

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, April 2, 2025** for the project described in the Contract Documents and Specifications entitled:

RENTAL OF PORTABLE DIESEL GENERATORS W/TRAILERS FOR HURRICANE PREPAREDNESS

Bids received after this time will not be considered. Bids will be publicly opened and read aloud on April 3, 2025 at 10:30 AM. Bidders can request a copy of the bid tabulation by emailing hlopez@brownsville-pub.com. Vendors can call in at 10:30 AM, April 3, 2025 to (956) 214-6020 to listen to the bid opening.

Detailed specifications may be obtained at the following website: https://www.brownsville-pub.com/rfp_status/open/.

One (1) set of bid documents shall be enclosed in a sealed envelope and shall be plainly marked on the outside of the envelope and on any carrier's envelope: "RENTAL OF PORTABLE DIESEL GENERATORS W/TRAILERS FOR HURRICANE PREPAREDNESS, APRIL 2, 2025, 5:00 PM, B040-25". This envelope shall be addressed to Diane Solitaire; Brownsville Public Utilities Board; Purchasing Department; 1155 FM 511, Olmito, Texas 78575.

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

The BPUB 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.

Diane SolitairePurchasing Department (956) 983-6366

INSTRUCTIONS TO BIDDERS

Please submit this page upon receipt

Acknowledgment Form

B040-25 Rental of Portable Diesel Generators w/Trailers for Hurricane Preparedness

For any clarifications, please contact Hugo E. Lopez at the Brownsville Public Utilities Board, Purchasing Department at (956) 983-6375 or (956) 983-6364 or e-mail: hlopez@brownsville-pub.com

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

Check one:
() Yes, I will be able to 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 email to hlopez@brownsville-pub.com or dsolitaire@brownsville-pub.com . This will ensure you remain active on our vendor list. Date
Company:
Name:
Address:
City: Zip Code:
Phone: Fax:
Email:

Generators for Hurricane Preparedness

Special Instructions

Contract Information

• Interpretation

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

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

• Tentative Time Line

- 1. March 17, 2025 through April 2, 2025 Vendors work on bid.
- 2. April 2, 2025 at 5:00 PM Vendor must submit one (1) set of the bid documents sealed in an envelope to:

Diane Solitaire, Purchasing 1155 FM 511 Olmito, Texas 78575

Bid #040-25 – RENTAL OF PORTABLE DIESEL GENERATORS W/TRAILERS FOR HURRICANE PREPAREDNESS

Due: April 2, 2025 by 5:00 PM

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

- 3. March 28, 2025 Last Day to submit questions
- 4. April 3, 2025- Open bids at 10:30 AM
- 5. April 4, 2025 April 25, 2025 Evaluate bids
- 6. April 28, 2025 Provide Final Recommendations
- 7. May 12, 2025 Send to Utilities Board for approval
- 8. Term of contract will commence June 2025

Or Equal

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

• Pricing

Bid monthly rental cost on quantity specified, extend and show total. In case of errors in extension, unit prices shall govern. Price shall remain in effect throughout the rental period, approximately 6 months and up to one (1) year.

All fields (COST PER MONTH & TOTAL) in the Bid Schedule must be filled. The data must be complete to identify the bidding brand.

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

• Vendor Representative

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

Quality of Products

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

• Determining Factors for Award

- 1. Compliance with requirements of the technical specifications
- 2. Bidders net price on bid items
- 3. Stock availability
- 4. Reputation of brand name offered
- 5. Reputation and location of the bidder
- 6. Delivery (**This is of the utmost importance**)
- 7. 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 by depositing the payment directly to the vendor's bank account. Successful vendor(s) will be required to receive payments directly through Automated Clearing House (ACH) in lieu of a paper check. The awarded vendor must agree to receive payments via ACH (Direct Deposit).

• Tax Identification Number (TIN)

In accordance with IRS Publication 1220, a W9 form, or a W8 form in cases of a foreign vendor, will be required of all vendors doing business with the Brownsville PUB. If a W9 or W8 form is not made available to Brownsville PUB, the first payment will be subject to income tax withholding at a rate of 28% or 30% depending on the U.S. status and the source of income as per IRS Publication 1220. **The W9 or W8 form must be included with bid response.** Attached are sample forms.

Taxes

The Brownsville Public Utilities Board is exempt from Federal Excise Tax, State Tax and local Taxes. Do not include tax in the bid. If it is 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 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, marital or veteran status, or physically challenging condition.

Contract and Purchase Order

The rental period will be for approximately a period of 6 months and up to one (1) year, on a month-to-month basis and with the option to renew annually for an additional two (2), one (1) year periods, if service and price are satisfactory, and the renewal is agreed upon in writing by both parties. BPUB's Terms are Net 30 Days. A contract for the rental equipment will be placed into effect by means of a purchase order issued by Brownsville Public Utilities Board after tabulation and final approval by the Board.

• Brownsville Public Utilities Board Rights

- 1. If only one or no bid is received by "submission date", the BPUB has the right to reject, re-bid, accept and/or extend the bid by up to an additional two (2) weeks from original submission date.
- 2. The right to reject any/or all bids and to make award as they may appear to be advantageous to the Brownsville Public Utilities Board.
- 3. The right to hold bid for 90 days from submission date without action, and to waive all formalities in bid.

- 4. The right to extend the total bid beyond the original 90-day period prior to an award, if agreed upon in writing by all parties (BPUB and vendor/contractor) and if bidder/vendor holds original bid prices firm.
- 5. The right to terminate for cause or convenience all or any part of the unfinished portion of the Project resulting from this solicitation within Thirty (30) calendar days written notice; <u>for cause</u>: upon default by the vendor/contractor, for delay or non-performance by the vendor/contractor; or if it is deemed in the best interest of the BPUB for BPUB's convenience.
- 6. The right to increase or decrease quantities. In bid, stipulate whether an increase or decrease in services will affect bid price. price.
- 7. The Brownsville PUB has the right to refuse to enter into a contract or other transaction with any individual or entity indebted to the municipality as per Local Government Code 252.0436.

Corrections

Any interpretation, correction, or change 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 acknowledgement form. Addenda will be issued as expeditiously as possible. It is the responsibility of the vendors to determine whether all addenda have been received. It will be the responsibility of all respondents to contact the Brownsville PUB prior to submitting a response to the invitation to bid to ascertain if any addenda have been issued, and to obtain any all addenda, execute them, and return addenda with the response to the invitation to bid. Addenda may be posted on BPUB's website.

Delivery

The portable diesel generators w/trailers shall be delivered FOB Brownsville, Texas to various locations within the City of Brownsville as specified by BPUB representative. Vendor must specify, on bid response, the best available delivery date.

• Payment

Upon the delivery of any Equipment hereunder, the Vendor shall submit to the BPUB a detailed statement of the Equipment delivered. The BPUB shall pay the Vendor a monthly rental fee as stipulated in the Bid Schedule and any other associated charges for use/delivery of the Equipment.

• Defective Material and Workmanship

The Equipment furnished hereunder shall remain property of the Vendor; **BPUB will rent the equipment for approximately 6 months** and up to one (1) year during hurricane season beginning in June 2025. BPUB may reject any Equipment which does not comply with the specifications attached hereto and made a part hereof or with the guarantees, if any, of the Vendor and the manufacturer. Upon any such rejection, the Vendor shall repair or replace such

defective Equipment after notice in writing from the Purchaser and in the event of failure by the Vendor to do so, the BPUB may make such replacement and the cost and expense thereof shall be paid by and recoverable from the Vendor.

Miscellaneous

All manufacturers' guarantees of Equipment, if any, shall be in effect during the rental period.

THE VENDOR SHALL HOLD HARMLESS AND INDEMNIFY THE BPUB FROM ANY AND ALL CLAIMS, SUITS, AND PROCEEDINGS FOR INFRINGEMENT OF ANY PATENT OR PATENTS COVERING EQUIPMENT DELIVERED HEREUNDER.

Each and all of the covenants and agreements herein contained shall extend to and be binding upon the successors and assigns of the parties hereto provided, however, that the Vendor shall not assign this contract or any part hereof without approval in writing of the BPUB, and further that the Vendor shall not enter into any contract with any person, firm or corporation for the performance of the Vendor's obligations hereunder, or any part thereof, without the approval in writing of the BPUB.

BID SCHEDULE

B040-25

Item #	Qty	DESCRIPTION	MONTHLY COST FOR EACH UNIT	Month	TOTAL
	1 each	Rental of 440 kW stand-by power diesel generator with trailer		x 6 months	
1	1 Lot	Delivery & pick up charge for Item #1			
1 Lot		Fire, theft & vandalism insurance & environmental fees (if applicable) for Item #1			
	1 each	Rental of 550 kW stand-by power diesel generator with trailer		x 6 months	
2	1 Lot	Delivery & pick up charge for Item #2			
	1 Lot	Fire, theft & vandalism insurance & environmental fees (if applicable) for Item #2			
3	1 each	Rental of 1,000 kW with 750 KVA Step Up Transformer from 480VAC to 2300VAC		x 12 months	
	1 Lot	stand-by power diesel generator with trailer		months	
	1 Lot	Delivery & pick up charge for Item #3 Fire, theft & vandalism insurance & environmental fees (if applicable) for Item #3			
3 each		Rental of 1,000 kW stand-by power diesel generator with trailer		x 12 months	
4	1 Lot	Delivery & pick up charge for Item #4			
	1 Lot	Fire, theft & vandalism insurance & environmental fees (if applicable) for Item #4			
	1 each	Rental of 1,250 kW stand-by power diesel generator with trailer		x 12 months	
5	1 Lot	Delivery & pick up charge for Item #5			
	1 Lot	Fire, theft & vandalism insurance & environmental fees (if applicable) for Item #5			
6	1 Lot	Monthly inspection and testing of each Generator			
		GRAND TOTAL FOR LINE ITEMS 1-6			

Manufacturer:				
Model:				
BEST AVAILABLE DELIVERY DATE:				
BPUB has the right to increase or decrease quantities as deemed necessary. Stipulate below if an increase or decrease in quantities will affect unit price:				
() Yes, an increase or decrease in quantities will affect unit price				
() No, an increase or decrease in quantities will not affect unit price				
NOTE: The BPUB is considering stand-by rental of the above mentioned portable diesel generators for approximately 6 months and up to one (1) year during hurricane season, beginning in June 2025. STATE ANY ADDITIONAL CHARGES ON A SEPARATE SHEET OF PAPER.				

• ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

- 1. The external fuel tank is not a requirement on the bid specifications. If the unit includes the fuel tank as standard item, then it will be considered as part of the bid.
- 2. The startup services will be required on all generators within one week after being delivered.
- 3. The remote monitoring is not a requirement; however, it can be supplied as a standard item, then it will be considered as part of the bid.
- 4. The BPUB is exempt from Texas sales tax on equipment. The prices quoted shall exclude such sales and use tax.
- 5. The rental prices of equipment set forth herein shall include the cost of delivery of the portable diesel generators w/trailers to the various locations throughout the City of Brownsville as specified by BPUB representative. Such delivery shall be made within _____ days after the receipt of the purchase order from the BPUB.
- 6. This Bid is made pursuant to the provisions of the Legal Notice and Instructions to Bidders and the vendor agrees to the terms and conditions thereof.
- 7. The vendor warrants the accuracy of all statements contained in the bid documents and agrees that the BPUB shall rely upon such accuracy as a condition of the contract (purchase order) in the event that this Bid is accepted.
- 8. The vendor warrants that this Bid is made in good faith and without collusion or connection with any other person or persons bidding for the same work.
- 9. The vendor agrees that, in the event this Bid is accepted, a purchase order will be issued prior to material being ordered.
- 10. The vendor warrants that the equipment will conform to the performance data and guarantees, which are attached hereto and by this reference made a part hereof.
- 11. If, in submitting this Bid, the vendor has made any change in the form of Bid furnished by the BPUB, the vendor understands that the BPUB may evaluate the effect of such change as they see fit or they may exclude the Bid from consideration in determining the award.
- 12. BPUB reserves the right to award bids to multiple vendors.

Name of Vendor	By: Signature (Failure to sign will disqualify bid)
Address of Vendor	Title of Officer
Date	
Vendor's contact person for additional	information on this Bid:
Name:	
Telephone:	
Address:	
Email:	

SPECIFICATIONS

PORTABLE DIESEL GENERATORS w/TRAILERS
Charging System
Body Charger
Heavy Duty Charger Alternator
Control Panel
Generator Control & Monitoring
Fuel Tank Monitoring
Engine Control & Monitoring
Digital Display
Cooling System
Fan & Belt Guards
Base Mount Radiator
Air to Air After Cooling
Distribution Panel
Lockable Doors
Low Door Safety Switch
Individual Bus Bar connections
Circuit Breaker w/24VDC shunt trip
Remote Start/Stop Contacts Shore Power Connections
Shore Power Connections
Enclosure
Sound Attenuated
Lockable Doors
Lockable Dools
Fuel System
Diesel
Diesei
Generator
3-Phase 480 V 60 Hz
3 Thuse 100 V 00 Tiz
Mounting System
Generator soft mounted to base
Base contains integral fuel tank
Starting System
Electric Starting Motor
Battery set with disconnect switch
Jacket water heater with thermostat, shut off valves
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	2025 Hurricane Emergency Generator Rentals							
	Location	kW Rating	Rental Contract	Rental Period	Location Address	Delivery Address	Entity	Entity Contact
1	BPUB Raw Water Pumps	550kW	6 months	June 1, 2025 - November 30, 2025	WP 2 Reservoir Raw Water Pump Station	94 Power Plant Dr.	BPUB	BPUB Misael Andrade
2	Lift Station Electrician	440kW	6 months	June 1, 2025 - November 30, 2025	2237 Morningside	2237 Morningside	BID	BPUB Misael Andrade
3	BPUB Water Plant 1 HS- Pump	1000 KW/Xformer 2300 vac	1 year	June 1, 2025 - May 31, 2026	94 Power Plant Dr.	94 Power Plant Dr.	BPUB	BPUB Misael Andrade
4	BPUB Water Plant 1 Main	1000 KW	1 year	June 1, 2025 - May 31, 2026	94 Power Plant Dr.	94 Power Plant Dr.	BPUB	BPUB Misael Andrade
5	BPUB SRWA Micro Filtration	1000 KW	1 year	June 1, 2025 - May 31, 2026	1225 FM511	1225 FM511	BPUB	BPUB Misael Andrade
6	BPUB Filter Yard	1250 kW	1 year	June 1, 2025 - May 31, 2026	1425 Robinhood Dr.	1425 Robinhood Dr.	BPUB	BPUB Misael Andrade

REQUIRED FORMS CHECKLIST

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

NAME	FORM DESC	CRIPTION	SUBMITTED WITH BID		
			YES	NO	
	Acknowledgement Form	1			
	Debarment Certification				
Legal Notice	Ethics Statement				
	Conflict of Interest Ques	tionnaire			
	Certification of Intereste				
Residence Certification					
	State Law Verification				
	House Bill 89 Verification				
	W9 or W8 Form				
	Bid Schedule/Cost sheet signed	completed and			
Special Instructions	Cashier Check or Bid Bo Amount of Bid (if applie				
	OSHA 300 Log (if applie				
	Contractor Pre-Bid Discl signed and notarized (if a	losure completed,			
	Sub-Contractor Pre-Bid completed, signed, and napplicable)	Disclosure			
References	Complete the Previous C Worksheet for each refer				
Addenda			_		

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

The undersigned bidder, by signing and executing this bid, certifies and represents to the Brownsville Public Utilities Board that bidder has not offered, conferred or agreed to confer any pecuniary benefit, as defined by (1.07 (a) (6) of the Texas Penal Code, or any other thing of value as consideration for the receipt of information or any special treatment of advantage relating to this bid; the bidder also certifies and represents that the bidder has not offered, conferred or agreed to confer any pecuniary benefit or other thing of value as consideration for the recipient's decision, opinion, recommendation, vote or other exercise of discretion concerning this bid, the bidder certifies and represents that bidder has neither coerced nor attempted to influence the exercise of discretion by any officer, trustee, agent or employee of the 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:

NOTE: QUESTIONS AND CONCERNS FROM PROSPECTIVE CONTRACTORS SHOULD BE RAISED WITH OWNER AND ITS CONSULTANT (IF APPLICABLE) AND RESOLVED IF POSSIBLE, <u>PRIOR TO</u> THE BID SUBMITTAL DATE. ANY LISTED DEVIATIONS IN A FINALLY SUBMITTED BID MAY ALLOW THE OWNER TO REJECT A BID AS NON-RESPONSIVE.

CERTIFICATION REGARDING DEBARMENT, SUSPENSION, AND OTHER RESPONSIBILITY MATTERS (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.

Name and Title of Authorized Representative (T	vped)	
Signature of Authorized Representative	 Date	
Signature of Authorized Representative	Date	

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

CONFLICT OF INTEREST QUESTIONNAIRE For vendor doing business with local governmental entity	FORM CIQ
This questionnaire reflects changes made to the law by H.B. 23, 84th Leg., Regular Session.	OFFICE USE ONLY
This questionnaire is being filed in accordance with Chapter 176, Local Government Code, by a vendor who has a business relationship as defined by Section 176.001(1-a) with a local governmental entity and the vendor meets requirements under Section 176.006(a).	Date Received
By law this questionnaire must be filed with the records administrator of the local governmental entity not later than the 7th business day after the date the vendor becomes aware of facts that require the statement to be filed. See Section 176.006(a-1), Local Government Code.	
A vendor commits an offense if the vendor knowingly violates Section 176.006, Local Government Code. An offense under this section is a misdemeanor.	
Name of vendor who has a business relationship with local governmental entity.	
Check this box if you are filing an update to a previously filed questionnaire. (The law re completed questionnaire with the appropriate filing authority not later than the 7th busines you became aware that the originally filed questionnaire was incomplete or inaccurate.)	ss day after the date on which
Name of local government officer about whom the information is being disclosed.	
Name of Officer	
4 Describe each employment or other business relationship with the local government off officer, as described by Section 176.003(a)(2)(A). Also describe any family relationship with Complete subparts A and B for each employment or business relationship described. Attack CIQ as necessary.	th the local government officer.
A. Is the local government officer or a family member of the officer receiving or lother than investment income, from the vendor?	ikely to receive taxable income,
Yes No	
B. Is the vendor receiving or likely to receive taxable income, other than investmen of the local government officer or a family member of the officer AND the taxable local governmental entity?	
Yes No	
Describe each employment or business relationship that the vendor named in Section 1 n other business entity with respect to which the local government officer serves as an ownership interest of one percent or more.	
Check this box if the vendor has given the local government officer or a family member as described in Section 176.003(a)(2)(B), excluding gifts described in Section 176.	
7	
Signature of vendor doing business with the governmental entity	Date
Form provided by Texas Ethics Commission www.ethics.state.tx.us	Revised 1/1/2021

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

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

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

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

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

- (a) A local government officer shall file a conflicts disclosure statement with respect to a vendor if:
 - (2) the vendor:
 - (A) has an employment or other business relationship with the local government officer or a family member of the officer that results in the officer or family member receiving taxable income, other than investment income, that exceeds \$2,500 during the 12-month period preceding the date that the officer becomes aware that
 - $(\bar{\textbf{i}})$ 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.

Form provided by Texas Ethics Commission

www.ethics.state.tx.us

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CERTIFICATE OF INTERESTED PARTIES-FORM 1295

Special message: Please read the Special Notification regarding HB 1295 effective January 1, 2016, implemented by the Texas Ethics Commission, which requires business entities to provide a completed Form 1295 to Brownsville PUB with signed contracts in order to execute them.

In 2015, the Texas Legislature adopted House Bill 1295. The law states that a governmental entityor state agency may not enter into certain contracts with a business entity unless the business entity submits a disclosure of interested parties to the governmental entity or state agency at the time the business entity submits the signed contract to the governmental entity or state agency. The law applies to a contract of a governmental entity or state agency that either (1) requires an action or vote by the governing body of the entity or agency before the contract may be signed or (2) has a value of at least \$1 million. The disclosure requirement applies to a contract entered into on or after January 1, 2016.

To implement the law, the Texas Ethics Commission (TEC) adopted new rules necessary to prescribe the disclosure of interested parties form, and post a copy of the form on the commission's website. The commission adopted the Certificate of Interested Parties form, Form 1295, on October 5, 2015. The commission also adopted new rules as part of Chapter 46 of the Texas Administrative Code on November 30, 2015.

On January 1, 2016, TEC made a new filing application available on their website for business entities to use to both create and file Form 1295. Business entities will enter the required information on Form 1295 within the application and print a copy of the completed form, which will include a certification of filing with a unique certification number. An authorized agent of the business entity will need to sign the printed copy of the form and have the form notarized. The completed Form 1295 with the certification of filing must be included with the signed contract to the governmental body or state agency in order for the governmental body to execute the contract.

Brownsville PUB will then notify the commission, using TEC's filing application, of the receipt of the filed Form 1295 with the certification of filing not later than the 30th day after the date the contract binds all parties to the contract.

TEC will then post the business entity's completed Form 1295 to its website within seven (7) business days after receiving notice from Brownsville PUB acknowledging that it was received.

To obtain additional information on HB 1295, to learn more about TEC's process to create a new account or to complete an electronic version of Form 1295 for submission with a signed contract, please go to the following link: https://ethics.state.tx.us/whatsnew/elf_info_form1295.htm
NOTE: IF AWARDED THIS CONTRACT, FORM 1295 WILL BE SUBMITTED AT THETIME THE SIGNED CONTRACT IS SUBMITTED TO BPUB. ___YES___NO

CERTIFICATE OF INTE	RESTED P	ARTIES		ı	FORM 1295
Complete Nos. 1 - 4 and 6 if there are interested parties. Complete Nos. 1, 2, 3, 5, and 6 if there are no interested parties.					CE USE ONLY
Name of business entity filing form, and the city, state and country of the business entity's place of business.					
2 Name of governmental entity or state agency that is a party to the contract for which the form is being filed.					
3 Provide the identification number use and provide a description of the good				rack or iden	tify the contract,
4	City, Sta	ate, Country	Natui	re of Interest	(check applicable)
Name of Interested Party	(place of business)		Соі	ntrolling	Intermediary
5 Check only if there is NO Interested F	Party.				
⁶ UNSWORN DECLARATION					
My name is, and my date of birth is					
My address is					
I declare under penalty of perjury that th	e foregoing is true a	and correct.			
Executed inCounty	, State of	, on theday (n	of nonth)	(year)	20
		Signature of authorized ag (Declarant)		ontracting busing	ess entity
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Organization Name State Law Verifications

I,	(Person's name), the undersigned
representative of (Company or Business name)	
	(hereafter referred to as the
"Company") being an adult over the age of eig	thteen (18) years of age, after being duly sworn by
the undersigned notary, do hereby depose and y	verify under oath as follows:

- IRAN, SUDAN AND FOREIGN TERRORIST ORGANIZATIONS: By submission of a response to City of Brownsville Public Utilities Board ("BPUB") Request for Bid B020-25 (the "RFB"), the responding Company represents that, to the extent this proposal submission or any contracts executed in response to this proposal constitutes a governmental contract within the meaning of Section 2252.151 of the Texas Government Code, as amended, solely for purposes of compliance with Section 2252.152 of the Texas Government Code, and except to the extent otherwise required by applicable federal law, neither the responding Company, nor any wholly owned subsidiary, majority-owned subsidiary, parent company or affiliate of the Company is a company listed by the Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts under Sections 806.051, 807.051, or 2252.153 of the Texas Government Code.
- ANTI-BOYCOTT ISRAEL VERIFICATION: By submission of a response to the BPUB RFQ, the responding Company represents that, to the extent this proposal submission, or any contracts executed in response to this proposal, constitutes a contract for goods or services within the meaning of Section 2271.002 of the Texas Government Code, as amended, solely for purposes of compliance with Chapter 2271 of the Texas Government Code, and subject to applicable federal law, including without limitation, 50 U.S.C. Section 4607, the responding Company, as well as any wholly owned subsidiary, majority-owned subsidiary, parent company or affiliate of the Company, (1) does not boycott Israel and (2) will not boycott Israel through the term of any such contract. The term "boycott Israel" as used in this paragraph has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 808.001 of the Texas Government Code, as amended.
- VERIFICATION REGARDING NO DISCRIMINATION AGAINST FIREARMS: By submission of a response to the BPUB RFQ, the responding Company represents that, to the extent this proposal submission, or any contracts executed in response to this proposal, constitutes a contract for goods or services for which a written verification is required under Section 2274.002, Texas Government Code (as added by Senate Bill 19, 87th Texas Legislature, Regular Session), as amended, the responding Company hereby verifies that it, as well as any wholly owned subsidiary, majority-owned subsidiary, parent company or affiliate of the Firm, (1) does not have a practice, policy, guidance, or directive that discriminates against a firearm entity or firearm trade association; and (2) will not discriminate during the term of any such contract against a firearm entity or firearm trade association. The foregoing verification is made solely to comply with Section 2274.002, Texas Government Code (as added by Senate Bill 19, 87th Texas Legislature, Regular Session), as amended, to the extent such section does not contravene

applicable Texas or federal law. As used in the foregoing verification, "discriminate against a firearm entity or firearm trade association" shall have the meaning assigned to such term in Section 2274.001, Texas Government Code (as added by Senate Bill 19, 87th Texas Legislature, Regular Session).

• VERIFICATION REGARDING NO ENERGY COMPANY BOYCOTTS: By submission of a response to the BPUB RFQ, the responding Company represents that, to the extent this proposal submission, or any contracts executed in response to this proposal, constitutes a contract for goods or services for which a written verification is required under Section 2274.002, Texas Government Code (as added by Senate Bill 13, 87th Texas Legislature, Regular Session), as amended, the responding Company hereby verifies that the responding Company, as well as any wholly owned subsidiary, majority-owned subsidiary, parent company or affiliate of the Firm, (1) does <u>not</u> boycott energy companies and (2) will <u>not</u> boycott energy companies during the term of any such contract. The foregoing verification is made solely to comply with Section 2274.002, Texas Government Code (as added by Senate Bill 13, 87th Texas Legislature, Regular Session), as amended, to the extent such section does not contravene applicable Texas or federal law. As used in the foregoing verification, "boycott energy companies" shall have the meaning assigned to such term in Section 809.001(1), Texas Government Code.

DATE SIGNATU	SIGNATURE OF COMPANY REPRESENTATIVE		
On this the day of	, 20, personally appeared		
being duly sworn, did swear and confirm that the	_, the above-named person, who after by me above is true and correct.		
NOTARY SEAL			
NOTARY SIGNATURE			

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.

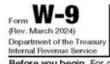
Section 1. (b)

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.

certify that
Company Name) is a resident Texas bidder as defined in Art. 601g.
ignature:
Print Name:
certify that
Company Name) is a nonresident bidder as defined in Art. 601g. and our principal place of usiness is:
(City and State)
ignature:
rint Name:

Previous Customer Reference Worksheet

Name of Customer:	Customer Contact:						
Customer Address:	Customer Phone Number:						
	Customer Email:						
Name of Company Performing Referenced Work:							
What was the Period of Performance?	What was the Final Acceptance Date?						
From:							
To:							
Dollar Value of Contract?	What Type of Contract?						
\$	Firm Fixed Price Time and Material						
Ψ	Not to Exceed						
	Cost Plus Fixed Fee						
	Other, Specify:						
Provide a brief description of the work performed for t							
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Request for Taxpayer Identification Number and Certification

Go to www.irs.gov/FormW9 for instructions and the latest information.

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

Belor	 Name of entity/individual. An entry is required. For a sole proprietor or entity's name on line 2.) 		mer's name	on lir	ne 1, and	d enter	the bus	iness/di	sregarded			
	Business name/disregarded entity name, if different from above.											
Print or type. See Specific Instructions on page 3.	3a Check the appropriate box for federal tax classification of the entity/individual whose name is entered on line 1. Check only one of the following seven boxes. Individual/sole proprietor						Exemptions (codes apply only to certain entities, not individuals; see instructions on page 3): Exempt payee code (if any) Exemption from Foreign Account Tax Compliance Act (FATCA) reporting code (if any)					
Pr Specific I	3b If on line 3a you checked "Partnership" or "Trust/estate," or checked "LLC" and entered "P" as its tax classification, and you are providing this form to a partnership, trust, or estate in which you have an ownership interest, check this box if you have any foreign partners, owners, or beneficiaries. See instructions							(Applies to accounts maintained outside the United States.)				
See	5 Address (number, street, and apt. or suite no.). See instructions.		Requester'	s nam	e and ac	and address (optional)						
	6 City, state, and ZIP code											
	7 List account number(s) here (optional)											
Par	Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN)								-			
-	your TIN in the appropriate box. The TIN provided must match the	name given on line 1 to avo	id S	ocial s	security	numb	er					
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	nt alien, sole proprietor, or disregarded entity, see the instructions t		1000		-		-					
	s, it is your employer identification number (EIN). If you do not have	a number, see How to get	a or				_		-			
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	If the account is in more than one name, see the instructions for lin er To Give the Requester for guidelines on whose number to enter.	See also What Name and			-							
Part	II Certification											
	penalties of perjury, I certify that:											
1. The 2. I am Ser no I	number shown on this form is my correct taxpayer identification no not subject to backup withholding because (a) I am exempt from b vice (IRS) that I am subject to backup withholding as a result of a fa onger subject to backup withholding; and	oackup withholding, or (b) I	have not	been	notified	d by th	e Inter					
	a U.S. citizen or other U.S. person (defined below); and											
	FATCA code(s) entered on this form (if any) indicating that I am exe				330		0					
becaus acquis	cation instructions. You must cross out item 2 above if you have bee se you have failed to report all interest and dividends on your tax retur ition or abandonment of secured property, cancellation of debt, contri han interest and dividends, you are not required to sign the certification	 For real estate transaction butions to an individual retir 	ns, item 2 ement arra	does angen	not app nent (IR	ly. For A), and	mortg d, gene	age interally, p	erest paid ayments			
Sign Here	Signature of U.S. person	De	rte					20.00 (# 5 62				
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related	e developments. For the latest information about developments to Form W-9 and its instructions, such as legislation enacted ney were published, go to www.irs.gov/FormW9.	change is intended to regarding the status of beneficiaries, so that requirements. For exa-	of its indire it can sati imple, a p	ect fo sfy ar artne	reign p ny appli irship th	artner icable nat ha	s, own report s any ir	ers, or ing ndirect	foreign			
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Purpose of Form

An individual or entity (Form W-9 requester) who is required to file an

information return with the IRS is giving you this form because they

Form W-9 (Rev. 3-2024)

Line 3a has been modified to clarify how a disregarded entity completes this line. An LLC that is a disregarded entity should check the appropriate box for the tax classification of its owner. Otherwise, it

should check the "LLC" box and enter its appropriate tax classification.

Form W-8BEN-E

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

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Do NO	OT use this form for:		Instead use Form:
• U.S.	entity or U.S. citizen or resident		
• A fo	reign individual		W-8BEN (Individual) or Form 8233
• A fo	reign individual or entity claiming that income is effectively connected with	h the conduct of t	rade or business within the United States
(unle	ess claiming treaty benefits)		W-8ECI
• A fo	reign partnership, a foreign simple trust, or a foreign grantor trust (unless	claiming treaty be	enefits) (see instructions for exceptions) W-8IMY
gove	reign government, international organization, foreign central bank of issue ernment of a U.S. possession claiming that income is effectively connecte c), 892, 895, or 1443(b) (unless claiming treaty benefits) (see instructions t	ed U.S. income or	that is claiming the applicability of section(s) 115(2),
• Any	person acting as an intermediary (including a qualified intermediary acting	g as a qualified de	erivatives dealer) W-8IMY
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1	Name of organization that is the beneficial owner		2 Country of incorporation or organization
•	Name of organization that is the beneficial owner		2 Country of incorporation of organization
3	Name of disregarded entity receiving the payment (if applicable, see ins	structions)	
4	Chapter 3 Status (entity type) (Must check one box only):	ooration	Partnership
		nplex trust	Foreign Government - Controlled Entity
	☐ Central Bank of Issue ☐ Private foundation ☐ Esta	•	Foreign Government - Integral Part
		rnational organiza	
	If you entered disregarded entity, partnership, simple trust, or grantor trust above, is the	-	
5	Chapter 4 Status (FATCA status) (See instructions for details and comp		
·	Nonparticipating FFI (including an FFI related to a Reporting IGA		ng IGA FFI. Complete Part XII.
	FFI other than a deemed-compliant FFI, participating FFI, or		vernment, government of a U.S. possession, or foreign
	exempt beneficial owner).		k of issue. Complete Part XIII.
	Participating FFI.	Internationa	al organization. Complete Part XIV.
	Reporting Model 1 FFI.		rement plans. Complete Part XV.
	Reporting Model 2 FFI.	_	
	Registered deemed-compliant FFI (other than a reporting Model 1		owned by exempt beneficial owners. Complete Part XVI.
	FFI, sponsored FFI, or nonreporting IGA FFI covered in Part XII).		ancial institution. Complete Part XVII.
	See instructions.		onfinancial group entity. Complete Part XVIII.
	Consequent FFI Commists Boot IV		onfinancial start-up company. Complete Part XIX.
	Sponsored FFI. Complete Part IV.	Complete P	onfinancial entity in liquidation or bankruptcy.
	Certified deemed-compliant nonregistering local bank. Complete Part V.		
			nization. Complete Part XXI.
	Certified deemed-compliant FFI with only low-value accounts.		rganization. Complete Part XXII.
	Complete Part VI.	•	ded NFFE or NFFE affiliate of a publicly traded
	Certified deemed-compliant sponsored, closely held investment		. Complete Part XXIII.
	vehicle. Complete Part VII.		erritory NFFE. Complete Part XXIV.
	Certified deemed-compliant limited life debt investment entity.		E. Complete Part XXV.
	Complete Part VIII.		FE. Complete Part XXVI.
	Certain investment entities that do not maintain financial accounts.	= '	ter-affiliate FFI. Complete Part XXVII.
	Complete Part IX.	☐ Direct repor	-
	Owner-documented FFI. Complete Part X.	_	direct reporting NFFE. Complete Part XXVIII.
	Restricted distributor. Complete Part XI.		at is not a financial account.
6	Permanent residence address (street, apt. or suite no., or rural route). Do no	ot use a P.O. box o	or in-care-of address (other than a registered address).
	City or town, state or province. Include postal code where appropriate.		Country
7	Mailing address (if different from above)		
	City or town, state or province. Include postal code where appropriate.		Country
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