

**TOWNSHIP OF WEST CALDWELL**



**REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS FOR  
BOND COUNSEL SERVICES**

The Township of West Caldwell is soliciting through a Fair and Open Process a Request for Qualifications (“RFQ”) for Bond Counsel Services.

**Submission Deadline:** September 2, 2010 at 11:00 a.m.

**Number of Qualification Statements to be sent:** An Original and Eight (8) Copies

**Address all Qualification Statements to:**

Thomas Kane, Acting Chief Financial Officer  
Township of West Caldwell  
Finance Department  
30 Clinton Road  
West Caldwell, New Jersey 07006

Qualification Statement must be returned in a sealed envelope bearing the name and address of the proposer written on the face of the envelope and clearing marked “RFQ for Bond Counsel Services. Attn: Thomas Kane.”

Qualification Statements may be hand delivered or mailed. In the case of mailed qualifications, the Township assumes no responsibility for Qualification Statements received after the above-stated designated date and time. Qualification Statements received after the designated date and time for receipt will not be accepted and will be returned unopened. Qualification Statements will not be accepted by facsimile or e-mail.

Each Qualification Statement and all required forms must be signed by a person authorized to do so. Qualification Statements must cover all information requested in this RFQ. Responses which in the judgment of the Township fail to meet the requirements of the RFQ or which are in any way conditional, incomplete, obscure, contain additions or deletions from requested information, or contain errors may be rejected. All communications concerning this RFQ or the RFQ process shall be directed, in writing, to the Acting Chief Financial Officer. The Acting Chief Financial Officer’s decision shall be final and conclusive.

During the period provided for the preparation of responses to this RFQ, the Township may issue addenda or answers to written inquiries. Addenda will be noticed by the Township and will constitute part of the RFQ. All responses shall be prepared with full consideration of any addenda issued. Proposer must complete and submit the Acknowledgement of Receipt of Addenda Form attached at Exhibit A.

The Township, in its sole discretion, reserves the right to reject any or all qualifications and to waive any and all irregularities as is in the best interest of the Township. A final award shall be made by Resolution adopted by a majority of the Mayor and Council based upon the proposal made to the Township that has been determined to be **the most advantageous to the Township, all factors considered.** The Mayor and Council reserves the right to negotiate the terms and conditions with any qualified proposer before making its determination and appointment.

**GENERAL INFORMATION & SUMMARY**

**ORGANIZATION REQUESTING QUALIFICATION**

TOWNSHIP OF WEST CALDWELL  
30 CLINTON ROAD  
WEST CALDWELL, NJ 07006-000

**CONTACT PERSON**

ATTN: THOMAS KANE  
Acting Chief Financial Officer  
TOWNSHIP OF WESTCALDWELL  
30 CLINTON ROAD  
WEST CALDWELL, NJ 07006-000  
ADMINISTRATION – 2<sup>ND</sup> FLOOR

**PURPOSE OF REQUEST**

The Township of West Caldwell (the “Township”), a municipal corporation with its principal offices at 30 Clinton Road, West Caldwell New Jersey, is requesting Qualification Statements from qualified individuals or firms to provide Bond Counsel Services, as more fully described herein through a fair and open process pursuant to N.J.S.A. 19:44-20.5. Proposals will be evaluated in accordance with the criteria set forth in this Request for Qualifications (“RFQ”). The Township will only review those Qualification Statements that include all information to be included as required by this RFQ. One or more individuals/firms may be selected to provide Bond Counsel Services.

**PERIOD OF CONTRACT**

One (1) year from the date of the award.

**CONTRACT FORM**

The successful proposer (hereafter “successful proposer” or “contractor”) shall be required to execute the Township’s standard form contract, which shall include, but shall not be limited to, indemnification, insurance, termination and licensing provisions.

It is also agreed and understood that the acceptance of the final payment by the contractor shall be considered a release in full of all claims against the Township arising out of, or by reason of, the work performed and materials furnished under this Contract.

**DETAILED REQUIREMENTS OF THE  
REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS FOR  
BOND COUNSEL SERVICES**

1. **TOWNSHIP OF WEST CALDWELL** – The Township is a municipal corporation incorporated in 1904. The Township is governed under the Borough Form of Government by the Governing Body which includes the Township Council, which is made up of six elected at large members, and the separately elected Mayor. The Mayor serves as the Chief Executive Officer and the Township Council is the local legislative body that formulates policy, appropriates funds and adopts ordinances and resolutions. The Township’s population is approximately 11,223 and it consists of approximately 3,382 acres of land. The Township employs approximately 100 people in about 16 departments and agencies. It owns various buildings, parks and recreation facilities throughout the Township. The Township government provides significant and diverse services to its residents, community and neighbors.

2. **NATURE/ SCOPE OF SERVICES** – The Township of West Caldwell is requesting qualifications for Bond Counsel Services. Counsel will, on an “as needed” basis, be assigned and required to provide representation to Township as follows:

- On an as needed basis, prepare, draft and review opinions on any ordinances, statutes or other laws affecting the Township’s existing or proposed bonds, notes or related indebtedness;
- Preparation of bond ordinances;
- Preparation and review of public finance resolutions;
- Assist in reviews and updates of official statements associated with debt issuances;
- Attend bond or note bid openings and assist in analyzing bond or note bids to determine final award;
- Assist in relationship management with rating agencies;
- Provide advice on legal and financial matters to ensure the Township’s fiscal strength;
- Provide legal opinions on sale of bonds and notes;
- Attend meetings when requested; and
- Provide as other legal services related to public finance and bond related matters.

3. **MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS** - Proposers for the position of Special Bond Counsel must meet the following minimum qualifications:

- A. Must be an Attorney in good standing of the bar of the State of New Jersey.
- B. Must have at least ten (10) years experience practicing law.
- C. Must have at least five (5) years general experience in representing municipal, county and state agencies in public finance and bond matters. Contact information for the recipients of the similar bond counsel services must be provided. The Township may obtain references from any of the parties listed.
- D. Must be responsive to telephone calls and inquiries.

4. **PROPOSER'S RESPONSIBILITY IN RESPONDING TO TOWNSHIP'S RFQ** - In response to this RFQ each proposer shall provide at a minimum the following information:

A. **Qualification Information.**

- Full Name;
- Firm Name, Address and Telephone Number;
- Years practicing with Firm;
- Your legal specialty;
- Your firm's legal specialties;
- Proof of good standing to practice law;
- Listing of all of your post high school education;
- Dates of your licensure in the State of New Jersey and any other state as to the professional discipline requested to serve the needs of the Township;
- A listing of your professional affiliations or membership in any professional societies or organizations, with an indication as to any offices held;
- The number of attorneys employed (if a professional firm) and/or affiliated with your Firm, and a listing of the name, law school and year of law school graduation of all attorneys that will be providing legal services to the Township pursuant to this proposal;
- A listing of all previous public sector entities served by the proposer including dates of service and position(s) held;
- The relevant legal experience that qualifies you for the position of Special Bond Counsel;
- Any other relevant legal or work experience that you would like the Township to consider in evaluating your qualifications for the position of Special Bond Counsel;
- A listing of any ethics or disciplinary charges assessed against you and the details surrounding such charges including the disposition;
- The name, address and telephone number of three client references that can be contacted by the Township;
- Proposed cost of service(s) or activities, not including the hourly rate for attorneys, paralegals and support staff. The proposed cost should include:
  - Expenses for postage, faxes, copying and telephone excluded from the hourly rate.
  - Additional services defined beyond the scope of regular services.
- Any additional information that you would like the Township to consider in evaluating your proposal.

B. **Insurance.** The proposer, as a member of a profession that is subject to suit for professional malpractice, shall provide documentation that insurance for professional liability/malpractice coverage with limits as to liability that will be in place to protect the Township of West Caldwell. If selected, the Proposer shall furnish a certificate of insurance naming the Township of West Caldwell as an additional insured under such policies.

C. **Proof of Business Registration Certificate.** Proposer must include with their qualifications, a Business Registration Certificate as required by N.J.S.A. 52:32-44.

D. **Shareholder Disclosure Form.** Proposer must complete and submit the Shareholder Disclosure Form attached hereto as Exhibit B.

E. **Affirmative Action.** In accordance with the laws of the State of New Jersey, all contracting entities must comply with the requirements of N.J.S.A. 10:5-31 et seq. and N.J.A.C. 17:27 et seq.. Proposer is required to submit an Affirmative Action Statement together with evidence of compliance. Appendix A contains mandatory Affirmative Action Language which shall appear

in any contract with the Township and which lists in subparagraph (j) thereof the acceptable documents that may be submitted to evidence compliance. Proposer must complete and submit the Affirmative Action Compliance Notice attached hereto as Exhibit C.

- F. **Affidavit of Non-Collusion.** Proposer shall properly execute and submit the Affidavit of Non-Collusion attached hereto as Exhibit D.
- H. **Pay to Play.** The successful proposer is advised of the responsibility to file an annual disclosure statement on political contributions with the New Jersey Election Law Enforcement Commission pursuant to N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.13 (P.L. 2005, c.271, s.3) if the successful proposer receives contracts in excess of \$50,000 from public entities in a calendar year. It is the successful proposer's responsibility to determine if filing is necessary. See Exhibit E.
- I. **Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990.** Discrimination on the basis of disability in contracting for the purchase of goods and services is prohibited. Proposers are required to read Americans with Disabilities language attached to this RFQ at Exhibit F and agree that the provisions of Title II of the Act are made a part of the contract. The successful Proposer will be obligated to comply with the Act and to hold the owner harmless.
- J. **Signature Page.** Proposer shall complete and submit the signatory page attached as Exhibit G, which shall be signed by an authorized representative of the Proposer and evidence the Proposer's acceptance of the terms and conditions of this RFQ.
- K. **RFQ Document Checklist.** Proposer must complete and submit the RFQ Document Checklist attached hereto as Exhibit H.

5. **COST QUALIFICATION** – Proposer should also submit a cost proposal which would include any proposed retainer, the services to be provided for the retainer, if services will be provided at a flat rate, if all or any of the services will be billed through an hourly rate and what are the established rate(s). By submission of a qualification, Proposer acknowledges and agrees to adhere to the fee schedule set forth above.

6. **QUALIFICATION EVALUATION** – The Township will select the most advantageous qualifications based on all of the evaluation factors set forth at the end of this RFQ. The Township will make the award(s) that is in the best interest of the Township.

Each qualification must satisfy the objectives and requirements detailed in this RFQ. The successful Proposer shall be determined by an evaluation of the total content of the qualification submitted with due consideration to the qualifications of the Proposer, all factors considered.

7. **RIGHT OF THE TOWNSHIP** - The Township reserves all rights to make one or more awards to Proposers that have submitted Qualification Statements in accordance with the terms of this RFQ, or to reject all Qualifications Statements, or to waive any irregularities in any of the Qualification Statements, or to take such other actions as the Township, in its sole discretion, determines to be in the most advantageous to the Township, all factors considered. The Mayor and Council reserves the right to negotiate the terms and conditions with any qualified proposer before making its determination and appointment. The Township shall not be obligated to explain the results of the evaluation process to any proposer.

## 8. GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS –

- A. **Use of Information.** Any specifications, drawings, sketches, models, samples, data, computer programs, documentation, technical or business information and the like (“Information”) furnished or disclosed by the Township to the proposer in connection with this RFQ shall remain the property of the Township. When in tangible form, all copies of such information shall be returned to the Township upon request. Unless such information was previously known to the proposer, free of any obligation to keep it confidential, or has been or is subsequently made public by the Township or a third party, it shall be held in confidence by the proposer, shall be used only for the purposes of this RFQ, and may not be used for other purposes except upon such terms and conditions as may be mutually agreed upon in writing.
- B. **Completion of Work by Owner.** In case of failure by the successful proposer, the Township of West Caldwell may procure the articles or services from other sources, deduct the cost of the replacement from money due to the proposer under the contract and hold the proposer responsible for any excess cost occasioned thereby.
- C. **Indemnification.** The successful proposer shall agree to waive, release, hold harmless, defend and indemnify the Township, its elected officials, appointed officers, employees, volunteers, servants and agents, as well as any of its agencies, departments, divisions, bureaus or offices (collectively referred to as the “West Caldwell Officials or Agencies”) from and against any and all past, present and future actions, causes of action, claims, counterclaims, injunctive or declaratory relief, and any and all other liabilities of any kind or nature or description whatsoever, brought by any person natural or corporation, whether arising at law or in equity, whether known or unknown, asserted or unasserted, express or implied, foreseen or unforeseen, suspected or unsuspected against the West Caldwell Officials and Agencies arising out of, connected with, or incidental to any carelessness or negligence in the performance of the proposer’s work or through any act or omission on the part of the Proposer and/or its agents servants, employees and/or representatives.
- D. **Intellectual Property Rights.** By submission of the qualification, the proposer certifies that the service to be furnished will not infringe upon any valid patent, trademark or copyright and the successful proposer shall, at its expense, defend any and all actions or suits charging such infringement, and will save the Township harmless in any case of any such infringement.
- E. **Undue Influence.** No proposer shall influence, or attempt to influence, or cause to be influenced, any Township officer or employee to use his/her official capacity in any manner which might tend to impair the objectivity or independence of judgment of said officer or employee.
- No proposer shall cause or influence, or attempt to cause or influence, any Township officer or employee to use his/her official capacity to secure unwarranted privileges or advantages for the Proposer or any other person.
- F. **Cost of Qualification Statement.** The Township of West Caldwell shall not be responsible for any expenditure of monies or other expenses incurred by the Proposer in making its qualification.
- G. **Qualification Limitations.** This RFQ is not intended to be an offer, order or contract and should not be regarded as such, nor shall any obligation or liability be imposed on the Township by issuance of this RFQ. The Township reserves the right at the Township’s sole discretion to refuse any qualification submitted.

- H. **Attachments.** The checklist, affidavits, forms and the like attached to this RFQ are a part of this Request for Qualifications and shall be completed and submitted as part of same.

**BASIS OF AWARD  
EVALUATION FACTORS**

The Township's objective in soliciting Qualification Statements is to enable it to select an individual or firm that will provide high quality and cost effective Bond Counsel Services to the Township. The Township will consider Qualification Statements only from those individuals or firms that, in the Township's sole judgment, have demonstrated the capability and willingness to provide the services contemplated by this RFQ.

Proposals will be evaluated by the Township on the basis of the most advantageous submission, all relevant factors considered. The evaluation will consider:

- A. **Relevance and Extent of Qualifications, Experience, Reputation and Training of Personnel to be assigned**
- B. **Knowledge of the Township of West Caldwell and the subject matter to be addressed under this engagement**
- C. **Relevance and Extent of Similar Engagements performed**
- D. **Technical Qualification contains all required information**
- E. **Other factors as may be demonstrated to be in the best interest of the Township.**

A final award shall be made by Resolution adopted by a majority of the Mayor and Council based upon the proposal made to the Township that has been determined to be **the most advantageous to the Township, all factors considered.** The Mayor and Council reserves the right to negotiate the terms and conditions with any qualified proposer before making its determination and appointment. All awards are and shall be subject to the availability of funds.

**TOWNSHIP OF WEST CALDWELL**

**ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF RECEIPT OF ADDENDA  
Exhibit A**

The undersigned proposer hereby acknowledges receipt of the following Addenda:

<u>Addendum Number</u>	<u>Dated</u>	<u>Acknowledge Receipt</u> (initial)
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

**No addenda were received:**

Acknowledged for: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Name of Proposer)

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Signature of Authorized Representative)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Print or Type)

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

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

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**STOCKHOLDER DISCLOSURE CERTIFICATION  
Exhibit B**

**Name of Business** \_\_\_\_\_

I certify that the list below contains the names and home addresses of all stockholders holding 10% or more of the issued and outstanding stock of the undersigned.

**OR**

I certify that no one stockholder owns 10% or more of the issued and outstanding stock of the undersigned.

**Check the box that represents the type of business organization:**

- Partnership                       Corporation                       Sole Proprietorship  
 Limited Partnership     Limited Liability Corporation     Limited Liability Partnership  
 Subchapter S Corporation

**Sign and notarize the form below, and, if necessary, complete the stockholder list below.**

**Stockholders:**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Home Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Home Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Home Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Home Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Home Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Home Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Subscribed and sworn before me this \_\_\_\_ day  
of \_\_\_\_\_, 2\_\_\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Affiant)

(Notary Public)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Print name & title of affiant)

My Commission Expires

(Corporate Seal)



## Appendix A

### MANDATORY EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY LANGUAGE N.J.S.A. 10:5-31 et seq., N.J.A.C. 17:27

#### GOODS, PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AND GENERAL SERVICE CONTRACTS

Each 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. Appropriate evidence that the contractor is operating under an existing Federally approved or sanctioned affirmative action program;
2. A certificate of employee information report approval, issued in accordance with N.J.A.C. 17:27-4; or
3. An employee information report (Form AA302) provided by the Division and distributed to the public agency to be completed by the contractor, in accordance with N.J.A.C. 17:27-4.

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, where applicable, will send to each labor union or representative or workers with which it has a collective bargaining agreement or other contract or understanding, a notice, to be provided by the agency contracting officer advising the labor union or workers' representative of the contractor's commitments under this act 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 N.J.S.A. 10:5-31 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 afford equal employment opportunities to minority and women workers consistent with good faith efforts to meet targeted county employment goals established in accordance with N.J.A.C. 17:27-5.2, or good faith efforts to meet targeted county employment goals determined by the Division, pursuant to 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 procedure, 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 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 Subchapter 10 of the Administrative Code at N.J.A.C. 17:27.**

**TOWNSHIP OF WEST CALDWELL**

**NON-COLLUSION AFFIDAVIT  
Exhibit D**

State of New Jersey  
County of \_\_\_\_\_

ss:

I, \_\_\_\_\_ residing in \_\_\_\_\_  
(name of affiant) (name  
of municipality)  
in the County of \_\_\_\_\_ and State of \_\_\_\_\_ of full age,  
being duly sworn according to law on my oath depose and say that:

I am \_\_\_\_\_ of the firm of \_\_\_\_\_  
(title or position) (name of firm)

\_\_\_\_\_, the Proposer making this Proposal for the RFQ  
entitled \_\_\_\_\_, and that I executed the said proposal with  
(title of RFQ)

full authority to do so that said Proposer has not, 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 above named project; and that all statements contained in said proposal and in this  
affidavit are true and correct, and made with full knowledge that the \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ relies upon the truth of the statements contained in said Proposal  
(name of contracting unit)  
and in the statements contained in this affidavit in awarding the contract for the said project.

I further warrant that no person or selling agency has been employed or retained to solicit or secure such  
contract upon an agreement or understanding for a commission, percentage, brokerage, or contingent fee,  
except bona fide employees or bona fide established commercial or selling agencies maintained by  
\_\_\_\_\_.

Subscribed and sworn to

before me this day

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

\_\_\_\_\_, 2 \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Type or print name of affiant under signature)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Notary public of

My Commission expires \_\_\_\_\_

(Seal)

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**DISCLOSURE OF CONTRIBUTIONS (Pay-to-Play)  
Exhibit E**

Starting in January 2007, all business entities are advised of their responsibility to file an annual disclosure statement of political contributions with the New Jersey Election Law Enforcement Commission (ELEC) pursuant to N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.27 if they receive contracts in excess of \$50,000 from public entities in a calendar year. Business entities are responsible for determining if filing is necessary. Additional information on this requirement is available from ELEC at 888-313-3532 or at [www.elec.state.nj.us](http://www.elec.state.nj.us).

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**AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT OF 1990  
Equal Opportunity for Individuals with Disability  
Exhibit F**

The contractor and the Township of West Caldwell, (hereafter "owner") do hereby agree that the provisions of Title 11 of the Americans With Disabilities Act of 1990 (the "Act") (42 U.S.C. *S121 01* et seq.), which prohibits discrimination on the basis of disability by public entities in all services, programs, and activities provided or made available by public entities, and the rules and regulations promulgated pursuant there unto, are made a part of this contract. In providing any aid, benefit, or service on behalf of the owner pursuant to this contract, the contractor agrees that the performance shall be in strict compliance with the Act. In the event that the contractor, its agents, servants, employees, or subcontractors violate or are alleged to have violated the Act during the performance of this contract, the contractor shall defend the owner in any action or administrative proceeding commenced pursuant to this Act. The contractor shall indemnify, protect, and save harmless the owner, its agents, servants, and employees from and against any and all suits, claims, losses, demands, or damages, of whatever kind or nature arising out of or claimed to arise out of the alleged violation. The contractor shall, at its own expense, appear, defend, and pay any and all charges for legal services and any and all costs and other expenses arising from such action or administrative proceeding or incurred in connection therewith. In any and all complaints brought pursuant to the owner's grievance procedure, the contractor agrees to abide by any decision of the owner which is rendered pursuant to said grievance procedure. If any action or administrative proceeding results in an award of damages against the owner, or if the owner incurs any expense to cure a violation of the ADA which has been brought pursuant to its grievance procedure, the contractor shall satisfy and discharge the same at its own expense.

The owner shall, as soon as practicable after a claim has been made against it, give written notice thereof to the contractor along with full and complete particulars of the claim, If any action or administrative proceeding is brought against the owner or any of its agents, servants, and employees, the *owner shall* expeditiously forward or have forwarded to the contractor every demand, complaint, notice, summons, pleading, or other process received by the owner or its representatives.

It is expressly agreed and understood that any approval by the owner of the services provided by the contractor pursuant to this contract will not relieve the contractor of the obligation to comply with the Act and to defend, indemnify, protect, and save harmless the owner pursuant to this paragraph.

It is further agreed and understood that the owner assumes no obligation to indemnify or save harmless the contractor, its agents, servants, employees and subcontractors for any claim which may arise out of their performance of this Agreement. Furthermore, the contractor expressly understands and agrees that the provisions of this indemnification clause shall in no way limit the contractor's obligations assumed in this Agreement, nor shall they be construed to relieve the contractor from any liability, nor preclude the owner from taking any other actions available to it under any other provisions of the Agreement or otherwise at law.

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**SIGNATORY PAGE**  
**Exhibit G**

The undersigned, having examined this RFQ and having full knowledge of the conditions under which the services described herein must be performed, hereby accepts the terms and conditions of this RFQ.

NAME OF THE PROPOSER: \_\_\_\_\_

NAME OF AUTHORIZED SIGNATORY: \_\_\_\_\_

AUTHORIZED SIGNATORY SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

CONTACT ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

E-MAIL ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

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**DOCUMENT CHECKLIST  
Exhibit H**

<b>Required</b>	<b>Submission Requirement</b>	<b>Initial each required entry and if required submit the item</b>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Stockholder Disclosure Certification	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Affidavit of Non-Collusion	□ □ □
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Business Registration Certificate	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Acknowledgment of Receipt of Addenda	□ □
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Evidence Demonstrating Proposer Meets Qualifications and Cost Qualification	□
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Affirmative Action Affidavit	□ □ □
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Signatory Page	

\*This form should be submitted with the proposal. It is provided for proposer's use in assuring compliance with all required documentation.