REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

PROPOSAL DUE DATE : 3:00 p.m. MDST April 10, 2023

DESCRIPTION: The Navajo Nation Department of Information Technology (NNDIT) under the Division of General Services is requesting proposals for a Ruckus Wireless Infrastructure. NNDIT is located in Window Rock, AZ.

BID NUMBER : BID NO. 23-03-2990LE

CONTACT PERSON : Alex Largie, Network Manager

Phone Number: (928) 871-6004

Email:

Fax Number: (928) 871-7737

DELIVER TO : Department of Information Technology

P.O. Box 5970

Tribal Hill Drive, Building No. W008-076

Window Rock, AZ 86515

Attn: Alex Largie

REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL Dedicated Internet Access service BID NO. 23-03-2969LE

SECTION I

- A. **ISSUING OFFICE:** This Request for Proposal (RFP) is issued by the Navajo Nation Department of Information Technology (NNDIT), Division of General Services, Navajo Nation, P.O. Box 5970, Window Rock, Arizona. The contact person for this RFP is Mr. Alex Largie, Network Manager, NNDIT.
- B. **PURPOSE:** This RFP provides prospective respondents with sufficient information to enable them to prepare and submit a proposal for consideration.
- C. **SCOPE:** This RFP contains the instructions governing the proposal to be submitted and the material to be included therein; mandatory requirements which must be met to be eligible for consideration; and other requirements to be met by each proposal.
- D. **PROCUREMENT OF RFP:** This procurement shall be conducted in accordance with all applicable Navajo Nation laws and regulations including the <u>Navajo Business Opportunity Act</u> All applicable rules, regulations, and laws shall also be followed. Prospective Vendors shall familiarize themselves with Navajo Nation Procurement Rules and Regulations (<u>BFD-192-03</u>) prior to submitting responses to this RFP, and may download a copy of the regulations from the Office of the Controller website at any time up to the Deadline for Proposals from the following link: <u>Purchasing Section (nnooc.org)</u>

E. SCHEDULE OF ACTIVITIES:

DEADLINE:

Advertisement Date: Proposal Due Date:

March 28, 2023 April 10, 2023

- F. **INQUIRIES:** Prospective respondents shall make written questions concerning this RFP to obtain clarification of requirements through e-mail to Mr. Alex Largie, Network Manager, NNDIT at alex1@navajo-nsn.gov. No inquiries will be accepted after the inquiry deadline listed in section E.
- G. **ADDENDUM OF SUPPLEMENT TO THIS REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS:** In the event that it becomes necessary to revise any part of this RFP, an addendum will be issued.
- H. **PROPOSAL SUBMISSION:** Proposal must be received on or before 3:00 p.m., April 10, 2023 (MDST). Respondents who are mailing their proposals should allow sufficient time for mail delivery to ensure receipt by the time specified. If mailed, it is recommended that proposals be sent by certified mail to the address indicated on the cover sheet of the RFP. **Late proposal will not be accepted.**
- I. FOUR SETS OF THE PROPOSAL ARE REQUIRED: One (1) Original and three (3) copies of the proposal must be delivered in a sealed envelope. Cost proposals must be in a separate envelope and will not be opened until the bidder has met the minimum requirements. The outside of the envelope should be clearly marked with the project name- "Ruckus Wireless Infrastructure BID NO. 23-03-2990LE" and the name and address of the firm submitting the proposal. Proposal not clearly marked will not be accepted. (No exceptions will be made)
- J. **REJECTION OF PROPOSALS:** NNDIT reserves the right to reject any and all proposals. This RFP may be canceled at any time and all proposals may be rejected in whole or in part when the NNDIT Department Director determines it is in the best interest of the Navajo Nation.
- K. **PROPRIETARY INFORMATION:** Any restriction on the use of data contained within any proposals must be clearly stated in the proposal itself. Proprietary information submitted in response to this RFP will be handled in accordance with applicable purchasing procedures. Each and every page of the proprietary material must be labeled or identified with the word "proprietary".
- L. **RESPONSE MATERIAL OWNERSHIP:** All material submitted regarding this RFP shall become the property of The Navajo Nation and will not be returned to the respondent. Responses received will be retained by NNDIT and may be reviewed by any person after final selection has been made, subject to paragraph I above. NNDIT has the right to use any or all system ideas presented in reply to this RFP,

subject to limitations in paragraph I above. Disqualification or non-selection of a respondent or proposal does not eliminate this right.

- M. **INCURRING COSTS:** NNDIT is not liable for any cost by the respondents prior to issuance of a contract.
- N. **ACCEPTANCE TIME:** NNDIT intends to make a vendor selection within four (4) working days after the closing date for receipt of proposals.
- O. **SUFFICIENT APPROPRIATION:** A contract awarded as a result of this RFP is contingent upon the availability of funds. A contract may be terminated or reduced in scope if sufficient funds do not exist. Sending written a notice to the Vendor shall effect such termination or reduction in scope. The NNDIT Department Director's decision to terminate or reduce the scope due to insufficient appropriations shall be accepted as final by the Vendor.
- P. **JOINT PROPOSALS:** Nothing in this RFP shall be construed to prohibit vendors from entering into a consortium for the purpose of offering a proposal in response to this RFP. Parties to a consortium <u>will not</u> be permitted independent, individual proposals in response to this RFP

Q. EVALUATION PROCEDURES AND CRITERIA.

- 1. An evaluation team will judge the proposals received in accordance with the general criteria used herein. Respondents should be prepared to provide any additional information the team feels necessary for the fair evaluation of proposals.
- 2. Failure of a respondent to provide any information requested in the RFP may result in disqualification of the proposal. All proposals must be endorsed with the signature of a responsible official having the authority to bind the respondent to the execution of a contract.
- 3. The sole objective of the review team will be to select the respondent who is most responsive to the needs of NNDIT. The specifications in this RFP represent the minimum performance necessary for a response. On the basis of the evaluation criteria established in this RFP, the review team will select and recommend the respondent who best meets this objective. If there is only one responsive bid, the NNDIT Department Director may elect to evaluate RFP solely.
- 4. Each bid must be accompanied by a letter of transmittal. The letter of transmittal must:
 - Provide Statements of Qualifications.
 - Identify the name of the person responding to the RFP.
 - Identify the name, title, and telephone numbers of person authorized to negotiate on behalf of the organization.
 - Identify the names, and telephone numbers of person to be contacted for clarification.
 - Navajo Preference, Certificate of Eligibility issued by the Navajo Business Regulatory Department.
 - Required insurance documents, i.e. Certificate of Liability Insurance
 - Completed and signed W-9 Form
 - Completed and Signed Navajo Nation Certification Regarding Debarment and Suspension
 - Subcontractors List if any.
 - Explicitly indicate acceptance of the conditions governing this procurement;
 - Be signed by the person responding to the RFP; and
 - Acknowledge receipt of any and all amendments to the RFP.
- Evaluation Criteria: The following criteria will be used by an ad-hoc committee in the selection process for contract award. Vendors and proposals will be evaluated to determine the best opportunity for NNDIT.

| Evaluation Criteria | |
|---|-----|
| Priority 1 or 2 vendor | 5 |
| a. Priority One vendor (5 pts.) | |
| b. Priority Two vendor (3 pts.) | |
| c. Non-Priority vendor (0 pts.) | |
| Letter of Transmittal | 25 |
| a. Provide Statements of Qualifications. | |
| b. Identifying individual(s) as specified above. | |
| c. List of similar services provided to other business customers on Navajo Nation | |
| in proportion to requested Scope of work | |
| Proposed Cost | 70 |
| a. Provide detailed SOW | |
| b. Provide detailed cost: | |
| The cost proposal will be in a separate envelope. | |
| c. Provide qualification credentials. | |
| d. Provide warranty, if applicable | |
| | 100 |

- R. **STANDARD CONTRACT:** The Navajo Nation reserves the right to incorporate standard contract provision into any contract negotiations as a result of a proposal submitted in response to the RFP.
- S. TAX: All appropriate taxes should be included in the cost of services including the Navajo Sales Tax. All work performed within the territorial jurisdiction of the Navajo Nation is subject to the Navajo Sales Tax of 6% (24 N.N.C. Section 601 et. seq.).
- T. TERM: The term of this contract will be for a period of 5 years from the date of award.
- U. **SOVEREIGNTY:** The Navajo Nation will not relinquish any of its sovereignty rights.
- V. COMPLIANCE WITH LAWS AND REGULATIONS: The successful Vendor shall comply with all Federal, Tribal, State, and Local laws, regulations and Navajo Nation rules and policies pertaining to work under its charge, and shall, at its expense, procure any permits that may be required.
- W. **INDEMNIFICATION:** To the fullest extent permitted by law, or as otherwise defined in the Contract, the successful Vendor shall indemnify and hold harmless the Navajo Nation and its officials, employees and agents from and against all claims, liens or demands that result in losses, liabilities, defense costs and expenses (including but not limited to attorney's fees and costs of litigation) arising out of the term, conditions and performance under the contract. The Vendor further agrees to indemnify and hold harmless the Navajo Nation, its agents, or employees, against claims or liability arising from or based upon the violation of any federal, state, county, city, or other applicable laws, bylaws, ordinances, or regulations by the Vendor, its agents, associates, or employees.

The indemnification provided above shall obligate the Vendor to defend at its own expense or to provide for such defense, at the Navajo Nation's option, of any and all claims of liability and all suits and actions of every name and description that may be brought against the Navajo Nation which may result from the operations and activities under any Contract resulting from this RFP.

The award of this Contract to the Vendor shall obligate the Vendor to comply with the foregoing indemnity provision.

SECTION II

A. BACKGROUND

Department of Information Technology is a Navajo Nation Governmental entity chartered to centralize the provision variety of Information Technology services and infrastructure. As a services organization, we regard all Navajo Nation Divisions and Departments as our customers and strive to reach excellence in providing highly available, reliable, and secure IT infrastructure and services.

B. SCOPE OF WORK

NNDIT RFP for wireless infrastructure upgrade to bring the Navajo Nation Government up to the 802.11ac Wave 2 standard. The wireless infrastructure will provide a secure onboard authentication device and users to wireless network. This upgrade includes controllers, access points, design, training, installation, licensing and support. Cable installation will necessary at certain building. The deployment of wireless infrastructure will in Window Rock campus and about eleven remote sites on the reservation.

1: Wireless Controller

- 1. Cloud base controller
- 2. Controller provides central management to all access points.
- 3. Access points must be able to operate if connectivity to the controller is interrupted utilizing AP Survivability for users to continue being authenticated.
- 4. Setup Radius with AD controller for authentication
- 5. Setup secure onboard authentication users and guest
- 6. Setup access point to work with cloud controller
- 7. Setup policies and rules on controller
- 8. Latest controller software
- 9. Register license and support with reseller.
- 10. But not limited to the above tasks

2: Access Points Requirements

- 1. Provide enough 802.11ac Wave 2 access points to adequately cover current and future WiFi demand at each building.
- 2. Access points must be able to handle a significant number of clients without performance degradation.
- 3. Access points must work at 1Gbps speed.
- 4. Access points must be PoE+ compliant.
- 5. Access points should include licensing and support.
- 6. Add estimated range of radio signal.
- 7. But not limited to the above tasks

3: Design and Installation Services

- 1. Install new wireless unit
- 2. Test all wireless equipment
- 3. Provides the best coverage wireless unit in building.
- 4. Setup wireless unit with latest firmware and OS
- 5. Each access point will be label(ed) with room number, and building.
- 6. Analyze existing configuration and make recommendations for optimal performance with new platform.
- 7. Design guest portal authentication, and secure login
- 8. Provide assistance converting existing wireless configuration.
- 9. Provide administrative training to manage wireless system.
- 10. Provide wireless unit built out diagram.

4: Install copper cabling as needed

- 1. Install 30 category 6 plenum cable drop,
 - a. at various MDP and IDF sites as need in the ceiling
- 2. Terminated into existing patch panels.
- 3. Label new wireless cable install.
- 4. Diagram all new drops.

5. Test and certify all new copper cable drop to standard, and test result.

5: Professional Services turn-key implementation

- 1. Onsite Professional Services for a Turn-Key implementation
 - a. Systems plus Physical installation, with above tasks
- 2. Remote Professional Services for systems design and implementation
 - a. Design some of the tasks above,
 - b. Remote support
- 3. But not limited to the above tasks

6. Fixed Fee to include all Travel and Out-of-Pocket Expenses

1. Bidder must include in detail all travel, lodging, meals, materials, any incidentals, out-of-pocket, and other expenses as part of its price proposal. Bidder is to provide documentation substantiating the amount of the fixed fee attributable to travel, out-of-pocket and other expenses, including the estimated number of flights, hotel stay nights or other accommodations used by Bidder to develop the fixed fee.

7: Unforeseen accessory costs

- 1. Mounting brackets, patch cables,
- 2. Services as needed

8: Administration and Wireless unit Training cost as options

- 1. Admin and wireless unit for five individuals
- 2. Online training

9: Bill of Material list:

| Part Number | Description | Qty |
|---------------|---|----------|
| | Wireless Access Points | |
| 901-R350-XX02 | Ruckus R350 dual-band 802.11abgn/ac/ax Wireless Access Points, 2x2:2 streams | 128 |
| | (2.4GHz/5GHz) OFDMA, MU-MIMO, Beam Flex+, 802.3af PoE support. Does not | |
| | include power adapter or PoE injector. Includes Limited Lifetime Warranty | |
| 901-R650-XX00 | Ruckus R650 dual-band 802.11abgn/ac/ax Wireless Access Point with Multi-Gigabit | 2 |
| | Ethernet backhaul, 4x4:4 + 2x2:2 streams, OFDMA, MU-MIMO, Beam Flex+, dual | |
| | ports, PoH/uPoE/802.3at PoE support. Does not include power adapter or PoE injector. | |
| | Includes Limited Lifetime Warranty | |
| 901-R750-XX01 | Ruckus R750 dual-band 802.11abgn/ac/ax Wireless Access Point with Multi-Gigabit | 2 |
| | Ethernet backhaul and onboard BLE/ZIgbee,, 4x4:4 streams (5GHz) 4x4:4 streams | |
| | (2.4GHz), OFDMA, MU-MIMO, Beam Flex+, dual ports, 802.3at PoE support. Does | |
| | not include power adapter or PoE injector. Includes Limited Lifetime Warranty. | |
| 901-T350-XX40 | Ruckus T350d, omni, outdoor access point, 802.11ax 2x2:2 internal Beam Flex+, dual | 8 |
| | band concurrent. One Ethernet port, PoE input, DC input, USB40°C to 65°C Operating | |
| | Temperature. Includes mounting bracket. Does not include PoE injector. | |
| PORT-TRI-9956 | Portable T350d tripod set up for outdoor events | 4 |
| S01-0001-5LSG | Technical Support for WAP - End User WatchDog Support Per SZ/(v)SZ AP, 5 YEARS | 140 |
| | MANAGEMENT | |
| L09-0001-SG00 | AP management license for SZ-100/vSZ 3.X/SCG200/SZ300, 1 Ruckus AP Access | 140 |
| | point. Order this when you intend to run software version from 3.2 onwards. | |
| L09-VSCG-WW00 | Virtual SmartZone 3.0 or newer software virtual appliance, 1 Instance, includes 1 AP | 2 |
| | license, need to purchase RTU support license to continue using vSZ beyond 90 days | |
| | Qty 2 indicates high availability/fail-over configuration. Please install on two separate | |
| | physical servers. | |
| S01-VSCG-5L00 | Technical Support for Virtual SmartZone - End User WatchDog Support - VSZ-RTU, 5 | 2 |
| | YEARS | |
| | CLOUDPATH USER LICENSES AND SERVER (Onboarding & Network Access | |
| | Control) | |
| LS9-CLP5-0999 | 5 YEARS Access to Cloud path on-site software for 1 user, for networks with 100-999 | 800 |
| | total users (unlimited devices per user). Includes maintenance and support. Requires | |
| | minimum of 1 server. Minimum order of 100. This part number is applicable to add-on | |
| | users for existing installations within this user count range. | <u> </u> |
| LS9-vCLP-WW00 | Cloud path base on-site server software as a virtual appliance, one (1) instance license. | 2 |
| | No user licenses included. No support required. Server license is valid as long as user | |

| | licenses are attached to it. Supports 5000 SMS messages per year, per customer.20,000 | |
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| | user licenses per VM. Qty 2 indicates high availability/fail-over configuration. Please | |
| | install on two separate physical servers. | |
| | RUCKUS ANALYTICS | |
| CLD-ANAP-5001 | Ruckus Analytics 5 YEARS subscription for 1 Cloud or SZ managed AP or ICX switch | 140 |

9: Site to install wireless unit:

 27 AP in Window Rock, 4 AP in Tuba City, 2 AP in Dilkon, 3 AP in Shiprock, 7 AP in Chinle, 6 AP in Kayenta, 5 AP in Crownpoint, 2 AP in Ramah, 1 AP in Pinon, 1 AP Twin Arrows, 1 AP in Aneth, 1 AP Pueblo Pintado.

10: Engineer Qualifications:

- 1. Must be experience in RUCKUS implementation and deployment
- 2. List the experience of engineer with Ruckus solution.
- 3. Must have highly qualified network engineers and technicians on staff,
- 4. Ability to meet required deadlines as requested.

C. Vendor select must have Navajo Nation Insurance coverage qualification below:

a. General Conditions: Until final acceptance by the Navajo Nation of the work covered, the Contractor shall procure and maintain at the contractor's expense, insurance of the kinds and in the amounts herein provided. The Insurance shall be provided insurance companies authorized and approve to do business with the Navajo Nation Department of Risk Management and shall cover all operations under the Contract, whether performed by the Contractor, the Contractor's agent or employees, or by subcontractors. All insurance provided shall remain in full force and effect for the entire period of the work, up to and including final acceptance, and the removal of all equipment and employees, agents, and subcontractors therefrom.

The Contractor shall procure and maintain, during the life of this Contract, Workers Compensation, Commercial General Liability, Business Automobile Liability, and Professional Liability Insurance policies including Errors and Omission Insurance. The policies will be written with Navajo Nation as additional insured while acting within the scope of their duties against all claims arising out of, or in connection with, the work to be performed. All insurance documents must include a provision for 30 days written notification to Navajo Nation, Director if a policy has been materially changed or canceled. The Navajo Nation shall be an additional insured and will be written on an occurrence form, and shall provide limits as follows:

| Workers Compensation | Statutory |
|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| EMPLOYERS LIABILITY | \$1,000,000.00 |
| Commercial General Liability | |
| Bodily Injury/Property Damage: | \$1,000,000.00 Each Occurrence |
| | \$2,000,000.00 Aggregate |
| Products/Completed Operations: | \$1,000,000.00 Each Occurrence |
| | \$2,000,000.00 Aggregate |
| Pollution Legal Liability | \$1,000,000.00 Each Occurrence |
| Business Automobile Liability | |
| Combined Single Limit: | \$1,000,000.00 Each Occurrence |

Business Automobile Liability Insurance shall include coverage for use of all owned, non-owned and hired automobiles and vehicles:

Independent Contractors:IncludedContractual Liability:Included

Professional Liability: \$1,000,000.00 Each Occurrence (NOTE: ADD IF APPLICABLE) \$1,000,000.00 Aggregate

The Contractor shall furnish one copy each of Certificates of Insurance herein required for each copy of the Agreement, which shall specifically set forth evidence of all coverage required. If such limits are higher than the minimum limits required by the Navajo Nation, such limits shall be certified and shall apply to the coverage afforded the Navajo Nation under the terms and conditions

of the contract as though required and set forth in the contract. The Contractor shall furnish to the Navajo Nation copies of any endorsement that are subsequently issued amending coverage or limits.

b. Approval of Insurance

Even though a "Notice to Proceed" may have been given by the Navajo Nation, the Contractor or subcontractor(s) shall not begin work under this Contract, or solicitation until the required insurance has been obtained and the proper Certificate of Insurance (or insurance policies) has been filed with the Navajo Nation, adding the Navajo Nation as an additional insured as applicable. Neither approval nor failure to approve certificates, policies, or insurance by the Nation shall relieve the Contractor or subcontractor(s) of full responsibility to maintain the required insurance in full force and effect.

c. Increased Limits

If during the life of this Contract or solicitation, the Legislature of the Navajo Nation increases the maximum limits of the liability under the Tort Claims Act, the Navajo Nation may require the successful Contractor to increase the maximum limits of any insurance required herein. In the event that the successful Contractor is required to increase the limits of such insurance, an appropriate adjustment in the Contract amount will be made.

FORM 1 (ADMINISTRATIVE PURPOSES ONLY)

SERVICES CONTRACT BETWEEN THE NAVAJO NATION AND

| | Consu | ltant's Legal Name (this mus | st match the name on th | ne Contractor's W-9 and Certificate of Insurance) | |
|----------------------|------------|------------------------------|--------------------------|---|--|
| | | Consi | ultant's physical addres | ss, state and zip code | |
| | | | Consultant's telepho | one number | |
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| | EXHIB | IT A – Accounting C | Codes and Budge | t | |
| | EXHIB | IT B – Consultant C | redentials | | |
| | EXHIB | IT C – Certificate of | Insurance | | |
| | EXHIB | IT D – | | | |
| | EXHIB | IT E – | | | |
| Employer's Ide Or | entificati | on No.: | ust match Form W-9 | | |
| Consultant's So | ocial Sec | curity No.: | | | |

<u>ATTACHMENT A – Mutual Promises and Agreements</u>

This Services Contract ("Contract") is made and entered into by and between the Navajo Nation, hereinafter called

| | e "NATION" and, hereinafter |
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| | led the "CONSULTANT." Collectively, the NATION and the CONSULTANT are the "PARTIES." The ARTIES agree as follows: |
| | Contract Term. The NATION agrees to use the non-exclusive services of the CONSULTANT beginning, and ending |
| 2. | <u>Documents Constituting the Contract.</u> The following are to be considered collectively as one agreement/contract and the term Contract whenever used herein shall be deemed to include all such documents: |
| | this ATTACHMENT A – Mutual Promises and Agreements; ATTACHMENT B – Scope of Work ("Scope of Work"); |
| | EXHIBIT A – Accounting Codes and Budget; EXHIBIT B – Consultant Credentials; |
| | EXHIBIT C – Certificate of Insurance; and (where applicable) EXHIBIT D –; and EXHIBIT E – |
| 3. | <u>Scope of Work.</u> The CONSULTANT agrees to perform the services described in ATTACHMENT B – Scope of Work . Any changes to the Scope of Work must be agreed to by the PARTIES through a formal Modification of the Contract pursuant to Paragraph 13 below. |
| 4. | <u>Compensation</u> . The NATION agrees to compensate the CONSULTANT for services performed under this Contract by paying a sum not to exceed \$ |
| 5. | <u> </u> |
| | (Contracting Program), and its Authorized Representative, |
| 6. | <u>Contract Number.</u> Contract Number C shall cover this Contract, and reference to this number shall be made on all invoices submitted by the CONSULTANT to the NATION for payment. |
| 7. | <u>Availability of Funds.</u> The liability of the NATION under this Contract is contingent upon the availability of funds. Pursuant to 2 N.N.C. § 223(B), all contracts shall have sufficient funds available to perform the services under the Contract. |
| 8. | <u>Travel Expenses.</u> The PARTIES recognize that the CONSULTANT may incur reasonable travel expenses in connection with providing services to the NATION . For said travel expenses to be eligible for reimbursement hereunder, the Authorized Representative must approve the travel in writing before said expenses are incurred. |

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9. <u>Consultant is an Independent Contractor.</u> Neither CONSULTANT nor its employees are, or shall be deemed, NATION employees. In its capacity as an independent contractor, CONSULTANT agrees and

represents, and the **NATION** agrees, that **CONSULTANT**: (a) has the sole right to control and direct the means, manner, and method by which the services will be performed; (b) shall utilize its own employees, facilities, equipment, tools, and supplies in performing the services; (c) is not eligible to participate in, and is not eligible for coverage under any **NATION** employee benefit plans or offerings; and (d) is free to make its services available to third parties. Nothing in this Contract shall be construed to create any agency or employment relationship between **CONSULTANT** or any of its employees and the **NATION**. Neither Party shall have any right, power, or authority to assume, create, or incur any expense, liability, or obligation, express or implied, on behalf of the other. The **CONSULTANT** is responsible for payment of all taxes related to this Contract, and except as otherwise provided in Section 18 below, the **NATION** is not responsible for withholding, and shall not withhold, income taxes, FICA, unemployment taxes, or other taxes of any kind from any payment it owes to **CONSULTANT**, nor shall the **NATION** be responsible for remitting the employer's share of employment taxes to federal or state governments.

- 10. <u>The Nation's Ownership of Work Product.</u> The product(s) and title of the **CONSULTANT'S** work and services under this Contract shall be and will remain the property of the **NATION**. The **NATION** may use the work product for any purpose without prior approval or additional payment.
- 11. The Nation's Right to Inspect Place of Business and to Inspect and Audit Books and Records. The CONSULTANT agrees that the NATION may, at reasonable times, inspect the part of the plant or place of business of the CONSULTANT that is related to the performance of this Contract; and CONSULTANT further agrees that the NATION may, at reasonable times and places, inspect and audit the CONSULTANT'S books and records to the extent that such books and records relate to the performance of this Contract. The CONSULTANT shall maintain such books and records, and such books and records of any Subcontractor, for at least five (5) years from the date of final payment under this Contract. Further, CONSULTANT agrees to include in any Subcontractor agreement related to this Contract, provisions that the Subcontractor agrees (a) that the NATION may, at reasonable times, inspect the part of the plant or place of business of the Subcontractor that is related to the performance of this Contract; (b) that the NATION may, at reasonable times and places, inspect and audit the Subcontractor's books and records to the extent that such books and records relate to the performance of this Contract; and (c) that the Subcontractor shall maintain its books and records related to the performance of this Contract for at least five (5) years from the date of the CONSULTANT'S final payment under this Contract.
- 12. <u>Contact Information; Final Invoice.</u> Copies of all correspondence, reports, and invoices under this Contract shall be furnished to:

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13. <u>Indemnification.</u> The **CONSULTANT** agrees to hold harmless and indemnify the **NATION** against any and all losses, costs, damages, claims, accident or injury to person or property including death, attorneys' fees, expenses, and other liability whatsoever (collectively, "Claims"), arising under, related to, or in connection with this Contract, except to the extent such Claims are directly caused by the gross negligence or wanton and willful

- conduct of the **NATION** or to the extent they result from the negligence of **NATION** officials or employees as provided for and in accordance with 1 N.N.C. § 551 *et seq*.
- 14. <u>Modifications.</u> Any modifications to this Contract shall be made only by written amendment, signed and executed by all parties to this Contract. If a cost-based selection method, such as the submission and evaluation of bids, was used to procure this Contract, any amendment to increase this Contract that exceeds twenty percent (20%) of the original accepted bid amount shall be handled pursuant to 2 N.N.C. § 223(F).
- 15. <u>Disputes; No Waiver of Sovereign Immunity.</u> Any and all disputes arising under, related to, or in connection with this Contract will be resolved first through negotiation between the **PARTIES** under the laws of the **NATION**. If negotiation does not resolve the dispute, the **NATION** may pursue legal action. Nothing herein shall be construed as a waiver of the **NATION'S** sovereign immunity.
- 16. <u>Termination</u>. The NATION may terminate this Contract at any time upon ten (10) days advance written notice to the CONSULTANT, in the event that: (a) the NATION, in its sole discretion, determines the CONSULTANT'S work or services provided are not satisfactory; (b) the CONSULTANT fails to submit reports and other documents as requested by the NATION within defined time schedules to the satisfaction of the NATION; (c) the CONSULTANT fails to submit verification of invoices to the NATION for payment to the satisfaction of the NATION; (d) the CONSULTANT is in breach of any material term or condition of this Contract; or (e) funds are not appropriated or otherwise made available to support continuation of this Contract.
- 17. **Applicable Law and Jurisdiction.** The **CONSULTANT** shall comply with all Navajo Nation laws, as they may be amended from time to time, including, but not limited to, the Navajo Business and Procurement Act, 12 N.N.C. § 1501 *et seq.*, the Navajo Preference in Employment Act, 15 N.N.C. § 601 *et seq.*, the Navajo Nation Business Opportunity Act, 5 N.N.C. § 201 *et seq.*, the Navajo Nation Corporation Act, 5 N.N.C. § 3101 *et seq.*, the Navajo Nation Limited Liability Company Act, 5 N.N.C. § 3600 *et seq.*, the Navajo Uniform Commercial Code, 5A N.N.C. § 1-101 *et seq.*, and applicable regulations. The **CONSULTANT** agrees to be subject to the jurisdiction of Navajo Nation courts and tribunals.
- 18. <u>Pre-Contract Costs.</u> Costs incurred before the finalization of this Contract deemed reasonable, allowable, and allocable to performance of the Contract as agreed to by the **PARTIES** may be paid under this Contract.
- 19. Navajo Nation Taxes. The CONSULTANT shall comply with all applicable Navajo Nation tax laws under Title 24 of the Navajo Nation Code and corresponding regulations. The CONSULTANT is subject to and shall be liable for payment of the Navajo Nation Sales Tax, at the prevailing rate, on gross receipts for all work performed within the territorial jurisdiction of the Navajo Nation pursuant to 24 N.N.C. § 601 et seq., and the Navajo Nation Sales Tax Regulations § 6.101 et seq., as amended from time to time, except that work performed within the To'Nanees'Dizi Local Government ("Tuba City Chapter") or the Kayenta Township is subject to their respective local sales taxes as amended from time to time. In addition to being subject to Navajo Nation Sales Tax, the CONSULTANT is subject to local sales tax on gross receipts for all work performed within a governance-certified chapter that imposes a local sales tax pursuant to a duly enacted local tax ordinance and the Uniform Local Tax Code, 24 N.N.C. §150 et seq.

The **CONSULTANT** shall segregate, on each invoice, the work performed within and outside the territorial jurisdiction of the Navajo Nation, and within and outside the jurisdictions of governance-certified chapters that impose a local sales tax. The **NATION** shall withhold from each payment to the **CONSULTANT** the applicable Navajo Nation Sales Tax and/or local sales tax due from the total invoice amount associated with work performed within the Navajo Nation and/or within governance-certified chapters that impose a local sales tax (excluding Tuba City Chapter and Kayenta Township). The amount withheld reflects the Navajo Nation Sales Tax and/or local sales tax due on such invoice amounts. The **NATION** shall transfer the withheld amount to the Office of the Navajo Tax Commission as payment of the Navajo Nation Sales Tax and/or local sales tax on behalf of the **CONSULTANT**. The **CONSULTANT** will then indicate on the quarterly tax return or returns

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required for the Navajo Nation Sales Tax and/or local sales tax that this amount has been previously withheld and paid to the Office of the Navajo Tax Commission. It is hereby acknowledged that the **NATION** withholding amounts pursuant to this section in no way removes responsibility from the **CONSULTANT** as a taxpayer for timely filing of tax returns and timely payment of any other amounts, which may be owed for taxes.

The **CONSULTANT** is subject to the Tuba City Chapter Sales Tax on gross receipts for all work performed within the Tuba City Chapter pursuant to the To'Nanees'Dizi Local Government Tax Code, as may be amended from time to time, and shall pay the sales tax directly to the Tuba City Chapter. The **CONSULTANT** is subject to the Kayenta Township Sales Tax on gross receipts for all work performed within the Kayenta Township pursuant to the Kayenta Township Tax Ordinances, as may be amended from time to time, and shall pay the sales tax directly to the Kayenta Township. The **NATION** shall not withhold this portion of the tax that is directly payable to Tuba City Chapter or Kayenta Township.

The **CONSULTANT** is solely responsible for the payment of all applicable taxes.

- 20. <u>Consultant Debarment; Suspension.</u> If the CONSULTANT in its present form or any other identifiable capacity as an individual, business corporation, partnership or other entity is deemed ineligible, debarred, or suspended pursuant to the Navajo Business and Procurement Act, 12 N.N.C. § 1501 *et seq.* or the Navajo Nation Procurement Act, 12 N.N.C. § 301 *et seq.*, the CONSULTANT is not legally able to enter into this Contract, and this Contract shall be null and void unless the factors that warranted the ineligibility, debarment or suspension have been sufficiently addressed as provided by applicable Navajo Nation laws.
- 21. <u>Insurance Coverage</u>. The **CONSULTANT** shall obtain and maintain adequate insurance coverage as recommended and verified by the Navajo Nation Risk Management Program ("RMP") for the entire term of the Contract. The insurance coverage shall name the **NATION** as an additional insured as specified by the RMP, and the **CONSULTANT** shall notify the contracting program and the RMP, c/o The Navajo Nation, P.O. Box 1690, Window Rock, Arizona 86515, within five (5) days of any change in the insurance policy. Proof of such insurance is attached as **Exhibit C Certificate of Insurance**. The failure to fully comply with this provision shall render this Contract null and void.
- 22. <u>Conflicting and Additional Terms.</u> Any additional terms and conditions of the CONSULTANT are attached hereto and incorporated into this Contract, provided however that in the event of any conflict between the terms and conditions of this Contract and any of the CONSULTANT'S additional terms and conditions, the terms and conditions of this Contract shall control and govern. Any additional terms and conditions not attached to this Contract shall have no force or effect.

SIGNATURES OF THE CONTRACT

| For the Consultant: | | For the Navajo Nation: | |
|---------------------|------|----------------------------|------|
| | Date | Branch Chief | Date |
| | | The Navajo Nation | |
| | | Post Office Box 9000 | |
| | | Window Rock, Arizona 86515 | |

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<u>ATTACHMENT B – Scope of Work (include timeframe)</u>

| FIRM NAME | |
|---------------|--|
| ADDRESS | |
| | |
| TELEPHONE NO. | |

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EXHIBIT A – Accounting Codes and Budget

| FIRM NAME | | |
|------------------------------|---|------------------|
| ADDRESS | | |
| | | |
| TELEPHONE NO. | | |
| | | |
| | ACCOUNTING CODES | |
| Account Number | Account Name | Item Totals |
| - | | \$ |
| - | | \$ |
| - | | \$ |
| | | |
| | TOTAL CONSULTANT FEES AND EXPENSES: | \$ |
| | | |
| | | |
| | ACH A DETAILED BUDGET TO THIS EXHIBIT | |
| | tal must match the totals above and the totals on Page 1 | of the Contract. |
| | | |
| Consider using the SAMPLE FC | DRMULAS below: | |
| - | | |
| - Cost Estimate - Fe | | ¢ |
| | work days or work hours outside the Navajo Nation | |
| | work days or work hours within the Navajo Nation: Navajo Nation tax on fees for work within the Navajo Nation. | |
| 1 ercent | Total F | |
| | | υ |
| – Cost Estimate – Fe | es Travel (miles x \$ per i | mile): \$ |
| | Meals (meals x \$ per i | |
| Lodging (| \$per night xrequired overnight sto | |
| 0. 0 (| Airfare (\$per trip x1 | |
| Mate | rials, supplies, and goods (list each item and associated cost). | _ |
| | Total Fyner | uses: \$ |

EXHIBIT B - Consultant Credentials

| FIRM NAME | |
|---------------|--|
| ADDRESS | |
| | |
| TELEPHONE NO. | |

FOR INTERNAL GUIDANCE ONLY - Include in this section:

- 1. Consultant's current resume. If Consultant is a firm, use the resume of the primary responsible party,
- 2. Signed Navajo Nation Certification Regarding Debarment and Suspension,
- 3. Completed and signed W-9 Form, and
- 4. Any other credentials that are relevant to the work in this contract.

EXHIBIT C - Certificate of Insurance

| FIRM NAME | |
|---------------|--|
| ADDRESS | |
| | |
| TELEPHONE NO. | |

FOR INTERNAL GUIDANCE ONLY - Include in this section:

- 1. The Consultant's Certificate(s) of Insurance, and
- 2. The Risk Management Program's (RMP) signed memorandum indicating that the attached Certificate of Insurance meets RMP's minimum insurance requirements.

NAVAJO NATION CERTIFICATION

Regarding Debarment, Suspension, and Contracting Eligibility

- 1. Applicant entity acknowledges that to the best of its knowledge that the Applicant entity, either in its present form or in any identifiable capacity, has not, in accordance with 12 N.N.C. § 361:
 - A. Been convicted of the commission of criminal offenses incident to obtaining or attempting to obtain a public or private contract or subcontract, or in the performance of any such contract or subcontract;
 - B. Been convicted of embezzlement, theft, forgery, bribery, falsification or destruction of records, receiving stolen property, or other offenses indicating a lack of business integrity or honesty, which currently, seriously, and directly affect responsibility as a Navajo Nation contractor;
 - C. Been convicted under antitrust statutes arising out of the submission of bids or proposals;
 - D. Violated contract provisions, including:
 - i. Deliberate failure, without good cause, to perform in accordance with the contract specifications or within the time limit provided in the contract,
 - ii. A recent record of failure to perform or of unsatisfactory performance with the terms of any contract, or
 - iii. Any other cause so serious and compelling as to affect responsibility as a Navajo Nation contractor, including debarment by another governmental entity.
- 2. Applicant acknowledges that if the Navajo Nation determines that the executed Certification provided herein is untrue or not wholly accurate, it shall be grounds for the Navajo Nation to terminate the contract and pursue other legal remedies, at the Navajo Nation's discretion.
- 3. Applicant certifies to the best of its knowledge that it is eligible to do business with the

Navajo Nation, in its present form or in any other identifiable capacity, pursuant to 12 N.N.C. § 1501 and 5 N.N.C. § 301. Applicant also acknowledges that per 12 N.N.C. § 1505, it will not be eligible to contract with the Navajo Nation if deemed ineligible by the appropriate department or entity of the Navajo Nation which receives the Applicant's request for consideration for a business opportunity.

| Applicant Name | Name of individual signing on Applicant's behalf (print) | | | | |
|-------------------|--|--|--|--|--|
| Applicant Address | Title of individual signing on Applicant's behalf | | | | |
| Applicant Address | Signature of individual signing on Applicant's behalf | | | | |
| Applicant Address | Date | | | | |



Request for Taxpayer Identification Number and Certification

▶ Go to www.irs.gov/FormW9 for instructions and the latest information.

Give Form to the requester. Do not send to the IRS.

| | i Name (as shown on your income tax return). Name is required on this line, do not leave this line blank. | | | | | | | | | |
|--|---|------------------|-----------|---|--------|---|--|--|--|--|
| | 2 Business name/disregarded entity name, if different from above | | | | | | | | | |
| Print or type. See Specific Instructions on page 3. | | | | | | 4 Exemptions (codes apply only to certain entities, not individuals; see instructions on page 3): | | | | |
| | single-member LLC | | | | | Exempt payee code (if any) | | | | |
| | ☐ Limited liability company. Enter the tax classification (C=C corporation, S=S corporation, P=Partnership) ► | | | | | _ | | | | |
| | Note: Check the appropriate box in the line above for the tax classification of the single-member owner. Do not check LLC if the LLC is classified as a single-member LLC that is disregarded from the owner unless the owner of the LLC is another LLC that is not disregarded from the owner for U.S. federal tax purposes. Otherwise, a single-member LLC that is disregarded from the owner should check the appropriate box for the tax classification of its owner. | | | | | Exemption from FATCA reporting code (if any) | | | | |
| eci | ☐ Other (see instructions) ▶ | | (Applie | (Applies to accounts maintained outside the U.S.) | | | | | | |
| Sp | 5 Address (number, street, and apt. or suite no.) See instructions. | Requester's nan | ne and ac | ddress (op | tional | l) | | | | |
| See | | | | | | | | | | |
| 0, | 6 City, state, and ZIP code | | | | | | | | | |
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| | 7 List account number(s) here (optional) | | | | | | | | | |
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| Par | | | | | | | | | | |
| Enter your TIN in the appropriate box. The TIN provided must match the name given on line 1 to avoid Social se | | | | | | | | | | |
| backup withholding. For individuals, this is generally your social security number (SSN). However, for a resident alien, sole proprietor, or disregarded entity, see the instructions for Part I, later. For other | | | | | | | | | | |
| entities, it is your employer identification number (EIN). If you do not have a number, see How to get a | | | | |]] | | | | | |
| TIN, later. or | | | | | | | | | | |
| Note: If the account is in more than one name, see the instructions for line 1. Also see What Name and Number To Give the Requester for guidelines on whose number to enter. | | | | identification number | | | | | | |
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| Par | t II Certification | | | | | | | | | |
| Unde | r penalties of perjury, I certify that: | | | | | | | | | |
| 2. I ar Ser | e number shown on this form is my correct taxpayer identification number (or I am waiting for not subject to backup withholding because: (a) I am exempt from backup withholding, or (b vice (IRS) that I am subject to backup withholding as a result of a failure to report all interest longer subject to backup withholding; and |) I have not bee | n notifie | d by the | Inter | | | | | |
| 3. I ar | n a U.S. citizen or other U.S. person (defined below); and | | | | | | | | | |
| 4. The | e FATCA code(s) entered on this form (if any) indicating that I am exempt from FATCA reporting | na is correct. | | | | | | | | |

Certification instructions. You must cross out item 2 above if you have been notified by the IRS that you are currently subject to backup withholding because you have failed to report all interest and dividends on your tay return. For real estate transactions, item 2 does not apply. For mortgage interest paid

| acquisition | or abandonment of secured p | operty, cancellation of debt, contributions to an individual retirement arrangement (IRA), and generally, payments not required to sign the certification, but you must provide your correct TIN. See the instructions for Part II, later. |
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| Sign Here | Signature of U.S. person ► | Date▶ |

General Instructions

Section references are to the Internal Revenue Code unless otherwise

Future developments. For the latest information about developments related to Form W-9 and its instructions, such as legislation enacted after they were published, go to www.irs.gov/FormW9.

Purpose of Form

An individual or entity (Form W-9 requester) who is required to file an information return with the IRS must obtain your correct taxpayer identification number (TIN) which may be your social security number (SSN), individual taxpayer identification number (ITIN), adoption taxpayer identification number (ATIN), or employer identification number (EIN), to report on an information return the amount paid to you, or other amount reportable on an information return. Examples of information returns include, but are not limited to, the following.

• Form 1099-INT (interest earned or paid)

- Form 1099-DIV (dividends, including those from stocks or mutual funds)
- Form 1099-MISC (various types of income, prizes, awards, or gross proceeds)
- Form 1099-B (stock or mutual fund sales and certain other transactions by brokers)
- Form 1099-S (proceeds from real estate transactions)

- Form 1099-K (merchant card and third party network transactions)
- Form 1098 (home mortgage interest), 1098-E (student loan interest), 1098-T (tuition)
- Form 1099-C (canceled debt)
- Form 1099-A (acquisition or abandonment of secured property)

Use Form W-9 only if you are a U.S. person (including a resident alien), to provide your correct TIN.

If you do not return Form W-9 to the requester with a TIN, you might be subject to backup withholding. See What is backup withholding, later.