

**MANDATORY
GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS – RADFORD UNIVERSITY**

1. **PURCHASING MANUAL:** This solicitation is subject to the provisions of the Commonwealth of Virginia Purchasing Manual for Institutions of Higher Education and their Vendor's and any revisions thereto, which are hereby incorporated into this contract in their entirety. A copy of the manual is available for review at the University Procurement and Contracts Office. In addition, the manual may be accessed electronically at <https://vascupp.org> or a copy can be obtained by calling Procurement and Contracts at (540) 831-6097.

2. **ADVERTISING:** In the event a contract is awarded for supplies, equipment, or services resulting from this bid/proposal, no indication of such sales or services to Radford University will be used in product literature or advertising. The Contractor shall not state in any of its advertising or product literature that Radford University has purchased or uses any of its products or services, and the Contractor shall not include Radford University in any client list in advertising and promotional materials without the prior written consent of the University.
3. **ANTI-DISCRIMINATION:** By submitting their (bids/proposals), (bidders/offerors) certify to the Commonwealth that they will conform to the provisions of the Federal Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended, as well as the Virginia Fair Employment Contracting Act of 1975, as amended, where applicable, the Virginians with Disabilities Act, the Americans with Disabilities Act and § 10 of the Rules Governing Procurement. If the award is made to a faith-based organization, the organization shall not discriminate against any recipient of goods, services, or disbursements made pursuant to the contract on the basis of the recipient's religion, religious belief, refusal to participate in a religious practice, or on the basis of race, age, color, gender or national origin and shall be subject to the same rules as other organizations that contract with public bodies to account for the use of the funds provided; however, if the faith-based organization segregates public funds into separate accounts, only the accounts and programs funded with public funds shall be subject to audit by the public body. (Governing Rules, §6).

In every contract over \$10,000 the provisions in 1 and 2 Below apply:

1. During the performance of this contract, the contractor agrees as follows:
 - a. The contractor will not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, religion, color, sex, national origin, age, disability, or any other basis prohibited by state law relating to discrimination in employment, except where there is a bona fide occupational qualification reasonably necessary to the normal operation of the contractor. The contractor agrees to post in conspicuous places, available to employees and applicants for employment, notices setting forth the provisions of this nondiscrimination clause.
 - b. The contractor, in all solicitations or advertisements for employees placed by or on behalf of the contractor, will state that such contractor is an equal opportunity employer.
 - c. Notices, advertisements and solicitations placed in accordance with federal law, rule or regulation shall be deemed sufficient for the purpose of meeting these requirements.
2. The contractor will include the provision of 1. Above in every subcontract or purchase order over

\$10,000, so that the provisions will be binding upon each subcontractor or vendor.

4. **ANTITRUST**: By entering into a contract, the contractor conveys, sells, assigns, and transfers to Radford University and the Commonwealth of Virginia all rights, title and interest in and to all causes of action it may now have or hereafter acquire under the antitrust laws of the United States and the Commonwealth of Virginia, relating to the particular goods or services purchased or acquired by the Commonwealth of Virginia under said contract.
5. **ANNOUNCEMENT OF AWARD**: Upon award or the announcement of the decision to award a contract over \$50,000 as a result of this solicitation, Radford University will publicly post such notice on the DGS/DPS eVA web site (www.eva.virginia.gov) for a minimum of ten (10) days.
6. **APPLICABLE LAWS AND COURTS**: This solicitation and any resulting contract shall be governed in all respects by the laws of the Commonwealth of Virginia and any litigation with respect thereto shall be brought in the courts of the Commonwealth. The University and the contractor are encouraged to resolve any issues in controversy arising from the award of the contract or any contractual dispute using Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR) procedures (Governing Rules, §56). The contractor shall comply with all applicable federal, state and local laws, rules and regulations.
7. **ASSIGNMENT OF CONTRACT**: A contract shall not be assignable by the contractor in whole or in part without the written consent of Radford University, an agency of the Commonwealth.
8. **AUDIT**: The Contractor shall retain all books, records, and other documents relative to this contract for five (5) years after final payment, or until audited by the Commonwealth of Virginia, whichever is sooner. The University, its authorized agents, and/or state auditors shall have full access to and the right to examine any of said materials during said period.
9. **AUTHORIZATION TO CONDUCT BUSINESS IN THE COMMONWEALTH**: A Contractor organized as a stock or non-stock corporation, limited liability company, business, trust, or limited partnership or registered as a registered limited liability partnership shall be authorized to transact business in the Commonwealth as a domestic or foreign business entity if so required by Title 13.1 or Title 50 of the *Code of Virginia* or as otherwise required by law. Any business entity described above that enters into a contract with a public body shall not allow its existence to lapse or its certificate of authority or registration to transact business in the Commonwealth, if so required by Title 13.1 or Title 50, to be revoked or cancelled at any time during the term of the contract. A public body may void any contract with a business entity if the business fails to remain in compliance with the provisions of this section.
(The clause has been modified to remove reference to the VPPA. PIM 27 added this clause to meet requirements of Code of Virginia § 2.2-4311.2 regarding businesses authorized to transact business in the Commonwealth.)
10. **AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS**: It is understood and agreed between the parties herein that Radford University shall be bound hereunder only to the extent of the funds available or which may hereafter become available for the purpose of this agreement.
11. **CANCELLATION OF CONTRACT**: Radford University reserves the right to cancel and terminate any resulting contract, in part or in whole, without penalty, upon 60 days written notice to the Contractor. In the event the initial contract period is more than 12 months, the resulting contract may be

terminated by either party, without penalty, after the initial 12 months of the contract period upon 60 days written notice to the other party. Any contract cancellation notice shall not relieve the contract of the obligation to deliver and/or perform on all outstanding orders issued prior to the effective date of cancellation.

12. **CHANGES TO THE CONTRACT:** Changes can be made to the contract in any of the following ways:

1. The parties may agree to modify the scope of the contract. An increase or decrease in the price of the contract resulting from such modification shall be agreed to by the parties as a part of their written agreement to modify the scope of the contract.
2. The University may order changes within the general scope of the contract at any time by written notice to the contractor. Changes within the scope of the contract include, but are not limited to, things such as services to be performed, the method of packing or shipment, and the place of delivery or installation. The contractor shall comply with the notice upon receipt. The contractor shall be compensated for any additional costs incurred as the result of such order and shall give the University a credit for any savings. Said compensation shall be determined by one of the following methods:
 - a. By mutual agreement between the parties in writing; or
 - b. By agreeing upon a unit price or using a unit price set forth in the contract, if the work to be done can be expressed in units, and the contractor accounts for the number of units of work performed, subject to the University's right to audit the contractor's records and/or to determine the correct number of units independently; or
 - c. By ordering the contractor to proceed with the work and keep a record of all costs incurred and savings realized. A markup for overhead and profit may be allowed in provided by the contract. The same markup shall be used for determining a decrease in price as the result of savings realized. The contractor shall present the University with all vouchers and records of expenses incurred and savings realized. The University shall have the right to audit the records of the contractor as it deems necessary to determine costs or savings. Any claim for an adjustment in price under this provision must be asserted by written notice to the University within thirty (30) days from the date of receipt of the written order from the University. If the parties fail to agree on an amount of adjustment, the question of an increase or decrease in the contract price or time for performance shall be resolved in accordance with the procedures for resolving disputes provided by the Disputes Clause of this contract, or if there is none, in accordance with the disputes clause provisions of the Commonwealth of Virginia Purchasing Manual for Institutions of Higher Education and Their Vendors. Neither the existence of a claim nor a dispute resolution process, litigation or any other provision of this contract shall excuse the contractor from promptly complying with the changes ordered by the University or with the performance of the contract generally.

13. **CONTROLLING VERSION OF SOLICITATION:** The PDF version of the solicitation and any addenda issued by Radford University's Procurement and Contracts Department is the mandatory controlling version of the document. Any modification to the solicitation by the Bidder or Offeror shall not modify the official version of the solicitation issued by Radford University's Procurement and Contracts Department. Such modifications or additions to the solicitation by the Bidder or Offeror may be cause for rejection of the

bid or proposal; however, Radford University reserves the right to decide, on a case-by-case basis, in its sole discretion, whether to reject such a bid or proposal

14. **DEBARMENT STATUS:** By submitting their (bids/proposals), (bidders/offerors) certify that they are not currently debarred by the Commonwealth of Virginia from submitting bids or proposals on contracts for the type of goods and/or services covered by this solicitation, nor are they an agent of any person or entity that is currently so debarred.
15. **DEFAULT:** In case of failure to deliver goods or services in accordance with the contract terms and conditions, the University, after due oral or written notice, may procure them from other sources and hold the contractor responsible for any resulting additional purchase and administrative costs. This remedy shall be in addition to any other remedies which the Commonwealth may have.
16. **DRUG-FREE WORKPLACE:** During the performance of this contract, the contractor agrees to (i) provide a drug-free workplace for the contractor's employees: (ii) post in conspicuous places, available to employees and applicants for employment, a statement notifying employees that the unlawful manufacturer, sale, distribution, dispensation, possession, or use of controlled substance or marijuana is prohibited in the contractor's workplace and specifying the actions that will be taken against employees for violations of such prohibitions: (iii) state in all solicitations or advertisements for employees placed by or on behalf of the contractor that the contractor maintains a drug-free workplace; and (iv) include the provisions of the foregoing clauses in every subcontract or purchase order of over \$10,000, so that the provisions will be binding upon each subcontractor or vendor.

For the purposes of this section, "drug-free workplace" means a site for the performance of work done in connection with a specific contract awarded to a contractor, the employees of whom are prohibited from engaging in the unlawful manufacture, sale, distribution, possession or use of any controlled substance or marijuana during the performance of the contract.

17. **ETHICS IN PUBLIC CONTRACTING:** By submitting their (bids/proposals), (bidders/offerors) certify that their (bids/proposals) are made without collusion or fraud and that they have not offered or received any kickbacks or inducements from any other (bidder/offeror), supplier, manufacturer or subcontractor in connection with their (bid/proposal), and that they have not conferred on any public employee having official responsibility for this procurement transaction any payment; loan, subscription, advance, deposit of money, services or anything of more than nominal value, present or promised, unless consideration of substantially equal or greater value was exchanged.
18. **eVA BUSINESS-TO-GOVERNMENT VENDOR REGISTRATION, CONTRACTS, AND ORDERS:** The eVA Internet electronic procurement solution, website portal [eVA Electronic Virginia Portal](#) streamlines and automates government purchasing activities in the Commonwealth. The eVA portal is the gateway for vendors to conduct business with state agencies and public bodies. All vendors desiring to provide goods and/or services to the Commonwealth should participate in the eVA Internet e-procurement solution by completing the free eVA Vendor Registration. All bidders or offerors must register in eVA and pay the Vendor Transaction Fees specified below; failure to register will result in the bid/proposal being rejected.

Vendor transaction fees are determined by the date the original purchase order is issued and the current fees are as follows:

- a. For orders issued July 1, 2014 and after, the Vendor Transaction Fee is:

- (i) DSBSD-certified Small Businesses: 1%, capped at \$500 per order.
- (ii) Businesses that are not DSBSD-certified Small Businesses: 1%, capped at \$1,500 per order.

For orders issued prior to July 1, 2014 the vendor transaction fees can be found at [eVA Electronic Virginia Portal](#)

The specified vendor transaction fee will be invoiced, by the Commonwealth of Virginia Department of General Services, approximately 30 days after the corresponding purchase order is issued and payable 30 days after the invoice date. Any adjustments (increases/decreases) will be handled through purchase order changes. **(*Updated by DP&S July 1, 2014).**

You are required to register through the eVA website at www.eva.virginia.gov . Click on the “Vendor” tab and follow the registration instructions. If you need assistance, or on line directions, please contact Radford University at (540) 831-5429.

19. **eVA ORDERS AND CONTRACTS (Effective July 6, 2015)]:** The solicitation/contract will result in one or more purchase order(s) with the applicable eVA transaction fee assessed for each order.

Vendors desiring to provide goods and/or services to the Commonwealth shall participate in the eVA Internet e-procurement solution and agree to comply with the following: If this solicitation is for a term contract, failure to provide an electronic catalog (price list) or index page catalog for items awarded will be just cause for the Commonwealth to reject your bid/offer or terminate this contract for default. The format of this electronic catalog shall conform to the eVA Catalog Interchange Format (CIF) Specification that can be accessed and downloaded from www.eva.virginia.gov. Contractors should email Catalog or Index Page information to eVA-catalog-manager@dgs.virginia.gov.

20. **IMMIGRATION REFORM AND CONTROL ACT OF 1986:** By submitting their (bids/proposals), (bidders/offerors) certify that they do not and will not during the performance of this contract employ illegal alien workers or otherwise violate the provisions of the federal Immigration Reform and Control Act of 1986.

21. **INSURANCE:** By signing and submitting a bid or proposal under this solicitation, the bidder or offeror certifies that if awarded the contract, it will have the following insurance coverage at the time the contract is awarded. For construction contracts, if any subcontractors are involved, the subcontractor will have workers’ compensation insurance in accordance with § 25 of the Governing Rules. The bidder or offeror further certifies that the contractor and any subcontractors will maintain these insurance coverages during the entire term of the contract and that all insurance coverage will be provided by insurance companies authorized to sell insurance in Virginia by the Virginia State Corporation Commission.

MINIMUM COVERAGES AND LIMITS REQUIRED FOR MOST CONTRACTS:

- Workers’ Compensation – Statutory requirements and benefits. Coverage is compulsory for employers of three or more employees, to include the employer. Contractors who fail to notify the Commonwealth of increases in number of employees that change their workers’ compensation requirements under the Governing Rules during the course of the contract shall be in noncompliance with the contract.
- Employer’s Liability - \$ 100,000.

- Commercial General Liability - \$1,000,000 per occurrence and \$2,000,000 in the aggregate. Commercial General Liability is to include bodily injury and property damage, personal injury and advertising injury, products and completed operations coverage. The Commonwealth of Virginia must be name as an additional insured and so endorsed on the policy.
- Automobile Liability - \$1,000,000 combined single limit (Required if a motor vehicle not owned by the Commonwealth is to be used in the contract. Contractor must assure that the required coverage is maintained by the Contractor (or third party owner of such motor vehicle.)

Professional Service	<u>Limits</u>
Accounting	\$1,000,000 per occurrence, \$3,000,000 aggregate
Architecture	\$2,000,000 per occurrence, \$6,000,000 aggregate
Asbestos, Design, Inspection or Abatement Contractors	\$1,000,000 per occurrence, \$3,000,000 aggregate
Health Care Practitioner (to include Dentists, Licensed Dental Hygienists, Optometrists, Registered or Licensed Practical Nurses, Pharmacists, Physicians, Podiatrists, Chiropractors, Physical Therapists, Physical Therapist Assistants, Clinical Psychologists, Clinical Social Workers, Professional Counselors, Hospitals or Health Maintenance Organizations)	\$2,150,000 per occurrence, \$4,250,000 aggregate (Limits increase each July 1 through fiscal year 2031 <i>per Code of Virginia § 8.01 – 581.15</i>)
Insurance Risk Management	\$1,000,000 per occurrence, \$3,000,000 aggregate
Professional Service Limits	
Landscape/Architecture	\$1,000,000 per occurrence, \$1,000,000 aggregate
Legal	\$1,000,000 per occurrence, \$5,000,000 aggregate
Professional Engineer	\$2,000,000 per occurrence, \$6,000,000 aggregate
Surveying	\$1,000,000 per occurrence, \$1,000,000 aggregate

*When Used: FOR CONSTRUCTION SERVICE CONTRACTS AND GOODS CONTRACTS WHEN INSTALLATION IS REQUIRED. Required in all solicitations where a contractor will perform work or services in or on state facilities, the limits are minimums and may be increased. **When soliciting one of the Professions/Services listed above the specific profession/service referenced in the bid/offer shall apply.**

22. **MANDATORY USE OF STATE FORM AND TERMS AND CONDITIONS:** Failure to submit a response on the official state form provided for that purpose may be a cause for rejection of the response. Modification of or additions to the General Terms and Conditions of the solicitation may be cause of rejection of the response; however, the University reserves the right, on a case by case basis, in its sole discretion, whether or not to reject such a proposal.
23. **NONDISCRIMINATION OF CONTRACTORS:** A bidder, offeror, or contractor shall not be discriminated against in the solicitation or award of this contract because of race, religion, color, sex, national origin, age, disability, faith-based organizational status, any other basis prohibited by state law relating to discrimination in employment or because the bidder or offeror employs ex-offenders unless the university, department or institution has made a written determination that employing ex-offenders on the specific contract is not in its best interest. If the award of this contract is made to a faith-based organization and an individual, who applies for or receives goods, services, or disbursements provided

pursuant to this contract objects to the religious character of the faith-based organization from which the individual receives or would receive the goods, services, or disbursements, the public body shall offer the individual, within a reasonable period of time after the date of his objection, access to equivalent goods, services, or disbursements from an alternative provider.

24. **PAYMENT:**

1. **Prime Contractor:**

- a. Invoices for items ordered, delivered and accepted shall be submitted by the contractor directly to the payment address shown on the purchase order/contract. All invoices shall show the state contract number and/or purchase order number. Radford University's payment address is as follows:

**RADFORD UNIVERSITY
ATTN: ACCOUNTS PAYABLE
PO BOX 6906
RADFORD, VA. 24142
Email: acctspayable@radford.edu**

- b. Any payment terms requiring payment in less than 30 days will be regarded as requiring payment 30 days after invoice or delivery, whichever occurs last. This shall not affect offers of discounts for payment in less than 30 days, however.
- c. All goods and services provided under this contract or purchase order, that are to be paid with public funds shall be billed by the contractor at the contract price, regardless of which public agency is being billed.
- d. The following shall be deemed to be the date of payment: the date of postmark in all cases where payment is made by mail, or the date of offset when offset proceedings have been instituted as authorized under the Virginia Debt Collection Act.
- e. **Unreasonable Charges.** Under certain emergency procurements and for most time and material purchases, final job costs cannot be accurately determined at the time orders are placed. In such cases, contractors should be put on notice that final payment in full is contingent on a determination of reasonableness with respect to all invoiced charges. Charges which appear to be unreasonable will be researched and challenged, and that portion of the invoice held in abeyance until a settlement can be reached. Upon determining that invoiced charges are not reasonable the Commonwealth shall promptly notify the contractor, in writing, as to those charges which it considers unreasonable and the basis for the determination. A contractor may not institute legal action unless a settlement cannot be reached within thirty (30) days of notification. The provisions of this section do not relieve the University of its prompt payment obligations with respect to those charges which are not in dispute (Governing Rule §53.)

2. **To Subcontractors:**

- a. A contractor awarded a contract under this solicitation is hereby obligated:

- 1) To pay the subcontractor(s) within seven (7) days of the contractor's receipt of payment from the Commonwealth for the proportionate share of the payment record for work performed by the subcontractor(s) under the contract; or
 - 2) To notify the University and the subcontractor(s), in writing, of the contractor's intention to withhold payment and the reason.
- b. The contractor is obligated to pay the subcontractor(s) interest at the rate of one percent per month (unless otherwise prohibited under the terms of the contract) on all amounts owed by contractor that remain unpaid seven (7) days following receipt of payment from the Commonwealth, except for amounts withheld as stated in (2) above. The date of mailing of any payment by U.S. Mail is deemed to be payment to the addressee. These provisions apply to each sub-tier contractor performing under the primary contract. A contractor's Obligation to pay an interest charge to a subcontractor may not be construed to be an obligation of the Commonwealth.
3. Each prime contractor who wins an award in which provision of a SWaM procurement plan as specified in the contract documents and is a condition to the award, shall deliver to the contracting agency or institution, on or before request for final payment, evidence and certification of compliance (subject only substantial shortfalls and to shortfalls arising from subcontractor default) with the SWAM procurement plan. Final payment under the contract in question may be withheld until such certification is delivered and, if necessary, confirmed by the University or institution, or other appropriate penalties may be accessed in lieu of withholding such payment.
25. **PRECEDENCE OF TERMS:** The following General Terms and Conditions COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA PURCHASING MANUAL for INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION and THEIR VENDORS, APPLICABLE LAWS AND COURTS, ANTI-DISCRIMINATION, ETHICS IN PUBLIC CONTRACTING, IMMIGRATION REFORM AND CONTROL ACT OF 1986, DEBARMENT STATUS, ANTITRUST, MANDATORY USE OF STATE FORM AND TERMS AND CONDITIONS, CLARIFICATION OF TERMS, PAYMENT shall apply in all instances. In the event there is a conflict between any of the other General Terms and Conditions and any Special Terms and Conditions in this solicitation, the Special Terms and Conditions shall apply.
26. **PRICING CURRENCY:** Unless stated otherwise in the solicitation, bidders/offerors shall state bid/offer in U.S. dollars.
27. **QUALIFICATIONS OF (BIDDERS/OFFERORS):** The Commonwealth may make such reasonable investigations as deemed proper and necessary to determine the ability of the (bidder/offeror) to perform the services/furnish the goods and the (bidder/offeror) shall furnish to the Commonwealth all such information and data for this purpose as may be requested. The Commonwealth reserves the right to inspect (bidder/offeror's) physical facilities prior to award to satisfy questions regarding the (bidder/offeror's) capabilities. The Commonwealth further reserves the right to reject any (bid/proposal) if the evidence submitted by, or investigations of, such (bidder/offeror) fails to satisfy the services and/or furnish the goods contemplated therein.
28. **TAXES:** Sales to the Commonwealth of Virginia are normally exempt from State sales tax. State sales and use tax certificates of exemption ST-12, will be issued upon request. Deliveries against this contract shall

usually be free of Federal excise and transportation taxes. The Commonwealth's excise tax exemption number is 54-73-0076K.

29. **TESTING AND INSPECTION:** The Commonwealth reserves the right to conduct any test/inspection it may deem advisable to assure goods and services conform to specifications.

30. **VIRGINIA FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT:** Except as provided, once an award is announced, all proposals/bids submitted to this RFP/IFB will be open to inspection by any citizen, or interested person, firm or corporation, in accordance with the Virginia Freedom of Information Act. Trade secrets or proprietary information submitted by a firm prior to or as part of its proposal will not be subject to public disclosure under the Virginia Freedom of Information Act only under the following circumstances: (1) the appropriate information is clearly identified by some distinct method such as highlighting or underlining; (2) only the specific words, figures, or paragraphs that constitute trade secrets or proprietary information are identified; and (3) a summary page is supplied immediately following the proposal title page that includes (a) the information to be protected, (b) the section(s)/page number(s) where this information is found in the proposal, and (c) a statement why protection is necessary for each section listed. The firm must also provide a separate electronic copy of the proposal (CD, etc.) with the trade secrets and/or proprietary redacted. *If all of these requirements are not met, then the firm's entire bid/proposal will be available for public inspection*