

**DISASTER DEBRIS REMOVAL MONITORING**

Contract No. RFQ99c

THIS AGREEMENT made and entered into as of this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of October 2007 by and between Metric Engineering Inc., a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Florida, having an office at 13940 SW 136<sup>th</sup> Street, Miami, FL 33186 (hereinafter referred to as the "Contractor"), and Miami-Dade County, a political subdivision of the State of Florida, having its principal office at 111 N.W. 1st Street, Miami, Florida 33128 (hereinafter referred to as the "County").

**WITNESSETH:**

WHEREAS, the Contractor has offered to participate in the County's Disaster Debris Removal Monitoring Pool ("Pool") of pre-qualified firms as a Pool "member", including competing for future requests to provide debris removal monitoring and related services for Miami-Dade County when projects arise, on a non-exclusive and as needed basis, that shall conform to the Scope of Services (Appendix A); Miami-Dade County's Request for Qualifications (RFQ) No. 99 and all associated addenda and attachments, incorporated herein by reference; and the requirements of this Agreement; and,

WHEREAS, the Contractor has submitted a written proposal dated April 20, 2007, hereinafter referred to as the "Contractor's Proposal" which is incorporated by reference herein; and,

WHEREAS, the County may desire to procure from the Contractor Audit Services for the County, in accordance with the terms and conditions of this Agreement;

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual covenants and agreements herein contained, the parties hereto agree as follows:

**ARTICLE 1. DEFINITIONS**

The following words and expressions used in this Agreement shall be construed as follows, except when it is clear from the context that another meaning is intended:

- a) The words "Contract" or "Contract Documents" or "Agreement" to mean collectively these terms and conditions, the Scope of Services (Appendix A), RFQ No. 99 and all associated addenda and attachments, the Contractor's Proposal, any subsequent Work Order issued hereto, and all other attachments hereto and all amendments issued hereto.
- b) The words "Contract Date" to mean the date on which this Agreement is effective.
- c) The words "Contract Manager" to mean Miami-Dade County's Director, Department of Procurement Management, or the duly authorized representative designated to manage the contract.
- d) The word "Contractor" to mean Solid Resources, Inc. its permitted successors and assigns.
- e) The word "Days" to mean Calendar Days.
- f) The word "Deliverables" to mean all documentation and any items of any nature submitted by the Contractor to the County's Project Manager for review and approval pursuant to the terms of this Agreement.
- g) The words "directed", "required", "permitted", "ordered", "designated", "selected", "prescribed" or words of like import to mean respectively, the direction, requirement, permission, order, designation, selection or prescription of the County's Project Manager; and similarly the words "approved", "acceptable", "satisfactory", "equal", "necessary", or words of like import to mean respectively, approved by, or acceptable or satisfactory to, equal or necessary in the opinion of the County's Project Manager.
- h) The words "Change Order" or "Extra Work" or "Additional Work" resulting in additions or deletions or modifications to the amount, type or value of the Work and Services as required in this Contract, as directed and/or approved by the County.
- i) The words "Project Manager" to mean the County Manager or the duly authorized representative designated to manage the project.
- k) The words "Scope of Services" to mean the document appended hereto as Appendix A, which details the work to be performed by the Contractor.
- l) The word "subcontractor" or "subconsultant" to mean any person, entity, firm or corporation, other than the employees of the Contractor, who furnishes labor and/or materials, in connection with the Work, whether directly or indirectly, on behalf and/or under the direction of the Contractor and whether or not in privity of Contract with the Contractor.
- m) The words "Work", "Services" "Program", or "Project" to mean all matters and things required to be done by the Contractor in accordance with the provisions of this Contract.
- n) The words "Work Order Proposal Request" (WOPR) to mean a solicitation document requesting proposals from Pool members.
- o) The words "Work Order Proposal" to mean a documentation presented by Pool members in response to a Work Order Proposal Request.

- p) The words "Work Order" to mean an assignment of work issued by the County to a Pool member to perform work specified therein.

## **ARTICLE 2. ORDER OF PRECEDENCE**

If there is a conflict between or among the provisions of this Agreement, the order of precedence is as follows: 1) these terms and conditions, 2) the Scope of Services (Appendix A), 3) any Work Order issued as a result of this Agreement, 4) Miami-Dade County's RFQ No. 99 and any associated addenda and attachments thereof, and 5) the Contractor's Proposal.

## **ARTICLE 3. RULES OF INTERPRETATION**

- a) References to a specified Article, section or schedule shall be construed as reference to that specified Article, or section of, or schedule to this Agreement unless otherwise indicated.
- b) Reference to any agreement or other instrument shall be deemed to include such agreement or other instrument as such agreement or other instrument may, from time to time, be modified, amended, supplemented, or restated in accordance with its terms.
- c) The terms "hereof", "herein", "hereinafter", "hereby", "herewith", "hereto", and "hereunder" shall be deemed to refer to this Agreement.
- d) The titles, headings, captions and arrangements used in these Terms and Conditions are for convenience only and shall not be deemed to limit, amplify or modify the terms of this Contract, nor affect the meaning thereof.

## **ARTICLE 4. NATURE OF THE AGREEMENT**

- a) The Contractor shall provide the services set forth in the Scope of Services identified in any Work Order issued to the Contractor, and render full and prompt cooperation with the County in all aspects of the Services performed hereunder.
- b) The Contractor acknowledges that this Agreement requires the performance of all things necessary for or incidental to the effective and complete performance of all Work and Services under this Contract. All things not expressly mentioned in this Agreement but necessary to carrying out its intent are required by this Agreement, and the Contractor shall perform the same as though they were specifically mentioned, described and delineated.
- c) The Contractor shall furnish all labor, materials, tools, supplies, and other items required to perform the Work and Services that are necessary for the completion of this Contract. All Work and Services shall be accomplished at the direction of and to the satisfaction of the County's Project Manager.
- d) The Contractor acknowledges that the County shall be responsible for making all policy decisions regarding the Scope of Services. The Contractor agrees to provide input on policy issues in the form of recommendations. The Contractor agrees to implement any and all changes in providing Services hereunder as a result of a policy change implemented by the County. The Contractor agrees to act in an expeditious and fiscally sound manner in providing the County with input regarding the time and cost to implement said changes and in executing the activities required to implement said changes.

**ARTICLE 5. CONTRACT TERM**

The Contract shall become effective on the date on the first page of this Agreement and shall be for duration of three (3) years. The County, at its sole discretion, reserves the right to exercise the option to renew this Contract for a period for three (3) additional years on a year-to-year basis. The County reserves the right to exercise its option to extend this Contract for up to one hundred-eighty (180) calendar days beyond the current Contract period and will notify the Contractor in writing of the extension. This Contract may be extended beyond the initial one hundred-eighty (180) calendar day extension period by mutual agreement between the County and the Contractor, upon approval by the Board of County Commissioners. The County reserves the right to exercise any option to renew with none, all or any number of Pool members at the County's sole discretion.

**Work Order Term**

Work Orders shall expire as stated on each individual Work Order issued under this Contract, and may extend past the expiration of this Contract. The provisions of any specific Work Order which commences prior to the termination date of this Contract and which will extend beyond said termination date shall survive the expiration or termination hereof.

**ARTICLE 6. NOTICE REQUIREMENTS**

All notices required or permitted under this Agreement shall be in writing and shall be deemed sufficiently served if delivered by Registered or Certified Mail, with return receipt requested; or delivered personally; or delivered via fax or e-mail (if provided below) and followed with delivery of hard copy; and in any case addressed as follows:

**(1) to the County**

- a) to the Project Manager:  
Miami-Dade County  
Department of Solid Management  
2525 N.W. 62nd Street, 5th Floor  
Miami, FL 33147  
Attention: Director  
Phone: (305) 514-6628  
Fax: (305) 514-6886

and,

- b) to the Contract Manager:  
  
Miami-Dade County  
Department of Procurement Management  
111 N.W. 1<sup>st</sup> Street, Suite 1300  
Miami, FL 33128-1974  
Attention: Director  
Phone: (305) 375-5257  
Fax: (305) 375-2316

**(2) To the Contractor**

Metric Engineering Inc.  
13940 SW 136<sup>th</sup> Street  
Miami, FL 33186

Attention: Sergio Gonzalez  
Phone: (305) 235-5098  
Fax: (305) 251-5894  
E-mail: sgonzalez@metriceng.com

Either party may at any time designate a different address and/or contact person by giving notice as provided above to the other party. Such notices shall be deemed given upon receipt by the addressee.

#### **ARTICLE 7. PAYMENT FOR SERVICES/AMOUNT OBLIGATED**

The compensation for all Work and Services performed under this Contract, including all costs associated with such Work and Services, shall be as stated in the Work Order(s) issued as a result of this Agreement.

All Services undertaken by the Contractor before County's approval of this Contract and any subsequent Work Order shall be at the Contractor's risk and expense.

#### **ARTICLE 8. Pricing**

Hourly rates shall not exceed the rates specified in the Price Schedule, Appendix B. The rates shall remain firm and fixed for the term of the Contract, including any option or extension periods; however, the Contractor may offer incentive discounts to the County at any time during the Contract term, including any renewal or extension thereof. The County reserves the right to negotiate lower hourly rates or other pricing arrangements on a Work Order basis.

#### **ARTICLE 9. METHOD AND TIMES OF PAYMENT**

The Contractor agrees that under the provisions of this Agreement, as reimbursement for those actual, reasonable and necessary costs incurred by the Contractor, which are directly attributable or properly allocable to the Services, the Contractor may bill the County monthly unless another time of payment is established in the applicable Work Order. All invoices shall be taken from the books of account kept by the Contractor, shall be supported by copies of payroll distribution, receipt bills or other documents reasonably required by the County and shall show the County's contract number. It is the policy of Miami-Dade County that payment for all purchases by County agencies and the Public Health Trust shall be made in a timely manner and that interest payments be made on late payments. In accordance with Florida Statutes, Section 218.74 and Section 2-8.1.4 of the Miami-Dade County Code, the time at which payment shall be due from the County or the Public Health Trust shall be forty-five days from receipt of a proper invoice. The time at which payment shall be due to small businesses shall be thirty (30) days from receipt of a proper invoice. All payments due from the County or the Public Health Trust, and not made within the time specified by this section shall bear interest from thirty (30) days after the due date at the rate of one percent (1%) per month on the unpaid balance. Further, proceedings to resolve disputes for payment of obligations shall be concluded by final written decision of the County Manager, or his or her designee(s), not later than sixty (60) days after the date on which the proper invoice was received by the County or the Public Health Trust.

Invoices and associated back-up documentation shall be submitted in duplicate by the Contractor to the County as indicated in a particular Work Order. The County may at any time designate a different address and/or contact person by giving written notice to the other party. The County may also

specify a different mailing address and/or contact person in any individual Work Order.

## **ARTICLE 10. INDEMNIFICATION AND INSURANCE**

The Contractor shall indemnify and hold harmless the County and its officers, employees, agents and instrumentalities from any and all liability, losses or damages, including attorneys' fees and costs of defense, which the County or its officers, employees, agents or instrumentalities may incur as a result of claims, demands, suits, causes of actions or proceedings of any kind or nature arising out of, relating to or resulting from the performance of this Agreement by the Provider or its employees, agents, servants, partners principals or subcontractors. Provider shall pay all claims and losses in connection therewith and shall investigate and defend all claims, suits or actions of any kind or nature in the name of the County, where applicable, including appellate proceedings, and shall pay all costs, judgments, and attorney's fees which may issue thereon. The Contractor expressly understands and agrees that any insurance protection required by this Agreement or otherwise provided by The Contractor shall in no way limit the responsibility to indemnify, keep and save harmless and defend the County or its officers, employees, agents and instrumentalities as herein provided.

Upon County's notification, the Contractor shall, furnish to Miami-Dade County, Department of Procurement Management, RFP Section, 111 N.W. 1<sup>st</sup> Street, Suite 1375, Miami, Florida 33128-1974, Certificates of Insurance that indicate that insurance coverage has been obtained, which meets the requirements as outlined below:

1. Worker's Compensation Insurance for all employees of the Contractor as required by Florida Statute 440.
2. Public Liability Insurance on a comprehensive basis in an amount not less than \$500,000 combined single limit per occurrence for bodily injury and property damage. **Miami-Dade County must be shown as an additional insured with respect to this coverage.**
3. Automobile Liability Insurance covering all owned, non-owned, and hired vehicles used in connection with the Services, in an amount not less than \$500,000 combined single limit per occurrence for bodily injury and property damage.

The insurance coverage required shall include those classifications, as listed in standard liability insurance manuals, which most nearly reflect the operation of the Contractor. All insurance policies required above shall be issued by companies authorized to do business under the laws of the State of Florida with the following qualifications:

The company must be rated no less than "B" as to management, and no less than "Class V" as to financial strength, according to the latest edition of Best's Insurance Guide published by A.M. Best Company, Oldwick, New Jersey, or its equivalent, subject to the approval of the County Risk Management Division.

OR

The company must hold a valid Florida Certificate of Authority as shown in the latest "List of All Insurance Companies Authorized or Approved to Do Business in Florida", issued by the State of

Florida Department of Insurance and are members of the Florida Guaranty Fund.

Notwithstanding the above company rating qualifications, the County reserves the right to accept policies for the Professional Liability Insurance from companies that have alternative qualifications that the County deems acceptable.

**Certificates of Insurance must indicate that for any cancellation of coverage before the expiration date, the issuing insurance carrier will endeavor to mail thirty (30) day written advance notice to the certificate holder. In addition, the Contractor hereby agrees not to modify the insurance coverage without thirty (30) days written advance notice to the County.**

**NOTE: MIAMI-DADE COUNTY CONTRACT NUMBER AND TITLE MUST APPEAR ON EACH CERTIFICATE OF INSURANCE.**

**CERTIFICATE HOLDER MUST READ: MIAMI-DADE COUNTY  
111 NW 1<sup>ST</sup> STREET  
SUITE 2340  
MIAMI, FL 33128**

Compliance with the foregoing requirements shall not relieve the Contractor of this liability and obligation under this section or under any other section in this Agreement.

Award of this Contract is contingent upon the receipt of the insurance documents, as required, within fifteen (15) calendar days after County notification to Contractor to comply before the award is made. If the insurance certificate is received within the specified time frame but not in the manner prescribed in this Agreement, the Contractor shall be verbally notified of such deficiency and shall have an additional five (5) calendar days to submit a corrected certificate to the County. If the Contractor fails to submit the required insurance documents in the manner prescribed in this Agreement within twenty (20) calendar days after County notification to comply, the Contractor shall be in default of the contractual terms and conditions and award of the Contract will be rescinded, unless such time frame for submission has been extended by the County.

The Contractor shall be responsible for assuring that the insurance certificates required in conjunction with this Section remain in force for the duration of the contractual period of the Contract, including any and all option years or extension periods that may be granted by the County. If insurance certificates are scheduled to expire during the contractual period, the Contractor shall be responsible for submitting new or renewed insurance certificates to the County at a minimum of thirty (30) calendar days in advance of such expiration. In the event that expired certificates are not replaced with new or renewed certificates which cover the contractual period, the County shall suspend the Contract until such time as the new or renewed certificates are received by the County in the manner prescribed herein; provided, however, that this suspended period does not exceed thirty (30) calendar days. Thereafter, the County may, at its sole discretion, terminate this contract.

**ARTICLE 11. MANNER OF PERFORMANCE**

- a) The Contractor shall provide the Services described herein in a competent and professional manner satisfactory to the County in accordance with the terms and conditions of this Agreement. The County shall be entitled to a satisfactory performance of all Services described herein and to full and prompt cooperation by the Contractor in all aspects of the

Services. At the request of the County the Contractor shall promptly remove from the project any Contractor's employee, subcontractor, or any other person performing Services hereunder. The Contractor agrees that such removal of any of its employees does not require the termination or demotion of any employee by the Contractor.

- b) The Contractor agrees to defend, hold harmless and indemnify the County and shall be liable and responsible for any and all claims, suits, actions, damages and costs (including attorney's fees and court costs) made against the County, occurring on account of, arising from or in connection with the removal and replacement of any Contractor's personnel performing services hereunder at the behest of the County. Removal and replacement of any Contractor's personnel as used in this Article shall not require the termination and or demotion of such Contractor's personnel.
- c) The Contractor agrees that at all times it will employ, maintain and assign to the performance of the Services a sufficient number of competent and qualified professionals and other personnel to meet the requirements to which reference is hereinafter made. The Contractor agrees to adjust its personnel staffing levels or to replace any its personnel if so directed upon reasonable request from the County, should the County make a determination, in its sole discretion, that said personnel staffing is inappropriate or that any individual is not performing in a manner consistent with the requirements for such a position.
- d) The Contractor warrants and represents that its personnel have the proper skill, training, background, knowledge, experience, rights, authorizations, integrity, character and licenses as necessary to perform the Services described herein, in a competent and professional manner.
- e) The Contractor shall at all times cooperate with the County and coordinate its respective work efforts to most effectively and efficiently maintain the progress in performing the Services.
- f) The Contractor shall comply with all provisions of all federal, state and local laws, statutes, ordinances, and regulations that are applicable to the performance of this Agreement.

## **ARTICLE 12. EMPLOYEES ARE THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE CONTRACTOR**

All employees of the Contractor shall be considered to be, at all times, employees of the Contractor under its sole direction and not employees or agents of the County. The Contractor shall supply competent employees. Miami-Dade County may require the Contractor to remove an employee it deems careless, incompetent, insubordinate or otherwise objectionable and whose continued employment on County property is not in the best interest of the County. Each employee shall have and wear proper identification.

## **ARTICLE 13. INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR RELATIONSHIP**

The Contractor is, and shall be, in the performance of all work services and activities under this Agreement, an independent contractor, and not an employee, agent or servant of the County. All persons engaged in any of the work or services performed pursuant to this Agreement shall at all times, and in all places, be subject to the Contractor's sole direction, supervision and control. The Contractor shall exercise control over the means and manner in which it and its employees perform the work, and in all respects the Contractor's relationship and the relationship of its employees to the County shall be that of an independent contractor and not as employees and agents of the County.

The Contractor does not have the power or authority to bind the County in any promise, agreement or representation other than specifically provided for in this Agreement.

**ARTICLE 14. AUTHORITY OF THE COUNTY'S PROJECT MANAGER**

- a) The Contractor hereby acknowledges that the County's Project Manager will determine in the first instance all questions of any nature whatsoever arising out of, under, or in connection with, or in any way related to or on account of, this Agreement including without limitations: questions as to the value, acceptability and fitness of the Services; questions as to either party's fulfillment of its obligations under the Contract; negligence, fraud or misrepresentation before or subsequent to acceptance of the Proposal; questions as to the interpretation of the Scope of Services; and claims for damages, compensation and losses.
- b) The Contractor shall be bound by all determinations or orders and shall promptly obey and follow every order of the Project Manager, including the withdrawal or modification of any previous order and regardless of whether the Contractor agrees with the Project Manager's determination or order. Where orders are given orally, they will be issued in writing by the Project Manager as soon thereafter as is practicable.
- c) The Contractor must, in the final instance, seek to resolve every difference concerning the Agreement with the Project Manager. In the event that the Contractor and the Project Manager are unable to resolve their difference, the Contractor may initiate a dispute in accordance with the procedures set forth in this Article. Exhaustion of these procedures shall be a condition precedent to any lawsuit permitted hereunder.
- d) In the event of such dispute, the parties to this Agreement authorize the County Manager or designee, who may not be the Project Manager or anyone associated with this Project, acting personally, to decide all questions arising out of, under, or in connection with, or in any way related to or on account of the Agreement (including but not limited to claims in the nature of breach of contract, fraud or misrepresentation arising either before or subsequent to execution hereof) and the decision of each with respect to matters within the County Manager's purview as set forth above shall be conclusive, final and binding on parties. Any such dispute shall be brought, if at all, before the County Manager within 10 days of the occurrence, event or act out of which the dispute arises.
- e) The County Manager may base this decision on such assistance as may be desirable, including advice of experts, but in any event shall base the decision on an independent and objective determination of whether Contractor's performance or any Deliverable meets the requirements of this Agreement and any specifications with respect thereto set forth herein. The effect of any decision shall not be impaired or waived by any negotiations or settlements or offers made in connection with the dispute, whether or not the County Manager participated therein, or by any prior decision of others, which prior decision shall be deemed subject to review, or by any termination or cancellation of the Agreement. All such disputes shall be submitted in writing by the Contractor to the County Manager for a decision, together with all evidence and other pertinent information in regard to such questions, in order that a fair and impartial decision may be made. Whenever the County Manager is entitled to exercise discretion or judgement or to make a determination or form an opinion pursuant to the provisions of this Article, such action shall be fair and impartial when exercised or taken. The County Manager, as appropriate, shall render a decision in writing and deliver a copy of the same to the Contractor. Except as such remedies may be limited or waived elsewhere in the Agreement, Contractor reserves the right to pursue any remedies available under law after

exhausting the provisions of this Article.

#### **ARTICLE 15. MUTUAL OBLIGATIONS**

- a) This Agreement, including attachments and appendixes to the Agreement, shall constitute the entire Agreement between the parties with respect hereto and supersedes all previous communications and representations or agreements, whether written or oral, with respect to the subject matter hereto unless acknowledged in writing by the duly authorized representatives of both parties.
- b) Nothing in this Agreement shall be construed for the benefit, intended or otherwise, of any third party that is not a parent or subsidiary of a party or otherwise related (by virtue of ownership control or statutory control) to a party.
- c) In those situations where this Agreement imposes an indemnity obligation on the Contractor, the County may, at its expense, elect to participate in the defense if the County should so choose. Furthermore, the County may at its own expense defend or settle any such claims if the Contractor fails to diligently defend such claims, and thereafter seek indemnity for costs from the Contractor.

#### **ARTICLE 16. QUALITY ASSURANCE/QUALITY ASSURANCE RECORD KEEPING**

The Contractor shall maintain, and shall require that its subcontractors and suppliers maintain, complete and accurate records to substantiate compliance with the requirements set forth in the Scope of Services. The Contractor and its subcontractors and suppliers, shall retain such records, and all other documents relevant to the Services furnished under this Agreement for a period of three (3) years from the expiration date of this Agreement and any extension thereof.

#### **ARTICLE 17. AUDITS**

The Contractor agrees that the County or its duly authorized representatives or governmental agencies shall, until the expiration of three (3) years after the expiration of this Agreement and any extension thereof, have access to and the right to examine and reproduce any of the Contractor's books, documents, papers and records and of its subcontractors and suppliers which apply to all matters of the County. Such records shall subsequently conform to Generally Accepted Accounting Principles requirements, and shall only address those transactions related to this Agreement.

The Contractor agrees to maintain an accounting system that provides accounting records that are supported with adequate documentation, and adequate procedures for determining the allowability and allocability of costs.

#### **ARTICLE 18. SUBSTITUTION OF PERSONNEL**

In the event the Contractor wishes to substitute personnel for the key personnel identified by the Contractor's Proposal, the Contractor must notify the County in writing and request written approval for the substitution at least ten (10) business days prior to effecting such substitution. However, such substitution can be implemented immediately with the County's approval.

#### **ARTICLE 19. CONSENT OF THE COUNTY REQUIRED FOR ASSIGNMENT**

The Contractor shall not assign, transfer, convey or otherwise dispose of this Agreement, including its rights, title or interest in or to the same or any part thereof without the prior written consent of the County.

#### **ARTICLE 20. SUBCONTRACTUAL RELATIONS**

- a) If the Contractor will cause any part of this Agreement to be performed by a Subcontractor, the provisions of this Contract will apply to such Subcontractor and its officers, agents and employees in all respects as if it and they were employees of the Contractor; and the Contractor will not be in any manner thereby discharged from its obligations and liabilities hereunder, but will be liable hereunder for all acts and negligence of the Subcontractor, its officers, agents, and employees, as if they were employees of the Contractor. The services performed by the Subcontractor will be subject to the provisions hereof as if performed directly by the Contractor.
- b) The Contractor, before making any subcontract for any portion of the services, will state in writing to the County the name of the proposed Subcontractor, the portion of the Services which the Subcontractor is to do, the place of business of such Subcontractor, and such other information as the County may require. The County will have the right to require the Contractor not to award any subcontract to a person, firm or corporation disapproved by the County.
- c) Before entering into any subcontract hereunder, the Contractor will inform the Subcontractor fully and completely of all provisions and requirements of this Agreement relating either directly or indirectly to the Services to be performed. Such Services performed by such Subcontractor will strictly comply with the requirements of this Contract.
- d) In order to qualify as a Subcontractor satisfactory to the County, in addition to the other requirements herein provided, the Subcontractor must be prepared to prove to the satisfaction of the County that it has the necessary facilities, skill and experience, and ample financial resources to perform the Services in a satisfactory manner. To be considered skilled and experienced, the Subcontractor must show to the satisfaction of the County that it has satisfactorily performed services of the same general type which is required to be performed under this Agreement.
- e) The County shall have the right to withdraw its consent to a subcontract if it appears to the County that the subcontract will delay, prevent, or otherwise impair the performance of the Contractor's obligations under this Agreement. All Subcontractors are required to protect the confidentiality of the County's and County's proprietary and confidential information. Contractor shall furnish to the County copies of all subcontracts between Contractor and Subcontractors and suppliers hereunder. Within each such subcontract, there shall be a clause for the benefit of the County, permitting the County to request completion of performance by the Subcontractor of its obligations under the subcontract, in the event the County finds the Contractor in breach of its obligations, and the option to pay the Subcontractor directly for the performance by such subcontractor. Notwithstanding, the foregoing shall neither convey nor imply any obligation or liability on the part of the County to any subcontractor hereunder as more fully described herein.

#### **ARTICLE 21. ASSUMPTION, PARAMETERS, PROJECTIONS, ESTIMATES AND EXPLANATIONS**

The Contractor understands and agrees that any assumptions, parameters, projections, estimates

and explanations presented by the County were provided to the Contractor for evaluation purposes only. However, since these assumptions, parameters, projections, estimates and explanations represent predictions of future events the County makes no representations or guarantees; and the County shall not be responsible for the accuracy of the assumptions presented; and the County shall not be responsible for conclusions to be drawn therefrom; and any assumptions, parameters, projections, estimates and explanations shall not form the basis of any claim by the Contractor. The Contractor accepts all risk associated with using this information.

## **ARTICLE 22. SEVERABILITY**

If this Agreement, including any subsequent Work Order, contains any provision found to be unlawful, the same shall be deemed to be of no effect and shall be deemed stricken from this Agreement without affecting the binding force of this Agreement as it shall remain after omitting such provision.

## **ARTICLE 23. TERMINATION FOR CONVENIENCE AND SUSPENSION OF WORK**

- a) The County may terminate this Agreement or any subsequent Work Order if an individual or corporation or other entity attempts to meet its contractual obligation with the County through fraud, misrepresentation or material misstatement.
- b) The County may, as a further sanction, terminate or cancel any other contract(s) that such individual or corporation or other entity has with the County and that such individual, corporation or other entity shall be responsible for all direct and indirect costs associated with such termination or cancellation, including attorney's fees.
- c) The foregoing notwithstanding, any individual, corporation or other entity which attempts to meet its contractual obligations with the County through fraud, misrepresentation or material misstatement may be debarred from County contracting for up to five (5) years in accordance with the County debarment procedures. The Contractor may be subject to debarment for failure to perform and all other reasons set forth in Section 10-38 of the County Code.

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

- d) The Contractor shall, upon receipt of such notice, unless otherwise directed by the County:
  - i. stop work on the date specified in the notice ("the Effective Termination Date");
  - ii. take such action as may be necessary for the protection and preservation of the County's materials and property;
  - iii. cancel orders;
  - iv. assign to the County and deliver to any location designated by the County any noncancelable orders for Deliverables that are not capable of use except in the performance of this Agreement and has been specifically developed for the sole purpose of the applicable Work Order and not incorporated in the Services;
  - v. take no action which will increase the amounts payable by the County under this

Agreement; and

- e) In the event that the County exercises its right to terminate this Agreement or any subsequent Work Order pursuant to this Article, the Contractor will be compensated as stated in the payment Articles, herein, for the:
- i. portion of the Services completed in accordance with the applicable Work Order up to the Effective Termination Date; and
  - ii. noncancelable Deliverables that are not capable of use except in the performance of the applicable Work Order, and that have been specifically developed for the sole purpose of the applicable Work Order, but not incorporated in the Services.
- f) All compensation pursuant to this Article is subject to audit.

#### **ARTICLE 24. EVENT OF DEFAULT**

- a) An Event of Default shall mean a breach of this Agreement by the Contractor. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing and in addition to those instances referred to herein as a breach, an Event of Default, shall include the following:
- i. the Contractor has not delivered Deliverables on a timely basis.
  - ii. the Contractor has refused or failed, except in case for which an extension of time is provided, to supply enough properly skilled Staff Personnel;
  - iii. the Contractor has failed to make prompt payment to subcontractors or suppliers for any Services;
  - iv. the Contractor has become insolvent (other than as interdicted by the bankruptcy laws), or has assigned the proceeds received for the benefit of the Contractor's creditors, or the Contractor has taken advantage of any insolvency statute or debtor/creditor law or if the Contractor's affairs have been put in the hands of a receiver;
  - v. the Contractor has failed to obtain the approval of the County where required by this Agreement;
  - vi. the Contractor has failed to provide "adequate assurances" as required under subsection "b" below;
  - vii. the Contractor has failed in the representation of any warranties stated herein.
- b) When, in the opinion of the County, reasonable grounds for uncertainty exist with respect to the Contractor's ability to perform the Services or any portion thereof, the County may request that the Contractor, within the time frame set forth in the County's request, provide adequate assurances to the County, in writing, of the Contractor's ability to perform in accordance with terms of this Agreement. Until the County receives such assurances the County may request an adjustment to the compensation received by the Contractor for portions of the Services which the Contractor has not performed. In the event that the Contractor fails to provide to the County the requested assurances within the prescribed time frame, the County may:
- i. treat such failure as a repudiation of this Agreement;

- ii. resort to any remedy for breach provided herein or at law, including but not limited to, taking over the performance of the Services or any part thereof either by itself or through others.
- c) In the event the County shall terminate this Agreement or any subsequent Work Order for default, the County or its designated representatives, may immediately take possession of all applicable equipment, materials, products, documentation, reports and data.

#### **ARTICLE 25. NOTICE OF DEFAULT - OPPORTUNITY TO CURE /TERMINATION**

If an Event of Default occurs, in the determination of the County, the County may so notify the Contractor ("Default Notice"), specifying the basis for such default, and advising the Contractor that such default must be cured immediately or this Agreement and/or the applicable Work Order with the County may be terminated. Notwithstanding, the County may, in its sole discretion, allow the Contractor to rectify the default to the County's reasonable satisfaction within a thirty (30) day period. The County may grant an additional period of such duration as the County shall deem appropriate without waiver of any of the County's rights hereunder, so long as the Contractor has commenced curing such default and is effectuating a cure with diligence and continuity during such thirty (30) day period or any other period which the County prescribes. The default notice shall specify the date the Contractor shall discontinue the Services upon the Termination Date.

#### **ARTICLE 26. REMEDIES IN THE EVENT OF DEFAULT**

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

- a) lost revenues;
- b) the difference between the cost associated with procuring Services hereunder and the amount actually expended by the County for reprourement of Services, including procurement and administrative costs; and,
- c) such other direct damages.

The Contractor shall also remain liable for any liabilities and claims related to the Contractor's default.

The County may also bring any suit or proceeding for specific performance or for an injunction.

#### **ARTICLE 27. PATENT AND COPYRIGHT INDEMNIFICATION**

- a) The Contractor warrants that all Deliverables furnished hereunder, including but not limited to: equipment programs, documentation, software, analyses, applications, methods, ways, processes, and the like, do not infringe upon or violate any patent, copyrights, service marks, trade secret, or any other third party proprietary rights.
- b) The Contractor shall be liable and responsible for any and all claims made against the County for infringement of patents, copyrights, service marks, trade secrets or any other third party proprietary rights, by the use or supplying of any programs, documentation, software, analyses, applications, methods, ways, processes, and the like, in the course of performance or completion of, or in any way connected with, the Work, or the County's continued use of the

Deliverables furnished hereunder. Accordingly, the Contractor at its own expense, including the payment of attorney's fees, shall indemnify, and hold harmless the County and defend any action brought against the County with respect to any claim, demand, cause of action, debt, or liability.

- c) In the event any Deliverable or anything provided to the County hereunder, or portion thereof is held to constitute an infringement and its use is or may be enjoined, the Contractor shall have the obligation to, at the County's option to (i) modify, or require that the applicable subcontractor or supplier modify, the alleged infringing item(s) at its own expense, without impairing in any respect the functionality or performance of the item(s), or (ii) procure for the County, at the Contractor's expense, the rights provided under this Agreement to use the item(s).
- d) The Contractor shall be solely responsible for determining and informing the County whether a prospective supplier or subcontractor is a party to any litigation involving patent or copyright infringement, service mark, trademark, violation, or proprietary rights claims or is subject to any injunction which may prohibit it from providing any Deliverable hereunder. The Contractor shall enter into agreements with all suppliers and subcontractors at the Contractor's own risk. The County may reject any Deliverable that it believes to be the subject of any such litigation or injunction, or if, in the County's judgment, use thereof would delay the Work or be unlawful.
- e) The Contractor shall not infringe any copyright, trademark, service mark, trade secrets, patent rights, or other intellectual property rights in the performance of the Work.

## **ARTICLE 28. CONFIDENTIALITY**

- a) All Developed Works and other materials, data, transactions of all forms, financial information, documentation, inventions, designs and methods obtained from the County in connection with the Services performed under this Agreement, made or developed by the Contractor or its subcontractors in the course of the performance of such Services, or the results of such Services, or which the County holds the proprietary rights, constitute Confidential Information and may not, without the prior written consent of the County, be used by the Contractor or its employees, agents, subcontractors or suppliers for any purpose other than for the benefit of the County, unless required by law. In addition to the foregoing, all County employee information and County financial information shall be considered confidential information and shall be subject to all the requirements stated herein. Neither the Contractor nor its employees, agents, subcontractors or suppliers may sell, transfer, publish, disclose, display, license or otherwise make available to others any part of such Confidential Information without the prior written consent of the County. Additionally, the Contractor expressly agrees to be bound by and to defend, indemnify and hold harmless the County, and their officers and employees from the breach of any federal, state or local law in regard to the privacy of individuals.
- b) The Contractor shall advise each of its employees, agents, subcontractors and suppliers who may be exposed to such Confidential Information of their obligation to keep such information confidential and shall promptly advise the County in writing if it learns of any unauthorized use or disclosure of the Confidential Information by any of its employees or agents, or subcontractor's or supplier's employees, present or former. In addition, the Contractor agrees to cooperate fully and provide any assistance necessary to ensure the confidentiality of the

Confidential Information.

- c) It is understood and agreed that in the event of a breach of this Article damages may not be an adequate remedy and the County shall be entitled to injunctive relief to restrain any such breach or threatened breach. Unless otherwise requested by the County, upon the completion of the Services performed hereunder, the Contractor shall immediately turn over to the County all such Confidential Information existing in tangible form, and no copies thereof shall be retained by the Contractor or its employees, agents, subcontractors or suppliers without the prior written consent of the County. A certificate evidencing compliance with this provision and signed by an officer of the Contractor shall accompany such materials.

#### **ARTICLE 29. PROPRIETARY INFORMATION**

As a political subdivision of the State of Florida, Miami-Dade County is subject to the stipulations of Florida's Public Records Law.

The Contractor acknowledge that all computer software in the County's possession may constitute or contain information or materials which the County has agreed to protect as proprietary information from disclosure or unauthorized use and may also constitute or contain information or materials which the County has developed at its own expense, the disclosure of which could harm the County's proprietary interest therein.

During the term of the contract, the contractors will not use directly or indirectly for itself or for others, or publish or disclose to any third party, or remove from the County's property, any computer programs, data compilations, or other software which the County has developed, has used or is using, is holding for use, or which are otherwise in the possession of the County (hereinafter "Computer Software"). All third-party license agreements must also be honored by the contractors and their employees, except as authorized by the County and, if the Computer Software has been leased or purchased by the County, all hired party license agreements must also be honored by the contractors' employees with the approval of the lessor or Contractors thereof. This includes mainframe, minis, telecommunications, personal computers and any and all information technology software.

The Contractor will report to the County any information discovered or which is disclosed to the Contractor which may relate to the improper use, publication, disclosure or removal from the County's property of any information technology software and hardware and will take such steps as are within the Contractor's authority to prevent improper use, disclosure or removal.

#### **ARTICLE 30. PROPRIETARY RIGHTS**

- a) The Contractor hereby acknowledges and agrees that the County retains all rights, title and interests in and to all materials, data, documentation and copies thereof furnished by the County to the Contractor hereunder or furnished by the Contractor to the County and/or created by the Contractor for delivery to the County, even if unfinished or in process, as a result of the Services the Contractor performs in connection with this Agreement, including all copyright and other proprietary rights therein, which the Contractor as well as its employees,

agents, subcontractors and suppliers may use only in connection of the performance of Services under this Agreement. The Contractor shall not, without the prior written consent of the County, use such documentation on any other project in which the Contractor or its employees, agents, subcontractors or suppliers are or may become engaged. Submission or distribution by the Contractor to meet official regulatory requirements or for other purposes in connection with the performance of Services under this Agreement shall not be construed as publication in derogation of the County's copyrights or other proprietary rights.

- b) All rights, title and interest in and to certain inventions, ideas, designs and methods, specifications and other documentation related thereto developed by the Contractor and its subcontractors specifically for the County, hereinafter referred to as "Developed Works" shall become the property of the County.
- c) Accordingly, neither the Contractor nor its employees, agents, subcontractors or suppliers shall have any proprietary interest in such Developed Works. The Developed Works may not be utilized, reproduced or distributed by or on behalf of the Contractor, or any employee, agent, subcontractor or supplier thereof, without the prior written consent of the County, except as required for the Contractor's performance hereunder.
- d) Except as otherwise provided in subsections a, b, and c above, or elsewhere herein, the Contractor and its subcontractors and suppliers hereunder shall retain all proprietary rights in and to all Licensed Software provided hereunder, that have not been customized to satisfy the performance criteria set forth in the Scope of Services. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Contractor hereby grants, and shall require that its subcontractors and suppliers grant, if the County so desires, a perpetual, irrevocable and unrestricted right and license to use, duplicate, disclose and/or permit any other person(s) or entity(ies) to use all such Licensed Software and the associated specifications, technical data and other Documentation for the operations of the County or entities controlling, controlled by, under common control with, or affiliated with the County, or organizations which may hereafter be formed by or become affiliated with the County. Such license specifically includes, but is not limited to, the right of the County to use and/or disclose, in whole or in part, the technical documentation and Licensed Software, including source code provided hereunder, to any person or entity outside the County for such person's or entity's use in furnishing any and/or all of the Deliverables provided hereunder exclusively for the County or entities controlling, controlled by, under common control with, or affiliated with the County, or organizations which may hereafter be formed by or become affiliated with the County. No such License Software, specifications, data, documentation or related information shall be deemed to have been given in confidence and any statement or legend to the contrary shall be void and of no effect.

## **ARTICLE 31. BUSINESS APPLICATION AND FORMS**

**Business Application** The Contractor shall be a registered vendor with the County – Department of Procurement Management, for the duration of this Agreement. It is the responsibility of the Contractor to file the appropriate Vendor Application and to update the Application file for any changes for the duration of this Agreement, including any option years.

Section 2-11.1(d) of Miami-Dade County Code as amended by Ordinance 00-1, requires any county employee or any member of the employee's immediate family who has a controlling financial interest,

direct or indirect, with Miami-Dade County or any person or agency acting for Miami-Dade County from competing or applying for any such contract as it pertains to this solicitation, must first request a conflict of interest opinion from the County's Ethic Commission prior to their or their immediate family member's entering into any contract or transacting any business through a firm, corporation, partnership or business entity in which the employee or any member of the employee's immediate family has a controlling financial interest, direct or indirect, with Miami-Dade County or any person or agency acting for Miami-Dade County and that any such contract, agreement or business engagement entered in violation of this subsection, as amended, shall render this Agreement voidable. For additional information, please contact the Ethics Commission hotline at (305) 579-2593.

## ARTICLE 32. INSPECTOR GENERAL REVIEWS

### **Independent Private Sector Inspector General Reviews**

Pursuant to Miami-Dade County Administrative Order 3-20, the County has the right to retain the services of an Independent Private Sector Inspector General (hereinafter "IPSIG"), whenever the County deems it appropriate to do so. Upon written notice from the County, the Contractor shall make available to the IPSIG retained by the County, all requested records and documentation pertaining to this Agreement for inspection and reproduction. The County shall be responsible for the payment of these IPSIG services, and under no circumstance shall the Contractor's prices and any changes thereto approved by the County, be inclusive of any charges relating to these IPSIG services. The terms of this provision herein, apply to the Contractor, its officers, agents, employees, subcontractors and assignees. Nothing contained in this provision shall impair any independent right of the County to conduct an audit or investigate the operations, activities and performance of the Contractor in connection with this Agreement. The terms of this Article shall not impose any liability on the County by the Contractor or any third party.

### **Miami-Dade County Inspector General Review**

According to Section 2-1076 of the Code of Miami-Dade County, as amended by Ordinance No. 99-63, Miami-Dade County has established the Office of the Inspector General which may, on a random basis, perform audits on all County contracts, throughout the duration of said contracts, except as otherwise provided below. The cost of the audit for this Contract shall be one quarter (1/4) of one (1) percent of the total contract amount which cost shall be included in the total contract amount. The audit cost will be deducted by the County from progress payments to the Contractor. The audit cost shall also be included in all change orders and all contract renewals and extensions.

**Exception:** The above application of one quarter (1/4) of one percent fee assessment shall not apply to the following contracts: (a) IPSIG contracts; (b) contracts for legal services; (c) contracts for financial advisory services; (d) auditing contracts; (e) facility rentals and lease agreements; (f) concessions and other rental agreements; (g) insurance contracts; (h) revenue-generating contracts; (i) contracts where an IPSIG is assigned at the time the contract is approved by the Commission; (j) professional service agreements under \$1,000; (k) management agreements; (l) small purchase orders as defined in Miami-Dade County Administrative Order 3-2; (m) federal, state and local government-funded grants; and (n) interlocal agreements. ***Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Miami-Dade County Board of County Commissioners may authorize the inclusion of the fee assessment of one quarter (1/4) of one percent in any exempted contract at the time of award***

Nothing contained above shall in any way limit the powers of the Inspector General to perform audits on all County contracts including, but not limited to, those contracts specifically exempted above. The Miami-Dade County Inspector General is authorized and empowered to review past, present and

proposed County and Public Health Trust contracts, transactions, accounts, records and programs. In addition, the Inspector General has the power to subpoena witnesses, administer oaths, require the production of records and monitor existing projects and programs. Monitoring of an existing project or program may include a report concerning whether the project is on time, within budget and in conformance with plans, specifications and applicable law. The Inspector General is empowered to analyze the necessity of and reasonableness of proposed change orders to the Contract. The Inspector General is empowered to retain the services of independent private sector inspectors general (IPSIG) to audit, investigate, monitor, oversee, inspect and review operations, activities, performance and procurement process, including but not limited to project design, specifications, proposal submittals, activities of the Contractor, its officers, agents and employees, lobbyists, County staff and elected officials to ensure compliance with contract specifications and to detect fraud and corruption.

Upon written notice to the Contractor from the Inspector General or IPSIG retained by the Inspector General, the Contractor shall make all requested records and documents available to the Inspector General or IPSIG for inspection and copying. The Inspector General and IPSIG shall have the right to inspect and copy all documents and records in the Contractor's possession, custody or control which, in the Inspector General's or IPSIG's sole judgment, pertain to performance of the contract, including, but not limited to original estimate files, change order estimate files, worksheets, proposals and agreements form and which successful and unsuccessful subcontractors and suppliers, all project-related correspondence, memoranda, instructions, financial documents, construction documents, proposal and contract documents, back-charge documents, all documents and records which involve cash, trade or volume discounts, insurance proceeds, rebates, or dividends received, payroll and personnel records, and supporting documentation for the aforesaid documents and records.

### **ARTICLE 33. LOCAL, STATE, AND FEDERAL COMPLIANCE REQUIREMENTS**

Contractor agrees to comply, subject to applicable professional standards, with the provisions of any and all applicable Federal, State and the County orders, statutes, ordinances, rules and regulations which may pertain to the Services required under this Agreement, including but not limited to:

- a) Equal Employment Opportunity (EEO), in compliance with Executive Order 11246 as amended and applicable to this Contract.
- b) Miami-Dade County Florida, Department of Business Development Participation Provisions, as applicable to this Contract.
- c) Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), as applicable to this Contract.
- d) Miami-Dade County Code, Chapter 11A, Article 3. All contractors and subcontractors performing work in connection with this Contract shall provide equal opportunity for employment because of race, religion, color, age, sex, national origin, sexual preference, disability or marital status. The aforesaid provision shall include, but not be limited to, the following: employment, upgrading, demotion or transfer, recruitment advertising; layoff or termination; rates of pay or other forms of compensation; and selection for training, including apprenticeship. The Contractor agrees to post in conspicuous place available for employees and applicants for employment, such notices as may be required by the Dade County Fair Housing and Employment Commission, or other authority having jurisdiction over the work setting forth the provisions of the nondiscrimination law.
- e) "Conflicts of Interest" Section 2-11 of the County Code, and Ordinance 01-199.

- f) Miami-Dade County Code Section 10-38 "Debarment".
- g) Miami-Dade County Ordinance 99-5, codified at 11A-60 et. seq. of Miami-Dade Code pertaining to complying with the County's Domestic Leave Ordinance.
- h) Miami-Dade County Ordinance 99-152, prohibiting the presentation, maintenance, or prosecution of false or fraudulent claims against Miami-Dade County.

Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, Contractor shall not be required pursuant to this Agreement to take any action or abstain from taking any action if such action or abstention would, in the good faith determination of the Contractor, constitute a violation of any law or regulation to which Contractor is subject, including but not limited to laws and regulations requiring that Contractor conduct its operations in a safe and sound manner.

#### **ARTICLE 34. NONDISCRIMINATION**

During the performance of this Contract, Contractor agrees to: not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, religion, color, sex, handicap, marital status, age or national origin, and will take affirmative action to ensure that they are afforded equal employment opportunities without discrimination. Such action shall be taken with reference to, but not limited to: recruitment, employment, termination, rates of pay or other forms of compensation, and selection for training or retraining, including apprenticeship and on the job training.

By entering into this Contract with the County, the Contractor attests that it is not in violation of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (and related Acts) or Miami-Dade County Resolution No. R-385-95. If the Contractor or any owner, subsidiary or other firm affiliated with or related to the Contractor is found by the responsible enforcement agency or the County to be in violation of the Act or the Resolution, such violation shall render this Contract void. This Contract shall be void if the Contractor submits a false affidavit pursuant to this Resolution or the Contractor violates the Act or the Resolution during the term of this Contract, even if the Contractor was not in violation at the time it submitted its affidavit.

#### **ARTICLE 35. CONFLICT OF INTEREST**

The Contractor represents that:

- a) No officer, director, employee, agent, or other consultant of the County or a member of the immediate family or household of the aforesaid has directly or indirectly received or been promised any form of benefit, payment or compensation, whether tangible or intangible, in connection with the grant of this Agreement.
- b) There are no undisclosed persons or entities interested with the Contractor in this Agreement. This Agreement is entered into by the Contractor without any connection with any other entity or person making a proposal for the same purpose, and without collusion, fraud or conflict of interest. No elected or appointed officer or official, director, employee, agent or other consultant of the County, or of the State of Florida (including elected and appointed members of the legislative and executive branches of government), or a member of the immediate family or household of any of the aforesaid:
  - i) is interested on behalf of or through the Contractor directly or indirectly in any manner whatsoever in the execution or the performance of this Agreement, or in the services, supplies or work, to which this Agreement relates or in any portion of the revenues; or

- ii) is an employee, agent, advisor, or consultant to the Contractor or to the best of the Contractor's knowledge any subcontractor or supplier to the Contractor.
- c) Neither the Contractor nor any officer, director, employee, agency, parent, subsidiary, or affiliate of the Contractor shall have an interest which is in conflict with the Contractor's faithful performance of its obligation under this Agreement; provided that the County, in its sole discretion, may consent in writing to such a relationship, provided the Contractor provides the County with a written notice, in advance, which identifies all the individuals and entities involved and sets forth in detail the nature of the relationship and why it is in the County's best interest to consent to such relationship.
- d) The provisions of this Article are supplemental to, not in lieu of, all applicable laws with respect to conflict of interest. In the event there is a difference between the standards applicable under this Agreement and those provided by statute, the stricter standard shall apply.
- e) In the event Contractor has no prior knowledge of a conflict of interest as set forth above and acquires information which may indicate that there may be an actual or apparent violation of any of the above, Contractor shall promptly bring such information to the attention of the County's Project Manager. Contractor shall thereafter cooperate with the County's review and investigation of such information, and comply with the instructions Contractor receives from the Project Manager in regard to remedying the situation.

#### **ARTICLE 36. PRESS RELEASE OR OTHER PUBLIC COMMUNICATION**

Under no circumstances shall the Contractor without the express written consent of the County:

- a) Issue or permit to be issued any press release, advertisement or literature of any kind which refers to the County, or the Work being performed hereunder, unless the Contractor first obtains the written approval of the County. Such approval may be withheld if for any reason the County believes that the publication of such information would be harmful to the public interest or is in any way undesirable; and
- b) Communicate in any way with any contractor, department, board, agency, commission or other organization or any person whether governmental or private in connection with the Services to be performed hereunder except upon prior written approval and instruction of the County; and
- c) Except as may be required by law, the Contractor and its employees, agents, subcontractors and suppliers will not represent, directly or indirectly, that any product or service provided by the Contractor or such parties has been approved or endorsed by the County.

#### **ARTICLE 37. BANKRUPTCY**

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

#### **ARTICLE 38. GOVERNING LAW**

This Contract, including appendices, and all matters relating to this Contract (whether in contract,

statute, tort (such as negligence), or otherwise) shall be governed by, and construed in accordance with, the laws of the State of Florida.

### **ARTICLE 39. COUNTY USER ACCESS PROGRAM (UAP)**

#### **a) User Access Fee**

Pursuant to Miami-Dade County Budget Ordinance No. 03-192, this Contract is subject to a user access fee under the County User Access Program (UAP) in the amount of two percent (2%). All sales resulting from this Contract, or any contract resulting from this solicitation and the utilization of the County contract price and the terms and conditions identified herein, are subject to the two percent (2%) UAP. This fee applies to all contract usage whether by County Departments or by any other governmental, quasi-governmental or not-for-profit entity.

The Contractor providing goods or services under this Contract shall invoice the contract price and shall accept as payment thereof the contract price less the 2% UAP as full and complete payment for the goods and/or services specified on the invoice. The County shall retain the 2% UAP for use by the County to help defray the cost of the procurement program. Vendor participation in this invoice reduction portion of the UAP is mandatory.

#### **b) Joint Purchase**

Only those entities that have been approved by the County for participation in the County's Joint Purchase and Entity Revenue Sharing Agreement are eligible to utilize or receive County contract pricing and terms and conditions. The County will provide to approved entities a UAP Participant Validation Number. The Contractor must obtain the participation number from the entity prior to filling any order placed pursuant to this section. Contractor participation in this joint purchase portion of the UAP, however, is voluntary. The Contractor shall notify the ordering entity, in writing, within 3 work days of receipt of an order, of a decision to decline the order.

For all ordering entities located outside the geographical boundaries of Miami-Dade County, the Contractor shall be entitled to ship goods on an "FOB Destination, Prepaid and Charged Back" basis. This allowance shall only be made when expressly authorized by a representative of the ordering entity prior to shipping the goods.

The County shall have no liability to the Contractor for the cost of any purchase made by an ordering entity under the UAP and shall not be deemed to be a party thereto. All orders shall be placed directly by the ordering entity with the Contractor and shall be paid by the ordering entity less the 2% UAP.

#### **c) Contractor Compliance**

If a Contractor fails to comply with this Article, that Contractor may be considered in default by the County in accordance with Article 24 of this Contract.

### **ARTICLE 40. SURVIVAL**

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

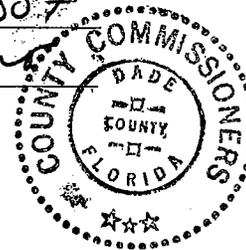
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have executed this Agreement effective as of the contract date herein above set forth.

Contractor

Miami-Dade County

By: Carl Aduary  
Name: Carlos G. Duran  
Title: President  
Date: 9/22/2007  
Attest: [Signature]  
Corporate Secretary

By: [Signature]  
Name: Susanne M. Torriente  
Title: Chief Asst. County Mgr.  
Date: Oct. 3 2007  
Attest: [Signature]  
Clerk of the Board



Corporate Seal

Approved as to form  
and legal sufficiency  
[Signature] 8/2/07  
Assistant County Attorney

Appendix A

**SCOPE OF SERVICES**

**1. INTRODUCTION**

Miami-Dade County is contracting for the services of debris monitors to support the oversight and management of debris recovery contractors. The Contractor shall also provide a range of related services including truck certification, damage assessment, training, emergency planning and other services as needed and/or requested by the County. Other services may include facilitating communication with Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), the State of Florida and other federal agencies, and coordination with state insurance representatives.

The decision to initiate the Contractor's services will be determined by the County on an event-by-event basis, and is dependent upon, among other factors, the amount and extent of debris requiring removal. The County reserves the right, at its sole discretion, to perform any task contained in this scope of services.

**2. TASKS**

Upon notification by the County, the Contractor shall:

**A. Project Management**

1. Be responsible for the overall monitoring of debris recovery contractors, management of the Contractor's management team (see Item 14 below) and provide a Project Manager to be the County's point-of-contact. At the discretion of the County, the Contractor's Project Manager may be physically located in the Emergency Operations Center (EOC) or other location specified by the County. (The Contractor's Project Manager shall be supported by the full array of Contractor's resources to enhance efficiency and expedite deliverables.)
2. Assign an Operations Manager to oversee each debris recovery contractor.
3. Coordinate daily briefings, work in progress, staffing, and other key items with the County.
4. Schedule work for all team members and debris recovery contractors on a daily basis.
5. Schedule, manage and run periodic meetings for field staff and contractors.
6. Conduct hauling contractors' truck certifications to include maintaining a certified truck database with records of measurements, truck photos and certified truck capacity.
7. Monitor hauling recovery contractors' progress, make/implement recommendations to improve efficiency, and speed up recovery work.
8. Assist the County with responding to public concerns and comments regarding property management, damage assessment, replacement of damaged property, status of clean-up, clean-up target dates, etc.
9. Conduct safety inspections for proper debris management.
10. Review and reconcile contractor invoices for payment and prepare FEMA worksheets for reimbursement for debris hauling and monitoring efforts.
11. Prepare operational reports and other documentation.

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- 12. Document public and private property damage assessments.
- 13. Establish a datacenter where project documents are stored, sorted and reconciled. Designated County personnel shall have access to the data during normal business hours.
- 14. Establish a Project Management Team.

Example:

- (a) Operations Managers/Asst. Project Manager
- (b) Field Supervisor/Truck Certifier
- (c) Staff Scheduler/Truck Dispatchers
- (d) Damage/Debris Assessment Team
- (e) Collection Monitors (Crew Monitors)
- (f) Disposal Monitors
- (g) Load Ticket Data Entry Clerk /Billing/Invoicing
- (h) Flagman/Traffic Controllers at Staging/Truck Certification/Disposal Sites

The Contractor may add other positions to the Team as necessary with the written approval of the County's Project Manager. Other approved positions are indicated in Appendix B, Price Schedule.

**Note: The Contractor shall utilize local workforce as available, as travel and lodging are not covered by the County.**

**B. Response Time/Mobilization**

**Predicted Events**

- 1. The Contractor, if requested by the County, shall report to the EOC, or other designated site, at least 24 hours prior to a predicted catastrophic event.

**(Unpredicted Events)**

- 2. For events other than predicted events, the Contractor shall report within six (6) hours of notification to the location specified by the County. The Contractor shall mobilize a staff of sufficient size to adequately monitor debris operations, as indicated herein.

**C. Meetings and Communications**

The Contractor shall maintain open, timely conversations and written documentation with FEMA to provide successful completion of the disaster response. Throughout the execution of the recovery operations the Contractor shall meet with County representatives as directed and coordinated with the County. The Contractor shall attend pre-work conference(s) for the debris recovery contractors, as directed by the County, and shall convene and attend regular progress and coordination meetings, as directed by the County. The Contractor shall provide written minutes of all such meetings to the County. Minutes shall be provided within three business days after the meeting occurs and must be submitted in either hardcopy, e-mail, or CD format.

*Appendix A***D. Operational Reports and other documentation:**

The Contractor shall prepare and submit operational reports to the County throughout the duration of the recovery operations. Daily reports shall document the debris recovery contractors' activities and progress from the previous day. The daily reports shall be submitted by 8:00 a.m. to a distribution list established by the County's Project Manager. Each daily report submitted shall contain the following minimum information:

- a. Contractor names;
- b. Number of contractors (and their crews working that day), number of loads, estimated cubic yards for the day and cumulative;
- c. Reports and graphs (to delineate production rates of crews and their equipment, progress by area and estimation of total quantities remaining, time to completion, and daily cumulative cubic yards of debris removed, processed and hauled); and
- d. GIS mapping data updates and digitized reports. (All GIS layers required will be provided to the Contractor by the County, prior to an event or as soon as possible to ensure up-to-date files and consistency in field structure. Scanned documents should be at a minimum 300 dpi and in jpg, tif or pdf file format to ensure readability.)

**E. Field Monitoring**

The Contractor shall provide a minimum of one (1) Monitor (see Section 2(A)(14)(e)) per recovery crew. The Monitor shall oversee the recovery contractors for contract compliance, efficiency and regulatory compliance. The Monitors shall provide feedback to the County through a Field Supervisor. Crew members shall utilize state-of-the art technology, which includes digital cameras, computers and other communication devices and GPS units with an accuracy of 3 meters.

Responsibilities of Collection Monitors shall include (but not be limited to):

- a. Document daily and weekly recovery work, ensuring that proper records are maintained for load tickets and recovery costs.
- b. Inspect the means and methods, according to FEMA's guidelines for reimbursement, to measure and record work, recommending changes that may be needed.
- c. Stop work in progress that is not being performed or documented in the appropriate manner.
- d. Inspect work in progress to ensure that removal efforts include debris of the proper type (according to County and FEMA's classification) in the proper areas as assigned by County staff.
- e. Check work in process to make sure that the proper work authorizations, permits, and other regulatory requirements and prerequisites have been received and approved.
- f. Report on any improvements in work assignments and/or efficiency/productivity that may be appropriate.
- g. Maintain digital photo documentation of recovery work, as required by the County.

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**F. Debris Site/Staging Area Monitoring**

The Contractor shall ensure that a minimum of four (4) monitors (see Section 2(A)(14)(f)) per debris site/staging area are deployed upon establishment of each site. The County will advise of the minimum number of disposal monitors required depending on the size of the debris site/staging areas.

**G. Public and Private Property Damage Assessments**

The Contractor shall assemble damage assessment teams to document field damages and notify contractors of their responsibilities in repairing damages. In the event that damages are not repaired to the satisfaction of the homeowner and/or government entity, and were the contractor claims no further responsibility, the documentation from each of these incidents shall be turned over to the County's General Services Administration, Risk Management Division for final resolution.

**H. Technical Expertise and Guidance**

As directed by the County, per event, the Contractor shall provide:

1. A comprehensive emergency management plan to include plan development, plan review, and plan revisions.
2. Damage assessments of facilities, assessment plan development, procedure development, staff training, staff augmentation, assessment, and deployment.
3. A comprehensive mitigation program to include development of a mitigation plan, staff training, cost benefit analysis, project management, environmental review and staff augmentation.
4. All relevant data and supporting documentation to the County as may be required by the Mayor, County Senior Management Staff, Board of County Commissioner's (BCC) and BCC Sub-committees.
5. Technical support and assistance in developing public information.
6. Other reports and data as required by the County.
7. Aerial photographs of debris sites or other areas per County and FEMA's specifications.

**I. Other Services**

As directed by the County, the Contractor shall provide the following:

1. Training and Assistance: Training sessions for all key County personnel (to be identified by the County), and assistance in all disaster debris recovery-planning efforts as requested.
2. Preliminary Damage Assessment: Determine the impact and magnitude of the disaster event before federal assistance is requested, identify damaged locations and facilities, pre and post disaster estimates of debris quantities, document eligible costs and describe the physical and financial impact of the disaster.
3. Debris Planning Efforts: Assist in all disaster debris recovery planning efforts as requested by the County. These planning efforts shall include, but are not limited to, development of a debris management plan to include staff training, assistance in the identification of adequate temporary debris storage and reduction sites, estimation of debris quantities, and emergency action plans for debris clearance following an event.
4. Digitization of all source documentation as required by FEMA and to be compatible with the County

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system that utilizes Microsoft Office and Windows (such as load tickets and supplies to the County with each invoice).

**J. Final Report**

A final report of volume and any other information collected by the Contractor for each event as requested by the County, shall be prepared by the Contractor and shall be submitted to a distribution list as established by the County's Project Manager within 30 days of completion of the recovery operations. Recovery operations include remediation of sites, closure of sites and conclusion of all related operations. At a minimum, the following information shall be included in this report:

1. Discussion of disaster response requirements and results.
2. Recommendations for future disaster response strategies.
3. Copies of manifests, certificates, and related documents.
4. Log books and all other data taken during the implementation of the Disaster Response Plan.

**K. EVENT CLOSURE**

The Contractor shall review and process requests for payment by the disaster debris removal contractors. As part of this process, the Contractor shall reconcile contractor invoices for payment and prepare FEMA work sheets for reimbursement by FEMA for debris hauling and monitoring efforts. The Contractor shall prepare final reports necessary for reimbursement by FEMA, FHWA and any other applicable agencies involved in disaster recovery efforts.

**L. WORK ORDER**

A Work Order is required to provide the services requested herein and will be issued by the County, on an as needed basis.

**3. STRUCTURE AND TERM OF POOL**

The Contractors in the Pool shall service requests for the County's Department of Solid Waste Management and from other County departments or agencies. Contractors will be added into the Pool in the order of their total overall score and ranking (i.e., highest ranked first).

It is the County's intention to create a Pool of Contractors to provide the requested services. Membership in the Pool does not guarantee work, and does not provide for exclusive rights by any Contractor to provide services to the County. The County may periodically add new members through a competitive process, at its discretion. It is anticipated that any members added to the Pool after the initial selection process will be added into the member ranking order after the rankings of the then current members.

Contractors will be required to sign an agreement with the County in order to be accepted into the Pool. The agreement will include general legal and administrative provisions, not-to-exceed hourly rates for various staff levels, and may be updated periodically to reflect new County requirements. The agreement will be supplemented, upon project award, by individual Work Orders specifying project scopes, and payment and price information.

At the County's discretion, members may be dropped from the Pool for lack of participation, which shall include failure over a reasonable time to propose on Work Order Proposal Requests (WOPRs) offered through the Pool, poor performance as to quality, responsiveness and accuracy of services provided, being in arrears in obligations to the County, and any other reason specified by County policies and procedures. Contractors

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must maintain the qualifications of the firm and proposed personnel consistent the qualification submissions submitted in response to Request for Qualifications No. 99. Substitution of management/supervisory staff is subject to approval by the County.

**4. WORK ORDER PROCESS**

When projects arise, the County may award Work Orders based on the ranking order of Pool members and may award multiple Work Orders for the same event to multiple Pool members, at its sole discretion. Additionally, the County may, at its discretion, issue a WOPR to Pool members for a response. Recommendations for WOPR awards will be made competitively, generally based on quality and/or price. **WOPRs may be issued on short notice, and response times may be required in less than forty-eight (48) hours.** Local Preference consideration will not apply to Work Orders. The County reserves the right to develop an alternate, streamlined process for awarding Work Orders.

Membership in the Pool is a prerequisite for having an opportunity to respond to a WOPR and obtain work through this Pool. There is no limit to the number of Work Orders any Pool member may receive.

**5. NEGOTIATIONS**

The County may negotiate each Work Order. In the case of WOPRs, the County may award a Work Order on the basis of initial offers received or enter into negotiations with the recommended Pool member. If the County and the recommended Pool member cannot negotiate a successful Work Order, the County may terminate negotiations and begin negotiations with other Pool members. This process may continue until a Work Order has been executed or all Pool members who responded to the WOPR have been rejected.

**Appendix B****Price Schedule**

The following are hourly rates for key personnel to provide the Scope of Services, Appendix A. The hourly rates include all costs, including all applicable overhead and profit (excluding lodging, meals, and travel which are not covered/reimbursable by the County).

<b><u>KEY POSITIONS</u></b>	<b><u>HOURLY RATES</u></b>
1. Project Manager	\$135.00
2. Operations Managers Asst. Project Mgr	\$120.00
3. Field Supervisor Truck Certifier	\$105.00
4. Staff Scheduler Truck Dispatchers	\$95.00
5. Damage/Debris Assessment Team	\$105.00
6. Collection Monitors	\$55.00
7. Disposal Monitors	\$75.00
8. Load Ticket Data Entry	\$40.00
<b><u>OTHER POSITIONS</u></b>	
9. ITS Analyst	\$90.00
10. Environmental Specialist	\$125.00

**Note:**

The position descriptions are included in the Contractor's proposal (revised price information submitted to the County on June 4, 2007). Additional positions must be approved on the Work Orders issued by the County.