requires:

The Contractor must notify the Director, Office of Procurement of any proposed change to the Subcontractor Performance Plan.