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<td>11:00 A.M., local time, October 15, 2019 (Attendance is encouraged, but not mandatory.)</td>
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| **PRE-PROPOSAL LOCATION:** | FCPS Main Lobby  
191 South East Street  
Frederick, MD 21701  
(Parking is available in Deck #5 on All Saints Street) |
| **OBTAINING RFP DOCUMENTS:** | To view and/or download this solicitation package please visit our webpage at: www.fcps.org/bidlist. If you have problems downloading this bid or applicable addenda, contact: Krista at krista.long@fcps.org |
| **BONDS REQUIRED:**      | YES                              |
| **MBE REQUIREMENTS:**    | NO                               |
| **RFP DUE:**             | 2:00 P.M., local time, on October 29, 2019. Faxed or emailed bids are not acceptable. |
| **SEALED RFP DELIVERED TO:** | Frederick County Public Schools  
Attn: Purchasing Department  
191 South East Street  
Frederick, MD 21701  
(Parking is available at Deck #5 on All Saints Street. Recent security upgrades at the FCPS Central Office Building will require visitors to request entry utilizing the phone buzzer/button system. Please allow enough time to ensure access to the building prior to the bid due time.)  
Bid proposal must be properly marked with vendor's business name, address, bid name and number on the envelope or package. Do not return the following pages: cover page, table of contents, map, calendar, directory or terms and conditions. |
| **TENTATIVE AWARD DATE:** | BOE Work Session, scheduled on: November 25, 2019. |
| **ELIGIBILITY TO BID:**  | All Frederick County Public School vendors and or contractors interested in bidding on FCPS projects must register at www.EMarylandMarketplace.com. FCPS will no longer accept bidder’s applications. |
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### August 2019
23, 26-30 Fri, Mon-Fri  Teacher Work Days

### September 2019
02 Mon  FCPS Closed: Labor Day
03 Tue  First Day of School for Students
20 Fri  Schools Closed: Fair Day

### October 2019
08 Tue  2-Hour Early Dismissal for Students: Teacher Mid-Term Work Session
09 Wed  Schools Closed. Yom Kippur.
23 Wed  Elementary and Middle Schools Open 4 Hours Late for Evening Parent-Teacher Conferences; High Schools Are Full Day
24 Thu  Elementary and Middle Schools Open 4 Hours Late for Evening Parent-Teacher Conferences; High Schools Are Full Day
25 Fri  Elementary and Middle Students Dismissed 3.5 Hours Early for Afternoon Parent-Teacher Conferences; High Schools Are Full Day

### November 2019
07 Thu  End of Term 1
08 Fri  Schools Closed for Students: Teacher Work Day
11 Mon  Term 2 Begins
27, 28*, 29* Wed-Fri  Schools Closed: Thanksgiving Break

### December 2019
20 Fri  2-Hour Early Dismissal for Students: Teacher Mid-Term Work Session
23, 24*-31*  Mon-Tue  Schools Closed: Winter Break

### January 2020
01* Wed  Schools Closed: New Year’s Day
20* Mon  Schools Closed: Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Day
28 Tue  End of Term 2
29 Wed  Schools Closed for Students: Teacher Work Day
30 Thu  Second Semester and Term 3 Begin

### February 2020
14 Fri  2-Hour Early Dismissal for Students: Teacher Work Session
17* Mon Schools Closed: Presidents’ Day

### March 2020
04 Wed  2-Hour Early Dismissal for Students: Teacher Mid-Term Work Session

### April 2020
08 Wed  2-Hour Early Dismissal for Students: Teacher Work Session; End of Term 3
09 Thu  Schools Closed for Students: Teacher Work Day
10*, 13* Fri-Mon  Schools Closed: Spring Break
14 Tue  Term 4 Begins
28* Tue  Schools Closed: Primary Election Day

### May 2020
25* Mon  Schools Closed: Memorial Day

### June 2020
22**Mon  Last Day of School for Students /2-Hour Early Dismissal: Teacher Work Session. End of Term 4
23** Tue  Last Day of School for Teachers

*State-Mandated Public Schools Holiday

**This calendar includes 8 days for snow or other emergency closings. If there are no days needed for emergency closings, the last day for students will be June 10. Subject to BOE revision, FCPS will make up emergency-closing days in the following sequence: June 11, 12, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19 and 22. The June two-hour early dismissal will occur on the last day of school for students.**
THE CALENDAR HANDBOOK FOR 2019–2020

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1. **BIDDER REGISTRATION**

   a. All Frederick County Public School (FCPS) vendors and or contractors interested in bidding on
      FCPS projects must register on eMaryland Marketplace Advantage [www.procurement.maryland.gov](http://www.procurement.maryland.gov). FCPS will no longer accept bidder’s applications.

2. **PRE-BID MEETING**

   a. A Pre-Bid Meeting will be held at the date and time indicated on the cover page of this solicitation
      package.

   b. Attendance at the Pre-Bid Meeting is not mandatory; however, all vendors are strongly encouraged to
      attend.

   c. The agenda for this Pre-Bid Meeting will include the following: introduction of staff; description of
      scope of work; timeline/scheduling; budget priorities/concerns; and procurement responsibilities.

   d. Questions shall be submitted, via email, to the person(s) indicated on the cover page of this
      solicitation package. Due to possible changes and/or additions to the specifications, bids should not
      be submitted prior to the Pre-Bid meeting.

   e. If FCPS offices are closed, or operating on a modified schedule, due to inclement weather on the day
      a Pre-Bid is scheduled, the Pre-Bid is cancelled and will not be rescheduled unless an addendum is
      issued. Bidders are advised that they are to email questions to the identified Contract Manager by the
      date and time required within this solicitation. For the fastest, most reliable information, regarding
      closures and/or delays check the following:

         - www.fcps.org
         - Social Media: FCPS on Twitter and FCPS on Facebook
         - Email/Text Messages: Sign up for FindOutFirst email and emergency-only text
           messages
         - FCPS TV: Comcast Channel 18 (Frederick area)
         - Local radio and TV stations

3. **RECEIPT OF BIDS**

   a. Bids received prior to the time of opening will be time stamped and securely kept unopened. No bid
      received thereafter will be considered. FCPS will not be responsible for the premature opening of
      bids received that are not properly addressed or identified. Any bid may be withdrawn before the
      scheduled time for opening bids.

   b. All inner and outer envelopes and packaging, used by Fed Ex, UPS and etc., are to be labeled with
      the following:

         - Bidder Name
         - Bid Number and Name
• Due Date and Time

c. Bids received after the designated date and/or time will not be accepted, regardless of when they were mailed or given to a delivery carrier.

d. Bids not received by the date, time, and location designated on the solicitation cover sheet, due to improper labeling, may be considered non-responsive.

e. In the event of inclement weather on the date when bids are scheduled to be opened and the FCPS offices are closed, or operating under a modified schedule, bids will be opened on the next business day at the same time as previously scheduled. Bids will be accepted until the scheduled time of opening on the next business day. (Often when schools are closed due to inclement weather, administrative offices remain open. When in doubt, call the Purchasing Department.)

4. OPENING OF BIDS

a. Sealed bids will be opened at the location, date, and time indicated on the solicitation cover sheet.

b. All bids received must include original signatures; no photo copies will be accepted. Unless specifically authorized, facsimile or emailed bids will not be considered. Modifications by facsimile, or email, of bids already submitted will be considered if received prior to the time set for opening. No bids will be accepted via telephone.

5. ADDENDA

a. All changes to the bid solicitation will be made through appropriate addenda issued from the Purchasing Department.

b. Addenda will be available on the FCPS Purchasing Department webpage. All vendors who are known by the Purchasing Department to have downloaded the bid documents will receive an email notification.

c. Addenda will be issued a minimum of five days prior to the bid opening date, unless the addenda issued extends the due date.

d. Each bidder shall ascertain, prior to submitting a bid that they have received all Addenda issued and the bidder shall acknowledge receipt on the Signature Acknowledgement Form. Failure of any bidder to acknowledge the receipt of addenda will not relieve that bidder from any obligations under this solicitation as amended by addenda. All addenda so issued will become a part of the award and contract documents.

6. PREPARATION OF BID

a. Should any bidder be in doubt as to the meaning of the specifications, or should they find any discrepancy or omission, they shall notify the Contract Manager listed on the solicitation cover sheet. If required, bidders will be notified of clarifications and/or additional information by means of addenda.

b. Bidder must submit one original proposal, with original signatures, unless otherwise specified. Bids must be prepared on the proposal form(s) provided.
c. Each bid will be sealed, show the full business address and contact information of the bidder and be signed by the person(s) legally authorized to sign contracts. All correspondence concerning the bid and contract, including notice of award, copy of contract, and purchase order, will be emailed, or mailed, to the address shown on the bid in the absence of written instructions from the bidder to the contrary.

d. The following items must be included in submission:

   i. Proposal pages completely and accurately filled out.
   ii. Signature Acknowledgement Form completed and signed.
   iii. Statutory Affidavit and Non-Collusion Certification form completed and signed.
   iv. Certificate of Compliance form completed and signed.

e. Bidders shall be required under Article 56, Section 270(4), Annotated Code of Maryland, to provide proof of Certificate of Registry and must be licensed to do business in the State of Maryland and must provide a tax certification number. Visit the following website to ensure compliance: www.Egov.maryland.gov/BusinessExpress.

f. Bids by partnerships must be signed with the partnership name, followed by the signature and designation of the person having authority to sign. When requested, satisfactory evidence of authority of the person signing will be furnished. Anyone signing the bid as an agent shall file satisfactory evidence of their authority to do so, if requested.

g. Bids by corporations must be signed with the name of the corporation, followed by the signature and designation of the person having authority to sign. When requested, satisfactory evidence of authority of the person signing will be furnished. Anyone signing the bid as an agent shall file satisfactory evidence of their authority to do so, if requested.

h. Failure to sign the bid document will result in rejection of the bid as non-responsive.

i. FCPS will not be responsible for any costs incurred by a bidder in preparing and submitting a proposal in response to this solicitation.

7. **STANDARD OF QUALITY, "OR EQUAL CLAUSES," AND SUBSTITUTIONS**

   a. Any make/model specified in the solicitation is used only to establish a quality level, unless specifically noted in Section II. Any material or article that will perform adequately the duties imposed by the general design will be considered equal and satisfactory. FCPS retains the right to determine if items are equivalent and will be accepted.

   b. It will be the responsibility of the bidder to submit a clear and concise proposal wherein each substitution and deviation is identified and described, in writing, at the time of solicitation submission.

   c. In the absence of any statement to the contrary by the bidder, the submission will be interpreted as being the exact brand and/or qualities, etc., enumerated in the detailed specifications, whenever the specifications indicate a product of a particular manufacturer, model or brand.

   d. Bidders must submit detailed literature if bidding an item other than the specified item. Detailed literature is defined as product features or specifications relating to construction and/or performance.

   e. The detailed literature is to be arranged and labeled according to item number.
f. It is the bidders’ responsibility to submit required literature, or links to webpages, with the bid submission. Failure to submit such data as required and/or at the time designated by the Purchasing Department shall be cause for rejection of that item.

g. No substitutions or deviations will be permitted following the award of the contract unless "cause and effect" is presented in writing and approved by the Contract Manager. A statement of any credit or extra cost involved will be included with the request.

h. FCPS shall not be responsible to provide personnel, testing facilities, or other resources necessary to search out substitutions and deviations in bid proposals which are unclear through the nebulous terms such as "comparable", or blanket statements of deviation such as "our standard design, construction, hardware, finishes, etc."

i. The bidder will, upon request and with no cost to the FCPS, furnish documents, independent laboratory tests reports, and/or similar materials of proof to substantiate that the substitutions and deviations of the items they propose to furnish do not prevent these items from being truly and factually equal to, or exceeding, that which is specified.

j. The cost of testing a representative sample of an order or shipment for acceptance and compliance with specifications shall be borne by FCPS. If the order or shipment is rejected for failure to meet the requirements of the specifications or purchase description, the cost of testing will be charged to the awarded vendor.

8. SAMPLES

a. Samples may be requested for testing and evaluation purposes. Failure to submit samples as required at the time designated may be cause for rejection of that item.

b. All samples must be delivered with all charges prepaid to the designated point of delivery. Samples must be marked as “SAMPLE” and include the name of the bidder, bid name and number, and return instructions, if applicable.

c. The right is reserved to retain any sample submitted with bids for the purposes of examination and testing. FCPS reserves the right to use all samples in any manner which may best serve the final determination of the successful bidder, even if said examination and testing results in damage to or destruction of the sample.

d. FCPS retains the right to determine the method of testing to be utilized.

e. Samples that are not retained by FCPS must be removed within two weeks upon notification. Return shipping must be prepaid by the vendor. Samples not removed within this two-week period shall be retained, or disposed of, at the discretion FCPS, and without compensation to the bidder.

9. BID PRICING

a. Prices quoted shall not exceed the prices established under any governmental price control regulations.

b. All prices shall be firm for a period of 90 days from the date of bid opening unless otherwise stated in Section II. FCPS retains the right, with mutual consent of the bidder(s), to utilize the bid pricing and approved price changes for future purchases for as long as the bidder(s) mutually agrees to
extend the prices.

c. FCPS will not accept any proposal with escalator clauses, minimum order requirements or irregular features unless specifically authorized in Section II.

d. If the contract includes equipment, all prices must be FOB-Destination (inside delivery), unless specifically authorized in Section II.

e. Charges for express delivery will only be allowed if authorized by FCPS in writing.

f. The bidder(s) are encouraged to bid only one product per line item that most nearly meets the specifications. If the bidder believes that there is more than one product available, a limit of two offers will be considered for each line item.

g. If two or more particular brands, models, or makes are listed in the specifications (under Base and Alternate Bids) and the bidder has not indicated in the bid which of the two or more brands, models, etc., is being bid, it shall be understood that FCPS may require the bidder to furnish whichever is preferred by FCPS.

h. All unit prices on items bid shall be completed on the provided proposal sheet(s). A “NO BID” or “N/A” notation should be completed for each item not being bid. Blank spaces in the proposal sheet will be considered as not being bid.

i. In case of an error in the extension of prices in the bid, the unit price shall govern.

j. Unit Prices must be rounded off to no more than two decimal places unless so specified in Section II.

k. FCPS reserves the right to consider discounts in evaluating a bid with line item pricing requirements. The bidder should calculate all discounts, other than prompt payment, as part of their unit pricing.

10. TAXES

a. No charge will be allowed for federal excise, state, and/or municipal sales and use taxes, from which the Board of Education of Frederick County is exempt.

b. A contractor is not eligible, per the Maryland Comptroller’s Office, to utilize the tax exemption certificate for governmental agencies.

11. GUARANTEES AND WARRANTIES

a. The awarded vendor(s) will guarantee the material and workmanship on all services, equipment, materials, supplies, and labor, furnished by them, for a minimum period of one year from the date of acceptance, unless a longer period of time is specified in Section II.

b. If, within the guarantee period, any defects or signs of deterioration are noted, the awarded vendor(s), at their expense, shall correct the condition or they shall replace the part or entire unit of work/equipment to the complete satisfaction of FCPS. These repairs, replacements, or adjustments shall be made only at such times as will be designated by FCPS to minimize the disruption to building/school operations.

c. Should the awarded vendor(s) fail to comply with the terms of this guarantee, FCPS may have such work performed as it deems necessary to fulfill the guarantee, charging the cost to the awarded
12. **BID OPENING**

a. Bids shall be opened in public at the time and place designated in the bid solicitation.

b. Complete evaluation of the proposals will not take place at the bid opening and no indication of award will be made. A final recommendation(s) shall be prepared for review and approval by the Board of Education of Frederick County.

c. The recommended award will be posted to the FCPS BoardDocs website a minimum of three days prior to the Board of Education meeting in which it will be presented.

d. Final award recommendation, and the bid tabulation, will be posted on the FCPS webpage, [www.fcps.org/bidlist](http://www.fcps.org/bidlist), after the Board of Education of Frederick County approval.

13. **ERRORS IN BID SUBMISSIONS**

a. Bidders, or their authorized representatives, are expected to fully inform themselves as to the conditions and requirements of the specifications before submitting bids. Failure to do so will be at the bidder's own risk.

b. If the bidder has made an error, the bidder may request, in writing, to have their bid withdrawn. Approval of a bidder's request is not automatic and may be given only by the Purchasing Manager. Requests for withdrawal are usually denied, unless the bidder proves to the satisfaction of the Purchasing Manager that the mistake was either a scrivener's error or another type of clearly unintentional error so departing from customary and reasonable business practices as to be obvious and to legitimately and substantially impair the vendor's business.

c. Neither law nor regulations make allowance for errors either of omission or commission on the part of the bidders. In case of error in multiplication of unit price when arriving at total price per line item, the unit price shall govern. If there is a discrepancy between the price written in numbers and the price written in words, the words will govern.

14. **AWARDS OR REJECTION OF BIDS**

a. The basis of award shall be the lowest responsible bidder submitting a responsive bid that conforms to the specifications established in the solicitation with consideration given to the quantities involved, time required for delivery, purpose for which required, competency and responsibility of bidder, the ability of the bidder to perform satisfactory service, and the plan for utilization of minority contractors, if applicable.

b. FCPS reserves the right to determine completeness and/or timeliness of bids, to reject any or all bids in whole or in part, to make partial awards, to waive any informality in any quotation, to increase or decrease quantities if quantities are listed in the bid, to reject any bid that shows any omissions, alterations of form, additions not called for, conditions, or alternate proposals, and to make any such award as is deemed to be in its best interest.

c. Bidders may be required, before the awarding of a contract, to show to the complete satisfaction of FCPS, that they have the necessary facilities, ability and financial resources to execute the contract in a satisfactory manner, and within the time specified. Bidders may be required to demonstrate they
have the necessary experience, history and references to assure FCPS of their qualifications.

d. The Board of Education of Frederick County reserves the right to award the bid within 90 days from the date of the bid opening unless a different time period is stated in the bid document.

e. Unless stated otherwise in Section II, the contract may be awarded by line item, group, or in the aggregate, whichever is in the best interest of FCPS.

f. In the event of a tie, where all other factors, such as past performance, are considered comparable, the award shall be made to the Frederick County based bidder; the closest Maryland out-of-county based bidder; and the closest out-of-state based bidder, in that order of preference.

g. FCPS does not have local, state or federal preference requirements except when mandated by a targeted funding source.

h. If, after competitive sealed bids have been opened, the Purchasing Manager determines that only one responsible bidder has submitted a responsive bid, the procurement contract may be negotiated with that one bidder as sole source procurement.

i. A recommendation for the award of a contract will be presented to the Board of Education of Frederick County for approval. Upon approval of the award of contract, the bidder(s) shall be notified of their award(s). If applicable, an FCPS contract document shall also be issued.

j. The Board of Education of Frederick County reserves the right to reject the bid of a bidder who has, in the opinion of FCPS, failed to properly perform under previous contracts, or, who investigation shows, is not in a position to perform the contract.

k. The Board of Education of Frederick County retains the right to reject any and all bids, if it is deemed in the best interest of FCPS to do so.

l. If, during the life of the contract, a product or service does not meet the solicitation terms and conditions, FCPS retains the right to cancel the awarded item(s) and award to a new bidder, as long as that bidder mutually agrees to the award.

15. CONTRACT FORMATION

a. Notification of the contract award will be made by letter after approval by the Board of Education of Frederick County.

b. The primary form of contract is the purchase order(s), and any agreed upon schedules, addenda, shop drawings, and documents associated with the bid solicitation/submission/award.

c. A secondary form of contract, if required, may be noted in Section II of this bid solicitation.

d. No amendment, modification or change to the contract shall be effective unless such change is in writing and mutually agreed upon by authorized representatives of FCPS and the awarded vendor(s). Changes may not significantly alter the original scope of the agreement.

16. PROTESTS

a. The Purchasing Manager or designee (when the Purchasing Manager administers the bid being protested) shall attempt to resolve, informally, all protests of bid award recommendations. Bidders
are encouraged to present their concerns promptly to the Contract Manager for consideration.

i. The bidder must submit their concern, in writing, addressed to the Purchasing Manager. It should include the following:

   • Name, address, contact information of the protestor;
   • Statement of reasons for the protest;
   • Supporting documentation to substantiate the claim;
   • The remedy sought.

ii. The protest must be received by the Purchasing Manager at least two calendar days prior to the date of the Board of Education meeting at which the recommendation will be presented. It is the vendor’s responsibility to ascertain the date and time of award.

iii. A bidder who does not file a timely protest before the contract is awarded by the Board of Education of Frederick County is deemed to have waived any objection.

b. The Purchasing Manager shall inform the Chief Financial Officer and/or general counsel upon receipt of the protest, and shall confer with them prior to the issuance of a decision regarding disputes of contracts or awards valued at $25,000 or above.

c. The Purchasing Manager shall issue a decision in writing.

d. Should the protestor disapprove of the Purchasing Manager’s decision, they have the right to address the Board of Education of Frederick County during the public comment section of the same Board meeting where the award recommendation is scheduled for award.

e. The Board of Education of Frederick County’s decision is deemed the final action at the local level.

f. A bidder may appeal a decision of the Board directly to the Maryland State Board of Education in accordance with Board Policy 105.11 and Maryland law.

17. **CONTRACT ASSIGNMENT**

a. The awarded vendor(s) will not assign or transfer any portion of their interest or obligation under this Agreement to any third party, without the prior written consent of the Contract Manager. Nothing herein shall be construed to create any personal or individual liability upon any employee, officer, elected official of the Board of Education of Frederick County, nor shall this Agreement be construed to create any rights hereunder in any person or entity other than the parties to this Agreement.

b. The awarded vendor(s) will, when required, submit to the Contract Manager, in writing, the name of each subcontractor they intend to employ, the portion of the material to be furnished, their place of business, and any such information as may be required in order to know whether such subcontractor is reputable and reliable and able to furnish satisfactorily the material as called for in the specifications.

c. FCPS reserves the right to approve or disapprove all subcontractors to be employed on a project. FCPS further reserves the right to approve or disapprove a change of subcontractor once an initial subcontractor has been approved. Any increased cost associated with the change of a subcontractor shall be the full obligation and responsibility of the awarded vendor(s).

d. The awarded vendor(s) will not legally, or equitably, assign any of the funds payable under the
contract, or its claim thereto, unless by, and with, the consent of the Contract Manager.

e. The awarded vendor(s) will have the same provisions inserted in all subcontracts relative to the terms of the general conditions and other contract documents. Nothing contained in this contract shall create any contractual relations between any subcontractor and FCPS.

18. **MULTI-YEAR CONTRACT**

a. Contracts that require funding appropriation for more than one fiscal year automatically terminate if money sufficient for the continued performance is not appropriated for any fiscal year. The date of termination is the last day of the fiscal year for which money was last appropriated, or the date provided in the termination clause of the procurement contract, whichever is earlier.

b. If the multi-year contract is terminated due to lack of funding, FCPS shall reimburse the vendor for the reasonable value of any nonrecurring costs that were incurred as a result of the multi-year contract, but not amortized in the price of the supplies or services delivered under the multi-year contract. The reasonable value will be negotiated, and mutually agreed upon, by FCPS and the vendor.

c. The cost of termination may be paid from any appropriation available for that purpose.

19. **HOLD HARMLESS**

It is understood that the awarded vendor(s) shall defend and hold harmless the Board of Education of Frederick County, and its representatives, from all suits, actions, or claims of any kind brought about as a result of any injuries or damages sustained by person(s) or property during the performance of this contract.

20. **CONTRACT DISPUTES**

a. Any dispute arising under this contract shall be decided by the Contract Administrator, the Contract Manager and the Purchasing Manager, who will communicate their decision to writing and furnish a copy to the vendor. This decision shall be final and conclusive unless, within 30 days, the vendor furnishes a written appeal addressed to the Board of Education of Frederick County. The local Board of Education has the right to hear appeals as provided by Maryland law.

b. The Board of Education of Frederick County, or its duly authorized representative, will review the appeal for the determination of such appeal and their finding shall be final and conclusive. In connection with any appeal preceding under this clause, the vendor will be afforded an opportunity to be heard and to offer evidence in support of his appeal. Pending final decision of a dispute, the vendor shall proceed diligently with the performance of the contract and in strict accordance with the FCPS staff’s decision. Exceptions are decisions determined by a court of competent jurisdiction to have been fraudulent, capricious, arbitrary, or so grossly erroneous as to imply bad faith, or not supported by evidence.

c. This clause does not preclude consideration of laws questioned in connection with the decision provided for above.

21. **TERMINATION FOR DEFAULT**

a. When an awarded vendor has not performed or has unsatisfactorily performed the contract, payment
shall be withheld at the discretion of FCPS. FCPS may, by written notice of default to the vendor, terminate the whole or any part of the contract in any of the following circumstances:

i. If the vendor fails to perform the services or provide the products within the time and manner specific herein or any extension thereof, or:

ii. If the vendor fails to perform any of the provisions of this contract, or fails to make progress as to endanger performance of this contract, in accordance with its terms and in either of these two circumstances does not cure such failure within a period of ten calendar days (or longer as authorized by the Purchasing Manager) after receipt of written notice from the Purchasing Manager of such failure, or:

iii. If the vendor willfully attempts to perform the services other than specified as to coverage, limits, protections, and quality or otherwise, without specified authorization in the form of contract amendment, or:

iv. If a determination is made by FCPS that the obtaining of the contract was influenced by an employee FCPS having received a gratuity, or a promise therefore, in any way or form.

b. In the event FCPS terminates the contract in whole or in part, FCPS may procure such products and services, in a manner the Purchasing Manager deems appropriate, and the vendor shall be liable to FCPS for any additional cost(s) incurred.

c. If, after notice of termination of this contract under provisions of this clause, it is determined for any reason that the vendor was not in default under the provisions of this clause, or that the default was excusable under the provisions of this clause, the rights and obligations of the parties shall be the same as if the notice of termination had been issued pursuant to a termination for convenience.

22. TERMINATION FOR CONVENIENCE

The contract may be terminated by FCPS in accordance with this clause in whole, or in part, whenever FCPS determines that such a termination is in the best interest of FCPS. Written notice shall be given a minimum of 30 days in advance. FCPS will pay for all services, in accordance with contract pricing, up to the date of the termination. However, the awarded vendor(s) shall not be reimbursed for any anticipatory profits that have not been earned up to the date of termination. Under this contract, the awarded vendor does not have a right to unilateral termination for convenience.

23. GOVERNING LAW AND VENUE

The solicitation shall be construed in accordance with, and interpreted under, the laws of the State of Maryland. Any lawsuits shall be filed in the appropriate State Court located in Frederick County, Maryland.

24. MULTI-AGENCY PARTICIPATION

a. FCPS reserves the right to extend the terms and conditions of this solicitation to any and all other agencies within the state of Maryland, as well as, any other federal, state, municipal, county, or local governmental agency under the jurisdiction of the United States and its territories. This is conditioned upon mutual agreement of all parties pursuant to special requirements, which may be appended thereto. The awarded vendor(s) agrees to notify the issuing body of those entities that wish to use any contract resulting from this bid and will also provide usage information, which may be
b. By agreeing to extend the contract to other agencies, the vendor(s) reaffirms and warrants his original commitment to FCPS so that afterwards all items and services shall continue to conform to the requirements and conditions of the original agreement for its duration. Agencies who utilize the contract agree to notify FCPS Purchasing Department of any significant experiences, problems or issues which may, or may have the potential to, affect our administration of this contract.

c. FCPS assumes no obligation on behalf of any other agency and shall be held harmless if either party is damaged due to the agency or vendor’s failure to become informed of, or comply with, any provision or pricing under this agreement. All purchase orders and billing will be transacted between the vendor and the public agency.

d. Each participating jurisdiction or agency shall enter into its own contract with the awarded vendor(s) and this contract shall be binding only upon the principals signing such an agreement. Invoices shall be submitted in duplicate “directly” to the ordering jurisdiction for each unit purchased. Disputes over the execution of any contract shall be the responsibility of the participating jurisdiction or agency that entered into that contract. Disputes must be resolved solely between the participating agency and the awarded vendor(s). The Lead Agency does not assume any responsibility other than to obtain pricing for the specifications provided.

25. **PACKAGING AND DELIVERY REQUIREMENTS**

a. All materials must be securely packed in accordance with accepted trade practices.

b. A packing list will be included in each shipment. This list shall contain the following information: Purchase Order Number, Vendor Name, Item Description, Item Number, Quantity and Delivery Location. Failure to comply with this condition may be considered sufficient reason to refuse to accept the goods.

c. All materials, supplies and equipment for FCPS shall be delivered F.O.B Destination. Unless otherwise noted in Section II, all items shall be delivered inside the office, school, or warehouse.

d. Special delivery and handling instructions will be defined in Section II of each bid.

e. All school deliveries shall be made during the hours of 9:00 A.M. and 2:00 P.M. local time and only on regular school days, see School Calendar Closings enclosed, except where modified in Section II.

f. All warehouse deliveries shall be made during the hours of 9:00 A.M. to 2:30 P.M. on all regular scheduled school days, see School Calendar Closings enclosed, except where modified in Section II.

g. Bulk materials, delivered to the Warehouse, are to be delivered on skids, or pallets, to the Warehouse receiving platform.

h. No help for unloading will be provided. Suppliers shall notify their delivery personnel accordingly.

i. The awarded vendor(s) shall be held responsible for and shall be required to make good at their expense, any and all damage done or caused by their employees in the execution of the contract as determined by FCPS.

j. The vendor will be required to furnish proof of signed delivery in every instance. Delivery receipts indicating only the number and weight of cartons received will not constitute "proof" of delivery in
the event of a dispute. FCPS will not accept responsibility for deliveries that have not been signed for by an FCPS employee.

26. BILLING AND PAYMENT

a. Invoices shall be submitted to: accounts.payable@FCPS.org or in duplicate to:

   FREDERICK COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS
   Accounts Payable Department
   191 South East Street
   Frederick, MD 21701

b. Invoices and packing slips must contain the following information:
   i. Bid Number
   ii. Purchase Order Number
   iii. Item Number (if applicable)
   iv. Quantity (if applicable)
   v. Brief Description of Item or Work Performed
   vi. Unit Price Bid/Partial Payment Amount
   vii. Extended Total for Each Item
   viii. Grand Total
   ix. Public School Construction Number (PSC) (if applicable)

c. Payments will be made by FCPS check, single use credit account or credit card. Credit card statements with level three data are preferred. Bidders are prohibited from charging additional costs or fees from their bid price to process such orders.

27. COMPLIANCE WITH SPECIFICATIONS

a. The awarded vendor(s) will abide by, and comply with, the true intent of the specifications and not take advantage of any unintentional error or omission, but will fully complete every part as to the true intent and meaning of the specifications and drawings.

b. Whenever mention is made of any article, material, or workmanship to be in accordance with laws, ordinances, building codes, underwriter's code, A.S.M.E. regulations, or similar expressions, the requirements of these laws, ordinances, etc., shall be construed as to the minimum requirements of these specifications.

c. Where the requirements of the specifications call for a higher grade and are not in conflict with the laws, ordinances, etc., the specifications shall govern.

d. In the case of any apparent conflict between the specifications and such laws, ordinances, etc., the awarded vendor(s) will contact the Contract Administrator and the Contract Manager for a decision before proceeding with any work.

28. LIQUIDATED DAMAGES

a. A date for delivery and/or installation/assembly shall be stated in the specifications. Requests for extension of completion time due to strikes, lack of materials, or any other causes over which the awarded vendor(s) has no control must be submitted, in writing, with supporting documentation, to the Contract Manager. Requests must occur immediately upon occurrence of conditions for a time
extension to be granted. Extensions are not guaranteed.

b. If the awarded vendor(s) fails to provide the services, equipment, or other items required within the prescribed time limits, the Contract Manager may elect to obtain services, equipment, or other items necessary from an alternate source.

c. The awarded vendor(s) will pay any additional cost(s) incurred by FCPS for obtaining replacement services, equipment, and other necessary items.

d. FCPS shall have the unilateral right of alternate source selection to perform the work when the awarded vendor(s) does not perform the required work.

e. In addition to, or in lieu of, paying for any incurred replacement costs(s), the awarded vendor(s) may pay liquidated damages, in the amount of $150 per day, for any delay or failure in performance, as well as any related damages sustained by FCPS.

f. The assessment of liquidated damages by FCPS against the awarded vendor(s) does not supersede or affect the right of FCPS to impose other remedies that may be available.

29. SAFETY REQUIREMENTS

a. When applicable, all machinery/equipment must meet OSHA-MOSHA requirements as to the safety of the operation of the equipment. All required safety devices shall be included in the price(s) bid.

b. When applicable, kitchen equipment and supplies must meet Maryland State Health Department, National Sanitation Foundation (NSF) and Frederick County Health Department requirements.

c. All construction activities must be conducted in strict compliance with OSHA/MOSHA requirements.

d. Equipment offered which fails to comply with any applicable section of the National Electrical Code, or is not U.L. Listed (where U.L. Listings have been established for that type of device) shall be rejected.

e. The awarded vendor(s) shall submit Safety Data Sheets (SDS) for all items awarded to that vendor provided under the terms of this proposal, if applicable.

f. The awarded vendor(s) and subcontractor(s) are required to comply with all provisions of the Access to Information about Hazardous and Toxic Substances Act, a part of the Maryland Occupational Safety and Health Law.

g. The awarded vendor(s) is responsible to report to FCPS any asbestos material or suspected material found or uncovered that is not part of the scope of the project. In addition, they may not introduce new asbestos or asbestos bearing materials into the site.

h. It is the responsibility of the awarded vendor(s) to comply with all Municipal, State, and Federal EPA regulations and laws when handling or disposing of asbestos materials.

i. If the awarded vendor(s) intentionally endangers or jeopardizes the health of any building/school occupant(s) through mishandling of hazardous material, the vendor(s) will be held liable for such action.
30. **LAWS AND REGULATIONS**

a. The vendor will comply with all Federal, State, and local laws, ordinances and regulations pertaining to work under their charge. If the vendor performs any work which it knows or should know to be contrary to such laws, ordinance, and regulations and without such notices to FCPS they shall bear all costs arising therefrom.

b. All vendors and subcontractors must abide by the Board of Education of Frederick County policies and FCPS regulations while working on school property.

c. The vendor certifies that their firm adheres to or follows non-discriminatory practices with respect to the employment and promotion of personnel without regard to color, creed, race, sex, or national origin.

31. **PATENTS**

The vendor will defend all suits or claims for infringement of any patent rights and will save the Board of Education of Frederick County harmless from loss.

32. **TECHNOLOGY-BASED INSTRUCTIONAL PRODUCTS**

All FCPS technology based instructional products (instructional software, online resources, and computer based equipment) must be consistent with the federal Rehabilitation Act, Maryland Subpart B Technical Standards, Section 508, for accessibility by students with disabilities unless doing so would fundamentally alter the nature of the instructional activity or result in undue financial and administrative burdens. Requests for bids, proposals, procurement contracts, and grants will follow established procedures for evaluating compliance to accessibility standards in all purchase decisions.

33. **EMPLOYMENT OF CHILD SEX OFFENDERS AND PERSONS WITH UNCONTROLLED ACCESS TO STUDENTS**

a. Be advised that individuals who are registered sex offenders are not eligible to work on any FCPS’ project. The awarded vendor(s) must initially check the Maryland Department of Public Safety & Correctional Services’ Maryland Sex Offender Registry and search for the name of any employee to be assigned to work on this project. This applies to subcontractors and material/equipment suppliers as well. For projects lasting more than a few months, the vendor will periodically re-check the names of workers against the registry to ensure ongoing compliance. In the event that a registered sex offender is discovered to be working on a FCPS project, whether through employment by the vendor, subcontractor or equipment or material supplier, FCPS will notify the site superintendent to immediately remove the individual from the premises and permanently terminate his work assignment. FCPS may terminate this contract at no additional costs, as a result if the vendor is unable to demonstrate they have exercised care and diligence in the past in checking the Maryland registry.

b. Contracted service providers who have regular, direct and unsupervised access to children cannot begin service without undergoing the same process as new employees per FCPS Regulation 300-33. If required, an awarded vendor(s) is responsible for payment of the full cost of the criminal background check. Additional information regarding this requirement will be found in Section II.

c. The awarded vendor(s), or subcontractor(s), may not knowingly assign an employee to work on FCPS school premises with direct, unsupervised, and uncontrolled access to children, if the employee
has been convicted of a crime identified as a crime of violence.

d. The awarded vendor(s) will not assign employees who has been convicted of an offense under § 3-307 or § 3-308 of the Criminal Law Article or an offense under the laws of another state that would constitute a violation of § 3-307 or § 3-308 of the Criminal Law Article if committed in the state.

e. An awarded vendor will not assign employee who has been convicted of a crime of violence as defined in § 14-101 of the Criminal Law Article, or an offense under the laws of another state that would be a violation of § 14-101 of the Criminal Law Article if committed in this state.

f. With the passing of Maryland Law MD. Code, Educ. 6-113.2, employers of all contracted staff must obtain background information relating to child sexual abuse or sexual misconduct. This means that all contracted staff having direct contact with students must meet all of the FCPS and Maryland State Department of Education (MSDE) requirements before doing business with FCPS. See: Maryland State Department of Education Website; House Bill 486 Child Sexual Abuse and Sexual Misconduct Prevention; MSDE Guidelines For MD. Code, Educ. 6113.2; and Employment History Review Form for Child Abuse and Sexual Misconduct for additional information.

In addition, there has been no change to the current FCPS requirement, that all contracted staff who have contact with students are required to be fingerprinted in order to obtain a criminal background check. Fingerprints and background check are still an enforced FCPS requirement.

34. DRUG, ALCOHOL, AND TOBACCO-FREE WORKPLACE

a. All awarded vendors and subcontractors must abide by Board Policy 112 while working on any FCPS property at all times.

b. The Board of Education of Frederick County endorses the provisions of Public Law 100-690, Title V, Subtitle D (Drug-Free Workplace Act of 1988) and Public Law 101-226 (The Drug-Free Schools and Communities Act of 1989) and regulations promulgated there under and establishes a drug-free and alcohol-free workplace and school system.

c. Maryland State Law (COMAR 13A.02.04) provides that each local school system is required to maintain a tobacco-free school environment.

35. WEAPON POSSESSION ON SCHOOL PROPERTY

a. The criminal code of Maryland makes it illegal to possess a weapon on school property.

b. No person shall carry or possess any rifle, gun, knife, or deadly weapon of any kind on FCPS property.

c. Any awarded vendor(s) whose employees violate this clause may be subject to the termination of the contact for cause.

36. FOREIGN LANGUAGE TRANSLATOR REQUIREMENT

a. An awarded vendor(s) that assigns employees to an FCPS project that do not speak English must have an on-site, full time interpreter.

b. Failure of an awarded vendor(s) to have an on-site, full time interpreter that is fluent in speaking and
understanding an employee’s native language for those employees that do not speak English is reason for immediate termination of the contract for cause.

37. **ILLEGAL IMMIGRANT LABOR**

The use of illegal immigrant labor to fulfill contracts solicited by FCPS is in violation of the law and is strictly prohibited. Awarded vendor(s) and subcontractors must verify employment eligibility of workers in order to assure that they are not violating federal/state/local laws regarding illegal immigration. A compliance audit may be conducted.

38. **STUDENT/STAFF CONFIDENTIALITY**

Under no circumstances may any vendor/contractor/provider/consultant release, disclose, sell or otherwise use names, addresses, or any other information related to students, or staff, of FCPS and may only use this information for purposes required under any contract/agreement or memorandum of understanding.

39. **PUBLIC INFORMATION ACT NOTICE**

a. Bidders should identify those portions of their solicitation, which they deem to be confidential, or to contain proprietary commercial information or trade secrets. Bidders should provide justification why such material, upon request, should not be disclosed by FCPS under the Public Information Act, Title 4, General Provisions Article, Annotated Code of Maryland.

b. Unless portions of a solicitation are identified as confidential, all records are considered public. A person or governmental unit that wishes to inspect a public record, or receive copies of a public record, shall submit a written or electronic request and direct it to the Office of Legal Services per FCPS Regulation 200-42.

40. **FORCE MAJEURE**

Force Majeure is defined as an occurrence beyond the control of the affected party and not avoidable by reason of diligence. It includes the acts of nature, war, riots, strikes, fire, floods, epidemics, terrorism, or other similar occurrences. If either party is delayed by Force Majeure, said party shall provide written notification to the other within 48 hours. Delays shall cease as soon as practicable and written notification of same provided. The time of contract completion may be extended by contract modification, for a period of time equal to that delay caused under this condition. FCPS may also consider requests for price increase for raw materials that are directly attributable to the cause of delay. FCPS reserves the right to cancel the contract and/or purchase materials, equipment or services from the best available source during the time of Force Majeure, and the vendor shall have no recourse against FCPS. Further, except for payment of sums due, neither party shall be liable to the other or deemed in default under this contract, if and to the extent that such party’s performance of this contract is prevented by reason of Force Majeure as defined herein.

41. **ETHICS POLICY**

a. The Board of Education of Frederick County has an Ethics Policy, which covers conflict of interest, financial disclosure and lobbying. All bidders are expected to comply with any and all Ethics Policies that may apply to them individually or as a business entity.

b. All bidders should carefully review Board Policy 109, Ethics, which prohibits FCPS employees from
benefiting from business with the school system.

42. **NON-COLLUSION**

   a. Bidder represents and certifies that prices for these services have been arrived at independently without consultation, communication, or agreement for the purpose of restricting competition or any matter related to such prices with any competitor or other bidder. Prices quoted in this bid have not been knowingly disclosed directly or indirectly to any competitor or other vendor prior to the opening of this bid.

   b. Bidder represents and certifies that it has not employed or retained any other company or person (other than a full-time bona fide employee working exclusively for the bidder) with the primary intent to solicit or secure the contract.

43. **CONFLICT OF INTEREST**

   The bidder will advise FCPS in writing as soon as possible, but not later than the date of award of the contract, of any known relationships with a third party, or FCPS employee or representative, which would present a significant advantage to one bidder over another bidder or present a conflict of interest with the rendering of products and services under this agreement.

44. **eMARYLAND MARKETPLACE ADVANTAGE REGISTRATION**

   Contractors are required to register with eMaryland Marketplace Advantage [www.procurement.maryland.gov](http://www.procurement.maryland.gov) within five days following notice of award. Maryland law requires local and state agencies to post award notices on eMaryland Marketplace Advantage. This cannot be done without the contractor’s self-registration in the system. Registration is free. Failure to comply with this requirement may be considered grounds for default. It is recommended that any interested bidder register with eMaryland Marketplace Advantage regardless of the award outcome for this procurement as it is a valuable resource for bid notification for municipalities through Maryland.
1. **SCOPE**

The purpose of this solicitation is to qualify and select a minimum of two licensed environmental and industrial hygiene firms to perform design and construction administration services for abatement/remediation projects, testing and monitoring services for air quality, lead, water and radon presence, and site environmental assessments.

2. **CONTRACT PERIOD**

The initial term of the contract is effective for two years, from date of award through October 31, 2021. FCPS retains the right and option to renew this contract for one two-year period from November 1, 2021 through October 31, 2023, at the discretion of the Board of Education. Renewal of this contract will be invoked at the discretion of the Board of Education. Upon submission of bid, the contractor consents to the possibility of contract renewal as a condition of award.

3. **PRICING**

   a. All prices shall remain firm through the initial contract period.

   b. FCPS expects all vendors to provide year over year cost reductions recommendations.

   c. Price decreases are acceptable at any time, need not be verifiable, and are required should the contractor/producer/processor/manufacturer experience a decrease in costs associated with the execution of the contract.

   d. Price adjustments from the contractor/producer/processor/manufacturer for any/all items may be considered at renewal. The request is subject to approval by the Contracting Officer. The request must be submitted in writing at least 60 days prior to the renewal term and shall be accompanied by supporting documentation.

   e. Should the awarded vendor, at any time during the life of the contract, sell materials of similar quality to another customer, or advertise special discounts or sales, at a price below those quoted within the contract, the lowest discounted prices shall be offered to FCPS.

4. **TERMS OF WORK**

   a. No guarantee of any work is expressed or implied. Orders will be placed only as needs arise throughout the contract period. The amount of business granted to each firm will be determined solely by FCPS and will be based on such factors as firm’s expertise, staffing, current work load, specific project requirements, responsiveness etc. Under normal circumstances, multiple consultants will not perform work on the same project.

   b. The majority of the work to be accomplished under this contract will be required to be done when students and staff are not present in the buildings. A school calendar showing days when schools are closed is included in the solicitation package.

   c. Work will be performed on an “indefinite quantity” basis due to the uncertainty of actual requirements. Services potentially could be required at any FCPS facility or at multiple facilities at a given time. Work may be required on an emergency or non-emergency basis. In every instance
others will perform asbestos abatement and associated remediation work under a separate contract.

d. An awarded vendor that does not respond to an “Order for Services” on more than two occasions may be subject to contract termination or non-renewal. FCPS reserves the right to replace a terminated/non-renewed vendor with another vendor from the original proposal ranking and cost evaluation, by mutual agreement.

e. It is assumed that there are no governmental entities that require consultants to obtain permits for investigative work for the normal services required under this contract.

f. Consultants overseeing work are responsible for ensuring that contractors under their direct supervision comply with OSHA regulations. They will have “stop work authority”, if necessary, and should consult with the FCPS project manager should such circumstances arise.

5. PERFORMANCE BOND

FCPS may require a performance bond covering 100% of the contract amount for a specific project. If required, FCPS would reimburse the consultant up to (2%) of the contract amount to offset the cost of obtaining the bond. An irrevocable letter of credit, also subject to reimbursement, may be submitted in lieu of a performance bond. Failure to provide bond within ten days of receipt of a written request to do so may result in cancellation of the contract. In such instances, the Board may re-award the contract to the next lowest and responsible bidder.

6. PAYMENT

The contract administrator or designee project manager will authorize payment after inspection and approval of the work. Depending upon the total project cost, these payment terms may be modified in writing on the purchase order to allow for partial payments.

1.) The contract administrator or project manager will note any problems or unfinished tasks on the “Receiving Report”.

2.) The contract administrator or project manager will review the original estimates of samples and/or labor, as they appear on the purchase order, prior to authorizing final payment.

3.) The consultant shall submit the authorized Receiving Report and a copy of his invoice, which should match the purchase order total, for final approval to: Laura Olsen, Environmental Health and Safety Manager, 7446 Hayward Road, Frederick, Maryland, 21702; or to the appropriate project manager.

7. BIDS FOR ALL OR PART

A bidder may restrict their proposal to be considered in the aggregate by so stating, but must submit a unit price on each item bid. Failure to provide unit prices may result in the proposal being considered non-responsive.

8. OPEN ENROLLMENT

a. Annually, during the open enrollment period of September 1 through September 30, the purchasing department will accept technical and cost proposals from additional contractors to become qualified under this solicitation. Any requests received outside of the month of September will not be considered and must be resubmitted during the next open enrollment period.

b. Interested vendors are expected to submit a technical and cost proposal in accordance with the same requirements stated in these specifications.
c. Contractors will be notified in writing of their qualification status no later than forty-five days from receipt of their proposal and will be considered approved as of that notification date.

9. PREPARATION OF PROPOSAL

a. Due to possible changes and/or additions to the solicitation package, FCPS requests that bidders delay submission of their proposal package until after the date of the pre-bid meeting or the date that questions are due to allow time for the possible issuance of an addendum. All changes will be processed through appropriate addenda.

b. The Technical and Cost proposals will be submitted in separate envelopes.

c. Technical Proposal:
   i. Submit one original of the Technical Proposal, along with an electronic copy in Excel (spreadsheets) and Word/PDF format (other documents) (on CD or USB Flash Drive), in a sealed envelope, properly labeled on the outside with the bidder’s name, proposal # and “TECHNICAL PROPOSAL”.
   
   ii. All parts of the Technical Proposal are to be completed. Points will be deducted for incomplete or missing responses, or responses that do not follow the format of the questionnaires. Extraneous marketing materials or irrelevant information is not to be submitted.

   iii. The Technical Proposal will include the following forms completed:

      - Contractor’s Qualification Statement, AIA Document A305
        o Do not submit the “Additions and Deletions Report …” or the “Certification of Document’s Authenticity” pages unless you are completing this form via an electronic version.
        o Please notarize the AIA document where requested.
      - Responses to FCPS Supplemental Questionnaire to AIA Form 305
      - DO NOT SUBMIT A STANDARD FORM 254 IN LIEU OF OR IN ADDITION TO THE AIA A305 AND FCPS SUPPLEMENTAL QUESTIONAIRE.
      - Supporting documents should be contained as separate appendices with tabs referenced accordingly, such as ‘Resumes’, ‘Licenses’, ‘Certifications’, ‘Reports’
      - Signature Page
      - Statutory Affidavit and Non-Collusion Certification
      - Certification of Compliance

   d. Cost Proposal:
      i. Submit one original Cost Proposal, along with an electronic copy in Excel/Word/PDF format (on CD or USB Flash Drive), properly labeled on the outside with the bidder’s name, bid # and “COST PROPOSAL”.

      ii. The Cost Proposal will include the following form(s) completed:

         - Cost Proposal

   iii. No separate costs for travel, mileage, overhead or miscellaneous are acceptable. All costs are to be included in the hourly rates on the Cost Proposal.

10. EVALUATION CRITERIA AND AWARD
a. A committee of FCPS staff will independently review and evaluate each technical proposal.

b. The process for determining which vendor(s) to approve may take the form of either a questionnaire, interview, and/or site visit, and includes appraisals of various aspects of the supplier's business including capacity, financials, quality assurance, organizational structure and processes and performance.

c. 70 points will be assigned for the technical proposal and will be assigned as follows:
   • Proposal, i.e. submission of documents and completion of responses - 5
   • Organization – 10
   • Licensing and Certifications – 10
   • Experience – 25
   • References – 10
   • Financials – 5
   • Reports – 5

d. Based on the information obtained via the evaluation, a supplier is scored and is either approved or not approved as one from whom to procure materials or services. There may be an approved supplier list to which a qualified supplier is then added.

e. Points will be deducted for incomplete or missing responses, or responses that do not follow the required format. Extraneous marketing materials or irrelevant information is not to be submitted.

f. If not approved, the supplier will not be considered further in price evaluations.

g. If approved, cost proposals will be evaluated on a weighted basis. 30 total points will be awarded with the maximum points given for the lowest overall calculated costs.

h. Final ranking will be made on the basis of the criteria and rubric listed above.

i. An interview may be required to obtain more information prior to recommendation for award.

11. MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS AND DOCUMENTATION
Bidders shall meet the following minimum qualifications:

1. ORGANIZATION
   a. Firm shall have at least five years’ experience performing environmental and Industrial hygiene services. Preference is given for length of time in this business.
   b. Analytical services may be sub-contracted with third party laboratories as long as they are NVLAP certified and declared in the bidder’s response.
   c. All sub-contracted employees associated with this contract must be declared in the submission. Preference is given to permanent full-time staff.
   d. Must be located so as to be able to respond to emergencies in less than four hours. Preference is given for quicker response times.
   e. Must be accessible on evenings, weekends and holidays.
   f. May not be affiliated with abatement firms.
   g. Certified Industrial Hygienist must be a permanent employee of the bidder and may not be subcontracted.

2. LICENSING AND CERTIFICATIONS
   a. Laboratory to be used must have National Voluntary Laboratory Accreditation Program (NVLAP) Certification.
   b. Individuals must have EPA / AHERA Certifications.
c. State of Maryland Certification and/or Licenses for Lead Based Paint Inspection.
d. License to do business in the State of Maryland, and any individual’s licenses, as issued by
Maryland Department of the Environment (MDE).
e. State of Maryland Radiation License for XRF Technology. If you use an XRF that does not
contain a radioactive source, and is not subject to the licensure, include literature or information
that explains how it is calibrated and whether this equipment is an approved method for lead
testing in the State of Maryland.
f. Certification of field staff in NIOSH 582 analysis.

3. EXPERIENCE
a. Bidders should be able to provide a full array of testing, monitoring and design services,
including but not limited to: asbestos; lead; radon; water; soil; IAQ; AHERA surveys; and site
assessments.
b. Bidders must have successfully completed at least one Indefinite Quantities Contract (IDQ).
c. The firm shall have a senior member of management or principal that is a Certified Industrial
Hygienist. (CIH) in good standing for the comprehensive practice of industrial hygiene by the
American Board of Industrial Hygiene. C.A.IH. certification is not an acceptable substitute
where references are made to C.I.H. It is understood that a C.I.H. may not be needed on site
and/or involved in every project.
d. The project manager shall have a minimum of five years environmental and industrial hygiene
experience and a four-year college degree.
e. All industrial hygienists working on FCPS projects must have a minimum two years relevant
work experience.

4. REFERENCES
a. At least three references should be in Maryland.
b. At least one reference should be for an Indefinite Quantities Contract (IDQ).
c. At least one reference should be schools or non-profit agencies.

5. FINANCE AND INSURANCE
a. Minimum professional liability Insurance of $1 Million.
b. Minimum debt to equity ratio of 1:1

6. APPENDIX
a. Include a brief summary of the standard operation procedure, QA/QC procedures and/or
organizational chart to show how the bidder intends to support FCPS if selected for award.

12. BUILDINGS CONTAINING ASBESTOS

Approximately 32 buildings, constructed prior to 1988, are likely to contain asbestos materials.

13. VENDOR PERFORMANCE EVALUATION
a. The Contract Manager and Administrator shall confer periodically to discuss the status of the
contract. Issues of noncompliance may arise throughout the contract term and shall be brought to
the attention of the Contract Manager as they occur.
b. The Contract Manager or Administrator may request multiple metrics, from the vendor, to evaluate
contract performance. Metrics may include, but are not limited to:
   i. Delivery
   ii. Response time
   iii. Backorders
   iv. Quality of deliverables
   v. Invoicing
   vi. Sales data (Contract data, non-contract data)
vii. Financial

c. Where technical, construction or performance specifications have been identified in the bidding document, the contract administrator shall utilize these specifications as the basis of determining contract compliance.

d. If noncompliance occurs, it shall be documented in a timely manner, including actions taken and final resolution. Copies of the correspondence will be maintained in the Purchasing Department bid documents.

e. Issues of noncompliance will be handled on a case by case basis. This may include, but is not limited to, written correspondence, face-to-face meetings, and/or an agreed upon performance management plan. FCPS retains the right to terminate the contract, in whole or in part, if the noncompliance issue is not resolved to the satisfaction of FCPS.

14. POST-AWARD ORDERING PROCEDURE

a. FCPS will contact a consultant once a requirement for services is identified. If the project is anticipated to exceed $25,000 all the approved consultants will be invited to submit written proposals.

b. The consultant will be notified that an “Order for Services” is requested. The consultant shall make an appointment to visit the work site with the Environmental Health and Safety Manager or her authorized representative. The consultant will not be paid for his time, travel or other expenses associated with visiting the work site to establish the scope of work. The purpose of this meeting will be to establish the scope of work, and a schedule for beginning and completing the project via the written Project Description Form.

c. The consultants shall utilize pricing from this contract, detailing a description of services to be performed, a project schedule, the estimated quantity of each sample type, unit item costs and total costs.

d. The cost of incidental work items shall be borne by the consultant unless the work results from a change in the scope of work as defined in this proposal. Pricing for other acceptable reimbursements will be obtained. The unit total of all lines including additional items will be added together to establish an estimated total project cost.

e. The accepted written proposal must be reviewed and approved by FCPS contract administrator or designee prior to performing each project. A purchase order will be issued shortly thereafter authorizing work to begin.

f. Individual purchase orders will be issued for each project.

g. Project proposals are subject to negotiation on quantities, schedule, and additional prices for work items resulting from change to scope of services, logistics only. Prices and price terms are fixed via this agreement.

h. The consultant is required by State law and board policy to report to the main office of the school building and register as a visitor to that building each day.

i. Most work will be pre-planned; however, emergency requirements may arise. In such cases the consultant is expected to respond with promptness and perform in strict compliance to all conditions of this contract.

j. To maintain awarded contractor status, a contractor shall respond to every “Order for Services”. If a
contractor is unable to provide a quote for any reason, they must submit a "NO QUOTE" response. An awarded vendor that does not respond to an “Order for Services” on more than two occasions may be subject to contract termination or non-renewal.

15. CONTRACTOR'S AND SUBCONTRACTOR'S INSURANCE

FCPS requires insurance certificates evidencing the compliance of insurance requirements at least ten calendar days after receipt of the Notice of Award. The vendor will not commence work until a notice to proceed letter, or purchase order, is issued, nor will the vendor allow any subcontractor to commence work on their subcontract until the insurance required of the subcontractor has been obtained and approved.

a. Worker's Compensation
The vendor will procure and maintain, during the life of the contract, Worker's Compensation Insurance, as required by applicable State laws. In the case of sublet work, the vendor will require the subcontractor similarly to provide Worker's Compensation Insurance for all of the latter's employees to be engaged in such work unless such employees are covered by the protection afforded by the vendor’s Worker's Compensation Insurance.

b. Employers' Liability Insurance
The vendor will procure and maintain, during the life of the contract, Employers' Liability Insurance in the following amounts:

- E.L. Each Accident: $100,000.00
- E.L. Disease - Each Employee: $100,000.00
- E.L. Disease - Policy Limit: $500,000.00 each employee

The vendor will require any subcontractor to procure and maintain Employer's Liability Insurance during the life of the contract. It will be the responsibility of the vendor to ensure that all subcontractors comply with this provision, and the vendor will indemnify, and hold harmless, the Board of Education of Frederick County for the failure of the vendor, or any subcontractor, to comply with these provisions.

c. Commercial General Liability Insurance
The vendor will procure and maintain, during the life of the contract, Commercial General Liability Insurance including premises and operations, completed operations and products, on a per occurrence basis, with at least the following limits:

- General Aggregate: $2,000,000 per project
- Products-Completed Operations Aggregate: $2,000,000
- Personal & Advertising Injury: $1,000,000 each occurrence
- Each Occurrence: $1,000,000
- Fire Damage: $50,000
- Medical Expense: $5,000 any one person

The “X, C, U” Coverage for explosion, collapse, and underground property damage shall not be excluded from the policy.

Completed operations liability coverage shall be in force for one year after completion of work.

d. Scope of Insurance and Special Hazards
The insurance required in C. and E. will provide adequate protection for the vendor and subcontractors, respectively, against damage claims which may arise from operations under the contract, whether such operations be by the insured or by anyone directly or indirectly employed by them and, also against any of the special hazards which may be encountered in the performance of
this contract as enumerated in C. above. Insurance coverage required under C. above shall specifically include property damage caused by conditions otherwise subject to exclusions "X, C, U" (Explosion, Collapse or Underground Damage) as defined by the National Bureau of Casualty Underwriters. Exceptions: contracts that do not require excavation or underground work are not required to have the above "X, C, U" coverage.

e. **Comprehensive Automobile Liability**
The vendor shall maintain Comprehensive Automobile Liability Insurance including all automotive equipment owned, non-owned and hired, operated, rented, or leased. Minimum limits of Automobile Liability Insurance shall be:

- Bodily Injury: $1,000,000 per person/$1,000,000 accident
- Property Damage: $1,000,000 each occurrence, or
- Combined Single Limit Bodily Injury and Property Damage Liability: $1,000,000

f. **Subcontractor's Insurance**
The vendor will either:

   i. Require each of their subcontractors to procure and maintain, during the life of the subcontracts, Liability Insurance of the type and in the same amounts as specified above; or

   ii. Insure the activities of the subcontractors in their own policies. It will be the responsibility of the vendor to insure that all subcontractors comply with this provision, and the vendor will indemnify and hold harmless the Board of Education of Frederick County for the failure of the vendor, or any subcontractor, to comply with these provisions.

g. **Builder's Insurance**
FCPS shall provide and maintain Builder's Risk Protection.

h. **Proof of Carriage of Insurance**
The vendor will furnish FCPS with certificates showing the type, amount, class of operations covered, effective dates and dates of expiration of policies. Such certificates also shall contain substantially the following statement: "The insurance covered by this certificate will not be cancelled or materially altered, except after thirty days written notice has been received by FCPS."

i. **Additional Insured**
The Owner, Board of Education of Frederick County, the Frederick County Government, and other entities stipulated by the Owner, shall be named as additional insured on all vendor’s policies, other than Worker’s Compensation Insurance policy. The vendor’s insurance will be primary and non-contributory to any insurance carried by the Board of Education of Frederick County or other entity. Waiver of subrogation applies to above policies in favor of the certificate holder. Insurance providers must have an AM Best Company rating of at least A-/VIII.

**16. INSPECTION OF SITE**

a. All visitors must report to and register in the main office. Each bidder should visit the site and become informed fully as to the condition under which the work is to be done. Failure to do so will not relieve a successful bidder of their obligation to supply all material and labor necessary to carry out the provisions of the contract documents at the price(s) bid.

b. The bidder will perform field measurements, if applicable, and FCPS assumes no responsibility for errors in measurements. The bidder will be responsible for any costs associated as a result of an
error in their measurements.

c. Site visits will not be made after regular working hours, on Sundays, school holidays, or legal holidays, unless previously agreed to by the Contract Administrator.

17. USE OF FCPS SERVICES AND FACILITIES

a. It is understood that, except as otherwise stated in the contract documents, the vendor will provide and pay for all materials, labor, tools, equipment, water, light, power, transportation, superintendence, temporary construction and all other services and facilities of every nature necessary to execute, complete and deliver the work within the specified time.

b. Any work necessary to be performed after regular working hours, on Sundays or legal holidays, will be performed with the approval of and without additional expense to FCPS, unless previously agreed to.

18. PROVISION OF PORTABLE SANITATION AND REMOVAL OF DEBRIS

a. Vendors are responsible for removal of trash and debris and will confine their apparatus, materials, supplies, and equipment in such orderly fashion at the work site so that it will not unduly interfere with the progress of the work of any other vendor.

b. It will be the vendor’s responsibility to provide portable sanitation facilities on the work site and secure Health Department or local subdivision approval, when required.

c. They will not interfere with FCPS personnel or students in the performance of this contract. FCPS reserves first right of salvage on all materials removed from FCPS facilities and no salvage values should be assumed in bidding on the project unless so stated in the specifications. Vendors will pay all disposal fees and can recuperate them only by including them in their bid pricing.

d. At the completion of the work, and before final payment is made, vendors will remove all rubbish and debris and will leave the work site clean, including site restoration. Vendors will remove all tools, scaffolding and surplus materials from and about the building. In case of dispute, FCPS may remove the rubbish and/or repair property and charge such costs to the vendor.

19. PROTECTION OF WORK AND PROPERTY

a. The vendor will be solely responsible for initiating, maintaining and supervising all safety precautions and programs in the performance of this contract and will be responsible for observing the safety regulations of MOSHA, OSHA, and local life safety agencies.

b. The vendor will erect and maintain, as required by conditions and progress of the work, all necessary safeguards for safety and protection, including fences, railing, barricades, lighting, posting of danger signs and other warnings against hazards.

c. The vendor will comply with applicable laws, ordinances, regulations and orders of governing authorities having jurisdiction for the safety of persons and property to protect them from damage, injury or loss. Any damage, loss or injury resulting from the failure of the vendor to safe guard their work and FCPS property will be borne by the vendor.

d. In the case of inclement weather, or an emergency that threatens the loss or damage of property or life safety, the vendor will be allowed to act in a diligent manner without instructions from FCPS. The vendor will notify the Contract Administrator of their actions as soon as possible. Any claim for compensation by the vendor due to such extra work will be submitted promptly to FCPS for approval.
20. WORK SITE SUPERVISION

a. The awarded vendor will provide full time onsite supervision, by a construction superintendent or foreman, who will have full authority to act on behalf of the vendor. The onsite superintendent or foreman will not be changed except with the written consent of the Contract Administrator. The superintendent will represent the vendor in their absence and all directions/instructions given to them will be as binding as if given to the vendor. FCPS shall not be responsible for the acts or omissions of the superintendent or foreman.

b. The vendor will immediately report to the Contract Administrator any error, inconsistency or omission which they discover. The vendor will not be liable to FCPS for damages resulting from any errors or deficiencies in the contract documents or other instructions given by FCPS.

21. INSPECTIONS AND CORRECTION OF WORK

a. All work, all materials, whether incorporated into the work or not, all processes of manufacture, and all methods of construction will be, at all times and places, subject to the inspection of FCPS, whose representatives shall be the final judge of the quality and suitability. Should these fail to meet this approval they will be forthwith reconstructed, made good, replaced and/or covered, as the case may be, by the vendor at their own expense. Rejected material will be removed immediately from the site. If, in the opinion of FCPS, it is undesirable to replace any defective or damaged materials, or to reconstruct or correct any portion of the work, the compensation to be paid to the vendor shall be reduced by such amount as in the judgment of FCPS shall be equitable.

b. If the specifications, laws, ordinances, or any public authority require any work to be specially tested or approved, the vendor will give FCPS timely notice of its readiness for observations. If the inspection is by another authority, the vendor will notify FCPS of the date fixed for such inspection and shall use the required Certificate of Inspection.

c. FCPS may order re-examination of questioned work and, if so ordered, the vendor must uncover the work at their expense. If such work is found not to be in accordance with the contract documents, the vendor will pay all costs to correct the work, to the satisfaction of FCPS. If another vendor employed by FCPS caused the defect in the work, FCPS shall pay such cost and recover the charges from the other vendor.

22. CHANGES IN WORK

a. No changes in the work covered by the approved contract documents will be made without having prior written approval of FCPS. The contract sum may be adjusted according to the approved changes. Consent of the Surety may be required.

b. Charges or credits for the work covered by the approved change will be determined by one or more of the following methods:

   i. Unit bid prices
   ii. Lump sum
   iii. Time and materials

In the event the vendor is directed to proceed with extra work, on a time and material basis, an itemized proposal shall be submitted including material and rental invoices and/or any other backup as requested by FCPS.

c. A fixed fee may be negotiated, and must be agreed upon and added to the costs listed above. The fee will be compensation to cover the cost of supervision, overhead, surety, profit, and any other general expenses.
PERFORMANCE SPECIFICATIONS

The selected consultant(s) shall provide all plant, labor, materials, testing equipment, supervision and incidentals to perform the following services:

a. Testing/Monitoring Services
   - Asbestos testing including AHERA surveys, bulk sampling, etc.
   - Asbestos air monitoring.
   - Indoor air quality testing, i.e. site walk through, temperature, relative humidity, CO2, etc.
   - Lead paint, ceramic tile, etc. testing.
   - Lead air monitoring.
   - Radon testing.
   - Pick up and analysis of bulk samples (i.e. asbestos, paint, etc.).
   - Hazardous materials/waste testing disposal.
   - Site environmental assessments (Phase I, Phase II, etc.).
   - Confined space entry testing and/or training.
   - Other environmental/industrial hygiene consulting services as required.
   - It is understood that a CIH may not be needed on site and/or involved in every project.

b. Design Services
   - Perform graphic designs as required for abatement/remediation by unit price contractors or for projects publicly bid.
   - Prepare written specifications for abatement/remediation contractors meeting all appropriate regulatory agency requirements.
   - Verify location of materials to be abated/remediated. Destructive testing may be required.
   - Provide specifications and drawings in AutoCAD format and hard copy.
   - Provide plans to FCPS in both hard copy and electronic format. Scale may vary depending on project.
   - Make recommendations to FCPS regarding scheduling of work to minimize disturbance of instructional program.
   - Design or recommend engineering methods or controls to minimize Indoor Air Quality problems during renovation/construction projects.
   - Capability and design experience to establish and maintain relational databases to manage complex of data relevant to such items as AHERA surveys and sampling, hazardous materials, workplace exposures, etc.

c. Specification Preparation Services
   - Consultant shall assist FCPS staff in preparing plans/specifications for public bid and or quotation.
   - Attend and conduct pre-bid meetings with FCPS purchasing department staff.
   - Prepare and distribute pre-bid meeting minutes to FCPS staff within 72 hours of pre-bid meeting.
   - Prepare addenda as required and coordinate issuance with FCPS purchasing department staff.
   - Respond to written requests for information (RFI) in a timely manner so as not to delay receipt of bids.

d. Construction Administration Services
   - Oversee abatement/remediation projects as required to complete projects in a timely manner.
   - Oversee projects to assure that all regulatory agency requirements are met.
   - Perform daily inspection of project(s).
   - Provide fully licensed staff members to monitor/inspect/oversee project as required by regulatory agencies.
   - Site employees from consultant’s staff shall include at least one English-speaking representative.
   - Conduct pre-construction and construction progress meetings, record meeting minutes and distribute minutes to FCPS staff within 72 hours.
   - Perform necessary air, soil, and lead water sampling.
   - Verify certification/licensing of all on-site abatement/remediation workers.
• Maintain written daily logs recording all personnel on site including certification/license numbers if applicable, activities performed inspections/testing performed, materials used, methods, etc.
• Enforce all regulatory agency requirements.
• Prepare three copies of a written report at the conclusion of project including copies of test reports, sample data, MSDS sheets, “as-built” documentation of abated/remediated areas, waste manifests inspection reports, etc. Provide written statement in final report stating that to the best knowledge of the consultant all work was performed in accordance with all applicable regulatory agency requirements, and that the areas abated/remediated meet the requirements for occupancy.

e. Other Services
Provide educational training seminars and presentations to FCPS staff or parents. Possible topics include confined space, OSHA, etc. Seminars/presentations will include providing visual displays, power point presentations, etc.
Contractor's Qualification Statement

The Undersigned certifies under oath that the information provided herein is true and sufficiently complete so as not to be misleading.

SUBMITTED TO:

ADDRESS:

SUBMITTED BY:

NAME:

ADDRESS:

PRINCIPAL OFFICE:

[ ] Corporation
[ ] Partnership
[ ] Individual
[ ] Joint Venture
[ ] Other

NAME OF PROJECT: *(if applicable)* A305 Contractor's Qualification Statement

TYPE OF WORK: *(file separate form for each Classification of Work)*

[ ] General Construction
[ ] HVAC
[ ] Electrical
[ ] Plumbing
[ ] Other: *(Specify)*

§ 1 ORGANIZATION

§ 1.1 How many years has your organization been in business as a Contractor?

§ 1.2 How many years has your organization been in business under its present business name?

§ 1.2.1 Under what other or former names has your organization operated?

§ 1.3 If your organization is a corporation, answer the following:

§ 1.3.1 Date of incorporation:

§ 1.3.2 State of incorporation:

§ 1.3.3 President's name:
§ 1.3.4 Vice-president’s name(s)

§ 1.3.5 Secretary’s name:
§ 1.3.6 Treasurer’s name:

§ 1.4 If your organization is a partnership, answer the following:
  § 1.4.1 Date of organization:
  § 1.4.2 Type of partnership (if applicable):
  § 1.4.3 Name(s) of general partner(s)

§ 1.5 If your organization is individually owned, answer the following:
  § 1.5.1 Date of organization:
  § 1.5.2 Name of owner:

§ 1.6 If the form of your organization is other than those listed above, describe it and name the principals:

§ 2 LICENSING
  § 2.1 List jurisdictions and trade categories in which your organization is legally qualified to do business, and indicate registration or license numbers, if applicable.

§ 2.2 List jurisdictions in which your organization’s partnership or trade name is filed.

§ 3 EXPERIENCE
  § 3.1 List the categories of work that your organization normally performs with its own forces.

§ 3.2 Claims and Suits. (If the answer to any of the questions below is yes, please attach details.)
  § 3.2.1 Has your organization ever failed to complete any work awarded to it?

  § 3.2.2 Are there any judgments, claims, arbitration proceedings or suits pending or outstanding against your organization or its officers?

  § 3.2.3 Has your organization filed any law suits or requested arbitration with regard to construction contracts within the last five years?

§ 3.3 Within the last five years, has any officer or principal of your organization ever been an officer or principal of another organization when it failed to complete a construction contract? (If the answer is yes, please attach details.)
§ 3.4 On a separate sheet, list major construction projects your organization has in progress, giving the name of project, owner, architect, contract amount, percent complete and scheduled completion date.

§ 3.4.1 State total worth of work in progress and under contract:

§ 3.5 On a separate sheet, list the major projects your organization has completed in the past five years, giving the name of project, owner, architect, contract amount, date of completion and percentage of the cost of the work performed with your own forces.

§ 3.5.1 State average annual amount of construction work performed during the past five years:

§ 3.6 On a separate sheet, list the construction experience and present commitments of the key individuals of your organization.

§ 4 REFERENCES
§ 4.1 Trade References:

§ 4.2 Bank References:

§ 4.3 Surety:
§ 4.3.1 Name of bonding company:

§ 4.3.2 Name and address of agent:

§ 5 FINANCING
§ 5.1 Financial Statement.
§ 5.1.1 Attach a financial statement, preferably audited, including your organization’s latest balance sheet and income statement showing the following items:

Current Assets (e.g., cash, joint venture accounts, accounts receivable, notes receivable, accrued income, deposits, materials inventory and prepaid expenses);

Net Fixed Assets;

Other Assets;
Current Liabilities (e.g., accounts payable, notes payable, accrued expenses, provision for income taxes, advances, accrued salaries and accrued payroll taxes);

Other Liabilities (e.g., capital, capital stock, authorized and outstanding shares par values, earned surplus and retained earnings).

§ 5.1.2 Name and address of firm preparing attached financial statement, and date thereof:

§ 5.1.3 Is the attached financial statement for the identical organization named on page one?

§ 5.1.4 If not, explain the relationship and financial responsibility of the organization whose financial statement is provided (e.g., parent-subsidiary).

§ 5.2 Will the organization whose financial statement is attached act as guarantor of the contract for construction?

§ 6 SIGNATURE
§ 6.1 Dated at this day of

Name of Organization:

By:

Title:

§ 6.2

I, being duly sworn deposes and says that the information provided herein is true and sufficiently complete so as not to be misleading.

Subscribed and sworn before me this day of

Notary Public:

My Commission Expires:
Additions and Deletions Report for
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NAME OF PROJECT: (if applicable) A305 Contractor’s Qualification Statement
Certification of Document's Authenticity
AIA® Document D401™ – 2003

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(Signed)

(Title)

(Dated)
FCPS SUPPLEMENTAL QUESTIONNAIRE TO AIA FORM 305—1986—CONTRACTOR’S QUALIFICATION STATEMENT

1 Organization (Complete 1.7 Only If a Branch Office Will Be Providing Services To FCPS)

1.7 Company Name: _________________________________________ DBA: _________________________
Corporate Federal ID Number: __________________________ DUNS Number: _____________________
Address: ________________________________________________________________________________
City: ________________________________ State: ________________ Zip: __________________________
Phone: _______________________________ Fax: ______________________________________________
Email Address for Sending Purchase Orders: _________________________________________________
Website Address: __________________________________________________________________________

ALL BIDDERS MUST COMPLETE THE REMAINDER OF THIS FORM

1.8 Name of Senior Manager or Principal Employee Administering this Contract:
________________________________________________________________________________________
Email Address: ________________________________________ Cell Phone: __________________________

1.9 List the names of key employees who would be assigned to FCPS projects. Identify if they are permanent or sub-contracted, and full or part time.

NOTE: ATTACH RESUMES, TRAINING CERTIFICATES AND LICENSES FOR EACH OF THESE PERSONNEL IN AN APPENDIX.

C.I.H.: _______________________________________ (Must be Permanent) (Full or Part Time)
Project Manager: _______________________________ (Permanent or Sub-Contracted) and (Full or Part Time)
I.H. Technician: _______________________________ (Permanent or Sub-Contracted) and (Full or Part Time)
Field Technician/Inspector: ______________________ (Permanent or Sub-Contracted) and (Full or Part Time)
Other (such as Geologist, etc.):
____________________________________________ (Permanent or Sub-Contracted) and (Full or Part Time)
____________________________________________ (Permanent or Sub-Contracted) and (Full or Part Time)
____________________________________________ (Permanent or Sub-Contracted) and (Full or Part Time)

1.10 Confirm that your company is not affiliated with any abatement or remediation contractors and has an independent operation.

____________________________________________________________________________________

2 Licensing

2.3 Include a copy of your license to do business in the State of Maryland. Bidders may provide a current Certificate of Good Standing from the Maryland Department of Assessment and Taxation, or a Certificate of Incorporation in Maryland.

3 Experience
DISREGARD SECTIONS 3.1 ON THE AIA A305 FORM AND COMPLETE THIS QUESTION INSTEAD:

3.1 Indicate if your firm is qualified and can provide these tests/services:

- Asbestos Testing___
- Asbestos Air Monitoring___
- TEM (24HR) ___
- TEM (3 Day) ___
- Lead Air Monitoring___
- PCM ___
- Lead Testing___
- Radon Testing___
- Other(s): If needed, attach list in an appendix _________________________________________

DISREGARD SECTIONS 3.4, 3.5 AND 3.6 ON THE AIA A305 FORM AND COMPLETE THESE QUESTIONS INSTEAD:

3.4 Describe any of the services checked above that are not provided by your firm but will be performed by a third party sub-consultant or laboratory. Identify the testing lab(s), consultants, and the services they perform. Include addresses and telephone numbers.

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3.5 What is your anticipated response time in an emergency? _____________________________________

3.6 Is your firm accessible on evenings, weekends and holidays if needed? _________________________

3.7 Have you performed any contractual work with Frederick County Public Schools? If so, list the project(s) and date(s).

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________________________________________________________________________________________

4 References (Additional Trade)

DISREGARD SECTIONS 4.1 ON THE AIA A305 FORM AND COMPLETE THIS QUESTION INSTEAD:

4.1 Provide the names and contact information of at least two abatement firms for whom you have provided environmental services in the past two (2) years. FCPS will contact them as references.

#1 Company Name: _____________________________________________
Name of Contact: _____________________________________________ Title: ___________________________
4.4 Provide the names, titles and contact information for five (5) contracts that most nearly meet an IDQ format, with references preferred for a non-profit agency or school system, within the State of Maryland. If no work has been performed in Maryland, list work that is registered with other states, and name the states. FCPS will contact them as references.

#1 Company Name: ____________________________________________
Name of Contact: ____________________________________________
Title: _______________________________________________________
Email Address: ______________________________________________ 
Phone: ______________________________________________________

#2 Company Name: ____________________________________________
Name of Contact: ____________________________________________
Title: _______________________________________________________
Email Address: ______________________________________________ 
Phone: ______________________________________________________

#3 Company Name: ____________________________________________
Name of Contact: ____________________________________________
Title: _______________________________________________________
Email Address: ______________________________________________ 
Phone: ______________________________________________________

#4 Company Name: ____________________________________________
Name of Contact: ____________________________________________
Title: _______________________________________________________
Email Address: ______________________________________________ 
Phone: ______________________________________________________

#5 Company Name: ____________________________________________
Name of Contact: ____________________________________________
Title: _______________________________________________________
Email Address: ______________________________________________ 
Phone: ______________________________________________________

5 Financing and Insurance

DISREGARD SECTIONS 5.1 AND 5.2 ON THE AIA A305 FORM AND ONLY SUBMIT A BALANCE SHEET FOR TAX YEAR 2014 SHOWING ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

5.3 *SUBMIT A COPY OF YOUR COMPANY’S CERTIFICATE OF INSURANCE TO SHOW EVIDENCE OF CURRENT COVERAGE.

6 ATTACH FOUR SAMPLE REPORTS WRITTEN DURING THE 2013-2015 TIME PERIOD, PREFERABLY FOR SCHOOL PROJECTS, AS FOLLOWS: (1) AHERA SURVEY REPORT; (2) ASBESTOS ABATEMENT MONITORING REPORT; (3) LEAD PAINT REPORT; AND (4) INDOOR AIR QUALITY PROJECT REPORT.
RFP 20MISC1
ENVIRONMENTAL/INDUSTRIAL HYGIENE SERVICES

COST PROPOSAL

The undersigned proposes to perform Environmental Consulting and Industrial Hygiene Services, on an "indefinite quantity" basis, to FCPS. Work will be performed at any facility and shall be performed in strict accordance with the specifications and cost and technical proposals. Costs include all labor, materials, supervision, equipment and incidentals necessary and required for project completion, as follows:

### I. LABOR COSTS:

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<th>Regular Time (7am-5pm weekdays)</th>
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<td>1. Senior Management or Principal of Company</td>
<td>$_________/Hr.</td>
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<td>2. Certified Industrial Hygienist</td>
<td>$_________/Hr.</td>
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<td>3. Project Manager</td>
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<td>4. Industrial Hygienist Technician</td>
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<td>5. Other (such as Geologist, etc.)</td>
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<td>6. Field Technician/Inspector</td>
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<td>7. CADD Operator</td>
<td>$_________/Hr.</td>
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<td>8. Administrative Support</td>
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### II. SAMPLE COSTS:

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| 9. TEM Samples (24 hour normal weekday T.A.T.)*          | $_________/
| 10. TEM Samples (Weekend T.A.T. between 5 pm Friday and 6 am the following Monday) | $________/
| 11. TEM Samples (Processed over Federal Holiday)        | $________/|
| 12. TEM Samples (3 day T.A.T., not weekend or Federal Holiday) | $_______/
| 13. PLM Bulk Samples (24 hour normal weekday T.A.T.)*    | $_______/  |
| 14. PLM Bulk Samples (Weekend T.A.T. between 5 pm Friday and 6 am the following Monday) | $_______/
| 15. PLM Bulk Samples (Processed over Federal Holiday)   | $_______/  |
| 16. PLM Bulk Samples (2 to 5 day T.A.T., not weekend or Federal Holiday) | $_______/
| 17. PCM Samples—Taken on site—The cost shall be included in the hourly labor rate provided above. | $_______/  |
| 18. PCM Air Samples (24-hour normal weekday T.A.T.) *    | $_______/
| 19. PCM Air Samples (Weekend T.A.T. between 5 pm Friday and 6 am the following Monday) | $_______/
| 20. PCM Air Samples (Processed over Federal Holiday.)   | $_______/  |
| 21. PCM Air Samples (2 to 5-day T.A.T., not weekend or Federal Holiday) | $_______/

*Note: Turnaround time (T.A.T.) for TEM, PLM and PCM samples is based on close of workday that sample is collected to close of business (5:00 p.m.) next day to report verbal and/or written results to FCPS. For example, TEM sample collected on Wednesday by 5:00 p.m. that day; sample results due to FCPS by at least verbally, 5:00 p.m. on Thursday.
22. Microbial Samples:
   Culturable Fungi – colony count and species id
       $_________Air/Sample
       $_________Wipe/Sample
   Culturable Bacteria – colony count and species id
       $_________Air/Sample

23. Lead Samples:
   Lead in air/personnel
       $_________Air/Sample
   Lead on surface
       $_________Wipe/Sample

III. RENTAL EQUIPMENT COSTS:

A. The following types of equipment are the most commonly used on our projects. It is assumed and strongly encouraged that the costs associated with most of the equipment listed below be considered overhead and be calculated into the labor and sample rates. If the costs are included in the rates listed under labor and samples, mark “INC” for “included”. If there is a separate charge associated with the use of any of this equipment, state the daily cost for rental, as follows:

1. ASBESTOS ABATEMENT MONITORING:
   a. Buck Pumps, SKC Pumps, High Volume Sampling Pumps, Rotometers
       $_________/day
   b. Phase Contrast Microscope
       $_________/day
   c. Other _________________________________________ $_________/day

2. INDOOR AIR QUALITY:
   a. TSI Q-Trak (or similar handheld IAQ device) $_________/day
   b. IAQ-Calc (or similar handheld IAQ device) $_________/day
   c. TSI Direct Read Dust Meter (or similar dust meter) $_________/day
   d. Moisture Meter $_________/day
   e. Other _________________________________________ $_________/day

3. MICROBIAL:
   a. Sampling Equipment (Anderson, etc.) $_________/day
   b. Other _________________________________________ $_________/day

4. MISCELLANEOUS:
   a. XRF $_________/day
   b. Ionizing Radiation Detector $_________/day
   c. Other _________________________________________ $_________/day

IV. REIMBURSABLE COSTS:

Provide costs for all work not listed above, or supplemental to the above, for which the contractor will require reimbursement/payment (i.e., copying, etc.). Mileage, travel time, and routine report writing are to be included in rates above and deviations will affect technical rating.
SIGNATURE ACKNOWLEDGING PROPOSAL

Note: When submitting your bid/proposal, please use this page as a cover sheet for your proposal.

In compliance with your invitation for bidders, the undersigned proposes to furnish and deliver all labor and materials in accordance with the accompanying specifications and "Instructions and General Conditions" for the price as listed on the enclosed Proposal Sheet(s).

I/We certify that this bid/proposal is made without previous understanding, agreement, or connection with any person, firm, or corporation submitting a bid/proposal for the same goods/services and is, in all respects fair and without collusion or fraud; that none of this company's officers, directors, partners or its employees have been convicted of bribery, attempted bribery, or conspiracy to bribe under the laws of any state or federal government; and that no member of the Board of Education of Frederick County, Administrative or Supervisory Personnel or other employees of the Frederick County Public Schools, has any interest in the bidding company except as follows:

COMPANY: ____________________________________________
dba: ___________________________________________________________________________
REGISTERED MARYLAND CONTRACTOR NUMBER: ________________________________
FEDERAL IDENTIFICATION: ___________________________ DATE: ______________
The undersigned has familiarized themselves with the conditions affecting the work, the specifications, and is legally authorized to make this proposal on behalf of the Contractor listed above.

NAME (please print): ________________________________________________
SIGNATURE OF ABOVE: _____________________________________________
TITLE: ___________________________________________________________
ADDRESS: _______________________________________________________

________________________________________________________________________

TELEPHONE # ___________________ FAX # ___________________

E-MAIL ADDRESS (for correspondence): ________________________________

E-MAIL ADDRESS (for receiving Purchase Orders):
(DO NOT COMPLETE THIS AREA IF YOUR COMPANY IS UNABLE TO RECEIVE PURCHASE ORDERS ELECTRONICALLY)

ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF ADDENDA (if applicable)

The above-signed company/firm acknowledges the receipt of the following addenda for the above-referenced solicitation.

Date Received by Proposer/Bidder:

Addendum #1  __________________ Addendum #2  __________________
Addendum #3  __________________ Addendum #4  __________________
Addendum #5  __________________ Addendum #6  __________________
Special Instructions: An authorized representative of the bidder needs to complete the following affidavit and insert an answer to paragraphs 1 and 3.

BIDDERS: The submission of the following Affidavit at the time of the bid opening is:

X requested to be completed but not required to be notarized.

☐ required to be completed and notarized.

I, _____________________________, being duly sworn, depose and state:

1. I am the ___________________________ (officer) and duly authorized representative of the firm of the organization named ___________________________ whose address is ___________________________ and that I possess the authority to make this affidavit and certification on behalf of myself and the firm for which I am acting.

2. Except as described in paragraph 3 below, neither I, nor to the best of my knowledge, the above firm, nor any of its officers, directors, or partners, or any of its employees who are directly involved in obtaining or performing contracts with any public bodies has:

   a. been convicted of bribery, attempted bribery, or conspiracy to bribe, under the laws of any state or of the federal government;

   b. been convicted under the laws of the state, another state, or the United States of: a criminal offense incident to obtaining, attempting to obtain, or performing a public or private contract; or fraud, embezzlement, theft, forgery, falsification or destruction of records, or receiving stolen property;

   c. been convicted of criminal violation of an antitrust statute of the State of Maryland, another state, or the United States;

   d. been convicted of a violation of the Racketeer influenced and Corrupt Organization Act, or the Mail Fraud Act, for acts in connection with the submission of bids or proposals for a public or private contract;

   e. been convicted of any felony offenses connected with obtaining, holding, or maintaining a minority business enterprise certification, as prohibited by Section 14-308 of the State Finance & Procurement Article;

   f. been convicted of conspiracy to commit any act or omission that would constitute grounds for conviction under any of the laws or statutes described in Paragraph (a) through (e) above; or

   g. been found civilly liable under an antitrust statute of this State, another state, or the United States for acts or omissions in connection with the submission of bids or proposals for a public or private contract.

3. The only conviction, plea, or admission by any officer, director, partner, or employee of this firm to involvement in any of the conduct described in Paragraph 2 above is as follows:
If none, write “None” below. If involvement, list the date, count, or charge, official or administrative body, the individuals involved, their position with the firm, and the sentence or disposition of the charge.

_______________________________________________________________________________________
_________________________________________________________________________________________
(you may attach an explanation if necessary)

4. I affirm that this firm will not knowingly enter into a contract with a public body under which a person or business debarred or suspended under Maryland State Finance and Procurement Title 16, subtitle 3, Annotated Code of Maryland, as amended, will provide, directly or indirectly, supplies, services, architectural services, construction-related services, leases of real property, or construction.

5. I affirm that this proposal or bid to the Board of Education of Frederick County is genuine and not collusive or a sham; that said bidder has not colluded, conspired, connived and agreed, directly or indirectly, with any bidder or person to put in a sham bid or to refrain from bidding and is not in any manner, directly or indirectly, sought by agreement of collusion or communication or conference, with any person to fix the bid prices of the affidavit or any other bidder, or to fix any overhead, profit or cost element of said bid price, or that if any bidder, or to secure an advantage against the Board of Education of Frederick County or any other person interested in the proposed contract; and that all statements in the proposal or bid are true. I acknowledge that, if the representations set forth in this affidavit are not true and correct, the Board of Education of Frederick County may terminate any contract awarded and take any other appropriate action.

I DO SOLEMNLY DECLARE AND AFFIRM under the penalties of perjury that the contents of this affidavit are true and correct, that I am executing this Affidavit in compliance with Section 16-311 of the State Finance and Procurement Article, Annotated Code of Maryland, and in compliance with requirements of the Board of Education of Frederick County, and that I am executing and submitting this Proposal on behalf of and as authorized by the bidder named below.

(Legal Name of Company)

(dba)

(Address)

(City)  (State)  (Zip)

(Telephone)  (Fax)

(Print Name)  (Title)  (Date)

(Signature)  (Title)  (Date)

We are/I am licensed to do business in the State of Maryland as a:
(   ) Corporation  (   ) Partnership  (   ) Individual  (   ) Other

If required to be notarized:

(Witness)  (Title)

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN to before me on this __________ day of __________, 20__.

My Commission Expires: ____________________________

NOTARY PUBLIC
1. All Contractors, subcontractors or vendors must abide by FCPS Board policies and regulations while working on FCPS property.

2. Maryland Law requires that any person who enters into a contract with a county board of education may not knowingly employ an individual to work at a school (or FCPS facility) if the individual is a registered sex offender. Please reference §11-113 of the Criminal Procedure Article of Maryland Code for penalty.

3. Be advised that individuals who are registered sex offenders are not eligible to work on any FCPS project. The Contractor must initially check the Maryland Department of Public Safety & Correctional Services' MARYLAND SEX OFFENDER REGISTRY and search for the name of any employee to be assigned to work on this project. This applies to subcontractors and material/equipment suppliers as well.

4. In the event that a registered sex offender is discovered to be working on a FCPS project, whether through employment by the prime Contractor, subcontractor or vendor, the site superintendent will immediately remove the individual from the premises and permanently terminate his work assignment. FCPS may terminate this contract as a result if the Contractor is unable to demonstrate he has exercised care and diligence in the past in checking the Maryland registry.

5. Effective July 1, 2015, amendments to §6-113 of the Education Article of the Maryland Code further require that a contractor or subcontractor or vendor for a local school system may not knowingly assign an employee to work on school premises with direct, unsupervised, and uncontrolled access to children, if the employee has been convicted of, or pled guilty or nolo contendere to, a crime involving:

   a. A sexual offense in the third or fourth degree under §3-307 or §3-308 of the Criminal Law Article of the Maryland Code.

   b. Child sexual abuse under §3-602 of the Criminal Law Article of the Maryland Code or any other State; or

   c. A crime of violence as defined in §14-101 of the Criminal Law Article of the Maryland Code or any other State

6. With the passing of Maryland Law MD. Code, Educ. 6-113.2, employers of all contracted staff must obtain background information relating to child sexual abuse or sexual misconduct. This means that all contracted staff having direct contact with students must meet all of the FCPS and Maryland State Department of Education (MSDE) requirements before doing business with FCPS. See: Maryland State Department of Education Website; House Bill 486 Child Sexual Abuse and Sexual Misconduct Prevention; MSDE Guidelines For MD. Code, Educ. 6113.2; and Employment History Review Form for Child Abuse and Sexual Misconduct for additional information.

   In addition, there has been no change to the current FCPS requirement, that all contracted staff who have contact with students are required to be fingerprinted in order to obtain a criminal background check. Fingerprints and background check are still an enforced FCPS requirement.

7. Under recent amendments to §5-561 of the Family Law Article of the Maryland Code, each contractor, subcontractor, or vendor shall certify by signing this affidavit that any individuals in its work-force including sub-contractors, have undergone a criminal background check, including fingerprinting, if the individuals will work in a FCPS school facility in circumstances where they have direct, unsupervised, and uncontrolled access to children.
By my signature below, I affirm under penalties of perjury that the contents of this Certification of Compliance are true to the best of my knowledge, information and belief.

Signature__________________________________________Date__________________________________

Print name and title of signatory________________________________________________________________________________

Print name of company________________________________________________________________________________