



**SUPPLY OF TYPE A LIMESTONE**

FOR

BROWNSVILLE PUBLIC UTILITIES BOARD

BROWNSVILLE, TEXAS

B027-24

BID DUE DATE & TIME: February 14, 2024 at 5:00 PM  
BID OPENING DATE & TIME: February 15, 2024 at 10:00 AM

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**LEGAL NOTICE  
AND  
INVITATION TO BID  
B #027-24**

Sealed bids will be received by the PUBLIC UTILITIES BOARD of the City of Brownsville, Texas ("BPUB"), at the BPUB Purchasing Department office; 1155 FM 511 Olmito, Texas 78575 **until 5:00 PM, February 14, 2024** for the project described in the Contract Documents and Specifications entitled:

**SUPPLY OF TYPE A LIMESTONE**

Bids will be publicly opened and read aloud on February 15, 2024 at 10:00 AM. Bidders can request a copy of the bid tabulation by emailing [hlopez@brownsville-pub.com](mailto:hlopez@brownsville-pub.com) or [mespinoza@brownsville-pub.com](mailto:mespinoza@brownsville-pub.com). Vendors can call in at 10:00 AM, February 15, 2024 to (956) 214-6020 to listen to the bid opening.

Copies of the Contract Documents and Specifications may be obtained at the following BPUB website: [https://www.brownsville-pub.com/rfp\\_status/open/](https://www.brownsville-pub.com/rfp_status/open/)

Two (2) sets of the 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: "**SEALED BIDS FOR SUPPLY OF TYPE A LIMESTONE, B027-24, FEBRUARY 14, 2024, 5:00 PM**". This envelope shall be addressed to Diane Solitaire; Brownsville Public Utilities Board; 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 ninety (90) days after the time announced for the opening thereof.

Each bid shall be accompanied by a Certified or Cashier's check payable to the order of the Brownsville Public Utilities Board, City of Brownsville, Texas for a sum not less than five (5%) percent of the total amount bid. In lieu of a check, a Bid Bond may be submitted in an amount not less than five (5%) percent of the total amount bid with a Corporate Surety licensed to do business in the State of Texas, conditioned that the BIDDER will pay the Brownsville PUB, as mutually agreed to liquidated damages, and not as a penalty, the amount specified in the Bond unless he enters into a contract in accordance with his bid. If the BIDDER fails to execute the contract and to furnish satisfactory Performance and Payment Bonds and Insurance Certificates within ten (10) days from the date on which he is notified that his bid has been accepted, the amount of his check or bid bond shall be forfeited to the Brownsville PUB as mutually agreed to

liquidated damages, and not as a penalty. **No bid will be considered if the Bid Security is not submitted.**

The Brownsville PUB 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 submission.**

The Brownsville PUB specifically reserves the right to reject any or all bids, to waive irregularities or informalities in any or all 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

**INSTRUCTIONS TO BIDDERS**  
**Please submit this page upon receipt.**

Acknowledgment Form  
B027-24 Supply of Type A Limestone

For any clarifications, please contact Hugo E. Lopez at the Brownsville Public Utilities Board, Purchasing Department at (956) 983-6375 or via e-mail: [hlopez@brownsville-pub.com](mailto:hlopez@brownsville-pub.com)

Please e-mail this page upon receipt of 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 send a bid; obtained bid package from website.**

**Yes, I will be able to send a bid; please email the bid package.**

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

**Yes, I will be able to send a bid; please mail the bid package using the carrier & account number listed below:**

Carrier: \_\_\_\_\_

Account: \_\_\_\_\_

**No, I will not be able to send a bid for the following reason:**

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

If you are unable to send your bid, kindly indicate your reason for “No bid” above and return this form **via e-mail to:** [hlopez@brownsville-pub.com](mailto:hlopez@brownsville-pub.com) or [dsolitaire@brownsville-pub.com](mailto:dsolitaire@brownsville-pub.com). This will ensure you remain active on our vendor list.

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Company: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

**IF SPECIFICATIONS ARE DOWNLOADED FROM WEBSITE PLEASE EMAIL THIS PAGE TO EMAIL LISTED ABOVE**

## Special Instructions

### *Contract Information*

- **Interpretation**

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

Hugo E. Lopez  
Purchasing Administrator  
(956) 983-6375

or

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

- **Tentative Time Line**

1. January 29, 2024 through February 14, 2024 - Vendors work on bid.
2. February 14, 2024 at 5:00 PM - **Vendor must submit bid sealed, in duplicate, in an envelope to:**

Diane Solitaire, Purchasing  
1155 FM 511  
Olmito, TX 78575

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Due: **February 14, 2024 at 5:00 PM**

The above noted information must be included on the 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 or electronic transmission of sealed bids.*

3. February 9, 2024 - Last day to submit questions
4. February 15, 2024 – Open bids at 10:00 AM
5. February 16 – February 23, 2024 - Evaluate bids
6. February 26, 2024 - Provide Final Recommendations
7. March 11, 2024 - Send to Utilities Board for approval
8. Term of contract will commence March 2024

- **Or Equal (NOT APPLICABLE)**

- **Pricing**

Bid unit prices on BPUB estimated quantities specified, extend and show total. In case of errors in extension, unit prices indicated shall govern. **Price shall remain firm throughout the duration of the contract.**

All fields (UNIT PRICE & TOTAL PRICE) in the Bid Schedule must be filled in. The data must be complete to identify any bidding brand called for specifically.

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

- **Contractor Representative**

The successful contractor agrees to send a personal representative with binding authority for the company to the Brownsville Public Utilities Board, upon request, to make any minor clarifications or adjustments and/or assist with coordination of all transactions as needed to allow Contract entry.

- **Quality of Products**

All material and equipment items specified 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. Compliance with requirements of the technical specifications
2. Net price
3. Reputation of bidder
4. Evidence of completion of similar work
5. Time and conditions of delivery
6. Safety record will be considered when determining the responsibility of the bidder

- **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/contractors by depositing the contract payment directly to the contractor's/vendor's bank account. Successful vendor(s)/contractors 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, aW9 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**

The City of Brownsville and its Brownsville Public Utilities Board are exempt from Federal Excise Tax, State Tax and local sales Taxes. Do not include any taxes in the bid proposal. If it is later determined that tax was included in the bid it will not be included in the tabulation or any awards. Tax exemption certificates will be furnished by BPUB upon request.

- **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, sexual preference, marital or veteran status, or physically challenging condition.

- **Contract and Purchase Order**

The Type A limestone shall be delivered in a timely manner as specified in the specifications. A contract for the material 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 Board.

- **Term of Contract**

The term of this contract will be for six months from the date of award or the awarded amount whichever comes first.

- **Brownsville Public Utilities Board Rights**

1. If only one or no bid is received by "submission date", the Brownsville PUB 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 awards as they may appear to be advantageous to the Brownsville Public Utilities Board.
3. The right to hold bid for 90 days from submission date without action, and to waive all formalities in bidding.
4. The right to extend the total bid quote beyond the original 90-day period prior to an award if agreed upon in writing by both parties and if low bid holds 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; for cause: 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 for BPUB's convenience.

6. The right to increase or decrease services or quantities.
7. 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 to 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 acknowledgment 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 the Brownsville PUB's website.

## **1. RECEIPT AND OPENING OF BIDS:**

The Brownsville Public Utilities Board, City of Brownsville, Texas (hereinafter called OWNER), invites bids on the form attached hereto, all blanks of which must be appropriately filled in, in ink, for project titled: **SUPPLY OF TYPE A LIMESTONE.**

The OWNER may consider informal and non-responsive, any bid not prepared and submitted in accordance with the provisions hereof and may waive any informalities or reject any and all bids. Any bid may be withdrawn prior to the above scheduled time for the opening of bids or authorized postponement thereof. Any bid received after the time and date specified shall not be considered. No BIDDER may withdraw a bid within at least ninety (90) days after the actual date of the opening thereof.

## **2. INSPECTION OF SITE:**

Each BIDDER shall visit the sites of the proposed work and fully acquaint themselves with the existing conditions there relating to services and labor, and shall fully inform themselves as to the facilities involved, the difficulties and restrictions attending the performance of the Contract. The BIDDER should thoroughly examine and familiarize themselves with the Contract Documents. The BIDDER, by the execution of the Contract, shall in no way be relieved of any obligation under it due to their failure to receive or examine any form or legal instrument, or to visit the sites and acquaint themselves with the conditions there existing, and the OWNER will be justified in rejecting any claim for extra time, or compensation, or both, based on facts regarding which BIDDER should have been on notice as a result thereof. Visits to the sites shall be arranged by calling Armando Garcia with the Brownsville PUB Water/Wastewater Construction & Operations Department at telephone no. (956) 983-6386.

### **3. PREPARATION OF BID AND USE OF SEPARATE BID FORMS:**

These Contract Documents include a complete set of bidding documents. The BIDDER shall copy all Documents listed in the Table of Contents under the heading BIDDING DOCUMENTS and shall submit the bid on these forms. A bid shall be comprised of the BIDDING DOCUMENTS completed by the BIDDER, plus any supplemental information required by the Specifications and Documents, or deemed necessary by the BIDDER to fully describe the offering.

If any of the information submitted as part of the bid is considered to be proprietary by the BIDDER, they shall clearly and conspicuously identify such in the bid as being confidential. BIDDER understands that the Brownsville PUB, as a public entity, is subject to the Texas Public Information Act.

- a) Preparation. Each bid shall be carefully prepared using the bid and bid data forms included as a part of the bidding documents. Entries on the bid and bid data forms shall be typed, using dark black ribbon, or legibly written in black ink. All prices shall be stated in words and figures except where the forms provide for figures only. In case of discrepancy, the amount shown in words/unit prices will govern.

The BIDDER shall acknowledge, in the space provided in the bid form, receipt of each addendum issued for the Specifications and Documents during the bidding period.

The BIDDER shall assemble any supplementary information necessary to thoroughly describe the bid, and shall attach such supplemental information to the copies of the Specifications and Documents submitted.

- b) Signatures. Each BIDDER shall sign the bid with their usual handwritten signature and shall give the full business address. The BIDDER's name stated on the bid shall be the exact legal name of the firm. The names of all persons signing should also be typed or printed below the signature.

Bids by partnerships shall be signed with the partnership name followed by the signature and designation of one of the partners or other authorized representative. A complete list of the partners shall be included with the bid.

Bids by a corporation shall be signed in the official corporate name of the corporation, followed by the signature and designation of the president, secretary, or other person authorized to bind the corporation.

A bid by a person who affixes to their signature the word "president," "secretary," "agent," or other designation, without disclosing the principal, will be rejected. Satisfactory evidence of the authority of the officer signing in behalf of the

corporation shall be furnished. Bidding corporations shall designate the state in which they are incorporated and the address of their principal office.

- c) Submittal. The original bid (and its accompanying copy) shall be transmitted to arrive at the designated address not later than the date and time stipulated in the Legal Notice and Invitation to Bid.

Submit the original signed bid (and its accompanying copy) to:

Brownsville Public Utilities Board of the  
City of Brownsville, Texas  
1155 FM 511  
Olmito, Texas 78575

Attention: Ms. Diane Solitaire  
Purchasing Department

Each bid must be submitted in duplicate, in a sealed envelope bearing on the outside the name of the BIDDER, the address, and the name of the project for which the bid is submitted. If forwarded by mail, the sealed envelope containing the bid must be enclosed in another envelope addressed as specified in the bid form.

#### **4. METHOD OF BIDDING: UNIT PRICE AND LUMP SUM**

Prices shall be firm, not subject to qualification, condition, or adjustment. Prices shall be in United States dollars. Prices shall be lump sum except where unit prices are requested by the bid forms. If unit price items are required by the bid, the unit prices for each of the several items in the bid of each BIDDER shall include its pro-rata share of overhead so that the sum of the products obtained by multiplying the quantity shown for each item by the unit price bid represents the total bid. Any bid not conforming to the requirement may be rejected as informal and non-responsive. The special attention of all BIDDERS is called to this provision, for should conditions make it necessary to revise the quantities, no limit will be fixed for such increased or decreased quantities nor extra compensation allowed, provided the net monetary value of all such additive and subtractive changes in quantities of such items of work pursuant to public competitive bidding statutes (i.e., difference in cost) shall not increase or decrease the original contract price by more than twenty-five (25%) percent. The CONTRACTOR must agree to a proposed decrease only that exceeds twenty-five (25%) percent of the original contract price in advance.

#### **5. DISCLOSURE BY BIDDER:**

Each BIDDER shall submit with the bid documents, on the form furnished for that purpose, the Bid Disclosure Statement showing their experience record in performing the type of work embraced in the contract, the organization and equipment available for the work contemplated, and, when specifically requested by the OWNER, a detailed financial statement. The OWNER

shall have the right to take such steps as it deems necessary to determine the ability and responsibility of the BIDDER to perform the obligations under the Contract and the BIDDER shall be responsive in furnishing the OWNER all such information and data for this purpose as it may request. OWNER reserves the right to reject any bid where an investigation of the available evidence or information does not satisfy the OWNER that the BIDDER is responsible to properly carry out the terms of the Contract. This shall also apply to any proposed SUBCONTRACTOR(s).

#### **6. SUBCONTRACTS:**

The BIDDER is specifically advised that any person, firm, or other party to whom it is proposed to award a subcontract under this contract must be acceptable to the OWNER, and that a Bid Disclosure Statement for each proposed SUBCONTRACTOR must also be submitted with the bid documents.

#### **7. BID SECURITY:**

Each bid must be accompanied by a certified or cashier's check, or a bid bond prepared on the form of the bid bond attached hereto, duly executed by the BIDDER as principal and having as surety therein a surety company approved by the OWNER, and authorized to do business in the State of Texas, in the amount of not less than \$2,500.00 or 5% of total bid. Such checks, or bid bonds will be returned to all except the three lowest BIDDERS within fifteen (15) days after the opening of bids, and the remaining checks, or bid bonds will be returned promptly after the OWNER and the accepted BIDDER have executed the contract or if no award has been made, within ninety (90) days after the date of the opening of bids. The bid security will be returned upon demand of the BIDDER at any time thereafter, so long as they have not been notified of the acceptance of their bid.

#### **8. ADDENDA AND INTERPRETATIONS:**

No oral interpretations by OWNER and its representatives shall be binding upon OWNER as to the meaning of the contract documents, or other pre-bid documents.

Any interpretation, correction, or change to the Invitation to Bid will be made by ADDENDUM. Changes or corrections will be issued by the Brownsville PUB Purchasing Department Only. **Addenda will be e-mailed to all who have returned the bid acknowledgment 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. All Addenda so issued shall become part of the Contract Documents. Addenda may be posted on BPUB's webpage.

**9. FACSIMILE MODIFICATION:**

Any BIDDER may modify (not originally submit) his bid by facsimile communication at any time prior to the scheduled bid closing time for receipt of bids, provided such communication is received by the OWNER, in the BPUB Purchasing Department, prior to the bid closing time, and provided further, the OWNER is satisfied that a written confirmation of the facsimile modification, over the original signature of the BIDDER, was also mailed prior to the bid closing time. The facsimile communication should not reveal the total bid price, but only should provide the clarification, addition or subtraction, or other modification, so that the final bid prices or terms intended will not be known by the OWNER, until the original sealed bid is opened and the modification computed by OWNER.

Revised bids submitted before the opening of bids, whether forwarded by mail or facsimile, if representing an increase in excess of two percent (2%) of the original bid submittal, must have the bid security (bid bond or check) adjusted accordingly; otherwise the bid will not be considered responsive.

If the written and originally signed confirmation of a bid revision is not received within three (3) calendar days after the bid closing time, no consideration will be given to any proposed adjustment contained in the facsimile modification.

**10. TIME FOR RECEIVING BIDS:**

Bids received prior to the advertised hour of opening will be securely kept sealed. The officer whose duty it is to open them will decide when the specified time has arrived, and no bid received thereafter will be considered.

BIDDERS are cautioned that, while electronic or facsimile modifications of bids may be received as provided above, such modifications, if not explicit and if in any sense subject to misinterpretation, shall make the bid so modified or amended, subject to rejection for non-responsiveness.

**11. OPENING OF BIDS:**

At the time and place fixed for the opening of bids, the OWNER will cause to be opened and publicly read aloud every bid received within the time set for receiving bids, irrespective of any irregularities therein. BIDDERS and other persons properly interested may be present, in person or by representative.

**12. WITHDRAWAL OF BIDS:**

Bids may be withdrawn via written, electronic, or facsimile request dispatched by the BIDDER in time for delivery in the normal course of business prior to the time fixed for bid opening; provided, that written confirmation of any facsimile or electronic withdrawal over the signature of the BIDDER is placed in the mail and postmarked prior to the time set for bid opening. The

bid security of any BIDDER withdrawing their bid in accordance with the foregoing conditions will be returned promptly.

### **13. AWARD OF CONTRACT: REJECTION OF BIDS:**

The Contract will be awarded to the responsive and responsible BIDDER submitting the lowest bid complying with the conditions of the Legal Notice and Invitation for Bids. The BIDDER to whom the award is made will be notified at the earliest possible date. The OWNER, however, reserves the right to reject any and all bids and to waive any informality in bids received, whenever such rejection or waiver is in BPUB's interest.

The OWNER reserves the right to consider as not responsible, any BIDDER who does not habitually perform with his own forces the major portions of the work involved in construction of the improvements embraced in this proposed Contract. This provision is meant to prevent wholesale assignment and "brokering" of awarded contracts.

### **14. EXECUTION OF AGREEMENT: PERFORMANCE AND PAYMENT BOND:**

Subsequent to the award and within ten (10) days after the prescribed forms are presented for signature, the successful BIDDER shall execute and deliver to the OWNER an agreement in the form included in the Contract Documents in such number of copies as the OWNER may require.

Having satisfied all conditions of award as set forth elsewhere in these Documents, the successful BIDDER shall, within the period specified in the preceding paragraph, furnish a Performance and Payment Bond, in accordance with the following parameters:

- a.) For a Contract in excess of \$100,000.00, a Performance Bond shall be executed in the full amount of the Contract conditioned upon the faithful performance of the Work in accordance with the plans, specifications, and Contract Documents. Said Bond shall be solely for the protection of the OWNER.
- b.) For a Contract in excess of \$50,000.00, a Payment Bond shall be executed in the full amount of the Contract, solely for the protection of all proper claimants supplying labor and material in the prosecution of the Work provided for in the Contract, for the use of each such claimant perfecting a proper claim against the surety.

When bonds are required, they shall serve as security for the faithful performance of the Contract, and for the payment of all persons, firms or corporations to whom the Contractor may become legally indebted to for labor, materials, tools, equipment, or services of any nature, including utility and transportation services employed or used by him in performing the work. Such bond shall be in the same form as that included in the Contract Documents and shall bear the same date as, or a date subsequent to that of the Agreement. The current power of attorney for the person who signs for any surety company shall be attached to such bond. A guaranty or surety company legally authorized to do business in the State of Texas shall sign the bond.

The failure of the successful BIDDER to execute such Agreement and to supply the required Bond and insurance certificates within ten (10) days after the prescribed forms are presented for signature, or within such extended period as the OWNER may grant in writing, based upon reasons determined sufficient by the OWNER, shall constitute a default, and the OWNER may either award the contract to the next lowest responsive and responsible BIDDER or re-advertise for bids, and may charge against the defaulting BIDDER the difference between the amount of the defaulted bid and the amount for which a contract for the work is subsequently executed, irrespective of whether the amount thus due exceeds the amount of the bid bond. If a more favorable bid is received by re-advertising, the defaulting BIDDER shall have no claim against the OWNER for a refund due to the extra administrative expenses and time lost by the OWNER in rebidding.

**15. LIQUIDATED DAMAGES FOR FAILURE TO ENTER INTO CONTRACT:**

The successful BIDDER, upon their failure or refusal to execute and deliver the Contract, Bond and insurance certificates required within ten (10) days after receiving notice of the acceptance of their bid, shall forfeit to the OWNER, as liquidated damages (and not as a penalty) for such failure or refusal, the security deposited with his bid.

**16. TIME OF COMPLETION:**

BIDDER must agree to commence Work on or before a date to be specified in a written "Notice to Proceed" issued by the OWNER. Vendor shall adhere to schedules as will be provided for each project.

**17. NOTICE OF SPECIAL CONDITIONS:**

Attention is particularly called to those parts of the Contract Documents and Specifications which deal with the following:

- A. Insurance requirements.
- B. Indemnification by Vendor.
- C. Wage and Hour Provisions.
- D. State Sales and Use Tax Exemption Provisions

**18. LAWS AND REGULATIONS:**

The Bidder's attention is directed to the fact that all applicable federal, state and local laws, statutes, ordinances, codes and the rules and regulations of all authorities having jurisdiction over performance of the project shall apply to the Contract throughout, and they will be deemed to be included in the Contract the same as though herein written out in full.

**19. EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY:**

Attention of BIDDERS is particularly called to the requirement for ensuring that employees and applicants for employment are not discriminated against because of their race, religion, age, gender, sexual preference, physically challenged condition or national origin.

**20. PRE-BID CONFERENCE: (NOT APPLICABLE TO THIS CONTRACT)**

A pre-bid meeting between the OWNER, prospective bidders, suppliers, etc., will be held to answer any questions concerning the work. No addenda will be issued at this meeting. Subsequent thereto, if necessary to clear up any written questions, a written addendum will be issued by the OWNER to all pre-bid conference attendees. The pre-bid meeting will be held at the place, time and date indicated in the Legal Notice and Invitation to Bid. Interested parties are invited to attend. Attendance at the pre-bid conference is not mandatory but is recommended for all vendors and suppliers interested in bidding the Work.

**21. SUBMITTAL OF TRENCH SAFETY DESIGN: (NOT APPLICABLE TO THIS CONTRACT)**

**22. INFORMATION TO BE SUBMITTED WITH BID:**

Each BIDDER shall submit with his bid pertinent information concerning proposed equipment and materials and proposed construction organization.

- a) Equipment and Materials. In addition to the information submitted on the bid and bid data forms, each BIDDER shall submit all specifications, preliminary drawings, and similar descriptive information necessary to describe completely the equipment and materials he proposes to furnish.

The bid shall be based on using new equipment and materials which comply with the Specifications and Documents in every respect, unless existing equipment is specifically noted by OWNER for reuse. If alternate or "equal" equipment and materials are indicated in the bid, it shall be understood that the OWNER will have the option of selecting any one of the alternates so indicated and such selection shall not be a cause for extra contractor compensation or extension of time. OWNER specifically reserves the legal right to specify "sole source" equipment or materials in the Specifications when unique circumstances warrant.

- b) Contractor's Field Organization. Each BIDDER shall submit with his bid an organizational chart showing the names of field management, supervisory, and technical personnel, and the details of the management, supervisory, and technical organization which he proposes to use for this Project. The successful BIDDER's organizational concept will be subject to the review and acceptance of the OWNER. The experience record of the Contractor's field superintendent shall be submitted with the bid.



**23. PREFERENCE LAW:**

Bid evaluations will take into consideration any Preference Laws of the State of Texas, and any reciprocity laws of other states as they may be addressed by Texas law.

**24. SUBSURFACE GEOLOGIC CONDITIONS: (RESERVED)**

**25. DISPOSAL OF EXCESS MATERIALS:**

After completion of this project, there may be in some instances where an excess of material or waste material is left over. In such cases where there is an excess of material, BIDDER shall load and haul it away from the job site and dispose of it in a legal manner so as not to trespass, adversely impact any protected wetlands, adversely impact the 100 year flood plain, adversely impact any endangered species, or otherwise create drainage diversions or impoundments. No extra remuneration for this work will be allowed.

**26. EROSION AND SEDIMENT CONTROL MEASURES: (RESERVED)**

**27. SAFETY PROVISIONS:**

BIDDER shall provide barricades, flares, warning signs, and/or flagmen so that danger and inconvenience to the public, railroad and job site working personnel will be eliminated. In addition to any other requirements of the Contract Documents, the BIDDER shall be responsible for familiarity and compliance with all Federal (OSHA), State, Railroad and local safety rules, laws and requirements with particular attention to be given to personal protection requirements.

**28. PROTECTION OF PROPERTY AND EXISTING UTILITIES:**

Within developed areas, all public and private property along and adjacent to the BIDDER'S operations, including roads, driveways, lawns, yards, shrubs, drainage gradients, and trees, shall be adequately protected, and when damages occur, they shall be repaired, replaced, or renewed or otherwise put in a condition equal to, or better than, that which existed before the BIDDER caused the damage or removal.

An attempt has been made by BPUB to show all known existing utilities on the PLANS, but the possibility remains strong that some underground utilities may exist that have not been shown. The BIDDER, through mandatory contact with local utility owners, shall keep himself informed and take such precautions as necessary to avoid utility damage and unsafe working conditions for employees.

**29. WAGES AND HOURS:**

The most recent wage rate determination from the U.S. Department of Labor for Cameron County, Texas as amended within the previous three (3) years and as locally adopted by the BPUB, is a part of these Specifications and controls minimum wage, hour and any fringe benefits.

**30. GUARANTEE: (NOT APPLICABLE TO THIS CONTRACT)**

The BIDDER shall warranty and guarantee the Work, equipment and materials for a period of at least one (1) year after date of final acceptance in writing by the OWNER. During this period, the BIDDER shall make any repairs and/or replacements of defective equipment and materials and corrections of Work due to poor workmanship, all as may be required for full compliance with the General Conditions, Plans and Specifications. This combined workmanship quality guarantee, and minimal equipment and materials warranty, shall apply to all matters reported by the OWNER in writing within said one (1) year period and this post-construction guarantee/warranty period shall be included in the coverage period set forth in the Performance Bond.

**31. STATE SALES AND USE TAX EXEMPTION:**

Pursuant to 34 Texas Administrative Code 3.291, in order for the Brownsville PUB to continue to benefit from its status as a State Sales and Use Tax Exempt Organization, after August 14, 1991, construction contracts must be awarded on a "separated contract" basis. A "separated contract" is one that distinguishes the value of the tangible personal property (materials such as pipe, bricks, lumber, concrete, paint, etc.) to be physically incorporated into the Project realty, from the total Contract price. Under the "separated contract" format, the Contractor in effect becomes a "seller" to the Brownsville PUB of materials that are to be physically incorporated into the Project realty. As a "seller", the Contractor will issue a "Texas Certificate of Resale" to the supplier in lieu of paying the sales tax on materials at the time of purchase. The contractor will also issue a "Certificate of Exemption" to the supplier demonstrating that the personal property is being purchased for resale and that the resale is to the Brownsville PUB, which is a sales tax exempt entity under UTCA Tax Code Section 151.309(5). Contractors should be careful to consult the most recent guidelines of the State Comptroller of Public Accounts regarding the sales tax status of supplies and equipment that are used and/or consumed during project work (gas, oil, rental equipment), but that are not physically incorporated into the project realty. Such items are generally not tax exempt. Contractors that have questions about the implementation of this statute are asked to inquire directly with the State Comptroller of Public Accounts, Tax Administration Division, State of Texas, Austin, Texas 78774. Bidders will not include any federal taxes in bid prices since the City of Brownsville and Brownsville PUB are exempt from payment of such federal taxes. "Texas Certificates of Exemption", "Texas Certificates of Resale" and "Texas Sales Tax Permits" are forms available to the Contractor through the regional offices of the State Comptroller of Public Accounts.

**BID**  
B027-24

Place: Brownsville PUB Purchasing Department  
1155 FM 511, Olmito, TX 78575  
Due Date: **February 14, 2024 at 5:00 PM**  
Opening Date: February 15, 2024 at 10:00 AM

Bid of \_\_\_\_\_ hereinafter called BIDDER, a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of \_\_\_\_\_, or, a partnership, or an individual doing business as \_\_\_\_\_.

To the Public Utilities Board of the City of Brownsville, Texas, hereinafter called OWNER.

Gentlemen:

The BIDDER, in compliance with your invitation for bids for **SUPPLY OF TYPE A LIMESTONE**, having examined the specifications with related documents and the site of the proposed work, and being familiar with all of the conditions surrounding the construction of the proposed project, including the availability of materials and labor, hereby proposes to furnish all labor, materials and supplies to construct the project in accordance with the contract documents, within the time set forth herein, and at the prices shown in the attached Bid Schedule. These price(s) are to cover all expenses incurred in performing the work required under the contract documents, of which this BID is a part. These price(s) are firm and shall not be subject to adjustment provided this BID is accepted within ninety (90) days after the time set for receipt of BIDS.

BIDDER hereby agrees to commence work under this contract on or before a date to be specified in a written "Notice to Proceed" to be issued by the OWNER and to adhere to schedules as will be provided for each project.

BIDDER agrees to perform all work for which he contracts as described in the specifications for the unit prices shown on the attached Bid Schedule.

**Special Instructions:**

**Crew(s) must have a cellular phone, provided to them by vendor. Vendor's vehicles must be marked with their Company name (logo), phone number and vehicle unit number on the door with letters readable up to 100'. Vendor's employees shall wear uniform shirts with their Company logo and jeans/slacks and uniforms shall be presentable.**

**BID SCHEDULE  
B027-24  
BROWNSVILLE PUBLIC UTILITIES BOARD**

The Bidder, in compliance with the invitation for bids for the **Supply of Type A Limestone**, having examined the scope of work and written specifications, hereby proposes to furnish Type A Limestone for the following unit prices. BPUB will order, during the six month period, **approximately 5,000 tons** of Type A limestone.

(NOTE: Material and bid acceptance will be evaluated to relative structural strength. Amounts are to be shown in both words and figures. In case of discrepancy, the amount shown in unit price, or figures, will govern.)

ITEM	DESCRIPTION	UNIT PRICE	TRUCK CAPACITY PER LOAD
1	Base Bid Type A Limestone <b>End Dump</b> Truck	/TON	TON
2	Base Bid Type A Limestone <b>Belly Dump</b> Truck	/TON	TON

Material is to be released as requested and be billed as such. The noted quantities are based on six months usage, the Purchase Order quantities are subject to BPUB’s right to increase or decrease as deemed necessary.

**MATERIAL SHALL BE DELIVERED THE NEXT BUSINESS DAY FROM THE TIME OF NOTIFICATION, WITH 25 C.Y. END DUMP TRUCKS WITH A MINIMUM MATERIAL CAPACITY OF 20 C.Y. AND FILLED WITH PRODUCT MEETING TEXAS TRANSPORTATION REQUIREMENTS. VENDOR WILL BE REQUIRED TO PROVIDE A FRONT END LOADER TO PILE UP MATERIAL DELIVERED WITH BELLY DUMP TRUCKS.**

**NOTE:** The above unit prices shall include all labor, materials, excavation, bailing, shoring, removal, backfill, overhead, profit, insurance, etc., to complete the work described in these contract documents and specifications.

BIDDER Acknowledges receipt of the following addenda:

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SUBCONTRACTORS. The undersigned BIDDER proposes that he will be responsible to perform the Work at the project sites with his own forces and those specific portions of the

Work not performed by the undersigned will be subcontracted and performed by the following subcontractors.

Work Subcontracted	Name of Subcontractor
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

BIDDER understands that the OWNER reserves the right to reject any or all bids and to waive any informalities in the bidding.

BIDDER agrees that this Bid shall be good and may not be withdrawn for a period of ninety (90) days after the scheduled closing time for receiving bids.

The undersigned hereby declares that only the persons or firms interested in the bid as principal or principals are named herein, and that no other persons or firms than are herein mentioned have any interest in this Bid or in the Contract to be entered into; that this Bid is made without connection with any other person, company, or parties likewise submitting a bid or bid; and that it is in all respects for and in good faith, without collusion or fraud.

Upon receipt of written notice of the acceptance of this Bid, BIDDER will furnish the Performance Bond, Payment Bond and Certificates of Insurance and execute the formal Contract attached within ten (10) days as required under the Special Instructions and Exhibit C. The Bid security attached in the sum of \_\_\_\_\_ (\$ \_\_\_\_\_) is to become the property of the OWNER in the event the Contract, Performance Bond, Payment Bond, and insurance certificates are not executed or delivered within the time above set forth, as mutually agreed to liquidated damages and not as a penalty for the delay and additional administrative expense to the OWNER caused thereby; otherwise the Bid security will be returned upon the signing of the Contract and delivering the approved Performance Bond, Payment Bond and insurance certificates.

Seal affixed here if BID is by a Corporation:

Respectfully submitted,

By: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature

**Failure to sign bid will disqualify bid**

\_\_\_\_\_

Print Name / Title

\_\_\_\_\_

Company Name

\_\_\_\_\_

Address, City, State, Zip Code

\_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number

\_\_\_\_\_

E-mail Address



Signed, this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 20\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Principal

\_\_\_\_\_  
Surety

By: \_\_\_\_\_

**IMPORTANT - Surety companies executing BONDS must be legally authorized by the State Board of Insurance to transact business in the State of Texas.**

## CONTRACTOR'S

### PRE-BID DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

All questions must be answered or your bid will be deemed non-responsive and subject to rejection. The data given must be clear and comprehensive. **This statement must be notarized.** If necessary, questions may be answered on separate attached sheets. The Bidder may submit any additional information he desires.

1. This Pre-Bid Disclosure Statement is submitted to the Public Utilities Board by: \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_ a Corporation, \_\_\_\_\_ a Partnership, \_\_\_\_\_ a Texas Joint Venture, or \_\_\_\_\_  
 an Individual. Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Contractor's #: \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

2. Years in business under present business name: \_\_\_\_\_

3. Years of experience in work of the type called for in this contract as: A General Contractor \_\_\_\_\_, A Subcontractor \_\_\_\_\_.

4. What projects has your organization completed? List most recent FIRST.

Contract	Type of Work	Date Completed	Owner' s Name and Address	Amount

5. What projects does your organization have under way as of this date?

Contract	Type of Work	Date Completed	Owner' s Name and Address	Amount



6. Have you ever failed to complete any work awarded to you?  
\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_ No. If "Yes", state where and why. \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

7. Are you at present in any lawsuits involving work of any type?  
\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_ No. If "Yes", explain: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

8. Explain in detail the manner in which you have inspected the work and jobsites proposed in this contract:

\_\_\_\_\_

9. Explain in detail your plan or layout for performing the work proposed in this contract:

\_\_\_\_\_

10. If this contract is awarded to you, your company's office administrative manager for the work will be Mr. (Ms.) \_\_\_\_\_, and your resident jobsite superintendent will be Mr. (Ms.) \_\_\_\_\_.

11. What experience in this type of work does the individual designated as resident superintendent above have? \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

12. What portions of the work do you intend to subcontract? \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

13. What equipment do you own or lease that is available for the proposed work?

Quantity	Description, Size Capacity, Etc.	Condition	Years in Service	Present Location


14. Have you received firm offers from any suppliers for all major items of material and/or equipment within the price totals used in preparing your bid?\_\_ Yes \_\_ No

15. Attach resumes for the principal members of your organization, including the officers as well as the proposed superintendent for the project.

Credit available: \$\_\_\_\_\_ Bank Reference: \_\_\_\_\_

Bonding Capacity available: \$\_\_\_\_\_

The undersigned hereby authorizes and request any person, firm, or corporation to furnish any information requested by the Owner in verification of the recitals comprising this Pre-Bid Disclosure Statement.

The signatory of this questionnaire guarantees the truth and accuracy of all statements herein made and all answers herein expressed.

Dated this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_.

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Title: \_\_\_\_\_

STATE OF \_\_\_\_\_  
 COUNTY OF \_\_\_\_\_

Subscribed and sworn to before me this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_  
 Notary Public

My commission expires: \_\_\_\_\_

**SUBCONTRACTOR'S  
PRE-BID DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**

All questions must be answered or the Bid of the General Contractor will be deemed non-responsive and subject to rejection. The data given must be clear and comprehensive. **This statement must be notarized.** If necessary, questions may be answered on separate attached sheets. The Bidder may submit any additional information he desires.

1. This Pre-Bid Disclosure Statement is submitted to the Public Utilities Board by: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ a Corporation, \_\_\_ a Partnership, \_\_\_ a Texas Joint Venture, or \_\_\_ an Individual.  
 Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Contractor's #: \_\_\_\_\_  
 City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

2. Years in business under present business name: \_\_\_\_\_

3. Years of experience in work of the type called for in this contract as: A General Contractor \_\_\_\_\_, A Subcontractor \_\_\_\_\_.

4. Have you ever previously worked as subcontractor for this general contractor?  
 \_\_\_Yes \_\_\_No; If yes, list three most recent projects in which your company has served as a subcontractor to this general contractor.

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 \_\_\_\_\_

5. What projects has your organization completed? List most recent FIRST.

Contract	Type of Work	Date Completed	Owner' s Name and Address	Amount

6. What projects does your organization have under way as of this date?

Contract	Type of Work	Date Completed	Owner' s Name and Address	Amount


7. Have you ever failed to complete any work awarded to you?  
 \_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_ No. If "Yes," state where and why. \_\_\_\_\_  
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8. Are you at present in any lawsuits involving work of any type?  
 \_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_ No. If "Yes", explain: \_\_\_\_\_  
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9. Explain in detail the manner in which you have inspected the work and jobsites proposed in this contract:  
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10. Explain in detail your plan or layout for performing the work proposed in this contract:  
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11. If this subcontract is awarded to you, your company's office administrative manager for the work will be Mr. (Ms.) \_\_\_\_\_, and your resident superintendent will be Mr. (Ms.) \_\_\_\_\_.

12. What experience in this type of work does the individual designated as resident superintendent above have?  
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 \_\_\_\_\_  
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13. What portions of the work do you intend to sub-subcontract? \_\_\_\_\_  
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 \_\_\_\_\_  
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 \_\_\_\_\_

14. What equipment do you own or lease that is available for the proposed work?

Quantity	Description, Size Capacity, Etc.	Condition	Years in Service	Present Location

15. Have you received firm offers from suppliers for all major items of material and/or equipment within the price totals used in preparing your subcontract bid?  
 \_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_ No

16. Attach resumes for the principal members of your organization, including the officers as well as the proposed superintendent for the project.

Credit available: \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Bank Reference: \_\_\_\_\_

Bonding Capacity available: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

The undersigned hereby authorizes and request any person, firm or corporation to furnish any information requested by the Owner in verification of the recitals comprising this Subcontractor Pre-Bid Disclosure Statement.

The signatory of this questionnaire guarantees the truth and accuracy of all statements herein made and all answers herein expressed.

Dated this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_.

By: \_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

STATE OF \_\_\_\_\_

COUNTY OF \_\_\_\_\_

Subscribed and sworn to before me this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Notary Public

My commission expires: \_\_\_\_\_

**PERFORMANCE BOND**

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS:

THAT \_\_\_\_\_  
(Name of Contractor)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Address of Contractor)

a \_\_\_\_\_  
(corporation, partnership, or individual)

hereinafter called Principal, and

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Name of Surety)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Address of Surety)

hereinafter called Surety, are held and firmly bound unto the PUBLIC UTILITIES BOARD of the city of Brownsville, Texas hereinafter called OWNER, in liquidated damages (not as a penalty) the sum of \_\_\_\_\_ Dollars (\$\_\_\_\_\_) in lawful money of the United States, for the payment of which sum well and truly to be made, we bind ourselves, successors, and assigns, jointly and severally, firmly by these presents.

THE CONDITION OF THIS OBLIGATION is such that whereas, the Principal entered into a certain contract with the OWNER, dated the \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_, a copy of which is hereto attached and made a part hereof, for the **Supply of Type A Limestone**.

NOW, THEREFORE, if the Principal shall well, truly and faithfully perform its duties, all the undertakings, covenants, terms, conditions, and agreements of said contract during the original term thereof, and any extensions thereof which may be granted by the OWNER, with or without notice to the Surety and during the one year post-construction workmanship guaranty period, and if he shall satisfy all claims and demands incurred under such contract, and shall fully indemnify and save harmless the OWNER from all costs and damages which it may suffer by reason of failure to do so, and shall reimburse and repay the OWNER all outlay and expense which the OWNER may incur in making good any default, then this obligation shall be void; otherwise to remain in full force and effect.

PROVIDED, FURTHER, that the said surety, for value received hereby stipulates and agrees that no change, extension of time, alteration or addition to the terms of the contract or to WORK to be performed thereunder or the SPECIFICATIONS accompanying the same shall in any wise affect its obligation on this BOND, and it does hereby waive notice of any such change, extension of time, alteration or addition to the terms of the contract or to the WORK or to the SPECIFICATIONS.

PROVIDED, FURTHER, that no final settlement between the OWNER and the CONTRACTOR shall abridge the right of any beneficiary hereunder, whose claim may be unsatisfied.

This bond is subject to and governed by Section 2253.02 of the Texas Government Code (Vernon's Texas Codes Annotated) and Article 7.19-1 of Vernon's Texas Insurance Code and all amendments thereto.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, this instrument is executed in triplicate, each counterpart of which shall be deemed an original, this the \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_.

ATTEST:

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Principal)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Principal) Secretary

By: \_\_\_\_\_(s)  
(Signature)

(SEAL)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Witness as to Principal)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Address)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Address)

\_\_\_\_\_



ATTEST:

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Surety)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Surety) Secretary

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Attorney-in-Fact)

(SEAL)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Witness as to Surety)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Address)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Address)

NOTE: Date of BOND must not be prior to date of Contract. If Contractor is a Partnership, all partners should execute BOND.

IMPORTANT: Surety companies executing BONDS must be legally authorized by the State Board of Insurance to transact business in the State of Texas.

ATTACH POWER OF ATTORNEY

**PAYMENT BOND**

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS:

THAT \_\_\_\_\_  
(Name of Contractor)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Address of Contractor)

a \_\_\_\_\_ hereinafter called Principal, and \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Name of Surety)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Address of Surety)

hereinafter called Surety, are held and firmly bound unto the PUBLIC UTILITIES BOARD of the City of Brownsville, Texas, hereinafter called OWNER, in liquidated damages (not as a penalty) the sum of \_\_\_\_\_ Dollars (\$\_\_\_\_\_) in lawful money of the United States, for the payment of which sum well and truly to be made, we bind ourselves, successors, and assigns, jointly and severally, firmly by these presents.

THE CONDITION OF THIS OBLIGATION is such that whereas, the Principal entered into a certain contract with the OWNER, dated the \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_, a copy of which is hereto attached and made a part hereof, for the **Supply of Type A Limestone.**

NOW, THEREFORE, if the Principal shall promptly make payment to all persons, firms, SUBCONTRACTORS, and corporations furnishing materials for or performing labor in the prosecution of the WORK provided for in such contract, and any authorized extension or modification thereof, including all amounts due for materials, lubricants, oil, gasoline, repairs on machinery, equipment and tools, consumed or used in connection with the construction of such WORK, and all insurance premiums on said WORK, and for all labor, performed in such WORK whether by SUBCONTRACTOR or otherwise, then this obligation shall be void; otherwise to remain in full force and effect.

PROVIDED, FURTHER, that the said surety, for value received hereby stipulates and agrees that no change, extension of time, alteration or addition to the terms of the contract or to WORK to be performed thereunder or the SPECIFICATIONS accompanying the same shall in any wise affect its obligation on this BOND, and it does hereby waive notice of any such change, extension of time, alteration or addition to the terms of the contract or to the WORK or to the SPECIFICATIONS.

PROVIDED, FURTHER, that no final settlement between the OWNER and the CONTRACTOR shall abridge any remaining legal right of any beneficiary hereunder, whose timely filed and legally perfected claim may be unsatisfied.

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ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Principal)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Principal) Secretary By: \_\_\_\_\_(s)  
(Signature)

(SEAL)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Witness as to Principal) \_\_\_\_\_  
(Address) \_\_\_\_\_  
(Address) \_\_\_\_\_

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Surety)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Surety) Secretary By: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Attorney-in-Fact)

(SEAL)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Witness as to Surety) \_\_\_\_\_  
(Address) \_\_\_\_\_  
(Address) \_\_\_\_\_

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ATTACH POWER OF ATTORNEY

**TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS  
GENERAL INTENT, REQUIREMENTS AND CONDITIONS**

1. INTENT: It is the intent of the Brownsville PUB to establish a term contract with a qualified Service Provider to provide Type A Limestone for Brownsville PUB. Type A Limestone shall be delivered to 3208 Robindale Road, Brownsville, TX 78526, and at times to specific jobsites located throughout the City of Brownsville and outlying areas.
  
2. SCOPE: Term contract will be awarded for the following:  
  
Furnish all personnel, vehicles and equipment needed to effectively perform the delivery of flexible base material.
  
3. ALLOWANCE OF IN-HOUSE WORK: No section or portion of the contract shall be constructed or interpreted to preclude the Brownsville PUB from accomplishing any task, or undertaking any operation or project, utilizing its own work force.
  
4. TERMS: The term of this contract will be for six (6) months from the date of award or the awarded amount whichever comes first.
  
5. PRICE: The price will remain firm for the six (6) month contract period.
  
6. PAYMENT TERMS: Payment will be made on a monthly basis after satisfactory completion and inspection of the work by Brownsville PUB personnel. Submit invoices to Brownsville Public Utilities Board, Attn: Purchasing Department/Warehouse, Diane Solitaire, 1155 FM 511, Olmito, Texas 78575.
  
7. TERMINATION FOR DEFAULT: If, through any cause, Service Provider shall fail to fulfill in a timely and proper manner its obligations under this Contract, or if Service Provider shall violate any of the covenants, agreements, warranties or stipulations in this Contract, Brownsville PUB shall have the right, without prejudice to any other rights or remedies it may have under this Contract, to terminate this Contract by giving written notice to Service Provider of such termination and specifying the date thereof, at least fifteen (15) calendar days before the effective date of such termination. Without prejudice to any other rights or remedies it may have under this Contract, Brownsville PUB shall have the right to terminate this Contract if in its sole opinion the work of the Service Provider is not effective for the purpose it is being performed. Service Provider shall be entitled to receive just and equitable compensation for any work satisfactorily completed hereunder provided such compensation is approved by Brownsville PUB in its sole discretion. The method of compensation herein shall be as provided in Section 3 of this Contract.

Notwithstanding the above, Service Provider shall not be relieved of liability to Brownsville PUB for damages sustained by Brownsville PUB by virtue of any intentional and/or negligent act or omission or any breach of this Contract by Service Provider, and Brownsville PUB may withhold any payments to Service Provider for the purpose of

setoff, until such time as the exact amount of damages due Brownsville PUB from Service Provider is determined.

Subject to Section 8, Service Provider agrees that Brownsville PUB shall have all rights and remedies afforded to it at law to recover any damages sustained by Brownsville PUB in connection with the work performed by Service Provider under this Contract, including regulatory fines and penalties, attorneys' fees and expert witness costs associated with the defense against any cause of action related to this Contract. In addition, Brownsville PUB shall, in addition to any damages to which it is entitled, be entitled to seek immediate injunctive relief against Service Provider prohibiting further actions inconsistent with Service Provider's obligations under this Contract. Brownsville PUB shall also have all rights and remedies afforded to it in equity to enforce the terms of this Contract. The exercise of any one right or remedy shall be without prejudice to the enforcement of any other right or remedy allowed at law or in equity.

8. TERMINATION FOR CONVENIENCE: If the Brownsville PUB elects to terminate this contract, written notice will be given at least thirty (30) days in advance of the effective date. The service provider will be paid for all labor and material provided as of the termination date. No consideration will be given for loss of anticipated revenue on the canceled portion of the contract.
9. INTERRUPTED SERVICE: After an interruption caused by severe inclement weather or other disaster the service provider must be prepared to complete the work without unnecessary delays.
10. INSPECTION AND ACCEPTANCE: The Brownsville PUB's inspection and acceptance of contractual compliance will be accomplished by a representative of the Water/Wastewater Construction & Operations Department. The name and telephone number of each Brownsville PUB representative appointed for this contract will be furnished in writing to the contractor prior to commencement of the contract period.
11. PERFORMANCE: All work performed shall be of high quality and in accordance with good practices, procedures and industry standards. The service provider must conform to all Federal, State, and local laws and governmental regulations.
12. RESPONSIBILITY OF SERVICE PROVIDER: The service provider, at no expense to the Brownsville PUB, shall:
  - a. Obtain all necessary licenses and permits required in full performance of this contract.
  - b. Provide competent supervision during the term of this contract necessary to perform the work as required.

- c. Maintain on site, at all times work is being performed, an individual who represents the contractor and can adequately communicate, both orally and in writing, with the Brownsville PUB representative.
- d. Take the precautions necessary to protect persons or property against injury or damage and be responsible for any such damage, or injury, that occurs as a result of their fault or negligence.
- e. Perform the work without unnecessary interference with other contractors' work or Brownsville PUB activities.
- f. Provide all necessary labor, equipment, and materials required to perform the work required by this contract.
- g. Service Provider agrees that its personnel and equipment shall at all times present a neat appearance. Service Provider's employees are required to dress in uniforms complete with company logos on shirts.
- h. A Job Safety Analysis (JSA) form must be filled out and signed by the SERVICE PROVIDER prior to the execution of this Contract and updated every month (See Exhibit "H").
- i. All Service Provider vehicles and equipment must be easily identified as owned or under the control of the Service Provider by means of signs with easily identifiable company logos and vehicle numbers visible up to 100'. In addition, all vehicles and equipment must be insured in accordance with Brownsville PUB insurance requirements (see Exhibit C) and current with all state required safety inspection requirements and vehicle registrations.
- j. Vehicles must carry and deploy sufficient warning signs for pedestrians and vehicles warning them of present dangers as required by law or industry standards.
- k. Crew(s) must have a cellular phone, provided to them by service provider.

13. HOLIDAYS EXCLUDED: Service will not be required, except in emergency situations, or "special events", on regularly scheduled Brownsville PUB holidays. Below is a list of Brownsville PUB holidays:

New Year's Day	Martin Luther King Day	President's Day	Cesar E. Chavez
Good Friday	Memorial Day	Emancipation Day	Independence Day
Labor Day	Veterans Day	Thanksgiving Day	
Day after Thanksgiving		Christmas Day	

After award, the service provider will be furnished with the latest list of the Brownsville PUB holidays complete with the month and day of the week the holidays will be in effect.

14. RESTORATION OF DAMAGES: The restoration of any damage(s) to the Brownsville PUB property, or to any adjoining/adjacent private or public property, resulting from the Service Provider's performance of this contract shall be the responsibility of the service provider. The service provider will, within two (2) weeks from notification either verbal or formal, contact the claimant and attempt to resolve the claim with due regard for Brownsville PUB's public relations. All valid claims must be resolved within thirty (30) days of notification. In the event the service provider does not contact the claimant or resolve the claim in the time frame above; the Brownsville PUB may investigate the complaint and determine its validity. Damages determined by the Brownsville PUB to be valid and due to the act(s) of the service provider, or other personnel while performing under this contract, may be corrected by Brownsville PUB and the costs incurred deducted from monies due the service provider. Repeat failures by the service provider to contact claimants or settle claims may be the basis for termination of the contract.



**EXHIBIT “A”**

**SCOPE OF WORK**

**DESCRIPTION:** The Brownsville Public Utilities Board (BPUB) requires Type A limestone for use in utility construction and repair work performed by our in-house operation, maintenance, and construction crews. This material shall be delivered by the CONTRACTOR **within the next business day** from the time of notification by the OWNER and within 4 hours in the case of an emergency, which will be at the discretion of the OWNER. The CONTRACTOR shall deliver the amount of material specified by the OWNER to 3208 Robindale Road, Brownsville, Texas and/or specific job sites designated by the areas, which are predominantly within the City of Brownsville Extra Territorial Jurisdiction (ETJ). BPUB will order, during the six (6) month period, **approximately 5,000 tons** of Type A. Limestone.

**MATERIALS:** State Grade Type A Limestone

The Type A limestone shall be as specified below. Texas State Department of Highways and Public Transportation, 1982 Standard Specification for construction of Streets and Bridges and shall meet the physical requirements as follows:

**TYPE F Caliche – NOT APPLICABLE**

1. Minimum strength of 50 CBR shall be achieved.

2. <u>RETAINED ON SQUARE SIEVE NUMBER</u>	<u>PERCENT RETAINED</u>
2”	0
1” – ½”	0 – 5
7/8”	5 - 35
3/8”	25 - 50
Number 4	30 - 60
Number 40	65 – 90
Number 200	80 – 95

Material passing the Number 40 Sieve shall be known as “Binder Material” and shall meet the following requirements:

Maximum Liquid Limits (L.L.)	=40
Maximum Plasticity Index (P.I.)	=12

The successful BIDDER shall submit laboratory test results to the OWNER within ten (10) days following contract award which demonstrated the proposed material meets the specifications.

## TYPE A Limestone

1. Minimum strength of 50 CBR shall be achieved.

<u>RETAINED ON SQUARE SIEVE NUMBER</u>	<u>PERCENT RETAINED</u>
1" – 3/4 "	0-5
7/8"	5-35
3/8"	25-50
Number 4	30-60
Number 40	65-90
Number 200	80-95

Material passing the Number 40 Sieve shall be known as "Binder Material" and shall meet the following requirements:

Maximum Liquid Limits (L.L.)	=35
Maximum Plasticity Index (P.I.)	=10
Wet Ball Mill (max)	=40

EQUIPMENT: The CONTRACTOR shall own all equipment required to provide and deliver this material. The CONTRACTOR shall show proof of ownership and insurance on this equipment. Equipment required, but not limited to, is as follows:

- I. Dump Truck, Minimum 25 CY Capacity (Base Bid- No Belly Dumps)
- II. Dump Truck, Minimum 25 CY Capacity (Alternate Bid- Belly Dumps).
- III. Front End Loader

MEASUREMENT: Flexible base provided shall be measured by ton. Upon delivery, the dump truck driver shall present a voucher to the BPUB Employee receiving the material for verification and signature. This voucher shall be legible and indicate date, delivery location truck number, and tons delivered. A carbon copy of this voucher shall be given to the BPUB employee receiving the material.

### SITE PREPARATION

PREPARATION OF THE SITE. Prior to commencing construction operations, the CONTRACTOR shall make all the provisions necessary to assure the protection of all existing improvements, both public and private. He shall protect trees, shrubs, planting and grass areas and shall make provisions for maintaining public travel in an acceptable manner.

PROTECTION OF EXISTING IMPROVEMENTS. Before any Work is started, adequate protection shall be provided for all lawns, trees, shrubs, landscape work, fences, sidewalks, hydrants, utility poles, street, alley and driveway paving, curbs, storm sewers, ditches, headwalls, catch basins, surface inlets and all other improvements that are to remain in place. Such protection shall be provided as long as necessary to prevent damage from the

CONTRACTOR's operations. The CONTRACTOR shall exercise every precaution to prevent damage to property within and outside easements. He shall remove all debris from the site and restore the ground surfaces to the original grade after proper compaction, replace or repair all driveways, buildings, fences, retaining walls, culverts, drains, paving, sidewalks, etc. which are removed or damaged during construction. Repair, restoration or replacements of any improvements damaged or removed shall be the obligation of the CONTRACTOR at no additional cost to OWNER.

PERMITS. CONTRACTOR will obtain all necessary permits in public and private rights-of-way from the City of Brownsville, Cameron County or the Texas Department of Transportation, as required.

DRAINAGE. The CONTRACTOR shall make provisions for temporarily handling all flows in existing creeks, ditches, sewers, and trenches by employing pipes, flumes, or other approved methods at all times when his operations would, in any way, interfere with the natural functioning of said creeks, ditches, sewers and drains. The CONTRACTOR shall at all times during construction provide and maintain sufficient equipment for the lawful disposal of all water which enters any excavation.

**ITEM 247**

**FLEXIBLE BASE**

**247.1. Description.** Construct a foundation course composed of flexible base.

**247.2. Materials.** Furnish uncontaminated materials of uniform quality that meet the requirements of the plans and specifications. Notify the ENGINEER of the proposed material sources and of changes to material sources. The ENGINEER may sample and test project materials at any time before compaction throughout the duration of the project to assure specification compliance. Use Tex-100-E material definitions.

**A. Aggregate.** Furnish aggregate of the type and grade shown on the plans and conforming to the requirements of Table I. Each source must meet Table I requirements for liquid limit, plasticity index, and wet ball mill for the grade specified. Do not use additives such as but not limited to lime, cement, or fly ash to modify aggregates to meet the requirements of Table 1, unless shown on the plans.

**Table 1  
Material Requirements**

<b>Property</b>	<b>Test Methods</b>	<b>Grade 1</b>	<b>Grade 2</b>	<b>Grade 3</b>	<b>Grade 4</b>
Master gradation sieve size (% retained)	Tex-110-E				As shown on the plans
2-1/2"		-	0	0	
1-3/4"		0	0-10	0-10	
7/8"		10-35	-	-	
3/8"		30-50	-	-	
No. 4		45-65	45-75	45-75	
No. 40		70-85	60-85	50-85	
Liquid Limit, % max <sup>1</sup>	Tex-104-E	35	40	40	As shown on the plans
Plasticity index, max <sup>1</sup>	Tex-106-E	10	12	12	As shown on the plans
Plasticity index, min <sup>1</sup>		As shown on the plans			
Wet ball mill, % max <sup>2</sup>	Tex-116-E	40	45	-	As shown on the plans
Wet ball mill, % max, increase passing the No. 40 sieve		20	20	-	
Classification <sup>3</sup>		1.0	1.1-2.3	-	
Min compressive strength <sup>3</sup> , psi	Tex-117-E				As shown on the plans
Lateral pressure 0 psi		45	35	-	
Lateral pressure 15 psi		175	175	-	

<sup>1</sup> Determine plastic index in accordance with Tex- 107-E (linear shrinkage) when liquid limit is unattainable as defined in Tex-104-E.

<sup>2</sup> When a soundness value is required by the plans, test material in accordance with Tex-4I I-A

<sup>3</sup> Meet both the classification and the minimum compressive strength, unless otherwise shown on the plans.

1. **Material Tolerances.** The ENGINEER may accept material if no more than 1 of the 5 most recent gradation tests has an individual sieve outside the specified limits of the gradation.

When target grading is required by the plans, no single failing test may exceed the master grading by more than 5 percentage points on sieves No. 4 and larger or 3 percentage points on sieves smaller than No. 4.

The ENGINEER may accept material if no more than 1 of the 5 most recent plasticity index tests is outside the specified limit. No single failing test may exceed the allowable limit by more than 2 points.

2. **Material Types.** Do not use fillers or binders unless approved. Furnish the type specified on the plans in accordance with the following.

- a. **Type A.** Crushed stone produced and graded from oversize quarried aggregate that originates from a single, naturally occurring source. Do not use gravel or multiple sources.

- b. **Type B.** Crushed or uncrushed gravel. Blending of 2 or more sources is allowed.

- c. **Type C.** Crushed gravel with a minimum of 60% of the particles retained on a No. 4 sieve with 2 or more crushed faces as determined by Tex-460-A, Part I. Blending of 2 or more sources is allowed.

- d. **Type D.** Type A material or crushed concrete. Crushed concrete containing gravel will be considered Type D material. Crushed concrete must meet the requirements in Section 247.2.A.3.b, "Recycled Material (Including Crushed Concrete) Requirements," and be managed in a way to provide for uniform quality. The ENGINEER may require separate dedicated stockpiles in order to verify compliance.

- e. Type E.

3. **Recycled Material.** Recycled asphalt pavement (RAP) and other recycled materials may be used when shown on the plans. Request approval to blend 2 or more sources of recycled materials.

- a. **Limits on Percentage.** When RAP is allowed, do not exceed 20% RAP by weight unless otherwise shown on the plans. The percentage limitations for other recycled materials will be as shown on the plans.

- b. **Recycled Material (Including Crushed Concrete) Requirements.**

- (1) **CONTRACTOR Furnished Recycled Materials.** When the CONTRACTOR furnishes the recycled materials, including crushed concrete, the final product will be subject to the requirements of Table I for the grade specified. Certify compliance with DM5-I 1000, "Evaluating and Using Non-hazardous Recyclable Materials Guidelines," for CONTRACTOR furnished recycled materials. In addition, recycled materials must be free from reinforcing steel and other objectionable material and have at most 1.5% deleterious material when tested in accordance with Tex-413-A. For RAP, do not exceed a maximum percent loss from decantation of 5.0% when tested in accordance with Tex-406-A. Test RAP without removing the asphalt.

- (2) **Department Furnished Required Recycled Materials.** When the Department furnishes and requires the use of recycled materials, unless otherwise shown on the plans:
- Department required recycled material will not be subject to the requirements in Table 1, CONTRACTOR furnished materials are subject to the requirements in Table 1 and this Item, the final product, blended, will be subject to the requirements in Table 1, and for final product, unblended (100% Department furnished required recycled material), the liquid limit, plasticity index, wet ball mill, classification, and compressive strength is waived.
  - Crush Department-furnished RAP so that 100% passes the 2 in. sieve. The CONTRACTOR is responsible for uniformly blending to meet the percentage required.
- (3) **Department Furnished and Allowed Recycled Materials.** When the Department furnishes and allows the use of recycled materials or allows the CONTRACTOR to furnish recycled materials, the final blended product is subject to the requirements of Table I and the plans.

- c. **Recycled Material Sources.** Department-owned recycled material is available to the CONTRACTOR only when shown on the plans. Return unused Department-owned recycled materials to the Department stockpile location designated by the ENGINEER unless otherwise shown on the plans.

The use of CONTRACTOR-owned recycled materials is allowed when shown on the plans. CONTRACTOR-owned surplus recycled materials remain the property of the CONTRACTOR. Remove CONTRACTOR-owned recycled materials from the project and dispose of them in accordance with federal, state, and local regulations before project acceptance. Do not inter-mingle CONTRACTOR-owned recycled material with Department-owned recycled material unless approved by the ENGINEER.

**B. Water.** Furnish water free of industrial wastes and other objectionable matter.

**C. Material Sources.** When non-commercial sources are used, expose the vertical faces of all strata of material proposed for use. Secure and process the material by successive vertical cuts extending through all exposed strata, when directed.

**247.3. Equipment.** Provide machinery, tools, and equipment necessary for proper execution of the work. Provide rollers in accordance with Item 210, "Rolling." Provide proof rollers in accordance with Item 216, "Proof Rolling," when required.

**247.4. Construction.** Construct each layer uniformly, free of loose or segregated areas, and with the required density and moisture content. Provide a smooth surface that conforms to the typical sections, lines, and grades shown on the plans or as directed.

Stockpile base material temporarily at an approved location before delivery to the roadway. Build stockpiles in layers no greater than 2 ft. thick. Stockpiles must have a total height between 10 and 16 ft. unless otherwise shown on the plans. After construction and acceptance of the Stockpile, loading from the stockpile for delivery is allowed. Load by making successive vertical cuts through the entire depth of the stockpile.

Do not add or remove material from temporary stockpiles that require sampling and testing before delivery unless otherwise approved. Charges for additional sampling and testing required as a result of adding or removing material will be deducted from the CONTRACTOR's estimates.

Haul approved flexible base in clean trucks. Deliver the required quantity to each 100-ft. station or designated stockpile site as shown on the plans. Prepare stockpile sites as directed. When delivery is to the 100-ft. station, manipulate in accordance with the applicable Items.

**A. Preparation of Sub-grade or Existing Base.** Remove or scarify existing asphalt concrete pavement in accordance with Item 105, "Removing Stabilized Base and Asphalt Pavement," when shown on the plans or as directed. Shape the sub-grade or existing base to conform to the typical sections shown on the plans or as directed.

When new base is required to be mixed with existing base, deliver, place, and spread the new flexible base in the required amount per station. Manipulate and thoroughly mix the new base with existing material to provide a uniform mixture to the specified depth before shaping.

When shown on the plans or directed, proof roll the roadbed in accordance with Item 216, "Proof Rolling," before pulverizing or scarifying. Correct soft spots as directed.

**B. Placing.** Spread and shape flexible base into a uniform layer with an approved spreader the same day as delivered unless otherwise approved. Construct layers to the thickness shown on the plans. Maintain the shape of the course. Control dust by sprinkling, as directed. Correct or replace segregated areas as directed, at no additional expense to the Department. Place successive base courses and finish courses using the same construction methods required for the first course.

**C. Compaction.** Compact using density control unless otherwise shown on the plans. Multiple lifts are permitted when shown on the plans or approved. Bring each layer to the moisture content directed. When necessary, sprinkle the material in accordance with Item 204, "Sprinkling."

Begin rolling longitudinally at the sides and proceed towards the center, overlapping on successive trips by at least 1/2 the width of the roller unit. On super elevated curves, begin rolling at the low side and progress toward the high side. Offset alternate trips of the roller. Operate rollers at a speed between 2 and 6 mph as directed.

Rework, re-compact, and refinish material that fails to meet or that loses required moisture, density, stability, or finish before the next course is placed or the project is accepted. Continue work until specification requirements are met. Perform the work at no additional expense to the Department.

A. **Ordinary Compaction.** Roll with approved compaction equipment as directed. Correct irregularities, depressions, and weak spots immediately by scarifying the areas affected, adding or removing approved material as required, reshaping, and re-compacting.

B. **Density Control.** Compact to at least 100% of the maximum density determined by Tex 113-E unless otherwise shown on the plans. Determine the moisture content of the material at the beginning and during compaction in accordance with Tex-103-E.

C. The ENGINEER will determine roadway density of completed sections in accordance with Tex-I 15-E. The ENGINEER may accept the section if no more than 1 of the 5 most recent density tests is below the specified density and the failing test is no more than 3 pcf below the specified density.

**D. Finishing.** After completing, compaction, clip, skin, or tight-blade the surface with a maintainer or sub-grade trimmer to a depth of approximately 1/4 in. Remove loosened material and dispose of it at an approved location. Seal the clipped surface immediately by rolling with a pneumatic tire roller until a smooth surface is attained. Add small increments of water as needed during rolling. Shape and maintain the course and surface in conformity with the typical sections, lines, and grades as shown on the plans or as directed.

In areas where surfacing is to be placed, correct grade deviations greater than 1/4 in. in 16 ft. measured longitudinally or greater than 1/4 in. over the entire width of the cross-section. Correct by loosening, adding, or removing material. Reshape and re-compact in accordance with Section 247.4.C, "Compaction."

**E. Curing.** Cure the finished section until the moisture content is at least 2 percentage points below optimum or as directed before applying the next successive course or prime coat.

**247.5. Measurement.** Flexible base will be measured as follows:

- **Flexible Base (Complete In Place).** The ton, square yard, or any cubic yard method.
- **Flexible Base (Roadway Delivery).** The ton or cubic yard in vehicle.
- **Flexible Base (Stockpile Delivery).** The ton, cubic yard in vehicle, or cubic yard in stockpile.

Measurement by the cubic yard in final position and square yard is a plans quantity measurement. The quantity to be paid for is the quantity shown in the proposal unless modified by Article 9.2, "Plans Quantity Measurement." Additional measurements or calculations will be made if adjustments of quantities are required. Measurement is further defined for payment as follows.

**A. Cubic Yard in Vehicle.** By the cubic yard in vehicles of uniform capacity at the point of delivery.

**B. Cubic Yard in Stockpile.** By the cubic yard in the final stockpile position by the method of average end areas.

**C. Cubic Yard in Final Position.** By the cubic yard in the completed and accepted final position. The volume of base course is computed in place by the method of average end areas between the original sub-grade or existing base surfaces and the lines, grades, and slopes of the accepted base course as shown on the plans.

**D. Square Yard.** By the square yard of surface area in the completed and accepted final position. The surface area of the base course is based on the width of flexible base as shown on the plans.

**E. Ton.** By the ton of dry weight in vehicles as delivered. The dry weight is determined by deducting the weight of the moisture in the material at the time of weighing from the gross weight of the material. The ENGINEER will determine the moisture content in the material in accordance with Tex-103-E from samples taken at the time of weighing.



When material is measured in trucks, the weight of the material will be determined on certified scales, or the CONTRACTOR must provide a set of standard platform truck scales at a location approved by the ENGINEER. Scales must conform to the requirements of Item 520, "Weighing and Measuring Equipment."

**247.6. Payment.** The work performed and materials furnished in accordance with this Item and measured as provided under "Measurement" will be paid for at the unit price bid for the types of work shown below. No additional payment will be made for thickness or width exceeding that shown on the typical section or provided on the plans for cubic yard in the final position or square yard measurement.

Sprinkling and rolling, except proof rolling, will not be paid for directly but will be subsidiary to this Item unless otherwise shown on the plans. When proof rolling is shown on the plans or directed, it will be paid for in accordance with Item 216, "Proof Rolling."

Where sub-grade is constructed under this Contract, correction of soft spots in the sub-grade will be at the CONTRACTOR's expense. Where sub-grade is not constructed under this project, correction of soft spots in the sub-grade will be paid in accordance with pertinent Items or **Article 4.2**, "Changes in the Work".

- A. Flexible Base (Complete in Place).** Payment will be made for the type and grade specified. For cubic yard measurement, "In Vehicle", "In Stockpile", or "In Final Position" will be specified. For square yard measurement, a depth will be specified. This price is full compensation for furnishing material, temporary stockpiling, assistance provided in stockpile sampling and operations to level stockpiles for measurement, loading, hauling, delivery of materials, spreading, blading, mixing, shaping, placing, compacting, re-working, finishing, correcting locations where thickness is deficient, curing, furnishing scales and labor for weighting and measuring, and equipment, labor, tools, and incidentals.
- B. Flexible Base (Roadway Delivery).** Payment will be made for the type and grade specified. For cubic yard measurement, "In Vehicle" will be specified the unit price bid will not include processing at the roadway. This price is full compensation for furnishing material, preparing the stockpile area, temporary or permanent stockpiling, assistance provided in stockpile sampling and operations to level stockpiles for measurement, loading, hauling, delivery of materials to the stockpile, furnishing scales and labor for weighting and measuring, and equipment, labor, tools, and incidentals.
- C. Flexible Base (Stockpile Delivery).** Payment will be made for the type and grade specified. For cubic yard measurement, "In Vehicle" or "In Stockpile" will be specified. The unit price bid will not include processing at the roadway this price is full compensation for furnishing and disposing of materials, preparing the stockpile area, temporary or permanent stockpiling, assistance provided in stockpile sampling and operations to level stockpiles for measurement, loading, hauling, delivery of materials to the stockpile, furnishing scales and labor for weighing and measuring, and equipment, labor, tools, and incidentals.

**END OF ITEM 247**

## EXHIBIT "B"

### COMPENSATION

1. Brownsville PUB agrees to pay Service Provider for the Work provided herein to be performed and materials and equipment provided herein to be used in accordance with the rate schedules attached hereto. The rate schedule(s) shall constitute a part of this Contract and should not be revised at any time except by mutual consent of the parties.
2. Service Provider agrees to submit to Brownsville PUB monthly invoices based on the quantities of materials used, the number of loads delivered and other pertinent information which may, from time to time, be required by Brownsville PUB. Invoices received by Brownsville PUB shall be paid as soon as it has had a reasonable opportunity to satisfy itself that the Work covered by such invoices has been performed in accordance with the terms of this Contract.
3. Method of Payment: Material delivered will be measured as provided above and paid for by the unit price bid per ton for SUPPLY OF TYPE ALIMESTONE, which price shall include all materials, equipment, labor insurance, profit and incidentals required to provide the material. The VENDOR shall submit pay requests for flexible base material delivered on a monthly basis. Monthly pay requests shall include the following: Delivery Voucher from each delivery (mentioned above), a summary of the tonnage invoiced, and an AFFIDAVIT OF BILLS PAID. Only original vouchers, signed by a representative of BPUB, will be considered for payment.
  - a. Payment will be on a per truckload delivery.
  - b. Payment is contingent upon Brownsville PUB personnel inspection, approval and satisfaction of completed work.
  - c. Invoices for Type A Limestone shall include:
    - 1) Date of Invoice
    - 2) Purchase Order Number
    - 3) Address of type A limestone delivered to the job site area
    - 4) Total of Invoice
  - d. Invoices are to be issued monthly for completed work that has been reviewed and approved by Brownsville PUB inspection personnel.

EXHIBIT “C”

WARRANTIES

(None)

EXHIBIT "D"

WORK PRODUCT REQUIRED TO BE RETAINED FOLLOWING COMPLETION OF  
WORK.

(None)

## EXHIBIT "F"

### SPECIAL PROVISIONS

#### Confidentiality

The Work to be performed by Service Provider and its subcontractors under the attached personal Service Contract is to be done at the request of the City of Brownsville, acting by and through the Brownsville PUB, a governmental body. Performance of such a task is within the authority of Brownsville PUB as a governmental body. Any information compiled or Work done by Service provider is directly related to the policy-making functions of Brownsville PUB as a governmental body, not solely to internal administration. This information will include advice, recommendations and opinions on matters involving Brownsville PUB's policy mission. All work performed by Service Provider and its subcontractors is a trade secret which will consist of a compilation of information which may give Brownsville PUB a competitive advantage over other electric utility competitors which do not have access to Service Provider's work product. This privileged and confidential work product, if disclosed or released, directly or indirectly, to a third party, could cause substantial harm to the competitive position of Brownsville PUB. Service provider shall have a duty to use its best efforts to maintain the confidentiality of its Work and its subcontractor-Work under the attached personal Service Contract. Service Provider shall immediately notify Brownsville PUB of any request by a third party for information concerning Service Provider's or its subcontractor's Work under the attached personal Service Contract and of any disclosure to a third party, inadvertent or otherwise, by Service Provider or its subcontractors of Work performed or being performed under the attached Service Contract. Questions regarding any alleged application of the Texas Public Information Act may need to be submitted to Brownsville PUB's legal counsel and the Texas Attorney General.

#### Independent Contractor

In the performance of the Work provided for by the Contract, it is understood and agreed that Service Provider shall be and remain at all times an independent contractor.

EXHIBIT “G”

A Job Safety Analysis (JSA) form is to be completed, executed, and submitted by the Service Provider prior to entering into a contractual agreement with the OWNER. The JSA form will be valid for a period of 1 month after which an updated JSA form is to be completed, executed and submitted by the SERVICE PROVIDER. The completed JSA form must be included along with other Contract Documents included herein. Attached is a sample form. The original will be provided to successful vendor. Assistance in completing this form is available from Adolfo Vasquez, BPUB Safety Department, at (956) 983-6254.



BROWNSVILLE  
PUBLIC UTILITIES BOARD  
**Contractor JSA Form**



**JOB SAFETY ANALYSIS FORM**

<b>PROJECT NAME:</b> [REDACTED]		<b>DATE:</b> [REDACTED]
<b>PROJECT CONTRACTOR:</b> [REDACTED]	<b>POINT OF CONTACT &amp; TEL #:</b> [REDACTED]	<b>ANALYSIS BY:</b> [REDACTED]
<b>BPUB DEPARTMENT:</b> [REDACTED]	<b>SECTION:</b> [REDACTED]	<b>REVIEWED BY:</b> [REDACTED]
<b>REQUIRED AND/OR RECOMMENDED PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT:</b> [REDACTED]		<b>APPROVED BY:</b> [REDACTED]
<b>SEQUENCE OF BASIC JOB STEPS</b> <i>Beware of being too detailed; record only the information needed to describe each job action. Rule of thumb, nor more than 10 steps/task being evaluated.</i>	<b>POTENTIAL ACCIDENTS OR HAZARDS</b> <i>HAZARD CLASSIFICATION CATEGORIES: Struck By/Against, Caught In/Between, Slip, Trip, or Fall, Overexertion, Ergonomic (Awkward Postures, Excessive Force, Vibration, Repetitive Motion)</i>	<b>RECOMMENDED SAFE JOB PROCEDURE</b> <i>HAZARD CONTROL CATEGORIES: Engineer Out (New Way to Do, Change Physical Conditions or Work Procedures, Adjust/Modify/Replace Work Station Components/Tools, Decrease Performance Frequency), Personal Protective Equipment (PPE), Training, Improve Housekeeping.</i>
• [REDACTED]	• [REDACTED]	• [REDACTED]
• [REDACTED]	• [REDACTED]	• [REDACTED]
• [REDACTED]	• [REDACTED]	• [REDACTED]
• [REDACTED]	• [REDACTED]	• [REDACTED]
• [REDACTED]	• [REDACTED]	• [REDACTED]

• [REDACTED]	• [REDACTED]	• [REDACTED]
• [REDACTED]	• [REDACTED]	• [REDACTED]
• [REDACTED]	• [REDACTED]	• [REDACTED]

**JOB SAFETY ANALYSIS WORKSHEET**

**Comments:**

[REDACTED]

<b>Contractor Representative &amp; Title</b>	<b>Signature</b>	<b>Date</b>
[REDACTED]		[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]		[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]		[REDACTED]



**NOTICE OF AWARD**

TO: (Insert Service Provider's Information)  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**Project Description: B027-24 SUPPLY OF TYPE A LIMESTONE.**

Dear :

The Brownsville PUB has considered the BID submitted by you for the above-described personal services project in response to its Legal Notice and Invitation for Bids dated February 14, 2024 and Instruction to Bidders.

You are hereby notified that your BID has been accepted in the amount of  
\$ \_\_\_\_\_.

You are required by the Instructions to Bidders to execute the attached three (3) Agreements and furnish the required Performance Bond, Payment Bond and Certificates of Insurance within ten (10) calendar days from the date of this Notice to you.

If you fail to execute the Agreement and furnish the required Performance Bond, Payment Bond and insurance certificates within ten calendar (10) days from the date of this Notice, Brownsville PUB will be entitled to consider all your rights arising out of the Brownsville PUB's acceptance of your Bid as abandoned and as a forfeiture of your BID SECURITY.

The Brownsville PUB will be entitled to such other rights as may be granted by law.

You are required to return an acknowledged copy of this NOTICE OF AWARD to the Brownsville PUB.

Dated this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_.

PUBLIC UTILITIES BOARD OF THE CITY OF BROWNSVILLE, TEXAS

By: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: Jaime Estrada

Title: Director of Director of Water and  
Wastewater Operations



ACCEPTANCE OF NOTICE

Receipt of the above NOTICE OF AWARD is hereby acknowledged by:

\_\_\_\_\_ this \_\_\_\_ day  
of \_\_\_\_\_, 20 \_\_\_\_.

By: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_



3. Method of Payment.

A. Monthly statements, in Service Provider's standard format, will be submitted by Service Provider to Brownsville PUB, as well as any supporting documentation requested by Brownsville PUB. Statements will be based on Service Provider's Services completed at the end of the preceding month. Brownsville PUB shall have sole discretion in the approval or disapproval of any compensation to Service Provider. If Brownsville PUB disapproves of any charge, in whole or in part, it shall provide written notice to Service Provider of the reasons therefore. Brownsville PUB shall make whole or partial payment to Service Provider within thirty (30) days of receipt of a statement.

B. Brownsville PUB will reimburse Service Provider for all reasonable expenses incurred in accordance with Exhibit A, if such expenses have been pre-approved, in writing by Brownsville PUB, within 30 days of receipt by Brownsville PUB of an invoice from Service Provider accompanied by receipts and supporting documentation reasonably acceptable to Brownsville PUB. All Service Provider expenses not pre-approved by Brownsville PUB or not otherwise meeting the requirements of this Contract or Exhibit A shall be the sole responsibility of Service Provider.

C. The fees set forth in this Contract shall cover and include all sales and use taxes, duties, and charges of any kind imposed by any federal, state, or local governmental authority on amounts payable by Brownsville PUB under this Contract, and in no event shall Brownsville PUB be required to pay any additional amount to Service Provider in connection with such taxes, duties, and charges, or any taxes imposed on, or regarding, Service Provider's income, revenues, gross receipts, personnel, or real or personal property or other assets.

D. Service Provider shall keep accurate records, including time sheets and travel vouchers of all time and expenses allocated to performance of the Services. All such records shall be kept in the offices of Service Provider for a period of not less than five (5) years and shall be made available to Brownsville PUB for inspection or copying upon reasonable request during regular business hours at Service Provider's offices.

4. Service Provider's Standard of Care

Service Provider shall perform the Services (A) in accordance with the terms and subject to the conditions set forth in this Contract; (B) using personnel of required skill, experience, and qualifications; (C) in a timely, workmanlike, and professional manner; (D) with the same degree of care, skill, and diligence as is ordinarily provided by a professional services Service Provider providing similar services and similar circumstances for a project of which this Contract applies; (E) and shall give professional consultations and advice to Brownsville PUB during the performance of the Services; (F) in compliance with all applicable laws and regulations; and (G) to the reasonable satisfaction of Brownsville PUB.

5. Ownership of Documents

A. Service Provider assigns to Brownsville PUB, Service Provider's entire right, title, and interest in any document, data, studies, surveys, drawings, specifications, field notes, maps, model, photographs, reports, invention, technique, process, device, discovery, improvement, or know-how, whether patentable or not, hereafter made or conceived solely or jointly by Service Provider while working for or on behalf of Brownsville PUB, which relate to, is suggested by, or results from Service Provider's provisions of the Services or this Contract and depends on either:

- i. Service Provider's knowledge of Confidential Information (as defined in Section 6) it obtains from Brownsville PUB; or
- ii. The use of Brownsville PUB's equipment supplies, facilities, information, or materials.

B. Service Provider shall disclose any such item described in subsection A of this Section 5 to Brownsville PUB. Service Provider shall, upon request of Brownsville PUB, promptly execute a specific assignment of title to Brownsville PUB and do anything else reasonably necessary to enable Brownsville PUB to secure for itself, patent, trade secret, or any other proprietary rights in the United States or other countries. It shall be conclusively presumed that any patent applications related to this Contract, related to trade secrets of Brownsville PUB, or which relate to tasks assigned to Service Provider by Brownsville PUB, which Service Provider may file within one year after termination of this Contract, shall belong to Brownsville PUB, and Service Provider hereby assigns same to Brownsville PUB, as having been conceived or reduced to practice during the term of this Contract.

C. All writings or works of authorship, including, without limitation, program codes or documentation, produced or authored by Service Provider in the course of performing services for Brownsville PUB, together with any associated copyrights, are works made for hire and the exclusive property of Brownsville PUB. To the extent that any writings or works of authorship may not, by operation of law, be works made for hire, this Contract shall constitute an irrevocable assignment by Service Provider to Brownsville PUB of the ownership of any and all rights of copyright in, such items, and Brownsville PUB shall have the right to obtain and hold in its own name, rights of copyright, copyright registrations, and similar protections which may be available in the works. Service Provider shall give Brownsville PUB or its designees all assistance reasonably required to perfect such rights.

D. If for any reason, including incapacity, Brownsville PUB is unable to secure Service Provider's signature on any document needed to apply for, perfect, or otherwise acquire title to the intellectual property rights granted to it under this Section 5, or to enforce such rights, Service Provider hereby designates Brownsville PUB as Service Provider's attorney-in-fact and agent, solely and exclusively to act for and on Service

Provider's behalf to execute and file such documents with the same legal force and effect as if executed by Service Provider and for no other purpose.

E. Service Provider owns the discoveries, improvements, inventions, or intellectual property made or conceived by Service Provider before the Effective Date and independently of any Confidential Information of Brownsville PUB and this Contract and are expressly reserved and excepted from the provisions of this Contract.

6. Confidentiality and Data Security.

A. All non-public, confidential, or proprietary information of Brownsville PUB ("**Confidential Information**"), including, but not limited to, business plans, specifications, designs, documents, data, business operations, customer lists, customer information, including personally identifiable information, pricing, and any other business-related information disclosed or made available by Brownsville PUB to Service Provider, whether disclosed orally or disclosed or accessed in written, electronic, or other form or media, and whether or not marked, designated, or otherwise identified as "confidential," in connection with this Contract is confidential, solely for Service Provider's use in performing this Contract and may not be disclosed or copied unless authorized by Brownsville PUB in writing. Confidential Information does not include any information that: (i) is or becomes generally available to the public other than as a result of Service Provider's breach of this Contract; (ii) is obtained by Service Provider on a non-confidential basis from a third-party that was not legally or contractually restricted from disclosing such information; (iii) Service Provider establishes by documentary evidence, was in Service Provider's possession prior to Brownsville PUB's disclosure hereunder; or (iv) was or is independently developed by Service Provider without using any Confidential Information. Upon Brownsville PUB's request, Service Provider shall promptly return all documents and other materials received from Brownsville PUB. Brownsville PUB shall be entitled to injunctive relief for any violation of this Section.

7. Insurance.

A. Service Provider agrees to maintain Worker's Compensation Insurance and Employers' Liability Insurance to cover all of its own personnel engaged in performing services for Brownsville PUB under this Contract in the following amounts:

Workmen's Compensation – Texas Statutory  
Employers' Liability -- \$100,000.00

B. Service Provider also agrees to maintain Commercial General Liability, Business Automobile Liability, Umbrella Liability, and Cyber Liability Insurance covering claims against Service Provider for damages resulting from bodily injury, death or property damages from accidents arising in the course of work performed under this Contract in the following amounts:

**Commercial General Liability**

Bodily Injury \$1,000,000.00 each occurrence  
Property Damage \$1,000,000.00 each occurrence

Business Automobile Liability for all vehicles:

Bodily Injury \$50,000.00 each person, \$1,000,000.00 each occurrence  
Property Damage \$1,000,000.00 each occurrence

Excess Umbrella Liability:

\$1,000,000.00

C. Service Provider shall add Brownsville PUB, its Board Members, Officers and employees, and the City of Brownsville, its Commissioners, Officers and employees as additional insureds on all required insurance policies, except workers' compensation/employer's liability. The insurance certificate(s) shall provide for thirty (30) calendar days advance notice to Brownsville PUB and City of any policy cancellation or material change. The Commercial General Liability and Excess Umbrella Liability Policy shall be of an "occurrence" type policy. The Commercial General Liability shall also include protection against claims insured by usual personal injury liability coverage and coverage for contractual liability assumed by Service Provider.

D. Service Provider shall furnish Brownsville PUB with Insurance Certificate(s) upon Brownsville PUB's reasonable request and at least ten (10) calendar days prior to field work commencement, which confirm that all required insurance policies are in full force and effect.

**8. INDEMNIFICATION AND LIMITATION OF LIABILITY.**

**A. SERVICE PROVIDER SHALL INDEMNIFY, DEFEND, AND HOLD HARMLESS THE CITY OF BROWNSVILLE AND BROWNSVILLE PUB AND THEIR COMMISSIONERS, BOARD MEMBERS, OFFICERS, AND EMPLOYEES FROM ALL SUITS, ACTIONS, LOSSES, DAMAGES, CLAIMS, LIABILITIES, OR EXPENSES OF ANY CHARACTER, TYPE, OR DESCRIPTION, INCLUDING WITHOUT LIMITING THE GENERALITY OF THE FOREGOING, ALL EXPENSES OF LITIGATION, COURT COSTS, AND REASONABLE ATTORNEY'S FEES FOR INJURY OR DEATH TO ANY PERSON, OR INJURY TO ANY PROPERTY, RECEIVED OR SUSTAINED BY ANY PERSON OR PERSONS OR PROPERTY, TO THE EXTENT ARISING OUT OF, OR RESULTING FROM ANY CLAIM OF A THIRD PARTY OR BROWNSVILLE PUB ARISING OUT OF OR OCCURRING IN CONNECTION WITH, THE NEGLIGENT ACTS OR OMISSIONS OF, WILLFUL MISCONDUCT OF, OR BREACH OF THIS CONTRACT BY SERVICE PROVIDER OR ITS AGENTS OR EMPLOYEES.**

**B. EXCEPT FOR SERVICE PROVIDER'S INDEMNIFICATION OBLIGATIONS SET FORTH IN SUBSECTION A OF THIS SECTION 8, TO**

**THE EXTENT ALLOWED BY TEXAS LAW GOVERNING PUBLIC ENTITIES, SERVICE PROVIDER'S TOTAL LIABILITY TO BROWNSVILLE PUB FOR ANY LOSS OR DAMAGES FROM CLAIMS ARISING OUT OF, OR IN CONNECTION WITH, THIS CONTRACT FROM ANY CAUSE INCLUDING SERVICE PROVIDER'S STRICT LIABILITY, BREACH OF CONTRACT, OR PROFESSIONAL NEGLIGENCE SHALL NOT EXCEED ONE MILLION DOLLARS. TO THE EXTENT ALLOWED BY TEXAS LAW, BROWNSVILLE PUB HEREBY RELEASES SERVICE PROVIDER FROM ANY LIABILITY EXCEEDING SUCH AMOUNT.**

9. Addresses for Notices and Communications.

**BROWNSVILLE PUB**

**NAME**

**TITLE**

**1425 Robinhood Drive**

**Brownsville, Texas 78521**

**Phone: (956) 983-XXXX**

**Email: xxxxx@brownsville-pub.com**

**VENDOR**

**NAME**

**TITLE**

**STREET ADDRESS**

**CITY, STATE ZIP CODE**

**Phone:**

**Email:**

All notices and communications under this Contract must be in writing and shall be mailed or delivered to Brownsville PUB and Service Provider at the above addresses (or to such other address that the receiving Party may designate from time to time in accordance with this Section).

10. Successors and Assignments.

Neither Party shall assign, transfer, delegate, or subcontract any of its rights or obligations under this Contract without the prior written consent of the other Party. Any purported assignment or delegation in violation of this Section shall be null and void. No assignment or delegation shall relieve the transferring Party of any of its obligations hereunder. In the event of any assignment, transfer, delegation, or subcontracting, Brownsville PUB and Service Provider each binds itself and its successors, executors, administrators and assigns to the other parties of this Contract and to the successors, executors, administrators and assigns of such other parties, in respect to all covenants of this Contract. Nothing herein shall be construed as creating any personal liability on the part of any officer, Board Member, Commissioner, or employee of any public body which is a party and/or indemnitee hereto.

11. Termination of Contract for Cause.

If, through any cause, Service Provider shall fail to fulfill in a timely and proper manner its obligations under this Contract, or if Service Provider shall violate any of the covenants, agreements, warranties or stipulations in this Contract, Brownsville PUB shall have the right, without prejudice to any other rights or remedies it may have under this Contract, to terminate this Contract by giving written notice to Service Provider of such termination and specifying the date thereof, at least fifteen (15) calendar days before the effective date of such termination. Without prejudice to any other rights or remedies it may have under this Contract, Brownsville PUB shall have the right to terminate this Contract if in its sole opinion the work of the Service Provider is not effective for the purpose it is being performed. Service Provider shall be entitled to receive just and equitable compensation for any work satisfactorily completed hereunder provided such compensation is approved by Brownsville PUB in its sole discretion. The method of compensation herein shall be as provided in Section 3 of this Contract.

Notwithstanding the above, Service Provider shall not be relieved of liability to Brownsville PUB for damages sustained by Brownsville PUB by virtue of any intentional and/or negligent act or omission or any breach of this Contract by Service Provider, and Brownsville PUB may withhold any payments to Service Provider for the purpose of setoff, until such time as the exact amount of damages due Brownsville PUB from Service Provider is determined.

Subject to Section 8, Service Provider agrees that Brownsville PUB shall have all rights and remedies afforded to it at law to recover any damages sustained by Brownsville PUB in connection with the work performed by Service Provider under this Contract, including regulatory fines and penalties, attorneys' fees and expert witness costs associated with the defense against any cause of action related to this Contract. In addition, Brownsville PUB shall, in addition to any damages to which it is entitled, be entitled to seek immediate injunctive relief against Service Provider prohibiting further actions inconsistent with Service Provider's obligations under this Contract. Brownsville PUB shall also have all rights and remedies afforded to it in equity to enforce the terms of this Contract. The exercise of any one right or remedy shall be without prejudice to the enforcement of any other right or remedy allowed at law or in equity.

12. Termination for Convenience.

Brownsville PUB may terminate this Contract at any time by giving at least thirty (30) calendar days notice in writing to Service Provider. If the Contract is terminated by Brownsville PUB as provided herein, Service Provider will be paid for the Services provided and approved expenses incurred up to the termination date if such compensation is approved by Brownsville PUB, which approval shall not be unreasonably withheld. Service Provider shall be entitled to receive just and equitable compensation for any work satisfactorily completed hereunder, provided such compensation is approved by Brownsville PUB, which shall not be unreasonably withheld. The method of compensation herein shall be as provided in Section 3 of this Contract.



Notwithstanding the above, Service Provider shall not be relieved of liability to Brownsville PUB for damages sustained by Brownsville PUB by virtue of any intentional and/or negligent act or omission or any breach of this Contract by Service Provider, and Brownsville PUB may reasonably withhold a sufficient portion of any payments to Service Provider for the purpose of setoff until such time as the exact amount of damages due Brownsville PUB from Service Provider is determined.

Service Provider agrees that Brownsville PUB shall have all rights and remedies afforded to it at law to recover any damages sustained by Brownsville PUB in connection with the work performed by Service Provider under this Contract. Brownsville PUB shall also have all rights and remedies afforded to it in equity to enforce the terms of this Contract. The exercise of any one right or remedy shall be without prejudice to the enforcement of any other right or remedy allowed at law or in equity.

13. Changes.

Brownsville PUB may, from time to time, request changes in the scope of the Services to be performed hereunder. Such changes, including any increase or decrease in the amount of Service Provider's compensation, which are mutually agreed upon by and between Brownsville PUB and Service Provider shall be incorporated in written amendments to this Contract called "Work Orders".

14. Reports and Information.

Service Provider, at such times (but not more than once per month unless an emergency situation arises), and in such forms as Brownsville PUB may require, shall furnish Brownsville PUB such periodic reports as they may request pertaining to the work or services undertaken pursuant to this Contract, the cost and obligations incurred or to be incurred in connection therewith, and any other matter covered by this Contract.

15. Civil Rights.

Service Provider shall comply with all applicable federal, state, and local laws regarding nondiscrimination and equal employment opportunity, as set forth in Service Provider's policy statement which shall be provided to Brownsville PUB upon request.

16. Entire Agreement.

This Contract, including and together with any Work Orders, exhibits, schedules, and attachments, each of which will be attached hereto, constitutes the entire agreement between the Parties with respect to the subject matter contained herein, and supersedes all prior and contemporaneous agreements and understandings, both written and oral, between the Parties concerning the subject matter of this Contract.

17. Waiver.

The failure or delay on the part of any Party herein at any time to require the performance by any other Party of any portion of this Contract shall not be deemed a waiver, or in any way affect that Party's rights to enforce such provision or any other provision. Any waiver by any Party herein of any provision hereof shall not be taken or held to be a waiver unless explicitly set forth in writing and signed by the Party so waiving and shall not be a waiver of any other provision hereof or any other breach hereof. No single or partial exercise of any right, remedy, power, or privilege hereunder shall preclude any other or further exercise thereof.

18. Severability.

The invalidity, illegality, or unenforceability of any provision of this Contract shall not affect the validity or enforceability of any other provision of this Contract or invalidate or render unenforceable such provision in any other jurisdiction. Upon a determination that any provision is invalid, illegal, or unenforceable, the Parties shall negotiate in good faith to modify this Contract to effect the original intent of the Parties as closely as possible in order that the transactions contemplated hereby be consummated as originally contemplated to the greatest extent possible.

19. Survival.

Any and all representations, conditions, and warranties made by Service Provider under this Contract are of the essence of this Contract and shall survive the execution, delivery and termination of it, and all statements contained in any document required by Brownsville PUB, whether delivered at the time of the execution or at a later date, shall constitute Service Providers representations and warranties hereunder.

20. Force Majeure.

No Party shall be liable or responsible to the other Party, or be deemed to have defaulted under or breached this Contract, for any failure or delay in fulfilling or performing any term of this Contract, when and to the extent such Party's (the "**Impacted Party**") failure or delay is caused by or results from the following force majeure events (each a "**Force Majeure Event**"): (A) acts of God; (B) flood, fire, earthquake, pandemic, or explosion; (C) war, invasion, hostilities (whether war is declared or not), terrorist threats or acts, riot or other civil unrest; (D) government order, law, or action; (E) national or regional emergency; or (F) other similar events beyond the reasonable control of the Impacted Party. Notwithstanding the foregoing, Service Provider's financial inability to perform, changes in cost or availability of materials, components or services, market conditions, or supplier actions or contract disputes will not excuse performance by Contractor under this Section 20.

The Impacted Party shall give notice within three (3) days of the Force Majeure Event to the other Party, stating the period of time the occurrence is expected to continue. The

Impacted Party shall use diligent efforts to end the failure or delay and ensure the effects of such Force Majeure Event are minimized. The Impacted Party shall resume the performance of its obligations as soon as reasonably practicable after the removal of the cause. In the event that the Impacted Party's failure or delay remains uncured for a period of thirty (30) consecutive days following written notice given by it under this Section 20, the other Party may thereafter immediately terminate this Contract upon written notice.

21. Governing Law.

This Contract is governed by the laws of the State of Texas without giving effect to the conflict of laws provisions thereof to the extent such principles or rules would require or permit the application of the laws of any jurisdiction other than those of the State of Texas and all obligations of the Parties under this Contract are performable in Cameron County, Texas.

22. Choice of Forum.

Each Party irrevocably and unconditionally agrees that it will not commence any action, litigation, or proceeding of any kind whatsoever against the other Party in any way arising from or relating to this Contract, including all exhibits, schedules, attachments, and appendices attached to this Contract, and all contemplated transactions, including contract, equity, tort, fraud, and statutory claims, in any forum other than the state or federal court located in Cameron County, Texas. Each Party irrevocably and unconditionally submits to the exclusive jurisdiction of such courts and agrees to bring any such action, litigation, or proceeding only in the state or federal court located in Cameron County, Texas. Each Party agrees that a final judgment in any such action, litigation, or proceeding is conclusive and may be enforced in other jurisdictions by suit on the judgment or in any other manner provided by law.

23. Time for Performance.

The Services shall be completed in accordance with the performance schedule as outlined in Exhibit "C", except to the extent timely performance is prevented by a Force Majeure Event, subject to the terms of Section 20.

24. Attorney's Fees.

If it is necessary for either Party herein to file a cause of action at law or in equity against the other Party due to: (A) a breach of this Contract or (B) any intentional and/or negligent act or omission by the other Party, the non-breaching or non-negligent Party shall be entitled to reasonable attorney's fees and costs, and any necessary disbursements, in addition to any other relief to which it is legally entitled.

25. Cumulative Remedies.

All Parties shall have all rights and remedies afforded to it at law or in equity to recover damages and interpret or enforce the terms of this Contract. The exercise of any one right or remedy shall be without prejudice to the enforcement of any other right or remedy allowed at law or in equity.

26. State or Federal Laws.

This Contract is subject to all applicable Federal and State laws, statutes, codes, and any applicable permits, ordinances, rules, orders and regulations of any local, state or federal government authority having jurisdiction, but nothing contained herein shall be construed as a waiver of any right to question or contest any such law, ordinance, order, rule or regulation in any forum having jurisdiction.

27. No Third-Party Beneficiary.

The Parties are entering into this Contract solely for the benefit of themselves and agree that nothing herein shall be construed to confer any right, privilege or benefit on any person or entity other than the Parties hereto.

28. Dispute Resolution.

In the event a dispute arises between the Parties, then as a condition precedent to any legal action by either Party, the Parties shall first refer the dispute to upper management for good faith negotiations for ten (10) calendar days, and if not resolved, then the Parties agree to participate in at least one session of mediation, as needed, in an effort to resolve the dispute. The Parties agree to split the mediator's fees equally, but each Party shall bear its own legal fees for the mediation. The mediation shall be administered by a mutually agreeable mediation service and shall be held in Cameron County, Texas, unless Brownsville PUB agrees to another location.

29. Amendments.

No amendment to, or modification or termination of this Contract is effective unless it is in writing, identified as an amendment to or modification or termination of this Contract, and signed by an authorized representative of each Party.

30. Independent Contractor.

A. It is understood and acknowledged that the Services which Service Provider will provide to Brownsville PUB hereunder shall be in the capacity of an independent contractor and not as an employee or agent of Brownsville PUB. Service Provider shall control the conditions, time, details, and means by which Service Provider performs the Services. Brownsville PUB shall have the right to inspect the work of Service Provider

solely for the purpose of determining whether the work is completed according to this Contract and any applicable Work Order.

B. Service Provider has no authority to commit, act for or on behalf of Brownsville PUB, or to bind Brownsville PUB to any obligation or liability.

C. Service Provider shall not be eligible for and shall not receive any employee benefits from Brownsville PUB and shall be solely responsible for the payment of all taxes, FICA, federal and state unemployment insurance contributions, state disability premiums, and all similar taxes and fees relating to the fees earned by Service Provider hereunder.

31. Counterparts.

This Contract may be executed in counterparts, each of which is deemed an original, but all of which together are deemed to be one and the same agreement. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in Section 9, a signed copy of this Contract delivered by facsimile, email, or other means of electronic transmission is deemed to have the same legal effect as delivery of an original signed copy of this Contract.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties have caused this Contract to be executed as of the Effective Date by their respective officers thereunto duly authorized.

[ENTER VENDOR'S NAME]

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
[NAME OF AUTHORIZED SIGNER]  
[TITLE OF SIGNER]

PUBLIC UTILITIES BOARD OF THE  
CITY OF BROWNSVILLE, TEXAS

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Marilyn D. Gilbert, MBA  
General Manager and CEO

**EXHIBIT “A”**

**SCOPE OF SERVICES FOR  
PROJECT/TYPE OF SERVICES TO BE PROVIDED**

Refer to **PROJECT/TYPE OF SERVICES** proposal submitted by **[ENTER VENDOR’S NAME]** dated Month/Day/Year, the terms of which are incorporated herein by this reference.

**ADD SCOPE OF SERVICES**

**EXHIBIT “B”**

**COMPENSATION FOR  
PROJECT/TYPE OF SERVICES TO BE PROVIDED**

Service Provider proposes to perform the work and services described above through the **PROJECT/TYPE OF SERVICES TO BE PROVIDED** project. Service Provider will establish Project requirements, determine Project policy matters, ensure satisfactory completion of the work and services, and be directly responsible for the Project. Service Provider shall not be reassigned away from this engagement without the prior written consent of Brownsville PUB.

Service Provider proposes to perform all work and services described in Exhibit “A” Scope of Services, for the estimated cost of **\$XX,XXX.XX**. Invoices will be submitted monthly. Should the work and Services be completed for less than that amount, Brownsville PUB will only be billed for actual work and services completed. All actual out of pocket expenses incurred in the course of this engagement will be billed at actual cost for reimbursement by Brownsville PUB. Service Provider is willing to adjust the proposed scope and the related fee to meet the specific needs of Brownsville PUB. Total billings for this work scope shall not exceed the above estimate **without Brownsville PUB’s written approval.**

**ADD FEES/OTHER RELATED FEES APPLICABLE TO CONTRACT, i.e., Hourly Rate Schedule**

**EXHIBIT “C”**

**SCHEDULE FOR  
PROJECT/TYPE OF SERVICES TO BE PROVIDED**

Service Provider understands that the scope of services outlined herein should be completed within. Service Provider proposes to initiate the Project after both parties have signed the contract, subject to Brownsville PUB’s written authorization to proceed. It is understood that Service Provider’s ability to complete the tasks within the established time frame is dependent, in large part, on the receipt of any existing, available, and necessary data from Brownsville PUB at the beginning of the Project, and Brownsville PUB’s timely response with review comments and input.

The term of this contract shall be from Month/Day/Year through Month/Day/Year.





NOTICE TO PROCEED

DATE:

TO: (Insert Service Provider's Information)

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

RE: Notice to Proceed for the Supply of Type A Limestone (B027-24)

Dear \_\_\_\_\_:

The Brownsville PUB has received the executed Service Contract, Performance Bond, Payment Bond, and required insurance certificates; therefore, this Notice to Proceed letter is being issued to proceed with the Supply of Type A Limestone. As of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_, you are to start performing your obligations under the Contract Documents. The duration of this Contract is for six (6) months in length and will end six months from the date of this letter. As you proceed, and find the need for any information or assistance, please contact Armando Garcia at (956) 983-6386.

Thank you,

By: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: Jaime Estrada

Title: Director of Director of Water and  
Wastewater Operations

**REQUIRED  
FORMS CHECKLIST**

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

NAME	FORM DESCRIPTION	SUBMITTED WITH BID	
		YES	NO
Legal Notice	Acknowledgement Form	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Debarment Certification	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Ethics Statement	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Conflict of Interest Questionnaire	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	W9 or W8 Form	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Direct Deposit Form (will be provided to the awarded vendor)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Residence Certification Form	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Special Instructions	Bid Schedule/Cost sheet completed and signed	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Cashier Check or Bid Bond of 5% of Total Amount of Bid (if applicable)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	OSHA 300 Log (if applicable)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Contractor Pre-Bid Disclosure completed, signed and notarized (if applicable)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Sub-Contractor Pre-Bid Disclosure completed, signed, and notarized (if applicable)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
References	Complete the Previous Customer Reference Worksheet for each reference provided	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Addenda			

Prospective Bidders are respectfully reminded to completely read and thoroughly respond to the BPUB Instructions for Bidders and Pre-Bid Disclosure Statement. When BPUB evaluates the Bids, it reviews indices regarding the prospective contractors' responsibility to perform the project based upon prior job performances for BPUB and other public owners. Additionally, BPUB carefully reviews the prospective contractors' responsiveness to the BPUB Bid Advertisement. Bidders should thoroughly check their submittal for completeness prior to responding to BPUB.

Do not imbalance your Bid line items to overload portions of the work. Remember to answer all written questions in the Pre-Bid Disclosure Statement and then notarize it when signing. Bidders are often required to submit OSHA 300 Logs from prior job performance records as well.

BPUB can, has, and will reject Bids that fail the responsibility and/or responsiveness standards so as to protect the integrity of the bidding process for all participants. The Bidding community's compliance with these guideline standards will be appreciated by the BPUB.

**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 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 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 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 BROWNSVILLE PUBLIC UTILITIES BOARD, ALL OF ITS OFFICERS, AGENTS AND EMPLOYEES FROM AND AGAINST ALL CLAIMS, ACTIONS, SUITS, DEMANDS, PROCEEDING, COSTS, DAMAGES, AND LIABILITIES, ARISING OUT OF, CONNECTED WITH, OR RESULTING FROM ANY ACTS OR OMISSIONS OF CONTRACTOR OR ANY AGENT, EMPLOYEE, SUBCONTRACTOR, OR SUPPLIER OF CONTRACTOR IN THE EXECUTION OR PERFORMANCE 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: \_\_\_\_\_  
AGENT SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_  
ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_  
CITY: \_\_\_\_\_  
STATE: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP CODE: \_\_\_\_\_  
TELEPHONE: \_\_\_\_\_ TELEFAX: \_\_\_\_\_  
FEDERAL ID#: \_\_\_\_\_ AND/OR SOCIAL SECURITY #: \_\_\_\_\_

**DEVIATIONS FROM SPECIFICATIONS IF ANY:**

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NOTE: QUESTIONS AND CONCERNS FROM PROSPECTIVE CONTRACTORS SHOULD BE RAISED WITH OWNER AND ITS CONSULTANT (IF APPLICABLE) AND RESOLVED IF POSSIBLE, 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.

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**CERTIFICATION REGARDING  
DEBARMENT, SUSPENSION, AND OTHER RESPONSIBILITY  
MATTERS (THIS FORM MUST BE COMPLETED IN ITS ENTIRETY AND  
SUBMITTED WITH BID RESPONSE)**

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.

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\_\_\_\_\_  
Name and Title of Authorized Representative (Typed)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Authorized Representative

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

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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)**

<b>CONFLICT OF INTEREST QUESTIONNAIRE</b> For vendor doing business with local governmental entity		<b>FORM CIQ</b>
<p>This questionnaire reflects changes made to the law by H.B. 23, 84th Leg., Regular Session.</p> <p>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).</p> <p>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.</p> <p>A vendor commits an offense if the vendor knowingly violates Section 176.006, Local Government Code. An offense under this section is a misdemeanor.</p>	<b>OFFICE USE ONLY</b> Date Received	
<b>1</b> Name of vendor who has a business relationship with local governmental entity.		
<b>2</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Check this box if you are filing an update to a previously filed questionnaire. (The law requires that you file an updated completed questionnaire with the appropriate filing authority not later than the 7th business day after the date on which you became aware that the originally filed questionnaire was incomplete or inaccurate.)		
<b>3</b> Name of local government officer about whom the information is being disclosed.	_____ Name of Officer	
<b>4</b> Describe each employment or other business relationship with the local government officer, or a family member of the officer, as described by Section 176.003(a)(2)(A). Also describe any family relationship with the local government officer. Complete subparts A and B for each employment or business relationship described. Attach additional pages to this Form CIQ as necessary.		
<p>A. Is the local government officer or a family member of the officer receiving or likely to receive taxable income, other than investment income, from the vendor?</p> <p style="text-align: center;"> <input type="checkbox"/> Yes      <input type="checkbox"/> No                 </p> <p>B. Is the vendor receiving or likely to receive taxable income, other than investment income, from or at the direction of the local government officer or a family member of the officer AND the taxable income is not received from the local governmental entity?</p> <p style="text-align: center;"> <input type="checkbox"/> Yes      <input type="checkbox"/> No                 </p>		
<b>5</b> Describe each employment or business relationship that the vendor named in Section 1 maintains with a corporation or other business entity with respect to which the local government officer serves as an officer or director, or holds an ownership interest of one percent or more.		
<b>6</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Check this box if the vendor has given the local government officer or a family member of the officer one or more gifts as described in Section 176.003(a)(2)(B), excluding gifts described in Section 176.003(a-1).		
<b>7</b>	<div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"> <span>_____ Signature of vendor doing business with the governmental entity</span> <span>_____ Date</span> </div>	

**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.

**Local Government Code § 176.001(1-a):** "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:

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(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

(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) A vendor 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.

**BROWNSVILLE PUBLIC UTILITIES BOARD**  
**RESIDENCE CERTIFICATION**

In accordance with Art. 601g, as passed by the 1985 Texas Legislature, the following will apply. The pertinent portion of the Act has been extracted and is as follows:

Section 1. (a)

(1) "Nonresident bidder" means a bidder whose principal place of business is not in this state, but excludes a contractor whose ultimate parent company or majority owner has its principal place of business in this state.

(2) "Texas resident bidder " means a bidder whose principal place of business is in this state, and includes a contractor whose ultimate parent company or majority owner has its principal place of business in this state.

Section 1. (b)

The state or governmental agency of the state may not award a contract for general construction, improvements, services, or public works projects or purchases of supplies, materials or equipment to a nonresident bidder unless the nonresident's bid is lower than the lowest bid submitted by a responsible Texas resident bidder by the same amount that a Texas resident bidder would be required to underbid a nonresident bidder to obtain a comparable contract in the state in which the nonresident's principal place of business is located.

I certify that \_\_\_\_\_  
(Company Name) is a **resident Texas bidder** as defined in Art. 601g.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Print Name: \_\_\_\_\_

I certify that \_\_\_\_\_  
(Company Name) is a **nonresident bidder** as defined in Art. 601g. and our principal place of business is: \_\_\_\_\_  
(City and State)

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Print Name: \_\_\_\_\_

## Request for Taxpayer Identification Number and Certification

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

▶ Go to [www.irs.gov/FormW9](http://www.irs.gov/FormW9) for instructions and the latest information.

Print or type. See Specific Instructions on page 3.	<p><b>1</b> Name (as shown on your income tax return). Name is required on this line; do not leave this line blank.</p>	
	<p><b>2</b> Business name/disregarded entity name, if different from above</p>	
	<p><b>3</b> Check appropriate box for federal tax classification of the person whose name is entered on line 1. Check only <b>one</b> of the following seven boxes.</p> <p> <input type="checkbox"/> Individual/sole proprietor or single-member LLC               <input type="checkbox"/> C Corporation               <input type="checkbox"/> S Corporation               <input type="checkbox"/> Partnership               <input type="checkbox"/> Trust/estate  <input type="checkbox"/> Limited liability company. Enter the tax classification (C=C corporation, S=S corporation, P=Partnership) ▶ _____  <b>Note:</b> Check the appropriate box in the line above for the tax classification of the single-member owner. Do not check LLC if the LLC is classified as a single-member LLC that is disregarded from the owner unless the owner of the LLC is another LLC that is <b>not</b> disregarded from the owner for U.S. federal tax purposes. Otherwise, a single-member LLC that is disregarded from the owner should check the appropriate box for the tax classification of its owner.  <input type="checkbox"/> Other (see instructions) ▶ _____         </p>	<p><b>4</b> Exemptions (codes apply only to certain entities, not individuals; see instructions on page 3):</p> <p>Exempt payee code (if any) _____</p> <p>Exemption from FATCA reporting code (if any) _____</p> <p><small>(Applies to accounts maintained outside the U.S.)</small></p>
	<p><b>5</b> Address (number, street, and apt. or suite no.) See instructions.</p>	Requester's name and address (optional)
	<p><b>6</b> City, state, and ZIP code</p>	
	<p><b>7</b> List account number(s) here (optional)</p>	

### Part I Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN)

Enter your TIN in the appropriate box. The TIN provided must match the name given on line 1 to avoid backup withholding. For individuals, this is generally your social security number (SSN). However, for a resident alien, sole proprietor, or disregarded entity, see the instructions for Part I, later. For other entities, it is your employer identification number (EIN). If you do not have a number, see *How to get a TIN*, later.

**Note:** If the account is in more than one name, see the instructions for line 1. Also see *What Name and Number To Give the Requester* for guidelines on whose number to enter.

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### Part II Certification

Under penalties of perjury, I certify that:

1. The number shown on this form is my correct taxpayer identification number (or I am waiting for a number to be issued to me); and
2. I am not subject to backup withholding because: (a) I am exempt from backup withholding, or (b) I have not been notified by the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) that I am subject to backup withholding as a result of a failure to report all interest or dividends, or (c) the IRS has notified me that I am no longer subject to backup withholding; and
3. I am a U.S. citizen or other U.S. person (defined below); and
4. The FATCA code(s) entered on this form (if any) indicating that I am exempt from FATCA reporting is correct.

**Certification instructions.** You must cross out item 2 above if you have been notified by the IRS that you are currently subject to backup withholding because you have failed to report all interest and dividends on your tax return. For real estate transactions, item 2 does not apply. For mortgage interest paid, acquisition or abandonment of secured property, cancellation of debt, contributions to an individual retirement arrangement (IRA), and generally, payments other than interest and dividends, you are not required to sign the certification, but you must provide your correct TIN. See the instructions for Part II, later.

<b>Sign Here</b>	Signature of U.S. person ▶	Date ▶
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## General Instructions

Section references are to the Internal Revenue Code unless otherwise noted.

**Future developments.** For the latest information about developments related to Form W-9 and its instructions, such as legislation enacted after they were published, go to [www.irs.gov/FormW9](http://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)

- Form 1099-DIV (dividends, including those from stocks or mutual funds)
- Form 1099-MISC (various types of income, prizes, awards, or gross proceeds)
- Form 1099-B (stock or mutual fund sales and certain other 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, later.*



Form **W-8BEN-E**

(Rev. October 2021)  
Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

**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](http://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:**

**Instead use Form:**

- U.S. entity or U.S. citizen or resident . . . . . W-9
- A foreign 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 (unless claiming treaty benefits) . . . . . W-8ECI
- A foreign partnership, a foreign simple trust, or a foreign grantor trust (unless claiming treaty benefits) (see instructions for exceptions) . . . W-8IMY
- A foreign government, international organization, foreign central bank of issue, foreign tax-exempt organization, foreign private foundation, or government of a U.S. possession claiming that income is effectively connected U.S. income or that is claiming the applicability of section(s) 115(2), 501(c), 892, 895, or 1443(b) (unless claiming treaty benefits) (see instructions for other exceptions) . . . . . W-8ECI or W-8EXP
- Any person acting as an intermediary (including a qualified intermediary acting as a qualified derivatives dealer) . . . . . W-8IMY

**Part I Identification of Beneficial Owner**

<b>1</b> Name of organization that is the beneficial owner	<b>2</b> Country of incorporation or organization
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**3** Name of disregarded entity receiving the payment (if applicable, see instructions)

**4** Chapter 3 Status (entity type) (Must check one box only):

<input type="checkbox"/> Simple trust	<input type="checkbox"/> Tax-exempt organization	<input type="checkbox"/> Complex trust	<input type="checkbox"/> Partnership
<input type="checkbox"/> Central Bank of Issue	<input type="checkbox"/> Private foundation	<input type="checkbox"/> Estate	<input type="checkbox"/> Foreign Government - Controlled Entity
<input type="checkbox"/> Grantor trust	<input type="checkbox"/> Disregarded entity	<input type="checkbox"/> International organization	<input type="checkbox"/> Foreign Government - Integral Part

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.)

<input type="checkbox"/> Nonparticipating FFI (including an FFI related to a Reporting IGA FFI other than a deemed-compliant FFI, participating FFI, or exempt beneficial owner).  <input type="checkbox"/> Participating FFI. <input type="checkbox"/> Reporting Model 1 FFI. <input type="checkbox"/> Reporting Model 2 FFI. <input type="checkbox"/> Registered deemed-compliant FFI (other than a reporting Model 1 FFI, sponsored FFI, or nonreporting IGA FFI covered in Part XII). See instructions.  <input type="checkbox"/> Sponsored FFI. Complete Part IV. <input type="checkbox"/> Certified deemed-compliant nonregistering local bank. Complete Part V. <input type="checkbox"/> Certified deemed-compliant FFI with only low-value accounts. Complete Part VI. <input type="checkbox"/> Certified deemed-compliant sponsored, closely held investment vehicle. Complete Part VII. <input type="checkbox"/> Certified deemed-compliant limited life debt investment entity. Complete Part VIII. <input type="checkbox"/> Certain investment entities that do not maintain financial accounts. Complete Part IX. <input type="checkbox"/> Owner-documented FFI. Complete Part X. <input type="checkbox"/> Restricted distributor. Complete Part XI.	<input type="checkbox"/> Nonreporting IGA FFI. Complete Part XII. <input type="checkbox"/> Foreign government, government of a U.S. possession, or foreign central bank of issue. Complete Part XIII.  <input type="checkbox"/> International organization. Complete Part XIV. <input type="checkbox"/> Exempt retirement plans. Complete Part XV. <input type="checkbox"/> Entity wholly owned by exempt beneficial owners. Complete Part XVI. <input type="checkbox"/> Territory financial institution. Complete Part XVII. <input type="checkbox"/> Excepted nonfinancial group entity. Complete Part XVIII. <input type="checkbox"/> Excepted nonfinancial start-up company. Complete Part XIX. <input type="checkbox"/> Excepted nonfinancial entity in liquidation or bankruptcy. Complete Part XX. <input type="checkbox"/> 501(c) organization. Complete Part XXI. <input type="checkbox"/> Nonprofit organization. Complete Part XXII. <input type="checkbox"/> Publicly traded NFFE or NFFE affiliate of a publicly traded corporation. Complete Part XXIII. <input type="checkbox"/> Excepted territory NFFE. Complete Part XXIV. <input type="checkbox"/> Active NFFE. Complete Part XXV. <input type="checkbox"/> Passive NFFE. Complete Part XXVI. <input type="checkbox"/> Excepted inter-affiliate FFI. Complete Part XXVII. <input type="checkbox"/> Direct reporting NFFE. <input type="checkbox"/> Sponsored direct reporting NFFE. Complete Part XXVIII. <input type="checkbox"/> Account that is not a financial account.
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**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 than a registered address).

City or town, state or province. Include postal code where appropriate.	Country
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**7** Mailing address (if different from above)

City or town, state or province. Include postal code where appropriate.	Country
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