



Procurement Department

Mr. Darrell White, Interim Director

January 29, 2025

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REF: RFP Item #24-261 Advanced Metering Infrastructure System for Augusta, GA-
Augusta Utilities Department
RFP Due: Tuesday, December 10, 2024 @ 11:00 a.m. via ZOOM

Dear Mr. Vach:

Thank you for your RFP response in reference to RFP Item #24-261 Advanced Metering Infrastructure System. We are pleased to inform you that Augusta, Georgia has decided to enter into contract negotiations with your company. A member of the Augusta Utilities Department will be in contact with you in reference to the negotiations. Per the requirements in the specifications, please return the following requested forms to our office.

1. **Georgia Security and Immigration Subcontractor Affidavit**
2. **Non-Collusion Affidavit of Sub-Contractor**
3. **Homeland Security's E-Verify Memorandum of Understanding (MOU)**
4. **Copy of Your State/Local Business License for your Company**

Please find enclosed a copy of the first two forms that you are required to complete. The MOU is obtainable from your E-verify account. We are requesting that you return the forms **no later than 5:00 p.m. on Wednesday, February 5, 2025**. Please submit the required forms in a sealed envelope entitled "Required Forms for RFP Item #24-261 Advanced Metering Infrastructure System." Your envelope should be addressed to the attention of:

Mr. Darrell White
Interim Procurement Director
Augusta, Georgia
535 Telfair Street, Room 605
Augusta, GA 30901

Should you have any questions concerning this request, please do not hesitate to contact me at 706-821-2422.

Sincerely,

Darrell White
Interim Procurement Director

DW/jm

Attachment

cc: Wes Byne, Augusta Utilities Department

Suite 605 - 535 Telfair Street, Augusta Georgia 30901
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NOTICE TO ALL VENDORS

ADHERE TO THE BELOW INSTRUCTIONS AND DO NOT SUBSTITUTE FORMS

PLEASE READ CAREFULLY:

Attachment B is a consolidated document consisting of:

1. Business License Number Requirement (must be provided)
2. Acknowledgement of Addenda (must be acknowledged, if any)
3. Statement of Non-Discrimination
4. Non-Collusion Affidavit of Prime Proponent/Offeror
5. Conflict of Interest
6. Contractor Affidavit and Agreement (E-Verify User ID Number must be provided)

Attachment B Must be Notarized & Two (2) Pages Must be returned with your submittal - No Exceptions.

Business License Requirement: Proponent must be licensed in the Governmental entity for where they do the majority of their business. Your company's business license number must be provided on Page 1 of Attachment B. If your Governmental entity (State or Local) does not require a business license, your company will be required to obtain a Richmond County business license if awarded a contract. For further information contact the License and Inspection Department @ 706 312-5050.

Acknowledgement of Addenda: You Must acknowledge all Addenda. See Page 1 of Attachment B.

E-Verify * User Identification Number (Company I.D.) The recommended awarded vendor will be required to provide a copy of Homeland Security's Memorandum Of Understanding (MOU). **Contractors, Bids, RFPs, RFQs - Any** contractors performing the physical performance of services" for your city, including those that respond to bids or requests for proposals, must submit an E-Verify affidavit. Your city cannot consider any contractors, even as part of a bidding or RFP process, unless they have given you the appropriate E-Verify contractor affidavits.

Contractors are defined as those who provide any "physical performance of services," which means any performance of labor or services for a public employer using a bidding process or by contract that costs over \$2,499.99 in value between December 1 and November 30 of any given year. Typically, eligible contracts may include: New construction or the demolition of structures/roads Routine operation, repair, and maintenance of existing structures. Any contracts for labor and service that exceed \$2,499.99. Contracts for the purchase of goods without any services provided are not subject to these E-Verify requirements.

The city, each contractor, and each subcontractor have different roles and responsibilities in the E-Verify process. The city collects E-Verify affidavits from the contractor. The contractor collects E-Verify affidavits from its subcontractors. The subcontractors collect E-Verify affidavits from its sub-subcontractors. Independent contractors (those with no employees) do not need to supply E-Verify information. Instead, they will provide a driver's license or state identification card from states on the "compliant" list created by the Georgia Attorney General. Those contractors and subcontractors that fill out the affidavits are responsible for the accuracy of the information. The city does not need to confirm that the E-Verify information is correct. The liability for incorrect information is on the contractor or subcontractor. NOTE: The authorization date can be found within the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU).

Affidavit Verifying Status for Augusta Benefit Application (S.A.V.E. Program) (Must Be Returned With Your Submittal)

The successful proponent will submit the following forms to the Procurement Department no later than five (5) days after receiving the "Letter of Recommendation" (Vendor's letter will denote the date forms are to be received)

1. Georgia Security and Immigration Subcontractor Affidavit
2. Non-Collusion Affidavit of Sub-Contractor
3. **PLEASE NOTE GEORGIA LAW CHANGE: E-Verify and Public Contracts:** The Georgia E-Verify law requires contractors and all sub-contractors on Georgia public contract (contracts with a government agency) for the physical performance of services over \$2,499 in value to enroll in E-Verify, regardless of the number of employees. They may be exempt from this requirement if they have no employees and do not plan to hire employees for the purpose of completing any part of the public contract. Certain professions are also exempt. All requests for proposals issued by a city must include the contractor affidavit as part of the requirement for their bid to be considered.

WARNING:

Please review "Notice to Proponent" regarding Augusta Georgia's Local Small Business Opportunity Program Proponent Requirements.

Vendors are cautioned that acquisition of proposal documents through any source other than the office of the Procurement Department is not advisable. Acquisition of proposal documents from unauthorized sources places the proposer at the risk of receiving incomplete or inaccurate information upon which to base his qualifications.

Proposals are publicly opened. It is your responsibility to ensure that your company has met the Specifications and Licenses' requirements prior to submitting a proposal.



GEORGIA SECURITY AND IMMIGRATION SUBCONTRACTOR AFFIDAVIT: **GEORGIA E-Verify and Public Contracts:** The Georgia E-Verify law requires contractors and all sub-contractors on Georgia public contract (contracts with a government agency) for the physical performance of services **over \$2,499 in value to enroll in E-Verify, regardless of the number of employees.** They may be exempt from this requirement if they have no employees and do not plan to hire employees for the purpose of completing any part of the public contract. Certain professions are also exempt. All requests for proposals issued by a city must include the **contractor affidavit** as part of the requirement for their bid to be considered. For additional information or to enroll your company, visit the State of Georgia website: <https://e-verify.uscis.gov/enroll/> and/or http://www.dol.state.ga.us/pdf/rules/300_10_1.pdf

CONTRACTOR'S NAME:	
SUBCONTRACTOR'S (YOUR) NAME	
SOLICITATION/BID NUMBER/CONTRACT NUMBER OR PROJECT DESCRIPTION:	

SUBCONTRACTOR AFFIDAVIT under O.C.G.A. § 13-10-91(b) (3)

By executing this affidavit, the undersigned subcontractor verifies its compliance with O.C.G.A. § 13- 10-91, stating affirmatively that the individual, firm or corporation which is engaged in the physical performance of services under a contract with (name of contractor) on behalf of **AUGUSTA, GEORGIA RICHMOND COUNTY CONSOLIDATED GOVERNMENT** has registered with, is authorized to use and uses the federal work authorization program commonly known as E-Verify, or any subsequent replacement program, in accordance with the applicable provisions and deadlines established in O.C.G.A. § 13-10-91.

Furthermore, the undersigned subcontractor will continue to use the federal work authorization program throughout the contract period and the undersigned subcontractor will contract for the physical performance of services in satisfaction of such contract only with sub-subcontractors who present an affidavit to the subcontractor with the information required by O.C.G.A. § 13-10-91(b).

Additionally, the undersigned subcontractor will forward notice of the receipt of an affidavit from a sub-subcontractor to the contractor within five business days of receipt. If the undersigned subcontractor receives notice that a sub-subcontractor has received an affidavit from any other contracted sub-subcontractor, the undersigned subcontractor must forward, within five business days of receipt, a copy of the notice to the contractor. Subcontractor hereby attests that its federal work authorization user identification number and date of authorization are as follows:

Federal Work Authorization User Identification Number: **E-VERIFY REQUIRED FOR ALL CONTRACTS OVER \$2,499.00**

**** (Provide E-Verify Number Here) ****

Date of Authorization

(NOTE: Registered date can be found on MOU)

Name of Subcontractor

I hereby declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Printed Name (of Authorized Officer or Agent of Contractor)

Title (of Authorized Officer or Agent of Contractor)

Signature (of Authorized Officer or Agent of Contractor)

Date Signed

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN BEFORE ME ON THIS THE _____ DAY OF _____, 20____

Notary Public

My Commission Expires:

NOTARY SEAL

The undersigned further agrees to submit a notarized copy and any required documentation noted as part of the Augusta, Georgia Board of Commissions specifications which govern this process. **I further understand that my submittal will be deemed non-compliant if any part of this process is violated.**

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In accordance with the Laws of Georgia, the following affidavit is required by all vendors

NON-COLLUSION AFFIDAVIT OF SUBCONTRACTOR

I, _____ certify that this bid or proposal is made without prior understanding, agreement or connection with any corporation, firm or person submitting a bid for the same work, labor or service to be done or the supplies, materials or equipment to be furnished and is in all respects fair and without collusion or fraud. I understand collusive bidding is a violation of state and federal law and can result in fines, prison sentences and civil damages awards. I agree to abide by all conditions of this bid or proposal and certify that I am authorized to sign this bid or proposal for the bidder.

Affiant further states that pursuant to O.C.G.A. Section 36-91-21 (d) and (e), _____ has not, by itself or with others, directly or indirectly, prevented or attempted to prevent competition in such bidding or proposals by any means whatsoever. Affiant further states that (s)he has not prevented or endeavored to prevent anyone from making a bid or offer on the project by any means whatever, nor has Affiant caused or induced another to withdraw a bid or offer for the work.

Affiant further states that the said offer of _____ is bona fide, and that no one has gone to any supplier and attempted to get such person or company to furnish the materials to the bidder only, or if furnished to any other bidder, that the material shall be at a higher price.

Signature of Authorized Company Representative

Title

Sworn to and subscribed before me this _____ day of _____, 20____.

Notary Signature

Notary Public: _____ (Print Name)

County: _____

Commission Expires: _____ **NOTARY SEAL**

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