

LEGAL NOTICE

AND

INVITATION TO BID B#048-23

The Brownsville Public Utilities Board will accept sealed bids for Annual Supply of Fuel **until 5:00 PM**, **July 12**, **2023**, in the Brownsville PUB Purchasing Office, 1155 FM 511, Olmito, Texas 78575.

Bids received after this time will not be considered.

Bids will be publicly opened and read aloud on July 13, 2023 at 10:30 AM. Bidders can request a copy of the bid tabulation by emailing <u>jzapata@brownsville-pub.com</u>. Bidders can call (956) 214-6020 on July 13, 2023 at 10:30 AM to listen to the bid opening.

Copies of the specifications may be obtained at following website: https://www.brownsville-pub.com/rfp status/open/.

Two (2) sets of bid documents shall be enclosed in a sealed envelope and shall be plainly marked on the outside of the envelope and on any carrier's envelope/package: "B048-23 ANNUAL SUPPLY OF FUEL, JULY 12, 2023, 5:00 PM", and send to the attention of Diane Solitaire, Purchasing Department, 1155 FM 511, Olmito, Texas 78575.

Each bid shall constitute an offer to the Board, as outlined therein, and shall be irrevocable for at least sixty (60) days after the time announced for the opening thereof.

The Brownsville Public Utilities Board will not be responsible in the event that the U.S. Postal Service or any other courier system fails to deliver the sealed bids to the Brownsville Public Utilities Board, Purchasing Office by the given deadline above. **No bids will be accepted via facsimile or electronic transmission.**

The Brownsville PUB specifically reserves the right to reject any or all bids and to waive irregularities or information in any or bids and to accept any bid which is deemed to be in the best interest of the Board.

BY:

Diane Solitaire

Purchasing Department (956) 983-6366 - Phone

Please submit this page upon receipt.

Acknowledgment Form

B#048-23 Annual Supply of Fuel

For any clarifications, please contact Joe Zapata or Diane Solitaire at the Brownsville Public Utilities Board, Purchasing Department at (956) 983-6310 or (956) 983-6366 or via e-mail: jzapata@brownsville-pub.com or dsolitaire@brownsville-pub.com

Please e-mail this page upon receipt of the bid package or legal notice. If you only received the legal notice and you want the bid package mailed, please provide a method of shipment with account number in the space designated below.

Check one:		
() Yes, I will be able to se	nd a bid; obtained bid pa	nckage from website.
() Yes, I will be able to se Email:	nd a bid; please email th	e bid package.
Carrier:	· •	bid package using the carrier &
() No, I will not be able to	send a bid for the follow	ving reason:
•		reason for "No bid" above and return This will ensure you remain active
Company:		
Name:		
Address:		
		Zip Code:
Phone:		
Fax:		
Email:		

Special Instructions

Contract Information

• Interpretation

Questions concerning terms, conditions, and technical specifications should be directed to:

Joe Zapata, Purchasing College Intern Phone (956) 983-6310 or

Diane Solitaire, Purchasing and Materials Manager Phone (956) 983-6366

• Tentative Time Line

- 1. June 20, 2023 July 12, 2023 Vendors work on bid.
- 2. July 12, 2023 at 5:00 PM Vendor must submit two (2) sets of bid documents sealed in an envelope to:

Diane Solitaire 1155 FM 511 Olmito, TX 78575

Bid 048-23 – Annual Supply of Fuel Due July 12, 2023 at 5:00 PM

The above noted information must be included on bid envelope and on any carrier's envelope/package. **The Brownsville Public Utilities Board will not be held responsible for missing, lost or late mail.** Brownsville Public Utilities Board will not accept facsimile of sealed bids.

- 1. June 27, 2023 Last day to submit questions
- 2. July 13, 2023 Open bids at 10:30 AM
- 3. July 14, 2023 July 21, 2023 Evaluate bids
- 4. July 31, 2023 Provide Final Recommendations
- 5. August 14, 2023 Send to Utilities Board for approval

Or Equal

Brand name or manufacturer's reference used in this request is descriptive – not restrictive – it is intended to indicate type and quality desired. Brands of like nature and quality will be considered. If bidding on other than referenced specifications please provide complete descriptive information of said article.

Pricing

Bid unit price on quantity specified, extend and show total. In case of errors in extension, unit prices shall govern. Profit Margin and Payment Discount shall remain in effect for 12 months from

date of purchase order. All pricing must be at a base price plus an escalation/De-escalation based upon the OPIS Pad 3, Brownsville, TX closing time (1-2 PM) on July 10, 2023.

All fields (UNIT PRICE, TOTAL PRICE, & EST DELIVERY IN DAY) in the specifications pages must be filled. The data must be complete to identify the bidding brand.

Failure to submit any of the above information with the sealed bid will disqualify bid.

• Vendor Representative

The successful vendor agrees to send a personal representative with binding authority for the company to the Brownsville Public Utilities Board upon request to make adjustments and/or assist with coordination of all transactions as needed.

• Quality of Products

All items must be new, in first class condition, including containers suitable for shipment and storage. No substitutions in standard grades or lesser quality will be accepted.

Determining Factors for Award

- 1. Net price on bid items; lowest responsive, responsible overall bid total
- 2. Stock availability
- 3. Reputation of brand names offered
- 4. Reputation and location of the bidder
- 5. Delivery
- 6. Safety record will be considered when determining the responsibility of the bidder
- 7. Local preference and acceptable cash discounts will be applied to the bid prices to determine the apparent low bidder
- 8. BPUB financial and legal responsibility evaluations of any identified teaming arrangements involving significant joint ventures, subcontractors and suppliers

Contract with Vendor/Entity Indebted to BPUB

It is a policy of the BPUB to refuse to enter into a contract or other transaction with an individual, sole proprietorship, joint venture, Limited Liability Company or other entity indebted to BPUB.

• Vendor ACH (Direct Deposit) Services

The BPUB has implemented a payment service for vendors by depositing the payment directly to the vendor's bank account. Successful vendor(s) will be required to receive payments directly through Automated Clearing House (ACH) in lieu of a paper check. The awarded vendor must agree to receive payments via ACH (Direct Deposit).

• Tax Identification Number (TIN)

In accordance with IRS Publication 1220, a W9 form, or a W8 form in cases of a foreign vendor, will be required of all vendors doing business with the Brownsville PUB. If a W9 or W8 form is not made available to Brownsville PUB, the first payment will be subject to income tax withholding at a rate of

28% or 30% depending on the U.S. status and the source of income as per IRS Publication 1220. **The W9 or W8 form must be included with bid response.** Attached are sample forms.

Taxes

BPUB is required to pay State fuel/diesel taxes pursuant to rulings by the Texas Comptroller. Bidders shall include these taxes in the space provided on the cost sheet. BPUB is exempt from Federal excise taxes and any Local taxes.

Signing of Bid

Failure to sign bid will disqualify it. Person signing bid should show title or authority to bind their firm to a contract.

• EEOC Guidelines

During the performance of this contract, the contractor agrees not to discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, national origin, age, religion, gender, marital or veteran status, or physically challenging condition.

• Living Wage Statement

On April 16, 2007, the BPUB Board of Directors approved a local "living wage" policy that requires all Contractors and Subcontractors performing 100% Non-Federally funded Work for the BPUB to pay a minimum wage rate of \$8.00/hour. The BPUB-requires that all Contractors and Subcontractors comply with this policy. Otherwise, the BPUB adopts the Federal Department of Labor Wage scales for Cameron County on 100% Non-Federally funded projects as specified later herein in the Supplementary General Conditions.

• As Needed Basis – Quantities shown are estimates only. They are based on prior year usage. Product is to be ordered "as needed" and be billed as such over a period of one year. Each release will be subject to an escalation/de-escalation cost based on the OPIS Pad 3 #598 Brownsville, TX 1:00 PM to 2:00 PM closing price on the day the release is received at BPUB.

Contract and Purchase Order

The fuel shall be delivered to Brownsville Public Utilities Board, 1155 FM 511, Olmito, Texas 78575 and on occasion to various generator sites in the Brownsville area. Fuel will be received in releases upon request and be billed as such. The gasoline and diesel supply will be awarded to the same vendor. A contract for the fuel will be placed into effect by means of a purchase order issued by the Brownsville Public Utilities Board after tabulation and final approval by the Brownsville PUB Board of Directors.

• Brownsville Public Utilities Board Rights

1. If only one or no bid is received by "submission date", the BPUB has the right to reject, re-bid, accept and/or extend the bid by up to an additional two (2) weeks from original submission date.

- 2. The right to reject any/or all bids and to make award as they may appear to be advantageous to the Brownsville Public Utilities Board.
- 3. The right to hold bid for 60 days from submission date without action, and to waive all formalities in bid.
- 4. The right to extend the total bid beyond the original 60-day period prior to an award, if agreed upon in writing by all parties (BPUB and vendor/contractor) and if bidder/vendor holds original bid prices firm.
- 5. The right to terminate for cause or convenience all or any part of the unfinished portion of the Project resulting from this solicitation within Thirty (30) calendar days written notice; <u>for cause</u>: upon default by the vendor/contractor, for delay or non-performance by the vendor/contractor; or if it is deemed in the best interest of the BPUB <u>for BPUB's</u> convenience.
- 6. The right to increase or decrease quantities. In bid, stipulate whether an increase or decrease in quantity will affect bid price.
- 7. The Brownsville PUB has the right to refuse to enter into a contract or other transaction with any individual or entity indebted to the municipality as per Local Government Code 252.0436.

Corrections

Any interpretation, correction, or change of the invitation to bid will be made by ADDENDUM. Changes or corrections will be issued by the Brownsville PUB Purchasing Department. Addenda will be emailed to all who have returned the Bid Acknowledgement Form. Addenda will be issued as expeditiously as possible. It is the responsibility of the vendors to determine whether all addenda have been received. It will be the responsibility of all respondents to contact the Brownsville PUB prior to submitting a response to the invitation to bid to ascertain if any addenda have been issued, and to obtain any all addenda, execute them, and return addenda with the response to the invitation to bid. Addenda may be posted on BPUB's webpage.

• Cash Discounts

Brownsville Public Utilities Board does consider cash discounts or discounts for prompt payment when evaluating bids.

• Warranty

Bidder shall guarantee that all fuel meets specifications and Brownsville Public Utilities Board has the right to random sample all fuel for testing to assure specifications are being met.

• Reference Checks

The BPUB will contact prospective firm's references by telephone or email. Complete the attached "Previous Customer Reference Worksheet", for each reference provided.

SPECIFICATIONS

The Brownsville Public Utilities Board (Brownsville PUB) is a municipal utility that provides electric, water, and wastewater services in Brownsville, Texas. The utility has a fleet size of over 550 vehicles that operate on regular unleaded gasoline (87 Octane), and diesel fuel (Ultra Low Sulfur). The low sulfur fuel oil is also used for the noted backup generators. It is the intent of Brownsville PUB to enter into an agreement with qualified vendor to provide the fuel for a 12-month period on an award basis of the lowest profit margin. A benchmark price will be obtained weekly from the awarded vendor. The vendor will retrieve the benchmark price from OPIS (Oil Pricing Information Services).

Generator Locations and Tank Capacity

Generator No.	Generator	Location/ Address	Size	Type	Tank Capacity
1	UNIT 3583 Palo Alto Substation	6608 Old Alice Rd	60 KW	Stationary	100
2	UNIT 3009 SRWA	1255 FM 511	1,000 KW	Stationary	2500
3	UNIT 3016 Power Plant Black Start	94 W. 13th St. & Power Plant Dr.	500 KW	Stationary	350
4	UNIT 3017 Power Plant Standby	94 W. 13th St. & Power Plant Dr.	500 KW	Stationary	680
5	UNIT 3647 MAIN OFFICE	1425 Robinhood Dr.	500 KW	Stationary	750
6	UNIT 3018 SCADA	1435 Robinhood Dr.	100 KW	Stationary	800
7	UNIT 3005 NWWTP C	3208 Robindale Rd.	1,250 KW	Stationary	500
8	UNIT 3015 NWWTP A	3208 Robindale Rd.	500 KW	Stationary	500
9	UNIT 3007 SWWTP A	2800 East Ave.	1,250 KW	Stationary	500
10	UNIT 3008 WP 1	94 W. 13th St. & Power Plant Dr.	1,250 KW	Stationary	500

Generator No.	Generator	Location/ Address	Size	Type	Tank Capacity
11	UNIT 3012-A & 3012-B NWWTP D-Dual 500 KW Engines	3208 Robindale Rd.	1,000 KW	Stationary	1,600
12	UNIT 3648 FM 511 Service Center	1155 FM 511	1,040 KW	Stationary	600
13	UNIT 3101 SRWA Well 9	Rego Road	200 KW	Stationary	372
14	UNIT 3591	Alton Gloor Water Tower (776 E Alton Gloor Blvd.)	400 KW	Portable	530
15	UNIT 3590	Alton Gloor Water Tower (776 E Alton Gloor Blvd.)	200 KW	Portable	260
16	UNIT 3589 SRWA Well 4	Well 4	100 KW	Stationary	160
17	UNIT 3588 SRWA Well 5	Well 5	100 KW	Stationary	160
18	UNIT 3582 SRWA Well 3	Well 3	100 KW	Stationary	160
19	UNIT 3587	Alton Gloor Water Tower (776 E Alton Gloor Blvd.)	60 KW	Portable	100
20	UNIT 3586	Alton Gloor Water Tower (776 E Alton Gloor Blvd.)	60 KW	Portable	100
21	UNIT 3585	Alton Gloor Water Tower (776 E Alton Gloor Blvd.)	60 KW	Portable	100
22	UNIT 3584	Alton Gloor Water Tower (776 E Alton Gloor Blvd.)	60 KW	Portable	100
23	UNIT 3668 SRWA Well 2	Grove Park Road	1,000 KW	Portable	1,800
24	UNIT 3667	SRWA/Robinhood	1,000 KW	Portable	1,800
25	UNIT 3019 Lift Station 20	E. 6 th Street	350 KW	Stationary	1,200

Generator No.	Generator	Location/ Address	Size	Туре	Tank Capacity
26	UNIT 3021 Lift Station 193	Indiana & Boca Chica Blvd.	60 KW	Stationary	80
27	UNIT 3102 SRWA Well 10	Barreda Garden Road	200 KW	Stationary	372
28	UNIT 3103 SRWA Well 17	Rego Road	200 KW	Stationary	372
29	UNIT 3649 Annex Building	1425 Robinhood Dr.	1,250 KW	Stationary	1,200
30	UNIT 3650 Power Plant	94 W. 13 th St. & Power Plant Dr.	80 KW	Stationary	550

In case of emergency, portable tanks will be allocated to different locations throughout Brownsville.

All OPIS pricing must be based off Pad 3 #598 Brownsville, Texas 1:00 PM to 2:00 PM-June 10, 2023.

All tanks are above ground tanks. Number of Tanks, Capacity and Monthly Average usage for:

<u>Location 1155 FM 511:</u>

REGULAR UNLEADED

 $1-10,\!000$ -gallon capacity tank, $13,\!500$ gallon usage per month, ordered on a weekly basis of $3,\!400$ gallons average

DIESEL (ULTRA LOW SULFUR)

1-20,000-gallon capacity tank, 11,900 gallon usage per month, ordered approximately every 7 days -3,000 gallons average

<u>Location 1425 Robinhood Drive:</u>

REGULAR UNLEADED

2-7,500-gallon capacity tank, 1,600 gallon usage per month, ordered as needed.

DIESEL (ULTRA LOW)

1 - 9,000-gallon capacity tank, 300 gallon usage per month, ordered as needed.

OFF ROAD DIESEL

On an as needed basis -200 to 500 gallons for generators located throughout Brownsville. Diesel will be need within 24 hours after order is called in.

BPUB will accept the delivery of gasoline and diesel on the same truck. BPUB will only accept deliveries as we request them.

COST SHEET B048-23 for Annual Supply of Fuel

	UNIT PRICE PER GALLON	TOTAL (UNIT PRICE X QTY)
Regular unleaded 87% Octane (Fleet)		
OPIS		
Profit Margin		
Payment Discount		QTY = 185,000
Total Cost per Gallon		
Diesel Ultra Low (Fleet)		
OPIS		
Profit Margin		
Payment Discount		QTY = 140,000
Total Cost per Gallon		
Diesel Low Sulfur (Generators)		
OPIS		
Profit Margin		
Payment Discount		QTY = 1
Total Cost per Gallon		
Delivery Fee per Truck		
State Motor Fuel Taxes (Gal)		

Term of contract:

This contract shall be for a period of one (1) year from date of purchase order with the option to renew annually for an additional two (2) one year periods, if service and price are satisfactory, and the renewal is agreed upon in writing by both parties.

Fuel is to be released as requested and be billed as such. Each release will be subject to an escalation/de-escalation cost based on the OPIS Pad 3 #598 Brownsville, TX 1:00 PM to 2:00 PM closing price on the day the release is received at BPUB.

The noted quantities are based on a yearly usage, the Purchase Order quantities are subject to BPUB's right to increase or decrease quantities as deemed necessary. Stipulate below, if an increase or decrease in quantity affects bid price:
() Yes, an increase or decrease in quantity affects bid price
() No, an increase or decrease in quantity will not affect bid price.
Company Name:
Authorized Company Representative:
Authorized Company Representative: Signature (Failure to sign bid will disqualify it)
Company Address:
Telephone #:
Fax #:
Email:

REQUIRED FORMS FORMS CHECKLIST

The following forms are to be submitted as a part of the Bid/RFP/RFQ document

NAME	FORM DESC	RIPTION	SUBMITTE	D WITH BID
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	Acknowledgement Forn	n		
Legal Notice	Debarment Certification	1		
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	Ethics Statement			
	Conflict of Interest Que	stionnaire		
	W9 or W8 Form			
	Direct Deposit Form (w	ill be provided to		
	the awarded vendor)	_		
	Residence Certification	Form		
	Bid Schedule/Cost sheet	t completed and		
	signed			
Special Instructions	Cashier Check or Bid B			
	Amount of Bid (if applied	cable)		
	OSHA 300 Log (if appl			
	Contractor Pre-Bid Disc			
	signed and notarized (if	11		
	Sub-Contractor Pre-Bid			
	completed, signed, and applicable)	notarized (if		
	7			
References	Complete the Previous (Customer		
	Reference Worksheet for			
	provided			
Addenda				

ETHICS STATEMENT (THIS FORM MUST BE COMPLETED IN ITS ENTIRETY AND SUBMITTED WITH BID RESPONSE)

The undersigned bidder, by signing and executing this bid, certifies and represents to the Brownsville Public Utilities Board that bidder has not offered, conferred or agreed to confer any pecuniary benefit, as defined by (1.07 (a) (6) of the Texas Penal Code, or any other thing of value as consideration for the receipt of information or any special treatment of advantage relating to this bid; the bidder also certifies and represents that the bidder has not offered, conferred or agreed to confer any pecuniary benefit or other thing of value as consideration for the recipient's decision, opinion, recommendation, vote or other exercise of discretion concerning this bid, the bidder certifies and represents that bidder has neither coerced nor attempted to influence the exercise of discretion by any officer, trustee, agent or employee of the City of Brownsville and/or the Brownsville Public Utilities Board concerning this bid on the basis of any consideration not authorized by law; the bidder also certifies and represents that bidder has not received any information not available to other bidders so as to give the undersigned a preferential advantage with respect to this bid; the bidder further certifies and represents that bidder has not violated any state, federal, or local law, regulation or ordinance relating to bribery, improper influence, collusion or the like and that bidder will not in the future offer, confer, or agree to confer any pecuniary benefit or other thing of value of any officer, trustee, agent or employee of the City of Brownsville and/or Brownsville Public Utilities Board in return for the person having exercised their person's official discretion, power or duty with respect to this bid; the bidder certifies and represents that it has not now and will not in the future offer, confer, or agree to confer a pecuniary benefit or other thing of value to any officer, trustee, agent, or employee of the City of Brownsville and/or Brownsville Public Utilities Board in connection with information regarding this bid, the submission of this bid, the award of this bid or the performance, delivery or sale pursuant to this bid.

THE VENDOR SHALL DEFEND, INDEMNIFY, AND HOLD HARMLESS THE CITY OF BROWNSVILLE AND THE BROWNSVILLE PUBLIC UTILITIES BOARD, ALL OF THEIR PUBLIC OFFICIALS, OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES FROM AND AGAINST ALL CLAIMS, ACTIONS, SUITS, DEMANDS, PROCEEDINGS, COSTS, DAMAGES, AND LIABILITIES, ARISING OUT OF, CONNECTED WITH, OR RESULTING FROM ANY NEGLIGENT ACTS OR OMISSIONS OF CONTRACTOR OR ANY AGENT, EMPLOYEE, SUBCONTRACTOR, OR SUPPLIER OF CONTRACTOR IN THE EXECUTION OR PERFORMANCE OF ANY RESULTING CONTRACT FROM SUBMITTAL OF THIS BID.

I have read all of the specifications and general bid requirements and do hereby certify that all items submitted meet specifications.

COMPANY:		
AGENT NAME:		_
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ADDRESS:		<u> </u>
CITY:	ZID CODE	<u> </u>
STATE:	ZIP CODE:	
TELEPHONE:	TELEFAX:	
FEDERAL ID#:	AND/OR SOCIALSECURITY#:	_
DI	EVIATIONS FROM SPECIFICATIONS IF ANY:	
NOTE: QUESTIONS AND CO	ONCERNS FROM PROSPECTIVE CONTRACTORS SHOU	LD BE RAISED
WITH OWNER AND ITS CON	NSULTANT (IF APPLICABLE) AND RESOLVED IF POSSI	BLE PRIOR TO

THE BID SUBMITTAL DATE. ANY LISTED DEVIATIONS IN A FINALLY SUBMITTED BID MAY

ALLOW THE OWNER TO REJECT A BID AS NON-RESPONSIVE.

CERTIFICATION REGARDING DEBARMENT, SUSPENSION, AND OTHER RESPONSIBILITY MATTERS (Complete and return with bid)

Name of Entity:
The prospective participant certifies to the best of their knowledge and belief that they and their principals:
 a) Are not presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from covered transactions by any Federal department or agency: b) Have not within a three year period preceding this bid been convicted of or had a civil judgment rendered against them for commission of fraud or a criminal offense in connection with obtaining, attempting to obtain, or performing a public (Federal, State, or local) transaction or contract under a public transaction; violation of Federal or State antitrust statutes or commission of embezzlement, theft, forgery, bribery, falsification or destruction of records, making false statements, or receiving stolen property; c) Are not presently indicted for or otherwise criminally or civilly charged by a government entity
(Federal, State, Local) with commission of any of the offenses enumerated in paragraph (1) (b) of this certification; and
d) Have not within a three-year period preceding this application/bid had one or more public transactions (Federal, State, Local) terminated for cause or default.
I understand that a false statement on this certification may be grounds for rejection of this bid or termination of the award. In addition, under 18 USC Section 1001, a false statement may result in a fine up to a \$10,000.00 or imprisonment for up to five (5) years, or both.
Name and Title of Authorized Representative (Typed)
Signature of Authorized Representative Date
☐ I am unable to certify to the above statements. My explanation is attached.

(THIS FORM MUST BE COMPLETED IN ITS ENTIRETY AND SUBMITTED WITH BID RESPONSE)

CONFLICT OF INTEREST QUESTIONNAIRE For vendor doing business with local governmental entity	FORM CIQ
This questionnaire reflects changes made to the law by H.B. 23, 84th Leg., Regular Session.	OFFICE USE ONLY
This questionnaire is being filed in accordance with Chapter 176, Local Government Code, by a vendor who has a business relationship as defined by Section 176.001(1-a) with a local governmental entity and the vendor meets requirements under Section 176.006(a).	Date Received
By law this questionnaire must be filed with the records administrator of the local governmental entity not later than the 7th business day after the date the vendor becomes aware of facts that require the statement to be filed. See Section 176.006(a-1), Local Government Code.	
A vendor commits an offense if the vendor knowingly violates Section 176.006, Local Government Code. An offense under this section is a misdemeanor.	
1 Name of vendor who has a business relationship with local governmental entity.	
Check this box if you are filing an update to a previously filed questionnaire. (The law recompleted questionnaire with the appropriate filing authority not later than the 7th busine you became aware that the originally filed questionnaire was incomplete or inaccurate.	ss day after the date on which
Name of local government officer about whom the information is being disclosed.	
Name of Officer	
Describe each employment or other business relationship with the local government of officer, as described by Section 176.003(a)(2)(A). Also describe any family relationship with Complete subparts A and B for each employment or business relationship described. Attaccic as necessary. A. Is the local government officer or a family member of the officer receiving or other than investment income, from the vendor? Yes No B. Is the vendor receiving or likely to receive taxable income, other than investment of the local government officer or a family member of the officer AND the taxable local governmental entity? Yes No Describe each employment or business relationship that the vendor named in Section 1.	th the local government officer. ch additional pages to this Form likely to receive taxable income, at income, from or at the direction income is not received from the
Describe each employment or business relationship that the vendor named in Section 1 to other business entity with respect to which the local government officer serves as an ownership interest of one percent or more. 6 Check this box if the vendor has given the local government officer or a family membe	officer or director, or holds an
as described in Section 176.003(a)(2)(B), excluding gifts described in Section 176	
Signature of vendor doing business with the governmental entity	Date

Form provided by Texas Ethics Commission

www.ethics.state.tx.us

Revised 1/1/2021

CONFLICT OF INTEREST QUESTIONNAIRE For vendor doing business with local governmental entity

A complete copy of Chapter 176 of the Local Government Code may be found at http://www.statutes.legis.state.tx.us/Docs/LG/htm/LG.176.htm. For easy reference, below are some of the sections cited on this form.

<u>Local Government Code § 176.001(1-a)</u>: "Business relationship" means a connection between two or more parties based on commercial activity of one of the parties. The term does not include a connection based on:

- (A) a transaction that is subject to rate or fee regulation by a federal, state, or local governmental entity or an agency of a federal, state, or local governmental entity;
- (B) a transaction conducted at a price and subject to terms available to the public; or
- (C) a purchase or lease of goods or services from a person that is chartered by a state or federal agency and that is subject to regular examination by, and reporting to, that agency.

Local Government Code § 176.003(a)(2)(A) and (B):

- (a) A local government officer shall file a conflicts disclosure statement with respect to a vendor if:
 - (2) the vendor:
 - (A) has an employment or other business relationship with the local government officer or a family member of the officer that results in the officer or family member receiving taxable income, other than investment income, that exceeds \$2,500 during the 12-month period preceding the date that the officer becomes aware that
 - $(\bar{\mathbf{i}})$ a contract between the local governmental entity and vendor has been executed; or
 - (ii) the local governmental entity is considering entering into a contract with the vendor:
 - (B) has given to the local government officer or a family member of the officer one or more gifts that have an aggregate value of more than \$100 in the 12-month period preceding the date the officer becomes aware that:
 - (i) a contract between the local governmental entity and vendor has been executed; or
 - (ii) the local governmental entity is considering entering into a contract with the vendor.

Local Government Code § 176.006(a) and (a-1)

- (a) Avendor shall file a completed conflict of interest questionnaire if the vendor has a business relationship with a local governmental entity and:
 - (1) has an employment or other business relationship with a local government officer of that local governmental entity, or a family member of the officer, described by Section 176.003(a)(2)(A);
 - (2) has given a local government officer of that local governmental entity, or a family member of the officer, one or more gifts with the aggregate value specified by Section 176.003(a)(2)(B), excluding any gift described by Section 176.003(a-1); or
 - (3) has a family relationship with a local government officer of that local governmental entity.
- (a-1) The completed conflict of interest questionnaire must be filed with the appropriate records administrator not later than the seventh business day after the later of:
 - (1) the date that the vendor:
 - (A) begins discussions or negotiations to enter into a contract with the local governmental entity; or
 - (B) submits to the local governmental entity an application, response to a request for proposals or bids, correspondence, or another writing related to a potential contract with the local governmental entity; or
 - (2) the date the vendor becomes aware:
 - (A) of an employment or other business relationship with a local government officer, or a family member of the officer, described by Subsection (a);
 - (B) that the vendor has given one or more gifts described by Subsection (a); or
 - (C) of a family relationship with a local government officer.

Previous Customer Reference Worksheet

Name of Customer:	Customer Contact:
Customer Address:	Customer Phone Number:
	Customer Email:
Name of Company Performing Referenced Wor	·k:
What was the Period of Performance?	What was the Final Acceptance Date?
From:	
To:	
Dollar Value of Contract?	What Type of Contract?
\$	Firm Fixed Price Time and
Ψ	Material Not to
	Exceed
	Cost Plus Fixed
Provide a brief description of the work perform	ed for this customer (add additional page if required)

(Rev. October 2018) Department of the Treasury

Request for Taxpayer Identification Number and Certification

Give Form to the requester. Do not send to the IRS.

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24	Name (as shown on your income tax return). Name is required on this lir	ne; do not leave this line blank.			
	2 Business name/disregarded entity name, if different from above				
Print or type. See Specific Instructions on page 3.	3 Check appropriate box for federal tax classification of the person whose name is entered on line 1. Check only one of the following seven boxes. Individual/sole proprietor or			4 Exemptions (codes apply only to certain entities, not individuals; see instructions on page 3): Exempt payee code (if any)	
	Limited liability company. Enter the tax classification (C=C corporation	on S_S corporation P_Partners	shin) ►	Exempt payee code (if any)	
Print or type. fic Instructions	Note: Check the appropriate box in the line above for the tax classification. Note: Check the appropriate box in the line above for the tax classification. It is classified as a single-member LLC that is disregard another LLC that is not disregarded from the owner for U.S. federal is disregarded from the owner should check the appropriate box for	cation of the single-member ow led from the owner unless the o tax purposes. Otherwise, a sing	rner. Do not check wner of the LLC is le-member LLC that	Exemption from FATCA reporting code (if any)	g —
eci	☐ Other (see instructions) ►			(Applies to accounts maintained outside the L	J.S.)
ee Sp	5 Address (number, street, and apt. or suite no.) See instructions.		Requester's name a	and address (optional)	
on .	6 City, state, and ZIP code				
	7 List account number(s) here (optional)				
Par	Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN)				
Enter	your TIN in the appropriate box. The TIN provided must match the	name given on line 1 to avo	oid Social sec	curity number	
	p withholding. For individuals, this is generally your social security nt alien, sole proprietor, or disregarded entity, see the instructions		or a	V- V-	
	s, it is your employer identification number (EIN). If you do not have		a		
TIN, la	ater.		or		
	If the account is in more than one name, see the instructions for li		and Employer	identification number	1
Numb	er To Give the Requester for guidelines on whose number to enter		10	-	
Par	Certification				
Under	penalties of perjury, I certify that:				
2. I an Ser	number shown on this form is my correct taxpayer identification r n not subject to backup withholding because: (a) I am exempt from vice (IRS) that I am subject to backup withholding as a result of a f onger subject to backup withholding; and	backup withholding, or (b)	I have not been n	otified by the Internal Revenue	
3. I an	n a U.S. citizen or other U.S. person (defined below); and				
	FATCA code(s) entered on this form (if any) indicating that I am ex				
you ha	cation instructions. You must cross out item 2 above if you have bea we failed to report all interest and dividends on your tax return. For rea tition or abandonment of secured property, cancellation of debt, contr than interest and dividends, you are not required to sign the certification	al estate transactions, item 2 ibutions to an individual retire	does not apply. Fo ement arrangement	or mortgage interest paid, t (IRA), and generally, payments	s
Sign Here		c	oate ►		
Gei	neral Instructions	Form 1099-DIV (div funds)	ridends, including	those from stocks or mutual	
Section noted	on references are to the Internal Revenue Code unless otherwise	THE THE THE PART OF STREET, NAME AND ADDRESS OF THE PART OF THE PA	arious types of in	come, prizes, awards, or gros	ss
	e developments. For the latest information about developments	• Form 1099-B (stocl	or mutual fund s	ales and certain other	

after they were published, go to www.irs.gov/FormW9.

Purpose of Form An individual or entity (Form W-9 requester) who is required to file an information return with the IRS must obtain your correct taxpayer identification number (TIN) which may be your social security number (SSN), individual taxpayer identification number (ITIN), adoption taxpayer identification number (ATIN), or employer identification number (EIN), to report on an information return the amount paid to you, or other amount reportable on an information return. Examples of information returns include, but are not limited to, the following.

• Form 1099-INT (interest earned or paid)

- transactions by brokers)
- Form 1099-S (proceeds from real estate transactions)
- Form 1099-K (merchant card and third party network transactions)
- Form 1098 (home mortgage interest), 1098-E (student loan interest), 1098-T (tuition)
- Form 1099-C (canceled debt)
- Form 1099-A (acquisition or abandonment of secured property)

Use Form W-9 only if you are a U.S. person (including a resident alien), to provide your correct TIN.

If you do not return Form W-9 to the requester with a TIN, you might be subject to backup withholding. See What is backup withholding,

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Form W-8BEN-E

Certificate of Status of Beneficial Owner for United States Tax Withholding and Reporting (Entities) ► For use by entities. Individuals must use Form W-8BEN. ► Section references are to the Internal Revenue Code. ► Go to www.irs.gov/FormW8BENE for instructions and the latest information. ► Give this form to the withholding agent or payer. Do not send to the IRS.

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Do NOT use this form for:			
• U.S.	entity or U.S. citizen or resident		W-9
• A for	reign individual		W-8BEN (Individual) or Form 8233
A foreign individual or entity claiming that income is effectively connected with the conduct of trade or business within the United States			
(unle	ss claiming treaty benefits)		
• A for gove 501(reign partnership, a foreign simple trust, or a foreign grantor trust (unless reign government, international organization, foreign central bank of issue imment of a U.S. possession claiming that income is effectively connected, 895, 895, or 1443(b) (unless claiming treaty benefits) (see instructions)	e, foreign tax-exe ed U.S. income o for other exception	mpt organization, foreign private foundation, or r that is claiming the applicability of section(s) 115(2), ons) . W-8ECI or W-8EXP
	person acting as an intermediary (including a qualified intermediary actin	g as a qualified o	lerivatives dealer)
	Identification of Beneficial Owner		
1	Name of organization that is the beneficial owner		2 Country of incorporation or organization
3	Name of disregarded entity receiving the payment (if applicable, see ins	structions)	
4	Chapter 3 Status (entity type) (Must check one box only):		Partnership
	☐ Simple trust ☐ Tax-exempt organization ☐ Con	nplex trust	Foreign Government - Controlled Entity
	☐ Central Bank of Issue ☐ Private foundation ☐ Esta	ate	Foreign Government - Integral Part
	☐ Grantor trust ☐ Disregarded entity ☐ Inter	rnational organiza	ation
If you entered disregarded entity, partnership, simple trust, or grantor trust above, is the entity a hybrid making a treaty claim? If "Yes," complete Part III. 📗 Yes 🔲 No			
5	Chapter 4 Status (FATCA status) (See instructions for details and complete the certification below for the entity's applicable status.)		
	Nonparticipating FFI (including an FFI related to a Reporting IGA	☐ Nonreporting IGA FFI. Complete Part XII.	
	FFI other than a deemed-compliant FFI, participating FFI, or	Foreign government, government of a U.S. possession, or foreign central bank of issue. Complete Part XIII.	
	exempt beneficial owner).	central bar	nk of issue. Complete Part XIII.
	Participating FFI.	☐ International organization. Complete Part XIV. ☐ Exempt retirement plans. Complete Part XV.	
	Reporting Model 1 FFI.		
	Reporting Model 2 FFI.	Entity whole	ly owned by exempt beneficial owners. Complete Part XVI.
	Registered deemed-compliant FFI (other than a reporting Model 1	☐ Territory financial institution. Complete Part XVII.	
	FFI, sponsored FFI, or nonreporting IGA FFI covered in Part XII).	Excepted r	nonfinancial group entity. Complete Part XVIII.
	See instructions.	Excepted r	nonfinancial start-up company. Complete Part XIX.
	Sponsored FFI. Complete Part IV.	☐ Excepted r	nonfinancial entity in liquidation or bankruptcy.
	Certified deemed-compliant nonregistering local bank. Complete	Complete I	Part XX.
	Part V.	☐ 501(c) orga	anization. Complete Part XXI.
	Certified deemed-compliant FFI with only low-value accounts.	☐ Nonprofit o	organization. Complete Part XXII.
	Complete Part VI.	 Publicly traded NFFE or NFFE affiliate of a publicly traded corporation. Complete Part XXIII. 	
	Certified deemed-compliant sponsored, closely held investment		
	vehicle. Complete Part VII.	Excepted t	erritory NFFE. Complete Part XXIV.
	Certified deemed-compliant limited life debt investment entity.	☐ Active NFF	E. Complete Part XXV.
	Complete Part VIII.	Passive NF	FFE. Complete Part XXVI.
	Certain investment entities that do not maintain financial accounts.	Excepted i	nter-affiliate FFI. Complete Part XXVII.
	Complete Part IX.	☐ Direct repo	orting NFFE.
	Owner-documented FFI. Complete Part X.	☐ Sponsored	I direct reporting NFFE. Complete Part XXVIII.
	☐ Restricted distributor. Complete Part XI. ☐ Account that is not a financial account.		at is not a financial account.
6 Permanent residence address (street, apt. or suite no., or rural route). Do not use a P.O. box or in-care-of address (other		or in-care-of address (other than a registered address).	
	City or town, state or province. Include postal code where appropriate.		Country
7	Mailing address (if different from above)		
	City or town, state or province. Include postal code where appropriate.		Country
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