REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

RFP # 24-07

RISK MANAGER CONSULTANT FOR THE GLOUCESTER COUNTY INSURANCE COMMISSION

SUBMISSION DEADLINE AT WHICH TIME PROPOSALS WILL BE OPENED IS

November 14, 2024 2:00 PM

ADDRESS ALL PROPOSALS TO:

CATHY DODD
GLOUCESTER COUNTY INSURANCE COMMISSION
9 CAMPUS DRIVE, SUITE 216
PARSIPPANY, NJ 07054
(CONTAINS GCIC RFP)

GENERAL INFORMATION & SUMMARY

ORGANIZATION REQUESTING PROPOSAL

GLOUCESTER COUNTY INSURANCE COMMISSION 9 CAMPUS DRIVE, SUITE 216 PARSIPPANY, NJ 07054

CONTACT PERSON

Cathy Dodd – 973-659-6410, <u>cdodd@permainc.com</u> Bradford Stokes – 856-552-6816, <u>bstokes@permainc.com</u> Executive Director's Office

PURPOSE OF REQUEST

The Gloucester County Insurance Commission is requesting proposals from qualified individuals and firms to provide a Risk Manager Consultant for the Gloucester County Insurance Commission.

PROPOSAL SUBMISSION

Submit one original paper copy, clearly marked as "ORIGINAL" plus 2 copies. The proposal must be addressed to:

Cathy Dodd
Gloucester County Insurance Commission
9 Campus Drive, Suite 216
Parsippany, NJ 07054
(Contains GCIC RFP)

DUE DATE:

November 14, 2024 - 2:00 PM

PERIOD OF CONTRACT

January 1, 2025 through December 31, 2027

METHOD OF PAYMENT

Contractor shall be paid in accordance with the Contract document upon receipt of an invoice and a properly executed voucher. After approval by Insurance Commission the payment voucher shall be placed in line for prompt payment.

Each invoice shall contain an itemized, detailed description of all work performed during the billing period. Failure to provide sufficient specificity shall be cause for rejection of the invoice until the necessary details are provided.

PROCEDURE FOR PAYMENT OF BILLS

The Contractor shall bill on a monthly basis for work performed pursuant to this contract, including interim bills, final bills and bills for the release of retainage.

The Contractor shall submit its bill only on the Insurance Commission's periodic billing date.

The periodic billing date for such bills shall be that date which is 20 days prior to the second monthly meeting of the Gloucester County Insurance Commission, (the "Bill Approval Meeting"). At each such Bill Approval Meeting, the Insurance Commission shall approve and certify the submitted bills, and direct that payment be made within 10 days of such meeting date.

The Insurance Commission shall examine the bills submitted on the periodic billing date prior to the Bill Approval Meeting. In the event that the Insurance Commission shall determine that all or some portion of the payment should be withheld, the Insurance Commission shall notify the Contractor in writing of the amount withheld and of their reasons for withholding payment.

The balance of the bill will be presented for payment at the Bill Approval Meeting.

Either party to this Contract may demand that a dispute concerning whether a party has failed to make payments pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 2A:30A-1 et. seq., be submitted to non-binding mediation.

CONTRACT FORM

The successful proposer shall be required to execute the Insurance Commission's form contract, which includes the indemnification, insurance, termination and licensing provisions set forth in this RFP.

It is also agreed and understood that the acceptance of the final payment by Contractor shall be considered a release in full of all claims against the Gloucester County Insurance Commission arising out of, or by reason of, the work done and materials furnished under this Contract.

PROPOSAL EVALUATION

The Gloucester County Insurance Commission will select the most advantageous proposal based on all of the evaluation factors set forth at the end of this RFP. However, cost is important to the Insurance Commission. The Insurance Commission may, if deemed useful, attempt to negotiate an acceptable fee with the most qualified proposer. The Insurance Commission will make the award that is in the best interest of the Insurance Commission based on cost and other considerations.

Each proposal must satisfy the objectives and requirements detailed in this RFP. The features of the proposal, considered together with its economic and other benefits, will form the basis for the evaluation process.

The successful proposer shall be determined by an evaluation of the total content of the proposal submitted. The Insurance Commission reserves the right to:

- Not select any of the proposals.
- Select only portions of a particular proposer's proposal for further consideration (however, proposers may specify portions of the proposal that they consider "bundled".)
- Award a contract for the requested services at any time within 60 days of the selection of the most advantageous proposal. Every proposal should be valid through this time period.

The Insurance Commission shall not be obligated to explain the results of the evaluation process to any proposer and may require proposers to demonstrate any services described in their proposal prior to award.

CRITERIA FOR EVALUATION OF PROPOSALS & BASIS OF AWARD

The RFP Committee will independently evaluate each submission and selection will be made upon the basis of the criteria listed below:

- Proposal contains all required checklist information
- Relevance and Extent of Qualifications, Experience, and Training of Personnel to be assigned
- Relevance and Extent of Similar Engagements performed
- Plan for performing engagement is realistic, thorough, and demonstrates knowledge of requirements and personnel availability
- Reasonableness of Cost Proposal

^{*}See scoring sheet on page 5

(To be completed by Insurance Commission evaluation committee) (100 Point total will be used to determine the Award)

The Insurance Commission will select the vendor deemed most advantageous to the Insurance Commission, based on price and other factors considered.

| EVALUATION FACTORS Points awarded will be based on the information contained in the technical proposal, any supplemental information obtained and information gathered during the interview, if one is conducted. | SCORE |
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| A. Proposal contains all required checklist information | |
| B. Relevance and Extent of Qualifications, Experience, and Training of Personnel to be assigned 25 points | |
| C. Relevance and Extent of Similar Engagements performed 25 points | |
| D. Plan for performing engagement is realistic, thorough, and demonstrates knowledge of requirements and personnel availability 25 points | |
| E. Reasonableness of Cost Proposal points | |
| TOTALS | |

DETAILED REQUIREMENTS OF THE REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL FOR RISK MANAGEMENT CONSULTANT

- **BACKGROUND INFORMATION** The Gloucester County Insurance Commission was established pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:10-36 et seq. which permits local units to join together to form a joint Insurance Commission. Currently, the members of the Gloucester County Insurance Commission are Gloucester County, Rowan College of South Jersey, Gloucester County Improvement Authority, Gloucester County Utility Authority and the Gloucester County Library. The Insurance Commission is utilizing the County of Gloucester's Requests for Proposals and RFP boilerplate for the procurement of professional services. The specific extent and character of the professional services to be performed shall be subject to the general control and approval of the Gloucester County Insurance Commission.
- 2. <u>NATURE OF SERVICES</u> The Gloucester County Insurance Commission is requesting proposals from qualified individuals and firms to provide Risk Management Consultant Services for the Gloucester County Insurance Commission.

Proposers should educate itself further with regard to additional statistical information which it may need to prepare its proposal.

- **3. STANDARD REQUIREMENTS OF TECHNICAL PROPOSAL** Proposers should submit a technical proposal which contains the following:
 - **A.** The name of the proposer, the principal place of business and, if different, the place where the services will be provided;
 - **B.** The age of the proposer's firm and the average number of employees over the past three years;
 - C. The education, qualifications, experience, and training of all persons who would be assigned to provide services along with their names and titles;
 - **D.** A listing of all other engagements where services of the types being proposed were provided in the past ten years. This should include other County governments and other levels of government as well as other Insurance Commissions. Contact information for the recipients of the similar services must be provided. The Insurance Commission may obtain references from any of the parties listed;
 - **E.** A detailed plan for providing the proposed services;
 - **F.** Proof of professional liability insurance;
 - **G.** Proof of any necessary professional license or certification from the State of New Jersey for all professionals assigned to the engagement;
 - **H.** Statement that the firm has Workers' Compensation and Employer's Liability Insurance in accordance with New Jersey law;
 - I. Statement that neither the firm nor any individuals assigned to this engagement are disbarred, suspended, or otherwise prohibited from professional practice by any federal, state, or local agency;

- J. A description of the proposer's office location and an explanation of the proposer's availability for meetings, conferences, training and emergency response at the Insurance Commission's facilities;
- **K.** A Certification of Disbarment (copy of form attached)
- **L.** A completed Non-Collusion Affidavit (copy of form attached);
- **M.** A completed Owner Disclosure Statement (copy of form attached);
- **N.** Political Contribution Disclosure Form (copy of form attached);
- O. Disclosure of Investment Activities in Russia, Belarus & Iran (copy of form attached);
- **P**. A copy of the proposer's Business Registration Statement.
- Q. A statement that the proposer will comply with the General Terms and Conditions required by Insurance Commission and enter into the Insurance Commission's standard Professional Services Contract;
- **R**. A representation that all services will be performed within the United States of America.

4. SPECIALIZED REQUIREMENTS OF TECHNICAL PROPOSAL -

- I. The successful candidate will provide the Insurance Commission with administrative services related to, but not necessarily limited to:
- a) Assist the Insurance Commission's participating entities in identifying its insurable property and casualty exposures and to recommend professional methods to reduce, assume or transfer the risk or loss.
- b) Assist the Insurance Commission's participating entities in understanding and selecting the various coverages available from the Insurance Commission.
- c) Review with the Insurance Commission's participating entities any additional coverage that the Risk Manager Consultant feels should be carried, but are not available from the Insurance Commission, and, subject to the entities' authorization, place such coverage outside the Insurance Commission.
- d) Assist the participating entities and departments in the preparation of applications, statements of values, and similar documents requested by the Insurance Commission, it being understood that this agreement does not include any appraisal work by the Risk Manager Consultant.
- e) Review participating entity assessments as prepared by the Insurance Commission and assist the participating municipalities in the preparation of their annual insurance budget.
- f) Review the loss and engineering reports and generally assist the participating entities in their loss containment objectives.

- g) Assist where needed in the settlement of claims, with the understanding that the scope of the Risk Manager Consultant involvement does not include the work normally done by the Insurance Commission's claims service company.
- h) Attendance at meetings of the Insurance Commission.
- i.) Perform any other services required by the Insurance Commission's Bylaws.
- II. Resume and letter application for Risk Management Consultant including all documentation that provides the following for evaluation by the Insurance commission:
 - a. Experience, qualifications and reputation in the field for the position sought.
 - b. Knowledge of the area of expertise for the position of Risk Management Consultant.
 - c. Experience and knowledge of the Gloucester County Insurance Commission.
 - d. Availability to accommodate any required meeting of the Insurance Commission.
 - e. Designated professional and support staff and location of firm's offices.
 - f. References in general and in particular from governmental entities where the professional or contractor has provided similar services as sought in the Insurance Commission.
- III. The Service Provider shall provide a full-time Safety & Risk Management Consultant who shall be assigned to the County of Gloucester, with an office and physical presence at the County. The Consultants responsibilities shall include but not limited to the following:
 - Training administrator for all members of the Insurance Commission.
 - Accident reporting and investigations for all members of the Insurance Commission.
 - Building & Grounds safety inspections for all members of the Insurance Commission.
 - Certified playground inspector.
 - Workers' Compensation investigations and follow-up for all members of the Insurance Commission.
 - Oversee Workers' Compensation surveillance program.
 - Motor vehicle records check for new hires and CDL's for all members of the Insurance Commission.
 - Law Enforcement risk management consulting.
- IV. Selection of professionals shall be solely on the Insurance Commission's evaluation of the submitted material in the criteria set forth in this document. The Insurance Commission reserves the right to negotiate the terms and conditions of a contract with the successful firm or firms to obtain the most advantageous situation for the Insurance Commission.

Note: Supplemental information may be requested and an interview may be required.

5. PAYMENT SCHEDULE:

The services provided under this agreement shall be paid for monthly by the Insurance Commission payable after the services are completed and the invoice is submitted and approved by the Insurance Commission. The Insurance Commission will then match the invoice with the voucher, receiving report and purchase order.

After all paperwork is reviewed the voucher will be prepared for payment.

6. LICENSING:

If the successful proposer or any of its subcontractors is required to maintain a license in order to perform the services which are the subject of this contract, then prior to the effective date of this contract, and as a condition precedent to it taking effect, the successful proposer shall provide to the Insurance Commission a copy of all current licenses to operate in the State of New Jersey. All licenses shall be current and in good standing and shall not be subject to any current action to revoke or suspend.

Successful proposer shall notify the Insurance Commission immediately in the event of suspension, revocation or any change in status (or in the event of initiation of any action in status) of license or certification held by the successful proposer or its agents and/or subcontractors. The successful proposer shall during the term of the contract, provide the Insurance Commission with proof of renewal of any license for any of proposer's employees, which renewals occur during the term of the contract.

7. INDEMNIFICATION:

The successful proposer shall be responsible for, shall keep, save and hold the Gloucester County Insurance Commission, and its elected and appointed officials, its agents, employees and volunteers and others working on behalf of the GCIC, harmless from, and shall indemnify the Gloucester County Insurance Commission, and its elected and appointed officials, its agents, employees and volunteers and others, against any claim, loss liability, expense (specifically including but not limited to costs, counsel fees, and/or experts' fees), or damage resulting from all mental or physical injuries or disabilities, including death, to employees or recipients of the successful proposer's services or to any other persons, or from any damage to any property sustained in connection with this contract which results from any acts or omissions, including negligence or malpractice, of any of its officers, directors, employees, agents, servants or independent contractors, or from the successful proposer's failure to provide for the safety and protection of its employees, or from the successful proposer's performance or failure to perform pursuant to the terms and provisions of this contract.

The successful proposer's liability under this agreement shall continue after the termination of this agreement with respect to any liability, loss, expense or damage resulting from acts occurring prior to termination.

8. INSURANCE:

The successful proposer shall maintain general liability, automobile liability, and Worker's Compensation Insurance in amounts and with companies deemed satisfactory by the Insurance Commission.

The insurance company must be licensed to do business in the State of New Jersey and be in compliance with any and all applicable requirements of the State of New Jersey.

The successful proposer shall, simultaneously with the execution of a contract, deliver certifications of said insurance to the Insurance Commission, naming the Insurance Commission as an additional insured.

9. APPLICABLE LAW:

The terms and provisions of this contract shall be construed pursuant to the laws of the State of New Jersey.

10. INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR STATUS"

The parties acknowledge that the successful proposer is an independent contractor and is not an agent of the Insurance Commission.

11. TERMINATION:

Any contract entered into by and between the Insurance Commission and the successful proposer may be terminated as follows:

- A. If successful proposer and/or any of its employees and/or agents are required to be licensed and/or registered in order to perform the services which are the subject of this or any agreement thereof, then the agreement shall be terminated in the event that the appropriate governmental entity with jurisdiction has instituted an action to have the contractor's license and/or registration suspended or revoked, or in the event that such entity has revoked or suspended said license or denied such registration. Notice of termination pursuant to this subparagraph shall be effective immediately upon the giving of said notice.
- **B**. The Insurance Commission shall have the right, in its sole discretion, to declare this agreement terminated in the event of any material breach of this agreement by the successful proposer. Such termination shall be effective upon the expiration of ten calendar (10) days' notice to the successful proposer. However, the Insurance Commission shall not have the right to declare the contract terminated in the event the vendor cures said breach within the notice period.

Note: Supplemental information may be requested and an interview may be required.

- **12.** COST PROPOSAL Proposers should submit a cost proposal which would include all details of any fees to be paid to proposer. The Insurance Commission does not provide payment for or reimbursement for travel expenses.
- 13. <u>DISCUSSIONS WITH PROPOSERS</u> An oral presentation by a proposer to clarify a proposal may be required at the sole discretion of the Insurance Commission. However, the Insurance Commission may award a contract based on the initial proposals received without discussion with the proposer. If oral presentations are required, they will be scheduled after the submission of proposals. Proposer will not be compensated for making the presentation.
- **PROPOSAL LIMITATIONS** This RFP is not intended to be an offer, order or contract and should not be regarded as such, nor shall any obligation or liability be imposed on the Insurance Commission by issuance of this RFP. The Insurance Commission reserves the right at the Insurance Commission's sole discretion to refuse any proposal submitted.
- **USE OF INFORMATION** Any specifications, drawings, sketches, models, samples, data, computer programs, documentation, technical or business information and the like ("Information") furnished or disclosed by the Insurance Commission to the proposer in connection with this RFP shall remain the property of the Insurance Commission When in tangible form, all copies of such information shall be returned to the Insurance Commission upon request. Unless such information was previously known to the proposer, free of any obligation to keep it confidential, or has been or is subsequently made public by the Insurance Commission or a third party, it shall be held in confidence by the proposer, shall be used only for the purposes of this RFP, and may not be used for other purposes except upon such terms and conditions as may be mutually agreed upon in writing.

PROPRIETARY INFORMATION – Any proposal submitted may become public information. Proprietary information such as client lists and non-public financial statements may be protected under limited circumstances. Pricing and service elements are not considered proprietary. An entire proposal may not be marked as proprietary. Proposers must clearly identify in the proposal any specific proprietary information they request be protected. Proposals may be reviewed and assessed by any person at the discretion of the Insurance Commission. All materials submitted become the property of the Gloucester County Insurance Commission and may be returned only at the Insurance Commission's option.

17. GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS -

- **A.** The Insurance Commission reserves the right to reject any or all proposals, if necessary, or to waive any informalities in the proposals, and unless otherwise specified by the proposer, to accept any item, items or services in the proposals should it be deemed in the best interest of the Insurance Commission to do so.
- **B.** In case of failure by the successful proposer, the Insurance Commission may procure the articles or services from other sources, deduct the cost of the replacement from money due to the proposer under the contract, and hold the proposer responsible for any excess cost occasioned thereby.
- C. The proposer shall maintain sufficient insurance to protect against all claims under Workmen's Compensation. General and Automobile Liability and shall be subject to approval for adequacy of protection.
- **D.** Each proposal must be signed by the person authorized to do so.
- **E.** Where applicable, payments will be made upon the approval of vouchers submitted by the successful proposer in accordance with the requirements of the Insurance Commission and subject to the Insurance Commission standard procedures.
- **F.** The Insurance Commission is exempt from any State sales tax or Federal excise tax. In submitting its proposal, the proposer certifies that its total base proposal does not include any NJ State Sales Tax.
- **G.** The contract shall be in effect for one (1) year from date of award unless otherwise stated.
- **H.** Proposals may be hand delivered or mailed consistent with the provisions of the legal notice to proposers. In the case of mailed proposals, the Insurance Commission assumes no responsibility for proposals received after the designated date and time and will return late proposals unopened.
- In accordance with Affirmative Action Law, P.L. 1975, c.127 (N.J.A.C. 17:27) with implementation of July 10, 1978, successful bidder must agree to obtain individual employer certification and number and complete Affirmative Action employee information report (form AA-302). Also, during the performance of this contract, the contractor agrees as follows: (a) The contractor or subcontractor where applicable, will not discriminate against any employee because of age, race, creed, color, national origin, ancestry, marital status or affectional or sexual orientation.

The contractor will take affirmative action to ensure that such applicants are recruited and employed and that employees are treated during employment, without regard to their age, race, creed, color, national origin, ancestry, marital stares, sex or handicap. Such action shall include, but not be limited to the following: employment, upgrading, demotion or transfer, recruitment or recruitment advertising; layoff or termination; rates of pay or other forms of compensation; and section for training, including apprenticeship. The contractor agrees to post in conspicuous places, available to employees and applicants for employment, notice to be provided by the Public Agency Compliance Officer setting forth provisions of this nondiscrimination clause: (b) the contractor or subcontractor, where applicable, will in all solicitations or advertisements for employees placed by or on behalf of the contractor, state that all qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to age, race, creed, color, national origin, ancestry, marital status, sex or handicap; (c) the contractor or subcontractor, where applicable, will send to each labor union or representative or workers with which it has a collective bargaining agreement or other contract or understanding, a notice, to be provided by the agency contracting officer advising the labor union or worker's representative of the contractor's commitments under this act and shall post copies of the notice; (d) the contractor or subcontractor, where applicable, agrees to comply with any regulations promulgated by the treasurer pursuant to the P.L. 1975, c.127, as amended and supplemented from time to time.

- **J.** All services shall be performed within the United State of America.
- **K.** All proposals submitted shall include in the price any applicable permits or fees required by any other government entity that has jurisdiction to require the same.
- L. By submission of the proposal, the proposer certifies that the service to be furnished will not infringe upon any valid patent, trademark or copyright and the successful proposer shall, at its expense, defend any and all actions or suits charging such infringement, and will save the Insurance Commission harmless in any case of any such infringement.
- M. No proposer shall influence, or attempt to influence or cause to be influenced, any Insurance Commission officer or employee to use his/her official capacity in any manner which might tend to impair the objectivity or independence of judgment of said officer or employee.
- **N.** No proposer shall cause or influence, or attempt to cause or influence, any Insurance Commission officer or employee to use his/her official capacity to secure unwarranted privileges or advantages for the proposer or any other person.
- O. Should any difference arise between the contracting parties as to the meaning or intent of these instructions or specifications, the Insurance Commission agent's decision shall be final and conclusive.
- **P.** The Gloucester County Insurance Commission shall not be responsible for any expenditure of monies or other expenses incurred by the proposer in making its proposal.

- Q. Any prospective proposer who wishes to challenge a proposal specification shall file such challenges in writing with the Insurance Commission no fewer than three (3) business days prior to the opening of the proposals. Challenges filed after that time shall be considered void and have no impact on the contracting unit or the award of the contract.
- **R.** The checklist, affidavits, notices and the like presented at the end of this Request for Proposal are a part of this Request for Proposal and shall be completed and submitted as part of this proposal.

END OF GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS

REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL CHECKLIST

THIS CHECKLIST MUST BE COMPLETED AND SUBMITTED WITH YOUR PROPOSAL:

Please initial below, indicating that your proposal includes the itemized document. A PROPOSAL SUBMITTED WITHOUT THE FOLLOWING DOCUMENTS IS CAUSE FOR REFUSAL.

| | INITIAL BELOW |
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| • One original paper copy with 2 copies | |
| Authorized signatures on all forms. | |
| Certification of Disbarment | |
| Non-Collusion Affidavit properly notarized | |
| • Stockholder Disclosure Statement, properly notarized, listing the names of all persons owning ten (10) percent or more of the proposing entity. | |
| Political Contribution Disclosure Certification | |
| • Prohibited Russia-Belarus Activities & Iran Investment Activities | |
| • Business Registration Certificate (Must be submitted prior to award) | |
| THE UNDERSIGNED HEREBY ACKNOWLEDO THE ABOVE LISTED REQUIREMENTS. | GES |
| NAME OF PROPOSER: | |
| Person, Firm or Corporation | |
| By(SIGNATURE) (TITLE) | |

CERTIFICATION OF DEBARMENT

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

This certification is required by the regulations implementing Executive Order 12549, <u>Debarment and Suspension</u>, 29 CFR Part 98, Section 98.510, titled <u>Participants' Responsibilities</u>. The Regulations were published as Part VII of the May 26, 1988 <u>Federal Register</u> (pages 19160-19211)

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STOCKHOLDER DISCLOSURE CERTIFICATION

N.J.S.A. 52:25-24.2 (P.L. 1977 c.33)

FAILURE OF THE BIDDER/RESPONDENT TO SUBMIT THE REQUIRED INFORMATION IS CAUSE FOR AUTOMATIC REJECTION

| I certify that the list below the issued and outstanding stoo | | nd home addresses of all | stockholders holding 10% | or more of |
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SERVICE PROVIDER POLITICAL CONTRIBUTION DISCLOSURE CERTIFICATION

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Prohibited Russia-Belarus Activities & Iran Investment Activities

Person or Entity

Part 1: Certification

COMPLETE PART 1 BY CHECKING **ONE OF THE THREE BOXES BELOW**

Pursuant to law, any person or entity that is a successful bidder or proposer, or otherwise proposes to enter into or renew a contract, for goods or services must complete the certification below prior to contract award to attest, under penalty of perjury, that neither the person or entity, nor any parent entity, subsidiary, or affiliate, is identified on the Department of Treasury's Russia-Belarus list or Chapter 25 list as a person or entity engaging in prohibited activities in Russia, Belarus or Iran. Before a contract for goods or services can be amended or extended, a person or entity must certify that neither the person or entity, nor any parent entity, subsidiary, or affiliate, is identified on the Department of Treasury's Russia-Belarus list. Both lists are found on Treasury's website at the following web addresses:

 $\frac{https://www.nj.gov/treasury/administration/pdf/RussiaBelarusEntityList.pdf}{www.state.nj.us/treasury/purchase/pdf/Chapter25List.pdf}.$

As applicable to the type of contract, the above-referenced lists must be reviewed prior to completing the below certification.

A person or entity unable to make the certification must provide a detailed, accurate, and precise description of the activities of the person or entity, or of a parent entity, subsidiary, or affiliate, engaging in prohibited activities in Russia or Belarus and/or investment activities in Iran. The person or entity must cease engaging in any prohibited activities and provide an updated certification before the contract can be entered into.

If a vendor or contractor is found to be in violation of law, action may be taken as appropriate and as may be provided by law, rule, or contract, including but not limited to imposing sanctions, seeking compliance, recovering damages, declaring the party in default, and seeking debarment or suspension of the party.

CONTRACT AWARDS AND RENEWALS

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I certify, pursuant to law, that neither the person or entity listed above, nor any parent entity, subsidiary, or affiliate appears on the N.J. Department of Treasury's lists of entities engaged in prohibited activities in Russia or Belarus pursuant to P.L. 2022, c. 3 or in investment activities in Iran pursuant to P.L. 2012, c. 25 ("Chapter 25 List"). I further certify that I am the person listed above, or I am an officer or representative of the entity listed above and am authorized to make this certification on its behalf. (Skip Part 2 and sign and complete the Certification below.)

| | CONTRACT AMENDMENTS AND EXTENSIONS | | | | | | |
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| p | I certify, pursuant to law, that neither the person or entity listed above, nor any parent entity, subsidiary, or affiliate is listed on the N.J. Department of the Treasury's lists of entities determined to be engaged in prohibited activities in Russia or Belarus pursuant to P.L. 2022, c. 3. I further certify that I am the person listed above, or I am an officer or representative of the entity listed above and am authorized to make this certification on its behalf. (Skip Part 2 and sign and complete the Certification below.) | | | | | | |
| | IF UNABLE TO CERTIFY | | | | | | |
| p | I am unable to certify as above because the person or entity and/or a parent entity, subsidiary, or affiliate is listed on the Department's Russia-Belarus list and/or Chapter 25 Iran list. I will provide a detailed, accurate, and precise description of the activities as directed in Part 2 below, and sign and complete the Certification below. Failure to | | | | | | |

Part 2: Additional Information

provide such will prevent the award of the contract to the person or entity, and appropriate penalties, fines, and/or sanctions will be assessed as provided by law.

<u>PLEASE PROVIDE FURTHER INFORMATION RELATED TO PROHIBITED ACTIVITIES IN RUSSIA</u> OR BELARUS AND/OR INVESTMENT ACTIVITIES IN IRAN.

You must provide a detailed, accurate, and precise description of the activities of the person or entity, or of a parent entity, subsidiary, or affiliate, engaging in prohibited activities in Russia or Belarus and/or investment activities in Iran in the space below and, if needed, on additional sheets provided by you.

Part 3: Certification of True and Complete Information

I, being duly sworn upon my oath, hereby represent and state that the foregoing information and any attachments there, to the best of my knowledge, are true and complete. I attest that I am authorized to execute this certification on behalf of the above-referenced person or entity.

I acknowledge that the Gloucester County Insurance Commission (GCIC) is relying on the information contained herein and hereby acknowledge that I am under a continuing obligation from the date of this certification through the completion of any contracts with the GCIC to notify the GCIC in writing of any changes to the answers of information contained herein.

I acknowledge that I am aware that it is a criminal offense to make a false statement or misrepresentation in this certification. If I do so, I recognize that I am subject to criminal prosecution under the law and that it will also constitute a material breach of my agreement(s) with the GCIC and that the GCIC at its option may declare any contract(s) resulting from this certification void and unenforceable.

| Full Name (Print) | Title | | |
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| Signature | | Date | |

STATE CONTRACTOR BUSINESS REGISTRATION PROGRAM

Effective September 1, 2004, P.L. 2004, c. 57 expands the State Contractor Business Registration Program to contracting units as defined in the Local Public Contracts Law. (see attached sample Business Registration Certificate). Effective January 18, 2010, P.L. 2009, c.315 revises the State Contractor Business Registration requirement and permits filing a BRC prior to award of contracts if not filed with bid or proposal. <u>ALL BIDDERS (AND THEIR SUBCONTRACTORS)</u> COMPETING FOR INSURANCE COMMISSION CONTRACTS MUST PROVIDE A COPY OF THEIR BUSINESS REGISTRATION CERTIFICATE BY THE DATE THE BID OR RFP IS AWARDED. FAILURE TO DO SO WILL RESULT IN A REJECTION OF YOUR BID OR RFP. Questions regarding this law may be directed to the New Jersey Department of Taxation. To obtain a Business Registration Certificate go to: www.state.nj.us/treasury/revenue Click on: Business Registration & Formation. Click on: Obtain a certificate online.

The Insurance Commission strongly recommends that all vendors provide their BRC (and BRC's for each subcontractor) with submission of bids or RFP's.





STATE OF NEW JERSEY BUSINESS REGISTRATION CERTIFICATE

Taxpayer Name: TAX REG TEST ACCOUNT

Trade Name:

Address: 847 ROEBLING AVE

TRENTON, NJ 08611

Certificate Number: 1093907

Date of Issuance: October 14, 2004

For Office Use Only: 20041014112823533

EXHIBIT A

MANDATORY EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY LANGUAGE N.J.S.A. 10:5-31 et seq. (P.L. 1975, C. 127) N.J.A.C. 17:27

GOODS, PROFESSIONAL SERVICE AND GENERAL SERVICE CONTRACTS

During the performance of this contract, the contractor agrees as follows:

The contractor or subcontractor, where applicable, will not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of age, race, creed, color, national origin, ancestry, marital status, affectional or sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, disability, nationality or sex. Except with respect to affectional or sexual orientation and gender identity or expression, the contractor will take affirmative action to ensure that such applicants are recruited and employed, and that employees are treated during employment, without regard to their age, race, creed, color, national origin, ancestry, marital status, affectional or sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, disability, nationality or sex. Such action shall include, but not be limited to the following: employment, upgrading, demotion, or transfer; recruitment or recruitment advertising; layoff or termination; rates of pay or other forms of compensation; and selection for training, including apprenticeship. The contractor agrees to post in conspicuous places, available to employees and applicants for employment, notices to be provided by the Public Agency Compliance Officer setting forth provisions of this nondiscrimination clause.

The contractor or subcontractor, where applicable will, in all solicitations or advertisements for employees placed by or on behalf of the contractor, state that all qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to age, race, creed, color, national origin, ancestry, marital status, affectional or sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, disability, nationality or sex.

The contractor or subcontractor, where applicable, will send to each labor union or representative or workers with which it has a collective bargaining agreement or other contract or understanding, a notice, to be provided by the agency contracting officer advising the labor union or workers' representative of the contractor's commitments under this act and shall post copies of the notice in conspicuous places available to employees and applicants for employment.

The contractor or subcontractor, where applicable, agrees to comply with any regulations promulgated by the Treasurer pursuant to N.J.S.A. 10:5-31 et seq., as amended and supplemented from time to time and the Americans with Disabilities Act.

The contractor or subcontractor agrees to make good faith efforts to employ minority and women workers consistent with the applicable county employment goals established in accordance with N.J.A.C. 17:27-5.2, or a binding determination of the applicable county employment goals determined by the Division, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 17:27-5.2.

The contractor or subcontractor agrees to inform in writing its appropriate recruitment agencies including, but not limited to, employment agencies, placement bureaus, colleges, universities, labor unions, that it does not discriminate on the basis of age, creed, color, national origin, ancestry, marital status, affectional or sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, disability, nationality or sex, and that it will discontinue the use of any recruitment agency which engages in direct or

indirect discriminatory practices.

The contractor or subcontractor agrees to revise any of its testing procedures, if necessary, to assure that all personnel testing conforms with the principles of job-related testing, as established by the statutes and court decisions of the State of New Jersey and as established by applicable Federal law and applicable Federal court decisions.

In conforming with the applicable employment goals, the contractor or subcontractor agrees to review all procedures relating to transfer, upgrading, downgrading and layoff to ensure that all such actions are taken without regard to age, creed, color, national origin, ancestry, marital status, affectional or sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, disability, nationality or sex, consistent with the statutes and court decisions of the State of New Jersey, and applicable Federal law and applicable Federal court decisions.

The contractor shall submit to the public agency, after notification of award but prior to execution of a goods and services contract, one of the following three documents:

Letter of Federal Affirmative Action Plan Approval

Certificate of Employee Information Report

Employee Information Report Form AA302

The contractor and its subcontractors shall furnish such reports or other documents to the Div. of Contract Compliance & EEO as may be requested by the office from time to time in order to carry out the purposes of these regulations, and public agencies shall furnish such information as may be requested by the Div. of Contract Compliance & EEO for conducting a compliance investigation pursuant to **Subchapter 10 of the Administrative Code at N.J.A.C. 17:27**.

APPENDIX B

AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT OF 1990 Equal Opportunity for Individuals with Disability

The contractor and the Gloucester County Insurance Commission, (hereafter "owner") do hereby agree that the provisions of Title 11 of the Americans With Disabilities Act of 1990 (the "Act") (42 <u>U.S.C.</u> S121 01 et seq.), which prohibits discrimination on the basis of disability by public entities in all services, programs, and activities provided or made available by public entities, and the rules and regulations promulgated pursuant there unto, are made a part of this contract. In providing any aid, benefit, or service on behalf of the owner pursuant to this contract, the contractor agrees that the performance shall be in strict compliance with the Act. In the event that the contractor, its agents, servants, employees, or subcontractors violate or are alleged to have violated the Act during the performance of this contract, the contractor shall defend the owner in any action or administrative proceeding commenced pursuant to this Act. The contractor shall indemnify, protect, and save harmless the owner, its agents, servants, and employees from and against any and all suits, claims, losses, demands, or damages, of whatever kind or nature arising out of or claimed to arise out of the alleged violation. The contractor shall, at its own expense, appear, defend, and pay any and all charges for legal services and any and all costs and other expenses arising from such action or administrative proceeding or incurred in connection therewith. In any and all complaints brought pursuant to the owner's grievance procedure, the contractor agrees to abide by any decision of the owner which is rendered pursuant to said grievance procedure. If any action or administrative proceeding results in an award of damages against the owner, or if the owner incurs any expense to cure a violation of the ADA which has been brought pursuant to its grievance procedure, the contractor shall satisfy and discharge the same at its own expense.

The owner shall, as soon as practicable after a claim has been made against it, give written notice thereof to the contractor along with full and complete particulars of the claim, If any action or administrative proceeding is brought against the owner or any of its agents, servants, and employees, the *owner shall* expeditiously forward or have forwarded to the contractor every demand, complaint, notice, summons, pleading, or other process received by the owner or its representatives.

It is expressly agreed and understood that any approval by the owner of the services provided by the contractor pursuant to this contract will not relieve the contractor of the obligation to comply with the Act and to defend, indemnify, protect, and save harmless the owner pursuant to this paragraph.

It is further agreed and understood that the owner assumes no obligation to indemnify or save harmless the contractor, its agents, servants, employees and subcontractors for any claim which may arise out of their performance of this Agreement. Furthermore, the contractor expressly understands and agrees that the provisions of this indemnification clause shall in no way limit the contractor's obligations assumed in this Agreement, nor shall they be construed to relieve the contractor from any liability, nor preclude the owner from taking any other actions available to it under any other provisions of the Agreement or otherwise at law.