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Purchasing Department

REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL NO. 2020-02

TRAVEL AGENCY SERVICES

Section 1. Administrative Overview

1.1 INTRODUCTION

This is a Request for Proposals (RFP) issued by the Central Connecticut State University (hereinafter referred to as the "University" or "CCSU") seeking proposals from experienced and qualified travel agencies to provide travel agency services to CCSU.

1.2 AUTHORITY

This RFP is issued by CCSU under the provisions of the Connecticut General Statutes 4a-52a and 10a-151b.

1.3 RFP ORGANIZATION

This RFP is organized into the following sections:

Section 1, Administrative Overview -- Provides interested parties with general information on the objectives of this RFP, procurement schedule, and procurement overview.

Section 2, Scope of Work/Services Required -- Provides interested parties with a brief description of the University, the objectives of this RFP and a general description of the work involved and/or the required services.

Section 3, Proposal Requirements -- Describes the required format and content for the submission of proposals.

Section 4, Evaluation Criteria -- Describes how proposals will be evaluated by CCSU.

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1.4 SUBMISSION OF QUESTIONS

Contractors may submit questions via email to brodeur@ccsu.edu. The deadline for submission of questions is 4:30 p.m., E.S.T., on August 28, 2019. Any questions and their answers shall be published as an addendum. See section 1.8 for additional information on Addenda.

Under no circumstances may any proposer or its representative contact any employee or representative of the University regarding the RFP or proposals, other than as provided in this section or Section 1.1 prior to the execution of the Contract. Strict adherence to this important procedural safeguard is required.

Any violation of this condition may result in proposer being considered non-compliant and ineligible for award.

1.5 SUBMISSION OF PROPOSALS

Contractors shall submit a clearly marked original plus THREE (3) copies of the proposal. Proposals shall be received by the CCSU Purchasing Department no later than 3:00 p.m. E.S.T., on September 10, 2019, at which time a representative of the Purchasing Department will announce publicly the names of those firms submitting proposals. No other public disclosure will be made until after the award of the contract.

Proposals shall be mailed or delivered to:

Thomas J. Brodeur, C.P.M.
Purchasing Department, Davidson Hall room 22802
Central Connecticut State University
1615 Stanley Street
New Britain, CT 06050-4010

Any proposal received after this date and time shall be rejected.

The outside cover of the package containing the proposal shall be marked:

RFP 2020-02, Travel Agency Services, submitted by (Name of Contractor)

Any RFP proposal received after the date and time stated above will not be considered and will be returned to the vendor unopened. Faxed or Emailed proposals will not be accepted at any time!!

1.6 RFP TERMS AND CONDITIONS

The terms and conditions should be reviewed carefully to ensure full responsiveness to the RFP. The anticipated Contract will be, in form and substance, consistent with applicable University policy and regulations and State of Connecticut statutes and regulations regarding the creation and execution of such Contracts. The failure of any respondent to receive and/or examine the RFP, including all exhibits and attachments, document, form, addenda, or to acquaint itself with conditions there-existing, will not relieve it of any obligation with respect to its proposal or any executed Contract. The submission of a proposal shall be conclusive evidence and understanding of the University's intent to incorporate such terms and conditions into any subsequent Contract.

1.7 DISQUALIFICATION OF PROPOSALS

The University reserves the right to consider as acceptable only those proposals submitted in accordance with all requirements set forth in this RFP and which demonstrate an understanding of the scope of the work. Any proposal offering any other set of terms and conditions contradictory to those included in this RFP may be disqualified without further notice.

A Proposer's proposal may be disqualified for any one or more of the following reasons:

- The proposal shows any noncompliance with applicable law.
- The proposal is conditional, incomplete, or irregular in such a way as to make the proposal indefinite or ambiguous as to its meaning.
- The proposal has any provision affording the Contractor the right to accept or reject award.
- The Contractor is on the State of Connecticut Department of Labor Debarment List (current issue) at any time up to the execution of the Contract.

1.8 ADDENDA TO THIS RFP

CCSU may issue one or more addenda related to this RFP. Such addenda shall be posted at https://biznet.ct.gov/SCP_Search/Default.aspx?AccLast=2 and at <http://www.ccsu.edu/purchasing/currentBids.html>. It shall be the responsibility of prospective proposers and other interested parties to familiarize themselves with the web sites and visit them regularly during the RFP process for updated information or addenda related to this RFP.

Receipt of addenda must be acknowledged by each proposer, and the failure of a proposer to acknowledge any addendum shall not relieve the Proposer of the responsibility for complying with the terms thereof. All addenda must be signed by an authorized respondent representative and returned with the proposal on or before the proposal opening date and time.

This process is intended to ensure that all vendors have equal access to information relative to this RFP. No information communicated verbally shall be effective unless confirmed by written communication from the CCSU Purchasing Department.

1.9 RIGHTS RESERVED

CCSU reserves the right to award in part, to reject any and all proposals, in whole or in part, and to waive technical defects, irregularities and omissions if, in its judgment, the best interest of CCSU will be served. Should CCSU determine that only one Bidder is fully qualified, or that one Bidder is more highly qualified than the others under consideration, a contract may be negotiated and awarded to that bidder. The awarded document will be a contract incorporating by reference all requirements, terms and conditions of the solicitation and the awarded contractor's proposal as negotiated.

1.10 CONTRACT and PURCHASE ORDER

CCSU shall enter into a Contract with the awarded contractor for the services described herein. All provisions of this Request for Proposal and the successful proposal, as mutually agreed upon by subsequent negotiation, provide the specifications for, and obligations of both parties to be executed by any duly authorized representative(s). This Request for Proposal and the successful proposal will constitute the fundamental outline of the awarded contract.

See Attachment A, for "Draft Boiler Plate Contract Language

After a contract has been executed, CCSU shall issue a Purchase Order to the awarded contractor which will serve as the financial vehicle for submittal of, and payment of, invoices for services rendered.

1.11 INSPECTION OF PROPOSALS and CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION

Proposals may be available for public inspection after the contract is signed by all parties. Information marked as "confidential" in any proposal shall be honored as such, to the extent allowable under the Freedom of Information Act.

The University treats Proposals as confidential until after the award is issued. At that time they become subject to disclosure under the Freedom of Information Act. If a respondent wishes to supply any information, which it believes is exempt from disclosure under the Act that respondent should summarize such information in a separate envelope and each page submitted should clearly state "Confidential," but otherwise be presented in the same manner as the Proposal. However, any such information is provided entirely at the respondent's own risk and the University assumes no liability for any loss or damage which may result from the University's disclosure at any time of any information provided by the respondent in connection with its proposal.

1.12 NONDISCRIMINATION STATEMENT

Central Connecticut State University is an affirmative action equal opportunity institution. The University will not knowingly do business with any bidder, contractor, subcontractor or supplier of materials found to be in violation of any state or federal antidiscrimination law.

1.13 TERM OF CONTRACT

The initial term of the contract shall be for five (5) years beginning with acceptance by both parties of the signed contract award. Anticipated start date is January 1, 2020.

1.14 CONTRACT EXTENSION

The State of Connecticut Board of Regents for Higher Education governs the four CT State Universities (including CCSU), the twelve CT Community Colleges, and Charter Oak State College. CCSU reserves the right, with the mutual agreement of the contractor(s), to extend the terms of this RFP and the resulting contracts to the other three universities in the CT State University system, the twelve CT Community Colleges and Charter Oak State College

1.15 CONTRACT EXCLUSIVITY

Any contract resulting from this RFP will not be an exclusive contract. The University will reserve the right to procure similar or related services in any manner deemed by the University to be in its own best interest.

1.16 RFP TERMS AND CONDITIONS

The terms and conditions should be reviewed carefully to ensure full responsiveness to the RFP. The anticipated agreements will be, in form and substance, consistent with applicable University policy and regulations and State of Connecticut statutes and regulations regarding the creation and execution of such contracts. The failure of any respondent to receive or examine any contract, document, form, addenda or to visit the sites and acquaint itself with conditions there-existing, will not relieve it of any obligation with respect to its proposal or any executed contract. The submission of a proposal shall be conclusive evidence and understanding of the University's intent to incorporate such terms and conditions into the subsequent contracts.

1.17 ADVERTISING

In submitting a proposal, the Vendor agrees, unless specifically authorized in writing by an authorized representative of CCSU on a case by case basis, that it shall have no right to use, and shall not use, the name of Central Connecticut State University, its officials or employees, or the Seal of the University, a) in any advertising, publicity, promotion; nor b) to express or imply any endorsement of agency's services; nor c) to use the name of the state, its officials or employees or the University seal in any manner (whether or not similar to uses prohibited by subparagraphs (a) and (b) above) except only to manufacture and deliver in accordance with this agreement such services as are hereby contracted by the University.

1.18 IMMUNITY FROM LIABILITY

Every person who is a party to this agreement is hereby notified and agrees that the University is immune from liability and suit for or from vendor's activities involving third parties and arising from any contract resulting from this Request for Proposal.

1.19 PREVAILING LAW

The terms and provisions of this Request for Proposal, and any ensuing contract, shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of Connecticut.

1.20 SUSTAINABILITY and GREEN CAMPUS INITIATIVE

In the interest of supporting CCSU's initiative to reduce waste and extraneous use of natural resources, CCSU is requesting the following –

- All proposals should be submitted on two-sided recycled paper where possible.
- Proposers should refrain from using excessive and unnecessary packaging when shipping or mailing their responses.
- Proposers should refrain from using superfluous binders where possible, especially for the copies being requested.
- Proposers should consider presenting peripheral information (i.e. company and product brochures) on CD or DVD where possible or practical.

1.21 EXECUTIVE ORDERS

The Contract is subject to the provisions of Executive Order No. Three of Governor Thomas J. Meskill, promulgated June 16, 1971, concerning labor employment practices, Executive Order No. Seventeen of Governor Thomas J. Meskill, promulgated February 15, 1973, concerning the listing of employment openings and Executive Order No. Sixteen of Governor John G. Rowland promulgated August 4, 1999, concerning violence in the workplace, all of which are incorporated into and are made a part of the Contract as if they had been fully set forth in it. At the Contractor's request, the Client Agency shall provide a copy of these orders to the Contractor. The Contract may also be subject to Executive Order No. 7C of Governor M. Jodi Rell, promulgated July 13, 2006, concerning contracting reforms and Executive Order No. 14 of Governor M. Jodi Rell, promulgated April 17, 2006, concerning procurement of cleaning products and services, in accordance with their respective terms and conditions.

Section 2. Scope of Work

2.1 BACKGROUND

CCSU is one of four universities in the Connecticut State University system, the others being Eastern Connecticut State University in Willimantic, CT., Southern Connecticut State University in New Haven, CT., and Western Connecticut State University, in Danbury, CT. Founded in 1849, CCSU is the oldest public institution of higher education in Connecticut. In the fall semester of 2018, the University enrolled 11,822 students.

CCSU's Center for International Education (CIE) coordinates the University's short and long term international study abroad program, which also enrolls students from the other colleges and universities within the State of Connecticut Board of Regents for Higher Education system. The CIE, working in close cooperation

with faculty members, develops, manages, and implements 25 – 35 short term (10 – 30 days) course abroad programs throughout the year. Over the past 5 years these programs have enrolled an average of 250 students annually. For more information on CIE please visit <http://www.ccsu.edu/cie/default.htm>

The University organizes approximately \$1,000,000 of travel services per year in support of course abroad programs. This figure is only an estimate and is in no way a commitment by the University to any annual volume of purchases. This information is provided for informational purpose only and should not be construed as a commitment by the University to purchase any specified quantities.

2.2 OBJECTIVES

The University seeks to streamline the international travel arrangement process, lower costs for course abroad programs, provide more customized services, take advantage of state-of-the-art technology and technological advances in the field of travel services, and improve information management. The purpose of this RFP is to establish a contract or contracts with a company or companies that will meet the course abroad travel service needs of CCSU.

To that end, although a general format of the evaluation criteria is included herein, all respondents are encouraged to prepare a proposal utilizing creativity and imagination, which in your professional opinion would assist the University in accomplishing its goal.

CCSU reserves the right to issue a single award or multiple awards based on RFP responses and whatever is deemed to be in the best interest of the university.

2.3 SERVICES REQUIRED

The University is interested in establishing a contract or contracts with a firm or firms who will, at a minimum:

- A. Provide quotations and make bookings for international group travel (i.e., airfare, hotel/guest house accommodations, ground transportation, tours, entrance fees, etc) for University faculty, professional staff and students traveling on course aboard programs, ensuring the most favorable rate. Quotes must clearly detail the full cost including any fees & taxes, and all details of the cancellation policies.
- B. Provide detailed travel itineraries for each participant and the group leader.
- C. Provide tickets (electronic or paper) and/or travel vouchers for domestic and international air travel. All charges will be made directly to the University.
- D. Accept electronic (ACH) payments from CCSU

Section 3. Proposal Requirements

3.1 RESPONSE FORMAT REQUIREMENTS

All proposals must include a point-by-point response to the requirements of Section 3.2 in this RFP. Each response must be cross-referenced to the corresponding numbered item in this RFP and described in as much detail as possible.

Failure to respond to all points may be grounds for rejection. Likewise, failure to supply any information required to accompany the proposals may cause a rejection of the proposal as non-compliant. The University reserves the right to request additional information and/or presentations, if clarification is needed.

NOTE: Unnecessarily elaborate brochures and other presentations, beyond those sufficient to present a complete and effective proposal, are neither necessary nor desired.

3.2 SPECIFIC PROPOSAL RESPONSES

The following response requirements are to be addressed in the Vendor's response.

1. Provide a brief description of your firm and its experience in making group travel arrangements. Include description of current client base, name(s) of owner(s) and/or principal officer(s), date of incorporation and IOTA number
2. Describe the firm's office hours and days of operation and describe how agency representatives in the US or abroad can be contacted outside of normal business hours.
3. List insurers and amounts of coverage carried by your agency for business liability.
4. List affiliations with professional travel associations.
5. Describe your agency's data security practices. What is your procedure for protecting Personally Identifiable Information (i.e. passport information) and ensuring its proper destruction after it has served its purpose?
6. Provide information on any value-added services that would distinguish your company from your competitors, or unique services or offerings, such as franchise agreements, that may be of value or interest to CCSU.
7. Describe your company's fee structure (i.e., ticketing and alternate service fees). Include information on any rebate programs that may be available to CCSU.
8. Does your agency provide flight insurance?? In what amount and at what cost?
9. Does your agency "specialize" in travel to or within any countries, continents or other geographic areas? Please explain.
10. Can your agency begin providing services immediately upon contact award?
11. Does your company accept electronic (ACH) payments?

3.3 REFERENCES

Provide a listing of references from current or former clients at institutions to whom the bidder has provided similar services as described in this RFP, particularly references from other higher education organizations of similar size to CCSU. Use Appendix I

Section 4. Bid Evaluation Criteria

Evaluation – The award of this RFP will be based upon a comprehensive review and analysis of all proposals by the RFP committee, and negotiation of the proposal which best meets the needs of the University. The contract award will be based on a points-earned matrix derived from a service and financial evaluation.

The award shall be made to the most responsive bidder(s) offering the best value as determined by the University. All Vendors submitting proposals concur with this method of award and will not, under any circumstances or in any manner, dispute any award made using this method.

The University will include in its evaluation: proposals, presentations (if requested), references and interviews.

All proposals will be evaluated by a committee, which will use the specific evaluation criteria listed below. Proposals will be evaluated as to the vendor's response to the following criteria:

Criteria

1. Qualifications and Experience

- Prior Experience including References

- Qualifications of staff and dedicated agent or primary point of contact
- Current clients list
- Demonstrated ability to provide travel agent services as described herein to a university.

2. Proposed Solution

- Vendor's ability to establish the University's confidence that their proposal will meet university expectations and the requirements described herein
- Demonstrated ability to improve service and convenience to University travelers
- Supplemental services which would benefit the University

3. Fee Structure, including overall ability to reduce the University's travel costs

Information Required: Proposals should be presented by following the paragraph and numbering scheme of the RFP and provide the RFP statement as well as the response. Vendors should avoid simple statements such as "Will Comply" or "Yes", and explain answers in full.

Supplemental Information: As part of the weighted average review, the University may request the Vendor to supply, in writing, clarifications, additional documentation or information needed to fairly evaluate each proposal.

Presentations: The University reserves the right, but is not obligated, to request that each proponent provide a formal presentation of its proposal at a date and time to be determined. If required by the University, it is anticipated that such presentation will not exceed two (2) hours. No proposer will be entitled to be present during, or otherwise receive any information regarding, any other presentation of any other proposer.

Review of References: Each proposer is required to provide a list of references as requested above with which it has provided services similar to the one in this RFP. Please include name, title, and telephone number of a contact person at each institution. The University reserves the right, but is not obligated to, contact any organization or institution and review the system installed and implemented by any proposer as a reference.

Supplier Representatives: Proposer must identify the people it anticipates representing the Vendor in developing and implementing the Agreement. The University may conduct interviews with identified supplier representatives as a part of its evaluation process.

The University will include in its evaluation: proposals, presentations (if requested), references and interviews. In addition, the award will be predicated upon the successful negotiation of specific terms and conditions on any resulting award or Purchase Order. The University will be the sole judge of the suitability of the proposed Agreement.

Requests for Clarification by the University: The University may request that any proponent clarify or supplement any information contained in any Proposal. Proposers are required to provide a written response within ten (10) business days of receipt of any request for clarification by the University.

Elaborate Brochures: Unnecessarily elaborate brochures and other presentations, beyond those sufficient to present a complete and effective proposal, are neither necessary nor desired.

Appendix I. REFERENCES

Proposals should include five organizations or institutions, of similar or the same size, where your organization has provided services similar to the services you are proposing for CCSU.

Any experience with ANY Connecticut State agency MUST be included here.

Please include name, title, telephone number and e-mail address of a contact person at each institution. **References may be checked electronically; the requirement for e-mail addresses is a mandatory requirement.**

References:	Institution	Contact	Telephone No.
Reference #1	_____	_____	_____
E-mail:	_____		
Reference #2	_____	_____	_____
E-mail:	_____		
Reference #3	_____	_____	_____
E-mail:	_____		
Reference #4	_____	_____	_____
E-mail:	_____		
Reference #5	_____	_____	_____
E-mail:	_____		

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Appendix II. INSTRUCTIONS TO PROPOSERS

- A. Proposals must be addressed and delivered to the Purchasing Department, Central Connecticut State University, Davidson Hall room 22802, 1615 Stanley Street, New Britain, CT 06050, on or before the time and date set for closing. Proposals should be in a sealed envelope marked:

Name of Proposer:
Title of Proposal: Travel Agency Services
RFP Number: 2020-02
Proposal Due Date: 3:00 P.M., July 30, 2014

No telephone, telegraphic or facsimile proposals will be considered.

- B. Proposals should include one (1) original (signed in ink) and three (3) copies.
- C. Proposers may withdraw their proposals at any time prior to the time and date set for opening.
- D. No department, school, or office at the University has the authority to solicit or receive official proposals other than the Purchasing Department. All solicitation is performed under the direct supervision of the Purchasing Department and in complete accordance with University policies and procedures.
- E. The University reserves the right to conduct discussions with proposers. During this discussion period, the University will not disclose any information derived from the proposals or from discussions with other proposers. Once an award is made, the solicitation file, and the proposals contained therein, are in the public record and will be disclosed upon request.
- F. Submission of a proposal against this RFP is your acknowledgement that subjective criteria will be used in the evaluation of proposals. Award shall be made to the responsible proposer who is determined to be the most advantageous to the University. Price, although an important consideration, will not be the sole determining factor.
- G. Proposals must be provided on the Proposal Certification page. Proposals on any other form will be considered informal and will be rejected. Conditional proposals will not be considered. All proposals must be signed by an individual authorized to extend a formal proposal. Proposals that are not signed may be rejected.
- H. The University reserves the right to reject any or all proposals or any part thereof, or to accept any proposal, or any part thereof, or to withhold the award and to waive or decline to waive irregularities in any proposal when it determines that it is in its best interest to do so. The University also reserves the right to hold all proposals for a period of 60 days after the opening date and the right to accept a proposal not withdrawn before the scheduled opening date.
- I. All proposals in response to this RFP are to be the sole property of the State and subject to the provisions of section 1-19 of the Connecticut General Statutes. (re: Freedom of Information)

- J. Any alleged oral agreement or arrangement made by a vendor with any agency or employee will be superseded by the written agreement.
- K. CCSU reserves the right to correct clerical errors in the RFP or vendor proposal.
- L. No additions or changes to the original proposal will be allowed after submittal. While changes are not permitted, clarification at the request of the agency may be required at the bidder's expense.
- M. Direct all inquiries relative to the conditions and specifications listed herein and any and all other communication related to this RFP to:

Thomas J. Brodeur, C.P.M.
Director of Purchasing
Davidson Hall room 22802
New Britain CT 06050
Phone: (860) 832-2531
Fax: (860) 832-2523
Email: brodeur@ccsu.edu

Appendix III. PROPOSAL CERTIFICATION

PROPOSERS – SIGN AND SUBMIT THIS CERTIFICATION WITH PROPOSAL.

I certify that:

- this proposal is a legal and binding offer and I have the authority to bind the proposer indicated below to the specific terms, conditions and technical specifications required in this RFP and offered in the proposer's proposal. I understand that by submitting this proposal, the proposer indicated below agrees to provide the services described in the proposal.
- the contents of the proposal are true and accurate and that the proposer has not made any knowingly false statements in the proposal.
- the proposal has been developed independently, without consultation or communication with any employee or consultant of CCSU who has worked on the development of this RFP, or with any person serving as a member of the evaluation committee, or with any other proposer or parties for the purpose of restricting competition.
- this bid is genuine and is not made in the interest of or on behalf of any undisclosed person, firm or corporation; that the proposer has not directly or indirectly induced or solicited any other proposer to put in a false or sham bid; that the proposer has not solicited or induced any person, firm or corporation to refrain from bidding; and that the proposer has not sought by collusion to obtain any advantage over any other proposer or over the University.
- we have read and understood the RFP and have submitted our proposal in accordance with the terms and conditions of the proposal specifications and agree to fulfill our legal obligations pursuant to the attached contractual provisions.

(firm)

(phone no.)

(address)

(email)

(address)

(federal I. D. no. or SSN)

(signature)

(date)

(print name)

(title)

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Appendix IV. REQUIRED FORMS
COMMISSION ON HUMAN RIGHTS AND OPPORTUNITIES
CONTRACT COMPLIANCE REGULATIONS
NOTIFICATION TO BIDDERS (rev 09/17/07)

The contract to be awarded is subject to contract compliance requirements mandated by Sections 4a-60 and 4a-60a of the Connecticut General Statutes; and, when the awarding agency is the State, Sections 46a-71(d) and 46a-81i(d) of the Connecticut General Statutes. There are Contract Compliance Regulations codified at Section 46a-68j-21 through 43 of the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies, which establish a procedure for awarding all contracts covered by Sections 4a-60 and 46a-71(d) of the Connecticut General Statutes.

According to Section 46a-68j-30(9) of the Contract Compliance Regulations, every agency awarding a contract subject to the contract compliance requirements has an obligation to “aggressively solicit the participation of legitimate minority business enterprises as bidders, contractors, subcontractors and suppliers of materials.” “Minority business enterprise” is defined in Section 4a-60 of the Connecticut General Statutes as a business wherein fifty-one percent or more of the capital stock, or assets belong to a person or persons: “(1) Who are active in daily affairs of the enterprise; (2) who have the power to direct the management and policies of the enterprise; and (3) who are members of a minority, as such term is defined in subsection (a) of Section 32-9n.” “Minority” groups are defined in Section 32-9n of the Connecticut General Statutes as “(1) Black Americans . . . (2) Hispanic Americans . . . (3) persons who have origins in the Iberian Peninsula . . . (4) Women . . . (5) Asian Pacific Americans and Pacific Islanders; (6) American Indians . . .” An individual with a disability is also a minority business enterprise as provided by Section 4a-60g of the Connecticut General Statutes. The above definitions apply to the contract compliance requirements by virtue of Section 46a-68j-21(11) of the Contract Compliance Regulations.

The awarding agency will consider the following factors when reviewing the bidder’s qualifications under the contract compliance requirements:

- (a) the bidder’s success in implementing an affirmative action plan;
- (b) the bidder’s success in developing an apprenticeship program complying with Sections 46a-68-1 to 46a-68-17 of the Administrative Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies, inclusive;
- (c) the bidder’s promise to develop and implement a successful affirmative action plan;
- (d) the bidder’s submission of employment statistics contained in the “Employment Information Form”, indicating that the composition of its workforce is at or near parity when compared to the racial and sexual composition of the workforce in the relevant labor market area; and
- (e) the bidder’s promise to set aside a portion of the contract for legitimate minority business enterprises. See Section 46a-68j-30(10)(E) of the Contract Compliance Regulations.

INSTRUCTIONS AND OTHER INFORMATION

The following two (2) sided BIDDER CONTRACT COMPLIANCE MONITORING REPORT must be completed in full, signed, and submitted with the bid for this contract. The contract awarding agency and the Commission on Human Rights and Opportunities will use the information contained thereon to determine the bidders compliance to Sections 4a-60 and 4a-60a CONN. GEN. STAT., and Sections 46a-68j-23 of the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies regarding equal employment opportunity, and the bidders good faith efforts to include minority business enterprises as subcontractors and suppliers for the work of the contract.

1) **Definition of Small Contractor**

Section 4a-60g CONN. GEN. STAT. defines a small contractor as a company that has been doing business under the same management and control and has maintained its principal place of business in Connecticut for a one year period immediately prior to its application for certification under this section, had gross revenues not exceeding ten million dollars in the most recently completed fiscal year, and at least fifty-one percent of the ownership of which is held by a person or persons who are active in the daily affairs of the company, and have the power to direct the management and policies of the company, except that a nonprofit corporation shall be construed to be a small contractor if such nonprofit corporation meets the requirements of subparagraphs (A) and (B) of subdivision 4a-60g CONN. GEN. STAT.

2) Description of Job Categories (as used in Part IV Bidder Employment Information) (Page 2)

MANAGEMENT: Managers plan, organize, direct, and control the major functions of an organization through subordinates who are at the managerial or supervisory level. They make policy decisions and set objectives for the company or departments. They are not usually directly involved in production or providing services. Examples include top executives, public relations managers, managers of operations specialties (such as financial, human resources, or purchasing managers), and construction and engineering managers.

BUSINESS AND FINANCIAL OPERATIONS: These occupations include managers and professionals who work with the financial aspects of the business. These occupations include accountants and auditors, purchasing agents, management analysts, labor relations specialists, and budget, credit, and financial analysts.

MARKETING AND SALES: Occupations related to the act or process of buying and selling products and/or services such as sales engineer, retail sales workers, and sales representatives including wholesale.

LEGAL OCCUPATIONS: In-House Counsel who is charged with providing legal advice and services in regards to legal issues that may arise during the course of standard business practices. This category also includes assistive legal occupations such as paralegal, legal assistants.

COMPUTER SPECIALISTS: Professionals responsible for the computer operations within a company are grouped in this category. Examples of job titles in this category include computer programmers, software engineers, database administrators, computer scientists, systems analysts, and computer support specialists.

ARCHITECTURE AND ENGINEERING: Occupations related to architecture, surveying, engineering, and drafting are included in this category. Some of the job titles in this category include electrical and electronic engineers, surveyors, architects, drafters, mechanical engineers, materials engineers, mapping technicians, and civil engineers.

OFFICE AND ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT: All clerical-type work is included in this category. These jobs involve the preparing, transcribing, and preserving of written communications and records; collecting accounts; gathering and distributing information; operating office machines and electronic data processing equipment; and distributing mail. Job titles listed in this category include telephone operators, bill and account collectors, customer service representatives, dispatchers, secretaries and administrative assistants, computer operators and clerks (such as payroll, shipping, stock, mail and file).

BUILDING AND GROUNDS CLEANING AND MAINTENANCE: This category includes occupations involving landscaping, housekeeping, and janitorial services. Job titles found in this category include supervisors of landscaping or housekeeping, janitors, maids, grounds maintenance workers, and pest control workers.

CONSTRUCTION AND EXTRACTION: This category includes construction trades and related occupations. Job titles found in this category include boilermakers, masons (all types), carpenters, construction laborers, electricians, plumbers (and related trades), roofers, sheet metal workers, elevator installers, hazardous materials removal workers, paperhangers, and painters. Paving, surfacing, and tamping equipment operators; drywall and ceiling tile installers; and carpet, floor and tile installers and finishers are also included in this category. First line supervisors, foremen, and helpers in these trades are also grouped in this category.

INSTALLATION, MAINTENANCE AND REPAIR: Occupations involving the installation, maintenance, and repair of equipment are included in this group. Examples of job titles found here are heating, ac, and refrigeration mechanics and installers; telecommunication line installers and repairers; heavy vehicle and mobile equipment service technicians and mechanics; small engine mechanics; security and fire alarm systems installers; electric/electronic repair, industrial, utility and transportation equipment; millwrights; riggers; and manufactured building and mobile home installers. First line supervisors, foremen, and helpers for these jobs are also included in the category.

MATERIAL MOVING WORKERS: The job titles included in this group are Crane and tower operators; dredge, excavating, and lading machine operators; hoist and winch operators; industrial truck and tractor operators; cleaners of vehicles and equipment; laborers and freight, stock, and material movers, hand; machine feeders and offbearers; packers and packagers, hand; pumping station operators; refuse and recyclable material collectors; and miscellaneous material moving workers.

PRODUCTION WORKERS: The job titles included in this category are chemical production machine setters, operators and tenders; crushing/grinding workers; cutting workers; inspectors, testers sorters, samplers, weighers; precious stone/metal workers; painting workers; cementing/gluing machine operators and tenders; etchers/engravers; molders, shapers and casters except for metal and plastic, and production workers.

3) Definition of Racial and Ethnic Terms (as used in Part IV Bidder Employment Information)

White (not of Hispanic Origin)- All persons having origins in any of the original peoples of Europe, North Africa, or the Middle East.

Black (not of Hispanic Origin)- All persons having origins in any of the Black racial groups of Africa.

Hispanic-All persons of Mexican, Puerto Rican, Cuban, Central or South American, or other Spanish culture or origin regardless of race.

Asian or Pacific Islander- All persons having origins in any of the original peoples of the Far East, Southeast Asia, the Indian subcontinent, or the Pacific Islands. This area includes China, India, Japan, Korea, the Philippine Islands, and Samoa.

American Indian or Alaskan Native- All persons having origins in any of the original peoples of North America, and who maintain cultural identification through tribal affiliation or community recognition.

BIDDER CONTRACT COMPLIANCE MONITORING REPORT (Page 3)

PART I - Bidder Information

Company Name Street Address City & State Chief Executive	Bidder Federal Employer Identification Number _____ Or Social Security Number _____
Major Business Activity (brief description)	Bidder Identification (response optional/definitions on page 1) -Bidder is a small contractor. Yes___ No___ -Bidder is a minority business enterprise Yes___ No___ (If yes, check ownership category) Black___ Hispanic___ Asian American___ American Indian/Alaskan Native___ Iberian Peninsula___ Individual(s) with a Physical Disability___ Female___
Bidder Parent Company (If any)	-Bidder is certified as above by State of CT Yes___ No___
Other Locations in Ct. (If any)	- DAS Certification Number _____

PART II - Bidder Nondiscrimination Policies and Procedures

1. Does your company have a written Affirmative Action/Equal Employment Opportunity statement posted on company bulletin boards? Yes___ No___	7. Do all of your company contracts and purchase orders contain non-discrimination statements as required by Sections 4a-60 & 4a-60a Conn. Gen Stat.? Yes___ No___
2. Does your company have the state-mandated sexual harassment prevention in the workplace policy posted on company bulletin boards? Yes___ No___	8. Do you, upon request, provide reasonable accommodation to employees, or applicants for employment, who have physical or mental disability? Yes___ No___
3. Do you notify all recruitment sources in writing of your company's Affirmative Action/Equal Employment Opportunity employment policy? Yes___ No___	9. Does your company have a mandatory retirement age for all employees? Yes___ No___
4. Do your company advertisements contain a written statement that you are an Affirmative Action/Equal Opportunity Employer? Yes___ No___	10. If your company has 50 or more employees, have you provided at least two (2) hours of sexual harassment training to all of your supervisors? Yes___ No___ NA___
5. Do you notify the Ct. State Employment Service of all employment openings with your company? Yes___ No___	11. If your company has apprenticeship programs, do they meet the Affirmative Action/Equal Employment Opportunity requirements of the apprenticeship standards of the Ct. Dept. of Labor? Yes___ No___ NA___
6. Does your company have a collective bargaining agreement with workers? Yes___ No___ 6a. If yes, do the collective bargaining agreements contain non-discrimination clauses covering all workers? Yes___ No___ 6b. Have you notified each union in writing of your commitments under the nondiscrimination requirements of contracts with the state of Ct? Yes___ No___	12. Does your company have a written affirmative action Plan? Yes___ No___ If no, please explain. <hr/> 13. Is there a person in your company who is responsible for equal employment opportunity? Yes___ No___ If yes, give name and phone number.

Part III - Bidder Subcontracting Practices

1. Will the work of this contract include subcontractors or suppliers? Yes___ No___
 - 1a. If yes, please list all subcontractors and suppliers and report if they are a small contractor and/or a minority business enterprise. (defined on page 1 / use additional sheet if necessary)
 - 1b. Will the work of this contract require additional subcontractors or suppliers other than those identified in 1a. above? Yes___ No___
- PLEASE COMPLETE REVERSE SIDE

JOB CATEGORY *	OVERALL TOTALS	WHITE (not of Hispanic origin)		BLACK of Hispanic (origin)		HISPANIC		ASIAN or PACIFIC ISLANDER		AMERICAN INDIAN or ALASKAN NATIVE	
		Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
Management											
Business & Financial Ops											
Marketing & Sales											
Legal Occupations											
Computer Specialists											
Architecture/Engineering											
Office & Admin Support											
Bldg/ Grounds Cleaning/Maintenance											
Construction & Extraction											
Installation , Maintenance & Repair											
Material Moving Workers											
Production Occupations											
TOTALS ABOVE											
Total One Year Ago											
FORMAL ON THE JOB TRAINEES (ENTER FIGURES FOR THE SAME CATEGORIES AS ARE SHOWN ABOVE)											
Apprentices											
Trainees											

* NOTE: Job categories can be changed or added to (ex. Sales can be added or replace a category not used in your company)
PART V - Bidder Hiring and Recruitment Practices

1. Which of the following recruitment sources are used by you? (Check yes or no, and report percent used)				2. Check (X) any of the below listed requirements that you use as a hiring qualification (X)		3. Describe below any other practices or actions that you take which show that you hire, train, show that you hire, train and promote employees without discrimination
SOURCE	YES	NO	% of applicants provided by source			
State Employment Service					Work Experience	
Private Employment Agencies					Ability to Speak or Write English	
Schools and Colleges					Written Tests	
Newspaper Advertisement					High School Diploma	
Walk Ins					College Degree	
Present Employees					Union Membership	
Labor Organizations					Personal Recommendation	
Minority/Community Organizations					Height or Weight	
Others (please identify)					Car Ownership	
					Arrest Record	
					Wage Garnishments	

Certification (Read this form and check your statements on it CAREFULLY before signing). I certify that the statements made by me on this BIDDER CONTRACT COMPLIANCE MONITORING REPORT are complete and true to the best of my knowledge and belief, and are made in good faith. I understand that if I knowingly make any misstatements of facts, I am subject to be declared in non-compliance with Section 4a-60, 4a-60a, and related sections of the CONN. GEN. STAT.

(Signature)	(Title)	(Date Signed)	(Telephone)
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STATE OF CONNECTICUT
NONDISCRIMINATION CERTIFICATION – Affidavit
By Entity
For Contracts Valued at \$50,000 or More

Documentation in the form of an affidavit signed under penalty of false statement by a chief executive officer, president, chairperson, member, or other corporate officer duly authorized to adopt corporate, company, or partnership policy that certifies the contractor complies with the nondiscrimination agreements and warranties under Connecticut General Statutes §§ 4a-60 and 4a-60a, as amended

INSTRUCTIONS:

For use by an entity (corporation, limited liability company, or partnership) when entering into any contract type with the State of Connecticut valued at \$50,000 or more for any year of the contract. Complete all sections of the form. Sign form in the presence of a Commissioner of Superior Court or Notary Public. Submit to the awarding State agency prior to contract execution.

AFFIDAVIT:

I, the undersigned, am over the age of eighteen (18) and understand and appreciate the obligations of

an oath. I am _____ of _____, an entity
Signatory's Title Name of Entity

duly formed and existing under the laws of _____ .
Name of State or Commonwealth

I certify that I am authorized to execute and deliver this affidavit on behalf of

_____ and that _____
Name of Entity Name of Entity

has a policy in place that complies with the nondiscrimination agreements and warranties of Connecticut General Statutes §§ 4a-60 and 4a-60a, as amended.

Authorized Signatory

Printed Name

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

Commissioner of the Superior Court/ Notary Public

Commission Expiration Date

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STATE OF CONNECTICUT GIFT AND CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTION CERTIFICATION

Written or electronic certification to accompany a State contract with a value of \$50,000 or more pursuant to C.G.S. §§ 4-250, 4-252(c) and 9-612(f)(2) and Governor Dannel P. Malloy's Executive Order 49

INSTRUCTIONS:

Complete all sections of the form. Attach additional pages, if necessary, to provide full disclosure about any lawful campaign contributions made to campaigns of candidates for statewide public office or the General Assembly, as described herein. Sign and date the form, under oath, in the presence of a Commissioner of the Superior Court or Notary Public. Submit the completed form to the awarding State agency at the time of initial contract execution and if there is a change in the information contained in the most recently filed certification, such person shall submit an updated certification either (i) not later than thirty (30) days after the effective date of such change or (ii) upon the submittal of any new bid or proposal for a contract, whichever is earlier. Such person shall also submit an accurate, updated certification not later than fourteen days after the twelve-month anniversary of the most recently filed certification or updated certification.

CHECK ONE: ☐ Initial Certification ☐ 12 Month Anniversary Update (Multi-year contracts only.)
☐ Updated Certification because of change of information contained in the most recently filed certification or twelve-month anniversary update.

GIFT CERTIFICATION:

As used in this certification, the following terms have the meaning set forth below:

- 1) "Contract" means that contract between the State of Connecticut (and/or one or more of its agencies or instrumentalities) and the Contractor, attached hereto, or as otherwise described by the awarding State agency below;
- 2) If this is an Initial Certification, "Execution Date" means the date the Contract is fully executed by, and becomes effective between, the parties; if this is a twelve-month anniversary update, "Execution Date" means the date this certification is signed by the Contractor;
- 3) "Contractor" means the person, firm or corporation named as the contractor below;
- 4) "Applicable Public Official or State Employee" means any public official or state employee described in C.G.S. §4-252(c)(1)(i) or (ii);
- 5) "Gift" has the same meaning given that term in C.G.S. § 4-250(1);
- 6) "Principals or Key Personnel" means and refers to those principals and key personnel of the Contractor, and its or their agents, as described in C.G.S. §§ 4-250(5) and 4-252(c)(1)(B) and (C).

I, the undersigned, am a Principal or Key Personnel of the person, firm or corporation authorized to execute this certification on behalf of the Contractor. I hereby certify that, no gifts were made by (A) such person, firm, corporation, (B) any principals and key personnel of the person firm or corporation who participate substantially in preparing bids, proposals or negotiating state contracts or (C) any agent of such, firm, corporation, or principals or key personnel who participates substantially in preparing bids, proposals or negotiating state contracts, to (i) any public official or state employee of the state agency or quasi-public agency soliciting bids or proposals for state contracts who participates substantially in the preparation of bid solicitations or request for proposals for state contracts or the negotiation or award of state contracts or (ii) any public official or state employee of any other state agency, who has supervisory or appointing authority over such state agency or quasi-public agency.

I further certify that no Principals or Key Personnel know of any action by the Contractor to circumvent (or which would result in the circumvention of) the above certification regarding **Gifts** by providing for any other Principals, Key Personnel, officials, or employees of the Contractor, or its or their agents, to make a **Gift** to any Applicable Public Official or State Employee. I further certify that the Contractor made the bid or proposal for the Contract without fraud or collusion with any person.



STATE OF CONNECTICUT CONSULTING AGREEMENT AFFIDAVIT

Affidavit to accompany a State contract for the purchase of goods and services with a value of \$50,000 or more in a calendar or fiscal year, pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes §§ 4a-81(a) and 4a-81(b)

INSTRUCTIONS:

If the bidder or vendor has entered into a consulting agreement, as defined by Connecticut General Statutes § 4a-81(b)(1): Complete all sections of the form. If the bidder or vendor has entered into more than one such consulting agreement, use a separate form for each agreement. Sign and date the form in the presence of a Commissioner of the Superior Court or Notary Public. **If the bidder or vendor has not entered into a consulting agreement, as defined by Connecticut General Statutes § 4a-81(b)(1):** Complete only the shaded section of the form. Sign and date the form in the presence of a Commissioner of the Superior Court or Notary Public.

Submit completed form to the awarding State agency with bid or proposal. For a sole source award, submit completed form to the awarding State agency at the time of contract execution.

This affidavit must be amended if there is any change in the information contained in the most recently filed affidavit not later than (i) thirty days after the effective date of any such change or (ii) upon the submittal of any new bid or proposal, whichever is earlier.

AFFIDAVIT: [Number of Affidavits Sworn and Subscribed On This Day: _____]

I, the undersigned, hereby swear that I am the chief official of the bidder or vendor awarded a contract, as described in Connecticut General Statutes § 4a-81(a), or that I am the individual awarded such a contract who is authorized to execute such contract. I further swear that I have not entered into any consulting agreement in connection with such contract, **except for the agreement listed below:**

Consultant's Name and Title _____		Name of Firm (if applicable) _____
Start Date _____	End Date _____	Cost _____
Description of Services Provided: _____		

Is the consultant a former State employee or former public official? ☐ YES ☐ NO

If YES: _____
 Name of Former State Agency _____ Termination Date of Employment _____

Sworn as true to the best of my knowledge and belief, subject to the penalties of false statement.

Printed Name of Bidder or Vendor _____	Signature of Chief Official or Individual _____	Date _____
	Printed Name (of above) _____	Awarding State Agency _____

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

**Commissioner of the Superior Court
or Notary Public**

My Commission Expires

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Appendix V. RFP RESPONSE CHECK LIST

A COMPLETE BID RESPONSE WILL INCLUDE THE SUBMISSION OF ALL THE ATTACHMENTS LISTED BELOW. PARTIAL ANSWERS AND/OR MISSING ATTACHMENTS MAY DEEM YOUR RESPONSE AS NON-COMPLIANT. NON-COMPLIANT BIDS ARE DISQUALIFIED FROM CONSIDERATION.

- [] Appendix III Signed Proposal Certification
- [] Appendix VII Additional Services
- [] Form of Proposal (complete response to requirements in Section 3)
- [] References, including past or current contracts with the State of Connecticut or its agencies
- [] Appendix IV, Required Forms, including CHRO Paperwork, OPM Ethics Forms and Nondiscrimination Certification

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Connecticut State University System



**Central Connecticut State University
Eastern Connecticut State University
Southern Connecticut State University
Western Connecticut State University
System Office**

Appendix VI STANDARD TERMS AND CONDITIONS

I. DEFINITIONS

The following words, when used herein, shall have the following meanings:

1. "Contract" shall mean any agreement negotiated by and between CSU and the contractor selected by CSU as the result of a request for proposal, request for quotation, or request for bid, including, but not limited to, a personal service agreement or purchase order.
2. "CSU" shall refer to the Connecticut State University System, which is comprised of Central Connecticut State University, Eastern Connecticut State University, Southern Connecticut State University, Western Connecticut State University and the System Office, collectively and individually, as the context requires.
3. "Person" shall mean an individual, partnership, corporation or other business entity, as the context requires.
4. "Proposal" shall mean a response to a request for proposal, request for bid, or request for quotation.
5. "Proposer" shall mean a contractor that submits a response to a request for proposal, request for bid, or request for quotation.
6. "RFP" shall mean a request or invitation for proposal, bid, or quotation, as applicable.

II. TERMS AND CONDITIONS RELATED TO REQUESTS FOR PROPOSALS

A. General Conditions

1. CSU reserves the right to amend or cancel an RFP prior to the date and time for the opening of proposals. CSU, in its sole discretion, reserves the right to accept or reject any and all proposals, in whole or in part, and to waive any technicality in any proposal submitted, and to accept any part of a proposal deemed to be in the best interest of CSU.
2. Proposals received from proposers debarred by the State of Connecticut will not be considered for award.
3. CSU does not commit to specific volumes of activity, nor does it guarantee the accuracy of statistical information provided in the RFP. Such information is supplied to proposers for reference only.
4. All responses to the RFP shall be and remain the sole property of CSU.
5. Each proposer shall bear all costs associated with proposer's response to an RFP, including, but not limited to, the costs of any presentation and/or demonstration required by CSU. In addition, answers or clarifications sought by CSU arising out of or in connection with the proposal shall be furnished by the proposer at the proposer's expense.
6. CSU reserves the right to negotiate, as it may deem necessary, with any or all of the proposers that submit proposals.
7. Any alleged oral agreement or arrangement made by any proposer with CSU or any employee thereof shall not be binding.

B. Submission of Proposals

1. Proposals must be submitted on forms supplied by CSU. Telephone, facsimile, or email proposals will not be accepted in response to an RFP.
2. The time and date proposals are to be received and opened are stated in each RFP issued by CSU. Proposals received in the applicable CSU purchasing department after the date and time specified in the RFP will be returned to the proposer unopened. Proposal amendments received by CSU after the time specified for opening of proposals shall not be considered.
3. All proposals must be addressed to the location designated in the RFP. Proposal envelopes must clearly state the proposal number as well as the date and time of the opening of the proposals, as stated in the RFP. The name and address of the proposer must appear in the upper left hand corner of the envelope.
4. Proposals must be computer prepared, typewritten or handwritten in ink. Proposals submitted in pencil will be rejected.
5. Proposers must answer all the questions set forth in the RFP using the outline and numbering scheme set forth therein. Proposers must furnish all information requested in the RFP and supply all materials required for consideration. Failure of the proposer to answer all questions and supply all information and materials requested may be grounds for rejection of the proposal.
6. All proposals must be signed by a person duly authorized to sign proposals on behalf of the proposer. All signatures on the proposal must be original. Proposals bearing stamp signatures will be rejected. Unsigned proposals will be rejected.
7. Alterations or corrections to the proposal must be initialed by the person signing the proposal or his or her authorized designee. All initials on alterations or corrections to the proposal must be original. In the event that an authorized designee initials an alteration or correction, the proposer must submit a written authorization from the proposal's signatory to the authorized designee, authorizing the designee to make the alteration or correction. Failure to submit such an authorization shall result in rejection of proposal as to those items altered or corrected and not initialed.
8. Conditional proposals are subject to rejection in whole or in part, in the sole discretion of CSU. A conditional proposal is defined as one that limits, modifies, expands or supplements any of the terms and conditions and/or specifications of the RFP.
9. Alternate proposals will not be considered by CSU, unless otherwise noted on the RFP or on the proposal form. An alternate proposal is defined as one that is submitted in addition to the proposer's primary response to the RFP.

10. CSU does not sponsor any one manufacturer's products, but lists equipment by name and model number to designate the quality and performance level desired. Proposers may propose substitutes similar in nature to the equipment specified. The substitute must, in the sole determination of CSU, be equal in quality, durability, appearance, strength and design to the equipment or product specified in the RFP, or offer a clear advantage to CSU because of improved or superior performance. All proposals including equipment or product substitutes must be accompanied with current descriptive literature on, and data substantiating, the equal or superior nature of the substitute. All final decisions concerning substitutes will be made by CSU prior to any award. The word substitute shall not be construed to permit substantial departure from the detailed requirements of the specifications.
11. Each proposer's prices must be firm for a period up to 60 days from date of the opening of proposals. Prices must be extended in decimal, not fraction, must be net, and must include transportation and delivery charges, fully prepaid by the contractor, to the destination specified in the proposal, and subject only to cash discount.
12. Pursuant to Section 12-412 of the Connecticut General Statutes, the State of Connecticut is exempt from the payment of excise, transportation and sales taxes imposed by the Federal Government and/or the State. Accordingly, such taxes must not be included in proposal prices.
13. If there is a discrepancy between a unit price and an extended price, the unit price will govern.
14. By submitting a proposal, the proposer asserts that the offer and information contained therein is in all respects fair and without collusion or fraud and was not made in connection with any competing proposer's submission of a separate response to the RFP. By submitting a proposal, the proposer further asserts that it neither participated in the formation of CSU's solicitation development process nor had any knowledge of the specific contents of the RFP prior to its issuance, and that no employee of CSU participated directly or indirectly in the preparation of the proposer's proposal.
15. It is the proposer's responsibility to check the website of the State of Connecticut Department of Administrative Services (www.das.state.ct.us/Purchase/Portal/Portal_Home.asp) for changes prior to the proposal opening. It is the responsibility of the proposer to obtain all information related to proposal submission including, without limitation, any and all addenda or supplements required.
16. Any person contemplating submitting a proposal who is in doubt as to the true meaning of, or is in need of clarification of, any part of the RFP or the specifications set forth therein, must submit a written request for clarification to CSU. The proposer may rely only upon a response to a request for clarification set forth in writing by CSU.
17. Proposals for the provision of services must include the cost of obtaining all permits, licenses, and notices required by the city or town in which the services is to be provided, and the State and Federal governments..
18. Each proposer must complete and submit with its proposal the following non-discrimination and affirmative action forms: the Notification to Proposers, Contract Compliance, and EEO-1. It shall not be sufficient to declare or state that such forms are on file with the State of Connecticut. Failure to include the required forms shall result in rejection of the proposal.

**Central Connecticut State University is an equal opportunity employer.
The University will not knowingly do business with any bidder, contractor, subcontractor or
supplier of materials found to be in violation of any state or federal antidiscrimination law.**

APPENDIX VII – Additional Services

The University has identified the following supplemental services as desirable but not mandatory. Indicate here if the agency is willing and able to provide the following services at no charge. If the answer is "no" please either identify the per cost transaction or indicate "n/a" in the cost column which will mean that your agency does not offer the service at all.

If applicable include a brief statement describing how they would be provided.

	Y	N	Cost
GENERAL SERVICES			
Worldwide twenty four hour emergency toll free number			
After hours emergency and/or reservation service			
Ground transportation options, hotel telephone and FAX numbers, and city and street maps when requested			
Foreign currency exchange for all destinations			
Traveler's checks (foreign and domestic)			
Foreign drafts			
Worldwide wire money transfers			
Worldwide travel alerts			
Travelers advice on necessary health documents including information on required inoculations and vaccines			
Foreign country driving permits			
Rush ticket, reservation and information deliveries			
Lost ticket service			
Baggage insurance claims processing with carriers			
Travel bulletins and/or other publications			
Duty and customs information			
Visa, passport (including photos) and tourist cards (traveler shall pay documentation fee(s))			
Ticket and document delivery			
Preparation and printing of customized trip itinerary packets containing tickets, reservations and information on destinations such as custom regulations, airport descriptions, meal options, time changes, etc.			
Personal preference records for frequent fliers			
Location of foreign embassies			

Company Name _____

Authorized Signature _____

