STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA Division of Community Revitalization (DCR)

Amended Best and Final Offer

Refer ALL Inquiries regarding this to: Amended Best and Final Offer (BAFO) angela.dunaway@commerce.nc.gov

RFP # Doc1539254856_Builder

(919) 526-8340

Amended Best and Final Offer Issue Date: July 23, 2025

BAFOs will be received until: July 28, 2025, at 10:00 am EST

Using Agency: North Carolina Department of Commerce, Division of Community Revitalization

NOTICE TO VENDOR

Vendor may choose to accept the State's selected house plan sets and pricing shown herein and sign the Amended Best and Final Offer (BAFO), which will finalize the contract. If a Vendor does not accept the house plan sets and pricing and sign the BAFO, Vendor will not be contracted for the services identified in Request for Proposal #Doc1539254856. The BAFO is being amended to correct the pricing for Garage per square foot in the Reconstruction Site Specific table attached. Please disregard the original BAFO and execute this Amended BAFO instead.

Submit the executed BAFO (this form) to angela.dunaway@commerce.nc.gov by the due date and time indicated above. Offers are subject to rejection unless submitted as described herein.

EXECUTION

In compliance with this Amended Best and Final Offer, and subject to all the terms and conditions herein, those in the original Request for Proposal (unless superseded herein) and in Vendor's offer thereto, the undersigned offers and agrees to furnish and deliver any or all goods/services which are offered, at the prices agreed upon in the BAFO and within the time specified. Pursuant to GS §143-54 and §143-59.2 and under penalty of perjury, the undersigned Vendor certifies that this offer has not been arrived at collusively or otherwise in violation of Federal or North Carolina law and this offer is made without prior understanding, agreement, or connection with any firm, corporation, or person submitting an offer for the same services, and is in all respects fair and without collusion or fraud.

Failure to sign this Amended BAFO will render offer invalid and it SHALL BE REJECTED.

COMPLETE/FORMAL NAME OF VENDOR:					
Timberline Construction Group, LLC	Timberline Construction Group, LLC				
STREET ADDRESS:		P.O. BOX:	ZIP:		
77 Pardue Rd.			35124		
CITY & STATE & ZIP:		TELEPHONE NUMBER:	TOLL FREE TEL. NO:		
Pelham, AL		251-809-4553			
PRINCIPAL PLACE OF BUSINESS ADDRESS IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOV	'E:				
Same					
PRINT NAME & TITLE OF PERSON SIGNING ON BEHALF OF VENDOR: FAX NUMBER:					
Daniel J. Burnham, Managing Member					
VENDOR'S AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE	DATE: 7/28/2025	dburnham@Timbe	erlinecg.com		

Best and Final Offer

The State has determined the house plan sets to be used and the pricing provided to be paid to all Vendors for the services defined in Request for Proposal #Doc1539254856, which are included as attachments to this Amended BAFO. Vendors may choose to accept the plan sets and pricing and sign this Best and Final Offer, which will finalize the contract. If a Vendor does not accept this BAFO, it will not be contracted for the services identified in this RFP.

IMPORTANT NOTE:

It is the Vendor's sole responsibility to ensure its BAFO has been received at angela.dunaway@commerce.nc.gov by the specified time and date. Upon receipt of the signed BAFO from the vendor, a confirmation email will be sent. If the Vendor does not receive a confirmation email within a reasonable time after BAFO submission, within normal business hours, it is the sole responsibility of the Vendor to send a follow up email to confirm receipt PRIOR to the due time and date. Vendors are cautioned not to wait until the time immediately preceding the due time and date to submit the BAFO. The State will countersign the BAFO and at that time a contract will be created. The State will send a fully executed contract (including the offer and the BAFO) to each vendor upon full execution.

CONFIDENTIALITY AND PROHIBITED COMMUNICATIONS DURING EVALUATION:

The RFP is still in the evaluation period. During this period and prior to award, possession of the BAFO, original RFP response and accompanying information is limited to personnel of the Division of Community Revitalization responsible for participating in the evaluation. Responding Vendor, including any subcontractors and suppliers, is prohibited from engaging in conversations intended to influence the outcome of the evaluation. Any Vendor not in compliance with this provision shall be disqualified from evaluation and award. See RFP Section 3.2.

ACCEPTANCE OF OFFER

If the State accepts any or all parts of this offer, an authorized representative of the Department of Commerce shall affix his/her signature to the Vendor's response to this Amended BAFO. The acceptance shall include the response to this Amended BAFO, any provisions and requirements of the original RFP which have not been superseded by this BAFO and all Terms and Conditions. These documents shall then constitute the written agreement between the parties. A copy of this acceptance will be forwarded to the successful vendor(s).

FOR STATE USE ONLY	
Offer acc Signed by:	d this 30th day of July 2025, as indicated on attached certification,
by	(Authorized representative of the Department of Commerce).

PRICING

Rehabilitation Cost

Combined overhead and profit rate to be provided on top of approved Xactimate cost estimates.

27.76%

MHU Price

Scope of Work:

The prices are inclusive of the following items: All permits/fees; taxes/sales tax; disconnection of all utilities; Demolition and disposal of the existing storm damaged MHU in an approved facility; Sitework and grading required to install the new MHU; Purchase of the new MHU; Hauling of the new MHU to the applicant address; Installation of the new MHU to be applicant address in accordance with program and code requirements; stairs; Skirting; Connection of all appliances and HVAC system; GC testing of all mechanical, electrical, and plumbing systems; All required code inspections; Placement of a minimum of 4 pallets of sod or minimum required to pass code inspections, whichever is greater; Fill dirt included as required to ensure proper drainage; Completion of all required program inspections; Title work (title to new MHU to be issued in applicant name prior to program final inspection); Certificate of Occupancy prior to key turn over; Warranty requirements as required in GC contract. All MHUs required to be HUD compliant for the applicable thermal and wind zones and furnished with all appliances including central HVAC (mini-splits not allowed), refrigerator, stove (over, subsequence to the HUD compliant for the applicable thermal and wind zones and furnished with all appliances including central HVAC (mini-splits not allowed), refrigerator, stove (over, subsequence to the HUD compliant for the applicable thermal and wind zones and furnished with all appliances including central HVAC (mini-splits not allowed), refrigerator, stove (over, subsequence to the HUD compliant for the applicable thermal and wind zones and furnished with all appliances including central HVAC (mini-splits not allowed), refrigerator, stove (over, subsequence to the HUD compliant for the applicable thermal and wind zones and furnished with all appliances including central HVAC (mini-splits not allowed).

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	Price	Price	Price	Price	Price	Price
	Singlewide MHU	Singlewide MHU	Singlewide MHU	Doublewide MHU	Doublewide MHU	Doublewide MHU
	2 Bedroom / 2 Bathroom	3 Bedroom / 2 Bathroom	4 Bedroom / 2 Bathroom	2 Bedroom / 2 Bathroom	3 Bedroom / 2 Bathroom	4 Bedroom / 2 Bathroom
Price Per Square Foot	\$ 152.74	\$ 141.59	\$ 141.33	\$ 148.30	\$ 138.79	\$ 130.18
Price per Square Foot Wheelchair Friendly Unit	\$ 164.60	\$ 150.12	\$ 149.76	\$ 155.90	\$ 144.97	\$ 135.48

Reconstruction Base Plan Costs; 2 Bedroom / 2 Bathroom

	2 Bedroom / 2 Bathroom
Site Work	\$ 11,294.44
Foundation - Slab on Grade	\$ 24,575.02
Plumbing	\$ 20,251.91
Electrical	\$ 16,736.99
Framing	\$ 43,764.92
Doors & Windows	\$ 12,046.30
Insulation	\$ 7,124.78
Exterior Surface	\$ 15,345.43
Interior Surface	\$ 11,870.78
Mechanical	\$ 17,975.12
Finish Carpentry	\$ 8,158.73
Cabinets	\$ 10,644.86
Appliances	\$ 6,446.18
Flooring	\$ 9,200.19
Paint	\$ 9,453.32
Roofing	\$ 11,318.63
Finish Details	\$ 7,264.68
Miscellaneous	\$ 10,676.57
Total Price	\$ 254,148.85
Design Square Footage (Conditioned Space) on Selected House Plans	1184
Price Per Square Foot (Conditioned Space)	\$ 214.65
Price Per Square Foot Slab Foundation	\$ 214.65
Price Per Square Foot Pier and Beam Foundation	\$ 228.36
Price Per Square Foot Stem Wall Foundation	\$ 226.99
Price Per Square Foot Timber Pile Foundation up to 4' above grade	\$ 234.54
Price Per Square Foot Timber Pile Foundation from 4.1' to 8' above grade	\$ 244.87

Reconstruction Base Plan Costs; 3 Bedroom / 2 Bathroom

	3 Bedroom / 2 Bathroom
Site Work	\$ 14,302.39
Foundation - Slab on Grade	\$ 29,626.24
Plumbing	\$ 22,249.78
Electrical	\$ 19,036.13
Framing	\$ 51,466.79
Doors & Windows	\$ 14,133.71
Insulation	\$ 8,546.72
Exterior Surface	\$ 18,789.45
Interior Surface	\$ 14,268.18
Mechanical	\$ 19,724.03
Finish Carpentry	\$ 9,866.08
Cabinets	\$ 12,541.91
Appliances	\$ 6,949.16
Flooring	\$ 11,316.75
Paint	\$ 11,353.58
Roofing	\$ 13,094.69
Finish Details	\$ 8,984.19
Miscellaneous	\$ 12,846.16
Total Price	\$ 299,095.94
Design Square Footage (Conditioned Space) on Selected House Plans	1450
Price Per Square Foot (Conditioned Space)	\$ 206.27
Price Per Square Foot Slab Foundation	\$ 206.27
Price Per Square Foot Pier and Beam Foundation	\$ 218.76
Price Per Square Foot Stem Wall Foundation	\$ 217.01
Price Per Square Foot Timber Pile Foundation up to 4' above grade	\$ 222.72
Price Per Square Foot Timber Pile Foundation from 4.1' to 8' above grade	\$ 232.30

Reconstruction Base Plan Costs; 4 Bedroom / 2 Bathroom

state, or local action levels.	4 Bedroom / 2 Bathroom
Site Work	\$ 16,010.69
Foundation - Slab on Grade	\$ 32,696.92
Plumbing	\$ 23,435.96
Electrical	\$ 21,006.80
Framing	\$ 56,417.16
Doors & Windows	\$ 15,409.87
Insulation	\$ 9,622.79
Exterior Surface	\$ 20,861.24
Interior Surface	\$ 16,128.12
Mechanical	\$ 21,114.59
Finish Carpentry	\$ 11,029.63
Cabinets	\$ 13,403.06
Appliances	\$ 7,320.15
Flooring	\$ 12,671.02
Paint	\$ 12,548.74
Roofing	\$ 14,480.24
Finish Details	\$ 9,828.19
Miscellaneous	\$ 13,826.97
Total Price	\$ 327,812.14
Design Square Footage (Conditioned Space) on Selected House Plans	1645
Price Per Square Foot (Conditioned Space)	\$ 199.28
Price Per Square Foot Slab Foundation	\$ 199.28
Price Per Square Foot Pier and Beam Foundation	\$ 210.62
Price Per Square Foot Stem Wall Foundation	\$ 210.00
Price Per Square Foot Timber Pile Foundation up to 4' above grade	\$ 225.75
Price Per Square Foot Timber Pile Foundation from 4.1' to 8' above grade	\$ 223.45

Reconstruction Site-Specific Unit Cost Pricing

Demolition:	Price
Addition to MHU (100 - 500 SF)	\$ 6,833.93
Addition to MHU (> 500 SF)	\$ 7,902.74
House Demolition (up to 1000 SF under roof)	\$ 10,650.47
House Demolition (1000 - 1500 SF under roof)	\$ 14,966.79
House Demolition (1500 - 2000 SF under roof)	\$ 18,731.50
House Demolition (2000 - 2500 SF under roof)	\$ 21,618.36
House Demolition (2500 - 3000 SF under roof)	\$ 25,662.76
House Demolition (> 3000 SF under roof)	\$ 31,660.47
Shed or Carport (10-200 SF)	\$ 1,341.21
Shed or Carport (201 - 400 SF)	\$ 2,569.33
Shed or Carport (401 - 600 SF)	\$ 3,589.72
Shed or Carport (601 - 800 SF)	\$ 4,592.18
Shed or Carport (801 - 1000 SF)	\$ 5,761.41
Concrete Flatwork (10-200 SF)	\$ 1,383.95
Concrete Flatwork (201 - 400 SF)	\$ 2,522.80
Concrete Flatwork (401 - 600 SF)	\$ 3,736.59
Concrete Flatwork (601 - 800 SF)	\$ 4,720.37
Concrete Flatwork (801 - 1000 SF)	\$ 5,925.87
Concrete Flatwork (1001 - 1500 SF)	\$ 8,841.97
Concrete Flatwork (1501 - 2000 SF)	\$ 11,082.09
Concrete Flatwork (2001 - 2500 SF)	\$ 13,907.34
Wooden Deck (10-200 SF)	\$ 1,250.53
Wooden Deck (201 - 400 SF)	\$ 2,401.44
Wooden Deck (401 - 600 SF)	\$ 3,469.77
Wooden Deck (601 - 800 SF)	\$ 4,644.09
Wooden Deck (801 - 1000 SF)	\$ 5,663.49
Wooden Deck (1001 - 1500 SF)	\$ 7,687.84
Wooden Deck (1501 - 2000 SF)	\$ 10,111.84
Wooden Deck (2001 - 2500 SF)	\$ 11,559.73

Accessibility Accommodations		
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RA-1 Tub/Shower with Blocking & Grab Bar	\$	1,644.76
RA-2 Tub/Shower with Blocking, Grab Bars, Fold-up Seat, Shower Wand	\$	3,101.88
RA-3 Roll In Shower with Grab Bars, Fold-up Seat, Shower Wand	\$	3,983.21
Wooden Ramp (0-4' above grade) including no step entrance	\$	8,685.53
Wooden Ramp (4' - 8' above grade) including no step entrance	\$	14,773.49
Exterior Platform Lift (4' - 8' above grade) - inclusive of pad, framing, electrical*	\$	20,494.56
Exterior Platform Lift (8' - 12' above grade) - inclusive of pad, framing, electrical*	\$	26,134.27
Accessible Kitchen (appliances with knobs in front, roll under sink)	\$	2,779.19
Hearing Impaired (strobe smoke detectors)	\$	624.15
Utilities		
Complete Septic System Replacement	\$	17,755.44
Septic Drain Field Replacment	\$	9,881.37
Decommission Septic System	\$	3,620.42
Water Well Pump Replacement	\$	4,433.08
Water Well Replacement (up to 100 feet below ground surface)**	\$	12,071.66
Water Well Replacement (101 - 150 feet below ground surface)**	\$	13,170.40
Water Well Replacement (151 - 200 feet below ground surface)**	\$	14,412.29
Water Well Replacement (201 - 250 feet below ground surface)**	\$	15,208.93
Water Well Replacement (251 - 300 feet below ground surface)**	\$	17,366.23
Water Well Replacement (301 - 350 feet below ground surface)**	\$	18,665.97
Water Well Replacement (351 - 400 feet below ground surface)**	\$	20,182.93
Water Well Replacement (401 - 450 feet below ground surface)**	\$	22,583.54
Water Well Replacement (451 - 500 feet below ground surface)**	\$	24,604.44
Decommission Water Well	\$	2,381.45
Flatwork		
Flatwork Installed (50-100 SF)	\$	1,352.84
Flatwork Installed (101 - 200 SF)	\$	2,441.99
Flatwork Installed (201 - 300 SF)	\$	3,587.18
Flatwork Installed (301 - 400 SF)	\$	4,675.15
Flatwork Installed (401 - 500 SF)	\$	5,822.76
Flatwork Installed (501 - 600 SF)	\$	6,958.71
Flatwork Installed (601 - 700 SF)	\$	8,090.77
Flatwork Installed (701 - 800 SF)	\$	9,173.97
Flatwork Installed (801 - 900 SF)	\$	10,552.94
Flatwork Installed (901 - 1000 SF)	\$	11,627.28
Flatwork Installed (1001 - 1500 SF)	\$	15,753.34
Flatwork Installed (1501 - 2000 SF)	\$	20,634.68

Other Site-Specific Costs	
Site Survey (set backs and structure location)	\$ 2,067.05
Elevation Survey (confirm base flood elevation and final elevation)	\$ 1,424.48
Garage (per SF)	\$ 101.06
Sod (per pallet installed)	\$ 654.53
Tree Trimming (per tree)	\$ 695.65
Stump Grinding (per stump)	\$ 702.68
Stump Removal	\$ 1,220.09
New Water Tap	\$ 3,302.19
New Sewer Tap	\$ 3,743.31
Underground electric (per linear foot)	\$ 65.24
Stairs for elevated home (3.1' - 6' above grade)	\$ 2,300.38
Stairs for elevated home (6.1' - 9' above grade)	\$ 3,470.05
Stairs for elevated home (9.1' - 12' above grade)	\$ 4,792.18
Tree removal (2" - 10" diameter)	\$ 806.50
Tree removal (11" - 15" diameter)	\$ 1,360.38
Tree removal (16" - 20" diameter)	\$ 1,832.06
Tree removal (21" - 25" diameter)	\$ 2,484.60
Tree removal (26" - 30" diameter)	\$ 3,065.34
Tree removal (31" - 36" diameter)	\$ 3,866.61
Concrete Culvert (12")	\$ 1,703.15
Concrete Culvert (15")	\$ 1,900.65
Concrete Culvert (16")	\$ 2,085.62
Concrete Culvert (18")	\$ 2,239.60
Concrete Culvert (20")	\$ 2,602.33
Concrete Culvert (24")	\$ 3,037.21
Fill Dirt (5 -15 CY)	\$ 658.90
Fill Dirt (16 - 25 CY)	\$ 1,104.24
Fill Dirt (26 - 35 CY)	\$ 1,442.22
Fill Dirt (36 - 45 CY)	\$ 1,857.20
Fill Dirt (46 - 60 CY)	\$ 2,419.18
Fill Dirt (61 - 80 CY)	\$ 2,977.30
Caliche or Crushed Concrete (5 -15 CY)	\$ 1,104.75
Caliche or Crushed Concrete (16 - 25 CY)	\$ 1,703.44
Caliche or Crushed Concrete (26 - 35 CY)	\$ 2,309.56
Caliche or Crushed Concrete (36 - 45 CY)	\$ 2,902.60

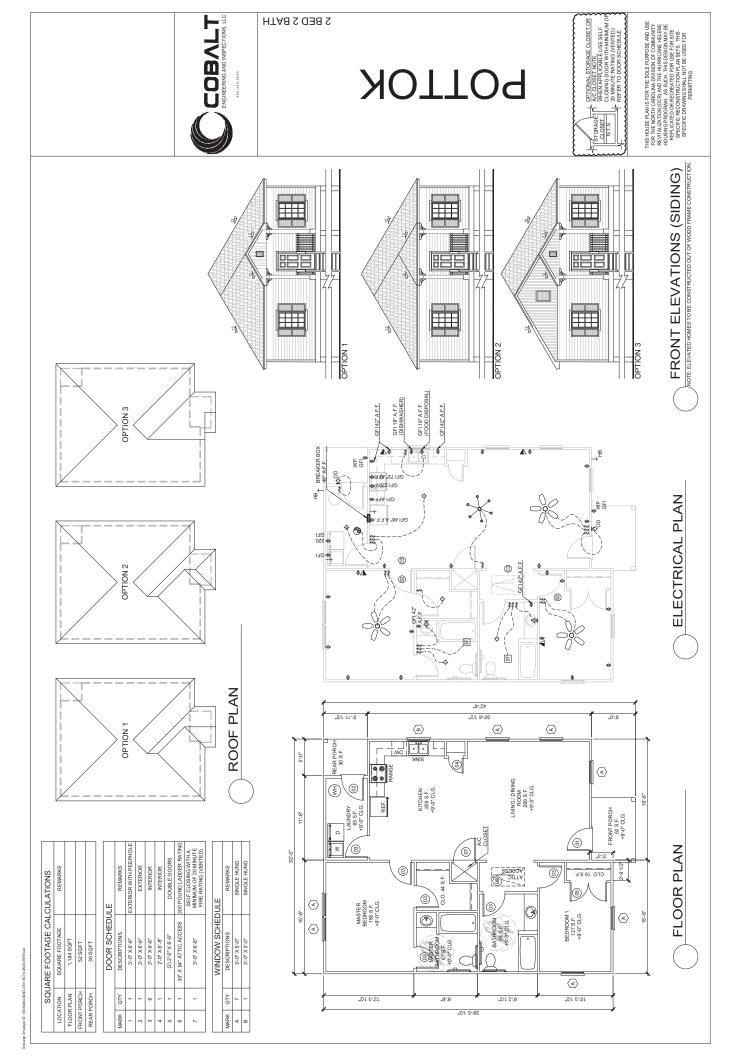
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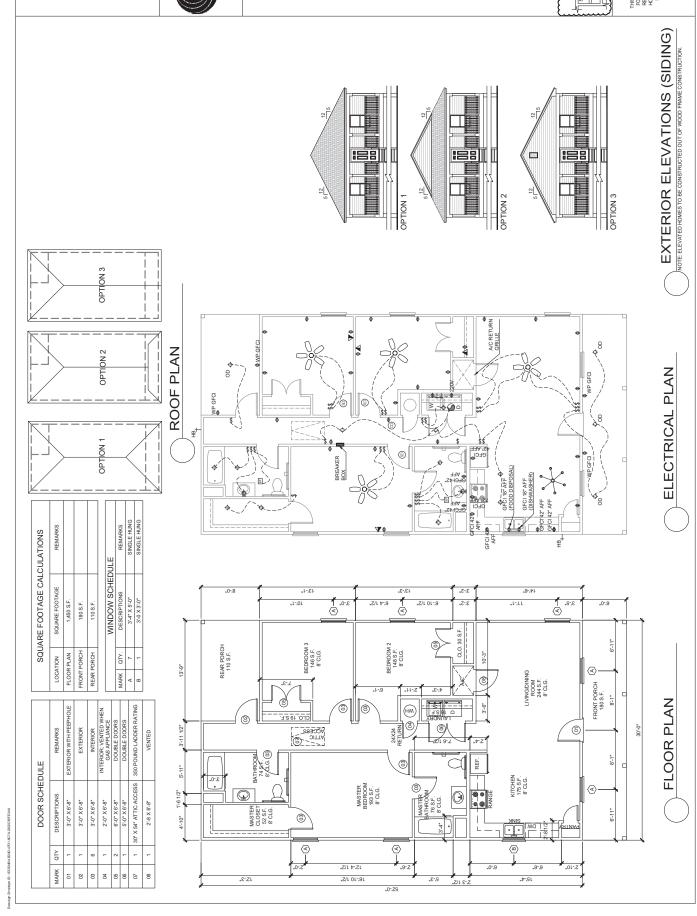
^{**} Water well replacement to include min 1 HP pump and steel casing.

Demolition - Only Site-Specific Unit Cost Pricing		
Demolition	Price	
House Demolition (up to 1000 SF under roof)	\$ 11,098.13	
House Demolition (1000 - 1500 SF under roof)	\$ 15,521.23	
House Demolition (1500 - 2000 SF under roof)	\$ 19,356.99	
House Demolition (2000 - 2500 SF under roof)	\$ 22,288.23	
House Demolition (2500 - 3000 SF under roof)	\$ 26,494.61	
House Demolition (> 3000 SF under roof)	\$ 32,402.10	
Shed or Carport (10-200 SF)	\$ 1,365.76	
Shed or Carport (201 - 400 SF)	\$ 2,611.36	
Shed or Carport (401 - 600 SF)	\$ 3,654.24	
Shed or Carport (601 - 800 SF)	\$ 4,663.11	
Shed or Carport (801 - 1000 SF)	\$ 5,872.95	
Concrete Flatwork (10-200 SF)	\$ 1,393.34	
Concrete Flatwork (201 - 400 SF)	\$ 2,517.89	
Concrete Flatwork (401 - 600 SF)	\$ 3,724.21	
Concrete Flatwork (601 - 800 SF)	\$ 4,695.10	
Concrete Flatwork (801 - 1000 SF)	\$ 5,877.99	
Concrete Flatwork (1001 - 1500 SF)	\$ 8,820.10	
Concrete Flatwork (1501 - 2000 SF)	\$ 11,066.78	
Concrete Flatwork (2001 - 2500 SF)	\$ 13,920.40	
Wooden Deck (10-200 SF)	\$ 1,274.59	
Wooden Deck (201 - 400 SF)	\$ 2,423.20	
Wooden Deck (401 - 600 SF)	\$ 3,519.21	
Wooden Deck (601 - 800 SF)	\$ 4,699.65	
Wooden Deck (801 - 1000 SF)	\$ 5,733.88	
Wooden Deck (1001 - 1500 SF)	\$ 7,763.46	
Wooden Deck (1501 - 2000 SF)	\$ 10,102.15	
Wooden Deck (2001 - 2500 SF)	\$ 12,096.73	
Utilities		
Decommission Septic System	\$ 3,561.58	
Decommission Water Well	\$ 2,643.82	

Other Site-Specific Costs	
Sod (per pallet installed)	\$ 654.76
Tree Trimming (per tree)	\$ 704.03
Stump Grinding (per stump)	\$ 715.21
Stump Removal	\$ 1,237.84
Tree Removal (2" - 10" diameter)	\$ 828.37
Tree Removal (11" - 15" diameter)	\$ 1,381.02
Tree Removal (16" - 20" diameter)	\$ 1,895.20
Tree Removal (21" - 25" diameter)	\$ 2,539.86
Tree Removal (26" - 30" diameter)	\$ 3,132.03
Tree Removal (31" - 36" diameter)	\$ 3,812.32
Fill Dirt (5 -15 CY)	\$ 665.44
Fill Dirt (16 - 25 CY)	\$ 1,114.62
Fill Dirt (26 - 35 CY)	\$ 1,453.76
Fill Dirt (36 - 45 CY)	\$ 1,874.04
Fill Dirt (46 - 60 CY)	\$ 2,443.31
Fill Dirt (61 - 80 CY)	\$ 2,997.93

House Plan Sets





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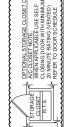
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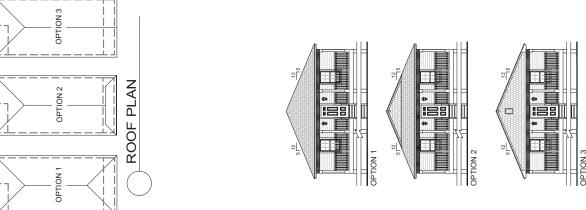
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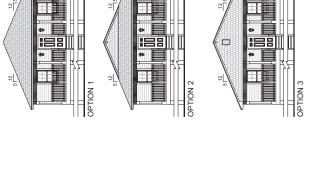








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BEDROOM 3 176 S.F. 8' CLG.

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GFI 18" AFF (FOOD DISPOSAL) GFI 18" AFF (DISHWASHER)

LIMING/DINING ROOM 247 S.F. 8° CLG.

KITCHEN 141 S.F. 8 CLG.

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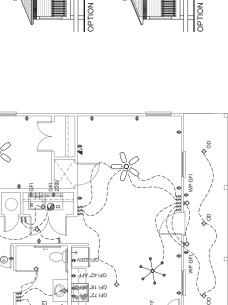
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FRONT PORCH 180 S.F.



ELECTRICAL PLAN

FLOOR PLAN

EXTERIOR ELEVATIONS (SIDING)

DOOR SCHEDULE

SQUARE FOOTAGE CALCULATIONS

SQUARE FOOTAGE 1,645 S.F. 180 S.F. 96 S.F.

FLOOR PLAN FRONT PORCH LOCATION

WINDOW SCHEDULE

INTERIOR
INTERIOR
BIFOLD
BIFOLD
360 POUNDI LADDER
RATING
SELF CLOSING WITH A
MINIMUM OF 22 MINUTE
FIRE RATING (VENTED)

3.0" X 6'-8"

5:-2"

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REAR PORCH 96 S.F.



Timberline Construction Group 77 Pardue Rd Pelham, AL 35124 205-848-8300 dburnham@timberlinecg.com

May 8, 2025

North Carolina Department of Commerce

RE: Proposal Submission – Solicitation No. Doc1539254856
Residential Demolition, Reconstruction, Rehabilitation, and Manufactured Housing Unit Replacement

Dear Procurement Review Committee:

Timberline Construction Group is pleased to submit our proposal in response to Solicitation No. Doc1539254856 for the delivery of Residential Demolition, Reconstruction, Rehabilitation, and Manufactured Housing Unit Replacement services in the counties impacted by Hurricane Helene. We are honored to be considered for this vital recovery effort and look forward to the opportunity to partner with the State of North Carolina in restoring safe, resilient housing for affected residents.

With over \$260 million in successfully completed Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) housing projects—including extensive work across North Carolina—our team brings the experience, capacity, and commitment necessary to perform this work at the highest standards of quality and compliance. Our proposal reflects our values of Safety, Quality, Accountability, Action, Dedication, and Relationship, which guide how we operate and how we serve.

We certify that the information provided in this proposal is true and accurate to the best of our knowledge and that we are fully prepared to execute the work as outlined in the RFP. If you have any questions or require additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me at 251-809-4553 or dburnham@timberlinecg.com.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,



Daniel Burnham

Managing Member

Timberline Construction Group



STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Division of Community Revitalization

Request for Proposal # Doc1539254856

Residential Demolition, Reconstruction, Rehabilitation, and Manufactured Housing Unit Replacement for Hurricane Helene Impacted Counties.

Proposal Opening Date: May 8th, 2025, 2:00 PM ET Corporate Office: 77 Pardue Rd. Pelham, AL 35124

Point of Contract: Daniel J. Burnham dburnham@ timberlinecg.com

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Proposal Narrative Outline

Introduction

Timberline Construction Group is pleased to submit this proposal to the State of North Carolina to provide Residential Demolition, Reconstruction, Rehabilitation, and Manufactured Housing Unit Replacement services in response to the devastation caused by Hurricane Helene.

While our corporate headquarters are located in Alabama, North Carolina has been an integral part of our operations since the company's inception. We have proudly provided housing solutions across the state, helping North Carolinians return to safe, secure homes following major storm events, including Hurricane Irene (2011), Hurricane Matthew (2016), Hurricane Florence (2018), and Hurricane Dorian (2019). In addition to our work in North Carolina, Timberline has successfully completed more than \$260 million in Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) housing projects nationwide.

This proposal outlines our capacity to deliver housing solutions on a scale. With extensive experience in federally funded housing programs, a trusted network of subcontractors, and deep local partnerships, Timberline is well-positioned to support North Carolina's long-term recovery. At the core of our company is a steadfast commitment to helping communities rebuild, and we welcome the opportunity to continue that mission by serving those impacted by Hurricane Helene.

Vendor Information (Section 7.1)

- Legal Name: Timberline Construction Group, LLC
- Corporate Address: 77 Pardue Rd. Pelham, AL 35124
- Primary Contact Info:
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 - Manufactured Home Setup Contractor: 46658
 - Manufactured Home Dealer: 46687
 - Manufactured Home Salesperson: 46734
- General Business Information
 - Tax ID: 46-3715605
 - Entity Type: Limited Liability Corporation
 - Years in operation: 12 Years



Company Narrative (Section 7.2)

Company History

Timberline Construction Group, LLC is a construction company with a national footprint providing Disaster Services, Civil Construction, and General Construction Services.

Disaster Services: Timberline's focus within this division is to support federal, state, and local agencies after natural disasters.

- Federal Support: Timberline is a pre-positioned contract holder with FEMA to
 provide turnkey installation services for manufactured homes, travel trailers, and
 commercial park construction. Over the last 12 years, Timberline has installed over
 10,000 manufactured homes and travel trailers in multiple states, including Florida,
 North Carolina, South Carolina, South Dakota, North Dakota, Louisiana, Alabama,
 Texas, New Mexico, Pennsylvania, New York, Hawaii, and West Virginia.
- Local and State Support: Over the last 8 years, Timberline has supported multiple state CDBG Programs by providing replacement, rehabilitation, and reconstruction services. These state programs include those in Florida, Texas, Louisiana, North Carolina, South Carolina, Alabama, West Virginia, and California.

Civil Construction: Timberline's focus within this division is to provide design, permitting, Geotech, earthwork, wet utilities, electrical, roadway, and curb and gutter. Timberline is a licensed general contractor in 17 states, and we have performed civil projects in Alabama, Florida, Texas, Tennessee, Oklahoma, Missouri, and Colorado.

General Construction Services Timberline's focus within this division is the turn-key installation of modular and manufactured homes in the private sector. We have installed thousands of homes and perform services nationwide.

Timberline Construction Group has previously delivered a range of contractual services, including but not limited to:

Disaster Services	General Construction Services	Civil Construction
CDBG Demolition, Replacement, Rehabilitation, and Reconstruction	Commercial Modular Building Construction & Installation (Schools)	Manufactured Home Park Construction and Expansions
FEMA - Manufactured Homes Manufacturing, Transportation, Installation, Deactivation, Maintenance, and Warranty.	Commercial Modular Building Construction & Installation (Office Buildings)	Residential Land Development (Residential Subdivisions)
FEMA & State-led, Travel Trailer Procurement, Transportation, Installation, Deactivation, Maintenance, and Demolition	Modular Home Construction and Installation	Municipal Utility Infrastructure Construction (Water and Sewer Main Installation)
Shelter – In – Place Programs	Residential Home Construction	Water Treatment Facility Installation and Maintenance
PREP Programs	Light Commercial Construction	
Debris Removal		



We have expanded our services nationwide, operating in various locations across the United States, including Alabama, California, Colorado, Florida, Georgia, Louisiana, Missouri, New Jersey, New Mexico, North Carolina, New York, Oklahoma, Pennsylvania, South Dakota, Texas, Tennessee, and West Virginia.

Timberline draws strength from our experienced employees who excel in disaster-related projects, consistently surpassing industry standards. Each team member builds lasting relationships by offering creative solutions and exceeding expectations. Aligned with Timberline's Core Values, encompassing Safety, Accountability, Relationship, Quality, Action, and Dedication, our employees embody a commitment to excellence and professionalism in every endeavor.

OUR CORE FOCUS:

We build lasting relationships by providing creative solutions and exceeding expectations.

Mission and values aligned with disaster recovery

In addition to our exceptional team, Timberline brings extensive experience partnering with federal, state, and local agencies in disaster response and recovery. Our firm has successfully collaborated with organizations such as FEMA, state recovery offices, and local governments to deliver timely, compliant, and compassionate housing solutions. This experience has equipped us to navigate the complexities of disaster-related construction with confidence and agility. We understand the urgency and emotional weight these projects carry, and we approach every assignment with a flexible, solutions-oriented mindset. Each member of our team recognizes that the individuals we serve are recovering from some of the most challenging moments in their lives, and we are committed to supporting their recovery with professionalism, respect, and care.

Timberline has successfully provided services for over 19 presidentially declared disasters.

Commitment to establishing or maintaining a local office in the	e affected area
Timberline currently has multiple offices in North Carolina.	



Geographic Reach and Service Area

Timberline is a national company that currently provides services from the East Coast to the West Coast, including Hawaii. We have performed work in many counties within North Carolina and are prepared to provide Reconstruction, Rehabilitation, and Replacement services to all areas within the disaster area.

Company Profile (Section 7.3)

Organizational Structure and Ownership

Timberline is an Alabama-based limited liability company formed in 2013.



Number of employees and trade crews

Timberline Construction Group has over 110 employees and more than 350 workers within its subsidiaries and affiliated companies. Among the current staff, sixteen staff members are based in North Carolina. As additional staff members are needed, Timberline will mobilize them to the area.

Because of our national footprint, existing work in North Carolina, and work in neighboring states, Timberline has developed a vast network of subcontractors that include over 200 companies that support



our recovery efforts. These subcontractors include, but are not limited to, demolition and site preparation, concrete crews, framing crews, roofing crews, electricians, plumbers, mechanical crews, painters, trim crews, cleanup crews, transporters, and manufactured and modular home installers.

Office Locations

Timberline's corporate office is in Pelham, Alabama, with additional offices in the following areas.

	Offices	
Mobile, Alabama	Houma, Louisiana	Wallace, North Carolina
Paradise, California	Bogalusa, Louisiana	Sumter, South Carolina
Fort Myers, Florida	Santa Fe, New Mexico	Rocky Top, Tennessee
Maui, Hawaii	Wilmington, North Carolina	Morgantown, West Virginia

Certifications and Other License

Timberline holds the additional licenses.

Alabama	lowa	South Carolina				
General Contractor	Contractor Registration Certificate	CBA Hosuing Of SC Dealership				
Installer	Installer	Dealership				
Residential Builder	Installer	General Contractor				
Retail License-HUD	Kentucky	Mechanical Contractor				
Retail License-MOD	Installer	MH Contractor				
RV Dealership License	Louisiana	South Dakota				
Salesperson License-HUD	General Contractor	Mobile Home Contractor				
Arkansas	Installer	Tennessee				
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Installer	Mississippi	Installer				
California	General Contractor	Texas				
General Contractor	Installer	Retailer/Installer				
Installer	Residential Contractor	Virginia				
Manufactured Home Dealer	Missouri	Contractor				
Colorado	Installer	Installer				
MHIP Installer	Nebraska	Washington				
Florida	Installer	Construction Contractor-MH Set-up				
General Contractor	New Jersey	Manufactured Home Installer				
Installer	Home Improvement Contractor	West Virginia				
Mobile Home Dealer/Ft Myers	Installer	General Builder				
Mobile Home Dealer/Jacksonville	North Dakota	Installer				
RV Dealership New	Contractor	Wisconsin				
Georgia	Installer	Installer				
General Contractor						
Installer						

Key Staffing Overview (Section 7.4)

Summary of key personnel roles and responsibilities

Timberline's extensive disaster response experience has enabled us to hire and retain qualified individuals to perform the work outlined in the RFP. The individuals who will be employed on this project are experienced, competent, and seasoned employees of Timberline who uphold our core values of Safety, Action, Accountability, Dedication, Quality, and Relationship. Resumes for the following individuals are attached to this proposal as Appendix 1.



Position	Employees
Project Managers	
Construction Leads	
Superintendents	
Warranty Coordinator	

How staff will be deployed to support the program

Staff will be assigned based on the amount of work assigned. For this proposal, Timberline will propose two different staffing plans based on the workload. In the tables below, "Active Project Sites" is defined as sites that are post-preconstruction activities and under construction.

Summary Table of Key Personnel (1-20 Active Project Sites)

Name	Position	Located in Western NC Recovery Area (Yes/No)	# of Job Sites (if Super)	Resume Attached (Yes/No)
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Summary Table of Key Personnel (20-48 Active Project Sites)

Name	Position	Located in Western NC Recovery Area (Yes/No)	# of Job Sites (if Super)	Resume Attached (Yes/No)			
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Unique strategies for managing the workforce and subcontractors

Timberline's office in Asheville will serve as the central hub for project oversight. This location provides access to all affected areas while maintaining the necessary infrastructure to operate a project office. Our approach to managing the workforce and subcontractors is divided into three primary areas:

Knowledge & Awareness, Clear Communications, and Accountability.

Knowledge & Awareness

Clear and consistent communication is essential for managing teams across multiple sites. Accountability We maintain accountability through measurable performance tracking, consistent field supervision, and	We prioritize ensuring every team member and subcontractor fully understands the project scope, compliance obligations, and community context in which they are working. Upon project commencement, all field staff and subcontractors undergo orientation sessions covering HUD program requirements, local building codes, safety protocols, and our expectations for workmanship and conduct.
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References Summary (Section 7.5)

With over 1500 CDBG-funded assignments completed and \$260 million in CDBG revenue, it was challenging to determine which CDBG projects to highlight. Below is a list of all our CDBG project experience, along with additional details on the three projects noted in Attachment H.

CDBG Experience Includes Demolition, Reconstruction, Rehabilitation, and Replacement in Alabama,
California, Florida, North Carolina, South Carolina, Texas, and West Virginia

Three CDBG-DR projects referenced in Attachment H

EXAMPLE #1: North Carolina Office of Recovery and Resiliency - Following Hurricane Matthew and Florence, the State of North Carolina received funds from HUD under the CDBG program to assist disaster survivors with long-term housing. The State of North Carolina hired Timberline to provide manufactured

home replacement services. This scope of work included pre-construction, construction, and warranty services for the replacement of survivors' manufactured homes in over 10 counties.

The pre-construction activities included coordinating with the applicant for home placement, developing a move-out plan for the applicant, obtaining a survey, working with jurisdictions and subcontractors to acquire necessary permits, and creating a site plan that identified on-site water, sewer, and electrical systems. Once the home size was determined, Timberline worked

Example 1: Summary

- •North Carolina
- •309 Assignment
- •54 Municipalities
- •33 Cities
- •19 Counties

with our manufacturer to build the manufactured home and transport it to our staging yard. The home was stored at our staging yard until the site was ready for the delivery of the unit.

The construction activities included demolishing the existing manufactured home, performing site preparation to properly grade the site, transporting and installing the new manufactured home, connecting utilities, constructing stairs and ramps, installing brick skirting, and replacing wells and septic systems as necessary.

The warranty services included a 1-year full warranty, a 2-year warranty on all mechanical components (e.g., HVAC system, electrical), and a 10-year structural warranty.

To date, Timberline is roughly 98% complete with the project and has successfully provided and installed over 300 manufactured homes. Many applicants are pleased, and the client is delighted with our performance and management.

EXAMPLE #2: South Carolina Office of Resilience - After Hurricane Florence, the State of South Carolina received CDBG funds from HUD. Horne LLP served as the Program Manager and selected Timberline as the project's sole MHU provider. Assembling the right mission team was critical due to the vast area covered and the numerous jurisdictions involved. The scope of work included procuring the MHU, conducting site inspections, obtaining permits, demolishing the existing MHU, preparing the site,



arranging transportation, installation, utilities, and warranties. The scope also included managing a staging yard of homes arriving from the manufacturer until being deployed for installation.

Due to the mission team's planning and execution of proven Timberline processes, over 238 MHUs were successfully provided and installed on time with zero safety incidents.

This project was selected as one of the three references for a couple of reasons, first, due to its geographical location to North Carolina. While we have completed many FEMA projects in the mountains of West Virginia, our CDBG experience in North and South Carolina is closest in proximity to the locations outlined in the RFP. The second reason we chose this project is because of the number of homes provided. While we only provided 238 homes when contracted directly with the State, we provided an additional 800 homes as a subcontractor to other Prime Contractors.

EXAMPLE #3: Rebuild Florida - After Hurricane Ian, the State of Florida received a Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) from HUD. Part of the funds were used to provide permanent housing for disaster survivors.

For the manufactured home replacements, our scope of work included, but was not limited to, obtaining all required permits, demolishing existing manufactured homes, procuring new manufactured homes, storing units, delivering and installing them, connecting utilities, constructing stairs and ramps, replacing septic systems, installing wells, conducting local jurisdictional inspections, and ensuring HUD compliance.

In some areas, Timberline was required to obtain up to 6 permits for construction activities (i.e., building, plumbing, mechanical, electrical, septic, and ramp permits). To get these permits, each tradesman was required to register with the local code office and provide the necessary license to perform their specific trade task. In addition to obtaining these permits, each construction activity required an inspection from the local jurisdiction after the work was completed to ensure the installation was compliant with all Federal, State, and Local code regulations.

This project was selected due to the geographical area and the scope of work.	

Conflict of Interest Statement (Section 7.7)

Timberline does not have any conflicts of interest related to this Request for Proposal.



Narrative Summary of Experience

Experience with CDBG-DR and HUD programs

As highlighted in other areas of the proposal, Timberline has completed over 1500 CDBG-funded assignments, generating over \$260 million in CDBG revenue. These projects include Demolition, Reconstruction, Rehabilitation, and Replacement in Alabama, California, Florida, North Carolina, South Carolina, Texas, and West Virginia.

Construction management strategies:

Quality Assurance and Quality Control:

At Timberline, Quality Assurance and Quality Control are not simply procedural steps; they're core to who we are. Our QA/QC strategies are grounded in our commitment to accountability, a central value that guides how we hire, promote, and evaluate every team member. From project managers to field staff and subcontractors, every individual is expected to take ownership of their work and uphold the standards that define Timberline's reputation. Quality begins long before a project breaks ground, with detailed scope reviews, clear expectations set for all trades, and milestone-based inspections to ensure we're consistently delivering excellence.

Applicant Service
At Timberline, we understand that disaster recovery is not just about rebuilding a home; it's about restoring lives. Applicants to this program have endured one of the most traumatic experiences of their lives: the loss of a home. We approach every interaction with survivors with empathy, professionalism, and respect, treating each individual the way we would want our own family to be treated in the same situation. Our extensive experience working in disaster-impacted communities has taught us that clear, compassionate communication is critical.
At the end of the day, we believe that
exceptional customer service is just as important as quality construction, and we are committed to making the recovery process as smooth and respectful as possible for every applicant we serve.

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Subcontractor Oversight

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Timberline will utilize materials that meet the program guidelines' standards, in accordance with state and HUD regulations for energy efficiency. All materials will be locally sourced if available to ensure timeframes are maintained and prevent any delays in the construction process.
Other Products
All replacement products utilized by Timberline will adhere to the energy-efficient standards set forth by the Program. Furthermore, in cases where Reasonable Accommodations are required, modifications to kitchens and bathrooms will align with the RA packages specified in the solicitation.
Services
Understanding the variability of each rehabilitation scope of work, Timberline maintains a flexible approach to accommodate the specific services required for the completion of each project. With experience in window replacements, exterior door swaps, roofing repairs, painting, kitchen rehabilitation, bathroom rehabilitation, home stabilization, and flooring improvements, Timberline is well-prepared to manage any size and scope of work that may arise from this solicitation.
Reporting

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	It is essential to note that Timberline Construction Group has the necessary experience to protect confidential information related to applicant information.
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Services

Timberline will provide a reliable trouble-free solution to the reconstruction process. Timberline understands the scope of work and attention to details required to successfully take each project from demo to key turnover. Please refer to the schedule above for a timeline of tasks and milestones.

Reporting

See previous methods of reporting. It is important to highlight that Timberline Construction Group has experience and can deliver reports and updates within the Canopy system.

MHU Replacement Projects

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Project Activities

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	Citation.		

Other Products

In instances where an applicant is approved for reasonable accommodations, and spatial constraints within municipal setbacks prevent the installation of a ramp, Timberline will utilize a vertical wheelchair lift with a step and platform system as an alternative solution.

Services

Timberline commits to delivering services in alignment with the scope of work. This encompasses various tasks, including, but not limited to, the demolition of the existing MHU, procurement, and installation of a new unit, reconnection of utilities, installation of approved reasonable accommodations, and any other necessary activities to obtain a certificate of occupancy.

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Ability to scale operations across rural and mountainous areas Timberline has experience working in the hills and hollows of West Virginia; therefore, we understand the complexity of mountainous terrain. There were a few lessons learned.	Reporting
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These lessons learned, along with others, will help us scale operations across rural and mountainous areas. Timberline will lodge superintendents in the area that they are servicing. We will equip them with the tools necessary to communicate both audibly and digitally. We will also pay close attention to the routes taken for the delivery of materials and products.



Compliance with HUD/Davis-Bacon/Section 3/NC Building Code

Our team has extensive experience delivering construction projects in full compliance with HUD regulations, Davis-Bacon prevailing wage requirements, Section 3 mandates, and the North Carolina Building Code. We have successfully executed numerous federally funded projects under programs administered by NCORR (North Carolina Office of Recovery and Resiliency), Florida Commerce, the Florida Department of Economic Opportunity, and FEMA. These projects required meticulous adherence to wage reporting, contractor eligibility, minority and low-income hiring goals, and rigorous documentation standards. Our established compliance protocols—

—have consistently passed state and federal reviews, affirming our deep understanding of regulatory frameworks and our commitment to transparency and accountability in disaster recovery construction.

Environmental mitigation and abatement experience

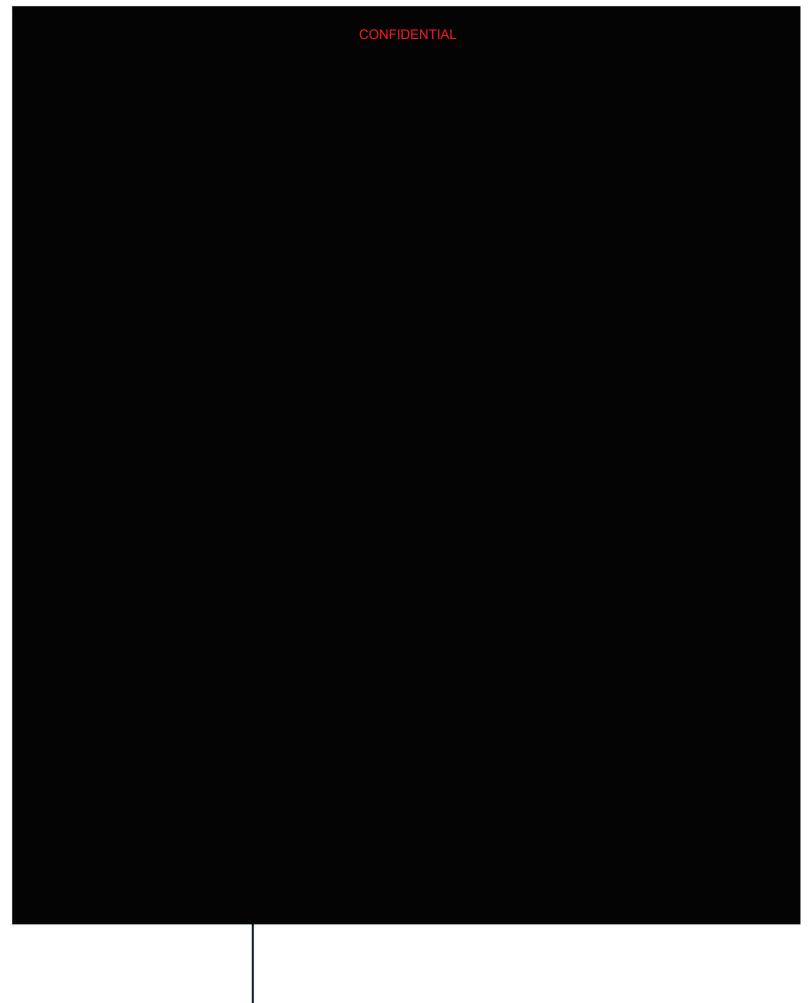
As part of our work with the Rebuild NC Program, Timberline Construction Group successfully managed asbestos abatement activities across nine residential properties throughout North Carolina. Our team led every phase of the process—from subcontractor coordination and schedule management to regulatory compliance and quality assurance. The scope of work involved the abatement of various asbestoscontaining materials, including vinyl sheet flooring, mastic, roof sealants, and roof coatings, with quantities ranging from as little as 6 square feet to over 1,100 square feet per property.

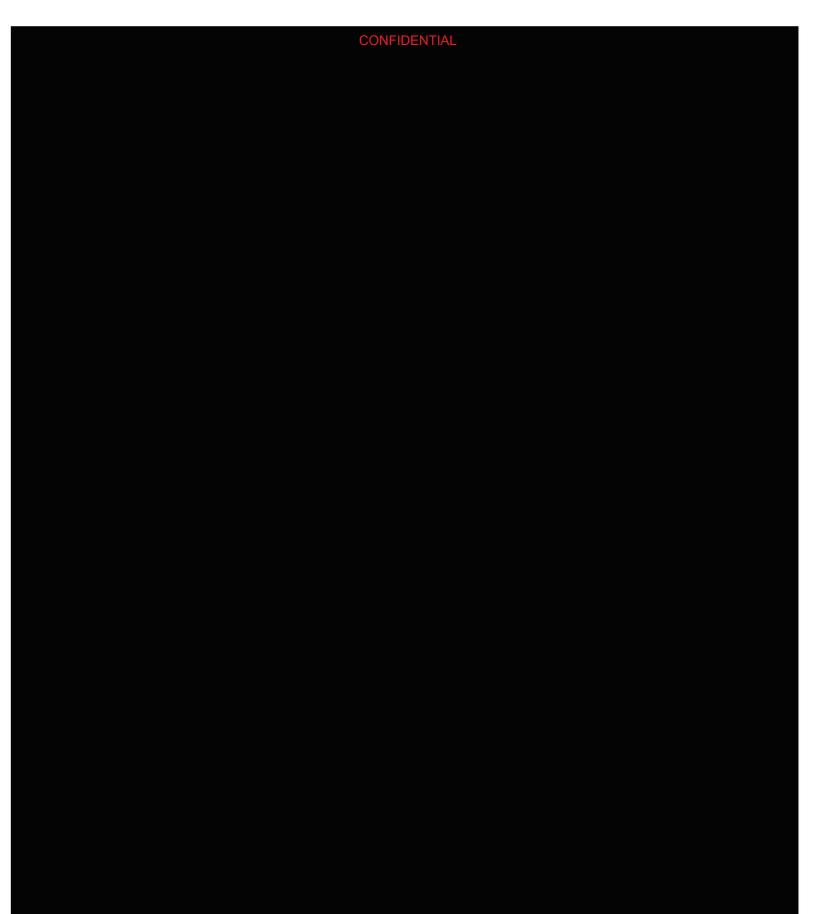
These inspections confirmed full removal of identified hazardous materials and ensured each site was free of residual dust or debris. All nine properties—located in Williamston, Tabor City, Kelly, Maxton, Parkton, Fairmont, Salemburg, and Lumberton—passed both the required state inspections and Rebuild NC program clearance on the first attempt. This outcome is a direct reflection of Timberline's meticulous oversight, commitment to compliance, and proactive coordination, all of which helped facilitate a seamless transition into the demolition and reconstruction phases of each project.

Conclusion

Timberline Construction Group appreciates the opportunity to be considered for this critical work and stands ready to support the State of North Carolina in its Hurricane Helene recovery efforts. Our experience delivering large-scale, federally funded housing programs—combined with our strong presence in North Carolina and our core values of Safety, Quality, Accountability, Action, Dedication, and Relationship—positions us to meet the program's goals with efficiency, compassion, and precision. We are committed to providing high-quality housing solutions, exceptional applicant service, and full regulatory compliance throughout the life of the program. We look forward to the opportunity to continue serving the people of North Carolina and to contribute meaningfully to the rebuilding of resilient communities across the state.

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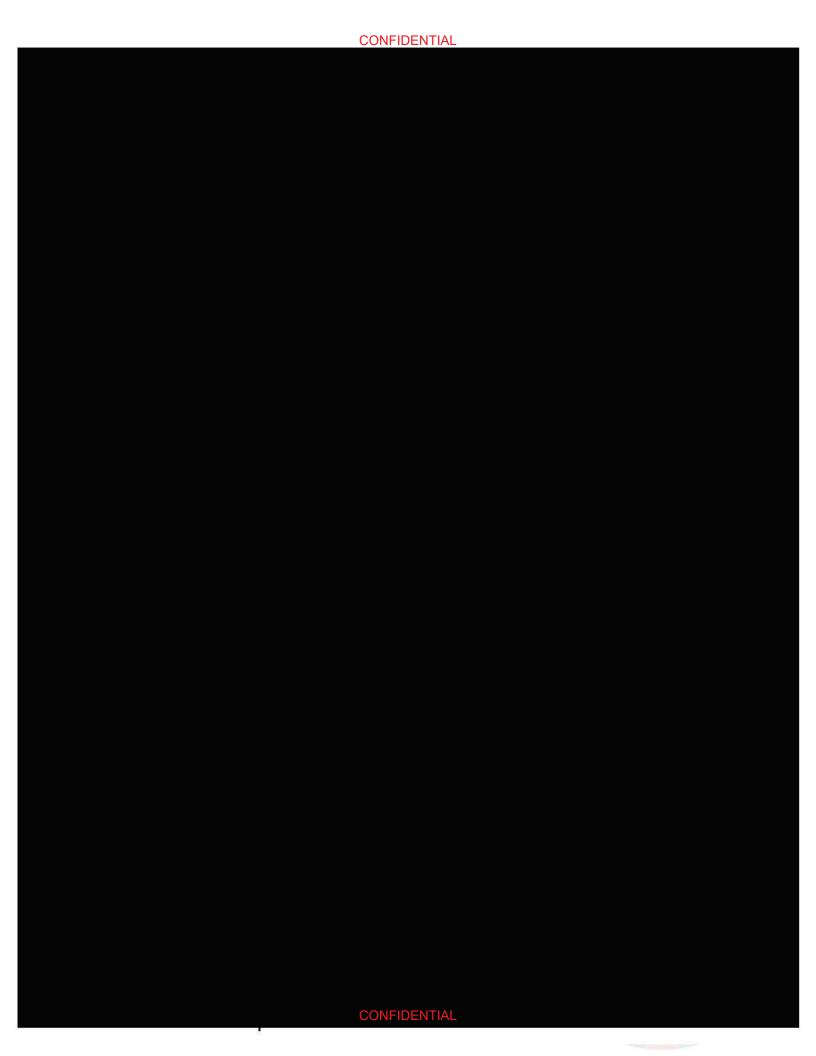


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DESCRIPTION OF OPERATIONS / LOCATIONS / VEHICLES (ACORD 101, Additional Remarks Schedule, may be attached if more space is required)

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CANCELLATION

SHOULD ANY OF THE ABOVE DESCRIBED POLICIES BE CANCELLED BEFORE THE EXPIRATION DATE THEREOF, NOTICE WILL BE DELIVERED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE POLICY PROVISIONS.

AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE

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Appendix 3: Litigation Documentation

Alleged Breaches of Contract

- 1. United States of America, for the Use and Benefit of Timberline Construction Group, LLC v. APTIM Federal Services, LLC, Liberty Mutual Insurance Company, and Berkley Insurance Company, Civil Action No. 3:24-CV-00669-JWD-EWD, United States District Court, Middle District of Louisiana: Timberline alleges it is owed payment for work completed and damages for wrongful termination from APTIM Federal Services, for whom Timberline performed work as a sub-subcontractor on a project for the United States Army Corps of Engineers in Fort Myers, Florida. APTIM Federal Services has filed a counterclaim asserting that Timberline is responsible for the cost incurred by APTIM Federal Services in completing Timberline's work after Timberline was terminated on the project. Timberline vehemently denies it was in default of the subcontract.
- 2. Joseph Michael Ruebush v. Timberline Construction Group, LLC; 14th Judicial District Court for the Parish of Calcasieu; Case No. 2022-2627, Division "D". Jospeh Michael Ruebush filed a Petition for Breach of Contract and for Damages (the "Petition) against Timberline Construction Group, LLC ("Timberline") on June 23, 2022. In the Petition, Mr. Ruebush alleges that he hired Timberline to perform repair work on his home in Lake Charles, Louisiana but that the work was substandard. Mr. Ruebush also alleged that Timberline improperly invoices him for work either not completed or improperly performed. Timberline responded to the lawsuit denying Mr. Ruebush's allegations and by filing a reconventional demand (counterclaim) against Mr. Ruebush on September 1, 2022, alleging that Mr. Ruebush breached the contract between himself and Timberline by failing to pay for work properly performed on his home. On April 1, 2024, Timberline filed its Third Party Petition against Kingdom Builders Construction, LLC ("KBC"), its primary subcontractor for the worked performed for Mr. Ruebush, alleging that, pursuant to a subcontract between Timberline and KBC, KBC owed Timberline defense and indemnity for any damages relating to Mr. Ruebush's claim for defective work. The parties attempted to mediate the case but were unsuccessful. The case is being actively litigated, but not trial date is currently set.

Litigation or Investigation During Past 3 Years

- 1. Patricia Bachelot v. Timberline Construction Group, LLC, et al.; Case No. 2022-005056, 14th Judicial District Court, Parish of Calcasieu, State of Louisiana. Plaintiff filed suit for personal injury and alleged a defective commode caused her injuries. Timberline's insurance carrier engaged counsel to defend the case. [ADD UPDATE ON SETTLEMENT/DISMISSAL]
- 2. Tracy Barrett v. Timberline Construction Group, LLC, et al., Case No. 05-2025-CC-022187, County Court for Brevard County, Florida. Plaintiff is a program participant who filed suit on March 28, 2025, for breach of warranty and construction defects. Timberline denies liability on the basis that Plaintiff's alleged complaints are related to the manufacturer of the home rather than its installation.



- 3. Brenda Hughes-Theos & Christopher Theos v. Timberline Construction Group, LLC, et al., Case Number 2024-CA-000093, Circuit Court of the Second Judicial Circuit in and for Leon County, Florida. Plaintiffs are program participants who allege discrimination based on disability due to the construction of their mobile home. Timberline denies liability, Plaintiffs' first two complaints have been dismissed, and a motion to dismiss the third complaint is currently pending. Relatedly, Pinellas County also investigated the Plaintiffs' discrimination complaint and found probable cause. However, the Plaintiffs filed suit on their own before this finding, and Pinellas County has not made a decision on whether to proceed with its own claims.
- 4. Blue Gables MHP, LLC v. Timberline Construction Group, LLC; Case No. 2022-21136, County Court of the Seventh Judicial District in and for Volusia County, Florida. Plaintiff operates a mobile home park and asserted a lien on the mobile home unit provided to a program participant for unpaid rent. Timberline denied liability and ultimately settled the case for \$1,000, which was dismissed with prejudice on May 24, 2023.
- 5. Derek Benoit d/b/a Jehu Properties vs. Calcasieu Parish Clerk of Court and Timberline Construction Group, LLC; 14th Judicial District Court; Parish of Calcasieu; State of Louisiana; Case No. 2022-001749; Division "G". This action was a mandamus proceeding instituted pursuant to La. R.S. 9:4833 for the removal of a lien that Timberline Construction Group, L.L.C. filed on immovable property owned by Jehu Properties, LLC in Lake Charles, Louisiana. The lien was filed because the property owner failed to pay for repair work Timberline performed on his home. Timberline agreed to remove the lien and the case was resolved.
- 6. *Timberline Construction Group, LLC vs. Jehu Properties, L.L.C.*; 14th Judicial District Court; Parish of Calcasieu; State of Louisiana; Case No. 2024-2995; Division "D". Timberline filed suit against Jehu Properties, L.L.C. ("Jehu") on July 19, 2024 for breach of four separate contracts to recover sums for work performed pursuant to these contracts but never paid. Jehu denied the allegations but did not assert any counterclaims against Timberline. The parties are litigating the case and still in the discovery process. There is no trial or other dates set for the case.
- 7. *Tiffani Bissett* Program participant in Florida alleged that Timberline was responsible for damage to her personal property that was stored in a container at the jobsite. Timberline denied liability and entered into a confidential settlement agreement on June 30, 2023 to resolve the dispute prior to litigation.
- 8. Deep South Recovery, LLC DSR was a subcontractor to Timberline and alleged it was owed approximately \$280,000. Timberline had terminated the subcontract for cause, asserted claims against DSR, and denied that any amounts were owed by letter dated September 13, 2022. DSR's attorney withdrew instead of responding to the letter, and no further activity has occurred. Timberline considers this claim to be abandoned.
- Earnest Butler Program participant in Florida, alleged that Timberline had caused or contributed to the loss of personal property stored in a storage unit. Timberline denied liability but resolved the plaintiffs' claims prior to litigation through a confidential settlement agreement dated May 31, 2023.

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Timberline Construction Group, LLC

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is duly registered and entitled to prartice

Ceneral Contracting

Limitation: Unlimited

Classification: Building, H (Grading & Excavating), PU(Water Lines & Sewer Lines)

until

December 31, 2025

when this Certificate expires. Witness our hands and seal of the Board.

Dated, Raleigh, N.C. 01/01/2025

This certificate may and be altered.





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LICENSE NUMBER
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Timberline Construction Group, LLC

611 Old Wilmington Rd Wallace NC 28466-

is authorized to engage in the business of

Manufactured Home Setup Contractor

bonded by the Morth Carolina Manufactured Housing Board, as required by in the State of North Carolina having been duly licensed and N. C. S. S. 143.8 - 143.28

This license is valid until midnight 2025-06-30

In Witness Whereof, T Have hereunto-signed my name and affixed our Official Seal, in the city of Raleigh.

North Carolina Manufactured Housing Board



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Timberline Construction Group, LLC 611 Old Wimington Rd Wallace NC 28466-

is authorized to engage in the business of

Manufactured Home Dealer

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210 W. Wimledon Park Mobile AL 36608-James Stephen Nelson, Jr.

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STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA DIVISION OF MOTOR VEHICLES

HAS BEEN LICENSED AS A MOTOR VEHICLE DEALER TO ENGAGE IN THE BUSINESS OF SELLING MOTOR VEHICLES UNTIL MARCH 31, 2027. THAT PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 1243, SESSION LAWS OF 1955, THE BELOW NAMED PERSON OR FIRM THE COMMISSIONER OF MOTOR VEHICLES OF THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA HEREBY CERTIFIES

LICENSE NUMBER

0082616

WHOLESALER-EXP 03/31/2027

DATE ISSUED

MARCH 06, 2025

TIMBERLINE CONSTRUCTION GROUP LLC 226 N FRONT ST SUITE 180 WILMINGTON, NC 28401-3920

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INDEPENDENT

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, HIS NAME IS HEREUNTO SUBSCRIBED AT RALEIGH, THE DAY AND YEAR SET OPPOSITE THE LICENSE NUMBER ABOVE.

COMMISSIONER OF MOTOR VEHICLES

DIVISION OF MOTOR VEHICLES STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

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226 N FRONT ST TIMBERLINE CONSTRUCTION GROUP LLC

WILMINGTON, NC 28401-3920

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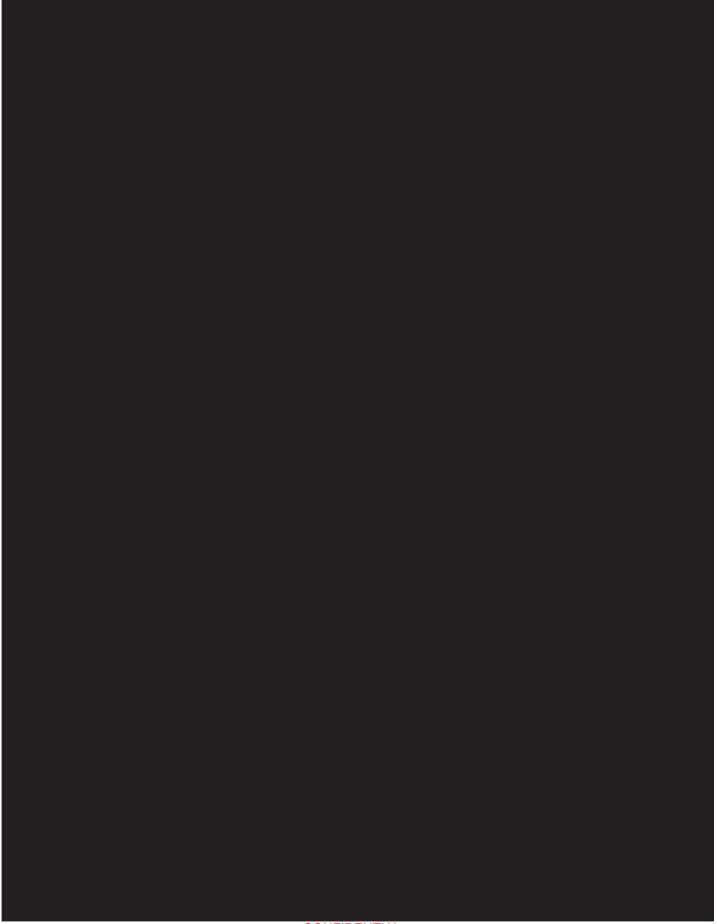




























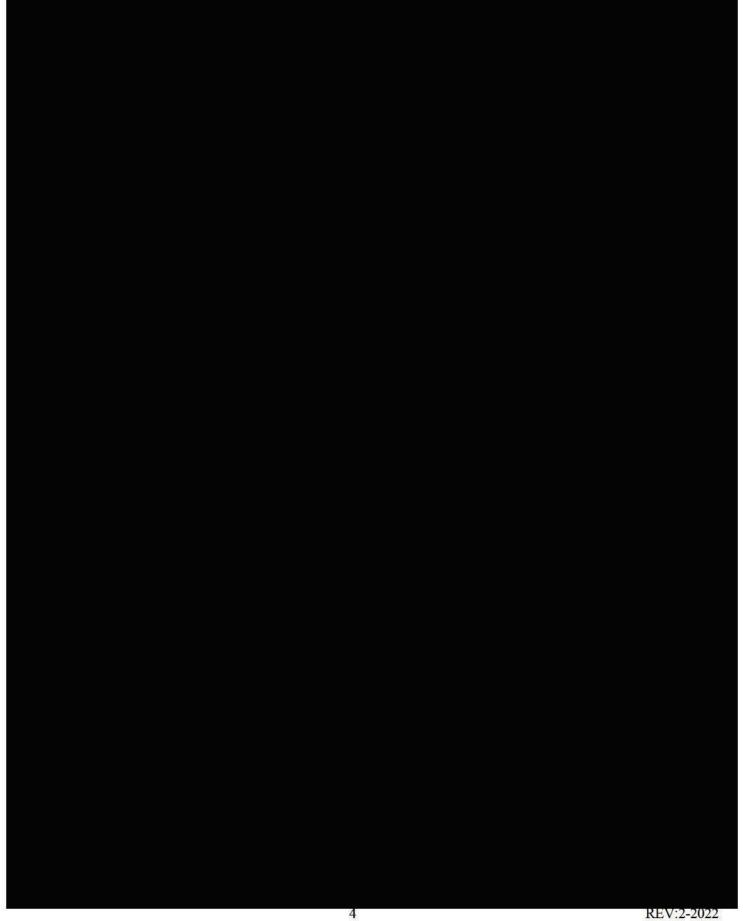


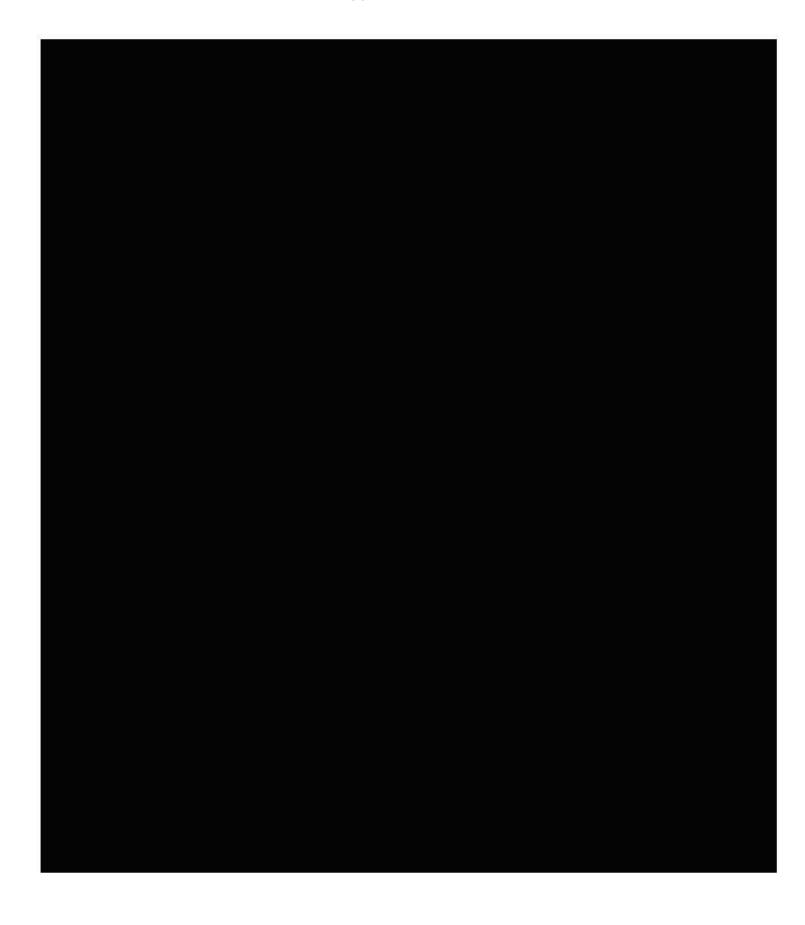


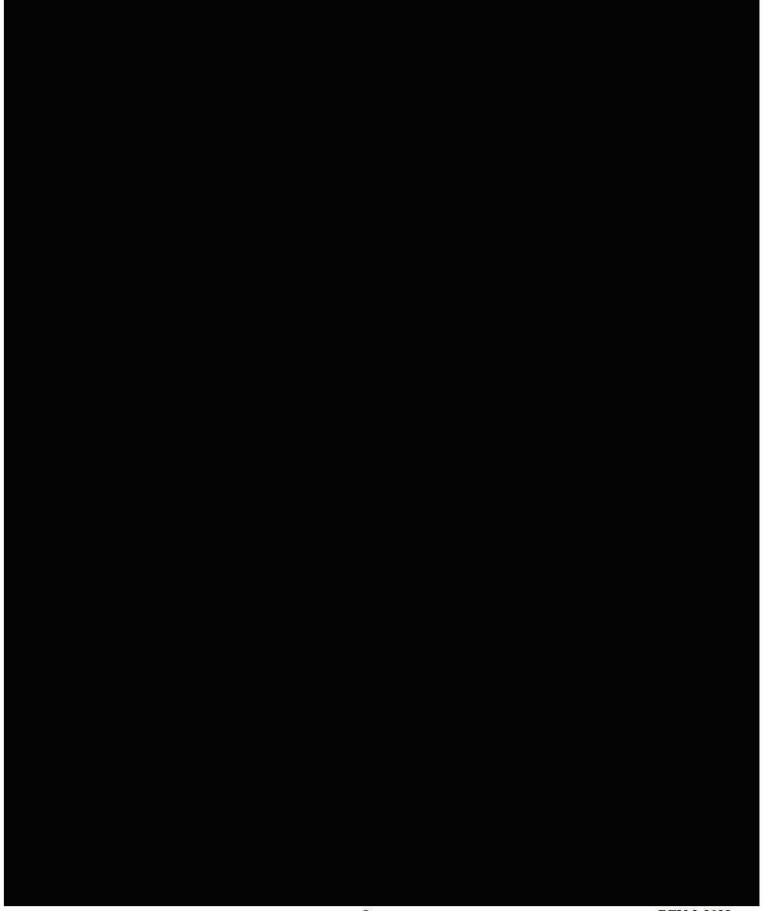
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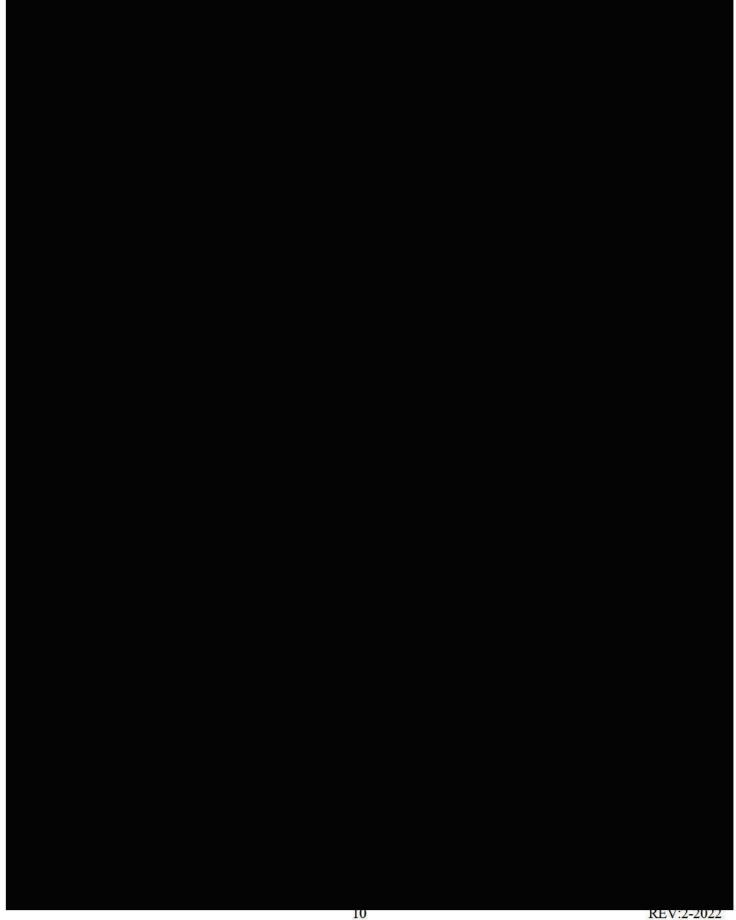
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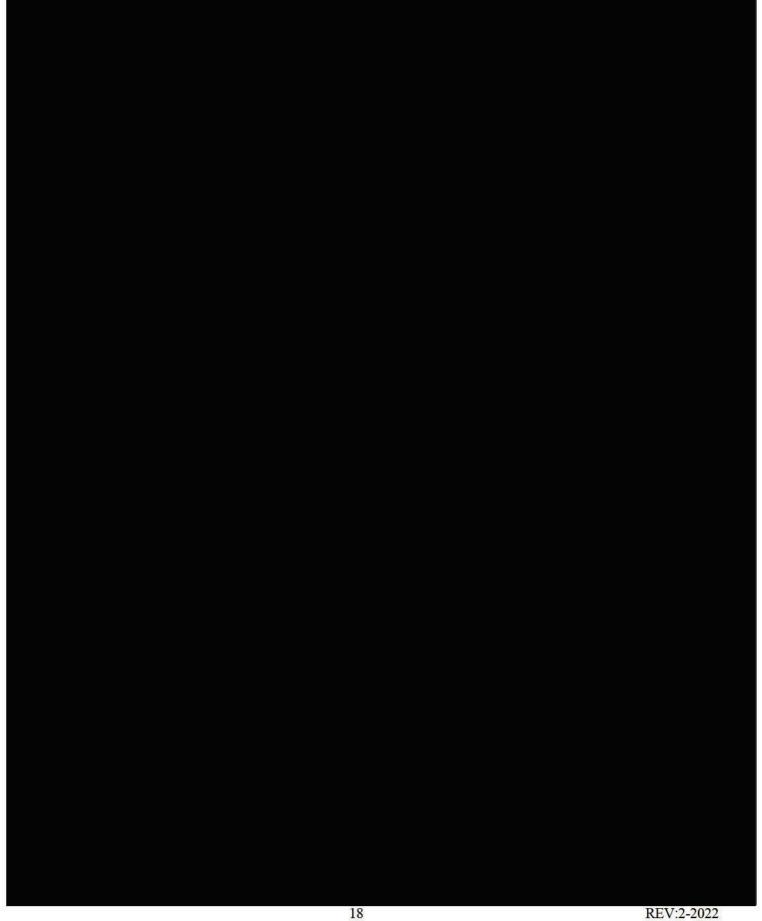


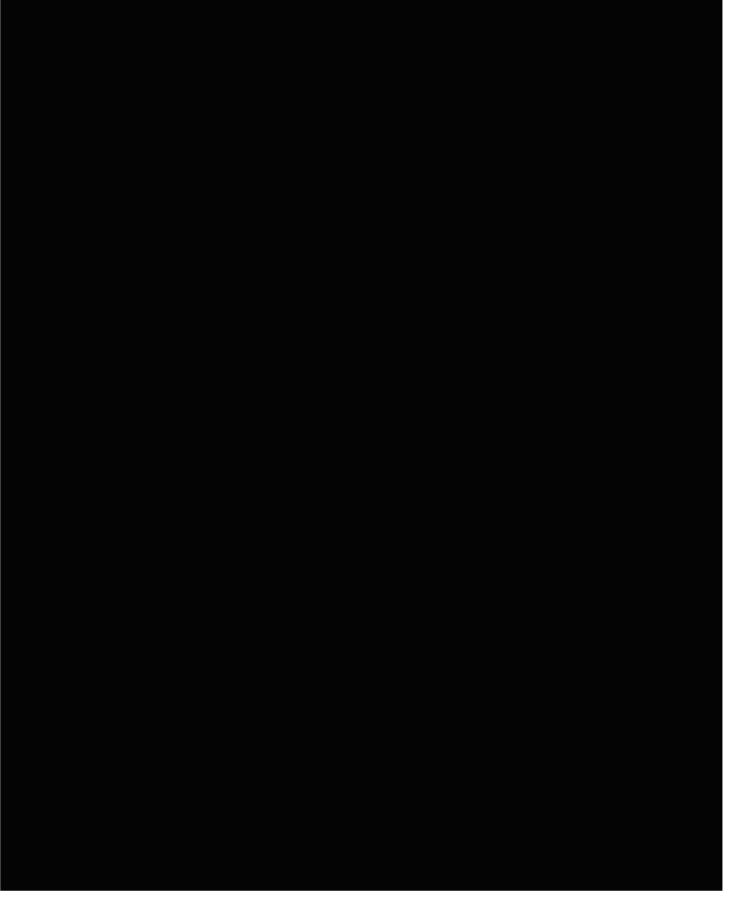




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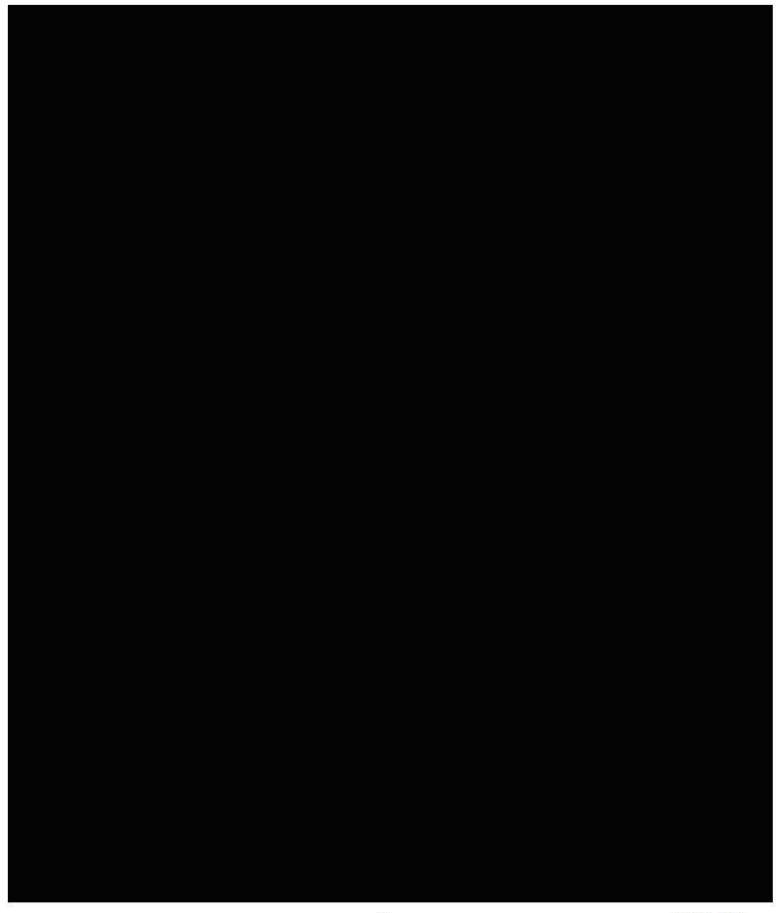






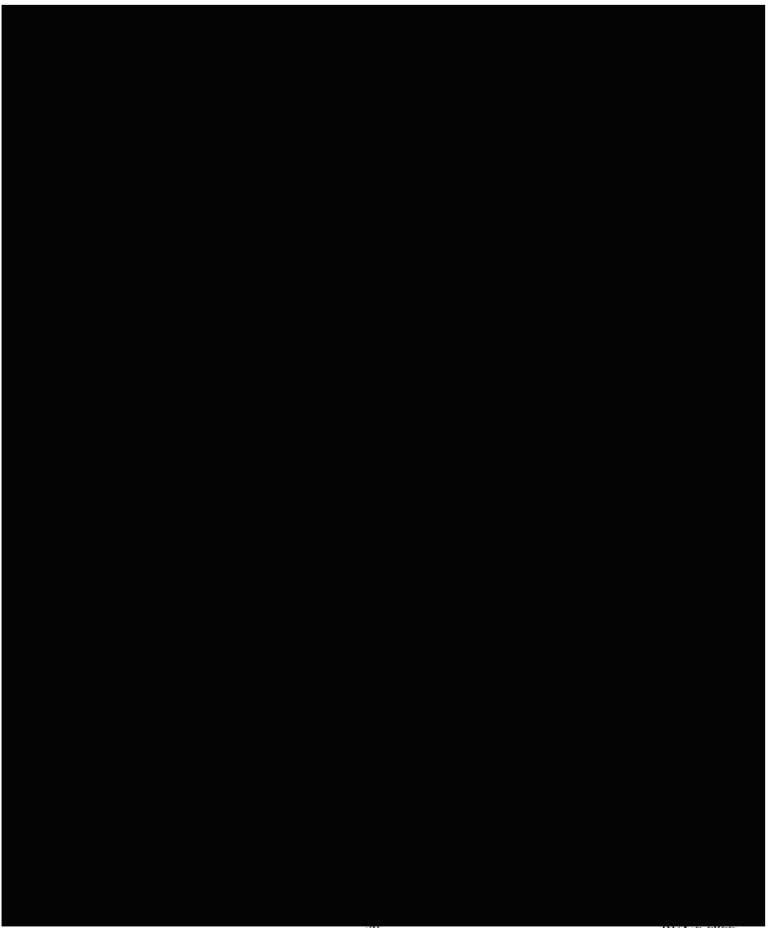
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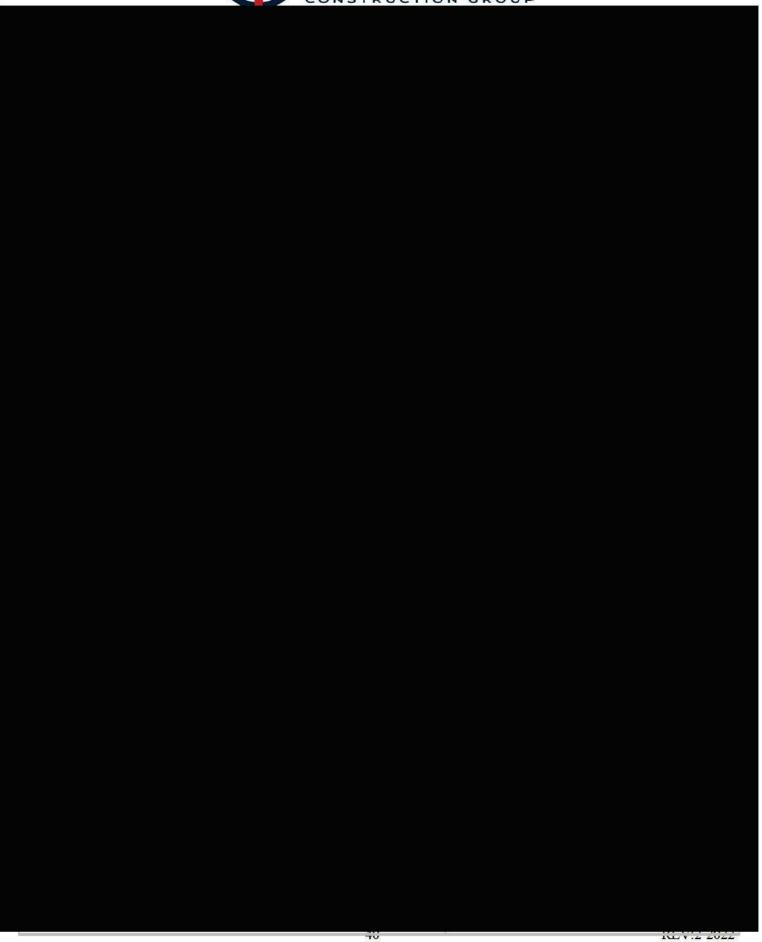
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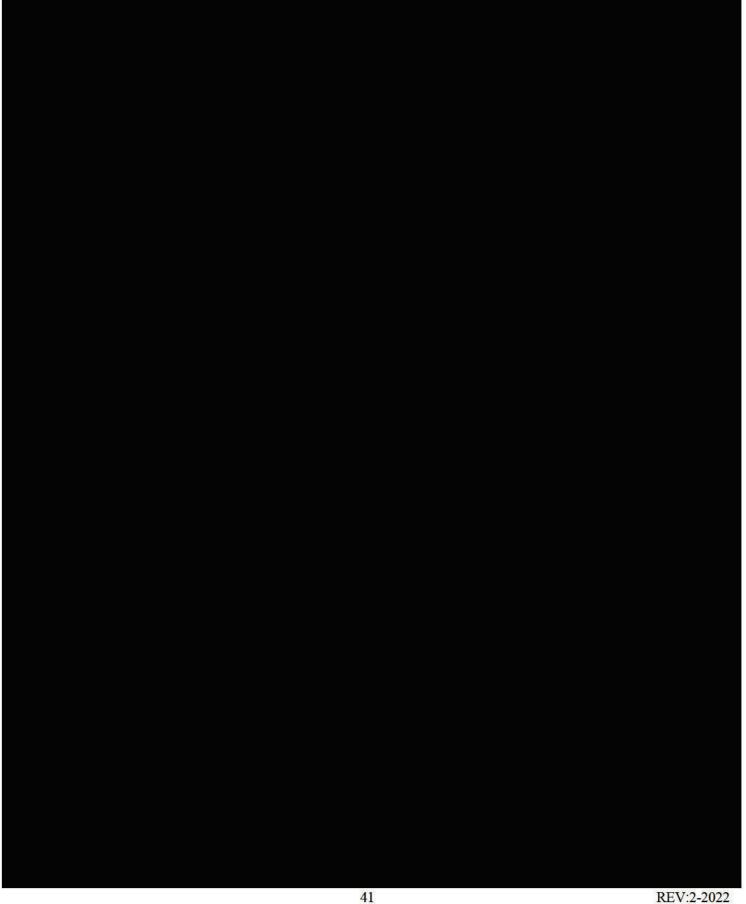




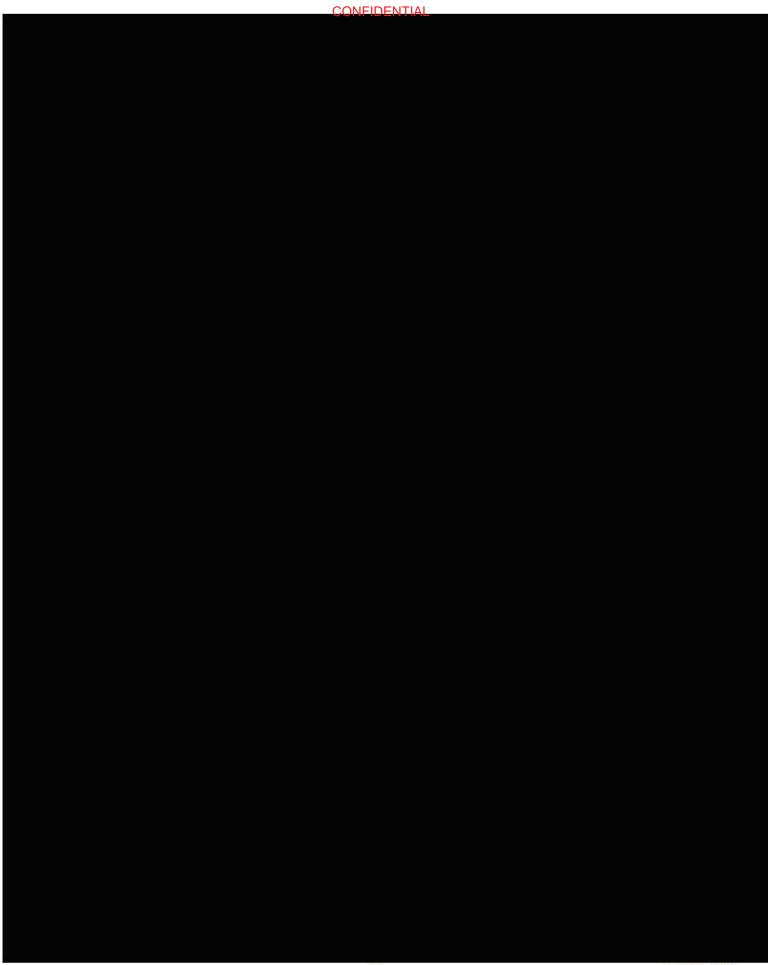








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ATTACHMENT A: PROJECT TYPE

Per RFP Section 5.1 SCOPE OF SERVICES, General contractors may choose to submit an offer for MHU project types only, for rehabilitation and reconstruction projects only, or for both. Indicate below which project type(s) Vendor would like to perform work.
☐ YES ☐ NO Project Type 1 : MHU projects only . General Contractors may select to apply for MHU repair, replacement, and relocation projects only and not be considered for reconstruction, repair, or demolition project assignments.
☐ YES ☐ NO Project Type 2 : Rehabilitation and Reconstruction projects only (non-MHU) . General Contractors who are selected for rehabilitation and reconstruction award types will be considered for reconstruction, repair, or demolition project assignments.
☑ YES ☐ NO BOTH Project Type 1: MHU Projects and Project Type 2: Rehabilitation and Reconstruction Projects.

ATTACHMENT B: NORTH CAROLINA INSTRUCTIONS TO VENDORS

I. READ, REVIEW AND COMPLY

It shall be the Vendor's responsibility to read this entire document; review all enclosures, attachments, and any Addenda; and comply with all requirements specified, whether appearing in these Instructions to Vendors or elsewhere in the Solicitation document.

Any gender-specific pronouns used herein, whether masculine or feminine, shall be read and construed as gender neutral, and the singular of any word or phrase shall be read to include the plural and vice versa.

II. REQUEST FOR OFFERS

Vendors are cautioned that this is a request for Offers, not an offer or request to contract, and the State reserves the unqualified right to reject any and all bids at any time if such rejection is deemed to be in the best interest of the State.

By submitting Your Bid or Proposal, You are offering to enter into a contract with the State.

The Contract is a separate document that represents the Vendor's and the State's entire agreement. If Your bid is accepted and results in a Contract, You will be expected to accept the North Carolina General Terms And Conditions included in the Solicitation document as part of the Contract. Depending upon the good or service being offered, other terms and conditions may apply.

III. DUTY TO INQUIRE

Offeror, by submitting an Offer, represents that it has read and understands the Solicitation and that its Offer is made in compliance with the Solicitation. Offerors are expected to examine the Solicitation thoroughly and should request an explanation for any ambiguities, discrepancies, errors, omissions, or conflicting statements in the Solicitation. Failure to do so will be at the Offeror's risk. All ambiguities, discrepancies, errors, omissions, or conflicting statements in the Solicitation shall be interpreted to require the better quality or greater quantity of work and/or materials, unless otherwise directed by Addendum. Offeror assumes responsibility for any patent ambiguity in the Solicitation that Offeror does not bring to the State's attention.

IV. DEFINITIONS, ACRONYMS AND ABBREVIATIONS

The following definitions, acronyms, and abbreviations may be used within the Solicitation document.

- 1. **AGENCY SPECIFIC TERM CONTRACT:** A contract generally intended to cover all normal requirements for a commodity for a specified period of time based on estimated quantities for a single entity.
- 2. **ADDENDUM:** a document issued to supplement or modify the original Solicitation document. Addenda may be issued following a pre-bid/pre-proposal conference or as a result of a specification or work scope changes to the Solicitation.
- 3. **BAFO:** Best and Final Offer, submitted by a Vendor to alter its initial bid, made in response to a request by the issuing agency.
- 4. **BUYER:** The employee of the State or Other Eligible Entity that places an order with the Vendor.
- 5. **COMMUNITY COLLEGE:** Any of the fifty-eight (58) public North Carolina Community Colleges.
- 6. **CONTRACT:** A contract resulting from or arising out of Vendor responses to this Solicitation.

7. **CONTRACT ADMINISTRATOR:** A representative of the Agency who is responsible for the functions that are performed after all parties have signed a contract, including any modifications to the contract.

Vendor:

- 8. **CONTRACT MANAGER:** A representative of the agency or awarded vendor who ensures compliance with the contract terms and conditions while giving attention to the achievement of the stated output and outcome of the contract.
- 9. **ELECTRONIC VENDOR PORTAL (eVP):** System for vendors to do business with the State of North Carolina, including registering to do business, responding to bid opportunities, and certifying as a HUB and/or NCSBE.
- 10. **E-PROCUREMENT SERVICES:** The program, system, and associated services through which the State conducts electronic procurement.
- 11. **FOB-DESTINATION:** Title changes hand from Vendor to purchaser at the destination point of the shipment; Vendor owns the commodity in transit and files any claims. Vendor pays all freight and any related transportation charges. A Solicitation may request that a Vendor separately identify freight charges in its bid, but no amount or charge not included as part of the total bid price will be paid.
- 12. HUB: Historically Underutilized Business https://ncadmin.nc.gov/businesses/hub
- 13. **IFB:** Invitation for Bids (a type of Solicitation document)
- 14. **LOT:** A grouping of similar products within this Solicitation document.
- 15. **OFFER:** the bid or proposal submitted in response this Solicitation. The terms Bid and Proposal are used interchangeably with the term Offer.
- 16. **OFFEROR:** the single legal entity submitting the Offer. The term Bidder is used interchangeably with the term Offeror. See bidding provisions entitled Signing Your Offer and Bid/Proposal As Offer To Contract.
- 17. **ON-TIME DELIVERY:** The delivery of all items within a single order to the receiving point designated by the ordering entity within the delivery time required.
- 18. **PROCUREMENT LEAD:** Representative of the agency identified on the first page of the Solicitation document who will correspond with potential Vendors concerning Solicitation issues, will contract with the Vendor providing the best offer to the State, and is the individual who will administer the Contract for the State.
- 19. QUALIFIED BID/PROPOSAL: A responsive bid submitted by a responsible Vendor.
- 20. **RESPONSIBLE:** Refers to a Vendor who demonstrates in its Offer that it has the capability to perform the requirements of the Solicitation.
- 21. **RESPONSIVE:** Refers to an Offer that conforms to the Requirements of the Solicitation in all respects to be considered by the State for award.
- 22. RFI: Request for Information (an information gathering tool that does not result in a contract)
- 23. RFP: Request for Proposals (a type of Solicitation document)
- 24. **RFPQ:** Reguest for Pre-Qualifications (a type of Solicitation document)

- 25. RFQ: Request for Quotes (a type of Solicitation document)
- 26. STATE: The State of North Carolina, including any of its sub-units recognized under North Carolina law.
- 27. STATE AGENCY: Any of the more than 400 sub-units within the executive branch of the State, including its departments, institutions, boards, commissions, universities, and units of the State.
- 28. STATE DEPARTMENTS: Department of Administration, Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, Department of Commerce, Department of Natural and Cultural Resources, Department of Environmental Quality, Department of Health and Human Services, Department of Information Technology, Department of Insurance, Department of Justice, Department of Labor, Department of Military and Veteran Affairs, Department of Public Instruction, Department of Public Safety, Department of Revenue, Department of State Treasurer, Office of the Secretary of the State, Department of Transportation, Wildlife Resources Commission, Office of Budget and Management, Office of the Governor, Office of the Lieutenant Governor, Office of The State Auditor, Office of the State Controller.
- 29. **VENDOR:** The supplier, bidder, proposer, company, firm, corporation, partnership, individual or other entity submitting a response to a Solicitation document. Following award of a contract, the term refers to an entity receiving such an award.
- 30. WORK: All labor, materials, equipment, services, or property of any type, provided or to be provided by the Contractor to fulfill the Contractor's obligations under the Contract.
- 31. YOU and YOUR: Offeror.

V. INTERPRETATION OF TERMS AND PHRASES

The Solicitation document serves to advise potential Vendors of the parameters of the solution being sought by the State. The use of phrases such as "shall," "must," and "requirements" are intended to create enforceable contract conditions. In determining whether bids should be evaluated or rejected, the State will take into consideration the degree to which Vendors have proposed or failed to propose solutions that will satisfy the State's needs as described in the Solicitation. Except as specifically stated in the Solicitation, no one requirement shall automatically disqualify a Vendor from consideration. However, failure to comply with any single requirement, if determined to be essential under the circumstances then existing, may result in the State exercising its discretion to reject a bid in its entirety.

VI. BID SUBMISSION

- 1. VENDOR'S REPRESENTATIVE: Each Vendor shall submit with its bid the name, address, and telephone number of the person(s) with authority to bind the Vendor and answer questions or provide clarification concerning the Vendor's bid.
- 2. **SIGNING YOUR OFFER:** Every Offer must be signed by an individual with actual authority to bind the Offeror.
 - a) If the Offeror is an individual, the Offer must be signed by that individual. If the Offeror is an individual doing business as a firm, the Offer must be submitted in the firm name, signed by the individual, and state that the individual is doing business as a firm.
 - b) If the Offeror is a partnership, the Offer must be submitted in the partnership name, followed by the words by its Partner, and signed by a general partner.

- c) If the Offeror is a corporation, the Offer must be submitted in the corporate name, followed by the signature and title of the person authorized to sign.
- d) An Offer may be submitted by a joint venture involving any combination of individuals, partnerships, or corporations. If the Offeror is a joint venture, the Offer must be submitted in the name of the Joint Venture and signed by every participant in the joint venture in the manner prescribed in paragraphs (a) through (c) above for each type of participant.
- e) If an Offer is signed by an agent, other than as stated in subparagraphs(a)through (d) above, the Offer must state that is has been signed by an Agent. Upon request, Offeror must provide proof of the agent's authorization to bind the principal.
- 3. **EXECUTION:** Failure to sign the Execution Page (numbered page 1 of the Solicitation document) in the indicated space may render an Offer nonresponsive, and it may be rejected.
- 4. <u>STATE OFFICE CLOSINGS:</u> If an emergency or unanticipated event interrupts normal government processes so that Offers cannot be received at the State office designated for receipt of bids by the exact time specified in the Solicitation, the time specified for receipt of Offers will be deemed to be extended to the same time of day specified in the Solicitation on the first work day on which normal government processes resume. In lieu of an automatic extension, an Addendum may be issued to reschedule the bid opening. If State offices are closed at the time a pre-bid or pre-proposal conference is scheduled, an Addendum will be issued to reschedule the conference.
- 5. <u>BID IN ENGLISH and DOLLARS:</u> Offers submitted in response to this Solicitation shall be in the English language and in US dollars, unless otherwise permitted by the Solicitation.
- 6. <u>LATE BIDS:</u> Late bids, regardless of cause, will not be opened or considered, and will automatically be disqualified from further consideration. It shall be the Vendor's sole responsibility to ensure delivery at the designated office by the designated time.
 - a) Vendor shall bear the risk for late submission due to unintended or unanticipated delay— whether submitted electronically, delivered by hand, U.S. Postal Service, courier or other delivery service. It is the Vendor's sole responsibility to ensure that its bid has been received by this Office by the specified time and date of opening. The date and time of submission will be marked on each bid when received, and any bid received after the bid submission deadline will be rejected.
 - b) For proposals submitted via U.S. mail, please note that the U.S. Postal Service generally does not deliver mail to a specified street address but to the State's Mail Service Center. Vendors are cautioned that proposals sent via U.S. Mail, including Express Mail, may not be delivered by the Mail Service Center to the agency's purchasing office on the due date in time to meet the proposal deadline. All Vendors are urged to take the possibility of delay into account when submitting a proposal by U.S. Postal Service, courier, or other delivery service.
- 7. <u>DETERMINATION OF RESPONSIVENESS</u>: Any Offer which fails to conform to the material requirements of the Solicitation maybe rejected as nonresponsive. Offers which impose conditions that modify material requirements of the Solicitation may be rejected. If a fixed price is required, an Offer will be rejected if the total possible cost to the State cannot be determined. Offerors will not be given an opportunity to correct any material nonconformity. Any deficiency resulting from a minor informality may be cured or waived at the sole discretion of the Procurement Officer.

8. **CONTENTS OF OFFER:**

- a) Offers should be complete and carefully worded and should convey all of the information requested.
- b) Offers should be prepared simply and economically, providing a straightforward, concise description of the Offeror's capabilities to satisfy the requirements of the Solicitation. Emphasis should be on completeness and clarity of content.
- c) If Your Offer includes any comment over and above the specific information requested in the Solicitation, you are to include this information as a separate appendix to Your Offer. Offers which include either modifications to any of the Solicitation's contractual requirements or an Offeror's standard terms and conditions may be deemed non-responsive and not considered for award at the State's discretion.
- 9. <u>MULTIPLE OFFERS.</u> If specifically stated in the Solicitation document, Offerors may submit more than one Offer, provided that each Offer has significant differences other than price. Each separate Offer must satisfy all Solicitation requirements.
- 10. <u>CLARIFICATION:</u> The State may elect to communicate with You after bid opening for the purpose of clarifying either Your Offer or the requirements of the Solicitation. Such communications may be conducted only with Offerors who have submitted an Offer which obviously conforms in all material aspects to the Solicitation. Clarification of an Offer must be documented in writing and included with the Offer. Clarifications may not be used to revise an Offer or the Solicitation.
- 11. **ACCEPTANCE AND REJECTION:** The State reserves the right to reject any and all bids, to waive any informality in bids and, unless otherwise specified by the Vendor, to accept any item in the bid.
- 12. <u>BASIS FOR REJECTION:</u> Pursuant to 01 NCAC 05B .0501, the State reserves the right to reject any and all Offers, in whole or in part, by deeming the Offer unsatisfactory as to quality or quantity, delivery, price or service offered, noncompliance with the requirements or intent of this Solicitation, lack of competitiveness, error(s) in specifications or indications that revision would be advantageous to the State, cancellation or other changes in the intended project or any other determination that the proposed requirement is no longer needed, limitation or lack of available funds, circumstances that prevent determination of the best offer, or any other determination that rejection would be in the best interest of the State.
- 13. **INFORMATION AND DESCRIPTIVE LITERATURE:** Vendor shall furnish all information requested in the Solicitation document. Further, if required elsewhere in this bid, each Vendor shall submit with its bid any sketches, descriptive literature, and/or complete specifications covering the goods and services offered. Reference to literature submitted with a previous bid or available elsewhere will not satisfy this provision. Do not submit bid samples or descriptive literature unless expressly requested. Unsolicited bid samples or descriptive literature will not be examined or tested, will not be used to determine responsiveness, and will not be deemed to vary any of the provisions of the Solicitation. Failure comply with these requirements shall constitute sufficient cause to reject a bid without further consideration.
- 14. <u>WITHDRAWAL OF BID OR PROPOSAL</u>: Proposals submitted electronically may be withdrawn at any time prior to the date for bid opening identified on the cover page of this Solicitation document (or such later date included in an Addendum). Proposals that have been delivered by hand, U.S. Postal Service, courier, or other delivery service may be withdrawn only in writing and if receipt is acknowledged by the office issuing the Solicitation document prior to the time for opening identified on the cover page of the Solicitation document (or such later date included in an Addendum). Written withdrawal requests shall be submitted on the Vendor's letterhead and signed by an official of

the Vendor authorized to make such request. Any withdrawal request made after bid opening shall be allowed only for good cause shown and in the sole discretion of the Division of Purchase and Contract.

- 15. <u>COST FOR BID OR PROPOSAL PREPARATION:</u> Any costs incurred by Vendor in preparing or submitting Offers are the Vendor's sole responsibility.
- 16. <u>INSPECTION AT VENDOR'S SITE:</u> The State reserves the right to inspect, at a reasonable time, the equipment, item, plant, or other facilities of a prospective Vendor prior to Contract award, and during the Contract term as necessary for the State's determination that such equipment, item, plant, or other facilities conform with the specifications/requirements and are adequate and suitable for the proper and effective performance of the Contract.
- 17. **RECYCLING AND SOURCE REDUCTION:** It is the policy of the State to encourage and promote the purchase of products with recycled content to the extent economically practicable, and to purchase items which are reusable, refillable, repairable, more durable, and less toxic to the extent that the purchase or use is practicable and cost-effective. We also encourage and promote using minimal packaging and the use of recycled/recyclable products in the packaging of commodities purchased. However, no sacrifice in quality of packaging will be acceptable. The company remains responsible for providing packaging that will adequately protect the commodity and contain it for its intended use. Companies are strongly urged to bring to the attention of purchasers those products or packaging they offer which have recycled content and that are recyclable.
- 18. CERTIFICATE TO TRANSACT BUSINESS IN NORTH CAROLINA: As a condition of Contract award, each out-of-State Vendor that is a corporation, limited-liability company, or limited-liability partnership shall have received, and shall maintain throughout the term of The Contract, a Certificate of Authority to Transact Business in North Carolina from the North Carolina Secretary of State, as required by North Carolina law. A State contract requiring only an isolated transaction completed within a period of six months, and not in the course of a number of repeated transactions of like nature, shall not be considered transacting business in North Carolina and shall not require a Certificate of Authority to Transact Business.
- 19. **SUSTAINABILITY:** To support the sustainability efforts of the State of North Carolina we solicit Your cooperation in this effort. Pursuant to Executive Order 156 (1999), it is desirable that all responses meet the following:
 - a) If paper copies are requested, all copies of the bid are printed double sided. All submittals and copies are printed on recycled paper with a minimum post-consumer content of 30%.
 - b) Unless absolutely necessary, all bids and copies should minimize or eliminate use of non-recyclable or non-reusable materials such as plastic report covers, plastic dividers, vinyl sleeves, and GBC binding. Three-ringed binders, glued materials, paper clips, and staples are acceptable.
 - c) Materials should be submitted in a format which allows for easy removal, filing and/or recycling of paper and binder materials. Use of oversized paper is strongly discouraged unless necessary for clarity or legibility.
- 20. <u>HISTORICALLY UNDERUTILIZED BUSINESSES (HUB)</u>: The State is committed to retaining Vendors from diverse backgrounds, and it invites and encourages participation in the procurement process by businesses owned by minorities, women, disabled, disabled business enterprises and non-profit work centers for the blind and severely disabled. In particular, the State encourages participation by Vendors certified by the State Office of Historically Underutilized Businesses, as well as the use of HUB-certified vendors as subcontractors on State contracts.

- 21. **RECIPROCAL PREFERENCE:** G.S. 143-59 establishes a reciprocal preference requirement to discourage other states from favoring their own resident Vendors by applying a percentage increase to the price of any bid from a North Carolina resident Vendor. To the extent another state does so, North Carolina applies the same percentage increase to the bid of a Vendor resident in that state. Residency is determined by a Vendor's "Principal Place of Business," defined as that principal place from which the overall trade or business of the Vendor is directed or managed.
- 22. **INELIGIBLE VENDORS:** As provided in G.S. 147-86.59 and G.S. 147-86.82, the following companies are ineligible to contract with the State of North Carolina or any political subdivision of the State:
 - a) any company identified as engaging in investment activities in Iran, as determined by appearing on the Final Divestment List created by the State Treasurer pursuant to G.S. 147-86.58, and
 - b) any company identified as engaged in a boycott of Israel as determined by appearing on the List of restricted companies created by the State Treasurer pursuant to G.S. 147-86.81. A contract with the State or any of its political subdivisions by any company identified in a) or b) above shall be void *ab initio*.
- 23. <u>VALID TAXPAYER INFORMATION:</u> All persons or entities desiring to do business with the State must provide correct taxpayer information on North Carolina specified forms. The Substitute W-9 and Instructions are here: https://files.nc.gov/ncosc/documents/NCAS forms/State of North Carolina Sub W-9 01292019.pdf
- 24. <u>VENDOR REGISTRATION AND SOLICITATION NOTIFICATION SYSTEM:</u> The North Carolina electronic Vendor Portal (eVP) allows Vendors to electronically register free with the State to receive electronic notification of current procurement opportunities available as well as notifications of status changes to those Solicitations. Online registration and other purchasing information is available at the following website: https://evp.nc.gov.
- 25. The status of a Vendor's E-Procurement Services account(s) shall be considered a relevant factor in determining whether to approve the award of a Contract resulting from this Solicitation document. Any Vendor with an E-Procurement Services account that is in arrears by 91 days or more at the time of bid opening may be suspended or deactivated, at the State's discretion, and may be disqualified from further evaluation or consideration.
- 26. <u>TABULATIONS</u>: Bid tabulations can be electronically retrieved at the Electronic Vendor Portal (eVP), https://evp.nc.gov. Tabulations will normally be available at this web site not later than one working day after the bid opening. If negotiation is anticipated under 01 NCAC 05B.0503, pricing may not be public until award. Lengthy or complex tabulations may be summarized, with other details not made available on eVP. Requests for additional details or information concerning such tabulations cannot be honored.
- 27. **CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION:** To the extent permitted by applicable statutes and rules, the State will maintain as confidential trade secrets in bids that the Vendor does not wish disclosed. As a condition to confidential treatment, each page containing trade secret information shall be identified in boldface at the top and bottom as "CONFIDENTIAL" by the Vendor, with specific trade secret information enclosed in boxes, marked in a distinctive color or by similar indication. Cost information shall not be deemed confidential under any circumstances. Regardless of what a Vendor may label as a trade secret, the determination whether it is or is not entitled to protection will be determined in accordance with G.S. 132-1.2. Any material labeled confidential constitutes a representation by the Vendor that it has made a reasonable effort in good faith to determine that such material is, in fact, a trade secret under G.S. 132-1.2. Vendors are urged to limit the marking of information as a trade secret or as confidential so far as is possible. If a legal action is brought to require the disclosure of any material so marked confidential, the State will notify Vendor of such action and allow Vendor to defend the confidential status of its information.

- 28. COMMUNICATIONS BY VENDORS: In submitting its bid, the Vendor agrees not to discuss or otherwise reveal the contents of its bid to any source, government or private, outside of the using or issuing agency until after the award of the Contract or cancellation of this Solicitation. All Vendors are forbidden from having any communications with the using or issuing agency, or any other representative of the State concerning the Solicitation, during the evaluation of the bids (i.e., after the public opening of the bids and before the award of the Contract), unless the State directly contacts the Vendor(s) for purposes of seeking clarification or another reason permitted by the Solicitation. A Vendor shall not: (a) transmit to the issuing and/or using agency any information commenting on the ability or qualifications of any other Vendor to provide the advertised good, equipment, commodity; (b) identify defects, errors and/or omissions in any other Vendor's bid and/or prices at any time during the procurement process; and/or (c) engage in or attempt any other communication or conduct that could influence the evaluation or award of a Contract related to this Solicitation. Failure to comply with this requirement shall constitute sufficient justification to disqualify a Vendor from a Contract award. Only those communications with the using agency or issuing agency authorized by this Solicitation are permitted.
- 29. **INFORMAL COMMENTS:** The State shall not be bound by informal explanations, instructions or information given at any time by anyone on behalf of the State during the competitive process or after award. The State is bound only by information provided in writing in this Solicitation document and in formal Addenda.
- 30. **PROTEST PROCEDURES:** When a Vendor wishes to protest a contract awarded by the Division of Purchase and Contract or awarded by an agency when the award amount exceeds the agency's general delegation and the contract is not subject to a special delegation or exemption, a Vendor shall submit a written request addressed to the State Purchasing Officer at: Division of Purchase and Contract, 1305 Mail Service Center, Raleigh, NC 27699-1305.

When a Vendor wishes to protest a contract awarded by an agency when the award amount is less than an agency's general delegation or when the contract is subject to a special delegation or exemption the Vendor shall submit a written request to protest to the purchasing officer of the agency that issued the award.

The protest request must be received in the proper office within thirty (30) consecutive calendar days from the date of the Contract award. Protest letters shall contain specific grounds and reasons for the protest, how the protesting party was harmed by the award made and any documentation providing support for the protesting party's claims.

Note: Contract award notices are sent only to the Vendor actually awarded the contract, and not to every person or firm responding to a Solicitation. Award notices are posted on eVP at https://evp.nc.gov. All protests will be handled pursuant to the North Carolina Administrative Code, 01 NCAC 05B .1519.

- 31. ORDER OF PRECEDENCE: In cases of conflict between specific provisions in this Solicitation or those in any resulting Contract documents, the order of precedence shall be (high to low) (1) any special terms and conditions specific to this Solicitation document, including any negotiated terms, (2) requirements and specifications and administration, (3) North Carolina General Terms and Conditions in North Carolina General Terms And Conditions, (4) Instructions To Vendors, (5) Pricing, and (6) Vendor's Bid.
- 32. <u>ADDENDA:</u> Critical updated information may be included in Addenda to the Solicitation. It is important that all Vendors bidding on the Solicitation periodically check for any Addenda that may be issued prior to the bid opening date. All Vendors shall be deemed to have read and understood all information in the Solicitation document and all Addenda thereto. Vendors are also responsible for obtaining and complying with all Addenda and other changes that may be issued concerning the Solicitation.

33. **ORAL EXPLANATIONS NON-BINDING:** Oral explanations or instructions will not be binding. Any information given a prospective Offeror concerning a Solicitation will be furnished promptly to all other prospective Offerors as an Addendum to the Solicitation, if that information is necessary for submitting offers or if the lack of it would be prejudicial to other prospective Offerors. See clause herein entitled "Duty to Inquire." The State will not identify You in its answer to Your question.

- 34. **MAXIMUM COMPETITION:** The State seeks to permit the maximum practicable competition. Offerors are urged to advise the State, as soon as possible, regarding any aspect of this procurement, including any aspect of the Solicitation that unnecessarily or inappropriately limits full and open competition. If the State determines that any changes will be made resulting from the questions asked, then such decisions will be communicated in the form of an Addendum.
- 35. **FIRM OFFER:** Vendor's bid shall constitute a firm offer. By execution and delivery of a bid in response to a Solicitation, the Vendor agrees that any additional or modified terms and conditions, whether submitted purposefully or inadvertently, shall have no force or effect, and will be disregarded. Any bid that contains language that indicates the bid is non-binding or subject to further negotiation before a contractual document may be signed shall be rejected.

ATTACHMENT C: NORTH CAROLINA GENERAL CONTRACT TERMS & CONDITIONS

1. PERFORMANCE:

- a) It is anticipated that the tasks and duties undertaken by the Vendor under the contract which results from the State solicitation in this matter (Contract) shall include Services, and/or the manufacturing, furnishing, or development of goods and other tangible features or components, as deliverables.
- b) Vendor agrees to perform under the Contract in at least the same or similar manner provided to comparable users and customers. The State shall notify the Vendor of any defects or deficiencies in performance or failure of deliverables to conform to the standards and specifications provided in this Contract. Vendor agrees to timely remedy defective performance or any nonconforming deliverables on its own or upon such notice provided by the State.
- c) Vendor has a limited, non-exclusive license to access and use State Data provided to Vendor, but solely for performing its obligations under and during this Agreement and in confidence as further provided for herein or by law.
- d) Vendor or its suppliers, as specified and agreed in the Contract, shall provide support assistance to the State related to all Services performed or other deliverables procured hereunder during the State's normal business hours. Vendor warrants that its support, customer service, and assistance will be performed at a minimum in accordance with generally accepted and applicable industry standards.
- e) The State may document and take into account in awarding or renewing future procurement contracts the general reputation, performance, and performance capabilities of the Vendor under this Contract as provided by G.S. 143-52 and 143-135.9 (a) and (b) (Best Value).

2. DEFAULT AND TERMINATION.

- a) In the event of default by the Vendor, the State may, as provided by NC law, procure goods and services necessary to complete performance hereunder from other sources and hold the Vendor responsible for any excess cost occasioned thereby. See, G.S. 25-2-712. In addition, and in the event of default by the Vendor under the Contract, or upon the Vendor filing a petition for bankruptcy or the entering of a judgment of bankruptcy by or against the Vendor, the State may immediately cease doing business with the Vendor, terminate the Contract for cause, and take action to recover relevant damages, and if permitted by applicable law, debar the Vendor from doing future business with the State. 01 NCAC 05B.1520.
- b) Liquidated damages for not completing the work within 150 calendar days for reconstruction projects, 60 calendar days for MHU replacement projects, 30 calendar days for demolition projects, and 30 calendar days for rehabilitation projects with a scope <\$50,000, 60 calendar days for rehabilitation projects with a scope >\$50,000 and <\$100,00, 90 calendar days for rehabilitation projects with a scope >\$100,000 and <\$150,000, 120 calendar days for rehabilitation projects with a scope >\$150,000 commencing on the date specified in written Notice to Proceed, including all officially approved extensions thereto, are to be One Hundred Dollars and No/100 (\$100.00) PER DAY, per individually assigned Project. The Contractor may be liable for liquidated damages in the amount of One Hundred Dollars and No/100 (\$100.00) PER DAY, per affected Project, if Contractor fails to complete the work within the contracted period. If, through any cause, Vendor shall fail to fulfill in a timely and proper manner the obligations under the Contract, including, without limitation, in these North Carolina General Terms and Conditions, the State shall have the right to impose liquidated damages per affected Project as described herein, issue a Stop Work Order requiring Vendor to immediately Stop Work on any or all of Vendor's Projects, demand return of expended funds, and/or terminate the Contract by giving at least five days written notice to the Vendor and specifying the effective date thereof. In the event of a Stop Work Order or a Contract termination, any or all finished or unfinished deliverables that are prepared by the Vendor under the Contract shall, at the option of the

State, become the property of the State until such time as the State can identify another Vendor to complete the work (and shall include any applicable Vendor license and permits to the extent necessary for the State to use such property), and the Vendor may be entitled to receive just and equitable compensation for any acceptable deliverable completed (or partially completed at the State's sole discretion) as to which such option is exercised. Notwithstanding, Vendor shall not be relieved of liability to the State for damages sustained by the State by virtue of any breach of the Contract, and the State may withhold any payment due the Vendor for the purpose of setoff until such time as the exact amount of damages due the State from such breach can be determined. The State, if failing to receive proper performance or provision of goods deliverables, or if documented Vendor Services performance issues exist, under this Contract, may make a claim upon the Vendor's surety. G.S. 143-52(a); 01 NCAC 05B.1521; G.S. 25-2-609. If this Contract contemplates deliveries or performance over a period of time, the State may terminate this Contract for convenience at any time by providing 30 days' notice in writing from the State to the Vendor. In that event, any or all finished or unfinished deliverables prepared by the Vendor under this Contract shall, at the option of the State, become its property, and under any applicable Vendor license and permits to the extent necessary for the State to use such property. If the Contract is terminated by the State for convenience, the State shall pay for those items or Services for which such option is exercised, less any payment or compensation previously made.

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- c) The State may terminate this Contract, and any Scope of Work assigned under this Contract, immediately upon discovery of the Vendor's commission of fraud.
- d) This Contract may be terminated at any time by mutual agreement of the State and the Vendor, to be effective upon a date agreed to by the State and the Vendor.
- e) If funds for the project become unavailable for any reason, including without limitation, a change in state or federal laws, the State shall have the right to terminate this Contract, and any Scope of Work assigned thereto, after giving Vendor written notice of termination at least 5 calendar days in advance of the termination date. The notice of termination shall contain the effective termination date of this Contract. Upon notice, the Vendor shall not expend any funds without the State's express written authorization.
- f) The Vendor acknowledges and agrees that the rights and remedies of the State as set forth herein and elsewhere in this Contract are not exclusive and are in addition to any other rights and remedies provided by law.

3. INTERPRETATION, CONFLICT OF TERMS.

- a) The definitions in the Instructions to Vendors in the relevant solicitation for this Contract, and in 01 NCAC 05A.0112 are specifically incorporated herein.
- b) If federal funds are involved in the transactions under this Contract, the Vendor shall comply with all applicable state and federal requirements and laws, except where State requirements are more restrictive. See the additional federal requirements included in the "Federal Funds Provisions" section below.
- c) "Purchasing Agency" herein is as defined in 01 NCAC 05A.0112, except that if this Contract has been entered into by the NC Department of Administration, Division of Purchase and Contract (P&C) as indicated in the Contract (e.g., a State Term Contract), then P&C will then be a Purchasing Agency for the purposes herein and in the Federal Funds Provisions, below.
- d) Contracts made in contravention of General Statutes, Chapter 143, Article 3 and the Rules in 05 NCAC Chapter 5, are void. G.S. 143-58.
- e) In cases of conflict between specific provisions in this Contract and any other referenced documents, the Order of Precedence shall be (high to low) (1) any special terms and conditions specific to this Contract, including any negotiated terms; (2) requirements, specifications and administrative terms; (3) these NORTH CAROLINA GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS, including the Federal Funds Provisions; (4)

- Definitions and other provisions in INSTRUCTIONS TO VENDORS in this solicitation, which is specifically incorporated in this Contract; (5) PRICING, and (6) Vendor's Bid, to the extent specifically and mutually incorporated into this Contract.
- f) In the event of conflict of terms between applicable provisions of the Federal Funds Provisions and the other provisions of these North Carolina General Contract Terms and Conditions, the more restrictive provision will govern.
- **4. GOVERNMENTAL RESTRICTIONS:** In the event any Governmental restrictions are imposed which necessitate alteration of the goods, material, quality, workmanship, or performance of the Services offered, prior to acceptance, it shall be the responsibility of the Vendor to notify the State Contract Lead or Administrator indicated in the Contract at once, in writing, indicating the specific regulation which requires such alterations. The State reserves the right to accept any such alterations, including any price adjustments occasioned thereby, or to cancel the Contract.
- **5. AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS:** Any and all payments to the Vendor shall be dependent upon and subject to the availability of funds appropriated or allocated to the agency for the purpose set forth in the Contract.
- **6. TAXES**: Any applicable taxes shall be invoiced as a separate item.
 - a) G.S. 143-59.1 bars the Secretary of Administration from entering into Contracts with Vendors if the Vendor or its affiliates meet one of the conditions of G.S. 105-164.8(b) and refuses to collect use tax on sales of tangible personal property to purchasers in North Carolina. Conditions under G.S. 105-164.8(b) include: (1) Maintenance of a retail establishment or office, (2) Presence of representatives in the State that solicit sales or transact business on behalf of the Vendor and (3) Systematic exploitation of the market by media-assisted, media-facilitated, or media-solicited means. By execution of the proposal document the Vendor certifies that it and all of its affiliates, (if it has affiliates), collect(s) the appropriate taxes.
 - b) The agency(ies) participating in the Contract are exempt from Federal Taxes, such as excise and transportation. Exemption forms submitted by the Vendor will be executed and returned by the using agency.
 - c) Prices offered are not to include any personal property taxes, nor any sales or use tax (or fees) unless required by the North Carolina Department of Revenue.

7. SITUS AND GOVERNING LAWS;

- a) This Contract is made under and shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of North Carolina, including, without limitation, the relevant provisions of G.S. Chapter 143, Article 3, and the Rules in 01 NCAC Chapter 05, and any applicable successor provisions, without regard to its conflict of laws rules, and within which State all matters, whether sounding in Contract, tort or otherwise, relating to its validity, construction, interpretation and enforcement shall be determined. G.S. 22B-3.
- b) Vendor shall comply with all laws, ordinances, codes, rules, regulations, and licensing requirements that are applicable to the conduct of its business and its performance in accordance with the Contract, including those of federal, state, and local agencies having jurisdiction and/or authority, and including, without limitation, the applicable requirements in the Federal Funds Provisions, below.
- c) Non-resident Vendor corporations not formed under NC law must be domesticated in the Office of the NC Secretary of State in order to contract with the State of North Carolina. G.S. 55A-15-01.

8. NON-DISCRIMINATION COMPLIANCE:

a) The Vendor will take affirmative action in complying with all State requirements and laws concerning fair employment and employment of people with disabilities, and concerning the treatment of all employees without regard to discrimination by reason of race, color, religion, sex, national origin or disability or rights, such as preserved by Governor Roy Cooper Order E.O. 24 or 25, and will take necessary action to ensure

- that its internal employee policies and procedures are consistent with Executive Order #82 (Roy Cooper, December 6, 2018), which extends workplace protections and accommodations to pregnant employees.
- b) Federal Law, such as the following, applies as provided for therein: Titles VI and VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (PL 88-352), and the regulations issued pursuant thereto (prohibiting discrimination on the basis race, color, national origin and ensuring that individuals are employed, and that employees are treated during employment, without regard to their race, color, creed, national origin, sex, or age); Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972 (codified as amended at 20 U.S.C. § 1681 et seq.) (prohibiting discrimination on the basis of sex); Titles I, II, III, IV, and V of the Americans with Disability Act of 1990 (prohibiting discrimination on the basis of disability); Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (codified as amended at 29 U.S.C. § 794) (prohibiting discrimination on the basis of handicap); the Age Discrimination Act of 1975 (codified as amended at 42 U.S.C. § 6101 et seq.) (prohibiting age discrimination); and Section 109 of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended.
- 9. PAYMENT TERMS: Payment terms are net not later than 30 days after receipt of a correct invoice or acceptance of goods, whichever is later. The Procuring Agency is responsible for all payments to the Vendor under the Contract. Payment by some agencies may be made by procurement card. If the Vendor accepts Visa, MasterCard, etc., from other customers, it shall accept procurement card payment by the State under the terms provided for the procurement card. 01 NCAC 05B.1523. If payment is made by procurement card, then payment for amounts then due may be processed immediately by the Vendor.
 - The State does not agree in advance, in contract, pursuant to Constitutional limitations, to pay costs such as interest, late fees, penalties or attorney's fees. This Contract will not be construed as an agreement by the State to pay such costs, and will be paid only as ordered by a court of competent jurisdiction.
- 10. <u>CONDITION AND PACKAGING</u>: Unless otherwise expressly provided by special terms and conditions or specifications in the Contract or by express, specific federal law or rule, it is understood and agreed that any item offered or shipped has not been sold or used for any purpose, is newly manufactured, and shall be in first class condition. All containers/packaging shall be suitable for handling, storage or shipment.
- **11. INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY WARRANTY AND INDEMNITY**: Vendor shall hold and save the State, its officers, agents and employees, harmless from liability of any kind, including costs and expenses, resulting from infringement of the rights of any third party in any Services or copyrighted material, patented or patent-pending invention, article, device or appliance delivered in connection with the Contract.
 - a) Vendor warrants to the best of its knowledge that:
 - Performance under the Contract does not infringe upon any intellectual property rights of any third party; and
 - ii) There are no actual or threatened actions arising from, or alleged under, any intellectual property rights of any third party;
 - b) Should any deliverables supplied by Vendor become the subject of a claim of infringement of a patent, copyright, trademark or a trade secret in the United States, the Vendor, shall at its option and expense, either procure for the State the right to continue using the deliverables, or replace or modify the same to become non-infringing. If neither of these options can reasonably be taken in Vendor's judgment, or if further use shall be prevented by injunction, the Vendor agrees to cease provision of any affected deliverables and refund any sums the State has paid Vendor for such deliverables and make every reasonable effort to assist the State in procuring substitute deliverables. If, in the sole opinion of the State, the cessation of use by the State of any such deliverables due to infringement issues makes the retention of other items acquired from the Vendor under this Agreement impractical, the State shall then have the option of terminating the Agreement, or applicable portions thereof, without penalty or termination charge; and Vendor agrees to refund any sums the State paid for unused Services or other deliverables.

- c) The Vendor, at its own expense, shall defend any action brought against the State to the extent that such action is based upon a claim that the deliverables supplied by the Vendor, their use or operation, infringe on a patent, copyright, trademark or violate a trade secret in the United States. The Vendor shall pay those costs and damages finally awarded or agreed in a settlement against the State in any such action. Such defense and payment shall be conditioned on the following:
 - i) That the Vendor shall be notified within a reasonable time in writing by the State of any such claim; and
 - ii) That the Vendor shall have the sole control of the defense of any action on such claim and all negotiations for its settlement or compromise provided, however, that the State shall have the option to participate in such action at its own expense.
- d) Vendor will not be required to defend or indemnify the State to the extent any claim by a third party against the State for infringement or misappropriation results solely from the State's material alteration of any Vendor-branded deliverables or Services, or from the continued use of the Services or other deliverables after receiving written notice from the Vendor of the claimed infringement.
- **12.** <u>ADVERTISING</u>: Vendor agrees not to use the existence of the Contract or the name of the State of North Carolina as part of any commercial advertising or marketing of products or Services except as provided in 01 NCAC 05B.1516. A Vendor may inquire whether the State is willing to be included on a listing of its existing customers.

13. ACCESS TO PERSONS AND RECORDS:

- a) During, and after the term hereof during the relevant period required for retention of records by State law (G.S. 121-5, 132-1 et seq., typically five years), the State Auditor and any Purchasing Agency's internal auditors shall have access to persons and records related to the Contract to verify accounts and data affecting fees or performance under the Contract, as provided in G.S. 143-49(9). However, if any audit, litigation or other action arising out of or related in any way to this project is commenced before the end of such retention of records period, the records shall be retained for one (1) year after all issues arising out of the action are finally resolved or until the end of the record retentions period, whichever is later.
- b) The following entities may audit the records of this contract during and after the term of the contract to verify accounts and data affecting fees or performance:
 - i. The State Auditor.
 - ii. The internal auditors of the affected department, agency or institution.
 - iii. The Joint Legislative Commission on Governmental Operations and legislative employees whose primary responsibility is to provide professional or administrative services to the Commission.
- c) The Joint Legislative Commission on Governmental Operations has the authority to:
 - i. Study the efficiency, economy and effectiveness of any non-State entity receiving public funds.
 - ii. Evaluate the implementation of public policies, as articulated by enacted law, administrative rule, executive order, policy, or local ordinance, by any non-State entity receiving public funds.
 - iii. Investigate possible instances of misfeasance, malfeasance, nonfeasance, mismanagement, waste, abuse, or illegal conduct by officers and employees of a non-State entity receiving, directly or indirectly, public funds, as it relates to the officer's or employee's responsibilities regarding the receipt of public funds.
 - iv. Receive reports as required by law or as requested by the Commission.
 - v. Access and review

- Any documents or records related to any contract awarded by a State agency, including the documents and records of the contractor, that the Commission determines will assist in verifying accounts or will contain data affecting fees or performance; and
- 2. Any records related to any subcontract of a contract awarded by a State agency that is utilized to fulfill the contract, including, but not limited to (i) records related to the drafting and approval of the subcontract, and (ii) documents and records of the contractor or subcontractor that the Commission determines will assist in verifying accounts or will contain data affecting fees or performance.
- d) The Joint Legislative Commission on Governmental Operations has the power to:
 - i. Compel access to any document or system of records held by a non-State entity receiving, directly or indirectly, public funds, to the extent the documents relate to the receipt, purpose or implementation of a program or service paid for with public funds.
 - ii. Compel attendance of any officer or employee of any non-State entity receiving public funds, provided the officer or employee is responsible for implementing a program or providing a service paid for with public funds.
- e) Unless prohibited by federal law, the Commission and Commission staff in the discharge of their duties under this Article shall be provided access to any building or facility owned or leased by a non-State entity receiving public funds provided (i) the building or facility is used to implement a program or provide a service paid for with public funds and (ii) the access is reasonably related to the receipt, purpose, or implementation of a program or service paid for with public funds.
- f) Any confidential information obtained by the Commission shall remain confidential and is not a public record as defined in G.S. 132-1.
- g) Any document or information obtained or produced by Commission staff in furtherance of staff's duties to the Commission is confidential and is not a public record as defined in G.S. 132-1.
- h) A person who conceals, falsifies, or refuses to provide to the Commission any document, information, or access to any building or facility as required by this Article with the intent to mislead, impede, or interfere with the Commission's discharge of its duties under this Article shall be guilty of a Class 2 misdemeanor.

14. ASSIGNMENT OR DELEGATION OF DUTIES.

- a) As a convenience to the Vendor, the State may include any person or entity designated by the Vendor in writing as a joint payee on the Vendor's payment check. In no event shall such approval and action obligate the State to anyone other than the Vendor.
- b) If Vendor requests any assignment, or delegation of duties, the Vendor shall remain responsible for fulfillment of all Contract obligations. Upon written request, the State may, in its unfettered discretion, approve an assignment or delegation to another responsible entity acceptable to the State, such as the surviving entity of a merger, acquisition or a corporate reorganization if made as part of the transfer of all or substantially all of the Vendor's assets. 01 NCAC 05B.1507. Any purported assignment or delegation made in violation of this provision shall be void and a material breach of the Contract. G.S. 143-58.
- **15. INSURANCE:** This section provides minimum insurance coverage rates that are applicable to most moderate risk solicitations. Agency Risk Analysis will determine if higher insurance coverage amounts are needed based on the likelihood and severity of exposure to the State. The analysis is documented in writing in the official file and considers the following non-exclusive factors:
 - 1. Potential for damage to State property or property of a third party,
 - 2. Potential for bodily injury to State employees or third parties,

- 3. Whether Vendor will transport State property, clients, or employees,
- 4. Use of a vehicle to accomplish the work or to travel to or from State locations,
- 5. Anticipated physical contacts of the Vendor with the State,
- 6. Anticipated number and activity of Vendor personnel within the State, and
- 7. Any other unique considerations that could result in harm, bodily injury, or property damage.

The Purchasing Agency has specified elsewhere in this Contract any increase in the minimum insurance coverage requirements below if the risk from the above factors is high.

- a) REQUIREMENTS Providing and maintaining adequate insurance coverage is a material obligation of the Vendor and is of the essence of the Contract. All such insurance shall meet all laws of the State of North Carolina. Such insurance coverage shall be obtained from companies that are authorized to provide such coverage and that are authorized by the NC Commissioner of Insurance to do business in North Carolina. The Vendor shall at all times comply with the terms of such insurance policies, and all requirements of the insurer under any such insurance policies, except as they may conflict with existing North Carolina laws or the Contract. The limits of coverage under each insurance policy maintained by the Vendor shall not be interpreted as limiting the Vendor's liability and obligations or the indemnification requirements under the Contract. As provided above, a State agency is authorized, upon written evaluation and substantiation in the official file of the significant risk of bodily injury and/or property or other damage in the contract, to require and enforce higher coverage limits to mitigate the potential risk of liability to the State.
- **b) COVERAGE** During the term of the Contract, the Vendor at its sole cost and expense shall provide commercial insurance of such type and with such terms and limits as may be reasonably associated with the Contract. At a minimum, the Vendor shall provide and maintain the following coverage and limits, subject to higher requirements by an agency after the risk analysis indicated above:
 - 1. **For Small Purchases** as defined under North Carolina Administrative Code 01 NCAC 05A.0112 (35) and 05B.0301 (1), the minimum applicable insurance requirements for Worker's Compensation and Automobile Liability will apply as required by North Carolina law. The Purchasing Agency may require Commercial General Liability coverage consistent with the assessed risks involved in the procurement.
 - 2. For Contracts valued in excess of the Small Purchase threshold, but up to \$1,000,000.00 the following limits shall apply:
 - i. Worker's Compensation The Vendor shall provide and maintain Worker's Compensation Insurance, as may be required by the laws of North Carolina, as well as employer's liability coverage, with minimum limits of \$250,000.00, covering all of Vendor's employees who are engaged in any work under the Contract in North Carolina. If any work is sub-Contracted, the Vendor shall require the sub-contractor to provide the same coverage for any of its employees engaged in any work under the Contract within the State.
 - Commercial General Liability General Liability Coverage on a Comprehensive Broad Form on an occurrence basis in the minimum amount of \$500,000.00 Combined Single Limit. Defense costs shall be in excess of the limit of liability.
 - iii. <u>Automobile</u> Automobile Liability Insurance, to include liability coverage covering all owned, hired and non-owned vehicles, used within North Carolina in connection with the Contract. The minimum combined single limit shall be \$250,000 bodily injury and property damage; \$250,000 uninsured/under insured motorist; and \$2,500 medical payment.
 - 3. For Contracts valued in excess of \$1,000,000 the following limits shall apply:
 - i. <u>Worker's Compensation</u> The Vendor shall provide and maintain Worker's Compensation Insurance, as may be required by the laws of North Carolina, as well as employer's liability coverage, with minimum limits of \$500,000, covering all of Vendor's employees who are engaged

in any work under the Contract in North Carolina. If any work is sub-Contracted, the Vendor shall require the sub-contractor to provide the same coverage for any of its employees engaged in any work under the Contract within the State.

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- ii. <u>Commercial General Liability</u> General Liability Coverage on a Comprehensive Broad Form on an occurrence basis in the minimum amount of \$1,000,000 Combined Single Limit. Defense costs shall be in excess of the limit of liability.
- iii. <u>Automobile</u> Automobile Liability Insurance, to include liability coverage covering all owned, hired and non-owned vehicles, used within North Carolina in connection with the Contract. The minimum combined single limit shall be \$500,000 bodily injury and property damage; \$500,000 uninsured/under insured motorist; and \$5,000 medical payment.

16. GENERAL INDEMNITY:

- a) The Vendor shall indemnify, defend and hold and save the State, its officers, agents, and employees, harmless from liability of any kind, including all claims and losses accruing or resulting to any other person, firm, or corporation furnishing or supplying work, Services, materials, or supplies in connection with the performance of the Contract, and also from any and all claims and losses accruing or resulting to any person, firm, or corporation that may be injured or damaged by the Vendor in the performance of the Contract that are attributable to the negligence or intentionally tortious acts of the Vendor, provided that the Vendor is notified in writing within 30 days from the date that the State has knowledge of such claims.
- b) The Vendor, at its own expense shall defend any action brought against the State, under this section. The Vendor shall have the sole control of the defense of any action on such claim and all negotiations for its settlement or compromise, provided, however, that the State shall have the option to participate in such action at its own expense.
- c) The Vendor represents and warrants that it shall make no claim of any kind or nature against the State's agents who are involved in the delivery or processing of Vendor deliverables or Services to the State.
- d) As part of this provision for indemnity, if federal funds are involved in this procurement, the Vendor warrants that it will comply with all relevant and applicable federal requirements and laws, and will indemnify, defend and hold and save the State harmless from any claims or losses resulting to the State from the Vendor's noncompliance with such federal requirements or law in the performance of this Contract. The representations and warranties in the preceding two sentences shall survive the termination or expiration of the Contract.
- e) The State does not participate in indemnification due to Constitutional restrictions, or arbitration, which effectively and unacceptably waives jury trial. *See, G.S.* 22B-3, -10.

17. ELECTRONIC PROCUREMENT:

- a) Purchasing shall be conducted through the Statewide E-Procurement Service. The State's third-party agent shall serve as the Supplier Manager for this E-Procurement Service. The Vendor shall register for the Statewide E-Procurement Service within two (2) business days of notification of award in order to receive an electronic purchase order resulting from award of this Contract.
- b) RESERVED. The Supplier Manager will capture an order from a State approved user, including the shipping and payment information, and submit the order in accordance with E-Procurement Service procedures. Subsequently, the Supplier Manager will send those orders to the appropriate Vendor on State Contract. The State or State-approved user, not the Supplier Manager, shall be responsible for the solicitation, bids received, evaluation of bids received, award of Contract, and the payment for goods delivered.
- c) Vendor shall at all times maintain the confidentiality of its username and password for the Statewide E-Procurement Services. Vendor shall be responsible for all activity and all charges by its agents or employees.

Vendor agrees not to permit a third party to use its E-Procurement Services account. If there is a breach of security through the Vendor's account, Vendor shall immediately change its password and notify the Supplier Manager of the security breach by email. Vendor shall cooperate with the State and the Supplier Manager to mitigate and correct any security breach.

- **18. SUBCONTRACTING:** The Vendor may subcontract the performance of required Services under the Contract. Upon request, Vendor shall identify its subcontractors to the State; identify any financial interest it has in any subcontractor to the State; and/or provide the State with complete copies of any agreements made by and between Vendor and any subcontractors. The Vendor remains solely responsible for the performance of its subcontractors. Subcontractors shall adhere to all applicable requirements, terms, and conditions set forth in this Contract and the subsequent Scope of Work. It may be required as a condition of award that an authorized officer or agent of a subcontractor sign a statement to the effect that the subcontractor has read, and will agree to abide by, Vendor's obligations under any contract awarded pursuant to this Solicitation. Any contracts made by the Vendor with a subcontractor shall include an affirmative statement that the State is an intended third party beneficiary of the Agreement; that the subcontractor has no agreement with the State; and that the State shall be indemnified by the Vendor for any claim presented by the subcontractor. Notwithstanding any other term herein, Vendor shall timely exercise its contractual remedies against any non-performing subcontractor and, when appropriate, substitute another subcontractor. **CONFIDENTIALITY:** Vendor information that cannot be shown to be, e.g., a trade secret, may be subject to public disclosure under the terms of the State Public Records Act (SPRA), beginning at G.S. 132.1. Blanket assertions of confidentiality are not favored, but confidentiality of specific material meeting one or more exceptions in the SPRA will be honored. Vendors are notified that if the confidentiality of material is challenged by other parties, the Vendor has the responsibility of defending the assertion of confidentiality. G.S. 143-52(a).
- 19. <u>CARE OF STATE DATA AND PROPERTY</u>: Any State property, information, data, instruments, documents, studies or reports given to or prepared or assembled by or provided to the Vendor under the Contract shall be kept as confidential, used only for the purpose(s) required to perform the Contract and not divulged or made available to any individual or organization without the prior written approval of the State.

The State's data and property in the hands of the Vendor shall be protected from unauthorized disclosure, loss, damage, destruction by a natural event or another eventuality. The Vendor agrees to reimburse the State for loss or damage of State property while in Vendor's custody. Such State Data shall be returned to the State in a form acceptable to the State upon the termination or expiration of this Agreement.

The Vendor shall notify the State of any security breaches within 24 hours as required by G.S. 143B-1379. For further information, *see*, G.S. 75-60 *et seq*. **Notice** is given to the Vendor that the NC Department of Information Technology (DIT) has requirements relating to the security of the State network, and rules relating to the use of the State network, IT software and equipment, that the Vendor must comply with, as applicable. *See*, e.g., G.S. 143B-1376.

- **20. OUTSOURCING:** Any Vendor or subcontractor providing call or contact center services to the State of North Carolina or any of its agencies shall disclose to inbound callers the location from which the call or contact center services are being provided.
 - If, after award of a Contract, and consistent with any applicable NC DIT security provisions, the Contractor wishes to relocate or outsource any portion of performance to a location outside the United States, or to Contract with a subcontractor for any such performance, which subcontractor and nature of the work has not previously been disclosed to the State in writing, prior written approval must be obtained from the State Purchasing Agency. Vendor shall give notice to the Purchasing Agency of any relocation of the Vendor, employees of the Vendor, subcontractors of the Vendor, or other persons providing performance under a State Contract to a location outside of the United States. *See*, G.S. 143-59.4.
- **21. ENTIRE AGREEMENT**: The Contract (including any documents mutually incorporated specifically therein) resulting from a relevant solicitation represents the entire agreement between the parties and supersedes all prior oral or

written statements or agreements. All promises, requirements, terms, conditions, provisions, representations, guarantees, and warranties contained herein shall survive the Contract expiration or termination date unless specifically provided otherwise herein, or unless superseded by applicable Federal or State statutes of limitation.

- 22. <u>ELECTRONIC RECORDS</u>: The State will digitize all Vendor responses to the relevant solicitation, if not received electronically, as well as any awarded Contract together with associated procurement-related documents. These electronic copies shall constitute a preservation record and shall serve as the official record of this procurement with the same force and effect as the original written documents comprising such record. Any official electronic copy, printout or other output readable by sight shown to reflect such record accurately shall constitute an "original."
- **23. AMENDMENTS:** This Contract may be amended only by a written amendment duly executed by the State and the Vendor.
- 24. <u>NO WAIVER</u>: Notwithstanding any other language or provision in the Contract or in any Vendor-supplied material, nothing herein is intended nor shall be interpreted as a waiver of any right or remedy otherwise available to the State under applicable law. The waiver by the State of any right or remedy on any one occasion or instance shall not constitute or be interpreted as a waiver of that or any other right or remedy on any other occasion or instance.
- **25.** <u>FORCE MAJEURE:</u> Neither party shall be deemed to be in default of its obligations hereunder if and so long as it is prevented from performing such obligations as a result of events beyond its reasonable control, including, without limitation, fire, power failures, any act of war, hostile foreign action, nuclear explosion, riot, strikes or failures or refusals to perform under subcontracts, civil insurrection, earthquake, hurricane, tornado, other catastrophic epidemic or pandemic, natural event or Act of God.
- **26. SOVEREIGN IMMUNITY:** Notwithstanding any other term or provision in the Contract, nothing herein is intended nor shall be interpreted as waiving any claim or defense based on the principle of sovereign immunity or other State or federal constitutional provision or principle that otherwise would be available to the State under applicable law.

27. FEDERAL FUNDS PROVISIONS

Where federal funds are utilized in connection with this procurement, and to the extent applicable and absent stricter or controlling State provisions, the following federal provisions (in addition to the North Carolina General Terms and Conditions above) may apply consistent with Uniform Guidance in 2 C.F.R. § 200.326 and 2 C.F.R. Part 200, and its Appendix II and HUD requirements. Relevant federal authorities may require additional provisions depending on the scope and context of the Contract. Failure or unwillingness of the Vendor to continually meet any of these requirements, as applicable, may result in Contract termination.

Any links to websites not maintained by the State are provided as a courtesy. The State does not warrant or guarantee the accuracy of the hyperlink or the information contained therein.

- a) **No governmental non-competes.** Vendor shall not impose or enforce any non-competition agreement upon the employees included in Vendor's bid that would prevent those employees from accepting any offer of employment from the State of North Carolina outside of the first Term of the Contract. By executing this Contract, the Vendor affirms this condition. This affirmation is a material condition for the State's award of any work under this Contract.
- b) Program Monitoring. Vendor agrees to assist and cooperate with the Federal grantor or funding agency and the relevant Purchasing Agency or their duly designated representatives in the monitoring of the project or projects to which this Contract relates, and to provide in form and manner approved by the Purchasing Agency such monitoring reports, progress reports, and the like as may be required and to provide such reports at the times specified.
- c) **Remedies and Termination**, For purposes of this section the State Remedies and Termination provisions above apply as written.

d) Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act (40 U.S.C. 3701-3708).

Compliance with the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act.

- 1. Overtime requirements. No Vendor or subcontractor contracting for any part of the Contract work which may require or involve the employment of laborers or mechanics shall require or permit any such laborer or mechanic in any workweek in which he or she is employed on such work to work in excess of forty hours in such workweek unless such laborer or mechanic receives compensation at a rate not less than one and one-half times the basic rate of pay for all hours worked in excess of forty hours in such workweek.
- 2. Violation; liability for unpaid wages; liquidated damages. In the event of any violation of the clause set forth in 29 C.F.R. §5.5(b)(1) the Vendor and any subcontractor responsible therefor shall be liable for the unpaid wages. In addition, such Vendor and subcontractor shall be liable to the United States (in the case of work done under contract for the District of Columbia or a territory, to such District or to such territory), for liquidated damages. Such liquidated damages shall be computed with respect to each individual laborer or mechanic, including watchmen and guards, employed in violation of the clause set forth in 29 C.F.R. §5.5(b)(1), in the sum of \$33 for each calendar day on which such individual was required or permitted to work in excess of the standard workweek of forty hours without payment of the overtime wages required by the clause set forth in 29 C.F.R. §5.5(b)(1).
- 3. Withholding for unpaid wages and liquidated damages. The Purchasing Agency shall upon its own action or upon written request of an authorized representative of the Department of Labor withhold or cause to be withheld, from any moneys payable on account of work performed by the Vendor or subcontractor under any such contract or any other Federal contract with the same prime Vendor, or any other federally-assisted contract subject to the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act, which is held by the same prime Vendor, such sums as may be determined to be necessary to satisfy any liabilities of such Vendor or subcontractor for unpaid wages and liquidated damages as provided in the clause set forth in 29 C.F.R. §5.5(b)(2).
- 4. SubContracts. The Vendor or subcontractor shall insert in any subcontracts the clauses set forth in paragraph (b)(1) through (4) of 29 C.F.R. §5.5 and also a clause requiring the subcontractors to include these clauses in any lower tier subcontracts. The prime Vendor shall be responsible for compliance by any subcontractor or lower tier subcontractor with the clauses set forth in 29 C.F.R. §5.5(b)(2) through (4).

e) CLEAN AIR ACT AND THE FEDERAL WATER POLLUTION CONTROL ACT.

Clean Air Act

- 1. The Vendor agrees to comply with all applicable standards, orders or regulations issued pursuant to the Clean Air Act, as amended, 42 U.S.C. § 7401 et seq.
- 2. The Vendor agrees to report each violation to the Purchasing Agency and understands and agrees that the Purchasing Agency will, in turn, report each violation as required to assure notification to the Federal Emergency Management Agency, and the appropriate Environmental Protection Agency Regional Office.
- 3. The Vendor agrees to include these requirements in each subcontract exceeding \$150,000 financed in whole or in part with Federal assistance.

Federal Water Pollution Control Act

- 1. The Vendor agrees to comply with all applicable standards, orders, or regulations issued pursuant to the Federal Water Pollution Control Act, as amended, 33 U.S.C. 1251 et seq.
- 2. The Vendor agrees to report each violation to the Purchasing Agency and understands and agrees that the Purchasing Agency will, in turn, report each violation as required to assure notification to the federal agency providing funds hereunder, and the appropriate Environmental Protection Agency Regional Office.
- 3. The Vendor agrees that these requirements will be included in each subcontract exceeding \$150,000

financed in whole or in part with Federal assistance.

f) Debarment and Suspension.

- 1. This Contract, if federal funding is used, is a covered transaction for purposes of 2 C.F.R. pt. 180 and 2 C.F.R. pt. 3000. As such, the Vendor is required to verify that none of the Vendor's principals (defined at 2 C.F.R. § 180.995) or its affiliates (defined at 2 C.F.R. § 180.905) are excluded (defined at 2 C.F.R. § 180.940) or disqualified (defined at 2 C.F.R. § 180.935).
- 2. The Vendor must comply with 2 C.F.R. pt. 180, subpart C and 2 C.F.R. pt. 3000, subpart C, and must include a requirement to comply with these regulations in any lower tier covered transaction it enters into.
- 3. This certification is a material representation of fact relied upon by a federal agency providing federal funds herein and the Purchasing Agency. If it is later determined that the Vendor did not comply with 2 C.F.R. pt. 180, subpart C and 2 C.F.R. pt. 3000, subpart C, in addition to remedies available to federal agency providing federal funds herein and the Purchasing Agency, the Federal Government may pursue available remedies, including but not limited to suspension and/or debarment.
- 4. The Vendor agrees to comply with the requirements of 2 C.F.R. pt. 180, subpart C and 2 C.F.R. pt. 3000, subpart C while this offer is valid and throughout the period of the Contract resulting from a relevant solicitation herein. The Vendor further agrees to include a provision requiring such compliance in its lower tier covered transactions.

g) Byrd Anti-Lobbying Amendment (31 U.S.C. 1352) (as Amended).

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

Required Certification. Vendors must sign and submit to the Purchasing Agency the certification attached hereto as Attachment F and, if applicable, complete the disclosure form in Attachment G. See the latest version of "Certification for Contracts, Grants, Loans, and Cooperative Agreements" found at https://ncadmin.nc.gov/documents/vendor-forms.

h) Procurement of Recovered Materials.

- 1. Unless specified otherwise in the Contract, in the performance of this Contract, the Vendor shall make maximum use of products containing recovered materials that are EPA-designated items unless the product cannot be acquired:
 - Competitively within a timeframe providing for compliance with the Contract performance schedule;
 - Meeting Contract performance requirements; or
 - At a reasonable price.
- 2. Information about this requirement, along with the list of EPA designated items, is available at EPA's Comprehensive Procurement Guidelines web site: https://www.epa.gov/smm/comprehensive-procurement-guideline-cpg-program.
- 3. The Vendor also agrees to comply with all other applicable requirements of Section 6002 of the Solid Waste Disposal Act."

- i) Access to Records. In addition to the North Carolina General Contract Terms & Conditions section entitled "ACCESS TO PERSONS AND RECORDS" included in this Contract, the following access to records requirements apply to this Contract:
 - 1. The Vendor agrees to provide the Purchasing Agency, the Administrator of the federal agency providing funds hereunder, the Comptroller General of the United States, or any of their authorized representatives access to any books, documents, papers, and records of the Vendor which are directly pertinent to this Contract for the purposes of making audits, examinations, excerpts, and transcriptions.
 - 2. The Vendor agrees to permit any of the foregoing parties to reproduce by any means whatsoever or to copy excerpts and transcriptions as reasonably needed.
 - 3. The Vendor agrees to provide the Administrator of the federal agency providing funds hereunder or his authorized representative access to construction or other work sites pertaining to the work being completed under the Contract.
 - 4. In compliance with the Disaster Recovery Act of 2018, the Purchasing Agency and the Vendor acknowledge and agree that no language in this Contract is intended to prohibit audits or internal reviews by the Administrator of the federal agency providing funds hereunder or the Comptroller General of the United States.
- j) **Modifications to Contract.** Modifications to the Contract are governed by the North Carolina General Contract Terms & Conditions section above entitled "<u>AMENDMENTS</u>," except as approval and signature by any federal official may also be required.
- k) **Records Retention.** All records required to be kept on the project shall be maintained for at least eight (8) years after final payments and until all other pending matters under the grant for this project have been closed. However, if any audit, litigation or other action arising out of or related in any way to this project is commenced before the end of the eight (8) year period, the records shall be retained for one (1) year after all issues arising out of the action are finally resolved or until the end of the eight (8) year period, whichever is later.
- Energy Efficiency. All participants in the projects funded hereby shall recognize mandatory standards and policies relating to energy efficiency, which are contained in the state energy conservation plan issued in compliance with the Energy Policy and Conservation Act (PL 94-163).
- m) **Program Fraud and False or Fraudulent Statements or Related Acts.** Vendor acknowledges that 31 U.S.C. Chapter 38 (Administrative Remedies for False Claims and Statements) applies to its actions pertaining to the Contract.
- n) **No Obligation by Federal Government.** The Federal Government is not a party to this Contract and is not subject to any obligations or liabilities to the non-Federal entity, Vendor, or any other party pertaining to any matter resulting from the Contract.
- o) **Compliance with Federal Law, Regulations, and Executive Orders.** This is an acknowledgement that federal financial assistance will be used to fund all or a portion of the Contract. The Vendor will comply with all applicable Federal law, regulations, executive orders, the policies of the federal agency(ies) providing funding, procedures, and directives.
- p) **Federal Seals, Logos, and Flags**. In addition to the prohibitions of the North Carolina General Contract Terms & Conditions section above entitled "<u>ADVERTISING</u>," the Vendor shall not use the seal(s), logos, crests, or reproductions of flags of a federal agency providing funding herein, or likenesses of federal agency officials without specific pre-approval of the relevant federal agency.
- q) **System for Awards Management**. Vendor shall be responsible to ensure that it has checked the federal System for Awards Management (SAM) https://www.sam.gov/SAM and the State Debarred Vendors Listing, https://ncadmin.nc.gov/documents/nc-debarred-vendors to verify that Contractors or sub-Recipients have

not been suspended or debarred from doing business with federal or State government.

r) Section 3 Clause. Vendor will comply with the following clauses from 24 CFR 135.38:

The Contractor shall comply with the provisions of Section 3 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968, as amended, 12 USC 1701u, and implementing its regulations at 24 CFR Part 75, as expressed below:

- 1. The work to be performed under this contract is subject to the requirements of Section 3 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968, as amended by the Housing and Community Development Act of 1992 (Section 3). The purpose of Section 3 is to ensure that employment and other economic opportunities generated by HUD assistance or HUD-assisted projects covered by Section 3, shall, to the greatest extent feasible, be directed to low- and very low-income persons, particularly persons who are recipients of HUD assistance for housing.
- 2. The parties to this contract agree to comply with HUD's regulations in 24 CFR Part 75, which implement Section 3. As evidenced by their execution of this contract, the parties to this contract certify that they are under no contractual or other impediment that would prevent them from complying with the part 75 regulations.
- 3. The contractor agrees to send to each labor organization or representative of workers with which the contractor has a collective bargaining agreement or other understanding, if any, a notice advising the labor organization or workers' representative of the contractor's commitments under this Section 3 clause, and will post copies of the notice in conspicuous places at the work site where both employees and applicants for training and employment positions can see the notice. The notice shall describe the Section 3 preference, shall set forth minimum number and job titles subject to hire, availability of apprenticeship and training positions, the qualifications for each; and the name and location of the person(s) taking applications for each of the positions; and the anticipated date the work shall begin.
- 4. The contractor agrees to include this Section 3 clause in every subcontract subject to compliance with regulations in 24 CFR Part 75, and agrees to take appropriate action, as provided in an applicable provision of the subcontract or in this Section 3 clause, upon a finding that the subcontractor is in violation of the regulations in 24 CFR Part 75. The contractor will not subcontract with any subcontractor where the contractor has notice or knowledge that the subcontractor has been found in violation of the regulations in 24 CFR Part 75.
- 5. The contractor will certify that any vacant employment positions, including training positions that are filled (1) after the contractor is selected by before the contract is executed, and (2) with persons other than those to whom the regulations of 24 CFR part 75 require employment opportunities to be directed, were not filled to circumvent the contractor's obligations under 24 CFR part 75.
- 6. Noncompliance with HUD's regulations in 24 CFR part 75 may result in sanctions, termination of this contract for default, and debarment or suspension from future HUD assisted contracts.
- 7. With respect to work performed in connection with Section 3 covered Indian housing assistance, section 7(b) of the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act (25 U.S.C. 450e) also applies to the work to be performed under this contract. Section 7(b) requires that to the greatest extent feasible (i) preference in the award of contracts and subcontracts shall be given to Indian organizations and Indian-owned Economic Enterprises. Parties to this contract that are subject to the provisions of Section 3 and Section 7(b) agree to comply with Section 3 to the maximum extent feasible, but not in derogation of compliance with Section 7(b).

- s) **Non-Discrimination**. Vendor will comply with all Federal statutes relating to non-discrimination. These include but are not limited to:
 - 1. Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (42 U.S.C 2000(d)) and implementing regulations (24 CFR part 1), which provide that no person in the United States shall, on the grounds of race, color or national origin, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or otherwise be subject to discrimination under any program or activity that receives Federal financial assistance.

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- 2. Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (29 U.S.C. 794), as amended, and implementing regulations at 24 CFR part 8, the American Disabilities Act (42 U.S.C. §§ 12101 et.seq.), and implementing regulations at 28 CFR part 35 or 36, as applicable, and the Age Discrimination Act of 1975 (42 U.S.C. §§ 6101-6107) as amended, and implementing regulations at 24 CFR part 146, which together provide that no person in the United States shall, on the grounds of disability or age, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or otherwise be subjected to discrimination under any program or activity that receives Federal financial assistance.
- 3. The Fair Housing Act (42 U.S.C. 3601- 19), as amended, and the implementing regulations at 24 CFR part 100, which prohibit discrimination in housing on the basis of race, color, religion sex (including gender identity and sexual orientation), disability, familial status, or national origin and will affirmatively further fair housing, will apply.
- 4. Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, as amended (20 USC §§ 1681 1683, and 1685-1686), which prohibits discrimination on the basis of sex.
- 5. The Drug Abuse Office and Treatment Act of 1972 (P.L. 92-255), as amended relating to nondiscrimination on the basis of drug abuse.
- 6. The Comprehensive Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism Prevention, Treatment and Rehabilitation Act of 1970 (P.L. 91-616), as amended, relating to nondiscrimination on the basis of alcohol abuse or alcoholism.
- 7. §§ 523 and 527 of the Public Health Service Act of 1912 (42 U.S.C §§ 290 dd-3 and 290 ee 3), as amended, relating to confidentiality of alcohol and drug abuse patient records.
- 8. Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968 (42 U.S.C. §§3601 et seq.), as amended, relating to nondiscrimination in the sale, rental, or financing of housing.
- 9. Any other applicable Federal nondiscrimination requirements, including those listed at 24 CFR §§ 5.105(a) and 5.106 as applicable.
- t) **URA.** The acquisition and relocation requirements of the Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act of 1970, as amended (42 U.S.C. 4601) and implementing regulations at 49 CFR part 24 and, as applicable, Section 104(d) of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974 (42 U.S.C. 5304(d)) and implementing regulations at 24 CFR part 42, subpart A, will apply.
- u) **National Environmental Policy Act.** The environmental requirements of the National Environmental Policy Act (42 U.S.C. 4321 et.seq.) and related Federal authorities prior to the commitment or expenditure of funds for property will apply.
- v) Plans, supervision, and reports. Vendor will comply with HUD requirements with regard to the drafting, reviewing and approval of construction plans and specifications. Vendor will provide and maintain competent and adequate engineering supervision at the construction site to ensure that the complete work conforms with the approved plans and specifications and will furnish progressive reports and such other information as may be required by HUD or the State.
- w) **Davis-Bacon Act.** Vendor will comply with the David-Bacon Act, as amended (40 U.S.C. 3141-3148), if required by the federal program legislation, in Construction contracts involving an excess of \$2000, and

subject to any other federal program limitations, all laborers and mechanics must be paid at a rate not less than those determined by the Secretary of Labor to be the prevailing wages. These wage rates are a federally mandated minimum only, and will be superseded by any State or local requirement mandating higher wage rates. Vendor also agrees to comply with Department of Labor Regulations pursuant to the Davis-Bacon Act found in 29 CFR Parts 1, 3, 5 and 7 which enforce statutory labor standards provisions. Wage determinations are available at https://sam.gov/wage-determinations.

- x) Lead Based Paint. Vendor will comply with the Lead-Based Paint Poisoning Prevention Act (42 U.S.C. §§ 4801 et seq.), which prohibits the use of lead-based paint in construction or rehabilitation of residence structures, and HUD's lead based paint regulations at 24 CFR Part 35.
- y) **Copeland Act**. Vendor will comply, as applicable, with the Copeland Act (40 U.S.C. §§ 276c and 18 U.S.C. §874).
- Environmental. Vendor will comply with environmental standards which may be prescribed pursuant to the following: (a) institution of environmental quality control measures under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (P.L. 91- 190) and Executive Order (EO) 11514; (b) notification of violating facilities pursuant to EO 11738; (c) protection of wetlands pursuant to EO 11990; (d) evaluation of flood hazards in floodplains in accordance with EO 11988; (e) assurance of project consistency with the approved State management program developed under the Coastal Zone Management Act of 1972 (16 U.S.C. §§1451 et seq.); (f) conformity of Federal actions to State (Clean Air) implementation Plans under Section 176(c) of the Clean Air Act of 1955, as amended (42 U.S.C. §§7401 et seq.); (g) protection of underground sources of drinking water under the Safe Drinking Water Act of 1974, as amended (P.L. 93-523); and, (h) protection of endangered species under the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (P.L. 93-205).
- aa) Wild and Scenic Rivers Act of 1968. Vendor will comply with the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act of 1968 (16 U.S.C. §§1271 et seq.) related to protecting components or potential components of the national wild and scenic rivers system.
- bb) **Preservation.** Vendor will assist HUD and the State in assuring compliance with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended (16 U.S.C. §470), EO 11593 (identification and protection of historic properties), and the Archaeological and Historic Preservation Act of 1974 (16 U.S.C. §§469a-1 et seq).
- cc) **Audits.** Vendor will cause to be performed the required financial and compliance audits in accordance with the Single Audit Act Amendments of 1996 and 2 CFR Part 200 Subpart F Audit Requirements.

ATTACHMENT D: LOCATION OF WORKERS UTILIZED BY VENDOR

In accordance with NC General Statute 143-59.4, the Vendor shall detail the location(s) at which performance will occur, as well as the manner in which it intends to utilize resources or workers outside of the United States in the performance of this Contract. The State will evaluate the additional risks, costs, and other factors associated with such utilization prior to making an award. Please complete items a, b, and c below.

utilization prior to making an award. Please complete items a, b, and c below.	
a) Will any work under this Contract be performed outside the United States?] YES ⊠ NO
If the Vendor answered "YES" above, Vendor must complete items 1 and 2 below:	
1. List the location(s) outside the United States where work under this Contract will be Vendor, any sub-Contractors, employees, or other persons performing work under the	•
2. Describe the corporate structure and location of corporate employees and activitie affiliates or any other sub-Contractors that will perform work outside the U.S.:	es of the Vendor, its
b) The Vendor agrees to provide notice, in writing to the State, of the relocation of the Vendor, employees of the Vendor, sub-Contractors of the Vendor, or other persons performing services under the Contract outside of the United States	☑ YES □ NO
NOTE: All Vendor or sub-Contractor personnel providing call or contact center services to the State of North Carolina under the Contract shall disclose to inbound callers the location from which the call or contact center services are being provided.	

c) Identify all U.S. locations at which performance will occur:

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ATTACHMENT E: HISTORICALLY UNDERUTILIZED BUSINESSES INFORMATION

The State is committed to retaining Vendors from diverse backgrounds, and it invites and encourages participation in the procurement process by businesses owned by minorities, women, disabled, disabled business enterprises and non-profit work centers for the blind and severely disabled. In particular, the State encourages participation by Vendors certified by the State Office of Historically Underutilized Businesses, as well as the use of HUB-certified vendors as subcontractors on State contracts.

Historically Underutilized Businesses (HUBs) consist of minority, women and disabled business firms that are at least fifty-one percent owned and operated by an individual(s) of the categories. Also included in this category are disabled business enterprises and non-profit work centers for the blind and severely disabled.

Pursuant to G.S. 143B-1361(a), 143-48 and 143-128.4, the State invites and encourages participation in this procurement process by businesses owned by minorities, women, disabled, disabled business enterprises and non-profit work centers for the blind and severely disabled. This includes utilizing subcontractors to perform the required functions in this RFP. Any questions concerning NC HUB certification, contact the **North Carolina Office of Historically Underutilized Businesses** at (919) 807-2330. The Vendor shall respond to question a) and b) below.

b) Is Vendor Certified with North Carolina as a Historically Underutilized Business?

Yes
No

AGREEMENTS

The undersigned certifies, to the best of his or her knowledge and belief, that:

1. No Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid, by or on behalf of the undersigned, to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of an agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with the awarding of any Federal Contract, the making of any Federal grant, the making of any Federal loan, the entering into of any cooperative agreement, and the extension, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification of any Federal Contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement.

ATTACHMENT F: CERTIFICATION FOR CONTRACTS, GRANTS, LOANS AND COOPERATIVE

- 2. If any funds other than Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with this Federal Contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement, the undersigned shall complete and submit Standard Form-LLL, "Disclosure Form to Report Lobbying," in accordance with its instructions.
- 3. The undersigned shall require that the language of this certification be included in the award documents for all subawards at all tiers (including subcontracts, subgrants, and Contracts under grants, loans, and cooperative agreements) and that all subrecipients shall certify and disclose accordingly.

This certification is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when this transaction was made or entered into. Submission of this certification is a prerequisite for making or entering into this transaction imposed by section 1352, title 31, U.S. Code. Any person who fails to file the required certification shall be subject to a civil penalty of not less than \$10,000 and not more than \$100,000 for each such failure.

The Vendor, Timberline Construction Group, LLC	, certifies or affirms the truthfulness and accuracy
of each statement of its certification and disclosure, if any. In	addition, the Vendor understands and agrees that the
provisions of 31 U.S.C. Chap. 38, Administrative Remedies for	False Claims and Statements, apply to this certification
and disclosure, if any.	

Signature of Vendor's Authorized Official

Daniel Burnham, Managing Member

Name and Title of Vendor's Authorized Official

5/7/2025

Date

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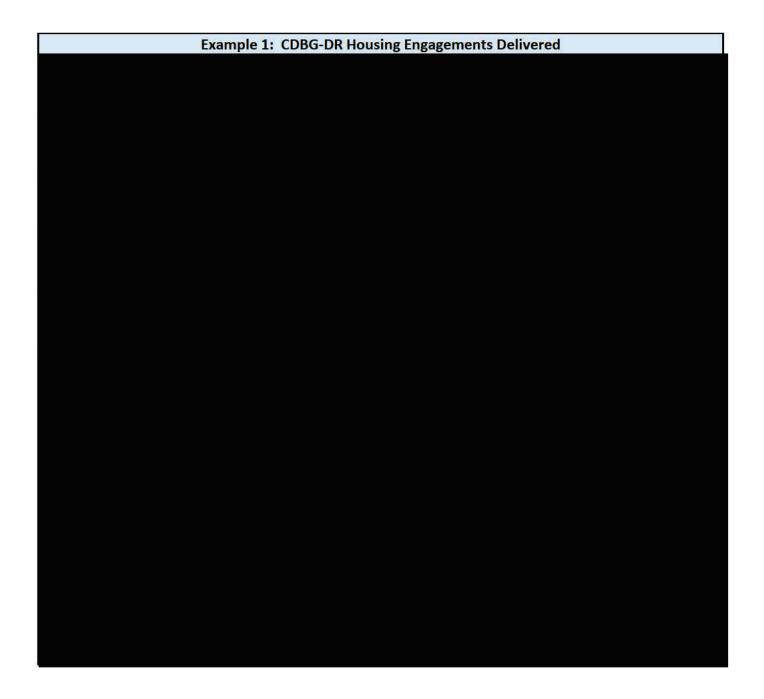
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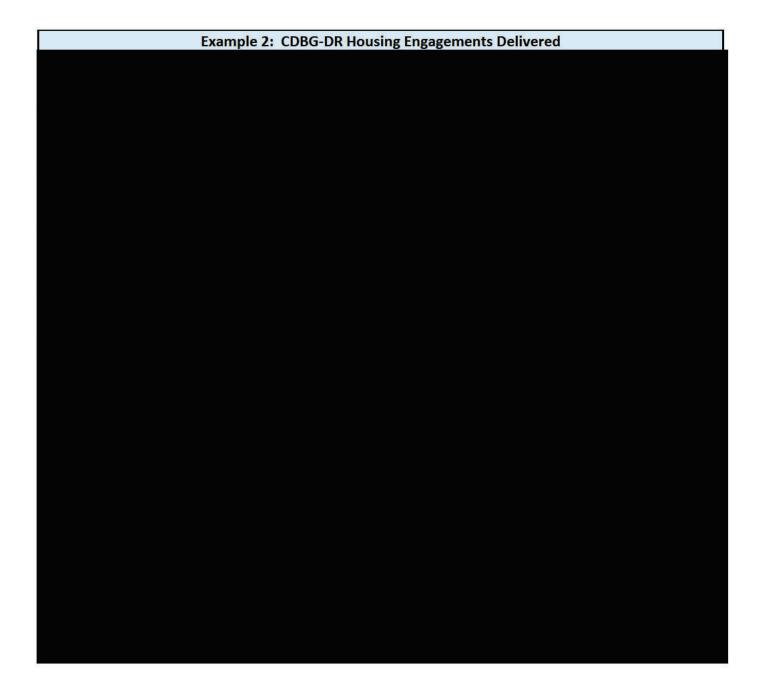
ATTACHMENT G: DISCLOSURE OF LOBBYING ACTIVITIES

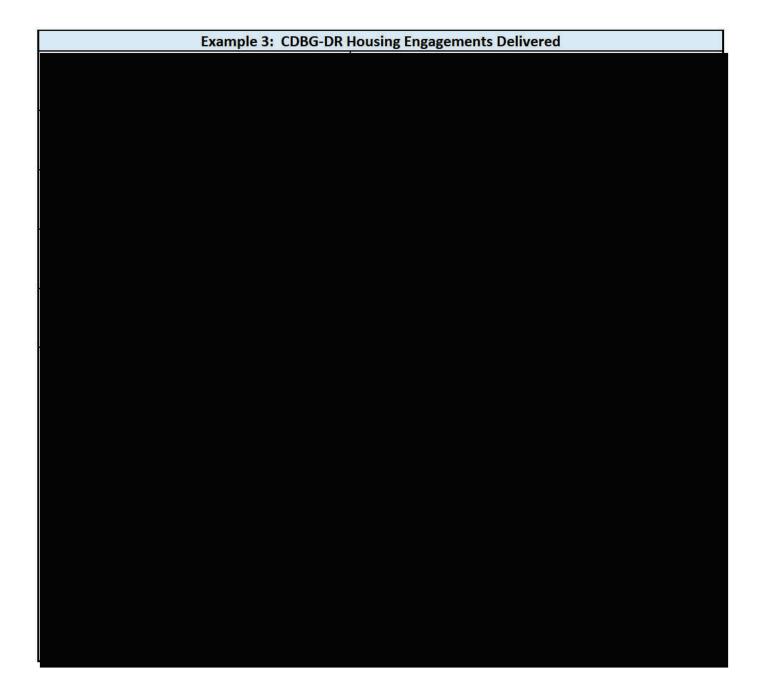
The Disclosure of Lobbying Activities form, is located at https://www.doa.nc.gov/pandc/onlineforms/form-omb-standard-form-III-7-2020/download.

ATTACHMENT H: EXPERIENCE, QUALIFICATIONS, REFERENCES

Complete one form for each of up to three (3) examples of CDBG-DR housing engagements delivered by the proposing General Contractor (prime contractor). Subcontractor qualifications will not be considered. Client Points of Contact must have an adequate understanding of the services delivered. Reference points will not be awarded if the client cannot be contacted with the contact information provided. If the program example provided is not for CDBG-DR single family housing, then the program example will be considered non-responsive. The proposing entity must submit at least one minimally qualified program example for award consideration. Each program example can earn up to 15 points for a total maximum score of 45 points.









Josh Stein GOVERNOR Lee Lilley SECRETARY Stephanie McGarrah DEPUTY SECRETARY

BID ADDENDUM

May 1, 2025

FAILURE TO RETURN THIS ADDENDUM MAY SUBJECT YOUR BID TO REJECTION

Solicitation Number	Doc1539254856
Solicitation Description	Residential Demolition, Reconstruction, Rehabilitation, and Manufactured Housing Unit Replacement for Hurricane Helene impacted Counties
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CHANGE TO SOLICITATION:

1. ATTACHMENT H: EXPERIENCE, QUALIFICATIONS, REFERENCES the reference to "points" has been removed. Amended to read:

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2. 2.8 PROPOSAL CONTENTS amended to read:

Vendor response to Section 7: REQUIRED VENDOR INFORMATION should not exceed twenty (20) pages. This does <u>not</u> include cover page (title page), cover letter, table of contents, all pages of the RFP, **résumés**, **Annual Report**, **Litigation History**, certificate of insurance, compensation experience modification rate (EMR), copy of safety manual, copy of quality control manual, litigation history, and the completed attachments to this RFP.

RESPONSE TO QUESTIONS:

State's Responses to Questions Received by the due date and time of April 28, 2025, by 10:00 am ET. The Question appears exactly as submitted by the Vendor.

	CITATION	VENDOR QUESTION	DCR RESPONSE
1	7.13 Reconstruction Plan Sets, Page 36	Do plan sets have to be included with the RFP submittal or only during the BAFO process?	Plan sets are <u>not</u> required to be provided with the RFP submittal. Plan sets will be requested during the BAFO process.
2	7.13 Reconstruction Plan Sets, Page 36	Can you please clarify what is required in the section? Should the vendor simply list previous CDBG-DR programs where the vendor has provided plan sets?	Correct, list previous CDBG-DR programs where the vendor has provided plan sets.
3	2.8 Proposal Contents, Page 10	Will resumes be included against the 20 page limit?	The 20-page limit does <u>not</u> include résumés.
4	4.9 Bond and Insurance Requirements, Page 18	Will blanket payment & performance bonds be allowed for this program?	DCR will consider, but not require, blanket payment & performance bonds.
5	5.1 Scope of Services, Page 19	Please clarify the time requirement for rehab projects with a scope less than \$50,000. Page 19 says 45 days, other pages state 30 days.	Rehabilitation projects with a scope <\$50,000 shall be completed within 45 calendar days from the Notice to Proceed to passed Final Inspection.
6	2.8 Proposal Contents, Page 10	Are the personnel resumes, project history, and Annual Report included in the 20 page limit?	The 20-page limit does <u>not</u> include résumés and Annual Report. The 20-page limit <u>does</u> include project history.
7	7.4 Key Staffing Profile, Pages 33-34	May resumes be excluded from the 20- page limit?	See answer to Question #3 and #6.
8	7.5 References, Page 34 Attachment H, Page 67	May a Letter of Reference be included as proof of endorsement if a person is unreachable when the Program attempts to contact them?	Yes.

9	7.6 Litigation History,	May the Litigation History be excluded	The 20-page limit does not
2	Page 34	from the 20-page limit? May it be	
	1 460 37	1	include Litigation History.
4.0	7.0 Amm1.5	included as an appendix to Section 7?	Con annual to O and the MC
10	7.8 Annual Report,	May the Annual Report (financial	See answer to Question #6.
	Page 35	statements) be excluded from the 20-	
		page limit? May it be included as an	
		appendix to Section 7?	
11	ATTACHMENT C:	Please clarify the requirement for	Yes. A foreign corporation must
	NORTH CAROLINA	domestication. If the Vendor	obtain a Certificate of Authority
	GENERAL CONTRACT	corporation is not legally formed in	from the N.C. Secretary of State,
	TERMS & CONDITIONS, Section 7c) SITUS AND	North Carolina but registered with the	which will satisfy the
	GOVERNING LAWS,	North Carolina Secretary of State as a	domestication requirement in
	Page 49	foreign corporation in North Carolina	Attachment C, Section 7c.
	1 480 13	and in good standing, does this satisfy	
		the "domestication" process?	
12	5.0 Scope of Work,	There are two different timeframes	Rehabilitation projects with a
	Page 19	prescribed for rehabilitation projects	scope <\$50,000 shall be
		<\$50,000. We recommend 45 days as	completed within 45 calendar
	4.1 Minimum	the standard acceptable timeframe.	days from the Notice to Proceed
	Qualifications,	Please clarify.	to passed Final Inspection.
	Page 16	,	
		Section 5.0 Scope of Work (page 19)	
		states " 45 days for rehabilitation	
		projects with a scope <\$50,000"	
		projects with a scope 1930,000	
		Section 4.1 Minimum Qualifications	
		(page 16) states "ability to carry	
		residential rehabilitation projects to	
		completion within 30 days for projects	
		with a scope <\$50,000"	
13	5.7 Liquidated	On the pre-bid call, one of the speakers	An exhaustive list of excusable
	Damages,	said that these timelines would be	delays cannot be provided.
	Page 31	enforced unless there are "excusable	Requests by general contractors
		delays approved by the state." Can you	for an extension to the period of
		please provide a list of excusable delays	performance will be reviewed on
		and how the state will manage	a case-by-case basis.
			a case-by-case basis.
		approving them? For example, are delays in getting permits,	
		environmental mitigation delays or	
		inspections from local governments	
		excusable delays?	

14	4.9 Bonds and Insurance, Page 18	With respect to the ongoing value of the P&P bonds, will Contractor be permitted to reduce the value of the bonds by the contract amount associated with completed projects? If so, will the trigger to reduce the bond value be based on the date of passed final inspection or the date of final payment for the completed project?	Yes, as long as the vendor maintains performance and payment bonds in an amount equal to (or greater than) the value of the active construction projects issued under the awarded contract. Reduction will be based on the date of final payment.
15	4.9 Bonds and Insurance, Page 18	The RFP states that bond riders will be required to capture increased costs resulting from approved change orders such that 100% of the project cost is always covered by a valid P&P bond. Assuming change orders will be relatively frequent, will Contractor be permitted to establish a set interval (i.e. quarterly) to reconcile the contract and bond values to a change order log and issue such riders based on changes that occur within that period? Else, it's possible that multiple riders will need to be issued weekly.	If the builder is operating at its bond ceiling, then riders will need to be issued in a timely manner to account for change orders.
16	4.3 Payment Structure, Page 16	Is it DCR's intention to withhold retainage on Vendor's monthly invoices? If so, what % will be withheld and what will be the trigger for DCR to release the retainage?	The implementation vendor will inform the payment schedule as a part of its construction management strategy.
17	4.3 Payment Structure, Page 16	In lieu of withholding retainage, if any, will DCR accept a Retention Bond in addition to the P&P bonds?	DCR may consider a Retention Bond if it integrates with the implementation vendor's construction management strategy.
18	5.2.4 Manufactured Housing Units, Page 27	Does the contractor who is buying and installing MHU's in NC need to have a resellers license?	DCR does not require a resale license; the vendor must comply with all relevant local, state, and federal tax laws and regulations.
19	5.6 Project Assignment Methodology, Page 31	Would the program consider awarding projects within a centralized region(s)? Concentrating efforts in a	DCR will consider geographic clustering for builder assignments if it aligns with the

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		specific area could potentially lead to a higher success rate for both the program and its vendors by streamlining logistics, reducing travel time, and enhancing overall efficiency.	implementation vendor's construction management strategy.
20	2.1 Request for Proposal Document and Scopes of Work, Page 6	"DCR, or an Implementation Vendor on behalf of DCR, will issue Scopes of Work for specific project assignments to Vendors that are qualified and awarded pursuant to this RFP." What will be the methodology used by DCR or the implementation vendor to assign work to general contractors? Will this methodology or scorecard be shared with the general contractors? Will DCR or the implementation vendor award contractors with more	The implementation vendor will assign projects in accordance with their construction management strategy. The strategy will be communicated to the builders and updated regularly based on performance and capacity.
		assignments for completing homes under the contractual deadlines?	
21	3.1 Method of Award, Page 11	"The State intends to select up to 25 of the most qualified Vendors. Once a pool of the most qualified Vendors is identified, the State will then engage in a Best and Final Offer (BAFO) negotiation phase. Vendors who intend to perform reconstruction projects will be asked for reconstruction plan sets as part of the BAFO process. Plans sets may include traditional Stick-Built construction or modular construction. Costs for all project types will be negotiated during that process as well." Are construction plan sets required to be submitted with the response to this RFP? Or will they be required only if the contractor is selected to participate in the BAFO negotiation phase.	See answer to Question #1.
22	5.2.2 Repair Scope of Work, Page 23	"The Scope of Work for each repaired structure will vary, but may include, although not be limited to, the following: Providing architectural and house plan renderings"	Renderings are only necessary if required by the jurisdiction.

23	5.2.3 Size and New Unit Configuration, Page 24	Are architectural and house plan renderings to be required on every repair project or only if required by the jurisdiction. "Which standard floorplan the applicant receives is based on DCR policy" How many "Standard floorplans" does the program plan on including in the program? Is it the programs intent to keep the number of standard floorplans to a minimum? Will the program consider two or more story	DCR will limit the number of floor plans selected. Plans for two or more story homes will only be considered in site limiting circumstances with no other alternatives.
24	5.4 Additional Requirements, Page 30	"Meet with the program and individual property owners to review the Scope of Work to be performed, including establishing a work schedule acceptable to property owners and reviewing work upon final inspection." What will the program's policy be towards homeowner access to the property during construction? Will homeowners be attending the program inspections? Will homeowners determine quality standards, or will quality standards only be upheld by DCR and the implementation vendor?	Builders should establish safe practices for homeowner access to their property. Homeowners are not required to attend or approve program inspections or quality standards.
25	2.4 RFP Schedule,Page 72.6 ProposalQuestions,Page 8	To allow proper consideration, review, and question submittal, please extend all dates by one week, starting with extending submittals of RFIs until May 5.	The RFP Schedule remains as indicated in the Solicitation.
26	2.8 Proposal Contents, Page 10 7.4 Key Staffing Profile Page 33	Are resumes exempt from the page count?	See answer to Question #3.
27	2.8 Proposal Contents,Page 107.9 Safety Information,Page 35	Are the Safety & Quality Manuals required with submission?	Per 7.9 Safety Information, "A copy of Vendor's safety manual may also be required. The safety manual will become part of the Contract if your Solicitation Response is selected." Vendors

	7.10 Quality Control Program, Page 35		are not required to submit with their offer their Safety Manual; however, vendors are welcome to provide it with their offer submission. If the safety manual is not provided with offer submission; if awarded a contract, the safety manual must be provided.
			Per 7.10 Quality Control Program, "A copy of Vendor's quality control manual may be required. The quality control manual will become part of the Contract if Vendor's Solicitation Response is selected." Vendors are not required to submit with their offer their Quality Control Manual; however, vendors are welcome to provide it with their offer submission. If the quality control manual is not provided with offer submission; if awarded a contract, the quality control manual must be provided.
28	2.8 Proposal Contents, Page 10 7.8 Annual Report, Page 35	Are financial statements exempt from the page count?	See answer to Question #6.
29	2.8 Proposal Contents, Page 10	The description of required vendor information does not include Section 7.8 Annual Report. Annual Report documents (such as audited financials) can easily be dozens of pages. What is the recommendation for including Annual Reports while adhering to the limitation of 20 pages?	See answer to Question #6.
30	3.1 Method of Award, Page 11	If a vendor is awarded reconstruction projects, can they elect to replace all eligible homes with modular homes,	If vendors submit modular plan sets for DCR consideration and if

		rather than offering stick-built reconstruction as an option?	DCR selects a modular plan set for program use, then yes, the vendor may use the DCR approved modular plan set for reconstruction projects.
31	5.2.4 MANUFACTURED HOUSING UNITS Manufactured Housing Unit (MHU) Replacement Scope of Work Page 29	"Coordinating applicant move out, and providing temporary housing." Section 5.2.4 references the contractor coordinating applicant move-out and providing temporary housing, if eligible. Could the State please clarify the contractor's responsibilities in this process? Specifically, is the contractor responsible for locating, securing, and paying for alternative living arrangements? If so, what eligibility criteria and requirements must be followed so that contractors can accurately account for these costs in their bids? Regarding the provision of temporary housing during the move-out period, who holds liability for the applicant's	Temporary housing will not be offered to all applicants. The implementation vendor will determine which, if any applicants, qualify for temporary housing. The implementation vendor will include temporary housing in the vendor's scope of work. The vendor will be required to issue a voucher to the qualified applicant for temporary housing. The applicant will use the voucher to acquire temporary housing.
		welfare, property, and behavior while in temporary accommodations?	
32	5.4 Additional Requirements, Page 30	"The initial meeting between the general contractor, applicant and Program will be done through a preconstruction meeting at one of the Program offices located within the Western North Carolina Hurricane Helene impacted counties area."	In person meetings are encouraged for each site evaluation, but DCR will consider alternative approaches that accelerate recovery or improve applicant service.
		Is an in-person preconstruction meeting required between the applicant and Vendor Representative before each site evaluation?	The implementation vendor will scope pods or temporary storage facilities for each applicant.
		Are there any other face-to-face meetings requirements?	
		"Assist homeowners in vacating their damaged home." Will the state provide	

33	4.1 Minimum Qualifications, Pages 15-16 7.0 Required Vendor Information, Pages 32-36	pods or the funds to purchase the pods for assistance? Do you want the Evaluation Criteria to refer to the relevant responses within 4.1 Minimum Qualifications and 7.0 Required Vendor Information, or are standalone responses for each of the Evaluation Criteria requested? For example, 3.4, a, ii Financial Stability and Solvency could refer to 4.1 Financial Solvency and Stability and 7.8 Annual Report, or we could provide a narrative response to 3.4.	Standalone responses for each of the Evaluation Criteria are not required or expected. The Evaluation Criteria are intended to communicate to Vendors how DCR will evaluate Vendors' responses and are based on the specifications elsewhere in the RFP.
		In the interest of not submitting a voluminous proposal, we want to avoid duplicative responses in multiple sections unless explicitly requested.	
34	7.4 Key Staffing Profile, Page 33	"Vendor must provide a key staffing profile and résumés for staff that will be responsible for the day-to-day performance of the services required under this Solicitation. Vendor shall designate a dedicated construction lead who will be located in the Western North Carolina Hurricane Helene recovery area." Are we providing their personal résumés or are we providing just their name, contact information and their job description?	Vendor must provide a key staffing profile and résumés for staff that will be responsible for the day-to-day performance of the services required under this Solicitation. Vendor must identify which employees, including if applicable the Project Manager, will be physically located in the responding area as regular face-to-face meetings with the program and applicants will be required (i.e., mandatory preconstruction meetings with applicants for each application). Key staff must include the following (DCR prefers for the three referenced positions to be held by three separate individuals qualified to perform each role): -Project Manager -Superintendent (s) -Warranty Coordinator

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35	7.5 References, Page 34	"Vendor shall provide a minimum of three references for projects of similar type and size performed within the last five years, preferably for state and/or local government entities. DCR reserves the right to check references prior to making any award hereunder. Any negative responses received may be grounds for disqualification of the proposal. DCR reserves the right to contact programs other than those listed by the Vendor in which DCR knows the Vendor participated."	Vendor shall provide a minimum of three references for projects of similar type and size performed within the last five years, preferably for state and/or local government entities.
		Can we provide more than three references even if they are in the same state/local government entity, where we have been assigned/contracted to complete projects from demo, abatement, rehabilitation, MHU replacement, reconstruction and elevation projects?	
36	7.13 Reconstruction Plan Sets (for Vendors seeking to perform reconstruction projects), Page 36	"Provide examples of single-family construction projects where you have provided the plan sets and specifications; DCR is specifically interested in examples of any CDBG-DR work where you have provided the plan sets and specifications. During the BAFO process, Vendors who intend to perform reconstruction projects may submit reconstruction plan sets of single-family homes, including options for Stick-Built or Modular homes, for consideration by the program for use in the reconstruction phase of the program. The Contractor must obtain permission from the designers for free reuse by the program by any contractor selected by the Program."	See answer to Question #1. Plan sets are not to be submitted at this time; just identify projects where you have provided those.
37	5.2.3 Reconstruction,	page limit when submitting our RFP? It states Fiber Cement Siding or stucco	Vinyl siding is an acceptable
3,	Reconstruction Scope of Work, Page 26	has to be used. Would it be acceptable to use vinyl siding instead? What we have found working with the	cladding.

		homeowners in the eastern part of NC is that using the fiber cement siding is putting extra work on the homeowners with the upkeep and maintenance every 7-10 years. It is additional work in long run and an added expense for homeowners that are already tight financially.	
38	7.0 REQUIRED VENDOR INFORMATION 7.8 Annual Report, Page 35	Can privately-held companies submit financials under a separate cover for confidentiality?	Per 2.7 PROPOSAL SUBMITTAL, "If confidential and proprietary information is included in the proposal, also submit one (1) signed, REDACTED copy of the proposal."
			In eProcurement Sourcing there are two fields for Vendors to upload files — UNREDACTED offer and REDACTED offer. Please also see Attachment B, No. 27, page 44 for instructions on marking pages and content confidential. The REDACTED version should be a document that can be made public once an award is made.
39	5.2 TASKS/ DELIVERABLES 5.2.3 Reconstruction Scope of Work, Page 26	Please verify that the DCR Implementation vendor will perform LBP testing, and the CM will be responsible for the Asbestos testing as necessary?	The implementation vendor will perform lead based paint testing and the vendor will be responsible for all other testing required by the jurisdiction.
40	5.2 TASKS/ DELIVERABLES 5.2.3 Reconstruction Scope of Work, Page 21	Will a damage assessment and feasibility analysis be performed prior to assignment?	Yes.
41	5.2 TASKS/ DELIVERABLES 5.2.2 Repair Scope of Work, Pages 20-24	In our experience when both the implementation vendor and CM do not perform the scope assessments together, the scope assessment tends to be performed at the substantial and final milestones inspections. Please verify that both the DCR Implementation vendor and CM	The implementation vendor is the construction manager. The implementation vendor will perform the scope assessment and assign the scope to the building vendor.

		perform an assessment together to obtain the SOW?	
42	5.2 TASKS/ DELIVERABLES 5.2.2 Repair Scope of Work	Will Exactimate Pricing be reviewed biannually or annually in order to adjust to the current market?	Xactimate pricing will be reviewed quarterly and adjusted if necessary.
43	5.2 TASKS/ DELIVERABLES 5.2.2 Repair Scope of Work	What is the expectation with pricing adjustments to address tariffs and escalation associated with the tariffs?	Xactimate pricing will be reviewed quarterly and adjusted if necessary.
44	5.2 TASKS/ DELIVERABLES 5.2.3 Reconstruction Scope of Work	Please verify the DCR implementation vendor will provide assistance and coordination with the applicant for temporary relocation.	The implementation vendor will qualify the applicant for temporary assistance. The implementation vendor will include scope for temporary assistance in the builder assignment. The builder will schedule move out and relocation. The builder will pay a voucher to the applicant per their scope.
45	4.0 REQUIREMENTS 4.4 Invoices, Page 17	If in fact performed by the CM please verify that a separate billing process will be allowed to receive continual reimbursement of the task?	Builder payments will be made in accordance with the payment schedule established by the implementation vendor and its construction management strategy.
46	5.2 TASKS/ DELIVERABLES 5.2.2 Repair Scope of Work, Page 23	Please verify that operational expenses and fees will be allowed on Temporary Relocation Assistance.	The implementation vendor will include scope in the builder assignment for temporary housing for qualified applicants.
47	5.0 SCOPE OF WORK 5.7 Liquidated Damages, Page 31	In our experience additional time must be added to the Temporary Relocation Assistance outside of the approved construction timeframes. This is due to the process of homeowner moveout needing to be performed prior to the notice to proceed and the delays after final inspection due to may different factors. Please verify that additional time of reimbursement for temp relo will be allowed upon program review of the process.	DCR will consider exceptions to the timeline in accordance with the implementation vendor's construction management strategy. In general, additional temporary housing assistance outside the prescribed construction timelines will not be considered.

48	5.2 TASKS/ DELIVERABLES 5.2.3 Reconstruction Scope of Work,	Reasonable Accommodations – Bathroom: Please confirm that all RA's will be performed and finalized prior to design.	In most instances, Reasonable Accommodations will be scoped prior to project assignment to the builder.
49	Page 25 5.0 SCOPE OF WORK 5.1 Scope of Services, Page 19	What is the repair cap?	The implementation vendor will perform feasibility analysis on each site and establish the repair scope. The scope will not exceed the reconstruction cap, unless exceptional circumstances are approved by DCR.
50	5.0 SCOPE OF WORK 5.1 Scope of Services, Page 19	In the Pre-Bid meeting, it was discussed that it was expected that a large percentage of the task orders would be reconstruction. With such a large repair task order value what are the criteria to flip from repair to reconstruction?	The implementation vendor will establish a repair or reconstruction feasibility policy that will establish criteria for scoping each project.
51	5.2 TASKS/ DELIVERABLES 5.2.2 Repair Scope of Work, Page 23	Will the historic repair process and pricing be the same or will there be separate pricing to accommodate the different processes, fees and materials outside of the standard?	Scoping for historic projects will reflect with costs for materials and activities required by the jurisdiction.
52	5.0 SCOPE OF WORK 5.1 Scope of Services, Page 19	Will additional time be allowed for Historic Properties that require specialty repairs?	DCR will consider additional time for historic properties, depending on the scope and complexity.
53	5.2 TASKS/ DELIVERABLES 5.2.3 Reconstruction Scope of Work, Page 26	Please confirm that scoping is allowed for infrastructure and roads outside of the applicant's property to allow access to the property. Especially regarding MHU delivery and Heavy Equipment access.	Private road and bridge repair scope will be limited to the applicant's property. The State has other programs for repairing roads and bridges.
54	5.2 TASKS/ DELIVERABLES 5.2.2 Repair Scope of Work, Page 23	Please verify that the DCR implementation vendor will obtain or verify the Flood insurance policies?	Yes.
55	5.0 SCOPE OF WORK 5.4 Additional Requirements, Page 30	Will there be opportunities to add additional milestones if necessary, such as preconstruction to assist in the cash flow of the homes?	The implementation vendor will establish a payment schedule in accordance with its construction management strategy.

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56	5.0 SCOPE OF WORK	Will there be a cap to LD's?	There is no cap on liquidated
	5.7 Liquidated		damage.
	Damages, Page 31		
57	4.0 REQUIREMENTS	What will be the contracted payment	Per ATTACHMENT C: NORTH
	4.4 Invoices,	terms?	CAROLINA GENERAL TERMS &
	Page 17		CONDITIONS, #9 PAYMENT
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			TERMS, "Payment terms are net
			not later than 30 days after
			receipt of a correct invoice or
			acceptance of goods, whichever is
			later." Additional information
			regarding payment may be
			included in the project Scope of
			Work.
58	5.2 TASKS/	Please address the process of applicant	The applicant will not be allowed
	DELIVERABLES	appeals during the construction	to appeal the design, materials, or
	5.2.2 Repair Scope of	process. In our experience appeals	services defined in the
	Work, Page 23	have been allowed up to and after the completion of construction requiring	construction scope. The vendor is
	rage 23	remobilization of the contractor. Will	expected to perform according to
		the applicants be allowed to submit	the scope, provide quality and
		multiple appeals of the scope during	timely work, and honor the
		and after the construction process?	warranties.
		Will the program establish a last day of	
		submission for each task order?	
59	5.2 TASKS/	Please confirm that scaffolding and	The implementation vendor will
	DELIVERABLES	additional safety measures outside of	scope necessary equipment.
	5.2.3 Reconstruction	the standard model home will be	
	Scope of Work,	scoped through the site-specific pricing	
60	Page 26 3.0 METHOD OF	outside of the Hard Cost of the model. Please verify what scope is to be	The BAEO will clarify prining
60	AWARD AND	included within the Hard cost of the	The BAFO will clarify pricing.
	PROPOSAL	standard models or if this information	
	EVALUATION PROCESS	will be provided during the BAFO	
	3.1 Method of Award,	process.	
	Page 11		
61	3.1 Method of Award,	"During the BAFO process, Vendors	It is estimated Vendors will be
	Negotiation and Best	who intend to perform reconstruction	provided 7 days to respond to the
	Final Offer,	projects may submit	BAFO.
	Page 13	reconstruction plan sets for single-	
		family homes, including options for	
		Stick-Built and/or modular homes, for	

consideration by the program for use in	
the reconstruction phase of the	
program."	
Do you know an approximately	
timeline that will be placed for builders	
to return pricing and house plans if	
selected to reach the BAFO phase?	

Execute Addendum:

VENDOR: Timberline Construction Group

AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE:

NAME and TITLE (Print or Typed): Daniel Burnham

DATE: 05/07/2025