

Alpine Independent School District

Alpine Middle School Flooring Project

RFP #16-001

The Alpine Independent School District is accepting competitive sealed proposals to purchase **carpet and tile flooring for Alpine Middle School. This bid will be a turn-key job for all preparation work (including all carpet, cove base removal & disposal) , cove base, tile and carpet. There will be a pre-bid conference and site visit on Thursday, July 7th, 2016 at 1:30 p.m., 704 W. Sul Ross Ave (Admin. Building), Alpine, TX. A map of the location will be provided at the pre-bid site visit. The project shall be completed subject to the district schedule in this bid. Work can begin on July 15th, 2016. It is up to the vendor to do their own measuring to insure accuracy of the bid.**

Proposals will be received in the Administration Building, 704 W. Sul Ross Ave., Alpine, TX 79830 until **2PM, Thursday July 14, 2016.** Proposal envelopes shall be plainly marked on the lower left-hand corner with **your company name** and the following information:

**Sealed RFP #16-001
Your Company Name**

**For: Alpine Middle School
Do Not Open Until: 07/14/16 2PM**

The bid packet may be found at http://www.alpine.esc18.net/41761_2 under Request for Bids, RFP#16-001 AMS Flooring Project OR may be obtained from the AISD, 704 W. Sul Ross Ave., Alpine, Texas, 432.837.7700.

Any deviation from our General Terms and Conditions for Bidding and the Special Terms and Conditions must be noted on the Deviation/Compliance Signature form provided.

Proposals will be publicly opened immediately following the specified deadline. Any proposal received later than the specified time, whether delivered in person or mailed, will be disqualified. **FAXED PROPOSALS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.**

After evaluation of all proposals is completed, the Purchasing Department will present a recommendation to the AISD Board of Trustees at a scheduled meeting if required. After approval by the Board of Trustees, all bid tabs will be posted on the AISD website at http://www.alpine.esc18.net/41761_2 under Request for Bids, RFP#16-001 AMS Flooring Project.

Disclosure Statement:

HB 914 requires vendors to submit a conflict of interest questionnaire for gifts given to public officers. HB 914 and this questionnaire may be found on the Alpine ISD website at http://www.alpine.esc18.net/41761_2 . Each vendor desiring to do business with Alpine ISD is required to familiarize themselves with this law and comply will all requirements. Failure to follow these requirements may result in being removed from the approved vendor list for Alpine ISD.

The Alpine Independent School District reserves the right to reject any or all proposals and to accept any proposal deemed most advantageous to the District.

If additional information should be required, contact the undersigned at 432.837.7700.

Respectfully,
Darrell Dodds

Assistant Superintendent for Finance and Operations

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FAX: 432.837.7740**

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Middle School Flooring Project Request for Proposal #16-001

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Special Terms and Conditions 16-001 Middle School Flooring

The proposal shall include removal of old carpet and tile as needed, floor preparation in all areas, and installation of new carpet squares and tile directly to floor surface. Proposal shall include removal and replacement of cove base and anything else needed to make this a complete job. The successful vendor will be required to measure all locations to insure accurate amounts of carpet.

The proposal specifications found herein are for 100% Solution dyed Q Nylon Carpet, standard VCT 1/8 gauge tile. No other fabrics or materials will be considered.

An AISD sample of the base bid carpet will be available at the pre-bid conference, the district would prefer to match in color. This color carpet is throughout the district.

SAMPLES MUST BE INCLUDED WITH YOUR BID.

Base Carpet Specifications: 100% Solution dyed Q Nylon

Tufted Weight	:	13 Ounce
Dye Method	:	Solution Dyed
Construction	:	Mult-Level Pattern loop
Fiber	:	100% Solution Q Nylon
Gauge	:	1/10
Product size	:	24" x 24"
Density	:	4979 or greater
Primary Backing	:	Synthetic
Secondary Backing	:	EcoWorx
Stitches per Inch	:	9 or greater
NBS Smoke Density/	:	450 (ASTM E-662)
Protective Treatment	:	Soil Protection

VCT Tile Specifications:

1/8 gauge standard tile. Tile should be multi-colored with a variety of colors available for selection of base and pattern colors.

Transition Strips:

Carpet to VCT transition strips need to be rubber back strips and vinyl transition strips on concrete slab flooring. Any other necessary reducers or transitions shall be installed at all exposed edges of carpet.

Note: Written Copies of Warranty Must Accompany Bid.

The successful vendor shall provide local storage for the total square yards of carpet and tile ordered from the date of arrival until completion of the project. The AISD Assistant

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The successful vendor shall provide local storage for the total square yards of carpet and tile ordered from the date of arrival until completion of the project. The AISD Assistant Superintendent (or his designee) shall be notified immediately upon arrival of said carpet and tile allowed a site inspection/verification, and upon request, any number of future inspections/verifications.

Payment for the project will be made in 30 day intervals based on the completion percentage of the project or by site, whichever is sooner.

Payment and Performance Bonds:

Payment bonds will be required on contracts totaling more than \$25,000 for any one location. A Performance bond will be required if the total project awarded to any one vendor exceeds \$100,000. The surety on such bond or bonds shall be a duly authorized surety company satisfactory to the owner and licensed by the State of Texas.

District Schedule:

The district expects all work to be performed during the summer timeline between July 15, 2016 and August 10, 2016 or as negotiated. The awarded bidder is allowed to work nights and weekends also in order to complete the project on time. August 10, 2016 is a firm substantial completion date or as negotiated. The district will coordinate with the flooring contractor to schedule timeline.

FAILURE TO MANUALLY SIGN PROPOSAL FORM WILL RESULT IN DISQUALIFICATION OF THE PROPOSAL.

EACH BIDDER WILL BE AFFORDED THE OPTION TO ACCEPT OR REJECT ANY AND ALL PROJECTS FOR WHICH THEY ARE DETERMINED TO BE THE BEST VALUE FOR THE DISTRICT. IN SUCH A CASE, THE DISTRICT WILL NEGOTIATE WITH THE SECOND BIDDER TO DEVELOP A SUCCESSFUL CONTRACT FOR EACH PROJECT.

The following criteria will be used to award the bid based on the best value for the District. The % for scoring is listed beside the criteria requirement.

1. Purchase price (30%)
2. Reputation of the vendor (15%)
3. Quality of vendor's goods (15%)
4. Extent to which the goods meets the District's needs (15%)
5. Vendor's past relationship with district (20%)
6. HUB requirements (0%)
7. Total long term cost to the district to acquire the goods
8. Vendor's ultimate parent company or majority owner has its principal place of business in the State of Texas or employees at least 500 persons in this state (not applicable to contracts related to telecommunications and information services, building construction and maintenance, or instructional materials). (0%)
9. Any other relevant factor listed in the request for proposal (5%)
 - Availability of installation crews to meet District timelines

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CARPET: New carpet will be installed. Color has been provided by AISD Administration. Measure all workrooms, closets, storage, etc. even if not on map.

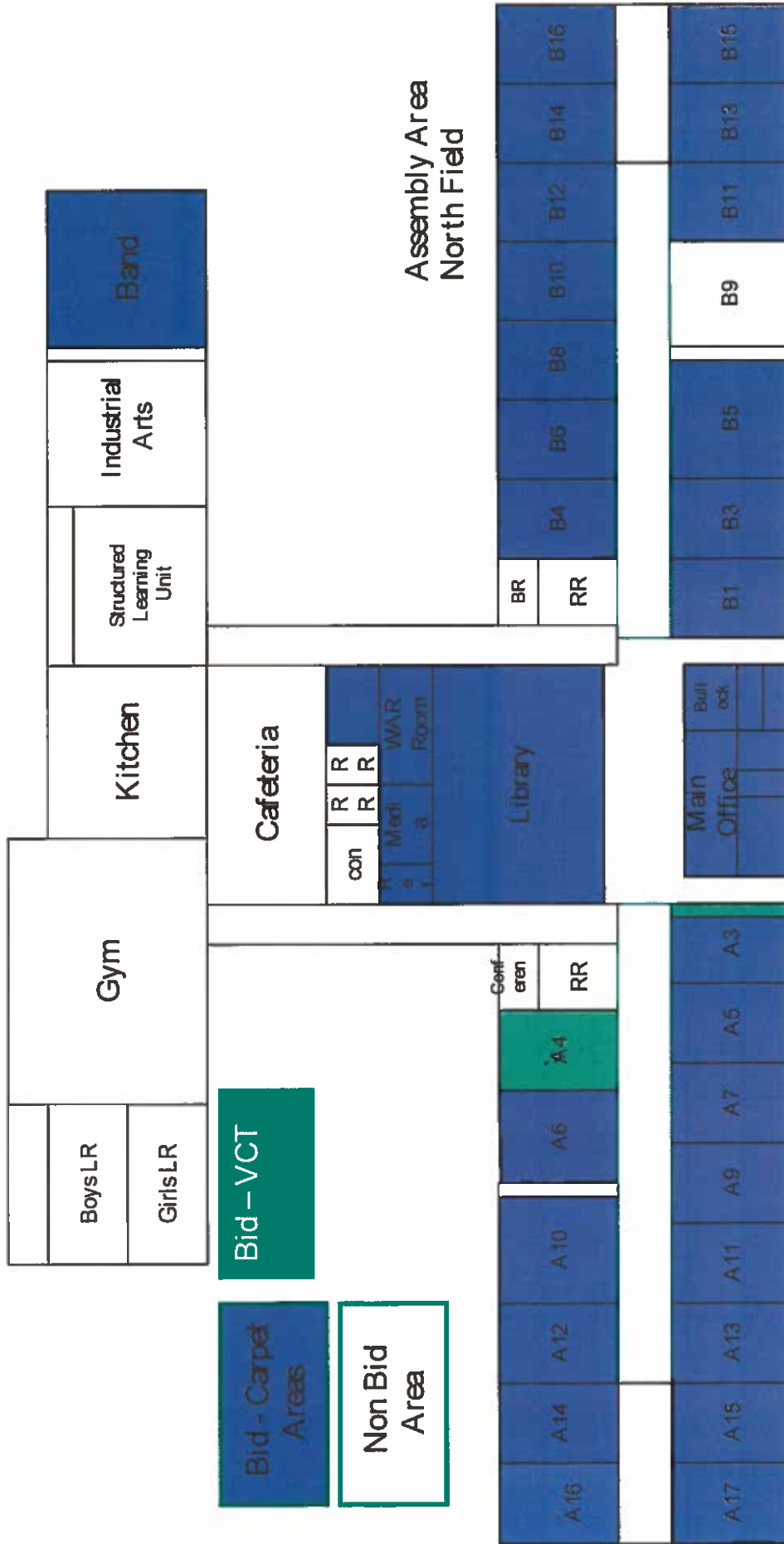
- All Classrooms in A Wing and B Wing
 - Full carpet, except where tile is present (Science Labs)
- All Offices, Library and band hall
 - Full carpet, except where tile is present

VCT TILE: (all tiled floors will have a colored pattern supplied by owner and approved by bidder prior to project beginning). Measure all workrooms, closets, storage, etc. even if not on map.

- Room: A4 Special Ed room, Lounge
 - Full VCT

Replace all cove base in the above areas.

Alpine Middle School Facilities Map/ Carpet Project 16-001



Alpine Independent School District REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

Bid Name:
ALPINE MS Flooring Project

Bid Opening Date and Time:
July 14, 2016 -2PM

Bid Number: 16-001

Location of Bid Opening:
Alpine Administration Building
704 W. Sul Ross Ave.
Alpine, TX 79830

Contract Time Period:

The undersigned authorized representative of the vendor indicated below hereby acknowledges:

1. That he/she is authorized to enter into contractual relationships on behalf of the company indicated below, and
2. That he/she has carefully examined this Bid Notice, the accompanying Bid Forms, and the General Terms and Conditions and Item Specifications associated with this Bid Invitation, and
3. That he/she proposes to supply any products or services submitted under this Bid Invitation at the prices quoted and in strict compliance with the General Terms and Conditions, and Item Specifications associated with this Bid Invitation, unless any exceptions are noted in writing with this bid response, and

By submitting a bid, each bidder agrees to waive any claim it has or may have against the Alpine Independent School District, the Architect/Engineer, and their respective employees, arising out of or in connection with the administration, evaluation, or recommendation of any bid; waiver of any requirements under the Bid Documents; or the Contract Documents; acceptance or rejection of any bids; and award of the Contract.

Offeror agrees to exhaust its administrative remedies under District Policy and the Disputes Clause of any resulting contract before seeking judicial relief of any type in connection with any matter related to this solicitation, the award of any contract, and any dispute under any resulting contract.

Name of Bidding Company

Date

Address

Signature of Authorized Representative

City, State, Zip

Printed name of Authorized Representative

Contact Name

Position of Authorized Representative

Telephone Number of Contact Person

Fax Number of Contact Person

E-mail Address of Contact Person

Web Address

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**ALPINE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT
 ADMINISTRATION BUILDING
 704 W. Sul Ross Ave.
 Alpine, TX 79830**

**Alpine Middle School Flooring
 RFP # 16-001**

**Firm Name
 And Address**

Date

Phone Number

Bidder's Printed Name

Fax Number

Bidder's Signature

The bidder signing above, being familiar with all conditions relating thereto, hereby makes proposals as follows:

Manufacturer & Model No. You Are Bidding:

CARPET: _____ **VCT:** _____

ITEM	DESCRIPTION	RESPONSE REQUEST	TOTAL PRICE
1	Alpine Middle School		\$
	Working Days to complete (can begin July 15, 2016)		
	Beginning date can start work		
	Estimated Square Yards of Carpet Squares		
	Estimated Square Feet of VCT		
	Estimated Cove Base		
1a	Alternate – Alpine Middle School: Price to return the furniture to the rooms after work completed in each room (FLAT FEE)		\$

ALPINE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

GENERAL CONDITIONS FOR BIDDING

1. Bids shall be submitted on this form. All prices must be typed or written in ink. Bids written in pencil will not be accepted. Each bid shall be placed in a separate envelope, sealed and properly identified with the bid title and the time and date to be opened.
2. Bids must be received in the Administration office before the hour and date specified. DO NOT FAX YOUR BID!
3. Prices bid should be F.O.B. destination, inside delivery. All freight charges must be included in your bid pricing. If otherwise, state on Deviation/Compliance Signature form.
4. Delivery shall be made during normal school hours unless prior approval has been obtained from authorized District personnel.
5. All items bid must be new, unused, and in first-class condition, packaged in containers suitable for shipment and storage. If otherwise, state on Deviation/Compliance Signature form.

All electrical items must meet all applicable OSHA standards and regulations, and must bear the appropriate listing from US, FMRC, NEMA, or UL Laboratories.

Materials Safety Data Sheets (MSDS) on chemicals or any other products customarily requiring MSDS Sheets must be provided for each ordering department. MSDS Sheets must be delivered along with the shipment within the contract period. Additional MSDS Sheets must be provided in a timely manner at no charge upon request to the District.
6. Installation: the successful bidder shall provide the following services on the items bid, at no additional cost to the District, if otherwise, state on Deviation/Compliance Signature form.
 - a. Provide transportation of items to the facility.
 - b. Place the items in the proper location within the facility.
 - c. Uncrate and completely assemble (if otherwise, state on Deviation/Compliance Signature form).
 - d. Provide adjustment by a trained installation mechanic.
 - e. Remove all debris from site.
7. The District is exempt from Federal Excise Tax, and State Tax. Do not include tax in your bid totals. If it is determined that tax was included in the bid, it will not be included in the tabulation or any awards. Tax exemption certificate will be furnished upon request.
8. Any catalog, brand name, or manufacturer's reference used in the bid is descriptive and not restrictive and is intended to indicate type and quality desired. Bids on brands of like nature and quality will be considered. If bidding on other than referenced specifications, bid must show manufacturer, brand, model, etc. of item being offered. If other than brand(s) specified is offered, complete descriptive information of each article being bid should be included with the bid. If bidder takes no exception to the specification of referenced data, he will be required to furnish brand names, models, etc. as specified.
9. Samples, when requested, must be furnished at no cost to the District. Each sample, when requested, should be clearly marked with bidder's name and item number on the bid. DO NOT ENCLOSE IN OR ATTACH BID TO SAMPLE.
10. The Board of Trustees of Alpine Independent School District reserves the right to accept or reject all or any part of any bid, waive minor technicalities and award the bid to best serve the interest of the District.
11. The District reserves the right to purchase or lease-purchase additional articles as listed on this bid subject to verification of the same or lower prices and conditions on bid.
12. All items and services being bid must conform to all appropriate local, state, and federal laws, ordinances, and regulations.

13. It is to be understood that the bidder, if awarded an order or contract, agrees to protect, defend, and hold harmless the Alpine Independent School District from any suits or demands for payment that may be brought against it for the use of any patented material, process, article, or device that may enter into the manufacture and/or construction or from a part of the work covered by either order or contract and, bidder further agrees to indemnify and hold harmless the Alpine Independent School District from suits or actions of every nature and description brought against it for, or on account of any injuries or damages received or sustained by any party or parties by, or for any of the acts of the vendor, his servants or agents.
14. It is not the policy of the District to purchase on the basis of low bids alone. In evaluating bids submitted and per the Texas Education Code 44.031(b), the following considerations shall be taken into account to determine the best value for the District.
 - a. the purchase price;
 - b. the reputation of the vendor and of the vendor's goods or services;
 - c. the quality of the vendor's goods or services;
 - d. the extent to which the goods or services meet the district's needs;
 - e. the vendor's past relationship with the district;
 - f. the impact on the ability of the district to comply with laws and rules relating to historically underutilized businesses;
 - g. the total long-term cost to the district to acquire the vendor's goods or services;
 - h. for a contract for goods and services, other than goods and services related to telecommunications and information services, building construction and maintenance, or instructional materials, whether the vendor or the vendor's ultimate parent company or majority owner: (a) has its principal place of business in this state; or (b) employs at least 500 persons in this state; and
 - i. any other relevant factor specifically listed in the request for bids and proposals.
15. The contract will be awarded in the best interest of Alpine Independent School District. Specific award information is located under Specific Terms and Conditions Item #1.
16. Any and all protests regarding Alpine ISD bidding procedures will be governed by the Alpine Independent School District Board Policy for Grievances .
17. If the District fails to appropriate funds to provide for the annual renewal of a contract, the District may cancel without termination charge. This is provided that the Contractor receives at least 30 days written notice of the termination stating the lack of funding as the reason for the termination.
18. The Alpine Independent School District may not be held liable for non-funding of a contract caused through no fault of its own.
19. Vendors not responding appropriately to Bid Requests will be deleted from our qualified vendor list and will not be reinstated unless specifically requested. AISD reserves the right to delete vendors that do not respond appropriately.
20. All Bidders must execute the "Affidavit of Non-Collusion", "Felony Conviction Notification", "Bidders Certification", "Debarment and Suspension Certification Form", "Deviation/Compliance Signature Form", or "No Bid Notification" enclosed herewith for his bid to be considered. The name of the company representative on these forms should be the same.
21. Bid results will be presented to the Alpine Independent School District Board of Trustees for approval at the earliest opportunity following the bid/proposal opening if \$25,000 or greater.
22. It is the policy of the Alpine Independent School District not to discriminate on the basis of sex, disability, race, color, or national origin in its educational programs and/or activities, nor in its employment practices.
23. The bidder shall not sell, assign, transfer, or convey any contract resulting from this proposal, in whole or part, without the prior written consent from the District. Such consent shall not relieve the assigned of liability in the event of default by the assignee.

STANDARD TERMS AND CONDITIONS

1. **CERTIFICATION:** By signature on Bid Document the vendor certifies that:
 - a. The vendor has not paid, or agreed to pay, any person, other than bona fide employees, a fee or brokerage resulting from the award of any contract resultant from this bid.
 - b. The prices in this bid have been arrived at independently without consultation, communication, or agreement, for the purpose of restricting competition as to any matter relating to such prices, with any other vendor or potential vendor.

2. **CONTRACT MODIFICATION:** No modification of this contract shall bind buyer unless a formal contract amendment is executed between buyer and vendor.

3. **CONTRACT AND PURCHASE ORDERS:** A response to this Bid Document is an offer to contract with the AISD and its members based upon the Item Specifications and the Standard Terms and Conditions contained in the Bid Document. Bids do not become contracts unless and until they are accepted by the AISD and put into effect by the issuance of a Purchase Order(s) signed by an authorized representative of the AISD Administration Office.

This contract shall collectively include (1) the General Terms and Conditions and the Item Specifications included in the Bid Document and any subsequent addenda thereto, (2) the bidder's signed Notice of Bid Document sheet and any other data collection sheets included with the Bid Invitation, (3) the bidder's entire response to the Bid Invitation, (4) the bidder's Notice of Award Letter, (5) and any additional terms, conditions, or instructions contained in each individual Purchase Order. The contract shall be interpreted by and governed under the law of the State of Texas in Brewster County.

4. **PACKING AND SHIPPING:** (If applicable) vendor shall be responsible for industry standard packing which conforms to requirements of carrier's tariffs and ICC regulations. Containers must be clearly marked as to the purchase order number. All shipments are to be F.O.B. destination, freight prepaid, to Alpine Independent School District at the specific address on the purchase order. Delivery shall be made during normal working hours only, 8:00am to 3:00pm, unless approval for late delivery has been obtained.

5. **NO REPLACEMENT OF DEFECTIVE TENDER:** (If applicable) every tender of goods must fully comply with all the provisions of this contract as to time of delivery, quantity, assortment, quality, and the like. If a tender is made which does not fully conform, this shall constitute a breach and vendor shall not have the right to substitute a conforming tender.

6. **DEFAULT IN ONE INSTALLMENT TO CONSTITUTE TOTAL BREACH:** (If applicable) each installment or lot of this contract is dependent on every other installment or lot and delivery of non-conforming goods/services or a default of any nature under one installment or lot will impair the value of the whole contract and constitutes a breach of the contract as a whole.

7. **GRATUITIES:** The buyer may, by written notice to the vendor, cancel this contract if it is found by buyer that gratuities, in the form of entertainment, gifts or otherwise were offered or given by the vendor or any agent or representative of the vendor, to any employee of the Alpine Independent School District with a view toward securing an order or securing favorable treatment with respect to the awarding or amending, or the making of any determinations *with* respect to the performing of such order. In the event this contract is canceled by buyer pursuant to this provision, buyer shall be entitled, in addition to any other rights and remedies, to recover or withhold from the vendor the amount of the gratuity.

8. **WARRANTIES:** (If applicable) vendor warrants that all goods delivered under this contract will conform to the requirements of this contract (including all applicable descriptions, specifications, drawings, and samples), and will be free from defects in design and *fit* for the intended purposes.

Any inspection or acceptance of the goods by buyer shall not alter or affect the obligations of vendor or the right of buyer under the foregoing warranties.

9. ASSIGNMENT-DELEGATION: No right or interest in this contract shall be assigned by vendor without the written permission of buyer, and no delegation of any duty of vendor shall be made without permission of buyer. Any attempted assignment of delegation shall be wholly void and totally ineffective for purposes unless made in conformity with this paragraph.
10. ASSIGNMENT-CLAIMS: Vendor and the Alpine Independent School District recognize that in actual economic practice overcharges resulting from anti-trust violations are in fact borne by the District. Therefore, vendor hereby assigns the District any and all claims for such overcharges.
11. ADVERTISING: Vendor shall not advertise or publish, without the District's prior consent, the fact that the District has entered into this contract, except to the extent necessary to comply with proper requests for information as provided by appropriate statutes.
12. TITLE AND RISK OF LOSS: (If applicable) the title and risk of loss of the goods shall not pass to the District until the District actually receives the goods at the point of delivery.
13. INSPECTION: (If applicable) all goods are subject to final inspection and acceptance by the District. Material/services failing to meet the requirements of this contract will be held at vendor's risk and may be returned to vendor. If so returned, the cost of transportation, unpacking, inspection, repackaging, reshipping, or other like expenses are the responsibility of the vendor.
14. LIENS: All goods delivered and labor performed under this contract shall be free of all liens, and if the District requests, a formal release of all liens will be delivered to the District.
15. INDEMNIFY: Vendor agrees to indemnify and hold the District harmless from any damage or expense whatsoever resulting to the District from any and all claims and demands on account of infringement or alleged infringement of any patent in connection with the manufacture or use of any product included in this contract. Upon written requests vendor will defend, at its own cost and expense, any legal action or suit against the District involving any such alleged patent infringement, and will pay and satisfy any and all judgments or decrees rendered in any such legal actions or suits. Vendor will indemnify Alpine Independent School District against all claims for damages to persons or property resulting from defects in materials or workmanship.
16. REMEDIES AND APPLICABLE LAWS: This contract shall be governed by Alpine Independent School District and vendor shall have all remedies afforded each by the Uniform Commercial Code, as adopted in the State of Texas, except as otherwise provided in this contract or in statutes pertaining specifically to the State. This contract shall be governed by the laws of the State of Texas, and suits pertaining to this contract may be brought only in the courts of the State of Texas in Brewster County.
17. CONFLICT OF INTEREST: This contract is subject to cancellation by buyer if any person significantly involved in initiating, negotiating, securing, drafting or creating the contract on behalf of Alpine Independent School District, is at any time while the contract is in effect, an employee of any other party to the contract in any capacity or a consultant to any other party of the contract with respect to the subject matter of the contract.
18. FORCE MAJEURE: Neither party shall be held responsible for any losses resulting if the fulfillment of any terms or conditions of this contract are delayed or prevented by any other cause not within the control of the party whose performance is interfered with and which, by the exercise of reasonable diligence, said party is unable to prevent.

19. RIGHT TO ASSURANCE: Whenever one party to this contract in good faith has reason to question the other party's intent to perform, he may demand that the other party give a written assurance of this intent to perform. In the event that demand is made and no assurance is given within five (5) days, the demanding party may treat this failure as an anticipatory repudiation of the contract.
20. INTERPRETATION-PAROL EVIDENCE: This contract is intended by the parties as a final expression of their agreement and is intended also as a complete and exclusive statement of the terms of this agreement. No course of prior dealing between the parties and no usage of the trade shall be relevant to supplement or explain any term used in this contract. Acceptance or acquiescence in a course of performance rendered under this contract shall not be relevant to determine the meaning of this contract even though the accepting or acquiescing party has knowledge of the nature of the performance and opportunity to objection. Whenever a term defined by the Uniform Commercial Code is used in this contract, the definition contained in the Code is to control.
21. COMPLIANCE OF LAWS: The final contract must be in compliance with all federal and Texas State laws and regulations and is subject to termination by the Governing Board of the Alpine Independent School District, termination for non-availability of funding and for prepayment, without penalty.
22. CHOICE OF LAW: The parties hereby agree that this agreement was negotiated, made and entered into in the State of Texas and under the laws of the State of Texas.
23. INFRINGEMENT: Contractor agrees to protect Alpine Independent School District from claims involving infringement or copyrights.
24. TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS: Technical specifications define the minimum acceptable standard.
25. REMEDIES FOR NON-PERFORMANCE OF CONTRACT, AND TERMINATION OF CONTRACT: If the vendor cannot comply with the terms and conditions in fulfilling its contract as anticipated, the vendor must supply the same products or services contracted from other sources at the contract price. The vendor's delay in the above will constitute the vendor's material breach of contract, whereupon the AISD may terminate the vendor's contract for cause as provided by the remainder of this section.

If any delay or failure of performance is caused by a Force Majeure event as described in section #18 of this Standard Terms and Conditions document entitled "Force Majeure," the AISD may, in its sole discretion, terminate this contract in whole or part, provided such termination follows the remaining requirements of this section.

Except as otherwise provided for within the Standard Terms and Conditions of this document, this contract may be terminated in whole or in part by either party in the event of substantial failure by the other party to fulfill its obligations under this contract through no fault of the terminating party; provided that no such termination may be implemented unless and until the other party is given (1) at least ten (10) days written notice (delivered by certified mail, return receipt requested) of intent to terminate, and (2) an opportunity for consultation with the terminating party, followed by a reasonable opportunity, of not more than ten (10) working days, to rectify the defects in products or performance, prior to termination.

Valid causes for termination of this contract will include, but are not limited to:

- (a) The vendor's failure to adhere to any of the provisions of the General Conditions and Standard Terms and Conditions of the Bid Document.
- (b) The vendor delivering any product(s) that fails to meet the Item Specifications included in this Bid Invitation relating to the awarded product(s).
- (c) The vendor delivering any substitution(s) of product(s) different than those originally bid and awarded without the written approval of AISD.
- (d) The vendor's incomplete response to the Bid Document.
- (e) And vendor's noncompliance to any additional terms, conditions, or instructions contained in each individual Purchase Order issued by the AISD.

26. **ORDER OF PRECEDENCE:** In the event of conflict, the following precedence shall prevail: 1) terms and conditions set forth on the face of the contract, 2) provisions set forth on specifications, 3) provisions set forth in Referenced Documents; and 4) the general bidding instructions to bidders.
27. **ERRORS OR OMISSIONS:** The District is not responsible for any bidder's errors or omissions.
28. **CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION:** If a vendor believes that a bid, proposal, offer, or specification contains information that shall be withheld from disclosure, a statement advising the procurement officer must be attached and noted on page one of the document.
29. **ADDENDUM:** In the event that any changes to this Bid Document occur subsequent to the mailing or other delivery of the original Bid Document, the changes or corrections to this Bid Invitation will be made by addendum. **It is your responsibility to obtain any addenda that pertains to this bid.** We are no longer mailing the specifications or addenda.
30. **EXTENSION/NON-APPROPRIATIONS CLAUSE:** This contract may be renewed for two additional one year terms if the vendor and the District agree.
31. Price increases for additional year will be negotiated not to exceed the CPI in the Alpine area at the time of renewal. Price negotiations may be negotiated to prices below the current pricing.
32. Negotiations for additional years and price restructuring must be completed forty-five (45) days before date of renewal.
33. **INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS - PROOF OF INSURANCE WILL BE REQUIRED FOR GENERAL LIABILITY, AUTOMOBILE LIABILITY, AND WORKERS' COMP. INSURANCE LIMITS WILL BE \$1,000,000 PER OCCURRENCE ON GENERAL LIABILITY, \$500,000 ON AUTO, AND STATUTORY LIMITS ON WORKERS' COMP. THESE REQUIREMENTS APPLY TO ALL CATEGORIES WHERE SERVICES ARE PROVIDED ON A ALPINE ISD SITE.**

CONSTRUCTION BOND REQUIREMENTS - BONDING SURETIES MUST BE QUALIFIED TO DO BUSINESS IN TEXAS AND ACCEPTABLE TO THE DISTRICT.

BID BOND IN THE AMOUNT OF FIVE PERCENT (5%) OF THE BID MUST BE SUBMITTED WITH ANY CONSTRUCTION BID.

PAYMENT BONDS WILL BE REQUIRED IF THE CONTRACT FOR SERVICES EXCEEDS \$25,000.00.

PERFORMANCE BONDS WILL BE REQUIRED IF THE CONTRACT FOR SERVICES EXCEEDS \$100,000.00.

FORM A

NON-COLLUSION STATEMENT

The undersigned Proposer, by signing and executing this proposal, certifies and represents to the **Alpine Independent School District** that Proposer has not offered, conferred or agreed to confer any pecuniary benefit, as defined by Section 1.07 (a)(6) of the Texas Penal Code, or any other thing of value, as consideration for the receipt of information or any special treatment or advantage relating to this proposal;

the Proposer also certifies and represents that Proposer has not offered, conferred or agreed to confer any pecuniary benefit or other things of value as consideration for the recipient's decision, opinion, recommendation, vote or other exercise of discretion concerning this proposal;

the Proposer certifies and represents that Proposer has neither coerced nor attempted to influence the exercise of discretion by any officer, trustee, agent or employee of the **Alpine Independent School District** concerning this proposal on the basis of any consideration not authorized by law;

the Proposer also certifies and represents that Proposer has not received any information not available to other proposers so as to give the undersigned an advantage with respect to this proposal;

the Proposer further certifies and represents that Proposer has not violated any state, federal or local law, regulation or ordinance relating to bribery, improper influence, collusion or the like and that Proposer will not in the future, offer, confer, or agree to confer any pecuniary benefit or other thing of value of any officer, trustee, agent or employee of the **Alpine Independent School District** in return for the person having exercised the person's official discretion, power or duty with respect to this proposal;

the Proposer certifies and represents that it has not now and will not in the future offer, confer, or agree to confer a pecuniary benefit or other thing of value to any office, trustee, agent or employee of the **Alpine Independent School District** in connection with information regarding this proposal, the submission of this proposal, the award of this proposal or the performance, delivery or sale pursuant to this proposal;

the Proposer certifies that the Proposer has not prepared this proposal and will not prepare any future proposals arising from this Request for Proposal (RFP) in collusion with any other respondent, and that the content of any future proposals arising out of this RFP will not be communicated by the undersigned nor by any employee or agent to any other person engaged in this type of business prior to the District's selection of a contractor for this RFP.

FIRM NAME

ADDRESS

CITY/STATE/ZIP

TYPED NAME OF REPRESENTATIVE(S)

SIGNATURE OF REPRESENTATIVE(S)

DATE

FORM B

FELONY CONVICTION NOTIFICATION

State of Texas Legislative Senate Bill No. 1, Section 44.034, Notification of Criminal History, Subsection (a), states, "a person or business entity that enters into a contract with a school district must give advance notice to the District if the person or owner or operator of the business entity has been convicted of a felony." The notice must include a general description of the conduct resulting in the conviction of a felony.

Subsection (b) states, "a school district may terminate a contract with a person or business entity if the district determines that the person or business entity failed to give notice as required by Subsection (a) or misrepresented the conduct resulting in the conviction." The district must compensate the person or business entity for services performed before the termination of the contract.

**This notice is not required of a publicly-held corporation.
Please complete the information below:**

I, the undersigned agent for the firm named below, certify that the information concerning notification of felony convictions has been reviewed by me and the following information furnished is true to the best of my knowledge.

Vendor's Name: _____

Authorized Company Official's Name (please print or type):

A My firm is a publicly-held corporation; therefore, this reporting requirement is not applicable:

Signature of Company Official: _____ Date: _____

B. My firm is not owned nor operated by anyone who has been convicted of a felony .

Signature of Company Official: _____ Date: _____

C. My firm is owned or operated by the following individual(s) who has/have been convicted of a felony:

Name of Felon(s): _____

Details of Conviction(s): _____

Signature of Company Official: _____ **Date:** _____

(Name should be the same as on the affidavit-Form A)

Contractor is responsible for the performance of the persons, employees and/or subcontractors Contractor assigns to provide services for the Alpine ISD pursuant to this Contract on any and all Alpine ISD campuses or facilities. Contractor will not assign individuals to provide services at a Alpine ISD campus or facility who have a history of violent, unacceptable, or grossly negligent behavior or who have a felony conviction, without the prior written consent of the Alpine ISD Administration Office. Prior to supplying labor services under this Contract, Contractor shall provide a list identifying the individuals, employees and subcontractors that may be assigned to Alpine ISD along with a letter signed by an appropriate officer of Contractor that affirms compliance with this provision. Contractor will revise such letter each time there is a change in Contractor's personnel assigned to a Alpine ISD campus or facility, but in any case, annually on the anniversary date of this Contract, if applicable.

FORM C

BIDDER'S CERTIFICATION

The 1985 Texas Legislature passed HB 620 relating to bids by nonresident contractors. The pertinent portion of the Act has been extracted and is as follows:

Section 1. (a)

- (2) "Nonresident bidder" means a bidder whose principal place of business is not in this state, but excludes a contractor whose ultimate parent company or majority owner has its principal place of business in this state.

- (3) "Texas resident bidder" means a bidder whose principal place of business is in this state, and includes a contractor whose ultimate parent company or majority owner has its principal place of business in this state.

Section 1. (b) The state or a governmental agency of the state may not award a contract for general construction, improvements, services, or public works projects or purchases of supplies, materials, or equipment to a nonresident bidder unless the nonresident's bid is lower than the lowest bid submitted by a responsible Texas resident bidder by the same amount that a Texas resident bidder would be required to underbid a nonresident bidder to obtain a comparable contract in the state in which the nonresident's principal place of business is located.

I certify that _____ is a
(Company Name)

Resident Bidder of Texas as defined in HB 620.

Signature _____

Print Name _____

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I certify that _____ is a
(Company Name)

Nonresident Bidder of Texas as defined in HB 620 and our principal place of business is:

(City and State)

Signature _____

Print Name _____

FORM D

DEBARMENT OR SUSPENSION CERTIFICATION FORM

Non-Federal entities are prohibited from contracting with or making sub-awards under covered transaction to parties that are suspended or debarred or whose principals are suspended or debarred. Covered transactions include procurement of goods or services equal to or in excess of \$100,000. Contractors receiving individual awards of \$100,000 or more and all sub-recipients must certify that the organizations and its principals are not suspended or debarred.

By submitting this offer and signing this certificate, this bidder:

- + Certifies that no suspension or debarment is in place, which would preclude receiving a federally funded contract under the Federal OMB, A-102, Common Rule (§.36).

Vendor Name: _____

Vendor Address: _____

Vendor Telephone: _____

Authorized Company Official's Name: _____

(printed)

Signature of Company Official: _____

Date: _____

FORM E

NO BID NOTIFICATION

VENDOR NAME _____ AGENT'S NAME _____

ADDRESS _____ BID NUMBER _____

_____ DESCRIPTION _____

The Alpine Independent School District is interested in receiving competitive pricing on all items bid. We also desire to keep your firm as a bidder and supplier of materials and equipment. Therefore, it is important for us to determine why you are not bidding on this item. We will analyze your input carefully and try to determine if future changes are needed in our specifications and/or procedures.

Idid not bid for the following reason: (PLEASE CHECK ONE OF THE LISTED REASONS)

- _____ Do not supply the requested product
- _____ Quantities offered are too small or too large to be supplied by my company.
(please circle one of the underlined)
- _____ Specifications are "too tight" or written around a particular product.
(Please elaborate on this item) _____
- _____ Cannot bid against manufacturer or jobber on this item.
(please circle one of the underlined)
- _____ Time frame for bidding was too short for my organization.
- _____ Not awarded a contract by AISD when you felt you were low bidder.
- _____ Other... _____

Please indicate your choice for remaining on Alpine ISD's bid list.

_____ I wish to remain on bid list.

_____ I do not wish to remain on bid list.

VENDOR'S SIGNATURE

DATE

FORMS CHECKLIST

- Completed - Non Collusion Statement - Form A**
- Completed - Felony Conviction Notice - Form B**
- Completed - Bidders Certification - Form C**
- Completed - Debarment and Suspension Certification - Form D**
- Completed - Deviation/Compliance - Form E**
- Complete if Applicable - No Bid Notification - Form F**
- Completed - W-9 - Request for Taxpayer Identification Number**

Request for Taxpayer Identification Number and Certification

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

Print or type See Specific Instructions on page 2.	1 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	
	3 Check appropriate box for federal tax classification; check only one of the following seven boxes: <input type="checkbox"/> Individual/sole proprietor or single-member LLC <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Limited liability company. Enter the tax classification (C=C corporation, S=S corporation, P=partnership) ▶ <u> C </u> <small>Note. For a single-member LLC that is disregarded, do not check LLC; check the appropriate box in the line above for the tax classification of the single-member owner.</small> <input type="checkbox"/> Other (see instructions) ▶	4 Exemptions (codes apply only to certain entities, not individuals; see instructions on page 3): Exempt payee code (if any) _____ Exemption from FATCA reporting code (if any) _____ <small>(Applies to accounts maintained outside the U.S.)</small>
	5 Address (number, street, and apt. or suite no.)	Requester's name and address (optional)
	6 City, state, and ZIP code	
	7 List account number(s) here (optional)	

Part I Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN)

Enter your TIN in the appropriate box. The TIN provided must match the name given on line 1 to avoid backup withholding. For individuals, this is generally your social security number (SSN). However, for a resident alien, sole proprietor, or disregarded entity, see the Part I instructions on page 3. For other entities, it is your employer identification number (EIN). If you do not have a number, see *How to get a TIN* on page 3.

Note. If the account is in more than one name, see the instructions for line 1 and the chart on page 4 for guidelines on whose number to enter.

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Part II Certification

Under penalties of perjury, I certify that:

1. The number shown on this form is my correct taxpayer identification number (or I am waiting for a number to be issued to me); and
2. I am not subject to backup withholding because: (a) I am exempt from backup withholding, or (b) I have not been notified by the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) that I am subject to backup withholding as a result of a failure to report all interest or dividends, or (c) the IRS has notified me that I am no longer subject to backup withholding; and
3. I am a U.S. citizen or other U.S. person (defined below); and
4. The FATCA code(s) entered on this form (if any) indicating that I am exempt from FATCA reporting 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 tax return. For real estate transactions, item 2 does not apply. For mortgage interest paid, acquisition or abandonment of secured property, cancellation of debt, contributions to an individual retirement arrangement (IRA), and generally, payments other than interest and dividends, you are not required to sign the certification, but you must provide your correct TIN. See the instructions on page 3.

Sign Here	Signature of U.S. person ▶	Date ▶
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General Instructions

Section references are to the Internal Revenue Code unless otherwise noted.

Future developments. Information about developments affecting Form W-9 (such as legislation enacted after we release it) is at www.irs.gov/fw9.

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?* on page 2.

By signing the filled-out form, you:

1. Certify that the TIN you are giving is correct (or you are waiting for a number to be issued),
2. Certify that you are not subject to backup withholding, or
3. Claim exemption from backup withholding if you are a U.S. exempt payee. If applicable, you are also certifying that as a U.S. person, your allocable share of any partnership income from a U.S. trade or business is not subject to the withholding tax on foreign partners' share of effectively connected income, and
4. Certify that FATCA code(s) entered on this form (if any) indicating that you are exempt from the FATCA reporting, is correct. See *What is FATCA reporting?* on page 2 for further information.

Note. If you are a U.S. person and a requester gives you a form other than Form W-9 to request your TIN, you must use the requester's form if it is substantially similar to this Form W-9.

Definition of a U.S. person. For federal tax purposes, you are considered a U.S. person if you are:

- An individual who is a U.S. citizen or U.S. resident alien;
- A partnership, corporation, company, or association created or organized in the United States or under the laws of the United States;
- An estate (other than a foreign estate); or
- A domestic trust (as defined in Regulations section 301.7701-7).

Special rules for partnerships. Partnerships that conduct a trade or business in the United States are generally required to pay a withholding tax under section 1446 on any foreign partners' share of effectively connected taxable income from such business. Further, in certain cases where a Form W-9 has not been received, the rules under section 1446 require a partnership to presume that a partner is a foreign person, and pay the section 1446 withholding tax. Therefore, if you are a U.S. person that is a partner in a partnership conducting a trade or business in the United States, provide Form W-9 to the partnership to establish your U.S. status and avoid section 1446 withholding on your share of partnership income.

In the cases below, the following person must give Form W-9 to the partnership for purposes of establishing its U.S. status and avoiding withholding on its allocable share of net income from the partnership conducting a trade or business in the United States:

- In the case of a disregarded entity with a U.S. owner, the U.S. owner of the disregarded entity and not the entity;
- In the case of a grantor trust with a U.S. grantor or other U.S. owner, generally, the U.S. grantor or other U.S. owner of the grantor trust and not the trust; and
- In the case of a U.S. trust (other than a grantor trust), the U.S. trust (other than a grantor trust) and not the beneficiaries of the trust.

Foreign person. If you are a foreign person or the U.S. branch of a foreign bank that has elected to be treated as a U.S. person, do not use Form W-9. Instead, use the appropriate Form W-8 or Form 8233 (see Publication 515, Withholding of Tax on Nonresident Aliens and Foreign Entities).

Nonresident alien who becomes a resident alien. Generally, only a nonresident alien individual may use the terms of a tax treaty to reduce or eliminate U.S. tax on certain types of income. However, most tax treaties contain a provision known as a "saving clause." Exceptions specified in the saving clause may permit an exemption from tax to continue for certain types of income even after the payee has otherwise become a U.S. resident alien for tax purposes.

If you are a U.S. resident alien who is relying on an exception contained in the saving clause of a tax treaty to claim an exemption from U.S. tax on certain types of income, you must attach a statement to Form W-9 that specifies the following five items:

1. The treaty country. Generally, this must be the same treaty under which you claimed exemption from tax as a nonresident alien.
2. The treaty article addressing the income.
3. The article number (or location) in the tax treaty that contains the saving clause and its exceptions.
4. The type and amount of income that qualifies for the exemption from tax.
5. Sufficient facts to justify the exemption from tax under the terms of the treaty article.

Example. Article 20 of the U.S.-China income tax treaty allows an exemption from tax for scholarship income received by a Chinese student temporarily present in the United States. Under U.S. law, this student will become a resident alien for tax purposes if his or her stay in the United States exceeds 5 calendar years. However, paragraph 2 of the first Protocol to the U.S.-China treaty (dated April 30, 1984) allows the provisions of Article 20 to continue to apply even after the Chinese student becomes a resident alien of the United States. A Chinese student who qualifies for this exception (under paragraph 2 of the first protocol) and is relying on this exception to claim an exemption from tax on his or her scholarship or fellowship income would attach to Form W-9 a statement that includes the information described above to support that exemption.

If you are a nonresident alien or a foreign entity, give the requester the appropriate completed Form W-8 or Form 8233.

Backup Withholding

What is backup withholding? Persons making certain payments to you must under certain conditions withhold and pay to the IRS 28% of such payments. This is called "backup withholding." Payments that may be subject to backup withholding include interest, tax-exempt interest, dividends, broker and barter exchange transactions, rents, royalties, nonemployee pay, payments made in settlement of payment card and third party network transactions, and certain payments from fishing boat operators. Real estate transactions are not subject to backup withholding.

You will not be subject to backup withholding on payments you receive if you give the requester your correct TIN, make the proper certifications, and report all your taxable interest and dividends on your tax return.

Payments you receive will be subject to backup withholding if:

1. You do not furnish your TIN to the requester,
2. You do not certify your TIN when required (see the Part II instructions on page 3 for details),

3. The IRS tells the requester that you furnished an incorrect TIN,

4. The IRS tells you that you are subject to backup withholding because you did not report all your interest and dividends on your tax return (for reportable interest and dividends only), or

5. You do not certify to the requester that you are not subject to backup withholding under 4 above (for reportable interest and dividend accounts opened after 1983 only).

Certain payees and payments are exempt from backup withholding. See *Exempt payee code* on page 3 and the separate Instructions for the Requester of Form W-9 for more information.

Also see *Special rules for partnerships* above.

What is FATCA reporting?

The Foreign Account Tax Compliance Act (FATCA) requires a participating foreign financial institution to report all United States account holders that are specified United States persons. Certain payees are exempt from FATCA reporting. See *Exemption from FATCA reporting code* on page 3 and the Instructions for the Requester of Form W-9 for more information.

Updating Your Information

You must provide updated information to any person to whom you claimed to be an exempt payee if you are no longer an exempt payee and anticipate receiving reportable payments in the future from this person. For example, you may need to provide updated information if you are a C corporation that elects to be an S corporation, or if you no longer are tax exempt. In addition, you must furnish a new Form W-9 if the name or TIN changes for the account; for example, if the grantor of a grantor trust dies.

Penalties

Failure to furnish TIN. If you fail to furnish your correct TIN to a requester, you are subject to a penalty of \$50 for each such failure unless your failure is due to reasonable cause and not to willful neglect.

Civil penalty for false information with respect to withholding. If you make a false statement with no reasonable basis that results in no backup withholding, you are subject to a \$500 penalty.

Criminal penalty for falsifying information. Willfully falsifying certifications or affirmations may subject you to criminal penalties including fines and/or imprisonment.

Misuse of TINs. If the requester discloses or uses TINs in violation of federal law, the requester may be subject to civil and criminal penalties.

Specific Instructions

Line 1

You must enter one of the following on this line; do not leave this line blank. The name should match the name on your tax return.

If this Form W-9 is for a joint account, list first, and then circle, the name of the person or entity whose number you entered in Part I of Form W-9.

a. **Individual.** Generally, enter the name shown on your tax return. If you have changed your last name without informing the Social Security Administration (SSA) of the name change, enter your first name, the last name as shown on your social security card, and your new last name.

Note. ITIN applicant: Enter your individual name as it was entered on your Form W-7 application, line 1a. This should also be the same as the name you entered on the Form 1040/1040A/1040EZ you filed with your application.

b. **Sole proprietor or single-member LLC.** Enter your individual name as shown on your 1040/1040A/1040EZ on line 1. You may enter your business, trade, or "doing business as" (DBA) name on line 2.

c. **Partnership, LLC that is not a single-member LLC, C Corporation, or S Corporation.** Enter the entity's name as shown on the entity's tax return on line 1 and any business, trade, or DBA name on line 2.

d. **Other entities.** Enter your name as shown on required U.S. federal tax documents on line 1. This name should match the name shown on the charter or other legal document creating the entity. You may enter any business, trade, or DBA name on line 2.

e. **Disregarded entity.** For U.S. federal tax purposes, an entity that is disregarded as an entity separate from its owner is treated as a "disregarded entity." See Regulations section 301.7701-2(c)(2)(ii). Enter the owner's name on line 1. The name of the entity entered on line 1 should never be a disregarded entity. The name on line 1 should be the name shown on the income tax return on which the income should be reported. For example, if a foreign LLC that is treated as a disregarded entity for U.S. federal tax purposes has a single owner that is a U.S. person, the U.S. owner's name is required to be provided on line 1. If the direct owner of the entity is also a disregarded entity, enter the first owner that is not disregarded for federal tax purposes. Enter the disregarded entity's name on line 2, "Business name/disregarded entity name." If the owner of the disregarded entity is a foreign person, the owner must complete an appropriate Form W-8 instead of a Form W-9. This is the case even if the foreign person has a U.S. TIN.

Line 2

If you have a business name, trade name, DBA name, or disregarded entity name, you may enter it on line 2.

Line 3

Check the appropriate box in line 3 for the U.S. federal tax classification of the person whose name is entered on line 1. Check only one box in line 3.

Limited Liability Company (LLC). If the name on line 1 is an LLC treated as a partnership for U.S. federal tax purposes, check the "Limited Liability Company" box and enter "P" in the space provided. If the LLC has filed Form 8832 or 2553 to be taxed as a corporation, check the "Limited Liability Company" box and in the space provided enter "C" for C corporation or "S" for S corporation. If it is a single-member LLC that is a disregarded entity, do not check the "Limited Liability Company" box; instead check the first box in line 3 "Individual/sole proprietor or single-member LLC."

Line 4, Exemptions

If you are exempt from backup withholding and/or FATCA reporting, enter in the appropriate space in line 4 any code(s) that may apply to you.

Exempt payee code.

- Generally, individuals (including sole proprietors) are not exempt from backup withholding.
- Except as provided below, corporations are exempt from backup withholding for certain payments, including interest and dividends.
- Corporations are not exempt from backup withholding for payments made in settlement of payment card or third party network transactions.
- Corporations are not exempt from backup withholding with respect to attorneys' fees or gross proceeds paid to attorneys, and corporations that provide medical or health care services are not exempt with respect to payments reportable on Form 1099-MISC.

The following codes identify payees that are exempt from backup withholding. Enter the appropriate code in the space in line 4.

- 1—An organization exempt from tax under section 501(a), any IRA, or a custodial account under section 403(b)(7) if the account satisfies the requirements of section 401(f)(2)
- 2—The United States or any of its agencies or instrumentalities
- 3—A state, the District of Columbia, a U.S. commonwealth or possession, or any of their political subdivisions or instrumentalities
- 4—A foreign government or any of its political subdivisions, agencies, or instrumentalities
- 5—A corporation
- 6—A dealer in securities or commodities required to register in the United States, the District of Columbia, or a U.S. commonwealth or possession
- 7—A futures commission merchant registered with the Commodity Futures Trading Commission
- 8—A real estate investment trust
- 9—An entity registered at all times during the tax year under the Investment Company Act of 1940
- 10—A common trust fund operated by a bank under section 584(a)
- 11—A financial institution
- 12—A middleman known in the investment community as a nominee or custodian
- 13—A trust exempt from tax under section 664 or described in section 4947

The following chart shows types of payments that may be exempt from backup withholding. The chart applies to the exempt payees listed above, 1 through 13.

IF the payment is for . . .	THEN the payment is exempt for . . .
Interest and dividend payments	All exempt payees except for 7
Broker transactions	Exempt payees 1 through 4 and 6 through 11 and all C corporations. S corporations must not enter an exempt payee code because they are exempt only for sales of noncovered securities acquired prior to 2012.
Barter exchange transactions and patronage dividends	Exempt payees 1 through 4
Payments over \$600 required to be reported and direct sales over \$5,000 ¹	Generally, exempt payees 1 through 5 ²
Payments made in settlement of payment card or third party network transactions	Exempt payees 1 through 4

¹ See Form 1099-MISC, Miscellaneous Income, and its instructions.

² However, the following payments made to a corporation and reportable on Form 1099-MISC are not exempt from backup withholding: medical and health care payments, attorneys' fees, gross proceeds paid to an attorney reportable under section 6045(f), and payments for services paid by a federal executive agency.

Exemption from FATCA reporting code. The following codes identify payees that are exempt from reporting under FATCA. These codes apply to persons submitting this form for accounts maintained outside of the United States by certain foreign financial institutions. Therefore, if you are only submitting this form for an account you hold in the United States, you may leave this field blank. Consult with the person requesting this form if you are uncertain if the financial institution is subject to these requirements. A requester may indicate that a code is not required by providing you with a Form W-9 with "Not Applicable" (or any similar indication) written or printed on the line for a FATCA exemption code.

- A—An organization exempt from tax under section 501(a) or any individual retirement plan as defined in section 7701(a)(37)
- B—The United States or any of its agencies or instrumentalities
- C—A state, the District of Columbia, a U.S. commonwealth or possession, or any of their political subdivisions or instrumentalities
- D—A corporation the stock of which is regularly traded on one or more established securities markets, as described in Regulations section 1.1472-1(c)(1)(i)
- E—A corporation that is a member of the same expanded affiliated group as a corporation described in Regulations section 1.1472-1(c)(1)(i)
- F—A dealer in securities, commodities, or derivative financial instruments (including notional principal contracts, futures, forwards, and options) that is registered as such under the laws of the United States or any state
- G—A real estate investment trust
- H—A regulated investment company as defined in section 851 or an entity registered at all times during the tax year under the Investment Company Act of 1940
- I—A common trust fund as defined in section 584(a)
- J—A bank as defined in section 581
- K—A broker
- L—A trust exempt from tax under section 664 or described in section 4947(a)(1)
- M—A tax exempt trust under a section 403(b) plan or section 457(g) plan

Note. You may wish to consult with the financial institution requesting this form to determine whether the FATCA code and/or exempt payee code should be completed.

Line 5

Enter your address (number, street, and apartment or suite number). This is where the requester of this Form W-9 will mail your information returns.

Line 6

Enter your city, state, and ZIP code.

Part I. Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN)

Enter your TIN in the appropriate box. If you are a resident alien and you do not have and are not eligible to get an SSN, your TIN is your IRS individual taxpayer identification number (ITIN). Enter it in the social security number box. If you do not have an ITIN, see *How to get a TIN* below.

If you are a sole proprietor and you have an EIN, you may enter either your SSN or EIN. However, the IRS prefers that you use your SSN.

If you are a single-member LLC that is disregarded as an entity separate from its owner (see *Limited Liability Company (LLC)* on this page), enter the owner's SSN (or EIN, if the owner has one). Do not enter the disregarded entity's EIN. If the LLC is classified as a corporation or partnership, enter the entity's EIN.

Note. See the chart on page 4 for further clarification of name and TIN combinations.

How to get a TIN. If you do not have a TIN, apply for one immediately. To apply for an SSN, get Form SS-5, Application for a Social Security Card, from your local SSA office or get this form online at www.ssa.gov. You may also get this form by calling 1-800-772-1213. Use Form W-7, Application for IRS Individual Taxpayer Identification Number, to apply for an ITIN, or Form SS-4, Application for Employer Identification Number, to apply for an EIN. You can apply for an EIN online by accessing the IRS website at www.irs.gov/businesses and clicking on Employer Identification Number (EIN) under Starting a Business. You can get Forms W-7 and SS-4 from the IRS by visiting irs.gov or by calling 1-800-TAX-FORM (1-800-829-3676).

If you are asked to complete Form W-9 but do not have a TIN, apply for a TIN and write "Applied For" in the space for the TIN, sign and date the form, and give it to the requester. For interest and dividend payments, and certain payments made with respect to readily tradable instruments, generally you will have 60 days to get a TIN and give it to the requester before you are subject to backup withholding on payments. The 60-day rule does not apply to other types of payments. You will be subject to backup withholding on all such payments until you provide your TIN to the requester.

Note. Entering "Applied For" means that you have already applied for a TIN or that you intend to apply for one soon.

Caution: A disregarded U.S. entity that has a foreign owner must use the appropriate Form W-8.

Part II. Certification

To establish to the withholding agent that you are a U.S. person, or resident alien, sign Form W-9. You may be requested to sign by the withholding agent even if items 1, 4, or 5 below indicate otherwise.

For a joint account, only the person whose TIN is shown in Part I should sign (when required). In the case of a disregarded entity, the person identified on line 1 must sign. Exempt payees, see *Exempt payee code* earlier.

Signature requirements. Complete the certification as indicated in items 1 through 5 below.

1. **Interest, dividend, and barter exchange accounts opened before 1984 and broker accounts considered active during 1983.** You must give your correct TIN, but you do not have to sign the certification.
2. **Interest, dividend, broker, and barter exchange accounts opened after 1983 and broker accounts considered inactive during 1983.** You must sign the certification or backup withholding will apply. If you are subject to backup withholding and you are merely providing your correct TIN to the requester, you must cross out item 2 in the certification before signing the form.
3. **Real estate transactions.** You must sign the certification. You may cross out item 2 of the certification.
4. **Other payments.** You must give your correct TIN, but you do not have to sign the certification unless you have been notified that you have previously given an incorrect TIN. "Other payments" include payments made in the course of the requester's trade or business for rents, royalties, goods (other than bills for merchandise), medical and health care services (including payments to corporations), payments to a nonemployee for services, payments made in settlement of payment card and third party network transactions, payments to certain fishing boat crew members and fishermen, and gross proceeds paid to attorneys (including payments to corporations).
5. **Mortgage interest paid by you, acquisition or abandonment of secured property, cancellation of debt, qualified tuition program payments (under section 529), IRA, Coverdell ESA, Archer MSA or HSA contributions or distributions, and pension distributions.** You must give your correct TIN, but you do not have to sign the certification.

What Name and Number To Give the Requester

For this type of account:	Give name and SSN of:
1. Individual	The individual
2. Two or more individuals (joint account)	The actual owner of the account or, if combined funds, the first individual on the account ¹
3. Custodian account of a minor (Uniform Gift to Minors Act)	The minor ²
4. a. The usual revocable savings trust (grantor is also trustee) b. So-called trust account that is not a legal or valid trust under state law	The grantor-trustee ¹ The actual owner ¹
5. Sole proprietorship or disregarded entity owned by an individual	The owner ³
6. Grantor trust filing under Optional Form 1099 Filing Method 1 (see Regulations section 1.671-4(b)(2)(i)(A))	The grantor ³
For this type of account:	Give name and EIN of:
7. Disregarded entity not owned by an individual	The owner
8. A valid trust, estate, or pension trust	Legal entity ⁴
9. Corporation or LLC electing corporate status on Form 8832 or Form 2553	The corporation
10. Association, club, religious, charitable, educational, or other tax-exempt organization	The organization
11. Partnership or multi-member LLC	The partnership
12. A broker or registered nominee	The broker or nominee
13. Account with the Department of Agriculture in the name of a public entity (such as a state or local government, school district, or prison) that receives agricultural program payments	The public entity
14. Grantor trust filing under the Form 1041 Filing Method or the Optional Form 1099 Filing Method 2 (see Regulations section 1.671-4(b)(2)(i)(B))	The trust

¹ List first and circle the name of the person whose number you furnish. If only one person on a joint account has an SSN, that person's number must be furnished.

² Circle the minor's name and furnish the minor's SSN.

³ You must show your individual name and you may also enter your business or DBA name on the "Business name/disregarded entity" name line. You may use either your SSN or EIN (if you have one), but the IRS encourages you to use your SSN.

⁴ List first and circle the name of the trust, estate, or pension trust. (Do not furnish the TIN of the personal representative or trustee unless the legal entity itself is not designated in the account title.) Also see *Special rules for partnerships* on page 2.

*Note. Grantor also must provide a Form W-9 to trustee of trust.

Note. If no name is circled when more than one name is listed, the number will be considered to be that of the first name listed.

Secure Your Tax Records from Identity Theft

Identity theft occurs when someone uses your personal information such as your name, SSN, or other identifying information, without your permission, to commit fraud or other crimes. An identity thief may use your SSN to get a job or may file a tax return using your SSN to receive a refund.

To reduce your risk:

- Protect your SSN.
- Ensure your employer is protecting your SSN, and
- Be careful when choosing a tax preparer.

If your tax records are affected by identity theft and you receive a notice from the IRS, respond right away to the name and phone number printed on the IRS notice or letter.

If your tax records are not currently affected by identity theft but you think you are at risk due to a lost or stolen purse or wallet, questionable credit card activity or credit report, contact the IRS Identity Theft Hotline at 1-800-908-4490 or submit Form 14039.

For more information, see Publication 4535, Identity Theft Prevention and Victim Assistance.

Victims of identity theft who are experiencing economic harm or a system problem, or are seeking help in resolving tax problems that have not been resolved through normal channels, may be eligible for Taxpayer Advocate Service (TAS) assistance. You can reach TAS by calling the TAS toll-free case intake line at 1-877-777-4778 or TTY/TDD 1-800-829-4059.

Protect yourself from suspicious emails or phishing schemes. Phishing is the creation and use of email and websites designed to mimic legitimate business emails and websites. The most common act is sending an email to a user falsely claiming to be an established legitimate enterprise in an attempt to scam the user into surrendering private information that will be used for identity theft.

The IRS does not initiate contacts with taxpayers via emails. Also, the IRS does not request personal detailed information through email or ask taxpayers for the PIN numbers, passwords, or similar secret access information for their credit card, bank, or other financial accounts.

If you receive an unsolicited email claiming to be from the IRS, forward this message to phishing@irs.gov. You may also report misuse of the IRS name, logo, or other IRS property to the Treasury Inspector General for Tax Administration (TIGTA) at 1-800-366-4484. You can forward suspicious emails to the Federal Trade Commission at spam@uce.gov or contact them at www.ftc.gov/idtheft or 1-877-IDTHEFT (1-877-438-4338).

Visit IRS.gov to learn more about identity theft and how to reduce your risk.

Privacy Act Notice

Section 6109 of the Internal Revenue Code requires you to provide your correct TIN to persons (including federal agencies) who are required to file information returns with the IRS to report interest, dividends, or certain other income paid to you; mortgage interest you paid; the acquisition or abandonment of secured property; the cancellation of debt; or contributions you made to an IRA, Archer MSA, or HSA. The person collecting this form uses the information on the form to file information returns with the IRS, reporting the above information. Routine uses of this information include giving it to the Department of Justice for civil and criminal litigation and to cities, states, the District of Columbia, and U.S. commonwealths and possessions for use in administering their laws. The information also may be disclosed to other countries under a treaty, to federal and state agencies to enforce civil and criminal laws, or to federal law enforcement and intelligence agencies to combat terrorism. You must provide your TIN whether or not you are required to file a tax return. Under section 3406, payers must generally withhold a percentage of taxable interest, dividend, and certain other payments to a payee who does not give a TIN to the payer. Certain penalties may also apply for providing false or fraudulent information.