



**New Castle County**  
Purchasing Division  
87 Reads Way  
New Castle, DE 19720  
(302) 395-5250

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**Bid# 23A-072**

**Precast Enclosures**

New Castle County is seeking sealed bids for **Precast Enclosures, Bid # 23A-072.**

Bidders are asked to submit sealed bids to New Castle County Purchasing Division, New Castle County Government Center, 87 Reads Way, New Castle, DE 19720. Bids must be received by **2:00 p.m., Wednesday, July 13, 2022** and must be provided within a sealed envelope.

Questions concerning the project should be submitted in writing via email to Robin Allen, Purchasing Agent, at [robin.allen@newcastlede.gov](mailto:robin.allen@newcastlede.gov) by **Noon Tuesday, July 5, 2022**

**INSTRUCTIONS FOR BID SUBMISSION**

- Sealed envelopes must clearly display **23A-072 Precast Enclosures** in the lower left quadrant on the front.
- Facsimile transmissions of bids are unacceptable and will be rejected without any notice to the bidding vendor.
- Bidders are responsible to retrieve the bid specifications and all addendums from the New Castle County Purchasing website at [www.newcastlede.gov/Bids.aspx](http://www.newcastlede.gov/Bids.aspx).

**Temporary Instructions During COVID-19 Pandemic**

Due to the coronavirus (COVID-19) emergency declared by the State of Delaware, New Castle County bid responses may be accepted electronically at [bids@newcastlede.gov](mailto:bids@newcastlede.gov) and the electronic receipt will serve as the official time stamp with hard copies to follow by mail, provided that the hard copy mailed shall match the electronic submission without exception.

In addition, New Castle County bid openings shall be recorded and published without in person attendance (provided that bid receipts are certified by the County) and will be timely announced on [bids.newcastlede.gov](http://bids.newcastlede.gov).

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Pursuant to New Castle County Code and Delaware State Law, no contract will be awarded to any vendor unless, before or in conjunction with the actual award of the contract to such vendor, has submitted proof satisfactory to the County, or to the awarding agency, or the designated representative of the County or the awarding agency, as the case may be, that it and each and every subcontractor named by it in its bid, if any, will at the time it submits such proof have valid and effective licenses required by the State and the County, and the political subdivisions, if any, in which the project is located, and the United States government, in order for each of them (i) to do business therein; (ii) to comply with all tax laws thereof; and (iii) to perform the labor and/or supply the material involved in the performance of the contract.

Awards, if any, will be made in conjunction with the Delaware Code, Subchapter 2, Chapter 69, Title 29, and the New Castle County Code.



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**SUMMARY OF PURCHASING REQUEST**

**SCOPE OF WORK | SPECIFICATIONS**

New Castle County is seeking sealed bids for Precast Enclosures.

**PART 1 – GENERAL**

**1.01 SCOPE OF WORK**

Furnish and install precast concrete transportable enclosure(s) on a case-by-case basis in accordance with the specifications herein. Enclosure to be delivered and placed on prepared foundation. Enclosure to be provided by manufacturer with all necessary openings as specified herein. Final installed enclosure shall be in conformance with structural requirements as specified herein.

**1.02 REFERENCES AND REQUIREMENTS**

- A. ACI-318-02, "Building Code Requirements for Reinforced Concrete". Concrete Reinforcing Institute, "Manual of Standard Practice".
- B. ANSI/ASCE-7-02 "Building Code Requirement for Minimum Design Loads in Buildings and Other Structures".
- C. IBC 2009 certified.
- D. Concrete Reinforcing Institute, "Manual of Standard Practice".
- E. UL-752 (test method level 4) for bullet resistance certified by an independent structural engineer.
- F. Fabricator must be a producer/member of The Precast/Prestressed Concrete Institute (PCI) and be certified in categories A1 and C3. Provide documentation of membership with bid submittal.
- G. Enclosure fabricator must have a minimum of five (5) years' experience manufacturing and setting transportable precast concrete enclosures. Provide



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documentation of experience by listing years in business and similar work completed with a contact name and phone number.

**1.03 DESIGN REQUIREMENTS**

**A. Dimensions (nominal):**

1. 12 x 16 enclosure  
Exterior: 12' x 16' x 8'-8"  
Interior: 11'-6" x 15'-6" x 8'-0"  
Walls: 3" thick. Min.

2. 12 x 20 enclosure  
Exterior: 12' x 20' x 8'-8"  
Interior: 11'-6" x 19'-6" x 8'-0"  
Walls: 3" thick. Min.

3. 20 x 20 enclosure  
Exterior: 20' x 20' x 9'-4"  
Interior: 19'-4" x 19'-4" x 9'-0"  
Walls: 4" thick. Min.

**B. Design Loads:**

Seismic load performance category 'C'. Exposure Group III  
Standard Live Roof Load – 60 PSF  
Standard Floor Load – 250 PSF  
Standard Wind Loading – 130 MPH  
All loads are minimums

**C. Roof:** Roof panel shall slope  $\frac{1}{2}$ " from front to back in 12-foot direction. The roof shall extend a minimum of 2  $\frac{1}{2}$ " beyond the wall panel all four (4) sides and have a turndown design which extends  $\frac{1}{2}$ " below the top edge of the wall panels to prevent water migration into the enclosure along top of wall panels. Roof shall also have an integral architectural ribbed edge. 20 x 20 ft. enclosures shall have a peaked roof.

**D. Roof, floor and wall panels** shall be produced as single component monolithic panels. No roof, floor or vertical wall joints will be allowed, except at corners. Wall panels



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shall be set on top of the floor panel or the prepared concrete slab. Enclosures manufactured as single monolithic structures are also acceptable.

- E. Floor panel, when provided, shall have ½" step-down around the entire perimeter to prevent water migration into the enclosure along the bottom of wall panels.
- F. The above design requirements are meant to establish a minimum quality of construction. Deviations to the above requirements due to differing manufacturing techniques and/or proprietary designs should be noted and submitted for review by the engineer.

**1.04 SUBMITTALS**

- A. Engineering calculations that are designed and sealed by a professional engineer, licensed to practice in Delaware, shall be submitted for approval by New Castle County.
- B. Final manufacturing drawings shall be submitted. Drawings shall be detailed and shall locate all openings, doors, hatches, etc.
- C. Manufacturer's cut sheets for doors and hatches shall be submitted for review and approval by New Castle County.
- D. Any deviation to the specification should be clearly identified and submitted for review by the Engineer.
- E. Reference list of installations for the same size and type enclosures with contact names, if required.

**PART 2 – PRODUCTS**

**2.01 MATERIALS**

- A. Concrete: Steel-reinforced, 5000 PSI minimum 28-day compressive strength, air-entrained (ASTM C260).
- B. Reinforcing Steel: ASTM A615, grade 60 unless otherwise specified.
- C. Post-tensioning Strand: 41K Polystrand CP50, .50, 270 KSI, 7-wire strand, enclosed within a greased plastic sheath, (ASTM A416). Roof and floor to be each post-tensioned by a single, continuous tendon. Said tendon shall form a substantially



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rectangular configuration having gently curving corners and a corner where the tendon members are anchored.

1. If post-tensioning is not used in the roof panel, the following guidelines must be followed to ensure a watertight roof design.
  - a. The entire precast concrete roof panel surface must be cleaned and primed with a material that prepares the concrete surface for proper adherence to the coating material.
  - b. The entire precast concrete roof panel surface shall be sealed with a .045 EPDM continuous membrane cemented to the concrete with a compound designed for this purpose.
- D. Caulking: All joints between panels shall be caulked on the exterior and interior surface of the joints. Caulking shall be SIKAFLEX-1A elastic sealant or New Castle County approved equal. Exterior caulk joint to be 3/8" x 3/8" square so that sides of joint are parallel for correct caulk adhesion. Back of joint to be taped with bond breaking tape to ensure adhesion of caulk to parallel sides of joint and not the back.
- E. Openings: Wall openings shall be formed prior to casting. Wall openings shall be dimensionally accurate and square. Surface within the opening shall be smooth, free of burrs and discontinuities, and sealed with a commercial grade sealant.
- F. Panel Connections: All panels shall be securely fastened together with 1/4" thick steel brackets. Steel is to be of structural quality, hot-rolled carbon complying with ASTM A283, Grade C and hot dipped galvanized after fabrication. All fasteners to be 1/2" diameter bolts complying with ASTM A307 for low-carbon steel bolts. Cast-in anchors used for panel connections to be Dayton-Superior #F-63, or New Castle County approved equal. All inserts for corner connections must be secured directly to form before casting panels. No floating-in of connection inserts shall be allowed.

**2.02 ACCESSORIES**

**A. Doors and Frames**

These shall comply with Steel Door Institute "Recommended Specifications for Standard Steel Doors and Frames" (SDI-100) and as herein specified. The enclosures



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shall be equipped with double 3'-0 x 6'-8" x 1-3/4", 18-gauge galvanized/insulated Dominion Imperial right hand reverse metal doors with 16-gauge galvanized frames. Doors and frames shall be bonderized and painted one coat of rust inhibitive primer and one finish coat of enamel paint; color to be YORKTOWN BROWN or New Castle County approved equal.

**B. Door Hardware:**

Handle: Lindstrom stainless steel, 8-1/2" x 2" or New Castle County approved equal.

Hinges: PB-31/NRP/26D 4 1/2" x 4 1/2" (chrome-plated with non-removable hinge pins), 3 per door or New Castle County approved equal.

Lock Set: Schlage or New Castle County approved equal heavy duty commercial (stainless steel finish) keyed to New Castle County pump station key.

Surface Bolt, Upper: Cal-Royal 045901426D (satin chrome finish) or New Castle County approved equal.

Surface Bolt, Lower: Cal-Royal 045901426D (satin chrome finish) or New Castle County approved equal. Astragal: A4441/68R or New Castle County approved equal.

Threshold: National Guard 897V60 raised interior, extruded aluminum threshold with neoprene seal or New Castle County approved equal.

Door Holder: Glynn-Johnson 904H US32D (stainless steel finish), overhead slide type surface mounted door holder or New Castle County approved equal.

Drip Cap: National Guard 15D72 or New Castle County approved equal.

Door Stop: Ives 445B26D (Inactive leaf only) or New Castle County approved equal.

**2.03 FINISHES**

A. Interior of Enclosure: Smooth steel form finish on all interior panel surfaces. All interior surfaces shall be coated with an industrial duty concrete sealant. Walls and ceiling – color Bright White; Floor (if applicable) – color Battleship gray.

B. Exterior of Enclosure: Architectural precast concrete brick finish: Finish must be imprinted in top face of panel while in form using an open grid impression tool. Finished brick size shall be 2 3/8" x 7 5/8" with vertical steel float or light broom



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finish. Joints between each brick must be 3/8" wide x 3/8" deep. Back of joint shall be concave to simulate a hand-tooled joint. Each brick face shall be coated with the following acrylic concrete stain: 1) Cementrate by FOSROC; or 2) Canyon Tone stain by United Coatings or New Castle County approved equal. Stain color shall be Brick Red unless specified otherwise. Stain shall be applied per manufacturer's recommendation. Joints shall be kept substantially free of stain to maintain a gray concrete color.

**2.04 MANUFACTURER**

- A. Provide precast enclosure, Easi-Set brand models, or New Castle County approved equal.

**PART 3 – EXECUTION**

**3.01 SITE PREPARATION REQUIREMENTS**

- A. New Castle County shall be responsible for site preparation. Enclosures designed for placement on a concrete slab shall be accommodated with a slab meeting the manufacturer's minimum requirements. The substrate below slab has a vertical soil capacity of 1,500 pounds per square foot.
- B. Enclosures designed for placement on a compacted stone base shall be accommodated with a base meeting the manufacturer's minimum requirements.

**3.02 INSTALLATION REQUIREMENTS**

- A. Manufacturer shall deliver the enclosure to the job site at the pump station located in New Castle County, Delaware.
- B. Manufacturer shall provide all labor, materials, rigging, cranes, and lifting devices necessary to install the enclosure. The installation shall be based upon the following conditions:
1. There exists a level unobstructed jobsite area large enough for crane and truck to locate adjacent to the final installation.





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2. Jobsite area does not prohibit use of crane outriggers.
  3. Jobsite area will accommodate 65-foot tractor trailer.
  4. Firm roadbed exists for access to the jobsite.
  5. Overhead clearance exists within a 75-foot radius of the final installation site.
- C. Manufacturer shall provide and install all hardware and anchors necessary to assemble the enclosure and securely mount it.
- D. Manufacturer shall provide all coordination between the trucking firm and the crane. Manufacturer shall notify the New Castle County Chief of Plant Operations at (302) 395-5710 at least 48 hours in advance of installation for approval to deliver. The manufacturer shall make every effort to conform to delivery dates and times required by New Castle County.
- E. Manufacturer shall be responsible to inspect the site for access by truck and crane. Manufacturer shall be responsible for loading the enclosure onto the truck in the most advantageous orientation. Any limitations which could result in additional costs shall be brought to the County's attention immediately for review and approval. Cost over-runs identified post installation shall not be permitted.
- F. Manufacturer shall be responsible for sizing crane, rigging, and lifting devices with appropriate degree of safety and with consideration of site conditions.
- G. Manufacturer shall be solely responsible for site safety during the unloading and setting of the enclosure.
- H. Manufacturer shall be responsible for taking appropriate preventative measures to protect building, grounds, roadways, sidewalks, curbs, etc., from any damage which may result during the installation process.
- I. Manufacturer shall provide experienced operators and labor and shall install the enclosure plumb and true.
- J. Enclosure side with access door shall be located as directed by New Castle County.



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- K. Upon completion of setting the enclosure, the manufacturer shall remove all lifting devices and perform an installation inspection to ensure that the enclosure is installed level and square, check roof slope, inspect for any damage, ensure proper operation of doors and hatches, and correct any defect or damage to the enclosure.

**FUNDING OUT**

The continuation of this contract is contingent upon funding appropriated by New Castle County Council.

**COST**

Please provide cost as specified for this purchasing request on the Pricing Page.

**BASIS OF AWARD**

The Division of Purchasing shall award this contract to the lowest responsible and responsive bidder(s) who best meets the terms and conditions of the bid. The award will be made on the basis of price, product evaluation, and prior history of service capability.

The Division of Purchasing reserves the right to reject any or all bids in whole or in part, to make multiple awards, partial awards, award by types, award by sections, item by item, or lump sum total, whichever may be most advantageous to New Castle County. There is no guarantee that New Castle County will grant to any awardee any request for services and/or products.

Pursuant to County Code, New Castle County reserves the right to purchase goods, contractual, and professional services from other governments and cooperative purchasing agreements when it is determined by the Office of Technology and Administrative Services to be in the best interest of the County.

**INDEMNITY**

Vendor shall indemnify, defend, and hold harmless New Castle County from and against any and all claims, demands, suits, judgments, costs, and expenses asserted by a person or persons, including, but not limited to, agents, employees, or volunteers of vendor, by reason of death or injury to persons, or loss or damage to property, resulting from operations or use of services,



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products and/or equipment purchased hereunder, or sustained in or upon the premises of New Castle County.

**STATE OF DELAWARE BUSINESS LICENSE**

Within seven (7) days from receiving a notice of award, the successful vendor shall either furnish the County with proof of a Delaware Business Licensure or initiate the process of application where required. <https://onestop.delaware.gov/>

**CONTRACT ACCESSIBILITY**

This contract shall be accessible to State agencies, political subdivisions, school districts, and volunteer fire companies.

**CONFIDENTIALITY**

All documents submitted as part of the vendor's bid/proposal will be deemed confidential during the evaluation process. Vendor proposals will not be available for review by anyone other than New Castle County's Evaluation Committee or its designated agents. There shall be no disclosure of any vendor's information to a competing vendor prior to award of the contract.

New Castle County is a public agency and is subject to the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA). State Code Title 29, Chapter 100. Vendor(s) are advised that once a proposal/bid is received by New Castle County and a decision on contract award is made, its contents will become public record, and nothing contained in the proposal will be deemed to be confidential except those proprietary items marked as "trade secrets".

**SUPPLIER DIVERSITY**

New Castle County encourages supplier diversity. Please provide information on your firm's effort to encourage supplier diversity in your workforce and in the selection of sub-contractors.

**MINORITY**



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Minority and Women-owned Business Enterprises (MWBE) will be afforded full opportunity to submit proposals and will not be subject to discrimination on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, religion, age, disability, or sexual orientation in the consideration of this award.

**MATERIAL SAFETY DATA SHEETS (MSDS)**

If required by State or Federal regulations, the awarded vendor must provide the MSDS sheets to the Risk Management Division and to the requesting department.

**REQUIRED INSURANCE**

**Workers' Compensation & Employer's Liability Insurance**

Vendor shall purchase and keep in force and effect workers' compensation insurance that will provide the applicable statutory benefits for all of the vendor's employees who may or do suffer covered injuries or diseases while involved in the performance of their work for the Vendor; and, even if permitted to do so by statute, Vendor shall not reject any workers' compensation insurance option that, in the absence of such a rejection, would be applicable to any of the said employees. The policy providing the workers' compensation insurance shall include: (1) broad form all-states coverage; (2) an endorsement that specifically waives any subrogation rights the insurer would otherwise have against New Castle County, its officials or employees.

Vendor shall purchase and keep in force and effect, Employer's Liability insurance with minimum limits for each employee of \$1,000,000 for each bodily injury by accident, or occupational disease, and \$1,000,000 aggregate minimum limits for all bodily injuries by accidents and occupational diseases within the coverage period, regardless of the number of employees who may sustain bodily injuries by accident or occupational disease.

**Automobile and General Liability Insurance**

Vendor shall purchase: (1) motor vehicle liability coverage, for owned, hired and non-owned vehicles, covering any and all claims for bodily injury and property damage that arise out of Vendor's performance of work for New Castle County, (2) comprehensive Commercial General Liability (CGL) insurance with limits of no less than \$1,000,000 each occurrence and \$2,000,000 annual aggregate. The CGL policy shall be extended by endorsement or otherwise to also



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include (a) coverage for Contractual Liability assumed by Vendor, with defense provided in addition to and separate from policy limits for indemnities of the named insured, (b) coverage for Independent Contractor Liability providing coverage in connection with such portion of the Services being subcontracted prior to any of the Services being subcontracted, in accordance with the terms and conditions of this Agreement, (c) coverage for Broad Form Property Damage Liability, (d) coverage for Personal Injury and Advertiser's Liability, (e) products and completed operations.

( ) Professional Liability Insurance (applicable if checked)

Each vendor of professional services for whom this provision is applicable shall provide professional liability insurance with limits of at least \$1,000,000 per occurrence and \$3,000,000 annual aggregate. All insurance required under this contract except workers' compensation, employer's liability, and professional liability (if applicable) shall be provided on a policy(s) that specifically names New Castle County, its officials and employees as additional insureds. Each policy shall provide an endorsement that specifically waives any subrogation rights the insurer would otherwise have against New Castle County, its officials or employees.

Each policy shall be endorsed to require the insurer to give New Castle County at least thirty (30) days' advance written notice of the insurer's intention to cancel, refuse to renew, or otherwise terminate the policy, suspend or terminate any coverage under the policy, or reduce any policy limits, increase any policy deductibles, or otherwise modify or alter any terms or conditions of the policy or renewal issued by the same insurer.

Each policy shall be written by a carrier licensed by the State of Delaware to do insurance business of the type involved in the State of Delaware, and which has, and maintains for the life of this contract, at least an "A" rating from the A.M. Best Agency with "Stable" outlook. Any change in this rating or outlook must be related to New Castle County by the Vendor or insurance carrier as soon as possible upon learning of same, and the Vendor shall use due diligence with its insurance broker or carrier to keep track of same.

All insurance required under this contract except workers' compensation, employer's liability and professional liability shall expressly provide that such insurance shall be primary insurance, and any similar insurance in the name of Vendor shall be excess and non-contributing.

Deductibles for insurance provided under this contract shall not exceed five percent (5%) of policy limits.



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**DELAWARE LABOR**

New Castle County encourages the use of Delaware Labor. Please specify the office location(s) and percentage of the primary and sub-consultant (if applicable) that will be provided by each office.

**COOPERATIVE CONTINGENCY**

Pursuant to County Code, New Castle County reserves the right to purchase goods, contractual, and professional services from other governments and cooperative purchasing agreements when it is determined by the Office of Technology and Administrative Services to be in the best interest of the County.

**LENGTH OF CONTRACT**

From July 1, 2022 to June 30, 2023 pricing shall be firm for the length of the contract. This contract may be extended for a period of four (4) years, one year at a time, by mutual agreement of both parties.

**ADDITIONS**

New Castle County may require other related services, products, and/or equipment not specifically listed. Vendor may be given the opportunity to provide a quote. Should New Castle County deem the quote to be non-competitive, New Castle County reserves the right to seek proposals from other vendors.

**SUB-CONTRACTING STATEMENT**

Sub-Contracting of the goods and services as listed within this bid/RFP is NOT permitted.



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**PRICING PAGE**

Lump Sum for Easi Set Model Enclosure

Nominal size 12 x 16            \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Lump Sum for Easi Set Model Enclosure

Nominal size 12 x 20            \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Lump Sum for Easi Set Model Enclosure

Nominal size 20 x 20            \$ \_\_\_\_\_



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**REFERENCE DISCLOSURE FORM**

Contractor shall provide information regarding experience in providing Precast Enclosures by listing three (3) most recent clients. Greater emphasis shall be given to experience of the nature of that specified herein. At least one (1) reference must be within the Tri-State area so that, if desired, New Castle County may confirm past performance by a physical site inspection by County staff.

1. Company Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Contact Person: \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_  
Site of Installation: \_\_\_\_\_  
Size of Enclosure: \_\_\_\_\_  
Type: \_\_\_\_\_  
Cost of Project \$ \_\_\_\_\_
  
2. Company Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Contact Person: \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_  
Site of Installation: \_\_\_\_\_  
Size of Enclosure: \_\_\_\_\_  
Type: \_\_\_\_\_  
Cost of Project \$ \_\_\_\_\_
  
3. Company Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Contact Person: \_\_\_\_\_  
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**NON-COLLUSION STATEMENT**

By signing below, the Vendor certifies they have neither directly nor indirectly, entered into any agreement, participated in any collusion or otherwise taken any action in restraint of free competitive bidding in connection with this proposal, and further certifies that it is not a subcontractor to another Vendor who also submitted a proposal as a primary Vendor in response to this solicitation.

**SIGNATURE PAGE**

Company Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Company Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Company Tax ID #: \_\_\_\_\_

Authorized Representative Printed Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Authorized Representative Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Authorized Representative Telephone #: \_\_\_\_\_

Authorized Representative Facsimile #: \_\_\_\_\_  
(if applicable)

Authorized Representative Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

How did you hear about this opportunity? \_\_\_\_\_



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**AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE PROCUREMENT AFFIDAVIT**

**I HEREBY AFFIRM THAT:**

I am the (title) \_\_\_\_\_ and I am duly authorized to represent and bind (business) \_\_\_\_\_ (the "Business"), and that I possess the legal authority to make this Affidavit on behalf of myself and the Business for which I am acting.

**I FURTHER AFFIRM THAT:**

Neither I, nor to the best of my knowledge, information, and belief, the Business, nor any of its officers, directors, partners, members, affiliates, or any of its employees directly involved in obtaining or performing contracts with public bodies has been excluded from receiving Federal contracts, certain subcontracts, and certain Federal financial and non-financial assistance and benefits, pursuant to the provisions of 31 U.S.C. 6101, note, E.O. 12549, E.O. 12689, 48 CFR 9.404, and each agency's codification of the Common Rule for non-procurement suspension and debarment.

I DO SOLEMNLY DECLARE AND AFFIRM UNDER THE PENALTIES OF PERJURY THAT THE CONTENTS OF THIS AFFIDAVIT ARE TRUE AND CORRECT TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE, INFORMATION, AND BELIEF, AFTER DILIGENT INQUIRY.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Authorized Representative and Affiant)

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_