# STATE OF CONNECTICUT

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE Business Office 165 Capitol Avenue, 5th Floor West HARTFORD, CT 06106 06DAG0007

**Bid Request** 

Bid Due Date: December 6, 2006 @ 2:00 p.m.

Brian Saczawa – Buyer Date Issued:November 13, 2006 Telephone Number (860) 713-5172

# Invitation to Bid

Bids must be received by date and time specified. This will not be a public bid opening.

## Personal Service Agreement

# "Hearing Officer"

#### **Introduction:**

The Department of Agriculture is seeking the services of a Hearing Officer [definition: C.G.S. §4-166 (4)] to conduct agency hearings for contested cases as authorized by the Uniform Administrative Procedure Act and RCSA §§22-7-20 through and including §22-7-38. Contested cases requiring an administrative agency hearing include but are not limited to animal restraint and disposal orders, cease and desist orders, license denial or revocation and administrative civil penalties.

### Need:

The Department of Agriculture conducts approximately twelve administrative hearings annually.

### **Duties:**

The duties of a Hearing Officer include but are not limited to the following:

- In cooperation with agency staff, schedule and conduct administrative hearings for contested cases in accordance with the Uniform Administrative Procedures Act and laws and regulations of the Department of Agriculture.
- Issue a written proposed final decision containing a statement of the reasons for the decision and a finding of fact and conclusions of law on each issue of fact or law necessary to the decision.

• May, in selected cases, render a final decision if so authorized by the Commissioner.

#### **Qualifications:**

The person considered for this PSA shall be an attorney who is a licensed member of the Connecticut bar in good standing.

#### **Compensation:**

The PSA contract entered into with the person selected through this bid request shall provide compensation for each contested case assigned at the time when the final disposition of the case occurs.

#### **Duration of contract:**

The contract secured through this personal services agreement shall be for a period of one year. Any hearing proceedings initiated prior to the end of the contract but not concluded before the end of the contract will be included in the terms of the contract. The State reserves the right to award this contract to multiple vendors.

#### **Questions:**

Any questions regarding this bid must be directed in writing by November 22, 2006 at 2:00 p.m. Answers will be posted by November 28, 2006 in the form of an amendment.

Brian Saczawa DAS Purchasing 165 Capitol Ave. 5<sup>th</sup> Floor West Hartford, CT 06106

Fax: 860-713-7479

**This form must be Signed & Returned with your Bid.** Authorized Signature of Bidder APPROVED\_\_\_\_\_\_

PROPOSAL SCHEDULE RFP-16 NEW 6/98 Brian Saczawa		STATE OF CO DEPARTMENT OF		JT	RFP NO.: 06DAG0007		
DAS		PROPOSAL SCHEDUL for RFP # 06DAG0007	DELIVERY:				
<b>(860)713-5172</b> Telephone Number		***** <u>IMPORTANT</u> ! * <u>RETURN ORIGINAL AND ON</u>	TERMS:	CASH D	CASH DISCOUNT: % Days		
-		days. Any deviation may result in proposal aclude all transportation charges FOB state a	PROPOSER NAME:				
Pa		ge 1 OF 1		SSN OR FEIN #:			
ITEM #	DESCRIPTIO	n of Commodity and/or Services	UNIT PRICE			TOTAL PRICE	
1.	Per case flat fee						

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#### COMMISSION ON HUMAN RIGHTS AND OPPORTUNITIES CONTRACT COMPLIANCE REGULATIONS NOTIFICATION TO BIDDERS

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

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

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

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

#### INSTRUCTIONS AND OTHER INFORMATION

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

#### 1) Definition of Small Contractor

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

3) Definition of Racial and Ethnic Terms (as used in Part IV Bidder Employment Information)							
<u>White</u> (not of Hispanic Origin)- All persons having origins in any of the original peoples of Europe, North Africa, or the Middle East. <u>Black(not of Hispanic Origin)- All persons having origins</u>	Asian or Pacific Islander- All persons having origins in any of the original peoples of the Far East, Southeast Asia, the Indian subcontinent, or the Pacific Islands. This area includes China, India, Japan, Korea, the Philippine						
in any of the Black racial groups of Africa.	Islands, and Samoa.						
Hispanic- All persons of Mexican, Puerto Rican, Cuban,	American Indian or Alaskan Native- All persons having						
Central or South American, or other Spanish culture or	origins in any of the original peoples of North America,						
origin, regardless of race.	and who maintain cultural identification through tribal						
	affiliation or community recognition.						

## BIDDER CONTRACT COMPLIANCE MONITORING REPORT

PART I - Bidder Information	(Page 3)			
Company Name Street Address City & State Chief Executive	Bidder Federal Employer Identification Number Or Social Security Number			
Major Business Activity (brief description)	Bidder Identification (response optional/definitions on page 1)			
	-Bidder is a small contractor. YesNo -Bidder is a minority business enterprise YesNo (If yes, check ownership category) BlackHispanicAsian AmericanAmerican Indian/Alaskan NativeIberian PeninsulaIndividual(s) with a Physical Disability Female			
Bidder Parent Company (If any)	- Bidder is certified as above by State of CT Yes_ No_			
Other Locations in Ct. (If any)	- DAS Certification Number			
PART II - Bidder Nondiscrimination Policies and Procedures				
1. Does your company have a written Affirmative Action/Equal Employment Opportunity statement posted on company bulletin boards? Yes_ No_	7. Do all of your company contracts and purchase orders contain non-discrim- ination statements as required by Sections 4a-60 & 4a-60a Conn. Gen. Stat.? YesNo			
2. Does your company have the state-mandated sexual harassment prevention in the workplace policy posted on company bulletin boards? YesNo	8. Do you, upon request, provide reasonable accommodation to employees, or applicants for employment, who have physical or mental disability? YesNo			
3. Do you notify all recruitment sources in writing of your company's Affirmative Action/Equal Employment Opportunity employment policy? Yes_ No_	9. Does your company have a mandatory retirement age for all employees? YesNo			
4. Do your company advertisements contain a written statement that you are an Affirmative Action/Equal Opportunity Employer? Yes_No_	10. If your company has 50 or more employees, have you provided at least two (2) hours of sexual harassment training to all of your supervisors? YesNoNA			
5. Do you notify the Ct. State Employment Service of all employment openings with your company? Yes_ No_	11. If your company has apprenticeship programs, do they meet the Affirmative Action/Equal Employment Opportunity requirements of the apprenticeship standards of the Ct. Dept. of Labor? Yes_No_NA_			
<ul> <li>6. Does your company have a collective bargaining agreement with workers? YesNo</li> <li>6a. If yes, do the collective bargaining agreements contain non-discrimination clauses covering all workers? YesNo</li> </ul>	12. Does your company have a written affirmative action Plan? Yes_ No_ If no, please explain.			
6b. Have you notified each union in writing of your commitments under the nondiscrimination requirements of contracts with the state of Ct? YesNo	13. Is there a person in your company who is responsible for equal employment opportunity?       Yes_ No_         If yes, give name and phone number.			

#### Part III - Bidder Subcontracting Practices

1. Will the work of this contract include subcontractors or suppliers? Yes\_No\_

1a. If yes, please list all subcontractors and suppliers and report if they are a small contractor and/or a minority business enterprise. (defined on page 1 / use additional sheet if necessary)

1b. Will the work of this contract require additional subcontractors or suppliers other than those identified in 1a. above?

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PART IV - Bidder I	Date:				(Page 4)						
JOB CATEGORY	OVERALL TOTALS	WHI (not of H origin	lispanic	BLACK (not of Hispanic origin)		HISPANIC		ASIAN or PACIFIC ISLANDER		AMERICAN INDIAN or ALASKAN NATIVE	
		Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	male	female
Management											
Business & Financial Ops											
Computer Specialists											
Architecture/Engineering											
Office & Admin Support											
Bldg/ Grounds Cleaning/Maintenance											
Construction & Extraction											
Installation , Maintenance & Repair											
Material Moving Workers											
TOTALS ABOVE											
Total One Year Ago											
FORMAL ON THE JOB TRAINEES (ENTER FIGURES FOR THE SAME CATEGORIES AS ARE SHOWN ABOVE)											
Apprentices											
Trainees											

#### PART V - Bidder Hiring and Recruitment Practices

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

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

(Signature)	(Title)	(Date Signed)	(Telephone)	