



Dear Sir/Madam:

On February 23, 2013, the parent corporation of HemoCue, Inc. (Quest Diagnostics Incorporated) agreed to sell the HemoCue, Inc. diagnostic products business to Radiometer Medical ApS, a leading global acute care testing solutions provider.

In connection with the Transaction, certain of HemoCue, Inc.'s business assets were transferred to Radiometer America, Inc. The transaction occurred on April 9, 2013. Radiometer owns and operates the HemoCue U.S. Assets. HemoCue now operates under the name HemoCue America, a division of Radiometer America.

Should you have any questions, please contact the undersigned.

Very Truly Yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Murray Masterson", followed by a horizontal line.

Murray Masterson
Finance Manager
HemoCue America
Vice President
Radiometer America Inc.

HemoCue America

250 S. Kraemer Blvd.
Mailstop B1.SW.11
Brea, CA 92821
800.881.1611
hemocue.com

CONTRACT DOCUMENTS

**CITY OF LINCOLN
NEBRASKA**

**ANNUAL REQUIREMENTS
FOR
HEMOCUE MICROCUVETTES
QUOTE NO. 4887**

**Hemocue America
250 S. Kraemer Blvd.
Brea, CA 92821
800.881.1611**

**CITY OF LINCOLN
CONTRACT AGREEMENT**

THIS CONTRACT, made and entered into by and between **Hemocue America, 250 S. Kraemer Blvd., Brea, CA 92821**, hereinafter called "Contractor", and the City of Lincoln, Nebraska, a municipal corporation, hereinafter called "City".

WHEREAS, the City has caused to be prepared, in accordance with law, Specifications, Plans, and other Contract Documents for the Work herein described, and has approved and adopted said documents and has caused to be published an advertisement for and in connection with said Work, to-wit:

For providing HemoCue Microcuvettes, Quote No. 4887 and,

WHEREAS, the Contractor, in response to such advertisement, has submitted to the City, in the manner and at the time specified, a sealed Proposal/Supplier Response in accordance with the terms of said advertisement; and,

WHEREAS, the City, in the manner prescribed by law has publicly opened, read aloud, examined, and canvassed the Proposals/Supplier Responses submitted in response to such advertisement, and as a result of such canvass has determined and declared the Contractor to be the lowest responsible bidder for the said Work for the sum or sums named in the Contractor's Proposal/Supplier Responses, a copy thereof being attached to and made a part of this Contract;

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the sums to be paid to the Contractor and the mutual covenants herein contained, the Contractor and the City has agreed and hereby agree as follows:

1. The Contractor agrees to (a) furnish all tools, equipment, supplies, superintendence, transportation, and other accessories, services, and facilities; (b) furnish all materials, supplies, and equipment specified to be incorporated into and form a permanent part of the complete work; (c) provide and perform all necessary labor in a substantial and workmanlike manner and in accordance with the provisions of the Contract Documents; and (d) execute and complete all Work included in and covered by the City's award of this Contract to the Contractor, such award being based on the acceptance by the City of the Contractor's Proposal, or part thereof, as follows:

Agreement to full proposal.

2. The City agrees to pay to the Contractor for the performance of the Work embraced in this Contract, the Contractor agrees to accept as full compensation therefore, the following sums and prices for all Work covered by and included in the Contract award and designated above, payment thereof to be made in the manner provided by the City:

The City will pay for products/service, according to the Line Item pricing as listed in Contractors Proposal/Supplier Response, a copy thereof being attached to and made a part of this Contract. The City shall order on an as needed basis for the duration of the contract. The total cost of products or services for City departments shall not exceed \$22,000.00 during the contract term without approval.

3. **Equal Employment Opportunity.** In connection with the carrying out of this project, the contractor shall not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, color, religion, sex, national origin, ancestry, disability, age or marital status. The Contractor will take affirmative action to ensure that applicants are employed, and that employees are treated during employment, without regard to their race, color, religion, sex, national origin, ancestry, disability, age or marital status. Such action shall include, but not be limited to, the following: employment, upgrading, demotion or transfer; recruitment or recruitment advertising; layoff or termination; rates of pay or other compensation; and selection for training, including apprenticeship.

4. E-Verify. In accordance with Neb. Rev. Stat. 4-108 through 4-114, the contractor agrees to register with and use a federal immigration verification system, to determine the work eligibility status of new employees performing services within the state of Nebraska. A federal immigration verification system means the electronic verification of the work authorization program of the Illegal Immigration Reform and Immigrant Responsibility Act of 1996, 8 U.S.C. 1324 a, otherwise known as the E-Verify Program, or an equivalent federal program designated by the United States Department of Homeland Security or other federal agency authorized to verify the work eligibility status of a newly hired employee pursuant to the Immigration Reform and Control Act of 1986. The Contractor shall not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment to be employed in the performance of this section pursuant to the requirements of state law and 8 U.S.C.A 1324b. The contractor shall require any subcontractor to comply with the provisions of this section.
5. Termination. This Contract may be terminated by the following:
 - 5.1) Termination for Convenience. Either party may terminate this Contract upon thirty (30) days written notice to the other party for any reason without penalty.
 - 5.2) Termination for Cause. The City may terminate the Contract for cause if the Contractor:
 - 5.2.1) Refuses or fails to supply the proper labor, materials and equipment necessary to provide services and/or commodities.
 - 5.2.2) Disregards Federal, State or local laws, ordinances, regulations, resolutions or orders.
 - 5.2.3) Otherwise commits a substantial breach or default of any provision of the Contract Document. In the event of a substantial breach or default the City will provide the Contractor written notice of said breach or default and allow the Contractor ten (10) days from the date of the written notice to cure such breach or default. If said breach or default is not cured within ten (10) days from the date of notice, then the contract shall terminate.
6. Independent Contractor. It is the express intent of the parties that this contract shall not create an employer-employee relationship. Employees of the Contractor shall not be deemed to be employees of the City and employees of the City shall not be deemed to be employees of the Contractor. The Contractor and the City shall be responsible to their respective employees for all salary and benefits. Neither the Contractor's employees nor the City's employees shall be entitled to any salary, wages, or benefits from the other party, including but not limited to overtime, vacation, retirement benefits, workers' compensation, sick leave or injury leave. Contractor shall also be responsible for maintaining workers' compensation insurance, unemployment insurance for its employees, and for payment of all federal, state, local and any other payroll taxes with respect to its employees' compensation.
7. Contract Term. This Contract shall be effective upon execution by both parties. The term of the Contract shall be a four (4) year term.
8. The Contract Documents comprise the Contract, and consist of the following:
 1. Contract Agreement
 2. Accepted Proposal/Supplier Response
 3. Bid Specifications
 4. Federal Documents
 5. Special Provisions
 6. Instructions to Bidders

These Contract Agreements, together with the other Contract Documents herein above mentioned, form this Contract, and they are as fully a part of the Contract as if hereto attached or herein repeated.

The Contractor and the City hereby agree that all the terms and conditions of this Contract shall be binding upon themselves, and their heirs, administrators, executors, legal and personal representatives, successors, and assigns.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Contractor and the City do hereby execute this contract.

EXECUTION BY THE CITY OF LINCOLN, NEBRASKA

ATTEST:

CITY OF LINCOLN, NEBRASKA

City Clerk

Health Director

Approved by Directorial Order _____

dated _____

EXECUTION BY CONTRACTOR

IF A CORPORATION:

RADIOMETER AMERICA INC.

ATTEST:

Name of Corporation

Secretary

 (SEAL)

(Address)

By: 
Duly Authorized Official

VICE PRESIDENT

Legal Title of Official

IF OTHER TYPE OF ORGANIZATION:

Name of Organization

Type of Organization

(Address)

By: _____
Member

By: _____
Member

IF AN INDIVIDUAL:

Name

Address

Signature

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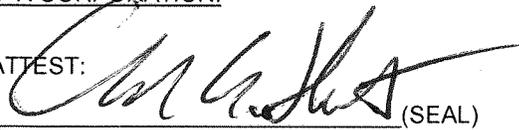
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Type of Organization

(Address)

By: _____
Member

By: _____
Member

IF AN INDIVIDUAL:

Name

Address

Signature

City of Lincoln/Lancaster County (Lincoln Purchasing) Supplier Response

Bid Information		Contact Information		Ship to Information	
Bid Creator	Shelly Hinze, Buyer	Address		Address	Lincoln Lancaster
Email	rhinze@lincoln.ne.gov				County Health
Phone	1 (402) 441-8313	Contact			3140 N Street
Fax	1 (402) 441-6513				Lincoln, NE 68510
Bid Number	4887	Department		Contact	
Title	HemoCue Microcuvettes	Building		Department	
Bid Type	Quote			Building	
Issue Date	07/31/2014	Floor/Room		Floor/Room	
Close Date	8/7/2014 2:00:00 PM CT	Telephone		Telephone	(402) 441-4676
Need by Date		Fax		Fax	
		Email		Email	

Supplier Information

Company Hemocue America
 Address 250 S. Kraemer Blvd.

 Brea, CA 92821
 Contact
 Department Customer Service
 Building
 Floor/Room
 Telephone 1 (800) 8811611
 Fax 1 (800) 3337043
 Email customerservice@hemocue.com
 Submitted 8/6/2014 9:44:53 PM CT
 Total \$5,040.00

Signature

Supplier Notes

Remittance Address:
 Hemocue America / Radiometer America
 32669 Collection Center Drive
 Chicago, IL 60693-0326

Bid Notes

Bid Activities

Bid Messages

Please review the following and respond where necessary

#	Name	Note	Response
1	Instructions to Bidders	I acknowledge reading and understanding the Instructions to Bidders.	Yes
2	Bid Documents	I acknowledge and accept that it is my responsibility as a Bidder to promptly notify the Purchasing Department Staff prior to the close of the bid of any ambiguity, inconsistency or error which I may discover upon examination of the bid documents including, but not limited to the Specifications.	Yes
3	Specifications	I acknowledge reading and understanding the specifications.	Yes
4	Federal Bidding Documents and Compliance	I have read and understand the Federal Forms attached to this bid and hereby agree to comply with the provisions as they are listed in the forms.	Y
5	Protest Procedures	I acknowledge that I have read and understand the City of Lincoln Bid Protest procedures. I further recognize that in the event a protest is denied by the City, I may file a protest with the Federal Grant Provider after exhausting all administrative remedies with the City. For further information on a protest, a Vendor may contact the City Purchasing Agent.	Y
6	Sample Contract	I acknowledge reading and understanding the sample contract.	Yes
7	Renewal is an Option	Contract Extension Renewal is an option.	Yes
8	Term Clause with Escallation/De-Escalation	I acknowledge that the term of the contract will be a (4) four year term from the date of the executed contract. (a) Bid prices firm for the first full contract period. YES or NO (b) Bid prices subject to escalation/de-escalation YES or NO (c) If (b), state period for which prices will remain firm: through _____	a) YES
9	Special Provision Term Contract Provisions	I acknowledge reading and understanding the Special Provision Term Contract Provisions.	Yes
10	DUNS Requirement	A DUNS (Data Universal Numbering System) Number is required to award a Federal Grant contract. Please list your DUNS number in the space provided. If you do not have a DUNS number go to http://fedgov.dnb.com/webform/CCRSearch.do Failure to obtain a DUNS number may result in the rejection of your bid.	08-666-1485
11	SAM Requirement	Vendors must be registered with the System for Award Management (SAM) system to be eligible for award on this bid due to the use of Federal Grant funds. Are you registered with SAM? YES or NO IF NO, YOUR BID MAY BE REJECTED To register in the SAM system go to www.sam.gov - Click: Create User Account.	YES

12 Small Business Information

The City of Lincoln wishes to foster small business participation in its bids for products and services purchased. In order to do this, all bidders are asked to answer the following questions as part of their bid submittal. (If you are unsure of your status as a Small Business, please refer to the NAICS list attached to the Bid Attachment section.)

1) NO 2) NO 3) NO

1) Are you a Small Business according to the NAICS size guidelines? YES or NO?

If YES, what is the category you are listed under, the number of employees you have and the average annual receipts?

2) Will you be utilizing any Sub-Contractors in the performance of the contract awarded from this bid? YES or NO

If YES, name the Sub-Contractors in the space provided.

3) If you are not a Small Business, are you willing to provide subcontracting opportunities of the type/size that small businesses, including DBE's, can reasonably perform? YES or NO

If NO, why?

13 Delivery

State number of delivery days ARO. FOB to the City/County at the location specified with all transportation charges paid.

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14 Contact

Name of person submitting this bid:

Angus Murray Masterson

15 Electronic Signature

Please check here for your electronic signature.

Yes

Line Items

#	Qty	UOM	Description	Response
1	30	Boxes	HemoCue Hb 201 Microcuvette Box is 200ct.	\$168.00

Item Notes: The HemoCue brand Microcuvette is being requested based on the fact that the City Health Department uses them in a HemoCue Hb 201 Analyzer. Department has the hemocue devices
Any Vendor submitting a bid for another brand of Microcuvette must ensure that it will work with the HemoCue Analyzer or Vendor will provide all new Analyzers at no cost to the City.
Price must include shipping to location listed.

Supplier Notes:

Response Total: \$5,040.00

HEMOCUE MICROCUVETTES

1. SUPPLEMENTAL INSTRUCTIONS

- 1.1 The City of Lincoln (herein referred to as the City) is requesting quotes for the purchase of Hemocue Microcuvettes for Lincoln Lancaster County Health WIC Program.
 - 1.1.1 Pricing shall include the supply and delivery of the products being bid.
- 1.2 Bidder shall submit bid documents and all supporting material via e-bid.
- 1.3 All inquiries regarding these specifications shall be directed via e-mail or faxed written request to Rachelle Hinze, Buyer (rhinze@lincoln.ne.gov) or fax: (402) 441-6513.
 - 1.3.1 These inquiries and/or responses shall be distributed to prospective bidders electronically as an addenda.
 - 1.3.2 No direct contact is allowed between Vendor and other City staff throughout the bid process.
 - 1.3.2.1 Failure to comply with this directive may result in Vendor bid being rejected.
- 1.4 City of Lincoln/Lancaster County Health receives funding from the Federal Government for the operation of their program.
 - 1.4.1 Vendors must read, acknowledge and follow the requirements of the Federal guidelines attached to the bid.
 - 1.4.1.2 Failure to agree to the Federal Requirements or return certifications if required will result in the rejection of bid.
- 1.5 City of Lincoln/Lancaster County Health has the option to purchase additional Cuvettes in an amount that does not exceed 10% of the total cost of the awarded bid during the term of the contract.
- 1.6 Prices submitted must include delivery, FOB destination, to:
Lincoln Lancaster County Health Department
3140 "N" Street
Lincoln, Ne 68510
- 1.7 If bidding an "or equal" item, list the manufacturer and model number in the supplier notes of the respective e-bid line items.
 - 1.7.1 If submitting an equal to HemoCue Hb201 Microcuvette vendor shall provide all new analyzers at no cost to the City for the equivalent HemoCue Microcuvettes.
 - 1.7.1.1 Number of analyzers that are currently in use and would need to be replaced with an equivalent product, if necessary are 6 units.
- 1.8 If requested by City staff, vendor must provide samples of the exact item(s) being bid within seven (7) business days of the request.
 - 1.8.1 An equal item being bid will require evaluation by City staff to confirm it is an approved equal.
- 1.9 Vendor must supply the City their Dunn and Bradstreet number in order to submit pricing on E-Bid.
 - 1.9.1 If the vendor does not have a Dunn and Bradstreet number you must register at <http://fedgov.dnb.com/webform>.
 - 1.9.2 Vendor must list DUNNS number in the attribute section of the bid.

2. EVALUATION AND AWARD INFORMATION

- 2.1 Bid will be awarded based on:
 - 2.1.1 The lowest, responsible, responsive, bid for the equipment indicated in the Line Items.
 - 2.1.2 Compliance with requirements as outlined in the specifications and e-bid.
 - 2.1.3 Compliance with all Federal documents attached to this bid.
 - 2.1.4 Length of time to deliver materials.

TERMINATION PROVISIONS

Termination. This Contract may be terminated by the following:

Termination for Convenience. Either party may terminate this Contract upon thirty (30) days written notice to the other party for any reason without penalty.

Termination for Cause. The City may terminate the Contractor for cause if the Contractor:

- 1) Refuses or fails to supply the proper labor, materials and equipment necessary to provide the services outlined in the Contract
- 2) Disregards Federal, State or local laws, ordinances, regulations, resolution or orders
- 3) Otherwise commits a substantial breach or default of any provision of the Contract Document. In the event of a substantial breach or default the County will provide the Contractor written notice of said breach or default and allow the Contractor ten (10) days from the date of the written notice to cure such breach or default. If said breach or default is not cured within ten (10) days from the date of notice, then the contract shall terminate.

RETENTION OF RECORDS

Contractor agrees to retain all required records for three years after grantees or subgrantees make final payments and all other pending matters are closed.

REPORTING REQUIREMENT AND REGULATIONS

Contractor agrees to provide the City, upon request, full and complete reports and/or other information as to the Contractor's operations and conduct under the Contract.

PATENT RIGHTS

Patent Rights - These following requirements apply to each contract involving experimental, developmental, or research work:

(1) General - If any invention, improvement, or discovery is conceived or first actually reduced to practice in the course of or under the contract to which this Attachment has been added, and that invention, improvement, or discovery is patentable under the laws of the United States of America or any foreign country, the Purchaser and Contractor agree to take actions necessary to provide immediate notice and a detailed report to the party at a higher tier until the necessary parties are notified.

(2) Unless the Federal Government later makes a contrary determination in writing, irrespective of the Contractor's status (a large business, small business, state government or state instrumentality, local government, nonprofit organization, institution of higher education, individual), the Purchaser and the Contractor agree to take the necessary actions to provide those rights in that invention due the Federal Government as described in U.S. Department of Commerce regulations, "Rights to Inventions Made by Nonprofit Organizations and Small Business Firms Under Government Grants, Contracts and Cooperative Agreements," 37 C.F.R. Part 401.

(3) The Contractor also agrees to include the requirements of this clause in each subcontract for experimental, developmental, or research work financed in whole or in part with Federal assistance.

GOVERNMENT-WIDE DEBARMENT AND SUSPENSION
(NONPROCUREMENT)

Suspension and Debarment

This contract is a covered transaction for purposes of 7 CFR. As such, the contractor is required to verify that none of the contractor, its principals, or affiliates are excluded or disqualified.

The contractor is required to comply with 7 CFR and must include the requirement to comply with 7 CFR in any lower tier covered transaction it enters into.

By signing and submitting its bid or proposal, the bidder or proposer certifies as follows:

The certification in this clause is a material representation of fact relied upon by **City of Lincoln**. If it is later determined that the bidder or proposer knowingly rendered an erroneous certification, in addition to remedies available to **City of Lincoln**, the Federal Government may pursue available remedies, including but not limited to suspension and/or debarment. The bidder or proposer agrees to comply with the requirements of 7 CFR while this offer is valid and throughout the period of any contract that may arise from this offer. The bidder or proposer further agrees to include a provision requiring such compliance in its lower tier covered transactions.

EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

Civil Rights, Equal Employment Opportunity The following requirements apply to the underlying contract:

(1) Nondiscrimination - In accordance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act, as amended, 42 U.S.C. § 2000d, section 303 of the Age Discrimination Act of 1975, as amended, 42 U.S.C. § 6102, section 202 of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, 42 U.S.C. § 12132, the Contractor agrees that it will not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, color, creed, national origin, sex, age, or disability.

(2) Equal Employment Opportunity - The following equal employment opportunity requirements apply to the underlying contract:

(a) Race, Color, Creed, National Origin, Sex - In accordance with Title VII of the Civil Rights Act, as amended, 42 U.S.C. § 2000e, the Contractor agrees to comply with all applicable equal employment opportunity requirements of U.S. Department of Labor (U.S. DOL) regulations, "Office of Federal Contract Compliance Programs, Equal Employment Opportunity, Department of Labor," 41 C.F.R. Parts 60 et seq ., (which implement Executive Order No. 11246, "Equal Employment Opportunity," as amended by Executive Order No. 11375, "Amending Executive Order 11246 Relating to Equal Employment Opportunity," 42 U.S.C. § 2000e note), and with any applicable Federal statutes, executive orders, regulations, and Federal policies that may in the future affect construction activities undertaken in the course of the Project. The Contractor agrees to take affirmative action to ensure that applicants are employed, and that employees are treated during employment, without regard to their race, color, creed, national origin, sex, or age. Such action shall include, but not be limited to, the following: employment, upgrading, demotion or transfer, recruitment or recruitment advertising, layoff or termination; rates of pay or other forms of compensation; and selection for training, including apprenticeship.

(b) Age - In accordance with section 4 of the Age Discrimination in Employment Act of 1967, as amended, 29 U.S.C. § § 623, the Contractor agrees to refrain from discrimination against present and prospective employees for reason of age.

(c) Disabilities - In accordance with section 102 of the Americans with Disabilities Act, as amended, 42 U.S.C. § 12112, the Contractor agrees that it will comply with the requirements of U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, "Regulations to Implement the Equal Employment Provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act," 29 C.F.R. Part 1630, pertaining to employment of persons with disabilities.

ENERGY POLICY AND CONSERVATION ACT

Contractor will comply with mandatory standards and policies relating to energy efficiency which are contained in the Nebraska state energy conservation plan issued in compliance with the Energy Policy and Conservation Act (Pub. L. 94- 163, 89 Stat. 871.) [53 FR 8078, 8087, Mar. 11, 1988, as amended at 60 FR 19639, 19645, Apr. 19, 1995].

COPYRIGHTS AND RIGHTS IN DATA

CONTRACTS INVOLVING EXPERIMENTAL, DEVELOPMENTAL, OR RESEARCH WORK.

A. **Rights in Data** - These following requirements apply to each contract involving experimental, developmental or research work:

(1) The term "subject data" used in this clause means recorded information, whether or not copyrighted, that is delivered or specified to be delivered under the contract. The term includes graphic or pictorial delineation in media such as drawings or photographs; text in specifications or related performance or design-type documents; machine forms such as punched cards, magnetic tape, or computer memory printouts; and information retained in computer memory. Examples include, but are not limited to: computer software, engineering drawings and associated lists, specifications, standards, process sheets, manuals, technical reports, catalog item identifications, and related information. The term "subject data" does not include financial reports, cost analyses, and similar information incidental to contract administration.

(2) The following restrictions apply to all subject data first produced in the performance of the contract to which this Attachment has been added:

(a) Except for its own internal use, the Purchaser or Contractor may not publish or reproduce subject data in whole or in part, or in any manner or form, nor may the Purchaser or Contractor authorize others to do so, without the written consent of the Federal Government, until such time as the Federal Government may have either released or approved the release of such data to the public; this restriction on publication, however, does not apply to any contract with an academic institution.

(b) In accordance with 49 C.F.R. § 18.34 and 49 C.F.R. § 19.36, the Federal Government reserves a royalty-free, non-exclusive and irrevocable license to reproduce, publish, or otherwise use, and to authorize others to use, for "Federal Government purposes," any subject data or copyright described in subsections (2)(b)1 and (2)(b)2 of this clause below. As used in the previous sentence, "for Federal Government purposes," means use only for the direct purposes of the Federal Government. Without the copyright owner's consent, the Federal Government may not extend its Federal license to any other party.

1. Any subject data developed under that contract, whether or not a copyright has been obtained; and
2. Any rights of copyright purchased by the Purchaser or Contractor using Federal assistance.

(c) When Federal assistance is awarded for experimental, developmental, or research work, the general intention is to increase knowledge available to the public, rather than to restrict the benefits resulting from the work to participants in that work. Therefore, unless determined otherwise, the Purchaser and the Contractor performing experimental, developmental, or research work required by the underlying contract to which this Attachment is added agrees to permit the Federal agency involved to make available to the public, either the Federal agency's license in the copyright to any subject data developed in the course of that contract, or a copy of the subject data first produced under the contract

for which a copyright has not been obtained. If the experimental, developmental, or research work, which is the subject of the underlying contract, is not completed for any reason whatsoever, all data developed under that contract shall become subject data as defined in subsection (a) of this clause and shall be delivered as the Federal Government may direct. This subsection (c), however, does not apply to adaptations of automatic data processing equipment or programs for the Purchaser or Contractor's use whose costs are financed in whole or in part with Federal assistance.

(d) Unless prohibited by state law, upon request by the Federal Government, the Purchaser and the Contractor agree to indemnify, save, and hold harmless the Federal Government, its officers, agents, and employees acting within the scope of their official duties against any liability, including costs and expenses, resulting from any willful or intentional violation by the Purchaser or Contractor of proprietary rights, copyrights, or right of privacy, arising out of the publication, translation, reproduction, delivery, use, or disposition of any data furnished under that contract. Neither the Purchaser nor the Contractor shall be required to indemnify the Federal Government for any such liability arising out of the wrongful act of any employee, official, or agents of the Federal Government.

(e) Nothing contained in this clause on rights in data shall imply a license to the Federal Government under any patent or be construed as affecting the scope of any license or other right otherwise granted to the Federal Government under any patent.

(f) Data developed by the Purchaser or Contractor and financed entirely without using Federal assistance provided by the Federal Government that has been incorporated into work required by the underlying contract to which this Attachment has been added is exempt from the requirements of subsections (b), (c), and (d) of this clause , provided that the Purchaser or Contractor identifies that data in writing at the time of delivery of the contract work.

(g) Unless determined otherwise, the Contractor agrees to include these requirements in each subcontract for experimental, developmental, or research work financed in whole or in part with Federal assistance.

(3) Unless the Federal Government later makes a contrary determination in writing, irrespective of the Contractor's status (i.e. , a large business, small business, state government or state instrumentality, local government, nonprofit organization, institution of higher education, individual, etc.), the Purchaser and the Contractor agree to take the necessary actions to provide those rights in that invention due the Federal Government as described in U.S. Department of Commerce regulations, "Rights to Inventions Made by Nonprofit Organizations and Small Business Firms Under Government Grants, Contracts and Cooperative Agreements," 37 C.F.R. Part 401.

(4) The Contractor also agrees to include these requirements in each subcontract for experimental, developmental, or research work financed in whole or in part with Federal assistance.

CONTRACT WORK HOURS AND SAFETY STANDARDS ACT

Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards

(1) **Overtime requirements** - No contractor or subcontractor contracting for any part of the contract work which may require or involve the employment of laborers or mechanics shall require or permit any such laborer or mechanic in any workweek in which he or she is employed on such work to work in excess of forty hours in such workweek unless such laborer or mechanic receives compensation at a rate not less than one and one-half times the basic rate of pay for all hours worked in excess of forty hours in such workweek.

(2) **Violation; liability for unpaid wages; liquidated damages** - In the event of any violation of the clause set forth in paragraph (1) of this section the contractor and any subcontractor responsible therefor shall be liable for the unpaid wages. In addition, such contractor and subcontractor shall be liable to the United States for liquidated damages. Such liquidated damages shall be computed with respect to each individual laborer or mechanic, including watchmen and guards, employed in violation of the clause set forth in paragraph (1) of this section, in the sum of \$10 for each calendar day on which such individual was required or permitted to work in excess of the standard workweek of forty hours without payment of the overtime wages required by the clause set forth in paragraph (1) of this section.

(3) **Withholding for unpaid wages and liquidated damages** - The County shall upon its own action or upon written request of an authorized representative of the Department of Labor withhold or cause to be withheld, from any moneys payable on account of work performed by the contractor or subcontractor under any such contract or any other Federal contract with the same prime contractor, or any other federally-assisted contract subject to the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act, which is held by the same prime contractor, such sums as may be determined to be necessary to satisfy any liabilities of such contractor or subcontractor for unpaid wages and liquidated damages as provided in the clause set forth in paragraph (2) of this section.

(4) **Subcontracts** - The contractor or subcontractor shall insert in any subcontracts the clauses set forth in paragraphs (1) through (4) of this section and also a clause requiring the subcontractors to include these clauses in any lower tier subcontracts. The prime contractor shall be responsible for compliance by any subcontractor or lower tier subcontractor with the clauses set forth in paragraphs (1) through (4) of this section.

Contract Remedies

(A) Remedies for breach or noncompliance with contract. If a contractor or subcontractor materially fails to comply with any term of the contract, the City may take one or more of the following actions, as appropriate in the circumstances:

- (1) Withhold payments pending correction of the deficiency or breach by the contractor or subcontractor.
- (2) Impose liquidated damages, where appropriate.
- (3) Temporarily cancel further purchases or services until a resolution is reached.
- (4) Ban the contractor from further business with the City, or
- (5) Take other remedies that may be legally available.

**CLEAN AIR ACT
CLEAN WATER ACT**

Clean Air

- (1) The Contractor agrees to comply with all applicable standards, orders or regulations issued pursuant to the Clean Air Act, as amended, 42 U.S.C. §§ 7401 et seq. The Contractor agrees to report each violation to the Purchaser and understands and agrees that the Purchaser will, in turn, report each violation as required to assure notification to the appropriate EPA Regional Office.
- (2) The Contractor also agrees to include these requirements in each subcontract exceeding \$100,000 financed in whole or in part with Federal assistance.

Clean Water

- (1) The Contractor agrees to comply with all applicable standards, orders or regulations issued pursuant to the Federal Water Pollution Control Act, as amended, 33 U.S.C. 1251 et seq. The Contractor agrees to report each violation to the Purchaser and understands and agrees that the Purchaser will, in turn, report each violation as required to assure notification to the appropriate EPA Regional Office.
- (2) The Contractor also agrees to include these requirements in each subcontract exceeding \$100,000 financed in whole or in part with Federal assistance.

ACCESS TO RECORDS

Access to Records. The following access to records requirements apply to this Contract:

1. Where the Purchaser is not a State but a local government and is the grantee or a subgrantee in accordance with Federal Requirements, the Contractor agrees to provide the Purchaser, the Comptroller General of the United States or any of their authorized representatives access to any books, documents, papers and records of the Contractor which are directly pertinent to this contract for the purposes of making audits, examinations, excerpts and transcriptions. Contractor also agrees, pursuant to Federal Requirements to provide the appropriate Federal agency access to Contractor's records and construction sites pertaining to a major capital project, defined at 49 U.S.C. 5302(a)1, which is receiving federal financial assistance through the programs described at 49 U.S.C. 5307, 5309 or 5311.
2. Where the Purchaser is a State and is the Recipient or a subgrantee of the Recipient in accordance with Federal Requirements, Contractor agrees to provide the Purchaser and the appropriate Federal agency access to the Contractor's records and construction sites pertaining to a major capital project, defined at 49 U.S.C. 5302(a)1, which is receiving federal financial assistance through the programs described at 49 U.S.C. 5307, 5309 or 5311. By definition, a major capital project excludes contracts of less than the simplified acquisition threshold currently set at \$100,000.
3. Where the Purchaser enters into a negotiated contract for other than a small purchase or under the simplified acquisition threshold and is an institution of higher education, a hospital or other non-profit organization and is the Recipient or a subgrantee of the Recipient in accordance with Federal Requirements, Contractor agrees to provide the Purchaser, the Comptroller General of the United States or any of their duly authorized representatives with access to any books, documents, papers and record of the Contractor which are directly pertinent to this contract for the purposes of making audits, examinations, excerpts and transcriptions.
4. Where any Purchaser which is the Recipient or a subgrantee of the Recipient in accordance with 49 U.S.C. 5325(a) enters into a contract for a capital project or improvement (defined at 49 U.S.C. 5302(a)1) through other than competitive bidding, the Contractor shall make available records related to the contract to the Purchaser, the Comptroller General or any authorized officer or employee of any of them for the purposes of conducting an audit and inspection.
5. The Contractor agrees to permit any of the foregoing parties to reproduce by any means whatsoever or to copy excerpts and transcriptions as reasonably needed.

(5) To those bidders who maintain a bona fide business office in the City of Lincoln, whose products may be made outside the confines of the County of Lancaster;

(6) To those bidders who maintain a bona fide business office in the County of Lancaster, whose products may be made outside the confines of the County of Lancaster;

(7) To those bidders whose commodities are manufactured, mined, produced or grown within the State of Nebraska and to all firms, corporations, or individuals doing business as Nebraska firms, corporations, or individuals when quality is equal or better and delivered price is the same or less than the other bids received; provided, however, the above preferences shall not be given where the purchase is made in whole or in part with federal funds and the applicable federal procurement regulations prohibit the giving of any local preference, in which case, in the event of more than one low tie bid, the tie shall be broken by the drawing of lots.

(8) To those bidders whose commodities are manufactured, mined, produced or grown within the United States of America and to all firms, corporations, or individuals doing business as firms registered in states other than Nebraska, when quality is equal or better and delivered price is the same or less than the other bids received; provided, however, the above preferences shall not be given where the purchase is made in whole or in part with federal funds and the applicable federal procurement regulations prohibit the giving of any local preference, in which case, in the event of more than one low tie bid, the tie shall be broken by the drawing of lots.

(l) In case of actual emergency, and with the consent of the Purchasing Agent, the head of any using agency may purchase directly any supplies whose immediate procurement is essential to prevent delays in the work of the using agency. The head of such using agency shall send to the Purchasing Agent a requisition and a copy of the delivery record, together with a full written report of the circumstances of the emergency.

(m) The Purchasing Agent shall prescribe by rules and regulations the procedure under which emergency purchases by heads of using agencies may be made.

(n) The Purchasing Agent shall have the authority with approval of the Mayor to declare vendors who default on their bids and contracts irresponsible bidders and to disqualify them from receiving any business from the municipality for a stated period of time.

(o) The Purchasing Agent shall have the authority to join with other units of government in cooperative purchasing when the best interests of the city would be served thereby; provided, however, such purchases shall be made to the extent possible by giving notice and preference to qualified local bidders in accordance with the rules and regulations established in this chapter and the policies of the Purchasing Division.

(p) The Purchasing Agent shall keep a commodity record showing commodities purchased, from whom purchased, and the price paid. (Ord. 17697 §2; July 17, 2000: prior Ord. 17044 §1; August 19, 1996: Ord. 15980 §2; September 30, 1991: Ord. 15384 §3; January 8, 1990: P.C. §2.44.030: Ord. 13561 §1; March 21, 1983: Ord. 12934 §1; June 9, 1980: Ord. 12472 §1; January 8, 1979: Ord. 12327 §1; June 19, 1978: Ord. 9036 §3; June 13, 1966).

2.18.035 Bid Protests; Definitions; Appeals Board; Fees.

(a) Definitions.

(1) Interested party shall mean an actual or prospective bidder whose direct economic interest would be affected by the award of a contract by the City to another party, or by the failure of the City to award a contract to such actual or prospective bidder.

(2) Protest shall mean a written objection by an interested party on any phase of the bidding process, including specification preparation, bid solicitation, and intent to award, for the acquisition of supplies or services.

(3) Protester shall mean an interested party who has filed a protest pursuant to subsection (b).

(4) Procurement Appeals Board shall mean an independent panel of five disinterested individuals appointed by the Mayor, which individuals shall have a thorough knowledge of the purchasing process and practices, and laws applicable thereto. Members of such board shall be appointed for three-year, staggered terms; provided, however, two of the members first appointed shall serve for a period of one year, two shall serve for a period of two years, and one for a period of three years, with each appointee thereafter, except for appointees filling a vacancy, serving for a period of three years.

(b) Right to Protest. An interested party may protest to the City Purchasing Agent, which protest shall be submitted in writing on company letterhead. Protests based on alleged apparent improprieties in a solicitation or other request for proposals must be filed before bid opening. In all other cases, the protest must be filed within five working days following the

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bid opening or if the protest is based on the selection of the lowest responsible bidder, not later than five working days following the selection of the lowest responsible bidder. To expedite handling of protests, the envelope containing the protest should be clearly labeled "Protest".

The written protest shall include as a minimum the following:

- (1) The name and address of the interested party;
- (2) Appropriate identification of the relevant solicitation, and if a bid has been opened, its number, and date of opening;
- (3) A statement of reasons for the protest;
- (4) Supporting exhibits, evidence, or documents to substantiate any claims unless not available within the filing time, in which case the expected availability date shall be indicated.

Upon timely receipt of a protest, the City shall not proceed further with the solicitation or with the award of the contract and shall suspend performance under the contract until the Mayor has made a decision on the protest.

(c) Authority to Resolve Protests. Prior to the commencement of an appeal to the Procurement Appeals Board concerning any protest, the Purchasing Agent shall attempt to resolve any protest filed by an interested party concerning any solicitation. If the protest is not resolved by mutual agreement, the Purchasing Agent shall issue a decision in writing within five working days. The decision shall (1) state the reasons for the action taken, and (2) inform the interested party of their right to the administrative review as provided by the Procurement Appeals Board. A copy of the decision shall be mailed or otherwise furnished immediately to the protester and all other bidders. If not satisfied with the decision of the Purchasing Agent, any protester may appeal to the Procurement Appeals Board, but the decision shall be final unless the protester files a timely appeal with the Procurement Appeals Board.

(d) Appeals Board Procedures. Any protester, within five working days of receipt of a decision of the Purchasing Agent, may file with the Finance Director a written notice of appeal for a hearing before the Procurement Appeals Board. The Notice of Appeal shall be accompanied by a deposit of \$500.00 to defray the cost of processing such appeal, which deposit shall be returned if the Mayor decides in favor of the protester filing the appeal. The Notice of Appeal must clearly state the action protested and the basis of appeal.

Upon receipt of an appeal from an protester, the Finance Director shall convene the Board within ten working days or as soon thereafter as reasonably possible to conduct an administrative review of the appeal. The Board shall decide whether the solicitation being appealed was in accordance with all applicable laws and regulations and the terms and conditions of all applicable specifications, and whether waiver of specifications, conditions or defects in a bid, if any, were justified and in the best interest of the City.

Within ten working days of hearing such appeal, the Board shall submit its findings and recommendations to the Mayor. If all five members are present, an affirmative vote of three shall be required to pass the recommendation on to the Mayor. If only three members are present, only an affirmative vote of two shall be required to pass the recommendation on to the Mayor. Should it become impossible to obtain a quorum of three members, the appeal shall proceed directly to the Mayor without Procurement Appeals Board action.

No determination by the Board concerning an issue of law or fact shall be final or binding on the City.

(e) Finality of Decision. The Mayor shall consider the recommendations of the Purchasing Agent, the Procurement Appeals Board, and the Department Head or agency for which the solicitation was made and shall make the final decision on the protest. The Mayor's decision shall be final and binding upon the City. (Ord. 18495 §1; January 31, 2005; prior Ord. 16442 §1; August 9, 1993).

2.18.040 Surplus or Obsolete Stock.

All using divisions shall submit to the Purchasing Agent reports showing stocks of supplies or equipment which are no longer used or which have become obsolete, worn out, or scrapped.

The Purchasing Agent shall have authority to sell all supplies or equipment which have become unsuitable for public use, or to exchange the same for, or trade in the same on new supplies or equipment. Sales under this section shall be made to the highest responsible bidder.

The Purchasing Agent shall have authority to transfer the declared surplus stock of one using division to another using division which may have need for its use. (Ord. 15384 §4; January 8, 1990: P.C. §2.44.040: Ord. 9036 §4; June 13, 1966).

SPECIAL PROVISIONS FOR TERM CONTRACTS

PURCHASING DEPARTMENT CITY OF LINCOLN/LANCASTER COUNTY, NEBRASKA

1. ESTIMATED QUANTITIES

- 1.1 The quantities set forth in the line items and specification document are approximate and represent the estimated requirements for the contract period.
- 1.2 Items listed may or may not be an inclusive requirements for this category.
- 1.3 Category items not listed, but distributed by bidder are to be referred to as kindred items. Kindred items shall receive the same percentage of discount or pricing structure as items listed in the specification document.
- 1.4 The unit prices and the extended total prices shall be used as a basis for the evaluation of bids. The actual quantity of materials necessary may be more or less than the estimates listed in the specification document, but the City/County shall be neither obligated nor limited to any specified amount. If possible, the Owners will restrict increases/decreases to 20% of the estimated quantities listed in the specification document.

2. CONTRACT PERIOD

- 2.1 The material shall be delivered as ordered during the contract period, beginning from the date of contract execution and ending as indicated in the specifications or in the Attribute Section of the bid.
- 2.2 Bidder must indicate in the Bid, if extension renewals are an option.
- 2.3 By mutual consent of both parties it is understood and agreed that the contract may be renewed at the same prices and/or under the same conditions governing the original contract.

3. BID PRICES

- 3.1 Bidders must state in the Attribute Section if the bid prices will remain firm for the full contract period; or if the bid prices will be subject to escalation/de-escalation.
- 3.2 Escalation/De-escalation Clause: In the event that prevailing market conditions warrant an adjustment in bid prices contained in the contract, the following escalation/de-escalation clause shall be the only clause applicable or acceptable:
 1. Contractor shall give written notice to the Purchasing Agent of any proposed changes from contract prices not less than thirty (30) calendar days prior to the effective date of said price changes.
 2. Such notice must be accompanied by a certified copy of the supplier's advisory or notification to the contractor of price changes.
 3. No price escalation will be authorized in excess of the amount of the increase referred to on the supplier's notice.
 4. Purchasing shall issue a contract Addendum with revised pricing upon receipt and approval. The Addendum will be executed by both parties for the remaining term of the contract.
 5. The approved price change shall be honored for all orders received by the contractor after the effective date of such price change.
 6. Approved price changes are not applicable to orders already issued and in process at time of price change.

7. Purchasing reserves the right to audit and/or examine any pertinent books, documents, papers, records or invoices relating directly to the contract transaction in question after reasonable notice and during normal business hours.
8. The Purchasing Agent retains the right to determine whether or not such proposed price changes are in the best interests of the City/County.
9. If in the opinion of the Purchasing Agent any proposed increase is found unacceptable, the Purchasing Agent reserves the right to cancel the contract upon thirty (30) calendar days written notice.
10. Contractors must tie any price change clause to an industry-wide or otherwise nationally recognized index, or some other form of verifiable document. Contractor will put the Purchasing Agent on the mailing lists for such publication so that the Purchasing Agent can monitor said changes. Such membership will be no cost to the Owners.

4. CONTRACT ADMINISTRATION

- 4.1 The Purchasing Division will issue a Contract to all successful bidders. Such contract will incorporate the specifications and all other forms used during the bid process.
- 4.2 Orders for materials will be made as needed by the various Agencies following execution by all parties.
- 4.3 Contractor may be asked to assist the Purchasing Agent with the development of a list of repetitively purchased commodities, to periodically update such list, and to assist in the development of a list of suitable substitutions.
- 4.4 Contractor shall provide technical advice upon request, and assist in the evaluation of new products.
- 4.5 Contractor shall monitor orders to ensure the highest possible fill rate and minimize back-orders.

5. QUARTERLY REPORT

- 5.1 Upon request, the contractor shall provide to the Purchasing Agent a quarterly report, showing all purchases made under the terms and conditions of the contract.
- 5.2 Such quarterly report shall itemize the following information:
 1. Each ordering department.
 2. Items and quantities purchased by department.
 3. Total dollar amount of purchases by department.

INSTRUCTIONS TO BIDDERS

CITY OF LINCOLN, NEBRASKA

E-Bid

1. BIDDING PROCEDURE

- 1.1 Sealed bid, formal and informal, subject to Instructions and General Conditions and any special conditions set forth herein, will be received in the office of the Purchasing Division, 440 So. 8th St., Lincoln, NE 68508, until the bid closing date and time indicated for furnishing the City of Lincoln, hereinafter referred to as "City", the materials, supplies, equipment or services shown in the electronic bid request.
- 1.2 Bidders shall use the electronic bid system for submitting bids and must complete all required fields.
- 1.3 Identify the item you will furnish by brand or manufacturer's name and catalog numbers. Also furnish specifications and descriptive literature if not bidding the specific manufacturer or model as listed in the specifications.
- 1.4 Any person submitting a bid for a firm, corporation, or other organization must show evidence of his authority so as to bind such firm, corporation, or organization.
- 1.5 Bids received after the time and date established for receiving bids will be rejected.
- 1.6 The Bidders and public are invited, but not required, to attend the opening of bids. At the opening, prices will be displayed electronically and/or read aloud to the public. The pricing is also available for immediate viewing on-line. No decisions related to an award of a contract or purchase order will be made at the opening.
- 1.7 If bidding on a construction contract, the City's most current Standard Specifications for Municipal Construction shall apply.
 - 1.7.1 Bidders may obtain this document from the City's Design Engineering Division of the Public Works & Utilities Department for a small fee.
 - 1.7.2 Said document can be reviewed at Design Engineering or at the office of the Purchasing Division.
 - 1.7.3 Said document is available on the web site.
<http://www.lincoln.ne.gov/city/pworks/engine/dconst/standard/stndspec/index.htm>

2. BID SECURITY

- 2.1 Bid security, as a guarantee of good faith, in the form of a certified check, cashier's check, or bid bond, may be required to be submitted with this bidding document, as indicated on the bid.
 - 2.1.1 Bid security, if required, shall be in the amount specified on the bid. The bid security must be scanned and attached to the "Response Attachments" section of your response or it can be faxed to the Purchasing Division at 402-441-6513. The original bid security should then be sent or delivered to the office of the Purchasing Division, 440 S. 8th St., Ste. 200, Lincoln, NE 68508 within three (3) days of bid closing.
 - 2.1.2 If bid security is not received in the office of the Purchasing Division as stated above, the vendor may be determined to be non-responsive.
- 2.2 If alternates are submitted, only one bid security will be required, provided the bid security is based on the amount of the highest gross bid.
- 2.3 Such bid security will be returned to the unsuccessful Bidders when the award of bid is made.
- 2.4 Bid security will be returned to the successful Bidder(s) as follows:
 - 2.4.1 For single order bids with specified quantities: upon the delivery of all equipment or merchandise, and upon final acceptance by the City.
 - 2.4.2 For all other contracts: upon approval by the City of the executed contract and bonds.
- 2.5 City shall have the right to retain the bid security of Bidders to whom an award is being considered until either:
 - 2.5.1 A contract has been executed and bonds have been furnished.
 - 2.5.2 The specified time has elapsed so that the bids may be withdrawn.
 - 2.5.3 All bids have been rejected.
- 2.6 Bid security will be forfeited to the City as full liquidated damages, but not as a penalty, for any of the following reasons, as pertains to this bidding document:
 - 2.6.1 If the Bidder fails or refuses to enter into a contract on forms provided by the City, and/or if the Bidder fails to provide sufficient bonds or insurance within the time period as established in this bidding document.

3. BIDDER'S REPRESENTATION

- 3.1 Each Bidder by electronic signature and submitting a bid, represents that the Bidder has read and understands the bidding documents, and the bid has been made in accordance therewith.
- 3.2 Each Bidder for services further represents that the Bidder has examined and is familiar with the local conditions under which the work is to be done and has correlated the observations with the requirements of the bidding documents.

4. CLARIFICATION OF BIDDING DOCUMENTS

- 4.1 Bidders shall promptly notify the Purchasing Agent of any ambiguity, inconsistency or error which they may discover upon examination of the bidding documents.
- 4.2 Bidders desiring clarification or interpretation of the bidding documents for formal bids shall make a written request which must reach the Purchasing Agent at least five (5) calendar days prior to the date and time for receipt of formal bids.
- 4.3 Changes made to the bidding documents will be issued electronically via addendum. All vendors registered for that bid prior to bid issuance will be notified of the addendum. Bidders registering after the bid is issued will receive the bid with the addendum included.
- 4.4 Oral interpretations or changes to the bidding documents made in any manner other than written form will not be binding on the City; and Bidders shall not rely upon such interpretations or changes.

5. ADDENDA

- 5.1 Addenda are instruments issued by the City prior to the date for receipt of bids which modify or interpret the bidding document by addition, deletion, clarification or correction.
- 5.2 Addenda notification will be made available to all registered vendors immediately via e-mail for inspection on-line.
- 5.3 No addendums will be issued later than forty-eight (48) hours prior to the date and time for receipt of bids, except an addendum withdrawing the invitation to bid, or an addendum which includes postponement of the bid.

6. INDEPENDENT PRICE DETERMINATION

- 6.1 By signing and submitting this bid, the Bidder certifies that the prices in this bid have been arrived at independently, without consultation, communication or agreement, for the purpose of restricting competition, as to any matter relating to such prices with any other Bidder or with any competitor; unless otherwise required by law, the prices which have been quoted in this bid have not been knowingly disclosed by the Bidder prior to bid opening directly or indirectly to any other Bidder or to any competitor; no attempt has been made, or will be made, by the Bidder to induce any person or firm to submit, or not to submit, a bid for the purpose of restricting competition.

7. ANTI-LOBBYING PROVISION

- 7.1 During the period between the bid advertisement date and the contract award, Bidders, including their agents and representatives, shall not lobby or promote their bid with the Mayor, any member of the City Council, or City staff except in the course of City sponsored inquiries, briefings, interviews, or presentations, unless requested by the City.

8. BRAND NAMES

- 8.1 Wherever in the specifications or bid that brand names, manufacturer, trade name, or catalog numbers are specified, it is for the purpose of establishing a grade or quality of material only; and the term "or equal" is deemed to follow.
- 8.2 It is the Bidder's responsibility to identify any alternate items offered in the bid, and prove to the satisfaction of the City that said item is equal to, or better than, the product specified.
- 8.3 Bids for alternate items shall be stated in the appropriate space on the e-bid form, or if the proposal form does not contain blanks for alternates, Bidder MUST attach to its bid document on Company letterhead a statement identifying the manufacturer and brand name of each proposed alternate, plus a complete description of the alternate items including illustrations, performance test data and any other information necessary for an evaluation.
- 8.4 The Bidder must indicate any variances by item number from the bidding document no matter how slight.
- 8.5 If variations are not stated in the bid, it will be assumed that the item being bid fully complies with the City's bidding documents.

9. DEMONSTRATIONS/SAMPLES

- 9.1 Bidders shall demonstrate the exact item(s) proposed within seven (7) calendar days from receipt of such request from the City.
- 9.2 Such demonstration can be at the City delivery location or a surrounding community.
- 9.3 If items are small and malleable, the Bidder is proposing an alternate product, the Bidder shall supply a sample of the exact item. Samples will be returned at Bidder's expense after receipt by the City of acceptable goods. The Bidder must indicate how samples are to be returned.

10. DELIVERY (Non-Construction)

- 10.1 Each Bidder shall state on the bid the date upon which it can make delivery of all equipment or merchandise.
- 10.2 The City reserves the right to cancel orders, or any part thereof, without obligation, if delivery is not made within the time(s) specified on the bid.
- 10.3 All bids shall be based upon **inside** delivery of the equipment/ merchandise F.O.B. to the City at the location specified by the City, with all transportation charges paid.
- 10.4 At the time of delivery, a designated City of Lincoln employee will sign the invoice/packing slip. The signature will only indicate that the order has been received and the items actually delivered agree with the delivery invoice. This signature does not indicate all items met specifications, were received in good condition and/or that there is not possible hidden damage or shortages.

11. WARRANTIES AND GUARANTEES

- 11.1 Copies of the following documents shall accompany the bid proposal for all items being bid, if requested:
 - 11.1.1 Manufacturer's warranties and/or guarantees.
 - 11.1.2 Bidder's maintenance policies and associated costs.
- 11.2 Unless stated otherwise in the specifications, as a minimum requirement of the City, the Bidder will guarantee in writing that any defective components discovered within a one (1) year period after the date of acceptance shall be replaced at no expense to the City. Replacement parts of defective components shall be shipped at no cost to the City. Shipping costs for defective parts required to be returned to the Bidder shall be paid by the Bidder.

12. ACCEPTANCE OF MATERIAL

- 12.1 All components used in the manufacture or construction of materials, supplies and equipment, and all finished materials, shall be new, the latest make/model, of the best quality, and the highest grade workmanship.
- 12.2 Material delivered under this proposal shall remain the property of the Bidder until:
 - 12.2.1 A physical inspection and actual usage of the material is made and found to be acceptable to the City; and
 - 12.2.2 Material is determined to be in full compliance with the bidding documents and accepted bid.
- 12.3 In the event the delivered material is found to be defective or does not conform to the bidding documents and accepted bid, the City reserves the right to cancel the order upon written notice to the Bidder and return materials to the Bidder at Bidder's expense.
- 12.4 Awarded Bidder shall be required to furnish title to the material, free and clear of all liens and encumbrances, issued in the name of the City of Lincoln, Nebraska, as required by the bidding documents or purchase orders.
- 12.5 Awarded Bidder's advertising decals, stickers or other signs shall not be affixed to equipment. Vehicle mud flaps shall be installed blank side out with no advertisements. Manufacturer's standard production forgings, stampings, nameplates and logos are acceptable.

13. BID EVALUATION AND AWARD

- 13.1 The electronic signature shall be considered an offer on the part of the Bidder. Such offer shall be deemed accepted upon issuance by the City of purchase orders, contract award notifications, or other contract documents appropriate to the work.
- 13.2 No bid shall be modified or withdrawn for a period of ninety (90) calendar days after the time and date established for receiving bids, and each Bidder so agrees in submitting the bid.
- 13.3 In case of a discrepancy between the unit prices and their extensions, the unit prices shall govern.
- 13.4 The bid will be awarded to the lowest responsible, responsive Bidder whose bid will be most advantageous to the City, and as the City deems will best serve the requirements and interests of the City.
- 13.5 The City reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids; to request rebids; to award bids item-by-item, with or without alternates, by groups, or "lump sum"; to waive minor irregularities in bids; such as shall best serve the requirements and interests of the City.
- 13.6 In order to determine if the Bidder has the experience, qualifications, resources and necessary attributes to provide the quality workmanship, materials and management required by the plans and specifications, the Bidder may be required to complete and submit additional information as deemed necessary by the City. Failure to provide the information requested to make this determination may be grounds for a declaration of non-responsive with respect to the Bidder.
- 13.7 The City reserves the right to reject irregular bids that contain unauthorized additions, conditions, alternate bids, or irregularities that make the bid incomplete, indefinite or ambiguous.
- 13.8 Any governmental agency may piggyback on any contract entered into from this bid.

14. INDEMNIFICATION

- 14.1 The Bidder shall indemnify and hold harmless the City of Lincoln, Nebraska from and against all losses, claims, damages, and expenses, including, attorney's fees arising out of or resulting from the performance of the contract that results in bodily injury, sickness, disease, death, or to injury to or destruction of tangible property, including the loss of use resulting therefrom and is caused in whole or in part by the Bidder, any subcontractor, any directly or indirectly employed by any of them or anyone for whose acts any of them may be liable. This section will not require the Bidder to indemnify or hold harmless the City of Lincoln for any losses, claims damages, and expenses arising out of or resulting from the sole negligence of the City of Lincoln, Nebraska.
- 14.2 In any and all claims against the City or any of its members, officers or employees by an employee of the Bidder, any subcontractor, anyone directly or indirectly employed by any of them or by anyone for whose acts made by any of them may be liable, the indemnification obligation under paragraph 14.1 shall not be limited in any way by any limitation of the amount or type of damages, compensation or benefits payable by or for the Bidder or any subcontractor under workers' compensation acts, disability benefit acts or other employee benefit acts.

15. TERMS OF PAYMENT

15.1 Unless stated otherwise, the City will begin processing payment within thirty (30) calendar days after all labor has been performed and all equipment or other materials have been delivered, and all such labor and equipment and other materials have met all contract specifications.

16. LAWS

- 16.1 The laws of the State of Nebraska shall govern the rights, obligations, and remedies of the parties under this bid and any contract reached as a result of this process.
- 16.2 Bidder agrees to abide by all applicable local, state and federal laws and regulations, including those concerning the handling and disclosure of private and confidential information from individuals and corporations as to inventions, copyrights, patents and patent rights.
- 16.3 If there are any conflicts or inconsistencies between the Bidder's documents and the City's, the City's documents shall control.

17. EQUIPMENT TAX ASSESSMENT

17.1 Any bid for public improvement shall comply with Nebraska Revised Statute Sections 77-1323 and 77-1324. In that regard, every person, partnership, limited liability company, association or corporation furnishing labor or material in the repair, alteration, improvement, erection, or construction of any public improvement shall sign a certified statement which will accompany the contract. The certified statement shall state that all equipment to be used on the project, except that acquired since the assessment date, has been assessed for taxation for the current year, giving the county where assessed.

18. AFFIRMATIVE ACTION

18.1 The City of Lincoln provides equal opportunity for all Bidders and encourages minority businesses, women's businesses and locally owned business enterprises to participate in our bidding process.

19. LIVING WAGE

- 19.1 The Bidder shall be responsible for determining whether it is subject to the Living Wage ordinance in the event it is awarded the contract.
- 19.2 If the contract is subject to the City Living Wage pursuant to Section 2.81 of the Lincoln Municipal Code, the Bidder agrees to pay all employees employed in the performance of this contract, a base wage of not less than the City Living Wage. This wage is subject to change every July.

20. INSURANCE

20.1 All Bidders shall take special notice of the insurance provisions required for City contracts (*see Insurance Requirements for All City Contracts*).

21. EXECUTION OF AGREEMENT

21.1 Depending on the type of service or commodity provided, one of the following methods will be employed. The method applicable to this contract will be checked below:

- a. **PURCHASE ORDER**, unless otherwise noted.
1. This contract shall consist of a City of Lincoln Purchase Order.
 2. A copy of the Bidder's bid response (or referenced bid number) attached and that the same, in all particulars, becomes the contract between the parties hereto: that both parties thereby accept and agree to the terms and conditions of said bid documents.
- b. **CONTRACT**, unless otherwise noted.
1. City will furnish copies of a Contract to the successful Bidder who shall prepare attachments as required. Insurance as evidenced by a Certificate of Insurance (as required), surety bonds properly executed (as required), and Contract signed and dated.
 2. The prepared documents shall be returned to the Purchasing Office within 10 days (unless otherwise noted).
 3. The City will sign and date the Contract and prepare an Executive Order or Directorial Order for signature.
 4. Upon approval and signature, the City will return one copy to the successful Bidder.

22. TAXES AND TAX EXEMPTION CERTIFICATE

- 22.1 The City is generally exempt from any taxes imposed by the state or federal government. A Tax Exemption Certificate will be provided as applicable.
- 22.2 The Water Division of the City of Lincoln is taxable per Reg. 066.14A and no exemption certificate will be issued.

23. CITY AUDIT ADVISORY BOARD

23.1 All parties of any City agreement shall be subject to audit pursuant to Chapter 4.66 of the Lincoln Municipal Code and shall make Available to a contract auditor, as defined therein, copies of all financial and performance related records and materials germane to the contract/order, as allowed by law.

24. E-VERIFY

24.1 In accordance with Neb. Rev. Stat. 4-108 through 4-114, the winning bidder agrees to register with and use a federal immigration verification system, to determine the work eligibility status of new employees performing services within the state of Nebraska. A federal immigration verification system means the electronic verification of the work authorization program of the Illegal Immigration Reform and Immigrant Responsibility Act of 1996, 8 U.S.C. 1324 a, otherwise known as the E-Verify Program, or an equivalent federal program designated by the United States Department of Homeland Security or other federal agency authorized to verify the work eligibility status of a newly hired employee pursuant to the Immigration Reform and Control Act of 1986. The winning bidder shall not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment to be employed in the performance of this section pursuant to the requirements of state law and 8 U.S.C.A 1324b. The winning bidder shall require any subcontractor to comply with the provisions of this section. For information on the E-Verify Program, go to www.uscis.gov/everify.

Independent Cost Estimate

This form is required for all Grant funded procurements regardless of dollar amount and must be submitted to Purchasing prior to a bid being issued.

(You may attach a separate sheet to this document if you need additional space)

Department _____ Health _____

Project _____ WIC Program _____

Date _____ 7/28/2014 _____

Person Submitting Request _____ Melissa Oerman _____

CFR ___ 07 (WIC/Federal) _____

City Requisition #(If Applicable) _____ OR

Project Justification – A narrative and any applicable support documentation, which explains why the department needs the item; including how and where it will be used.

Federal regulations require hemoglobin testing (finger stick) on all applicants to the WIC program.

Project Description – A list of salient characteristics and/or minimum specifications

Equipment used for hemoglobin level analysis of the blood sample is the Hemocue 201 which uses the 201 Hemocue microcuvette to collect the blood sample.

Project Budget – How much will it cost to complete this project? Explain how this amount was determined. Support documentation, e.g., copied catalog pages, written estimates, etc. should be referenced in your explanation and attached for the file.

Approximately 500 cuvettes are used per month or 6000 per year to assess hemoglobin status of WIC program participants. Annual cost is \$5,000 based on past purchase price of \$168.00/200 cuvettes from Hemocue Company.

Claudia Pankoke Signature

PRICE/COST ANALYSIS FORM

This form is required for all Grant funded procurements regardless of dollar amount and must be submitted to Purchasing prior to a contract or PO being issued.

Department: Health

Project/Item Description: HemoCue brand microcuvettes

Date: 08-18-2014

Person Submitting Form: Melissa Oerman

Which Vendor/s are you recommending for award: (Multiple awards must be broken down by Vendor and Line Items with total for each Line Item listed on a separate sheet of paper). **Hemocue America**

TOTAL AMOUNT OF AWARD: \$ 5,040

List justification for your award: Check One

Lowest Bid Cost (Quote Fair and Reasonable based on ICE and/or Catalog Pricing)

X Lowest, Most Responsive, Responsible Bidder (Not Lowest Price – You must provide additional information in the Notes or on separate sheet if this box is checked!)

NOTES: See attachment

Signature: Melissa Oerman

Date: 8-18-2014



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Hemocue, Inc.
 DUNS: 129565235 CAGE Code: 0R5Y9
 Status: Active

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Entity Information

Name: Hemocue, Inc.
Business Type: Business or Organization
POC Name: Kim Ferdman
Registration Status: Active
Activation Date: 10/17/2013
Expiration Date: 10/10/2014

Exclusions

Active Exclusion Records? No

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HemoCue brand Microcuvette Bid #4887
Lincoln-Lancaster County Health Department WIC Program
August 18, 2014

Hemocue America – Selected

VWR International – did not bid

Midland Medical Supply Co – Bid for 100 cuvettes @ \$94 which is \$188 for the 200 cuvettes requested; is a higher bid

Fisher Scientific – 200 cuvettes @ \$230 is a higher bid

Products Unlimited – 200 cuvettes @ \$250 is a higher bid

Stanbio Laboratory – Possible 21 days for delivery exceeds the 7 proposed by Hemocue; The time required for the lab at LLCHD to rewrite their maintenance and usage procedures as well as the time required for training of lab and WIC staff for the new equipment exceeds the financial savings incurred by the bid being \$4 lower per case (\$120 for 30 cases).