



**REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL
No. BT163367P**

Mechanized Direct Push Subsurface Sediment Coring Unit

PROPOSAL DUE DATE AND TIME:
March 25, 2013 (2:00 PM, PST)

OSU Procurement and Contract Services Offices are open from 8:00 am – 12:00 noon and 1:00 pm – 5:00 pm.
Offices are closed during the 12:00 noon – 1:00 pm lunch hour.

SUBMITTAL LOCATION:

Oregon State University
Procurement and Contract Services
644 SW 13th Avenue
Corvallis, Oregon 97333

1.0 GENERAL

1.01 SCHEDULE OF EVENTS:

- Request for Proposal Issue Date..... March 13, 2013
- Deadline for Request for Clarification or Change..... March 18, 2013 (2:00 pm, PST)
- Proposal Due Date and Time..... March 25, 2013 (2:00 pm, PST)

This Schedule of Events is subject to change. Any changes will be made through the issuance of Written Addenda.

1.02 PRE-PROPOSAL CONFERENCE:

A Pre-Proposal Conference will not be held.

1.03 ISSUING OFFICE:

The Procurement and Contract Services (PaCS) department of Oregon State University (OSU) is the issuing office and is the sole point of contact for this Request for Proposal. Address all concerns or questions regarding this Request for Proposal to the Administrative Contact identified below:

1.04 ADMINISTRATIVE CONTACT:

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Title: Procurement Analyst
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1.05 DEFINITIONS:

As used in this Request for Proposal, the terms set forth below are defined as follows:

- a. "Addenda" means an addition to, deletion from, a material change in, or general interest explanation of the Request for Proposal.
- b. "Exhibits" means those documents which are attached to and incorporated as part of the Request for Proposal.
- c. "Proposal" means an offer, binding on the Proposer and submitted in response to a Request for Proposal.
- d. "Proposer" means an entity that submits a Proposal in response to a Request for Proposal.
- e. "Proposal Due Date and Time" means the date and time specified in the Request for Proposal as the deadline for submitting Proposals.
- f. "Request for Proposal" (RFP) means a Solicitation Document to obtain Written, competitive Proposals to be used as a basis for making an acquisition or entering into a Contract when price will not necessarily be the predominant award criteria.
- g. "Responsible" means an entity that demonstrates their ability to perform satisfactorily under a Contract by meeting the applicable standards of responsibility outlined in OAR 580-061-0130.
- h. "Responsive" means a Proposal that has substantially complied in all material respects with the criteria outlined in the Request for Proposal.
- i. "Written or Writing" means letters, characters, and symbols inscribed on paper by hand, print, type, or other method of impression intended to represent or convey particular ideas or meanings.

2.0 INTRODUCTION AND BACKGROUND

2.01 INTRODUCTION

Oregon State University (OSU) Procurement and Contract Services (PaCS) is seeking Responsive Responsible Proposers to submit Proposals for OSU to purchase a mechanized direct push subsurface sediment coring unit for OSU's Department of Anthropology.

2.02 BACKGROUND:

Oregon State University's Department of Anthropology supports higher education for students, faculty and staff. The Department of Anthropology seeks to train OSU students to better understand the diversity and history of human sociocultural systems through time. The Department of Anthropology's archaeology faculty strives to provide archaeology focus-affiliated undergraduate and graduate majors and other OSU students with quality, experience based educational opportunities that integrate the most up-to-date technologies used to study the archaeological record. OSU archaeologists are passionate about developing innovative methodologies that enhance their ability to make better archaeological discoveries and interpretations.

2.03 OREGON STATE UNIVERSITY:

Founded in 1868, Oregon State University is a comprehensive, research-extensive, public university located in Corvallis. OSU is a member of the Oregon University System and one of only two American universities to hold the Land Grant, Sea Grant, Space Grant and Sun Grant designations. OSU is also the only Oregon institution to hold the Carnegie Foundation's top ranking for research universities, a recognition of the depth and quality of OSU's graduate education and research programs.

Through its centers, institutes, Extension offices and Experiment Stations, OSU has a presence in almost every one of Oregon's 36 counties, including its main campus in Corvallis, the Hatfield Marine Sciences Center in Newport and OSU-Cascades Campus in Bend. OSU offers undergraduate, masters and doctoral degrees through 12 academic colleges enrolling more than 25,000 students from every county in Oregon, every state in the country and more than 90 nations.

3.0 SPECIFICATIONS / STATEMENT OF WORK

3.01 REQUIRED SPECIFICATIONS:

In order to qualify as a Responsive Proposer, the Proposal needs to meet the required specifications below. After verification that the required specifications have been met, OSU will award points based on the qualities of the specifications offered by the Proposer.

- a. Proposals should offer equipment that meets the basic equipment specifications detailed in Exhibit D
- b. Proposer must provide direct hands-on training for OSU personnel

3.02 PREFERRED SPECIFICATIONS:

OSU will award additional points for Proposals able to meet the preferred specifications below.

- a. Unit delivery within 120 days of purchase order execution
- b. Proposer offers repair and refurbishment services for equipment

3.03 TERMS AND CONDITIONS:

OSU's terms and conditions governing the purchase resulting from this RFP are included at Exhibit A.

3.04 MANUFACTURER'S NAMES AND APPROVED EQUIVALENTS:

Unless qualified by the provision "NO SUBSTITUTE" any manufacturers' names, trade name, brand names, information and/or catalogue numbers listed in a specification are for information and not intended to limit competition. Proposers may offer any brand for which they are an authorized representative, which meets or exceeds the specification for any item(s). If proposals are based on equivalent products, indicate in the

proposal form the manufacturers' name and number. Proposers shall submit with their proposal, sketches, and descriptive literature, and/or complete specifications. Reference to literature submitted with a previous proposal will not satisfy this provision. Proposers shall also explain in detail the reason(s) why the proposed equivalent will meet the specifications and not be considered an exception thereto. Proposals, which do not comply with these requirements, are subject to rejection. Proposals lacking any written indication of intent to provide an alternate brand will be received and considered in complete compliance with the specification as listed in the RFP.

4.0 PROPOSER QUALIFICATIONS

4.01 MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS:

In order to qualify as a Responsive Proposer, the Proposer needs to meet the minimum qualifications below. After verification that the minimum qualifications have been met, OSU will award points based on the level of the Proposer's qualifications.

- a. Proposer's primary business or a division of the business must be the manufacture and sale of sediment coring technology
- b. Proposer must have been in business producing sediment coring technology for at least 5 years

5.0 REQUIRED SUBMITTALS

5.01 QUANTITY OF PROPOSAL:

Submit one (1) original Proposal and three (3) duplicate copies. Mark original Proposal as "ORIGINAL". Original should contain original signatures on any pages where a signature is required. Proposals should contain the submittals listed in this section below:

5.02 REQUIRED SUBMITTALS:

It is the Proposer's sole responsibility to submit information in fulfillment of the requirements of this Request for Proposal. If pertinent information or required submittals are not included within the Proposal, it may cause the Proposal to be rejected or have an adverse impact on evaluation.

Proposers should submit the following information:

- Description of how the goods offered specifically meet the required and preferred specifications described in section 3.
- Detailed information about how the Proposer meets the minimum qualifications detailed in section 4.
- Complete and itemized pricing of the goods requested including the enclosed trailer for transporting equipment.
- Exhibit B, Certifications, fully completed.
- Exhibit C, References, fully completed.

6.0 EVALUATION AND AWARD

6.01 EVALUATION:

The stages of review and evaluation are as follows:

a. **Determination of Responsiveness:**

OSU will first review all Proposals to determine Responsiveness. Proposals that do not comply with the instructions or are incomplete may be deemed non-Responsive. Written notice will be sent to Proposers whose Proposal is deemed non-Responsive identifying the reason. A proposer has the right to appeal the decision pursuant to OAR 580-061-130(5)(a).

b. **First Stage Evaluation:**

Those Proposals determined to be Responsive will be evaluated using the required submittals. Proposals will be scored based on the evaluation criteria listed below in section 6.03. Scores will be used to determine Proposer's within a competitive range. The competitive range will be made of Proposers whose individual scores, when viewed together, form a group of the highest ranked Proposers above a natural break in the scores.

OSU may award after the first stage evaluation to the highest ranked Proposer without moving on to the second stage evaluation. If this option is selected, Written notice of intent to award the Contract to the highest ranked Proposer will be provided to all Responsive Proposers.

c. **Second Stage Evaluation:**

If award is not made after the first stage evaluation, OSU may choose any of the following methods in which to proceed:

- i. Issue a Written invitation to Proposers within the competitive range requesting an interview, presentation, site visit or any other evaluative method that is relevant to the goods or services solicited in the Request for Proposal. Written invitations will contain the evaluation criteria and scoring that will be used by the evaluation committee.
- ii. Engage in oral or Written discussions with and receive best and final Proposals from all Proposers in the Competitive Range or all Proposers submitting Responsive Proposals. Discussions may be conducted for the following purposes:
 - Informing Proposers of deficiencies in their initial Proposals;
 - Notifying Proposers of parts of their Proposals for which OSU would like additional information; or
 - Otherwise allowing Proposers to develop revised Proposals that will allow OSU to obtain the best Proposal based on the requirements set forth in this Request for Proposal.

The conditions, terms, or price of the Proposal may be altered or otherwise changed during the course of the discussions provided the changes are within the scope of the Request for Proposal. Best and final Proposals will be scored based on the evaluation criteria listed below in section 6.03.

Points awarded in the first stage evaluation will not be carried to the second stage evaluation. Contract will be awarded to the Proposer who in OSU's opinion, best meets the requirements and qualifications of the RFP and OSU's needs.

d. Additional Stages of Evaluation:

If after completion of the second stage of evaluation, an award is not made, OSU may add another stage of evaluation using any of the methods outlined in the second stage evaluation above.

6.02 NEGOTIATIONS:

OSU may commence serial negotiations with the highest-ranked Proposer or commence simultaneous negotiations with all eligible Proposers. OSU may negotiate:

- a. The statement of work;
- b. The Contract price as it is affected by negotiating the statement of work; and
- c. Any other terms and conditions determined by OSU in its sole discretion to be reasonably related to those expressly authorized for negotiation. Accordingly, Proposers will not submit and OSU will not accept for negotiation, any alternative terms and conditions that are not reasonably related to those expressly authorized for negotiation.

Terms and conditions within the sample contract that are unrelated to the statement of work or Contract price may be negotiated after award, but before legal sufficiency review or execution of the Contract.

6.03 EVALUATION CRITERIA:

Points will be given in each criteria and a total score will be determined. The maximum points available for each criteria are identified below.

<u>Evaluation Criteria:</u>	<u>Points:</u>
1. Basic Equipment Specifications	60
2. Delivery of unit 120 days or sooner from purchase order execution	10
3. Proposer offers repair and refurbishment services for machinery	10
4. Price	<u>20</u>
Total	100

Pricing:

Pricing will be awarded points based on the lowest total cost to OSU. The Proposer who proposes the lowest total cost to OSU will receive the maximum, 20, price points.

Example of Pricing Points Calculation:

Proposer A's pricing is the lowest at \$1000 - Proposer A is awarded 20 Price Points

Proposer B's pricing is \$1200 – Proposer B is awarded 17 Price Points (1000/1200 x 20 = 17).

6.04 INVESTIGATION OF REFERENCES:

OSU reserves the right to investigate and to consider the references and the past performance of any Proposer with respect to such things as its performance or provision of similar goods or services, compliance with specifications and contractual obligations, and its lawful payment of suppliers, subcontractors, and workers. OSU further reserves the right to consider past performance, historical information and facts, whether gained from the Proposal, Proposer interviews, references, OSU or any other source in the evaluation process. OSU may postpone the award or execution of the Contract after the announcement of the notice of intent to award in order to complete its investigation.

7.0 INSTRUCTIONS TO PROPOSERS

7.01 APPLICABLE STATUTES AND RULES:

This RFP is subject to the applicable provisions and requirements of the Oregon Revised Statutes, Oregon Administrative Rules, and OSU Policies and Procedures.

7.02 REQUEST FOR CLARIFICATION OR CHANGE:

Requests for clarification or change of the Request for Proposal must be in Writing and received by the Administrative Contact no later than the Deadline for Request for Clarification or Change as specified in the Schedule of Events. Such requests for clarification or change must include the reason for the Proposer's request. OSU will consider all timely requests and, if acceptable to OSU, amend the Request for Proposal by issuing an Addendum. Envelopes, e-mails or faxes containing requests should be clearly marked as a Request for Clarification or Change and include the RFP Number and Title.

7.03 ADDENDA:

Only documents issued as Written Addenda by PaCS serve to change the Request for Proposal in any way. No other direction received by the Proposer, written or verbal, serves to change the Request for Proposal. PaCS will notify potential Proposers through publication of the Addenda on the OUS procurement website. If you have received a Request for Proposal you should consult the OUS procurement website, prior to Proposal submittal, to assure that you have not missed any Addenda. Proposers are not required to return Addenda with their Proposal. However, Proposers are responsible for obtaining and incorporating any changes made by the Addendum into their Proposal. Failure to do so may, in effect, make the Proposal non-Responsive, which may cause the Proposal to be rejected.

7.04 PREPARATION AND SIGNATURE:

All Required Submittals must be Written or prepared in ink and signed in ink by an authorized representative with authority to bind the Proposer. Signature certifies that the Proposer has read, fully understands, and agrees to be bound by the Request for Proposal and all Exhibits and Addenda to the Request for Proposal.

7.05 PUBLIC RECORD:

Upon completion of the Request for Proposal process, information in your Proposal will become subject records under the Oregon Public Records Law. Only those items considered a "trade secret" under ORS 192.501(2), may be exempt from disclosure. If a Proposal contains what the Proposer considers a "trade secret" the Proposer must mark each sheet of information as such. Only bona fide trade secrets may be exempt and only if public interest does not require disclosure.

7.06 SUBMISSION:

Proposals must be submitted in a sealed envelope and be delivered to the submittal location listed on the Request for Proposal cover sheet no later than the Proposal Due Date and Time. Proposer must specify on the outside of the envelope the Request for Proposal number, the Request for Proposal title and the Proposal Due Date and Time. **E-MAIL OR FACSIMILE PROPOSALS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.**

7.07 MODIFICATION:

Prior to submittal, Proposers should initial modifications or erasures in ink by the person signing the Proposal. After submittal but prior to the Proposal Due Date and Time, Proposals may be modified by submitting a Written notice indicating the modifications and a statement that the modification amends and supersedes the prior Proposal. After the Proposal Due Date and Time, Proposers may not modify their Proposal.

7.08 WITHDRAWALS:

A Proposer may withdraw their Proposal by submitting a Written notice to the Administrative Contact identified in this Request for Proposal prior to the Proposal Due Date and Time. The Written notice must be on the Proposer's letterhead and signed by an authorized representative of the Proposer. The Proposer, or

authorized representative of the Proposer, may also withdraw their Proposal in person prior to the Proposal Due Date and Time, upon presentation of appropriate identification and evidence of authority to withdraw the Proposal satisfactory to OSU.

7.09 LATE SUBMITTALS:

Proposals and Written notices of modification or withdrawal must be received no later than the Proposal Due Date and Time. OSU may not accept or consider late Proposals, modifications, or withdrawals except as permitted in OAR 580-061-0120.

7.10 PROPOSAL OPENING:

Proposals will be opened immediately following the Proposal Due Date and Time at the Submittal Location. Proposer may attend the Proposal opening. Only the names of the Proposers submitting Proposals will be announced. No other information regarding the content of the Proposals will be available.

7.11 PROPOSALS ARE OFFERS:

The Proposal is the Proposer's offer to enter into a Contract pursuant to the terms and conditions specified in the Request for Proposal, its Exhibits, and Addenda. The offer is binding on the Proposer for one hundred twenty (120) days. OSU's award of the Contract constitutes acceptance of the offer and binds the Proposer. The Proposal must be a complete offer and fully Responsive to the Request for Proposal.

7.12 CONTINGENT PROPOSALS:

Proposer shall not make its Proposal contingent upon OSU's acceptance of specifications or contract terms that conflict with or are in addition to those in the Request for Proposal, its Exhibits, or Addenda.

7.13 RIGHT TO REJECT:

OSU may reject, in whole or in part, any Proposal not in compliance with the Request for Proposal, Exhibits, or Addenda, if upon OSU's Written finding that it is in the public interest to do so. OSU may reject all Proposals for good cause, if upon OSU's Written finding that it is in the public interest to do so. Notification of rejection of all Proposals, along with the good cause justification and finding of public interest, will be sent to all who submitted a Proposal.

7.14 AWARDS:

OSU reserves the right to make award(s) by individual item, group of items, all or none, or any combination thereof. OSU reserves the right to delete any item from the award when deemed to be in the best interest of OSU.

7.15 LEGAL SUFFICIENCY REVIEW:

Prior to execution of any Contract resulting from this Request for Proposal, the Contract may be reviewed for legal sufficiency by a qualified attorney for OSU pursuant to the applicable Oregon Revised Statutes and Oregon Administrative Rules. Legal sufficiency review may result in changes to the terms and conditions specified in the Request for Proposal, Exhibits, and Addenda.

7.16 PROPOSAL RESULTS:

A notice of intent to award containing the Proposal results will be issued to all Proposers. The Proposal file will be available for Proposer's review during the protest period at the PaCS Department. Proposers must make an appointment with the Administrative Contact to view the Proposal file. After the protest period, the file will be available by making a Public Records Request to OSU.

7.17 PROPOSAL PREPARATION COST:

OSU is not liable for costs incurred by the Proposer during the Request for Proposal process.

7.18 PROPOSAL CANCELLATION:

If a Request for Proposal is cancelled prior to the Proposal Due Date and Time, all Proposals that may have already been received will be returned to the Proposers. If a Request for Proposal is cancelled after the Proposal Due Date and Time or all Proposals are rejected, the Proposals received will be retained and become part of OSU's permanent Proposal file.

7.19 PROTEST OF CONTRACTOR SELECTION, CONTRACT AWARD:

Any Proposer who feels adversely affected or aggrieved may submit a protest within seven (7) calendar days after OSU issues a notice of intent to award a Contract. The protest must be clearly identified as a protest, identify the type and nature of the protest, and include the Request for Proposal number and title. The rules governing protests are at OAR 580-061-0145.

EXHIBIT A TERMS AND CONDITIONS

These Standard Terms and Conditions for Goods shall govern the purchase by OSU from the Contractor and shall replace and supersede any terms and conditions presented by Contractor or any sales quotations, order acknowledgements, or similar forms unless otherwise specified in the Solicitation Documents or on the face of the Purchase Order issued by OSU.

1. DEFINITIONS:

As used in this Contract, the terms set forth below are defined as follows:

- a. "Contract" means only the documents listed below, which, in the event of any conflicts among them, must be interpreted in the following order of precedence:
 - i. The Solicitation Document and its Attachments and Addenda, if any; and
 - ii. The Purchase Order Issued by OSU
- b. "Contractor" means a person or organization with whom OSU has contracted for the provision of goods pursuant to this Contract;
- c. "Contractor Intellectual Property" means any intellectual property owned by Contractor and developed independently from Contractor's performance of this Contract;
- d. "OAR" means the Oregon Administrative Rules;
- e. "ORS" means the Oregon Revised Statutes;
- f. "OSU" means the State of Oregon, acting by and through the State Board of Higher Education, on behalf of Oregon State University.
- g. "Solicitation Document" means the Request for Quotes, Invitation to Bid, Request for Proposals, or any other written document issued by OSU that outlines the required specifications necessary to submit a responsive quote, bid, proposal, or any other response;

2. ACCESS TO RECORDS:

Contractor shall maintain books, records, documents, and other evidence and accounting procedures and practices sufficient to reflect properly all costs of whatever nature claimed to have been incurred and anticipated to be incurred in the performance of this Contract. OSU, the Oregon State Board of Higher Education, Oregon Secretary of State, federal government, and their duly authorized representatives shall have access to the books, documents, papers, and records of Contractor which are directly pertinent to this Contract for the purpose of making audit, examination, excerpts, and transcripts. Contractor shall maintain such books and records for OSU's review for at least six years beyond the Term of the Contract unless OSU authorizes a shorter period in writing. Contractor shall promptly remedy any discrepancies involving deviation from the terms of this Contract and shall promptly reimburse OSU for any commitments or expenditures found by OSU to have been in excess of amounts authorized by OSU.

3. AFFIRMATIVE ACTION:

Pursuant to OAR 580-061-0030, Contractor certifies that Contractor has not discriminated against Minority, Women or Emerging Small Business Enterprises in obtaining any required subcontracts.

4. APPLICABLE LAW; JURISDICTION AND VENUE.

- a. This Contract is governed and shall be construed in accordance with the laws of the State of Oregon, without resort to any other jurisdiction's conflict of law rules or doctrines. Any claim, action, or suit between OSU and Contractor that arises out of or relates to performance of this Contract must be brought and conducted solely and exclusively within the Circuit Court for Marion County, for the State of Oregon.
- b. Notwithstanding the foregoing paragraph, if a claim must be brought in federal forum, it must be brought and adjudicated solely and exclusively in the United States District Court for the District of Oregon. This paragraph applies to a claim brought against OSU only to the extent Congress has validly abrogated OSU's sovereign immunity and is not consent by OSU to be sued in federal court. This paragraph is also not a waiver by OSU of any form of immunity, including without limitation sovereign immunity and immunity based on the Eleventh Amendment to the United States Constitution.
- c. Except as set forth in the paragraph above, the parties consent to in personam jurisdiction in the above courts and waive any objection to venue and any objection that the forum is inconvenient.

5. ASSIGNMENT/SUBCONTRACT/SUCCESSORS:

Contractor shall not assign, sell, transfer, or subcontract rights, or delegate responsibilities under this Contract, in whole or in part, without the prior written approval of the OSU Procurement and Contract Services Department, and any attempt by Contractor to assign, sell, transfer, or subcontract rights or delegate responsibilities under this Contract, without first

acquiring written approval of the OSU Procurement and Contract Services Department, is void. No such written approval from OSU relieves Contractor of any obligations of this Contract, however, and any assignee, new owner, transferee or subcontractor will be considered an agent of Contractor. Contractor shall remain liable to OSU under the Contract as if no such assignment, sale, transfer, or subcontract had occurred. The provisions of this Contract are binding upon and will inure to the benefit of the parties to the Contract and their respective permitted successors and assigns.

6. COMPLIANCE WITH APPLICABLE LAW:

Contractor shall comply with all federal, state and local laws, regulations, executive orders and ordinances applicable to the Contract. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, Contractor expressly agrees to comply with the following laws, regulations and executive orders to the extent they are applicable to the Contract: (i) Titles VI and VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended; (ii) Sections 503 and 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended; (iii) the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, as amended; (iv) Executive Order 11246, as amended; (v) the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996; (vi) the Age Discrimination in Employment Act of 1967, as amended, and the Age Discrimination Act of 1975, as amended; (vii) the Vietnam Era Veterans' Readjustment Assistance Act of 1974, as amended; (viii) ORS Chapter 659, as amended; (ix) all regulations and administrative rules established pursuant to the foregoing laws; and (x) all other applicable requirements of federal and state civil rights and rehabilitation statutes, rules and regulations. These laws, regulations and executive orders are incorporated by reference herein to the extent that they are applicable to the Contract and required by law to be so incorporated.

7. CONFIDENTIALITY:

This Contract is subject to the limitations and conditions of the Oregon Public Records Law, ORS 192.410-192.505.

8. DELIVERY:

All deliveries are F.O.B. destination with all transportation and handling charges paid by the Contractor, unless specified otherwise in the Solicitation Documents or on the face of the Purchase Order issued by OSU. Responsibility and liability for loss or damage remain with the Contractor until final inspection and acceptance, when responsibility passes to OSU except as to latent defects, fraud and Contractor's warranty obligations.

9. EXPORT CONTROL:

Contractor acknowledges that OSU has students and faculty who are foreign nationals who may work with the services, product or technology received from Contractor pursuant to this Contract. Contractor represents that it has informed OSU in writing, prior to executing this Contract if it is providing OSU any product or technology subject to the U.S. Export Administration Act of 1979, the Export Administration Regulations and the International Traffic in Arms Regulations, and if so, under what Commerce Control List number(s) or U.S. Munitions List number(s) it is controlled.

10. FORCE MAJEURE:

Neither OSU nor Contractor shall be held responsible for delay or default caused by fire, riot, act of nature, terrorist acts, or other acts of political sabotage, or war where such cause was beyond, respectively, OSU's or Contractor's reasonable control. Contractor shall make all reasonable efforts to remove or eliminate such a cause of delay or default and shall, upon cessation of the cause, diligently pursue performance of its obligations under this Contract. However, if a default or delay due to a force majeure event continues for an unreasonable time, as determined by OSU, then OSU is entitled to terminate the Contract.

11. GOVERNMENT EMPLOYMENT STATUS:

Contractor certifies that it is not currently employed by the federal government and not an employee of OSU.

12. INDEMNITY, RESPONSIBILITY FOR DAMAGES:

- a. Contractor shall be responsible for all damage to property, injury to persons, and loss, expense, inconvenience, and delay which may be caused by, or result from, any willful or negligent act or omission of Contractor, its subcontractors, or employees under this Contract. Contractor shall save, defend, indemnify, and hold harmless OSU, the Oregon State Board of Higher Education, the State of Oregon and their agencies, subdivisions, officers, directors, agents, members, and employees from all claims, suits, and actions resulting from or arising out of the willful or negligent acts or omissions of Contractor or its subcontractors, officers, agents, or employees acting under this Contract.
- b. Without limiting the generality of this section a., Contractor expressly agrees to defend, indemnify, and hold OSU, the Oregon State Board of Higher Education, the State of Oregon and their agencies, subdivisions, officers, directors, agents, members, and employees harmless from any and all claims, suits, actions, losses, liabilities, costs, expenses and damages arising out of or related to any claims that the services or any other tangible or intangible goods delivered to OSU by Contractor that may be the subject of protection under any state or federal

intellectual property law or doctrine, or OSU's use thereof infringes any patent, copyright, trade secret, trademark, trade dress, mask work, utility design, or other proprietary right of any third party; provided, that OSU shall provide Contractor with prompt written notice of any infringement claim.

- c. Contractor shall have control of the defense and settlement of any claim that is subject to a. or b.; however, neither Contractor nor any attorney engaged by Contractor shall defend the claim in the name of the State of Oregon or any agency of the State of Oregon, nor purport to act as legal representative of the State of Oregon or any of its agencies, without first receiving from the Oregon Attorney General, in a form and manner determined appropriate by the Attorney General, authority to act as legal counsel for the State of Oregon, nor shall Contractor settle any claim on behalf of the State of Oregon without the approval of the Attorney General. The State of Oregon may, at its election and expense, assume its own defense and settlement in the event that the State of Oregon determines that Contractor is prohibited from defending the State of Oregon, or is not adequately defending the State of Oregon's interests, or that an important governmental principle is at issue and the State of Oregon desires to assume its own defense.

13. INSPECTIONS:

Goods furnished under this Contract are subject to inspection and test by OSU at times and places determined by OSU. If OSU finds goods furnished to be incomplete or not in compliance with the Contract, OSU, at its sole discretion, may either reject the goods, require Contractor to correct any defects without charge, or negotiate with Contractor to sell the goods to OSU at a reduced price, whichever OSU deems appropriate under the circumstances. If Contractor is unable or refuses to cure any defects within a time deemed reasonable by OSU, OSU may reject the goods and cancel the Contract in whole or in part. Nothing in this paragraph is to in any way affect or limit OSU's rights as a Buyer, including the rights and remedies relating to rejection under ORS 72.6020 and revocation of acceptance under ORS 72.6080.

14. INSURANCE:

Contractor shall secure at its own expense and keep in effect during the term of this Contract general liability or professional liability insurance as deemed applicable by OSU with limits of not less than four million dollars (\$4,000,000) aggregate, unless otherwise specified in writing by OSU. Insurance policies are to be issued by an insurance company authorized to do business in the State of Oregon with a rating of A or better, or as deemed acceptable by OSU. If requested, Contractor shall provide proof of insurance of said insurance policy. If any of the liability insurance is arranged on a "claims made" basis, "tail" coverage will be required at the completion of this Contract for a duration commiserate with the statute of limitations for tort claims in Oregon.

15. INVOICES:

Contractor shall send invoices to OSU for goods and services accepted by OSU to OSU's Department at the address specified in the Purchase Order. Contractor shall include in each invoice:

- a. The Purchase Order number;
- b. The quantity of goods ordered, the quantity of goods delivered, the date goods were delivered, the price per unit;
- c. A detailed description of any services performed, the dates services were performed, the rate or rates for services performed, and the total cost of services; and
- d. The total amount due and the payment address.

OSU shall pay Contractor for services performed at the prices and rates specified herein. Contractor shall look solely to OSU for payment of all amounts OSU owes to Contractor. Payment of OSU contracts is normally made within 30-45 days following the date the invoice is received. After 45 days, Contractor may assess overdue account charges up to a maximum of two-thirds of one percent (2/3 of 1%) per month or eight percent (8%) per annum on the outstanding balance (ORS 293.462).

16. NECESSARY COMPONENTS:

Unless specified otherwise, Contractor shall include all components, hardware and parts necessary for complete and proper assembly, installation and operation of goods.

17. NON-COMPLIANCE:

If any goods or component parts are recalled by a regulatory body or the manufacturer, or discovered by Contractor not to comply with applicable regulatory standards or the Specifications, Contractor shall immediately notify OSU of the recall or non-compliance, and shall provide copies of the recall notice or notice of non-compliance, as applicable, and all other supporting documentation for the recall or non-compliance determination. OSU may elect to (a) reject goods in whole or in part, or (b) revoke its acceptance of goods in whole or in part. If OSU rejects goods or revokes its acceptance of goods, Contractor shall remove the particular goods from OSU's possession at no cost to OSU and shall reimburse OSU for all payments made for those goods.

18. NOTICE:

Unless otherwise specified, any notice pursuant to this Contract shall be validly given if in writing and delivered to the other party via e-mail, fax, or by registered or certified mail, postage prepaid, to the respective addressees of Contractor and OSU.

19. OSU NAME AND TRADEMARK:

Contractor's shall not use names, marks or trademarks identifying OSU, or any department or office of OSU, or in any other way identify OSU without prior written approval from OSU's Office of University Advancement.

20. PARKING:

Contractors doing business on the OSU campus may be required to have a permit to park, if utilizing restricted street parking or parking lots. Contractor parking permits may be picked up from OSU's Office of Transit & Parking Services.

21. RECYCLABLE PRODUCTS:

Contractors will use recyclable products to the maximum extent economically feasible in the performance of the Contract.

22. RETIREMENT SYSTEM STATUS:

Contractor is not a contributing member of the Public Employees' Retirement System and will be responsible for any federal or state taxes applicable to payment under this Contract. Contractor will not, by virtue of this Contract, be eligible for federal Social Security, employment insurance, workers' compensation or the Public Employees' Retirement System, except as a self-employed individual.

23. SAFETY AND HEALTH REQUIREMENTS/HAZARD COMMUNICATION:

Goods supplied under this Contract shall comply with all federal Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) requirements and with all Oregon safety and health requirements, including those of the State of Oregon Workers' Compensation Division. Contractor shall notify OSU prior to using products containing hazardous chemicals to which OSU employees may be exposed. Products containing hazardous chemicals are those products defined by Oregon Administrative Rules, Chapter 437. Upon OSU's request, Contractor shall immediately provide Material Safety Data Sheets, as required by OAR 437-155-025, for the products subject to this provision.

24. SEVERABILITY:

The invalidity, illegality or enforceability of any provision of this Contract shall not affect the validity, legality or enforceability of any other provision of this Contract, which shall remain in full force and effect and shall be liberally construed in order to effectuate the purpose and intent of this Contract.

25. SEXUAL HARASSMENT:

The State Board of Higher Education has adopted polices applicable to Contractors that prohibit sexual harassment, and Contractor's company and employees are required to adhere to OSU's policy prohibiting sexual harassment in their interactions with members of the OSU community.

26. STANDARD COMPONENTS:

Unless specified, Contractor shall provide goods with all components and accessories that the manufacturer lists as "standard" for goods.

27. SURVIVAL:

The terms and conditions of this Contract that by their sense and context are intended to survive termination or expiration hereof shall so survive.

28. TAX COMPLIANCE CERTIFICATION:

Contractor certifies under penalty of perjury that Contractor is, to the best of the undersigned's knowledge, not in violation of any Oregon Tax Laws. For purposes of this certification, "Oregon Tax Laws" means a state tax imposed by ORS 320.005 to 320.150 and 403.200 to 403.250 and ORS chapters 118, 314, 316, 317, 318, 321 and 323 and the elderly rental assistance program under ORS 310.630 to 310.706 and local taxes administered by the Department of Revenue under ORS 305.620.

29. TERMINATION:

This Contract may be terminated at any time by mutual consent of both parties or by OSU upon thirty (30) days' notice in writing and delivered by certified mail or in person to the other party. In addition, OSU may terminate this Contract at any time by written notice to Contractor if (a) Federal or state statutes, regulations or guidelines are modified or interpreted in

such a way that the services are no longer allowable or appropriate for purchase under this Contract; (b) any license or certificate required by law or regulation to be held by the Contractor to provide the services required by this Contract is for any reason denied, revoked, or not renewed; or (c) OSU fails to receive sufficient legislative appropriations (or from applicable federal, state, or other sources) to permit OSU, in the exercise of its reasonable administrative discretion, to fulfill its obligations under this Contract, or if the OSU program for which this Contract was executed is abolished. This Contract may also be terminated by OSU for default (including breach of contract) if (a) Contractor fails to timely provide services or materials called for by this Contract; or (b) Contractor fails to perform any of the other provisions of this Contract, or so fails to pursue the work as to endanger performance of this Contract in accordance with its terms and conditions, and after receipt of written notice from OSU, fails to correct such failures within ten (10) days. The rights and remedies of OSU provided in the above clause related to defaults (including breach of contract) by Contractor shall not be exclusive and are in addition to any other rights and remedies provided by law or under this Contract.

30. THIRD PARTY BENEFICIARY:

OSU and Contractor are the only parties to this Contract and are the only parties entitled to enforce its terms. Nothing in this Contract gives, is intended to give, or shall be construed to give or provide any benefit or right, whether directly, indirectly, or otherwise, to third parties.

31. WAIVER:

Failure of OSU to enforce any provision of this Contract will not constitute a waiver or relinquishment by OSU of the right to such performance in the future nor of the right to enforce any other provision of this Contract.

32. WARRANTIES:

Unless specified, Contractor shall deliver goods that are new, unused and produced from current production inventory. Contractor shall provide goods manufactured from only those components that the manufacturer offers in the manufacturer's current parts catalogue for goods and carry full manufacturer warranties. Contractor warrants all goods delivered to be free from defects in labor, material, and manufacture and to be in compliance with specifications in the Solicitation Document. All implied or expressed warranty provisions of the Uniform Commercial Code, at ORS Chapter 72, are incorporated into this Contract. All warranties run to OSU.

33. WORKERS' COMPENSATION:

The Contractor, its subcontractors, if any, and all employers providing work, labor or materials under this Contract are subject employers under the Oregon Workers' Compensation law and shall comply with ORS 656.017, which requires them to provide workers' compensation coverage that satisfies Oregon law for all their subject workers, unless such employees are exempt under ORS 656.126.

34. MERGER:

THIS CONTRACT CONSTITUTES THE ENTIRE CONTRACT BETWEEN THE PARTIES. THERE ARE NO UNDERSTANDINGS, ORAL OR WRITTEN, NOT SPECIFIED HEREIN REGARDING THIS CONTRACT. NO AMENDMENT, CONSENT, OR WAIVER OF TERMS OF THIS CONTRACT SHALL BIND EITHER PARTY UNLESS IN WRITING AND SIGNED BY ALL PARTIES. ANY SUCH AMENDMENT, CONSENT, OR WAIVER IS EFFECTIVE ONLY IN THE SPECIFIC INSTANCE AND FOR THE SPECIFIC PURPOSE GIVEN.

**EXHIBIT B
CERTIFICATIONS**

By signature on this certification the undersigned certifies that they are authorized to act on behalf of the Proposer and that under penalty of perjury the undersigned will comply with the following:

SECTION I. OREGON TAX LAWS

The undersigned hereby certifies under penalty of perjury that the undersigned is authorized to act on behalf of Proposer and that Proposer is, to the best of the undersigned's knowledge, not in violation of any Oregon Tax Laws. For purposes of this certification, "Oregon Tax Laws" means a state tax imposed by ORS 320.005 to 320.150 and 403.200 to 403.250 and ORS chapters 118, 314, 316, 317, 318, 321 and 323 and the elderly rental assistance program under ORS 310.630 to 310.706 and local taxes administered by the Department of Revenue under ORS 305.620.

SECTION II. AFFIRMATIVE ACTION

The undersigned hereby certifies that they have not discriminated against Minority, Women or Emerging Small Business Enterprises in obtaining any required subcontracts, pursuant to OAR 580-061-0030 (3).

SECTION III. COMPLIANCE WITH SOLICITATION

The undersigned agrees and certifies that they:

1. Have read, fully understands and agrees to be bound by the Request for Proposal and all Exhibits and Addenda to the Request for Proposal; and
2. Are an authorized representative of the Proposer, that the information provided is true and accurate, and that providing incorrect or incomplete information may be cause for rejection of the Proposal or Contract termination; and
3. Will furnish the designated item(s) and/or service(s) in accordance with the Request for Proposal and the Contract; and
4. Has provided a correct Federal Employer Identification Number or Social Security Number with the Proposal.

SECTION IV. PERMISSIVE COOPERATIVE PROCUREMENTS

If Proposer is awarded a contract from this Request for Proposal, Proposer hereby (check one)

- agrees
 disagrees

to offer the resulting contractual terms and prices to other public institutions.

Authorized Signature: _____

Date: _____

Name (Type or Print): _____

Telephone:(_____)_____

Title: _____

Fax:(_____)_____

FEIN ID# or SSN# (required): _____

Email: _____

Company: _____

Address, City, State, Zip: _____

Construction Contractors Board (CCB) License Number (if applicable): _____

Business Designation (check one):

- Corporation Partnership LLC Sole Proprietorship Non-Profit

Minority, Women & Emerging Small Business (MWESB) Certified Firm: Yes No

If yes, Minority, Women & Emerging Small Business (MWESB) Certification Number: _____

**EXHIBIT C
REFERENCES**

REFERENCE 1

COMPANY: _____ CONTACT NAME: _____
ADDRESS: _____ PHONE NUMBER: _____
CITY, STATE ZIP: _____ FAX NUMBER: _____
WEBSITE: _____ E-MAIL: _____
GOODS OR SERVICES PROVIDED: _____

REFERENCE 2

COMPANY: _____ CONTACT NAME: _____
ADDRESS: _____ PHONE NUMBER: _____
CITY, STATE ZIP: _____ FAX NUMBER: _____
WEBSITE: _____ E-MAIL: _____
GOODS OR SERVICES PROVIDED: _____

REFERENCE 3

COMPANY: _____ CONTACT NAME: _____
ADDRESS: _____ PHONE NUMBER: _____
CITY, STATE ZIP: _____ FAX NUMBER: _____
WEBSITE: _____ E-MAIL: _____
GOODS OR SERVICES PROVIDED: _____

EXHIBIT D BASIC EQUIPMENT SPECIFICATIONS

1. Performance

- a. Equipment must employ a gas charged hammer capable of more than 1000 blows per minute for efficiency in down force application
- b. Gas charged hammer must have a percussion rate that exceeds 30Hz for efficiency in down force application
- c. Gas charged hammer must have an integrated bi-directional rotation function to enable pavement and rock coring and able to exert at least 450 ft. lbs. of torque
- d. Gas charged hammer must employ a minimum 2" diameter anvil to promote longevity of system tooling
- e. Gas charged hammer must have a removable modular power cell weighing less than 100 pounds to enable easy maintenance by shipping part to factory via UPS ground service
- f. Equipment must be capable of exerting minimum down force of 36,000 lb.
- g. Equipment must be capable of exerting minimum retraction force of 48,000 lb.
- h. Equipment must be able to move coring boom unit at least 15" laterally (left, right, out) from a central point without having to reposition or relevel the entire machine
- i. Equipment must have the ability to allow the delivery of bentonite grouting in a bottom-up procedure through its primary tool string
- j. Equipment must be able to collect an undisturbed sediment core within a continuous series of PVC sample tubes with integrated core catchers that individually measure at least 58" in length and 1.8" in diameter
- k. Equipment must be able to establish a sealed metal cased borehole by installing a continuous string of tubing to avoid vertical contamination between stratigraphic units
- l. Sediment core collection must not require the use of any kind of solid drive tip-type device, contributing to procedural efficiency
- m. Equipment must not employ a gravitational drop hammer method for down force application, ensuring greatest efficiency and operator safety

2. General Features

- a. Equipment must be track carrier mounted for mobility on varied terrains
- b. Equipment coring unit must be mounted on a frame rail system with a stroke measuring 70" or more that can be folded for transport
- c. Equipment must fit into a towable enclosed cargo trailer capable of holding an object weighing less than 8,000 lbs. and measuring 60" width, 140" length and 100" height for transport without a special license or permit. (*Pricing to include the trailer*)
- d. Equipment must have a deployed surface load that is less than 5.0 lb./in²
- e. Equipment must have a hydraulic core tube extruder
- f. Equipment must have an option for auxiliary hydraulic connect stations
- g. Proposed equipment must be in general use in industry as a primary means to extract continuous sequences of sedimentary cores from within cased boreholes
- h. Equipment must employ a Tier 3 compliant diesel engine capable of generating a minimum of 55 hp
- i. Equipment must employ a hydraulic pump capable of circulating at least 40 gallons per minute
- j. Borehole casing and internal sediment core sample tube must be advanced simultaneously by the machine, promoting maximum stratigraphic hygiene
- k. Equipment must have documentary certification as engineered to be in compliance with safety standards 2006/42/EC (EU Machinery Safety Directive) and with 2000/14/EC (EU Noise Directive)
- l. Equipment must have documentary certification as engineered to meet the following safety design standards: EN418:1992; EN791:1995; EN982:1996; IEC60204-1:2005; IEC60947-5-1:2003; ISO3744-1994(E);ISO11201:1995; ISO13849-1:2006; ISO13849-2:2003