

## REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS (RFP) INDOOR INTEGRATED PEST MANAGEMENT (IPM) SERVICES RFP No. 22468

## ATTENTION POTENTIAL PROPOSERS!

## **IMPORTANT NOTICE**

## **Responsibility of Each Proposer Participating in the Bidding Process**

It is the responsibility of each participating proposer to refer daily to the OUS Business Opportunities website to check for any available amendments or addenda, responses to inquiries and/or questions, cancellations, or notices of intent to award, and any and all additional information regarding this opportunity that is posted. It is not Portland State University's responsibility to notify participating proposers by email or by any other means of any of the above. Copies of this document can be obtained on the web site as well. The web link follows.

http://www.ous.edu/about/bid

All requests for changes or clarifications regarding technical information, procedural requirements, contractual requirements or other issues must be submitted in accordance with <u>Section 1</u>, <u>Instructions to Proposers and Section 3</u>, <u>Questions or Requests For Clarification/Change</u>.

## NO LATE PROPOSALS WILL BE ACCEPTED

## Minority, Women, and Emerging Small Businesses

PSU is committed to increasing opportunities for Minority, Women, and Emerging Small Businesses (MWESB). PSU strongly encourages its proposers to use these businesses in providing services and materials for PSU contracts and projects.

PSU promotes equal opportunity for all individuals without regard to age, color, disability, marital status, national origin, race, religion or creed, sex or gender, sexual orientation, or veteran status.

Commodity Title: Buyer:

Contracts Officer: Phone/Fax: Email: Date Issued: Indoor Integrated Pest Management (IPM) Services State Board of Higher Education acting by and through Portland State University (PSU) Stacey L. Balenger (503) 725-5244 contract@pdx.edu July 18, 2013

## **RFP Proposal Deadline for Receipt by PSU Contracting and Procurement Services**

Day/Date: Time:	Monday July 29, 2013 3:00 p.m.
Location/Address:	Portland State University
(UPS, FED-X, and hand delivery)	Contracting and Procurement Services 1600 SW Fourth Avenue, Suite 260 Portland, OR 97201
Mailing Address (USPS):	Portland State University Contracting and Procurement Services PO Box 751 –FAST-CAPS Portland, OR 97207-0751

### **Overview**

Established in 1946, Portland State University (PSU or University) is part of the public Oregon University System. PSU serves as a center of opportunity for over 25,000 undergraduate and graduate students. Located in Portland, Oregon, one of the nation's most livable cities, the University's innovative approach to education combines academic rigor in the classroom with field-based experiences through internships and classroom projects with community partners. The University's downtown campus exhibits Portland State's commitment to sustainability with green buildings, while many of the 120 bachelor's, master's, and doctoral degrees incorporate sustainability into the curriculum. PSU's motor, "Let Knowledge Serve the City," inspires the teaching and research of an accomplished faculty whose work and students span the globe. The campus contains over two million square feet of office and academic space.

The State Board of Higher Education acting by and through Portland State University (PSU) is seeking Proposals from qualified firms for Indoor Integrated Pest Management (IPM) Services as described in this RFP. The RFP will become a part of any ensuing contract. A list of buildings that will require Indoor IPM services can be found in the attached **Attachment A**, attached and incorporated by reference herein. All available floor plans, floor area calculations, location maps and other information can be found at: <a href="http://www.fap.pdx.edu/floorplans/">http://www.fap.pdx.edu/floorplans/</a>

#### **Contract Term**

The resulting Contract will be for a three (3) year period commencing on the date of execution with options to renew for two (2) additional one (1) year periods. Any optional renewals will be subject to approval by PSU in its sole discretion. Total length of Contract with extensions shall not exceed five (5) years. This solicitation is intended to result in awarding a single contract. However, PSU reserves the right, in its sole discretion, to award multiple contracts if it is determined to be in the best interests of PSU to do so.

#### **Financial Consideration**

The maximum dollar value of any individual contract awarded under this solicitation shall not initially exceed One Hundred Ten Thousand dollars (\$110,000.00). This amount may be amended at the University's sole discretion throughout the renewal term(s) of any ensuing contract.

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## SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

These dates are for reference only; PSU may change these dates at its discretion. PSU will post any changes to schedule dates on the OUS website: <u>http://www.ous.edu/about/bid</u>.

Issue RFP to potential proposers	July 18, 2013
Mandatory Campus Walk Through 1:00 p.m.	July 25, 2013
Deadline for proposer inquiries, request for changes or protest of specifications	July 25, 2013
Deadline for PSU to respond to proposer inquiries and/or protest of RFP specifications and/or contract terms and conditions	July 29, 2013
Proposals due*	July 31, 2013
Proposals due* Evaluation period, ending	<b>July 31, 2013</b> August 5, 2013
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Evaluation period, ending	August 5, 2013

\* Proposals must be received by the PSU Contracting and Procurement Services office no later than 3:00 p.m. local time on this date.

## SECTION 1: INSTRUCTIONS TO PROPOSERS

All Proposals submitted in response to this RFP are subject to the provisions and requirements of the applicable Oregon Revised Statutes (ORS), the applicable Attorney General's Model Public Contract Rules and the Administrative Rules of the Oregon University System.

- 1. <u>**Right to Reject:**</u> PSU reserves the right to cancel this procurement or RFP, and reserves the right to reject any or all Proposals received as a result of this RFP, upon finding that it is in the public interest to do so or for any other reason set forth in this RFP.
- 2. <u>Preparation Costs:</u> PSU shall not be liable for any costs incurred by proposers in the preparation of Proposals to this RFP, including any meetings and demonstrations that may be required or requested.
- 3. <u>Questions or Requests For Clarification/Change:</u> All requests for changes or clarifications regarding technical information, procedural requirements, contractual requirements or other issues must be submitted, in writing, and received no later than the date and time listed in the Schedule of Events to the name and address listed on page 2 of this RFP. Any exception or a concern regarding this RFP, must be raised in writing, which must be received by the deadline date for Requests for Changes listed in the Schedule of Events.

PSU reserves the right to reject Proposals from proposer(s) that raise any objections to the terms and conditions of this RFP after the deadline date for requests for changes. Proposers' proposed agreements, including proposed supplemental terms and conditions may be considered by PSU in its sole discretion, pursuant to Sections 16, 17 and 18 below. PSU will consider all protests and requested changes that are timely submitted and, if reasonable and appropriate, amend this RFP.

Envelopes or faxes containing requests for change or protest of RFP requirements or contract provisions shall be marked as follows:

- Attention: RFP Document Number and title;
- RFP Specification (or Contract Provisions) being questioned; or,
- Request for Change (or Protest); and,
- Date Submitted.

Emailed requests for change or protest of RFP requirements or contract provisions shall be marked as follows:

- Email subject line must state: RFP Document Number and title.
- The body of the email must state: RFP Specification (or Contract Provisions) being questioned; or, Request for Change (or Protest).

PSU will not consider or respond to requests that are submitted in any manner other than as provided in this Section 3.

**4.** <u>Submittal Location:</u> All Proposals must be submitted to the PSU Contracting and Procurement Services office identified on Page 2 of this RFP.

5. <u>Change or Modification Addenda(s)</u>: Any change or clarification to the specifications or the procurement process or to PSU's Standard Contract Terms and Conditions will be issued in the form of an Addendum to this RFP and will be made available to all proposers. Only documents issued as addenda by the PSU Contracting and Procurement Services office will serve to change this RFP in any way. No other direction, written or oral, shall serve to change this RFP document.

Proposers are not required to return addenda with their Proposal. However, proposers are responsible for making themselves aware of and obtaining and incorporating any changes made in any addenda issued into their final Proposal. Failure to do so may cause the proposer's Proposal to be rejected.

6. <u>Proposal Preparation and Submission</u>: Proposals to the RFP shall be of sufficient length and detail to demonstrate that the proposer has a thorough understanding of the PSU environment and why the proposer best meets PSU's needs.

Proposers shall submit **ONE (1) ORIGINAL** of all Proposal pages and **four (4) photocopies** of the same pages, which shall be submitted to the PSU Contracting and Procurement Services office by the RFP Proposals Due date to the location listed on Page 2 of this RFP. The original Proposal shall be marked "ORIGINAL". The Proposal shall contain no pricing information whatsoever. Pricing shall be submitted in a separate Pricing Proposal as detailed below.

Proposals shall be prepared in printed form, not handwritten, and shall be signed in ink by an authorized representative of the proposer. The person signing the RFP shall initial alterations or erasures in ink. The original Proposal submitted by a proposer must bear an original signature. Failure to submit a Proposal bearing an original signature will result in rejection of the Proposal. No oral, telegraphic, telephone, e-mail or facsimile Proposals will be accepted. Proposals and Pricing Proposals must not be submitted in three ring binders or with any binding that cannot be easily removed. Comb binding or large clips are acceptable. It is also recommended that Proposals be printed on 100% recycled paper. Proposals must not include any tabbing or glossy paper, must be printed two sided, and graphics only those graphics essential to the Proposal should be included. Proposers must also submit an electronic copy of the complete Proposal on one CD in a PDF format, and the Pricing Proposal on a separate CD in a Microsoft Excel format. Presentations formatted in Microsoft Power Point will also be accepted. Each CD should be clearly marked with the proposer's company name and identified as "Proposal" and "Pricing Proposal". Proposers must include a cover sheet that identifies the company name, the company's primary and secondary contact person's name for the Proposal, primary and secondary person's email, phone and fax number and company's web address. PSU, in its sole discretion, may determine that a Proposal is non-responsive if the Proposal and pricing are not submitted as required, including separate CD's, in the required identified format.

Proposals must be submitted in a sealed package(s) or envelope(s). To ensure proper identification and handling, all package(s) or envelope(s) must be clearly marked with the RFP Number and the date and time RFP Proposals are due. Pricing information must be submitted at the same time in a separate sealed package, and must be clearly marked "Pricing Proposal", with the name of the proposer submitting the Proposal clearly identified on each page of the Pricing Proposal. Pricing information must not be included with the rest of the Proposal in any manner whatsoever. Failure to completely separate pricing from the rest of the Proposal may result in rejection of the Proposal.

### Section 4: Proposal Certification must bear an original signature and be completed and submitted in its entirety. Failure to comply may result in the rejection of the Proposal.

Proposals and pricing information must be received and time-stamped by the PSU Contracting and Procurement Services office (unless otherwise specified) no later than the scheduled RFP Proposals due date and time listed in the Schedule of Events of this RFP. Late Proposals or modifications will be rejected.

Proposers should note that PSU has an internal campus mail system which is used to distribute all U.S. mail sent to PSU. This internal mail system sometimes experiences delays in distributing mail to campus departments and, upon rare occasion, loses mail intended for campus departments. Thus, proposers using the U.S. mail to submit their Proposals do so at their own risk.

Proposers must complete all applicable information and provide all information requested in this RFP. Failure to comply may be grounds for Proposal rejection.

Proposer shall also include in the Proposal the name, title and phone number of the person who is assigned the responsibility of answering questions and resolving problems for the proposer.

7. <u>Public Records:</u> This RFP and one copy of each original Proposal received in response to it, together with copies of all documents pertaining to the Award of a Contract, shall be kept by PSU and shall be open to public inspection. If a Proposal contains any information that is considered a trade secret by the proposer under ORS 192.501(2), each sheet of such information must be clearly marked with the following:

#### "This data constitutes a trade secret under ORS 192.501(2), and shall not be disclosed except in accordance with the Oregon Public Records Law, ORS Chapter 192."

The Oregon Public Records Law, ORS 192.501(2), exempts from disclosure only bona fide trade secrets, and the exemption from disclosure applies "unless the public interest requires disclosure in the particular instance." Therefore, non-disclosure of documents or any portion of a document submitted as part of a Proposal may depend upon official or judicial determinations made pursuant to the Public Records Law.

Proposers are requested to mark only specific pages or text in their Proposal considered a "trade secret" under Public Records Law. Proposals in which the entire document is marked or otherwise identified in its entirety as confidential or a "trade secret" will be rejected.

## Pricing information cannot be labeled a trade secret and must be open to public inspection.

8. <u>Information Submitted:</u> Proposers are cautioned that it is the proposer's sole responsibility to submit information related to the evaluation categories, and that PSU is under no obligation to solicit such information if it is not included within the Proposal. Failure by the proposer to submit such information may cause an adverse impact on the evaluation of the Proposal, including rejection of the Proposal as non-responsive.

- **9.** <u>Evaluation Criteria:</u> Any contract(s) resulting from this RFP will be awarded based upon the evaluation criteria and methodology given in this RFP and in accordance with the Oregon University System, PSU, and State of Oregon administrative purchasing rules and laws.
- **10.** <u>**The Evaluation Process:**</u> All Proposals received by the due time and date will be reviewed by an evaluation committee. The evaluation committee will determine the extent to which the Proposals conform to the specifications set forth herein and will evaluate the Proposals according to criteria identified in this RFP. The following process will be used:
  - a. Proposals will be evaluated for completeness and compliance with the requirements of this RFP. PSU reserves the right to reject those Proposals that are incomplete. PSU also reserves the right to waive what are, in PSU's judgment, minor informalities or discrepancies. Proposals considered complete will be evaluated to determine if they comply with the administrative, contractual and technical requirements of this RFP. If the Proposal is unclear, proposers may be asked to provide written clarification if it is in the best interest of PSU to do so. PSU reserves the right to reject those Proposals that do not meet all requirements.
  - b. The selection of "finalist" proposer(s) will be determined by the evaluation committee independently scoring the Proposals and then combining the scores and pricing information to determine the overall Proposal score.
  - c. The findings of the evaluation team will be summarized and the summary and award recommendation(s) will be forwarded to the PSU Contracting and Procurement Services office.
  - d. The PSU Contracting and Procurement Services office will review the recommendation and approve or reject the evaluation team's selection.
  - e. At PSU's sole discretion, proposers may be invited to make a presentation and/or perform a demonstration to the evaluation committee in support of the Proposal.
- 11. <u>Investigation of References:</u> PSU reserves the right to investigate the references and the past performance of any proposer with respect to its successful performance of similar projects, compliance with specifications and contractual obligations, its completion or delivery of a project on schedule, and its lawful payment of suppliers, sub-contractors, and workers. PSU may postpone the award or execution of the contract before or after Notice of Intent to Award to complete its investigation. PSU reserves the right to reject any Proposal or to reject all Proposals at any time prior to PSU's execution of a contract if proposer's reference checks prove unsatisfactory.
- 12. <u>Consideration of Past Performance:</u> PSU reserves the right to consider past performance, historical information and other facts, whether gained from the proposer's Proposal, question and answer conference, references, demonstrations, or any other source in the evaluation process.
- **13.** <u>**Reservation of Rights:**</u> PSU has and reserves the right to refuse to enter into a contract if PSU, based upon reasonable grounds, determines that the interests of PSU would not be served. Specifically, this right may be exercised if PSU does not believe that a given proposer

can perform a contract, or for any reason set forth in Oregon Administrative Rules. PSU, at its option, may give the proposer notice, specifying the grounds for rejection, and allow the proposer 15 calendar days to respond in writing.

Following such response, PSU, in its sole discretion may reject the Proposal as provided in the referenced administrative rules.

14. <u>Post-Selection Review & Finalists:</u> After evaluation is complete, and provided that the RFP is not canceled by PSU, PSU may rank the Proposals to determine the "finalist" proposer(s), based upon the highest-ranked Proposals as determined by the evaluation and selection criteria in this RFP and applicable statutes and administrative rules. In making these determinations, PSU reserves the right to conduct discussions with the finalist proposer(s), to accept best and final offers from those finalist(s), and to negotiate changes to the Proposal(s).

Following such determinations, the PSU Contracting and Procurement Services office will name one or more apparent successful proposer(s) and announce its Intent to Award to one or more of these proposer(s). Identification of the "apparent successful proposer" is procedural only and creates no right in the named proposer to award of the contract. All competing proposers shall be notified in writing of PSU's Intent to Award and the identity of the apparent successful proposer and shall be given seven (7) calendar days to review the RFP file and evaluation report in the PSU Contracting and Procurement Services office. Any questions or concerns about, or protests of, the evaluation process must be in writing and must be delivered to and received by the PSU Contracting and Procurement Services office within seven (7) calendar days after the date of the letter of Intent to Award identifying the apparent successful proposer(s).

Within a reasonable time following the end of this seven (7) day protest period, PSU will consider all protests received, if any, and may:

- a. reject the protest(s) and proceed with final evaluation of the apparent successful proposer(s) and, upon a satisfactory outcome of this final evaluation, enter into a contract with the apparent successful proposer or proposers; or
- b. sustain a meritorious protest(s) and reject the apparent successful proposer(s) as non-responsive, if such proposer(s) is unable to demonstrate that its Proposal(s) complied with all material requirements of the solicitation and Oregon public procurement law; thereafter, PSU may name a new apparent successful proposer or proposers; or
- c. reject all Proposals and cancel the procurement.
- **15.** <u>Best and Final Offer:</u> Pursuant to OAR 580-061-0155, PSU reserves the right to select the proposer that, in the collective opinion of the evaluation committee, offers the best overall benefit, convenience, functionality and service at the best-value cost to PSU. PSU reserves the right to conduct discussions with the finalist proposers, to accept best and final offers from those finalists, and to negotiate changes, if it's in PSU's best interest to do so.
- **16.** <u>Negotiation of Final Contract:</u> A limited negotiation of the proposed contract may be required to effect include certain supplemental terms and conditions from the proposers'

software license agreements, maintenance contracts, technical support agreements and other similar documents in the final contract. Such negotiation shall be at PSU's discretion.

- 17. <u>Negotiable Terms and Conditions:</u> At such time as the disposition of any protests has been completed, PSU reserves the right to negotiate specific terms of the contract including, but not limited to: indemnification, confidentiality, intellectual property ownership and license provisions, and limitation of liability provisions, with the successful proposer(s) prior to contract execution. Proposers should note that any such negotiation shall be minimal, and should be expedited and completed by the anticipated Contract Execution Date listed in the Schedule of Events. Failure of the selected proposer(s) to execute a contract by the Contract Execution Date may result in cancellation of the award. This time period may be extended at the sole discretion of PSU.
- 18. Proposer Agreements and Supplemental Terms and Conditions: Proposers may include in proposal(s) supplemental agreement terms and conditions of any form (contracts or documents) that the proposer desires to be incorporated in contract. PSU is not bound to accept them or incorporate such supplemental terms and conditions in any contract. While PSU will not consider supplemental terms and conditions that materially conflict with the provisions of this RFP, PSU may consider and negotiate the inclusion of such terms and conditions which are reasonably related to this RFP as supplemental to PSU's Standard Terms and Conditions contained in this RFP. If the parties do not agree on the inclusion of the supplemental terms and conditions, PSU may: 1) enter into a contract with the apparent successful proposer without incorporating the terms and conditions submitted by the proposer; or (2) consider the proposal(s) non-responsive and enter into a contract with another responsive proposer. Any proposal that desires to have terms and conditions negotiated must submit the terms and conditions at the time of submission of the Proposal. PSU will not consider any terms and conditions that are not submitted with the Proposal.

## SECTION 2: SCOPE OF WORK

Proposals may exceed the Scope of Work (SOW), described here in Section 2 of this RFP, and offer other services not stated. The SOW establishes the minimum requirements and are not intended to inhibit new technology, innovation, and other efficiencies.

2.1 <u>Mandatory Walk-Thru and Pre-Bid Meeting</u>: Each Proposer must attend the mandatory walk-thru and pre-bid meeting. Proposers should report to 625 SW Jackson, Room 210 on July 25, 2013 at 1:00 p.m. The Walk-Thru will be led by Housing Operations Assistant Director Ashley Wendler, and Facilities Manager Wayne Wilcox. Immediately following will be a mandatory pre-bid meeting at 1:30 p.m. to allow proposers to ask questions and clarify elements of this RFP document. Please be sure to bring a copy of this RFP to the meeting.

2.2 The Proposal must include Proposer's ability to furnish all supervision, labor, materials and equipment necessary to accomplish the surveillance, trapping, pesticide application, and pest removal components of the IPM program. The Proposal shall also provide detailed, site-specific recommendations for structural and procedural modifications to aid in pest prevention.

- 2.3 The Proposer shall adequately show their ability to suppress the following pests:
  - Indoor populations of rats, mice, cockroaches, ants, flies, bed bugs, spiders and any other arthropod pests not specifically excluded from the contract.
  - Populations of the above pests that are located outside of the specified buildings but within the property boundaries of the building.
  - Winged ant and other swarms emerging indoors.
  - Individuals of all excluded pest populations that are incidental invaders inside buildings.
  - 2.3.1 Populations of the following pests are excluded from this contract:

- Birds, bats, snakes and all other vertebrates other than commensal rodents.

- Termites and other wood-destroying organisms.
- Mosquitoes.
- Pests that primarily feed on outdoor vegetation

## 2.4 **Proposer's Work Schedule.**

Campus visits to inspect and provide service shall not be less than weekly. Treatment in food handling areas is restricted to those times when food is not being processed, prepared or served.

## 2.5 **Pest Control Plan.**

The Proposer shall submit as part of their Proposal a <u>Pest Control Plan</u>. The <u>Pest</u> <u>Control Plan</u> shall consist of four parts as follows:

## 2.5.1 **Propose Materials and Equipment for Service**

The Proposer shall provide current labels and Material Safety Data Sheets of all pesticides to be used and brand names of pesticide application equipment, rodent bait boxes, insect and rodent trapping devices, pest monitoring devices, pest surveillance and detection equipment, and any other pest control devices or equipment that may be used to provide service.

## 2.5.2 **Propose Methods for Monitoring and Surveillance**

The Proposer shall describe methods and procedures to be used for identifying sites of pest harborage and access, and for making objective assessments of pest population levels throughout the term of the contract.

## 2.5.3 **Provide a Service Schedule**

The Proposer shall provide a complete description of their proposed service schedule to the sites listed including frequencies, day(s) of the week and approximate duration of each visit.

## 2.5.4 **Provide Descriptions of any Structural or Operational Change that Would Facilitate the Pest Control Effort**

The Proposer shall describe site-specific solutions for controlling pest access, food, water, and harborage.

## 2.5.4.1 **Propose Preventative Bedbug Treatment**

Preventative treatment in vacant units, as needed, will be requested for reducing risk of bedbug infestation in a given facility (estimated, 400 treatments annually). This means that the Contractor, in consultation with the University, will treat vacant units in a certain facility deemed to be at high risk for building-wide infestation.

## 2.5.4.2 **Clean-Out**

Annual cockroach clean-out for every housing unit (1,390). Services, normally scheduled between Dec 10-20, include baiting near sinks, etc.

## 2.5.4.3 Educational Program

As part of providing pest control services, the Contractor is required to assist PSU with educational programs as part of their services. This is generally a question and answer format to educate the students and staff in the facilities. This occurs a couple of times per year in the evenings or as needed by the Housing Department.

# 2.6 **Proposers shall submit proposals that prove or display their ability to provide the following** <u>contract services</u>:

2.6.1 **Service Report.** After each service call, a service report shall be submitted to Housing & Residence Life department. This report will indicate the date of

service, time in/time out, locations of service, pest evidence found, treatment provided including the types of chemicals/concentrations and/or devices employed, whether treatment is corrective or preventative, and comments regarding pest harborages, debris or other corrective actions necessary.

The Contractor is responsible for supplying, completing and submitting all reports required by Federal, State or local agencies which pertain to any and all duties contained in this contract.

- 2.6.2 **Pesticide Applications.** Pesticide applications will not be made on a routine or periodic basis. No pesticide application will be made unless both the presence of a pest is confirmed and the pest has been identified. All pesticides used must be registered with the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). Approved products include:
  - Insecticidal baits either in tamper resistant bait stations or applied in inaccessible locations (such as crawl spaces) or sites (such as cracks and crevices, behind appliances, etc.).
  - Ready-to-use dust and powder formulations of insecticide applied in inaccessible locations (such as crawl spaces) or sites (such as cracks and crevices, behind appliances, etc.).
  - Rodenticide baits placed in tamper resistant bait stations or in inaccessible locations (such as crawl spaces) or sites (such as cracks and crevices, behind appliances, etc.).

Permission to use non-approved pesticides must be given on a case-by-case basis. Blanket approvals will not be allowed. Contractors must keep a record of the request and approval, along with the rationale for need, whenever a non-approved product is applied.

- 2.6.3 **Material Safety Data Sheets.** The Contractor will provide, prior to their use or application, material safety data sheets for all pesticides and products to be used. All pesticides and products must be approved by PSU prior to use.
- 2.6.4 **Hazard Communication**. The Contractor shall notify PSU Housing & Residence Life point-of-contact prior to using products containing hazardous chemicals to which the University employees may be exposed which may release or result in exposure to a hazardous chemical under normal conditions of use. If air quality is compromised, Contractor is to provide notice to PSU of instructions and warning signage to prevent inadvertent exposure during application and dissipation. Upon University's request, Contractor shall immediately provide Materials Safety Data Sheets, as required by OAR 437-155-025, for the products subject to this provision.

- 2.6.5 **Disposal and Storage Prohibited.** The Contractor shall ensure the legal and environmentally responsible disposal of any pesticide, pesticide container or any other material contaminated by pesticides. These materials shall not be disposed of at any University location. No pest control material or equipment shall be left unattended or accessible to others. No pest control materials or equipment shall be stored or kept at the University.
- 2.7 Level of Performance. The Contractor shall perform all of the services specified in this RFP, or finalized in a Contract, in the most professional manner and in accordance with the highest industry standards, and to ensure that Contractor's employees, representatives and agents maintain high standards of courtesy and appropriate demeanor at all times. Contractor must conduct their operations in an orderly and appropriate manner satisfactory to PSU personnel, faculty and students, and any PSU contractors or subcontractors. Unless the means or methods of performing a task are specified elsewhere in this document, Contractor must employ methods that are generally accepted and used by the industry. PSU reserves the right to approve of Contractor personnel and, if the University deems necessary, to order the removal of anyone who, in PSU's judgment, fails to meet the standards of appropriate conduct.

## 2.8 **Proposer Qualifications.** <u>Proposals will be accepted only from those who attended</u> <u>the mandatory walk-thru and pre-bid meeting</u> and meet the following <u>requirements</u>:

- 2.8.1 Have a minimum of five years of successful professional experience performing services comparable to those required under this contract.
- 2.8.2 Provide at least three current professional references, from different firms and clients, supportive of Proposer's ability to comply with the requirements of this contract.
- 2.8.3 Provide a current Pesticide Operator License Number, "Pest Control General" category. Upon award, the Contractor shall provide a current Pesticide Applicator or Applicator Training License Number for each employee who will perform services on the contract. Contractor shall keep this information updated as any staffing changes occur during the contract period. Only licensed personnel shall perform on this contract.
- 2.8.4 Submit the <u>Pricing Proposal form</u> (Attachment B) attached and incorporated by reference herein and the <u>Proposer Certification</u> (Section 5 of this RFP). Proposers must complete these forms and return them along with their proposal. Failure to provide complete and/or accurate information may be cause for rejection of the Proposal. See 2.7 below.
  - 2.8.4.1 Include with your <u>Pricing Proposal form</u>, your pest control plan for bedbug prevention, elimination, and follow-up. This should be a

detailed description of services provided for both occupied and unoccupied units.

2.9 **Contact Persons.** The Proposer is to designate one or more persons who will be responsible for the work under a final Contract. The Proposer must provide PSU with the name(s), address, and telephone numbers of such person(s) and must keep this information current at all times. The contact person representing PSU is Ashley Wendler, Assistant Director of Housing Operations.

## 2.10 Operations

2.10.1 Employee Hiring, Training, Development and Existing Staff Retention:

- **a.** Provide documentation describing your employee hiring criteria, training and development program, which shall, at the minimum, include screening of applications, interviews, calls to all references, and additional background investigation to include drug screening, injury history, convictions (more on drug screening, injury history and convictions is addressed below), etc.
- **b.** Describe your company's program for continuing education and training, including job training and certification of supervisors, lead workers and workers.

2.10.2 Employee Drug Testing: At Proposer's expense, Proposer shall require all employees, including Management Employees, who shall be working at Portland State University in any capacity, to pass a drug screening test. Proposer shall not permit an employee who fails any drug screening to be placed on University premises for purposes of employment pursuant to the Contract.

2.10.3 Employee Drug Testing Program: Proposers shall submit as part of their response to this RFP an employee drug testing program for employees that will be working on University premises in any capacity. The program shall include, at a minimum, the following, which shall be maintained during any contract with the University to provide pest control services to PSU facilities:

- **a.** A written employee drug-testing policy;
- b. Required drug testing for all new Subject Employees;
- c. Annual drug testing of all on-going employees;
- **d.** Required random testing.
- e. Required testing of a Subject Employee when the Proposer has reasonable cause to believe the subject employee is under the influence of drugs or upon the reasonable request of the University.
- f. Required testing of a Subject Employee when the Subject Employee is involved in: (1) an incident causing an injury requiring treatment by a physician, or (2) an incident resulting in damage to property or equipment.

**g.** A drug-testing program that meets the above requirements will be deemed a "Qualifying Employee Drug-testing Program." For the purpose of this section an employee is a "Subject Employee" only if that employee will be working at University facilities.

Proposer shall be required to provide results of all drug testing to the University within fifteen (15) days of completion of the drug testing, or receipt of the drug test by the proposer from the source providing the drug testing, for all Subject Employees.

2.10.4 Background Checks and Finger Printing: Proposers shall also submit as part of their response to this RFP their representation and warranty that if they enter into a Contract to provide pest control services to the University, prior to commencement of pest control services, they will:

- a. Provide at no cost to the University, nationwide criminal background checks of all employees and nationwide criminal and background checks of all Management employees assigned to work at the University in any capacity. All background checks shall include fingerprinting.
- **b.** Proposer shall maintain verification that all Proposer employees, including management staff, have passed fingerprinting and background checks, and shall make the information available to University upon request.
- c. Provide at no cost to the University, regional background checks and fingerprinting for on-going employees working at University facilities every six (6) months for the duration of the contract;
- d. Proposer shall not employ on the Premises employees who have been convicted of a crime(s) involving moral turpitude, whether classified as a felony or misdemeanor, and of any of the crime(s) listed in Exhibit A, incorporated by reference herein, or has been convicted in another jurisdiction of a crime that is substantially equivalent, as defined by rule, of any of the specific crimes listed herein within ten (10) years prior to employment on the Premises. This prohibition shall apply with equal force to said statutes, as they may be amended from time to time, or to successor statutes which are substantially equivalent. This prohibition shall also include any employee currently under a term of judicial oversight, parole or probation for any offense. This list also includes Discretionary Disqualifications as defined in Exhibit A that may disqualify a candidate.
- e. Ensure that no employee shall carry a weapon, firearm, nonprescription drug, or alcohol on PSU's campus.

## 2.11 Pricing Proposal

2.11.1 Fees for Services. Your Proposal must specify that, aside from the fee(s) you propose in Attachment B, no other costs (such as travel or parking fees) will accrue to PSU for the proposed services. In your Proposal, indicate the amount of fee(s) you propose for PSU to pay you directly for the services in this RFP.

• **Invoices.** Separate Invoices for services performed under the Contract must be submitted following the last scheduled working day of each calendar month. Payment to the contractor shall be made as promptly as possible in accordance with the University's regular payment process. Invoices should be sent to:

Cassandra Hill Business Accounting Services Manager Departmental Budgets and Auxiliaries Portland State University

Phone: (503) 725-5452 Fax: (503) 725-8000 cjhill@pdx.edu

## SECTION 3: EVALUATION CRITERIA

Proposals submitted in response to this RFP will be evaluated in accordance with the following criteria:

## MINIMUM MANDATORY REQUIREMENTS

Only those Proposals meeting the Minimum Mandatory Requirements of this RFP will be deemed responsive to this RFP. Those Proposals which have been deemed responsive shall be evaluated based on the following evaluation criteria:

- 3.1 **Firm Profile. (15 pts maximum)** Explain how you meet or exceed the prerequisites in Section 2. Include financial data to show your financial stability and a statement regarding your ability to carry out the terms of the Contract. Indicate the number of staff, volume and type of business accounts, range of clients, years in business, and office location. Desirable qualifications include demonstrated support of regional business development and emerging small, disadvantaged, and minority-owned and women-owned businesses and State of Oregon Qualified Rehabilitation Facilities.
- 3.2 **Personnel Profile. (10 pts maximum)** Provide a short but complete profile for each of the personnel you propose to assign to perform the specified services under this Contract, including their education, work history, and professional qualifications and certifications. Include a current Pesticide Operator License Number, "Pest Control General" category.
- 3.3 **Similar Experience/References. (10 pts maximum)** Provide three professional references from firms where you have provided services of similar size and scope.
- 3.4 **Pest Control Plan. (25 pts maximum)** Pest Control Plan instructions are specified in Section 2.2.3a d.
- 3.5 **Pricing Plan. (40 pts maximum).** We prefer that your Proposal state the costs of the specified services on a firm, fixed priced basis rather than on the basis of hourly rates. <u>Fill out Attachment B: Pricing Plan Form.</u>
- 3.6 **Proposer's Certification**. Properly fill out and sign the <u>Proposer's Certification in</u> <u>Section 5.</u>

## 3.7 Summary of Evaluation Criteria

Firm Profile	15 pts	
Personnel Profile	10 pts	
Similar Experience/References	10 pts	
Pest Control Plan	25 pts	
Pricing Plan	40 pts	
Interview (see 3.8 below)	10 pts	
TOTAL POSSIBLE POINTS = $110$ Points		

3.8 **Proposal Clarification and Interviews**. PSU at its sole discretion may request clarification of any Proposal by phone, in writing, or during an in-person interview. The Evaluation Committee intends to invite the top two or three highest rated Proposers for a question and answer meeting. During the meeting, the Proposer will not be allowed to make changes to his/her Proposal. The meeting is an opportunity for the Committee to meet key personnel and seek clarification of items indicated in the Proposal, and to rescore a Proposal if new information is disclosed. The Committee may award at its discretion a maximum of 10 points based on the interview.

## SECTION 4: PROPOSER CERTIFICATION

## EACH PROPOSER MUST READ AND COMPLY WITH THE FOLLOWING SECTIONS. FAILURE TO DO SO MAY RESULT IN PROPOSAL REJECTION.

#### SUBSECTION I: CERTIFICATION OF COMPLIANCE WITH TAX LAWS

As required by ORS 305.385(6), I, the undersigned duly authorized representative of the proposer, hereby certify under penalty of perjury that the proposer is not, to the best of my knowledge, in violation of any of the tax laws described in ORS 305.380(4).

#### SUBSECTION II: FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY

PSU reserves the right to investigate and evaluate, at any time prior to award and execution of the contract, the apparent successful proposer's financial responsibility to perform the contract. Submission of a signed Proposal shall constitute approval for PSU to obtain any credit report information PSU deems necessary to conduct the evaluation. PSU shall notify the apparent successful proposer(s), in writing, of any other documentation required, which may include, but need not be limited to, recent profit-and-loss history; current balance statements; assets-to-liabilities ratio, including number and amount of secured versus unsecured creditor claims; availability of short and long-term financing; bonding capacity and credit information, etc. Failure to promptly provide this information may result in Proposal rejection.

PSU may postpone the award or execution of the contract after announcement of the apparent successful proposer(s) in order to complete its investigation and evaluation. Failure of an apparent successful proposer to demonstrate financial responsibility, as required under OAR 580-040-0275 shall render the proposer non-responsible and shall constitute grounds for Proposal rejection, as required under OAR 580-040-0275.

The undersigned agrees and certifies that he/she:

- 1. Has read and understands all bid instructions, specifications, and terms and conditions contained herein (including any attachments listed in this document);
- Is an authorized representative of the proposer, that the information provided in this Proposal is true and accurate, and that providing incorrect or incomplete information may be cause for Proposal rejection or contract termination;
- 3. Is bound by and will comply with all requirements, specifications, and terms and conditions contained herein;
- Will furnish the designated item (s) and/or service(s) in accordance with the RFP, Proposal and the agreement; and
- 5. Proposer will provide/furnish federal tax ID, federal employee identification number or social security number with Proposal submission.

#### SUBSECTION III: SIGNATURE BLOCK

Signature of Proposer's duly authorized representative for (Contractor)

Printed Name and Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Tax ID / Federal Employer Identification Number (FEIN): \_\_\_\_\_

An authorized representative of the proposer must sign this Proposal as well as initial any alterations or erasures in ink.

## SECTION 5: PSU STANDARD CONTRACT FOR INDOOR INTEGRATED PEST MANAGEMENT (IPM) SERVICES

## PORTLAND STATE UNIVERSITY

## AGREEMENT FOR CONTRACTOR

THIS AGREEMENT ("Agreement" or "Contract") is by and between the Oregon State Board of Higher Education, on behalf of Portland State University ("PSU" or University), and **Contractor** ("XXXXXX" or "Contractor"), individually the "Party", collectively the "Parties".

THIS AGREEMENT, COMPRISED OF THE FOLLOWING CONTRACT DOCUMENTS, CONSTITUTES THE ENTIRE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE PARTIES AND <u>SUPERCEDES ALL</u> <u>PRIOR AGREEMENTS, WHETHER WRITTEN OR ORAL</u>. THE FOLLOWING CONTRACT DOCUMENTS ARE LISTED IN DESCENDING ORDER OF PRECEDENCE, WHICH SHALL CONTROL IN THE EVENT OF A CONFLICT AMONG THEIR PROVISIONS. EACH DOCUMENT LISTED BELOW IS INCORPORATED HEREIN BY REFERENCE AS IF FULLY SET FORTH IN THIS AGREEMENT.

- 1. This Agreement, exclusive of the Contract Documents which are set forth hereinafter.
- 2. PSU RFP #22468 Date of Issue: July 18, 2013.
- 3. Contractors Proposal and Pricing Proposal, submitted July 29, 2013. The Parties agree that the proposal received by Portland State University from Contractor is subject to all disclosures as stated in RFP #22468, Section 1; Paragraph 7: Public Records.
- 4. Term: The term of this Contract is for a three (3) year period commencing upon the effective date of the Contract, which is the latest date set out below the Parties' signatures. At PSU's sole option, the Contract may be renewed upon the same terms and conditions, for two (2) additional one (1) year terms. To exercise the option, PSU shall provide notice in writing of its intent to renew at least thirty (30) days prior to the expiration of the then current term of the Contract. Total duration of the contract with extensions shall not exceed five (5) years.
- 5. Financial Consideration: The maximum dollar value of this Contract shall not exceed One Hundred Ten Thousand dollars (\$110,000) for the initial term. This amount may be amended at the University's sole discretion throughout the renewal term(s) of any ensuing contracts. Contractor will provide and pay supervisors and service personnel for the efficient management of this Agreement, which pay, Contractor may adjust from time to time, as appropriate for cost of living and other increases. Any pay adjustments that affect the cost of services under this Agreement are subject to University's review and approval. Contractor shall submit any such proposed adjustment, including a justification and supporting documentation, to University in writing before December 1 of each year, for the period of July 1 June 30 for the upcoming fiscal year so the adjusted costs may be included in the upcoming budget. If the proposed adjustment is approved by University, then the Parties will prepare and execute an amendment to incorporate the adjustment into this Agreement. The Parties agree that pay adjustments will not exceed 3% annually.
- 6. Scope of Work: Contractor shall provide indoor integrated pest management services as set out in Section 2: Scope of Work in the RFP #22468 and in Contractors Proposal.
- 10. Invoicing: Separate invoices for services performed under the Contract must be submitted following the last scheduled working day of each calendar month. Payment to the contractor

shall be made as promptly as possible in accordance with the University's regular payment process. Invoices should be sent to:

Cassandra Hill Business Accounting Services Manager Departmental Budgets and Auxiliaries Portland State University Phone: (503) 725-5452 Fax: (503) 725-8000 cjhill@pdx.edu

11. Notices to the Parties shall be sent to the following for each Party:

#### Contractor

Attention: Address City, State, Zip Phone: Facsimile: Email:

## PSU

Attention: Stacey Balenger Contracting & Procurement Services PO Box 751 – FAST-CAPS Portland, OR 97207 Phone: 503-725-5244 Facsimile: 503-725-7873 Email: contract@pdx.edu

This Agreement may be executed in several counterparts, all of which when taken together shall constitute an agreement binding on all Parties, notwithstanding that all Parties are not signatories to the same counterpart. Each copy of the Agreement so executed shall constitute an original.

The individuals signing on behalf of the respective parties hereby certify and swear under penalty of perjury that they are authorized to act on behalf of their party.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, and in consideration of the mutual covenants and conditions contained herein, the sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, the Parties agree to all terms and conditions as detailed in the above contract documents and indicate such agreement by signature of the duly authorized representatives below.

## The Oregon State Board of Higher Education, Acting by and through Portland State University

By:\_\_\_\_\_ Authorized Signatory

Printed Name: Title: Date: By:\_\_\_\_\_ Authorized Signatory

Printed Name: Title: Date:

#### The following terms and conditions will govern this Agreement

#### 1. DEFINITIONS:

"Agreement" or "Contract" means the entire written agreement between the parties, including but not limited to any Work Order and any subsequent change notices. "Contractor" means a person or organization with whom PSU has contracted for the purchase of goods or services. The terms "Contractor" and "Seller" as used in the Uniform Commercial Code (ORS Chapter 72) are synonymous. "ORS" means Oregon Revised Statutes. "PSU" means the State Board of Higher Education acting by and through Portland State University and is synonymous with "Buyer.

#### 2. ACCESS TO RECORDS:

Contractor shall maintain all records pertinent to this agreement in such a manner as to clearly document Contractor's performance. Contractor acknowledges and agrees that PSU, the Oregon Secretary of State's Office, federal government, and their duly authorized representatives shall have access to such fiscal records and other books, documents, paper, plans and writings of Contractor that are pertinent to this Agreement to perform examination and audits and make excerpts and transcripts. Contractor shall retain and keep accessible all such records for a minimum of six (6) years, or such longer period as may be required by applicable law, following final payment and termination of this agreement, or until the conclusion of any audit, controversy or litigation arising out of or relating to this agreement, whichever date is later.

#### 3. AMENDMENTS:

The terms of this agreement shall not be waived, altered, modified, supplemented or amended in any manner whatsoever without the prior written approval of PSU.

#### 4. APPROVALS:

No work shall commence under this agreement until the agreement has been approved and signed by all parties.

#### 5. ASSIGNMENT/SUBCONTRACT:

Contractor shall not assign, sell, transfer, subcontract or sublet rights, or delegate responsibilities under this agreement, in whole or in part, without the prior written approval of PSU. No such written approval shall relieve Contractor of any obligations of this agreement, and any transferee or subcontractor shall be considered the agent of Contractor. Contractor shall remain liable as between the original parties to the agreement as if no such assignment had occurred.

#### 6. BREACH OF AGREEMENT:

If Contractor breaches any of the provisions of this agreement, PSU reserves the right to cancel this agreement effective immediately upon written notice to Contractor. Contractor shall be liable for any and all damages, including incidental and consequential damages, suffered by PSU as the result of Contractor's breach of agreement. PSU shall also have any and all remedies provided under the Uniform Commercial Code (ORS chapter 72) in the event of breach of agreement by Contractor.

#### 7. CAPTIONS:

The captions or headings in this agreement are for convenience only and in no way define, limit, or describe the scope or intent of any provisions of this agreement.

#### 8. CASH DISCOUNT:

If PSU is entitled to a cash discount, the period of computation shall commence on the date the entire order is delivered or the date the invoice is received, whichever is later.

#### 9. COMPLIANCE WITH APPLICABLE LAW:

Contractor shall comply with all federal, state, and local laws, codes, regulations and ordinances applicable to the goods to be purchased and the work to be done under this Agreement. Contractor shall comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (Public Law No. 101-336), Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, Section V of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, ORS 659.425, and all regulations and administrative rules established pursuant to the laws. Failure to comply with such requirements shall constitute a breach of Agreement and shall be grounds for agreement cancellation. Damages or costs resulting from noncompliance shall be the sole responsibility of Contractor.

#### 10. CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION:

Contractor acknowledges that it and its employees or agents may, in the course of performing their responsibilities under this contract, be exposed to or acquire information that is confidential to PSU or the State of Oregon. Any and all information of any form obtained by Contractor or its employees or agents in the performance of this contract shall be deemed confidential information of PSU and of State ("Confidential Information"). Contractor agrees to hold Confidential Information in strict confidence, using at least the same degree of care that Contractor uses in maintaining the confidentiality of its own confidential information, and not to copy, reproduce, sell, assign, license, market, transfer or otherwise dispose of, give, or disclose Confidential Information to third parties or use Confidential Information for any purposes whatsoever other than in the performance of the contract, and to advise each of its employees and agents of their obligations to keep Confidential Information confidential. Contractor agrees that Contractor will not at any time during or after the term of this contract

disclose, directly or indirectly, any Confidential Information to any person, and that upon termination of this contract, or at PSU's request, Contractor will turn over to PSU all documents, papers and other material in Contractor's possession which contain Confidential Information.

#### 11. CONFLICT OF INTEREST:

Contractor covenants that it presently has no interest and shall not acquire any interest, direct or indirect, which would conflict in any manner or degree with the performance of its services hereunder. Contractor further covenants that in the performance of this agreement no person having any such interest shall be employed by Contractor.

#### 12. CONSIDERATION:

The consideration paid in this agreement represents the total amount of remuneration for goods and services.

#### 13. DEFAULT:

PSU by written notice of default (including breach of agreement) to Contractor may terminate the whole or any part of this Agreement: (a) If Contractor institutes or has instituted against it insolvency, receivership or bankruptcy proceedings, makes an assignment for the benefit of creditors, or ceases doing business on a regular basis; or (b) If Contractor no longer holds a license or certificate that is required for Contractor to perform services under the contract, and Contractor has not obtained such license or certificate within ten (10) business days after delivery of PSU's notice; or (c) If Contractor fails to provide services or materials called for by this agreement within the time specified herein or any extension thereof; or (d) If Contractor fails to perform any of the other provisions of this Agreement or fails to pursue the work so as to endanger performance of this Agreement in accordance with its term and, after receipt of written notice from PSU, fails to correct such failures within 10 days or such longer period as PSU may authorize. The rights and remedies of PSU provided in the above clause related to defaults (including breach of agreement) by Contractor shall not be exclusive and are in addition to any other rights and remedies provided by law or under this agreement. Contractor shall be liable for any and all damages, including incidental and consequential damages, suffered by PSU as the result of Contractor's breach of agreement. In the event of repeated breach of public and/or private contracts, Contractor shall be subject to possible disqualification as a bidder on future PSU contracts.

#### 14. ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITIES:

Contractor shall, when applicable, have made good faith efforts to subcontract or establish joint ventures with or obtain materials to be used in performing the agreement from minority, women, or emerging small business enterprises.

#### **15.** FORCE MAJEURE:

Neither party to this agreement shall be held responsible for delay or default caused by fire, riot, acts of God and/or war which is beyond that party's reasonable control. PSU may terminate this Agreement upon written notice after determining such delay or default will reasonably prevent successful performance of the agreement. Contractor shall, however, 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 obligation under this agreement.

#### 16. FOREIGN CONTRACTOR:

If Contractor is not domiciled in or registered to do business in the State of Oregon, Contractor shall promptly provide to the Oregon Department of Revenue and the Oregon Secretary of State Corporation Division all information required relative to this agreement. Contractor shall demonstrate its legal capacity to perform under this agreement in the State of Oregon prior to entering into this agreement.

#### 17. GOVERNING LAW:

This agreement shall be governed and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of Oregon without regard to principles of conflicts of law. Any claim, action, suit or proceeding (collectively "claim") between PSU and Contractor that arises from or relates to this Agreement shall be brought and conducted solely and exclusively within the Circuit Court of Multnomah County for the State of Oregon; provided, however, if a claim must be brought in a federal forum, then it shall be brought and conducted solely and exclusively within the United States District Court for the District of Oregon. CONTRACTOR, BY EXECUTION OF THIS AGREEMENT, HEREBY CONSENTS TO THE IN PERSONAM JURISDICTION OF SAID COURTS.

#### 18. HAZARD COMMUNICATION:

The Contractor shall notify PSU Housing Department point-of-contact prior to using products containing hazardous chemicals to which the University employees may be exposed which may release or result in exposure to a hazardous chemical under normal conditions of use. If air quality is compromised, Contractor is to provide notice to PSU of instructions and warning signage to prevent inadvertent exposure during application and dissipation. Upon University's request, Contractor shall immediately provide Materials Safety Data Sheets, as required by OAR 437-155-025, for the products subject to this provision.

#### 19. HOURS OF WORK:

The Contractor shall comply with the Oregon Bureau of Labor and Industries rules pertaining to hours of work.

#### 20. INDEMNIFICATION:

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, the conduct of work under this Agreement, or from any act, omission, or neglect of Contractor, its subcontractors, or employees. Contractor shall save, defend (at PSU's request and with legal counsel acceptable to PSU), indemnify, and hold harmless the Oregon University System, the State Board of Higher Education, PSU, and their departments, subdivisions, officers, employees and agents from all claims, suits, actions, losses, damages, liabilities, costs and expenses of any nature resulting from or arising out of, or relating to the activities or omissions of Contractor or its officers, employees, subcontractors, or agents acting under this agreement.

#### 21. INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR:

The services to be rendered under this agreement are those of an independent Contractor. Contractor is not to be considered an agent or employee of PSU for any purpose and neither Contractor nor any of Contractor's agents or employees is entitled to any of the benefits that PSU provides for its employees. Contractor will be solely and entirely responsible for its acts and for the acts of its agents or employees during the performance of this agreement. This agreement is not intended and nothing contained herein shall be construed to create the relationship of agent, servant, employee, partnership, joint venture, or association between PSU and Contractor, but is rather an agreement between independent parties, these being PSU and the Contractor.

#### 22. INSURANCE:

Contractor shall secure at its own expense and keep in effect during the term of this agreement either comprehensive general liability insurance with broad form CGL endorsement or commercial general liability insurance with a minimum limit of \$1,000,000 per occurrence. Insurance policies, which cannot be excess to a self-insurance program, are to be issued by an insurance company authorized to do business in the State of Oregon. <u>The Oregon State Board of Higher Education</u>, the Oregon University System, Portland State University, and their officers and employees, shall be included as additional insured's in said insurance policy(ies). If any of the liability insurance is arranged on a "claims made" basis, tail coverage will be required at the completion of this agreement for duration of twenty-four (24) months.

#### 23. INSURANCE CERTIFICATION:

Before Contractor commences work under this agreement, Contractor must furnish to the designated PSU Contracts Officer certificate(s) of insurance as evidence of the insurance coverage required by this Agreement, including workers' compensation. The certificate(s) shall provide that the insurance company will give a 30-day written notice to PSU's Contracts Officer before the insurance is canceled or materially changed.

#### 24. MATERIAL SAFETY DATA SHEET:

In accordance with the Oregon State-OSHA Hazard Communication Rules in OAR Chapter 437, division 155, Contractor shall provide PSU with a Material Safety Data Sheet for any items provided under this contract which may release or otherwise result in exposure to a hazardous chemical under normal conditions of use (OAR 43-155-005(2); 437-155-025). In addition, Contractor must label, tag, or mark such goods.

#### 25. MERGER:

This agreement and attached exhibits and appendices, the RFP, any RFP amendments and Contractor's Proposal constitute the entire agreement between the parties on the subject matter hereof. There are no understandings, agreements, or representations, oral or written, not specified herein regarding this agreement.

#### 26. NO THIRD PARTY BENEFICIARIES:

PSU and Contractor are the only parties to this agreement and are the only parties entitled to enforce its terms. Nothing in this agreement gives, is intended to give, or shall be construed to give or provide any benefit or right, whether directly, indirectly, or otherwise, to third persons unless such third persons are individually identified by name herein and expressly described as intended beneficiaries of the terms of the agreement.

#### 27. NONDISCRIMINATION:

Contractor shall comply with all applicable requirements of federal and state civil rights and rehabilitation statutes, rules and regulations.

#### 28. NON-APPROPRIATIONS CLAUSE:

PSU certifies that sufficient funds are available to finance PSU's obligations under this Agreement within its current biennial appropriation or expenditure limitation, provided, however, that continuation o this Agreement or any extension, after the end of the fiscal period in which it is written, is contingent upon a new appropriation or limitation for each succeeding fiscal period for the purpose of this Agreement. In the event of such Non-Appropriation PSU will notify Contractor of its intent to terminate this Agreement.

#### 29. NOTICES AND REPRESENTATIVES:

All notices, certificates, or other communications rendered shall be sufficiently given when delivered or mailed postage prepaid to the representatives of the parties at their designated places of business as follows: a) to PSU at its Purchasing and Contracting Office, as set forth on Page 2 of the solicitation document, and b) to Contractor as set forth on the Bid or Proposal Statement. Any communication or notice so addressed and mailed shall be deemed to be given five (5) days after mailing. Any communication or notice delivered by

facsimile shall be deemed to be given when satisfactory receipt of the transmission is generated by the transmitting machine. To be effective against PSU, such facsimile transmission must be confirmed by telephone notice to PSU's contracting representative. Any communication or notice by personal delivery shall be deemed to be given when actually delivered.

#### 30. OWNERSHIP OF WORK PRODUCT:

All work product of Contractor that results from this Contract ("Work Product") is the exclusive property of PSU. PSU and Contractor intend that such Work Product be deemed "work made for hire" of which institution shall be deemed the author. If for any reason the work product is not deemed "work made for hire", Contractor hereby irrevocably assigns to University all its right, title, and interest in and to any and all of the Work Product, whether arising from copyright, patent, trademark, trade secret, or any other state or federal intellectual property law or doctrine. Contractor shall execute such further documents and instruments as PSU may reasonably request in order to fully vest such rights in PSU. Contractor forever waives any and all rights relating to the work product, including without limitation, any and all rights arising under 17 USC 106A or any other rights of identification of authorship or rights of approval, restriction or limitation on use or subsequent modifications.

#### **31**. PAYMENT:

Payment for completion of PSU contracts are normally made within 30 days following the date the entire order is delivered or the date the accurate and complete invoice is received, whichever is later. After 45 days, Contractor may assess overdue account charges up to two-thirds of one percent per month (8% per annum) on the outstanding balance per (ORS 293.462).

#### 32. PAYMENTS REQUIRED:

For all goods and services provided under this agreement, Contractor shall: (a) pay promptly, as due, all persons supplying labor or material; (b) pay all contributions or amounts due the industrial accident insurance provider from the Contractor or any sub-contracted Contractor; (c) not permit any lien or claim to be filed or prosecuted against PSU therefore; and (d) pay to the Oregon Department of Revenue all sums withheld from employees pursuant to ORS 316.167.

#### 33. PSU PAYMENT OF CONTRACTOR CLAIMS:

If Contractor fails, neglects, or refuses to pay promptly, as due, any claim for labor or services furnished to the Contractor or any subcontractor by any person in connection with the goods, or services if applicable, provided under this agreement, PSU may pay such claim and charge the amount of the payment against funds due or to become due the Contractor under this agreement. The payment of a claim by PSU pursuant to this paragraph shall not relieve the Contractor or its surety, if any, from obligation with respect to any unpaid claims. Contractor shall promptly pay any person or entity that furnishes medical care to Contractor's employees those sums which Contractor agreed to pay for such services and all money Contractor collected or deducted from employee's wages to provide such services.

#### 34. RECYCLED PRODUCTS:

Contractor shall use recyclable products to the maximum extent economically feasible in the performance of this agreement work set forth in this document.

#### 35. RETIREMENT SYSTEM STATUS:

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

#### 36. SAFETY AND HEALTH REQUIREMENTS:

Equipment and services supplied 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 Workers' Compensation Department.

#### 37. SEVERABILITY:

If any provision of this agreement is declared by a court of competent jurisdiction to be illegal or in conflict with any applicable law, the validity of the remaining terms and provisions shall not be affected, and the rights and obligations of the parties shall be construed and enforced as if the agreement did not contain the particular term or provision held to be invalid.

#### 38. SUCCESSORS IN INTEREST:

The provisions of this agreement shall be binding upon and shall inure to the benefit of the parties hereto and their respective successors and assigns.

#### 39. TAX COMPLIANCE CERTIFICATION:

Contractor hereby affirms, under penalty of perjury, as provided in ORS 305.385(6), that to the best of the Contractor's knowledge the Contractor is not in violation of any of the tax laws described in ORS 305.380(4).

#### 40. TAXES - FEDERAL, STATE & LOCAL:

PSU will not be responsible for any taxes coming due as a result of this contract, whether federal, state, or local. It is agreed that the Contractor has anticipated these taxes and included them in the Proposal.

#### 41. TERMINATION:

a. This agreement may be terminated for convenience at any time by mutual consent of both parties, or by PSU upon thirty (30) days notice in writing and delivered by certified mail or in person to the other party.

b. PSU may also terminate this agreement effective upon delivery of written notice to Contractor or at such later date as may be established by PSU under any of the following conditions:

- i) if federal or state regulations or guidelines are modified or changed in such a way that the materials or services are no longer allowable or appropriate for purchase under this agreement; or,
- ii) if PSU fails to receive funding, appropriations, limitations, allotments, or other expenditure authority as contemplated by the PSU budget or spending plan and PSU determines, in its assessment and ranking of the policy objectives explicit or implicit in the PSU budget or spending plan, that it is necessary to terminate this Agreement.

c. The rights and remedies of PSU provided in the above clause are not exclusive and are in addition to any other rights and remedies provided by law or under this contract.

#### 42. TIME IS OF THE ESSENCE:

Contractor agrees that time is of the essence under this agreement.

#### 43. WORKERS' COMPENSATION:

Contractor, its subcontractors, if any, and all employers providing work, labor or materials under this agreement are subject employers under the Oregon Workers' Compensation Law, and shall comply with ORS 656.017 which requires Contractor to provide workers' compensation coverage that satisfies Oregon law for all their subject workers, or shall comply with the exemption set out in ORS 656.126.

#### 44. WAIVER:

No waiver, consent, modification or change or terms of this agreement shall bind either party unless in writing and signed by both parties and all necessary PSU approvals have been obtained. Such waiver, consent, modification or change, if made, shall be effective only in the specific instance and for the specific purpose given. The failure of PSU to enforce any provision of this agreement shall not constitute a waiver by PSU of that or any other provision.

#### 45. WARRANTIES:

Unless otherwise stated, all goods shall be new and current model and shall 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 solicitation specifications. All implied or expressed warranty provisions of the Uniform Commercial Code (ORS chapter 72) are incorporated in this Contract. All warranties shall run to PSU.

#### 46. WORKERS' COMPENSATION:

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## END OF REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS