CITY OF MASCOUTAH BID DOCUMENTS

FOR

RESIDENTIAL WASTE COLLECTION

This document has been developed to encourage more recycling and discourage material being disposed of at landfills. This will reduce the dependence on raw materials. It will also extend the life of landfills which will help keep tipping cost competitive. Increased recycling will help keep customer bills lower because taking materials to a recycling center is less expensive than disposing of it in a landfill. Cities that have adopted such policies experience much higher rates of recycling. Since 2000, the trend has been to move to once per week solid waste collection. This change has been largely accepted in many municipalities in the area. It works especially well when customers lessen the amount of trash by placing recyclables in a separate container. A side benefit is the reduction of trash truck traffic in residential areas each week. The City of Mascoutah wishes to provide its citizen's a no additional cost curbside recycling program by making the recycling service part of the base solid waste service plan. Bidders will be able to reduce their tipping fees at landfills and distribute any costs of the recycling program throughout all service customers in the City as part of the base solid waste service plan.

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REQUEST FOR BIDS (B)

Sealed bids for the collection and disposal of RESIDENTIAL WASTE (Trash, Recycling, Yard Waste), for the Municipality of Mascoutah, Illinois will be received by the City Clerk until 10:00 a.m. local time on January 31st, 2024 at City Hall, located at 3 West Main Street, Mascoutah, Illinois, 62258, and will thereafter be publicly opened and read.

Major goals of the Municipality are to decrease tonnage sent to the landfills or transfer stations, to increase recycling and to constrain the increase in costs of all collections.

The Municipality reserves the right to reject any and all bids, and to accept such bid that is advantageous, beneficial or expeditious to the Municipality. No bid may be withdrawn for a period of sixty (60) days after bid opening. Bids may be corrected for clerical or typographical mistakes at the discretion of the Municipality, but not because of a mistake in judgment.

Bid forms, specifications, contract documents and other appropriate papers may be requested by contacting the City Clerk at (618) 566-2964 x106 or by email at <u>mschanz@mascoutah.com</u>.

Bid Documents must be returned in duplicate in a sealed envelope marked "Residential Solid Waste Collection Bid."

INSTRUCTIONS TO BIDDER (C)

- 1. Sealed bids will be received by the Municipality of Mascoutah, until 10:00 a.m. local time January 31st, 2024.
- 2. Bids must be submitted in duplicate in a sealed enveloped marked "RESIDENTIAL WASTE COLLECTION BID."
- 3. Bidders must submit bids for all required services in order to be considered unless otherwise instructed.
- 4. Any bidder may withdraw his/her bid at any time prior to the scheduled opening time for the bids.
- 5. Each proposal shall be made on the attached Bid Form, which shall be signed, with the full name of each proprietorship, partnership, or corporation submitting it. The bid of a proprietorship shall be signed by the owner; or partnership by one of the general partners; a corporation by a duly authorized officer thereof stating his/her title. The complete mailing address and telephone number must be stated.
- 6. Each bidder shall, on separate sheet, provide a statement of the bidder's financial condition and a list of the equipment the bidder will commit for use to fulfill the provisions of these specifications. Included in the list will be the model, year, and type of equipment.
- 7. Each bidder shall complete and submit the attached Non-Collusion Affidavit.
- 8. Each bidder shall provide a list of all municipalities under contract in St. Clair County or three (3) references of municipal contracts for solid waste collections that they have serviced within the last three (3) years from the local Southwestern Illinois area. If no such contracts exist, the bidder must provide at least three (3) references from the closest municipalities served.
- 9. Each bidder shall, on an attached sheet, provide a description of their Solid Waste, Yard Waste, and Recyclable collection operations.
- 10. Each bidder shall, on the attached sheet, provide a list of charges for additional service requested by the Municipality.
- 11. Each bidder shall submit a comprehensive list of all primary and secondary landfills, transfer stations, and recycling centers to be utilized through the life of the contract and any contingency plans in the event such facilities are closed. All landfills used by haulers must be approved and/or permitted by the applicable federal, state and local authorities.

- 12. A performance bond or escrow in lieu of a performance bond acceptable to the Municipality will be required from the successful bidder as described in the specifications. This performance bond will be equal to the first year contract price.
- 13. The Municipality may make any investigation of a bidder as it deems necessary to determine the ability of a bidder to perform the work. Bidders shall furnish information regarding their qualifications upon the reasonable request of the Municipality. The Municipality reserves the right to reject any bid if the evidence submitted by, or other investigation of, the bidder fails to satisfy the Municipality that the bidder has the proper qualifications to perform the work in accordance with the Contract Agreement.
- 14. It is the intent of the Municipality to award the Contract Agreement to the lowest responsible bidder provided the bid has been submitted in accordance with the requirements of the bidding documents. However, the Municipality reserves the right to accept the bid which, in the Municipality's judgment, is in the best interest of and most advantageous to the Municipality. The Municipality reserves the right to waive irregularities, reject any or all bids or to hold bids for up to sixty (60) days and to award the bid in the best interest of the Municipality. The Municipality will reject a bid not accompanied by a Bid Bond or by other data required by the Bidding Documents, to reject a bid which is in any way incomplete or irregular and to re-bid the work at a later date if all bids are rejected.
- 15. Each bid must be accompanied by a bid bond equal to ten (10) percent of the first year in the form of a certified check, a cashier's check or bond payable to the Municipality. All such bid bonds or checks will be returned to the respective unsuccessful bidders within sixty (60) days after the bids are opened, but in no event before a contract is executed with the successful bidder. The bid bond of the successful bidder will be returned to the Contractor when the Contract is executed and a satisfactory performance bond is delivered to the Municipality.
- 16. Should the successful bidder fail or refuse to execute the performance bond and the Contract Agreement required within ten (10) working days after the Contractor has received notice of acceptance of his bid, he shall forfeit to the Municipality the bid bond deposited with his bid as liquidated damages for such failure or refusal.
- 17. All changes in specifications as herein set forth will be by written addendum only. No oral changes are authorized and all communications shall be acted upon as the sole responsibility of the bidder. All questions regarding the specifications shall be directed in writing to the City Manager at 3 West Main Street, Mascoutah, Illinois, 62258, no later than ten (10) days prior to the date of opening of bids.

GENERAL INFORMATION (D)

The solid waste collections service shall conform to all Municipality ordinances regarding solid waste, yard waste, and recyclables and the following specifications or better.

- 1. **Residential Dwelling** is defined as any single family home, mobile home, two family unit, four family unit, all condominiums up to four units per building, apartment complexes up to four units per building and some multiple family apartment complexes.
- 2. **Curb Collection** The Contractor shall provide solid waste, recyclables and yard waste collection removal and disposal service (or combination thereof per Municipality's instruction) to all residential dwellings (including some multiple family apartment complexes) within the corporate limits of Mascoutah. On collection days all refuse containers and items of refuse shall be placed at a designated collection point. The Contractor will not be required to collect refuse from the inside of the buildings.
- 3. **Collection Vehicles** Contractor is to furnish the necessary vehicles for the collection of solid waste, recyclables, and yard waste in leak-proof vehicles provided with tops or coverings to guard against spillage, and shall conceal said contents from view; said vehicles to be kept covered or closed at all times except when being loaded or unloaded.
- 4. **Definitions** Whenever the terms "solid waste/trash," "recyclables," or "yard waste" is used in these specifications, it shall be construed as follows:

<u>Solid Waste:</u> All semi-solid and solid waste derived from and during the procurement, storage, processing, cooking, and consumption of food materials of animal, vegetable or synthetic origin which are intended for and are used by residents, for the refreshment or sustenance of human beings or animals. Solid waste shall not include dead animals, animal parts, and household hazardous waste such as wet paint, pesticides, strong clean air agents, tires, auto batteries, and combustibles of all kinds. Solid waste shall not include ashes stored in ash pits, parts of trees, bushes, and soil, mortar, plaster, concrete, bricks, stone, gravel, sand and all waste or leftover materials resulting from grading, excavation, construction, alteration, repair or wrecking of buildings, structures, walls, roofs, roads, streets, walks or other facilities and such items of rubbish whose weight, size, dimension, and shape require more than one man for removal.

Recyclables means the following -

Containers:

- Glass bottles and jars (clear, brown, green) does not include window glass, dinnerware or ceramics
- Aluminum and metal food cans
- Aluminum trays and foil
- Aseptic packaging and table top containers (milk and juice cartons)
- Steel cans and tins

Plastics:

- PET soda, milk, water, and flavored beverage bottles (#1 clear and green plastic resin)
- HDPE detergent and fabric softener containers (#2 colored plastic resin)
- PVC narrow neck containers only (#3 plastic resin); examples include health and beauty aid products, household cleaners
- LDPE grocery containers (#4 plastic resin); examples include margarine tubs, frozen dessert cups, six and twelve pack rings)
- PP grocery containers (#5 plastic resin); examples include yogurt cups, narrow neck syrup and ketchup bottles
- #7 plastic resin grocery narrow neck containers only

Paper:

- Newspaper, including inserts (remove plastic sleeve)
- Magazines, catalogues and telephone books
- Kraft (brown paper) bags
- Office, computer, notebook and gift wrap paper
- Chipboard (cereal, cake and food mix boxes, gift boxes, etc.)
- Carrier stock (soda and beer can carrying cases)
- Junk mail and envelopes
- Paper back books (does not include hard cover books)
- Cardboard (no waxed cardboard)

<u>Yard waste</u> means yard waste that will fit in a lidded trash can or biodegradable paper bag. Yard waste includes grass clippings, leaves, vines, hedges and shrub trimmings, tree trimmings, and tree limbs. Residents may bundle limbs with twine or rope (bundle dimensions must not exceed 4-feet in length and 18-inches in diameter.) Yard waste does not include dirt or rocks.

<u>Large Household Items</u> means those items other than normal household trash including, but not limited to: appliances, furniture, and any other items which cannot be safely and conveniently loaded into a solid waste transportation vehicle. Specifically excluded are concrete and bricks, vehicle parts, tires, abandoned cars and car parts, whole trees, and construction materials.

- 5. **Special Pick-Ups** shall be defined as large household items as defined above and any other items that cannot be disposed of at landfills, not including hazardous waste. Property owner must schedule the pick-up with the Contractor with at least 48 hours notice, prior to pick-up. Each pick-up of this type will be billed to the resident. Construction materials generated by contractors are not a part of this pick-up.
- 6. **Christmas Tree Disposal** The Contractor will be required to pick up Christmas trees at the curb during the month of January on the resident's regular yard waste collection day.
- 7. **Holiday Schedule** No collections shall be required on the six annual legal holidays. Each pick-up day of the holiday week after the holiday will be serviced one day late. The Contractor shall provide to the Municipality a list of the Contractor's recognized holidays.
- 8. **Collection Routes** The Contractor shall further establish routes for the collection of solid waste, recyclables, and yard waste. The Contractor's collection schedule and collection routes shall be filed with the City Manager.
- 9. **Municipality Owned Facilities** The Contractor will be required to provide solid waste and recyclable collection services to all Municipality owned facilities at no additional cost to the Municipality. These collections will be considered incidental to the contract. This service will include the providing of one 2-cubic yard, or larger, container at each location outlined below.
 - a. City Hall (3 W. Main Street)
 - b. City Park Concession Stand 1-Unit/Ag Building 1-Unit/Bathroom/Maintenance Park Drive 2-Units
 - c. Public Works Facilities (40 W. Union and 68 W. Union)
 - d. Fire House/Civic Center (224 N. Railway)
 - e. Senior Center (227 N. Market)

Said trash containers will be emptied once per week, or as requested by the Municipality. Any new facilities constructed or purchased during the duration of the contract shall be provided the same service.

- 10. **Collection Times -** No collection shall be made before 6:00 a.m. or after 6:00 p.m., except by express authorization of City Manager of the Municipality. No collections shall be made from any types of premises on Sundays. Saturdays will only be allowed for missed pick-ups and holiday weeks as described above.
- 11. **Residential Containers** Solid waste refuse shall be stored in standard trash containers, which may have a maximum capacity of ninety (90) gallons. Recyclables shall be stored in standard containers with a minimum capacity of eighteen (18) gallons and a maximum capacity of ninety (90) gallons, supplied by the hauler. Yard waste shall be stored in containers or biodegradable paper bags supplied by the resident.

- 12. **Cleanliness** In the collection of solid waste, recyclables, and yard waste, the Contractor and its employees shall not place the same upon or suffer the same to be placed, or scattered upon any public place, or private street, alley, or drive, and agrees to replace any receptacle, can or lid damaged by it or its employees and upon collection leave the premises in a neat and clean condition. Contractor will not be allowed to transfer solid waste, recyclables, or yard waste from truck to truck in residential areas except where small pick-up trucks utilized in certain areas of the City and need to dispose their loads into a larger vehicle. In addition, the Contractor will not be allowed to store containers of any kind in common areas or in the City right-of-way. If an unsightly or unsanitary condition results from an action of the Contractor, the Contractor shall respond within four (4) hours of notification to the satisfaction of the City.
- 13. **Contractor Report Daily** The Contractor shall designate a supervisor for collection crews working within the Municipality to assure the duties of such crews are completed per the contract between the Municipality and the Contractor. In addition, the supervisor must be accessible via a cell phone between the hours of 6:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. daily in case of any problems or missed pick-ups. The cell phone number shall be available to the City Manager of the Municipality for direct contact but not for use by the general public.
- 14. **Customer Service Standards** All complaints received by the Contractor or Municipality before 1:00 p.m. shall be resolved by 6:00 p.m. on the day the complaint was received. All complaints received after 1:00 p.m. shall be resolved by noon the next day. The Contractor shall maintain a daily log of all complaints received and time that complaint was resolved. This log of complaints will be made available to the City upon request.
- 15. Customer Service Center The Contractor will operate and maintain a Customer Service Center with the following minimum standards: 1) open between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, during such time, all calls must be answered by a Customer Service Representative; 2) during all other times, calls to the Customer Service Center will be received by an answering service or machine; 3) the Contractor should implement procedures approved by the Municipality whereby complaints can be received via fax, e-mail and web site.
- 16. **Publicity** The Solid Waste Collection Contractor shall provide information promoting recycling and reduction of solid waste and adequate publicity to all residential dwelling units within the Municipality as to the change-over of collection service prior to the initiation of said service. This publicity shall include, but not be limited to, advertisement in a local newspaper of general circulation; at least one mailing to each residential dwelling unit within the corporate limits of the Municipality indicating the date of change-over, the day of collection for the types of collections, what items are collected and how they are to be stored, and the telephone number, fax number, e-mail address and web site of the Contractor's office where questions or complaints can be handled. Such publicity shall be approved by the City Manager of the Municipality prior to distribution publication. The Contractor must distribute annually to the customers information promoting recycling and source reduction. This publication must be approved by the Municipality.

- 17. Insurance The Contractor shall provide a certificate of insurance which shall indemnify and hold harmless the Municipality from any liability, claim, damage, or cause of action which may be sustained by or asserted against the Municipality, directly or indirectly, or in any manner arising out of the performance or failure of performance on the part of the Contractor, and shall cover each vehicle used in the work covered by this agreement. The amount of such liability insurance shall not be less than \$1,000,000 single occurrence and \$2,000,000 aggregate limit coverage. In addition, the Contractor shall carry Worker's Compensation Insurance in such amount as is prescribed by the statutes of the State of Illinois. The insurance shall be maintained in force during the term of this contract. Said insurance shall be carried in a firm or corporation satisfactory to the Municipality and duly licensed or permitted to carry on such business in the State of Illinois. Such insurance policy or policies shall be filed with the Municipality together with the certificate of the insurer that the policy or policies are in full force and effect and that same will not be altered, amended, or terminated without sixty (60) days prior written notice having been given to the Municipality. All certificates of insurance shall specifically list the Municipality as an additional insured with respect to the policies related to the specifications and the Contract Agreement.
- 18. Laws The Contractor will be required to obtain all licenses and permits and comply with all ordinances as provided in Municipality Code of Ordinances to the extent that they are not inconsistent with the provisions of the Contract and specifications. The Contractor shall at all times comply with all ordinances and regulations of St. Clair County, and any rules and regulations issued by the State of Illinois.
- 19. Volume Report Quarterly the Contractor shall complete the trash/recycling/yard waste volume report.

SERVICES TO BE PROVIDED (E)

The Contractor shall have the responsibility to collect, haul and dispose of all household trash, recyclables and yard waste between 6:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. These items will be collected in properly identified trucks. ("Properly identified trucks" means the name, address, and phone number of the Contractor and designation of type of material being collected must be displayed on the truck.) All these services, vehicles, equipment, and collected materials, as described below, are to comply with local City, County and State regulations.

- 1. Trash, recycling, yard waste and bulky items to be picked up as determined by collection option chosen by the City.
- 2. There will be no scavenging by the contractor or his authorized personnel.
- 3. Large household items are to be collected on an "on call" basis. The resident will need to call the hauler with his/her address so the hauler can schedule a pick-up. Any charges for this service will be billed to the resident.
- 4. The Contractor will provide solid waste and recycling services to all City owned facilities at no additional cost. These collections will be considered incidental to the contract.
- 5. The Contractor will provide suitable containers for City sponsored special events at no additional cost. This will include, but not be limited to: Mascoutah Homecoming event, July 4th event, Fall Fest event, Spring Fest event, Baseball Tournament events and two (2) City-wide clean up events.
- 6. Contract duration 3 years with options for year 4 and year 5.

PENALTIES AND FINES (F)

- 1. The Contractor shall pay as liquidated damages in the amount of Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00) per day for failure to comply with the provisions of the contract for service.
- 2. In addition to the provisions of the Performance Bond, if the Contractor fails to service the city on a timely basis, the Contractor shall forfeit payment for services not performed unless remedied to the satisfaction of the Municipality or caused by an act of God.
- 3. Contractor shall defend, indemnify and hold harmless the City and its employees from and against any and all costs arising in any way as a result of the performance or failure to perform on the part of Contractor, or any approved subcontractor, under this contract.
- 4. The contract shall not be assignable or transferable by the Contractor, nor shall any service be performed by a subcontractor for the Contractor without the prior written consent of the Municipality.
- 5. In the event of an emergency or failure by the Contractor to be able to adequately perform residential waste collection services, the Contractor shall immediately contact the City Manager. If a live voice-to-voice conversation is not possible, the Contractor shall contact the Police Department for the Municipality. The Contractor shall follow the instructions of the Municipality to insure the public health, safety and welfare of the Municipality.

PRICE QUOTATION FOR SERVICES (G)

Please list individual bids for service options to be reviewed and selected by the Municipality

Cost of Services per Residential Dwelling Unit/per Month (Billed Directly to Resident)

*Please Base Bids on Approximately 3,700 Residential Dwelling Units

(Three year contract with optional year(s) four and five)

Collection Options:

1. Once per week curbside collection of Trash. Recycling once per week. Bulky item pick up twice per year. Hauler to provide trash and recycling containers:

 \$______
 \$______
 \$______
 \$______

 Year 1
 \$______
 \$______
 \$______

 Year 2
 Year 3
 \$______

 Year 4 (optional)
 Year 5 (optional)

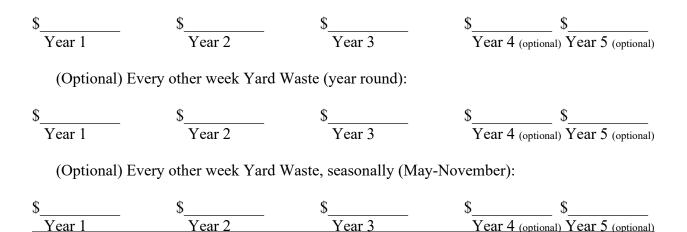
(Optional) Once per week Yard Waste (year around):

\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	(optional) $Year 5$ (optional)

(Optional) Once per week Yard Waste, seasonally (May-November):

\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	(optional) Year 5 (optional)

2. Once per week curbside collection of Trash. Recycling every other week. Bulky item pick up twice per year. Hauler to provide trash and recycling containers.



3. Once per week curbside collection of Trash. Recycling every other week. Bulky item pick up twice per year. City wide yard waste pick up curbside twice per year (October and November to be decided by the city). Hauler to provide trash and recycling containers.

\$ Year 1	\$ Year 2	\$ Year 3	\$Year 4 (option	al) Year 5 (optional)	
(Optional) Every	v other week Yard Was	ste (year round):			
\$ Year 1	\$ Year 2	\$ Year 3	\$ Year 4 (option	_ \$al) Year 5 (optional)	
(Optional) Every	v other week Yard Was	te, seasonally (May-N	ovember):		
\$ Year 1	\$ Year 2	\$ Year 3	\$ Year 4 (option	_ \$ al) Year 5 (optional)	
Additional Contain	er(s):				
Rental of additional	trash container:				
\$ Year 1	\$ Year 2	\$ Year 3	\$Year 4 (option	al) Year 5 (optional)	
Rental of additional recycling container:					
\$ Year 1	\$ Year 2	\$ Year 3	\$Year 4 (option	_ \$al) Year 5 (optional)	
Special Pick Up:					
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Appliance, White Good, Banned Item or Additional Large Household Bulky Item:

\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	(optional) Year 5 (optional)

Senior Citizens Discount:

Discount (Please list the dollar amount that will be deducted monthly from the total bill for the collection plan chosen by the City):

\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	(optional) Year 5 (optional)

Additional Requests:

a.	. Can Contractor provide smaller (less than 65 gallon) container sizes for trash and recycling if request by customer?				
	Yes	or	No	Please list sizes available:	
b.	Can Con recycling			smaller truck (26,000 pd. GVW max.) to provide services for trash and	
	Yes much? _			If yes, will it increase the monthly cost to the customer and by how	
c.	services	from c	ontracte	ion: If a business in town would like to receive trash and/or recycling d provider, please list the cost, size of containers available (starting uency of pick up (please provide pricing for all five years of contract).	
	Yes	or	No		
Na	me of Bid	lder: _			
Co	ompany: _				
M	ailing Add	ress:			
		_			
Ph	one #:			Fax #:	
En	nail Addre	ess:			
Sig	gnature			Title	

RESIDENTIAL WASTE COLLECTION SERVICES CONTRACT FOR 2024 TO 2026 (optional years 2027-2028) (H)

This agreement, made and entered into this _____ day of ______, 2024, by and between the City of Mascoutah, Illinois, hereinafter called the "City" and ______, hereinafter called the "Contractor."

WITNESSETH THAT:

In consideration of the premises and of the mutual promises, the parties hereto do mutually promise, covenant and agree as follows:

The Contractor hereby agrees to furnish all labor, materials, and equipment called for in the bid document for "residential waste collection" and shall perform all work necessary. By providing appropriate services as described in the specifications and accepted bid documents, copy attached, which bid documents and specifications are incorporated herein and made part of this contract.

The Contractor further agrees that he is fully informed regarding all of the conditions affecting the work to be done, and labor and materials to be furnished for the proper completion of this contract, and that this information was secured by personal investigations.

The said Contractor agrees further to begin work no later than April 1, 2024. The Contractor agrees that he will fully comply with all federal and state laws and regulations and local ordinances of the City. In the event of termination of the contract by the Contractor or by the City, the Contractor shall be entitled to receive payment only for work actually performed.

The Contractor expressly warrants that he has employed no third person to solicit or obtain this contract on his behalf, or promised or agreed to pay to any third party.

IN WITNESS	WHEREOF, the parties hereto	have hereunto	affixed their	hands and seal this
day of	, 2024.			

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City Manager/Authorized Officer

BY: _____

DATE:

Contractor

TRASH/RECYCLING/YARD WASTE QUARTERLY VOLUME REPORT FOR THE CITY OF MASCOUTAH

(I)

Quarter:		
	TONS	YTD
TRASH		
RECYCLE		
YARD WASTE		

NON-COLLUSION AFFIDAVIT (J)

STATE OF _____

COUNTY OF _____

_____, being first duly sworn, deposes and says that he is * (sole owner, partner, president, secretary, etc.) of , the party making the foregoing bid; that such bid is not made in the interest of or on behalf of any undisclosed person, partnership, company, association, organization or corporation; that such bid is genuine and not collusive or sham; that said bidder had not directly or indirectly induced or solicited any other bidder to put in a false or sham bid, and has not directly or indirectly colluded, conspired, connived, or agreed with any bidder or anyone else to put in a directly or indirectly, sought by agreement, communication or conference with anyone to fix the bid price of said bidder or of any other bidder, or to fix any overhead, profit or cost element of awarding the contract or anyone interested in the proposed contract; that all statements submitted in his bid price or any breakdown thereof, or the contents thereof, or divulged information or data relative thereto, or paid and will not pay any fee in connection therewith to any corporation, partnership, company, association, organization, bid depository, or to any member or agent thereof, or to any other individual except to such person or persons as have a partnership or other financial interest with said bidder in his general business.

SIGNED:

Signature

Title

Subscribed and sworn to before me this _____day of _____, 2024.

Notary Public

(NOTARY SEAL)