

Number: AB230015 Date Issued: February 23, 2023 Purchasing Contact: Lauren Manning Phone: (609) 771-2894 Email: <u>manningl@tcnj.edu</u> Requesting Department: Auxiliary Services Fiscal Year: 2023

Proposals will be due on Tuesday, March 21, 2023 at 2 p.m.

Important: This proposal must be received at or before the opening time and date stated above. Late proposals will not be accepted. Return proposal to:

The College of New Jersey Office of Finance & Business Services, Purchasing Dept. Administrative Services Building, Room 201 2000 Pennington Road Ewing, New Jersey 08628-0718

### PURPOSE AND INTENT OF REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL:

Solicit proposals from a qualified and equipped vendor to provide refrigerators, microwaves, and room safes for rent or sale directly to students in the residence hall student rooms on campus.

#### PRE-BID CONFERENCE / ON-SITE INSPECTION IS NOT REQUIRED

## INSTRUCTIONS TO VENDOR'S FOR COMPLETING THIS PROPOSAL

- 1. Read the entire proposal, including all terms and conditions and specifications.
- 2. All prices must be typed or written in ink. Any corrections, erasures or other forms of alteration to unit and/or total prices must be initialed by the vendor.
- 3. THIS PROPOSAL IS TO BE SIGNED BELOW (LINE 18).
- 4. Proposal prices shall include delivery of all items F.O.B. destination or as otherwise provided.
- 5. Address all inquiries and correspondence to the buyer at the email, phone or address shown above.
- 6. All communication during the bidding process shall be directed to the Purchasing department only.

7. All instructions must be followed and signatures must be provided for proposal to be accepted.

## MANDATORY TO BE COMPLETED BY THE VENDOR

- 8. Payment discount terms:
- 9. Prices quoted are firm through the following date:
- 10. Your Federal I.D. Number (FEIN):
- 11. Company Name:
- 12. Vendor telephone number:
- 13. Vendor fax number:
- 14. Print Name:\_\_\_\_\_
- 15. Email Address:
- 16. Title:\_\_\_\_\_
- 17. Date:\_\_\_\_\_

## **18. ORIGINAL SIGNATURE OF VENDOR (MUST BE SIGNED)**

Signature of the vendor attests that the vendor has read, understands, and agrees to all terms, conditions, and specifications set forth in the request for proposal unless otherwise stated in writing and submitted with the proposal.

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Please place the following advertisement in the Legal Section of Classified Advertising. Please ensure that the invoice and Affidavit for this advertisement is prepared and forwarded to The College of New Jersey, Office of Purchasing, Administrative Services Building, Room 201, P.O. Box 7718, Ewing, NJ 08628-0718.

To be published on **February 23, 2023**. Contact person regarding placement of ad is Lauren Manning (609) 771-2894.

## **ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS**

Under the provisions of the State College Contracts Law, Chapter 64 of Title 18-A, The College of New Jersey is soliciting proposals for a firm to provide Refrigerators, Microwaves, and Room Safes (AB230015).

The College will accept sealed bids until **2:00 p.m., March 21, 2023** at the Office of Finance & Business Services, The College of New Jersey, 2000 Pennington Road, Administrative Services Building, Room 201, Ewing, NJ 08628-0718, at which time the proposals will be publicly opened and read. Copies of the bid documents may be obtained via our website ((<u>https://bids.tcnj.edu/home/goods-and-services/</u>)

The College seeks to limit exposure/spread of the Coronavirus (COVID19) by limiting external visitors to campus. Participants planning to attend the bid opening should follow the safety guidelines recommended by the CDC and abide by any and all Executive Order(s) pertaining to safety precautions required as a result of COVID-19.

**BIDDERS REQUIRED TO COMPLY WITH THE REQUIREMENTS OF P.L.** 1975 (N.J.S.A. 10:5-31 et seq. and N.J.A.C. 17:27)

### **Required Procurement Documents & Bidder's Checklist**

This bid proposal MUST be received by The College of New Jersey, Purchasing Department before or at 2:00 p.m. on Tuesday March 21, 2023 at which time responses will be publicly opened and read. Any proposal arriving at the Purchasing Department after the submission due date and time will not be accepted.

The following <u>Bidder's Checklist</u> is provided as an aid to the bidder. It does not in any way relieve the bidder of its responsibility to ensure that its bid proposal is complete. It is the bidder's responsibility to ensure documents are submitted and that all requirements of the bid solicitation have been met.

	Procurement Documentation & Bidder's Checklist	
	EGISTRATIONS, AND CERTIFICATIONS THAT MUST BE SUBMITTED BY THE	
	SUBMISSION. FAILURE TO INCLUDE THE BELOW REQUESTED DOCUMENTAT	TION MAY
<b>RESULT I</b> Required	N REJECTION OF BIDDER'S SUBMISSION.	Vendor's Initials next
-		to each item submitted with proposal
Х	Bidder Information and Signature Page	
Х	Proposal Page/Pricing Sheet	
Х	Acknowledgement of Receipt of Addenda (if any issued)	
Х	Acknowledgement of Mandatory Equal Employment Opportunity Language (N.J.S.A. 10:5-31 et seq., N.J.A.C. 17:27)	
Х	Completed Statement of Ownership Disclosure (N.J.S.A. 52:25-24.2)	
Х	Completed Non-Collusion Affidavit	
Х	Completed Source Disclosure Form (N.J.S.A. 52:34-13.2)	
Х	Completed Disclosure of Investment Activities in Iran (N.J.S.A. 52:32-58)	
Х	Completed Certification of Non-Involvement in Prohibited Activities in Russia (P.L.2022, c.3)	
Х	Completed Vendor Qualification Sheet	
Х	Bidder's policies, procedures and practices aimed at increasing diversity in the workforce	
	Enclosed Certified Check or Bid Bond for ten percent (10%) of the amount of the bid	
	Public Works Contractor Registration Certificate (A completed copy of your Certification	
	form is not required at time of bid; however, the certificate must be valid at the time of bid.)	
	License and any other licenses, certifications, and qualifications.	
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Х	Completed Two-year Chapter 51/Executive Order 117 Vendor Certification and Disclosure of Political Contributions	
Х	Proof of Affirmative Action Compliance (N.J.S.A. 10:5-31 et seq., N.J.A.C. 17:27)	
Х	New Jersey Business Registration Certificate (N.J.S.A. 52:32-44)	
Х	Taxpayer Identification Request (W-9 Form)	
Х	Certificate of Insurance	

The College of New Jersey The Office of Finance & Business Services, Department of Purchasing Administrative Services Building, Room 201 2000 Pennington Road Ewing, New Jersey 08628-0718

#### 1) <u>PURPOSE AND INTENT:</u>

- a) The purpose of this Request for Proposal (RFP) is to secure a qualified and equipped vendor to provide refrigerators, microwaves, and room safes for rent or sale directly to students in the residence hall student rooms on campus.
- b) The College will award the contract within sixty (60) days from the date of the proposal opening. The College, pursuant to State College Contract Law, reserves the right to reject all proposals. In the event that proposals are rejected, the College may elect to re-bid this contract.
- c) The College retains the right to award contracts to two or more vendors in accordance with law.
- d) The College retains the rights to waive minor informalities or non-material exceptions in a bid in accordance with applicable laws.

### 2) **DEFINITIONS**:

- a) Addendum Written clarification or revision to this RFP issued by The College of New Jersey Purchasing Department.
- b) Vendor An individual or business entity submitting a bid proposal in response to this RFP.
- c) The College or College or TCNJ The College of New Jersey
- d) **Contract** This RFP, any addendum to this RFP, and the vendor's proposal submitted in response to this RFP, as accepted by the institution.
- e) Contractor The vendor's awarded a contract resulting from this RFP.
- f) The Institution(s) Any of higher education institution within the State of New Jersey.
- g) May Denotes that which is permissible but not mandatory.
- h) **Shall** or **Must** Denotes that which is a mandatory requirement. Failure to meet a mandatory requirement may result in the rejection of a bid proposal as materially non-responsive.
- i) Should Denotes that which is recommended but not mandatory.
- j) State State of New Jersey
- k) Bid Response submitted by vendor's in response to a publicly issued solicitation.
- 1) **RFP or Request for Proposal** Document outlining a scope of work, specifications, etc. inviting potential vendors to submit a proposal to provide such products and/or services.

#### 3) <u>PROPOSAL/BID PREPARATION AND SUBMISSION:</u>

#### Questions

All questions must be submitted in writing via email (<u>manningl@tcnj.edu</u>) to Lauren Manning, Finance & Business Services, The College of New Jersey, no later than March 3, 2023 by 4 p.m. Should any questions be received, an addendum will be placed in the newspaper and the addendum will be posted on the Office of Finance & Business Services website (<u>www.tcnj.edu/~budfin/</u>) no later than March 10, 2023. Any and all such addenda MUST be attached to each vendor's proposal submission.

#### **Oral presentation**

Prior to award of contract, vendor's who submit a proposal in response to this RFP may be required to give an oral presentation of their proposal if the College so desires. This may provide an opportunity for the vendor to clarify or elaborate on the proposal. The College will schedule the time and location of these presentations.

#### Submission

Each vendor submitting a proposal will deliver or cause to be delivered the required elements of the proposal package, sealed in an envelope and clearly marked as a proposal with its bid number affixed thereto, to:

THE COLLEGE OF NEW JERSEY The Office of Finance & Business Services, Department of Purchasing Administrative Services Building, Room 201 2000 Pennington Road Ewing, New Jersey 08628-0718

Bid Opening: Tuesday, March 21, 2023 at 2:00 p.m.

Vendor's should submit one (1) hard copy of their proposal and one (1) digital copy (flash drive) of their proposal.

#### Signature

The cover page of the RFP, with lines 8 through 18 completed, and must be signed by an authorized officer of the bidding vendor and returned with the proposal. Failure to comply with this requirement or failure to provide all requested data, price schedules, signatures, etc. will result in rejection of the proposal.

#### Addenda

All addenda to this RFP will become part of the RFP and part of any contract awarded as a result of this RFP.

#### **Cost Liability**

The College assumes no responsibility and bears no liability for costs incurred by a vendor in the preparation and submittal of a bid proposal in response to this RFP.

#### **Contents of Bid Proposal**

Subsequent to bid opening, all information submitted by vendor's is response to the RFP is considered public information, except as may be exempted from public disclosure by the Open Public Records Act, N.J.S.A. 47:1A-1 et seq., and common law.

A vendor may designate specific information as not subject to disclosure when the vendor has a good faith legal/factual basis for such assertion. The institutions reserve the right to make the determination and will advise the vendor's accordingly. The location in the bid proposal of any such designation should be clearly stated in a cover letter. The institutions will not honor any attempt by a vendor either to designate its entire bid proposal as proprietary and/or to claim copyright protection for its entire proposal.

By signing this RFP response, the vendor waives any claims of copyright protection set forth within the manufacturer's price list and/or catalogs. The price lists and/or catalogs must be accessible to the institutions and cooperative purchasing partners and thus have to be made public to allow eligible purchasing entities access to the pricing information.

All bid proposals, with the exception of information determined by the institutions or the Court to be proprietary, are available for public inspection after the Letter of Intent to Award is issued. At such time, interested parties can contact The College of New Jersey Purchasing Department to inspect bid proposals received in response to this RFP.

#### Pricing

All pricing should be provided per the scope of work/attached cost sheet.

Energy Star energy efficient products: On April 22, 2006, Governor Jon Corzine signed Executive Order #11 stating that The New Jersey State government should assume a leadership role in promoting the efficient use of energy and natural resources in the interest of long-term protection and enhancement of our State's natural beauty. To meet this requirement, vendor's, including designs by architects and engineers, shall provide pricing for Energy Star energy efficient products when applicable. For products that do not have ENERGY STAR labels, vendors

shall follow guidelines established by the New Jersey Clean Energy Program and/or requirements set forth in Executive Order #11.

#### Substitutions

The vendor's may include in their bid substitute materials or equipment or methods in lieu of those specified in the bidding documents. Any substitution must be equal in type, function and quality to the item required in the specifications.

No vendor is allowed to offer more than one price on each item even though he/she may feel that he/she has two or more types or styles that will meet specifications. Vendor's must determine for themselves which to offer. This may be cause for automatic rejection of bid.

#### **Multiple Proposals are Not Allowed**

No vendor's is allowed to submit more than one bid from an individual, vendor, partnership, corporation or association under the same or different name. This may be cause for automatic rejection of each bid.

#### **Bid Withdrawal**

A vendor may request that its bid be withdrawn prior to bid opening. Such request must be made in writing to The College Executive Director of Procurement Services. If the request is granted, the vendor may submit a revised bid as long as the bid is received prior to the announced date and time for bid opening and at the place designated. Once bids have been opened, the vendor's runs the risk of forfeiting their bid bond.

Submitted proposals shall be valid for at least a period of (60) days to allow for sufficient time for bid evaluation and contract award.

#### **Source Disclosure Certification**

For all procurements that are "primarily" for services, the vendor must comply with N.J.S.A 52:34-13.2 (also known as Executive Order 129) and file a source disclosure certification with the agency. It is the agency's responsibility to determine if the vendor complies with N.J.S.A. 52:34-13.2. In order to be in compliance, all services provided to the College, must be performed within the United States.

#### **Diversity in the Workforce**

The College of New Jersey strives to create a diverse environment through a variety of initiatives to make the campus more welcoming to people of all backgrounds. Submit a summary of your organization's policies, procedures and practices aimed at increasing diversity in the workforce. Specify the types of diversity that are important to your organization and the diversity of your workforce. Specify the diversity in the team you select for the College commitment and how that will affect the quality of services provided to the College.

#### P.L. 2005, Chapter 51 / Executive Order 117 - Vendor Certification and Disclosure of Political Contributions

In order for your proposal to be accepted and deemed valid, your company/vendor will be required to comply with the requirements of Chapter 51 and Executive Order 117. Enclosed are the requirements of Ch. 51 and EO 117, the forms for Certification and Disclosure. The contract that will be generated based on this RFP cannot be awarded without approval of the Certification and Disclosure forms by the State of New Jersey, Department of Treasury.

#### **Business Registration**

Pursuant to <u>N.J.S.A.</u> 52:32-44, The College of New Jersey ("Contracting Agency") is prohibited from entering into a contract with an entity unless the vendor/proposer/contractor, and each subcontractor that is required by law to be named in a bid/proposal/contract has a valid Business Registration Certificate on file with the Division of Revenue and Enterprise Services within the Department of the Treasury.

Prior to contract award or authorization, the contractor shall provide the Contracting Agency with its proof of business registration and that of any named subcontractor(s).

Subcontractors named in a bid or other proposal shall provide proof of business registration to the vendor's, who in turn, shall provide it to the Contracting Agency prior to the time a contract, purchase order, or other contracting document is awarded or authorized.

During the course of contract performance:

- 1) The contractor shall not enter into a contract with a subcontractor unless the subcontractor first provides the contractor with a valid proof of business registration.
- 2) the contractor shall maintain and submit to the Contracting Agency a list of subcontractors and their addresses that may be updated from time to time.
- 3) the contractor and any subcontractor providing goods or performing services under the contract, and each of their affiliates, shall collect and remit to the Director of the Division of Taxation in the Department of the Treasury, the use tax due pursuant to the Sales and Use Tax Act, (N.J.S.A. 54:32B-1 et seq.) on all sales of tangible personal property delivered into the State. Any questions in this regard can be directed to the Division (609)292-6400. of Taxation at Form NJ-REG can be filed online at http://www.state.nj.us/treasury/revenue/busregcert.shtml.

Before final payment is made under the contract, the contractor shall submit to the Contracting Agency a complete and accurate list of all subcontractors used and their addresses.

Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 54:49-4.1, a business organization that fails to provide a copy of a business registration as required, or that provides false business registration information, shall be liable for a penalty of \$25 for each day of violation, not to exceed \$50,000, for each proof of business registration not properly provided under a contract with a contracting agency.

#### **Affirmative Action**

The vendor is required to submit a copy of Certificate of Employee Information Report or a copy of Federal Letter of Approval verifying that the vendor is operating under a federally approved or sanctioned Affirmative Action program. If the vendor has neither document of Affirmative Action evidence, then the vendor must complete the attached Affirmative Action Employee Information Report (AA-302) and send it along with a check for \$150 to the NJ Department of Treasury, Division of Purchase and Property, Contract Compliance Unit. Send a copy of the completed form and check to the College.

#### **Certificate of Insurance**

The vendor is required to submit proof of liability insurance in accordance with The College's Terms and Conditions. See attachment titled Terms and Conditions.

#### License

All applicable licenses, certificates, and requirements specified in the scope of work, contract documents and specifications.

#### 4) <u>SPECIAL CONTRACTUAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS:</u>

- a) Contract administration: The vendor will coordinate all work schedules with the Office of Auxiliary Services once the contract is awarded.
- b) Term of contract as specified in the scope of work shall commence with the formal date of award and shall not exceed thirty-six (36) months.
- c) Proposals will include shipping F.O.B. Destination.
- d) The College obligation hereunder is contingent upon the availability of appropriated funds from which payment for contract purposes can be made.
- e) The vendor must comply with the delivery date as specified in the contract. Failure to comply may result in the termination of the contract.
- f) All deliveries will be made during regular working hours, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. Changes thereto must be granted with written approval by the College.
- g) The vendor will be responsible for the delivery of products in first-class condition at the point of delivery and in accordance with good commercial practices.

- h) Order of Precedence: The contract awarded as a result of this RFP shall consist of this RFP, addend to this RFP, the vendors bid proposal and the Notice of Award. Unless specifically stated in this RFP, the Special Contractual Terms and Conditions of the RFP and addenda take precedence over the College's Standard Terms and Conditions.
- i) CONTRACT TRANSITION: In the event that a new contract has not been awarded prior to the contract expiration date, as may be extended herein, it shall be incumbent upon the vendor to continue the contract under the same terms and conditions until a new contract can be completely operational. At no time shall this transition period extend more than ninety (90) days beyond the expiration of the contract
- j) If awarded a contract your company/vendor will be required to comply with the requirements of P.L. 1975 c.127. (NJAC 17:27).
- k) Record Retention: Pursuant to N.J.A.C. 17:44-2.2, the vendor shall maintain all documentation related to products, transactions or services under this contract for a period of five years from the date of final payment. Such records shall be made available to the New Jersey Office of the State Comptroller upon request.

#### 5) <u>PROPOSAL EVALUATION</u>:

Evaluation committee - Bid proposals may be evaluated by a committee composed of members of the institution Unit/Department responsible for managing the service, the institution's Purchasing Department and other institution employees.

Proposals will be judged by the following criteria:

- a) Experience of the vendor in the commodity being bid.
- b) The ability of the vendor to efficiently, accurately, and successfully perform the required services essential to this contract. The vendor's performance history with regards to these services will be used in the evaluating whether or not to award the contract to that vendor.
- c) A vendor's response to all specification requirements in sufficient detail for the evaluator(s) to analyze the proposal and make sound judgments about it.
- d) Vendor's diversity in team and subcontractors (if any) selected for this project.
- e) Price. The College of New Jersey reserves the right to evaluate price(s) and award contracts, based on the present worth analysis when it is determined to be most advantageous to the College. Vendor's should submit prices exactly as instructed. The College reserves the right to request all vendors to explain the method used to arrive at any or all prices. The College reserves the right to require vendors to provide a schedule of values of their bid price upon request. If it is discovered that there is an arithmetic disparity between the unit price and the total extended price, the unit price shall prevail. If there is any other ambiguity in the pricing other than a disparity between unit price and extended price and the vendor's intention is not readily discernible from other parts of the bid proposal, the Executive Director of Procurement Services may seek clarification from the vendors to ascertain the true intent of the bid.

## 6) BEST AND FINAL OFFER (BAFO):

The College of New Jersey reserves the right, at any time prior to the award of a Contract and for any reason, to request and consider "best and final" proposals from one or more of the vendor's who have submitted a proposal. The number of vendor's allowed to submit "best and finals" and the scope of the "best and finals" shall be determined solely by The College of New Jersey. No vendor has a right to submit a "best and final."

## THE COLLEGE OF NEW JERSEY REFRIGERATORS, MICROWAVES, AND ROOM SAFES Auxiliary and Contract Services Vice President for Student Affairs Office P. O. Box 7718 Ewing, New Jersey 08628-0718

## **BACKGROUND**

The College of New Jersey (TCNJ) is a highly selective institution that is consistently recognized as one of the top comprehensive colleges in the nation. Founded in 1855 as the New Jersey State Normal School, TCNJ maintains the seventh highest four-year graduation rate among all public colleges and universities. It is ranked by Money as one of the top 15 public colleges "most likely to pay off financially," and U.S. News & World Report rates it the No. 1 public institution among regional universities in the northeast.

Known for its natural beauty, the college is situated on 289 tree-lined acres in suburban Ewing Township, New Jersey, in close proximity to both New York City and Philadelphia. A strong liberal arts core forms the foundation for a wealth of degree programs offered through the college's seven schools: Arts and Communication; Business; Education; Engineering; Humanities and Social Sciences; Nursing, Health, and Exercise Science; and Science. Five signature experiences are the hallmark of a TCNJ education. They include a personalized, collaborative, and rigorous education; undergraduate research, mentored internships, and field experiences; community engaged learning; global engagement; and leadership development.

TCNJ's longstanding commitment to faculty-student collaboration was recognized in 2015 by the Council on Undergraduate Research, which named the college the recipient of its inaugural "Campus-wide Award for Undergraduate Research Accomplishment." In 2006, TCNJ was awarded a Phi Beta Kappa chapter— an honor shared by less than 10 percent of colleges and universities nationally.

Essential to its mission, TCNJ believes in the transformative power of education to develop critical thinkers, responsible citizens, and lifelong learners and leaders. Leadership programming is offered throughout an undergraduate's career, as well as other programs and services aimed at students' social, emotional, career, academic, spiritual, and physical development. TCNJ encourages students to expand their talents and skills through more than 200 campus organizations. These groups include performing ensembles, professional and honor societies, student publications, fraternities and sororities, and intramural and club sports.

High achievement and scholarship in the classroom have been mirrored by the success of The College of New Jersey's varsity student-athletes. Since the 1978–79 Lions wrestling team captured the college's first National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) team championship, TCNJ has established itself as one of the nation's most successful Division III programs, winning 40 team and 50 individual NCAA championships.

TCNJ enrolls approximately 7,400 students including 6,790 undergraduates and 610 graduate students.

## 1. Scope of Service

## 1.1. Purpose and Intent

The purpose of this Request for Proposal (RFP) is to obtain bids from organizations qualified and equipped to provide refrigerators, microwaves, and room safes for rent or sale directly to students in the residence hall student rooms on campus at The College of New Jersey. Bidders are invited to propose on providing refrigerators, combination microfridges, and/or room safes. The College reserves the right to award a contract to more than one vendor for different types of equipment. Additionally, a limited number of direct rental units to the College may be requested periodically during this contract period.

The College has 16 residence halls with accommodations for 3,840 students in the 2022-2023 academic year. The on-campus townhouses (Townhouse East, West, and South) as well as the on-campus apartments (Phelps and Hausdoerffer) are equipped with full-size refrigerators and microwaves; therefore, personal refrigerators and microwaves are not permitted in those facilities. Refer to Section 3.1 and 3.2 for the number of student rooms eligible for microwaves and refrigerators and required equipment specifications.

## 2. Specifications and Responsibilities

## 2.1 Eligible Student Rooms

a. The approximate total number of student rooms eligible for microwave and refrigerator rentals for the 2022 – 2023 academic year are outlined below. The College makes no guarantee of a minimum number of eligible rooms in the future. Please note that there is only one microwave and refrigerator allowed per double room.

Academic Year	# of Student Rooms	SPECIAL NOTE: Only one
	Eligible for Microwaves	Microwave and Refrigerator
	and Refrigerator units	unit is allowed per residence
	(NOTE: the number	hall double room. Only
	detailed below includes	students living in the 11
	both Double and Single	residence halls approved for
	rooms	these units are currently
		eligible for Microwaves and
		Refrigerators
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## 2.2 Equipment Specifications

- a. Equipment must be fewer than two (2) years old to ensure most efficient energy usage and contain utility costs and shall be Energy Star Rated. The units will be bid as two potential options, one with smoke sensor pricing and one without smoke sensor pricing.
- b. Refrigerators internal volume shall be between 2.5 and 3.5 cubic feet.
- c. Microwaves internal volume shall be between .4 and .9 cubic feet.

d. The safes should be electronic and the dimensions should be approximately 9"H, 18"W, 16"D

## 2.3 Contractor Responsibilities

- a. The Contractor shall be responsible for the purchase, updating, maintenance, and substitution of all equipment called for in this bid document.
- b. The Contractor shall be responsible for providing databases which will include student names and contact information (phone number, home address and email address) at least two weeks in advance of the first equipment delivery to the College. The Contractor will continually update the database as appropriate in conjunction with the Office of Residential Education and Housing.
- c. The Contractor, not the College, is responsible for lost or stolen rental equipment, including, but not limited to: refrigerators, microwaves, refrigerator/microwave combinations and safes to the College.
- d. The Contractor will deliver and pick-up refrigerators, microwaves, and room safes from locations close to the entrances of each residence hall and will subsequently deliver to and pick them up from all individual student rooms on the TCNJ campus.
- e. The Contractor shall respond promptly to all requests from students at the College for information, equipment rental service or replacement. Actual repairs, rentals and/or replacement must take place within 24 hours notice to the Contractor. It will be the responsibility of the Contractor to perform all maintenance relative to the rented equipment.
- f. The Contractor shall maintain accurate records and supply a printout that will reflect unit rental, location, student name and student by residence hall address. This report will be supplied to The College on the last working day of September and the last working day in February of each academic semester.
- g. The Contractor may advertise and/or solicit the residence students upon approval by the College one time annually. This marketing advertisement should be of professional quality. Contractor shall provide to the College stamped, self-addressed envelopes with company materials. The College shall label the envelopes with student address labels and the vendor will mail the envelopes. The College will send one student mailing in this manner. If mutually agreed upon between the Department of Residential Education and Housing and the Contractor, instead of a marketing advertising mailing described above, electronic advertising of the program may be substituted.
- h. At the conclusion of the spring semester, the Contractor will be responsible picking up the end-of-year refrigerator/microwave/safe rental equipment the Monday immediately following the Friday the students move out of the residence halls from each individual room.
- i. The Contractor is responsible for deep cleaning and sanitizing and treating the units for pests prior to delivery and the College also reserves the right to inspect them before coming off the truck.

- j. The Contractor is responsible for placing the units in the rooms against a wall and out of the path into the room, as well as ensuring that Contractor delivery equipment will not damage floors.
- k. For the combination appliance, it is preferred that the microwave has an amperage overload feature that cannot be easily bypassed by the student.
- 1. Residential students in traditional residence halls (not the Townhouses or the Phelps and Hausdoerffer Apartments) can bring their own microwave and refrigerator.
- m. The residential student capacity is based on the housing situation at the College and is subject to change based upon the needs of the College and makes no guarantee of residential housing numbers.
- n. The combination units specified need to have one plug to wall functionality and an internal mechanism that shuts the refrigerator/freezer off while the microwave is in use.
- o. The refrigerators and micro/refrigerator appliances need to be UL listed and Energy Star rated.

### **3.** Contract Information

#### 3.1 Terms of Contract

The contract awarded as a result of this proposal shall cover the period of July 1, 2023 to June 30, 2026.

#### 3.2 Commissions

Financial return shall be the primary factor in the award of a contract. In general, contract awards are to be made to the vendor providing the highest overall rebate, or the most advantageous cost proposal to the College. The College will document, in writing any and all awards made to anyone other than the Contractor offering the best price proposal.

## 4. Exclusive Right

The Contractor shall have exclusive right to provide refrigerators and microwaves and room safes during the term of this contract. This does not exclude any student organization sponsored fund raising activities such as renting and/or selling similar services and/or products to students.

## 5. Meetings

At the request of the College, the Contractor shall meet with the College and review each period statement, explain deviations, discuss problems and mutually agree on courses of action to improve the results of the required services included in this contract. Period statement adjustments required as a result of review and/or audit will be identified and reflected on the next period statement.

## 6. Bankruptcy

This contract is made of the conditions that, if the estate hereby created shall be taken on execution or other process of law, or if the Contractor shall petition or be petitioned into bankruptcy or be declared bankrupt or insolvent, according to law, or if a receiver or other similar office shall be appointed to take charge of any part of the property of, or to wind up the affairs of the Contractor, or if any assignment shall be made of the Contractor's property for the benefit of creditors, then in any of the said cases, the College shall, by registered mail, terminate his contract, and be free to remove from the student rooms the refrigerators and microwaves the Contractor or those claiming under them, in order to once more cause services to be performed as soon as possible to the student body and staff at the College. At the termination of the agreement or any extension thereof, the Contractor shall give up and deliver to the College the premises promptly and in as good condition as the same were at the commencement of the term, reasonable use and wear or damage by fire or other unavoidable casualty excepted. The Contractor shall remove all of its detachable equipment, unless, otherwise agreed to by the College, subject, however to any lien which the College may have to secure any unpaid charges under this agreement.

### 7. Nature of Contract

It is agreed and understood that neither this agreement nor the method set forth for computing the commission payments to be paid by the Contractor hereunder, nor any term of this agreement, is intended to, nor shall the same ever be construed so as to create a co-partnership between the parties hereto, or make the parties joint ventures, or make the College in any way responsible for the debts and/or losses of the Contractor. It is further agreed and expressly understood that this agreement does not in any circumstance create an agency relationship between the College and Contractor.

#### 8. Damages

The College is not responsible for any damage or loss to refrigerators or microwaves or safes rented by the Contractor due to vandalism, robbery or any other action or cause. The College will cooperate to the extent it deems possible in guarding against such occurrences and facilitate the Contractor in regaining possession of its equipment.

#### 9. Contractor Personnel

All personnel will be physically able to do their assigned work and will be free from any communicable disease.

All personnel will be capable employees thoroughly trained and qualified in the work assigned to them.

All personnel must observe College regulations. It is understood and agreed that the Contractor is an independent contractor and not an employee of the College, nor are the employees of the Contractor to be considered employees of the College.

The College may request the Contractor to transfer from the work crew, employees who are found to be incompetent, prone to excessive tardiness, absenteeism, or theft.

All Contractor's employees will be responsible for insuring that all articles found by their employees in or near the premises are turned in at a designated place.

All service personnel of the Contractor will be attired in a neat and clean outfit and conduct themselves in an orderly manner.

All Contractor's employees will be subject to such security clearance as The College shall require.

A criminal history check shall be conducted for each new employee at the expense of the Contractor. At a minimum, this check will include a records check with the New Jersey State Police. Those found with a police record, other than minor traffic violations, shall not be assigned duties under this contract. All documentation including the results of any records checks or background investigations, shall be maintained during the contract period.

College officials may require the Contractor to exclude from work employees they deem incompetent, insubordinate, unsuitable, or otherwise objectionable. Such action must, of course, be based on justifiable facts and evidence.

The College seeks to limit exposure/spread of the Coronavirus (COVID 19) by limiting external visitors to campus. Participants planning to attend a site visit and bid opening should follow the safety guidelines listed below:

- Employ appropriate health and safety protocols as recommended by the CDC
- Face covering is required in all indoor spaces and in outdoor spaces where social distancing is not possible. This requirement may be periodically updates based on TCNJ requirements
- Practice social distancing (about 6 feet)
- Do not send staff who are not feeling well and/or are sick
- Cover your mouth and nose with a tissue when you cough or sneeze or use the inside of your elbow
- Only enter locations as directed by the College Officials
- Wash and/or sanitize your hands before and after your visit

#### 10. Accounting, Payments, and Commissions

All refrigerators, microwaves, and room safes furnished for this contract will be equipped by the Contractor and maintained in an operative condition.

The Contractor will submit to the College a semi-annual statement that will reflect unit rental, location, student name and student by residence hall address. This report will be supplied to the College no later than the last working day of September and the last working day of February of each school year.

The College will retain supervision over all the activities of the Contractor with respect to the provisions of the contract and will have the right to inspect and audit the Contractor's account that

pertains to all refrigerators and microwaves and the College. The College will also make other inspections or audits as deemed necessary to insure contract compliance.

Upon request, the Contractor shall make available all records of rentals and cash collections for each unit rented.

The Contractor shall maintain complete and accurate records of all transactions and cash collected in accordance with accepted industry accounting practices and will keep in a safe place all such financial records and statements for a period of three (3) years form the close of each year's operation.

The Contractor shall pay commission to the College on the last day of September and last day of February of each school year. The commission amount will be reconciled at the end of the fiscal year, and the College will be paid any additional amount required under the terms of this proposal.

Upon request of the College, the Contractor will meet with the College and review each statement, explain deviations, discuss problems, and mutually agree on courses of action to improve the results of the required services included in this contract.

Charges of the Contractor for services not permitted by or beyond the scope of this contract will be an expense of the Contractor and not of the College.

The Contractor's revenue and expense statements and their contents will be retained, used and treated in strict confidence by the College. The contractor's revenue and expense statements, in total, will not be provided to third parties without the express prior written approval of the contractor. Required proposal submittals and contract related appendix information are subject to public disclosure by the College.

#### **11. Bidding Procedure**

All proposers must use the Financial Proposal Attachment A to list the percent commission to be paid to The College of New Jersey.

All commission percentages shall be quoted on the basis of a percentage of the gross sales from all machines covered by this contract.

The forms provided with this proposal must be completed and signed by the proposer's authorized representative. Failure to comply will result in a determination that your bid is non-responsive. All prices proposed must be held for sixty (60) days after the proposal opening.

## 12. Financial Proposal

In accordance with the bid specifications, the Contractor offers the services and compensation to the College and Individual Unit Pricing as completed by the Contractor in Attachment A (Option A = units with smoke sensors and Option B = units without smoke sensors).

The College shall receive the minimum guarantee or the share of revenues, whichever is greater.

Commission checks shall be forwarded to the College no later than the last day of September and the last day of February of each school year.

Bid award will be based on best price and best commission combined.

Attachment B details the 6 Year Unit Sales Summary for the TCNJ Microfridge units.

## **13.** Qualification of Bidders

Proposers shall be of known reputation and shall have sufficient qualified personnel to adequately perform the service as per the specifications. Proposers shall submit evidence of qualifications to meet all requirements of the College. As evidence of proposer's qualifications, proposers shall submit the following information with their proposals:

- 1. Attached "Vendor Qualification Sheet."
- 2. Number of years the firm has been providing refrigerator and microwave rentals.
- 3. Location of proposer's office that will be responsible for managing this contract. Include phone number.
- 4. List of equipment that proposer intends to use for contract.
- 5. Name(s) and phone number(s) of management personnel to be contacted if problems occur.
- 6. Name of individual that can be contacted at all times if service or information is requested by the College.
- 7. List of New Jersey State agencies, private sector institutions and other colleges now under contract with the bidding firm. Include the length of time each contract has been in force and the same of the person the College may contract for reference.
- 8. List of contracts the bidding firm has lost during the last three (3) years with reason the contract was terminated for each job.
- 9. Name of insurance firm from which bidder intends to purchase insurance as required pursuant to the College's General Terms and Conditions of specifications and a person to contact at this firm.

## 14. Evaluation of Proposals and Criteria for Award of Contract

## 14.1 Performance and/or Delivery of Services:

Proposals will be evaluated on the basis of the following criteria (listed in no particular order):

a. The experience of the proposing firm in providing rented refrigerators and microwaves based on information submitted in response to this specification.

- b. The proposer's past performance in similar contracts and experience with educational institutions.
- c. Whether the Contractor is responsive to all specification requirements in sufficient detail for the evaluator(s) to analyze the bid and make sound judgments about it.
- d. Commissions to the College
- e. Information obtained by the College in response to this bid and through a verification of references.

## Attachment A

## **REFRIGERATORS, MICROWAVES, AND ROOM SAFES**

#### **OPTION A: With Smoke Sensor**

### **Financial Proposal (Individual Unit Pricing Sheet)**

Please Provide the College with the Rental and/or Sales Prices for the units noted below:

### **Option 1: Refrigerators and Freezers Only**

Rental Price:	\$
Purchase Price:	\$
Option 2: Refrigerators/Fi	ceezer/Microwave Combination Unit
Rental Price:	\$
Purchase Price:	\$
Option 3: Room Safes On	ly
Rental Price:	\$
Purchase Price:	\$

The College shall receive the minimum guarantee or the share of revenues, whichever is greater.

Commission checks shall be forwarded to the College no later than the last day of September and the last day of February of each school year.

## Attachment A (Continued)

#### **REFRIGERATORS, MICROWAVES, AND ROOM SAFES**

#### Financial Proposal (Compensation/Commission Pricing Sheet) OPTION A: With Smoke Sensor

In accordance with the bid specifications, the Contractor offers the following services and compensation to the College:

#### **Option 1: Minimum Guarantee Refrigerators and Freezers Only**

Minimum Annual Guarantee:	\$ 
College Share of Revenue:	\$ % of Gross Sales

#### **Option 2: Minimum Guarantee Refrigerators/Freezer/Microwave Combination Unit**

 Minimum Annual Guarantee
 \$\_\_\_\_\_\_

 College Share of Revenue
 \$\_\_\_\_% of Gross Sales

#### **Option 3: Minimum Guarantee Room Safes Only**

Minimum Annual Guarantee: 
\$\_\_\_\_\_

College Share of Revenue: \$\_\_\_\_% of Gross Sales

## **Overall Bundle Minimum Guarantee: (Vendor Sells or Rents all Products): Refrigerators, Refrigerators/Freezer/Microwave Combination Unit, and Room Safes**

Minimum Annual Guarantee:	\$	
College Share of Revenue:	\$ <u></u>	% of Gross Sales

The College shall receive the minimum guarantee or the share of revenues, whichever is greater.

Commission checks shall be forwarded to the College no later than the last day of September and the last day of February of each school year.

## Attachment A (Continued) REFRIGERATORS, MICROWAVES, AND ROOM SAFES

#### **OPTION B: Without Smoke Sensor**

#### Financial Proposal (Individual Unit Pricing Sheet)

Please Provide the College with the Rental and/or Sales Prices for the units noted below:

#### **Option 1: Refrigerators and Freezers Only**

Rental Price:	\$
Purchase Price:	\$
<b>Option 2: Refrigerators/Fr</b>	eezer/Microwave Combination Unit
Rental Price:	\$
Purchase Price:	\$

## **Option 3: Room Safes Only**

Rental Price:	\$
Purchase Price:	\$

The College shall receive the minimum guarantee or the share of revenues, whichever is greater.

Commission checks shall be forwarded to the College no later than the last day of September and the last day of February of each school year.

## Attachment A (Continued) REFRIGERATORS, MICROWAVES, AND ROOM SAFES

### Financial Proposal (Compensation/Commission Pricing Sheet)

#### **OPTION B: Without Smoke Sensor**

In accordance with the bid specifications, the Contractor offers the following services and compensation to the College:

## **Option 1: Minimum Guarantee Refrigerators and Freezers Only**

Minimum Annual Guarantee:	\$	
College Share of Revenue:	<pre>\$% of Gross Sales</pre>	
<b>Option 2: Minimum Guarantee Refrigera</b>	ntors/Freezer/Microwave Combination Unit	
Minimum Annual Guarantee	\$	
College Share of Revenue	<pre>\$% of Gross Sales</pre>	
<b>Option 3: Minimum Guarantee Room Sa</b>	ifes Only	
Minimum Annual Guarantee:	\$	
College Share of Revenue:	<pre>\$% of Gross Sales</pre>	
<b>Overall Bundle Minimum Guarantee: (V Refrigerators/Freezer/Microwave Combi</b>	endor Sells or Rents all Products): Refrigerato nation Unit, and Room Safes	ors,
Minimum Annual Guarantee:	\$	
College Share of Revenue:	<pre>\$% of Gross Sales</pre>	

The College shall receive the minimum guarantee or the share of revenues, whichever is greater.

Commission checks shall be forwarded to the College no later than the last day of September and the last day of February of each school year.

Will pricing be extended to other NJ State Colleges and Universities?	( ) Yes	( ) No
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Company Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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

## **Attachment B**

### TCNJ MicroFridge Unit Sales Summary

MicroFridge Sales Summary	22-23	21-22	20-21	19-20	18-19	17 - 18
			*****			
Fridge Freezer Rental (No						
microwave)	24	16	0	30	34	43
Standard MicroFridge Rental (most common)	361	347	88 Rentals Spring 2021 N/A fall 2020	302	262	196
Safe Purchase	0	0	0	2	4	5
Safe Rental	0	0	0	2	3	5

\*\*\*\*\* Minimal students living in the Residence Halls due to COVID-19

\*\*\*\*\*In the fall of 2020, 80 students lived in the residence halls, and in the spring of 2021,

1,115 lived in the residence halls

2/9/2023



# Mandatory Documents

FORM #	TITLE OF FORM
1	MANDATORY EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY LANGUAGE
2	OWNERSHIP DISCLOSURE FORM
3	NON-COLLUSION STATEMENT
4	TWO-YEAR CHAPTER 51/EXECUTIVE ORDER 117 VENDOR CERTIFICATION AND DISCLOSURE OF POLITICAL CONTRIBUTIONS
5	SOURCE DISCLOSURE FORM
6	DISCLOSURE OF INVESTMENT ACTIVITIES IN IRAN FORM
7	NON-INVOLVEMENT IN PROHIBITED ACTIVITIES IN RUSSIA OR BELARUS FORM
8	VENDOR QUALIFICATION SHEET



#### MANDATORY EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY LANGUAGE FORM # 1

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## MANDATORY EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY LANGUAGE N.J.S.A. 10:5-31 (P.L. 1975, C.127), N.J.A.C. 17:27

### GOODS, PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AND GENERAL SERVICE CONTRACTS

During the performance of this contract, the contractor agrees as follows:

The contractor or subcontractor, where applicable, will not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of age, race, creed, color, national origin, ancestry, marital status, affectional or sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, disability, nationality or sex. Except with respect to affectional or sexual orientation and gender identity or expression, the contractor will ensure that equal employment opportunity is afforded to such applicants in recruitment and employment, and that employees are treated during employment, without regard to their age, race, creed, color, national origin, ancestry, marital status, affectional or sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, disability, nationality or sex. Such equal employment opportunity shall include, but not limited to the following: employment, upgrading, demotion, or transfer; recruitment or recruitment advertising; layoff or termination; rates of pay or other forms of compensation; and selection for training, including apprenticeship. The contractor agrees to post in conspicuous places, available to employees and applicants for employment, notices to be provided by the Public Agency Compliance Officer setting forth provisions of this nondiscrimination clause.

The contractor or subcontractor, where applicable will, in all solicitations or advertisements for employees placed by or on behalf of the contractor, state that all qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to age, race, creed, color, national origin, ancestry, marital status, affectional or sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, disability, nationality or sex.

The contractor or subcontractor will send to each labor union, with which it has a collective bargaining agreement, a notice, to be provided by the agency contracting officer, advising the labor union of the contractor's commitments under this chapter and shall post copies of the notice in conspicuous places available to employees and applicants for employment.

The contractor or subcontractor where applicable, agrees to comply with any regulations promulgated by the Treasurer pursuant to  $\underline{N.J.S.A. 10:5-31 \text{ et seq.}}$  as amended and supplemented from time to time and the Americans with Disabilities Act.

The contractor or subcontractor agrees to make good faith efforts to meet targeted county employment goals established in accordance with **N.J.A.C. 17:27-5.2**.

The contractor or subcontractor agrees to inform in writing its appropriate recruitment agencies including, but not limited to, employment agencies, placement bureaus, colleges, universities, labor unions, that it does not discriminate on the basis of age, creed, color, national origin, ancestry, marital status, affectional or sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, disability, nationality or sex, and that it will discontinue the use of any recruitment agency which engages in direct or indirect discriminatory practices.

The contractor or subcontractor agrees to revise any of its testing procedures, if necessary, to assure that all personal testing conforms with the principles of job-related testing, as established by the statutes and court decisions of the State of New Jersey and as established by applicable Federal law and applicable Federal court decisions.

In conforming with the targeted employment goals, the contractor or subcontractor agrees to review all procedures relating to transfer, upgrading, downgrading and layoff to ensure that all such actions are taken without regard to age, creed, color, national origin, ancestry, marital status, affectional or sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, disability, nationality or sex, consistent with the statutes and court decisions of the State of New Jersey, and applicable Federal law and applicable Federal court decisions.

The contractor shall submit to the public agency, after notification of award but prior to execution of a goods and services contract, one of the following three documents:

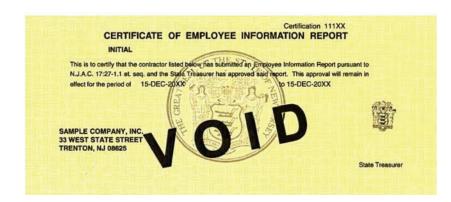
- 1. Letter of Federal Affirmative Action Plan Approval
- 2. Certificate of Employee Information Report
- 3. Employee Information Report Form AA302 (electronically provided by the Division and distributed to the public agency through the Division's website at <a href="http://www.state.nj.us/treasury/contract\_compliance">http://www.state.nj.us/treasury/contract\_compliance</a>)

The contractor and its subcontractor shall furnish such reports or other documents to the Division of Public Contracts Equal Employment Opportunity Compliance as may be requested by the Division from time to time in order to carry out the purposes of these regulations, and public agencies shall furnish such information as may be requested by the Division of Public Contracts Equal Employment Opportunity Compliance for conducting a compliance investigation pursuant to <u>Subchapter 10 of the Administrative Code at N.J.A.C.17:27</u>.

IF AWARDED A CONTRACT YOUR COMPANY/FIRM WILL BE REQUIRED TO COMPLY WITH THE AFFIRMATIVE ACTION REQUIREMENTS LISTED ABOVE.

Firm Name:	 	 	
Signature:	 	 	
Title:	 	 	
Date:			

#### Sample Certificate of Employee Information Report





#### OWNERSHIP DISCLOSURE FORM # 2

The College of New Jersey PO Box 7718 Ewing, NJ 08628-0718

#### **BID SOLICITATION # AND TITLE:**

#### VENDOR NAME:

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#### PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 52:25-24.2, ALL PARTIES ENTERING INTO A CONTRACT WITH THE STATE ARE REQUIRED TO PROVIDE A STATEMENT OF OWNERSHIP.

- 1. The vendor is a Non-Profit Entity; and therefore, no disclosure is necessary.
  - The vendor is a **Sole Proprietor**; and therefore, no other disclosure is necessary. A Sole Proprietor is a person who owns an unincorporated business by himself or her-self. A limited liability company with a single member is not a Sole Proprietor.
  - The vendor is a corporation, partnership, or limited liability company; and therefore, disclosure is necessary.

If you answered **YES** to Question 3, you must disclose the following information below: (a) the names and addresses of all stockholders in the corporation who own 10% or more of its stock, of any class; (b) all individual partners in the partnership who own a 10% or greater interest therein; or, (c) all members in the limited liability company who own a 10% or greater interest therein.\*

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4. For each of the corporations, partnerships, or limited liability companies identified in response to Question #3 above, are there any individuals, partners, members, stockholders, corporations, partnerships, or limited liability companies owning a 10% or greater interest of those listed business entities?

If you answered **YES** to Question 4, you must disclose the following information below: (a) the names and addresses of all stockholders in the corporation who own 10% or more of its stock, of any class; (b) all individual partners in the partnership who own a 10% or greater interest therein; or, (c) all members in the limited liability company who own a 10% or greater interest therein. The disclosure(s) shall be continued until the names and addresses of every non-corporate stockholder, individual partner, and/or member a 10% or greater interest has been identified.\*

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5. As an alternative to completing this form, a Vendor with any direct or indirect parent entity which is publicly traded, may submit the name and address of each publicly traded entity and the name and address of each person that holds a 10% or greater beneficial interest in the publicly traded entity as of the last annual filing with the federal Securities and Exchange Commission or the foreign equivalent, and, if there is any person that holds a 10% or greater beneficial interest, also shall submit links to the websites containing the last annual filings with the federal Securities and Exchange Commission or the foreign equivalent and the relevant page numbers of the filings that contain the information on each person that holds a 10% or greater beneficial interest.\*

\* Attach additional sheets if necessary



#### NON-COLLUSION STATEMENT FORM # 3

The College of New Jersey PO Box 7718 Ewing, NJ 08628-0718

Date:

The College of New Jersey The Office of Finance & Business Services, Purchasing Department Administrative Services Building, Room 201 P.O. Box 7718 Ewing, New Jersey 08628-0718

To Whom It May Concern:

This is to certify that the undersigned bidder as not, either directly or indirectly, entered into any agreement, participated in any collusion, or otherwise taken any action in restraint of free competitive bidding in connection with the proposal submitted to The College of New Jersey on the day of , 20.

Signature:

Corporate Seal:

Attest by:

Sworn to and subscribed before me this \_\_\_\_\_day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20 \_\_\_\_.

My commission Expires:

Notary Public

THIS STATEMENT MUST BE COMPLETED AND SIGNED



#### INFORMATION AND INSTRUCTIONS For Completing the "Two-Year Vendor Certification and Disclosure of Political Contributions Chapter 51 FORM # 4

The College of New Jersey PO Box 7718 Ewing, NJ 08628-0718

## **Background Information**

On September 22, 2004, then-Governor James E. McGreevey issued E.O. 134, the purpose of which was to insulate the negotiation and award of State contracts from political contributions that posed a risk of improper influence, purchase of access or the appearance thereof. To this end, E.O. 134 prohibited State departments, agencies and authorities from entering into contracts exceeding \$17,500 with individuals or entities that made certain political contributions. E.O. 134 was superseded by Public Law 2005, c. 51, signed into law on March 22, 2005 ("Chapter 51").

On September 24, 2008, Governor Jon S. Corzine issued E.O. 117 which is designed to enhance New Jersey's efforts to protect the integrity of procurement decisions and increase the public's confidence in government. The Executive Order builds upon the provisions of Chapter 51.

### **Two-Year Certification Process**

Upon approval by the State Chapter 51 Review Unit, the Certification and Disclosure of Political Contributions form is valid for a two (2) year period. Thus, if a vendor receives approval on January 1, 2014, the certification expiration date would be December 31, 2015. Any change in the vendor's ownership status and/or political contributions during the two-year period will require the submission of new Chapter 51/Executive Order 117 forms to the State Review Unit. Please note that it is the vendor's responsibility to file new forms with the State should these changes occur.

**State Agency Instructions:** Prior to the awarding of a contract, the State Agency should first use NJSTART (<u>https://www.njstart.gov/bso/</u>) to check the status of a vendor's Chapter 51 certification before contacting the Review Unit's mailbox at <u>CD134@treas.nj.gov</u>. If the State Agency does not find any Chapter 51 Certification information in NJSTART and/or the vendor is not registered in NJSTART, then the State Agency should send an e-mail to <u>CD134@treas.nj.gov</u> to verify the certification status of the vendor. If the response is that the vendor is NOT within an approved two-year period, then forms must be obtained from the vendor and forwarded for review. If the response is that the vendor is within an approved two-year period, then the response so stating should be placed with the bid/contract documentation for the subject project.

## Instructions for Completing the Form

#### Part 1: BUSINESS ENTITY INFORMATION

**Business Name –** Enter the full legal name of the vendor, including trade name if applicable.

Address, City, State, Zip and Phone Number -- Enter the vendor's street address, city, state, zip code and telephone number.

Vendor Email – Enter the vendor's primary email address.

**Vendor FEIN –** Please enter the vendor's Federal Employment Identification Number.

**Business Type** - Check the appropriate box that represents the vendor's type of business formation.

**Listing of officers, shareholders, partners or members -** Based on the box checked for the business type, provide the corresponding information. (A complete list must be provided.)

## Part 2: DISCLOSURE OF CONTRIBUTIONS

Read the three types of political contributions that require disclosure and, if applicable, provide the recipient's information. The definition of "Business Entity/Vendor" and "Contribution" can be found on pages 3 and 4 of this form.

Name of Recipient - Enter the full legal name of the recipient.

Address of Recipient - Enter the recipient's street address.

Date of Contribution - Indicate the date the contribution was given.

Amount of Contribution - Enter the dollar amount of the contribution.

Type of Contribution - Select the type of contribution from the examples given.

Contributor's Name - Enter the full name of the contributor.

**Relationship of the Contributor to the Vendor** - Indicate the relationship of the contributor to the vendor. (e.g. officer or shareholder of the company, partner, member, parent company of the vendor, subsidiary of the vendor, etc.)

**NOTE:** If form is being completed electronically, click "Add a Contribution" to enter additional contributions. Otherwise, please attach additional pages as necessary.

Check the box under the recipient information if no reportable contributions have been solicited or made by the business entity. **This box <u>must</u> be checked if there are no contributions to report.** 

#### Part 3: CERTIFICATION

Check Box A if the representative completing the Certification and Disclosure form is doing so on behalf of the business entity <u>and all</u> individuals and/or entities whose contributions are attributable to the business entity. (No additional Certification and Disclosure forms are required if BOX A is checked.)

Check Box B if the representative completing the Certification and Disclosure form is doing so on behalf of the business entity <u>and all</u> individuals and/or entities whose contributions are attributable to the business entity <u>with the exception</u> of those individuals and/or entities that submit their own separate form. For example, the representative is not signing on behalf of the vice president of a corporation, but all others. The vice president completes a separate Certification and Disclosure form. (Additional Certification and Disclosure forms are required from those individuals and/or entities that the representative is not signing on behalf of and are included with the business entity's submittal.)

Check Box C if the representative completing the Certification and Disclosure form is doing so on behalf of the business entity only. (Additional Certification and Disclosure forms are required from all individuals and/or entities whose contributions are attributable to the business entity and must be included with the business entity submittal.)

Check Box D when a sole proprietor is completing the Certification and Disclosure form or when an individual or entity whose contributions are attributable to the business entity is completing a separate Certification and Disclosure form.

#### Read the five statements of certification prior to signing.

The representative authorized to complete the Certification and Disclosure form must sign and print her/his name, title or position and enter the date.

#### State Agency Procedure for Submitting Form(s)

The State Agency should submit the completed and signed Two-Year Vendor Certification and Disclosure forms either electronically to: <u>cd134@treas.nj.gov</u> or regular mail at: Chapter 51 Review Unit, P.O. Box 230, 33 West State Street, Trenton, NJ 08625-0230. Original forms should remain with the State Agency and copies should be sent to the Chapter 51 Review Unit.

#### **Business Entity Procedure for Submitting Form(s)**

The business entity should return this form to the contracting State Agency. The business entity can submit the Certification and Disclosure form directly to the Chapter 51 Review Unit only when:

- The business entity is approaching its two-year certification expiration date and is seeking certification renewal;
- The business entity had a change in its ownership structure; OR
- The business entity made any contributions during the period in which its last two-year certification was in effect, or during the term of a contract with a State Agency.

#### **Questions & Information**

Questions regarding Public Law 2005, Chapter 51 (N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.13) or E.O. 117 (2008) may be submitted electronically through the Division of Purchase and Property website at: <u>https://www.state.nj.us/treas/purchase/eo134questions.shtml</u>.

Reference materials and forms are posted on the Political Contributions Compliance website at: <u>http://www.state.nj.us/</u> <u>treasury/purchase/execorder134.shtml</u>.

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## Part 2: Disclosure of Contributions by the business entity or any person or entity whose contributions are attributable to the business entity.

## 1. Report below all contributions solicited or made during the 4 years immediately preceding the commencement of negotiations or submission of a proposal to any:

Political organization organized under Section 527 of the Internal Revenue Code and which also meets the definition of a continuing political committee as defined in N.J.S.A. 19:44A-3(n)

## 2. Report below all contributions solicited or made during the 5 ½ years immediately preceding the commencement of negotiations or submission of a proposal to any:

Candidate Committee for or Election Fund of any Gubernatorial or Lieutenant Gubernatorial candidate State Political Party Committee County Political Party Committee

3. Report below all contributions solicited or made during the 18 months immediately preceding the commencement of negotiations or submission of a proposal to any:

Municipal Political Party Co Legislative Leadership Con	
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Address of Recipient	
Date of Contribution	Amount of Contribution
Type of Contribution (i.e. current	ncy, check, loan, in-kind)
Contributor Name	
	ne Vendor
Add a Contribution	

## Check this box only if no political contributions have been solicited or made by the business entity or any person or entity whose contributions are attributable to the business entity.

Part 3: Certification (Check one box only)

- (A) I am certifying on behalf of the business entity <u>and all</u> individuals and/or entities whose contributions are attributable to the business entity as listed on Page 1 under **Part 1: Vendor Information**.
- (B) ☐ I am certifying on behalf of the business entity <u>and all</u> individuals and/or entities whose contributions are attributable to the business entity as listed on Page 1 under <u>Part 1: Vendor Information</u>, except for the individuals and/or entities who are submitting separate Certification and Disclosure forms which are included with this submittal.
- (C) I am certifying on behalf of the business entity only; any remaining persons or entities whose contributions are attributable to the business entity (as listed on Page 1) have completed separate Certification and Disclosure forms which are included with this submittal.
- (D)  $\Box$  I am certifying as an individual or entity whose contributions are attributable to the business entity.

I hereby certify as follows:

- 1. I have read the Information and Instructions accompanying this form prior to completing the certification on behalf of the business entity.
- 2. All reportable contributions made by or attributable to the business entity have been listed above.

- 3. The business entity has not knowingly solicited or made any contribution of money, pledge of contribution, including in-kind contributions, that would bar the award of a contract to the business entity unless otherwise disclosed above:
  - a) Within the 18 months immediately preceding the commencement of negotiations or submission of a proposal for the contract or agreement to:

- (i) A candidate committee or election fund of any candidate for the public office of Governor or Lieutenant Governor or to a campaign committee or election fund of holder of public office of Governor or Lieutenant Governor: OR
- (ii) Any State, County or Municipal political party committee; OR
- (iii)Any Legisative Leadership committee.
- b) During the term of office of the current Governor or Lieutenant Governor to:
  - (i) A candidate committee or election fund of a holder of the public office of Governor or Lieutenant Governor; OR
  - (ii) Any State or County political party committee of the political party that nominated the sitting Governor or Lieutenant Governor in the last gubernatorial election.
- c) Within the 18 months immediately preceding the last day of the sitting Governor or Lieutenant Governor's first term of office to:
  - (i) A candidate committee or election fund of the incumbent Governor or Lieutenant Governor; OR
  - (ii) Any State or County political party committee of the political party that nominated the sitting Governor or Lieutenant Governor in the last gubernatorial election.
- 4. During the term of the contract/agreement the business entity has a continuing responsibility to report, by submitting a new Certification and Disclosure form, any contribution it solicits or makes to:
  - (a) Any candidate committee or election fund of any candidate or holder of the public office of Governor or Lieutenant Governor; OR
  - (b) Any State, County or Municipal political party committee; OR
  - (c) Any Legislative Leadership committee.

The business entity further acknowledges that contributions solicited or made during the term of the contract/agreement may be determined to be a material breach of the contract/agreement.

#### 5. During the two-year certification period the business entity will report any changes in its ownership structure (including the appointment of an officer within a corporation) by submitting a new Certification and Disclosure form indicating the new owner(s) and reporting said owner(s) contributions.

I certify that the foregoing statements in Parts 1, 2 and 3 are true. I am aware that if any of the statements are willfully false, I may be subject to punishment.

Signed Name	Print Name
Title/Position	Date

#### **Procedure for Submitting Form(s)**

The contracting State Agency should submit this form to the Chapter 51 Review Unit when it has been required as part of a contracting process. The contracting State Agency should submit a copy of the completed and signed form(s), to the Chapter 51 Unit and retain the original for their records.

The business entity should return this form to the contracting State Agency. The business entity can submit this form directly to the Chapter 51 Review Unit only when it -

- Is approaching its two-year certification expiration date and wishes to renew certification;
- Had a change in its ownership structure; OR
- Made any contributions during the period in which its last two-year certification was in effect, or during the term of a contract • with a State Agency.

Forms should be submitted either electronically to:cd134@treas.nj.gov , or regular mail at: Chapter 51 Review Unit, P.O. Box 230, 33 West State Street, Trenton, NJ 08625.



## SOURCE DISCLOSURE FORM # 5

The College of New Jersey PO Bo<u>x 7718</u> Ewing, NJ 08628-0718

#### **BID SOLICITATION # AND TITLE:**

#### VENDOR NAME:

The Vendor/Bidder submits this Form in response to a Bid Solicitation issued by the State of New Jersey, Department of the Treasury, Division of Purchase and Property, in accordance with the requirements of N.J.S.A. 52:34-13.2.

#### PART 1

All services will be performed by the Contractor and Subcontractors in the United States. Skip Part 2.

Services will be performed by the Contractor and/or Subcontractors outside of the United States. Complete Part 2.

#### PART 2

Where services will be performed outside of the United States, please list every country where services will be performed by the Contractor and all Subcontractors. If any of the services cannot be performed within the United States, the Contractor shall state, with specificity, the reasons why the services cannot be performed in the United States. The Director of the Division of Purchase and Property will review this justification and if deemed sufficient, the Director may seek the Treasurer's approval.

Name of Contractor / Sub-contractor	Performance Location by Country	Description of Service(s) to be Performed Outside of the United States *	Reason Why the Service(s) Cannot be Performed in the United States *
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\*Attach additional sheets if necessary to describe which service(s), if any, will be performed outside of the U.S. and the reason(s) why the service(s) cannot be performed in the U.S.

Any changes to the information set forth in this Form during the term of any Contract awarded under the referenced Bid Solicitation or extension thereof shall be immediately reported by the Contractor to the Director of the Division of Purchase and Property. If during the term of the Contract, the Contractor shifts the location of services outside the United States, without a prior written determination by the Director, the Contractor shall be deemed in breach of Contract, and the Contract will be subject to termination for cause pursuant to the State of New Jersey Standard Terms and Conditions.

#### CERTIFICATION

I, the undersigned, certify that I am authorized to execute this certification on behalf of the Vendor, that the foregoing information and any attachments hereto, to the best of my knowledge are true and complete. I acknowledge that the State of New Jersey is relying on the information contained herein, and that the Vendor is under a continuing obligation from the date of this certification through the completion of any contract(s) with the State to notify the State in writing of any changes to the information contained herein; that I am aware that it is a criminal offense to make a false statement or misrepresentation in this certification. If I do so, I may be subject to criminal prosecution under the law, and it will constitute a material breach of my contract(s) with the State to declare any contract(s) resulting from this certification void and unenforceable.

Signature

Date

Print Name and Title



#### DISCLOSURE OF INVESTMENT ACTIVITIES IN IRAN FORM # 6

The College of New Jersey PO Box 7718 Ewing, NJ 08628-0718

#### **BID SOLICITATION # AND TITLE:**

#### VENDOR NAME:

Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 52:32-57, et seq. (P.L. 2012, c.25 and P.L. 2021, c.4) any person or entity that submits a bid or proposal or otherwise proposes to enter into or renew a contract must certify that neither the person nor entity, nor any of its parents, subsidiaries, or affiliates, is identified on the New Jersey Department of the Treasury's Chapter 25 List as a person or entity engaged in investment activities in Iran. The Chapter 25 list is found on the Division's website at <a href="https://www.state.nj.us/treasury/purchase/pdf/Chapter25List.pdf">https://www.state.nj.us/treasury/purchase/pdf/Chapter25List.pdf</a>. Vendors/Bidders must review this list prior to completing the below certification. If the Director of the Division of Purchase and Property finds a person or entity to be in violation of the law, s/he shall take action as may be appropriate and provided by law, rule or contract, including but not limited to, imposing sanctions, seeking compliance, recovering damages, declaring the party in default and seeking debarment or suspension of the party.

#### CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX

I certify, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 52:32-57, et seq. (P.L. 2012, c.25 and P.L. 2021, c.4), that neither the Vendor/Bidder listed above nor any of its parents, subsidiaries, or affiliates is listed on the New Jersey Department of the Treasury's Chapter 25 List of entities determined to be engaged in prohibited activities in Iran.

#### OR

I am unable to certify as above because the Vendor/Bidder and/or one or more of its parents, subsidiaries, or affiliates is listed on the New Jersey Department of the Treasury's Chapter 25 List. I will provide a detailed, accurate and precise description of the activities of the Vendor/Bidder, or one of its parents, subsidiaries or affiliates, has engaged in regarding investment activities in Iran by completing the information requested below.

Entity Engaged in Investment Activities Relationship to Vendor/ Bidder	
Description of Activities	
Duration of Engagement	
Anticipated Cessation Date	
*Attach Additional Sheets If Necessary.	

#### CERTIFICATION

I, the undersigned, certify that I am authorized to execute this certification on behalf of the Vendor, that the foregoing information and any attachments hereto, to the best of my knowledge are true and complete. I acknowledge that the State of New Jersey is relying on the information contained herein, and that the Vendor is under a continuing obligation from the date of this certification through the completion of any contract(s) with the State to notify the State in writing of any changes to the information contained herein; that I am aware that it is a criminal offense to make a false statement or misrepresentation in this certification. If I do so, I may be subject to criminal prosecution under the law, and it will constitute a material breach of my contract(s) with the State to declare any contract(s) resulting from this certification void and unenforceable.

Signature

Date

Print Name and Title



#### CERTIFICATION OF NON-INVOLVEMENT IN PROHIBITED ACTIVITIES IN RUSSIA OR BELARUS FORM # 7

The College of New Jersey PO Box 7718 Ewing, NJ 08628-0718

#### BID SOLITICATION TITLE BID SOLITICATION NO.

OR

Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 52:32-60.1, et seq. (P.L. 2022, c. 3) any person or entity (hereinafter "Vendor<sup>i</sup>") that seeks to enter into or renew a contract with a State agency for the provision of goods or services, or the purchase of bonds or other obligations, must complete the certification below indicating whether or not the Vendor is engaged in prohibited activities in Russia or Belarus<sup>ii</sup>. If the Department of the Treasury finds that a Vendor has made a certification in violation of the law, it shall take any action as may be appropriate and provided by law, rule or contract, including but not limited to, imposing sanctions, seeking compliance, recovering damages, declaring the party in default and seeking debarment or suspension of the party.

#### CERTIFICATION

I, the undersigned, certify that I have read the definition of "Vendor" below, and have reviewed the <u>Department of the Treasury's list</u> of Vendors engaged in prohibited activities in Russia or Belarus, and having done so certify:

#### (Check the Appropriate Box)

- A. That the Vendor is not identified on the Department of the Treasury's list of Vendors engaged in prohibited activities in Russia or Belarus.
- B. That I am unable to certify as to "A" above, because the Vendor is identified on the Department of the Treasury's list of Vendors engaged in prohibited activities in Russia and/or Belarus.

 That I am unable to certify as to "A" above, because the Vendor, though not identified on the Department of the Treasury's
 C. list of Vendors engaged in prohibited activities in Russia or Belarus, is engaged in prohibited activities in Russia or Belarus. A detailed, accurate and precise description of the Vendor's activity in Russia and/or Belarus is set forth below.
 Description of Prohibited Activity (Attach Additional Sheets If Necessary.)

#### Additional Certification of Federal Exemption and/or License (Complete only if appropriate)

D. I, the undersigned, certify that Vendor is currently engaged in activity in Russia and/or Belarus, but is doing so consistent with federal law and/or regulation and/or license. A detailed description of how the Vendor's activity in Russia and/or Belarus is consistent with federal law, or is within the requirements of the federal exemption and/or license is set forth below. (*Attach Additional Sheets If Necessary.*)

Signature of Vendor's Authorized Representative	Date
Print Name and Title of Vendor's Authorized Representative	Vendor's FEIN
Vendor's Name	Vendor's Phone Number
Vendor's Address (Street Address)	Vendor's Fax Number
Vendor's Address (City/State/Zip Code)	Vendor's Email Address

#### **Definitions**

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Vendor means: (1) A natural person, corporation, company, limited partnership, limited liability partnership, limited liability company, business association, sole proprietorship, joint venture, partnership, society, trust, or any other nongovernmental entity, organization, or group; (2) Any governmental entity or instrumentality of a government, including a multilateral development institution, as defined in Section 1701(c)(3) of the International Financial Institutions Act, 22 U.S.C. 262r(c)(3); or (3) Any parent, successor, subunit, direct or indirect subsidiary, or any entity under common ownership or control with, any entity described in paragraph (1) or (2). <sup>ii</sup> Engaged in prohibited activities in Russia or Belarus means: (1) companies in which the Government of Russia or Belarus has any direct equity share; (2) having or Belarus; (3) being headquartered in Russia or having its principal place of business in Russia or Belarus, or (4) supporting, assisting or facilitating the Government of Russia or Belarus in their campaigns to invade the sovereign country of Ukraine, either through in-kind support or for profit.



# VENDOR QUALIFICATION SHEET FORM # 8

The College of New Jersey PO Box 7718 Ewing, NJ 08628-0718

Vendors are required to submit evidence of qualifications to meet all requirements as required by the Office of Finance & Business Services at The College of New Jersey by providing the information listed below. Vendors must comply with the College's terms and conditions available on the <u>Purchasing website</u>.

If this information is being requested as part of an RFP or RFQ, vendors may be requested to furnish additional information for clarification purposes. This will in no way change the vendor's original proposal.

All vendors are encouraged to register with the State of New Jersey, Division of Purchase and Property via NJSTART.

# TO BE COMPLETED BY VENDOR

1. Please list the types of commodities that your company can provide.

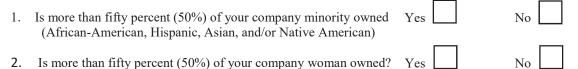
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2.	The number of years your firm has been providing these services Year(s)
3.	Location of vendor's office and personnel that will be responsible for managing contract/service:
	Name:
	Title:
	Telephone Number:
	Email Address:
	Street Address:
	City/State/Zip:
	Federal Identification Number:
4.	Does your firm have a New Jersey Business Registration Certificate? Yes No No If yes, please <u>attach</u> a copy of the certificate. If you would like to register, visit the State website <u>here</u> .

5. Is your firm registered under any of the following categories in the State of New Jersey? If yes, please <u>attach</u> a copy of the certificate or certification statement from the New Jersey Division of Revenue and Enterprise Services. If no and you would like to register, please contact the New Jersey Division of Revenue and Enterprise Services at 609-292-2146.

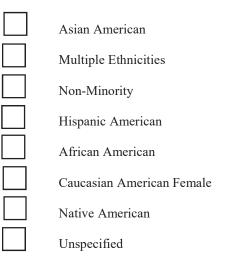
Yes	No
Yes	No
	Yes Yes Yes Yes

## **VENDOR OUALIFICATIONS- continued**

Under NJ Executive Order 34, TCNJ is responsible for soliciting demographic, ethnic, and gender information from its vendors. Your response, however, is **strictly voluntary**. Please be advised that any contracting decisions made by TCNJ will **not** be influenced in any way by your decision to provide the above information. TCNJ is required to seek the following information from each firm under contract with us:



3. What is the ethnicity of the owner of your company: (check applicable according to 51% ownership)



11. Please provide a list of former or present clients. Also, indicate the name of a contact person and telephone number for reference purposes. Any personnel from The College of New Jersey listed as a reference will not be considered a valid reference.

А.	Client Name:
	Contact Name:
	Telephone Number:
	Email Address:
B.	Client Name:
	Contact Name:
	Telephone Number:
	Email Address:
C.	Client Name:
	Contact Name:
	Telephone Number:
	Email Address:

## **VENDOR OUALIFICATIONS- continued**

12. Please answer the questions below related to your prior experience If any of the responses are yes, attach a summary of details on a separate sheet.

Has the bidder:

a.	been found, though either court adjudication, arbitration, mediation, or other contractually stipulated		
	alternate dispute resolution mechanism, to have: failed	to provide or perform goo	ods or services; or
	failed to complete the contract in a timely manner; or otherwise performed unsatisfactorily under		
	prior contract with the contracting unit?	Yes	No

- b. defaulted on a contract, thereby requiring the local unit to utilize the services of another contractor to provide the goods or perform the services or to correct or complete the contract or requiring the local unit to look to the bidder's surety for completion of the contract or tender of the costs of completion?
- c. been debarred or suspended from contracting with any of the agencies or departments of the executive branch of the State of New Jersey at the time of contract award, whether or not the action was based on experience with the contracting unit. Yes No

Firm Name:
Signature:
Title:
Date:



# **GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS**

Unless the vendor is specifically instructed otherwise or specifically deleted on this form, the following terms and conditions apply to all contracts or purchase agreements made with The College of New Jersey. These terms are in addition to any terms and conditions set forth in a solicitation and should be read in conjunction with same unless specifically indicated otherwise. If applicable, these terms and conditions shall also incorporate as if fully set forth herein the attached Rider for Purchases Funded, In Whole or In Part, By Federal Funds. In the event that the vendor would like to present terms and conditions that are in conflict with these terms and conditions or proposes changes or modifications or takes exception to any of The College's terms and conditions, the vendor must present those conflicts in writing prior to the submission of their proposal/bid for the required goods/services. Any conflicting terms and conditions that the College is willing to accept will be reflected in writing. Any cross out or change in the College's terms and conditions at time of proposal/bid submission may be a factor in determining an award of contract or purchase agreement.

Vendors are notified by this statement that all terms and conditions will become a part of any contract or order awarded as a result of a request for proposal whether stated in part, in summary, or by reference. In the event a vendor's terms or conditions conflict with a State law and/or the College's terms and conditions, the State law or College's terms and conditions will prevail.

The vendor's status pursuant to all contracts or purchase agreements shall be that of an independent contractor and not of an employee of The College or the State of New Jersey.

# 1. STATE LAW REQUIRING MANDATORY COMPLIANCE BY ALL VENDORS

**1.1 CORPORATE AUTHORITY-**N.J.S.A. 14A:13-3 requires that all corporations be authorized to do business in the State of New Jersey. Corporations incorporated out of the State must file a Certificate of Authority with the Secretary of State, Department of State, State House, Trenton, New Jersey.

**1.2 ANTI-DISCRIMINATION**-All parties to any contract with The College of New Jersey agree not to discriminate in employment and agree to abide by all anti-discrimination laws including those contained in N.J.S.A 10:2-1 through 10:2-4, N.J.S.A. 10:5-1 et seq. and N.J.S.A. 10:5-31 through 10:5-38, and all rules and regulations issued thereunder. The vendor agrees that:

A. In the hiring of persons for the performance of work under this contract or any subcontract hereunder, or for the procurement, manufacture, assembling or furnishing of any such materials, equipment, supplies or services to be acquired under this contract, no contractor, nor any person acting on behalf of such contractor or subcontractor, shall, by reason of race, creed, color, national origin, ancestry, marital status, gender identity or expression, affectional or sexual orientation or sex, discriminate against any person who is qualified and available to perform the work to which the employment relates;

B. No contractor, subcontractor, nor any person on his behalf shall, in any manner, discriminate against or intimidate any employee engaged in the performance of work under this contract or any subcontract hereunder, or engaged in the procurement, manufacture, assembling or furnishing of any such materials, equipment, supplies or services to be acquired under such contract, on account of race, creed, color, national origin, ancestry, marital status, gender identity or expression, affectional or sexual orientation or sex;

C. There may be deducted from the amount payable to the contractor by the contracting public agency, under this contract, a penalty of \$50.00 for each person for each calendar day during which such person is discriminated against or intimidated in violation of the provisions of the contract; and

D. This contract may be canceled or terminated by the contracting public agency, and all money due or to become due hereunder may be forfeited, for any violation of this section of the contract occurring after notice to the contractor from the contracting public agency of any prior violation of this section of the contract.

**1.3 PREVAILING WAGE ACT**-The New Jersey Prevailing Wage Act N.J.S.A. 34:11-56.26 et seq. is hereby made a part of every contract entered into on behalf of The College of New Jersey except those contracts which are not within the contemplation of the Act. The vendor's signature on his proposal guarantees that neither the firm nor any subcontractors employed to perform the work covered by his proposal has been suspended or debarred by the Commissioner of the Department of Labor and Workforce Development for violation of the provisions of the Prevailing Wage Act and/or the Public Works Contractor Registration Acts; the vendor's signature on the proposal is also his guarantee that he and any subcontractors he might employ to perform the work covered by his proposal will comply with the provisions of the Prevailing Wage and Public Works Contractor Registration Acts. The College of New Jersey can terminate the contract in the event vendor or any subcontractor violates the Prevailing Wage Act.

**1.4 WORKER AND COMMUNITY RIGHT TO KNOW ACT**-The provisions of N.J.S.A. 34:5A-1 et seq which require the labeling of all containers of hazardous substances are applicable to this contract. Therefore, all goods offered for purchase to The College must be labeled by the vendor in compliance with the provisions of the Act.

**1.5 OWNERSHIP DISCLOSURE**-Contracts for any work, goods, or services cannot be issued to any firm unless the firm has disclosed the names and addresses of all its owners holding 10% or more of the firm's stock or interest. Refer to N.J.S.A. 52:25-24.2.

**1.6 COMPLIANCE-STATE LAWS-**It is agreed and understood that any contracts and/or orders placed as a result of this proposal shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of New Jersey. The laws of the State of New Jersey shall determine the rights and obligations of the parties hereto.

A. Business Registration – Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 52:32-44, the College is prohibited from entering into a contract with an entity unless the entity and each subcontractor that is required by law to be named in a bid/proposal/contract has a valid Business Registration Certificate on file with the Division of Revenue and Enterprise Services within the State Department of the Treasury.

The contractor and any subcontractor providing goods or performing services under the contract, and each of their affiliates, shall, during the term of the contract, collect and remit to the Director of the Division of Taxation in the Department of the Treasury the use tax due pursuant to the "Sales and Use Tax Act, P.L. 1966, c. 30 (N.J.S.A. 54:32B-1 et seq.) on all their sales of tangible personal property delivered into the State. Any questions in this regard can be directed to the Division of Revenue at (609) 292-1730. Form NJ-REG can be filed online at https://nj.gov/labor/handbook/formdocs/FormIntroNJREG.html

B. Public Works Contractor Registration Act - The New Jersey Public Works Contractor Registration Act requires all contractors, subcontractors and lower tier subcontractors who bid on or engage in any contract for public work as defined in N.J.S.A. 34:11-56.26 be first registered with the New Jersey Department of Labor and Workforce Development. Any questions regarding the registration process should be directed to the Division of Wage and Hour Compliance at (609) 292-9464 or https://www.nj.gov/labor/wagehour/wagehour\_index.html.

C. The contractor must comply with all provisions of the Americans With Disabilities Act (ADA), 42 U.S.C. 12101 et seq.

D. Certification and Disclosure of Political Contributions – Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.14 et seq. (P.L. 2005, c. 51 and EO no. 117), he College is prohibited from entering into contracts exceeding \$17,500 with individuals or entities that made certain political contributions. Prior to awarding any contract or agreement, the vendor shall submit the Certification and Disclosure form to The College, for review and approval by the State Treasurer or his designee, certifying that no contributions prohibited by either Chapter 51 or Executive Order 117 have been made by the vendor and reporting all contributions the vendor made during the preceding four years to any political organization organized under 26 U.S.C.527 of the Internal Revenue Code that also meets the definition of a "continuing political committee" within the mean of N.J.S.A. 19:44A-3(n) and N.J.A.C. 19:25-1.7.

E. Political Contribution Disclosure – For any contract exceeding \$17,500, with the exception of contracts awarded as a result of the public advertising for bids, the vendor must comply with the requirements of P.L. 2005, c.271.

F. Annual ELEC Disclosure - Contractor is advised of its responsibility to file an annual disclosure statement on political contributions with the New Jersey Election Law Enforcement Commission (ELEC),

pursuant to N.J.S.A 19:44A-20.27 (P.L. 2005, c. 271, section 3 as amended) if the contractor receives contracts in excess of \$50,000 from a public entity in a calendar year. It is the contractor's responsibility to determine if filing is necessary. Failure to so file can result in the imposition of financial penalties by ELEC. Additional information about this requirement is available from ELEC at 888-313-3532 or at\_www.elec.state.nj.us.

G. Compliance Codes - The contractor must comply with NJUCC and the latest NEC70, B.O.C.A. Basic Building code, OSHA and all applicable codes for this requirement. The contractor will be responsible for securing and paying all necessary permits, where applicable.

H. Buy American Act - Pursuant to N.J.S.A 52:32-1 and 52:33-1 et seq., if manufactured items or farm products will be provided under this contract to be used in public work or a public contract, they shall be manufactured or produced in the United States and the vendor shall be required to so certify provided this

requirement is not inconsistent with the public interest, the cost not unreasonable, nor the requirement impractical.

I. Service Performed in the U.S. – Under N.J.S.A. 52:34-13.2, all contracts primarily for shall be performed with the United States, except when the Contracting Officer certifies in writing a finding that a required service cannot be provided by a contractor or subcontractor within the United States.

J. Diane B. Allen Equal Pay Act - Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 34:11-56.14, a contractor performing "qualifying services" or "public work" to the State or any agency or instrumentality of the State shall provide the Commissioner of Labor and Workforce Development a report regarding the compensation and hours worked by employees categorized by gender, race, ethnicity, and job category. For more information and report templates see <a href="https://nj.gov/labor/equalpay/equalpay.html">https://nj.gov/labor/equalpay/equalpay/equalpay.html</a>.

K. Warranty of No Solicitation By Paid Agent - Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:64-6.1, the contractor warrants that no person or selling agency has been employed or retained to solicit or secure the contract upon an agreement or understanding for a commission, percentage, broker-age or contingent fee, except bona fide employees or bona fide established commercial or selling agencies maintained by the contractor for the purpose of securing business. If a breach or violation of this section occurs, the College shall have the right to terminate the contract without liability or in its discretion to deduct from the contract price or consideration the full amount of such commission, percentage, brokerage or contingent fee.

**1.7 COMPLIANCE-LAWS**-The vendor must comply with all local, state, and federal laws, rules, and regulations applicable to this contract and to the goods delivered and/or services performed hereunder.

# 2. <u>LIABILITIES</u>

**2.1 LIABILITY-COPYRIGHT**-The vendor shall hold and save The College of New Jersey and its officers, agents, students, and employees harmless from liability of any nature or kind for or on account of the use of any copyrighted or uncopyrighted composition, secret process, patented or unpatented invention, article or appliance furnished or used in the performance of any contract awarded pursuant to this proposal.

**2.2 INDEMNIFICATION**-The vendor shall assume all risk of and responsibility for any and all claims, demands, suits, actions, recoveries, judgments, and costs and expenses in connection therewith on account of the loss of life, property, or injury or damage to the person, body or property of any person or persons whatsoever which shall arise from or result directly or indirectly from the work and/or materials supplied under this contract; and additionally agrees to indemnify, defend, and save harmless The College of New Jersey and its officers, agents, students, and employees from and against such proceedings. This indemnification obligation is not limited by, but is in addition to, the insurance obligations contained in this agreement.

**2.3 INSURANCE BY THE CONTRACTOR:** The insurance shall be of the kinds and in the amounts required in this paragraph, and shall be issued by insurance companies approved to do business in New Jersey. The College of New Jersey, the State of NJ, and the NJ Educational Facilities Authority shall be named as an additional insured on the policies. The Contractor expressly agrees that any insurance protection required by this contract shall in no way *limit* the Contractor's obligations under this contract, and shall not be construed to relieve the Contractor from liability in excess of such coverage. Nor shall it preclude the College from taking such actions as are available to it under any other provisions of this contract or law. The successful vendor shall secure and maintain in force, for the term of the contract, liability insurance as provided herein. The certificate shall not be cancelled for any reason except after 30

days written notification to the Purchasing Department for The College of New Jersey.

A. The insurance to be provided by the successful bidder shall be as follows:

**1. Commercial General Liability** policy as broad as the standard coverage form currently in use in the State of New Jersey, which shall not be circumscribed by any endorsements limiting the breadth of coverage. The policy shall include an endorsement (broad form) for contractual liability and products liability (completed operations). Limits of liability shall not be less than \$1,000,000 per occurrence for bodily injury liability and \$1,000,000 per occurrence for property damage liability.

**2.** Comprehensive General Automobile Liability policy covering owned, non-owned, and hired vehicles with minimum limits of \$1,000,000 combined single limits.

**3. Worker's Compensation Insurance** applicable to laws of the State of New Jersey and Employers Liability Insurance with a limit of not less than \$500,000.

**4. Professional Liability Insurance (consultants)** Consultant must maintain Professional Liability Insurance with minimum limits of liability that shall not be less than a combined single limit of two million dollars (\$2,000,000) per claim. The professional liability insurance shall be maintained for a period of not less than two years following the actual completion and acceptance of the Project by The College's Contracting Officer. Should the Consultant change carriers during the term of this contract, it shall obtain from its new carrier an endorsement for retroactive coverage.

- **B.** Upon request, the successful vendor will provide certificates of such insurance to the Purchasing Department prior to the start of the contract and periodically during the course of a multi-year contract.
- **C. EVIDENCE OF INSURANCE.** The Contractor shall when this contract is signed and before beginning the work required under this contract, provide the College with valid certificates of insurance signed by an insurance provider or authorized agent or underwriter to evidence the Contractor's insurance coverage as required in this paragraph, and also copies of the policies themselves. The certificates of insurance shall specify that the insurance provided is of the types and in the amounts required in this paragraph, and that the policies cannot be canceled except after 30 days written notice to the College.
- **D. CANCELLATION.** The certificates of insurance shall provide for 30 days written notice to the College before any cancellation, expiration or non-renewal during the term the insurance is required by this contract. The Contractor shall also be required to provide the College with valid certificates of renewal when policies expire. The Contractor shall also, when requested, provide the College with additional copies of each policy required under this contract, which are certified by an agent or underwriter to be true copies of the policies issued to the Contractor.
- **E. REMEDIES FOR LACK OF INSURANCE.** If the Contractor fails to renew any of its required insurance policies, or any policy is canceled, terminated or modified, the College may refuse to pay monies due under this contract. The College, in its sole discretion and for its sole benefit, may use monies retained under this paragraph to attempt to renew the Contractor's insurance or obtain substitute coverage if possible for the College's sole benefit, and may invoke other applicable remedies under the contract including claims against the Contractor and its surety. During any period when the required insurance is not in effect, the College may also, in its sole discretion, either suspend the work under the contract or terminate the contract.

# 3. TERMS GOVERNING ALL PROPOSALS TO THE COLLEGE OF NEW JERSEY

**3.1 CONTRACT AMOUNT**-The amount of any contract negotiated, as a result of this proposal shall not be construed as either the maximum or the minimum amount, which the College shall be obligated to order.

**3.2 CONTRACT PERIOD AND EXTENSION OPTION**-If, in the opinion of the Contracting Officer it is in the best interest of the College to extend any contract awarded as a result for a period of all or any part of a year, the vendor will be so notified of the intent at least 30 days prior to the expiration date of the existing contract. If the extension is acceptable to the vendor, at the original prices and on the original terms, notice will be given to the vendor by the College's Contracting Officer in writing. Unless otherwise specified in such cases, a new Performance Bond may be required of the vendor on a pro rata basis of the original Performance Bond to cover the period of the extension.

#### 3.3 VENDOR RIGHT TO PROTEST INTENT TO AWARD

**A.** Except in cases of emergency, vendors have the right to protest the Contracting Officer's award of the contract as announced in the notice of intent to award. Unless otherwise stated, a vendor's protest must be received no later than seven business days after the date on the notice of intent to award. In the public interest, the Contracting Officer may shorten the protest period, but shall provide at least 48 hours for vendors to respond to a proposed award.

**B.** A protest must be in writing and delivered to the Contracting Officer. It must include the specific grounds for challenging the award.

C. The Contracting Officer shall render the College's decision within 10 days to the protesting vendor.

### **3.4 TERMINATION OF CONTRACT**

A. Change of Circumstances:

1. Where the circumstances or needs of the College significantly change or the contract is otherwise deemed no longer to be in the public interest, the Contracting Officer may terminate the contract.

2. The vendor must, where practicable, be given 30 days written notice and an opportunity to respond.

#### **B.** For Cause:

1. Where a vendor fails to perform or comply with a contract, the Contracting Officer may terminate the contract subsequent to ten days written notification to the vendor and an appropriate opportunity for the vendor to respond.

2. When a vendor executes a contract poorly as evidenced by formal complaint, late delivery, and poor performance of service, short-shipping etc., the Contracting Officer may terminate the contract subsequent to ten days written notification to the vendor and an appropriate opportunity for response. In exceptional situations the Contracting Officer may reduce the period of notification and discretional dispense with an opportunity to respond.

#### C. For Convenience:

1. Notwithstanding any provision or language in this contract to the contrary, the Contracting Officer may terminate at any time, in whole or in part, any contract for the convenience of The College, upon no less than 30 days written notice to the vendor.

**D.** In the event of termination under this section, the vendor will be compensated for work performed in accordance with the contract, up to the date of termination. Such compensation may be subject to adjustments.

**3.5 COMPLAINTS**-Where a vendor has a history of performance problems as evidenced by formal complaints and/or contract cancellation for cause pursuant to 3.4.B, that vendor may be bypassed for any future contract awards unless the vendor submits with proposal documentation:

A. An explanation of the past performance difficulties and the reasons for such occurrences.

**B.** An outline of corrective action taken by the vendor to preclude future recurrences of the same or similar problems in the event the vendor is awarded the contract.

**3.6 SUBCONTRACTING OR ASSIGNMENT**-The contract may not be subcontracted or assigned by the vendor, in whole or in part, without the prior written consent of the Contracting Officer. Such consent, if granted, shall not relieve the vendor of any of his responsibilities under the contract. In the event that a vendor proposes to subcontract for the services to be performed under the terms of the contract award, it shall be stated in the proposal and a list of subcontractors and an itemization of the subcontract services to be supplied will be attached, for approval prior to award of the contract. Nothing contained in the specifications shall be construed as creating any contractual relationship between a subcontractor and the College.

#### 3.7 PERFORMANCE GUARANTEE OF VENDOR-The vendor hereby certifies that:

**A.** The equipment offered is standard new equipment, is the manufacturer's latest model in production with parts regularly used for the type of equipment offered and that such parts are all in production and not likely to be discontinued; also, that no attachment or part has been substituted or applied contrary to manufacturer's recommendations and standard practice.

B. All equipment operated by electrical current is UL listed where applicable.

**C.** All new machines are guaranteed as fully operational for the period stated in the RFP from time of written acceptance by The College. The vendor will render prompt service without charge, regardless of geographic location.

**D.** Sufficient quantities of parts for the proper service to equipment will be maintained at distribution points and service headquarters.

**E.** Trained technicians are regularly employed in the territory to provide service and repairs to equipment within 48 hours or a period of time accepted as customary industry practice.

**F.** Any material/equipment rejected for failure to meet the specifications or requirements of the College shall be immediately replaced by the vendor with properly specified equipment/material. Such replacement shall be completely at the vendor's expense.

**G.** All services rendered to the College shall be performed in strict and full compliance with the specifications of the contract.

- 1. A service contract shall not be considered complete until final approval by the College is rendered.
- 2. Payment for services rendered may not be made until final approval is given by the College.

**H.** Vendor's obligations under this contract is in addition to the vendor's other expressed or implied assurances under this contract or New Jersey State Law and in no way diminishes any other rights that the College may have against the vendor for faulty material, equipment, or work.

**I.** Bid and Performance Security

a. Bid Security – If bid security is required, such security must be submitted with the bid in the amount listed in the Request for Proposal, see N.J.A.C. 17: 12- 2.4. Acceptable forms of bid security are as follows:

1. A properly executed individual or annual bid bond issued by an insurance or security company authorized to do business in the State of New Jersey, a certified or cashier's check drawn to the order of The College of New Jersey.

2. The College will hold all bid security during the evaluation process. As soon as is practicable after the completion of the evaluation, the College will:

a. Issue an award notice for those offers accepted by the State;

b. Return all bond securities to those who have not been issued an award notice.

All bid security from contractors who have been issued an award notice shall be held until the successful execution of all required contractual documents and bonds (performance bond, insurance, etc. If the contractor fails to execute the required contractual documents and bonds within thirty (30) calendar days after receipt of award notice, the contractor may be found in default and the contract terminated by the College. In case of default, the College reserves all rights inclusive of, but not limited to, the right to purchase material and/or to complete the required work in accordance with the New Jersey Administrative Code and to recover any actual excess costs from the contractor. Collection against the bid security shall be one of the measures available toward the recovery of any excess costs.

b. Performance Security - If performance security is required, the successful bidder shall furnish performance security in such amount on any award of a term contractor line item purchase, see N.J.A.C. 17: 12- 2.5.

Acceptable forms of performance security are as follows:

1. The contractor shall be required to furnish an irrevocable security in the amount listed in the bid or Request for Proposal payable to The College of New Jersey, binding the contractor to provide faithful performance of the contract.

2. The performance security shall be in the form of a properly executed individual or annual performance bond issued by an insurance or security company authorized to do business in the State of New Jersey, a certified or cashier's check drawn to the order of The College of New

New Jersey.

The Performance Security must be submitted to the College within 30 days of the effective date of the contract award and cover the period of the contract and any extensions thereof. Failure to submit performance security may result in cancellation of contract for cause pursuant to provision 3.5b,1, and nonpayment for work performed.

**3.8 DELIVERY GUARANTEES**-Deliveries shall be made at such time and in such quantities as ordered in strict compliance with the conditions contained in the contract. The vendor shall be responsible for the delivery of material in first class condition and in accordance with good commercial practice. Items delivered must be strictly in accordance with bid specifications. In the event delivery of goods or services is not made within the time frame specified or under the schedule stipulated in the specifications, the College may obtain the goods or services from any available source and the difference in price, if any, will be paid by the vendor failing to fulfill the commitment.

**3.9 RIGHT TO INSPECT VENDOR'S FACILITIES**-The College reserves the right to inspect the vendor's establishment before making an award, for the purposes of ascertaining whether the vendor has the necessary facilities for performing the contract. The College may also consult with clients of the bidder during the evaluation of bids. Such consultation is intended to assist the College in making a contract award which is most advantageous to the College.

**3.10 RIGHT TO FINAL ACCEPTANCE**-The College reserves the right to reject all bids, or to award a contract in whole or in part if of the College determines it is the most advantageous to the College, price and other factors considered. In case of tie bids, the contract shall be awarded at the discretion of the Contracting Officer to the vendor or vendors best meeting all of the specifications and conditions.

**3.11 MAINTENANCE OF RECORD**-The vendor shall maintain records for products and/or services delivered against the contract for a period of three (3) years from the date of final payment. Such records shall be made available to the College upon request.

**3.12 Extension of Contract to Other Institutions** – It is understood and agreed that in addition to The College of New Jersey, other New Jersey higher education institutions may also participate in this contract at the same pricing, terms, etc.

**3.13 MERGERS, ACQUISITIONS** - If, during the term of this contract, the contractor shall merge with or be acquired by another firm, the contractor shall give notice to the College as soon as practicable and in no event longer than thirty (30) days after said merger or acquisition. The contractor shall provide such documents as may be requested, which may include but need not be limited to the following:

a. Corporate resolutions prepared by the awarded contractor and new entity ratifying acceptance of the original contract, terms, conditions and prices.

b. updated information including ownership disclosure and Federal Employer Identification Number

**3.14 Right to Request further Information**-The College reserves the right to request all information which may assist in making a contract award, including factors necessary to evaluate the bidder's financial capabilities to perform the contract. Further the College reserves the right to request a bidder to explain, in detail, how the bid prices were determined.

**3.15 BID ACCEPTANCES AND REJECTIONS** - The College reserves the right to waive minor elements of noncompliance or reject bids in accordance with law.

# 4. TERMS RELATING TO PRICE OUOTATION

**4.1 PRICE FLUCTUATIONS DURING CONTRACT**-Unless otherwise noted by the College, all prices quoted shall be firm and not be subject to increase during the period of the contract. In the event of a manufacturer's price decrease during the contract period, the College shall receive the full benefit of such price reduction on any subsequent orders for goods or services. The Purchasing Department must be notified in writing of any price reduction within five (5) days of the effective date.

Failure to report price reductions may result in cancellation of contract for cause.

**4.2 DELIVERY COSTS**-Unless noted otherwise in the specification, all quoted prices shall include delivery F.O.B. Destination. The vendor shall assume all liability and responsibility for the delivery of merchandise in good condition to The College of New Jersey or any other location specified by the contract. F.O.B. Destination shall be interpreted as platform delivery to the Receiving Department of the College or other receiving point indicated in the contract. In certain instances

spot deliveries may be specified and required. No additional freight charges will be payable for transportation costs resulting from partial shipments made for the vendor's convenience when a single shipment is ordered.

**4.3 COD TERMS**-Unless otherwise stated COD terms are not acceptable and such contingency shall constitute just cause for automatic rejection of a bid.

**4.4 TAX CHARGES**-The College of New Jersey is exempt from the New Jersey sales or use tax pursuant to Section 9(a)(1) of the New Jersey Sales and Use Tax Act N.J.S.A. 54:32B-1 et seq. Additionally, the College is exempt from Federal Excise Tax. An exemption certificate or number is not required for The College of New Jersey to make tax-exempt purchases. Official requests on College letterhead or official purchase orders signed by a qualified officer is sufficient proof for the vendor of exemption from paying the sales tax. Vendors should not include tax charges in their price quotations or on subsequent invoices for purchased goods or services. The College's Federal Employer Identification Number is 222797398.

**4.5 PAYMENT TO VENDORS**-Payments for goods and/or services purchased by the College will only be made after receipt of contracted items and approval of the invoice for payment.

The College obligation hereunder is contingent upon the availability of appropriated funds from which payment for contract purposes can be made.

New Jersey Prompt Payment Act –The New Jersey Prompt Payment Act N.J.S.A. 52:32-32 et seq. requires state agencies to pay for goods and services within sixty (60) days of the agency's receipt of a properly executed invoice or within sixty (60) days of receipt and acceptance of goods and services, whichever is later. Properly executed performance security, when required, must be received by the College prior to processing any payments for goods and services accepted by the College. Interest will be paid on delinquent accounts at a rate established by the State Treasurer. Interest will not be paid until it exceeds \$5.00 per properly executed invoice.

Cash discounts and other payment terms included as part of the original agreement are not affected by the Prompt Payment Act.

**4.6 CASH DISCOUNTS**-Cash discounts for periods of less than 21 days will not be considered as factors in the award of contracts. For purposes of determining the College's compliance with any discount offered:

**A.** A discount period shall commence on the date of a properly executed vendor invoice for products and services that have been duly accepted by the College in accordance with terms, conditions and specifications of a valid Contract/Purchase Order. If the invoice is received prior to delivery of the goods or performance of services, the discount period begins with the receipt and acceptance of the goods or completion of services.

**B.** The date of the check issued by the College in payment of an invoice shall be deemed the date of the College's response to an invoice for cash discount purposes.

#### 5. FORCE MAJEURE

If, because of force majeure, either party hereto is unable to carry out any of its obligations under this contract, other than the obligations to pay money due hereunder, and if such party promptly gives to the other party hereto written notice of such force majeure, then the obligations of the party giving such notice shall be suspended to the extent made necessary by such force majeure and during its continuance, provided that the party giving such notice shall use its best efforts to remedy such force majeure insofar as possible with all reasonable dispatch. The term "force majeure" as used herein shall mean any causes beyond the control of the party affected thereby, such as, but not limited to, acts of God, act of public enemy, insurrections, riots, strikes, lockouts, labor disputes, fire, explosions, floods, breakdowns, or damage to plants, equipment or facilities, embargoes, orders, or acts of civil or military authority, or other causes of a similar nature. Upon the cessation of the force majeure event, the party that had given original notice shall again promptly give notice to the other party of such cessation.

**6. STANDARDS PROHIBITING CONFLICTS OF INTEREST** - The following prohibitions on vendor activities shall apply to all contracts or purchase agreements made with the State of New Jersey, pursuant to Executive Order No. 189 (1988).

a. No vendor shall pay, offer to pay, or agree to pay, either directly or indirectly, any fee, commission, compensation, gift, gratuity, or other thing of value of any kind to any State officer or employee or special State officer or employee, as defined by N.J.S.A. 52:13D-13b and e., in the Department of the Treasury or any other agency with which such vendor transacts or offers or proposes to transact business, or to any member of the immediate family, as defined by N.J.S.A. 52:13D-13i., of any such officer or employee, or partnership, firm or corporation with which they are employed or associated, or in which such officer or employee has an interest within the meaning of N.J.S.A. 52:13D-13g.

b. The solicitation of any fee, commission, compensation, gift, gratuity or other thing of value by any State officer or employee or special State officer or employee from any State vendor shall be reported in writing forthwith by the vendor to the Attorney General and the Executive Commission on Ethical Standards.

c. No vendor may, directly or indirectly, undertake any private business, commercial or entrepreneurial relationship with, whether or not pursuant to employment, contract or other agreement, express or implied, or sell any interest in such vendor to, any State officer or employee or special State officer or employee or special State officer or employee having any duties or responsibilities in connection with the purchase, acquisition or sale of any property or services by or to any State agency or any instrumentality thereof, or with any person, firm or entity with which he is employed or associated or in which he has an interest within the meaning of N.J.S.A. 52: 130-13g. Any relationships subject to this provision shall be reported in writing forthwith to the Executive Commission on Ethical Standards, which may grant a waiver of this restriction upon application of the State officer or employee or special State officer or employee upon a finding that the present or proposed relationship does not present the potential, actuality or appearance of a conflict of interest.

d. No vendor shall influence, or attempt to influence or cause to be influenced, any State officer or employee or special State officer or employee in his official capacity in any manner which might tend to impair the objectivity or independence of judgment of said officer or employee.

e. No vendor shall cause or influence, or attempt to cause or influence, any State officer or employee or special State officer or employee to use, or attempt to use, his official position to secure unwarranted privileges or advantages for the vendor or any other person.

f. The provisions cited above in paragraph 6a through 6e shall not be construed to prohibit a State officer or employee or Special State officer or employee from receiving gifts from or contracting with vendors under the same terms and conditions as are offered or made available to members of the general public subject to any guidelines the Executive Commission on Ethical Standards may promulgate under paragraph 6c.

**NOTICE TO ALL BIDDERS SET-OFF FOR STATE TAX NOTICE** - Please be advised that, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 54:49-19, and notwithstanding any provision of the law to the contrary, whenever any taxpayer, partnership or S corporation under contract to provide goods or services or construction projects to the State of New Jersey or its agencies or instrumentalities, including the legislative and judicial branches of State government, is entitled to payment for those goods or services at the same time a taxpayer, partner or shareholder of that entity is indebted for any State tax, the Director of the Division of Taxation shall seek to set off that taxpayer's or shareholder's share of the payment due the

taxpayer, partnership, or S corporation. The amount set off shall not allow for the deduction of any expenses or other deductions which might be attributable to the taxpayer, partner or shareholder subject to set-off under this act.

The Director of the Division of Taxation shall give notice to the set-off to the taxpayer and provide an opportunity for a hearing within 30 days of such notice under the procedures for protests established under R.S. 54:49-18. No requests for conference, protest, or subsequent appeal to the Tax Court from any protest under this section shall stay the collection of the indebtedness. Interest that may be payable by the State, pursuant to P.L. 1987, c.184 (c.52:32-32 et seq.), to the taxpayer shall be stayed.

**APPLICABLE LAW** - This contract is subject to New Jersey law, including but not limited to the New Jersey Contractual Liability Act, N.J.S.A. 59:13-1, et seq. and the New Jersey Tort Claims Act, N.J.S.A. 59:1-1, et seq. This Agreement and all matters or issues collateral to it, shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the law of the State of New Jersey, without regard to its conflict of law provisions.