

# ***TECHNICAL PROPOSAL PACKET***

***RFP: 20-04***

## PROPOSAL SIGNATURE PAGE

Type or Print the following information.

PROSPECTIVE CONTRACTOR'S INFORMATION				
Company:				
Address:				
City:		State:		Zip Code:
Business Designation:	<input type="checkbox"/> Individual <input type="checkbox"/> Sole Proprietorship <input type="checkbox"/> Public Service Corp <input type="checkbox"/> Partnership <input type="checkbox"/> Corporation <input type="checkbox"/> Nonprofit			
Minority and Women-Owned Designation*:	<input type="checkbox"/> Not Applicable <input type="checkbox"/> American Indian <input type="checkbox"/> Asian American <input type="checkbox"/> Service Disabled Veteran <input type="checkbox"/> African American <input type="checkbox"/> Hispanic American <input type="checkbox"/> Pacific Islander American <input type="checkbox"/> Women-Owned			
	AR Certification #: _____ * See <i>Minority and Women-Owned Business Policy</i>			
PROSPECTIVE CONTRACTOR CONTACT INFORMATION				
<i>Provide contact information to be used for bid solicitation related matters.</i>				
Contact Person:		Title:		
Phone:		Alternate Phone:		
Email:				
CONFIRMATION OF REDACTED COPY				
<input type="checkbox"/> YES, a redacted copy of submission documents is enclosed. <input type="checkbox"/> NO, a redacted copy of submission documents is <u>not</u> enclosed. I understand a full copy of non-redacted submission documents will be released if requested.  <i>Note: If a redacted copy of the submission documents is not provided with Prospective Contractor's response packet, and neither box is checked, a copy of the non-redacted documents, with the exception of financial data (other than pricing), will be released in response to any request made under the Arkansas Freedom of Information Act (FOIA). See Bid Solicitation for additional information.</i>				
ILLEGAL IMMIGRANT CONFIRMATION				
By signing and submitting a response to this <i>Bid Solicitation</i> , a Prospective Contractor agrees and certifies that they do not employ or contract with illegal immigrants. If selected, the Prospective Contractor certifies that they will not employ or contract with illegal immigrants during the aggregate term of a contract.				
ISRAEL BOYCOTT RESTRICTION CONFIRMATION				
By checking the box below, a Prospective Contractor agrees and certifies that they do not boycott Israel, and if selected, will not boycott Israel during the aggregate term of the contract.  <input type="checkbox"/> Prospective Contractor does not and will not boycott Israel.				

**An official authorized to bind the Prospective Contractor to a resultant contract shall sign below.**

The signature below signifies agreement that any exception that conflicts with a Requirement of this *Bid Solicitation* **will cause the Prospective Contractor's proposal to be rejected.**

Authorized Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Title: \_\_\_\_\_  
*Use Ink Only.*

Printed/Typed Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**PROPOSED SUBCONTRACTORS FORM**

- **Do not** include additional information relating to subcontractors on this form or as an attachment to this form.

**PROSPECTIVE CONTRACTOR PROPOSES TO USE THE FOLLOWING SUBCONTRACTOR(S) TO PROVIDE SERVICES.***Type or Print the following information*

Subcontractor's Company Name	Street Address	City, State, ZIP

☐ **PROSPECTIVE CONTRACTOR DOES NOT PROPOSE TO USE SUBCONTRACTORS TO PERFORM SERVICES.**

## **INFORMATION FOR EVALUATION**

- *Provide a response to each item/question in the RFP. Evaluation will be based on each response. Failure to include a response or if left blank, the proposal will be determined as nonresponsive. A nonresponsive proposal may be rejected.*
- **Do not** include additional information if not pertinent to the itemized request.

### **Maximum Raw Score Available for each category: 5 points**

The following are general factors to be used to evaluate each proposal and determine which proposal will be awarded the contract. They are not necessarily listed in order of importance.

- A. Adequacy and completeness of the proposal with regard to the information specified, i.e., compliance with terms, conditions, and other provisions contained in the RFP.
- B. Technical Component and ability to provide required specifications
- C. Likelihood that proposed methodology will accomplish expected outcomes;
- D. Ability of the firm to perform successfully under the terms and conditions of this bid and the ensuing contract
- E. Cost Component
- F. The integrity, past performance in higher education with number of HE customers, and technical resources of the firm
- G. Staff availability and their experience.
- H. Demonstrated experience, particularly in the firm's familiarity with a project of this scope as generally outlined in the RFP.

An evaluation team will judge the merit of proposals received in accordance with the general criteria. Individual team members will first rate proposals on the areas specified in Sections 2-3 on a 1-5 scale with 1 the lowest score and 5 the highest score. While a rating system may be used to assist the evaluation committee in making the award decision, the award decision ultimately is a business judgment that will reflect an integrated assessment of the relative merits of the proposals using the factors set forth below:

Business/Experience  
Organization  
Financial Stability  
Methodology  
Capabilities  
Compliance  
Cost

**\*\*SEE SECTION 2 OF RFP**

Quality Rating	Quality of Response	Description	Confidence in Proposed Approach
5	Excellent	When considered in relation to the RFP evaluation factor, the proposal squarely meets the requirement and exhibits outstanding knowledge, creativity, ability or other exceptional characteristics. Extremely good.	Very High
4	Good	When considered in the relation to the RFP evaluation factor, the proposal squarely meets the requirement and is better than merely acceptable.	High
3	Acceptable	When considered in relation to the RFP evaluation factor, the proposal is of acceptable quality.	Moderate
2	Marginal	When considered in relation to the RFP evaluation factor, the proposal's acceptability is doubtful.	Low
1	Poor	When considered in relation to the RFP evaluation factor, the proposal is inferior.	Very Low
0	Unacceptable	When considered in relation to the RFP evaluation factor, the proposal clearly does not meet the requirement, either because it was left blank or because the proposal is unresponsive.	No Confidence

## ATTENTION BIDDERS

Act 2157 of 2005 of the Arkansas Regular Legislative Session requires that any business or person bidding, responding to a request for proposal or qualifications, or negotiating a contract with the state for professional or consultant services, submit their most current equal opportunity policy (EO Policy).

Although bidders are encouraged to have a viable equal opportunity policy, **a written response stating the bidder does not have such an EO Policy** will be considered that bidder's response and will be acceptable in complying with the requirement of Act 2157.

**This is a mandatory requirement when submitting an offer as described above.**

Should you have any questions regarding this requirement, please contact my office by calling (870) 230-5117.

Sincerely,

*Tim L. Jones*

Tim L. Jones, APO  
HSU Director of Purchasing

**To be completed by business or person submitting response: (check appropriate box)**

\_\_\_\_\_ **EO Policy Attached [this is mandatory, if available]**

\_\_\_\_\_ **If an EO Policy cannot be provided – a written signed and dated statement must accompany this page indicating, 'No EO Policy is available.'**

**Company Name**

**Or Individual:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Title:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

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

**MINORITY BUSINESS POLICY:** Minority participation is encouraged this all procurements by state agencies. "Minority" is defined by Arkansas Code Annotated § 1-2-503 as "black or African American, Hispanic American, American Indian or Native American, Asian, and Pacific Islander". The Arkansas Economic Development Commission conducts a certification process for minority businesses. Bidders unable to include minority-owned business as subcontractors "may explain the circumstances preventing minority inclusion".

**Check minority type:** ☐ African American ☐ Hispanic American ☐ American Indian  
☐ Native American ☐ Asian ☐ Pacific Islander ☐ Disabled Veteran

**Arkansas Economic Development Commission certification (if available) #:** \_\_\_\_\_

HENDERSON STATE UNIVERSITY  
Purchasing Department  
1100 HENDERSON STREET  
ARKADELPHIA, ARKANSAS 71923  
870-230-5117 PHONE  
870-230-5486 FAX

Act 157 of 2007 of the Arkansas Regular Legislative Session **requires** that any business or person responding to a Request for Proposal (RFP) certify, prior to the award of the contract that they do not employ or contract with any illegal immigrants. Bidders are to certify online at:

<https://www.ark.org/dfa/immigrant/index.php/disclosure/submit/new>

**This is a mandatory requirement. Failure to certify may result in rejection of your proposal, and no award will be made to a vendor who has not so certified.**

If you have any questions, please call the Purchasing Department at 870-230-5117.

Thank you.

Tim Jones  
Director of Purchasing  
[jonest@hsu.edu](mailto:jonest@hsu.edu)

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*TO BE COMPLETED BY BUSINESS OR PERSON SUBMITTING RESPONSE:*

Please check the appropriate statement below:

\_\_\_\_\_ We have certified on-line that we do not employ or contract with any illegal immigrants  
Date on-line certification completed: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ We have NOT certified on-line at this time, and we understand that no contract can awarded to our firm until we have done so.  
Reason for non-certification: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Company: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Name & Title: \_\_\_\_\_  
(printed or typed)

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

## RESTRICTION OF BOYCOTT OF ISRAEL CERTIFICATION

Pursuant to Arkansas Code Annotated § 25-1-503, a public entity **shall not** enter into a contract valued at \$1,000 or greater with a company unless the contract includes a written certification that the person or company is not currently engaged in, and agrees for the duration of the contract not to engage in, a boycott of Israel.

By signing below, the Contractor agrees and certifies that they do not currently boycott Israel and will not boycott Israel during any time in which they are entering into, or while in contract, with any public entity as defined in § 25-1-503\* If at any time after signing this certification the contractor decides to engage in a boycott of Israel, the contractor must notify the contracting public entity in writing.

If a company does boycott Israel, see Arkansas Code Annotated § 25-1-503.

Name of public entity	
AASIS Vendor Number	
Contractor/Vendor Name	

Contractor Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
Signature must be hand written, in ink

“Public Entity” means the State of Arkansas, or a political subdivision of the state, including all boards, commissions, agencies, institutions, authorities, and bodies politic and corporate of the state, created by or in accordance with state law or regulations, and does include colleges, universities, a statewide public employee retirement system, and institutions in Arkansas as well as units of local and municipal government.



Contracts and Grant Disclosure and Certification.

Any contract, or amendment to any contract, executed by the University, which exceed \$25,000, shall require the contractor to disclose information as required under the terms of Executive Order 98-04 and the regulations pursuant thereto. Failure of any person or entity to disclose or the violations of any rule, regulations or policy promulgated by the Arkansas Department of Finance and Administration pursuant to this order shall be considered a material breach of the terms of the contract. The material breach of the term shall subject the party failing to disclose, or in violation, to all legal remedies available to the University under the provision of existing law. The attached Contract Grant and Disclosure and Certification Form (f-1 and F-2) shall be used for the disclosure purpose. No contract or amendment to any existing contract will be approved until the contractor completes and returns the disclosure form (form available online).

<https://www.dfa.arkansas.gov/images/uploads/procurementOffice/contgrantform.pdf>

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**To Access the IMPACT/VPAT form, please click on the link below:**

<https://www.hsu.edu/uploads/pages/impactvpac.pdf>