RESPONSE TO REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL #25-003 NEW YORK STATE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT

Title: Coordination of Vocational Rehabilitation Mediation Services

To respond to the RFP, which is noted above, you must complete all the documents that are contained in this package, signing each individual document as required. Attach any other pertinent information that responds to the information requested in the RFP and email the documents to ensure the documents are received by the due date that is stated on the cover of the RFP:

Submit <u>each</u> of the following documents as a separate file:

	on Documents labeled [name of bidder] sion Documents RFP #25-003
	l Proposal labeled [name of bidder] Technical I RFP #25-003
Cost Pro RFP #25	posal labeled [name of bidder] Cost Proposal -003
	curity and Privacy Plan [name of bidder] Data and Privacy Plan RFP #25-003

To: HighQ Online Application Form

Please be sure to enter 25-003 for Procurement No. in the first field of the online application form.

All bids must be received on the date specified in the RFP to be considered.

- As indicated in the RFP, technical and cost proposal documents should be submitted in Microsoft Office. PDF files that are editable and Optical Character Recognition (OCR) searchable are acceptable. Please do not submit the technical or cost proposal as a scanned PDF.
- 2. Submission documents requiring a signature must be signed using one of the methods listed below, and may be submitted in a Microsoft Office, PDF, or JPG document. A scanned PDF is acceptable for these documents.
- 3. The following forms of e-signatures are acceptable:
 - a. handwritten signatures on faxed or scanned documents
 - b. e-signatures that have been authenticated by a third-party digital software, such as DocuSign and Adobe Sign
 - c. stored copies of the images of signatures that are placed on a document by copying and pasting or otherwise inserting them into the documents
- 4. Unacceptable forms of e-signatures include:
 - a. a typed name, including a signature created by selecting a script or calligraphy font for the typed name of the person "signing"
- 5. To identify the signer and indicate that the signer understood and intended to agree to the terms of the signed document, the signer will sign beside or provide by email the following attestation: "I agree, and it is my intent, to sign this document by [describe the signature solution used] and by electronically submitting this document to [name of recipient individual or entity]. I understand that my signing and submitting this document is the legal equivalent of having placed my handwritten signature on the submitted document and this attestation. I understand and agree that by electronically signing and submitting this document I am affirming to the truth of the information contained therein."
- 6. To ensure receipt of your bid, please ensure that the RFP number and title are accurately entered into the fields "Procurement No" and "Procurement Title/Name" on the <u>online form</u>. Failure to include this information may result in the bid not being received by the deadline or considered for award. Please enter only the procurement number without "RFP" or "#." For technical assistance please email <u>cauhighqsupport@nysed.gov</u>.

Application Checklist RFP# 25-003 All bidders must complete the checklist presented below and submit the following forms.

SUBMISSION DOCUMENTS PACKAGE (SIGNATURES REQUIRED) Α.

	REQUIREMENT	Included
1.	This checklist	
2.	Electronic Signature Attestation (sign beside or provide by email)	
3.	Response Sheet to Bids	
4.	Non-collusion Certification	
5.	MacBride Certification	
6.	Certification-Omnibus Procurement Act of 1992	
7.	Certifications Regarding Lobbying; Debarment and Suspension; and Drug-Free Workplace Requireents	
8.	Offerer Disclosure of Prior Non-Responsibility Determinations	
9.	Iran Divestment Act Certification	
10.	Sexual Harassment Policy Certification	
11.	Certification Under Executive Order No. 16	
12.	NYSED Substitute Form W-9 (If bidder is not yet registered in the SFS centralized vendor file. If registered, insert NYS Vendor ID in "Response Sheet for Bids" Check [] if not applicable)	
13.	Vendor Responsibility Questionnaire (Paper submission Electronic filing Not applicable)	
	While the following forms are not required until notification of selection is made, bidders are <u>strongly encouraged</u> to submit the following forms with their proposal	
Sales an	d Compensating Use Tax Documentation	
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14.	ST-220 CA, Sales and Compensating Use Tax Certification	
Worker's	Compensation Documentation	
15.	Form C-105.2 – Certificate of Workers' Compensation Insurance issued by private insurance carriers, or Form U-26.3 issued by the State Insurance Fund; OR	
16.	Form SI-12 – Certificate of Workers' Compensation Self-Insurance; or Form GSI-105.2 Certificate of Participation in Workers' Compensation Group Self-Insurance; OR	
17.	CE-200 Certificate of Attestation for New York Entities with No Employees and certain out of State Entities, that New York State Worker's compensation and/or Disability Benefits Insurance is not required.	
Disability	Benefits Coverage	
18.	Form DB-120.1 - Certificate of Disability Benefits Insurance; OR	
19.	Form DB-155- Certificate of Disability Benefits Self-Insurance; OR	
20.	CE-200 – Certificate of Attestation of Exemption from New York State Workers' Compensation and/or Disability Benefits Coverage.	
	nt Disclosure Reporting	
21.	Form A	

B. TECHNICAL PROPOSAL PACKAGE

	Requirement	Included
1.	Technical Proposal	
2.	Request for Exemption from Disclosure Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Law, if applicable	

C. COST PROPOSAL PACKAGE

	Requirement	Included
1.	Bid Form Cost Proposal	
2.	5 Year Budget Summary	
3.	Subcontracting Form	

D. DATA SECURITY AND PRIVACY PLAN

1.	Appendix R – Data Privacy Appendix – Exhibits 1 and 2		
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ELECTRONIC SIGNATURE ATTESTATION

(if submitting proposal by email)

To identify the signer and indicate that the signer understood and intended to agree to the terms of the signed document, the signer will *sign beside or provide by email* the following attestation:

I agree, and it is my intent, to sign this document by ______ [describe the signature solution used] and by electronically submitting this document to ______ [name of recipient individual or entity]. I understand that my signing and submitting this document is the legal equivalent of having placed my handwritten signature on the submitted document and this attestation. I understand and agree that by electronically signing and submitting this document I am affirming to the truth of the information contained therein.

Signature:_____

Date:_____

Response Sheet for Bids

Please complete the bidder section on this sheet even if you choose not to bid. Read the detailed specifications, terms, and conditions, and submit this form along with your completed bid form and supporting materials.

Agency and Bid-Delivery Information

Please be sure to enter 25-003 for Procurement No. in the first field of the online application form.

Bidder Information—Please Complete This Section

Please complete the following even if you are choosing not to bid; responses must be legible. By signing, you indicate your express authority to sign on behalf of yourself, or your company or other entity and full knowledge and acceptance of the terms and conditions of the bid. You also affirm that you understand and agree to comply with the procedures of the NYSED relative to permissible contacts as required by State Finance Law §139-j (3) and §139-j (6) (b).

Legal Name of Bidder	Federal Tax ID Numbe	<u>r</u>	
	NYS Vendor	ID	
Address Street	City	State	Zip Code
Check one of the following:			
			
I certify that my organization h State VendRep System and that th			
☐ I am including a completed pa	per copy of the Vendor Respon	sibility Questionnaire	with the bid proposal.
☐ My entity is exempt based on t	he OSC listing.		
☐ My proposal is less than \$100,	000.		
Other, explanation:			
I am not submitting a bid. (Plea	ase complete and submit this she	et only: in addition, plea	se indicate why you have
chosen not to bid.)			
Bidder's Signature	Date	E-r	nail
	Phone	Fax	(
Print Name as Signed and Title			

The New York State Education Department reserves the right to request any additional information deemed necessary to properly review bids.

NON-COLLUSIVE BIDDING CERTIFICATION

In accordance with Section 139-d of the State Finance Law and paragraph 7 of Appendix A (Standard Clauses for NYS Contracts), the bidder hereby affirms, under penalty of perjury:

By submission of this bid, each bidder and each person signing on behalf of any bidder certifies, and in the case of a joint bid each party thereto certifies as to its own organization, under penalty of perjury, that to the best of his knowledge and belief:

(1) The prices in this bid have been arrived at independently without collusion, consultation, communication, or agreement, for the purpose of restricting competition, as to any matter relating to such prices with any other bidder or with any competitor;

(2) Unless otherwise required by law, the prices which have been quoted in this bid have not been knowingly disclosed by the bidder and will not knowingly be disclosed by the bidder prior to opening, directly or indirectly, to any other bidder or to any competitor; and

(3) No attempt has been made or will be made by the bidder to induce any other person, partnership or corporation to submit or not to submit a bid for the purpose of restricting competition.

A BID SHALL NOT BE CONSIDERED FOR AWARD NOR SHALL ANY AWARD BE MADE WHERE [1], [2], [3] ABOVE HAVE NOT BEEN COMPLIED WITH; PROVIDED HOWEVER, THAT IF IN ANY CASE THE BIDDER(S) CANNOT MAKE THE FORGOING CERTIFICATION, THE BIDDER SHALL SO STATE AND SHALL FURNISH BELOW A SIGNED STATEMENT WHICH SETS FORTH IN DETAIL THE REASONS THEREFORE:

[AFFIX ADDENDUM TO THIS PAGE IF SPACE IS REQUIRED FOR STATEMENT.]

Subscribed to under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of New York, this _____ day of _____, 20____ as the act and deed of said corporation of partnership.

The person signing on behalf of the bidder further affirms that he/she is authorized and responsible for signing this certificate.

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participant.
berson, firm or corporation

IF BIDDER(S) ARE A PARTNERSHIP, COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING:

NAMES OF PARTNERS OR PRINCIPALS	LEGAL RESIDENCE
IF BIDDER(S) ARE A CORPORATION, COMPLE	TE THE FOLLOWING:
NAME	LEGAL RESIDENCE
President:	
Secretary:	
Treasurer:	
President:	
Secretary:	

Treasurer:

MacBride Certification

NONDISCRIMINATION IN EMPLOYMENT IN NORTHERN IRELAND: MacBRIDE FAIR EMPLOYMENT PRINCIPLES

In accordance with section 165 of the State Finance Law, the bidder, by submission of this bid, certifies that it or any individual or legal entity in which the bidder holds a 10% or greater ownership, or any individual or legal entity that holds a 10% or greater ownership in the bidder, either:

(Answer Yes or No to one or both of the following, as applicable)

1. Has business operations in Northern Ireland:

_____ Yes _____ No

If yes:

2. Shall take lawful steps in good faith to conduct any business operations they have in Northern Ireland in accordance with the MacBride Fair Employment Principles relating to nondiscrimination in employment and freedom of workplace opportunity regarding such operations in Northern Ireland, and shall permit independent monitoring of compliance with such principles.

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	Ye	es	<u> </u>	No	
Signature:					
Print Name:					
Title:					
Name of Bidder:					
Date:					

CERTIFICATION – OMNIBUS PROCUREMENT ACT OF 1992

The Omnibus Procurement Act of 1992 requires that by signing this RFP/bid proposal, contractors certify that whenever the total bid amount is greater than \$1 million:

1. The contractor has made reasonable efforts to encourage the participation of New York State Business Enterprises as suppliers and subcontractors on this project, and has retained the documentation of these efforts to be provided upon request to the State;

2. The contractor has complied with the Federal Equal Opportunity Act of 1972 (P.L. 92-261), as amended;

3. The contractor agrees to make reasonable efforts to provide notification to New York State residents of employment opportunities on this project through listing any such positions with the Job Service Division of the New York State Department of Labor; or providing such notification in such manner as is consistent with existing collective bargaining contracts or agreements. The contractor agrees to document these efforts and to provide said documentation to the State upon request;

4. The contractor acknowledges notice that New York State may seek to obtain offset credits from foreign countries as a result of this contract and agrees to cooperate with the State in these efforts.

Signature:
Print Name:
Title:
Name of Bidder:
Date:

Required Assurances

CERTIFICATIONS REGARDING LOBBYING; DEBARMENT, SUSPENSION AND OTHER RESPONSIBILITY MATTERS; AND DRUG-FREE WORKPLACE REQUIREMENTS

Applicants should refer to the regulations cited below to determine the certification to which they are required to attest. Applicants should also review the instructions for certification included in the regulations before completing this form. Signature of this form provides for compliance with certification requirements under 34 CFR Part 82, "New Restrictions on Lobbying," and 34 CFR Part 85, "Government-wide Debarment and Suspension (Non-procurement) and Governmentwide Requirements for Drug-Free Workplace (Grants)." The certifications shall be treated as a material representation of fact upon which reliance will be placed when the Department of Education determines to award the covered transaction, grant, or cooperative agreement.

1. LOBBYING

As required by Section 1352, Title 31 of the U.S. Code, and implemented at 34 CFR Part 82, for persons entering into a grant or cooperative agreement over \$100,000, as defined at 34 CFR Part 82, Sections 82.105 and 82.110, the applicant certifies that:

(a) No Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid, by or on behalf of the undersigned, to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with the making of any Federal grant, the entering into of any cooperative agreement, and the extension, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification of any Federal grant or cooperative agreement;

(b) If any funds other than Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with this Federal grant or cooperative agreement, the undersigned shall complete and submit Standard Form - LLL, "Disclosure Form to Report Lobbying," in accordance with its instructions;

(c) The undersigned shall require that the language of this certification be included in the award documents for all sub-awards at all tiers (including sub-grants, contracts under grants and cooperative agreements, and subcontracts) and that all sub-recipients shall certify and disclose accordingly.

2. DEBARMENT, SUSPENSION, AND OTHER RESPONSIBILITY MATTERS

As required by Executive Order 12549, Debarment and Suspension, and implemented at 34 CFR Part 85, for prospective participants in primary covered transactions, as defined at 34 CFR Part 85, Sections 85.105 and 85.110--

A. The applicant certifies that it and its principals:

(a) Are not presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from covered transactions by any Federal department or agency;

(b) Have not within a three-year period preceding this application been convicted of or had a civil judgement rendered against them for commission of fraud or a criminal offense in connection with obtaining, attempting to obtain, or performing a public (Federal, State, or local) transaction or contract under a public transaction; violation of Federal or

State antitrust statutes or commission of embezzlement, theft, forgery, bribery, falsification or destruction of records, making false statements, or receiving stolen property;

c) Are not presently indicted for or otherwise criminally or civilly charged by a governmental entity (Federal, State, or local) with commission of any of the offenses enumerated in paragraph (2)(b) of this certification; and

(d) Have not within a three-year period preceding this application had one or more public transaction (Federal, State, or local) terminated for cause or default; and

B. Where the applicant is unable to certify to any of the statements in this certification, he or she shall attach an explanation to this application.

3. DRUG-FREE WORKPLACE (GRANTEES OTHER THAN INDIVIDUALS)

As required by the Drug-Free Workplace Act of 1988, and implemented at 34 CFR Part 85, Subpart F, for grantees, as defined at 34 CFR Part 85, Sections 85.605 and 85.610 -

A. The applicant certifies that it will or will continue to provide a drug-free workplace by:

(a) Publishing a statement notifying employees that the unlawful manufacture, distribution, dispensing, possession, or use of a controlled substance is prohibited in the grantee's workplace and specifying the actions that will be taken against employees for violation of such prohibition;

(b) Establishing an on-going drug-free awareness program to inform employees about:

(1) The dangers of drug abuse in the workplace;

(2) The grantee's policy of maintaining a drug-free workplace;

(3) Any available drug counseling, rehabilitation, and employee assistance programs; and

(4) The penalties that may be imposed upon employees for drug abuse violations occurring in the workplace;

(c) Making it a requirement that each employee to be engaged in the performance of the grant be given a copy of the statement required by paragraph (a);

(d) Notifying the employee in the statement required by paragraph (a) that, as a condition of employment under the grant, the employee will:

(1) Abide by the terms of the statement; and

(2) Notify the employer in writing of his or her conviction for a violation of a criminal drug statute occurring in the workplace no later than five calendar days after such conviction;

(e) Notifying the agency, in writing, within 10 calendar days after receiving notice under subparagraph (d)(2) from an employee or otherwise receiving actual notice of such conviction. Employers of convicted employees must provide notice, including position title, to: Director, Grants Policy and Oversight Professional, U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue, S.W. (Room 3652, GSA Regional Office Building No. 3), Washington, DC 20202-4248. Notice shall include the identification number(s) of each affected grant;

(f) Taking one of the following actions, within 30 calendar days of receiving notice under subparagraph (d)(2), with respect to any employee who is so convicted:

(1) Taking appropriate personnel action against such an employee, up to and including termination, consistent

with the requirements of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended; or

(2) Requiring such employee to participate satisfactorily in a drug abuse assistance or rehabilitation program approved for such purposes by a Federal, State, or local health, law enforcement, or other appropriate agency;

(g) Making a good faith effort to continue to maintain a drug-free workplace through implementation of paragraphs (a), (b), (c), (d), (e), and (f).

B. The grantee may insert in the space provided below the site(s) for the performance of work done in connection with the specific grant:

Place of Performance (Street address, city, county, state, and zip code)

Check [] if there are workplaces on file that are not identified here.

DRUG-FREE WORKPLACE (GRANTEES WHO ARE INDIVIDUALS)

As required by the Drug-Free Workplace Act of 1988, and implemented at 34 CFR Part 85, Subpart F, for grantees, as defined at 34 CFR Part 85, Sections 85.610-

A. As a condition of the grant, I certify that I will not engage in the unlawful manufacture, distribution, dispensing, possession, or use of a controlled substance in conducting any activity with the grant; and

B. If convicted of a criminal drug offense resulting from a violation occurring during the conduct of any grant activity, I will report the conviction, in writing, within 10 calendar days of the conviction, to: Director, Grants Policy and Oversight Professional, Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue, S.W. (Room 3652, GSA Regional Office building No. 3), Washington, DC 20202-4248. Notice shall include the identification number(s) of each affected grant.

As the duly authorized representative of the applicant, I hereby certify that the applicant will comply with the above certifications. The applicant will provide immediate written notice to the NYSED Contract Administration Unit if at any time

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the applicant learns that its certification was erroneous when submitted or has become erroneous by reason of changed circumstances.

Signature:	
Print Name:	
Title:	
Name of Bidder:	
Date:	

Instructions: The attached form is to be completed and submitted by the individual or entity seeking to enter into a Procurement Contract. It shall be submitted to the State Education Department.

Offerer Disclosure of Prior Non-Responsibility Determinations

Name of Individual or Entity Seeking to Enter into the Procurement Contract:

Address: _____

Name and Title of Person Submitting this Form: _____

Contract RFP Number: _____

Date:_____

1. Has any Governmental Entity made a finding into the Procurement Contract in the previous			itity seeking to enter
.	No	Yes	
If yes, please answer the next questions:			
2. Was the basis for the finding of non-respo	nsibility due to a violatior No	n of State Finance Law §139 Yes	-j (Please circle):
3. Was the basis for the finding of non-respo a Governmental Entity? (Please circle):	nsibility due to the intent	ional provision of false or inc	complete information to
	No	Yes	
4. If you answered yes to any of the above qu below.	estions, please provide c	letails regarding the finding o	of non-responsibility
Governmental Entity:			
Date of Finding of Non-responsibility:			
Basis of Finding of Non-Responsibility:			
(Add additional pages as necessary)			
5. Has any Governmental Entity or other gove above-named individual or entity due to the in		se or incomplete information?	

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6. If yes, please provide details below.					
Governmental Entity:					
Date of Termination or Withholding of Contract:		-			
Basis of Termination or Withholding:		-			
(Add additional pages as necessary)					
Offerer certifies that all information provided to the complete, true and accurate.	Governmental Entity with respect to State Fina	ance Law §139-k is			
By <u>:</u> Signature	Date:	_			
Name:					
Title:					



NEW YORK STATE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT NYSED SUBSTITUTE FORM W-9: REQUEST FOR TAXPAYER IDENTIFICATION NUMBER & CERTIFICATION

TYPE OR PRINT INFORMATION NEATLY. PLEASE REF	ER TO INSTRUCTIONS FOR MORE INFORMATION.		
Part I: Payee/Vendor/Organization Information	AGENCY ID:		
1. Legal Business Name:	2. If you use a DBA, please list below:		
3. Entity Type (Check one only): Sole Proprietor Partnership Limited Liability Co. Association/Business Federal Government State Go District Fire District Other			
Part II: Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN) & Taxpayer	Identification Type		
1. Enter your TIN here: (DO NOT USE DASHES) 2. Taxpayer Identification Type (check appropriate box):			
Business Entity)	Individual Taxpayer ID No. (ITIN) 🗌 N/A (Non-United States		
Part III: Address			
1. Physical Address:	2. Remittance Address:		
Number, Street, and Apartment or Suite Number	Number, Street, and Apartment or Suite Number		
City, State, and Nine Digit Zip Code or Country	City, State, and Nine Digit Zip Code or Country		
Part IV: Certification of CEO or Properly Authorized Indi	vidual		
Under penalties of perjury, I certify that I am the CEO or pro form is my correct Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN). Sign Here:	perly authorized individual and that the number shown on this		
Signature	Date		
Print Name	Phone Number Email Address		
Part V: Contact Information – Individual Authorized to Represent the Payee/Vendor/Organization			
Contact Person: (Print Name)	Title:		
Contact's Email Address:	Phone Number:		
Part VI: Survey of Future Payment Methods			

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Please indicate all methods of payment acceptable to your organization:						
[] Electronic	[] Check	[] VISA	
NYS Education Department						

Instructions for Completing NYSED Substitute W-9

The NYS Education Department (NYSED) is using the NYSED Substitute Form W-9 to obtain certification of your TIN in order to facilitate your registration with the SFS centralized vendor file and to ensure accuracy of information contained therein. We ask for the information on the NYSED Substitute Form W-9 to carry out the Internal Revenue laws of the United States.

Any payee/vendor/organization receiving Federal and/or State payments from NYSED must complete the NYSED Substitute Form W-9 if they are not yet registered in the SFS centralized vendor file.

Part I: Payee/Vendor/Organization Information

1. **Legal Business Name**: For individuals, enter the name of the person who will do business with NYS as it appears on the Social Security card or other required Federal tax documents. An organization should enter the name shown on its charter or other legal documents that created the organization. Do not abbreviate names.

- 2. DBA (Doing Business As): Enter your DBA name, if applicable.
- 3. Entity Type: Mark the Entity Type doing business with New York State.

Part II: Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN) and Taxpayer Identification Type

1. **Taxpayer Identification Number:** Enter your nine-digit Social Security Number, Individual Taxpayer Identification Number (ITIN)¹ or Employer Identification Number.

2. Taxpayer Identification Type: Mark the type of identification number provided.

Part III: Address

- 1. Physical Address: List the location of where your business is physically located.
- 2. Remittance Address: List the location where payments should be delivered.

Part IV: Certification of CEO or Properly Authorized Individual

Please sign, date and print the authorized individual's name, telephone and email address. An email address will facilitate communication and access to Vendor Self Service.

Part V: Contact Information

Please provide the contact information for an individual who is authorized to make legal and financial decisions for your organization. An email address will facilitate communication and access to Vendor Self Service.

Part VI: Survey of Future Payment Methods

Payment methods are needed for informational purposes. To expedite payments, vendors are strongly encouraged to consider accepting payment via VISA credit card.

¹ An ITIN is a nine-digit number used by the United States Internal Revenue Service for individuals not eligible to obtain a Social Security Number, but are required to file income taxes. To obtain an ITIN, submit a completed W-7 to the IRS. The IRS will notify you in writing within 4 to 6 weeks about your ITIN status. In order to do business with New York State, **you must submit IRS Form W-8** along with our NYSED Substitute Form W-9 showing your ITIN. IRS Form W-8 certifies your foreign status. To obtain IRS FormsW-7 and W-8, call 1-800-829-3676 or visit the <u>IRS website</u>.

IRAN DIVESTMENT ACT CERTIFICATION

As a result of the Iran Divestment Act of 2012 (Act), Chapter 1 of the 2012 Laws of New York, a new provision has been added to the State Finance Law (SFL), § 165-a, effective April 12, 2012. Under the Act, the Commissioner of the Office of General Services (OGS) will be developing a list (prohibited entities list) of "persons" who are engaged in "investment activities in Iran" (both are defined terms in the law). Pursuant to SFL § 165-a(3)(b), the initial list is expected to be issued no later than 120 days after the Act's effective date, at which time it will be posted on the OGS website.

By submitting a bid in response to this solicitation or by assuming the responsibility of a Contract awarded hereunder, Bidder/Contractor (or any assignee) certifies that once the prohibited entities list is posted on the OGS website, it will not utilize on such Contract any subcontractor that is identified on the prohibited entities list.

Additionally, Bidder/Contractor is advised that once the list is posted on the OGS website, any Contractor seeking to renew or extend a Contract or assume the responsibility of a Contract awarded in response to the solicitation, must certify at the time the Contract is renewed, extended or assigned that it is not included on the prohibited entities list.

During the term of the Contract, should the New York State Education Department (AGENCY) receive information that a person is in violation of the above-referenced certification, AGENCY will offer the person an opportunity to respond. If the person fails to demonstrate that it has ceased its engagement in the investment which is in violation of the Act within 90 days after the determination of such violation, then AGENCY shall take such action as may be appropriate including, but not limited to, imposing sanctions, seeking compliance, recovering damages, or declaring the Contractor in default.

AGENCY reserves the right to reject any bid or request for assignment for an entity that appears on the prohibited entities list prior to the award of a contract, and to pursue a responsibility review with respect to any entity that is awarded a contract and appears on the prohibited entities list after contract award.

Signature:		
Print Name:		
Title:		
Name of Bidder:		
Date:		

CERTIFICATION – Sexual Harassment Policy

By submission of this bid, each bidder and each person signing on behalf of any bidder certifies, and in case of a joint bid each party thereto certifies as to its own organization, under penalty of perjury, that the bidder has and has implemented a written policy addressing sexual harassment prevention in the workplace and provides annual sexual harassment prevention training to all of its employees. Such policy shall, at minimum, meet the requirements of section two hundred one-g of the labor law.

Signature:
Print Name:
itle:
lame of Bidder:
Date:

Certification Under Executive Order No. 16 Prohibiting State Agencies and Authorities from Contracting with Businesses Conducting Business in Russia

Executive Order No. 16 provides that "all Affected State Entities are directed to refrain from entering into any new contract or renewing any existing contract with an entity conducting business operations in Russia." The complete text of Executive Order No. 16 can be found <u>here</u>.

The Executive Order remains in effect while sanctions imposed by the federal government are in effect. Accordingly, vendors who may be excluded from award because of current business operations in Russia are nevertheless encouraged to respond to solicitations to preserve their contracting opportunities in case the sanctions are lifted during a solicitation or even after award in the case of some solicitations.

As defined in Executive Order No. 16, an "entity conducting business operations in Russia" means an institution or company, wherever located, conducting any commercial activity in Russia or transacting business with the Russian Government or with commercial entities headquartered in Russia or with their principal place of business in Russia in the form of contracting, sales, purchasing, investment, or any business partnership.

Is Vendor an entity conducting business operations in Russia, as defined above? Please answer by checking one of the following boxes:

	1.	No, Vendor does not conduct business operations in Russia within the meaning of Executive Order No. 16.
	2.a	Yes, Vendor conducts business operations in Russia within the meaning of Executive Order No. 16 but has taken steps to wind down business operations in Russia or is in the process of winding down business operations in Russia. (Please provide a detailed description of the wind down process and a schedule for completion.)
	2.b	Yes, Vendor conducts business operations in Russia within the meaning of Executive Order No. 16 but only to the extent necessary to provide vital health and safety services within Russia or to comply with federal law, regulations, executive orders, or directives. (Please provide a detailed description of the services being provided or the relevant laws, regulations, etc.)
	3.	Yes, Vendor conducts business operations in Russia within the meaning of Executive Order No. 16.

The undersigned certifies under penalties of perjury that they are knowledgeable about the Vendor's business and operations and that the answer provided herein is true to the best of their knowledge and belief.

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Request for Exemption from Disclosure Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Law

New York State Public Officers Law, Article 6 (Freedom of Information Law) requires that each agency shall make available all records maintained by said agency, except that agencies may deny access to records or portions thereof that fall within the scope of the exceptions listed in Public Officers Law §87(2).

Any proprietary materials submitted as part of, or in support of, a bidder's proposal, which bidder considers confidential or otherwise excepted from disclosure under the Freedom of Information Law, must be specifically so identified, and the basis for such confidentiality or other exception must be specifically set forth.

Please list **all** such documents for every portion of the proposal on the form below, and include a copy of this document with the technical proposal. Materials which are not indicated below may be released in their entirety upon request without notice to you.

According to law, the entity requesting exemption from disclosure has the burden of establishing entitlement to confidentiality. Submission of this form does not necessarily guarantee that a request for exemption from disclosure will be granted. If necessary, NYSED will make a determination regarding the requested exemptions, in accordance with the process set forth in Public Officers Law §89(5).

Material for which Exemption is Requested	Location / Page Number(s)	Basis for Request

M/WBE Documents

M/WBE COVER LETTER Minority & Woman-Owned Business Enterprise Requirements

NAME OF FIRM_

In accordance with the provisions of Article 15-A of the NYS Executive Law, 5 NYCRR Parts 140-144, Section 163 (6) of the NYS Finance Law and Executive Order #8 and in fulfillment of the New York State Education Department (NYSED) policies governing Equal Employment Opportunity and Minority and Women-Owned Business Enterprise (M/WBE) participation, it is the intention of the New York State Education Department to provide real and substantial opportunities for certified Minority and Women-Owned Business Enterprises on all State contracts. It is with this intention the NYSED has assigned M/WBE participation goals to this contract.

In an effort to promote and assist in the participation of certified M/WBEs as subcontractors and suppliers on this project for the provision of services and materials, the bidder is required to comply with NYSED's participation goals through one of the three methods below. Please indicate which one of the following is included with the M/WBE Documents Submission.

- □ Full Participation No Request for Waiver (PREFERRED)
- Partial Participation Partial Request for Waiver
- No Participation Request for Complete Waiver

By my signature on this Cover Letter, I certify that I am authorized to bind the Bidder's firm contractua

Typed or Printed Name of Authorized Representative of the Firm

Typed or Printed Title/Position of Authorized Representative of the Firm

Signature/Date

M/WBE UTILIZATION PLAN

INSTRUCTIONS: All bidders submitting responses to this procurement must complete this M/WBE Utilization Plan unless requesting a total waiver and submit it as part of their proposal. The plan must contain detailed description of the services to be provided by each Minority and/or Women-Owned Business Enterprise (M/WBE) identified by the bidder.

Bidder's Name	Telephone:	
Address	Federal ID No.:	

City, State, Zip

RFP No.:

Certified M/WBE	Classification	Description of Work	Annual Dollar Value of
	(check all applicable)	(Subcontracts/Supplies/Servic es)	Subcontracts/Supplies/Services
NAME	NYS ESD Certified	,	
ADDRESS	MBE WBE		
CITY, ST, ZIP			\$
PHONE/E-MAIL			
FEDERAL ID No.			
NAME	NYS ESD Certified		
ADDRESS	MBE WBE		
CITY, ST, ZIP			\$
PHONE/E-MAIL			
FEDERAL ID No.			

NAME AND TITLE OF PREPARER: (print or type)	REVIEWED BY
TELEPHONE/E-MAIL	DATE
DATE	UTILIZATION PLAN APPROVED YES/NO DATE
M/WBE 100	NOTICE OF DEFICIENCY ISSUED YES/NO DATE
	NOTICE OF ACCEPTANCE ISSUED YES/NO DATE

M/WBE SUBCONTRACTORS AND SUPPLIERS NOTICE OF INTENT TO PARTICIPATE

INSTRUCTIONS: Part A of this form must be completed and signed by the Bidder/Contractor unless requesting a total waiver. Parts B & C of this form must be completed by MBE and/or WBE subcontractors/suppliers. The bidder/contractor must submit a separate M/WBE Notice of Intent to Participate form for each MBE or WBE as part of the proposal.				
Bidder Name:			Federal ID No.:	
Address:			Phone No.:	
City	_State	Zip Code	E-mail:	
Signature of Authorized Representative of Bidder's Firm Print or Type Name and Title of Authorized Representative of Bidder's Firm Date:				
Name of M/WBE:			Federal ID No.:	
Address:			Phone No.:	
City, State, Zip Code			E-mail:	
BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF SERVICES OR SUPPLIES TO BE PERFORMED BY MBE OR WBE:				
DESIGNATION:MBE Subcontractor	_WBE Subo	contractor	MBE SupplierWBE Supplier	

PART C - CERTIFICATION STATUS (CHECK ONE):

The undersigned is a certified M/WBE by the New York State Division of Minority and Women-Owned Business Development (MWBD).

THE UNDERSIGNED IS PREPARED TO PROVIDE SERVICES OR SUPPLIES AS DESCRIBED ABOVE AND WILL ENTER INTO A FORMAL AGREEMENT WITH THE BIDDER CONDITIONED UPON THE BIDDER'S EXECUTION OF A CONTRACT WITH THE NEW YORK STATE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT.

The estimated dollar amount of the agreement \$_____

Signature of Authorized Representative of M/WBE Firm

Date

Printed or Typed Name and Title of Authorized Representative

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EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY - STAFFING PLAN

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Address:							No.:												
City, State, ZIP:							RFP			-									
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TOTAL																			

PREPARED BY (<i>Signature</i>):		DAT E:	
NAME AND TITLE OF PREPARER:		TELEPHONE/EM AIL:	
	(print or type)		

EEO 100STAFFING PLAN INSTRUCTIONS

General Instructions: All Bidders and each subcontractor identified in the bid or proposal must complete an EEO Staffing Plan (EEO 100) and submit it as part of the bid or proposal package. Where the work force to be utilized in the performance of the State contract can be separated out from the contractor's or subcontractor's total work force, the Bidder shall complete this form only for the anticipated work force to be utilized in the performance of the State contract cannot be separated out from the contractor's total work force to be utilized in the performance of the State contract cannot be separated out from the contractor's or subcontractor's total work force, the Bidder shall complete this form for the contract cannot be separated out from the contractor's or subcontractor's total work force, the Bidder shall complete this form for the contractor's or subcontractor's total work force.

Instructions for Completing:

- 1. Enter the RFP number that this report applies to, along with the name, address, and federal ID number of the Bidder.
- 2. Check off the appropriate box to indicate if the work force being reported is just for the contract or the Bidder's total work force.
- 3. Check off the appropriate box to indicate if the Bidder completing the report is the contractor or subcontractor.
- 4. Enter the total work force by EEO job category.
- 5. Break down the total work force by gender and race/ethnic background and enter under the heading Race/Ethnicity. Contact the Designated Contact(s) for the solicitation if you have any questions.
- Enter the name, title, phone number and/or email address for the person completing the form. Sign and date the form in designated 6. areas.

RACE/ETHNIC IDENTIFICATION

For purposes of this form NYSED will accept the definitions of race/ethnic designations used by the federal Equal Employment Opportunity Commission (EEOC), as those definitions are described below or amended hereafter. (Be advised these terms may be defined differently for other purposes under NYS statutory, regulatory, or case law). Race/ethnic designations as used by the EEOC do not denote scientific definitions of anthropological origins. For the purposes of this report, an employee may be included in the group to which he or she appears to belong, identifies with, or is regarded in the community as belonging. The race/ethnic categories for this survey are:

- Hispanic or Latino A person of Cuban, Mexican, Puerto Rican, South or Central American, or other Spanish culture or origin regardless of race.
- White (Not Hispanic or Latino) A person having origins in any of the original peoples of Europe, the Middle East, or North Africa.
- Black or African American (Not Hispanic or Latino) A person having origins in any of the black racial groups of Africa.
- Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander (Not Hispanic or Latino) A person having origins in any of the peoples of Hawaii, Guam, Samoa, or other Pacific Islands.
- Asian (Not Hispanic or Latino) A person having origins in any of the original peoples of the Far East, Southeast Asia, or the Indian Subcontinent, including, for example, Cambodia, China, India, Japan, Korea, Malaysia, Pakistan, the Philippine Islands, Thailand, and Vietnam.
- American Indian or Alaska Native (Not Hispanic or Latino) A person having origins in any of the original peoples of North and South America (including Central America), and who maintain tribal affiliation or community attachment.
- Two or More Races (Not Hispanic or Latino) All persons who identify with more than one of the above five races.
- **Disabled** Any person who has a physical or mental impairment that substantially limits one or more major life activity; has a record of such an impairment; or is regarded as having such an impairment
- Vietnam Era Veteran a veteran who served at any time between and including January 1, 1963 and May 7, 1975.

5 NYCRR 142.8 CONTRACTOR'S GOOD FAITH EFFORTS

(a) The contractor must document its good faith efforts toward meeting certified minority- and women-owned business enterprise utilization plans by providing, at a minimum:

(1) Copies of its solicitations of certified minority- and women-owned business enterprises and any responses thereto;

(2) If responses to the contractor's solicitations were received, but a certified minority- or woman-owned business enterprise was not selected, the specific reasons that such enterprise was not selected;

(3) Copies of any advertisements for participation by certified minority- and women-owned business enterprises timely published in appropriate general circulation, trade and minority- or women-oriented publications, together with the listing(s) and date(s) of the publication of such advertisements;

(4) Copies of any solicitations of certified minority- and/or women-owned business enterprises listed in the directory of certified businesses;

(5) The dates of attendance at any pre-bid, pre-award, or other meetings, if any, scheduled by the State agency awarding the State contract, with certified minority- and women-owned business enterprises which the State agency determined were capable of performing the State contract scope of work for the purpose of fulfilling the contract participation goals;

(6) Information describing the specific steps undertaken to reasonably structure the contract scope of work for the purpose of subcontracting with, or obtaining supplies from, certified minority- and women-owned business enterprises.

(b) In addition to the information provided by the contractor in paragraph (a) above, the State agency may also consider the following to determine whether the contractor has demonstrated good faith efforts:

(1) whether the contractor submitted an alternative utilization plan consistent with the subcontract or supplier opportunities in the contract;

(2) the number of certified minority- and women-owned business enterprises in the region listed in the directory of certified businesses that could, in the judgment of the State agency, perform work required by the State contract scope of work;

(3) The actions taken by the contractor to contact and assess the ability of certified minority- and women-owned business enterprises located outside of the region in which the State contract scope of work is to be performed to participate on the State contract;

(4) whether the contractor provided relevant plans, specifications or terms and conditions to certified minority- and women-owned business enterprises sufficiently in advance to enable them to prepare an informed response to a contractor request for participation as a subcontractor or supplier;

(5) the terms and conditions of any subcontract or provision of suppliers offered to certified minority- or women-owned business enterprises and a comparison of such terms and conditions with those offered in the ordinary course of the contractor's business and to other subcontractors or suppliers of the contractor;

(6) whether the contractor offered to make up any inability to comply with the certified minority- and women-owned business enterprises goals in the subject State contract in other State contracts being performed or awarded to the contractor; and

(7) any other information that is relevant or appropriate to determining whether the contractor has demonstrated a good faith effort.

M/WBE CONTRACTOR GOOD FAITH EFFORTS CERTIFICATION (FORM 105)

PROJECT/CONTRACT #		
I, (Contractor/Vendor)		
· ·	of	
(Title)	(Company)	
(Address)	(Telephone Number)	_

do hereby submit the following as evidence of our good faith efforts to retain certified minority- and women-owned business enterprises:

(1) Copies of its solicitations of certified minority- and women-owned business enterprises and any responses thereto;

(2) If responses to the contractor's solicitations were received, but a certified minority- or woman-owned business enterprise was not selected, the specific reasons that such enterprise was not selected;

(3) Copies of any advertisements for participation by certified minority- and women-owned business enterprises timely published in appropriate general circulation, trade and minority- or women-oriented publications, together with the listing(s) and date(s) of the publication of such advertisements;

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(5) The dates of attendance at any pre-bid, pre-award, or other meetings, if any, scheduled by the State agency awarding the State contract, with certified minority- and women-owned business enterprises which the State agency determined were capable of performing the State contract scope of work for the purpose of fulfilling the contract participation goals;

(6) Information describing the specific steps undertaken to reasonably structure the contract scope of work for the purpose of subcontracting with, or obtaining supplies from, certified minority- and women-owned business enterprises.

(7) Describe any other action undertaken by the bidder to document its good faith efforts to retain certified minority - and women- owned business enterprises for this procurement.

Submit additional pages as needed.

Authorized Representative Signature

Date

M/WBE CONTRACTOR UNAVAILABLE CERTIFICATION

RFP#/PROJECT N	AME				
I,(Authorized	Representative)	(Title)	(Bidder's Comp	any)	
(Ad	ldress)		(Phone)		
I certify that the follo abovementioned pro		ertified Minority/Women Bu	usiness Enterprises were co	ontacted to obtain a quote for work to	be performed on the
List of date, name o	f M/WBE firm, telephone	/e-mail address of M/WB	Es contacted, type of work r	equested, estimated budgeted amou	nt for each quote requested.
DATE	M/WBE NAME	PHONE/EMAIL	TYPE OF WORK	ESTIMATED BUDGET	REASON
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To the best of my knowledge and belief, said New York State Certified Minority/Women Business Enterprise contractor(s) was/were not selected, unavailable for work on this project, or unable to provide a quote for the following reasons: <u>Please check appropriate reasons given by each MBE/WBE firm contacted above.</u>)

_A. Did not have the capability to perform the work **_B**. Contract too small

C. Remote location

D. Received solicitation notices too late

E. Did not want to work with this contractor

Authorized Representative Signature

Date

Print Name



Bureau of Financial Administration

Office of Fiscal Management

REQUEST FOR WAIVER FORM

BIDDER/CONTRACTOR NAME:	TELEPHONE: EMAIL:
ADDRESS:	FEDERAL ID NO.:
CITY, STATE, ZIPCODE:	RFP#/CONTRACT NO.:

INSTRUCTIONS: By submitting this form and the required information, the bidder/contractor certifies that Good Faith Efforts have been taken to promote M/WBE participation pursuant to the M/WBE goals set forth under this RFP/Contract. Please see Page 2 for additional requirements and document submission instructions.

BIDDER/COI	NTRACTOR IS REQUESTING (check all that apply):
MBE Waiver - A waiver of the MBE goal for this p requested.	requested.
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PREPARED BY (Signature):	DATE: R/CONTRACTOR'S ACKNOWLEDGEMENT AND AGREEMENT TO COMPLY WITH THE M/WBE
	LAW, ARTICLE 15-A, 5 NYCRR PART 143, AND THE ABOVE REFERENCED SOLICITATION
	INFORMATION MAY RESULT IN A FINDING OF NONCOMPLIANCE AND/OR PROPOSAL
NAME OF PREPARER:	FOR AUTHORIZED USE ONLY
TITLE OF PREPARER: TELEPHONE:	REVIEWED BY: DATE:
EMAIL:	WAIVER GRANTED I YES I NO TOTAL WAIVER I PARTIAL WAIVER I NOTICE OF DEFICIENCY CONDITIONAL WAIVER
	COMMENTS: DATE:

REQUIREMENTS AND DOCUMENT SUBMISSION INSTRUCTIONS

When completing the Request for Waiver Form, please check all boxes that apply. To be considered, the Request for Waiver Form must be accompanied by documentation for items 1-10, as listed below. Copies of the following information and all relevant supporting documentation must be submitted along with the request.

1. A statement setting forth your basis for requesting a partial or total waiver.

2. The names of general circulation, trade association, and M/WBE-oriented publications in which you solicited certified M/WBEs for the purposes of complying with your participation goals.

3. A list identifying the date(s) that all solicitations for certified M/WBE participation were published in any of the above publications.

4. A list of all certified M/WBEs appearing in the NYS Directory of Certified Firms that were solicited for purposes of complying with your certified M/WBE participation levels.

5. Copies of notices, dates of contact, letters, and other correspondence as proof that solicitations were made in writing and copies of such solicitations, or a sample copy of the solicitation if an identical solicitation was made to all certified M/WBEs.

6. Provide copies of responses made by certified M/WBEs to your solicitations.

7. Provide a description of any contract documents, plans, or specifications made available to certified M/WBEs for purposes of soliciting their bids and the date and manner in which these documents were made available.

8. Provide documentation of any negotiations between you, the Bidder/Contractor, and the M/WBEs undertaken for purposes of complying with the certified M/WBE participations goals.

9. Provide any other information you deem relevant which may help us in evaluating your request for a waiver.

10. Provide the name, title, address, telephone number and email address of the Bidder/Contractor's representative authorized to discuss and negotiate this waiver request.

NOTE: Unless a Total Waiver has been granted, Bidder/Contractor will be required to submit all reports and documents pursuant to the provisions set forth in the procurement and/or contract, as deemed appropriate by NYSED, to determine M/WBE compliance.