



RFP #070924
REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS
for
Office Supply and Workplace Catalog Solutions

Proposal Due Date: July 9, 2024, 4:30 p.m., Central Time

Sourcewell, a State of Minnesota local government unit and service cooperative, is requesting proposals for Office Supply and Workplace Catalog Solutions to result in a contracting solution for use by its Participating Entities. Sourcewell Participating Entities include thousands of governmental, higher education, K-12 education, nonprofit, tribal government, and other public agencies located in the United States and Canada. A full copy of the Request for Proposals can be found on the Sourcewell Procurement Portal [<https://proportal.sourcewell-mn.gov>]. Only proposals submitted through the Sourcewell Procurement Portal will be considered. Proposals are due no later than July 9, 2024, at 4:30 p.m. Central Time, and late proposals will not be considered.

SOLICITATION SCHEDULE

Public Notice of RFP Published:	May 16, 2024
Pre-proposal Conference:	June 27, 2024, 10:00 a.m., Central Time
Question Submission Deadline:	July 1, 2024, 4:30 p.m., Central Time
Proposal Due Date:	July 9, 2024, 4:30 p.m., Central Time Late responses will not be considered.
Opening:	July 9, 2024, 4:30 p.m., Central Time See RFP Section V.G. "Opening"

I. ABOUT SOURCEWELL

A. SOURCEWELL

Sourcewell is a State of Minnesota local government unit and service cooperative created under the laws of the State of Minnesota (Minnesota Statutes Section 123A.21) that facilitates a competitive public solicitation and contract award process for the benefit of its 50,000+ participating entities across the United States and Canada. Sourcewell's solicitation process complies with State of Minnesota law and policies, conforms to Canadian trade agreements (including Canadian Free Trade Agreement, Ontario-Quebec Trade and Cooperation Agreement, and Canada-European Union Comprehensive Economic and Trade Agreement, as applicable), and results in cooperative purchasing solutions from which Sourcewell's Participating Entities procure equipment, products, and services.

Cooperative purchasing provides participating entities and suppliers increased administrative efficiencies and the power of combined purchasing volume that result in overall cost savings. At times, Sourcewell also partners with other purchasing cooperatives to combine the purchasing volume of their membership into a single solicitation and contract expanding the reach of contracted suppliers' potential pool of end users.

Sourcewell uses a website-based platform, the Sourcewell Procurement Portal, through which all proposals to this RFP must be submitted.

B. USE OF RESULTING CONTRACTS

In the United States, Sourcewell's contracts are available for use by:

- Federal and state government entities;
- Cities, towns, and counties/parishes;
- Education service cooperatives;
- K-12 and higher education entities;
- Tribal government entities;
- Some nonprofit entities; and
- Other public entities.

In Canada, Sourcewell's contracts are available for use by:

- Provincial and territorial government departments, ministries, agencies, boards, councils, committees, commissions, and similar agencies;
- Indigenous self-governing bodies;
- Regional, local, district, and other forms of municipal government, municipal organizations, school boards, and publicly funded academic, health, and social service entities referred to as MASH sector (this should be construed to include but not be limited to the Cities of Calgary, Edmonton, Toronto, Ottawa, and Winnipeg), as well as any corporation or entity owned or controlled by one or more of the preceding entities;

- Crown corporations, government enterprises, and other entities that are owned or controlled by these entities through ownership interest; and
- Members of the Canoe procurement group of Canada, and their partner associations: Canoe members are regional, local, district or other forms of municipal government, school boards, publicly-funded academic, health and social service entities in Alberta and across Canada, as well as any corporation or entity owned or controlled by one or more of the preceding entities – as well as partner associations, including Saskatchewan Association of Rural Municipalities, Association of Manitoba Municipalities, Local Authorities Services/Association of Municipalities Ontario, Nova Scotia Federation of Municipalities, Federation of Prince Edward Island Municipalities, Municipalities Newfoundland Labrador, Union of New Brunswick Municipalities, North West Territories Association of Communities, CivicInfo BC, and their members.

For a listing of current United States and Canadian Participating Entities visit Sourcewell's website (note: there is a tab for each country): <https://www.sourcewell-mn.gov/sourcewell-for-vendors/agency-locator>.

Participating Entities typically access contracted equipment, products, or services through a purchase order issued directly to the contracted supplier. A Participating Entity may request additional terms or conditions related to a purchase. Use of Sourcewell contracts is voluntary and Participating Entities retain the right to obtain similar equipment, products, or services from other sources.

To meet Participating Entities' needs, Sourcewell broadly publishes public notice of all solicitation opportunities, including this RFP. In addition, where applicable, other purchasing cooperatives and procurement officials receive notice and are encouraged to re-post the solicitation opportunity.

Proof of publication will be available at the conclusion of the solicitation process.

II. SOLICITATION DETAILS

A. SOLUTIONS-BASED SOLICITATION

This RFP and contract award process is a solutions-based solicitation; meaning that Sourcewell is seeking equipment, products, or services that meet the general requirements of the scope of this RFP and that are commonly desired or are required by law or industry standards.

B. REQUESTED EQUIPMENT, PRODUCTS, OR SERVICES

It is expected that proposers will offer a wide array of equipment, products, or services at lower prices and with better value than what they would ordinarily offer to a single government entity, a school district, or a regional cooperative.

[NOTE: INSERT SCOPE REFINEMENT HERE. This section will change depending upon RFP]

1. Sourcewell is seeking proposals for Office Supply and Workplace Catalog Solutions that must include a complete electronic catalog system permitting Sourcewell and Sourcewell Members to make web-based purchases and receive delivery of:

- a. Comprehensive office and workplace supplies and equipment solutions;
- b. Breakroom and food supplies;
- c. School, classroom, and art supplies;
- d. Warehouse and materials handling supplies;
- e. First aid and safety supplies;
- f. Promotional and print products and supplies;
- g. Technology-related supplies, equipment, and accessories; and
- h. Customer support or assessment services related to the purchase of the supplies or products described in subparts a. – g. above.

2. Proposers may also include furniture, seating, and storage equipment solutions complementary to the office and workplace supplies described in Sections 1. a. – f. above.

The catalog must be designed to populate with the Sourcewell and Sourcewell Member pricing offered by Proposer. To the extent that Proposer includes sales through retail store locations, the system must be capable of providing Sourcewell and Sourcewell Member pricing for purchases at Proposer's retail store locations.

Proposers may include related equipment, accessories, and services to the extent that these solutions are ancillary or complementary to the equipment, products, or services being proposed.

3. The primary focus of this solicitation is the offering of a web-based office supply and workplace catalog, but alternate forms of transaction (e.g., PO and invoice transactions) are a permissible ancillary service method.

Generally, the solutions for Participating Entities are turn-key solutions, providing a combination of equipment, products and services, delivery, and installation to a properly operating status. However, equipment-only or products-only solutions may be appropriate for situations where Participating Entities possess the ability, either in-house or through local third-

party contractors, to properly install and bring to operation the equipment or products being proposed.

Sourcewell prefers suppliers that provide a sole source of responsibility for the equipment, products, and services provided under a resulting contract. If proposer is including the equipment, products, and services of its subsidiary entities, the proposer must also identify all included subsidiaries in its proposal. If proposer requires the use of distributors, dealers, resellers, or subcontractors to provide the equipment, products, or services, the proposal must address how the equipment, products or services will be provided to Participating Entities, and describe the network of distributors, dealers, resellers, and/or subcontractors that will be available to serve Participating Entities under a resulting contract.

Sourcewell encourages suppliers to offer the broadest possible selection of equipment, products, and services being proposed over the largest possible geographic area and to the largest possible cross-section of Sourcewell current and future Participating Entities.

C. REQUIREMENTS

It is expected that proposers have knowledge of all applicable industry standards, laws, and regulations and possess an ability to market and distribute the equipment, products, or services to Participating Entities.

1. Safety Requirements. All items proposed must comply with current applicable safety or regulatory standards or codes.
2. Deviation from Industry Standard. Deviations from industry standards must be identified with an explanation of how the equipment, products, and services will provide equivalent function, coverage, performance, and/or related services.
3. New Equipment and Products. Proposed equipment and products must be for new, current model; however, proposer may offer certain close-out equipment or products if it is specifically noted in the Pricing proposal.
4. Delivered and operational. Unless clearly noted in the proposal, equipment and products must be delivered to the Participating Entity as operational.
5. Warranty. All equipment, products, supplies, and services must be covered by a warranty that is the industry standard or better.

D. PROSPECTIVE CONTRACT TERM

The term of any resulting contract(s) awarded by Sourcewell under this solicitation will be four years. Sourcewell and supplier may agree to up to three additional one-year extensions based on the best interests of Sourcewell and its Participating Entities. Sourcewell retains the right to consider additional extensions beyond seven years as required under exceptional circumstances.

E. ESTIMATED CONTRACT VALUE AND USAGE

Based on past volume of similar contracts, the estimated annual value of all transactions from contracts resulting from this RFP are anticipated to be USD 500 Million; therefore, proposers are expected to propose volume pricing. Sourcewell anticipates considerable activity under the contract(s) awarded from this RFP; however, sales and sales volume from any resulting contract are not guaranteed.

F. MARKETING PLAN

Proposer's sales force will be the primary source of communication with Participating Entities. The proposer's Marketing Plan should demonstrate proposer's ability to deploy a sales force or dealer network to Participating Entities, as well as proposer's sales and service capabilities. It is expected that proposer will promote and market any contract award.

G. ADDITIONAL CONSIDERATIONS

1. Contracts will be awarded to proposers able to best meet the need of Participating Entities. Proposers should submit their complete line of equipment, products, or services that are applicable to the scope of this RFP.
2. A proposer may submit only one proposal. If related, affiliated, or subsidiary entities elect to submit separate proposals, rather than a single parent-entity proposal, each such proposal must be prepared independently and without cooperation, collaboration, or collusion.
3. If a proposer works with a consultant on its proposal, the consultant (an individual or company) may not assist any other entity with a proposal for this solicitation.
4. Proposers should include all relevant information in its proposal, since Sourcewell cannot consider information that is not included in the proposal. Sourcewell reserves the right to verify proposer's information and may request clarification from a proposer, including samples of the proposed equipment or products.
5. Depending upon the responses received in a given category, Sourcewell may need to organize responses into subcategories in order to provide the broadest coverage of the requested equipment, products, or services to Participating Entities. Awards may be based on a subcategory.
6. A proposer's documented negative past performance with Sourcewell or its Participating Entities occurring under a previously awarded Sourcewell contract may be considered in the evaluation of a proposal.

III. PRICING

A. REQUIREMENTS

All proposed pricing must be:

1. Either Line-Item Pricing or Percentage Discount from Catalog Pricing, or a combination of these:
 - a. **Line-item Pricing** is pricing based on each individual product or services. Each line must indicate the proposer's published "List Price," as well as the "Contract Price."
 - b. **Percentage Discount from Catalog or Category** is based on a percentage discount from a catalog or list price, defined as a published Manufacturer's Suggested Retail Price (MSRP) for the products or services. Individualized percentage discounts can be applied to any number of defined product groupings. Proposers will be responsible for providing and maintaining current published MSRP with Sourcwell, and this pricing must be included in its proposal and provided throughout the term of any contract resulting from this RFP.
2. The proposer's not to exceed price. A not to exceed price is the highest price for which equipment, products, or services may be billed to a Participating Entity. However, it is permissible for suppliers to sell at a price that is lower than the contracted price.
3. Stated in U.S. and Canadian dollars (as applicable).
4. Clearly understandable, complete, and fully describe the total cost of acquisition (e.g., the cost of the proposed equipment, products, and services delivered and operational for its intended purpose in the Participating Entity's location).

Proposers should clearly identify any costs that are NOT included in the proposed product or service pricing. This may include items such as installation, set up, mandatory training, or initial inspection. Include identification of any parties that impose such costs and their relationship to the proposer. Additionally, proposers should clearly describe any unique distribution and/or delivery methods or options offered in the proposal.

B. ADMINISTRATIVE FEES

Proposers awarded a contract are expected to pay to Sourcwell an administrative fee in exchange for Sourcwell facilitating the resulting contracts. The administrative fee is normally calculated as a percentage of the total sales to Participating Entities for all contracted equipment, products, or services made during a calendar quarter, and is typically one percent (1%) to two percent (2%). In some categories, a flat fee may be an acceptable alternative.

IV. CONTRACT

Proposers awarded a contract will be required to execute a contract with Sourcwell (see attached template). Only those modifications the proposer indicates in its proposal will be available for discussion. Much of the language in the Contract reflects Minnesota legal requirements and cannot be altered. Numerous and/or onerous exceptions that contradict Minnesota law may result in the proposal being disqualified from further review and evaluation.

To identify any exception, or to request any modification, to Sourcwell's standard Contract terms, conditions, or specifications, a proposer must submit the proposed exception(s) or

requested modification(s) via redline in the Contract Template provided in the “Documents” section of the “Bid Details” page on the Sourcewell Procurement Portal and uploaded as part of its response. Only those exceptions noted at the time of the proposal submission will be considered.

Exceptions must:

1. Clearly identify the affected article and section.
2. Clearly note the requested modification; and as applicable, provide requested alternative language.

Unclear requests will be automatically denied.

Only those exceptions that have been accepted by Sourcewell will be included in the contract document provided to the awarded supplier for signature.

If a proposer receives a contract award resulting from this solicitation it will have up to 30 days to sign and return the contract. After that time, at Sourcewell’s sole discretion, the contract award may be revoked.

V. RFP PROCESS

A. PRE-PROPOSAL CONFERENCE

Sourcewell will hold an optional, non-mandatory pre-proposal conference via webcast on the date and time noted in the Solicitation Schedule for this RFP and on the Sourcewell Procurement Portal. The purpose of this conference is to allow potential proposers to ask questions regarding this RFP and Sourcewell’s competitive contracting process. Information about the webcast will be sent to all entities that have registered for this solicitation opportunity through their Sourcewell Procurement Portal Vendor Account. Pre-proposal conference attendance is optional.

B. QUESTIONS REGARDING THIS RFP AND ORAL COMMUNICATION

All questions regarding this RFP must be submitted through the Sourcewell Procurement Portal. The deadline for submission of questions is found in the Solicitation Schedule and on the Sourcewell Procurement Portal. Answers to questions will be issued through an addendum to this RFP. Repetitive questions will be summarized into a single answer and identifying information will be removed from the submitted questions.

All questions, whether specific to a proposer or generally related to the RFP, must be submitted using this process. Do not contact individual Sourcewell staff to ask questions or request information as this may disqualify the proposer from responding to this RFP. Sourcewell will not respond to questions submitted after the deadline.

C. ADDENDA

Sourcewell may modify this RFP at any time prior to the proposal due date by issuing an addendum. Addenda issued by Sourcewell become a part of the RFP and will be delivered to potential proposers through the Sourcewell Procurement Portal. Sourcewell accepts no liability in connection with the delivery of any addenda.

Before a proposal will be accepted through the Sourcewell Procurement Portal, all addenda, if any, must be acknowledged by the proposer by checking the box for each addendum. It is the responsibility of the proposer to check for any addenda that may have been issued up to the solicitation due date and time.

If an addendum is issued after a proposer submitted its proposal, the Sourcewell Procurement Portal will WITHDRAW the submission and change the proposer's proposal status to INCOMPLETE. The proposer can view this status change in the "MY BIDS" section of the Sourcewell Procurement Portal Vendor Account. The proposer is solely responsible to check the "MY BIDS" section of the Sourcewell Procurement Portal Vendor Account periodically after submitting its proposal (and up to the Proposal Due Date). If the proposer's proposal status has changed to INCOMPLETE, the proposer is solely responsible to:

- i) make any required adjustments to its proposal;
- ii) acknowledge the addenda; and
- iii) ensure the re-submitted proposal is received through the Sourcewell Procurement Portal no later than the Proposal Due Date and time shown in the Solicitation Schedule above.

D. PROPOSAL SUBMISSION

Proposer's complete proposal must be submitted through the Sourcewell Procurement Portal no later than the date and time specified in the Solicitation Schedule. Any other form of proposal submission, whether electronic, paper, or otherwise, will not be considered by Sourcewell. **Late proposals will not be considered.** It is the proposer's sole responsibility to ensure that the proposal is received on time.

It is recommended that proposers allow sufficient time to upload the proposal and to resolve any issues that may arise. The time and date that a proposal is received by Sourcewell is solely determined by the Sourcewell Procurement Portal web clock.

In the event of problems with the Sourcewell Procurement Portal, follow the instructions for technical support posted in the portal. It may take up to 24 hours to respond to certain issues.

Upon successful submission of a proposal, the Sourcewell Procurement Portal will automatically generate a confirmation email to the proposer. If the proposer does not receive a confirmation email, contact Sourcewell's support provider at support@bidsandtenders.ca.

To ensure receipt of the latest information and updates via email regarding this solicitation, or if the proposer has obtained this solicitation document from a third party, the onus is on the

proposer to create a Sourcewell Procurement Portal Vendor Account and register for this solicitation opportunity.

Within the Sourcewell Procurement Portal, all proposals must be digitally acknowledged by an authorized representative of the proposer attesting that the information contained in the proposal is true and accurate. By submitting a proposal, proposer warrants that the information provided is true, correct, and reliable for purposes of evaluation for potential contract award. The submission of inaccurate, misleading, or false information is grounds for disqualification from a contract award and may subject the proposer to remedies available by law.

E. GENERAL PROPOSAL REQUIREMENTS

Proposals must be:

- In substantial compliance with the requirements of this RFP or it will be considered nonresponsive and be rejected.
- Complete. A proposal will be rejected if it is conditional or incomplete.
- Submitted in English.
- Valid and irrevocable for 90 days following the Proposal Due Date.

Any and all costs incurred in responding to this RFP will be borne by the proposer.

F. PROPOSAL WITHDRAWAL

Prior to the proposal deadline, a proposer may withdraw its proposal.

G. OPENING

The Opening of proposals will be conducted in the Sourcewell Procurement Portal immediately following the proposal due date and time. To view the list of proposers resulting from the opening, verify that the Sourcewell Procurement Portal opportunities list search is set to "All" or "Closed."

Members of the public may attend the Opening at Sourcewell's office located at 202 12th Street NE, Staples, MN to hear the results.

VI. EVALUATION AND AWARD

A. EVALUATION

It is the intent of Sourcewell to award one or more contracts to responsive and responsible proposers offering the best overall quality, selection of equipment, products, and services, and price that meet the commonly requested specifications of Sourcewell and its Participating Entities. The award(s) will be limited to the number of proposers that Sourcewell determines is necessary to meet the needs of its Participating Entities.

Factors to be considered in determining the number of contracts to be awarded in any category may include the following:

- Total evaluation scores (giving consideration to natural breaks in the scoring of responsive proposals);
- The number and geographic location of highest-scoring proposers that offer:
 - A comprehensive selection of the requested equipment, products, or services;
 - A sales and service network ensuring availability and coverage for Participating Entities' use; and
 - Other attributes of the proposer or contents of its proposal that assist Participating Entities in achieving environmental and social requirements, and goals.

Information submitted as part of a proposal should be as specific as possible when responding to the RFP. Do not assume Sourcewell has any knowledge about a specific supplier or product.

B. AWARD(S)

Award(s) will be made to the highest-scoring proposer(s) whose proposal conforms to all conditions and requirements of the RFP, and consistent with the award criteria defined in this RFP.

Sourcewell may request written clarification of a proposal at any time during the evaluation process.

Proposal evaluation will be based on the following scoring criteria and the Sourcewell Evaluator Scoring Guide (a copy is available in the Sourcewell Procurement Portal):

Conformance to RFP Requirements	50
Financial Viability and Marketplace Success	75
Ability to Sell and Deliver Service	100
Marketing Plan	50
Value Added Attributes	75
Warranty	50
Depth and Breadth of Offered Equipment, Products, or Services	200
Pricing	400
TOTAL POINTS	1000

C. PROTESTS OF AWARDS

Any protest made under this RFP by a proposer must be in writing, addressed to Sourcewell's Executive Director, and delivered to the Sourcewell office located at 202 12th Street NE, P.O. Box 219, Staples, MN 56479. All documents that comprise the complete protest package must be received, and time stamped at the Sourcewell office by 4:30 p.m., Central Time, no later than 10 calendar days following Sourcewell's notice of contract award(s) or non-award. A

protest must allege a procedural, technical, or legal defect, with supporting documentation. A protest that merely requests a re-evaluation of a proposal's content will not be entertained

A protest must include the following items:

- The name, address, and telephone number of the protester;
- Identification of the solicitation by RFP number;
- A precise statement of the relevant facts;
- Identification of the alleged procedural, technical, or legal defect;
- Analysis of the basis for the protest;
- Any additional supporting documentation;
- The original signature of the protester or its representative; and
- Protest bond in the amount of \$20,000 (except where prohibited by law or treaty).

Protests that do not address these elements will not be reviewed.

D. RIGHTS RESERVED

This RFP does not commit Sourcewell to award any contract, and a proposal may be rejected if it is nonresponsive, conditional, incomplete, conflicting, or misleading. Proposals that contain false statements or do not support an attribute or condition stated by the proposer may be rejected.

Sourcewell reserves the right to:

- Modify or cancel this RFP at any time;
- Reject any and all proposals received;
- Reject proposals that do not comply with the provisions of this RFP;
- Select, for contracts or for discussion, a proposal other than that with the lowest cost;
- Independently verify any information provided in a proposal;
- Disqualify any proposer that does not meet the requirements of this RFP, is debarred or suspended by the United States or Canada, State of Minnesota, Participating Entity's state or province; has an officer, or other key personnel, who have been charged with a serious crime; or is bankrupt, insolvent, or where bankruptcy or insolvency are a reasonable prospect;
- Waive or modify any informalities, irregularities, or inconsistencies in the proposals received;
- Clarify any part of a proposal and discuss any aspect of the proposal with any proposer; and negotiate with more than one proposer;
- Award a contract if only one responsive proposal is received if it is in the best interest of Participating Entities; and
- Award a contract to one or more proposers if it is in the best interest of Participating Entities.

E. DISPOSITION OF PROPOSALS

All materials submitted in response to this RFP will become property of Sourcewell and will become public record in accordance with Minnesota Statutes Section 13.591, after negotiations are complete. Sourcewell considers that negotiations are complete upon execution of a resulting contract. It is the proposer's responsibility to clearly identify any data submitted that it considers to be protected. Proposer must also include a justification for the classification citing the applicable Minnesota law. Sourcewell may reject proposals that are marked confidential or nonpublic, either substantially or in their entirety.

Sourcewell will not consider the prices submitted by the proposer to be confidential, proprietary, or trade secret materials. Financial information, including financial statements, provided by a proposer is not considered trade secret under the statutory definition.



5/16/2024

Addendum No. 1

Solicitation Number: RFP 070924

Solicitation Name: Office Supply and Workplace Catalog Solutions

Consider the following Addendum, to be part of the above-titled solicitation documents. The remainder of the documents remain unchanged.

A typographical error has been identified in Article II. Section B. – Requested Equipment, Products, or Services of the RFP that is posted to the solicitation details page in the Sourcewell Procurement Portal. To correct the error, the RFP is amended to read as follows (Omitting the strikeout words):

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B. REQUESTED EQUIPMENT, PRODUCTS, OR SERVICES It is expected that proposers will offer a wide array of equipment, products, or services at lower prices and with better value than what they would ordinarily offer to a single government entity, a school district, or a regional cooperative.

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1. Sourcewell is seeking proposals for Office Supply and Workplace Catalog Solutions that must include a complete electronic catalog system permitting Sourcewell and Sourcewell Members to make web-based purchases and receive delivery of:

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The remainder of the RFP content remains unchanged.

End of Addendum

Acknowledgement of this Addendum to RFP 070924 posted to the Sourcewell Procurement Portal on 5/16/2024, is required at the time of proposal submittal.



5/20/2024

Addendum No. 2

Solicitation Number: RFP 070924

Solicitation Name: Office Supply and Workplace Catalog Solutions

Consider the following Question and Answer to be part of the above-titled solicitation documents. The remainder of the documents remain unchanged.

Question 1:

Will there be a core list provided that suppliers will provide required information and submit?

Answer 1:

There is not a core list provided, refer to RFP Section II. B., Requested Equipment, Products, or Services. Each proposer, in its discretion, will propose the equipment, products, and services that it deems to fall within Sourcewell's requested equipment, products, and services as described in RFP Section II. B. - Requested Equipment, Products or Services. However, only those products within the scope of the RFP will be included in any contract awarded by Sourcewell as a result of this solicitation.

End of Addendum

Acknowledgement of this Addendum to RFP 070924 posted to the Sourcewell Procurement Portal on 5/20/2024, is required at the time of proposal submittal.



6/6/2024

Addendum No. 3

Solicitation Number: RFP 070924

Solicitation Name: Office Supply and Workplace Catalog Solutions

Consider the following Question and Answer to be part of the above-titled solicitation documents. The remainder of the documents remain unchanged.

Question 1:

On page 7-8 of the Main RFP document – it states that “a proposer must submit the proposed exception(s) or requested modification(s) via redline in the Contract Template provided in the “Documents” section of the “Bid Details” page on the Sourcewell Procurement Portal and uploaded as part of its response.” Table 15 in the site is also where Bidders are to list their Exceptions line by line. Can you please confirm that we are to submit our exceptions in both formats? (in the Table 15 Listing and in a redlined MPA to be attached in Step 2-Documents/Upload Additional Documents)

Answer 1:

Use the attached document in the Procurement Portal entitled ‘Contract Template’ to redline any exceptions that your company may have. There is no need to list them individually in the Portal, just reference that you do have exceptions if that is correct. Refer to RFP IV. Contract.

End of Addendum

Acknowledgement of this Addendum to RFP 070924 posted to the Sourcewell Procurement Portal on 6/6/2024, is required at the time of proposal submittal.

**SOURCEWELL
STATE OF MINNESOTA**



Member Barrows moved the adoption of the following Resolution:

RESOLUTION TO APPROVE SOLICITATION AND/OR RE-SOLICITATION OF CATEGORIES

4/18/2024

Resolution No. 2024_13

WHEREAS, Sourcewell desires to issue a solicitation, and is seeking permission from the Board to issue a solicitation, for the categories listed on Appendix A, which is attached and incorporated.

WHEREAS, through the Sourcewell Procurement Policy, the Board designated the Chief Procurement Officer to administer Sourcewell's cooperative purchasing and contracting program; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Procurement Officer recommends approval of categories detailed above.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Directors hereby approves the solicitation of categories.

The motion for the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly seconded by Member Dahlberg and the following voted in favor: (list names here)

zylka, Nagel, Thiel, Barrows, Arts, Kicker, Dahlberg

and the following voted against: (list names here or "NONE")

NONE

whereupon said resolution was declared duly passed and adopted.

ATTEST:

DocuSigned by:

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Clerk to the Board of Directors

APPENDIX A

SOURCEWELL PROCUREMENT DEPARTMENT
BOARD ITEMS - April 2024
CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS
Requesting Board permission to Solicit the following categories:

Energy Savings Performance Contracting with Related Services

Requesting Board permission to Re-Solicit the following categories:

Office Supply and Workplace Catalog Solutions

Indefinite Delivery Indefinite Quantity - Ohio

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS
NEW CONTRACTS

Supplier Name	Contract Number	Solicitation Title
Anchortex Corporation	011124-ATX	"Uniforms with Related Products and Services"
Blauer Manufacturing Co.	011124-BLA	"Uniforms with Related Products and Services"
Courage Tactical dba CopsPlus	011124-CPS	"Uniforms with Related Products and Services"
Galls	011124-GAL	"Uniforms with Related Products and Services"
LION First Responder PPE	011124-LIO	"Uniforms with Related Products and Services"
Municipal Emergency Services	011124-MES	"Uniforms with Related Products and Services"
UniFirst Corporation	011124-UFC	"Uniforms with Related Products and Services"
Vestis Services	011124-VST	"Uniforms with Related Products and Services"
All Hands Fire Equipment	010424-ALH	"Firefighting Personal Protective Equipment with Related Cleaning"
Dan Enterprises Team	010424-DAN	"Firefighting Personal Protective Equipment with Related Cleaning"
Fire-Dex	010424-FDX	"Firefighting Personal Protective Equipment with Related Cleaning"
Haix North America	010424-HAX	"Firefighting Personal Protective Equipment with Related Cleaning"
L.N. Curtis & Sons	010424-LNC	"Firefighting Personal Protective Equipment with Related Cleaning"
LION First Responder PPE	010424-LIO	"Firefighting Personal Protective Equipment with Related Cleaning"
Morning Pride Mfg. LLC dba Honeywell First Responder	010424-MNP	"Firefighting Personal Protective Equipment with Related Cleaning"
Municipal Emergency Services	010424-MES	"Firefighting Personal Protective Equipment with Related Cleaning"
Ricochet Manufacturing Company	010424-RIC	"Firefighting Personal Protective Equipment with Related Cleaning"
Viking Life Saving Equipment	010424-VKN	"Firefighting Personal Protective Equipment with Related Cleaning"
Dan Enterprises Team	011824-DAN	"Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBA) and Breathing Air Systems with Related Equipment"
Draeger Safety Canada	011824-DRA	"Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBA) and Breathing Air Systems with Related Equipment"
Draeger, Inc.	011824-DRG	"Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBA) and Breathing Air Systems with Related Equipment"
Interspiro Inc.	011824-INT	"Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBA) and Breathing Air Systems with Related Equipment"
L.N. Curtis & Sons	011824-LNC	"Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBA) and Breathing Air Systems with Related Equipment"
MSA Safety Sales	011824-MSS	"Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBA) and Breathing Air Systems with Related Equipment"
Municipal Emergency Services	011824-MES	"Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBA) and Breathing Air Systems with Related Equipment"
Sea-Western	011824-SEW	"Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBA) and Breathing Air Systems with Related Equipment"
Abernethy Schwartz Partners	012524-ABN	"Water Service Line Inventory and Management Systems with Related Services"
Global Environmental Consulting	012524-GEC	"Water Service Line Inventory and Management Systems with Related Services"
Trinnex	012524-TRX	"Water Service Line Inventory and Management Systems with Related Services"

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TruePani	012524-TRP	"Water Service Line Inventory and Management Systems with Related Services"
Voda	012524-VDA	"Water Service Line Inventory and Management Systems with Related Services"
WithersRavenel	012524-WHR	"Water Service Line Inventory and Management Systems with Related Services"
All Hands Fire Equipment	020124-ALH	"Firefighting Equipment and Rescue Tools with Related Supplies and Accessories"
Atlantic Diving Supply	020124-ADS	"Firefighting Equipment and Rescue Tools with Related Supplies and Accessories"
C.E.T. Fire Pumps Mfg.	020124-CET	"Firefighting Equipment and Rescue Tools with Related Supplies and Accessories"
L.N. Curtis & Sons	020124-LNC	"Firefighting Equipment and Rescue Tools with Related Supplies and Accessories"
Municipal Emergency Services	020124-MES	"Firefighting Equipment and Rescue Tools with Related Supplies and Accessories"
Sea-Western	020124-SEW	"Firefighting Equipment and Rescue Tools with Related Supplies and Accessories"
Tempest Technology Corporation	020124-TEM	"Firefighting Equipment and Rescue Tools with Related Supplies and Accessories"
W.S. Darley & Co.	020124-WSD	"Firefighting Equipment and Rescue Tools with Related Supplies and Accessories"
CONTRACT EXTENSIONS		
Supplier Name	Contract Number	Solicitation Title
Konica Minolta Business Solutions	030321-KON	"Copiers, Printers, and Multi-Function Devices, with Related Supplies, Accessories and Services"
Sharp Electronics Corporation	030321-SEC	"Copiers, Printers, and Multi-Function Devices, with Related Supplies, Accessories and Services"
TK Elevator	080420-TKE	"Elevators, Escalators, and Moving Walks with Related Equipment, Services and Supplies"
Johnson Controls Fire Protection	030421-JHN	"Facility Security Systems, Equipment, and Software with Related Services"
Geotab	020221-GEO	"Fleet Management Technologies with Related Software Solutions"
All-American Arena Products	120320-ALL	"Ice Rink and Arena Equipment with Related Supplies and Services"
Athletica Sport Systems	120320-ATH	"Ice Rink and Arena Equipment with Related Supplies and Services"
Modern Mechanical Ice Systems	120320-AMR	"Ice Rink and Arena Equipment with Related Supplies and Services"
Zamboni	120320-FZC	"Ice Rink and Arena Equipment with Related Supplies and Services"
Outdoor-Fit Exercise Systems	010721-ODR	"Outdoor Fitness Equipment with Related Accessories and Services"
American Ramp Company	112420-ARC	"Skatepark, Bike Park, and Pump Track Solutions with Related Equipment, Accessories and Services"
Artisan Skateparks	112420-ART	"Skatepark, Bike Park, and Pump Track Solutions with Related Equipment, Accessories and Services"
California Skateparks	112420-CAS	"Skatepark, Bike Park, and Pump Track Solutions with Related Equipment, Accessories and Services"
Spohn Ranch	112420-SRI	"Skatepark, Bike Park, and Pump Track Solutions with Related Equipment, Accessories and Services"
NEW IDIQ CONTRACTS		
Company Name	Contract Number	Region - Type of Work
Sunland Asphalt & Construction, LLC	CO-R1-PAC-022924-SAC	Region 1 - Asphalt/Paving/Concrete
CORE Construction, Inc.	CO-R1-GC-022924-CORE	Region 1 - General Construction
JOC Construction, LLC	CO-R1-GC-022924-LRI	Region 1 - General Construction
ACCO Engineered Systems, Inc.	CO-R1-HVAC-022924-AES	Region 1 - Mechanical/HVAC
ACCO Engineered Systems, Inc.	CO-R1-PLUM-022924-AES	Region 1 - Plumbing
Sunland Asphalt & Construction, LLC	CO-R2-PAC-022924-SAC	Region 2 - Asphalt/Paving/Concrete
CORE Construction, Inc.	CO-R2-GC-022924-CORE	Region 2 - General Construction
Facilities Contracting	CO-R2-GC-022924-FCI	Region 2 - General Construction
JOC Construction, LLC	CO-R2-GC-022924-LRI	Region 2 - General Construction
Pacific Construction Services, LLC	CO-R2-GC-022924-PCS	Region 2 - General Construction
TKM Group, LLC	CO-R2-GC-022924-TKM	Region 2 - General Construction
ACCO Engineered Systems, Inc.	CO-R2-HVAC-022924-AES	Region 2 - Mechanical/HVAC

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**SOURCEWELL
STATE OF MINNESOTA**



Member Barrows moved the adoption of the following Resolution:

RESOLUTION TO RATIFY COOPERATIVE CONTRACTING AWARDS

10/15/2024

Resolution No. 2024_30

WHEREAS, the Sourcewell Board of Directors previously authorized the solicitations for the cooperative categories listed on Appendix A, which is attached and incorporated; and

WHEREAS, Sourcewell issued the cooperative contracting solicitations for the authorized categories; and

WHEREAS, through the Sourcewell Procurement Policy, the Board designated the Chief Procurement Officer to administer Sourcewell's cooperative purchasing and contracting program and to award all competitively solicited contracts, without limitation; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Procurement Officer made the awards listed based on the results of the competitive solicitation process; and

WHEREAS, the Board acknowledges that the awards made by the Chief Procurement Officer are valid and binding; however, based upon some members' legal requirements the Chief Procurement Official is required to seek subsequent Board ratification of all cooperative purchasing awards.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Directors ratifies the cooperative contracting awards made by the Chief Procurement Officer listed on Appendix A.

The motion for the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly seconded by Member Thiel and the following voted in favor: (list names here)

Zylka, Nagel, Thiel, Barrows, Arts, Kircher, Kicker, Dahlberg
and the following voted against: (list names here or "NONE")

NONE

whereupon said resolution was declared duly passed and adopted.

ATTEST:

Signed by:

Linda Arts

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Clerk to the Board of Directors

APPENDIX A

SOURCEWELL PROCUREMENT DEPARTMENT
BOARD ITEMS - October 2024

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS	Requesting Board permission to Solicit the following categories:		
	None		
	Requesting Board permission to Re-Solicit the following categories:		
	STEM Curriculum Solutions and Equipment with Related Accessories, Supplies, and Services		
	Tree Maintenance Equipment, Attachments, and Accessories		
CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS	Bulk Solid Waste and Recycling Equipment		
	NEW CONTRACTS		
	Supplier Name	Contract Number	Solicitation Title
	Ameresco	071624-AMC	"Energy Savings Performance Contracting with Related Services"
	CMTA	071624-CMA	"Energy Savings Performance Contracting with Related Services"
	Energy Systems Group	071624-ENE	"Energy Savings Performance Contracting with Related Services"
	GRP Mechanical Company	071624-GRP	"Energy Savings Performance Contracting with Related Services"
	Honeywell International	071624-HNY	"Energy Savings Performance Contracting with Related Services"
	Johnson Controls	071624-JHN	"Energy Savings Performance Contracting with Related Services"
	Siemens Industry	071624-SIE	"Energy Savings Performance Contracting with Related Services"
	McClure Company	071624-MCE	"Energy Savings Performance Contracting with Related Services"
	Veregy	071624-VER	"Energy Savings Performance Contracting with Related Services"
	Staples Contract & Commercial	070924-SCC	"Office Supply and Workplace Catalog Solutions"
	CONTRACT EXTENSIONS		
	Supplier Name	Contract Number	Solicitation Title
	Dude Solutions	090320-SDI	"Public Sector and Education Administration Software Solutions with Related Services"
	PowerSchool Group	090320-POW	"Public Sector and Education Administration Software Solutions with Related Services"
	Forward Thinking Systems	020221-FWD	"Fleet Management Technologies with Related Software Solutions"
	GovDeals	012821-GDI	"Auction Services with Related Solutions"
	Staples	101320-SCC	"Janitorial Supplies and Equipment with Related Services"
	NEW IDIQ CONTRACTS		
	Company Name	Contract Number	Region - Type of Work
	None		
	Company Name	Contract Number	
	IDIQ CONTRACT EXTENSIONS		
	Loven Contracting, Inc.	AZ-R1-GC-082522-LOV	
	Loven Contracting, Inc.	AZ-R3-GC-082522-LOV	
	Jim Brown and Sons Roofing Co., Inc.	AZ-R2-GC-082522-JBS	
	Jim Brown and Sons Roofing Co., Inc.	AZ-R4-GC-082522-JBS	
	Jim Brown and Sons Roofing Co., Inc.	AZ-R1-R-082522-JBS	
	Jim Brown and Sons Roofing Co., Inc.	AZ-R2-R-082522-JBS	
	Pueblo Mechanical and Controls, LLC	AZ-R5-HVAC-082522-PME	
	Diversified Maintenance Systems, Inc.	AZ-R3-GC-082522-DIV	
	Pueblo Mechanical and Controls, LLC	AZ-R3-HVAC-082522-PME	
	Alco Building Solutions	AZ-R4-E-082522-ABU	
	AXIOS Builders, LLC	AZ-R3-GC-082522-AXI	
	Diamond Ridge Development Corporation	AZ-R3-GC-082522-DRD	
	RYTAN Construction	AZ-R3-GC-082522-RYT	
	Alco Building Solutions	AZ-R5-E-082522-ABU	
	Henderson Building Solutions, LLC	AZ-R4-GC-082522-HBS	
	RYTAN Construction	AZ-R5-GC-082522-RYT	
	Pueblo Mechanical and Controls, LLC	AZ-R3-PLUM-082522-PME	
	Pueblo Mechanical and Controls, LLC	AZ-R5-PLUM-082522-PME	
	RYTAN Construction	AZ-R1-GC-082522-RYT	
	RYTAN Construction	AZ-R4-GC-082522-RYT	
	Henderson Building Solutions, LLC	AZ-R5-GC-082522-HBS	
	Jim Brown and Sons Roofing Co., Inc.	AZ-R3-R-082522-JBS	

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Loven Contracting, Inc.	AZ-R2-GC-082522-LOV	
Pueblo Mechanical and Controls, LLC	AZ-R4-HVAC-082522-PME	
Alco Building Solutions	AZ-R3-E-082522-ABU	
Dallago Associates	AZ-R5-FLS-082522-DCO	
Diversified Maintenance Systems, Inc.	AZ-R5-GC-082522-DIV	
Pueblo Mechanical and Controls, LLC	AZ-R1-HVAC-082522-PME	
Pueblo Mechanical and Controls, LLC	AZ-R1-PLUM-082522-PME	
Alco Building Solutions	AZ-R1-E-082522-ABU	
Diversified Maintenance Systems, Inc.	AZ-R1-GC-082522-DIV	
Jim Brown and Sons Roofing Co., Inc.	AZ-R5-GC-082522-JBS	
Dallago Corporation	AZ-R5-HVAC-082522-DCO	
Dallago Corporation	AZ-R5-PLUM-082522-DCO	
Jim Brown and Sons Roofing Co., Inc.	AZ-R4-R-082522-JBS	
Loven Contracting, Inc.	AZ-R5-GC-082522-LOV	
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COMMENT AND REVIEW
to the
REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL (RFP) #070924
Entitled

Office Supply and Workplace Catalog Solutions

The following advertisement was placed May 16, 2024, in South Carolina's *The State*, and on the Sourcewell website www.sourcewell-mn.gov, Sourcewell Procurement Portal <https://proportal.sourcewell-mn.gov>, Biddingo, Merx, PublicPurchase.com, The New York State Contract Reporter www.nyscr.ny.gov, May 16, 2024 and May 23, 2024 in USA Today, and May 16, 2024 and May 23, 2024 in *The Oklahoman*:

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The solicitation process was conducted through the Sourcewell Procurement Portal. The following parties expressed interest in the solicitation by registering for this opportunity within the portal:

92 Quartermaster, LLC	NZS, Inc. DBA OneScreen
Akiva Supplies	Office Depot, Inc.
Amazon.com Sales, Inc.	Pavement Resources
Ardent Technologies, Inc.	QRX Technology Group
ASHAMU ENTERPRISE, LLC	Regina Construction Association
Ausa US Corp.	Resilient Energy Solutions, LLC
Big Ben Medical Supplies	Resource One of Illinois
BioFit Engineered Products, Limited Partnership	Rolling Enterprise, LLC
ByteSpeed, LLC	Samz Metal Health, LLC
Claridge Products and Equipment, Inc.	Sauder Manufacturing Co.
Clarity Imaging Solutions	Simformotion, LLC dba Cat Simulators
Claudette Hunter Mobile Services	Sled Consulting, LLC
Correctlly Quick Remodeling Solutions, LLC	SpaceCo Business Solutions, Inc. DBA Adapt Global

D&H Distributing	SPIRAL BINDING, LLC
Data Entry Outsourcing Services, LLC	SPRUSE Home, Inc.
Eaton Office Supply Co., Inc.	Staples
E-Clips USA	Staples Contract & Commercial, LLC
Educational Products, Inc.	Straightforward, LLC
eRepublic, Inc.	Sufian Munir, Inc.
ESO Consultants	Summit Lockers, Inc.
Esteemed Groups, LLC	Sweetgrass Custom Upholstery, LLC
Exutory Solutions, LLC	Synergy Telcom, Inc.
Furniture Pro Corp.	Tab Products Co, LLC
Infocrush Consulting and Services, Inc.	Toushea, LLC
Integrated Supply Chain Solutions, LLC	tshirt factory pasco
J&H Discount Sales, Inc.	Unipak Corp.
Kurtz Bros., Inc.	Vivian Contracting, LLC
Lakeshore Learning Materials	W.B. Mason Co., Inc.
LOVER 1996, LTD.	Web Apps, LLC
Lucky U, Inc.	WECSYS, LLC
Multiforce Systems Corporation	White Horse Distribution, LLC
National Business Furniture, LLC	Xerox Canada, Ltd.
New Tech Solutions, Inc.	Zebra Technologies
Newegg Business, Inc.	

All Proposals remained sealed within the Sourcewell Procurement Portal until the scheduled due date and time. Proposals were electronically opened, and the list of all Proposers was made publicly available on the Sourcewell Procurement Portal, on July 9, 2024, at 4:30 pm CT. Proposals were received from the following:

Amazon.com Sales, Inc.
 Eaton Office Supply Co., Inc.
 J&H Discount Sales, Inc.
 NZS, Inc. DBA OneScreen
 Simformotion, LLC dba Cat Simulators
 SpaceCo Business Solutions, Inc. DBA Adapt Global
 SPRUSE Home, Inc.
 Staples Contract & Commercial, LLC
 WECSYS, LLC
 White Horse Distribution, LLC

Proposals were reviewed by the Proposal Evaluation Committee:

Paul Dotson, M.A., Associate DBIA, Procurement Analyst
 David Gonzalez, Procurement Analyst
 Ben James, Procurement Analyst
 Mari Vielma, Procurement Analyst

The findings of the Proposal Evaluation Committee are summarized as follows:

The Proposal Evaluation Committee applied the Sourcewell RFP evaluation criteria and determined that the products and services offered in the proposal response from Simformotion, LLC fall outside of the Requested Equipment, Products, or Services of the RFP. All other proposals were found to meet the scope and mandatory submittal requirements and were evaluated.

Staples Contract & Commercial, LLC is a national distributor of products and services that range from business essentials and breakroom supplies to technology and furniture. They also provide comprehensive print management programs and promotional capabilities. They are ready to assist members in the United States with a large sales and service network and an outstanding customer service program. Staples is an ecologically responsible company who understands the importance of finding solutions that support sustainability and protect the environment. They are offering pricing that is competitive within the industry.

For these reasons, the Sourcewell Proposal Evaluation Committee recommends award of Sourcewell Contract #070924 to:

Staples Contract & Commercial, LLC

#070924-SCC

The preceding recommendation was approved on September 25, 2024.

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STATEMENT OF COMPLIANCE

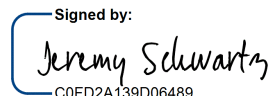
As Chief Procurement Officer for Sourcewell, I have reviewed the recommendation of the Evaluation Committee and the accompanying support materials documenting the process followed for **RFP #070924 for Office Supply and Workplace Catalog Solutions**.

The committee accepted, deemed responsive, evaluated, and recommended proposals for award. Under authority granted to the Chief Procurement Officer in Sourcewell's bylaws, the recommendations set forth above are approved.

I hereby certify:

1. Sourcewell is a government agency, created and authorized by Minnesota law to provide cooperative procurement contracts.
2. The procurement process and resulting contracts have been awarded in compliance with the laws of the State of Minnesota (Minnesota Statutes Chapter 471 and Minnesota Statutes Section 123A.21), and in conformity to Sourcewell's Procurement Policy.

Signed by:



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Jeremy Schwartz, CSSBB, CPPO, NIGP-CPP
Sourcewell Chief Procurement Officer



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Contracting Opportunity

Title: Office Supply and Workplace Catalog Solutions
Agency: Sourcewell
Division: Procurement Department
Contract Number: 070924
CR Number: 2109993
Contract Term: 4 years
Date of Issue: 05/16/2024
Due Date/Time: 07/09/2024 4:30 PM
Central Time
County(ies): All NYS counties
Classification: Office & Residential Furniture, Supplies & Equipment - *Commodities*
Opportunity Type: General
Entered By: Tara Wolff
Description: Sourcewell, a State of Minnesota local government unit and service cooperative, is requesting proposals for Office Supply and Workplace Catalog Solutions to result in a contracting solution for use by its Participating Entities. Sourcewell Participating Entities include thousands of governmental, higher education, K-12 education, nonprofit, tribal government, and other public agencies located in the United States and Canada. A full copy of the Request for Proposals can be found on the Sourcewell Procurement Portal [<https://proportal.sourcewell-mn.gov>]. Only proposals submitted through the Sourcewell Procurement Portal will be considered. Proposals are due no later than July 9, 2024, at 4:30 p.m. Central Time, and late proposals will not be considered.

Service-Disabled Veteran-Owned Set Aside: No

Business entities awarded an identical or substantially similar procurement contract within the past five years:

Staples Contract & Commercial, LLC

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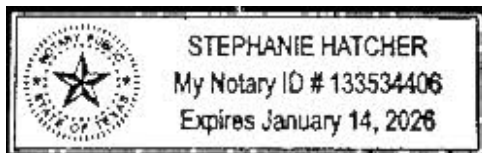
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Stephanie Hatcher

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Debut lacked luster but Clark has right attitude

Richard Morin
USA TODAY

UNCASVILLE, Conn. – Mohegan Sun Arena, radiating more energy than a coronal mass ejection, desperately hoped a performance of Caitlin Clark 3-pointers would dazzle like the Northern Lights that appeared in this area over the weekend.

But for large stretches of Tuesday’s game, Clark, a perennial record-breaker in college, struggled off the launch pad during an up-and-down WNBA debut that saw the Indiana Fever fall 92-71 to the Connecticut Sun.

Despite finishing tied with Connecticut’s DeWanna Bonner for a game-high 20 points, Clark (5-for-15 shooting) missed her first four shots and was forced to the bench midway through the first quarter due to foul trouble. She got her first bucket in the second quarter and didn’t catch fire until the fourth, when she drained two consecutive 3-pointers and got to the line for two free throws on the following possession.

Despite the shaky performance that saw her break another record – Clark set an all-time high for turnovers in a WNBA debut with 10 – the 22-year-old sensation was more focused on the big-



Fever guard Caitlin Clark scores her first regular-season basket against the Sun in the second quarter Tuesday at Mohegan Sun Arena.
DAVID BUTLER
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comfortable, which will come with experience and getting to play with these girls.”

Clark insisted she wasn’t nervous before the game. But she was excited and, above all, thankful for what Tuesday’s game represented. How many people could be tuning in to their first WNBA game and fall in love with the game?

“The parity in women’s basketball is what’s making more people want to come and watch it,” Clark said. “The more we can spread the love and show all the talent, we can keep elevating it. I’ve had a lot of fun being in the spotlight and helping to grow this game.”

Clark, the No. 1 overall pick, holder of countless records at the college level and the catalyst for an explosion of interest surrounding women’s basketball, spoke at length about gratitude before and after Tuesday’s loss.

Even going back to Indiana with a defeat in tow, Clark said she feels lucky.

“With women’s basketball across the board being at an all-time high,” Clark said pregame, “how lucky are we that we get to come into this moment with everybody else? You can’t really script it any better. I just feel very fortunate.

“The more we can share the love, the better this league is going to be.”

ger picture when she spoke to reporters more than an hour after Indiana’s loss.

“Obviously, I’m disappointed and nobody likes to lose, but that’s how it is,” Clark said. “I don’t think you can beat yourself up too much about one game. We have to learn from it and move on.”

All eyes were on Clark in Connecticut for one of the most anticipated professional debuts by an athlete in recent memory. ESPN was broadcasting in

prime time. Media accommodations were at capacity. And you saw a Caitlin Clark jersey – be it of the Indiana or Iowa variety – almost anywhere you looked inside Mohegan Sun Arena, packed with its first sellout crowd (8,910 announced) since 2003.

“I thought it took me a while to settle into the game,” said Clark, who also had three assists. “I thought the second half was a lot better and it’s just getting more

Bruins edge Panthers, head home for Game 6

Field Level Media

Charlie McAvoy had a goal and an assist to help the Boston Bruins stave off elimination with a 2-1 win against the Florida Panthers in Game 5 of an NHL Eastern Conference semifinal series on Tuesday night in Sunrise, Florida.

The Panthers still lead the best-of-seven series 3-2 heading into Game 6 on Friday in Boston.

Morgan Geekie also scored and Jeremy Swayman made 28 saves for the Bruins, who have never overturned a 3-1 series deficit in 25 previous attempts.

“We made really good decisions with the puck tonight in the first period, which led to quality scoring chances,” Boston coach Jim Montgomery said. “Tonight was our best game of the series.”

Sam Reinhart scored and Sergei Bobrovsky made 26 saves for the Panthers, who had won three in a row to take command of the series.

Geekie gave the Bruins a 1-0 lead at 4:49 of the first period with his fourth goal of the playoffs.

Jake DeBrusk retrieved the puck behind the Florida net and passed it to Geekie driving toward the crease. Bobrovsky came off the goal line to attempt a save, but Geekie pulled the puck to his backhand and slid it into the net.

“They started well,” Panthers captain Aleksander Barkov said of the Bruins. “They came out of the gate really hard and got going right away. ... We still had a lot of time to play better.”

The Panthers were getting outshot 17-8 when Florida coach Paul Maurice gave his team a spirited pep talk during a timeout early in the second period.

“I thought they needed some profanity in their life, and I brought some,”



Goaltender Jeremy Swayman and Linus Ullmark celebrate the Bruins’ win. SAM NAVARRO/USA TODAY SPORTS

Maurice said of his comments during the timeout.

Barkov won the ensuing faceoff, and the Panthers kept the puck in the Boston zone before Aaron Ekblad took a shot from the right point that hit Reinhart in the slot.

Swayman tried to poke the puck through the middle, but it went back to Reinhart, who banked his shot off the post and into the net to tie it 1-1 at 6:23.

McAvoy moved Boston back ahead 2-1 at 10:25 of the second.

Boston played its second straight game without team captain Brad Marchand, who was injured late in Game 3 on a hit to the head by the Panthers’ Sam Bennett. Marchand (three goals, seven assists) is tied with DeBrusk (five goals, five assists) for the Bruins’ lead in points during the postseason.

Montgomery said postgame that Marchand is day-to-day.

Maurice added, “There will be 60 cameras at morning skate to see if Brad Marchand takes a sip of water.”

Oilers pull even with Canucks after wild finish to Game 4

Field Level Media

Calvin Pickard recorded the win in his first NHL playoff start and Evan Bouchard scored the tiebreaking goal with 38.1 seconds remaining in regulation as the host Edmonton Oilers registered a 3-2 victory over the Vancouver Canucks on Tuesday to even their Western Conference semifinal series at two victories apiece.

Bouchard and Leon Draisaitl each had a goal and an assist for the Oilers, who recovered after their two-goal edge disappeared in the third period. Edmonton’s Ryan Nugent-Hopkins also scored.

Pickard, whose previous playoff time was mop-up duty in Game 3 of this series in place of No. 1 netminder Stuart Skinner, made 19 saves.

Only 62 seconds after the Canucks pulled even and appeared to set up overtime, Bouchard fired a long point shot that made it through the crush of players and into the net for his fourth goal of the postseason.

Conor Garland and Dakota Joshua scored for the Canucks, who saw their road winning streak snapped at four games. Goalie Arturs Silovs stopped 27 shots.

Game 5 of the best-of-seven series will be Thursday (10 p.m. EDT, TNT) in Vancouver. That contest will follow a game that was an emotional roller coaster.

Draisaitl’s eighth goal of the playoffs, and sixth on the power play, opened the scoring 11:10 into the clash. Draisaitl unloaded a rocket of a one-timer from the bottom of the right circle that Silovs got a piece of but not enough.

Draisaitl is the first Oilers player to begin a playoffs on a nine-game point streak since Mark Messier in 1988.



The Oilers’ Evan Bouchard celebrates after scoring a goal against the Canucks in Game 4 on Wednesday. PERRY NELSON/USA TODAY SPORTS

The Oilers have scored on the power play in all nine of their playoff games.

Nugent-Hopkins doubled the lead with 40 seconds remaining in the second period. Sprung on a two-on-one rush by Mattias Ekholm, Nugent-Hopkins elected to shoot and buried his attempt inside the far post for his second goal of the playoffs.

Garland gave the Canucks a much-needed boost at 6:54 of the third period. Nikita Zadorov’s point shot was blocked, but Garland gained the puck and from the slot found the mark thanks to a slick ricochet off the leg of Oilers defenseman Darnell Nurse.

The Canucks have been a successful comeback squad on a few occasions, and they continued that theme when Brock Boeser fired a shot from the left circle that banked into the net off Joshua. The tally was Joshua’s fourth of the playoffs.

Canucks defenseman Carson Soucy served a one-game suspension for cross-checking Edmonton star Connor McDavid at the end of Game 3. Noah Juulson took his place in the lineup.

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Celtics pounced on Pacers’ late miscues

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USA TODAY

BOSTON – The Boston Celtics delivered a rude welcome to the Indiana Pacers at the start of the NBA Eastern Conference finals.

The Celtics scored the game’s first 12 points in a raucous environment at TD Garden, and it was just the kind of message they needed to send.

The Pacers, however, shrugged it off. They are not strangers to unfriendly arenas, having just beat the New York Knicks in a Game 7 Sunday at Madison Square Garden.

Indiana’s relentless offense got it back in the game, and the Pacers owned a three-point lead with 46.8 seconds left in the fourth quarter. The Pacers then committed turnovers and failed to protect the lead. It was a chaotic finish, punctuated by their missed chances and Celtics star Jayson Tatum’s offense.

Boston’s Jaylen Brown made a tough corner 3-pointer with 6.1 seconds left to force overtime, and the Celtics outscored the Pacers in the five minutes of OT for a 133-128 victory in Game. 1.

Tatum followed a 3-point play with a 3-pointer from the top of the arc, giving Boston a 127-123 lead with 42.9 seconds to go, and it was enough cushion to escape with a victory.

Tatum scored a game-high 36 points and had 12 rebounds and three steals. He scored 10 points in OT and was one of three Celtics players with at least 26 points, seven rebounds and three steals. Brown had 26 points, six rebounds, five assists and three steals; Jrue Holiday produced 28 points, eight assists, seven rebounds and three steals.

Game 2 is Thursday in Boston (8 p.m. EDT, ESPN).

Offense on display

The Celtics had the No. 1 offense and the Pacers the No. 2 offense during the regular season. The scoring prowess was apparent. Both teams hovered at the 50% mark from the field with Boston at 47.5% and Indiana at 53.5%, and seven Pacers scored in double figures led by



Celtics forward Jayson Tatum goes to the basket against the Pacers on Tuesday. DAVID BUTLER II/USA TODAY SPORTS

Tyrese Haliburton’s 25 points and 10 assists. Pascal Siakam had 24 points, 12 rebounds and seven assists and Myles Turner added 23 points and 10 rebounds for the Pacers.

While Boston had the league’s No. 2 defense, Indiana’s plan is to apply as much pressure as possible with its pace. Among the difference-makers Tuesday: Indiana’s turnovers. The Pacers committed 22, leading to 32 Celtics points.

Horford continues to fill in

Veteran big man Al Horford, who is in the starting lineup for injured Kristaps Porzingis, had 15 points and six rebounds. He doesn’t replace what Porzingis does but his experience helps minimize his absence. He is targeting a possible Game 4 return, ESPN reported.

Free-throw discrepancy

The Celtics shot 30 free throws, making 24, and the Pacers were 9-for-10 from the foul line with seven of those attempts coming in overtime. That’s in part a byproduct of how both teams play. Pacers coach Rick Carlisle complained about the officiating during the semifinal series against the Knicks, and the NBA fined him \$35,000.

Carlisle: Meltdown in Game 1 ‘on me’

Jeff Zillgitt
USA TODAY

BOSTON – Year after year, NBA executives vote Rick Carlisle one of the league’s best in-game coaches.

The Indiana Pacers coach admitted late Tuesday he didn’t have his finest moment in the final seconds of regulation in the Boston Celtics’ 133-128 overtime victory against the Pacers in Game 1 of the NBA Eastern Conference finals.

“This loss is totally on me,” he said. The Pacers had a 117-114 lead and possession of the basketball but turned the ball over on the inbound pass, leading to Celtics guard Jaylen Brown’s overtime-forcing corner 3-pointer with 6.1 seconds left in the fourth quarter.

“With 10 seconds (left) in regulation, we should’ve just taken the timeout, advanced the ball, and found a way to get it in and made a free throw or two and ended the game,” Carlisle said.

Unlike many Pacers players who are playing in the conference finals for the first time, Carlisle is a championship coach with decades of experience.

He wasn’t the only one making mistakes in a game the Pacers will look back on as one it should have won. Indiana committed 22 turnovers that led to 32 points. Beside the aforementioned late-game turnover, Pacers All-Star point guard Tyrese Haliburton lost the basketball out of bounds with 27.7 seconds left in the fourth quarter with the Pacers ahead by three points, and Haliburton had another one in overtime, leading to a Jayson Tatum 3-pointer that put the Celtics up 127-123.

“We made mistakes, so that’s an area we need to clean up,” Carlisle said.

Even Brown’s 3-pointer that sent the game to overtime is under scrutiny. Up three, why not foul to prevent a tying 3? That was the instruction. However, Brown caught the ball in the corner ready to shoot, and Pacers forward Pascal Siakam didn’t want to risk fouling Brown and giving him the chance at three free throws or a four-point play.

“He caught the ball and was face up, and Pascal decided to lay off, which I un-



“A lot of things had to go wrong for us and right for them. They did,” Pacers coach Rick Carlisle said Tuesday. DAVID BUTLER II/USA TODAY SPORTS

derstand was probably the right decision,” Carlisle said.

Said Siakam: “As soon as I got to him – I was a little late because of the screen – he was going up so I didn’t do it (foul). I was a little too late. If you have an opportunity to do it, you do it. I felt like he was going into his (shooting) motion. It was a tough shot. Maybe I could’ve contested it better. It was just a tough play.”

The image of Siakam with his hands behind his back and Brown launching a 3 in front of the Pacers bench will haunt Indiana.

The Pacers played well enough to win. They shot better from the field (53.5%-47.5%) and 3-point range (37.1%-33.3%), outrebounded Boston and had more assists and Indiana’s bench outscored Boston’s 30-13.

But those turnovers and refusal to call a timeout cost Indiana. Those plays not only sway a game, they have the potential to sway a series. The sixth seed can’t waste many opportunities against the one seed.

“We’ve been a tough-minded, resilient team the second half of the year,” Carlisle said, “and we’ve got to continue that.”

NHL CONFERENCE FINALS PREDICTIONS

Hockey experts split on who’ll play for Stanley Cup

Mike Brehm and Jace Evans
USA TODAY

The Florida Panthers and Dallas Stars have earned a return trip to the conference finals. The New York Rangers and Edmonton Oilers are back after a one-year absence.

Of that group, only the Panthers made it to the Stanley Cup Final the past two postseasons, but now two teams will get a shot.

The Rangers-Panthers Eastern Conference final series opened Wednesday in New York. The Stars-Oilers Western Conference final opens in Dallas on Thursday (8:30 p.m. EDT, TNT, truTV)

USA TODAY Sports’ Mike Brehm and Jace Evans make their predictions for who advances out of the Eastern and Western Conference finals:

Eastern Conference: New York Rangers vs. Florida Panthers

Mike Brehm: Rangers in 7. The Rangers were rolling through the playoffs before the Hurricanes picked up two wins. But when it looked like the series might go to seven games, Chris Kreider came through with a third-period hat trick. The Rangers have the depth to match up with the Panthers, and their special teams can help make up for their deficiencies at five-on-five play. They’ll have to shore up that part of their game, though.

Jace Evans: Panthers in 6. This series feels like a coin flip – and given some of the characters involved, it has the potential to be nasty. New York’s 7-0 playoff start, which matched the 1994

Stanley Cup-winning team’s, definitely produced some “team of destiny” vibes. More pertinent to this series, though, the Rangers have a sizzling power play, strong penalty kill and the best goalie left in the playoffs. But I think the Panthers’ superior five-on-five play will be the difference-maker in this series.

Western Conference: Dallas Stars vs. Edmonton Oilers

Mike Brehm: Stars in 6. I originally picked the Stars to reach the Stanley Cup Final then mistakenly picked against them in the last round because I didn’t think they’d be able to stop the Colorado Avalanche. They did and I think they can do the same to the high-flying Oilers. They play a strong defensive game, which helps them thrive on

the road. They just need to be better on the penalty kill.

Jace Evans: Oilers in 7. I have no *real* reason to pick Edmonton. The Stars’ goaltending is significantly better. Their defense is better. Their forward depth is better. So why am I picking the Oilers? Because the Oilers have Connor McDavid and Leon Draisaitl, two of the best players of their generation in their prime. Draisaitl has arguably become the top big-game performer in the NHL. He had 32 points in 16 playoff games in 2022, tied for the league lead in playoff goals last season (13) despite playing just 12 games in two rounds and this year has 24 points in 12 games. The scary thing is I think McDavid could take his game up a level – he has 21 points in 12 games but just two goals while shooting 6.3%.

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Solicitation Type
RFP - Request for Proposal (Formal)

Title
Office Supply and Workplace Catalog Solutions

Details

Location
Canada, All of Canada, All of Canada

Purchase Type
Duration: 4 years

Description
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Dates

Publication Date
2024/05/16 09:52:40 AM EDT

Question Acceptance Deadline
2024/07/01 05:30:00 PM EDT

Questions are submitted online
No

Closing Date
2024/07/09 05:30:00 PM EDT

Bid Intent
Not Available

Prebid Conference
2024/06/27 11:00:00 AM EDT

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Procurement Department

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Pre-Bidding Events

Event Type
Prebid Conference

Attendance
Recommended

Event date
2024/06/27 11:00:00 AM EDT

Location
Online Conference

Event Note
Login information will be emailed two (2) business days prior to the event to those registered in the Sourcewell Procurement Portal.

Bid Submission Process

Bid Submission Type
Electronic Bid Submission

Pricing
In attached document

Bid Documents List

Item Name	Description	Mandatory	Limited to 1 file
Bid Documents	Documents defining the proposal	Yes	No

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TOTAL COST

\$51.80

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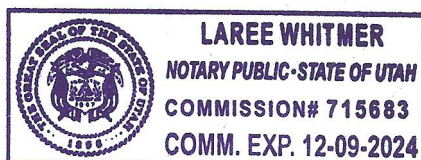
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Proposal Evaluation

Office Supply and Workplace Catalog Solutions RFP #070924

	Possible Points	Amazon.com Sales	Eaton Office Supplies	J&H Discount Sales	NZS, Inc.	Simformation, LLC	SpaceCo Business	SPRUSE Home, Inc.	Staples Contract	WECSYS, LLC	WhiteHorse Distribution
Conformance to RFP Requirements	50	47	35	36	39		39	41	46	39	38
Financial Viability and Marketplace Success	75	59	53	42	58		46	57	66	56	49
Ability to Sell and Deliver Service	100	85	61	56	68		71	68	93	70	67
Marketing Plan	50	38	29	27	42		34	35	46	31	40
Value Added Attributes	75	67	43	39	63		61	58	68	48	59
Warranty	50	35	29	36	44		34	42	45	33	42
Depth and Breadth of Offered Equipment, Products, or Services	200	188	161	120	111		126	168	187	160	129
Pricing	400	339	325	210	279		271	338	348	295	299
Total Points	1,000	858	736	566	704		682	807	899	732	723
Rank Order		2	4	9	7		8	3	1	5	6

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Proposal Opening Record

Date of opening: July 9, 2024


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The undersigned certify that all responses received on Request for Proposal #070924 were submitted through the Sourcewell Procurement Portal, and that each Proposer's response material was digitally sealed upon submission and remained inaccessible until the due date and time specified in the Solicitation Schedule.


Responses were received from the following:

Amazon.com Sales, Inc. - Submitted Tue Jul 9, 2024 1:19:07 PM
Eaton Office Supply Co., Inc. - Submitted Tue Jul 9, 2024 3:31:17 PM
J&H Discount Sales, Inc. - Submitted Tue Jul 9, 2024 12:16:11 PM
NZS, Inc. DBA OneScreen - Submitted Tue Jul 9, 2024 2:45:36 PM
Simformotion, LLC dba Cat Simulators - Submitted Thu Jun 6, 2024 3:50:34 PM
SpaceCo Business Solutions, Inc. DBA Adapt Global - Submitted Mon Jul 8, 2024 3:47:54 PM
SPRUSE Home, Inc. - Submitted Tue Jul 9, 2024 12:04:18 PM
Staples Contract & Commercial, LLC - Submitted Wed Jul 3, 2024 9:47:30 AM
WECSYS, LLC - Submitted Tue Jul 9, 2024 12:06:54 PM
White Horse Distribution, LLC - Submitted Sat Jul 6, 2024 8:08:50 AM

The Proposals were opened electronically, and a list of all Proposers was made publicly available in the Sourcewell Procurement Portal, on July 9, 2024, at 4:30 pm CT. All responsive proposals were then submitted for review by the Sourcewell Evaluation Committee.

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