

COUNTY OF UNION

BID SUBMISSION CHECKLIST

BA 64-2013 LAWN & LANDSCAPING MAINTENANCE

1.	consent of Surety - The Consent of Surety form signed by a Surety company stating that if your bid is accepted the Surety company which provides the Consent shall be required to furnish a Performance Bond in the amount of \$5,000.00 The bond shall have a term equal to the contract period. In lieu of the Consent of Surety you may submit a Certified Check in the amount of \$5,000.00.
2.	Bid Form Page(s)
3.	Bidder Signature Page – follow instructions and fill out completely
4.	Stockholder Disclosure Certification (2 pages) – fill out completely and notarize
5.	Non-Collusion Affidavit – fill out completely and notarize
6.	Affirmative Action Requirement
7.	Americans with Disabilities Form
8.	Copy of a State of New Jersey Business Registration Certificate ("BRC") issued in the company name of the bidder and in the names of any subcontractors, if applicable
9.	Addenda Receipt Form — ONLY INCLUDE IF ADDENDA(S) WERE RECEIVED
10.	Experience Statement
11.	Equipment Statement
Each bidder submit with l	should complete this form, initial each entry, sign and date at the bottom and bid.
NAME OF BIDDE	R: DATE:

COUNTY OF UNION

Invitation to Bid

SEALED BIDS will be received by the Director of the Division of Purchasing of the County of Union, New Jersey or his designee on, **Tuesday**, **July 16**, **2013** at 2:00 p.m. prevailing time, in the **3rd Floor Conference Room**, U.C. Administration Building, 10 Elizabethtown Plaza, Elizabeth, New Jersey for:

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in accordance with the specifications and forms of the bid packages furnished by the Division of Purchasing. The County reserves the right to reject any and all bids and to waive any and all informalities in the bid.

A Site Conference will be held on July 11, 2013 at 8:00 am. The meeting will be located in the Board Room at Runnells Specialized Hospital. Specific questions regarding the overall package will be addressed at the pre-bid meeting.

Bids shall be submitted in a sealed envelope and clearly marked with the subject of the bid, name and address of the bidder, phone & fax number, and date of the bid opening. Each bid must be delivered to reach the Division of Purchasing prior to the stated time of the opening of the bids. **No** late bids will be accepted. The County will not be responsible for late delivery by the U.S. Mail or any other carrier.

Bidders are required to comply with the requirements of N.J.S.A. 10:5-31 et. seq. and N.J.A.C. 17:27.

Bid packages may be obtained by registering and downloading at http://ucnj.org/bid-specs or in person from the Division of Purchasing (3rd floor), Union County Administration Building, 10 Elizabethtown Plaza, Elizabeth, New Jersey or via U.S. Mail per request. Fax requests for bid packages to 908-558-2548 or call 908-527-4130.

Michael M. Yuska-Director of Purchasing.

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1. RECEIPT OF BIDS

The Division of Purchasing will receive sealed bids for this work at the Union County Administration Building, 10 Elizabethtown Plaza, Elizabeth, New Jersey on the date and time and in the place noted on the sheet marked "Notice to Bidders".

Bids for this work should be enclosed in a sealed envelope addressed to the Purchasing Division, County of Union, New Jersey, Union County Administration Building, 10 Elizabethtown Plaza, Elizabeth, New Jersey 07207, with the full name of the bid and the bid opening date and time clearly marked on the outside. Any outer shipping container must be marked in the same way. Refer to the sheet marked "Notice to Bidders" for the correct name of the bid and the bid opening date.

The County will not assume responsibility for bids forwarded by U.S. mail or any other delivery service. It is the bidder's responsibility to see that the bids are presented to the Purchasing Division at the time and place designated. Under no circumstances will a bid be accepted after the time designated for the bid opening.

All Bid Form pages are to be filled out with a typewriter or pen and ink. The bidder in ink must initial erasures or alterations. Bid prices will be accepted only on the Bidding Sheet supplied. In the event there is a discrepancy between any unit price given and the extended total, the unit price will govern. Any discrepancies will be mathematically adjusted.

When two or more low bids are equal in all respects, awards will be made according to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 40A:11-6(d).

The County reserves the right to reject any or all bids and also reserves the right to waive any non-material defects in the bids received.

All delivery costs (FOB: Union County Ship to Address) shall be included in the total bid prices, unless the bid specifications specifically state otherwise.

N.J.S.A. 54:32B-1 et seq. exempts all materials sold to the County of Union from sales or use taxes and these should not be included in the prices provided on the Bidding Sheet.

The Bidder's Signature Page, Non-Collusion Affidavit, and Bidder's Disclosure Statement must be completely filled out and submitted in the sealed bid. If specified, Equipment Statement, Experience Statement, Bid Bond, Consent of Surety, N.J. Public Works Contractor's Registration Certificate, a State of New Jersey Department of the Treasury Business Registration Certificate and List of Sub-contractors must also be included in the sealed bid. Refer to the Bid Document Submission Checklist for all required documents.

2. BID AND PERFORMANCE GUARANTEE

If specified, each bidder must furnish a guarantee in the form of a Bid Bond, Certified Check or Bank Cashier's Check in the required amount as specified on the Bid Document Submission Checklist page. Checks shall be drawn to the order of the County of Union, New Jersey.

If specified, each bidder must furnish with the bid, the Consent of Surety form signed by a Surety Company stating that if the bid is accepted the Surety Company which provides the Consent shall be required to furnish a Performance Bond in the amount as specified on the Bid Document Submission Checklist page. Such Surety Company will provide the Contractor with Bonds guaranteeing the faithful performance of the work in accordance with the specifications, and the payment for labor, materials, and all other indebtedness which may accrue on the account of this work. The Performance Bond will be required at the time of the signing of the Contract and will be written by a firm authorized to issue the bonds under the laws of the State of New Jersey and be in a form acceptable to the County Counsel. The County of Union has provided its Consent of Surety form for your use. The use of this form by your Surety Company will expedite the bid review process and eliminate the possibility of having your bid rejected. If, however, you should need to use another form, please use language similar to that used on the Union County form and avoid making any additions or deletions to the Union County form language. The Performance Bond will have a term equal to the entire contract period. In lieu of the Consent of Surety, the Bidder MAY submit a Certified Check for the required amount

The County of Union shall award the contract or reject all bids within sixty (60) days; except that the bids of any bidders' who consent thereto may, at the request of the County, be held for consideration such longer periods as may be agreed.

The County will return all bid guarantees after the bids have been opened, read, tabulated and checked except those of the three (3) bidders whose bids are considered the lowest responsible bids. The bid bonds of the low three (3) bidders will be returned within ten (10) days of the date of the award of the contract.

If the successful bidder refuses or neglects to sign the said Agreement and/or fails to furnish the required performance bond, the Surety of such bidder will be held and used by the County as liquidated damages for such refusal or neglect.

3. QUALIFICATION OF BIDDERS

The County of Union may make such investigation, as it deems necessary to determine the ability of bidder to perform the work. The County of Union reserves the right to reject any bid if investigation of such bidder fails to satisfy the County of Union that such bidder is properly qualified to carry out obligations of Contract, and to complete work contemplated therein.

Bidders are required to submit the names and addresses of the officers or principals of the Corporation, Firm or Partnership submitting a proposal or bid. Failure to comply will result in the rejection of such bid as non-responsive.

The County of Union has the right to reject any and all bids from any bidder that is in, or contemplates bankruptcy of any chapter or nature. Said bidder shall notify the County, in writing, of any condition or knowledge of the same.

4. RESERVATIONS

The County reserves the right to reject any or all bids and also reserves the right to waive any non-material defects in the bids received. The contractor shall not assign, transfer, convey, sublet or otherwise dispose of the contract or any part thereof to anyone without the written consent of the County of Union, New Jersey.

5. AWARD AND EXECUTION OF CONTRACTS

The County of Union, in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:11-24, shall award the contract or reject all bids within 60 days; except that the bids of any bidders who consent thereto may, at the request of the County be held for consideration for such longer periods as may be agreed.

When two or more low bids are equal in all respects, awards will be made according to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 40A:11-6.1(d).

6. BRAND NAMES

Whenever an item specified by manufacturer's model number, brand or trade name, it is understood that such description is only for the purpose of defining the level of quality desired, and does not in any way restrict bidding to the named brand. Bids on other brands may be submitted by any responsible supplier, provided such brands are equal to or better than the one named in the specifications. However, the burden of proof as to the comparative quality and suitability of alternate or substitute equipment, articles or materials lies with the bidder and, he shall furnish, at his own expense, all information necessary or related thereto as required by the County of Union. The County of Union shall be the sole judge as to the comparative quality and suitability of alternate or substitute equipment, articles, or materials, and the decision shall be final.

The trade name(s) or brand name(s) offered must be shown on the vendor's response bid form pages.

7. PATENT CLAIMS

The successful bidder (contractor) shall protect and save the County harmless from all and every demand for damages, royalties, or fees on any patented invention used by it in connection with the supplies furnished under this contract hereunder, and it shall be the duty of the contractor, if so demanded by the County, to furnish said County with proper legal release or indemnity from and against all such claims and any and all payments due under such contract are furnished if the County so elects.

8. INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS

The County of Union requires all bidders to be able to comply with the following insurance requirements. In the event a bid is accepted by the County, the bidder must accept the applicable insurance requirements, as set forth below, as part of any contract awarded to it by the County.

- General Liability Insurance will be provided on a Comprehensive General Liability form with a combined single limit of \$1,000,000.00 per occurrence for Bodily Injury Liability and Property Damage Liability and will include the interest of the County with respect to work emanating from the Contract with the County. This insurance will include the following:
 - a. Personal Injury Liability
 - b. Blanket Contractual Liability applies to assumption of liability under any written Contract
 - c.. Coverage for A, X, C, U exposures, relating to excavation, blasting, underground damage
 - d. Broad Form Property Damage Liability
 - e. Products and/or Completed Operations Liability
- Workers Compensation Insurance insuring the obligations of the Contractor and all Subcontractors under the New Jersey Workers Compensation and Occupational Disability Laws as respects to work performed under the Contract. Insurance will be extended to include any obligations under the United States Longshoremen's and Harbor Workers Act or any maritime act, when applicable.
- 3. Automobile Liability Insurance in any amount of not less than \$500,000.00 combined single limits for Bodily Injury and Property Damage Liability. A certificate of such current insurance will be provided to the County and will reflect the provision of at least thirty (30) days notice to the County before any major cancellation or major change may be made in the policy.

A certificate of Insurance will be filed with the County prior to commencement of any work. This certificate will contain a provision that insurance afforded under the policies will not be canceled without at least thirty (30) days prior written notice being given to the County.

9. INDEMNIFICATION REQUIREMENTS

The Supplier shall indemnify and hold harmless the County and its agents and employees from and against all claims, damages, losses and expenses, including attorney's fees, arising out of or resulting from the performance of the contract which is attributable to personal injury, including bodily injury, property damage and the loss of use resulting there from, or the loss of use of tangible property, which has not been physically injured or destroyed, and is caused in whole or in part by an act or omission of the Supplier, any subcontractor of the supplier, any one directly or indirectly employed by any of them or anyone for whose acts any of them may be liable.

10. NON-DISCRIMINATION

The parties to this contract do hereby agree to comply with the provisions of N.J.S.A. 10:2-1 through 10:2-4, N.J.S.A. 10:5-31 through 10:5-38 et seq. (P.L. 1975, c. 127), dealing with discrimination in employment on public contracts and the rules and regulations promulgated pursuant thereunto are hereby made a part of this contract and are binding on them. The bidder agrees that it will not discriminate against any employee who is employed in the work to be covered by any contract resulting from this bid because of color, race, creed, religion, national origin or ancestry.

11. AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT OF 1990

Discrimination on the basis of disability in contracting for the delivery of services is prohibited. Respondents are required to read the Americans with Disabilities language that is part of the documents attached hereto and agree that the provisions of Title II of the Act are made part of the contract. The contractor is obligated to comply with the Act and hold the owner harmless.

12. ROYALTIES AND PATENTS

The Contractor shall pay all royalties and license fees. He shall defend all suits or claims for infringement of any patent rights and shall hold the County harmless from loss on account thereof.

13. CONTRACTOR'S EMPLOYEES

The Contractor must employ only suitable and competent labor in the work, and must remove from the work any incompetent, unsuitable, or disorderly person upon complaint form the County.

The parties to any contract resulting from this bid do hereby agree that the provisions of N.J.S.A. 10:2-1 through 10:2-4 (discrimination in employment on public works contracts): 34:11-56.25 et seq. (payment of prevailing rate of wages determined pursuant to N.J.S.A 34:11-56.30 by the Commissioner), and the Rules and Regulations promulgated pursuant thereto, are hereby made a part of any contract and are binding upon them.

There will be no discrimination against any employee who is employed in the work to be covered by any contract resulting from this bid because of age, race, creed, color, national origin, ancestry, marital status or sex.

Any person, firm, or corporation violating the provisions of this Section will be deemed and judged a disorderly person.

14. PAYMENT OF WAGES OR BENEFITS WITHIN TIME

The County of Union requires all bidders to comply with N.J.S.A. 2C:40 A-2. Failure of an employer to pay wages or benefits within time specified will result in a penalty for the violation.

"In addition to any other penalty or punishment otherwise prescribed by law, any employer who is party to an agreement made with a collective bargaining agent or with an individual employee which requires the payment of (a) wages or of benefits, or (b) contributions for the support of a fund out of which benefits may be paid, including, without limitation upon the generality of the foregoing, any pension fund, welfare fund or any fund for the support of any program or programs in any trade, profession or occupation concerned in such agreement, or other penalties in connection with the employment of any employee or employees and who knowingly and willfully fails or refuses to make such payments within thirty (30) days after such payments are by said agreement to be made, or in the case of wages, if the agreement fails to specify the time of payment, then within the time specified for the payment of wages by Section 2, P.L. 1965, c.173 (N.J.S.A. 34:11-42) is a disorderly person".

If such employer is a corporation, the officer or employee responsible for such willful failure or refusal is a disorderly person.

15. PREFERENCE FOR DOMESTIC PRODUCTS

Each local unit shall provide, in the specifications for all contracts for county or municipal work or for work for which it will pay any part of the cost, or work which by contract or ordinance it will ultimately own and maintain, that only manufactured and farm products of the United States, wherever available, be used in such work.

16. ON SITE STORAGE

In the event that it is necessary for the Contractor to stockpile or store materials or equipment on the job site, the Contractor shall inform the County of such necessity and County may offer available space, if any, for storage of such materials or equipment. The contractor shall use said space only for such purpose. Any and all materials which may be stored in such space or which may be brought onto the job site at any time by the Contractor will be at the Contractor's sole risk. The County will not be responsible for loss of or damage to said materials or equipment for any cause whatsoever. The Contractor shall take necessary measures to protect any such storage area and shall be responsible for any and all damages.

17. FINAL CLEAN UP

Upon completion of each project assigned, the Contractor will remove all equipment, unused materials, rubbish, etc., and will repair, or replace in a manner acceptable to the County, all areas that may have been damaged in the prosecution of the work.

18. SUB-LETTING OF WORK

N.J.S.A. 40A:11-16 requires the bidder to list in the bid sheets the name or names of all subcontractors involved in the following types of work: plumbing, heating, ventilation and air conditioning, electrical, ornamental iron, structural steel and steam power. If these trades are expected to be part of the contract, such subcontractors should be listed on the bid sheet entitled "List of Subcontractors". Substitutions of any listed subcontractors pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-16 will not be permitted except with the consent of the Director.

Except for the List of Subcontractors, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-16, no portion of the work will be sublet by the Contractor to any other entities, except with the consent of the Director of Facilities Management. A complete list of approved subcontractors must be submitted to the Director prior to the start of work. All Subcontractors will be subject to N.J.S.A. 34:11-56 et al.

19. COMPLIANCE WITH NEW JERSEY PREVAILING WAGE ACT

The County of Union, in order to fulfill the requirements of N.J.S.A. 34:11-56a.25 et seq. requires that the following additional conditions must be strictly followed.

The bidder's signature on this proposal is not listed or is not on record in the Office of the Commissioner or the Department of Labor and Industry as one who failed to pay prevailing wages in accordance with the provisions of this Act.

The bidder agrees to the inclusion of a contract provision upon award which specifically requires said Contractor to fully comply with each and all of the requirements of the aforesaid Act as it relates to prevailing rates of wages on public contracts as set forth in the New Jersey Prevailing Wage Act, P.L. 1963, Chapter 150 and P.L. 1974, Chapter 64. The Contractor agrees to abide and be bound by each and all of the said statutory provisions with respect to the payment of prevailing rates of wages, and acknowledges that the County reserves the right to terminate the Contractor's (or his subcontractors') right to proceed with the scope of work, or such portion thereof that relates to the failure to pay prevailing rates of wages.

In such event or under the terms N.J.S.A. 34:11-56.27, the Contractor and his surety will be liable to the County of Union for any excess costs occasioned by such a violation. The Contractor or Subcontractors for this project will post the Prevailing Wage Rates for each craft and classification involved as determined by the Commissioner of Labor and Industry, including the effective date of any changes thereof, in prominent and easily accessible places at the site of the work or at such place or places as are used by them to pay workmen their wages. The County of Union requires a copy of payroll records from the Contractor and subcontractors. Payroll records shall be submitted with each voucher request for payment.

20. FRINGE BENEFIT REQUIREMENTS

The County of Union requires all bidders to comply with N.J.S.A. 2A:170-90.2, regarding fringe benefits. This statute states:

"Failure of employer to pay wages or benefits within time specified; penalty for violation: In addition to any other penalty or punishment otherwise prescribed by law, any employer who is party to an agreement made with a collective bargaining agent or with an individual employee which requires the payment of (a) wages or of benefits, or (b) contributions for the support of a fund out of which benefits may be paid, including, without limitation upon the generality of the foregoing, any pension fund, welfare fund or any fund for the support of any program or programs of education or vacation benefits for the employees covered by such agreement, or any fund for the support of any apprenticeship program or programs in any trade, profession or occupation concerned in such agreement, or (c) other payments in connection with the employment of any employee or employees and who knowingly and willfully fails or refuses to make such payments within 30 days after such payments are required by said agreement to be made, or, in case of wages, if the agreement fails to specify the time of payment, then within the time specified for the payment of wages by section 2, P.L. 1965, c.173(C34:11-4.2) is a disorderly person. If such employer is a corporation, the officer or employee responsible for such willful failure or refusal is a disorderly person."

21. RESOLUTION NO. 1148-98 AND 1167-98 ADOPTED ON SEPTEMBER 24, 1998 BY THE BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS

In addition to compliance with the New Jersey Prevailing Wage Act, the Contractor shall comply with the requirement as se forth in Resolutions No. 1148-98 and 1167-98 adopted on September 24, 1998 by the Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders.

UNION COUNTY BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS

RESOLUTION NO. 1148-98 DATE: 9/24/98

WHEREAS, the Public Contract Law of New Jersey that all contractors and subcontractors pay to the workforce on such projects the prevailing wage rates; and

WHEREAS, it has come to the attention of the Board of Chosen Freeholders that workmen have not at all times received such wages; and

WHEREAS, while the Board of Chosen Freeholders is aware that the State of New Jersey is the actual enforcing arm for such requirements, the Board desires to itself on behalf of such workers put in place a procedure, which will further protect the rights of the workers to the payment of accurate and fair wages:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Union; hereby declares that henceforth, as a matter of POLICY;

- (1) The bidder and all contractors and subcontractors on any project for the County of Union must comply with the Prevailing Wage Law of the State of New Jersey, N.J.S.A. 34:11-56.25 et seq., and its regulations, N.J.A.C. 12:60-1 et seq.
- (2) As per N.J.S.A. 34:11-56.29 the County shall have the right to inspect the books and records of every contractor and subcontractor showing the name, craft or trade, and actual hourly rate of wages paid to each worker employed by the contractor in connection with a public work. Further the County shall have the right to demand such proof as necessary to verify said records.
- (3) All contractors shall post the prevailing wage rates for each craft and classification involved in prominent and easily accessible places at the site of work.
- (4) All public works specifications and contracts shall include a clause that requires all contractors and subcontractors to submit properly executed Worker Notification Acknowledgment forms to the County. These forms will be supplied by the County to all approved contractors and subcontractors; a copy of such form is attached as Appendix A. These forms will provide proof that all workers have been made aware of their rights to receive the prevailing wage for the particular craft or trade for which they are employed.
- (5) This resolution shall apply to any projects bid after the passage of this Resolution and shall not apply to any project already under construction or for which bid specifications have been issued.

UNION COUNTY BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS

RESOLUTION NO. 1167-98

DATE: 9/24/98

WHEREAS, the County of Union finds that it is essential to the public safety that any and all public works be performed by competent and trained employees of responsible contractors and subcontractors; and

WHEREAS, the State of New Jersey has recognized and provided for training of employees through Apprenticeship Programs licensed by the State of New Jersey; and

WHEREAS, the County of Union has the right and responsibility to determine that all contractors and subcontractors who perform public work be qualified according to consistent and uniformly applied standards; and

WHEREAS, it is important that the County of Union use a contractor and/or subcontractor who acts with responsibility in complying with applicable wage laws:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that all applicable regulations, bid specifications and rules of the County of Union shall state that:

- (1) The bidder and all contractors and subcontractors on any project for the County of Union must comply with the Prevailing Wage Law of the State of New Jersey, N.J.S.A. 34:11-56.25 et seq., and its regulations, N.J.A.C. 12:60-1, et seq. Employer contributions for employee benefits pursuant to a then existing bona fide collective bargaining agreement shall be considered an integral part of the wage rate paid by employers of any craft or trade in Union County for the purpose of determining the prevailing wage.
- (2) As per N.J.S.A. 34:11-56.29 the County shall have the right to inspect the books and records of every contractor and subcontractor showing the name, craft or trade and actual hourly rate of wages paid to each work man employed by him in connection with a public work. Further, the County shall have the right to demand such proof as is necessary to verify said records.

All Contractors shall post the prevailing wage rates for each craft and classification involved in prominent and easily accessible places at the site of the work.

(3) The bidder, and all contractors and subcontractors must employ the ratio of apprentices to journeymen as set forth by the Commissioner of Labor in determining the Prevailing Wage, or, if no such ration has been established, than at a ratio of one apprentice to every four journeymen.

An apprentice is an individual who, while performing work on a public project, is registered, in good standing, in an apprenticeship program approved or certified by the Division of Vocational Education in the New Jersey Department of Education or by the Bureau of Apprenticeship and Training in the United States Department of Labor.

A contractor or subcontractor employing one or more apprentices on a public work project shall maintain with its records written evidence that the apprenticeship program while performing work on the project. The contractor or subcontractor shall make all records available for inspection by Union County and by the Commissioner during normal business hours.

Union County and the Commissioner shall have unencumbered access to the access to the employees who are employed on a public project for the purpose of interviewing and determining compliance.

A contractor or subcontractor shall not create job titles and worker classifications that are not consistent with prevailing practices and existing task ratios for a specific building trade's craft for the purpose of circumventing the intent of this resolution.

- (4) The bidder, and all contractors and subcontractors must properly classify workers as employees and not as independent contractors, and treat them accordingly for purposes of wages, benefits, workers compensation insurance coverage, unemployment taxes, social security tax and income tax withholding. The criteria identified in the Unemployment Compensation Law at N.J.S.A. 43:21-19(1)(6)(a)(c) and interpreting case law will be used to determine whether a worker is an employee or independent contractor for purposes of this resolution.
- (5) The bidder, and all contractors and subcontractors shall comply with the Prevailing Wage Act and its regulations regarding payment of fringe benefits.
- (6) Any bidder, contractor or subcontractor who fails to maintain throughout the entire duration of the project full compliance with the foregoing requirements and qualifications shall be subject to one or more of the following sanctions:
 - A. Cessation of work.
 - B. Removal from project.
 - C. Withholding of payment until compliance is obtained.
 - D. Damages resulting from efforts taken to correct or sanction for failure to comply, such as costs of delay, or of obtaining new Contractor to complete work.
- (7) A general contractor shall be liable for any violations by any subcontractors. The County reserves the right to investigate project sites for any and all possible violations. Contractors who have been determined to be in violation of this Resolution on any project for Union County will be reported to the Commissioner of Labor that debarment proceedings be instituted against the delinquent contractor.
- (8) The foregoing qualifications and requirements shall be binding on any and all bidders, contractors and subcontractors who perform work on any public work, as defined in the Prevailing Wage Act, bid by the County of Union

without regard to their affiliation, or lack of affiliation, to any labor or construction organization or association, and shall not be deemed to require or mandate the use of employees who are members of unions or any labor organization.

(9) This Resolution shall apply to any projects bids after the passage of this Resolution and shall not apply to any project already under construction or for which bid specifications have been issued.

Union labor is preferred on all County work.

The foregoing reference to specific laws will not be deemed to be a limitation of obligation of the Contractor to perform his obligations in full compliance with the provisions and requirements of all federal and state statutes and municipal and county ordinances applicable to the work to be done under the contract. It is agreed and understood that any contracts and/or orders placed as a result of this bid will be governed and construed and the rights and obligations of the parties hereto will be determined in accordance with the laws of the State of New Jersey.

EMPLOYEE NOTIFICATION ACKNOWLEDGEMENT FORM*

Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 34:11-56.25 et seq. as well as	N.J.A.C. 12:60 et seq.,	
the Contractor,(Name of Contractor)	, has informed	me that I will be
as a(Employee's Job Title)	, on the public project	designated as,
(Project Name)	I further acknowledge that m	ny compensation
for this job will be, plus (+) the Fring	ge Benefits for a '	Total Prevailing
Wage of This total is pursuant to the Union County.	Rrevailing Wage for Constru	ction Trades in
DATE:	Print Name	
	Sign Name	4,000
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hereby certify as to the accuracy of the above info	rmation.	
	Name of Company Officer	
	Signature of Company Offi	icer
This acknowledgment form is a public record that will be kept to determine inion County reserves the right to prosecute violators of the Prevailing W gency, theft of services, theft of deception, and misrepresentation of public reserves.	age Act to the fullest extent possible inclu	eq. Falsification of a public record is a crime. Iding, but not limited to, fraud upon a public
White Copy = Labor Compliance Officer	Yellow = Contractor	Pink = Employee

22. SAFETY

The Contractor shall observe all rules and regulations of the Federal, State, and local health officials. Attention is directed to Federal, State, and local laws, rules, and regulations concerning construction safety and health standards. The Contractor shall not require any worker to work in surroundings or under conditions that are unsanitary, hazardous, or dangerous to the worker's health or safety.

The Contractor shall admit, without delay and without the presentation of an inspection warrant, any inspector of OSHA or other legally responsible agency involved in safety and health administration upon presentation of proper credentials.

The Contractor shall at times conduct the work to provide for the safety and convenience of the general public and protection of persons and property. The safety provisions of applicable laws, OSHA regulations, building and construction codes, and the rules and regulations of the New Jersey Department of Labor and Commerce shall be observed.

23. UTILITIES

The bidder is directed to the fact that the approximate locations of known utility structures and facilities that may be encountered within and adjacent to the limits of the work. The County will advise contractor of the location of these utilities and structures, but the accuracy and completeness of this information is not guaranteed by the County. The bidder is advised to ascertain for himself all the facts concerning the location of these and other utilities.

The Contractor will not proceed with his work until he has made diligent inquiries of all public utility and municipal officials to determine the exact location of all-underground structures and pipes within the site of the work assigned. The corporations, companies, agencies or municipalities owning or controlling the utilities, and the name, and telephone numbers can be obtained from the Division of Facilities Management and their notification and involvement in any work on County locations should be coordinated with the Department. The Contractor will notify utility owners not less than ten (10) days in advance of the time he proposes to perform any work that will endanger or affect their facilities in compliance with **New Jersey One-Call**. In excavating in any part of the work, care must be taken not to remove or damage any gas, water, sewer, or other pipe, conduit, or structure, - public or private — without the concurrence of the owner and the County. The Contractor will, at his own expense, shore up, secure and maintain a continuous flow in such structures, and will keep them in repair until final approval of the work by the Director of Facilities Management.

When pipes or other structures are encountered or when the removal, relocation or protection of these utilities are necessary in carrying out the work as agreed upon with the Department, the Contractor will cooperate with the owner of said utilities and will permit the owners or their agents access to the site of the work in order to relocate or protect their facilities and not hinder or delay unnecessarily the work of the owners in moving same. No extra allowance of payment will be made to the Contractor for the use of any materials, equipment, etc., or the performance of any work in connection with the moving of said structures unless the Contractor is specifically ordered by the County to furnish such materials, equipment, or services.

24. PERMITS

The Contractor will obtain all necessary permits required by law and provide the County with necessary approvals prior to commencement of permitted work.

25. INSPECTION

The work must be done in accordance with the work procedures agreed upon by the contractor and the Division of Facilities Management, and will be inspected by the Director of the Department. An inspector may be placed upon the work site at any time by the County to see that the instructions of the County are carried out.

26. DAMAGES

The Contractor will be held responsible for all damages that may occur to work, or to persons or property by reason of the nature of the work or from the elements, or by reason of inadequate protection of the work, or from any carelessness or negligence on his part or on the part of his employees. The County will withhold payments on the work until all suits or claims for damages sustained on, or by reason of, the Contractor will have settled this work.

27. DEFAULT OF CONTRACT

If at any time the work under this contract is abandoned or neglected, or any part thereof is unnecessarily delayed, or it the Contractor will prosecute the work without due diligence, or with an insufficient force to complete the work in the time specified in the opinion of the Director of the Division of Facilities Management, then the Director may declare the Contractor in default, may employ other parties to complete the work, use such material as may have been procured and may procure all other material necessary for the completion of the work called for in this contract. The expense incurred by him in such procedure will be deducted from any moneys due the Contractor. The Contractor or his surety company will pay the amount of the excess to the County on notice from the Director.

28. AFFIRMATIVE ACTION REQUIREMENT

REQUIRED AFFIRMATIVE ACTION EVIDENCE – General requirements of P.L. 1975, c. 127. You are hereby put on notice that:

- A. Procurement, Professional & Service Contracts; all successful vendors must submit within seven (7) days of the notice of intent to award or the signing of the contract one of the following:
 - 1. A photocopy of your Federal Letter of Affirmative Action Plan Approval.
 - 2. A photocopy of your Certificate of Employee Information Report.
 - 3. A completed Affirmative Action Employee Information Report (AA302).

If the successful vendor does not submit the affirmative action document within the seven (7) days, the County of Union will declare the vendor as being non-responsive and award the contract to the next lowest bidder.

29. TERMINATION OF CONTRACT

If, through any cause, the successful Supplier fails to fulfill in timely and proper manner its contractual obligations, or if the Supplier violates any of the warranties or stipulations of its contract, the County will thereupon have the right to terminate such contract by giving ten days written notice to the Supplier of such termination and cause therefore, and specifying the effective date of such termination.

In addition, Union County may terminate the Contract without cause by first giving thirty (30) days prior written notice of its intent to do so. Notice hereunder shall be deemed to have been sufficiently given if given in person to the Supplier, or sent by registered mail at the addresses specified in the Contract.

30. RIGHT TO KNOW ACT

The provisions of N.J.S.A. 34:5A-I et seq. and N.J.A.C 5:89-5 et seq., which require the labeling of all containers of hazardous substances are applicable to this contract. Therefore, all goods offered for purchase to the County or used by a contractor in the course of any construction, maintenance, repair or performance of a concession must be labeled and stored by the contractor in compliance with the provisions of the Act. Containers that the law and rules require to be labeled shall show the Chemical Abstracts Service number of all the components and the chemical name. Further, all applicable Material Safety Data Sheets (MSDS) aka hazardous substance fact Sheet, must be furnished.

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EXHIBIT A

MANDATORY EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY LANGUAGE N.J.S.A. 10:5-31 et seq. (P.L. 1975, C. 127) N.J.A.C. 17:27

GOODS, PROFESSIONAL SERVICE AND GENERAL SERVICE CONTRACTS

During the performance of this contract, the contractor agrees as follows:

The contractor or subcontractor, where applicable, will not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of age, race, creed, color, national origin, ancestry, marital status, affectional or sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, disability, nationality or sex. Except with respect to affectional or sexual orientation and gender identity or expression, the contractor will ensure that equal employment opportunity is afforded to such applicants in recruitment and employment, and that employees are treated during employment, without regard to their age, race, creed, color, national origin, ancestry, marital status, affectional or sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, disability, nationality or sex. Such equal employment opportunity shall include, but not be limited to the following: employment, upgrading, demotion, or transfer; recruitment or recruitment advertising; layoff or termination; rates of pay or other forms of compensation; and selection for training, including apprenticeship. The contractor agrees to post in conspicuous places, available to employees and applicants for employment, notices to be provided by the Public Agency Compliance Officer setting forth provisions of this nondiscrimination clause.

The contractor or subcontractor, where applicable will, in all solicitations or advertisements for employees placed by or on behalf of the contractor, state that all qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to age, race, creed, color, national origin, ancestry, marital status, affectional or sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, disability, nationality or sex.

The contractor or subcontractor will send to each labor union, with which it has a collective bargaining agreement, a notice, to be provided by the agency contracting officer, advising the labor union of the contractor's commitments under this chapter and shall post copies of the notice in conspicuous places available to employees and applicants for employment.

The contractor or subcontractor, where applicable, agrees to comply with any regulations promulgated by the Treasurer pursuant to N.J.S.A. 10:5-31 et seq., as amended and supplemented from time to time and the Americans with Disabilities Act.

The contractor or subcontractor agrees to make good faith efforts to meet targeted county employment goals established in accordance with N.J.A.C. 17:27-5.2.

The contractor or subcontractor agrees to inform in writing its appropriate recruitment agencies including, but not limited to, employment agencies, placement bureaus, colleges, universities, and labor unions, that it does not discriminate on the basis of age, race, creed, color, national origin, ancestry, marital status, affectional or sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, disability, nationality or sex, and that it will discontinue the use of any recruitment agency which engages in direct or indirect discriminatory practices.

The contractor or subcontractor agrees to revise any of its testing procedures, if necessary, to assure that all personnel testing conforms with the principles of job-related testing, as established by the statutes and court decisions of the State of New Jersey and as established by applicable Federal law and applicable Federal court decisions.

In conforming with the targeted employment goals, the contractor or subcontractor agrees to review all procedures relating to transfer, upgrading, downgrading and layoff to ensure that all such actions are taken without regard to age, race, creed, color, national origin, ancestry, marital status, affectional or sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, disability, nationality or sex, consistent with the statutes and court decisions of the State of New Jersey, and applicable Federal law and applicable Federal court decisions.

The contractor shall submit to the public agency, after notification of award but prior to execution of a goods and services contract, one of the following three documents:

Letter of Federal Affirmative Action Plan Approval

Certificate of Employee Information Report

Employee Information Report Form AA302 (electronically provided by the Division and distributed to the public agency through the Division's website at www.state.nj.us/treasury/contract_compliance)

The contractor and its subcontractors shall furnish such reports or other documents to the Division of Public Contracts Equal Employment Opportunity Compliance as may be requested by the office from time to time in order to carry out the purposes of these regulations, and public agencies shall furnish such information as may be requested by the Division of Public Contracts Equal Employment Opportunity Compliance for conducting a compliance investigation pursuant to Subchapter 10 of the Administrative Code at N.J.A.C. 17:27.

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EXHIBIT B

MANDATORY EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY LANGUAGE N.J.S.A. 10:5-31 et seq. (P.L. 1975, C. 127) N.J.A.C. 17:27

CONSTRUCTION CONTRACTS

During the performance of this contract, the contractor agrees as follows:

The contractor or subcontractor, where applicable, will not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of age, race, creed, color, national origin, ancestry, marital status, affectional or sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, disability, nationality or sex. Except with respect to affectional or sexual orientation and gender identity or expression, the contractor will ensure that equal employment opportunity is afforded to such applicants in recruitment and employment, and that employees are treated during employment, without regard to their age, race, creed, color, national origin, ancestry, marital status, affectional or sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, disability, nationality or sex. Such equal employment opportunity shall include, but not be limited to the following: employment, up-grading, demotion, or transfer; recruitment or recruitment advertising; layoff or termination; rates of pay or other forms of compensation; and selection for training, including apprenticeship. The contractor agrees to post in conspicuous places, available to employees and applicants for employment, notices to be provided by the Public Agency Compliance Officer setting forth provisions of this nondiscrimination clause.

The contractor or subcontractor, where applicable will, in all solicitations or advertisements for employees placed by or on behalf of the contractor, state that all qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to age, race, creed, color, national origin, ancestry, marital status, affectional or sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, disability, nationality or sex.

The contractor or subcontractor will send to each labor union, with which it has a collective bargaining agreement, a notice, to be provided by the agency contracting officer, advising the labor union or workers' representative of the contractor's commitments under this act and shall post copies of the notice in conspicuous places available to employees and applicants for employment.

The contractor or subcontractor, where applicable, agrees to comply with any regulations promulgated by the Treasurer, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 10:5-31 et seq., as amended and supplemented from time to time and the Americans with Disabilities Act.

When hiring or scheduling workers in each construction trade, the contractor or subcontractor agrees to make good faith efforts to employ minority and women workers in each construction trade consistent with the targeted employment goal prescribed by N.J.A.C. 17:27-7.2; provided, however, that the Division may, in its discretion, exempt a contractor or subcontractor from compliance with the good faith procedures prescribed by the following provisions, A, B and C, as long as the Division is satisfied that the contractor or subcontractor is employing workers provided by a union which provides evidence, in accordance with standards prescribed by the Division, that its percentage of active "card carrying" members who are minority and women workers is equal to or greater than the targeted employment goal established in accordance with N.J.A.C. 17:27-7.2. The contractor or subcontractor agrees that a good faith effort shall include compliance with the following procedures:

(A) If the contractor or subcontractor has a referral agreement or arrangement with a union for a construction trade, the contractor or subcontractor shall, within three business days of the contract award, seek assurances from the union that it will cooperate with the contractor or subcontractor as it fulfills its affirmative action obligations under this contract and in accordance with the rules promulgated by the Treasurer pursuant to N.J.S.A. 10:5-31 et. seq., as supplemented and amended from time to time and the Americans with Disabilities Act. If the contractor or subcontractor is unable to obtain said assurances from the construction trade union at least five business days prior to the commencement of construction work, the contractor or subcontractor agrees to afford equal employment opportunities minority and women workers directly, consistent with this chapter. If the contractor's or subcontractor's prior experience with a construction trade union, regardless of whether the union has provided said assurances, indicates a significant possibility that the trade union will not refer sufficient minority and women workers consistent with affording equal employment opportunities as specified in this chapter, the contractor or subcontractor agrees to be prepared to provide such

opportunities to minority and women workers directly, consistent with this chapter, by complying with the hiring or scheduling procedures prescribed under (B) below; and the contractor or subcontractor further agrees to take said action immediately if it determines that the union is not referring minority and women workers consistent with the equal employment opportunity goals set forth in this chapter.

- (B) If good faith efforts to meet targeted employment goals have not or cannot be met for each construction trade by adhering to the procedures of (A) above, or if the contractor does not have a referral agreement or arrangement with a union for a construction trade, the contractor or subcontractor agrees to take the following actions:
- (l) To notify the public agency compliance officer, the Division, and minority and women referral organizations listed by the Division pursuant to N.J.A.C. 17:27-5.3, of its workforce needs, and request referral of minority and women workers;
- (2) To notify any minority and women workers who have been listed with it as awaiting available vacancies;
- (3) Prior to commencement of work, to request that the local construction trade union refer minority and women workers to fill job openings, provided the contractor or subcontractor has a referral agreement or arrangement with a union for the construction trade;
- (4) To leave standing requests for additional referral to minority and women workers with the local construction trade union, provided the contractor or subcontractor has a referral agreement or arrangement with a union for the construction trade, the State Training and Employment Service and other approved referral sources in the area;
- (5) If it is necessary to lay off some of the workers in a given trade on the construction site, layoffs shall be conducted in compliance with the equal employment opportunity and non-discrimination standards set forth in this regulation, as well as with applicable Federal and State court decisions;
- (6) To adhere to the following procedure when minority and women workers apply or are referred to the contractor or subcontractor:
 - (i) The contactor or subcontractor shall interview the referred minority or women worker.
 - (ii) If said individuals have never previously received any document or certification signifying a level of qualification lower than that required in order to perform the work of the construction trade, the contractor or subcontractor shall in good faith determine the qualifications of such individuals. The contractor or subcontractor shall hire or schedule those individuals who satisfy appropriate qualification standards in conformity with the equal employment opportunity and non-discrimination principles set forth in this chapter. However, a contractor or subcontractor shall determine that the individual at least possesses the requisite skills, and experience recognized by a union, apprentice program or a referral agency, provided the referral agency is acceptable to the Division. If necessary, the contractor or subcontractor shall hire or schedule minority and women workers who qualify as trainees pursuant to these rules. All of the requirements, however, are limited by the provisions of (C) below.
 - (iii) The name of any interested women or minority individual shall be maintained on a waiting list, and shall be considered for employment as described in (i) above, whenever vacancies occur. At the request of the Division, the contractor or subcontractor shall provide evidence of its good faith efforts to employ women and minorities from the list to fill vacancies.
 - (iv) If, for any reason, said contractor or subcontractor determines that a minority individual or a woman is not qualified or if the individual qualifies as an advanced trainee or apprentice, the contractor or subcontractor shall inform the individual in writing of the reasons for the determination, maintain a copy of the determination in its files, and send a copy to the public agency compliance officer and to the Division.

(7)To keep a complete and accurate record of all requests made for the referral of workers in any trade covered by the contract, on forms made available by the Division and submitted promptly to the Division upon request.

(C) The contractor or subcontractor agrees that nothing contained in (B) above shall preclude the contractor or subcontractor from complying with the union hiring hall or apprenticeship policies in any applicable collective bargaining agreement or union hiring hall arrangement, and, where required by custom or agreement, it shall send journeymen and trainees to the union for referral, or to the apprenticeship program for admission, pursuant to such agreement or arrangement. However, where the practices of a union or apprenticeship program will result in the exclusion of minorities and women or the failure to refer minorities and women consistent with the targeted county employment goal, the contractor or subcontractor shall consider for employment persons referred pursuant to (B) above without regard to such agreement orarrangement; provided further, however, that the contractor or subcontractor

shall not be required to employ women and minority advanced trainees and trainees in numbers which result in the employment of advanced trainees and trainees as a percentage of the total workforce for the construction trade, which percentage significantly exceeds the apprentice to journey worker ratio specified in the applicable collective bargaining agreement, or in the absence of a collective bargaining agreement, exceeds the ratio established by practice in the area for said construction trade. Also, the contractor or subcontractor agrees that, in implementing the procedures of (B) above, it shall, where applicable, employ minority and women workers residing within the geographical jurisdiction of the union.

After notification of award, but prior to signing a construction contract, the contractor shall submit to the public agency compliance officer and the Division an initial project workforce report (Form AA 201) electronically provided to the public agency by the Division, through its website, for distribution to and completion by the contractor, in accordance with N.J.A.C. 17:27-7. The contractor also agrees to submit a copy of the Monthly Project Workforce Report once a month thereafter for the duration of this contract to the Division and to the public agency compliance officer.

The contractor agrees to cooperate with the public agency in the payment of budgeted funds, as is necessary, for on-the-job and/or off-the-job programs for outreach and training of minorities and women.

(D) The contractor and its subcontractors shall furnish such reports or other documents to the Division of Public Contracts Equal Employment Opportunity Compliance as may be requested by the Division from time to time in order to carry out the purposes of these regulations, and public agencies shall furnish such information as may be requested by the Division of Public Contracts Equal Employment Opportunity Compliance for conducting a compliance investigation pursuant to <u>Subchapter 10 of the Administrative Code (NJAC 17:27)</u>.

BUSINESS REGISTRATION CERTIFICATE

New Mandatory Requirement - Effective 1/18/2010

The recently enacted **P.L. 2009**, **c.315**, requires that effective January 18, 2010; a contracting agency must receive proof of the Proposer's business registration prior to the award of a contract. However, the proof must show that the Proposer was in fact registered with the State of New Jersey Department of the Treasury, Division of Revenue and obtained the business registration prior to the receipt of CCPs.

If subcontractors are named on the CCP, proof of the business registration for each must be provided prior to the award of a contract. Similarly to the Proposer, the proof must show that each subcontractor was registered with the State of New Jersey Department of the treasury, Division of Revenue and obtained the business registration prior to the receipt of CCPs.

Proof of business registration shall be:

- A copy of a Business Registration Certificate issued by the Department of the Treasury, Division of Revenue; or
- A copy of the web printed version provided by the NJ Division of Revenue

Register online at www.nj.gov/treasury/revenue/busregcert.shtml. Click the "online" link and then select "Register for Tax and Employer Purposes or call the Division at 609-292-1730.

Note: A N.J. Certificate of Authority is not acceptable.

FAILURE to submit proof of registration of the Proposer or any subcontractor named on the CCP is considered a **MANDATORY REJECTION** of CCPs (A **NON-WAIVABLE DEFECT**). This covers construction work as well as non-construction CCPs.

IN ADDITION:

The contractor shall provide written notice to all **subcontractors and suppliers** not specifically named on the CCP of the responsibility to submit proof of business registration to the contractor. The requirement of proof of business registration extends down through all levels (tiers) of the project.

Before final payment on the contract is made by the contracting agency, the contractor shall submit an accurate list and the proof of business registration of each subcontractor or supplier used in the fulfillment of the contract, or shall attest that no subcontractors were used.

For the term of the contract, the contractor and each of its affiliates and a subcontractor and each of its affiliates [N.J.S.A. 52:32-44(g)(3)] shall collect and remit to the Director, New Jersey Division of Taxation, the use tax due pursuant to the Sales and Use Tax Act on all sales of tangible personal property delivered into this State, regardless of whether the tangible personal property is intended for a contract with a contracting agency.

A business organization that fails to provide a copy of a business registration as required pursuant to section 1 of P.L.2001,c.134 (C.52:32-44 et al.) or subsection e. or f. of section 92 of P.L.1977,c.110 (C.5:12-92), or that provides false business registration information under the requirements of either of those sections, shall be liable for a penalty of \$25 for each day of violation, not to exceed \$50,000 for each business registration copy not properly provided under a contract with a contracting agency.

Runnells Specialized Hospital

40 Watchung Way Berkeley Heights, NJ

Specifications for Landscaping 2013

OVERVIEW

Runnells Specialized Hospital (hereafter, the "RSH") is a County owned facility located in Berkeley Heights, New Jersey. RSH is seeking the services of a qualified landscaping contractor (hereafter, the "Contractor") to tend portions of the site to include, but not be limited to, landscape and shrub maintenance services.

The goal is to maintain this property in an attractive and relatively pest-free condition.

SITE CONSIDERATIONS

The areas to be included are: all areas inside the perimeter road, the Long Term Care Courtyard and two separate psychiatric unit courtyards. The front of the building has a water sprinkler system.

Part I - Scope of Services

An initial inspection performed by the Contractor will yield a written report where key locations, key plants and key pests will be delineated. Any field conditions will be noted and recommendations for amendments may be included for future consideration.

Site monitoring visits [a minimum of three (3)] will be scheduled over the contract period. Each visit will include a visual inspection of key plants and pests. Monitoring will include a record of plant stress and/or environmental concerns, beneficial insect status, as well as pest levels and recommendations for actions to be taken. A written summary of each visit will be provided to Ray Rapuano, Assistant Director of Maintenance.

Areas of the property will be delineated for mulching which should occur in the spring. All curb, roadway and bed line edges will be trenched to help contain the mulch.

The Contractor will have one crew member on site whenever services are being rendered who is able to speak and understand English so as to allow for communication regarding work to be performed and possible safety concerns.

Part II – Spring Clean-up

All areas delineated on the plan shall be cleared of dead plant materials and loose brush. At this time a survey of requirements for initial fertilization and replacement of plants and shrubs should be undertaken.

Part III - Fall Clean-up

Dead plant materials and loose brush shall be cleared away. Shrubs and bushes appropriate for pruning should be tended at this time. Also, a survey of requirements for off-season fertilization and replacement of plants and shrubs should be undertaken.

Part IV - Lawn Maintenance Considerations

Seeding, Mowing, Edging and Trimming: The contractor will seed areas requiring re-seeding as necessary with a seed mixture appropriate to the area and/or of similar variety to the existing turf.

Contractor will mow turf areas as needed according to seasonal growth. Contractor may leave clippings on the lawn as long as there are no readily visible clumps on the grass surface 36 hours after mowing. Otherwise, contractor will distribute large clumps of clippings by mechanical blowing or by collection and removal.

Contractor will edge trees and plant beds, sidewalks, fences, driveways, parking lots, and other surfaced areas bordered by grass during the growing season.

Turf around sprinkler heads will be trimmed or treated with a non-selective herbicide so as to not interfere with or intercept water output.

Isolated trees and shrubs growing in lawn areas will require mulched areas around them (minimum 2-foot diameter) to avoid bark injury from mowers and edger/trimmers and to reduce root competition from grass.

Contractor will clean all clippings from sidewalks, curbs, and roadways immediately after mowing and/or edging. Contractor will not sweep, blow or otherwise dispose of clippings in sewer drains.

Contractor will weed all flower beds and areas covered by brick pavers as well as between sidewalk joints. An approved herbicide may be used for this purpose.

B. Fertilization: Contractor will fertilize turf areas with fertilizers compatible and complimentary to the turf grasses present to promote growth and longevity. All fertilizers shall be applied as per manufacturer recommendation.

Fertilizer will be swept off of walks and drives onto lawns or beds.

C. Pest Control: The contractor will inspect lawn areas each visit for indications of pest problems and advise Mr. Rapuano of such problems.

Upon confirmation of a specific problem requiring treatment, the contractor will apply pesticides as needed and only in affected areas, whenever possible using the least toxic, effective pesticide.

No pesticide will be applied to turf areas without the express approval of the Hospital. This includes weed and feed formulations. The contractor will keep records on pests identified and treatment(s) rendered for control, a copy of which will be given to RSH.

All pest control service is in addition to the basic contract charges. The contractor will charge the Hospital per job, based on materials cost plus labor. The cost will be agreed on by Hospital and contractor before such service is rendered.

Pesticide applications will be made in accordance with the rules and regulations governing use of pesticides in New Jersey. The contractor will post alerts of the pesticide application.

Part V - Landscape Plant Maintenance Considerations: Trees, Shrubs, Ground Covers

A. Fertilization: Contractor will fertilize with fertilizers compatible and complimentary to the trees, shrubs, ground covers present to promote growth and longevity. All fertilizers shall be applied as per manufacturer's recommendations.

Established shrubs and trees in lawn areas exposed to lawn fertilizations shall not have supplemental fertilization. Fertilizer applied to shrubs and trees planted in beds shall be broadcasted over the entire plant bed. Fertilizer may be punched shallowly into the soil on berms and slopes where runoff is likely.

B. Pest Control: Contractor shall practice Integrated Pest Management (I P M) to control insects, diseases and weeds on and around perennials, ground covers, shrubs, vines and trees. This will include frequent monitoring and spot treatment as necessary using the least toxic methods. All fertilizers shall be applied as per manufacturer recommendation.

Weeds in beds or mulched areas will usually be removed mechanically or by hand. Upon approval by Mr. Rapuano, herbicides may be employed for heavy weed infestations.

C. Pruning: Shrubs will be pruned with hand shears as needed to provide an informal shape, fullness and blooms. No pruning will be done during or immediately following growth flushes. Branches will be pruned just outside the branch collar, and pruning paint will not be applied. Exception: if, for safety reasons, pruning is required at other times Mr. Rapuano will direct the Contractor as to requirements. No herbicides will be used for this purpose. The contractor will remove all litter.

D. Mulching: All mulched areas will be replenished once a year in the spring, or as required. Artificially colored mulches shall not to be used. Mulch should be maintained at a minimum depth of 3 inches. Mulch will not be placed against the trunks of plants.

Part VI - Experience and Equipment

The contractor shall have a minimum of five (5) years experience in commercial landscaping. Please submit proof of company incorporation or other documentation to prove years of experience.

The contractor will submit a list of at least five (5) accounts of similar size with contact person and phone number.

The contractor will submit a list of major equipment owned that will be utilized to maintain the Runnells property.

Part VII - Considerations for Insurance, Licenses, Permits and Liability

The contractor will carry liability amounts and worker's compensation coverage required by law on his/her operators and employees and provide proof of same to RSH. The contractor is also responsible for obtaining any licenses and/or permits required by law for activities on client's property.

Situations which the Contractor may deem are his/her responsibility:

- 1. Any damage due to operation of his equipment in performing the contract including buildings, exterior mechanical or electrical appliances and vehicles whether the property of the hospital, staff or visitors.
- 2. Damage to plant material due to improper horticultural practices.
- 3. Injury to non-target organisms due to application of pesticides.

Situations which the Contractor may deem are not his/her responsibility:

- 1. Death or decline of plant materials due to improper selection, placement, planting or maintenance done before the time of this contract.
- 2. Flooding, storm, wind, fire or cold damages.
- 3. Disease or damage to lawns or landscape plants caused by excessive irrigation or lack of water due to inoperative irrigation components provided he/she reported these to client, or irrigation restrictions imposed by the Water Management District or civil authorities.
- 4. Damage caused by or to any item hidden in the landscape and not clearly guarded or marked.
- 5. Damage due to vandalism.

Part VIII - Contract Term

The term of the contract is for twenty-four consecutive months with the option for one (1) twenty-four month extension.

Part VIII - Bid Conference

A bid conference will take place <u>July 11, 2013 at 8:00 a.m.</u> in the Board Room, Runnells Specialized Hospital. All potential contractors will be taken on a tour of the grounds and have an opportunity to clarify any terms or conditions specified herein. Questions may be addressed to RSH prior to the conference in writing or via e-mail to Mr. Rapuano, at <u>rrapuano@ucnj.org</u> and will be addressed at the conference. Call Mr. Rapuano at (908) 771-5866 or to register for the conference.

Part IX - Estimates

The county does not and will not warrant or guarantee the amount of visits to be supplied/required in any given day, week, month or year or in the aggregate pursuant to any contractual agreement awarded under these bid specifications. Nothing contained in any of the bid documents shall be construed to guarantee or warrant any amount of visits. The work hours set forth herein constitute either historic information or estimates of future needs and may not be indicative of the actual work hours to be experienced in the future.

Nothing herein shall entitle the successful bidder to any claim for lost profits or for any other compensation whatsoever in the event that the actual visits supplied/required under this agreement are more or less than the number of estimated visits on the bid form or any projection of future visits that may be contained herein.

Part X - Open End Terms

Please note that the ensuring contract is intended to be open end contract as allowed under N.J.A.C. 5:30 et seq. and, in accordance with the rules, the minimum number set on the bid shall be zero(0) visits and the maximum shall be number estimated for each item.

Part XI - Payment

Payment to Vendor is to be made within forty-five (45) days after the receipt of Vendor's invoice and a signed County voucher attesting to the delivery of the goods and services by some officer or duly designated employee of the using County entity and after approval of the appropriate Department head. The Vendor shall prepare invoices and shall submit them to the office/designated employee of the using County entity.

The vendor will not provide any goods and/or services without a valid and current purchase order from the government unit indicating account number and encumbrance.

BID FORM (PAGE 1 OF 2)

HAVING CAREFULLY READ THE NOTICE TO BIDDERS, SPECIFICATIONS AND INSTRUCTIONS TO BIDDERS, THE BIDDER HEREBY AGREES TO **LAWN & LANDSCAPING MAINTENANCE** FOR RUNNELLS SPECIALIZED HOSPITAL IN ACCORDANCE TO THE SPECIFICATIONS. DO NOT ALTER THE FORMAT OF THE BID FORM PAGE IN ANY MANNER UNDER THE PENALTY OF DISQUALIFICATION.

Item #1 Lawn maintenance (Part IV)	Sub Totals	
62 Visits x \$ = More or less per visit	\$	
Item #2 Lawn fertilization (Part IV)		
8 Visits x \$ = More or less per visit	\$	
More or less per visit		
Item #3 Fertilization for trees, shrub, & ground cover (Part V)		
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Item #4 Pest control for trees, shrub, & ground cover (Part V-B)		
8 Visits x \$ =	•	
8 Visits x \$ = More or less per visit	\$	
tem #5 Fall clean-up (Part III)		
<u>2 Visits</u> x \$	\$	
Visits x \$ = More or less per visit		
	NAME OF DIDDED.	

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Item #6 Spring cl	ean-up (Part II)	
2 Visits x \$	<u>=</u>	\$
More or less	per visit	
Item #7 Mulching	g (Part V-D)	
4 Visits x \$	======================================	\$
More or less	per visit	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
		Grand Total\$
		(Not to exceed)

THE PERIOD OF THE CONTRACT SHALL BE FOR (24) TWENTY-FOUR CONSECUTIVE MONTHS WITH PROVISION FOR (1) ONE TWENTY-FOUR MONTH EXTENSION SUBJECT TO THE FOLLOWING LIMITATIONS: THE EXTENSION CONTRACT SHALL BE AWARDED BY RESOLUTION OF THE GOVERNING BODY WITHIN 60 DAYS PRIOR TO THE EXPIRATION DATE) UPON A FINDING BY THE GOVERNING BODY THAT THE SERVICES ARE BEING PERFORMED IN AN EFFECTIVE AND EFFICIENT MANNER.

NJSA 40A: 11-15 PROVIDES THAT ANY PRICE CHANGES PURSUANT TO EXTENSIONS OF THE ORIGINAL TERM OF THIS AGREEMENT SHALL BE BASED UPON THE PRICE OF THE ORIGINAL AGREEMENT AS CUMULATIVELY ADJUSTED PURSUANT TO ANY PREVIOUS ADJUSTMENT OR EXTENSION AND SHALL NOT EXCEED THE CHANGE IN THE INDEX RATE FOR THE TWELVE (12) MONTHS PRECEDING THE MOST RECENT QUARTERLY CALCULATION AVAILABLE AT THE TIME THIS AGREEMENT IS RENEWED THE INDEX RATE IS PROMULGATED BI-ANNUALY BY THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY, DIVISION OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT SERVICES AND IS BASED ON THE ANNUAL PERCENTAGE INCREASE IN THE IMPLICIT PRICE DEFLECTOR FOR STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT SERVICES, COMPUTED QUARTERLY BY THE US DEPT. OF COMMERCE BUREAU OF ECONOMIC ANALYSIS.

ANY EXTENSION OF THE ORIGINAL TERM OF THIS AGREEMENT SHALL BE SUBJECT TO THE AVAILABILITY AND APPROPRIATION ANNUALLY OF SUFFICIENT OF FUNDS BY THE COUNTY OF UNION PURSUANT TO NJSA 40A:11-15.

THE COUNTY RESERVES THE RIGHT TO TERMINATE THIS AGREEMENT WITH WRITTEN NOTICE TO THE CONTRACTOR THIRTY (30) DAYS PRIOR TO SUCH ACTION.

NAME OF BIDDER:	
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BIDDER SIGNATURE PAGE

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- 1. If doing business under a <u>trade name</u>, <u>partnership</u> or a <u>sole proprietorship</u>, you must submit the bid under <u>exact title</u> of the trade name, partnership, or proprietorship, and the bid must be signed by either the <u>owner</u> or a <u>partner</u> and <u>witnessed</u> by a <u>notary public</u>.
- 2. If a <u>Corporation</u>, the bid must be signed by the <u>President</u> or <u>Vice President</u> and <u>witnessed</u> by <u>Corporate Secretary</u>, (Corporate title must be exact) and <u>affix corporate seal</u>.
- 3. Other persons <u>authorized</u> by <u>Corporate Resolution</u> to execute agreements in its behalf may also sign the bid documents (pages).
- 4. The Person who signs this bid form <u>must also sign</u> the <u>Non-Collusion Affidavit</u>.

5. You <u>cannot</u> witness your own signature.	
	NAME OF BIDDER
SIGNATURE CORPORATE SECRETARY	ADDRESS OF BIDDER
PRINT NAME AND TITLE CORPORATE SECRETARY	TELEPHONE:FAX:
	BY: SIGNATURE
	DATE
AFFIX CORPORATE SEAL	PRINT OR TYPE NAME AND TITLE

<u>WARNING</u>: FAILURE TO FULLY, ACCURATELY, AND COMPLETELY SUPPLY THE INFORMATION REQUESTED ON THIS PAGE MAY RESULT IN THE REJECTION OF YOUR BID AS NON-RESPONSIVE

BUSINESS REGISTRATION

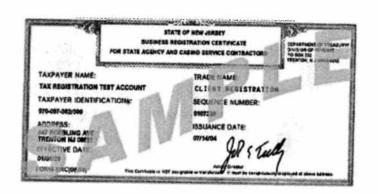
Mandatory Requirement

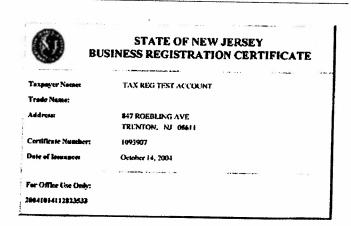
P.L. 2009, c.315, requires that effective January 18, 2010; a contracting agency must receive proof of the bidder's business registration prior to the award of a contract. However, the proof must show that the bidder was in fact registered with the State of New Jersey Department of the Treasury, Division of Revenue and obtained the business registration prior to the receipt of bids.

If subcontractors are named on the bid, proof of the business registration for each must be provided prior to the award of a contract. Similarly to the bidder, the proof must show that each subcontractor was registered with the State of New Jersey Department of the Treasury, Division of Revenue and obtained the business registration prior to the receipt of bids.

Proof of business registration shall be:

- A copy of a Business Registration Certificate issued by the Department of Treasury, Division of Revenue; or
- A copy of the web printed version provided by the NJ Division of Revenue





ATTACH BRC HERE

STOCKHOLDER DISCLOSURE CERTIFICATION

N.J.S.A. 52:25-24.2 (P.L. 1977 c. 33)

Failure of the bidder/responder	at to submit the required information is ca	use for automatic r	ejection.		
CHECK ONE					
more of the issued and o	low contains the names and home addre outstanding stock of the undersigned. OR				
I certify that no one undersigned.	I certify that no one stockholder owns 10% or more of the issued and outstanding stock of the undersigned.				
LEGAL NAME OF BIDDER					
Check the box that represents	the type of business organization:				
Partnership	Corporation	Sole Proprieto	orship		
Limited Partnership	Limited Liability Corporation	Limited Liabi	•	hip	
Subchapter S Corporation					
Complete if the bidder/respon	dent is one of the 3 types of corporation	ns:			
Date Incorporated:	Where Incorporate	d:		_	
BUSINESS ADDRESS:				_	
Street Address Code		City	State	Zip	
Telephone #		Fax #		***	

Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 52:25-24.2, also referred to as P.L. 1977, c. 33, no corporation or partnership shall be awarded any contract for the performance of any work or the furnishing of any materials or supplies, unless, prior to the receipt of the bid or accompanying the bid of said corporation or partnership, there is submitted a statement setting forth the names and addresses of all stockholders in the corporation or partnership who own ten (10) percent or more of its stock of any class, or of all individual partners in the partnership who own a ten (10) percent or greater interest therein. Further, the Attorney General has concluded that the provisions of N.J.S.A. 52:25-24.2, in referring to corporations and partnerships, are intended to apply to all forms of corporations and partnerships, including, but not limited to, limited partnerships, limited liability corporations, limited liability partnerships, and Subchapter S corporations.

Bidders are required to disclose whether they are a partnership, corporation or sole proprietorship. The Stockholder Disclosure Certification form shall be completed, signed and notarized. Failure of the bidder to submit the required information is cause for automatic rejection of the bid.

STOCKHOLDER DISCLOSURE CERTIFICATION - (Continued)

Sign and notarize the form below, and, if necessary, complete the stockholder list below.

NAME	HOME ADDRESS	TITLE	% OF OWNERSHIP
1.			
2.			
3.			
4.			
5.			
who is an owner of	the owners of the Bidder is itself a coryou must set forth the name, home address that corporation or partnership.	poration or partnershipess, title and percentage	o, then for that corporation or of ownership of every person % OF
NAME	HOME ADDRESS	TITLE	OWNERSHIP
1.			
2.			
3.			
4.			
5.			
Subscribed and swo of	orn before me this day	(A)	ffiant)
	, 2	(Print name &	title of affiant)
(Notary Public)			rate Seal)
My Commission exp	nires:	(Согро	and Sour,

NON-COLLUSION AFFIDAVIT

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STATE OF		
COUNTY OF	SS.	
I and the S according to law, on my oath depose and say	of the City of	. in the County
of and the S	State of	, of full age, being duly sworr
according to law, on my oath depose and say	that: I am	of the firm of
that I executed the said Proposal with full authentered into any agreement, participation in an competitive bidding in connection with the ab Proposal and in this Affidavit are true and countries. NEW JERSEY relies upon the trustatements contained in the affidavit in awarding	y collusion, or otherwise take ove named project; and that rrect, and made with full known the of the statements contain the contract for the said project.	ten any action in restraint of free, tall statements contained in said nowledge that the COUNTY OF ned in said Proposal and in the ect.
I further warrant that no person or selling age contract upon an agreement or understanding for bona fide employees or bona fide establishment (N.J.) NAME OF CONTRACTOR	a commission, percentage, b	rotaroga or continuous for
	Sign Name Here	
Subscribed and sworn to before Me this day of, 20	(Original signature of signature not accep	• •
Notary Public of the State of		
My Commission expires		
Printing it, typing it, us or using a mechanical	cate State. 3. Sign name. 4. sing a rubber stamp, using an stamp.	Affix name by impression seal
Note: The person who signed the bid form for the	bidder should sign this form	also.

WARNING: IF YOU FAIL TO FULLY, ACCURATELY AND COMPLETELY FILL OUT THIS AFFIDAVIT OF NON-COLLUSION, YOU BID WILL BE REJECTED.

CONSENT OF SURETY

Rev. 5/13/02

	(Hereinafter called Surety), organized and existi	ng under
the laws of the State of	and duly authorized and qualified to	o transaci
business in the State of No	ew Jersey, in consideration of the sum of One Dollar (\$1.00), lawful mon-	ey of the
	, to it in hand paid, receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, and in consi	
herby certifies and agree	es that if the contract for which the attached bid is made be awa	arded to
	(hereinafter called Contractor) for the performance of certain wor	
supplying of certain materi	als, or both, as more particularly set forth in said bid and described for the	purposes
of this instrument as a bid f	for to the County of	of Union
	r into the contract, Surety will become bound as surety for its faithful perfector with a bond in the amount of Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000).	
	NAME OF INSURANCE COMPANY	
	ADDRESS	
	SIGNATURE ATTORNEY-IN-FACT FOR INSURANCE CO.	

NOTE: Proof of authority of officers of Surety Company to execute this document must be submitted.

REQUIRED AFFIRMATIVE ACTION EVIDENCE

General Requirements of P.L. 1975, c. 127: You are hereby put on notice that:

A. P

A. Procurement,	Professional & Service Contracts		
All successful v contract one of	endors must submit within seven days of the notice of intent to award or the signing of the the following: PLEASE CHECK ONE		
	A photocopy of your Federal Letter of Affirmative Action Plan Approval		
	OR		
	A photocopy of your Certificate of Employee Information Report		
	OR		
	A completed Affirmative Action Employee Information Report (AA302)		
If successful vendor Union will declare the	does not submit the affirmative action document within the seven days the County of ne vendor as being non-responsive and award the contract to the next lowest bidder.		
	Print or type FIRM NAME here		
	Sign NAME and TITLE here (Original signature only, stamped signature not accepted)		
	Print or type NAME and TITLE here		
	Print or type DATE		

AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT

EQUAL OPPORTUNITY FOR INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES

The contractor and the County of Union (hereafter "Owner") do hereby agree that the provisions of Title II of the Americans With Disabilities Act of 1990 (the "Act") (42 U.S.C. S12.101 et seq.), which prohibits discrimination on the basis of disability by public entities in all services, programs and activities provided or made available by public entities, and the rules and regulations promulgated pursuant thereunto, are made a part of this contract. In providing any aid, benefit, or service on behalf of the Owner pursuant to this contract, the contractor agrees that the performance shall be in strict compliance with the Act. In the event the contractor, its agents, servants, employees, or subcontractors violate or are alleged to have violated the Act during the performance of this contract, the contractor shall defend the Owner in any action or administrative proceeding commenced pursuant to this Act. The contractor shall indemnify, protect, and save harmless the Owner, its agents, servants, and employees from and against any and all suits, claims, losses, demands, or damages of whatever kind or nature arising out of or claimed to arise out of the alleged violation. The contractor shall, at its own expense, appear, defend, any pay any and all charges for legal services and any and all costs and other expenses arising from such action or administrative proceeding or incurred in connection therewith. In any and all complaints brought pursuant to the Owner's grievance procedure, the contractor agrees to abide by any decision of the Owner which is rendered pursuant to said grievance procedure. If any action or administrative proceeding results in an award of damages against the Owner, or if the Owner incurs any expense to cure a violation of the ADA which has been brought pursuant to its grievance procedure, the contractor shall satisfy and discharge the same at its own expense.

The Owner shall, as soon as practicable after a claim has been made against it, give written notice thereof to the contractor along with full and complete particulars of the claim. If any action or administrative proceeding is brought against the Owner or any of its agents, servants, and employees, the Owner shall expeditiously forward or have forwarded to the contractor every demand, complaint, notice, summons, pleading, or other process received by the Owner or its representatives.

It is expressly agreed and understood that any approval by the Owner of the services provided by the contractor pursuant to this contract will not relieve the contractor of the obligation to comply with the Act and to defend, indemnify, protect, and save harmless the Owner pursuant to this paragraph.

It is further agreed and understood that the Owner assumes no obligation to indemnify or save harmless the contractor, its agents, servants, employees and subcontractors for any claim which may arise out of their performance of this Agreement. Furthermore, the contractor expressly understands and agrees that the provisions of this indemnification clause shall in no way limit the contractor's obligations assumed in this Agreement, nor shall they be construed to relieve the contractor from any liability, nor preclude the Owner from taking any other actions available to it under any other provisions of this Agreement or otherwise at law.

Name

name		(Please print or type)
Signature		Date
	NAME OF BIDDER:	

EXPERIENCE STATEMENT

County of Union, Elizabeth, NJ	
The vendor must provide references of previous experie of buildings worked on, and time frames of all the referen	ence. Include names, addresses, phone numbers, types
We hereby certify that my company has performed the followid, I further certify that my company has never defaulted a	owing private or public work which is relevant to this
y company mas never defaulted to	ander any contract.
Witness	Name of Company
Date	Address
	D ₁₀
	By:
	Title

EQUIPMENT STATEMENT

The contractor must submit a list of major equipment owned that will be utilized to maintain the Runnells property.	
NAME OF BIDDER:	
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COUNTY OF UNION ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF RECEIPT OF ADDENDA

The undersigned Bidder hereby acknowledges receipt of the following Addenda(s):

Addendum Number Dated Acknowledge Pageint

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Title:			
Date:			
	Please Do Not sub	mit if you did not rece	ive Addenda(s)
	MALE		
	NAME OF	BIDDER:	