

INVITATION FOR BID IFB-243-25-JJ FY 2025 - LIQUID CHLORINE - ONE-TON CYLINDERS

FOR THE CITY OF HOLLYWOOD, FLORIDA (CITY)

IFB Issue Date: October 17, 2024

Questions Due Date: November 7, 2024

Submittal Due Date: November 14, 2024, 3:00 pm

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1. SUMMARY

1.1. Summary

The City of Hollywood, Florida is seeking bids from qualified and experienced firms, to provide Liquid Chlorine for the City, in accordance with the terms, conditions, and specifications contained in this solicitation.

1.2. Background

The City of Hollywood is a beachfront community located in southeastern Broward County midway between Miami and Fort Lauderdale. Founded by Joseph Young in 1925, Hollywood is approximately 30 square miles in size and is Broward's third-largest municipality with a population of roughly 153,000 residents. Hollywood has an average annual high temperature of 83 degrees and low temperature of 68 degrees.

Hollywood is home to more than 60 parks, seven golf courses, seven miles of pristine beaches, and the one-of-a-kind Hollywood Beach Broadwalk, a promenade that stretches nearly 2.5 miles along the Atlantic Ocean. Named one of America's Best Beach Boardwalks by Travel + Leisure magazine, this brick-paved thoroughfare hosts pedestrians, joggers, bicyclists, rollerbladers, and millions of others every year. Dozens of eateries and inns line the Broadwalk and the promenade also features the Hollywood Beach Theatre, a children's water playground at Charnow Park, and many other attractions. Hollywood Beach also offers dozens of luxury resort hotels and condominiums such as the Margaritaville Hollywood Beach Resort, Hyde Resort & Residences and Hollywood Beach Marriott. In addition to many independently owned and operated boutique inns and vacation properties.

Hollywood has steadily grown into a dynamic business hub with more than 10,000 companies in the City. Approximately 80 percent of Port Everglades, the world's second-busiest cruise port, is located in Hollywood and the port is home to Royal Caribbean's Allure of the Seas and Oasis of the Seas, the largest cruise liners in the world. Hollywood also provides easy access to Fort Lauderdale/Hollywood International Airport and Miami International Airport, a major gateway to Latin America. Hollywood also is home to the Memorial Healthcare System, the nation's fifthlargest healthcare network, its flagship hospital, Memorial Regional, and the Joe DiMaggio Children's Hospital, the largest free-standing children's healthcare facility in Broward County.

1.3. Contact Information

Steven Urich

Wastewater Treatment Plant Manager 1621 N. 14th Ave. Hollywood, FL 33020

Email: surich@hollywoodfl.org

Phone: (954) 921-3288

Department: Public Utilities

1.4. <u>Timeline</u>

Release Project Date	October 17, 2024		
Question Submission Deadline	November 7, 2024, 3:00pm		
Proposal Submission Deadline	November 14, 2024, 3:00pm		

2. INTRODUCTION

2.1. Purpose

The City of Hollywood, Florida (City) is seeking bids from qualified and experienced firms, hereinafter referred to as the Contractor or Bidder, to provide Liquid Chlorine - One-Ton Cylinders for the City, in accordance with the terms, conditions, and specifications contained in this solicitation. Responses to this solicitation are due by Thursday, November 14, 2024, by 3:00 pm, and will be opened in a virtual public setting on November 14, 2024 at 3:00 P.M EST.

Submittals shall be received electronically through OpenGov, the City's eProcurement Portal ("Portal").

Submittals shall be considered an offer on the part of the bidder/proposer, which offer shall be deemed accepted upon approval of the City, and in case of default, the City reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids/proposals, to waive irregularities and technicalities, and request new bids/proposals. The City also reserves the right to award any resulting agreement as it deems will best serve the interests of the city.

Submission of a bid/proposal shall serve as prima facie evidence that the Bidder/Proposer has examined this solicitation and is fully aware of all conditions affecting the provision of services and the evaluation criteria and scoring methodology as set forth in this solicitation document.

2.2. Pre-bid Conference and/or Site Visit

There will not be a pre-bid conference or site visit for this solicitation.

It will be the sole responsibility of the Bidder to become familiar with the scope of the City's requirements prior to submitting a bid. No variation in price or conditions shall be permitted based upon a claim of ignorance. Submission of a bid will be considered evidence that the Bidder has familiarized themselves with the nature and extent of the work, equipment, materials, and labor required.

2.3. OpenGov ("Portal")

The City of Hollywood uses OpenGov, the e-Procurement Portal ("Portal") (https://procurement.opengov.com/portal/hollywoodfl) to administer the competitive solicitation process, including but not limited to soliciting proposals, issuing addenda, posting results and issuing notification of an intended decision.

The City shall not be responsible for a Proposer's inability to submit a proposal by the proposal end date and time for any reason, including issues arising from the use of the Portal.

2.4. Point of Contact

For information concerning procedures for responding to this solicitation, contact the Point of Contact within the Office of Procurement Services, Jean Joinville, Senior Purchasing Agent atjjoinville@hollywoodfl.org or by phone at (954) 921-3290, or Otis Thomas, Interim Chief Procurement Officer (CPO) at othomas@hollywoodfl.org or by phone at 954-921-3628. Such contact is to be for clarification purposes only. All questions must be submitted in writing via the Portal by Thursday, November 7, 2024, by 3:00 pm, in order to receive a timely response.

Project Manager: Steven Urich, Wastewater Treatment Plant Manager, Public Utilities, email: surich@hollywoodfl.org, or by phone: (954) 921-3288.

For information concerning technical specifications, please utilize the question / answer feature provided by the Portal at https://procurement.opengov.com/portal/hollywoodfl. Questions of a material nature must be received prior to the cut-off date specified in the solicitation schedule. Material changes, if any, to the scope of services or bidding procedures will only be transmitted by written addendum. (See addendum section of Portal). Bidders please note: No part of your bid can be submitted via FAX. No variation in price or conditions shall be permitted based upon a claim of ignorance. Submission of a bid will be considered evidence that the Bidder has familiarized themselves with the nature and extent of the work, and the equipment, materials, and labor required. The entire bid response must be submitted in accordance with all specifications contained in this solicitation. The questions and answers submitted in the Portal shall become part of any contract that is created from this solicitation.

It is the sole responsibility of the Bidder to ensure that their bid is submitted electronically through the Portal at https://procurement.opengov.com/portal/hollywoodfl

2.5. Cone of Silence

The City of Hollywood City Commission adopted Ordinance No. O-2007-05, which created Section 30.15(F) imposing a Cone of Silence for certain City purchases of goods and Services.

The Cone of Silence refers to limits on communications held between vendors and vendor's representatives and City elected officials, management and staff during the period in which a Formal Solicitation is open.

The Ordinance does allow potential vendors or vendor's representatives to communicate with designated employees for the limited purpose of seeking clarification or additional information. The names and contact information of those employees that may be contacted for clarification or additional information are included in the solicitation.

The Cone of Silence does not prohibit a vendor or vendor's representative from communicating verbally, or in writing with the City Manager, the City Manager's designee, the City Attorney or the City Attorney's designee on those procurement items to be considered by the City Commission.

The Cone of Silence does not prohibit a vendor or vendor's representative from making public presentations at a duly noticed pre-bid conference or duly noticed evaluation committee meeting or from communicating with the City Commission during a duly noticed public meeting.

The Cone of Silence shall be imposed when a formal competitive solicitation has been issued and shall remain in effect until an award is made, a contract is approved, or the City Commission takes any other action which ends the solicitation.

To view the Cone of Silence, go to the City of Hollywood Code of Ordinance online, and <u>view Section 30.15F</u>

All communications regarding this bid should be sent in writing to the Procurement Services Division as identified in this bid.

3. SPECIAL TERM AND CONDITIONS

3.1. Addenda, Changes, and Interpretations

It is the sole responsibility of each firm to notify the Point of Contact utilizing the question / answer feature provided in the Portal and request modification or clarification of any ambiguity, conflict, discrepancy, omission or other error discovered in this competitive solicitation. Requests for clarification, modification, interpretation, or changes must be received prior to the Question and Answer (Q & A) Deadline. Requests received after this date may not be addressed. Questions and requests for information that would not materially affect the scope of services to be performed or the solicitation process will be answered within the question / answer feature provided in the Portal and shall be for clarification purposes only. Material changes, if any, to the scope of services or the solicitation process will only be transmitted by official written addendum issued by the City and uploaded to OpenGov as a separate addendum to the solicitation. Under no circumstances shall an oral explanation given by any City official, officer, staff, or agent be binding upon the City and should be disregarded. All addenda are a part of the competitive solicitation documents and each firm will be bound by such addenda. It is the responsibility of each to read and comprehend all addenda issued.

3.2. Changes and Alterations

Bidder may change or withdraw a Bid at any time prior to Bid submission deadline; however, no oral modifications will be allowed. Modifications shall not be allowed following the Bid deadline.

3.3. Bidder's Costs

The City shall not be liable for any costs incurred by Bidders in responding to this solicitation.

3.4. Pricing/Delivery

All pricing must include delivery and installation and be quoted FOB: Destination, unless specified otherwise in the <u>#SCOPE OF WORK/SERVICES</u> section.

3.5. Price Validity

Prices provided in this solicitation shall be valid for at least One-Hundred and Twenty (120) days from time of solicitation opening unless otherwise extended and agreed upon by the City and Bidder.

3.6. No Exclusive Contract

Bidder agrees and understands that the contract shall not be construed as an exclusive arrangement and further agrees that the City may, at any time, secure similar or identical services from another vendor at the City's sole option.

3.7. Responsive

In order to be considered responsive to the solicitation, the firm's bid shall fully conform in all material respects to the solicitation and all of its requirements, including all form and substance.

3.8. Responsible

In order to be considered as a responsible firm, firm shall be fully capable to meet all of the requirements of the solicitation and subsequent contract, must possess the full capability, including financial and technical, to perform as contractually required, and must be able to fully document the ability to provide good faith performance.

3.9. Minimum Qualifications

To be eligible for award of a contract in response to this solicitation, the Bidder must demonstrate that they have successfully completed services, as specified in the <u>#SCOPE OF WORK/SERVICES</u> section of this solicitation, are normally and routinely engaged in performing such services, and are properly and legally licensed (if required) to perform such work. In addition, the Bidder must have no conflict of interest with regard to any other work performed by the Bidder for the City.

3.10. Award of Contract

Award may be in the aggregate, or by line Item, or by group, whichever is determined to be in the best interest of the City. Award will be made to the responsive and responsible bidder, quoting the lowest price, for that product/service that will best serve the needs of the City.

The City also reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids, part of bids, and to waive minor irregularities or variations to specifications contained in bids, and minor irregularities in the bidding process. The City also reserves the right to award the contract on a split order basis, lump sum basis, individual item basis, or such combination as shall best serve the interest of the City.

As applicable, the City shall comply with Section 287.05701, Florida Statutes, in not considering or giving preference for an award based on a vendor's social, political, or ideological interest.

3.11. Manufacturer/Brand/Model Specific Request

This is a manufacturer/brand/model specification. No substitutions will be allowed unless specified in **Section: SCOPE OF WORK/SERVICES**.

3.12. Contract Period

The initial contract term shall commence upon the date of award by the City for a three (3) year term. The City reserves the right to renew the contract for two (2) additional one-year terms providing all terms, conditions and specifications remain the same, both parties agree to the renewal, and such renewal is approved by the City.

In the event services are scheduled to end because of the expiration of this contract, the Contractor shall continue the service upon the request of the City as authorized by the awarding

authority. The extension period shall not extend for more than 120 days beyond the expiration date of the existing contract. The Contractor shall be compensated for the service at the rate in effect when this extension clause is invoked by the City.

3.13. Warranties of Usage

Any estimated quantities listed are for information and tabulation purposes only. No warranty or guarantee of quantities needed is given or implied. It is understood that the Contractor will furnish the City's needs as they arise.

3.14. Rules and Submittals of Bids

The signer of the bid must declare that the only person(s), company or parties interested in the proposal as principals are named therein; that the bid is made without collusion with any other person(s), company or parties submitting a bid; that it is in all respects fair and in good faith, without collusion or fraud; and that the signer of the bid has full authority to bind the principal bidder.

3.15. Conflict of Interests Prohibited

Any respondent submitting a response to this solicitation is responsible for being aware of, and complying with <u>Section 34.02</u> of the City Code of Ordinances. If you have questions concerning whether you may or may not need to comply with the ordinance, please contact the City of Hollywood, Procurement Office at 954-921-3299.

3.16. Protest Procedure

Any respondent who is not recommended for award of a contract and who alleges a failure by the City to follow the City's <u>Procurement Code</u> or any applicable law may protest to the CPO, by delivering a letter of protest to the CPO in accordance with <u>Section 38.52</u> of the City's <u>Procurement Code</u> within five days after a notice of intent to award is posted on the City's web site, OpenGov, City Clerk's Office, Open Government, and/or City's Sunshine Board (https://www.hollywoodfl.org/Archive.aspx?AMID=140).

3.17. Insurance Requirements

INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS:

Contractor shall maintain, at its sole expense, during the term of this agreement the following insurances:

The insurance required by Article 5.6 of the General Conditions shall be as follows: Any Sub-Contractor used by the contractor shall supply such similar insurance required of the contractor. Such certificates shall name the City of Hollywood as an Additional Insured.

1. BUILDERS RISK (BR 1) - Installation Floater: (Not Applicable)

2. GENERAL LIABILITY (GL3): Prior to the commencement of work governed by this contract, the Contractor shall obtain General

Liability Insurance. Coverage shall be maintained throughout the life of the contract and include, as a minimum:

Premises Operations **Products** and Completed **Operations** П Blanket Contractual Liability Injury Liability Personal **Expanded Definition of Property Damage**

The minimum limits acceptable shall be:

□ \$2,000,000 Combined Single Limit (CSL) / \$4,000,000 Aggregate

An Occurrence Form policy is preferred. If coverage is provided on a Claims Made policy, its provisions should include coverage for claims filed on or after the effective date of this contract. In addition, the period for which claims may be reported should extend for a minimum of twelve (12) months following the acceptance of work by the City.

The City of Hollywood shall be named as Additional Insured on all policies issued to satisfy the above requirements.

3. GENERAL LIABILITY (GLXCU):

Recognizing that the work governed by this contract involves either underground exposures, explosive activities, or the possibility of collapse of a structure, the Contractor's General Liability Policy shall include coverage for the XCU (explosion, collapse, and underground) exposures with limits of liability equal to those of the General Liability Insurance policy.

4. VEHICLE LIABILITY (VL3):

Recognizing that the work governed by this contract requires the use of vehicles, the Contractor, prior to the commencement of work, shall obtain Vehicle Liability Insurance. Coverage shall be maintained throughout the life of the contract and include, as a minimum, liability coverage for:

Owned, Non-Owned, and Hired Vehicles The minimum limits acceptable shall be: \$1,000,000 Combined Single Limit (CSL)

The City of Hollywood shall be named as Additional Insured on all policies issued to satisfy the above requirements.

WORKERS' COMPENSATION (WC2):

Prior to the commencement of work governed by this contract, the Contractor shall obtain Workers' Compensation Insurance with limits sufficient to respond to the applicable state statutes.

In addition, the Contractor shall obtain Employers' Liability Insurance with limits of not less than:

\$1,000,000 Bodily Injury by Accident \$1,000,000 Bodily Injury by Disease, policy limits \$1,000,000 Bodily Injury by Disease, each employee

Coverage shall be maintained throughout the entire term of the contract.

6. POLLUTION LIABILITY INSURANCE

The minimum limits of liability shall be:

\$1,000,000 per each claim / \$2,000,000 aggregate

Coverage shall be provided by a company or companies authorized to transact business in the state of Florida and the company or companies must maintain a minimum rating of "A" and Class X, as assigned by the A.M. Best Company.

The policy must be endorsed to provide the City with (30) days' notice of cancellation.

If the Contractor has been approved by the Florida's Department of Labor, as an authorized self-insurer, the City shall recognize and honor the Contractor's status. The Contractor may be required to submit a Letter of Authorization issued by the Department of Labor and a Certificate of Insurance, providing details on the Contractor's Excess Insurance Program.

If the Contractor participates in a self-insurance fund, a Certificate of Insurance will be required. In addition, the Contractor may be required to submit updated financial statements from the fund upon request from the City.

Any sub-consultant shall supply such similar insurance required of the Consultant. Such certificates shall name the City as additional insured in the general liability and auto liability policies.

The City of Hollywood needs to be the certificate holder as per the following format:

City of Hollywood 2600 Hollywood, FL 33022

3.18. <u>Uncontrollable Circumstances (Force Majeure)</u>

The City and Contractor will be excused from the performance of their respective obligations under this agreement when and to the extent that their performance is delayed or prevented by any circumstances beyond their control including, fire, flood, explosion, strikes or other labor disputes, acts of God or public emergency, war, riot, civil commotion, malicious damage, act or omission of any governmental authority, delay or failure or shortage of any type of transportation, equipment, or service from a public utility needed for their performance, provided that:

- A. The non performing party gives the other party prompt written notice describing the particulars of the Force Majeure including, but not limited to, the nature of the occurrence and its expected duration, and continues to furnish timely reports with respect thereto during the period of the Force Majeure;
- B. The excuse of performance is of no greater scope and of no longer duration than is required by the Force Majeure; and
- C. No obligations of either party that arose before the Force Majeure causing the excuse of performance are excused as a result of the Force Majeure; and
- D. The non-performing party uses its best efforts to remedy its inability to perform.

 Notwithstanding the above, performance shall not be excused under this Section for a period in excess of two (2) months, provided that in extenuating circumstances, the City

may excuse performance for a longer term. Economic hardship of the Contractor will not constitute Force Majeure. The term of the agreement shall be extended by a period equal to that during which either party's performance is suspended under this Section.

3.19. Supplier Portal (Oracle) Payment Method

The City has implemented software that contains a supplier portal allowing suppliers to submit and update their information via the supplier portal. New suppliers will be required to register; and current suppliers will need to confirm and update their information.

Firms are responsible for ensuring that all contact, payment, and general information is updated at all times, and will not hold the City liable for any inaccurate information.

3.20. Debarred or Suspended Bidders or Proposers

Firm(s) certifies, by submission of a response to this solicitation, that neither it nor its principals and subcontractors are presently debarred or suspended by any federal, state, county or municipal department or agency.

3.21. Public Records

A. Public Records/Trade Secrets/Copyright:

All responses will become the property of the City. The Consultant's response to the solicitation is a public record pursuant to Florida law and is subject to disclosure by the City pursuant to Chapter 119.07, Florida Statutes ("Public Records law"). The City shall permit public access to all documents, papers, letters or other material submitted in connection with this solicitation and the Contract to be executed for this solicitation, subject to the provisions of Chapter 119, Florida Statutes.

Any language contained in the Consultant's response to the solicitation purporting to require confidentiality of any portion of the Consultant's response to the solicitation, except to the extent that certain information is in the City's opinion a Trade Secret pursuant to Florida law, shall be void. If a Consultant submits any documents or other information to the City that the Consultant claims is Trade Secret information and exempt from Florida Statutes Chapter 119.07 ("Public Records Laws"), the Consultant shall clearly designate that it is a Trade Secret and that it is asserting that the document or information is exempt. The Consultant must specifically identify the exemption being claimed under Florida Statutes 119.07. The City shall be the final arbiter of whether any information contained in the Consultant's response to the solicitation constitutes a Trade Secret. The City's determination of whether an exemption applies shall be final, and the Consultant agrees to defend, indemnify, and hold harmless the City and the City's officers, employees, and agent, against any loss or damages incurred by any person or entity as a result of the City's treatment of records as public records. In the event of Contract award, all documentation produced as part of the Contract shall become the exclusive property of the City. Proposals purporting to be subject to copyright protection in full or in part will be rejected.

EXCEPT FOR CLEARLY MARKED PORTIONS THAT ARE BONA FIDE TRADE

SECRETS PURSUANT TO FLORIDA LAW, DO NOT MARK YOUR RESPONSE TO THE SOLICITATION AS PROPRIETARY OR CONFIDENTIAL. DO NOT MARK YOUR RESPONSE TO THE SOLICITATION OR ANY PART THEREOF AS COPYRIGHTED.

B. PUBLIC RECORDS GENERAL

IF THE CONSULTANT HAS QUESTIONS REGARDING THE APPLICATION OF CHAPTER 119, FLORIDA STATUTES, TO THE CONSULTANT'S DUTY TO PROVIDE PUBLIC RECORDS RELATING TO THIS CONTRACT, CONTACT THE CUSTODIAN OF PUBLIC RECORDS AT: (954-921-3211), pcerny@hollywoodfl.org, CITY CLERK'S OFFICE, 2600 HOLLYWOOD BLVD, HOLLYWOOD, FLORIDA 33020)

• Consultant shall:

- Keep and maintain public records that ordinarily and necessarily would be required by the City in order to perform the service.
- Upon request from the City's custodian of public records, provide the City with a copy of the requested records or allow the records to be inspected or copied within a reasonable time at a cost that does not exceed the cost provided in Chapter 119, Florida Statutes.
- Ensure that public records that are exempt or confidential and exempt from public records disclosure requirements are not disclosed except as authorized by law for the duration of the contract term and following completion of this contract if the Consultant does not transfer the records to the City.
- Oupon completion of the Contract, transfer, at no cost, to the City all public records in possession of the Consultant or keep and maintain public records required by the City to perform the service. If the Consultant transfers all public records to the City upon completion of this Contract, the Consultant shall destroy any duplicate public records that are exempt or confidential and exempt from public records disclosure requirements. If the Consultant keeps and maintains public records upon completion of this Contract, the Consultant shall meet all applicable requirements for retaining public records. All records stored electronically must be provided to the City, upon request from the City's custodian of public records, in a format that is compatible with the information technology systems of the City. It is solely and exclusively the Contractor's responsibility to familiarize itself with Chapter 119, Florida Statutes, and to ensure compliance with its requirements.

3.22. Tie Breaker

In cases where there is a tie for the bid award, the award shall be made by giving preference to the low bidder(s) with the following items (in this order): (1) maintenance of a drug-free workplace in accordance with the requirements of Florida Statutes Section 287.087, (2) local Hollywood vendor preference, (3) closest proximity/location to project site or City Hall, and/or (4) minority-owned or disadvantaged business status. If a tie still exists after the aforementioned tiebreakers are utilized, the Chief Procurement Officer will make a recommendation for award among the tied bidders.

3.23. Local Preference

When the lowest responsive responsible bidder is a non-Hollywood business and a responsive responsible local Hollywood vendor's Bid is within 5% of the Bid submitted by the lowest responsive responsible bidder, the local vendor is allowed to submit a second Bid. The second bid from the local Hollywood bidder must be lower than the bid submitted by the lowest responsive and responsible non-Hollywood bidder by at least 1% in order for the bid to be awarded to the local Hollywood bidder. If more than one responsive and responsible local Hollywood vendor is within 5%, each would be permitted to submit a best and final offer and the local Hollywood vendor submitting the lowest bid will be awarded the contract; provided, however, if none of the local Hollywood vendors bids are lower than the lowest responsive and responsible non-Hollywood bidder by at least 1%, the non- Hollywood bidder will be awarded the contract.

3.24. Contracting with Entities of Foreign Countries

By responding to this solicitation, your entity certifies and attests under penalty of perjury to not being a "foreign country of concern" as defined under Sections 287.138 and 692.202, Florida Statutes, and compliance with all regulations within the statutes.

3.25. Federal Procurement Standards

This solicitation shall be subject to Federal procurement standards as defined under Sections 200.317 through 200.327 of the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) if funded by a Federal award, including all contract provisions/clauses under Section 200.327 of the CFR.

4. SCOPE OF WORK/SERVICES

4.1. Project Description

Bids will only be considered from manufacturers or their authorized distributors. The authorized distributors must regularly maintain a substantial stock of the chemical bid, and must be actively engaged in its sale. A representative of the City may examine such stock and facilities at any time either before the bid award is made or during the term of the contract. The City reserves the right to consider a Bidder's history of citations and/or violations of environmental regulations in determining a Bidder's responsibility, and further reserves the right to declare a Bidder not responsible if the history of violations warrant such determination. Bidder should submit with Bid a complete history of all citations and/or violations, notices and dispositions thereof. The nonsubmission of any such document shall be deemed to be an affirmation by the Bidder that there are no citations or violations. Bidder shall notify City immediately of notice of any citation or violation which Bidder may receive after the Bid opening date and during the time of performance of any contract awarded to Bidder.

In compliance with Chapter 442, Florida Statutes, a Material Safety Data Sheet (MSDS) must accompany deliveries from a contract resulting from this bid. ALL TOXIC SUBSTANCES MUST BE LABELED FOR IDENTIFICATION, IN ACCORDANCE WITH O.S.H.A. STANDARDS.

The Contractor agrees to cooperate and work with the City of Hollywood Department of Public Utilities in scheduling work requested.

4.2. Certifications and Testing

Bidders will be requested, after bid opening, to provide proof of certification that the chlorine to be furnished in one (1) ton conforms to ANSI/NSF Standard 60-1998. All additives and chemicals used in drinking water treatment must conform to ANSI/NSF Standard 60-1998, per the Florida Administrative Code 62-555.320(3)(b).

The City reserves the right during the contract period to determine by independent test if the product supplied meets the specifications herein. The cost of the test is to be paid for by the City if sample meets specifications and by the contractor if it should not meet specifications. In addition, the facilities of the Florida State Department of Agriculture testing laboratories may be used for any referee testing

4.3. <u>Product Specification</u>

- I. Chlorine shall be 99.5% pure by volume, free of iron, meeting the specifications of AWWA B301-18 or latest revision of standard supplied and shipped in one (1) ton cylinders.
- II. Empty cylinders are to be picked up and returned by the Supplier's trucks at no charge to the City. No deposits are to be charged for cylinders.
- III. At least every three (3) weeks, the successful bidder shall advise the City in writing that the City has or has not in their possession chlorine containers that have been outstanding for ninety (90) days or in excess of ninety (90) days. Any listing of outstanding chlorine containers shall include the type of container, serial number of container, delivery point, and other information the vendor and user consider pertinent.

4.4. Deliverable and Objectives

Estimated annual quantities to be purchased by the City of Hollywood – 364 one-ton cylinders.

4.5. Contact and Delivery Location

Hollywood City of Superintendent Contact person: Joel Blanco, 954-258-3886 Phone: (cell) or 954 -921-3288 ext. 5570 E-mail: jblanco@hollywoodfl.org

Delivery
City of Hollywood
Southern Regional Wastewater Treatment Plant
1621 N. 14th Avenue,
Hollywood, FL 33022

4.6. Questions

Add language for this titled section or revise/remove as needed.

5. BID SUBMISSIONS

The responsibility for submitting a bid/proposal on or before the time and date is solely and strictly the responsibility of the bidder/proposer, the City will in no way be responsible for delays caused by technical difficulty or caused by any other occurrence. No part of a bid/proposal can be submitted via FAX or via direct Email to the City. No variation in price or conditions shall be permitted based upon a claim of ignorance.

5.1. <u>VENDOR REFERENCE FORM*</u>

Please download the below documents, complete, and upload.

Vendor_Reference_Form.pdf

*Response required

5.2. HOLD HARMLESS AND INDEMNITY CLAUSE*

I, an authorized representative, the contractor, shall indemnify, defend and hold harmless the City of Hollywood, its elected and appointed officials, employees and agents for any and all suits, actions, legal or administrative proceedings, claims, damage, liabilities, interest, attorney's fees, costs of any kind whether arising prior to the start of activities or following the completion or acceptance and in any manner directly or indirectly caused, occasioned or contributed to in whole or in part by reason of any act, error or omission, fault or negligence whether active or passive by the contractor, or anyone acting under its direction, control, or on its behalf in connection with or incident to its performance of the contract.

✓ Please confirm

*Response required

5.3. NON-COLLUSION STATEMENT*

I, being first duly sworn, depose that:

- A. He/she is an authorized representative of the Company, the Proposer that has submitted the attached Proposal.
- B. He/she has been fully informed regarding the preparation and contents of the attached Proposal and of all pertinent circumstances regarding such Proposal;
- C. Such Proposal is genuine and is not a collusion or sham Proposal;
- D. Neither the said Proposer nor any of its officers, partners, owners, agents, representatives, employees or parties in interest, including this affiant has in any way colluded, conspired, connived or agreed, directly or indirectly with any other Proposer, firm or person to submit a collusive or sham Proposal in connection with the contractor for which the attached Proposal has been submitted or to refrain from bidding in connection with such contract, or has in any manner, directly or indirectly, sought by agreement or collusion or communication or conference with any other Proposer, firm or person to fix the price or prices, profit or cost element of the Proposal price or the

- Proposal price of any other Proposer, or to secure an advantage against the City of Hollywood or any person interested in the proposed Contract; and
- E. The price or prices quoted in the attached Proposal are fair and proper and are not tainted by any collusion, conspiracy, connivance or unlawful agreement on the part of the Proposer or any of its agents, representatives, owners, employees, or parties in interest, including this affiant.

☑ Please confirm

*Response required

5.4. <u>CERTIFICATIONS REGARDING DEBARMENT, SUSPENSION AND</u> OTHER RESPONSIBILITY MATTERS*

The applicant certifies that it and its principals:

- A. Are not presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, sentenced to a denial of Federal benefits by a State or Federal court, or voluntarily excluded from covered transactions by any Federal department or agency;
- B. Have not within a three-year period preceding this application been convicted of or had a civil judgment rendered against them for commission of fraud or a criminal offense in connection with obtaining, attempting to obtain, or performing a public (Federal, State, or local) transaction or contract under a public transaction, violation of Federal or State antitrust statutes or commission of embezzlement, theft, forgery, bribery, falsification or destruction of records, making false statements, or receiving stolen property;
- C. Are not presently indicted for or otherwise criminally or civilly charged by a governmental entity (Federal, State, or local) with commission of any of the offenses enumerated in paragraph (b) of this certification; and
- D. Have not within a three-year period preceding this application had one or more public transactions (Federal, State, or local) terminated for cause or default.

☑ Please confirm

*Response required

5.5. DRUG-FREE WORKPLACE PROGRAM*

A. IDENTICAL TIE PROPOSALS - Preference shall be given to businesses with drug-free workplace programs. Whenever two or more bids which are equal with respect to price, quality, and service are received by the State or by any political subdivision for the procurement of commodities or contractual services, a bid received from a business that certifies that it has implemented a drug-free workplace program shall be given preference in the award process. Established procedures for processing tie proposals will be followed if none of the tied vendors have a drug-free workplace program. In order to have a drug-free workplace program, a business shall:

- Publish a statement notifying employees that the unlawful manufacture, distribution, dispensing, possession, or use of a controlled substance is prohibited in the workplace and specifying the actions that will be taken against employees for violations of such prohibition.
- Inform employees about the dangers of drug abuse in the workplace, the business's
 policy of maintaining a drug-free workplace, any available drug counseling,
 rehabilitation, and employee assistance programs, and the penalties that may be
 imposed upon employees for drug abuse violations.
- 3. Give each employee engaged in providing the commodities or contractual services that are under bid a copy of the statement specified in subsection (1).
- 4. In the statement specified in subsection (1), notify the employee that, as a condition of working on the commodities or contractual services that are under bid, the employee will abide by the terms of the statement and will notify the employer of any conviction of, or plea of guilty or nolo contendere to, any violation of chapter 893 or of any controlled substance law of the United States or any state, for a violation occurring in the workplace no later than five (5) days after such conviction.
- 5. Impose a sanction on, or require the satisfactory participation in a drug abuse assistance or rehabilitation program (if such is available in the employee's community) by, any employee who is so convicted.
- 6. Make a good faith effort to continue to maintain a drug-free workplace through implementation of these requirements.

As the person authorized to sign the statement, I certify that this firm complies fully with the above requirements.

☑ Please confirm

*Response required

5.6. SOLICITATION, GIVING, AND ACCEPTANCE OF GIFTS POLICY *

Florida Statute 112.313 prohibits the solicitation or acceptance of Gifts. "No Public officer, employee of an agency, local government attorney, or candidate for nomination or election shall solicit or accept anything of value to the recipient, including a gift, loan, reward, promise of future employment, favor, or service, based upon any understanding that the vote, official action, or judgment of the public officer, employee, local government attorney, or candidate would be influenced thereby." The term "public officer" includes "any person elected or appointed to hold office in any agency, including any person serving on an advisory body."

The City of Hollywood/Hollywood CRA policy prohibits all public officers, elected or appointed, all employees, and their families from accepting any gifts of any value, either directly or indirectly, from any contractor, vendor, consultant, or business with whom the City/CRA does business.

The State of Florida definition of "gifts" includes the following:

Real property or its use,

- Tangible or intangible personal property, or its use,
- A preferential rate or terms on a debt, loan, goods, or services,
- Forgiveness of indebtedness,
- Transportation, lodging, or parking,
- Food or beverage,
- Membership dues,
- Entrance fees, admission fees, or tickets to events, performances, or facilities,
- Plants, flowers or floral arrangements
- Services provided by persons pursuant to a professional license or certificate.
- Other personal services for which a fee is normally charged by the person providing the services.
- Any other similar service or thing having an attributable value not already provided for in this section.

Any contractor, vendor, consultant, or business found to have given a gift to a public officer or employee, or his/her family, will be subject to dismissal or revocation of contract.

As the person authorized to sign the statement, I certify that this firm will comply fully with this policy.

☑ Please confirm

*Response required

5.7. Certificate of Insurance*

See requirements in the **#SPECIAL TERM AND CONDITIONS** section.

5.8. PROOF OF SUNBIZ REGISTRATION*

Enter company FEIN to be verified in Sunbiz

5.9. ACKNOWLEDGMENT AND SIGNATURE PAGE

5.9.1. If Corporation - Date Incorporated/Organized:*

5.9.2. State Incorporated/Organized:*

*Response required

5.9.3. Remittance Address*

^{*}Response required

^{*}Response required

^{*}Response required

*Response required

- 5.9.4. Bidder/Proposer's Authorized Representative's Typed Full Name* *Response required
- 5.9.5. IT IS HEREBY CERTIFIED AND AFFIRMED THAT THE BIDDER/PROPOSER CERTIFIES ACCEPTANCE OF THE TERMS, CONDITIONS, SPECIFICATIONS, ATTACHMENTS AND ANY ADDENDA. THE BIDDER/PROPOSER SHALL ACCEPT ANY AWARDS MADE AS A RESULT OF THIS SOLICITATION. BIDDER/PROPOSER FURTHER AGREES THAT PRICES QUOTED WILL REMAIN FIXED FOR THE PERIOD OF TIME STATED IN THE SOLICITATION.*
- ☑ Please confirm
- *Response required
- 5.9.6. THE EXECUTION OF THIS FORM CONSTITUTES THE UNEQUIVOCAL OFFER OF BIDDER/PROPOSER TO BE BOUND BY THE TERMS OF ITS PROPOSAL. FAILURE TO SIGN THIS SOLICITATION WHERE INDICATED BY AN AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE SHALL RENDER THE BID/PROPOSAL NON-RESPONSIVE. THE CITY MAY, HOWEVER, IN ITS SOLE DISCRETION, ACCEPT ANY BID/PROPOSAL THAT INCLUDES AN EXECUTED DOCUMENT WHICH UNEQUIVOCALLY BINDS THE BIDDER/PROPOSER TO THE TERMS OF ITS OFFER.*
- ✓ Please confirm

5.9.7. BID FORM*

Please download the below documents, complete, and upload.

• Bid_Form_MASTER.docx

- 5.10. <u>SWORN STATEMENT PURSUANT TO SECTION 287.133 (3) (a)</u> FLORIDA STATUTES ON PUBLIC ENTITY CRIMES
- 5.10.1. This form statement is submitted to the City of Hollywood by:* (Print individual's name and title) (Print name of entity submitting sworn statement)

5.10.2. Sworn Statement Continuation:*

Enter business address:

^{*}Response required

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5.10.3. Sworn Statement Continuation:*

Enter Federal Employer Identification Number (FEIN) is: 61-0504545

If the entity has no FEIN, include the Social Security Number of the individual signing this sworn statement.

*Response required

5.10.4. Sworn Statement Continuation:*

I understand that "convicted" or "conviction" as defined in Paragraph 287.133(1)(b), Florida Statutes, means a finding of guilt or a conviction of a public entity crime, with or without an adjudication of guilt, in an federal or state trial court of record relating to charges brought by indictment or information after July 1, 1989, as a result of a jury verdict, nonjury trial, or entry of a plea of guilty or nolo contendere.

*Response required

5.10.5. Sworn Statement Continuation:*

I understand that "Affiliate," as defined in paragraph 287.133(1)(a), Florida Statutes, means:

- 1. A predecessor or successor of a person convicted of a public entity crime, or
- 2. An entity under the control of any natural person who is active in the management of the entity and who has been convicted of a public entity crime. The term "affiliate" includes those officers, directors, executives, partners, shareholders, employees, members, and agents who are active in the management of an affiliate. The ownership by one person of shares constituting a controlling interest in another person, or a pooling of equipment or income among persons when not for fair market value under an arm's length agreement, shall be a prima facie case that one person controls another person. A person who knowingly enters into a joint venture with a person who has been convicted of a public entity crime in Florida during the preceding 36 months shall be considered an affiliate.

☑ Please confirm

5.10.6. Sworn Statement Continuation:*

I understand that "person," as defined in Paragraph 287.133(1)(e), Florida Statues, means any natural person or any entity organized under the laws of any state or of the United States with the legal power to enter into a binding contract and which bids or applies to bid on contracts let by a public entity, or which otherwise transacts or applies to transact business with a public entity.

^{*}Response required

The term "person" includes those officers, executives, partners, shareholders, employees, members, and agents who are active in management of an entity

☑ Please confirm

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5.10.7. Sworn Statement Continuation:*

Based on information and belief, the statement which I have marked below is true in relation to the entity submitting this sworn statement. (Please indicate which statement applies.)

Division of Administrative Hearings, determined that it was not in the public interest to place the entity submitting this sworn statement on the convicted vendor list. (attach a copy of the Final Order).

Select all that apply

Neither the entity submitting sworn statement, nor any of its officers, director, executives,
partners, shareholders, employees, members, or agents who are active in the management of
the entity, nor any affiliate of the entity has been charged with and convicted of a public entity
crime subsequent to July 1, 1989.
\square The entity submitting this sworn statement, or one or more of its officers, directors,
executives, partners, shareholders, employees, members, or agents who are active in the
management of the entity, or an affiliate of the entity, or an affiliate of the entity has been
charged with and convicted of a public entity crime subsequent to July 1, 1989.
\square The entity submitting this sworn statement, or one or more of its officers, directors,
executives, partners, shareholders, employees, members, or agents who are active in the
management of the entity, or an affiliate of the entity has been charged with and convicted of a
public entity crime, but the Final Order entered by the Hearing Officer in a subsequent
proceeding before a Hearing Officer of the State of the State of Florida,
*Response required

5.10.8. Sworn Statement Confirmation*

I UNDERSTAND THAT THE SUBMISSION OF THIS FORM TO THE CONTRACTING OFFICER

FOR THE PUBLIC ENTITY IDENTIFIED IN PARAGRAPH 1 (ONE) ABOVE IS FOR THAT PUBLIC

ENTITY ONLY AND THAT THIS FORM IS VALID THROUGH DECEMBER 31 OF THE CALENDAR

YEAR IN WHICH IT IS FILED. I ALSO UNDERSTAND THAT I AM REQUIRED TO INFORM THAT

PUBLIC ENTITY PRIOR TO ENTERING INTO A CONTRACT IN EXCESS OF THE THRESHOLD

AMOUNT PROVIDED IN SECTION 287.017 FLORIDA STATUTES FOR A CATEGORY TWO OF

ANY CHANGE IN THE INFORMATION CONTAINED IN THIS FORM.

☑ Please confirm

*Response required

6. PRICING (BID FORM)

The City is seeking bids/proposals from qualified vendors for the items listed below in accordance with the terms, conditions, and specifications contained in this solicitation.

Estimated quantities listed are for information and tabulation purposes only. No warranty or guarantee of quantities needed is given or implied. It is understood that the Contractor will furnish the City's needs as they arise.

Line Item	Description	Quantity	Unit of Measure	Unit Cost	Total	
1	Price of delivered Liquid Chlorine (Estimated Annual Quantity)	375	Ton	\$1,879.00ea	\$704,625.00	
TOTAL	\$704,625.00					

7. GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS

7.1. <u>INTENT</u>

It is the policy of the City to encourage full and open competition among all available qualified vendors. All vendors regularly engaged in the type of Work specified in the Bid Solicitation are encouraged to submit bids. To receive notification and to be eligible to bid vendor should be registered with OpenGov. Vendors may register with the OpenGov (registration is free) to be included on a mailing list for selected categories of goods and Services. In order to be processed for payment, any awarded vendor must register with the City by completing and returning a Vendor Application and all supporting documents. For information and to apply as a vendor, please visit our website at hollywoodfl.org to download an application and submit it to Procurement Services Division.

It is the intent of the City of Hollywood, FL ("the City"), through this solicitation and the contract conditions contained herein, to establish to the greatest possible extent complete clarity regarding the requirements of both parties to the agreement resulting from this solicitation.

Before submitting a bid/proposal, the Vendor shall be thoroughly familiarized with all contract conditions referred to in this document and any addenda issued before the bid/proposal submission date. Such addenda shall form a part of the SOLICITATION and shall be made a part of the contract. It shall be the Vendor's responsibility to ascertain that the bid/proposal includes all addenda issued prior to the bid/proposal submission date. Addenda will be posted on the City's internet site along with the SOLICITATION.

The terms of the SOLICITATION and the selected Vendor's bid/proposal and any additional documentation (e.g. questions and answers) provided by the Vendor during the solicitation process will be integrated into the final contract for services entered into between the City and the selected Vendor. The Vendor shall determine, by personal examination and by such other means as may be preferred, the conditions and requirements under which the agreement must be performed.

7.2. PROPOSER'S RESPONSIBILITIES

Proposers are required to submit their bids/proposals upon the following express conditions:

- A. Proposers shall thoroughly examine the drawings, specifications, schedules, instructions and all other contract documents.
- B. Proposers shall make all investigations necessary to thoroughly inform themselves regarding delivery of material, equipment or services as required by the SOLICITATION conditions. No plea of ignorance, by the proposer, of conditions that exist or that may hereafter exist as a result of failure or omission on the part of the proposer to make the necessary examinations and investigations, or failure to fulfill in every detail the requirements of the contract documents, will be accepted as a basis for varying the requirements of the City or the compensation due the proposer.

C. Proposers are advised that all City contracts are subject to all legal requirements provided for in the City of Hollywood Charter, Code of Ordinances and applicable County Ordinances, State Statutes and Federal Statutes.

7.3. PREPARATION OF BIDS/PROPOSALS

Bids/proposals shall be prepared in accordance with the bid/proposal response format. Bids/proposals not complying with this format may be considered non-responsive and may be removed from consideration on this basis. Each proposer, by making a bid/proposal, represents that this document has been read and is fully understood.

Bids/proposals will be prepared in accordance with the following:

- A. The City's enclosed bid/proposal Forms, in their entirety, are to be used in submitting your bid/proposal. NO OTHER FORM WILL BE ACCEPTED.
- B. All information required by the bid/proposal form shall be furnished. The proposer shall sign each continuation sheet (where indicated) on which an entry is made.
- C. Prices shall be shown and where there is an error in extension of prices, the unit price shall govern.

The City of Hollywood is exempt from payment to its vendors of State of Florida sales tax and, therefore, such taxes should not be figured into the SOLICITATION. However, this exemption does not apply to suppliers to the City in their (supplier) purchases of goods or services, used in work or goods supplied to the City. Proposers are responsible for any taxes, sales or otherwise, levied on their purchases, subcontracts, employment, etc. An exemption certificate will be signed where applicable, upon request. The City will pay no sales tax.

7.4. DESCRIPTION OF SUPPLIES

Any manufacturer's names, trade names, brand names, or catalog numbers used in these applications are for the purpose of describing and establishing minimum requirements or level of quality, standards of performance, and design required, and are in no way intended to prohibit the bidding of other manufacturers' items of equal material, unless specifications state "NO SUBSTITUTIONS."

Proposers must indicate any variances to the specifications, terms, and conditions, no matter how slight. If variations are not stated in the bid/proposal, it shall be construed that the bid/proposal fully complies with the Specifications, Terms and Conditions.

Proposers are required to state exactly what they intend to furnish; otherwise they shall be required to furnish the items as specified.

Proposers will submit, with their bid/proposal, necessary data (factory information sheets, specifications, brochures, etc.) to evaluate and determine the quality of the item(s) they are proposing.

The City shall be the sole judge of equality and its decision shall be final.

7.5. ADDENDA

The Procurement Services Division may issue an addendum in response to any inquiry received, prior to bid/proposal opening, which changes, adds to or clarifies the terms, provisions or requirements of the solicitation. The Proposer should not rely on any representation, statement or explanation, whether written or verbal, other than those made in this solicitation document or in any addenda issued. Where there appears to be a conflict between this solicitation and any addendum, the last addendum issued shall prevail. It is the proposer's responsibility to ensure receipt of all addenda and any accompanying documents. Proposer(s) shall acknowledge receipt of any formal Addenda electronically via the Portal as part of their bid/proposal. Failure to acknowledge receipt of formal addenda in its bid/proposal shall cause the City to deem the bid/proposal non-responsive provided, however, that the City may waive this requirement in its best interest.

7.6. REJECTION OF BIDS/PROPOSALS

To the extent permitted by applicable state and federal laws and regulations, the City reserves the right to reject any and all bids/proposals, to waive any and all informalities, irregularities and technicalities not involving price, time or changes in the commodities and/or services, and the right to disregard all nonconforming, non-responsive, unbalanced or conditional bids/proposals. Bids/proposals will be considered irregular and may be rejected if they show serious omissions, alterations in form, additions not called for, conditions or unauthorized alterations or irregularities of any kind.

The City also reserves the right to waive minor technical defects in a bid/proposal. The City reserves the right to determine, in its sole discretion, whether any aspect of a bid/proposal satisfies the criteria established in this Solicitation.

The City reserves the right to reject, in whole or in part, the bid/proposal of any Proposer if the City believes that it would not be in the best interest of the City to make an award to that Proposer, whether because the bid/proposal is not responsive or the Proposer is unqualified or of doubtful financial ability or fails to meet any other pertinent standard or criterion established by City.

The foregoing reasons for rejection of bids/proposals are not intended to be exhaustive.

The City may reject a bid/proposal if:

- A. The Proposer fails to acknowledge receipt of an addendum, or if
- B. The Proposer misstates or conceals any material fact in the bid/proposal, or if
- C. The bid/proposal does not strictly conform to the law or requirements of the SOLICITATION, or if
- D. The City is under a pre-lawsuit claim or current litigation with the proposer.
- E. The Proposer fails to acknowledge receipt of an addendum, or if
- F. The Proposer misstates or conceals any material fact in the bid/proposal, or if
- G. The bid/proposal does not strictly conform to the law or requirements of the SOLICITATION, or if

H. The City is under a pre-lawsuit claim or current litigation with the proposer.

The City may reject all bids/proposals whenever it is deemed in the best interest of the City to do so, and may reject any part of a bid/proposal unless the bid/proposal has been qualified as provided in herein.

7.7. WITHDRAWAL OF BIDS/PROPOSALS

- A. may not be withdrawn and shall be deemed enforceable for a period of 180 days after the time set for the SOLICITATION opening.
- B. Bids/proposals may be withdrawn prior to the time set for the SOLICITATION opening. Such request must be in writing.
- C. The City will permanently retain as liquidated damages the bid deposit furnished by any proposer who requests to withdraw a bid/proposal after the SOLICITATION opening.

7.8. BIDS/PROPOSALS TO REMAIN OPEN

All bids/proposals shall remain open for 180 calendar days after the day of the bid/proposal opening, but the City may, at its sole discretion, release any bid/proposal and return the bid/proposal Security prior to that date.

Extensions of time when bids/proposals shall remain open beyond the 180 day period may be made only by mutual written agreement between the City, the successful Proposer and the surety, if any, for the successful Proposer.

7.9. LATE BIDS/PROPOSALS OR MODIFICATIONS

Only bids/proposals received as of the opening date and time will be considered timely. Bids/proposals and modifications received after the time set for the opening will be returned unopened to the sender and rejected as late.

7.10. CONFLICTS WITHIN THE SOLICITATION

Where there appears to be a conflict between the General Terms and Conditions, Special Conditions, the Technical Specifications, the SOLICITATION Submittal Section, or any addendum issued, the order of precedence shall be the last addendum issued, the SOLICITATION Submittal Section, the Technical Specifications, the Special Conditions, and then the General Terms and Conditions.

7.11. <u>CLARIFICATION OR OBJECTION TO BID/PROPOSAL SPECIFICATIONS</u>

If any person contemplating submitting a bid/proposal for this contract is in doubt as to the true meaning of the specifications or other SOLICITATION documents or any part thereof, they may submit requests for clarification to the Procurement Services Division on or before the date specified for a request for clarification. All such requests for clarification shall be made in writing electronically via the Portal and the person submitting the request will be responsible for its prompt delivery. Any interpretation of the SOLICITATION, if made, will be made only by Addendum duly issued. A copy of such Addendum will be made available to each person receiving a Solicitation. The City will not be responsible for any other explanation or interpretation of the SOLICITATION

given prior to the award of the contract. Any objection to the specifications and requirements as set forth in this SOLICITATION must be filed in writing via the Portal's Question and Answer (Q&A) tab with the Chief Procurement Officer on or before the date specified for a request for clarification.

7.12. COMPETENCY OF PROPOSERS

Pre-award inspection of the Proposer's facility may be made prior to the award of a contract. Bids/proposals will be considered only from firms which are regularly engaged in the business of providing the goods and/or services as described in this SOLICITATION(s); have a record of performance for a reasonable period of time; and have sufficient financial support, equipment and organization to ensure that they can satisfactorily deliver the material and/or services if awarded a Contract under the terms and conditions herein stated. The terms "equipment and organization" as used herein shall be construed to mean a fully equipped and well established company in line with the best business practices in the industry and as determined by the proper authorities of the City.

The City may consider any evidence available to it of the financial, technical and other qualifications and abilities of a proposer, including past performance (experience) in making the award in the best interest of the City. In all cases the City of Hollywood shall have no liability to any proposer for any costs or expense incurred in connection with this SOLICITATION or otherwise.

7.13. QUALIFICATIONS OF PROPOSERS

No Bid/proposal will be accepted from, nor will any contract be awarded to any person who is in arrears to the City upon any debt or contract, or who is a defaulter, as surety or otherwise, upon any obligation to City, or who is deemed responsible or unreliable by the City.

As part of the bid/proposal evaluation process, City may conduct a background investigation including a record check by the Hollywood Police Department. Proposer's submission of a bid/proposal constitutes acknowledgment of the process and consent to such investigation. City shall be the sole judge in determining a Proposer's qualifications.

7.14. CONSIDERATION OF BIDS/PROPOSALS

In cases where an item requested is identified by a manufacturer's name, trade name, catalog number, or reference, it is understood that the Vendor proposes to furnish the item so identified and does not propose to furnish an "equal" unless the proposed "equal" is pre-approved by the City.

References to any of the above are intended to be descriptive but not restrictive and only indicate articles that will be satisfactory. A bid/proposal of an "equal" will be considered, provided that the Vendor states in his bid/proposal exactly what he proposes to furnish, including sample, illustration, or other descriptive matter which will clearly indicate the character of the article covered by such bid/proposal. The designated City representative hereby reserves the right to approve as an "equal", or to reject as not being an "equal", any article proposed which contains major or minor variations from specifications requirements.

7.15. AWARD OF CONTRACT

If the Contract is to be awarded, it will be awarded, after evaluation by the City, to the responsible and responsive Proposer whom the City determines will be in the best interests of the City and not necessarily to the lowest cost Proposer. Proposers may be invited to an oral interview before the committee. A short list of finalists will be determined and presented to either the City Manager or his/her designee or to the City Commission, in accordance with the applicable City of Hollywood Code of Ordinances, and will make the final ranking for the purposes of negotiating a contract with the top ranked firm. The successful Proposer shall be required to sign a negotiated contract; the refusal or failure of a successful Proposer to execute a contract which contains the mandatory material terms and conditions contained in the SOLICITATION, shall be grounds for deeming the Proposer and/or the Proposer's bid/proposal non-responsive.

If applicable, the Proposer to whom award is made shall execute a written contract prior to award by the City Commission. If the Proposer to whom the first award is made fails to enter into a contract as herein provided, the Contract may be let to the next highest ranked Proposer who is responsible and responsive in the opinion of the City.

7.16. BASIS FOR AWARD, EVALUATION CRITERIA AND QUESTIONS

The qualification of bid/proposal responders on this project will be considered in making the award. The City is not obligated to accept any bid/proposal if deemed not in the best interest of the City to do so. The City shall make award to a qualified proposer based on fees submitted and responses to this SOLICITATION.

Failure to include in the bid/proposal all information outlined herein may be cause for rejection of the bid/proposal.

The City reserves the right to accept or reject any and all bids/proposals, in whole or in part, as determined to be in the best interest of the City in its sole discretion.

The City reserves the right to waive any informalities or irregularities in bids/proposals.

The City reserves the right to negotiate separately the terms and conditions or all or any part of the bids/proposals as deemed to be in the City's best interest in its sole discretion.

Information and/or factors gathered during interviews, negotiations and any reference checks, and any other information or factors deemed relevant by the City, shall be utilized in the final award. The final award of a contract is subject to approval by the City Commission.

7.17. AGREEMENT

An agreement shall be sent to the awarded proposer to be signed, witnessed, and returned to the City for execution. The City will provide a copy of the fully executed agreement to the awarded proposer.

7.18. NOTICE TO PROCEED

A signed purchase order, blanket purchase order or fully executed agreement will be the Proposer's authorization to proceed and may substitute for a "Notice to Proceed" form.

7.19. BID PROTESTS

The City shall provide notice of its intent to award or reject to all Proposers by posting such notice on the City's website.

After a notice of intent to award a contract is posted, any actual or prospective proposer who is aggrieved in connection with the pending award of the contract or any element of the process leading to the award of the contract may protest to the Director of Procurement Services. A protest must be filed within five business days after posting or any right to protest is forfeited. The protest must be in writing, must identify the name and address of the protester, and must include a factual summary of, and the basis for, the protest. Filing shall be considered complete when the protest, including a deposit, is received by the Procurement Services Division. Failure to file a protest within the time-frame specified herein shall constitute a full waiver of all rights to protest the City's decision regarding the award.

The written protest shall state in detail the specific facts and law or ordinance upon which the protest of the proposed award is based, and shall include all pertinent documents.

A written protest may not challenge the relative weight of evaluation criteria or a formula for assigning points.

Upon receipt of a formal written protest, the City shall stop award proceedings until resolution of the protest; unless it has been determined that the award of the contract without delay is necessary to protect substantial interests of the City.

Any and all costs incurred by a protesting party in connection with a bid protest shall be the sole responsibility of the protesting party.

Upon receipt of a protest of the pending award of a contract, a copy of the protest shall promptly be forwarded to the City Attorney. The City Attorney shall thereupon review the charge to determine its sufficiency, including whether the protest was timely filed. If upon review the City Attorney determines that the charge is insufficient, the City Attorney may issue a summary dismissal of the protest. If upon review the City Attorney determines that the charge is sufficient, a hearing of the protest committee shall be scheduled.

A protest committee shall have the authority to review, settle and resolve the protest. The committee shall consist of three members appointed by the City Manager. The committee's review shall be informal.

If the protest committee determines that the pending award of a contract or any element of the process leading to the award involved a significant violation of law or applicable rule or regulation, all steps necessary and proper to correct the violation shall be taken. If the committee determines that the protest is without merit,

The Director shall promptly issue a decision in writing stating the reason for the decision and furnish a copy to the protester and any other interested party, and the process leading to the award shall proceed.

7.20. REQUIREMENTS FOR SIGNING BIDS/PROPOSALS

Requirements for Signing Bid/Proposal:

- A. The bid/proposal must be signed in ink by an individual authorized to legally bind the person, partnership, company, or corporation submitting the bid/proposal. In cases where the bid/proposal is signed by a deputy or subordinate, the principal's proper written grant of authority to such deputy or subordinate must accompany the bid/proposal.
- B. Bids/proposals by corporations must be executed in the corporate name by the President or other corporate officers accompanied by evidence of authority to sign. The corporate address and state of incorporation must be shown below the signature.
- C. Bids/proposals by partnerships must be executed in the partnership name and signed by a general partner whose title must appear under the signature and the official address of the partnership must be shown below the signature.
- D. All manual signatures must have the name typed directly under the line of the signature
- E. The above requirements apply to all SOLICITATION addenda.

7.21. EXAMINATION OF BID/PROPOSAL DOCUMENTS

Before submitting a bid/proposal, each Proposer must: examine the bid/proposal Documents thoroughly; consider federal, state and local laws, ordinances, rules and regulations that may in any manner affect cost, progress, performance, or provision of the commodities and/or services; study and carefully correlate Proposer's observations with the bid/proposal Documents, and notify the City's agent of all conflicts, errors and discrepancies in the bid/proposal Documents.

The submission of a bid/proposal will constitute an incontrovertible representation by the Proposer, that the Proposer has complied with every requirement of this SOLICITATION, that without exception, the bid/proposal is premised upon performing the services and/or furnishing the commodities and materials in accordance with such means, methods, techniques, sequences or procedures as may be indicated in or required by the bid/proposal Documents, and that the bid/proposal Documents are sufficient in scope and detail to indicate and convey understanding of all terms and conditions of performance and furnishing of the goods and/or services.

7.22. PUBLIC RECORDS LAW

If applicable, for each public agency contract for services, the Proposer is required to comply with F.S. 119.0701, which includes the following:

- A. Keep and maintain public records that ordinarily and necessarily would be required by the public agency in order to perform the service.
- B. Provide the public with access to public records on the same terms and conditions that the public agency would provide the records and at a cost that does not exceed the cost provided in F.S. Chapter 119 or as otherwise provided by law.
- C. Ensure that public records that are exempt or confidential and exempt from public records disclosure requirements are not disclosed except as authorized by law.
- D. Meet all requirements for retaining public records and transfer, at no cost, to the public agency, all public records in possession of the proposer upon termination of the contract

and destroy any duplicate public records that are exempt or confidential and exempt from public records disclosure requirements. All records stored electronically must be provided to the public agency in a format that is compatible with the information technology systems of the public agency.

Public records may be inspected and examined by anyone desiring to do so, at a reasonable time, under reasonable conditions, and under supervision by the custodian of the public record. Sealed Bids/proposals become subject to the public records disclosure requirements of FS. Chapter 119, notwithstanding a proposers' request to the contrary, at the time the City provides notice of a decision or intended decision, or 30 days after the bid/proposal opening, whichever is earlier.

Financial statements submitted in response to a request by the City may be confidential and exempt from disclosure.

Data processing software obtained under a licensing agreement which prohibits its disclosure may also exempt.

Proposers are hereby notified and agree that all information submitted as part of, or in support of SOLICITATION submittals will be available for public inspection after opening of SOLICITATION in compliance with Chapter 119 of the Florida Statutes. The proposer shall not, unless required as part of this SOLICITATION, submit any information in response to this invitation which the proposer considers to be a trade secret, proprietary or confidential. The submission, not required as part of this this SOLICITATION, of any information to the City in connection with this invitation shall be deemed conclusively to be a waiver of any trade secret or other protection, which would otherwise be available to the proposer.

7.23. <u>INFORMATION</u>

For information concerning procedure for responding to this Solicitation (SOLICITATION), contact the Point of Contact in the Section: INTRODUCTION - Point of Contact. Such contact shall be for clarification purposes only. It is preferred that all other questions be submitted in writing via the Portal at least 10 calendar days prior to the bid/proposal due/opening date.

7.24. MODIFICATION AND WITHDRAWAL OF BIDS/PROPOSALS

Bids/proposals must be modified or withdrawn electronically via the Portal at any time prior to the deadline for submitting bids/proposals. Withdrawal of a bid/proposal will not prejudice the rights of a Proposer to submit a new bid/proposal prior to the bid/proposal date and time. Except where provided in the following paragraph no bid/proposal may be withdrawn or modified after expiration of the period for receiving bids/proposals.

If, within twenty-four (24) hours after bids/proposals are opened, any Proposer files a duly signed written notice with the City and within five (5) calendar days thereafter demonstrates to the reasonable satisfaction of the City by clear and convincing evidence that there was a material and substantial mistake in the preparation of its bid/proposal, or that the mistake is clearly evident on the face of the bid/proposal but the intended correct bid/proposal is not similarly evident, then the Proposer may withdraw its bid/proposal and the bid/proposal Security will be returned.

7.25. OPEN END CONTRACT

No guarantee is expressed or implied as to the total quantity of commodities/services to be purchased under any open end contract. Estimated quantities will be used for bid/proposal comparison purposes only. The City reserves the right to issue purchase orders as and when required, or a blanket purchase order and release partial quantities as and when required or any combination of the preceding.

ORDERING: The CITY reserves the right to purchase commodities/services specified herein through Contracts established by other governmental agencies or through separate procurement actions due to unique or special needs. If an urgent delivery is required within a period shorter than the delivery time specified in the contract, and if the seller is unable to comply therewith, the City reserves the right to obtain such delivery from others without penalty or prejudice to the City or to the Proposer.

7.26. <u>AUDIT RIGHTS</u>

The City reserves the right to audit the records of the successful Proposer for the commodities and/or services provided under the Contract at any time during the performance and term of the Contract and for a period of three (3) years after completion and acceptance by the City. If required by the City, the successful Proposer agrees to submit to an audit by an independent certified public accountant selected by the City. The successful Proposer shall allow the City to inspect, examine and review the records of the successful Proposer in relation to this contract at any and all times during normal business hours during the term of the Contract.

7.27. LOCAL, STATE AND FEDERAL COMPLIANCE REQUIREMENTS

The Proposer shall comply with all local, state and federal directives, orders and laws as applicable to this SOLICITATION and subsequent contract(s) including, but not limited to:

- A. Equal Employment Opportunity (EEO), in compliance with Executive Order 11246 as amended and applicable to this contract.
- B. All manufactured items and fabricated assemblies shall comply with applicable requirements of the Occupation Safety and Health Act of 1970 as amended, and be in compliance with Chapter 442, Florida Statutes. Any toxic substance listed in Section 38F-41.03 of the Florida Administrative Code delivered as a result of this order must be accompanied by a completed Material Safety Data Sheet (MSDS).
- C. The Immigration and Nationality Act prohibits (i) the employment of an unauthorized alien when the employer knows the individual is an unauthorized alien and (ii) the employment of an individual without complying with the requirements of the federal employment verification system. If a proposer commits either of these violations, such violation shall be cause for unilateral cancellation of the contract.
- D. This Section applies only to any contract for goods or services of \$1 million or more: The Proposer certifies that it is not on the Scrutinized Companies with Activities in Sudan List or the Scrutinized Companies with Activities in the Iran Petroleum Energy Sector List

and that it does not have business operations in Cuba or Syria as provided in section 287.135, Florida Statutes (2011), as may be amended or revised. The City may terminate this Contract at the City's option if the Proposer is found to have submitted a false certification as provided under subsection (5) of section 287.135, Florida Statutes (2011), as may be amended or revised, or been placed on the Scrutinized Companies with Activities in Sudan List or the Scrutinized Companies with Activities in the Iran Petroleum Energy Sector List or has engaged in business operations in Cuba or Syria, as defined in Section 287.135, Florida Statutes (2011), as may be amended or revised.

7.28. FRAUD AND MISREPRESENTATION

Any individual, corporation or other entity that attempts to meet its contractual obligations with the City through fraud, misrepresentation or material misstatement, may be debarred from doing business with the City. The City as further sanction may terminate or cancel any other contracts with such individual, corporation or entity. Such individual or entity shall be responsible for all direct or indirect costs associated with termination or cancellation, including attorney's fees.

7.29. DEBARRED OR SUSPENDED BIDDERS OR PROPOSERS

The proposer certifies, by submission of a response to this solicitation, that neither it nor its principals and subproposers are presently debarred or suspended by any Federal department or agency.

7.30. COLLUSION

More than one bid/proposal received for the same work from an individual, firm, partnership, corporation or association under the same or different names will not be considered. Reasonable grounds for believing that any Proposer is interested in more than one bid/proposal for the same work will cause the rejection of such bin which the Proposer is interested. If there are reasonable grounds for believing that collusion exists among the Proposers, the bids/proposals of participants in such collusion will not be considered.

7.31. COPELAND "ANTI-KICKBACK"

The Proposer and all subproposers will comply with the Copeland Anti-Kickback Act (18 U.S.C. 874) as supplemented in Department of Labor regulations (29 CFR Part 3).

7.32. FORCE MAJEURE

The Agreement which is awarded to the successful proposer may provide that the performance of any act by the City or Proposer hereunder may be delayed or suspended at any time while, but only so long as, either party is hindered in or prevented from performance by acts of God, the elements, war, rebellion, strikes, lockouts or any cause beyond the reasonable control of such party, provided however, the City shall have the right to provide substitute service from third parties or City forces and in such event the City shall withhold payment due the Proposer for such

period of time. If the condition of force majeure exceeds a period of 14 days the City may, at its option and discretion, cancel or renegotiate this Agreement.

7.33. PUBLIC ENTITY CRIMES

A person or affiliate who has been placed on the convicted vendor list following a conviction for a public entity crime may not submit a bid on a contract to provide any goods or services to a public entity, may not submit a bid on a contract with a public entity for the construction or repair of a public building or public work, may not submit bids on leases of real property to a public entity, may not be awarded or perform work as a proposer, supplier, subproposer, or consultant under a contract with any public entity, and may not transact business with any public entity in excess of the threshold amount provided in Florida Statutes, Section 287.017, for CATEGORY TWO for a period of 36 months from the date of being placed on the convicted vendor list.

7.34. DRUG-FREE WORKPLACE PROGRAM

Preference shall be given to businesses with drug-free workplace programs. Whenever two or more bids/proposals which are equal with respect to price, quality, and service are received by the State or by any political subdivision for the procurement of commodities or contractual services, a bid/proposal received from a business that certifies that it has implemented a drug-free workplace program shall be given preference in the award process. Established procedures for processing tie bids/proposals will be followed if none of the tied vendors have a drug-free workplace program.

7.35. SOLICITATION, GIVING, AND ACCEPTANCE OF GIFTS POLICY

Proposer shall sign and submit the attached form indicating understanding and compliance with the City's and State's policies prohibiting solicitation and acceptance of gifts by public officers, employees and candidates. Failure to submit the signed form will result in your bid/proposal being declared non-responsive; provided, however, that a responsible proposer whose bid/proposal would be responsive but for the failure to submit the signed form in its bid/proposal may be given the opportunity to submit the form to the City within five calendar days after notification by the City, if this is determined to be in the best interest of the City.

7.36. CONFLICT OF INTEREST

The Proposer represents that:

No officer, director, employee, agent, or other consultant of the City or a member of the immediate family or household of the aforesaid has directly or indirectly received or been promised any form of benefit, payment or compensation, whether tangible or intangible, in connection with the grant of this Agreement.

There are no undisclosed persons or entities interested with the Proposer in this Agreement. This Agreement is entered into by the Proposer without any connection with any other entity or person making a bid/proposal for the same purpose, and without collusion, fraud or conflict of interest. No elected or appointed officer or official, director, employee, agent or other consultant of the City, or of the State of Florida (including elected and appointed members of the legislative and executive branches of government), or member of the immediate family or household of any of the aforesaid:

- A. Is interested on behalf of or through the Proposer directly or indirectly in any manner whatsoever in the execution or the performance of this Agreement, or in the services, supplies or work, to which this Agreement relates or in any portion of the revenues; or
- B. Is an employee, agent, advisor, or consultant to the Proposer or to the best of the Proposer's knowledge, any subproposer or supplier to the Proposer.

Neither the Proposer nor any officer, director, employee, agent, parent, subsidiary, or affiliate of the Proposer shall have an interest which is in conflict with the Proposer's faithful performance of its obligations under this Agreement; provided that the City, in its sole discretion, may consent in writing to such a relationship, and provided the Proposer provides the City with a written notice, in advance, which identifies all the individuals and entities involved and sets forth in detail the nature of the relationship and why it is in the City's best interest to consent to such relationship.

The provisions of this Article are supplemental to, not in lieu of, all applicable laws with respect to conflict of interest. In the event there is a difference between the standards applicable under this Agreement and those provided by statute, the stricter standard shall apply.

In the event the Proposer has no prior knowledge of a conflict of interest as set forth above and acquires information which may indicate that there may be an actual or apparent violation of any of the above, the Proposer shall promptly bring such information to the attention of the City's Project Manager. The Proposer shall thereafter cooperate with the City's review and investigation of such information, and comply with the instructions the Proposer receives from the Project Manager in regard to remedying the situation.

7.37. DISCRIMINATION

Any entity or affiliate who has been placed on the discriminatory vendor list may not submit a bid/proposal on a contract to provide goods or services to a public entity, may not submit a bid/proposal on a contract with a public entity for construction or repair of a public building or public work, may not submit bids/proposals on leases of real property to a public entity, may not award or perform work as a proposer, supplier, subproposer, or consultant under contract with any public entity, and may not transact business with any public entity.

7.38. ADVICE OF OMISSION OR MISSTATEMENT

In the event it is evident to a Vendor responding to this SOLICITATION that the City has omitted or misstated a material requirement to this SOLICITATION and/or the services required by this SOLICITATION, the responding Vendor shall advise the contact identified in the SOLICITATION Clarifications and Questions section above of such omission or misstatement.

7.39. CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION

Information contained in the Vendor's bid/proposal that is company confidential must be clearly identified in the bid/proposal itself. The City will be free to use all information in the Vendor's bid/proposal for the City's purposes, in accordance with State Law. Vendor bids/proposals shall remain confidential for 30 days or until a notice of intent to award is posted, which is sooner. The Vendor understands that any material supplied to the City may be subject to public disclosure under the Public Records Law.

7.40. GOVERNING LAW

This Contract, including appendices, and all matters relating to this Contract (whether in contract, statute, tort (such as negligence), or otherwise) shall be governed by, and construed in accordance with, the laws of the State of Florida. This shall apply notwithstanding such factors which include, but are not limited to, the place where the contract is entered into, the place where the accident occurs and not withstanding application of conflicts of law principles.

7.41. LITIGATION VENUE

The parties waive the privilege of venue and agree that all litigation between them in the state courts shall take place in Broward County, Florida and that all litigation between them in the federal courts shall take place in the Southern District of Florida.

7.42. SOVEREIGN IMMUNITY

Nothing in this agreement shall be interpreted or construed to mean that the city waives its common law sovereign immunity or the limits of liability set forth in Section 768.28, Florida Statute.

7.43. SURVIVAL

The parties acknowledge that any of the obligations in this Agreement will survive the term, termination and cancellation hereof. Accordingly, the respective obligations of the Proposer and the City under this Agreement, which by nature would continue beyond the termination, cancellation or expiration thereof, shall survive termination, cancellation or expiration hereof.

7.44. INDEMNIFICATION AND HOLD HARMLESS AGREEMENT

The Contractor shall indemnify and hold harmless the City of Hollywood and its officers, employees, agents and instrumentalities from any and all liability, losses or damages. In addition, the City shall be entitled to attorney's fees and costs of defense, which the City of Hollywood, or its officers, employees, agents or instrumentalities may incur as a result of claims, demands, suits, causes of actions or proceedings of any kind or nature arising out of, relating to or resulting from the performance of this project by the awarded proposer or its employees, agents, servants, partners, principals or subcontractors. Furthermore, the awarded proposer shall pay all claims and losses in connection therewith and shall investigate and defend all claims, suits or actions of any kind of nature in the name of the City of Hollywood, where applicable, including appellate proceedings, and shall pay all costs, judgments, and attorney's fees which may issue thereon. The awarded proposer expressly understands and agrees that any insurance protection required by the resulting agreement or otherwise provided by the awarded proposer shall cover the City of Hollywood, its officers, employees, agents and instrumentalities and shall include claims for damages resulting from and/or caused by the negligence, recklessness or intentional wrongful misconduct of the Contractor and persons employed by or utilized by the Contractor in the performance of the contract.

7.45. PATENT AND COPYRIGHT INDEMNIFICATION

The Proposer warrants that all deliverables furnished hereunder, including but not limited to: services, equipment programs, documentation, software, analyses, applications, methods, ways, processes, and the like, do not infringe upon or violate any patent, copyrights, service marks, trade secret, or any other third party proprietary rights.

The Proposer shall be liable and responsible for any and all claims made against the City for infringement of patents, copyrights, service marks, trade secrets or any other third party proprietary rights, by the use or supplying of any programs, documentation, software, analyses, applications, methods, ways, processes, and the like, in the course of performance or completion of, or in any way connected with, the work, or the City's continued use of the deliverables furnished hereunder. Accordingly, the Proposer, at its own expense, including the payment of attorney's fees, shall indemnify, and hold harmless the City and defend any action brought against the City with respect to any claim, demand, and cause of action, debt, or liability.

In the event any deliverable or anything provided to the City hereunder, or a portion thereof, is held to constitute an infringement and its use is or may be enjoined, the Proposer shall have the obligation, at the City's option, to (i) modify, or require that the applicable subproposer or supplier modify, the alleged infringing item(s) at the Proposer's expense, without impairing in any respect the functionality or performance of the item(s), or (ii) procure for the City, at the Proposer's expense, the rights provided under this Agreement to use the item(s).

The Proposer shall be solely responsible for determining and informing the City whether a prospective supplier or subproposer is a party to any litigation involving patent or copyright infringement, service mark, trademark, violation, or proprietary rights claims or is subject to any injunction which may prohibit it from providing any deliverable hereunder. The Proposer shall enter into agreements with all suppliers and subproposers at the Proposer's own risk. The City may reject any deliverable that it believes to be the subject of any such litigation or injunction, or if, in the City's judgment, use thereof would delay the work or be unlawful.

The Proposer shall not infringe any copyright, trademark, service mark, trade secrets, patent rights, or other intellectual property rights in the performance of the work.

7.46. ADVERTISING

Vendor shall not advertise or publish the fact that the City has placed this order without prior written consent from the City, except as may be necessary to comply with a proper request for information from an authorized representative of a governmental unit or agency.

7.47. DISCLAIMER

The Hollywood may, in its sole discretion, accept or reject, in whole or in part, for any reason whatsoever any or all bids/proposals; re-advertise this SOLICITATION, postpone or cancel at any time this SOLICITATION process; or, waive any formalities of or irregularities in the bid/proposal process. Bids/proposals that are not submitted on time and/or do not conform to the City of Hollywood's requirements will not be considered. After all bids/proposals are analyzed, organization(s) submitting bid/proposal that appear, solely in the opinion of the City of Hollywood, to be the most competitive, shall be submitted to the City of Hollywood's City Commission, and the final selection will be made shortly thereafter with a timetable set solely by the City of Hollywood. The selection by the City of Hollywood shall be based on the bid/proposal, which is,

in the sole opinion of the City Commission of the City of Hollywood, in the best interest of the City of Hollywood. The issuance of this SOLICITATION constitutes only an invitation to make a bid/proposal to the City of Hollywood. The City of Hollywood reserves the right to determine, in its sole discretion, whether any aspect of the bid/proposal satisfies the criteria established by the City. In all cases the City of Hollywood shall have no liability to any proposer for any costs or expense incurred in connection with this bid/proposal or otherwise.

7.48. TRADEMARKS

The City warrants that all trademarks the City requests the Vendor to affix to articles purchased are those owned by the City and it is understood that the Vendor shall not acquire or claim any rights, title, or interest therein, or use any of such trademarks on any articles produced for itself or anyone other than the City.

7.49. RIGHT TO REQUEST ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

The City reserves the right to request any additional information that might be deemed necessary during the evaluation process.

7.50. PROPOSAL PREPARATION COSTS

The Vendor is responsible for any and all costs incurred by the Vendor or his/her subproposers in responding to this solicitation.

7.51. DESIGN COSTS

The successful Vendor shall be responsible for all design, information gathering, and required programming to achieve a successful implementation. This cost must be included in the base bid/proposal.

7.52. <u>ADDITIONAL CHARGES</u>

No additional charges, other than those listed on the price breakdown sheets, shall be made. Prices quoted will include verification/coordination of order, all costs for shipping, delivery to all sites, unpacking, setup, installation, operation, testing, cleanup, training and Vendor travel charges.

7.53. RIGHTS TO PERTINENT MATERIALS

All responses, inquires, and correspondence relating to this SOLICITATION and all reports, charts, displays, schedules, exhibits and other documentation produced by the Vendor that are submitted as part of the bid/proposal shall become the property of the City upon receipt, a part of a public record upon opening, and will not be returned.

7.54. INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS

See insurance requirements in the main solicitation document.

7.55. NATURE OF THE AGREEMENT

The Agreement incorporates and includes all negotiations, correspondence, conversations, agreements, and understandings applicable to the matters contained in the Agreement. The parties agree that there are no commitments, agreements, or understandings concerning the subject matter of the Agreement that are not contained in the Agreement, and that the Agreement contains the entire agreement between the parties as to all matters contained herein. Accordingly, it is agreed that no deviation from the terms hereof shall be predicated upon any prior representations or agreements, whether oral or written. It is further agreed that any oral representations or modifications concerning this Agreement shall be of no force or effect, and that the Agreement may be modified, altered or amended only by a written amendment duly executed by both parties hereto or their authorized representatives.

The Proposer shall provide the services set forth in the Scope of Services, and render full and prompt cooperation with the City in all aspects of the services performed hereunder.

The Proposer acknowledges that the Agreement requires the performance of all things necessary for or incidental to the effective and complete performance of all work and services under this Contract. All things not expressly mentioned in the Agreement but necessary to carrying out its intent are required by the Agreement, and the Proposer shall perform the same as though they were specifically mentioned, described and delineated.

The Proposer shall furnish all labor, materials, tools, supplies, and other items required to perform the work and services that are necessary for the completion of this Contract. All work and services shall be accomplished at the direction of and to the satisfaction of the City's Project Manager.

The Proposer acknowledges that the City shall be responsible for making all policy decisions regarding the Scope of Services. The Proposer agrees to provide input on policy issues in the form of recommendations.

The Proposer agrees to implement any and all changes in providing services hereunder as a result of a policy change implemented by the City. The Proposer agrees to act in an expeditious and fiscally sound manner in providing the City with input regarding the time and cost to implement said changes and in executing the activities required to implement said changes.

7.56. <u>AUTHORITY OF THE CITY'S PROJECT MANAGER</u>

The Proposer hereby acknowledges that the City's Project Manager will determine in the first instance all questions of any nature whatsoever arising out of, under, or in connection with, or in any way related to or on account of, this Agreement including without limitations: questions as to the value, acceptability and fitness of the services; questions as to either party's fulfillment of its obligations under the Contract; negligence, fraud or misrepresentation before or subsequent to acceptance of the Bid/proposal; questions as to the interpretation of the Scope of Services; and claims for damages, compensation and losses.

The Proposer shall be bound by all determinations or orders and shall promptly obey and follow every order of the Project Manager, including the withdrawal or modification of any previous order

and regardless of whether the Proposer agrees with the Project Manager's determination or order. Where orders are given orally, they will be issued in writing by the Project Manager as soon thereafter as is practicable.

The Proposer must, in the final instance, seek to resolve every difference concerning the Agreement with the Project Manager. In the event that the Project Manager and the Proposer are unable to resolve their difference, the Proposer may initiate a dispute in accordance with the procedures set forth in the section below. Exhaustion of these procedures shall be a condition precedent to any lawsuit permitted hereunder.

In the event of such dispute, the parties to this Agreement authorize the City Manager or designee, who may not be the Project Manager or anyone associated with this Project, acting personally, to decide all questions arising out of, under, or in connection with, or in any way related to or on account of the Agreement (including but not limited to claims in the nature of breach of contract, fraud or misrepresentation arising either before or subsequent to execution hereof) and the decision of each with respect to matters within the City Manager's purview as set forth above shall be conclusive, final and binding on the parties. Any such dispute shall be brought, if at all, before the City Manager within 10 days of the occurrence, event or act out of which the dispute arises.

The City Manager may base this decision on such assistance as may be desirable, including advice of experts, but in any event shall base the decision on an independent and objective determination of whether the Proposer's performance or any deliverable meets the requirements of this Agreement and any specifications with respect thereto set forth herein. The effect of any decision shall not be impaired or waived by any negotiations or settlements or offers made in connection with the dispute, whether or not the City Manager participated therein, or by any prior decision of others, which prior decision shall be deemed subject to review, or by any termination or cancellation of the Agreement. All such disputes shall be submitted in writing by the Proposer to the City Manager for a decision, together with all pertinent information in regard to such questions, in order that a fair and impartial decision may be made. The parties agree that whenever the City Manager is entitled to exercise discretion or judgment or to make a determination or form an opinion pursuant to the provisions of this Article, such action shall be deemed fair and impartial when exercised or taken. The City Manager shall render a decision in writing and deliver a copy of the same to the Proposer. Except as such remedies may be limited or waived elsewhere in the Agreement, the Proposer reserves the right to pursue any remedies available under law after exhausting the provisions of this Article.

7.57. MUTUAL OBLIGATIONS

This Agreement, including attachments and appendices to the Agreement, shall constitute the entire Agreement between the parties with respect hereto and supersedes all previous communications and representations or agreements, whether written or oral, with respect to the subject matter hereof unless acknowledged in writing by the duly authorized representatives of both parties.

Nothing in this Agreement shall be construed for the benefit, intended or otherwise, of any third party that is not a parent or subsidiary of a party or otherwise related (by virtue of ownership control or statutory control) to a party.

In those situations where this Agreement imposes an indemnity or defense obligation on the Proposer, the City may, at its expense, elect to participate in the defense if the City should so

choose. Furthermore, the City may at its own expense defend or settle any such claims if the Proposer fails to diligently defend such claims, and thereafter seek indemnity for costs and attorney's fees from the Proposer.

7.58. SUBCONTRACTUAL RELATIONS

If the Proposer will cause any part of this Agreement to be performed by a subproposer, the provisions of this Contract will apply to such subproposer and its officers, agents and employees in all respects as if it and they were employees of the Proposer; and the Proposer will not be in any manner thereby discharged from its obligations and liabilities hereunder, but will be liable hereunder for all acts and negligence of the subproposer, its officers, agents, and employees, as if they were employees of the Proposer. The services performed by the subproposer will be subject to the provisions hereof as if performed directly by the Proposer.

The Proposer, before making any subcontract for any portion of the services, will state in writing to the City the name of the proposed subproposer, the portion of the services which the subproposer is to do, the place of business of such subproposer, and such other information as the City may require. The City will have the right to require the Proposer not to award any subcontract to a person, firm or corporation disapproved by the City.

Before entering into any subcontract hereunder, the Proposer will inform the subproposer fully and completely of all provisions and requirements of this Agreement relating either directly or indirectly to the services to be performed. Such services performed by such subproposer will strictly comply with the requirements of this Contract.

In order to qualify as a subproposer satisfactory to the City, in addition to the other requirements herein provided, the subproposer must be prepared to prove to the satisfaction of the City that it has the necessary facilities, skill and experience, and ample financial resources to perform the services in a satisfactory manner. To be considered skilled and experienced, the subproposer must show to the satisfaction of the City that it has satisfactorily performed services of the same general type which are required to be performed under this Agreement.

The City shall have the right to withdraw its consent to a subcontract if it appears to the City that the subcontract will delay, prevent, or otherwise impair the performance of the Proposer's obligations under this Agreement. All subproposers are required to protect the confidentiality of the City and City's proprietary and confidential information. The Proposer shall furnish to the City copies of all subcontracts between the Proposer and subproposers and suppliers hereunder. Within each such subcontract, there shall be a clause for the benefit of the City permitting the City to request completion of performance by the subproposer of its obligations under the subcontract, in the event the City finds the Proposer in breach of its obligations, and the option to pay the subproposer directly for the performance by such subproposer. The foregoing shall neither convey nor imply any obligation or liability on the part of the City to any subproposer hereunder as more fully described herein.

7.59. PROMPT PAYMENT: LATE PAYMENTS BY PROPOSER TO SUBPROPOSER AND MATERIAL SUPPLIERS; PENALTY:

When a proposer receives from the City of Hollywood any payment for contractual services, commodities, materials, supplies, or construction contracts, the proposer shall pay such moneys received to each subproposer and material supplier in proportion to the percentage of work

completed by each subproposer and material supplier at the time of receipt. If the proposer receives less than full payment, then the proposer shall be required to disburse only the funds received on a pro rata basis to the subproposers and materials Suppliers, each receiving a prorated portion based on the amount due on the payment. If the proposer without reasonable cause fails to make payments required by this section to subproposers and material suppliers within fifteen (15) working days after the receipt by the proposer of full or partial payment, the proposer shall pay to the subproposers and material suppliers a penalty in the amount of one percent (1%) of the amount due, per month, from the expiration of the period allowed herein for payment. Such penalty shall be in addition to actual payments owed. Retainage is also subject to the prompt payment requirement and must be returned to the subproposer or material supplier whose work has been completed, even if the prime contract has not been completed. The Proposer shall include the above obligation in each subcontract it signs with a subproposer or material supplier.

7.60. <u>TERMINATION FOR CONVENIENCE AND SUSPENSION OF</u> WORK

The City may terminate this Agreement if an individual or corporation or other entity attempts to meet its contractual obligation with the City through fraud, misrepresentation or material misstatement.

The City may, as a further sanction, terminate or cancel any other contract(s) that such individual or corporation or other entity has with the City. Such individual, corporation or other entity shall be responsible for all direct and indirect costs associated with such termination or cancellation, including attorney's fees.

The foregoing notwithstanding, any individual, corporation or other entity which attempts to meet its contractual obligations with the City through fraud, misrepresentation or material misstatement may be debarred from City contracting in accordance with the City debarment procedures. The Proposer may be subject to debarment for failure to perform and any other reasons related to the proposer's breach or failure of satisfactory performance.

In addition to cancellation or termination as otherwise provided in this Agreement, the City may at any time, in its sole discretion, with or without cause, terminate this Agreement by written notice to the Proposer and in such event:

The Proposer shall, upon receipt of such notice, unless otherwise directed by the City:

- A. Stop work on the date specified in the notice ("the Effective Termination Date");
- B. Take such action as may be necessary for the protection and preservation of the City's materials and property;
- C. Cancel orders;
- D. Assign to the City and deliver to any location designated by the City any non-cancelable orders for deliverables that are not capable of use except in the performance of this Agreement and which have been specifically developed for the sole purpose of this Agreement and not incorporated in the services;

E. Take no action which will increase the amounts payable by the City under this Agreement.

In the event that the City exercises its right to terminate this Agreement pursuant to this Article, the Proposer will be compensated as stated in the payment articles herein, for the:

- A. Portion of the services completed in accordance with the Agreement up to the Effective Termination Date; and
- B. Non-cancelable deliverables that are not capable of use except in the performance of this Agreement and which have been specifically developed for the sole purpose of this Agreement but not incorporated in the services.
- C. All compensation pursuant to this Article is subject to audit.

7.61. EVENT OF DEFAULT

An Event of Default shall mean a breach of this Agreement by the Proposer. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing and in addition to those instances referred to herein as a breach, an Event of Default, shall include the following:

- A. The Proposer has not delivered deliverables on a timely basis;
- B. The Proposer has refused or failed, except in any case for which an extension of time is provided, to supply enough properly skilled staff personnel;
- C. The Proposer has failed to make prompt payment to subproposers or suppliers for any services;
- D. The Proposer has become insolvent (other than as interdicted by the bankruptcy laws), or has assigned the proceeds received for the benefit of the Proposer's creditors, or the Proposer has taken advantage of any insolvency statute or debtor/creditor law or if the Proposer's affairs have been put in the hands of a receiver;
- E. The Proposer has failed to obtain the approval of the City where required by this Agreement;
- F. The Proposer has failed to provide "adequate assurances" as required under subsection "B" below; and
- G. The Proposer has failed in the representation of any warranties stated herein.

When, in the opinion of the City, reasonable grounds for uncertainty exist with respect to the Proposer's ability to perform the services or any portion thereof, the City may request that the Proposer, within the time frame set forth in the City's request, provide adequate assurances to the City, in writing, of the Proposer's ability to perform in accordance with terms of this Agreement. Until the City receives such assurances the City may request an adjustment to the compensation received by the Proposer for portions of the services which the Proposer has not performed. In the event that the Proposer fails to provide to the City the requested assurances within the prescribed time frame, the City may:

- A. Treat such failure as a repudiation of this Agreement;
- B. Resort to any remedy for breach provided herein or at law, including but not limited to, taking over the performance of the services or any part thereof either by itself or through others.

In the event the City shall terminate this Agreement for default, the City or its designated representatives may immediately take possession of all applicable equipment, materials, products, documentation, reports and data.

7.62. REMEDIES IN THE EVENT OF DEFAULT

If an Event of Default occurs, the Proposer shall be liable for all damages resulting from the default, including but not limited to:

- A. Lost revenues;
- B. The difference between the cost associated with procuring services hereunder and the amount actually expended by the City for procurement of services, including procurement and administrative costs; and,
- C. Such other damages that the City may suffer.

The Proposer shall also remain liable for any liabilities and claims related to the Proposer's default. The City may also bring any suit or proceeding for specific performance or for an injunction.

7.63. BANKRUPTCY

The City reserves the right to terminate this contract if, during the term of any contract the Proposer has with the City, the Proposer becomes involved as a debtor in a bankruptcy proceeding, or becomes involved in a reorganization, dissolution, or liquidation proceeding, or if a trustee or receiver is appointed over all or a substantial portion of the property of the Proposer under federal bankruptcy law or any state insolvency law.

7.64. CANCELLATION FOR UNAPPROPRIATED FUNDS

The obligation of the City for payment to a Proposer is limited to the availability of funds appropriated in a current fiscal period, and continuation of the contract into a subsequent fiscal period is subject to appropriation of funds, **unless otherwise authorized by law.**

7.65. <u>VERBAL INSTRUCTIONS PROCEDURE</u>

No negotiations, decisions, or actions shall be initiated or executed by the Proposer as a result of any discussions with any City employee. Only those communications which are in writing from an authorized City representative may be considered. Only written communications from Proposers, which are signed by a person designated as authorized to bind the Proposer, will be recognized by the City as duly authorized expressions on behalf of the Proposer.

7.66. E-VERIFY

Proposer acknowledges that the City may be utilizing the Proposer's services for a project that is funded in whole or in part by State funds pursuant to a contract between the City and a State

agency. The Proposer shall be responsible for complying with the E-Verify requirements in the contract and using the U.S. Department of Homeland Security's E-Verify system to verify the employment of all new employees hired by the Proposer during the Agreement term. The Proposer is also responsible for e-verifying its subproposers, if any, pursuant to any agreement between the City and a State Agency, and reporting to the City any required information. The Proposer acknowledges that the terms of this paragraph are material terms, the breach of any of which shall constitute a default under this Agreement.

7.67. BUDGETARY CONSTRAINTS

In the event the City is required to reduce contract costs due to budgetary constraints, all services specified in this document may be subject to a permanent or temporary reduction in budget. In such an event, the total cost for the affected service shall be reduced as required. The Proposer shall also be provided with a minimum 30-day notice prior to any such reduction in budget.

7.68. COST ADJUSTMENTS

The cost for all items as quoted herein shall remain firm for the first term of the contract. Costs for subsequent years and any extension term years shall be subject to an adjustment only if increases occur in the industry. However, unless very unusual and significant changes have occurred in the industry, such increases shall not exceed 3% per year or, whichever is less, the latest yearly percentage increase in the All Urban Consumers Price Index (CPU-U) (National) as published by the Bureau of Labor Statistics, U.S. Dept. of Labor. The yearly increase or decrease in the CPI shall be that latest index published and available ninety (90) days prior to the end of the contract year than in effect compared to the index for the same month one year prior. Any requested cost increase shall be fully documented and submitted to the City at least ninety (90) days prior to the contract anniversary date. Any approved cost adjustments shall become effective upon the anniversary date of the contract. In the event the CPI or industry costs decline, the City shall have the right to receive from the Proposer a reduction in costs that reflects such cost changes in the industry. The City may, after examination, refuse to accept the adjusted costs if they are not properly documented, increases are considered to be excessive, or decreases are considered to be insufficient. In the event the City does not wish to accept the adjusted costs and the matter cannot be resolved to the satisfaction of the City, the contract can be cancelled by the City upon giving thirty (30) days written notice to the Proposer.

7.69. OSHA STANDARDS

Proposer acknowledges and agrees that as Contractor for the City of Hollywood, Florida, within the limits of the City of Hollywood, Florida, will have the sole responsibility for compliance with all requirements of the Federal Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1970, and all State and local safety and health regulations, and agrees to defend, indemnify and hold harmless the City of Hollywood, Florida, its officials, employees, service providers, and its agents against any and all legal liability or loss the City of Hollywood, Florida may incur due to the Contractor's failure to comply with such act.

Brenntag is current supplier. Can supply upon awarded

VENDOR REFERENCE FORM

City of Hollywood Solici	itation #:						
Reference for:							
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Organization/Firm Cont	tact			Т	itle:		
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Form 13

N/A

Bond Form

(Construction)

STATE OF FLORIDA

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PR	ESENTS:	
That we	, as Principal, ar	nd, as
Surety, are held and firmly bound	unto the City of Hollywood in the sur	m of
	Dollars (\$) lawful money
of the United States, amounting t	o 5% of the total SOLICITATION Pri	ce, for the payment of said
sum, we bind ourselves, our h	neirs, executors, administrators, and	d successors, jointly and
severally, firmly by these present	s.	
THE CONDITION OF THIS OBLI	GATION IS SUCH, that whereas the	principal has submitted the
accompanying SOLICITATION of	lated	20 for

Solicitation #:XX-XXX-XX
Solicitation Title:XXXXXX

NOW, THEREFORE, if the principal shall not withdraw said SOLICITATION within 90 days after date of the same and shall within ten days after the prescribed forms are presented to him for signature, enter into a written contract with the CITY, in accordance with the SOLICITATION as accepted, and give bond with good and sufficient surety or sureties, and provide the necessary Insurance Certificates as may be required for the faithful performance and proper fulfillment of such Contract, then this obligation shall be null and void.



Approved Solicitation Bond

In the event of the withdrawal of said SOLICITATION within the specified period, or the failure to enter into such contract and give such bond and insurance within the specified time, the principal and the surety shall pay to the City of Hollywood the difference between the amount specified in said SOLICITATION and such larger amount for which the City of Hollywood may in good faith contract with another party to perform the work and/or supply the materials covered by said SOLICITATION.

In accordance with Florida State Statute 255.05, Payment, Performance and Bid Bonds may be required for construction projects that are over \$200,000.00.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the above	ve bound parties have executed this statement under their
seal(s) this	
day of, 2	20, the name and corporate seal of each corporate party
being hereto affixed and these prese	ents duly signed by its undersigned representative, pursuant
to authority of its governing body.	
WHEN THE PRINCIPAL IS AN INDI	<u>VIDUAL</u> :
Signed, sealed and delivered in the լ	presence of:
Witness	Signature of Individual
Address	
	Printed Name of Individual
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Witness	
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Approved Solicitation Bond

Attest:	<u>RATION</u> .
Secretary	Name of Corporation
	Business Address
	By: (Affix Corporate Seal)
	Printed Name
	Official Title
CERTIFICATE	AS TO CORPORATE PRINCIPAL
	, certify that I am the secretary of the
	attached bond; that nd on behalf of the Principal, was then
	t I know his signature, and his signature thereto is genuine,
<u> </u>	ealed and attested for and on behalf of said Corporation by
	(SEAL)
	Secretary



Approved Solicitation Bond

TO BE EXECUTED BY CORPORATE SURETY: Attest: Secretary Corporate Surety Business Address BY: (Affix Corporate Seal) Attorney-in-Fact Name of Local Agency Business Address STATE OF FLORIDA Before me, a Notary Public, duly commissioned, qualified and acting, personally appeared, to me well known, who being by me first duly sworn upon oath says that he is the attorney-in-fact for the and that the has been authorized by ______to execute the forgoing bond on behalf of the CONTRACTOR named therein in favor of the City of Hollywood, Florida. Subscribed and sworn to before me this ______day of _____, 20____ Notary Public, State of Florida

- END OF SECTION-

My Commission Expires:



MEMORANDUM

TO:

To Whom It May Concern

FROM:

JT Hill, Chad Massie

DATE:

March 11, 2024

SUBJECT:

Authority to Sign

This is to advise that Sara Terry, in her capacity as Municipal Contract Specialist, has authority to sign Bid Documents on behalf of Brenntag Mid-South, Inc.

John T. Hill, President

Brenntag Essentials Mid-South

Chad A. Massie, President

Brenntag Essentials Mid-South

Seal

Seal

State of Kentucky County of Henderson

Subscribed and sworn to before me by John T. Hill, personally known to me, on this the day of March, 2024.

Sandra L. Littrell, Notary Public

My Commission Expires: 1/22/26

Brenntag Mid-South, Inc. 1405 Highway 136 West (42420) PO Box 20 Henderson, KY 42419-0020



General Contact Information:

Bid/Contracts/Renewals-

Sara Terry <u>bms-bids@brenntag.com</u> 828-729-7557

Place an order -

Greg Samples, CSR

<u>Greg.samples@brenntag.com</u>

800-876-1727 EXT 3224

Account Manager -

Lori Patton

<u>Lori.patton@brenntag.com</u>
689-325-1807

Local Facility -

Miami FL Branch 8700 NW 36th Avenue Miami FL 33147

Remittance -

PO Box 7410714 Chicago, IL 60674

mid-south.accountremittance@brenntag.com

Preferred method of payment is ACH

- account information available upon request.



CERTIFICATE OF LIABILITY INSURANCE

DATE (MM/DD/YYYY) 12/28/2023

THIS CERTIFICATE IS ISSUED AS A MATTER OF INFORMATION ONLY AND CONFERS NO RIGHTS UPON THE CERTIFICATE HOLDER. THIS CERTIFICATE DOES NOT AFFIRMATIVELY OR NEGATIVELY AMEND, EXTEND OR ALTER THE COVERAGE AFFORDED BY THE POLICIES BELOW. THIS CERTIFICATE OF INSURANCE DOES NOT CONSTITUTE A CONTRACT BETWEEN THE ISSUING INSURER(S), AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE OR PRODUCER, AND THE CERTIFICATE HOLDER.

IMPORTANT: If the certificate holder is an ADDITIONAL INSURED, the policy(ies) must have ADDITIONAL INSURED provisions or be endorsed. If SUBROGATION IS WAIVED, subject to the terms and conditions of the policy, certain policies may require an endorsement. A statement on this certificate does not confer rights to the certificate holder in lieu of such endorsement(s).

this certificate does not confer rights to the certificate holder in lie		
PRODUCER	CONTACT	
Marsh USA LLC 1717 Arch Street	PHONE (A/C. No. Ext):	FAX (A/C, No):
Philadelphia, PA 19103-2797	E-MAIL ADDRESS:	, projecti
	INSURER(S) AFFO	RDING COVERAGE NAIC #
CN101263979-ALL-GAW-24-25	INSURER A: Insurance Company Of The	e State Of PA 19429
INSURED Brenntag Mid-South, Inc.	INSURER B : ACE American Insurance C	Company 22667
1405 HWY 136 West	INSURER C: Indemnity Insurance Comp	any of North America 43575
Henderson, KY 42420	INSURER D : ACE Fire Underwriters Insu	rance Company 20702
	INSURER E :	
	INSURER F:	
COVERAGES CERTIFICATE NUMBER:	CLE-006951563-10	REVISION NUMBER: 10
THIS IS TO CERTIFY THAT THE POLICIES OF INSURANCE LISTED BELC INDICATED. NOTWITHSTANDING ANY REQUIREMENT, TERM OR CONE CERTIFICATE MAY BE ISSUED OR MAY PERTAIN, THE INSURANCE AF EXCLUSIONS AND CONDITIONS OF SUCH POLICIES. LIMITS SHOWN MAY	DITION OF ANY CONTRACT OR OTHER FFORDED BY THE POLICIES DESCRIBE	DOCUMENT WITH RESPECT TO WHICH THIS D HEREIN IS SUBJECT TO ALL THE TERMS,

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INSR LTR	TYPE OF INSURANCE	INSD \	WVD POLICY NUMBER	POLICY EFF (MM/DD/YYYY)	POLICY EXP (MM/DD/YYYY)	LIMIT	s
Α	X COMMERCIAL GENERAL LIABILITY	Х	GL6634468	01/01/2024	01/01/2025	EACH OCCURRENCE	\$ 1,000,000
	CLAIMS-MADE X OCCUR					DAMAGE TO RENTED PREMISES (Ea occurrence)	\$ 1,000,000
	X CONTRACTUAL LIABILITY					MED EXP (Any one person)	\$ 10,000
						PERSONAL & ADV INJURY	\$ 1,000,000
	GEN'L AGGREGATE LIMIT APPLIES PER:					GENERAL AGGREGATE	\$ 1,000,000
	X POLICY PRO- JECT LOC					PRODUCTS - COMP/OP AGG	\$ 1,000,000
	OTHER:						\$
В	AUTOMOBILE LIABILITY	Х	ISAH10700966	01/01/2024	01/01/2025	COMBINED SINGLE LIMIT (Ea accident)	\$ 1,000,000
	X ANY AUTO					BODILY INJURY (Per person)	\$
	OWNED SCHEDULED AUTOS ONLY					BODILY INJURY (Per accident)	\$
	HIRED NON-OWNED AUTOS ONLY AUTOS ONLY					PROPERTY DAMAGE (Per accident)	\$
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	EXCESS LIAB CLAIMS-MADE					AGGREGATE	\$
	DED RETENTION \$						\$
С	WORKERS COMPENSATION AND EMPLOYERS' LIABILITY		WLRC70319408 (AOS)	01/01/2024	01/01/2025	X PER OTH- STATUTE ER	
D	ANYPROPRIETOR/PARTNER/EXECUTIVE	N/A	SCFC70319482 (WI)	01/01/2024	01/01/2025	E.L. EACH ACCIDENT	\$ 1,000,000
	(Mandatory in NH)	N/A				E.L. DISEASE - EA EMPLOYEE	\$ 1,000,000
	If yes, describe under DESCRIPTION OF OPERATIONS below					E.L. DISEASE - POLICY LIMIT	\$ 1,000,000

DESCRIPTION OF OPERATIONS / LOCATIONS / VEHICLES (ACORD 101, Additional Remarks Schedule, may be attached if more space is required)

City of Hollywood is included as Additional Insured except for Workers Compensation, where required by written contract. Notice of Cancellation to Other is provided under the General Liability per the attached endorsement. The General Liability policy includes sudden and accidental coverage for pollution. Pollution Liability – Broadened Coverage is provided under the Automobile policy.

CERTIFICATE HOLDER	CANCELLATION
City of Hollywood 1621 N 14th Ave Hollywood, FL 33019	SHOULD ANY OF THE ABOVE DESCRIBED POLICIES BE CANCELLED BEFORE THE EXPIRATION DATE THEREOF, NOTICE WILL BE DELIVERED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE POLICY PROVISIONS.
	AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE
	Marsh USA LLC

COMMERCIAL AUTO CA 99 48 10 13

THIS ENDORSEMENT CHANGES THE POLICY. PLEASE READ IT CAREFULLY.

POLLUTION LIABILITY – BROADENED COVERAGE FOR COVERED AUTOS – BUSINESS AUTO AND MOTOR CARRIER COVERAGE FORMS

This endorsement modifies insurance provided under the following:

BUSINESS AUTO COVERAGE FORM MOTOR CARRIER COVERAGE FORM

With respect to coverage provided by this endorsement, the provisions of the Coverage Form apply unless modified by the endorsement.

A. Covered Autos Liability Coverage is changed as follows:

- Paragraph a. of the Pollution Exclusion applies only to liability assumed under a contract or agreement.
- With respect to the coverage afforded by Paragraph A.1. above, Exclusion B.6. Care, Custody Or Control does not apply.

B. Changes in Definitions

For the purposes of this endorsement, Paragraph D. of the **Definitions** Section is replaced by the following:

- D. "Covered pollution cost or expense" means any cost or expense arising out of:
 - Any request, demand, order or statutory or regulatory requirement that any "insured" or others test for, monitor, clean up, remove, contain, treat, detoxify or neutralize, or in any way respond to, or assess the effects of "pollutants"; or
 - Any claim or "suit" by or on behalf of a governmental authority for damages because of testing for, monitoring, cleaning up, removing, containing, treating, detoxifying or neutralizing, or in any way responding to or assessing the effects of "pollutants".

"Covered pollution cost or expense" does not include any cost or expense arising out of the actual, alleged or threatened discharge, dispersal, seepage, migration, release or escape of "pollutants":

- a. Before the "pollutants" or any property in which the "pollutants" are contained are moved from the place where they are accepted by the "insured" for movement into or onto the covered "auto"; or
- b. After the "pollutants" or any property in which the "pollutants" are contained are moved from the covered "auto" to the place where they are finally delivered, disposed of or abandoned by the "insured".

Paragraphs a. and b. above do not apply to "accidents" that occur away from premises owned by or rented to an "insured" with respect to "pollutants" not in or upon a covered "auto" if

- (1) The "pollutants" or any property in which the "pollutants" are contained are upset, overturned or damaged as a result of the maintenance or use of a covered "auto"; and
- (2) The discharge, dispersal, seepage, migration, release or escape of the "pollutants" is caused directly by such upset, overturn or damage.

THIS ENDORSEMENT CHANGES THE POLICY, PLEASE READ IT CAREFULLY.

ADDITIONAL INSURED - OWNERS, LESSEES OR CONTRACTORS - SCHEDULED PERSON OR ORGANIZATION

This endorsement modifies insurance provided under the following:

COMMERCIAL GENERAL LIABILITY COVERAGE PART

SCHEDULE

Name Of Additional insured Person(s) Or Organization(s)	Location(s) Of Covered Operations
Parties Contracted for Additional Insured Status.	Parties Contracted for Additional Insured Status.
nformation required to complete this Schedule, if not	shown above, will be shown in the Declarations.

- A. Section II Who Is An Insured is amended to include as an additional insured the person(s) or organization(s) shown in the Schedule, but only with respect to liability for "bodily injury", "property damage" or "personal and advertising injury" caused, in whole or in part, by:
 - 1. Your acts or omissions; or
 - 2. The acts or omissions of those acting on your behalf; in the performance of your ongoing operations for the additional insured(s) at the location(s) designated above.

However:

- The insurance afforded to such additional insured only applies to the extent permitted by law; and
- If coverage provided to the additional insured is required by a contract or agreement, the insurance afforded to such additional insured will not be broader than that which you are required by the contract or agreement to provide for such additional insured.

- B. With respect to the insurance afforded to these additional insureds, the following additional exclusions apply:
 - This Insurance does not apply to "bodily injury" or "property damage" occurring after:
 - All work, including materials, parts or equipment furnished in connection with such work, on the project (other than service, maintenance or repairs) to be performed by or on behalf of the additional insured(s) at the location of the covered operations has been completed; or
 - That portion of "your work" out of which the injury or damage arises has been put to its intended use by any person or organization other than another contractor or subcontractor engaged in performing operations for a principal as a part of the same project.
- C. With respect to the insurance afforded to these additional insureds, the following is added to Section III – Limits Of Insurance:

ENDORSEMENT

This endorsement, effective 12:01 A.M. 01/01/2024

forms a part of

Policy No. GL663-44-68

issued to BRENNTAG NORTH AMERICA, INC.

By THE INSURANCE COMPANY OF THE STATE OF PENNSYLVANIA

THIS ENDORSEMENT CHANGES THE POLICY. PLEASE READ IT CAREFULLY.

LIMITED ADVICE OF CANCELLATION PROVIDED VIA E-MAIL TO ENTITIES OTHER THAN THE FIRST NAMED INSURED

This policy is amended as follows:

In the event that the Insurer cancels this policy for any reason other than non-payment of premium, and

- 1. the cancellation effective date is prior to this policy's expiration date;
- 2 the First Named Insured is under an existing contractual obligation to notify a certificate holder when this policy is canceled (hereinafter, the "Certificate Holder(s)") and has provided to the Insurer, either directly or through its broker of record, the email address of a contact at each such entity; and
- 3. the Insurer received this information after the First Named Insured receives notice of cancellation of this policy and prior to this policy's cancellation effective date, via an electronic spreadsheet that is acceptable to the Insurer,

the Insurer will provide advice of cancellation (the "Advice") via e-mail to each such Certificate Holders within 30 days after the First Named Insured provides such information to the Insurer; provided, however, that if a specific number of days is not stated above, then the Advice will be provided to such Certificate Holder(s) as soon as reasonably practicable after the First Named Insured provides such information to the Insurer.

Proof of the **Insurer** emailing the Advice, using the information provided by the **First Named Insured**, will serve as proof that the **Insurer** has fully satisfied its obligations under this endorsement.

This endorsement does not affect, in any way, coverage provided under this policy or the cancellation of this policy or the effective date thereof, nor shall this endorsement invest any rights in any entity not insured under this policy.

The following Definitions apply to this endorsement:

- 1. First Named Insured means the Named Insured shown on the Declarations Page of this policy.
- 2. **Insurer** means the insurance company shown in the header on the Declarations page of this policy.

All other terms, conditions and exclusions shall remain the same.

Authorized Representative

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THIS ENDORSEMENT CHANGES THE POLICY. PLEASE READ IT CAREFULLY.

ENDORSEMENT

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Policy No. GL 663-44-68

issued to BRENNTAG NORTH AMERICA, INC.

By: THE INSURANCE COMPANY OF THE STATE OF PENNSYLVANIA

BLENDED POLLUTION EXCLUSION

This endorsement modifies insurance provided under the following:

Commercial General Liability Coverage Form

SECTION I·COVERAGES, COVERAGE A BODILY INJURY AND PROPERTY DAMAGE LIABILITY, 2. Exclusions, f. Pollution is deleted in its entirety and replaced by the following:

f. Pollution

- (1) "Bodily injury" or "property damage" arising out of the actual, alleged, or threatened discharge, dispersal, seepage, migration, release or escape of "pollutants":
 - (a) At or from any premises, site or location which is or was at any time owned or occupied by, or rented or loaned to, any insured. However, this subparagraph (a) does not apply to:
 - "Bodily injury" if sustained within a building and caused by smoke, fumes, vapor, or soot from equipment used to heat that building;
 - (ii) "Bodily injury" or "property damage" for which you may be held liable, if you are a contractor and the owner or lessee of such premises, site or location has been added to your policy as an additional insured with respect to your ongoing operations performed for that additional insured at that premise, site or location and such premises, site or location is not and never was owned or occupied by, or rented or loaned to, any insured, other than that additional insured;
 - (iii) "Bodily injury" or "property damage" arising out of heat, smoke, or fumes from a "hostile fire":
 - (iv) "Bodily injury" or "property damage" arising out of the actual discharge, dispersal, seepage, migration, release or escape of "pollutants" caused by fire, explosion, lightening, windstorm, vandalism or malicious mischief, collapse, riot and civil commotion, flood, automatic sprinkler leakage, earthquake, or collision or upset of "mobile equipment"; or
 - (v) "Bodily injury" or "property damage" arising out of the actual discharge, dispersal, seepage, migration, release or escape of "pollutants" caused by perils other than those listed in (iv) above, provided that:
 - a. Such pollution commences during the term of this policy;

- An Insured discovers the commencement of such pollution no later than twenty (20) calendar days after it commences; and
- c. The insured reports the commencement of such pollution to us in writing no later than eighty (80) days following its discovery by any insured.
- (b) At or from any premise, site or location which is or was at any time used by or for any insured or others for the handling, storage, disposal, processing or treatment of waste:
 - (i) Which is or was at any time transported, handled, stored, treated, disposed of, or processed as waste by or for any insured or any person or organization for whom the insured may be legally responsible; or
 - (ii) On which any insured or any contractors or subcontractors working directly or indirectly on any insured's behalf are performing operations if the "pollutants" are brought on or to the premises, site or location in connection with such operations by such insured, contractor or subcontractor. However, subparagraph (b) does not apply to:
 - a. "Bodily injury" or "property damage" arising out of the escape of fuels, lubricants or other fluids that are needed to perform the normal, electrical, hydraulic or mechanical functions necessary for the operation of "mobile equipment" or its parts, if such fuels, lubricants or other operating fluids escape from a vehicle part designed to hold, store or receive them. This exception does not apply if the "bodily injury" or "property damage" arises out of the intentional discharge, dispersal or release of the fuels, lubricants or other operating fluids that are brought on or to the premises, site or location with the intent that they be discharged or released as part of the operations being performed by such insured, contractor or subcontractor;
 - "Bodily injury" or "property damage" sustained within a building and caused by the release of gases, fumes or vapors from materials brought into that building in connection with operations being performed by you or on your behalf by a contractor or subcontractor;
 - "Bodily injury" or "property damage" arising out of heat, smoke or fumes from a "hostile fire";
 - d. The "bodily injury" or "property damage" arises out of the actual discharge, dispersal, seepage, migration, release or escape of "pollutants" caused by fire, explosion, lightning, windstorm, vandalism or malicious mischief, collapse, riot and civil commotion, flood, automatic sprinkler leakage, earthquake, or collision or upset of "mobile equipment"; or
 - e. The "bodily injury" or "property damage" arises out of the actual discharge, dispersal, seepage, migration, release or escape of "pollutants" caused by perils other than those listed above, provided that:
 - Such pollution commences during the term of this policy;

- An insured discovers the commencement of such pollution no later than twenty (20) calendar days after it commences; and
- The insured reports the commencement of such pollution to us in writing no later than eighty (80) days Following its discovery by any insured.
- (c) At or from any premises, site or location on which any insured or any contractors or subcontractors working directly or indirectly on any insured's behalf are performing operations if the operations are to test for, monitor, clean up, remove, contain, treat, detoxify or neutralize, or in any way respond to, or assess the effects of, "pollutants".

Furthermore, limitation (1) above shall not apply with respect to:

- (i) Collision, overturning, or upset of any railroad vehicle.
- (ii) The products liability and completed operations liability hazards.
- (iii) Any intentional discharge or dispersal of any substance for the purpose of mitigating or avoiding "bodily injury" and/or "property damage" subject to the policy retention.
- (2) Any loss, cost or expense arising out of any:
 - (a) Request, demand, order or statutory or regulatory requirement that any insured or others test for, monitor, clean-up, remove, contain, treat, detoxify or neutralize, or in any way respond to, or assess the effects of "pollutants", or
 - (b) Claim or "suit" by or on behalf of a governmental authority for Damages because of testing for, monitoring, cleaning up, removing, containing, treating, detoxifying or neutralizing, or in any way responding to or assessing the effects of "pollutants".

However, this limitation (2) does not apply to liability for damages because of "property damage" that the insured would have in the absence of such request, demand, order or statutory or regulatory requirement, or such claim or "suit" by or on behalf of a governmental authority.

All other terms, conditions and exclusions shall remain the same.

Authorized Representative



BRENNTAG MID SOUTH, INC.

1405 Highway 136 West Henderson, Kentucky 42420-0020 Tel. (270) 830-1200 • Fax (270) 826-1486

CERTIFICATE OF ANALYSIS

LIQUID CHLORINE

CUSTOMER:	TANK CAR#: CAOX200150
	VENDOR: Olin Chlor Alkali Products
	DATE SHIPPED: 09/13/24

PARAMETERS	ANALYSIS	SPECIFICATIONS
% Chlorine	99.95%	≥ 99.5%
% Wt. Water	.0001%	≤ 0.0050%
% Wt. Non-Volatile Residue	.0017%	≤ 0.0050%

Analysis and specifications based on vendor's certificate of analysis.

Approved: Brian Debord

cc: With Shipment

Direct questions concerning certification of this product to personnel at the location marked below.

□ Nitro (KVC), WV 304-755-8680

Form Approval: <u>Brian DeBord</u> Form Approval Date: December 21, 2023

[&]quot;All information provided is believed to be accurate and complete. The data provided is representative of the product quality on the date of analysis for the lot number indicated. This certificate of analysis may not include all of the constituents of the product. Persons using this information should make their own determination regarding its suitability for their particular application. This certificate of analysis shall not in any way limit or preclude the operation and effect of the applicable terms and conditions of sale."

SAFETY DATA SHEET

BRENNTAG

1. Identification

Other means of identification None known.

Product identifier CHLORINE

Other means of identification

CAS number 7782-50-5

Recommended use ALL PROPER AND LEGAL PURPOSES

Recommended restrictions None known.

Manufacturer/Importer/Supplier/Distributor information

Manufacturer

Company name

Address

Brenntag Mid-South, Inc.
1405 Highway 136, West
Henderson, KY 42420

Telephone270-830-1222E-mailNot available.

Emergency phone number 800-424-9300 CHEMTREC

2. Hazard(s) identification

Physical hazards Oxidizing gases Category 1

Gases under pressure Liquefied gas
Acute toxicity, inhalation Category 2

Skin corrosion/irritation Category 1
Serious eye damage/eye irritation Category 1

Specific target organ toxicity, single exposure Category 3 respiratory tract irritation

Specific target organ toxicity, repeated Category 2

exposure

Environmental hazards Not classified.

OSHA defined hazards Not classified.

Label elements

Health hazards



Signal word Danger

Hazard statement May cause or intensify fire; oxidizer. Contains gas under pressure; may explode if heated. Causes

severe skin burns and eye damage. Causes serious eye damage. Fatal if inhaled. May cause respiratory irritation. May cause damage to organs through prolonged or repeated exposure.

Precautionary statement

Prevention Keep/Store away from clothing and other combustible materials. Keep reduction valves/valves

and fittings free from oil and grease. Do not breathe vapor. Wash thoroughly after handling. Use only outdoors or in a well-ventilated area. Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye

protection/face protection. Wear respiratory protection.

Response If swallowed: Rinse mouth. Do NOT induce vomiting. If on skin (or hair): Take off immediately all

contaminated clothing. Rinse skin with water/shower. Wash contaminated clothing before reuse. If inhaled: Remove person to fresh air and keep comfortable for breathing. Immediately call a poison center/doctor. If in eyes: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing. Specific treatment is urgent (see this label). In

case of fire: Stop leak if safe to do so.

Storage Store in a well-ventilated place. Keep container tightly closed. Store locked up. Protect from

sunlight. Store in a well-ventilated place.

Disposal Dispose of contents/container in accordance with local/regional/national/international regulations.

Hazard(s) not otherwise classified (HNOC)

None known.

Supplemental information

None.

3. Composition/information on ingredients

Substances

Chemical name	Common name and synonyms	CAS number	<u></u>
Chlorine		7782-50-5	100

4. First-aid measures

Inhalation

Remove victim to fresh air and keep at rest in a position comfortable for breathing. Oxygen or artificial respiration if needed. Do not use mouth-to-mouth method if victim inhaled the substance. Induce artificial respiration with the aid of a pocket mask equipped with a one-way valve or other proper respiratory medical device. Call a physician or poison control center immediately.

Skin contact

Take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Rinse skin with water/shower. Call a physician or poison control center immediately. Chemical burns must be treated by a physician. Wash contaminated clothing before reuse.

Eye contact

Immediately flush eyes with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing. Call a physician or poison control center immediately.

Ingestion

Not likely, due to the form of the product. Call a physician or poison control center immediately. Rinse mouth. Do not induce vomiting. If vomiting occurs, keep head low so that stomach content doesn't get into the lungs.

Most important symptoms/effects, acute and delayed

Headache. Dizziness. Nausea, vomiting. Burning pain and severe corrosive skin damage. Causes serious eye damage. Symptoms may include stinging, tearing, redness, swelling, and blurred vision. Permanent eye damage including blindness could result. May cause respiratory irritation. Coughing. Prolonged exposure may cause chronic effects.

Indication of immediate medical attention and special treatment needed

Provide general supportive measures and treat symptomatically. Chemical burns: Flush with water immediately. While flushing, remove clothes which do not adhere to affected area. Call an ambulance. Continue flushing during transport to hospital. Keep victim warm. Keep victim under observation. Symptoms may be delayed.

General information

If you feel unwell, seek medical advice (show the label where possible). Ensure that medical personnel are aware of the material(s) involved, and take precautions to protect themselves. Show this safety data sheet to the doctor in attendance.

5. Fire-fighting measures

Suitable extinguishing media

Unsuitable extinguishing

media

Water fog. Foam. Dry chemical powder. Carbon dioxide (CO2). Do not use water jet as an extinguisher, as this will spread the fire.

Specific hazards arising from the chemical

Greatly increases the burning rate of combustible materials. Containers may explode when heated. During fire, gases hazardous to health may be formed.

Special protective equipment and precautions for firefighters Self-contained breathing apparatus and full protective clothing must be worn in case of fire.

Fire fighting equipment/instructions Allow gas to burn if flow cannot be shut off immediately. Apply water from safe distance to cool container and protect surrounding area. In case of fire: Stop leak if safe to do so. Do not move cargo or vehicle if cargo has been exposed to heat. If tank, rail car or tank truck is involved in a fire, ISOLATE for 800 meters (1/2 mile) in all directions; also consider initial evacuation for 800 meters (1/2 mile) in all directions. ALWAYS stay away from tanks engulfed in flame. Move containers from fire area if you can do so without risk. Do not direct water at source of leak or safety devices as icing may occur. Withdraw immediately in case of rising sound from venting safety device or any discoloration of tanks due to fire. For massive fire in cargo area, use unmanned hose holder or monitor nozzles, if possible. If not, withdraw and let fire burn out.

Specific methods General fire hazards Use standard firefighting procedures and consider the hazards of other involved materials.

Contents under pressure. Pressurized container may explode when exposed to heat or flame. May cause or intensify fire; oxidizer.

6. Accidental release measures

Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures Keep unnecessary personnel away. Keep people away from and upwind of spill/leak. Eliminate all ignition sources (no smoking, flares, sparks, or flames in immediate area). Keep out of low areas. Many gases are heavier than air and will spread along ground and collect in low or confined areas (sewers, basements, tanks). Wear appropriate protective equipment and clothing during clean-up. Do not breathe mist/vapors. Emergency personnel need self-contained breathing equipment. Do not touch damaged containers or spilled material unless wearing appropriate protective clothing. Ventilate closed spaces before entering them. Local authorities should be advised if significant spillages cannot be contained. For personal protection, see section 8 of the SDS.

Methods and materials for containment and cleaning up

Stop leak if you can do so without risk. Extinguish all flames in the vicinity. If this gas leaks without igniting, extreme caution must be used; flammable or explosive mixtures with air may be formed. Isolate area until gas has dispersed. This product is moderately soluble in water. Prevent entry into waterways, sewer, basements or confined areas.

Large Spills: Dike the spilled material, where this is possible. Absorb in vermiculite, dry sand or earth and place into containers. Following product recovery, flush area with water.

Small Spills: Wipe up with absorbent material (e.g. cloth, fleece). Clean surface thoroughly to remove residual contamination.

Environmental precautions

Never return spills to original containers for re-use. For waste disposal, see section 13 of the SDS. Prevent further leakage or spillage if safe to do so. Avoid discharge into drains, water courses or onto the ground. Runoff from fire control or dilution water may cause pollution.

7. Handling and storage

Precautions for safe handling

Do not handle, store or open near an open flame, sources of heat or sources of ignition. Protect material from direct sunlight. Keep away from combustible material. Keep reduction valves free from grease and oil. Close valve after each use and when empty. Protect cylinders from physical damage; do not drag, roll, slide, or drop. When moving cylinders, even for short distances, use a cart (trolley, hand truck, etc.) designed to transport cylinders. Suck back of water into the container must be prevented. Do not allow backfeed into the container. Purge air from system before introducing gas. Use only properly specified equipment which is suitable for this product, its supply pressure and temperature. Contact your gas supplier if in doubt. Do not breathe mist/vapors. Do not get in eyes, on skin, or on clothing. Use only outdoors or in a well-ventilated area. Wear appropriate personal protective equipment. Observe good industrial hygiene practices.

Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities

Store locked up. Store in a cool, dry place out of direct sunlight. Store in tightly closed container. Store in a well-ventilated place. Do not store near combustible materials. Stored containers should be periodically checked for general condition and leakage. Store away from incompatible materials (see Section 10 of the SDS).

8. Exposure controls/personal protection

Occupational exposure limits

Biological limit values

Material	Туре	Value	
Chlorine (CAS 7782-50-5)	Ceiling	3 mg/m3	
		1 ppm	
US. ACGIH Threshold Limit Value	es (TLV)		
Material	Туре	Value	
Chlorine (CAS 7782-50-5)	STEL	0.4 ppm	
	TWA	0.1 ppm	
NIOSH. Immediately Dangerous to		••	
		••	
NIOSH. Immediately Dangerous to Material Chlorine (CAS 7782-50-5)	o Life or Health (IDLH) Values,	as amended	
Material Chlorine (CAS 7782-50-5)	o Life or Health (IDLH) Values, Type	as amended Value 10 ppm	
Material Chlorine (CAS 7782-50-5) US. NIOSH: Pocket Guide to Cher	o Life or Health (IDLH) Values, Type	as amended Value 10 ppm	
Material	o Life or Health (IDLH) Values, Type IDLH nical Hazards Recommended I	as amended Value 10 ppm Exposure Limits (REL)	

Material name: CHLORINE SDS US

No biological exposure limits noted for the ingredient(s).

Appropriate engineering controls

Good general ventilation should be used. Ventilation rates should be matched to conditions. If applicable, use process enclosures, local exhaust ventilation, or other engineering controls to maintain airborne levels below recommended exposure limits. If exposure limits have not been established, maintain airborne levels to an acceptable level. Eye wash facilities and emergency shower must be available when handling this product.

Individual protection measures, such as personal protective equipment

The following are recommendations for Personnel Protective Equipment (PPE). The employer/user of this product must perform a Hazard Assessment of the workplace according to OSHA regulations 29 CFR 1910.132 to determine the appropriate PPE for use while performing any task involving potential exposure to this product.

Eye/face protection Chemical respirator with organic vapor cartridge and full facepiece.

Skin protection

Hand protection Wear appropriate chemical resistant gloves.

Other Wear appropriate chemical resistant clothing. Use of an impervious apron is recommended.

Respiratory protection Chemical respirator with organic vapor cartridge and full facepiece.

Thermal hazards Wear appropriate thermal protective clothing, when necessary.

General hygiene considerations

When using, do not eat, drink or smoke. Always observe good personal hygiene measures, such as washing after handling the material and before eating, drinking, and/or smoking. Routinely wash work clothing and protective equipment to remove contaminants.

9. Physical and chemical properties

Appearance

Physical state Liquid.

Form Liquid. Liquefied gas.

Color YELLOWISH-GREEN

Odor PUNGENT
Odor threshold Not available.
pH Not available.

Melting point/freezing point -150 °F (-101.11 °C)
Initial boiling point and boiling -29.27 °F (-34.04 °C)

range

Flash point Not available.

Evaporation rate Not available.

Flammability (solid, gas) Not applicable.

Upper/lower flammability or explosive limits

Explosive limit - lower (%) Not available.

Explosive limit - upper (%) Not available.

Vapor pressure Not available.

Vapor density 2.48

Relative density Not available.

Solubility(ies)

Solubility (water) 7 g/l
Partition coefficient 0.85

(n-octanol/water)

Auto-ignition temperature Not available.

Decomposition temperature Not available.

Viscosity Not available.

Other information

Density 11.87 lbs/gal 1.42 g/ml

Explosive properties Not explosive.

Molecular formula CI2

Molecular weight 70.91 g/mol

Oxidizing properties May cause or intensify fire; oxidizer.

Specific gravity 1.42

Surface tension 18.4 mN/m (68 °F (20 °C))

10. Stability and reactivity

Reactivity Greatly increases the burning rate of combustible materials.

Chemical stability Material is stable under normal conditions.

Possibility of hazardous Hazardous polymerization does not occur.

reactions

Conditions to avoid Keep away from combustible material. Heat. Contact with incompatible materials.

Incompatible materialsCombustible material. Reducing agents. Ammonia.Hazardous decompositionNo hazardous decomposition products are known.

products

11. Toxicological information

Information on likely routes of exposure

Inhalation Fatal if inhaled.

Skin contact Causes severe skin burns.

Eye contact Causes serious eye damage.

Ingestion Causes digestive tract burns.

Symptoms related to the physical, chemical and toxicological characteristics

Headache. Dizziness. Nausea, vomiting. Burning pain and severe corrosive skin damage. Causes serious eye damage. Symptoms may include stinging, tearing, redness, swelling, and blurred vision. Permanent eye damage including blindness could result. May cause respiratory irritation. Coughing.

Information on toxicological effects

Acute toxicity Fatal if inhaled.

Skin corrosion/irritation Causes severe skin burns and eye damage.

Serious eye damage/eye

irritation

Causes serious eye damage.

Respiratory or skin sensitization

Respiratory sensitization

Skin sensitization

Due to partial or complete lack of data the classification is not possible.

Due to partial or complete lack of data the classification is not possible.

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Carcinogenicity

Due to partial or complete lack of data the classification is not possible.

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IARC Monographs. Overall Evaluation of Carcinogenicity

Not listed.

OSHA Specifically Regulated Substances (29 CFR 1910.1001-1053)

Not listed.

US. National Toxicology Program (NTP) Report on Carcinogens

Not listed.

Reproductive toxicityDue to partial or complete lack of data the classification is not possible.

Specific target organ toxicity -

single exposure

May cause respiratory irritation.

Specific target organ toxicity -

repeated exposure

May cause damage to organs through prolonged or repeated exposure.

Aspiration hazard Due to partial or complete lack of data the classification is not possible.

Chronic effects May cause damage to organs through prolonged or repeated exposure.

12. Ecological information

EcotoxicityThe product is not classified as environmentally hazardous. However, this does not exclude the

possibility that large or frequent spills can have a harmful or damaging effect on the environment.

Product Species Test Results

Chlorine (CAS 7782-50-5)

Aquatic

Acute

Fish LC50 Rainbow trout, donaldson trout 0.029 mg/l, 96 hours

(Oncorhynchus mykiss)

Persistence and degradability No data is available on the degradability of this product.

Bioaccumulative potential

Partition coefficient n-octanol / water (log Kow)

0.85

Mobility in soil This product is moderately water soluble and may disperse in soil.

Other adverse effects No other adverse environmental effects (e.g. ozone depletion, photochemical ozone creation

potential, endocrine disruption, global warming potential) are expected from this component.

13. Disposal considerations

Disposal instructionsDispose of this material and its container to hazardous or special waste collection point. Incinerate

the material under controlled conditions in an approved incinerator. Do not incinerate sealed containers. If discarded, this product is considered a RCRA ignitable waste, D001. Dispose of

contents/container in accordance with local/regional/national/international regulations.

Local disposal regulations Dispose in accordance with all applicable regulations.

Hazardous waste code D001: Waste Flammable material with a flash point <140 F

D002: Waste Corrosive material [pH ≤2 or =>12.5, or corrosive to steel]

The waste code should be assigned in discussion between the user, the producer and the waste

disposal company.

Waste from residues / unused

products

Dispose of in accordance with local regulations. Empty containers or liners may retain some product residues. This material and its container must be disposed of in a safe manner (see:

Disposal instructions).

Contaminated packaging Since emptied containers may retain product residue, follow label warnings even after container is

emptied. Empty containers should be taken to an approved waste handling site for recycling or

disposal.

14. Transport information

DOT

UN number UN1017

UN proper shipping name

Transport hazard class(es)

CHLORINE POISON-INHALATION HAZARD, ZONE B RQ, MARINE POLLUTANT

Class 2.3 Subsidiary risk 5.1, 8 Packing group -

Environmental hazards

Marine pollutant No.

Special precautions for user Read safety instructions, SDS and emergency procedures before handling.

Transport information on packaging may be different from that listed. Transportation information on packaging may be different from that listed.

DOT



General information

IMDG Regulated Marine Pollutant. Avoid transport on vehicles where the load space is not separated from the driver's compartment. Ensure vehicle driver is aware of the potential hazards of the load and knows what to do in the event of an accident or an emergency. Before transporting product containers: Ensure that containers are firmly secured. Ensure cylinder valve is closed and not leaking. Ensure valve outlet cap nut or plug (where provided) is correctly fitted. Ensure valve protection device (where provided) is correctly fitted. Ensure adequate ventilation. Ensure compliance with applicable regulations.

15. Regulatory information

US federal regulations

This product is a "Hazardous Chemical" as defined by the OSHA Hazard Communication

Standard, 29 CFR 1910.1200.

Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA)

TSCA Section 12(b) Export Notification (40 CFR 707, Subpt. D)

Not regulated.

CERCLA Hazardous Substance List (40 CFR 302.4)

Chlorine (CAS 7782-50-5) Listed.

SARA 304 Emergency release notification

Chlorine (CAS 7782-50-5) **10 LBS**

OSHA Specifically Regulated Substances (29 CFR 1910.1001-1053)

Not listed.

Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act of 1986 (SARA)

SARA 302 Extremely hazardous substance

Chemical name	CAS number	Reportable quantity (pounds)	Threshold planning quantity (pounds)	Threshold planning quantity, lower value (pounds)	Threshold planning quantity, upper value (pounds)	
Chlorine	7782-50-5	10	100			-

Chlorine 7782-50-5 10

SARA 311/312 Hazardous

chemical

Classified hazard Oxidizer (liquid, solid, or gas)

Yes

Gas under pressure categories

Acute toxicity (any route of exposure)

Skin corrosion or irritation

Serious eye damage or eye irritation

Specific target organ toxicity (single or repeated exposure)

SARA 313 (TRI reporting)

Chemical name	CAS number	% by wt.	
Chlorine	7782-50-5	100	

Other federal regulations

Clean Air Act (CAA) Section 112 Hazardous Air Pollutants (HAPs) List

Chlorine (CAS 7782-50-5)

Clean Air Act (CAA) Section 112(r) Accidental Release Prevention (40 CFR 68.130)

Chlorine (CAS 7782-50-5)

Clean Water Act (CWA)

Hazardous substance

Section 112(r) (40 CFR

68.130)

Safe Drinking Water Act

Listed.

(SDWA)

US state regulations

US. California. Candidate Chemicals List. Safer Consumer Products Regulations (Cal. Code Regs, tit. 22, 69502.3, subd. (a))

Chlorine (CAS 7782-50-5)

California Proposition 65

California Safe Drinking Water and Toxic Enforcement Act of 1986 (Proposition 65): This material is not known to contain any chemicals currently listed as carcinogens or reproductive toxins. For more information go to www.P65Warnings.ca.gov.

International Inventories

Country(s) or region	Inventory name	On inventory (yes/no)*
Australia	Australian Inventory of Industrial Chemicals (AICIS)	Yes
Canada	Domestic Substances List (DSL)	Yes
Canada	Non-Domestic Substances List (NDSL)	No
China	Inventory of Existing Chemical Substances in China (IECSC)	Yes
Europe	European Inventory of Existing Commercial Chemical Substances (EINECS)	Yes

European List of Notified Chemical Substances (ELINCS) Europe Nο Inventory of Existing and New Chemical Substances (ENCS) Νo Japan Korea Existing Chemicals List (ECL) Yes New Zealand New Zealand Inventory Yes **Philippines** Yes

Philippine Inventory of Chemicals and Chemical Substances

(PICCS)

Yes Taiwan Taiwan Chemical Substance Inventory (TCSI) United States & Puerto Rico Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA) Inventory Yes

16. Other information, including date of preparation or last revision

05-22-2017 Issue date 07-11-2023 Revision date

Version # 29

Health: 3* **HMIS®** ratings

Flammability: 0 Physical hazard: 3

NFPA ratings Health: 4

Flammability: 0 Instability: 0

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Brenntag's terms and conditions of sale.

This document has undergone significant changes and should be reviewed in its entirety. Revision information

^{*}A "Yes" indicates that all components of this product comply with the inventory requirements administered by the governing country(s) A "No" indicates that one or more components of the product are not listed or exempt from listing on the inventory administered by the governing country(s).



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THE E-VERIFY

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

FOR EMPLOYERS USING A WEB SERVICES E-VERIFY EMPLOYER AGENT

ARTICLE I

PURPOSE AND AUTHORITY

The parties to this agreement are the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), the Brenntag Mid South Inc (Employer), and the Web Services E-Verify Employer Agent. The purpose of this agreement is to set forth terms and conditions which the Employer and the Web Services E-Verify Employer Agent will follow while participating in E-Verify.

E-Verify is a program that electronically confirms an employee's eligibility to work in the United States after completion of Form I-9, Employment Eligibility Verification (Form I-9). This Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) explains certain features of the E-Verify program and describes specific responsibilities of the Employer, the E-Verify Employer Agent, the Social Security Administration (SSA), and DHS.

References in this MOU to the Employer include the Web Services E-Verify Employer Agent when acting on behalf of the Employer.

For purposes of this MOU, the E-Verify browser refers to the website that provides direct access to the E-Verify system: https://e-verify.uscis.gov/emp. You may access E-Verify directly free of charge via the E-Verify browser.

Authority for the E-Verify program is found in Title IV, Subtitle A, of the Illegal Immigration Reform and Immigrant Responsibility Act of 1996 (IIRIRA), Pub. L. 104-208, 110 Stat. 3009, as amended (8 U.S.C. Section 1324a note). The Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) Subpart 22.18, "Employment Eligibility Verification" and Executive Order 12989, as amended, provide authority for Federal contractors and subcontractors (Federal contractor) to use E-Verify to verify the employment eligibility of certain employees working on Federal contracts.

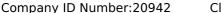
ARTICLE II

RESPONSIBILITIES

A. RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE EMPLOYER

- 1. For purposes of this MOU, references to the Employer include the Web Services E-Verify Employer Agent when acting on behalf of the Employer.
- 2. By enrolling in E-Verify and signing the applicable MOU, the Employer asserts that it is a legitimate company which intends to use E-Verify for legitimate purposes only and in accordance with the laws, regulations and DHS policies and procedures relating to the use of E-Verify.
- 3. The Employer agrees to display the following notices supplied by DHS (though the Web Services E-Verify Employer Agent) in a prominent place that is clearly visible to prospective employees and all employees who are to be verified through the system:
 - A. Notice of E-Verify Participation
 - B. Notice of Right to Work
- 4. The Employer agrees to provide to the SSA and DHS the names, titles, addresses, and telephone numbers of the Employer representatives to be contacted about E-Verify. The Employer also agrees to keep such information current by providing updated information to SSA and DHS whenever the representatives' contact information changes.
- 5. The Employer agrees to become familiar with and comply with the most recent version of the E-Verify User Manual. The Employer will obtain the E-Verify User Manual from the Web Services E-Verify Employer Agent, and will be notified by the Web Services E-Verify Employer Agent when a new version of the E-Verify User Manual becomes available.
- 6. The Employer agrees to comply with current Form I-9 procedures, with two exceptions:
 - A. If an employee presents a "List B" identity document, the Employer agrees to only accept "List B" documents that contain a photo. (List B documents identified in 8 C.F.R. 274a.2(b)(1)(B)) can be









- presented during the Form I-9 process to establish identity.) If an employee objects to the photo requirement for religious reasons, the Employer should contact E-Verify at 888-464-4218.
- B. If an employee presents a DHS Form I-551 (Permanent Resident Card), Form I-766 (Employment Authorization Document), or U.S. Passport or Passport Card to complete Form I-9, the Employer agrees to make a photocopy of the document and to retain the photocopy with the employee's Form I-9. The Employer will use the photocopy to verify the photo and to assist DHS with its review of photo mismatches that employees contest. DHS may in the future designate other documents that activate the photo screening tool.

Note: Subject only to the exceptions noted previously in this paragraph, employees still retain the right to present any List A, or List B and List C, document(s) to complete the Form I-9.

- 7. The Employer agrees to record the case verification number on the employee's Form I-9 or to print the screen containing the case verification number and attach it to the employee's Form I-9.
- 8. The Employer agrees that, although it participates in E-Verify, the Employer has a responsibility to complete, retain, and make available for inspection Forms I-9 that relate to its employees, or from other requirements of applicable regulations or laws, including the obligation to comply with the antidiscrimination requirements of section 274B of the INA with respect to Form I-9 procedures.
 - A. The following modified requirements are the only exceptions to an Employer's obligation to not employ unauthorized workers and comply with the anti-discrimination provision of the INA: (1) List B identity documents must have photos, as described in paragraph 6 above; (2) When an Employer confirms the identity and employment eligibility of newly hired employee using E-Verify procedures, the Employer establishes a rebuttable presumption that it has not violated section 274A(a)(1)(A) of the Immigration and Nationality Act (INA) with respect to the hiring of that employee; (3) If the Employer receives a final nonconfirmation for an employee, but continues to employ that person, the Employer must notify DHS and the Employer is subject to a civil money penalty between \$550 and \$1,100 for each failure to notify DHS of continued employment following a final nonconfirmation; (4) If the Employer continues to employ an employee after receiving a final nonconfirmation, then the Employer is subject to a rebuttable presumption that it has knowingly employed an unauthorized alien in violation of section 274A(a)(1)(A); and (5) no E-Verify participant is civilly or criminally liable under any law for any action taken in good faith based on information provided through the E-Verify.
 - B. DHS reserves the right to conduct Form I-9 compliance inspections, as well as any other enforcement or compliance activity authorized by law, including site visits, to ensure proper use of E-Verify.
- 9. The Employer is strictly prohibited from creating an E-Verify case before the employee has been hired, meaning that a firm offer of employment was extended and accepted and Form I-9 was completed. The Employer agrees to create an E-Verify case for new employees within three Employer business days after each employee has been hired (after both Sections 1 and 2 of Form I-9 have been completed), and to complete as many steps of the E-Verify process as are necessary according to the E-Verify User Manual. If E-Verify is temporarily unavailable, the three-day time period will be extended until it is again operational in order to accommodate the Employer's attempting, in good faith, to make inquiries during the period of unavailability.
- 10. The Employer agrees not to use E-Verify for pre-employment screening of job applicants, in support of any unlawful employment practice, or for any other use that this MOU or the E-Verify User Manual does not authorize.
- 11. The Employer must use E-Verify (through its Web Services E-Verify Employer Agent) for all new employees. The Employer will not verify selectively and will not verify employees hired before the effective date of this MOU. Employers who are Federal contractors may qualify for exceptions to this requirement as described in Article II.B of this MOU.
- 12. The Employer agrees to follow appropriate procedures (see Article III below) regarding tentative nonconfirmations. The Employer must promptly notify employees in private of the finding and provide them with the notice and letter containing information specific to the employee's E-Verify case. The Employer agrees to provide both the English and the translated notice and letter for employees with limited English proficiency to employees. The Employer agrees to provide written referral instructions to employees and instruct affected employees to bring the English copy of the letter to the SSA. The Employer must allow employees to contest the finding, and not take adverse action against employees if they choose to contest the finding, while their case is still pending. Further, when employees contest a tentative nonconfirmation based upon a photo mismatch, the Employer must take additional steps (see Article III.B below) to contact DHS with information necessary to resolve the challenge.
- 13. The Employer agrees not to take any adverse action against an employee based upon the employee's







perceived employment eligibility status while SSA or DHS is processing the verification request unless the Employer obtains knowledge (as defined in 8 C.F.R. Section 274a.1(I)) that the employee is not work authorized. The Employer understands that an initial inability of the SSA or DHS automated verification system to verify work authorization, a tentative nonconfirmation, a case in continuance (indicating the need for additional time for the government to resolve a case), or the finding of a photo mismatch, does not establish, and should not be interpreted as, evidence that the employee is not work authorized. In any of such cases, the employee must be provided a full and fair opportunity to contest the finding, and if he or she does so, the employee may not be terminated or suffer any adverse employment consequences based upon the employee's perceived employment eligibility status (including denying, reducing, or extending work hours, delaying or preventing training, requiring an employee to work in poorer conditions, withholding pay, refusing to assign the employee to a Federal contract or other assignment, or otherwise assuming that he or she is unauthorized to work) until and unless secondary verification by SSA or DHS has been completed and a final nonconfirmation has been issued. If the employee does not choose to contest a tentative nonconfirmation or a photo mismatch or if a secondary verification is completed and a final nonconfirmation is issued, then the Employer can find the employee is not work authorized and terminate the employee's employment. Employers or employees with questions about a final nonconfirmation may call E-Verify at 1-888-464-4218 (customer service) or 1-888-897-7781 (worker hotline).

- 14. The Employer agrees to comply with Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and section 274B of the INA as applicable by not discriminating unlawfully against any individual in hiring, firing, employment eligibility verification, or recruitment or referral practices because of his or her national origin or citizenship status, or by committing discriminatory documentary practices. The Employer understands that such illegal practices can include selective verification or use of E-Verify except as provided in part D below, or discharging or refusing to hire employees because they appear or sound "foreign" or have received tentative nonconfirmations. The Employer further understands that any violation of the immigration-related unfair employment practices provisions in section 274B of the INA could subject the Employer to civil penalties, back pay awards, and other sanctions, and violations of Title VII could subject the Employer to back pay awards, compensatory and punitive damages. Violations of either section 274B of the INA or Title VII may also lead to the termination of its participation in E-Verify. If the Employer has any questions relating to the anti-discrimination provision, it should contact OSC at 1-800-255-8155 or 1-800-237-2515 (TDD).
- 15. The Employer agrees that it will use the information it receives from E-Verify (through its Web Services E-Verify Employer Agent) only to confirm the employment eligibility of employees as authorized by this MOU. The Employer agrees that it will safeguard this information, and means of access to it (such as Personal Identification Numbers and passwords), to ensure that it is not used for any other purpose and as necessary to protect its confidentiality, including ensuring that it is not disseminated to any person other than employees of the Employer who are authorized to perform the Employer's responsibilities under this MOU except for such dissemination as may be authorized in advance by SSA or DHS for legitimate purposes.
- 16. The Employer agrees to notify DHS immediately in the event of a breach of personal information. Breaches are defined as loss of control or unauthorized access to E-Verify personal data. All suspected or confirmed breaches should be reported by calling 1-888-464-4218 or via email at E-Verify@dhs.gov. Please use "Privacy Incident Password" in the subject line of your email when sending a breach report to E-Verify.
- 17. The Employer acknowledges that the information it receives from SSA through its Web ServicesE-Verify Employer Agent is governed by the Privacy Act (5 U.S.C. Section 552a(i)(1) and (3)) and the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1306(a)). Any person who obtains this information under false pretenses or uses it for any purpose other than as provided for in this MOU may be subject to criminal penalties.
- 18. The Employer agrees to cooperate with DHS and SSA in their compliance monitoring and evaluation of E-Verify, which includes permitting DHS, SSA, their contractors and other agents, upon reasonable notice, to review Forms I-9 and other employment records and to interview it and its employees regarding the Employer's use of E-Verify, and to respond in a prompt and accurate manner to DHS requests for information relating to their participation in E-Verify.
- 19. The Employer shall not make any false or unauthorized claims or references about its participation in E-Verify on its website, in advertising materials, or other media. The Employer shall not describe its services as federally-approved, federally-certified, or federally-recognized, or use language with a similar intent on its website or other materials provided to the public. Entering into this MOU does not mean that E-Verify endorses or authorizes your E-Verify services and any claim to that effect is false.
- 20. The Employer shall not state in its website or other public documents that any language used therein has been provided or approved by DHS, USCIS or the Verification Division, without first obtaining the prior written consent of DHS.
- 21. The Employer agrees that E-Verify trademarks and logos may be used only under license by DHS/USCIS (see M-795 (Web)) and, other than pursuant to the specific terms of such license, may not be used in any manner that might imply that the Employer's services, products, websites, or publications are sponsored by, endorsed by, licensed by, or affiliated with DHS, USCIS, or E-Verify.





22. The Employer understands that if it uses E-Verify procedures for any purpose other than as authorized by this MOU, the Employer may be subject to appropriate legal action and termination of its participation in E-Verify according to this MOU.

B. RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE WEB SERVICES E-VERIFY EMPLOYER AGENT

- 1. The Web Services E-Verify Employer Agent agrees to complete its Web Services interface no later than six months after the date the Web Services User signs this MOU. E-Verify considers your interface to be complete once it has been built pursuant to the Interface Control Agreement (ICA), submitted to E-Verify for testing, and approved for system access.
- 2. The Web Services E-Verify Employer Agent agrees to perform sufficient maintenance on the Web Services interface in accordance with the requirements listed in the ICA. These requirements include, but are not limited to, updating the Web Services interface to ensure that any updates or enhancements are incorporated no later than six months after the issuance of an ICA. Web Services E-Verify Employer Agents should be aware that this will require the investment of time and resources. Compliance with the requirements of the ICA must be carried out to the satisfaction of DHS and or its assignees.
- 3. The Web Services E-Verify Employer Agent agrees to provide to SSA and/or DHS the names, titles, addresses, e-mail addresses, and telephone numbers of the Web Services E-Verify Employer Agent representative who will access information, as well as ensure cooperation, communication, and coordination with E-Verify. In addition, Web Services E-Verify Employer Agents must provide to SSA and/or DHS the names, titles, addresses, and telephone numbers of its clients and their staff who will access information through E-Verify. Web Services E-Verify Employer Agents must ensure the contact information is updated with SSA and DHS whenever the points of contact change.
- 4. The Web Services E-Verify Employer Agent agrees to become familiar with and comply with the E-Verify User Manual and provide a copy of the most current version of the manual to the Employer so that the Employer can become familiar with and comply with E-Verify policy and procedures. The Web Services E-Verify Employer Agent agrees to obtain a revised E-Verify User Manual as it becomes available and to provide a copy of the revised version to the Employer no later than 30 days after the manual becomes available.
- 5. The Web Services E-Verify Employer Agent agrees that any person accessing E-Verify on its behalf is trained on the most recent E-Verify policy and procedures.
- 6. The Web Services E-Verify Employer Agent agrees that any of its representatives who will perform employment verification cases will complete the E-Verify Tutorial before that individual initiates any cases.
 - A. The Web Services E-Verify Employer Agent agrees that all of its representatives will take the refresher tutorials initiated by E-Verify as a condition of continued use of E-Verify, including any tutorials for Federal contractors, if any of the Employers represented by the Web Services E-Verify Employer Agent is a Federal contractor.
 - B. Failure to complete a refresher tutorial will prevent the Web Services E-Verify Employer Agent and Employer from continued use of E-Verify.
- 7. The Web Services E-Verify Employer Agent agrees to grant E-Verify access only to current employees who need E-Verify access. The Web Services E-Verify Employer Agent must promptly terminate an employee's E-Verify access if the employee is separated from the company or no longer needs access to E-Verify.
- 8. The Web Services E-Verify Employer Agent agrees to obtain the necessary equipment to use E- Verify as required by the E-Verify rules and regulations as modified from time to time.
- 9. The Web Services E-Verify Employer Agent agrees to, consistent with applicable laws, regulations, and policies, commit sufficient personnel and resources to meet the requirements of this MOU.
- 10. The Web Services E-Verify Employer Agent agrees to provide its clients with training on E-Verify processes, policies, and procedures. The E-Verify Employer Agent also agrees to provide its clients with ongoing E-Verify training as needed. E-Verify is not responsible for providing training to clients of E-Verify Employer Agents.
- 11. The Web Services E-Verify Employer Agent agrees to provide the Employer with the notices described in Article II.B.2 below.
- 12. The Web Services E-Verify Employer Agent agrees to create E-Verify cases for the Employer it represents in accordance with the E-Verify Manual, the E-Verify Web-Based Tutorial and all other published E-Verify rules and procedures. The Web Services E-Verify Employer Agent will createE-Verify cases using information provided by the Employer and will immediately communicate the response back to the Employer. If E-Verify is temporarily unavailable, the three-day time period will be extended until it is again operational in order to accommodate the Web Services E-Verify Employer Agent's attempting, in good faith, to make inquiries on behalf of the Employer during the period of unavailability. If, however, the Web Services interface is unavailable due to no fault of E-Verify, then the three-day time period is not extended. In such a case, the







Web Services E-Verify Employer Agent must use the E-Verify browser during the outage.

- 13. The Web Services E-Verify Employer Agent agrees to ensure that all notices, referral letters and any other materials otherwise including instructions regarding tentative nonconfirmations, will be consistent with the most current E-Verify tentative nonconfirmation notices and referral letters, which are available on E-Verify's website.
- 14. The Web Services E-Verify Employer Agent agrees that any system or interface it develops will follow the steps for creating E-Verify cases and processing tentative nonconfirmations, as laid out in the ICA, this MOU and the User Manual, including but not limited to allowing an employer to close an invalid case where appropriate, allowing an employer to refer a tentative nonconfirmation only when an employee chooses to contest a tentative nonconfirmation (no automatic referrals), and referring a tentative nonconfirmation to the appropriate agency at the time the employer prints the referral letter and provides the letter to the employee. The Web Services E-Verify Employer Agent understands that any failure to make its system or interface consistent with proper E-Verify procedures can result in DHS terminating the Web Services E-Verify Employer Agent's agreement and access with or without notice.
- 15. When the Web Services E-Verify Employer Agent receives notice from a client company that it has received a contract with the FAR clause, then the Web Services E-Verify Employer Agent must update the company's E-Verify profile within 30 days of the contract award date.
- 16. If data is transmitted between the Web Services E-Verify Employer Agent and its client, then the Web Services E-Verify Employer Agent agrees to protect personally identifiable information during transmission to and from the Web Services E-Verify Employer Agent.
- 17. The Web Services E-Verify Employer Agent agrees to notify DHS immediately in the event of a breach of personal information. Breaches are defined as loss of control or unauthorized access to E-Verify personal data. All suspected or confirmed breaches should be reported by calling 1-888-464-4218 or via email at . Please use "Privacy Incident Password" in the subject line of your email when sending a breach report to E-Verify.
- 18. The Web Services E-Verify Employer Agent agrees to fully cooperate with DHS and SSA in their compliance monitoring and evaluation of E-Verify, including permitting DHS, SSA, their contractors and other agents, upon reasonable notice, to review Forms I-9, employment records, and all records pertaining to the Web Services E-Verify Employer Agent's use of E-Verify, and to interview it and its employees regarding the use of E-Verify, and to respond in a timely and accurate manner to DHS requests for information relating to their participation in E-Verify.
 - A. The Web Services E-Verify Employer Agent agrees to cooperate with DHS if DHS requests information about the Web Services E-Verify Employer Agent's interface, including requests by DHS to view the actual interface operated by the Web Services E-Verify Employer Agent as well as related business documents. The Web Services E-Verify Employer Agent agrees to demonstrate for DHS the functionality of its interface to E-Verify upon request.
 - B. The Web Services E-Verify Employer Agent agrees to demonstrate, if requested by DHS, that it has provided training to its clients that meets E-Verify standards. Training programs must provide a focused study of the topics covered in the E-Verify User Manual and pertinent Supplemental Guides. Furthermore, training programs and materials must be updated as E-Verify changes occur. The Web Services E-Verify Employer Agent is encouraged to incorporate information from existing E-Verify materials, including the Enrollment Quick Reference Guide, the E-Verify Employer Agent Client Handbook (formerly known as the Designated Agent Client Handbook), and existing tutorials and manuals into their training program. E-Verify also encourages the Web Services E-Verify Employer Agent to supervise first-time use of the E-Verify browser or Web Services interface by its staff and Employer clients as part of any training program. The Web Services E-Verify Employer Agent agrees to submit its training program materials to DHS for review upon request.

Failure to provide adequate training could, in some instances, lead to penalties as described in Article V.F.1. of this MOU.

- 19. The Web Services E-Verify Employer Agent shall not make any false or unauthorized claims or references about its participation in E-Verify on its website, in advertising materials, or other media. The Web Services E-Verify Employer Agent shall not describe its services as federally-approved, federally-certified, or federally-recognized, or use language with a similar intent on its website or other materials provided to the public. Entering into this MOU does not mean that E-Verify endorses or authorizes your Web Services E-Verify Employer Agent services and any claim to that effect is false.
- 20. The Web Services E-Verify Employer Agent shall not state in its website or other public documents that any language used therein has been provided or approved by DHS, USCIS or the Verification Division, without first obtaining the prior written consent of DHS.
- 21. The Web Services E-Verify Employer Agent agrees that E-Verify trademarks and logos may be used only Page 5 of 17 | E-Verify MOU for Employers Using a Web Services Employer Agent | Revision Date 06/01/13







under license by DHS/USCIS (see) and, other than pursuant to the specific terms of such license, may not be used in any manner that might imply that the Web Services E-Verify Employer Agent's services, products, websites, or publications are sponsored by, endorsed by, licensed by, or affiliated with DHS, USCIS, or E-Verify.

22. The Web Services E-Verify Employer Agent understands that if it uses E-Verify procedures for any purpose other than as authorized by this MOU, the Web Services E-Verify Employer Agent may be subject to appropriate legal action and termination of its participation in E-Verify according to this MOU.

C. RESPONSIBILITIES OF FEDERAL CONTRACTORS

The Web Services E-Verify Employer Agent shall ensure that the Web Services E-Verify Employer Agent and the Employers it represents carry out the following responsibilities if the Employer is a Federal contractor or becomes a federal contractor. The Web Services E-Verify Employer Agent should instruct the client to keep the Web Services E-Verify Employer Agent informed about any changes or updates related to federal contracts. It is the Web Services E-Verify Employer Agent's responsibility to ensure that its clients are in compliance with all E-Verify policies and procedures.

- If the Employer is a Federal contractor with the FAR E-Verify clause subject to the employment verification terms in Subpart 22.18 of the FAR, it will become familiar with and comply with the most current version of the E-Verify User Manual for Federal Contractors as well as the E-Verify Supplemental Guide for Federal Contractors.
- 2. In addition to the responsibilities of every employer outlined in this MOU, the Employer understands that if it is a Federal contractor subject to the employment verification terms in Subpart 22.18 of the FAR it must verify the employment eligibility of any "employee assigned to the contract" (as defined in FAR 22.1801). Once an employee has been verified through E-Verify by the Employer, the Employer may not reverify the employee through E-Verify.
 - A. An Employer that is not enrolled in E-Verify as a Federal contractor at the time of a contract award must enroll as a Federal contractor in the E-Verify program within 30 calendar days of contract award and, within 90 days of enrollment, begin to verify employment eligibility of new hires using E-Verify. The Employer must verify those employees who are working in the United States, whether or not they are assigned to the contract. Once the Employer begins verifying new hires, such verification of new hires must be initiated within three business days after the hire date. Once enrolled in E-Verify as a Federal contractor, the Employer must begin verification of employees assigned to the contract within 90 calendar days after the date of enrollment or within 30 days of an employee's assignment to the contract, whichever date is later.
 - B. Employers enrolled in E-Verify as a Federal contractor for 90 days or more at the time of a contract award must use E-Verify to begin verification of employment eligibility for new hires of the Employer who are working in the United States, whether or not assigned to the contract, within three business days after the date of hire. If the Employer is enrolled in E-Verify as a Federal contractor for 90 calendar days or less at the time of contract award, the Employer must, within 90 days of enrollment, begin to use E-Verify to initiate verification of new hires of the contractor who are working in the United States, whether or not assigned to the contract. Such verification of new hires must be initiated within three business days after the date of hire. An Employer enrolled as a Federal contractor in E-Verify must begin verification of each employee assigned to the contract within 90 calendar days after date of contract award or within 30 days after assignment to the contract, whichever is later.
 - C. Federal contractors that are institutions of higher education (as defined at 20 U.S.C. 1001(a)), state or local governments, governments of Federally recognized Indian tribes, or sureties performing under a takeover agreement entered into with a Federal agency under a performance bond may choose to only verify new and existing employees assigned to the Federal contract. Such Federal contractors may, however, elect to verify all new hires, and/or all existing employees hired after November 6, 1986. Employers in this category must begin verification of employees assigned to the contract within 90 calendar days after the date of enrollment or within 30 days of an employee's assignment to the contract, whichever date is later.
 - D. Upon enrollment, Employers who are Federal contractors may elect to verify employment eligibility of all existing employees working in the United States who were hired after November 6, 1986, instead of verifying only those employees assigned to a covered Federal contract. After enrollment, Employers must elect to verify existing staff following DHS procedures and begin E-Verify verification of all existing employees within 180 days after the election.
 - E. The Employer may use a previously completed Form I-9 as the basis for creating an E-Verify case for an employee assigned to a contract as long as:
 - i. That Form I-9 is complete (including the SSN) and complies with Article II.A.6,







- ii. The employee's work authorization has not expired, and
- iii. The Employer has reviewed the information reflected in the Form I-9 either in person or in communications with the employee to ensure that the employee's Section 1, Form I-9 attestation has not changed (including, but not limited to, a lawful permanent resident alien having become a naturalized U.S. citizen).
- F. The Employer shall complete a new Form I-9 consistent with Article II.A.6 or update the previous Form I-9 to provide the necessary information if:
 - i. The Employer cannot determine that Form I-9 complies with Article II.A.6,
 - ii. The employee's basis for work authorization as attested in Section 1 has expired or changed, or
 - iii. The Form I-9 contains no SSN or is otherwise incomplete.

Note: If Section 1 of Form I-9 is otherwise valid and up-to-date and the form otherwise complies with Article II.C.5, but reflects documentation (such as a U.S. passport or Form I-551) that expired after completing Form I-9, the Employer shall not require the production of additional documentation, or use the photo screening tool described in Article II.A.5, subject to any additional or superseding instructions that may be provided on this subject in the E-Verify User Manual.

- G. The Employer agrees not to require a second verification using E-Verify of any assigned employee who has previously been verified as a newly hired employee under this MOU or to authorize verification of any existing employee by any Employer that is not a Federal contractor based on this Article.
- 3. The Employer understands that if it is a Federal contractor, its compliance with this MOU is a performance requirement under the terms of the Federal contract or subcontract, and the Employer consents to the release of information relating to compliance with its verification responsibilities under this MOU to contracting officers or other officials authorized to review the Employer's compliance with Federal contracting requirements.

D. RESPONSIBILITIES OF SSA

- 1. SSA agrees to allow DHS to compare data provided by the Employer (through the E-Verify Employer Agent) against SSA's database. SSA sends DHS confirmation that the data sent either matches or does not match the information in SSA's database.
- 2. SSA agrees to safeguard the information the Employer provides (through the E-Verify Employer Agent) through E-Verify procedures. SSA also agrees to limit access to such information, as is appropriate by law, to individuals responsible for the verification of Social Security numbers or responsible for evaluation of E-Verify or such other persons or entities who may be authorized by SSA as governed by the Privacy Act (5 U.S.C. Section 552a), the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1306(a)), and SSA regulations (20 CFR Part 401).
- 3. SSA agrees to provide case results from its database within three Federal Government work days of the initial inquiry. E-Verify provides the information to the E-Verify Employer Agent.
- 4. SSA agrees to update SSA records as necessary if the employee who contests the SSA tentative nonconfirmation visits an SSA field office and provides the required evidence. If the employee visits an SSA field office within the eight Federal Government work days from the date of referral to SSA, SSA agrees to update SSA records, if appropriate, within the eight-day period unless SSA determines that more than eight days may be necessary. In such cases, SSA will provide additional instructions to the employee. If the employee does not visit SSA in the time allowed, E-Verify may provide a final nonconfirmation to the E-Verify Employer Agent.

Note: If an Employer experiences technical problems, or has a policy question, the employer should contact E-Verify at 1-888-464-4218.

E. RESPONSIBILITIES OF DHS

- 1. DHS agrees to provide the Employer with selected data from DHS databases to enable the Employer (through the E-Verify Employer Agent) to conduct, to the extent authorized by this MOU:
 - A. Automated verification checks on alien employees by electronic means, and
 - B. Photo verification checks (when available) on employees.
- 2. DHS agrees to assist the E-Verify Employer Agent with operational problems associated with its participation in E-Verify. DHS agrees to provide the E-Verify Employer Agent names, titles, addresses, and telephone numbers of DHS representatives to be contacted during the E-Verify process.







- 3. DHS agrees to provide to the E-Verify Employer Agent with access to E-Verify training materials as well as an E-Verify User Manual that contain instructions on E-Verify policies, procedures, and requirements for both SSA and DHS, including restrictions on the use of E-Verify.
- 4. DHS agrees to train E-Verify Employer Agents on all important changes made to E-Verify through the use of mandatory refresher tutorials and updates to the E-Verify User Manual. Even without changes to E-Verify, DHS reserves the right to require E-Verify Employer Agents to take mandatory refresher tutorials.
- 5. DHS agrees to provide to the Employer (through the E-Verify Employer Agent) a notice, which indicates the Employer's participation in E-Verify. DHS also agrees to provide to the Employer anti-discrimination notices issued by the Office of Special Counsel for Immigration-Related Unfair Employment Practices (OSC), Civil Rights Division, U.S. Department of Justice.
- 6. DHS agrees to issue each of the E-Verify Employer Agent's E-Verify users a unique user identification number and password that permits them to log in to E-Verify.
- 7. DHS agrees to safeguard the information the Employer provides (through the E-Verify Employer Agent), and to limit access to such information to individuals responsible for the verification process, for evaluation of E-Verify, or to such other persons or entities as may be authorized by applicable law. Information will be used only to verify the accuracy of Social Security numbers and employment eligibility, to enforce the INA and Federal criminal laws, and to administer Federal contracting requirements.
- 8. DHS agrees to provide a means of automated verification that provides (in conjunction with SSA verification procedures) confirmation or tentative nonconfirmation of employees' employment eligibility within three Federal Government work days of the initial inquiry.
- 9. DHS agrees to provide a means of secondary verification (including updating DHS records) for employees who contest DHS tentative nonconfirmations and photo mismatch tentative nonconfirmations. This provides final confirmation or nonconfirmation of the employees' employment eligibility within 10 Federal Government work days of the date of referral to DHS, unless DHS determines that more than 10 days may be necessary. In such cases, DHS will provide additional verification instructions.

ARTICLE III

REFERRAL OF INDIVIDUALS TO SSA AND DHS

A. REFERRAL TO SSA

- 1. If the Employer receives a tentative nonconfirmation issued by SSA, the Employer must print the notice as directed by E-Verify. The Employer must promptly notify employees in private of the finding and provide them with the notice and letter containing information specific to the employee's E-Verify case. The Employer also agrees to provide both the English and the translated notice and letter for employees with limited English proficiency to employees. The Employer agrees to provide written referral instructions to employees and instruct affected employees to bring the English copy of the letter to the SSA. The Employer must allow employees to contest the finding, and not take adverse action against employees if they choose to contest the finding, while their case is still pending.
- 2. The Employer agrees to obtain the employee's response about whether he or she will contest the tentative nonconfirmation as soon as possible after the Employer receives the tentative nonconfirmation. Only the employee may determine whether he or she will contest the tentative nonconfirmation.
- 3. After a tentative nonconfirmation, the Employer will refer employees to SSA field offices only as directed by E-Verify. The Employer must record the case verification number, review the employee information submitted to E-Verify to identify any errors, and find out whether the employee contests the tentative nonconfirmation. The Employer will transmit the Social Security number, or any other corrected employee information that SSA requests, to SSA for verification again if this review indicates a need to do so.
- 4. The Employer will instruct the employee to visit an SSA office within eight Federal Government work days. SSA will electronically transmit the result of the referral to the Employer within 10 Federal Government work days of the referral unless it determines that more than 10 days is necessary.
- 5. While waiting for case results, the Employer agrees to check the E-Verify system regularly for case updates.
- 6. The Employer agrees not to ask the employee to obtain a printout from the Social Security Administration number database (the Numident) or other written verification of the SSN from the SSA.

B. REFERRAL TO DHS

1. If the Employer receives a tentative nonconfirmation issued by DHS, the Employer must promptly notify employees in private of the finding and provide them with the notice and letter containing information specific to the employee's E-Verify case. The Employer also agrees to provide both the English and the translated notice and letter for employees with limited English proficiency to employees. The Employer must







- allow employees to contest the finding, and not take adverse action against employees if they choose to contest the finding, while their case is still pending.
- 2. The Employer agrees to obtain the employee's response about whether he or she will contest the tentative nonconfirmation as soon as possible after the Employer receives the tentative nonconfirmation. Only the employee may determine whether he or she will contest the tentative nonconfirmation.
- 3. The Employer agrees to refer individuals to DHS only when the employee chooses to contest a tentative nonconfirmation.
- 4. If the employee contests a tentative nonconfirmation issued by DHS, the Employer will instruct the employee to contact DHS through its toll-free hotline (as found on the referral letter) within eight Federal Government work days.
- 5. If the Employer finds a photo mismatch, the Employer must provide the photo mismatch tentative nonconfirmation notice and follow the instructions outlined in paragraph 1 of this section for tentative nonconfirmations, generally.
- 6. The Employer agrees that if an employee contests a tentative nonconfirmation based upon a photo mismatch, the Employer will send a copy of the employee's Form I-551, Form I-766, U.S. Passport, or passport card to DHS for review by:
 - A. Scanning and uploading the document, or
 - B. Sending a photocopy of the document by express mail (furnished and paid for by the employer).
- 7. The Employer understands that if it cannot determine whether there is a photo match/mismatch, the Employer must forward the employee's documentation to DHS as described in the preceding paragraph. The Employer agrees to resolve the case as specified by the DHS representative who will determine the photo match or mismatch.
- 8. DHS will electronically transmit the result of the referral to the Employer within 10 Federal Government work days of the referral unless it determines that more than 10 days is necessary.
- 9. While waiting for case results, the Employer agrees to check the E-Verify system regularly for case updates.

ARTICLE IV

SERVICE PROVISIONS

A. NO SERVICE FEES

1. SSA and DHS will not charge the Employer or the Web Services E-Verify Employer Agent for verification services performed under this MOU. The Employer is responsible for providing equipment needed to make inquiries. To access E-Verify, an Employer will need a personal computer with Internet access.

ARTICLE V

SYSTEM SECURITY AND MAINTENANCE

A. DEVELOPMENT REQUIREMENTS

- 1. Software developed by Web Services E-Verify Employer Agents must comply with federally-mandated information security policies and industry security standards to include but not limited to:
- 2. Public Law 107-347, "E-Government Act of 2002, Title III, Federal Information Security Management Act (FISMA)," December 2002.
- 3. Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Memorandum (M-10-15), "FY 2010 Reporting Instructions for the Federal Information Security Management Act and Agency Privacy Management," April 2010.
- 4. National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) Special Publication (SP) and Federal Information Processing Standards Publication (FIPS).
- 5. International Organization for Standardization/International Electrotechnical Commission (ISO/IEC) 27002, Information Technology Security Techniques Code of Practice for Information Security Management.
- 6. The Web Services E-Verify Employer Agent agrees to update its Web Services interface to reflect system enhancements within six months from the date DHS notifies the Web Services User of the system update. The Web Services User will receive notice from DHS in the form of an Interface Control Agreement (ICA). The Web Services E-Verify Employer Agent agrees to institute changes to its interface as identified in the ICA, including all functionality identified and all data elements detailed therein.
- 7. The Web Services E-Verify Employer Agent agrees to demonstrate progress of its efforts to update its Web Services interface if and when DHS requests such progress reports.







- 8. The Web Services E-Verify Employer Agent acknowledges that if its system enhancements are not completed to the satisfaction of DHS or its assignees within six months from the date DHS notifies the Web Services User of the system update, then the Web Services User's E-Verify account may be suspended, and support for previous releases of E-Verify may no longer be available to the Web Services User. The Web Services E-Verify Employer Agent also acknowledges that DHS may suspend the Web Services User's account after the six-month period has elapsed.
- 9. The Web Services E-Verify Employer Agent agrees to incorporate error handling logic into its development or software to accommodate and act in a timely fashion should an error code be returned.
- 10. The Web Services E-Verify Employer Agent agrees to complete the technical requirements testing which is confirmed upon receiving approval of test data and connectivity between the Web Services E-Verify Employer Agent and DHS.
- 11. DHS will not reimburse any Web Services E-Verify Employer Agent or software developer who has expended resources in the development or maintenance of a Web Services interface if that party is unable, or becomes unable, to meet any of the requirements set forth in this MOU.
- 12. Housing, development, infrastructure, maintenance, and testing of the Web Services applications may take place outside the United States and its territories, but testing must be conducted to ensure that the code is correct and secure.
- 13. If the Web Services E-Verify Employer Agent includes an electronic Form I-9 as part of its interface, then it must comply with the standards for electronic retention of Form I-9 found in 8 CFR 274a.2(e).

B. INFORMATION SECURITY REQUIREMENTS

Web Services E-Verify Employer Agents performing verification services under this MOU must ensure that information that is shared between the Web Services E-Verify Employer Agent and DHS is appropriately protected comparable to the protection provided when the information is within the DHS environment [OMB Circular A-130 Appendix III].

To achieve this level of information security, the Web Services E-Verify Employer Agent agrees to institute the following procedures:

- 1. Conduct periodic assessments of risk, including the magnitude of harm that could result from the unauthorized access, use, disclosure, disruption, modification, or destruction of information and information systems that support the operations and assets of the DHS, SSA, and the Web ServicesE-Verify Employer Agent and its clients;
- 2. Develop policies and procedures that are based on risk assessments, cost-effectively reduce information security risks to an acceptable level, and ensure that information security is addressed throughout the life cycle of each organizational information system;
- 3. Implement subordinate plans for providing adequate information security for networks, facilities, information systems, or groups of information systems, as appropriate;
- 4. Conduct security awareness training to inform the Web Services E-Verify Employer Agent's personnel (including contractors and other users of information systems that support the operations and assets of the organization) of the information security risks associated with their activities and their responsibilities in complying with organizational policies and procedures designed to reduce these risks;
- 5. Develop periodic testing and evaluation of the effectiveness of information security policies, procedures, practices, and security controls to be performed with a frequency depending on risk, but no less than once per year:
- 6. Develop a process for planning, implementing, evaluating, and documenting remedial actions to address any deficiencies in the information security policies, procedures, and practices of the organization;
- 7. Implement procedures for detecting, reporting, and responding to security incidents;
- 8. Create plans and procedures to ensure continuity of operations for information systems that support the operations and assets of the organization;
- 9. In information-sharing environments, the information owner is responsible for establishing the rules for appropriate use and protection of the subject information and retains that responsibility even when the information is shared with or provided to other organizations [NIST SP 800-37].
- 10. DHS reserves the right to restrict Web Services calls from certain IP addresses.
- 11. DHS reserves the right to audit the Web Services E-Verify Employer Agent's application.
- 12. Web Services E-Verify Employer Agents and Software Developers agree to cooperate willingly with the DHS assessment of information security and privacy practices used by the company to develop and maintain the

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C. DATA PROTECTION AND PRIVACY REQUIREMENTS

- Web Services E-Verify Employer Agents must practice proper Internet security; this means using HTTP over SSL/TLS (also known as HTTPS) when accessing DHS information resources such as E-Verify [NIST SP 800-95]. Internet security practices like this are necessary because Simple Object Access Protocol (SOAP), which provides a basic messaging framework on which Web Services can be built, allows messages to be viewed or modified by attackers as messages traverse the Internet and is not independently designed with all the necessary security protocols for E-Verify use.
- 2. In accordance with DHS standards, the Web Services E-Verify Employer Agent agrees to maintain physical, electronic, and procedural safeguards to appropriately protect the information shared under this MOU against loss, theft, misuse, unauthorized access, and improper disclosure, copying use, modification or deletion.
- 3. Any data transmission requiring encryption shall comply with the following standards:
 - A. Products using FIPS 197 Advanced Encryption Standard (AES) algorithms with at least 256-bit encryption that has been validated under FIPS 140-2.
 - B. NSA Type 2 or Type 1 encryption.
- 4. User ID Management (Set Standard): All information exchanged between the parties under this MOU will be done only through authorized Web Services E-Verify Employer Agent representatives identified above.
- 5. The Web Services E-Verify Employer Agent agrees to use the E-Verify browser instead of its own interface if it has not yet upgraded its interface to comply with the Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) system changes. In addition, Web Services E-Verify Employer Agents whose interfaces do not support the Form I-9 from 2/2/2009 or 8/7/2009 should also use the E-Verify browser until the system upgrade is completed.
- 6. The Web Services E-Verify Employer Agent agrees to use the E-Verify browser instead of its own interface if it has not completed updates to its system within six months from the date DHS notifies the Web Services E-Verify Employer Agent of the system update. The Web Services E-Verify Employer Agent can resume use of its interface once it is up-to-date, unless the Web Services E-Verify Employer Agent has been suspended or terminated from continued use of the system.

D. COMMUNICATIONS

- Web Services E-Verify Employer Agents and Software Developers agree to develop an electronic system
 that is not subject to any agreement that would restrict access to and use of by an agency of the United
 States.
- 2. The Web Services E-Verify Employer Agent agrees to develop effective controls to ensure the integrity, accuracy and reliability of its electronic system.
- 3. The Web Services E-Verify Employer Agent agrees to develop an inspection and quality assurance program that regularly, at least once per year, evaluates the electronic system, and includes periodic checks of electronically stored information. The Web Services E-Verify Employer Agent agrees to share the results of its regular inspection and quality assurance program with DHS upon request.
- 4. The Web Services E-Verify Employer Agent agrees to develop an electronic system with the ability to produce legible copies of applicable notices, letters, etc.
- 5. All information exchanged between the parties under this MOU will be in accordance with applicable laws, regulations, and policies, including but not limited to, information security guidelines of the sending party with respect to any information that is deemed Personally Identifiable Information (PII), including but not limited to the employee or applicant's Social Security number, alien number, date of birth, or other information that may be used to identify the individual.
- 6. Suspected and confirmed information security breaches must be reported to DHS according to Article II.A.17. Reporting such breaches does not relieve the Web Services E-Verify Employer Agent from further requirements as directed by state and local law. The Web Services E-Verify Employer Agent is subject to applicable state laws regarding data protection and incident reporting in addition to the requirements herein.

E. SOFTWARE DEVELOPER RESTRICTIONS

1. The Web Services E-Verify Employer Agent agrees that if it develops a Web Services interface and sells such interface, then it can be held liable for any misuse by the company that purchases the interface. It is the responsibility of the Web Services E-Verify Employer Agent to ensure that its interface is used in accordance with E-Verify policies and procedures.







- 2. The Web Services E-Verify Employer Agent agrees to provide software updates to each client who purchases its software. Because of the frequency Web Services updates, an ongoing relationship between the software developer and the client is necessary.
- 3. DHS reserves the right to terminate the access of any software developer with or without notice who creates or uses an interface that does not comply with E-Verify procedures.
- 4. Web Services Software Developers pursuing software development independent of serving clients as a Web Services E-Verify Employer Agent are not eligible to receive an ICA. At this time, E-Verify does not permit Web Services software development without also being a Web Services E-Verify Employer Agent or Web Services Employer.

F. PENALTIES

- 1. The Web Services E-Verify Employer Agent agrees that any failure on its part to comply with the terms of the MOU may result in account suspension, termination, or other adverse action.
- 2. DHS is not liable for any financial losses to Web Services E-Verify Employer Agent, its clients, or any other party as a result of your account suspension or termination.

ARTICLE VI

MODIFICATION AND TERMINATION

A. MODIFICATION

- 1. This MOU is effective upon the signature of all parties and shall continue in effect for as long as the SSA and DHS operates the E-Verify program unless modified in writing by the mutual consent of all parties.
- 2. Any and all E-Verify system enhancements by DHS or SSA, including but not limited to E-Verify checking against additional data sources and instituting new verification policies or procedures, will be covered under this MOU and will not cause the need for a supplemental MOU that outlines these changes.

B. TERMINATION

- 1. The Web Services E-Verify Employer Agent may terminate this MOU and its participation in E-Verify at any time upon 30 days prior written notice to the other parties. In addition, any Employer represented by the Web Services E-Verify Employer Agent may voluntarily terminate its MOU upon giving DHS 30 days' written notice. The Web Services E-Verify Employer Agent may not refuse to terminate the Employer based upon an outstanding bill for verification services.
- 2. Notwithstanding Article V, part A of this MOU, DHS may terminate this MOU, and thereby the Web Services E-Verify Employer Agent's participation in E-Verify, with or without notice at any time if deemed necessary because of the requirements of law or policy, or upon a determination by SSA or DHS that there has been a breach of system integrity or security by the Web Services E-Verify Employer Agent or Employer, or a failure on the part of either party to comply with established E-Verify procedures and/or legal requirements. The Employer understands that if it is a Federal contractor, termination of this MOU by any party for any reason may negatively affect the performance of its contractual responsibilities. Similarly, the Employer understands that if it is in a state where E-Verify is mandatory, termination of this by any party MOU may negatively affect the Employer's business.
- 3. A Web Services E-Verify Employer Agent for an Employer that is a Federal contractor may terminate this MOU when the Federal contract that requires its participation in E-Verify is terminated or completed. In such cases, the Web Services E-Verify Employer Agent must provide written notice to DHS. If the Web Services E-Verify Employer Agent fails to provide such notice, then that Employer will remain an E-Verify participant, will remain bound by the terms of this MOU that apply to non-Federal contractor participants, and will be required to use the E-Verify procedures to verify the employment eligibility of all newly hired employees.
- 4. The Web Services E-Verify Employer Agent agrees that E-Verify is not liable for any losses, financial or otherwise, if the Web Services E-Verify Employer Agent or the Employer is terminated from E-Verify.

ARTICLE VII

PARTIES

- A. Some or all SSA and DHS responsibilities under this MOU may be performed by contractor(s), and SSA and DHS may adjust verification responsibilities between each other as necessary. By separate agreement with DHS, SSA has agreed to perform its responsibilities as described in this MOU.
- B. Nothing in this MOU is intended, or should be construed, to create any right or benefit, substantive or procedural, enforceable at law by any third party against the United States, its agencies, officers, or employees, or against the Web Services E-Verify Employer Agent, its agents, officers, or employees.





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- C. The Web Services E-Verify Employer Agent may not assign, directly or indirectly, whether by operation of law, change of control or merger, all or any part of its rights or obligations under this MOU without the prior written consent of DHS, which consent shall not be unreasonably withheld or delayed. Any attempt to sublicense, assign, or transfer any of the rights, duties, or obligations herein is void.
- D. Each party shall be solely responsible for defending any claim or action against it arising out of or related to E-Verify or this MOU, whether civil or criminal, and for any liability wherefrom, including (but not limited to) any dispute between the Web Services E-Verify Employer Agent or the Employer and any other person or entity regarding the applicability of Section 403(d) of IIRIRA to any action taken or allegedly taken by the Web Services E-Verify Employer Agent or the Employer.
- E. The Web Services E-Verify Employer Agent understands that its participation in E-Verify is not confidential information and may be disclosed as authorized or required by law and DHS or SSA policy, including but not limited to, Congressional oversight, E-Verify publicity and media inquiries, determinations of compliance with Federal contractual requirements, and responses to inquiries under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA).
- F. The individuals whose signatures appear below represent that they are authorized to enter into this MOU on behalf of the Employer, the Web Services E-Verify Employer Agent and DHS respectively. The Web Services E-Verify Employer Agent understands that any inaccurate statement, representation, data or other information provided to DHS may subject the Web Services E-Verify Employer Agent, as the case may be, its subcontractors, its employees, or its representatives to: (1) prosecution for false statements pursuant to 18 U.S.C. 1001 and/or; (2) immediate termination of its MOU and/or; (3) possible debarment or suspension.
- G. The foregoing constitutes the full agreement on this subject between DHS, the Employer, and the E-Verify Employer Agent. Brenntag Mid South Inc (Employer) hereby designates and appoints Jenna Anderson (E-Verify Employer Agent), including its officers and employees, as the E-Verify Employer Agent for the purpose of carrying out (Employer) responsibilities under the MOU between the Employer, the E-Verify Employer Agent, and DHS.







If you have any questions, contact E-Verify at 1-888-464-4218.

Approved by:

Employer	
Name (Please Type or Print)	Title
Signature	Date
E-Verify Employer Agent	
PeopleFacts	
Name (Please Type or Print)	Title
Jenna Anderson	
Signature	Date
Electronically Signed	January 23, 2020
Department of Homeland Security - Verification Division	
Name	Title
Signature	Date

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Information Required for the E-Verify Program Information relating to your Company:		
Company Name	Brenntag Mid South Inc	
Company Facility Address	1405 Highway 136 West	
	Henderson, KY 42419	
Company Alternate Address		
County or Parish	Henderson	
Employer Identification Number	61-0504545	
North American Industry Classification Systems Code	Chemical Manufacturing (325)	
Parent Company		
Number of Employees	500 to 999	
Number of Sites Verified for	0	





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Are you verifying for more than 1 site? If yes, please provide the number of sites verified for in each State:





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Information relating to the Program Administrator(s) for your Company on policy questions or operational problems:

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