



**STATE OF MARYLAND**

**DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY & CORRECTIONAL  
SERVICES**

**MARYLAND CORRECTIONAL ENTERPRISES (MCE)**

**INVITATION FOR BIDS (IFB)**

**BLEACHED WHITE BROADCLOTH**

**IFB NUMBER BPM027534**

**ISSUE DATE: 1/12/2022**

**NOTICE**

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**MINORITY BUSINESS ENTERPRISES ARE ENCOURAGED TO  
RESPOND TO THIS SOLICITATION.**

**NO BID NOTICE/VENDOR FEEDBACK FORM**

To help us improve the quality of State solicitations, and to make our procurement process more responsive and business friendly, please provide comments and suggestions regarding this solicitation. Please return your comments with your response. If you have chosen not to respond to this solicitation, please email or fax this completed form to the attention of the Procurement Officer (see Key Information Summary Sheet below for contact information).

**Title: Bleached White Broadcloth  
Solicitation No: BPM027534**

1. If you have chosen not to respond to this solicitation, please indicate the reason(s) below:
  - Other commitments preclude our participation at this time
  - The subject of the solicitation is not something we ordinarily provide
  - We are inexperienced in the work/commodities required
  - Specifications are unclear, too restrictive, etc. (Explain in REMARKS section)
  - The scope of work is beyond our present capacity
  - Doing business with the State is simply too complicated. (Explain in REMARKS section)
  - We cannot be competitive. (Explain in REMARKS section)
  - Time allotted for completion of the Bid is insufficient
  - Start-up time is insufficient
  - Bonding/Insurance requirements are restrictive (Explain in REMARKS section)
  - Bid requirements (other than specifications) are unreasonable or too risky (Explain in REMARKS section)
  - MBE or VSBE requirements (Explain in REMARKS section)
  - Prior State of Maryland contract experience was unprofitable or otherwise unsatisfactory. (Explain in REMARKS section)
  - Payment schedule too slow
  - Other: \_\_\_\_\_

2. If you have submitted a response to this solicitation, but wish to offer suggestions or express concerns, please use the REMARKS section below. (Attach additional pages as needed.)

REMARKS:

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Vendor Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Person: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

**STATE OF MARYLAND**  
**MARYLAND CORRECTIONAL ENTERPRISES (MCE)**  
**KEY INFORMATION SUMMARY SHEET**

<b>Invitation for Bids</b>	Commodity - Bleached White Broadcloth
<b>Solicitation Number:</b>	BPM027534
<b>IFB Issue Date:</b>	1/12/2022
<b>IFB Issuing Office:</b>	Maryland Correctional Enterprises (MCE or the "Department")
<b>Procurement Officer:</b>  <b>e-mail:</b> <b>Office Phone/Fax:</b>	Michelle Baldwin 7275 Waterloo Road, Jessup, MD 20794 <a href="mailto:Dlmce-procurement_dpsecs@maryland.gov">Dlmce-procurement_dpsecs@maryland.gov</a> (P) 410-540-5419, (F) 410-540-5580
<b>Bids are to be sent to:</b>	Maryland Correctional Enterprises, 7275 Waterloo Road, Jessup, MD 20794, Attention: Michelle Baldwin, <a href="mailto:Dlmce-procurement_dpsecs@maryland.gov">Dlmce-procurement_dpsecs@maryland.gov</a> or submit Via eMMA
<b>Pre-Bid Conference:</b>	n/a
<b>Questions Due Date and Time</b>	2/2/2022 at 10:00AM Local Time
<b>Bid Due (Closing) Date and Time:</b>	2/9/2022 at 10:00AM Local Time Bidders are reminded that a completed Feedback Form is requested if a no-bid decision is made (see <b>page iv</b> ).
<b>Public Bid Opening Date, Time and Location</b>	2/9/2022 at 10:00AM Local Time <i>Bid opening will be held virtually. Request an invitation from Michelle Baldwin.</i>
<b>MBE Subcontracting Goal:</b>	0%
<b>VSBE Subcontracting Goal:</b>	0%
<b>Contract Type:</b>	Firm fixed price
<b>Contract Duration:</b>	One (1) year base period with a one (1) year renewal option period
<b>Primary Place of Performance:</b>	Maryland Correctional Enterprises, Garment/Sew Plant, Jessup Correctional Institution, 7800 MD House of Correction Road, Jessup, MD 20794
<b>SBR Designation:</b>	No
<b>Federal Funding:</b>	No

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## **1 Minimum Qualifications**

### **1.1 Bidder Minimum Qualifications**

There are no Bidder Minimum Qualifications for this procurement.

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## 2 Contractor Requirements: Scope of Work

### 2.1 Summary Statement

- 2.1.1 Maryland Correctional Enterprises (MCE or the "Department") is issuing this Invitation for Bids (IFB) in order to procure the services defined in this Section 2, as specified in this IFB, from a contract between the successful bidder(s) and the Maryland Correctional Enterprises: The Contractor shall provide **Bleached White Broadcloth** to the Maryland Correctional Enterprises, Garment/Sew Plant, Jessup Correctional Institution, 7800 MD House of Correction Road, Jessup, MD 20794.
- 2.1.2 It is the State's intention to obtain goods and services, as specified in this IFB, from a Contract between the selected Bidder and the State.
- 2.1.3 The Department intends to make a single award. See IFB **Section 4.9 Award Basis** for more Contract award information.
- 2.1.4 A Bidder, either directly or through its subcontractor(s), must be able to provide all goods and services and meet all of the requirements requested in this solicitation and the successful Bidder (the Contractor) shall remain responsible for Contract performance regardless of subcontractor participation in the work.
- 2.1.5 Maryland State and local entities as defined in Finance and Procurement §13-110(a) and nonprofit entities within the State of Maryland may purchase from the Contractor goods or services covered by the Contract at the same prices chargeable to the State. All such purchases by non-executive branch entities, non-State governments, government agencies or nonprofit entities:
- Shall constitute Contracts between the Contractor and that entity;
  - Shall not constitute purchases by the State or State agencies under the Contract;
  - Shall not be binding or enforceable against the State; and
  - May be subject to other terms and conditions agreed to by the Contractor and the purchaser.
- 2.1.6 All Contract prices, terms, and conditions must be provided to any Maryland local government or nonprofit entity requesting services under the Contract. The Contractor bears the risk of determining whether or not a government, agency or organization with which the Contractor is dealing is a State entity.

### 2.2 Background and Purpose

#### 2.2.1 Quantities

Quantities provided are based on approximate annual usage and should not be construed as either minimum or maximum. Orders against this contract will be verbal request by the Plant Supervisor on an as-needed basis.

#### 2.2.2 Price Changes

All prices contained in the award as a result of bid shall remain firm for a minimum of ninety (90) days from the effective date of the contract. No proposed price increase without bonafide documentation will be considered. A thirty (30) day notice for a price increase must be given in writing in order for a price increase to be considered. MCE reserves the right to accept or reject any request for price increase. MCE reserves the right to terminate the contract for cause or due to non-performance by vendor. In the event of a price decrease, either by market changes or other conditions, MCE will be notified and receive the decrease. Maryland Correctional Enterprises reserves the right to obtain the lowest possible pricing.



### **2.2.3 Contract**

Contract could be renewed for a period of one (1) year by mutual consent of Vendor and MCE.

### **2.2.4 Freight Charges**

There are to be no freight or any other type of additional charges. The cost of shipping is to be included in the cost of the items being shipped. The materials listed in this bid shall be delivered FOB destination.

### **2.2.5 Deliveries**

Deliveries are to be made between the hours of 8:00 AM and 10:30 AM, and or 12:00 PM and 2:15 PM, Monday through Friday, with the exception of State and Federal holidays. The Plant Supervisor must be notified a day in advance in order to make arrangements; otherwise the shipment may be refused.

### **2.2.6 Shipments**

Shipments against this contract must be per specifications or shipment will be refused and could result in termination of contract. Orders against the contract will be placed on an "as-needed basis."

### **2.2.7 Specifications**

All of the following are an intricate part of the **Bleached White Broadcloth**:

- 1) Bleached White Sheeting
- 2) Broadcloth, 50/50 Poly-Cotton
- 3) Bleached Broadcloth Count T-130
- 4) 70 x 62
- 5) 66" Cuttable width w/ salvage sides
- 6) 200 yard rolls, individually wrapped
- 7) 3.5 oz

### **2.2.8 Required Sample**

A half-yard Sample of the **Bleached Broadcloth** are required. Samples **MUST** be mailed to: Maryland Correctional Enterprises, 7275 Waterloo Road, Jessup, MD 20794, Attn: Michelle Baldwin. Sample packaging should state BPM027235 and the name of the bidder. It is recommended that bidder forward tracking information to the Procurement Officer prior to the bid opening.

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## 3 Contractor Requirements: General

### 3.1 Contract Initiation Requirements

THIS SECTION IS INAPPLICABLE TO THIS IFB.

### 3.2 End of Contract Transition

THIS SECTION IS INAPPLICABLE TO THIS IFB.

### 3.3 Invoicing

#### 3.3.1 General

- a) The Contractor shall send OR e-mail the original of each invoice and signed authorization to invoice to the MCE Accounts Payable Department at e-mail address:  
[dlmceap\\_dpsecs@maryland.gov](mailto:dlmceap_dpsecs@maryland.gov).

All invoices for services shall be verified by the Contractor as accurate at the time of submission.

An invoice not satisfying the requirements of a Proper Invoice (as defined in COMAR 21.06.09) cannot be processed for payment. To be considered a Proper Invoice, invoices must include the following information, without error:

- 1) Contractor name and address;
- 2) Remittance address;
- 3) Federal taxpayer identification (FEIN) number, social security number, as appropriate;
- 4) Invoice period (i.e. time period during which services covered by invoice were performed);
- 5) Invoice date;
- 6) Invoice number;
- 7) State assigned Contract number;
- 8) State assigned (Blanket) Purchase Order number(s);
- 9) Goods or services provided;
- 10) Amount due; and
- 11) Any additional documentation required by regulation or the Contract.

Invoices that contain both fixed price and time and material items shall clearly identify each item as either fixed price or time and material billing.

The Department reserves the right to reduce or withhold Contract payment in the event the Contractor does not provide the Department with all required deliverables within the time frame specified in the Contract or otherwise breaches the terms and conditions of the Contract until such time as the Contractor brings itself into full compliance with the Contract.

Any action on the part of the Department, or dispute of action by the Contractor, shall be in accordance with the provisions of Md. Code Ann., State Finance and Procurement Article §§ 15-215 through 15-223 and with COMAR 21.10.04.

The State is generally exempt from federal excise taxes, Maryland sales and use taxes, District of Columbia sales taxes and transportation taxes. The Contractor, however, is not exempt from such sales and use taxes and may be liable for the same.

**3.3.2 For the purposes of the Contract an amount will not be deemed due and payable if:**

- a) The amount invoiced is inconsistent with the Contract;
- b) The proper invoice has not been received by the party or office specified in the Contract;
- c) The invoice or performance is in dispute or the Contractor has failed to otherwise comply with the provisions of the Contract;
- d) The item or services have not been accepted;
- e) The quantity of items delivered is less than the quantity ordered;
- f) The items or services do not meet the quality requirements of the Contract;
- g) If the Contract provides for progress payments, the proper invoice for the progress payment has not been submitted pursuant to the schedule;
- h) If the Contract provides for withholding a retainage and the invoice is for the retainage, all stipulated conditions for release of the retainage have not been met; or
- i) The Contractor has not submitted satisfactory documentation or other evidence reasonably required by the Procurement Officer or by the Contract concerning performance under the Contract and compliance with its provisions.

**3.3.3 Travel Reimbursement**

Travel will not be reimbursed under this IFB.

**3.4 Liquidated Damages**

**3.4.1 MBE Liquidated Damages**

Inapplicable because there is no MBE goal for this IFB.

**3.4.2 Liquidated Damages other than MBE**

THIS SECTION IS INAPPLICABLE TO THIS IFB.

**3.5 Disaster Recovery and Data**

THIS SECTION IS INAPPLICABLE TO THIS IFB.

**3.6 Insurance Requirements**

THIS SECTION IS INAPPLICABLE TO THIS IFB.

**3.7 Security Requirements**

THIS SECTION IS INAPPLICABLE TO THIS IFB.

**3.7.1 On-Site Security Requirement(s)**

THIS SECTION IS INAPPLICABLE TO THIS IFB.

**3.7.2 Information Technology**

THIS SECTION IS INAPPLICABLE TO THIS IFB.

### **3.8 Problem Escalation Procedure**

THIS SECTION IS INAPPLICABLE TO THIS IFB.

### **3.9 SOC 2 Type 2 Audit Report**

A SOC 2 Type 2 Report is not a Contractor requirement for this Contract.

### **3.10 Minority Business Enterprise (MBE) Reports**

THIS SECTION IS INAPPLICABLE TO THIS IFB.

### **3.11 Veteran Small Business Enterprise (VSBE) Reports**

THIS SECTION IS INAPPLICABLE TO THIS IFB.

### **3.12 Work Orders**

THIS SECTION IS INAPPLICABLE TO THIS IFB.

### **3.13 Additional Clauses**

#### **3.13.1 The State of Maryland's Commitment to Purchasing Environmentally Preferred Products and Services (EPPs)**

[Maryland's State Finance & Procurement Article §14-410](#) defines environmentally preferable purchasing as “the procurement or acquisition of goods and services that have a lesser or reduced effect on human health and the environment when compared with competing goods or services that serve the same purpose.” Accordingly, Bidders are strongly encouraged to offer EPPs to fulfill this contract, to the greatest extent practicable.

#### **3.13.2 No-Cost Extensions**

In accordance with BPW Advisory 1995-1 item 7.b, in the event there are unspent funds remaining on the Contract, prior to the Contract's expiration date the Procurement Officer may modify the Contract to extend the Contract beyond its expiration date for a period up to, but not exceeding, one-third of the base term of the Contract (e.g., eight-month extension on a two-year contract) for the performance of work within the Contract's scope of work. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary, no funds may be added to the Contract in connection with any such extension.

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## 4 Procurement Instructions

### 4.1 Pre-Bid Conference

THIS SECTION IS INAPPLICABLE TO THIS IFB.

### 4.2 eMaryland Marketplace Advantage (eMMA)

- 4.2.1 eMMA is the electronic commerce system for the State of Maryland. The IFB, Conference summary and attendance sheet, Bidders' questions and the Procurement Officer's responses, addenda, and other solicitation-related information will be made available via eMMA.
- 4.2.2 In order to receive a contract award, a vendor must be registered on eMMA. Registration is free. Go to [emma.maryland.gov](http://emma.maryland.gov), click on "New Vendor? Register Now" to begin the process, and then follow the prompts.

### 4.3 Questions

- 4.3.1 All questions, including concerns regarding any applicable MBE or VSBE participation goals, shall identify in the subject line the Solicitation Number and Title (BPM027534 - Bleached White Broadcloth), and shall be submitted in writing via e-mail to the Procurement Officer at least seven (7) days prior to the Bid due date but no later than the date and time specified the Key Information Summary Sheet. The Procurement Officer, based on the availability of time to research and communicate an answer, shall decide whether an answer can be given before the Bid due date.
- 4.3.2 Answers to all questions that are not clearly specific only to the requestor will be distributed via the same mechanism as for IFB amendments, and posted on eMMA.
- 4.3.3 The statements and interpretations contained in responses to any questions, whether responded to verbally or in writing, are not binding on the Department unless it issues an amendment in writing.

### 4.4 Procurement Method

A Contract will be awarded in accordance with the Competitive Sealed Bidding method under COMAR 21.05.02.

### 4.5 Bid Due (Closing) Date and Time

- 4.5.1 Bids, in the number and form set forth in **Section 5 Bid Format**, must be received by the Procurement Officer no later than the Bid due date and time indicated on the Key Information Summary Sheet in order to be considered.
- 4.5.2 Requests for extension of this date or time shall not be granted.
- 4.5.3 Bidders submitting Bids should allow sufficient delivery time to ensure timely receipt by the Procurement Officer. Except as provided in COMAR 21.05.02.10, Bids received after the due date and time listed in the Key Information Summary Sheet will not be considered.
- 4.5.4 The date and time of an e-mail submission is determined by the date and time of arrival in the e-mail address indicated on the Key Information Summary Sheet.
- 4.5.5 Bids may be modified or withdrawn by written notice received by the Procurement Officer before the time and date set forth in the Key Information Summary Sheet for receipt of Bids.

- 4.5.6 Bids may be submitted by e-mail or facsimile. Bids will be opened publicly at the date and time indicated on the Key Information Summary Sheet.
- 4.5.7 Potential Bidders not responding to this solicitation are requested to submit the “No Bid Notice/Vendor Feedback” form, which includes company information and the reason for not responding (e.g., too busy, cannot meet mandatory requirements).

#### **4.6 Multiple or Alternate Bids**

Multiple or alternate Bids will not be accepted.

#### **4.7 Receipt, Opening and Recording of Bids**

- 4.7.1.1 Upon receipt, each Bid and any timely modification(s) to a Bid shall be stored in a secure place until the time and date set for bid opening. Before Bid opening, the State may not disclose the identity of any Bidder.
- 4.7.1.2 Bids shall be opened publicly, at the time, date and place designated in the IFB Key Information Summary Sheet (near the beginning of the solicitation, after the Title Page and Notice to Vendors). The name of each Bidder, the Total Bid Price, and such other information as is deemed appropriate shall be read aloud or otherwise made available and recorded at the time of bid opening.

#### **4.8 Confidentiality of Bids / Public Information Act Notice**

- 4.8.1 The Bidder should give specific attention to the clear identification of those portions of its Bid that it considers confidential and/or proprietary commercial information or trade secrets, and provide justification why such materials, upon request, should not be disclosed by the State under the Public Information Act, Md. Code Ann., General Provisions Article, Title 4. This information should be identified by page number and placed in the Transmittal Letter with the Bid.
- 4.8.2 The Bids shall be tabulated or a Bid abstract made. The opened Bids shall be available for public inspection at a reasonable time after Bid opening, but in any case before contract award, except to the extent the Bidder designates trade secrets or other proprietary data to be confidential as set forth in this solicitation. Material so designated as confidential shall accompany the Bid and shall be readily separable from the Bid in order to facilitate public inspection of the non-confidential portion of the Bid, including the Total Bid Price.
- 4.8.3 For requests for information made under the PIA, the Procurement Officer shall examine the Bids to determine the validity of any requests for nondisclosure of trade secrets and other proprietary data identified in writing. Nondisclosure is permissible only if approved by the Office of the Attorney General.

#### **4.9 Award Basis**

- 4.9.1 A Contract shall be awarded to the responsible Bidder(s) submitting a responsive Bid with the most favorable bid price or most favorable evaluated bid price (as referenced in COMAR 21.05.02.13) for providing the goods and services as specified in this IFB. Bidders must bid all line items. Partial or incomplete bids will be rejected unless otherwise stated in the solicitation. See IFB Section 6 for Bid evaluation and award information.
- 4.9.2 Award of this contract will not be final and complete until after: (1) the Contractor submits complete and satisfactory documentation required under the Contract and/or documentation required by the Procurement Officer; and (2) the Contract is signed by the Department following

any required approvals of the Contract, including approval by the Board of Public Works, if such approval is required.

#### **4.10 Tie Bids**

Tie Bids will be decided pursuant to COMAR 21.05.02.14.

#### **4.11 Duration of Bids**

Bids submitted in response to this IFB are irrevocable for the latest of the following: 120 days following the Bid due date and time or the date any protest concerning this IFB is finally resolved. This period may be extended at the Procurement Officer's request only with the Bidder's written agreement.

#### **4.12 Revisions to the IFB**

- 4.12.1 If the IFB is revised before the due date for Bids, the Department shall post any addenda to the IFB on eMMA and shall endeavor to provide such addenda to all prospective Bidders that were sent this IFB or are otherwise known by the Procurement Officer to have obtained this IFB. It remains the responsibility of all prospective Bidders to check eMMA for any addenda issued prior to the submission of Bids.
- 4.12.2 Bidders shall acknowledge the receipt of all addenda to this IFB issued before the Bid due date.
- 4.12.3 Failure to acknowledge receipt of an addendum does not relieve the Bidder from complying with the terms, additions, deletions, or corrections set forth in the addendum, and may cause the Bid to be deemed not responsive.

#### **4.13 Cancellations**

- 4.13.1 The State reserves the right to cancel this IFB, accept or reject any and all Bids, in whole or in part, received in response to this IFB and to waive or permit the cure of minor irregularities.
- 4.13.2 In the event a government entity proposes and receives the recommendation for award, the procurement may be cancelled and the award processed in accordance with COMAR 21.01.03.01.A(4).
- 4.13.3 If the services that are the subject of the IFB are currently being provided under an interagency agreement with a public institution of higher education and the State determines that the services can be provided more cost effectively by the public institution of higher education, then the IFB may be cancelled in accordance with Md. Code Ann., State Finance and Procurement Art., § 3-207(b)(2).

#### **4.14 Incurred Expenses**

The State will not be responsible for any costs incurred by any Bidder in preparing and submitting a Bid or performing any other activities related to submitting a Bid in response to this solicitation.

#### **4.15 Protest/Disputes**

Any protest or dispute related to this solicitation or the Contract award shall be subject to the provisions of COMAR 21.10 (Administrative and Civil Remedies).

## 4.16 Bidder Responsibilities

- 4.16.1 Bidders must be able to provide all goods and services and meet all of the requirements requested in this solicitation and the successful Bidder shall be responsible for Contract performance including any subcontractor participation.
- 4.16.2 If applicable, subcontractors utilized in meeting the established MBE or VSBE participation goal(s) for this solicitation shall be identified as provided in the appropriate Attachment(s) to this IFB (see **Section 4.26** “MBE Participation Goal” and **Section 4.27** “VSBE Goal”).
- 4.16.3 If the Bidder is the subsidiary of another entity, all information submitted by the Bidder, including but not limited to references, financial reports, or experience and documentation (e.g. insurance policies, bonds, letters of credit) used to meet minimum qualifications, if any, shall pertain exclusively to the Bidder, unless the parent organization will guarantee the performance of the subsidiary. If applicable, the Bidder’s Bid shall contain an explicit statement, signed by an authorized representative of the parent organization, stating that the parent organization will guarantee the performance of the subsidiary.
- 4.16.4 A parental guarantee of the performance of the Bidder under this Section will not automatically result in crediting the Bidder with the experience or qualifications of the parent under any evaluation criteria pertaining to the actual Bidder’s experience and qualifications. Instead, the Bidder’s responsibility will be assessed to the extent to which the State determines that the experience and qualifications of the parent are applicable to and shared with the Bidder, any stated intent by the parent to be directly involved in the performance of the Contract, and the value of the parent’s participation as determined by the State.

## 4.17 Acceptance of Terms and Conditions

By submitting a Bid in response to this IFB, the Bidder, if selected for award, shall be deemed to have accepted the terms and conditions of this IFB and the Contract, attached hereto as Attachment M. Any exceptions to this IFB or the Contract must be raised prior to Bid submission. Changes to the solicitation, including the Bid Form or Contract, made by the Bidder may result in Bid rejection.

## 4.18 Bid/Proposal Affidavit

A Bid submitted by the Bidder must be accompanied by a completed Bid/Proposal Affidavit. A copy of this Affidavit is included as **Attachment C** of this IFB.

## 4.19 Contract Affidavit

All Bidders are advised that if a Contract is awarded as a result of this solicitation, the successful Bidder will be required to complete a Contract Affidavit. A copy of this Affidavit is included for informational purposes as **Attachment N** of this IFB. This Affidavit must be provided within five (5) Business Days of notification of recommended award. For purposes of completing Section “B” of this Affidavit (Certification of Registration or Qualification with the State Department of Assessments and Taxation), a business entity that is organized outside of the State of Maryland is considered a “foreign” business.

## 4.20 Compliance with Laws/Arrearages

By submitting a Bid in response to this IFB, the Bidder, if selected for award, agrees that it will comply with all federal, State, and local laws applicable to its activities and obligations under the Contract.

By submitting a response to this solicitation, each Bidder represents that it is not in arrears in the payment of any obligations due and owing the State, including the payment of taxes and employee



benefits, and shall not become so in arrears during the term of the Contract if selected for Contract award.

#### 4.21 Verification of Registration and Tax Payment

Before a business entity can do business in the State, it must be registered with the State Department of Assessments and Taxation (SDAT). SDAT is located at State Office Building, Room 803, 301 West Preston Street, Baltimore, Maryland 21201. For registration information, visit <https://www.egov.maryland.gov/businessexpress>.

It is strongly recommended that any potential Bidder complete registration prior to the Bid due date and time. The Bidder's failure to complete registration with SDAT may disqualify an otherwise successful Bidder from final consideration and recommendation for Contract award.

#### 4.22 False Statements

Bidders are advised that Md. Code Ann., State Finance and Procurement Article, § 11-205.1 provides as follows:

4.22.1 In connection with a procurement contract a person may not willfully:

- a) Falsify, conceal, or suppress a material fact by any scheme or device.
- b) Make a false or fraudulent statement or representation of a material fact.
- c) Use a false writing or document that contains a false or fraudulent statement or entry of a material fact.

4.22.2 A person may not aid or conspire with another person to commit an act under **Section 4.22.1**.

4.22.3 A person who violates any provision of this section is guilty of a felony and on conviction is subject to a fine not exceeding \$20,000 or imprisonment not exceeding five (5) years or both.

#### 4.23 Payments by Electronic Funds Transfer

By submitting a Bid in response to this solicitation, the Bidder, if selected for award:

4.23.1 Agrees to accept payments by electronic funds transfer (EFT) unless the State Comptroller's Office grants an exemption. Payment by EFT is mandatory for contracts exceeding \$200,000. The successful Bidder shall register using the COT/GAD X-10 Vendor Electronic Funds (EFT) Registration Request Form.

4.23.2 Any request for exemption must be submitted to the State Comptroller's Office for approval at the address specified on the COT/GAD X-10 form, must include the business identification information as stated on the form, and must include the reason for the exemption. The COT/GAD X-10 form may be downloaded from the Comptroller's website at: [http://comptroller.marylandtaxes.com/Vendor\\_Services/Accounting\\_Information/Static\\_Files/GA\\_DX10Form20150615.pdf](http://comptroller.marylandtaxes.com/Vendor_Services/Accounting_Information/Static_Files/GA_DX10Form20150615.pdf).

#### 4.24 Prompt Payment Policy

This procurement and the Contract(s) to be awarded pursuant to this solicitation are subject to the Prompt Payment Policy Directive issued by the Governor's Office of Small, Minority & Women Business Affairs (GOSBA) and dated August 1, 2008. Promulgated pursuant to Md. Code Ann., State Finance and Procurement Article, §§ 11-201, 13-205(a), and Title 14, Subtitle 3, and COMAR 21.01.01.03 and 21.11.03.01, the Directive seeks to ensure the prompt payment of all subcontractors on non-construction procurement contracts. The Contractor shall comply with the prompt payment

requirements outlined in the Contract, Section 31 “Prompt Pay Requirements” (see **Attachment M**). Additional information is available on GOSBA’s website at:  
<http://www.gomdsmbiz.maryland.gov/documents/legislation/promptpaymentfaqs.pdf>.

#### **4.25 Electronic Procurements Authorized**

- 4.25.1 Under COMAR 21.03.05, unless otherwise prohibited by law, the Department may conduct procurement transactions by electronic means, including the solicitation, proposing, award, execution, and administration of a contract, as provided in Md. Code Ann., Maryland Uniform Electronic Transactions Act, Commercial Law Article, Title 21.
- 4.25.2 Participation in the solicitation process on a procurement contract for which electronic means has been authorized shall constitute consent by the Bidder to conduct by electronic means all elements of the procurement of that Contract which are specifically authorized under the solicitation or Contract. In the case of electronic transactions authorized by this IFB, electronic records and signatures by an authorized representative satisfy a requirement for written submission and signatures.
- 4.25.1 “Electronic means” refers to exchanges or communications using electronic, digital, magnetic, wireless, optical, electromagnetic, or other means of electronically conducting transactions. Electronic means includes e-mail, internet-based communications, electronic funds transfer, specific electronic bidding platforms (e.g., <https://procurement.maryland.gov>), and electronic data interchange.
- 4.25.2 In addition to specific electronic transactions specifically authorized in other sections of this solicitation (e.g., IFB § 4.23 describing payments by Electronic Funds Transfer), the following transactions are authorized to be conducted by electronic means on the terms as authorized in COMAR 21.03.05:

The Procurement Officer may conduct the procurement using eMMA or e-mail to issue:

- 1) The IFB;
- 2) Any amendments;
- 3) Pre-Bid conference documents;
- 4) Questions and responses;
- 5) Communications regarding the solicitation or Bid to any Bidder or potential Bidder;
- 6) Notices of award selection or non-selection; and
- 7) The Procurement Officer’s decision on any Bid protest or Contract claim.

The Bidder or potential Bidder may use eMMA or e-mail to:

- 8) Submit Bids;
- 9) Ask questions regarding the solicitation;
- 10) Reply to any material received from the Procurement Officer by electronic means that includes a Procurement Officer’s request or direction to reply by e-mail or through eMMA, but only on the terms specifically approved and directed by the Procurement Officer and;
- 11) Submit a "No Bid Notice/Vendor Feedback Form" to the IFB.

The Procurement Officer, the Contract Monitor, and the Contractor may conduct day-to-day Contract administration, except as outlined in **Section 4.25.3** of this subsection, utilizing e-mail, or other electronic means if authorized by the Procurement Officer or Contract Monitor.

4.25.3 The following transactions related to this procurement and any Contract awarded pursuant to it are **not authorized** to be conducted by electronic means:

- A. Filing of bid protests;
- B. Filing of Contract claims;
- C. Submission of documents determined by the Department to require original signatures (e.g., Contract execution, Contract modifications); or
- D. Any transaction, submission, or communication where the Procurement Officer has specifically directed that a response from the Contractor or Bidder be provided in writing or hard copy.

4.25.4 Any e-mail transmission is only authorized to the e-mail addresses for the identified person as provided in the solicitation, the Contract, or in the direction from the Procurement Officer or Contract Monitor.

#### **4.26 MBE Participation Goal**

There is no MBE subcontractor participation goal for this procurement.

#### **4.27 VSBE Participation Goal**

There is no VSBE participation goal for this procurement.

#### **4.28 Living Wage Requirements**

There is no Living Wage requirement for this procurement.

#### **4.29 Federal Funding Acknowledgement**

This Contract does not contain federal funds.

#### **4.30 Conflict of Interest Affidavit and Disclosure**

- 4.30.1 The Bidder shall complete and sign the Conflict of Interest Affidavit and Disclosure (**Attachment H**) and submit it with its Bid.
- 4.30.2 By submitting a Conflict of Interest Affidavit and Disclosure, the Contractor shall be construed as certifying all Contractor Personnel and subcontractors are also without a conflict of interest as defined in COMAR 21.05.08.08A.
- 4.30.3 Additionally, a Contractor has an ongoing obligation to ensure that all Contractor Personnel are without conflicts of interest prior to providing services << under OR individual Task Orders issued under >> the Contract. For policies and procedures applying specifically to Conflict of Interests, the Contract is governed by COMAR 21.05.08.08.
- 4.30.4 Participation in Drafting of Specifications: Disqualifying Event: Bidders are advised that Md. Code Ann. State Finance and Procurement Article §13-212.1(a) provides generally that “an individual who assists an executive unit in the drafting of specifications, an invitation for bids, a request for proposals for a procurement, or the selection or award made in response to an invitation for bids or a request for proposals, or a person that employs the individual, may not:

(1) submit a bid or proposal for that procurement; or (2) assist or represent another person, directly or indirectly, who is submitting a bid or proposal for that procurement.” Any Bidder submitting a Bid in violation of this provision shall be classified as “not responsible.”

#### **4.31 Non-Disclosure Agreement**

##### **4.31.1 Non-Disclosure Agreement (Bidder)**

A Non-Disclosure Agreement (Bidder) is not required for this procurement.

##### **4.31.2 Non-Disclosure Agreement (Contractor)**

A Non-Disclosure Agreement (Contractor) is not required for this procurement.

#### **4.32 HIPAA - Business Associate Agreement**

A HIPAA Business Associate Agreement is not required for this procurement.

#### **4.33 Nonvisual Access**

This solicitation does not contain Information Technology (IT) provisions requiring Nonvisual Access.

#### **4.34 Mercury and Products That Contain Mercury**

This solicitation does not include the procurement of products known to likely include mercury as a component.

#### **4.35 Location of the Performance of Services Disclosure**

This solicitation does not require a Location of the Performance of Services Disclosure.

#### **4.36 Department of Human Services (DHS) Hiring Agreement**

This solicitation does not require a DHS Hiring Agreement.

#### **4.37 Small Business Reserve (SBR) Procurement**

This solicitation is not designated as a Small Business Reserve (SBR) Procurement.

#### **4.38 Maryland Healthy Working Families Act Requirements**

On February 11, 2018, the Maryland Healthy Working Families Act went into effect. All offerors should be aware of how this Act could affect your potential contract award with the State of Maryland. See the Department of Labor, Licensing and Regulations web site for Maryland Healthy Working Families Act Information: <http://dllr.maryland.gov/paidleave/>.

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## 5 Bid Format

### 5.1 One Part Submission

Each Bidder shall submit its Bid with all Required Bid Submissions (see IFB Section 5.4) in a single sealed package.

### 5.2 Labeling

Each Bidder is required to label the sealed Bid with the IFB title and number, name and address of the Bidder, and closing date and time for receipt of the Bids.

### 5.3 Bid Price Form

The Bid shall contain all price information in the format specified on the Bid Form. The Bidder shall complete the Bid Form only as provided in the Bid Pricing Instructions and the Bid Form. Do not amend, alter, or leave blank any items on the Bid Form or include additional clarifying or contingent language on or attached to the Bid Form. Failure to adhere to any of these instructions may result in the Bid being determined to be non-responsive and rejected by the Department.

### 5.4 Required Bid Submission

A Bidder shall include the following with its Bid:

- 5.4.1 **Bidder Information Sheet** (see **Appendix 2**)
- 5.4.2 **Acknowledgement** of all addenda to this IFB.
- 5.4.3 **Minimum Qualifications Documentation.** The Bidder shall submit any Minimum Qualifications documentation that may be required, as set forth in **IFB Section 1**. If references are required in **IFB Section 1**, those references shall be submitted in this section and shall contain the information described in both **Section 1**.
- 5.4.4 **Completed Required Attachments.** Submit one (1) copy of each with signatures:
  - 1) Completed Bid Form (**Attachment B**).
  - 2) Completed Bid Affidavit (**Attachment C**).
  - 3) Completed Maryland Living Wage Requirements Affidavit of Agreement (**Attachment F-1**).
- 5.4.5 **Additional Document \*If Required.** Submit one (1) copy of each with signatures, if required. \*See appropriate IFB section to determine whether the document is required for this procurement.
  - 1) A Signed Statement from the Bidder's Parent Organization Guaranteeing Performance of the Bidder. \*see **IFB section 4.16**
  - 2) Completed MDOT Certified MBE Utilization and Fair Solicitation Affidavit (**Attachment D-1A**) \*see **IFB section 4.26**
  - 3) Completed Federal Funds Attachment (**Attachment G**) \*see **IFB section 4.29**
  - 4) Completed Conflict of Interest Affidavit and Disclosure (**Attachment H**) \*see **IFB section 4.30**
  - 5) Completed Mercury Affidavit (**Attachment K**) \*see **IFB section 4.34**

- 6) Completed Veteran-Owned Small Business Enterprise (VSBE) Utilization Affidavit and Prime/Subcontractor Participation Schedule (**Attachment E-1**) \*see **IFB section 4.27**
- 7) Completed Location of the Performance of Services Disclosure (**Attachment L**) \*see **IFB section 4.35**.

5.4.6 **References.** Not required for this solicitation.

5.4.7 **List of Current or Prior State Contracts.** Provide a list of all contracts with any entity of the State of Maryland for which the Bidder is currently performing goods and services or for which services have been completed within the last five (5) years. For each identified contract, the Bidder is to provide:

- 1) The State contracting entity;
- 2) A brief description of the goods and services provided;
- 3) The dollar value of the contract;
- 4) The term of the contract;
- 5) The State employee contact person (name, title, telephone number, and, if possible, e-mail address); and
- 6) Whether the contract was terminated before the end of the term specified in the original contract, including whether any available renewal option was not exercised.

Information obtained regarding the Bidder's level of performance on State contracts will be used by the Procurement Officer to determine the responsibility of the Bidder and considered as part of the experience and past performance evaluation criteria of the IFB.

5.4.8 **Financial Capability.** Not required for this solicitation.

5.4.9 **Certificate of Insurance.** Not required for this solicitation.

5.4.10 **Subcontractors.** The Bidder shall provide a complete list of all subcontractors that will work on the Contract if the Bidder receives an award, including those utilized in meeting the MBE and VSBE subcontracting goal(s), if applicable. This list shall include a full description of the duties each subcontractor will perform and why/how each subcontractor was deemed the most qualified for this project. If applicable, subcontractors utilized in meeting the established MBE or VSBE participation goal(s) for this solicitation shall be identified as provided in the appropriate attachment(s) of this IFB.

5.4.11 **Legal Action Summary.** Not required for this solicitation.

## **5.5 Delivery**

5.5.1 Bids shall be accepted via the State's internet based electronic procurement system, eMMA.

5.5.2 Bidders shall provide their Bids in one envelope through eMMA following the [Quick Reference Guides](#) (QRG) labelled "**4 - eMMA QRG Responding to Solicitations (IFB)**" for single envelope submissions.

5.5.3 Bidders may either mail or hand-deliver Bids.

5.5.4 For U.S. Postal Service deliveries, any bid that has been received at the appropriate mail room, or typical place of mail receipt for the respective procuring unit by the time and date listed in the IFB will be deemed to be timely. If a Bidder chooses to use the U.S. Postal Service for delivery, the Department recommends that it use Express Mail, Priority Mail, or Certified Mail

or another form for which both the date and time of receipt can be independently verified by the Department. It could take several days for an item sent by first class mail to make its way by normal internal mail to the procuring unit and a Bidder using first class mail will not be able to prove a timely delivery at the mailroom.

- 5.5.5 Hand-delivery includes delivery by commercial carrier acting for the Bidder. For any type of direct (non-mail) delivery, a Bidder is advised to secure a dated, signed, and time-stamped (or otherwise indicated) receipt of delivery.

## **5.6 Documents Required upon Notice of Recommendation for Contract Award**

Upon receipt of a notification of recommendation for contract award, the following documents shall be completed and submitted by the recommended awardee within five (5) business days, unless noted otherwise. Submit one (1) electronic copy of each of the following documents \*if required:

- A. Signed contract (Attachment M),
- B. Completed Contract Affidavit (Attachment N),
- C. Completed MBE Attachments D-2 and D-3A and B, within ten (10) Business days, if applicable; see IFB Section 4.26,
- D. MBE waiver justification within ten (10) Business days (see MBE Waiver Guidance and forms in Attachments D-1B and D-1C), if a waiver has been requested (if applicable; see IFB Section 4.26),
- E. Completed VSBE Attachment E-2, if applicable see IFB Section 4.27,
- F. Signed Non-Disclosure Agreement (Attachment I), if applicable; see IFB Section 4.31,
- G. Signed HIPAA Business Associate Agreement (Attachment J), if applicable; see IFB Section 4.32,
- H. Completed DHR Hiring Agreement, Attachment O, if applicable see IFB Section 4.36, and
- I. Copy of a current certificate of insurance with the prescribed limits set forth in IFB Section 3.1 "Insurance Requirements," listing the State as an Additional Insured, if applicable; see IFB Section 3.1.

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## 6 Bid Evaluation and Award

### 6.1 Bid Evaluation Criteria

The Bids will be evaluated based on the Total Bid Price, as per COMAR 21.02.13. All responsible Bidders will be ranked from the lowest (most advantageous) to the highest (least advantageous) price based on the Total Bid Price, delivery time and required sample as submitted on the **Attachment B - Bid Form**.

### 6.2 Reciprocal Preference

6.2.1 Although Maryland law does not authorize procuring agencies to favor resident Bidders in awarding procurement contracts, many other states do grant their resident businesses preferences over Maryland contractors. COMAR 21.05.01.04 permits procuring agencies to apply a reciprocal preference under the following conditions:

- a) The Maryland resident business is a responsible Bidder;
- b) The lowest responsive Bid is from a responsible Bidder whose principal office, or principal base of operations is in another state;
- c) The other state gives a preference to its resident businesses through law, policy, or practice; and
- d) The preference does not conflict with a federal law or grant affecting the procurement Contract.

6.2.2 The preference given shall be identical to the preference that the other state, through law, policy, or practice gives to its resident businesses.

### 6.3 Award Determination

Award will be made to the responsible Bidder who submits to the State the responsive Bid that has the lowest Total Bid Price, delivery time and required sample.

### 6.4 Documents Required upon Notice of Recommendation for Contract Award

Upon receipt of a Notification of Recommendation for Contract award, the apparent awardee shall complete and furnish the documents and attestations as directed in Table 1 of **Section 7 – IFB Attachments and Appendices**.

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## 7 IFB ATTACHMENTS AND APPENDICES

### Instructions Page

A Bid submitted by the Bidder must be accompanied by the completed forms and/or affidavits identified as “with Bid” in the “When to Submit” column in Table 1 below. All forms and affidavits applicable to this IFB, including any applicable instructions and/or terms, are identified in the “Applies” and “Label” columns in Table 1.

For documents required as part of the Bid:

1. For e-mail submissions, submit one (1) copy of each with signatures.
2. For paper submissions, submit two (2) copies of each with original signatures. All signatures must be clearly visible.

All Bidders are advised that if a Contract is awarded as a result of this solicitation, the successful Bidder will be required to complete certain forms and affidavits after notification of recommended award. The list of forms and affidavits that must be provided is described in Table 1 below in the “When to Submit” column.

For documents required after award, submit three (3) copies of each document within the appropriate number of days after notification of recommended award, as listed in Table 1 below in the “When to Submit” column.

**Table 1: IFB ATTACHMENTS AND APPENDICES**

Applies?	When to Submit	Label	Attachment Name
N	Before Bid	A	Pre-Bid Conference Response Form
Y	With Bid	B	Bid Instructions and Form
Y	With Bid	C	Bid/Proposal Affidavit (see link at <a href="http://procurement.maryland.gov/wp-content/uploads/sites/12/2018/04/AttachmentC-Bid_Proposal-Affidavit.pdf">http://procurement.maryland.gov/wp-content/uploads/sites/12/2018/04/AttachmentC-Bid_Proposal-Affidavit.pdf</a> )
N	With Bid	D	MBE Forms D-1A
N	10 Business Days after recommended award	D	MBE Forms D-1B, D-1C,D-2, D-3A, D-3B
N	As directed in forms	D	MBE Forms D-4A, D-4B, D-5
N	With Bid	E	Veteran-Owned Small Business Enterprise (VSBE) Form E-1A
N	5 Business Days after recommended award	E	VSBE Forms E-1B, E-2, E-3
N	With Bid	F	Maryland Living Wage Requirements for Service Contracts and Affidavit of Agreement
N	With Bid	G	Federal Funds Attachments

Applies?	When to Submit	Label	Attachment Name
Y	With Bid	H	Conflict of Interest Affidavit and Disclosure (see link at <a href="https://procurement.maryland.gov/wp-content/uploads/sites/12/2018/05/AttachmentH-Conflict-of-InterestAffidavit.pdf">https://procurement.maryland.gov/wp-content/uploads/sites/12/2018/05/AttachmentH-Conflict-of-InterestAffidavit.pdf</a> )
N	5 Business Days after recommended award – However, suggested with Bid	I	Non-Disclosure Agreement (Contractor)
N	5 Business Days after recommended award – However, suggested with Bid	J	HIPAA Business Associate Agreement
N	With Bid	K	Mercury Affidavit
N	With Bid	L	Location of the Performance of Services Disclosure
Y	5 Business Days after recommended award	M	Sample Contract/Terms & Conditions (included in this IFB)
Y	5 Business Days after recommended award	N	Contract Affidavit (see link at <a href="http://procurement.maryland.gov/wp-content/uploads/sites/12/2018/04/Attachment-N-ContractAffidavit.pdf">http://procurement.maryland.gov/wp-content/uploads/sites/12/2018/04/Attachment-N-ContractAffidavit.pdf</a> )
N	5 Business Days after recommended award	O	DHS Hiring Agreement
<b>Appendices</b>			
Applies?	When to Submit	Label	Attachment Name
Y	n/a	1	Abbreviations and Definitions (included in this IFB)
Y	With Bid	2	Bidder Information Sheet (see link at <a href="http://procurement.maryland.gov/wp-content/uploads/sites/12/2018/04/Appendix2-Bidder_OfferorInformationSheet.pdf">http://procurement.maryland.gov/wp-content/uploads/sites/12/2018/04/Appendix2-Bidder_OfferorInformationSheet.pdf</a> )

**Attachment A. Pre-Bid Conference Response Form**

Not applicable to this solicitation.

**Attachment B. Bid Instructions & Form**

**B-1 Bid Instructions**

In order to assist each Bidder in the preparation of its Bid and to comply with the requirements of this solicitation, Bid Instructions and a Bid Form have been prepared. Each Bidder shall submit its Bid on the Bid Form in accordance with the instructions on the Bid Form and as specified herein. Do not alter the Bid Form or the Bid may be determined to be not responsive. The Bid Form is to be signed and dated, where requested, by an individual who is authorized to bind the Bidder to the prices entered on the Bid Form.

The Bid Form is used to calculate the Bidder's TOTAL BID PRICE. Follow these instructions carefully when completing your Bid Form:

- A) All Unit and Extended Prices must be clearly entered in dollars and cents, e.g., \$24.15. Make your decimal points clear and distinct.
- B) All Unit Prices must be the actual price per unit the State will pay for the specific item or service identified in this IFB and may not be contingent on any other factor or condition in any manner.
- C) All calculations shall be rounded to the fourth decimal place, e.g., .12344 shall be .1234 and .1234999 shall be .1235.
- D) Any goods or services required through this IFB and proposed by the vendor at **No Cost to the State** must be clearly entered in the Unit Price, if appropriate, and Extended Price with **\$0.00**.
- E) Every blank in every Bid Form shall be filled in. Any changes or corrections made to the Bid Form by the Bidder prior to submission shall be initialed and dated.
- F) Except as instructed on the Bid Form, nothing shall be entered on or attached to the Bid Form that alters or proposes conditions or contingencies on the prices. Alterations and/or conditions may render the Bid not responsive.
- G) It is imperative that the prices included on the Bid Form have been entered correctly and calculated accurately by the Bidder and that the respective total prices agree with the entries on the Bid Form. Any incorrect entries or inaccurate calculations by the Bidder will be treated as provided in COMAR 21.05.02.12, and may cause the Bid to be rejected.
- H) If option years are included, Bidders must submit pricing for each option year. Any option to renew will be exercised at the sole discretion of the State and comply with all terms and conditions in force at the time the option is exercised. If exercised, the option period shall be for a period identified in the IFB at the prices entered in the Bid Form.
- I) All Bid prices entered below are to be fully loaded prices that include all costs/expenses associated with the provision of services as required by the IFB. The Bid price shall include, but is not limited to, all: labor, profit/overhead, general operating, administrative, and all other expenses and costs necessary to perform the work set forth in the solicitation. No other amounts will be paid to the Contractor. If labor rates are requested, those amounts shall be fully-loaded rates; no overtime amounts will be paid.
- J) Unless indicated elsewhere in the IFB, sample amounts used for calculations on the Bid Form are typically estimates for evaluation purposes only. Unless stated otherwise in the IFB, the Department does not guarantee a minimum or maximum number of units or usage in the performance of the Contract.
- K) Failure to adhere to any of these instructions may result in the Bid being determined not responsive.

**B-1 Bid Form**

The Bid Form shall contain all price information in the format specified on these pages. Complete the Bid Form only as provided in the Bid Instructions. Do not amend, alter or leave blank any items on the Bid Form. If option years are included, Bidders must submit pricing for each option year. Failure to adhere to any of these instructions may result in the Bid being determined not responsive.

Line Item	Product	Quantity	Unit	Net Unit Price
1.	BLEACHED WHITE BROADCLOTH, (SHEETING) 70 X 62, 66" CUTTABLE WIDTH WITH SALVAGE SIDES, 200 YARDS PER ROLL, THREAD COUNT T-130, 50/50 POLY-COTTON INDIVIDUALLY WRAPPED	15,000	YD	\$ _____
STATE FIRM DELIVERY DATE ARO: _____				

Submitted by:

Signature of Authorized Representative	Date
Printed Name and Title:	
Telephone:	
Email address:	
Bidder Company Name:	
Bidder Company Address:	
Location(s) from which goods/services will be provided/performed (City/State):	
FEIN:	
eMMA #:	

**Attachment C. Bid/Proposal Affidavit**

See link at [http://procurement.maryland.gov/wp-content/uploads/sites/12/2018/04/AttachmentC-Bid\\_Proposal-Affidavit.pdf](http://procurement.maryland.gov/wp-content/uploads/sites/12/2018/04/AttachmentC-Bid_Proposal-Affidavit.pdf).

**Attachment D. Minority Business Enterprise (MBE) Forms**

This solicitation does not include a Minority Business Enterprise (MBE) subcontractor participation goal.

**Attachment E. Veteran-Owned Small Business Enterprise (VSBE)  
Forms**

This solicitation does not include a Veteran-Owned Small Business Enterprise goal.



**Attachment F. Maryland Living Wage Affidavit of Agreement for  
Service Contracts**

This solicitation does not require a Living Wage Affidavit of Agreement.

**Attachment G. Federal Funds Attachments**

This solicitation does not include a Federal Funds Attachment.

**Attachment H. Conflict of Interest Affidavit and Disclosure**

This solicitation does not require a Conflict of Interest Affidavit and Disclosure.

**Attachment I. Non-Disclosure Agreement (Contractor)**

This solicitation does not require a Non-Disclosure Agreement.

**Attachment J. HIPAA Business Associate Agreement**

This solicitation does not require a HIPAA Business Associate Agreement.

**Attachment K. Mercury Affidavit**

This solicitation does not include the procurement of products known to likely include mercury as a component.

**Attachment L. Location of the Performance of Services Disclosure**

This solicitation does not require a Location of the Performance of Services Disclosure.

**Attachment M. Contract**

MARYLAND CORRECTIONAL ENTERPRISES (MCE)

“Bleached White Broadcloth”

BPM027534

**TERMS & CONDITIONS**

- 1. INCORPORATION BY REFERENCE:** All terms and conditions of the solicitation and amendments thereto are made a part of this Contract.
- 2. TAX EXEMPTION:** The Department is generally exempt from federal excise taxes, Maryland sales and use taxes, District of Columbia sales taxes and transportation taxes. Exemption certificates shall be completed upon request. Where a Contractor is required to furnish and install material in the construction or improvement of real property in performance of a contract, the Contractor shall pay the Maryland Sales Tax and the exemption does not apply.
- 3. SPECIFICATIONS:** All materials, equipment, supplies or services shall conform to federal and State laws and regulations and to the specifications contained in this solicitation.
- 4. DELIVERY AND ACCEPTANCE:** Delivery shall be made in accordance with the solicitation specifications. The Department, in its sole discretion, may extend the time of performance for excusable delays due to unforeseeable causes beyond the Contractor’s control. The Department unilaterally may order in writing the suspension, delay or interruption of performance hereunder. The Department reserves the right to test any materials, equipment, supplies, or services delivered to determine if the specifications have been met. The materials listed in the bid or proposal shall be delivered FOB the point or points specified prior to or on the date specified in the bid or proposal. Any material that is defective or fails to meet the terms of the solicitation specifications shall be rejected. Rejected materials shall be promptly replaced. The Department reserves the right to purchase replacement materials in the open market. Contractors failing to promptly replace materials lawfully rejected shall be liable for any excess price paid for the replacement, plus applicable expenses, if any. If the Contractor fails to make delivery in accordance with its quoted time frame, and the Department is required to obtain the needed goods or services on the open market, the Contractor shall be liable for any excess costs to the Department.
- 5. INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY:** Contractor agrees to indemnify and save harmless the State, its officers, agents and employees with respect to any claim, action, cost or judgment for patent infringement, or trademark or copyright violation arising out of purchase or use of materials, supplies, equipment or services covered by this Contract.
- 6. MARYLAND LAW PREVAILS:** The law of Maryland shall govern the interpretation and enforcement of this Contract.
- 7. CHANGES:** This Contract may be amended only with the written consent of both parties. Amendments may not significantly change the scope of the Contract (including the Contract price).
- 8. DISPUTES:** Disputes arising under this Contract shall be governed by State Finance and Procurement Article, Title 15, Subtitle 2, Part III, Annotated Code of Maryland, and by COMAR 21.10. Pending resolution of a dispute, the Contractor shall continue to perform this Contract, as directed by the Procurement Officer.
- 9. TERMINATION FOR NON-APPROPRIATION:** If funds are not appropriated or otherwise made available to support continuation in any fiscal year succeeding the first fiscal year, this Contract



shall be terminated automatically as of the beginning of the fiscal year for which funds are not available. The Contractor may not recover anticipatory profits or costs incurred after termination.

**10. TERMINATION FOR DEFAULT:** If the Contractor does not fulfill obligations under this Contract or violates any provision of this Contract, the State may terminate the Contract by giving the Contractor written notice of termination. Termination under this paragraph does not relieve the Contractor from liability for any damages caused to the State. Termination hereunder, including the determination of the rights and obligations of the parties, shall be governed by the provisions of COMAR 21.07.01.11B.

**11. TERMINATION FOR CONVENIENCE:** The State may terminate this Contract, in whole or in part, without showing cause upon prior written notice to the Contractor specifying the extent and the effective date of the termination. The State shall pay all reasonable costs associated with this Contract that the Contractor has incurred up to the date of termination and all reasonable costs associated with termination of the Contract. However, the Contractor may not be reimbursed for any anticipatory profits which have not been earned up to the date of termination. Termination hereunder, including the determination of the rights and obligations of the parties, shall be governed by the provisions of COMAR 21.07.01.12A(2).

**12. NONDISCRIMINATION:** The Contractor shall comply with the nondiscrimination provisions of federal and Maryland law.

**13. ITEMS OF MERCURY CONTENT:** This solicitation provides for a price preference for products that are mercury free. The price preference shall not exceed 5 percent of the bid price for products that are mercury free or to products containing the least amount of mercury.

**14. COMPLIANCE WITH LAWS:** The Contractor hereby represents and warrants that: It is qualified to do business in the State of Maryland and that it will take such action as, from time to time hereafter, may be necessary to remain so qualified; It is not in arrears with respect to the payment of any monies due and owing the State of Maryland, or any department or unit thereof, including but not limited to the payment of taxes and employee benefits, and that it shall not become so in arrears during the term of this Contract; It shall comply with all federal, State, and local laws, regulations, and ordinances applicable to its activities and obligations under this Contract; and it shall obtain, at its expense, all licenses, permits, insurance, and governmental approvals, if any, necessary to the performance of its obligations under this Contract.

**15. BID AFFIDAVIT:** Each bidder should execute and attach to the bid or proposal the affidavit included with this solicitation.

**16. BLANKET PURCHASE ORDER (BPO)/ PURCHASE ORDER AS CONTRACT:** This provision applies to all commodities or service contracts procured by the Department; As used in this provision, a bid refers to a bid submitted under Small Procurement Regulations; As used in this provision, a bidder refers to a bidder under Small Procurement Regulations; As used in this provision, solicitation means an Invitation for Bid to bid for a procurement issued by the Maryland Department of Public Safety & Correctional Services. The bidder(s) execution and submission of a responsive bid constitutes a promise by the bidder to perform the contract solicited by the Department in accordance with the terms and conditions stated in the solicitation. The bid shall be irrevocable for the period stated in the solicitation or for such longer period as the bidder and the Department may agree. Upon acceptance of a bid, the Procurement Officer may issue a Purchase Order (PO) and/ or Blanket Purchase Order (BPO), in a form to be determined by the Department, to the bidder accepting the bid and binding the bidder to a contract. The execution and issuance of a PO and/ or BPO by the Procurement Officer, subject to all necessary approvals, shall constitute acceptance of the bid and final award of the contract. The contract of the parties will be embodied in the contract documents, which shall consist of the executed PO and/ or BPO of the Procurement Officer,

including all documents, terms, and conditions incorporated into those documents by the terms of the solicitation, the PO and/ or BPO, the bid, or by operation of law, and the executed bid of the bidder. If the Procurement Officer issues a PO and/ or BPO, at the option of the Procurement Officer it will not be necessary for the bidder to execute the PO and / or BPO or any other form of contract or agreement. The Procurement Officer may require that the parties both execute a single document as the embodiment of the contract between the parties. In the event of a conflict between provisions of the contract documents, the controlling provisions shall be, in the following order, those of: the PO and/ or BPO; then the solicitation; and then the bid.

- 17.RETURNED GOODS:** Contractor(s) shall be entitled to recover reasonable compensation for any and all goods shipped in accordance with authorized agency orders, meeting all contract requirements, and returned by the agency for reasons other than the Contractor's failure to meet contract requirements. Compensation shall be limited to actual unreimbursed costs incurred by the Contractor including, but not limited to, restocking charges, shipping charges, plus reasonable profit. Contractor must provide written proof of claimed compensation. A return of goods covered by this section shall be deemed a partial termination for convenience as to the returned goods, and other contract provisions and principles applicable to a partial termination for convenience shall apply.
- 18.ANTI-BRIBERY:** The Contractor certifies that, to the Contractor's best knowledge, neither the Contractor; nor (if the Contractor is a corporation or partnership) any of its officers, directors, or partners; nor any employee of the Contractor who is directly involved in obtaining contracts with the State or with any county, city, or other subdivision of the State, has been convicted of bribery, attempted bribery, or conspiracy to bribe under the laws of any state or of the United States.
- 19.REGISTRATION:** Pursuant to §7-201 et seq of the Corporations and Associations Article of the annotated Code of Maryland. Corporations not incorporated in the State shall be registered with the State Department of Assessments and Taxation, 301 W. Preston St., Baltimore, Maryland 21201, before doing any interstate or foreign business in this State. Before doing any intrastate business in this State, a foreign corporation shall qualify with the Department of Assessments and Taxation.
- 20.CONTINGENT FEE:** The Contractor warrants that it has not employed or retained any person, partnership, corporation, or other entity, other than a bona fide employee or agent working for the Contractor, to solicit or secure this agreement, and that it has not paid or agreed to pay any person, partnership, corporation, or other entity, other than a bona fide employee or agency, any fee or other consideration contingent on the making of this agreement.
- 21.EPA COMPLIANCE:** Materials, supplies, equipment, or services shall comply in all respects with the Federal Noise Control Act of 1972, where applicable.
- 22.OCCUPATIONAL SAFETY AND HEALTH ACT (O.S.H.A.):** All materials, supplies, equipment, or services supplied as a result of this contact shall comply with the applicable U.S. and Maryland Occupational Safety and Health Act standards.
- 23.PRE-EXISTING REGULATIONS:** The regulations set forth in Title 21 of the Code of Maryland Regulations (COMAR Title 21) in effect on the date of execution of this contract are applicable to this contract.
- 24.INDEMNIFICATION:** The State shall not assume any obligation to indemnify, hold harmless, or pay attorney's fees that may arise from or in any way be associated with the performance or operation of this agreement.
- 25.CONFLICTING TERMS:** Any proposal for terms in addition to or different from those set forth in this Purchase Order or any attempts by the Contractor to vary any of the terms of this offer by Contractor's acceptance shall not operate as a rejection of this offer, unless such variance is in the terms of the of the description, quantity, price or delivery schedule, but shall be deemed a material

alteration thereof, and this offer shall be deemed acceptable by the Contractor without the additional or different terms. If this Purchase Order is an acceptance of a prior offer by the Contractor, the acceptance is expressly conditioned upon Contractor's assent to any additional or different terms contained herein. The Contractor understands and agrees that the terms and conditions of this Purchase Order may not be waived.

**26.GOVERNMENTAL RESTRICTIONS:** In the event any governmental restrictions may be imposed which would necessitate alteration of the material, quality, workmanship, or performance of the items offered on this proposal prior to their delivery, it shall be the responsibility of the supplier to notify the Office of Procurement at once, indicating in his letter the specific regulation which required an alteration. The State reserves the right to accept any such alteration, including any price adjustments occasioned thereby, or to cancel the contract at no expense to the State.

**27.ABNORMAL QUANTITIES:** The State reserves the right to solicit separate bids if a particular quantity requirement arises which exceeds the State's normal requirements as provided in the solicitation or exceeds an amount specified in this contract.

**28.NEW MATERIALS:** All items shipped pursuant to this Purchase Order shall be new, never previously used, and the current model of the item unless specifically stated otherwise in this contract.

**29.ASSIGNMENT:** This Purchase Order and the monies which may become due hereunder are not assignable except with the prior written approval of the Procurement Officer.

**30.DRUG AND ALCOHOL FREE WORKPLACE:** The contractor warrants that the contractor shall comply with COMAR 21.11.08 Drug and Alcohol Free Workplace, and that the contractor shall remain in compliance throughout the term of this Purchase Order.

**31.COMMERCIAL NONDISCRIMINATION POLICY:** As a condition of entering into this Purchase Order, Contractor represents and warrants that it will comply with the State's Commercial Nondiscrimination Policy, as described under State Finance and Procurement Article, Title 19, Annotated Code of Maryland. As part of this compliance, Contractor may not discriminate on the basis of race, color, religion, ancestry or national origin, sex, age, marital status, sexual orientation, or disability or other unlawful forms of discrimination in the solicitation, selection, hiring, or commercial treatment of subcontractors, vendors, suppliers, or commercial customers, nor shall Contractor retaliate against any person for reporting instances of such discrimination. Contractor shall provide equal opportunity for subcontractors, vendors, and suppliers to participate in all of its public sector and private sector subcontracting and supply opportunities, provided that this clause does not prohibit or limit lawful efforts to remedy the effects of marketplace discrimination that have occurred or are occurring in the marketplace. Contractor understands that a material violation of this clause shall be considered a material breach of this Purchase Order and may result in termination of this Purchase Order, disqualification of Contractor from participating in State contracts, or other sanctions. This clause is no enforceable by or for the benefit of, and creates no obligation to, any third party. The Contractor shall include the provision in Subsection A in all subcontracts to the State contract. As a condition of entering into this Purchase Order, upon the request of the Maryland Commission on Human Relation, an only after the filing of a complaint against Contractor under State Finance and Procurement Article, Title 19, Annotated Code of Maryland, as amended from time to time, Contractor agrees to provide within 60 days after the request a complete list of the names of all subcontractors, vendors, and suppliers that Contractor has used in the past 4 years on any of its contracts that were undertaken within the State of Maryland, including the total dollar amount paid by Contract on each subcontract or supply contract. Contractor further agrees to cooperate in any investigation conducted by the State pursuant to the State's Commercial Nondiscrimination Policy as set forth under State Finance and Procurement Article, Title 19, Annotated Code of Maryland, and to provide any documents relevant to any investigation that is requested by the State. Contractor

understands that violation of this clause is a material breach of this Purchase Order and may result in contract termination, disqualification by the State from participating in State contracts, and other sanctions.

**32. SECURITY REQUIREMENTS:** Employee Identification - Each person who is an employee or agent of the Contractor or subcontractor shall display his or her company ID badge at all times while on State premises. Upon request of authorized State personnel, each such employee or agent shall provide additional photo identification. At all times at any facility, the Contractor's personnel shall cooperate with State site requirements that include but are not limited to being prepared to be escorted at all times, providing information for badge issuance, and wearing the badge in a visible location at all times. Criminal Background Check - The Contractor shall obtain from all Contractor and subcontractor personnel assigned to work on the Contract a signed statement permitting a criminal background check. The Contractor shall secure at its own expense a Maryland State Police and/or FBI background check and provide the Contract Monitor with completed checks on the above-listed personnel assigned to work under the Contract prior to assignment. At a minimum, these background checks must include all convictions and probation before judgment (PBJ) dispositions. The Contractor may not assign an individual whose background check reflects any criminal activity to work under this Contract unless prior written approval is obtained from the Contract Monitor.

**33. PROBLEM ESCALATION PROCEDURE:** The Contractor must provide and maintain a Problem Escalation Procedure (PEP) for both routine and emergency situations. The PEP must state how the Contractor will address problem situations as they occur during the performance of the Contract, especially problems that are not resolved to the satisfaction of the State within appropriate timeframes. The Contractor shall provide contact information to the Contract Monitor, as well as to other State personnel as directed should the Contract Monitor not be available. The Contractor must provide the PEP no later than ten (10) Business Days after Contract Commencement. The PEP, including any revisions thereto, must also be provided within ten (10) Business Days after the start of each Contract year and within ten (10) Business Days after any change in circumstance which changes the PEP. The PEP shall detail how problems with work under the Contract will be escalated in order to resolve any issues in a timely manner. The PEP shall include: The process for establishing the existence of a problem; Names, titles, and contact information for progressively higher levels of personnel in the Contractor's organization who would become involved in resolving a problem; For each individual listed in the Contractor's PEP, the maximum amount of time a problem will remain unresolved with that individual before the problem escalates to the next contact person listed in the Contractor's PEP; Expedited escalation procedures and any circumstances that would trigger expedited them; The method of providing feedback on resolution progress, including the frequency of feedback to be provided to the State; Contact information for persons responsible for resolving issues after normal business hours (e.g., evenings, weekends, holidays, etc.) and on an emergency basis; and a process for updating and notifying the Contract Monitor of any changes to the PEP. Nothing in this section shall be construed to limit any rights of the Contract Monitor or the State which may be allowed by the Contract or applicable law.

By signing this page, the Bidder agrees that he or she has read Attachment M and accepts the terms and conditions there within:

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

By: \_\_\_\_\_ (print name of Authorized Representative and Affiant)

\_\_\_\_\_ (signature of Authorized Representative and Affiant)

**Attachment N. Contract Affidavit**

See link at <http://procurement.maryland.gov/wp-content/uploads/sites/12/2018/04/Attachment-N-ContractAffidavit.pdf>.

**Attachment O. DHS Hiring Agreement**

This solicitation does not require a DHS Hiring Agreement.

## Appendix 1. – Abbreviations and Definitions

For purposes of this IFB, the following abbreviations or terms have the meanings indicated below:

- A. Bid – The Bidder’s Bid.
- B. Bid Price Form or Bid Form - The Attachment B Bid Form.
- C. Business Day(s) – The official working days of the week to include Monday through Friday. Official working days excluding State Holidays (see definition of “Normal State Business Hours” below).
- D. COMAR – Code of Maryland Regulations available on-line at <http://www.dsd.state.md.us/COMAR/ComarHome.html>.
- E. Contract – The Contract awarded to the successful Bidder pursuant to this IFB. The Contract will be in the form of **Attachment M**.
- F. Contract Monitor – The State representative for this Contract who is primarily responsible for Contract administration functions, including issuing written direction, invoice approval, monitoring this Contract to ensure compliance with the terms and conditions of the Contract, monitoring MBE and VSBE compliance, and achieving completion of the Contract on budget, on time, and within scope. The Contract Monitor may authorize in writing one or more State representatives to act on behalf of the Contract Monitor in the performance of the Contract Monitor’s responsibilities. The Department may change the Contract Monitor at any time by written notice to the Contractor.
- G. Contractor – The selected Bidder that is awarded a Contract by the State.
- H. Contractor Personnel – Employees and agents and subcontractor employees and agents performing work at the direction of the Contractor under the terms of the Contract awarded from this IFB.
- I. Data Breach – The unauthorized acquisition, use, modification or disclosure of State data, or other Sensitive Data.
- J. eMMA – eMaryland Marketplace Advantage (see IFB **Section 4.2**).
- K. Invitation for Bids (IFB) – This Invitation for Bids issued by the Maryland Correctional Enterprises (Department), with the Solicitation Number and date of issuance indicated in the Key Information Summary Sheet, including any amendments thereto.
- L. Key Personnel – All Contractor Personnel identified in the solicitation as such that are essential to the work being performed under the Contract. See IFB **Sections 3.10**.
- M. Local Time – Time in the Eastern Time Zone as observed by the State of Maryland. Unless otherwise specified, all stated times shall be Local Time, even if not expressly designated as such.
- N. Maryland Correctional Enterprises (MCE or the “Department”).
- O. Minority Business Enterprise (MBE) – Any legal entity certified as defined at COMAR 21.01.02.01B (54) which is certified by the Maryland Department of Transportation under COMAR 21.11.03.
- P. Normal State Business Hours - Normal State business hours are 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday except State Holidays, which can be found at: [www.dbm.maryland.gov](http://www.dbm.maryland.gov) – keyword: State Holidays.

- Q. Notice to Proceed (NTP) – A written notice from the Procurement Officer that work under the Contract, project, Task Order or Work Order (as applicable) is to begin as of a specified date. The NTP Date is the start date of work under the Contract, project, Task Order or Work Order. Additional NTPs may be issued by either the Procurement Officer or the Contract Monitor regarding the start date for any service included within this solicitation with a delayed or non-specified implementation date.
- R. NTP Date – The date specified in a NTP for work on Contract, project, Task Order or Work Order to begin.
- S. Bidder – An entity that submits a Bid in response to this IFB.
- T. Personally Identifiable Information (PII) – Any information about an individual maintained by the State, including (1) any information that can be used to distinguish or trace an individual identity, such as name, social security number, date and place of birth, mother’s maiden name, or biometric records; and (2) any other information that is linked or linkable to an individual, such as medical, educational, financial, and employment information.
- U. Procurement Officer – Prior to the award of any Contract, the sole point of contact in the State for purposes of this solicitation. After Contract award, the Procurement Officer has responsibilities as detailed in the Contract (**Attachment M**), and is the only State representative who can authorize changes to the Contract. The Department may change the Procurement Officer at any time by written notice to the Contractor.
- V. Protected Health Information (PHI) – Information that relates to the past, present, or future physical or mental health or condition of an individual; the provision of health care to an individual; or the past, present, or future payment for the provision of health care to an individual; and (i) that identifies the individual; or (ii) with respect to which there is a reasonable basis to believe the information can be used to identify the individual.
- W. Security Incident – A violation or imminent threat of violation of computer security policies, Security Measures, acceptable use policies, or standard security practices. “Imminent threat of violation” is a situation in which the organization has a factual basis for believing that a specific incident is about to occur.
- X. Security or Security Measures – The technology, policy and procedures that a) protects and b) controls access to networks, systems, and data.
- Y. Sensitive Data - Means PII;PHI; other proprietary or confidential data as defined by the State, including but not limited to “personal information” under Md. Code Ann., Commercial Law § 14-3501(e) and Md. Code Ann., St. Govt. § 10-1301(c) and information not subject to disclosure under the Public Information Act, Title 4 of the General Provisions Article; and information about an individual that (1) can be used to distinguish or trace an individual’s identity, such as name, social security number, date and place of birth, mother’s maiden name, or biometric records; or (2) is linked or linkable to an individual, such as medical, educational, financial, and employment information.
- Z. State – The State of Maryland.
- AA. Total Bid Price - The Bidder’s bid price or evaluated bid price for goods and services in response to this solicitation, included in **Attachment B** – Bid Form.
- BB. Veteran-owned Small Business Enterprise (VSBE) – A business that is verified by the Center for Verification and Evaluation (CVE) of the United States Department of Veterans Affairs as a veteran-owned small business. See Code of Maryland Regulations (COMAR) 21.11.13.



**Appendix 2. – Bidder Information Sheet**

See link at [http://procurement.maryland.gov/wp-content/uploads/sites/12/2018/04/Appendix2-Bidder\\_OfferorInformationSheet.pdf](http://procurement.maryland.gov/wp-content/uploads/sites/12/2018/04/Appendix2-Bidder_OfferorInformationSheet.pdf).