SOUTH CAROLINA	REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS	Date Issued Procurement Officer	May 20, 2013 May 20, 2013
		E-Mail Address	<u>charles.johnson@sc.edu</u>

# DESCRIPTION: Provide Official Online Merchandise Store for the USC Athletics Department

## USING GOVERNMENT AGENCY: UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH CAROLINA

The Term "Offer" Means Your "Bid" or "Proposal".							
SUBMIT OFFER BY: (Opening Date/Time):	6/5//2013 at 2:30 PM	See "Deadline for Submission of Offer" provision					
QUESTIONS MUST BE RECEIVED BY:	5/24/2013 1:00 PM	See "Questions From Offerors" provision					
NUMBER OF COPIES TO BE SUBMITTED:		ree (3) Hardcopies marked 'COPY' Plus (1) l Hardcopy Shall Prevail)					

Offers must be submitted in a sealed package. Solicitation Number & Opening Date must appear on package exterior.

# SUBMIT YOUR SEALED OFFER TO EITHER OF THE FOLLOWING ADDRESSES:

	MAILING ADDRESS:	PHYSICAL ADDRESS:			
	University of South Carolina – Purchasing Dept.	University of South Carolina – Purchasing Dept.			
	1600 Hampton St., Suite 606	1600 Hampton St., Suite 606			
	Columbia, SC 29208	Columbia, SC 29208			
		See "Submitting Your Offer" provision			
		LOCATION:			
CONF	ERENCE TYPE: N/A				
DATE	& TIME:				

AWARD &	Award will be posted at the Physical Address stated above on 6/18/2013. The award, this solicitation, and any
AMENDMENTS	amendments will be posted at the following web address: http://purchasing.sc.edu

			u agree to be bound by the terms of the Solicitation.
You agree to hold Your Offer o	pen for a minimum of thirty (30) calendar d	lays after the Opening Dat	e.
NAME OF OFFEROR	(Full legal name of business subr	nitting the offer)	OFFEROR'S TYPE OF ENTITY:
			(Check one)
			Sole Proprietorship
AUTHORIZED SIGNATU	RE		Partnership
		Corporate entity (not tax-exempt)	
(Person signing must be authorized)	to submit binding offer to enter contract on behalf	of Offeror named above.)	Tax –exempt corporate entity
TITLE		f person signing above)	Government entity (federal, state, or local)
	(Dusiness title s	r person signing acove)	Other
PRINTED NAME	(Printed name of person signing above)	DATE SIGNED	
	(i finited name of person signing above)	DATE SIGNED	(See "Signing Your Offer" provision.)
An offer may be submitted by c		e offeror must be a single	rmed with, the entity identified as the offeror above. and distinct legal entity. Do not use the name of a , a separate corporation, partnership, sole
STATE OF INCORPORATION	N	(If offeror is a corpora	ation, identify the state of Incorporation.)
TAXPAYER IDENTIFICATIO	ON NO.		
	(See "Taxpayer Identification Numbe	r provision)	

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PREFERENCES - A NOTICE TO VENDORS (SEP. 2009): On June 16, 2009, the South Carolina General Assembly rewrote the law governing preferences available to in-state vendors, vendors using in-state subcontractors, and vendors selling in-state or US end products. This law appears in Section 11-35-1524 of the South Carolina Code of Laws. A summary of the new preferences is available at <u>www.procurement.sc.gov/preferences</u> . <i>ALL THE PREFERENCES MUST BE CLAIMED AND ARE APPLIED BY LINE ITEM, REGARDLESS OF WHETHER AWARD IS MADE BY ITEM OR LOT</i> . VENDORS ARE CAUTIONED TO CAREFULLY REVIEW THE STATUTE BEFORE CLAIMING ANY PREFERENCES. THE REQUIREMENTS TO QUALIFY HAVE CHANGED. IF YOU REQUEST A PREFERENCE, YOU ARE CERTIFYING THAT YOUR OFFER QUALIFIES FOR THE PREFERENCES. [11-35-1524(E)(4)&(6)] PREFERENCES - ADDRESS AND PHONE OF IN-STATE OFFICE: Please provide the address and phone number for your in-state office in the space provided below. An in-state office is necessary to claim either the Resident Vendor								
Preference (11 must provide t are claiming th	1-35-1524(C)(1) his information	(i)&(ii)) or the to qualify for t contractor Prefe	e Resident Cont he preference. A erence (11-35-1)	tractor Prefere An in-state off	ice is not required	(C)(1)	(iii)). Ac	cordingly, you

\_ In-State Office Address same as Notice Address (check only one)

#### **Solicitation Outline**

- I. Scope of Solicitation
- II. Instructions to Offerors
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- May be blank if Bidding Schedule / Cost Proposal attached
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    - B. Special
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# I. Scope Of Solicitation

ACQUIRE SERVICES (JANUARY 2006): The purpose of this solicitation is to acquire services complying with the enclosed description and/or specifications and conditions.

INITIAL CONTRACT PERIOD — ESTIMATED: [July 1, 2013 – June 30, 2016]. Dates provided are estimates only. The maximum contract term is five years (initial contract term of three years plus two optional renewals of one year each pending University of South Carolina Board of Trustees (BOT) approval). Any resulting contract will begin on the date specified in the notice of award. See clauses entitled "Term of Contract – Effective Date / Initial Contract Period" and "Term of Contract – Option To.Renew" in Section VII. Terms and Conditions – B. Special of the solicitation.

It is the intention of the University of South Carolina to solicit proposals from qualified sources of supply to provide Official Online Store for the University of South Carolina Athletics Department in accordance with all of the specifications set forth herein.

NOTE: The solicitation for proposals is for the official online store for University of South Carolina Athletics Department ONLY. Proposals/Bids are not currently being solicited / accepted for on campus in-venue merchandise at this time. The current contract for the University of South Carolina's onsite merchandise vendor is effective through April 2021.

The contract awarded from this solicitation will be a revenue-generating contract.

# **II. Instructions To Offerors - A. General Instructions**

DEFINITIONS (JANUARY 2006) EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE PROVIDED HEREIN, THE FOLLOWING DEFINITIONS ARE APPLICABLE TO ALL PARTS OF THE SOLICITATION.

AMENDMENT - means a document issued to supplement the original solicitation document.

BUYER – means the Procurement Officer.

CHANGE ORDER - means any written alteration in specifications, delivery point, rate of delivery, period of performance, price, quantity, or other provisions of any contract accomplished by mutual agreement of the parties to the contract.

CONTRACT - See clause entitled "Contract Documents & Order of Precedence."

CONTRACT MODIFICATION – means a written order signed by the Procurement Officer, directing the contractor to make changes which the changes clause of the contract authorizes the Procurement Officer to order without the consent of the contractor.

CONTRACTOR - means the Offeror receiving an award as a result of this solicitation.

COVER PAGE – means the top page of the original solicitation on which the solicitation is identified by number. Offerors are cautioned that Amendments may modify information provided on the Cover Page.

OFFER – means the bid or proposal submitted in response this solicitation. The terms "Bid" and "Proposal" are used interchangeably with the term "Offer."

OFFEROR – means the single legal entity submitting the offer. The term "Bidder" is used interchangeably with the term "Offeror." See bidding provisions entitled "Signing Your Offer" and "Bid/Proposal As Offer To Contract."

ORDERING ENTITY - Using Governmental Unit that has submitted a Purchase Order.

PAGE TWO – means the second page of the original solicitation, which is labeled Page Two.

PROCUREMENT OFFICER – means the person, or his successor, identified as such on the Cover Page.

YOU and YOUR - means Offeror.

SOLICITATION - means this document, including all its parts, attachments, and any Amendments.

STATE – means the Using Governmental Unit(s) identified on the Cover Page.

SUBCONTRACTOR – means any person having a contract to perform work or render service to Contractor as a part of the Contractor's agreement arising from this solicitation.

USING GOVERNMENTAL UNIT – means the unit(s) of government identified as such on the Cover Page. If the Cover Page names a "Statewide Term Contract" as the Using Governmental Unit, the Solicitation seeks to establish a Term Contract [11-35-310(35)] open for use by all South Carolina Public Procurement Units [11-35-4610(5)].

WORK - means all labor, materials, equipment and services provided or to be provided by the Contractor to fulfill the Contractor's obligations under the Contract.

AMENDMENTS TO SOLICITATION (JANUARY 2006) (a) The Solicitation may be amended at any time prior to opening. All actual and prospective Offerors should monitor the following web site for the issuance of Amendments: <a href="http://purchasing.sc.edu">http://purchasing.sc.edu</a>. (b) Offerors shall acknowledge receipt of any amendment to this solicitation (1) by signing and returning the amendment, (2) by identifying the amendment number and date in the space provided for this purpose on Page Two, (3) by letter, or (4) by submitting a bid that indicates in some way that the bidder received the amendment. (c) If this solicitation is amended, then all terms and conditions which are not modified remain unchanged.

AWARD NOTIFICATION (NOV 2007): Notice regarding any award or cancellation of award will be posted at the location specified on the Cover Page. If the contract resulting from this Solicitation has a total or potential value of fifty thousand dollars or more, such notice will be sent to all Offerors responding to the Solicitation. Should the contract resulting from this Solicitation have a total or potential value of one hundred thousand dollars or more, such notice will be sent to all Offerors responding to the Solicitation have a total or potential value of one hundred thousand dollars or more, such notice will be sent to all Offerors responding to the Solicitation and any award will not be effective until the eleventh day after such notice is given. [02-2A010-1]

BID / PROPOSAL AS OFFER TO CONTRACT (JANUARY 2006) By submitting Your Bid or Proposal, You are offering to enter into a contract with the Using Governmental Unit(s). Without further action by either party, a binding contract shall result upon final award. Any award issued will be issued to, and the contract will be formed with, the entity identified as the Offeror on the Cover Page. An Offer may be submitted by only one legal entity; "joint bids" are not allowed.

BID ACCEPTANCE PERIOD (JANUARY 2006) In order to withdraw Your Offer after the minimum period specified on the Cover Page, You must notify the Procurement Officer in writing.

BID IN ENGLISH & DOLLARS (JANUARY 2006) Offers submitted in response to this solicitation shall be in the English language and in US dollars, unless otherwise permitted by the Solicitation.

CERTIFICATION REGARDING DEBARMENT AND OTHER RESPONSIBILITY MATTERS (JANUARY 2006) (a)(1) By submitting an Offer, Offeror certifies, to the best of its knowledge and belief, that-

(i) Offeror and/or any of its Principals-

(A) Are not presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, or declared ineligible for the award of contracts by any state or federal agency;

(B) Have not, within a three-year period preceding this offer, been convicted of or had a civil judgment rendered against them for: commission of fraud or a criminal offense in connection with obtaining, attempting to obtain, or performing a public (Federal, state, or local) contract or subcontract; violation of Federal or state antitrust statutes relating to the submission of offers; or commission of embezzlement, theft, forgery, bribery, falsification or destruction of records, making false statements, tax evasion, or receiving stolen property; and

(C) Are not presently indicted for, or otherwise criminally or civilly charged by a governmental entity with, commission of any of the offenses enumerated in paragraph (a)(1)(i)(B) of this provision.

(ii) Offeror has not, within a three-year period preceding this offer, had one or more contracts terminated for default by any public (Federal, state, or local) entity.

(2) "Principals," for the purposes of this certification, means officers; directors; owners; partners; and, persons having primary management or supervisory responsibilities within a business entity (e.g., general manager; plant manager; head of a subsidiary, division, or business segment, and similar positions).

(b) Offeror shall provide immediate written notice to the Procurement Officer if, at any time prior to contract award, Offeror learns that its certification was erroneous when submitted or has become erroneous by reason of changed circumstances.

(c) If Offeror is unable to certify the representations stated in paragraphs (a)(1), Offer must submit a written explanation regarding its inability to make the certification. The certification will be considered in connection with a review of the Offeror's responsibility. Failure of the Offeror to furnish additional information as requested by the Procurement Officer may render the Offeror nonresponsible.

(d) Nothing contained in the foregoing shall be construed to require establishment of a system of records in order to render, in good faith, the certification required by paragraph (a) of this provision. The knowledge and information of an Offeror is not required to exceed that which is normally possessed by a prudent person in the ordinary course of business dealings.

(e) The certification in paragraph (a) of this provision is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when making award. If it is later determined that the Offeror knowingly or in bad faith rendered an erroneous certification, in addition to other remedies available to the State, the Procurement Officer may terminate the contract resulting from this solicitation for default.

#### CERTIFICATE OF INDEPENDENT PRICE DETERMINATION (MAY 2008)

GIVING FALSE, MISLEADING, OR INCOMPLETE INFORMATION ON THIS CERTIFICATION MAY RENDER YOU SUBJECT TO PROSECUTION UNDER SECTION 16-9-10 OF THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS AND OTHER APPLICABLE LAWS.

(a) By submitting an offer, the offeror certifies that-

(1) The prices in this offer have been arrived at independently, without, for the purpose of restricting competition, any consultation, communication, or agreement with any other offeror or competitor relating to-

(i) Those prices;

(ii) The intention to submit an offer; or

(iii) The methods or factors used to calculate the prices offered.

(2) The prices in this offer have not been and will not be knowingly disclosed by the offeror, directly or indirectly, to any other offeror or competitor before bid opening (in the case of a sealed bid solicitation) or contract award (in the case of a negotiated solicitation) unless otherwise required by law; and

(3) No attempt has been made or will be made by the offeror to induce any other concern to submit or not to submit an offer for the purpose of restricting competition.

(b) Each signature on the offer is considered to be a certification by the signatory that the signatory-

(1) Is the person in the offeror's organization responsible for determining the prices being offered in this bid or proposal, and that the signatory has not participated and will not participate in any action contrary to paragraphs (a)(1) through (a)(3) of this certification; or

(2)(i) Has been authorized, in writing, to act as agent for the offeror's principals in certifying that those principals have not participated, and will not participate in any action contrary to paragraphs (a)(1) through (a)(3) of this certification [As used in this subdivision (b)(2)(i), the term "principals" means the person(s) in the offeror's organization responsible for determining the prices offered in this bid or proposal];

(ii) As an authorized agent, does certify that the principals referenced in subdivision (b)(2)(i) of this certification have not participated, and will not participate, in any action contrary to paragraphs (a)(1) through (a)(3) of this certification; and

(iii) As an agent, has not personally participated, and will not participate, in any action contrary to paragraphs (a)(1) through (a)(3) of this certification.

CLARIFICATION (NOV 2007): Pursuant to Section 11-35-1530(6), the Procurement Officer may elect to communicate with you after opening for the purpose of clarifying either your offer or the requirements of the solicitation. Such communications may be conducted only with offerors who have submitted an offer which obviously conforms in all material aspects to the solicitation. Clarification of an offer must be documented in writing and included with the offer. Clarifications may not be used to revise an offer or the solicitation. [Section 11-35-1530(6); R.19-445.2080] [02-2B055-1]

CODE OF LAWS AVAILABLE (JAN 2006): The South Carolina Code of Laws, including the Consolidated Procurement Code, is available at http://www.scstatehouse.net/code/statmast.htm. The South Carolina Regulations are available at: http://www.scstatehouse.net/coderegs/statmast.htm.

COMPLETION OF FORMS / CORRECTION OF ERRORS (JAN 2006): All prices and notations should be printed in ink or typewritten. Errors should be crossed out, corrections entered and initialed by the person signing the bid. Do not modify the solicitation document itself (including bid schedule). (Applicable only to offers submitted on paper.)

DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION OF OFFER (JANUARY 2006) Any offer received after the Procurement Officer of the governmental body or his designee has declared that the time set for opening has arrived, shall be rejected unless the offer has been delivered to the designated purchasing office or the governmental bodies' mail room which services that purchasing office prior to the bid opening. [R.19-445.2070(H)]

DISCLOSURE OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST OR UNFAIR COMPETITIVE ADVANTAGE (MAY 2011): You

warrant and represent that your offer identifies and explains any unfair competitive advantage you may have in competing for the proposed contract and any actual or potential conflicts of interest that may arise from your participation in this competition or your receipt of an award. The two underlying principles are (a) preventing the existence of conflicting roles that might bias a contractor's judgment, and (b) preventing an unfair competitive advantage. If you have an unfair competitive advantage or a conflict of interest, the state may withhold award. Before withholding award on these grounds, an offeror will be notified of the concerns and provided a reasonable opportunity to respond. Efforts to avoid or mitigate such concerns, including restrictions on future activities, may be considered.

DISCUSSIONS and NEGOTIATIONS (NOV 2007): Submit your best terms from a cost or price and from a technical standpoint. Your proposal may be evaluated and your offer accepted without any discussions, negotiations, or prior notice. Ordinarily, nonresponsive proposals will be rejected outright. Nevertheless, the State may elect to conduct discussions, including the possibility of limited proposal revisions, but only for those proposals reasonably susceptible of being selected for award. If improper revisions are submitted, the State may elect to consider only your unrevised initial proposal. [11-35-1530(6); R.19-445.2095(I)] The State may also elect to conduct negotiations, beginning with the highest ranked offeror, or seek best and final offers, as provided in Section 11-35-1530(8). If negotiations are conducted, the State may elect to disregard the negotiations and accept your original proposal. [02-2B060-1]

DRUG FREE WORK PLACE CERTIFICATION (JANUARY 2006) By submitting an Offer, Contractor certifies that, if awarded a contract, Contractor will comply with all applicable provisions of The Drug-free Workplace Act, Title 44, Chapter 107 of the South Carolina Code of Laws, as amended.

DUTY TO INQUIRE (JANUARY 2006) Offeror, by submitting an Offer, represents that it has read and understands the Solicitation and that its Offer is made in compliance with the Solicitation. Offerors are expected to examine the Solicitation thoroughly and should request an explanation of any ambiguities, discrepancies, errors, omissions, or conflicting statements in the Solicitation. Failure to do so will be at the Offeror's risk. Offeror assumes responsibility for any patent ambiguity in the Solicitation that Offeror does not bring to the State's attention.

ETHICS CERTIFICATE (May 2008): By submitting an offer, the offeror certifies that the offeror has and will comply with, and has not, and will not, induce a person to violate Title 8, Chapter 13 of the South Carolina Code of Laws, as amended (ethics act). The following statutes require special attention: Section 8-13-700, regarding use of official position for financial gain; Section 8-13-705, regarding gifts to influence action of public official; Section 8-13-720, regarding offering money for advice or assistance of public official; Sections 8-13-755 and 8-13-760, regarding restrictions on employment by former public official; Section 8-13-775, prohibiting public official with economic interests from acting on contracts; Section 8-13-790, regarding restrictions on contributions by contractor to candidate who participated in awarding of contract. The state may rescind any contract and recover all amounts expended as a result of any action taken in violation of this provision. If contractor participates, directly or indirectly, in the evaluation or award of public contracts, including without limitation, change orders or task orders regarding a public contract, contractor shall, if required by law to file such a statement, provide the statement required by Section 8-13-1150 to the procurement officer at the same time the law requires the statement to be filed. [02-2A075-2]

#### **ILLEGAL IMMIGRATION CLAUSES (2008)**

Procurement Code Transactions: Non-Construction

ILLEGAL IMMIGRATION (NOV. 2008): (An overview is available at www.procurement.sc.gov) By signing your offer, you certify that you will comply with the applicable requirements of Title 8, Chapter 14 of the South Carolina Code of Laws and agree to provide to the State upon request any documentation required to establish either: (a) that Title 8, Chapter

14 is inapplicable to you and your subcontractors or sub-subcontractors; or (b) that you and your subcontractors or subsubcontractors are in compliance with Title 8, Chapter 14. Pursuant to Section 8-14-60, "A person who knowingly makes or files any false, fictitious, or fraudulent document, statement, or report pursuant to this chapter is guilty of a felony, and, upon conviction, must be fined within the discretion of the court or imprisoned for not more than five years, or both." You agree to include in any contracts with your subcontractors language requiring your subcontractors to (a) comply with the applicable requirements of Title 8, Chapter 14, and (b) include in their contracts with the sub-subcontractors language requiring the sub-subcontractors to comply with the applicable requirements of Title 8, Chapter 14. [07-7B097-1]

#### Procurement Code Transactions: Construction

By signing its bid or proposal, Contractor certifies that it will comply with the applicable requirements of Title 8, Chapter 14 of the South Carolina Code of Laws and agrees to provide to the State upon request any documentation required to establish either: (a) that Title 8, Chapter 14 is inapplicable both to Contractor and its subcontractors or sub-subcontractors; or (b) that Contractor and its subcontractors or sub-subcontractors are in compliance with Title 8, Chapter 14. Pursuant to Section 8-14-60, "A person who knowingly makes or files any false, fictitious, or fraudulent document, statement, or report pursuant to this chapter is guilty of a felony, and, upon conviction, must be fined within the discretion of the court or imprisoned for not more than five years, or both." Contractor agrees to include in any contracts with its subcontractors language requiring its subcontractors to (a) comply with the applicable requirements of Title 8, Chapter 14, and (b) include in their contracts with the sub-subcontractors language requiring the sub-subcontractors to comply with the applicable requirement.sc.gov)

#### Other Transactions

By submitting an offer, Contractor certifies that it will comply with the applicable requirements of Title 8, Chapter 14 of the South Carolina Code of Laws (originally enacted as Section 3 of The South Carolina Illegal Immigration Reform Act, 2008 S.C. Act No. 280) and agrees to provide upon request any documentation required to establish either: (a) the applicability of Title 8, Chapter 14 to Contractor and any subcontractors or sub-subcontractors; or (b) the compliance with Title 8, Chapter 14 by Contractor and any subcontractor or sub-subcontractor. Pursuant to Section 8-14-60, "A person who knowingly makes or files any false, fictitious, or fraudulent document, statement, or report pursuant to this chapter is guilty of a felony, and, upon conviction, must be fined within the discretion of the court or imprisoned for not more than five years, or both." Contractor agrees to include in any contracts with its subcontractors language requiring the subcontractors to (a) comply with the applicable requirements of Title 8, Chapter 14, and (b) include in any contracts with the subsubcontractors language requiring the sub-subcontractor to comply with the applicable requirements of Title 8, Chapter 14.

OMIT TAXES FROM PRICE (JANUARY 2006): Do not include any sales or use taxes in Your price that the State may be required to pay.

PROCUREMENT AGENT (AUG 2004) Authorized Agent. All authority regarding the conduct of this procurement is vested solely with the responsible Procurement Officer. Unless specifically delegated in writing, the Procurement Officer is the only government official authorized to bind the government with regard to this procurement.

PROTESTS (JUNE 2006) Any prospective bidder, offeror, contractor, or subcontractor who is aggrieved in connection with the solicitation of a contract shall protest within fifteen days of the date of issuance of the applicable solicitation document at issue. Any actual bidder, offeror, contractor, or subcontractor who is aggrieved in connection with the intended award or award of a contract shall protest within ten days of the date notification of award is posted in accordance with this code. A protest shall be in writing, shall set forth the grounds of the protest and the relief requested with enough particularity to give notice of the issues to be decided, and must be received by the appropriate Chief Procurement Officer within the time provided. See clause entitled "Protest-CPO". [~ 11-35-4210]

PUBLIC OPENING (JANUARY 2006) Offers will be publicly opened at the date / time and at the location identified on the Cover Page, or last Amendment, whichever is applicable

QUESTIONS FROM OFFERORS (JANUARY 2006): (a) Any prospective offeror desiring an explanation or interpretation of the solicitation, drawings, specifications, etc., must request it in writing. Questions must be received by the Procurement Officer no later than five (5) days prior to opening unless otherwise stated on the Cover Page. Label any communication regarding your questions with the name of the procurement officer, and the solicitation's title and number. Oral explanations or instructions will not be binding. Any information given a prospective offeror concerning a solicitation will be furnished promptly to all other prospective offerors as an Amendment to the solicitation, if that information is necessary for submitting offers or if the lack of it would be prejudicial to other prospective offerors. (b) The State seeks to permit maximum practicable competition. Offerors are urged to advise the Procurement Officer – as soon as possible – regarding any aspect of this procurement, including any aspect of the Solicitation that unnecessarily or inappropriately limits full and open competition. REJECTION/CANCELLATION (JAN 2004) The State may cancel this solicitation in whole or in part. The State may reject any or all proposals in whole or in part. [SC Code Section 11-35-1710 & R.19-445.2065.]

#### RESPONSIVENESS / IMPROPER OFFERS (JANUARY 2006)

(a) Bid as Specified. Offers for supplies or services other than those specified will not be considered unless authorized by the Solicitation.

(b) Multiple Offers. Offerors may submit more than one Offer, provided that each Offer has significant differences other than price. Each separate Offer must satisfy all Solicitation requirements. If this solicitation is an Invitation for Bids, each separate offer must be submitted as a separate document. If this solicitation is a Request for Proposals, multiple offers may be submitted as one document, provided that you clearly differentiate between each offer and you submit a separate cost proposal for each offer, if applicable.

(c) Responsiveness. Any Offer which fails to conform to the material requirements of the Solicitation may be rejected as nonresponsive. Offers which impose conditions that modify material requirements of the Solicitation may be rejected. If a fixed price is required, an Offer will be rejected if the total possible cost to the State cannot be determined. Offerors will not be given an opportunity to correct any material nonconformity. Any deficiency resulting from a minor informality may be cured or waived at the sole discretion of the Procurement Officer. [R.19-445.2070 and Section 11-35-1520(13)]

(d) Price Reasonableness: Any offer may be rejected if the Procurement Officer determines in writing that it is unreasonable as to price. [R. 19-445.2070].

(e) Unbalanced Bidding. The State may reject an Offer as nonresponsive if the prices bid are materially unbalanced between line items or subline items. A bid is materially unbalanced when it is based on prices significantly less than cost for some work and prices which are significantly overstated in relation to cost for other work, and if there is a reasonable doubt that the bid will result in the lowest overall cost to the State even though it may be the low evaluated bid, or if it is so unbalanced as to be tantamount to allowing an advance payment.

RESTRICTIONS APPLICABLE TO OFFERORS (JANUARY 2006) Violation of these restrictions may result in disqualification of your offer, suspension or debarment, and may constitute a violation of the state Ethics Act. (a) After issuance of the solicitation, you agree not to discuss this procurement activity in any way with the Using Governmental Unit or its employees, agents or officials. All communications must be solely with the Procurement Officer. This restriction may be lifted by express written permission from the Procurement Officer. This restriction expires once a contract has been formed. (b) Unless otherwise approved in writing by the Procurement Officer, you agree not to give anything to any Using Governmental Unit

SIGNING YOUR OFFER (JANUARY 2006) Every Offer must be signed by an individual with actual authority to bind the Offeror. (a) If the Offeror is an individual, the Offer must be signed by that individual. If the Offeror is an individual doing business as a firm, the Offer must be submitted in the firm name, signed by the individual, and state that the individual is doing business as a firm. (b) If the Offeror is a partnership, the Offer must be submitted in the partnership name, followed by the words "by its Partner," and signed by a general partner. (c) If the Offeror is a corporation, the Offer must be submitted in the corporate name, followed by the signature and title of the person authorized to sign. (d) An Offer may be submitted by a joint venturer involving any combination of individuals, partnerships, or corporations. If the Offeror is a joint venture, the Offer must be submitted in the name of the Joint Venture and signed by every participant in the joint venture in the manner prescribed in paragraphs (a) through (c) above for each type of participant. (e) If an Offer is signed by an agent, other than as stated in subparagraphs (a) through (d) above, the Offer must state that is has been signed by an Agent. Upon request, Offeror must provide proof of the agent's authorization to bind the principal.

STATE OFFICE CLOSINGS (JANUARY 2006) If an emergency or unanticipated event interrupts normal government processes so that offers cannot be received at the government office designated for receipt of bids by the exact time specified in the solicitation, the time specified for receipt of offers will be deemed to be extended to the same time of day specified in the solicitation on the first work day on which normal government processes resume. In lieu of an automatic extension, an Amendment may be issued to reschedule bid opening. If state offices are closed at the time a pre-bid or pre-proposal conference is scheduled, an Amendment will be issued to reschedule the conference. Useful information may be available at: <a href="http://www.scemd.org/scgovweb/weather\_alert.htm">http://www.scemd.org/scgovweb/weather\_alert.htm</a>.

SUBMITTING CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION (AUG 2002): (An overview is available at www.procurement.sc.gov) For every document Offeror submits in response to or with regard to this solicitation or request, Offeror must separately mark with the word "CONFIDENTIAL" every page, or portion thereof, that Offeror contends contains information that is exempt from public disclosure because it is either (a) a trade secret as defined in Section 30-4-40(a)(1), or (b) privileged and confidential, as that phrase is used in Section 11-35-410. For every document Offeror submits in response to or with

regard to this solicitation or request. Offeror must separately mark with the words "TRADE SECRET" every page, or portion thereof, that Offeror contends contains a trade secret as that term is defined by Section 39-8-20 of the Trade Secrets Act. For every document Offeror submits in response to or with regard to this solicitation or request, Offeror must separately mark with the word "PROTECTED" every page, or portion thereof, that Offeror contends is protected by Section 11-35-1810. All markings must be conspicuous; use color, bold, underlining, or some other method in order to conspicuously distinguish the mark from the other text. Do not mark your entire response (bid, proposal, quote, etc.) as confidential, trade secret, or protected! If your response, or any part thereof, is improperly marked as confidential or trade secret or protected, the State may, in its sole discretion, determine it nonresponsive. If only portions of a page are subject to some protection, do not mark the entire page. By submitting a response to this solicitation or request, Offeror (1) agrees to the public disclosure of every page of every document regarding this solicitation or request that was submitted at any time prior to entering into a contract (including, but not limited to, documents contained in a response, documents submitted to clarify a response, and documents submitted during negotiations), unless the page is conspicuously marked "TRADE SECRET" or "CONFIDENTIAL" or "PROTECTED", (2) agrees that any information not marked, as required by these bidding instructions, as a "Trade Secret" is not a trade secret as defined by the Trade Secrets Act, and (3) agrees that, notwithstanding any claims or markings otherwise, any prices, commissions, discounts, or other financial figures used to determine the award, as well as the final contract amount, are subject to public disclosure. In determining whether to release documents, the State will detrimentally rely on Offeror's marking of documents, as required by these bidding instructions, as being either "Confidential" or "Trade Secret" or "PROTECTED". By submitting a response, Offeror agrees to defend, indemnify and hold harmless the State of South Carolina, it's officers and employees, from every claim, demand, loss, expense, cost, damage or injury, including attorney's fees, arising out of or resulting from the State withholding information that Offeror marked as "confidential" or "trade secret" or "PROTECTED". (All references to S.C. Code of Laws.)

SUBMITTING REDACTED OFFERS (FEB 2007): You are required to mark the original copy of your offer to identify any information that is exempt from public disclosure. You must do so in accordance with the clause entitled "Submitting Confidential Information." In addition, you must also submit one complete copy of your offer from which you have removed any information that you marked as exempt, i.e., a redacted copy. The information redacted should mirror in every detail the information marked as exempt from public disclosure. The redacted copy should (i) reflect the same pagination as the original, (ii) show the empty space from which information was redacted, and (iii) be submitted on magnetic media. (See clause entitled "Magnetic Media Required Format.") Except for the redacted information, the CD must be identical to the original hard copy. Portable Document Format (.pdf) is preferred. [04-4030-1]

SUBMITTING YOUR OFFER OR MODIFICATION (JANUARY 2006) (a) Offers and offer modifications shall be submitted in sealed envelopes or packages (unless submitted by electronic means) – (1) Addressed to the office specified in the Solicitation; and (2) Showing the time and date specified for opening, the solicitation number, and the name and address of the bidder. (b) If you are responding to more than one solicitation, each offer must be submitted in a different envelope or package. (c) Each Offeror must submit the number of copies indicated on the Cover Page. (d) Offerors using commercial carrier services shall ensure that the Offer is addressed and marked on the outermost envelope or wrapper as prescribed in paragraphs (a)(1) and (2) of this provision when delivered to the office specified in the Solicitation. (e) Facsimile or e-mail offers, modifications, or withdrawals, will not be considered unless authorized by the Solicitation. (f) Offers submitted by electronic commerce shall be considered only if the electronic commerce method was specifically stipulated or permitted by the solicitation.

**TAX CREDIT FOR SUBCONTRACTING WITH DISADVANTAGED SMALL BUSINESSES (JAN 2008):** Pursuant to Section 12-6-3350, a taxpayer having a contract with this State who subcontracts with a socially and economically disadvantaged small business is eligible for an income tax credit equal to four percent of the payments to that subcontractor for work pursuant to the contract. The subcontractor must be certified as a socially and economically disadvantaged small business as defined in Section 11-35-5010 and regulations pursuant to it. The credit is limited to a maximum of fifty thousand dollars annually. A taxpayer is eligible to claim the credit for ten consecutive taxable years beginning with the taxable year in which the first payment is made to the subcontractor that qualifies for the credit. After the above ten consecutive taxable years, the taxpayer is no longer eligible for the credit. A taxpayer claiming the credit shall maintain evidence of work performed for the contract by the subcontractor. The credit may be claimed on Form TC-2, "Minority Business Credit." A copy of the subcontractor's certificate from the Governor's Office of Small and Minority Business (OSMBA) is to be attached to the contractor's income tax return. Questions regarding the tax credit and how to file are to be referred to: SC Department of Revenue, Research and Review, Phone: (803) 898-5786, Fax: (803) 898-5888. Questions regarding subcontractor certification are to be referred to: Governor's Office of Small and Minority Business Assistance, Phone: (803) 734-0657, Fax: (803) 734-2498. [02-2A135-1]

TAXPAYER IDENTIFICATION NUMBER (JANUARY 2006): (a) If Offeror is owned or controlled by a common parent as defined in paragraph (b) of this provision, Offeror shall submit with its Offer the name and TIN of common parent.(b) Definitions: "Common parent," as used in this provision, means that corporate entity that owns or controls an affiliated group of corporations that files its Federal income tax returns on a consolidated basis, and of which the offeror is a member.

"Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN)," as used in this provision, means the number required by the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) to be used by the offeror in reporting income tax and other returns. The TIN may be either a Social Security Number or an Employer Identification Number.

(c) If Offeror does not have a TIN, Offeror shall indicate if either a TIN has been applied for or a TIN is not required. If a TIN is not required, indicate whether (i) Offeror is a nonresident alien, foreign corporation, or foreign partnership that does not have income effectively connected with the conduct of a trade or business in the United States and does not have an office or place of business or a fiscal paying agent in the United States; (ii) Offeror is an agency or instrumentality of a state or local government; (iii) Offeror is an agency or instrumentality of a foreign government; or (iv) Offeror is an agency or instrumentality of the Federal Government.

WITHDRAWAL OR CORRECTION OF OFFER (JANUARY 2006) Offers may be withdrawn by written notice received at any time before the exact time set for opening. If the Solicitation authorizes facsimile offers, offers may be withdrawn via facsimile received at any time before the exact time set for opening. A bid may be withdrawn in person by a bidder or its authorized representative if, before the exact time set for opening, the identity of the person requesting withdrawal is established and the person signs a receipt for the bid. The withdrawal and correction of Offers is governed by S.C. Code Section 11-35-1520 and Regulation 19-445.2085.

# **II. Instructions To Offerors - B. Special Instructions**

## SUBMISSION OF QUESTIONS

Mark envelopes on questions mailed: QUESTIONS: USC-RFP-2444-CJ Title: Provide Official Online Merchandise Store for the USC Athletics Department

Attn.: Charles Johnson

<b>QUESTIONS MAY BE E-MAILED TO:</b>	FAXED TO:
Charles.Johnson@sc.edu	803-777-2032

CONTENTS OF OFFER (RFP) – SPO (JAN 2006): (a) Offers should be complete and carefully worded and should convey all of the information requested. (b) Offers should be prepared simply and economically, providing a straightforward, concise description of offeror's capabilities to satisfy the requirements of the RFP. Emphasis should be on completeness and clarity of content. (c) Each copy of your offer should be bound in a single volume where practical. All documentation submitted with your offer should be bound in that single volume. (d) If your offer includes any comment over and above the specific information requested in the solicitation, you are to include this information as a separate appendix to your offer. Offers which include either modifications to any of the solicitation's contractual requirements or an offeror's standard terms and conditions may be deemed non-responsive and not considered for award.

DESCRIPTIVE LITERATURE – LABELLING (JAN 2006): Include offeror's name on the cover of any specifications or descriptive literature submitted with your offer.

DISCUSSION WITH OFFERORS (JAN 2006): After opening, the Procurement Officer may, in his sole discretion, initiate discussions with you to discuss your offer. [Section 11-35-1530(6)]

MAGNETIC MEDIA – REQUIRED FORMAT (JAN 2006): As noted on the cover page, an original hard copy of your offer must be accompanied by the specified number of copies in the following electronic format: compact disk (CD) in one of the following formats: CD-R; DVD ROM; DVD-R; or DVD+R. Formats such as CD-RW, DVD-RAM, DVD-RW, DVD+RW, or DVIX are not acceptable and will result in the Offeror's proposal being rejected. Every CD must be labeled with offeror's name, solicitation number, and specify whether contents address technical proposal or business proposal. If multiple CD sets are provided, each CD in the set must be appropriately identified as to its relationship to the set, e.g., 1 of 2. Each CD must be identical to the original hard copy. File format shall be MS Word 97 or later.

#### The electronic copy of offeror's proposal on compact disk must be included with proposal submitted by offeror.

#### PROTEST - CPO - ITMO ADDRESS (JUNE 2006)

Any protest must be addressed to the Chief Procurement Officer, Information Technology Management Office, and submitted in writing (a) by email to protest-itmo@itmo.sc.gov, (b) by facsimile at 803-737-0639, or (c) by post or delivery to 1201 Main Street, Suite 600, Columbia, SC 29201. [02-2B122-1]

#### LEGAL AGREEMENTS INCLUDED WITH PROPOSALS MUST BE CLEARLY LABELLED "SAMPLE"

Every page of legal agreement(s) that Offeror expects the University to sign in order to do business with Bidder, Bidder's terms and conditions, and/or similar type legal documents pursuant to potential contract award that Bidder chooses to include with its bid <u>must be clearly labelled "SAMPLE"</u>. If Bidder's bid is the highest ranked offer from the evaluation process for the solicitation, then the University will consider the legal documents pursuant to potential contract award that the Bidder included with its bid and clearly labelled "SAMPLE".

#### **OFFEROR'S CONTACTS WITH THE UNIVERSITY**

All questions regarding the scope of work, procurement process, etc. for the solicitation must be directed to Charles Johnson of the University Purchasing Office. Offerors must not contact other employees of the University of South Carolina system concerning this solicitation during the solicitation process and the evaluation process.

# **III.** Scope of Work / Specifications

The University of South Carolina is seeking a qualified vendor to exclusively provide Official Online Store for University of South Carolina Athletics Department. This is an exclusive contract, with no third-party systems from preferred vendors/auctions that the contractor will need to integrate with. All marketing/advertising on the www.gamecocksonline.com site will be exclusive to the contractor.

# A. Minimum Contractual Requirements:

- 1) Maintain a yearly average of seven hundred and fifty (750) different products for online store.
- 2) Offer complete line of authentic and replica football, basketball, and baseball jerseys in men's small through XXL sizes; and either authentic or replica jerseys in ladies small through XL sizes and youth small through XL sizes as made available for retail by the official sideline provider.
- 3) Offer Complete line of sideline apparel for football. Additional sports added as made available by official sideline partner.
- 4) Offer minimum of fifty (50) hats; fifty (50) children's/infants items; eighty (80) ladies items; fifty (50) sweatshirts; one hundred (100) t-shirts with at least ten (10) long-sleeve t-shirts.
- 5) Establish minimum of three (3) football games to create victory shirts per season.
- 6) Schedule t-shirts for football, baseball, and basketball.
- 7) Offer T-shirts for NCAA tourney, Sweet 16, and Final Four if made; any sport conference championship; any sport national championship berth.
- 8) Minimum of two hundred (200) products offered for any football or basketball national championship, with minimum twenty (20) t-shirts, five (5) hats, five (5) sweatshirts, ten (10) children's/infants items, and ten (10) ladies items. Minimum amount must be available immediately following victory by the University.
- 9) Offer T-shirt and hat for any Olympic sport national championship.
- 10) Have ability to react to large bowl or national championship situation.
- 11) Offer branded t-shirt for every varsity sport the university participates in.
- 12) Offer a minimum of two (2) entire store "20% off" (or more) sales each year, to run a minimum of one week or two sales campaigns (elaborate).
- 13) Offer a minimum of two (2) "Free Shipping" sales each year, to run a minimum of one week with no minimum purchase amount.
- 14) Willingness to fulfill up to two (2) consignment products per year for USC Athletics Department, for items not carried in store (i.e. media guides, game-used memorabilia, etc.), with no percentage paid to vendor (contractor) except 100% of shipping.
- 15) Provide multiple-angle, high-resolution images of all products.

- 16) Maintain a minimum of twelve (12) items in a clearance/sale department, with items marked down a minimum of 15% at all times.
- 17) Maximum Two-day fulfillment and shipment (excluding weekends and holidays) on all orders.
- 18) Have ability to provide response to all customer inquiries within 24-hours, excluding weekends and holidays.

# B. Quarterly Report of Sales Activity

- 1. At the end of each quarter (i.e. three months) of the contract term, contractor is required to provide a quarterly report to the USC Athletics Department detailing sales activity by category of merchandise.
- 2. Throughout the term of the contract, contractor will provide the USC Athletics Department with full access to the contractor's corporate data needed to audit sales activity on the account.

# **Quarterly Commission**

The Quarterly Commission is paid by the Contractor to a third party web site provider, currently CSTV (CBS), and then remitted to the University of South Carolina Athletics Department. CSTV operates the web site, and the quarterly commission payments will be remitted through the third party web site provider to the University of South Carolina Athletics Department.

The Quarterly Commissions payments should be calculated as follows:

Total Retail Sales for the quarter multiplied by the proposed commission rate.

"Total Retail Sales" means the total amount generated from Retail Transactions less the amount of all return credits and refunds. "Total Retail Sales" also excludes any and all applicable (i) shipping and handling charges, (ii) gift-wrapping charges, (iii) credit card chargebacks (limited to up to one percent (1%) of the Total Retail Sales amount for any given year), (iv) sales taxes, use taxes or excise taxes levied on the Retail Transactions, and (v) any merchandise sold that is discounted in excess of 40% (Items discounted 40% or less are included in "Total Retail Sales").

'Chargeback' is the return of funds to a customer, forcibly initiated by the issuing bank of the instrument used by a consumer to settle a debt. Specifically, it is the reversal of a prior outbound transfer of funds from a consumer's bank account or credit card. In other words, a chargeback is what happens when the issuing bank of a customer's credit / debit card rules in favor of the customer during a dispute of a charge, and refunds the customer the amount in dispute.

# Annual Settlement

At the end of the fourth quarter, of each year of the contract term, an annual settlement statement will be provided detailing the Total Retail Sales for all four quarters.

If at the end of the fourth quarter the total retail sales multiplied by the commission rate does not meet the annual guarantee, then the annual guarantee, less the quarterly commissions already paid, is the amount due from the contractor. (See example 1)

# (Example 1): When the Four (4) Quarterly Commission Payments for the Contract Year do not meet the Annual Guarantee

If total retail sales are \$1,000,000, for the four quarters of a contract year (of the contract term) and the proposed commission rate is 30% with a \$350,000 guarantee, then \$350,000 is owed after quarter four of the contract year

(of the contract term) due to the guarantee of \$350,000 exceeding the 30% commission rate of \$300,000. If quarter 1-3 payments were paid and totaled \$250,000, then \$100,000 is due at the end of quarter 4.

If at the end of the fourth quarter, of each year of the contract term, the commission rate exceeds the guarantee, then the final fourth quarter commission payment is the amount due. (See example 2)

(Example 2): When the Four (4) Quarterly Commission Payments for the Contract Year exceed the Annual Guarantee

If total retail sales are\$1,000,000.00 for the four quarters of a contract year (of the contract term) and the proposed commission rate is 30% with a \$250,000 guarantee, then \$300,000 is owed after quarter four of the contract year (of the contract term) due to the commission rate exceeding the guarantee of \$250,000. If quarter 1-3 payments were paid and totaled \$275,000, then the amount of \$25,000 is due at the end of quarter 4.

The desired launch date of the Online Merchandise Store is July 1, 2013

# **IV. Information For Offerors To Submit**

**INFORMATION FOR OFFERORS TO SUBMIT** – **GENERAL** (JANUARY 2006): Offeror shall submit a signed Cover Page and Page Two. Offeror should submit all other information and documents requested in this part and in parts II.B. Special Instructions; III. Scope of Work; V. Qualifications; VIII. Bidding Schedule/Price Proposal; and any appropriate attachments addressed in section IX. Attachments to Solicitations.

# PROPOSAL CONTENTS

# To be considered for award, all proposals should include, as a minimum, the following information. <u>All information should be presented in the order listed. Offerors should restate each item below and provide their response to that item immediately thereafter.</u>

- 1. Each Proposal must include responses to information requested below under the following:
  - A. Services and Marketing Plan
  - **B.** Firm Information, Personnel, References
  - C. Financial Proposal

(Note: Your Financial Proposal (item C) must be submitted as a separate document from your Technical Proposal (items A and B). Offeror's response to each numbered statement should be inserted under each point below. If any service cannot be offered as described, please give a reason/explanation.

#### A. Services and Marketing Plan

- 1. Explain in detail how your proposed Official Online Merchandise Store will meet or exceed each of the minimum contractual requirements listed in Section III Scope of Work/Specifications of the solicitation.
- 2. Provide a sample marketing plan describing items such as, product selection, pricing strategy, promotional calendar, and advertising (both through the USC Athletic Department and the general market) that would be utilized to grow our business. It would be expected that the University of South Carolina Athletics Department will review and approve the marketing plan at least two times per year.
- 3. Provide list of product manufacturers that would be utilized and be sure that all products are licensed through the University and Collegiate Licensing Company. If offeror plans on producing its own merchandise, then licensing royalties would be paid in addition to the percentage paid on retail sales.

- 4. Provide a customer service plan detailing how customer inquiries would be handled, how orders would be fulfilled in a timely manner, and how the overall customer satisfaction would be kept.
- 5. Explain whether you will be using your own store software or the CBSSports.com College Network store software. If you are using your own software, please provide detailed information on your software; scalability; performance; what type of credit card protection is used; PCI compliance guidelines; ongoing monitoring; etc. The current contract with CBS Sport is effective through June 2016.
- 6. Explain whether or not you already are, or plan on operating a separate online or freestanding store offering South Carolina merchandise. If yes, please confirm that your pricing for the proposed official online store will be at the same level as your separate online or freestanding store for like items and indicate whether or not you will be offering exclusive merchandise for the official online store and if so, how many items and what type of items will be exclusive. Also, please confirm that your SEO efforts for the Official Online Store will be at least equal to those in your separate stores. If you currently or in the past have run online store(s) in the collegiate or professional ranks, please indicate so and elaborate on / explain in detail your results.
- 7. Provide examples of similar sales locations (photographs of retail stores and/or print screens or web addresses for internet sites).

#### **B.** Firm Information, Personnel, References

1. Provide a brief history of the firm and its experience in providing services similar to those requested in the solicitation.

2. Provide information on those individuals that will be assigned to work with the University if awarded contract.

3. Provide a complete list of all the firm's clients (or a minimum of five [5]) that are comparable to the University of South Carolina Athletics Department and indicate how long each has been a client. **\*\*The University reserves the right to contact any or all of the clients/references provided.\*\*** 

4. Provide a complete list of all the firm's clients (or a minimum of five [5]) that have shown revenue growth in merchandise sold since utilizing your online store services:

\*\*The University reserves the right to contact any or all of the clients/references.\*\*

- (a) Contact person's name, telephone and current e-mail address
- (b) Length of service of the account
- (c) Financial growth data
- 5. Provide a copy of your firm's most recent audited financial statements for the last three years.

#### C. Financial Proposal

 Provide the percentage of "Total Retail Sales" you are offering to the University of South Carolina Athletics Department (Definition of "Total Retail Sales" can be found in <u>Section III. of the solicitation</u>). (please note that the current vendor (contractor) is paying 30% which includes all transaction fees). Provide a complete description of the commission structure by which the University will be paid, including the minimum dollar amount you are willing to guarantee per year of the contract term based on a <u>minimum three</u> (3) year contract, with up to two (2) one-year renewals pending University of South Carolina Board of <u>Trustees (BOT) approval</u>. (See Section III. of the solicitation for calculation of Quarterly Commissions Payments) No expenses of any type (including, but not limited to, Information Technology equipment/services, web site, advertising, etc.) will be reimbursed by the University of South Carolina Athletics Department. This information must be submitted as a separate document from the rest of your proposal. No financial information should be included in your technical proposal.

# V. Qualifications

QUALIFICATION OF OFFEROR (JAN 2006) To be eligible for award of a contract, a prospective contractor must be responsible. In evaluating an Offeror's responsibility, the State Standards of Responsibility [R.19-445.2125] and information from any other source may be considered. An Offeror must, upon request of the State, furnish satisfactory evidence of its ability to meet all contractual requirements. Unreasonable failure to supply information promptly in

connection with a responsibility inquiry may be grounds for determining that you are ineligible to receive an award. S.C. Code Section 11-35-1810.

SUBCONTRACTOR – IDENTIFICATION (January, 2006): If you intend to subcontract with another business for any portion of the work and that portion exceeds 10% of your price, your offer must identify that business and the portion of work which they are to perform. Identify potential subcontractors by providing the business' name, address, phone, taxpayer identification number, and the point of contact. In determining your responsibility, the state may evaluate your proposed subcontractors.

# VI. Award Criteria

AWARD CRITERIA – PROPOSALS: Offers will be evaluated using only the factors stated below. Evaluation factors are stated in the relative order of importance, with the first factor being the most important. Once evaluation is complete, all responsive Offertory will be ranked from most advantageous to lease advantageous.

EVALUATION FACTORS – PROPOSALS: Responsive Offers will be evaluated using only the factors stated below. Evaluation factors are stated in the relative order of importance, with the first factor being the most important.

- A. Services and Marketing Plan
- B. Firm Information, Personnel, References
- C. Financial Proposal

**NEGOTIATIONS** (JAN 2006): The Procurement Officer may elect to make an award without conducting negotiations. However, after the offers have been ranked, the Procurement Officer may elect to negotiate price or the general scope of work with the highest ranked offeror. If a satisfactory agreement cannot be reached, negotiations may be conducted with the second, and then the third, and so on, ranked offerors to such level of ranking as determined by the Procurement Officer.

# VII. Terms and Conditions - A. General

ASSIGNMENT (JANUARY 2006): No contract or its provisions may be assigned, sublet, or transferred without the written consent of the Procurement Officer.

BANKRUPTCY (JANUARY 2006): (a) Notice. In the event the Contractor enters into proceedings relating to bankruptcy, whether voluntary or involuntary, the Contractor agrees to furnish written notification of the bankruptcy to the Using Governmental Unit. This notification shall be furnished within five (5) days of the initiation of the proceedings relating to the bankruptcy filing. This notification shall include the date on which the bankruptcy petition was filed, the identity of the court in which the bankruptcy petition was filed, and a listing of all State contracts against which final payment has not been made. This obligation remains in effect until final payment under this Contract. (b) Termination. This contract is voidable and subject to immediate termination by the State upon the contractor's insolvency, including the filing of proceedings in bankruptcy.

CHOICE-OF-LAW (JANUARY 2006): The Agreement, any dispute, claim, or controversy relating to the Agreement, and all the rights and obligations of the parties shall, in all respects, be interpreted, construed, enforced and governed by and under the laws of the State of South Carolina, except its choice of law rules. As used in this paragraph, the term "Agreement" means any transaction or agreement arising out of, relating to, or contemplated by the solicitation.

CONTRACT DOCUMENTS & ORDER OF PRECEDENCE (JANUARY 2006): (a) Any contract resulting from this solicitation shall consist of the following documents: (1) a Record of Negotiations, if any, executed by you and the Procurement Officer, (2) documentation regarding the clarification of an offer [e.g., 11-35-1520(8) or 11-35-1530(6)], if applicable, (3) the solicitation, as amended, (4) modifications, if any, to your offer, if accepted by the Procurement Officer, (5) your offer, (6) any statement reflecting the state's final acceptance (a/k/a "award"), and (7) purchase orders. These documents shall be read to be consistent and complimentary. Any conflict among these documents shall be resolved by giving priority to these documents in the order listed above. (b) The terms and conditions of documents (1) through (6) above shall apply notwithstanding any additional or different terms and conditions in either (i) a purchase order or other instrument submitted by the State or (ii) any invoice or other document submitted by Contractor. Except as otherwise allowed herein, the terms and conditions of all such documents shall be void and of no effect. (c) No contract, license, or other agreement containing contractual terms and conditions will be signed by any Using Governmental Unit. Any document signed or otherwise agreed to by persons other than the Procurement Officer shall be void and of no effect.

#### DISCOUNT FOR PROMPT PAYMENT (JANUARY 2006)

(a) Discounts for prompt payment will not be considered in the evaluation of offers. However, any offered discount will form a part of the award, and will be taken if payment is made within the discount period indicated in the offer by the offeror. As an alternative to offering a discount for prompt payment in conjunction with the offer, offerors awarded contracts may include discounts for prompt payment on individual invoices.

(b) In connection with any discount offered for prompt payment, time shall be computed from the date of the invoice. If the Contractor has not placed a date on the invoice, the due date shall be calculated from the date the designated billing office receives a proper invoice, provided the state annotates such invoice with the date of receipt at the time of receipt. For the purpose of computing the discount earned, payment shall be considered to have been made on the date that appears on the payment check or, for an electronic funds transfer, the specified payment date. When the discount date falls on a Saturday, Sunday, or legal holiday when Federal Government offices are closed and Government business is not expected to be conducted, payment may be made on the following business day.

DISPUTES (JANUARY 2006): (1) Choice-of-Forum. All disputes, claims, or controversies relating to the Agreement shall be resolved exclusively by the appropriate Chief Procurement Officer in accordance with Title 11, Chapter 35, Article 17 of the South Carolina Code of Laws, or in the absence of jurisdiction, only in the Court of Common Pleas for, or a federal court located in, Richland County, State of South Carolina. Contractor agrees that any act by the Government regarding the Agreement is not a waiver of either the Government's sovereign immunity or the Government's immunity under the Eleventh Amendment of the United States Constitution. As used in this paragraph, the term "Agreement" means any transaction or agreement arising out of, relating to, or contemplated by the solicitation. (2) Service of Process. Contractor consents that any papers, notices, or process necessary or proper for the initiation or continuation of any disputes, claims, or controversies relating to the Agreement; for any court action in connection therewith; or for the entry of judgment on any award made, may be served on Contractor by certified mail (return receipt requested) addressed to Contractor at the address provided as the Notice Address on Page Two or by personal service or by any other manner that is permitted by law, in or outside South Carolina. Notice by certified mail is deemed duly given upon deposit in the United States mail.

EQUAL OPPORTUNITY (JANUARY 2006). Contractor is referred to and shall comply with all applicable provisions, if any, of Title 41, Part 60 of the Code of Federal Regulations, including but not limited to Sections 60-1.4, 60-4.2, 60-4.3, 60-250.5(a), and 60-741.5(a), which are hereby incorporated by reference.

FALSE CLAIMS (JANUARY 2006): According to the S.C. Code of Laws § 16-13-240, "a person who by false pretense or representation obtains the signature of a person to a written instrument or obtains from another person any chattel, money, valuable security, or other property, real or personal, with intent to cheat and defraud a person of that property is guilty" of a crime.

FIXED PRICING REQUIRED (JANUARY 2006): Any pricing provided by contractor shall include all costs for performing the work associated with that price. Except as otherwise provided in this solicitation, contractor's price shall be fixed for the duration of this contract, including option terms. This clause does not prohibit contractor from offering lower pricing after award.

NON-INDEMNIFICATION (JANUARY 2006): Any term or condition is void to the extent it requires the State to indemnify anyone.

NOTICE (JANUARY 2006): (A) After award, any notices shall be in writing and shall be deemed duly given (1) upon actual delivery, if delivery is by hand, (2) upon receipt by the transmitting party of automated confirmation or answer back from the recipient's device if delivery is by telex, telegram, facsimile, or electronic mail, or (3) upon deposit into the United States mail, if postage is prepaid, a return receipt is requested, and either registered or certified mail is used. (B) Notice to contractor shall be to the address identified as the Notice Address on Page Two. Notice to the state shall be to the Procurement Officer's address on the Cover Page. Either party may designate a different address for notice by giving notice in accordance with this paragraph.

**PAYMENT & INTEREST (MAY 2011)**: (a) Unless otherwise provided in this Solicitation, the State shall pay the Contractor, after the submission of proper invoices or vouchers, the prices stipulated in this contract for supplies delivered and accepted or services rendered and accepted, less any deductions provided in this contract. Unless otherwise specified herein, including the purchase order, payment shall not be made on partial deliveries accepted by the Government. (b) Unless otherwise provided herein, including the purchase order, payment will be made by check. (c) Notwithstanding any other provision, payment shall be made in accordance with S.C. Code Section 11-35-45, which provides the Contractor's exclusive means of recovering any type of interest from the Owner. Contractor waives imposition of an interest penalty unless the invoice submitted specifies that the late penalty is applicable. Except as set forth in this paragraph, the State shall not be liable for the payment of interest on any debt or claim arising out of or related to this contract for any reason. (d) Amounts due to the State shall bear interest at the rate of interest established by the South Carolina Comptroller General

pursuant to Section 11-35-45 ("an amount not to exceed fifteen percent each year"), as amended. (e) Any other basis for interest, including but not limited to general (pre- and post-judgment) or specific interest statutes, including S.C. Code Ann. § 34-31-20, are expressly waived by both parties. If a court, despite this agreement and waiver, requires that interest be paid on any debt by either party other than as provided by items (c) and (d) above, the parties further agree that the applicable interest rate for any given calendar year shall be the lowest prime rate as listed in the first edition of the Wall Street Journal published for each year, applied as simple interest without compounding.

PUBLICITY (JANUARY 2006): Contractor shall not publish any comments or quotes by State employees, or include the State in either news releases or a published list of customers, without the prior written approval of the Procurement Officer.

PURCHASE ORDERS (JANUARY 2006): Contractor shall not perform any work prior to the receipt of a purchase order from the using governmental unit. The using governmental unit shall order any supplies or services to be furnished under this contract by issuing a purchase order. Purchase orders may be used to elect any options available under this contract, e.g., quantity, item, delivery date, payment method, but are subject to all terms and conditions of this contract. Purchase orders may be electronic. No particular form is required. An order placed pursuant to the purchasing card provision qualifies as a purchase order.

SETOFF (JANUARY 2006) The state shall have all of its common law, equitable, and statutory rights of set-off. These rights shall include, but not be limited to, the State's option to withhold for the purposes of set-off any moneys due to the Contractor under this contract up to any amounts due and owing to the state with regard to this contract, any other contract with any state department or agency, including any contract for a term commencing prior to the term of this contract, plus any amounts due and owing to the state for any other reason including, without limitation, tax delinquencies, fee delinquencies or monetary penalties relative thereto.

SURVIVAL OF OBLIGATIONS (JANUARY 2006): The Parties' rights and obligations which, by their nature, would continue beyond the termination, cancellation, rejection, or expiration of this contract shall survive such termination, cancellation, rejection, or expiration, including, but not limited to, the rights and obligations created by the following clauses: Indemnification - Third Party Claims, Intellectual Property Indemnification, and any provisions regarding warranty or audit.

TAXES (JANUARY 2006): Any tax the contractor may be required to collect or pay upon the sale, use or delivery of the products shall be paid by the State, and such sums shall be due and payable to the contractor upon acceptance. Any personal property taxes levied after delivery shall be paid by the State. It shall be solely the State's obligation, after payment to contractor, to challenge the applicability of any tax by negotiation with, or action against, the taxing authority. Contractor agrees to refund any tax collected, which is subsequently determined not to be proper and for which a refund has been paid to contractor by the taxing authority. In the event that the contractor fails to pay, or delays in paying, to any taxing authorities, sums paid by the State to contractor, contractor shall be liable to the State for any loss (such as the assessment of additional interest) caused by virtue of this failure or delay. Taxes based on Contractor's net income or assets shall be the sole responsibility of the contractor.

TERMINATION DUE TO UNAVAILABILITY OF FUNDS (JANUARY 2006) Payment and performance obligations for succeeding fiscal periods shall be subject to the availability and appropriation of funds therefor. When funds are not appropriated or otherwise made available to support continuation of performance in a subsequent fiscal period, the contract shall be canceled. In the event of a cancellation pursuant to this paragraph, contractor will be reimbursed the resulting unamortized, reasonably incurred, nonrecurring costs. Contractor will not be reimbursed any costs amortized beyond the initial contract term.

THIRD PARTY BENEFICIARY (JANUARY 2006) This Contract is made solely and specifically among and for the benefit of the parties hereto, and their respective successors and assigns, and no other person will have any rights, interest, or claims hereunder or be entitled to any benefits under or on account of this Contract as a third party beneficiary or otherwise.

WAIVER (JANUARY 2006) The State does not waive any prior or subsequent breach of the terms of the Contract by making payments on the Contract, by failing to terminate the Contract for lack of performance, or by failing to strictly or promptly insist upon any term of the Contract. Only the Procurement Officer has actual authority to waive any of the State's rights under this Contract. Any waiver must be in writing.

## VII. Terms and Conditions - B. Special

CHANGES (JAN 2006):

(1) Contract Modification. By a written order, at any time, and without notice to any surety, the Procurement Officer may, subject to all appropriate adjustments, make changes within the general scope of this contract in any one or more of the following:

(a) drawings, designs, or specifications, if the supplies to be furnished are to be specially manufactured for the [State] in accordance therewith;

(b) method of shipment or packing;

(c) place of delivery;

(d) description of services to be performed;

(e) time of performance (i.e., hours of the day, days of

the week, etc.); or,

(f) place of performance of the services.

Subparagraphs (a) to (c) apply only if supplies are furnished under this contract. Subparagraphs (d) to (f) apply only if services are performed under this contract.

(2) Adjustments of Price or Time for Performance. If any such change increases or decreases the contractor's cost of, or the time required for, performance of any part of the work under this contract, whether or not changed by the order, an adjustment shall be made in the contract price, the delivery schedule, or both, and the contract modified in writing accordingly. Any adjustment in contract price made pursuant to this clause shall be determined in accordance with the Price Adjustment Clause of this contract. Failure of the parties to agree to an adjustment shall not excuse the contractor from proceeding with the contract as changed, provided that the State promptly and duly make such provisional adjustments in payment or time for performance as may be reasonable. By proceeding with the work, the contractor shall not be deemed to have prejudiced any claim for additional compensation, or an extension of time for completion.

(3) Time Period for Claim. Within 30 days after receipt of a written contract modification under Paragraph (1) of this clause, unless such period is extended by the Procurement Officer in writing, the contractor shall file notice of intent to assert a claim for an adjustment. Later notification shall not bar the contractor's claim unless the State is prejudiced by the delay in notification.

(4) Claim Barred After Final Payment. No claim by the contractor for an adjustment hereunder shall be allowed if notice is not given prior to final payment under this contract.

CISG (JAN 2006): The parties expressly agree that the UN Convention on the International Sale of Goods shall not apply to this agreement.

COMPLIANCE WITH LAWS (JAN 2006): During the term of the contract, contractor shall comply with all applicable provisions of laws, codes, ordinances, rules, regulations, and tariffs.

CONTRACTOR PERSONNEL (JAN 2006): The Contractor shall enforce strict discipline and good order among the Contractor's employees and other persons carrying out the Contract. The Contractor shall not permit employment of unfit persons or persons not skilled in tasks assigned to them.

CONTRACTOR'S USE OF STATE PROPERTY (JAN 2006): Upon termination of the contract for any reason, the State shall have the right, upon demand, to obtain access to, and possession of, all State properties, including, but not limited to, current copies of all State application programs and necessary documentation, all data, files, intermediate materials and supplies held by the contractor. Contractor shall not use, reproduce, distribute, display, or sell any data, material, or documentation owned exclusively by the State without the State's written consent, except to the extent necessary to carry out the work.

#### DEFAULT (JAN 2006):

(a)(1) The State may, subject to paragraphs (c) and (d) of this clause, by written notice of default to the Contractor, terminate this contract in whole or in part if the Contractor fails to-

(i) Deliver the supplies or to perform the services within the time specified in this contract or any extension;

(ii) Make progress, so as to endanger performance of this contract (but see paragraph (a)(2) of this clause); or

(iii) Perform any of the other material provisions of this contract (but see paragraph (a)(2) of this clause).

(2) The State's right to terminate this contract under subdivisions (a)(1)(ii) and (1)(iii) of this clause, may be exercised if the Contractor does not cure such failure within 10 days (or more if authorized in writing by the Procurement Officer) after receipt of the notice from the Procurement Officer specifying the failure.

(b) If the State terminates this contract in whole or in part, it may acquire, under the terms and in the manner the Procurement Officer considers appropriate, supplies or services similar to those terminated, and the Contractor will be liable to the State for any excess costs for those supplies or services. However, the Contractor shall continue the work not terminated.

(c) Except for defaults of subcontractors at any tier, the Contractor shall not be liable for any excess costs if the failure to perform the contract arises from causes beyond the control and without the fault or negligence of the Contractor. Examples of such causes include (1) acts of God or of the public enemy, (2) acts of the State in either its sovereign or contractual capacity, (3) fires, (4) floods, (5) epidemics, (6) quarantine restrictions, (7) strikes, (8) freight embargoes, and (9) unusually severe weather. In each instance the failure to perform must be beyond the control and without the fault or negligence of the Contractor.

(d) If the failure to perform is caused by the default of a subcontractor at any tier, and if the cause of the default is beyond the control of both the Contractor and subcontractor, and without the fault or negligence of either, the Contractor shall not be liable for any excess costs for failure to perform, unless the subcontracted supplies or services were obtainable from other sources in sufficient time for the Contractor to meet the required delivery schedule.

(e) If this contract is terminated for default, the State may require the Contractor to transfer title and deliver to the State, as directed by the Procurement Officer, any (1) completed supplies, and (2) partially completed supplies and materials, parts, tools, dies, jigs, fixtures, plans, drawings, information, and contract rights (collectively referred to as "manufacturing materials" in this clause) that the Contractor has specifically produced or acquired for the terminated portion of this contract. Upon direction of the Procurement Officer, the Contractor shall also protect and preserve property in its possession in which the State has an interest.

(f) The State shall pay contract price for completed supplies delivered and accepted. The Contractor and Procurement Officer shall agree on the amount of payment for manufacturing materials delivered and accepted and for the protection and preservation of the property; if the parties fail to agree, the Procurement Officer shall set an amount subject to the Contractor's rights under the Disputes clause. Failure to agree will be a dispute under the Disputes clause. The State may withhold from these amounts any sum the Procurement Officer determines to be necessary to protect the State against loss because of outstanding liens or claims of former lien holders.

(g) If, after termination, it is determined that the Contractor was not in default, or that the default was excusable, the rights and obligations of the parties shall, if the contract contains a clause providing for termination for convenience of the State, be the same as if the termination had been issued for the convenience of the State. If, in the foregoing circumstances, this contract does not contain a clause providing for termination for convenience of the State, the contract shall be adjusted to compensate for such termination and the contract modified accordingly subject to the contractor's rights under the Disputes clause.

(h) The rights and remedies of the State in this clause are in addition to any other rights and remedies provided by law or under this contract.

INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY INFRINGEMENT (JAN 2006) (a) Without limitation and notwithstanding any provision in this agreement, Contractor shall, upon receipt of notification, defend and indemnify the State, its instrumentalities, agencies, departments, boards, political subdivisions and all their respective officers, agents and employees against all actions, proceedings or claims of any nature (and all damages, settlement payments, attorneys' fees (including inside counsel), costs, expenses, losses or liabilities attributable thereto) by any third party asserting or involving an IP right related to an acquired item. State shall allow Contractor to defend such claim so long as the defense is diligently and capably prosecuted. State shall allow Contractor to settle such claim so long as (i) all settlement payments are made by Contractor, and (ii) the settlement imposes no non-monetary obligation upon State. State shall reasonably cooperate with Contractor's defense of such claim. (b) In the event an injunction or order shall be obtained against State's use of any acquired item, or if in Contractor's opinion, the acquired item is likely to become the subject of a claim of infringement or violation of an IP right, Contractor shall, without in any way limiting the foregoing, and at its expense, either: (1) procure for State the right to continue to use, or have used, the acquired item, or (2) replace or modify the acquired item so that it becomes non-infringing but only if the modification or replacement does not adversely affect the specifications for the acquired item or its use by State. If neither (1) nor (2), above, is practical, State may require that Contractor remove the acquired item from State, refund to State any charges paid by State therefor, and take all steps necessary to have State released from any further liability. (c) Contractors obligations under this paragraph do not apply to a claim to the extent (i) that the claim is caused by Contractor's compliance with specifications furnished by the State unless Contractor knew its compliance with the State's specifications would infringe an IP right, or (ii) that the claim is caused by Contractor's compliance with specifications furnished by the State if the State knowingly relied on a third party's IP right to develop the specifications provided to Contractor and failed to identify such product to Contractor. (d) As used in this paragraph, these terms are defined as follows: "IP right(s)" means a patent, copyright, trademark, trade secret, or any other proprietary right. "Acquired item(s)" means the rights, goods, or services furnished under this agreement. "Specification(s)" means a detailed, exact statement of particulars such as a statement prescribing materials, dimensions, and quality of work. (e) Contractor's obligations under this clause shall survive the termination, cancellation, rejection, or expiration of this Agreement.

# **ILLEGAL IMMIGRATION (NOV. 2008)**

(An overview is available at www.procurement.sc.gov) By signing your offer, you certify that you will comply with the applicable requirements of Title 8, Chapter 14 of the South Carolina Code of Laws and agree to provide to the State upon request any documentation required to establish either: (a) that Title 8, Chapter 14 is inapplicable to you and your subcontractors or sub-subcontractors; or (b) that you and your subcontractors or sub-subcontractors are in compliance with Title 8, Chapter 14. Pursuant to Section 8-14-60, "A person who knowingly makes or files any false, fictitious, or fraudulent document, statement, or report pursuant to this chapter is guilty of a felony, and, upon conviction, must be fined within the discretion of the court or imprisoned for not more than five years, or both." You agree to include in any contracts with your subcontractors language requiring your subcontractors to (a) comply with the applicable requirements of Title 8, Chapter 14, and (b) include in their contracts with the sub-subcontractors language requiring the sub-subcontractors to comply with the applicable requirements of Title 8, Chapter 14, and (b) include in their contracts of Title 8, Chapter 14. [07-7B097-1]

LICENSES AND PERMITS (JAN 2006): During the term of the contract, the Contractor shall be responsible for obtaining, and maintaining in good standing, all licenses (including professional licenses, if any), permits, inspections and related fees for each or any such licenses, permits and /or inspections required by the State, county, city or other government entity or unit to accomplish the work specified in this solicitation and the contract.

OWNERSHIP OF DATA & MATERIALS (JAN 2006): All data, material and documentation either prepared for the state pursuant to this contract shall belong exclusively to the State.

PRICE ADJUSTMENTS (JAN 2006): (1) Method of Adjustment. Any adjustment in the contract price made pursuant to a clause in this contract shall be consistent with this Contract and shall be arrived at through whichever one of the following ways is the most valid approximation of the actual cost to the Contractor (including profit, if otherwise allowed):

(a) by agreement on a fixed price adjustment before commencement of the pertinent performance or as soon thereafter as practicable;

(b) by unit prices specified in the Contract or subsequently agreed upon;

(c) by the costs attributable to the event or situation covered by the relevant clause, including profit if otherwise allowed, all as specified in the Contract; or subsequently agreed upon;

(d) in such other manner as the parties may mutually

agree; or,

(e) in the absence of agreement by the parties, through a unilateral initial written determination by the Procurement Officer of the costs attributable to the event or situation covered by the clause, including profit if otherwise allowed, all as computed by the Procurement Officer in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles, subject to the provisions of Title 11, Chapter 35, Article 17 of the S.C. Code of Laws.

(2) Submission of Price or Cost Data. Upon request of the Procurement Officer, the contractor shall provide reasonably available factual information to substantiate that the price or cost offered, for any price adjustments is reasonable, consistent with the provisions of Section 11-35-1830.

PRICE ADJUSTMENT - LIMITED - AFTER INITIAL TERM ONLY (JAN 2006): Upon approval of the Procurement Officer, prices may be adjusted for any renewal term. Prices shall not be increased during the initial term. Any request for a price increase must be received by the Procurement Officer at least ninety (90) days prior to the expiration of the applicable term and must be accompanied by sufficient documentation to justify the increase. If approved, a price increase becomes effective starting with the term beginning after approval. A price increase must be executed as a change order. Contractor may terminate this contract at the end of the then current term if a price increase request is denied. Notice of termination pursuant to this paragraph must be received by the Procurement Officer no later than fifteen (15) days after the Procurement Officer sends contractor notice rejecting the requested price increase.

PRICE ADJUSTMENTS – LIMITED BY CPI "All Items" (JAN 2006): Upon request and adequate justification, the Procurement Officer may grant a price increase up to, but not to exceed, the unadjusted percent change for the most recent 12 months for which data is available, that is not subject to revision, in the Consumer Price Index (CPI) for all urban consumers (CPI-U), "all items" for services, as determined by the Procurement Officer. The Bureau of Labor and Statistics publishes this information on the web at <u>www.bls.gov</u>.

PRICING DATA – AUDIT – INSPECTION (JAN 2006) [Clause Included Pursuant to § 11-35-1830, - 2210, & -2220] (a) Cost or Pricing Data. Upon Procurement Officer's request, you shall submit cost or pricing data, as defined by 48 C.F.R. § 2.101 (2004), prior to either (1) any award to contractor pursuant to 11-35-1530 or 11-35-1560, if the total contract price exceeds \$500,000, or (2) execution of a change order or contract modification with contractor which exceeds \$100,000.

Your price, including profit or fee, shall be adjusted to exclude any significant sums by which the state finds that such price was increased because you furnished cost or pricing data that was inaccurate, incomplete, or not current as of the date agreed upon between parties. (b) Records Retention. You shall maintain your records for three years from the date of final payment, or longer if requested by the chief Procurement Officer. The state may audit your records at reasonable times and places. As used in this subparagraph (b), the term "records" means any books or records that relate to cost or pricing data submitted pursuant to this clause. In addition to the obligation stated in this subparagraph (b), you shall retain all records and allow any audits provided for by 11-35-2220(2). (c) Inspection. At reasonable times, the state may inspect any part of your place of business which is related to performance of the work. (d) Instructions – Certification. When you submit data pursuant to subparagraph (a), you shall (1) do so in accordance with the instructions appearing in Table 15-2 of 48 C.F.R. § 15.408 (2004) (adapted as necessary for the state context), and (2) submit a Certificate of Current Cost or Pricing Data, as prescribed by 48 CFR § 15.406-2(a) (adapted as necessary for the state context). (e) Subcontracts. You shall include the above text of this clause in all of your subcontracts. (f) Nothing in this clause limits any other rights of the state.

PRIVACY – WEB SERVICES (JAN 2006): You agree that any information acquired by you about individuals or businesses that is available to you as a result of your performance of this contract shall not be retained beyond the end of the term of the contract without the express written consent of the government. Such information shall never be sold, traded, or released to another entity, including affiliates, and shall not be used for any purpose other than performing this contract. Upon request, contractor shall provide written confirmation of compliance with this clause.

RELATIONSHIP OF THE PARTIES (JAN 2006): Neither party is an employee, agent, partner, or joint venture of the other. Neither party has the right or ability to bind the other to any agreement with a third party or to incur any obligation or liability on behalf of the other party.

TERM OF CONTRACT – EFFECTIVE DATE / INITIAL CONTRACT PERIOD: The effective date of this contract is the first day of the Maximum Contract Period specified on the <u>final</u> statement of award. The initial term of this agreement is three years from the effective date. Regardless, this contract expires no later than the last date stated on the final statement of award.

TERM OF CONTRACT – OPTION TO RENEW (JAN 2006): At the end of the initial term, and at the end of each renewal term, this contract shall automatically renew for a period of one year, unless contractor receives notice that the state elects not to renew the contract at least thirty (30) days prior to the date of renewal. Regardless, this contract expires no later than the last date stated on the final statement of award

TERMINATION FOR CONVENIENCE (JAN 2006): (1) Termination. The Procurement Officer may terminate this contract in whole or in part, for the convenience of the State. The Procurement Officer shall give written notice of the termination to the contractor specifying the part of the contract terminated and when termination becomes effective.

(2) Contractor's Obligations. The contractor shall incur no further obligations in connection with the terminated work and on the date set in the notice of termination the contractor will stop work to the extent specified. The contractor shall also terminate outstanding orders and subcontracts as they relate to the terminated work. The contractor shall settle the liabilities and claims arising out of the termination of subcontracts and orders connected with the terminated work. The Procurement Officer may direct the contractor to assign the contractor's right, title, and interest under terminated orders or subcontracts to the State. The contractor must still complete the work not terminated by the notice of termination and may incur obligations as are necessary to do so.

(3) Right to Supplies. The Procurement Officer may require the contractor to transfer title and deliver to the State in the manner and to the extent directed by the Procurement Officer: (a) any completed supplies; and (b) such partially completed supplies and materials, parts, tools, dies, jigs, fixtures, plans, drawings, information, and contract rights (hereinafter called "manufacturing material") as the contractor has specifically produced or specially acquired for the performance of the terminated part of this contract. The contractor shall, upon direction of the Procurement Officer, protect and preserve property in the possession of the contractor in which the State has an interest. If the Procurement Officer does not exercise this right, the contractor shall use best efforts to sell such supplies and manufacturing materials in accordance with the standards of Uniform Commercial Code Section 2-706. Utilization of this Section in no way implies that the State has breached the contract by exercise of the Termination for Convenience Clause.

(4) Compensation. (a) The contractor shall submit a termination claim specifying the amounts due because of the termination for convenience together with cost or pricing data required by Section 11-35-1830 bearing on such claim. If the contractor fails to file a termination claim within one year from the effective date of termination, the Procurement Officer may pay the contractor, if at all, an amount set in accordance with Subparagraph (c) of this Paragraph.

(b) The Procurement Officer and the contractor may agree to a settlement and that the settlement does not exceed the total contract price plus settlement costs reduced by payments previously made by the State, the proceeds of any sales of supplies and manufacturing materials under Paragraph (3) of this clause, and the contract price of the work not terminated;

(c) Absent complete agreement under Subparagraph (b) of this Paragraph, the Procurement Officer shall pay the contractor the following amounts, provided payments agreed to under Subparagraph (b) shall not duplicate payments under this Subparagraph:

(i) contract prices for supplies or services accepted under the contract;

(ii) costs reasonably incurred in performing the terminated portion of the work less amounts paid or to be paid for accepted supplies or services;

(iii) reasonable costs of settling and paying claims arising out of the termination of subcontracts or orders pursuant to Paragraph (2) of this clause. These costs must not include costs paid in accordance with Subparagraph (c)(ii) of this paragraph;

(iv) any other reasonable costs that have resulted from the termination. The total sum to be paid the contractor under this Subparagraph shall not exceed the total contract price plus the reasonable settlement costs of the contractor reduced by the amount of payments otherwise made, the proceeds of any sales of supplies and manufacturing materials under Subparagraph (b) of this Paragraph, and the contract price of work not terminated.

(d) Contractor must demonstrate any costs claimed, agreed to, or established under Subparagraphs (b) and (c) of this Paragraph using its standard record keeping system, provided such system is consistent with any applicable Generally Accepted Accounting Principles.

(5) Contractor's failure to include an appropriate termination for convenience clause in any subcontract shall not (i) affect the state's right to require the termination of a subcontract, or (ii) increase the obligation of the state beyond what it would have been if the subcontract had contained an appropriate clause.

HIPAA LAW: The Contractor agrees that to the extent that some or all of the activities within the scope of this Contract are subject to the Health Insurance Portability Accountability Act of 1996, P.L. 104-91, as amended ("HIPAA"), or its implementing regulations, it will comply with the HIPAA requirements and will execute such agreements and practices as the University of South Carolina may require to ensure compliance. Additional information may be viewed at: <a href="http://www.sc.edu/hipaa/">http://www.sc.edu/hipaa/</a>

PROTECTION OF HUMAN HEALTH AND THE ENVIRONMENT - The University of South Carolina requires that all contractual activities to be in compliance with local, state and federal mandates concerning "protection of human health and the environment". In addition, the University of South Carolina is a "Drug Free Work Place" and requires all contractors to comply with South Carolina Code of Laws Section 41-15-10 ET sequence (1976 w/amendments). Any contractor doing business with the University will be required to document compliance with these mandates and to furnish specific information requested by the University's Department of Environmental Health and Safety when notified to do so. The Contractor understands and agrees that jobsites are open at all times work is being performed by the Contractor to authorized University employees who have been trained to identify unsafe work conditions. The Contractor will immediately correct any deficiencies noted by these inspections when requested by the University's Department of Environmental Health and Safety to do so. In work areas where a specific hazard is posed which includes but is not limited to lead paint and asbestos abatement projects, Contractors will be required to produce Lead Compliance Plans and Asbestos Project Designs which outline their method of work prior to the start of work. Each contractor shall designate a responsible member of the Contractor's organization to be at the site whose duty shall be the prevention of accidents. By submission of this bid, the vendor agrees to take all necessary steps to insure compliance with the requirements outlined above.

#### VIII. BIDDING SCHEDULE / PRICE-BUSINESS PROPOSAL REFER TO ITEM C. FINANCIAL PROPOSAL OF THE PROPOSAL CONTENTS SUBSECTION OF SECTION IV. INFORMATION FOR OFFERORS TO SUBMIT OF THE SOLICITATION

# IX. ATTACHMENTS TO SOLICITATION

- 1. Important Tax Notice Nonresidents Only
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- 4. **Previous 5 Years Online Sales Excel Spreadsheet**
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- 6. Clink on the link below to access the most current list of USC Licensees:

Current Licensees List: http://trademarks.sc.edu/licensees.shtml

#### IMPORTANT TAX NOTICE - NONRESIDENTS ONLY

Withholding Requirements for Payments to Nonresidents: Section 12-8-550 of the South Carolina Code of Laws requires persons hiring or contracting with a nonresident conducting a business or performing personal services of a temporary nature within South Carolina to withhold 2% of each payment made to the nonresident. The withholding requirement does not apply to (1) payments on purchase orders for tangible personal property when the payments are not accompanied by services to be performed in South Carolina, (2) nonresidents who are not conducting business in South Carolina, (3) nonresidents for contracts that do not exceed \$10,000 in a calendar year, or (4) payments to a nonresident who (a) registers with either the S.C. Department of Revenue or the S.C. Secretary of State and (b) submits a Nonresident Taxpayer Registration Affidavit - Income Tax Withholding, Form I-312 to the person letting the contract.

The withholding requirement applies to every governmental entity that uses a contract ("Using Entity"). Nonresidents should submit a separate copy of the Nonresident Taxpayer Registration Affidavit - Income Tax Withholding, Form I-312 to every Using Entity that makes payment to the nonresident pursuant to this solicitation. Once submitted, an affidavit is valid for all contracts between the nonresident and the Using Entity, unless the Using Entity receives notice from the Department of Revenue that the exemption from withholding has been revoked.

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Section 12-8-540 requires persons making payment to a nonresident taxpayer of rentals or royalties at a rate of \$1,200.00 or more a year for the use of or for the privilege of using property in South Carolina to withhold 7% of the total of each payment made to a nonresident taxpayer who is not a corporation and 5% if the payment is made to a corporation. Contact the Department of Revenue for any applicable exceptions.

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For information about other withholding requirements (e.g., employee withholding), contact the Withholding Section at the South Carolina Department of Revenue at 803-898-5383 or visit the Department's website at <a href="https://www.sctax.org">www.sctax.org</a>.

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This notice is for informational purposes only. This agency does not administer and has no authority over tax issues. All registration questions should be directed to the License and Registration Section at 803-898-5872 or to the South Carolina Department of Revenue, Registration Unit, Columbia, S.C. 29214-0140. All withholding questions should be directed to the Withholding Section at 803-898-5383.

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# STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE NONRESIDENT TAXPAYER REGISTRATION AFFIDAVIT INCOME TAX WITHHOLDING



The undersigned nonresident taxpayer on oath, being first duly sworn, hereby certifies as follows:

1. Name of Nonresident Taxpayer:	
2. Trade Name, if applicable (Doing Business As):	
3. Mailing Address:	
4. Federal Identification Number:	
5. Hiring or Contracting with:	
Name:	
Address:	
Receiving Rentals or Royalties From:	
Name:	
Address:	
Beneficiary of Trusts and Estates:	
Name:	
Address:	
6. I hereby certify that the above named nonresident taxp	bayer is currently registered with
(check the appropriate box):	
The South Carolina Secretary of State or ف	

The South Carolina Department of Revenue

#### Date of Registration:

7. I understand that by this registration, the above named nonresident taxpayer has agreed to be subject to the jurisdiction of the South Carolina Department of Revenue and the courts of South Carolina to determine its South Carolina tax liability, including estimated taxes, together with any related interest and penalties.

8. I understand the South Carolina Department of Revenue may revoke the withholding exemption granted under Code Sections 12-8-540 (rentals), 12-8-550 (temporarily doing business or professional services in South Carolina), and 12-8-570 (distributions to nonresident beneficiary by trusts or estates) at any time it determines that the above named nonresident taxpayer is not cooperating with the Department in the determination of its correct South Carolina tax liability.

The undersigned understands that any false statement contained herein could be punished by fine, imprisonment or both.

Recognizing that I am subject to the criminal penalties under Code Section 12-54-44 (B) (6) (a) (i), I declare that I have examined this affidavit and to the best of my knowledge and belief, it is true, correct and complete.

Signature of Nonresident Taxpayer (Owner, Partner or Corporate Officer, when relevant)

Date

(Seal)

If Corporate officer state title:

(Name - Please Print)

Mail to: The company or individual you are contracting with.

# **OFFEROR'S CHECKLIST** AVOID COMMON BID/PROPOSAL MISTAKES

Review this checklist prior to submitting your bid/proposal. If you fail to follow this checklist, you risk having your bid/proposal rejected.

- DO NOT INCLUDE ANY OF YOUR STANDARD CONTRACT FORMS!
- UNLESS EXPRESSLY REQUIRED, DO NOT INCLUDE ANY ADDITIONAL BOILERPLATE CONTRACT CLAUSES.
- REREAD YOUR ENTIRE BID/PROPOSAL TO MAKE SURE YOUR BID/PROPOSAL DOES NOT TAKE EXCEPTION TO ANY OF THE STATE'S MANDATORY REQUIREMENTS.
- Make sure you have properly marked all protected, confidential, or trade secret information in accordance with the instructions entitled: SUBMITTING CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION. <u>DO NOT MARK</u> YOUR ENTIRE BID/PROPOSAL AS CONFIDENTIAL, TRADE SECRET, OR PROTECTED! <u>DO NOT</u> INCLUDE A LEGEND ON THE COVER STATING THAT YOUR ENTIRE RESPONSE IS NOT TO BE RELEASED!
- HAVE YOU PROPERLY ACKNOWLEDGED ALL AMENDMENTS? INSTRUCTIONS REGARDING HOW TO ACKNOWLEDGE AN AMENDMENT SHOULD APPEAR IN ALL AMENDMENTS ISSUED.
- MAKE SURE YOUR BID/PROPOSAL INCLUDES A COPY OF THE SOLICITATION COVER PAGE. MAKE SURE THE COVER PAGE IS SIGNED BY A PERSON THAT IS <u>AUTHORIZED</u> TO CONTRACTUALLY BIND YOUR BUSINESS.
- MAKE SURE YOUR BID/PROPOSAL INCLUDES THE NUMBER OF COPIES REQUESTED.
- CHECK TO ENSURE YOUR BID/PROPOSAL INCLUDES EVERYTHING REQUESTED!
- IF YOU HAVE CONCERNS ABOUT THE SOLICITATION, DO NOT RAISE THOSE CONCERNS IN YOUR RESPONSE! AFTER OPENING, IT IS TOO LATE! IF THIS SOLICITATION INCLUDES A PRE-BID/PROPOSAL CONFERENCE OR A QUESTION & ANSWER PERIOD, RAISE YOUR QUESTIONS AS A PART OF THAT PROCESS! PLEASE SEE INSTRUCTIONS UNDER THE HEADING "SUBMISSION OF QUESTIONS" AND ANY PROVISIONS REGARDING PRE-BID/PROPOSAL CONFERENCES.

This checklist is included only as a reminder to help offerors avoid common mistakes. Responsiveness will be evaluated against the solicitation, <u>not</u> against this checklist. You do not need to return this checklist with your response.

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4		GROSS OR	DERS	·		·					
5			2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013			
6		JAN	218	144	228	143	434	236			[
7		FEB	224	289	243	181	215	162			
8		MAR	246	251	246	234	294	221			
9		APR	314	217	312	221	265				
10		MAY	228	251	287	283	260				
11		JUNE	242	211	2,253	1,557	442				
12		JULY	283	216	2,235	1,545	293				
13		AUG	816	438	478	741	477				
14		SEPT	505	666	638	624	374				
15		ОСТ	388	479	1,037	337	477				
16		NOV	367	750	1,225	430	474				
17		DEC	813	1,125	1,060	857	617				
18		TOTALS	4644	5037	10242	7153	4622	619			
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21		USER SESS	IONS								
22			2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013			
23		JAN	5,482	9,210	10,788	10,944	22,912	19 <i>,</i> 538			
24		FEB	6,047	11,420	7,869	9,350	12,637	13,515			
25		MAR	6,233	11,384	7,401	11,784	14,328	16,826			
26		APR	7,104	7,454	10,274	11,406	13,974				
27		MAY	5,131	8,089	7,597	12,630	15,052				
28		JUNE	5,130	6,999	23,759	42,715	33,206				

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29		JULY	6,991	8,284	14,983	28,398	16,078				
30		AUG	17,421	15,333	20,285	22,301	25,437				
31		SEPT	12,420	26,248	29,775	33,932	28,838				
32		ОСТ	10,503	24,154	37,470	20,434	33,690				
33		NOV	9,732	21,098	49,219	25 <i>,</i> 565	26,620				
34		DEC	9,409	19,005	29,950	21,800	23,023				
35		TOTALS	101,603	168,678	249,370	251,259	265,795	49,879			
36											
37											
38		CONVERSI	ON %								
39			2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013			
40		JAN	3.98%	1.56%	2.11%	1.31%	1.89%	1.21%			
41		FEB	3.70%	2.53%	3.09%	1.94%	1.70%	1.20%			
42		MAR	3.95%	2.20%	3.32%	1.99%	2.05%	1.31%			
43		APR	4.42%	2.91%	3.04%	1.94%	1.90%				
44		MAY	4.44%	3.10%	3.78%	2.24%	1.73%				
45		JUNE	4.72%	3.01%	9.48%	3.65%	1.33%				
46		JULY	4.05%	2.61%	14.92%	5.44%	1.82%				
47		AUG	4.68%	2.86%	2.36%	3.32%	1.88%				
48		SEPT	4.07%	2.54%	2.14%	1.84%	1.30%				
49		OCT	3.69%	1.98%	2.77%	1.65%	1.42%				
50		NOV	3.77%	3.55%	2.49%	1.68%	1.78%				
51		DEC	8.64%	5.92%	3.54%	3.93%	2.68%				
52		TOTALS	4.57%	2.99%	4.11%	2.85%	1.74%	1.24%			

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4	NET SALES	(Sales tax, ship	ping, cancellat	ions, returns fa	actored out - sh	nipped product	totals only)	
5		2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	
6	JAN	\$8,441.19	\$4,359.66	\$5 <i>,</i> 788.86	\$4,657.47	\$13,992.33	\$8,674.55	
7	FEB	\$5,975.73	\$8,087.17	\$8,572.29	\$4,871.85	\$6,000.56	\$5 <i>,</i> 940.69	
8	MAR	\$6 <i>,</i> 029.87	\$7,211.64	\$8,108.68	\$8,219.35	\$8,133.63	\$8,248.27	
9	APR	\$8,257.19	\$6,623.65	\$8,123.30	\$6,697.10	\$5 <i>,</i> 305.96		
10	MAY	\$8,067.03	\$8,170.37	\$8,924.99	\$9 <i>,</i> 085.76	\$8,487.66		
11	JUNE	\$7,496.04	\$8,168.07	\$19,019.99	\$16,900.12	\$10,128.96		
12	JULY	\$10,424.01	\$8,130.12	\$144,068.59	\$97,695.41	\$10,034.88		
13	AUG	\$31,639.71	\$17 <i>,</i> 035.21	\$16,229.22	\$43,515.44	\$12,338.49		
14	SEPT	\$27,786.60	\$25,132.89	\$21,517.62	\$22 <i>,</i> 566.84	\$9 <i>,</i> 553.88		
15	ОСТ	\$19,538.99	\$20,904.70	\$33,305.81	\$14,600.85	\$13,958.74		
16	NOV	\$11,253.03	\$19,064.65	\$35,874.50	\$10,544.39	\$14,926.21		
17	DEC	\$34 <i>,</i> 535.74	\$52,352.02	\$42,932.59	\$27,140.92	\$20,607.41		
18	TOTALS	\$179,445.13	\$185,240.15	\$352,466.44	\$266,495.50	\$133,468.71	\$22,863.51	
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21	SETTLED CO	JUNT						
22		2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	
23	JAN	347	120	221	241	534	282	
24	FEB	208	246	247	133	161	163	
25	MAR	237	240	243	301	314	215	
26	APR	338	200	284	245	207		
27	MAY	259	253	297	288	317		
28	JUNE	241	274	598	451	375		

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29	JULY	296	191	3,713	2,300	326					
30	AUG	608	345	494	921	294					
31	SEPT	685	699	748	472	319					
32	ОСТ	416	511	941	501	597					
33	NOV	289	459	975	330	579					
34	DEC	901	1,442	1,340	877	749					
35	TOTALS	4825	4980	10101	7060	4772	660				
36											
37											
38	38 AVERAGE ORDER (Net Sales)										
39		2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013				
40	JAN	\$24.33	\$36.33	\$26.19	\$19.33	\$26.20	\$30.76				
41	FEB	\$28.73	\$32.87	\$34.71	\$36.63	\$37.27	\$36.45				
42	MAR	\$25.44	\$30.05	\$33.37	\$27.31	\$25.90	\$38.36				
43	APR	\$24.43	\$33.12	\$28.60	\$27.34	\$25.63					
44	MAY	\$31.15	\$32.29	\$30.05	\$31.55	\$26.77					
45	JUNE	\$31.10	\$29.81	\$31.81	\$37.47	\$27.01					
46	JULY	\$35.22	\$42.57	\$38.80	\$42.48	\$30.78					
47	AUG	\$52.04	\$49.38	\$32.85	\$47.25	\$41.97					
48	SEPT	\$40.56	\$35.96	\$28.77	\$47.81	\$29.95					
49	ОСТ	\$46.97	\$40.91	\$35.39	\$29.14	\$23.38					
50	NOV	\$38.94	\$41.54	\$36.79	\$31.95	\$25.78					
51	DEC	\$38.33	\$36.31	\$32.04	\$30.95	\$27.51					
52	TOTALS	\$37.19	\$37.20	\$34.89	\$37.75	\$27.97	\$34.64				

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5		2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013					
6	JAN	5,031	8,145	9,422	9157	19,204	16,174					
7	FEB	5,441	9,936	6,892	8,115	10,769	11,145					
8	MAR	5,635	9,941	6,524	10,183	12,028	13,525					
9	APR	6,342	6,558	8,929	9,950	11,793						
10	MAY	4,732	7,052	6,770	10,888	12,899						
11	JUNE	4,673	6,107	19,941	33,717	26,807						
12	JULY	6,308	7,214	12,515	22,590	13,034						
13	AUG	15,056	13,292	17,067	18,177	21,032						
14	SEPT	11,356	22,915	25,154	28,071	24,127						
15	ОСТ	9,505	20,705	30,758	17,769	27,945						
16	NOV	8,905	17,912	38,921	22,292	22,267						
17	DEC	8,368	16,061	24,784	18,664	19,165						
18	TOTALS	91,352	145,838	207,677	209,573	221,070	40,844					
19												
20												
21	GROSS SAL	ES (Sales tax, s	hipping, cance	ellations, retur	ns NOT factor	ed out)						
22		2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013					
23		\$9 <i>,</i> 879.35	\$6,588.42	\$9,176.43	\$7,147.50	\$19,541.21	\$11,972.32					
24	FEB	\$9 <i>,</i> 535.81	\$11,748.57	\$11,725.29	\$8,647.62	\$10,042.49	\$8,675.73					
25	MAR	\$9,557.69	\$9 <i>,</i> 675.95	\$10,307.94	\$10,943.74	\$13,047.52	\$12,251.79					
26	APR	\$11,926.20	\$8,439.70	\$12,610.37	\$10,606.93	\$11,507.22						
27	MAY	\$10,180.38	\$10,669.28	\$12,461.40	\$12,745.24	\$11,405.59						
28	JUNE	\$11,617.68	\$9 <i>,</i> 898.70	\$117,903.78	\$86,641.35	\$18,365.07						

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29	JULY	\$13,505.54	\$11,760.81	\$91,012.70	\$75 <i>,</i> 625.07	\$13,034.49			
30	AUG	\$48,245.48	\$24,412.35	\$23,876.14	\$48 <i>,</i> 673.75	\$25,775.69			
31	SEPT	\$26,377.99	\$30,961.15	\$31,244.36	\$40,310.36	\$19,692.84			
32	ОСТ	\$22,244.35	\$25 <i>,</i> 547.15	\$48,001.25	\$16 <i>,</i> 975.05	\$24,063.37			
33	NOV	\$17,875.18	\$38,142.71	\$63 <i>,</i> 605.88	\$20,790.18	\$24,381.30			
34	DEC	\$38,722.13	\$52,710.42	\$51,012.90	\$36,956.90	\$32,309.15			
35	TOTALS	\$229,667.78	\$240,555.21	\$482,938.44	\$376,063.69	\$223,165.94	\$32,899.84		
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38	ACTIVE PR								
39		2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013		
40	JAN	484	295	436	390	460	544		
41	FEB	534	329	472	421	511	593		
42	MAR	510	308	477	414	528	586		
43	APR	372	280	460	365	547			
44	MAY	275	265	426	302	543			
45	JUNE	321	315	425	334	580			
46	JULY	447	443	473	384	594			
47	AUG	456	470	445	440	598			
48	SEPT	382	417	410	419	577			
49	ОСТ	350	330	420	394	575			
50	NOV	367	383	489	396	555			
51	DEC	299	383	400	388	529			
52	TOTALS	399.75	351.5	444.42	387.25	549.75	574.33		

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4	TOTAL PAGE VIEWS											
5		2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013					
6	JAN	8,098	14,753	17,657	67,304	142,141	118,921					
7	FEB	9,126	18,446	13,283	67,307	90,439	88,851					
8	MAR	9,034	18,639	12,317	82,034	105,603	106,388					
9	APR	10,596	12,070	17,047	79,031	105,138						
10	MAY	8,150	13,517	10,869	79,234	106,191						
11	JUNE	8,078	11,974	34,403	306,294	230,913						
12	JULY	10,642	14,211	22,146	183,395	120,439						
13	AUG	26,503	25,870	130,433	160,433	187,073						
14	SEPT	18,731	43,912	203,776	271,234	209,484						
15	ОСТ	15,669	41,775	237,356	154,169	246,422						
16	NOV	14,865	40,819	314,680	175,914	189,082						
17	DEC	15,225	37,911	203,312	155,795	161,141						
18	TOTALS	154,717	293,897	1,217,279	1,782,144	1,894,066	314,160					
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July		429,994	547,944	746,375	938,347	858,288	973,348	836,620	658,308	1,129,962	1,408,638	1,296,735	-8%
Aug		1,200,726	1,499,798	1,360,341	2,183,560	1,850,684	1,911,213	1,702,597	1,441,544	1,852,763	2,342,319	2,411,825	3%
Sept		1,820,337	2,281,366	4,225,795	2,231,858	2,078,308	2,813,465	1,781,523	2,374,872	2,817,393	3,298,751	3,067,368	-7%
Oct		1,596,528	2,377,159	4,074,610	1,946,138	1,958,708	2,230,951	1,698,503	2,165,178	2,869,929	2,813,820	3,334,155	18%
Nov		1,361,796	2,727,338	1,885,243	2,370,602	2,228,167	1,646,717	1,641,901	1,910,470	3,145,287	2,333,242	2,453,626	5%
Dec		794,150	1,744,253	1,176,674	1,353,066	1,452,483	902,291	1,098,519	1,185,987	1,627,439	1,460,244	1,463,174	0%
Jan		1,101,819	2,981,257	1,276,714	1,303,341	1,349,712	1,053,023	1,278,206	1,261,988	1,359,721	1,722,775	1,803,756	5%
Feb		2,082,815	5,470,942	1,541,886	1,684,520	1,681,367	1,273,981	1,602,504	1,397,310	1,885,914	2,009,992	2,067,256	3%
March		2,964,392	10,439,787	1,995,524	2,305,918	1,929,360	1,507,997	1,786,400	1,538,440	2,438,065	2,797,409	2,549,230	-9%
April	414,173	2,709,585	4,485,491	1,966,639	1,702,282	1,905,439	1,514,571	1,247,424	1,463,021	2,253,220	2,170,702		-4%
May	1,177,353	2,122,175	4,609,971	1,279,886	1,166,416	1,451,956	1,220,393	1,161,976	1,370,228	1,888,468	2,183,230		16%
June	843,064	856,892	1,462,454	1,062,709	1,135,956	1,209,908	763,181	676,600	1,978,374	2,954,928	3,143,982		6%
TOTAL	2,434,590	19,041,209	40,627,760	22,592,396	20,322,004	19,954,380	17,811,131	16,512,773	18,745,720	26,223,089	27,685,104	20,447,125	231,950,156
AVERAGE	811,530	1,586,767	3,385,647	1,882,700	1,693,500	1,662,865	1,484,261	1,376,064	1,562,143	2,185,257	2,307,092	2,271,903	1,812,530

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July		71,498	86,067	100,975	111,603	111,274	142,457	137,350	118,562	196,494	248,840	218,363	-12%
Aug		129,655	150,486	160,001	189,249	208,160	235,828	262,037	214,171	281,556	382,378	380,862	0%
Sept		172,988	203,474	246,689	251,682	289,668	377,909	308,788	407,351	547,021	659,995	572,779	-13%
Oct		154,147	177,565	222,374	221,496	243,760	342,380	275,546	368,366	536,129	553,258	740,327	34%
Nov		142,030	177,383	216,303	265,389	279,378	262,164	256,281	320,720	516,695	452,248	445,555	-1%
Dec		92,014	133,629	138,003	170,755	187,377	154,932	172,545	197,412	304,992	292,141	262,321	-10%
Jan		117,058	178,011	144,531	152,923	181,803	163,443	186,918	219,522	238,673	298,454	332,760	11%
Feb		128,376	196,215	151,229	168,838	182,523	170,060	205,885	198,099	283,613	301,428	342,671	14%
March		147,581	238,970	188,607	217,793	210,405	181,732	219,187	211,017	352,268	396,187	381,693	-4%
April	44,964	135,033	173,608	174,292	179,139	213,985	193,017	171,267	214,080	337,978	338,606		0%
Мау	105,129	136,152	172,949	134,653	145,641	179,856	176,387	168,886	221,892	314,425	336,470		7%
June	125,615	130,129	175,362	122,789	148,965	172,910	130,795	124,129	341,453	496,774	541,876		9%
TOTAL	275,708	1,556,661	2,063,719	2,000,446	2,223,473	2,461,099	2,531,104	2,488,819	3,032,645	4,406,618	4,801,881	3,677,331	27,842,173
AVERAGE	91,903	129,722	171,977	166,704	185,289	205,092	210,925	207,402	252,720	367,218	400,157	408,592	217,192

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