

BID FORM

MISSOURI DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

GENERAL SERVICES

830 MoDOT DRIVE – P.O. BOX 270

JEFFERSON CITY, MO 65102

REQUEST NO.	1-130429CN		
DATE	April 27, 2009		
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SEALED BIDS, SUBJECT TO THE ATTACHED CONDITIONS WILL BE RECEIVED AT THIS OFFICE UNTIL

2:00 P.M. LOCAL TIME, April 29, 2013

AND THEN PUBLICLY OPENED AND READ FOR FURNISHING THE FOLLOWING SUPPLIES OR SERVICES.

QUOTATIONS TO BE BASED F.O.B. MISSOURI DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Submit net bid as cash discount stipulations will not be considered

JEFFERSON CITY, MISSOURI

DEFINITE DELIVERY DATE MUST BE SHOWN. SIGN AND RETURN BEFORE TIME SET FOR OPENING. **ALL BIDS SHOULD BE EXTENDED AND TOTALED.**

BUYER: CINDY NORMAN

BUYER TELEPHONE: 573-522-9746

ITEM NO.	SUPPLIES OR SERVICES				
	<p>Contract for furnishing Plastic Cylinder Molds. Flat Lids and Neoprene Pads for a contract period beginning date of award through April 30, 2013.</p> <p>PLEASE SEE ATTACHED PRICING PAGE AND SAMPLES SUBMITTAL REQUIREMENT</p> <p>Note to Respondent: A vendor must be in compliance with the laws regarding conducting business in the State of Missouri. The compliance to conduct business in the state shall include but may not be limited to: Registration of business name, vendors MUST submit a bid/proposal that correctly and accurately identifies the company name that is registered to do business in the State of Missouri. All vendors who are required to execute a contractual agreement MUST submit a copy of their certificate with the signed copy of the contract agreement before the purchasing department can proceed with MoDOT legal contract approval.</p> <p>VENDOR MUST SIGN AND SUBMIT THIS FORM WITH PRICING PAGE</p>				

(SEE ATTACHED FOR CONDITIONS AND INSTRUCTIONS)

*In compliance with the above request for bids, and subject to all conditions thereof, the undersigned bidder agrees to furnish and deliver any or all the items on which prices were quoted **as noted above** after receipt of formal purchase order.*

Date: _____

Firm Name: _____

Telephone No.: _____

Address: _____

Fax No.: _____

Federal I.D. No. _____

By (Signature): _____

Email address: _____

Type/Print Name _____

Title: _____

Is your firm MBE certified? Yes No

Is your firm WBE certified? Yes No

List all agencies your firm is currently certified with. _____

INSTRUCTIONS

BID SUBMITTAL:

Your written, sealed bid must be either mailed, delivered by hand or courier service (UPS, Federal Express, DHL, etc.), to be *received on or before the date and time specified on the front page of this bid document*, at the office of:

Ms. Cindy Norman
Missouri Department of Transportation
General Services - Procurement
830 MoDOT Drive; P.O. Box 270
Jefferson City, MO 65102

All documents should be clearly marked "**1-130429CN Bid for Plastic Cylinder Molds, Flat Lids and Pads**". The bid *must include all costs* associated with providing these items including, but not limited to, shipping, handling, insurance, legal costs, personnel costs, etc.

BRAND AND MODEL NUMBER – SUBMITTAL OF SAMPLES:

All bidders shall indicate brand and model number of the product being bid for all items. Submit descriptive literature on the product proposed to furnish.

PLEASE SUBMIT ONE (1) SAMPLE OF EACH ITEM LISTED ON THE PRICING PAGE WITH YOUR BID DOCUMENT. All costs associated with the provision of these requested samples must be assumed by the bidder. Unless otherwise noted, these samples will remain the property of MoDOT and will not be returned to the bidder.

PACKING AND SHIPPING OF PRODUCTS:

4" x 8" Cylinder Molds:

Pack thirty-six (36) molds with lids per carton. The bidder may elect to pack thirty-six (36) molds per carton, and thirty-six (36) lids per carton, then tape the two (2) cartons together to make a single unit package. Pricing must be submitted for 36 molds with 36 flat lids at a single per carton cost. Molds must be shipped on pallets and secured to the pallets.

6" x 12" Cylinder Molds:

Pack twenty (20) molds with lids per carton. The bidder may elect to pack twenty (20) molds per carton, and twenty (20) lids per carton, then tape the two (2) cartons together to make a single unit package. Pricing must be submitted for 20 molds with 20 flat lids at a single per carton cost. Molds must be shipped on pallets and secured to the pallets.

AWARD:

For the purpose of this bid, items will be awarded on an "ALL or NONE" basis.

DELIVERY:

All deliveries shall be FOB-Missouri Department of Transportation, Jefferson City, MO. MoDOT will issue purchase orders on an as needed basis. Bidder must include all delivery costs in his/her bid amount.

CONTRACT PRICE ESCALATION:

In the event the contractor requests a price increase during the contract period (original contract period or contract renewal period), the contractor must provide a written request and documentation justifying the need for a price increase, and the amount of such price increase.

MoDOT will review the contractor's written request and documentation, and decide if a price increase is to be granted at that particular time. The contractor shall understand and agree that MoDOT's decision shall be final and without recourse.

- a. No price increase shall be granted during the first 3 months of the original contract period, or if applicable, first 3 months of a contract renewal period.
- b. In the event a price increase is granted due to an approved escalation, the renewal percentage shall be based upon the current contract value.

COMPLIANCE WITH BID REQUIREMENTS:

Failure to comply with the requirements published in this bid may result in the bid being subject to rejection. Product that does not meet specifications will cause all of the shipments to be returned at the bidders expense. To prevent misunderstanding and litigation, it shall be a condition of this bid and of its acceptance that the present Chief Engineer of the Missouri Department of Transportation, or his/her successor, shall in all cases determine any and all questions which may arise concerning the quality, quantity and acceptability of all products supplied, the time, place and manner of delivery, the correct interpretation of the specifications, bid and orders, all compensations, damages or claims of any character whatsoever for the performance of breach of the contract, and his/her decision shall be final, binding and conclusive upon all parties.

NON-EXCLUSIVITY:

The Missouri Department of Transportation reserves the right to obtain like or similar products of this or other manufacturers, exclusive of this contract, when use of such products is deemed in the best interest of MoDOT.

ADDITIONAL DOCUMENT SUBMITTAL REQUIREMENTS:

For the bid to be considered, the two (2) attachments "Preference in Purchasing Products" and "Missouri Domestic Product Procurement Act" ***must be submitted to this office*** prior to any contract being awarded for this bid. To expedite the award process, please include the completed documents with your bid.

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PRICING PAGE

Contract for furnishing “Plastic Cylinder Molds and Neoprene Pads” for a contract period beginning date of award through April 30, 2013. COMPLETE, SIGN WHERE INDICATED ON THE SECOND PAGE, AND SUBMIT WITH YOUR SIGNED BID FORM AND OTHER REQUIRED DOCUMENTATION.

NOTE ON QUANTITIES AND BRAND IDENTIFICATION: The quantities shown *are estimated* for the period specified. MoDOT reserves the right to increase or decrease the quantity as needed. **All bids should indicate the Brand & Part Number to be considered.** **PLEASE INCLUDE ONE (1) SAMPLE OF EACH OF THE BELOW LISTED ITEMS WITH YOUR BID. Any bids received without the required samples, or other required information will be subject to rejection.**

ITEM	DESCRIPTION	MFG/ MODEL	EST. QTY	UNIT OF ISSUE	UNIT PRICE	EXTENDED TOTAL
1	<p>MoDOT-3054205158 Plastic Cylinder Molds, 4” x 8”, bearing standard labeling on each mold (see Exhibit I), complete with <i>flat</i>, plastic lids to meet ASTM C-470, 36 molds, each with a lid, per carton.</p> <p><u>Molds must be shipped on pallets.</u> <u>MoDOT will only accept flat plastic lids – No Substitutions.</u></p> <p>DEFINITE DELIVERY DATE_____</p>		300	Carton of 36		
2	<p>MoDOT-3054205248 Neoprene pads for unbonded capping, 4” diameter, 60 durometer, black in color, and meet ASTM C 1231.</p> <p>DEFINITE DELIVERY DATE_____</p>		200	Each		

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ITEM	DESCRIPTION	MFG/ MODEL	EST. QTY	UNIT OF ISSUE	UNIT PRICE	EXTENDED TOTAL
3	<p>MoDOT 3054205160</p> <p>Plastic Cylinder Molds 6" x 12" complete with plastic lids to meet ASTM C-470-81, bearing standard labeling on each mold (see Exhibit I), complete with <u>flat</u>, plastic lids to meet ASTM C-470, 20 molds, each with a lid, per carton.</p> <p><u>Molds must be shipped on pallets.</u> <u>MoDOT will only accept flat plastic lids – No Substitutions.</u></p> <p>DEFINITE DELIVERY DATE_____</p>		100	Carton of 20		
4	<p>MoDOT 3054205250</p> <p>Neoprene pads for unbonded capping, 6" diameter, 60 durometer, black in color, and meet ASTM C 1231.</p> <p>DEFINITE DELIVERY DATE_____</p>		100	Each		

RENEWAL INFORMATION

In the event that MoDOT exercises its options to renew the contract for three (3) additional one-year periods, or any portion therein, pursuant to the applicable provisions outlined in this document, the Bidder shall provide below the maximum percentage of increase for each renewal period. The Bidder is cautioned that the percentages shall be computed against the CURRENT contract prices during renewal periods. Furthermore, the Bidder is advised that MoDOT does not automatically grant increases at the time of renewing the contract and that if an increase is requested, documentation of need must be provided at the time of renewal.

First Renewal Period: _____% of maximum increase

Second Renewal Period: _____% of maximum increase

Third Renewal Period: _____% of maximum increase

Vendor Firm Name: _____

Vendor Name and Signature: _____

EXHIBIT I
LABELING OF PLASTIC CYLINDER MOLDS

The below figure represents labeling requirements for the plastic cylinder molds. This labeling, or functionally equivalent labeling, will be required to be on all plastic cylinder molds provided as part of this bid. MoDOT reserves the right to determine if submitted samples meet the labeling requirements. The decision of MoDOT is final and without recourse.



VENDOR INFORMATION & PREFERENCE CERTIFICATION FORM

Vendor Information

All bidders must furnish ALL applicable information requested below

Vendor Name/Mailing Address: Email Address:	Vendor Contact Information (including area codes): Phone #: Cellular #: Fax #:
Printed Name of Responsible Officer or Employee:	Signature:
For Corporations - State in which incorporated:	For Others - State of domicile:

If the address listed in the Vendor Name/Mailing Address block above is not located in the State of Missouri, list the address of Missouri offices or places of business:

*If additional space is required, please attach an additional sheet and identify it as **Addresses of Missouri Offices or Places of Business.***

M/WBE INFORMATION: List all certified Minority or Women Business Enterprises (**M/WBE**) utilized in the fulfillment of this bid. Include percentages for subcontractors and identify the M/WBE certifying agency:

<u>M/WBE Name</u>	<u>Percentage of Contract</u>	<u>M/WBE Certifying Agency</u>

*If additional space is required, please attach an additional sheet and identify it as **M/WBE Information***

Preference Certification

All bidders must furnish ALL applicable information requested below

GOODS/PRODUCTS MANUFACTURED OR PRODUCED IN USA: If any or all of the goods or products offered in the attached bid which the bidder proposes to supply to the MHTC are **not** manufactured or produced in the "United States", or imported in accordance with a qualifying treaty, law, agreement, or regulation, list below, by item or item number, the country other than the United States where each good or product is manufactured or produced.

Item (or item number)	Location Where Item is Manufactured or Produced

*If additional space is required, please attach an additional sheet and identify it as **Location Products are Manufactured or Produced.***

MISSOURI SERVICE-DISABLED VETERAN BUSINESS: Please complete the following if applicable. Additional information may be requested if preference is applicable. See below definitions for qualification criteria:

Service-Disabled Veteran is defined as any individual who is disabled as certified by the appropriate federal agency responsible for the administration of veterans' affairs.

Service-Disabled Veteran Business is defined as a business concern:

- a. Not less than fifty-one (51) percent of which is owned by one or more service-disabled veterans or, in the case of any publicly owned business, not less than fifty-one (51) percent of the stock of which is owned by one or more service-disabled veterans; and
- b. The management and daily business operations of which are controlled by one or more service-disabled veterans.

Veteran Information

Business Information

Service-Disabled Veteran's Name (Please Print)

Service-Disabled Veteran Business Name

Service-Disabled Veteran's Signature

Missouri Address of Service Disabled Veteran Business

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STANDARD SOLICITATION PROVISIONS

- a. The Missouri Department of Transportation (MoDOT) reserves the right to reject any or all bids/quotes/proposals, and to accept or reject any items thereon, and to waive technicalities. In case of error in the extension of prices in the bid/quote/proposal, unit prices will govern.
- b. All bids/quotes/proposals must be signed with the firm name and by a responsible officer or employee. Obligations assumed by such signature must be fulfilled.
- c. By virtue of statutory authority, a preference will be given to materials, products, supplies, provisions and all other articles produced, manufactured, made or grown, within the State of Missouri.
- d. Time of delivery is a part of the consideration and, if not otherwise stated in the solicitation documents, must be stated in definite terms by the Bidder/Offeror and must be adhered to. If time varies on different items, the Bidder/Offeror shall so state.
- e. If providing bids/quotes/proposals for commodities, the Bidder/Offeror will state brand or make on each item. If bidding or proposing other than the make, model or brand specified, the manufacturer's name, model number or catalog number must be given.
- f. **For bids/proposals of \$25,000 or more**, no bids/proposals by telephone, telegram or telefax will be accepted.
- g. The date specified for the returning of bids/quotes/proposals is a firm deadline and all bids/quotes/proposals must be received at the designated office by that time. The Department does not recognize the U.S. Mail, Railway Express Agency, Air Express, or any other organization, as its agent for purposes of accepting proposals. All proposals arriving at the designated office after the deadline specified will be rejected.

GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS

General Performance

- a. Bidders are encouraged to obtain minority business enterprise (MBE) and women business enterprise (WBE) participation in this work through the use of subcontractors, suppliers, joint ventures, or other arrangements that afford meaningful participation for M/WBEs. Bidders are encouraged to obtain 10% MBE and 5% WBE participation.
- b. This work is to be performed under the general supervision and direction of the Missouri Department of Transportation (MoDOT) and, if awarded any portion of the work, the Contractor agrees to furnish at his own expense all labor and equipment required to complete the work, it being expressly understood that this solicitation is for completed work based upon the price(s) specified and is not a solicitation for rental of equipment or employment of labor by MoDOT, and MoDOT is to have no direction or control over the employees used by the Contractor in performance of the work.

Deliveries

- a. Unless otherwise specified on the solicitation documents or purchase order, suppliers shall give at least 24 hours advance notice of each delivery. Delivery will only be received between the hours of 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., Monday through Friday. Material arriving after 3:00 p.m. will not be unloaded until the following workday. No material will be received on Saturday, Sunday or state holidays.
- b. If the prices bid herein include the delivery cost of the material, the Contractor agrees to pay all transportation charges on the material as FOB - Destination. Freight costs must be included in the unit price bid and not listed as a separate line item.
- c. Any demurrage is to be paid by the Contractor direct to the railroad or carrier.

Nondiscrimination

- a. The Contractor shall comply with the Regulations relative to nondiscrimination in federally-assisted programs of the Department of Transportation, Title 49, Code of Federal Regulations, Part 21, as they may be amended from time to time, (hereinafter referred to as the Regulations), which are herein incorporated by reference and made a part of this contract.
- b. All solicitations either by competitive bidding or negotiation made by the Contractor for work to be performed under a subcontract, including procurements of materials or leases of the Contractor's obligations under this contract and the Regulations, will be relative to nondiscrimination on the grounds of race, color, or national origin.
 - 1) **Sanctions for Noncompliance:** In the event of the Contractor's noncompliance with the nondiscrimination provisions of this contract, MoDOT shall impose such contract sanctions as it or the Federal Highway Administration may determine to be appropriate, including, but not limited to:
 - i. withholding of payments to the Contractor under the contract until the Contractor complies, and/or,
 - ii. cancellation, termination or suspension of the contract, in whole or in part.

Contract/Purchase Order

- a. By submitting a bid/quote/proposal, the Bidder/Offeror agrees to furnish any and all equipment, supplies and/or services specified in the solicitation documents, at the prices quoted, pursuant to all requirements and specifications contained therein.
- b. A binding contract shall consist of: (1) the solicitation documents, amendments thereto, and/or Best and Final Offer (BAFO) request(s) with any changes/additions, (2) the Contractor's proposal and/or submitted pricing, and (3) the MHTC's acceptance of the proposal and/or bid by purchase order or post-award contract.
- c. A notice of award does not constitute an authorization for shipment of equipment or supplies or a directive to proceed with services. Before providing equipment, supplies and/or services, the Contractor must receive a properly authorized purchase order and/or notice to proceed.
- d. The contract expresses the complete agreement of the parties and performance shall be governed solely by the specifications and requirements contained therein. Any change, whether by modification and/or supplementation, must be accomplished by a formal contract amendment signed and approved by and between the duly authorized representative of the Contractor and the duly authorized representative of the MHTC, by a modified purchase order prior to the effective date of such modification. The Contractor expressly and explicitly understands and agrees that no other method

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and/or no other document, including correspondence, acts, and oral communications by or from any person, shall be used or construed as an amendment or modification.

Subcontracting

- a. It is specifically understood that no portion of the material or any interest in the contract, shall be subcontracted, transferred, assigned or otherwise disposed of, except with the written consent of MoDOT. Request for permission to subcontract or otherwise dispose of any part of the work shall be in writing to MoDOT and accompanied by documentation showing that the organization which will perform the work is particularly experienced and equipped for such work.
- b. Consent to subcontract or otherwise dispose of any portion of the work shall not be construed to relieve the Contractor of any responsibility for the production and delivery of the contracted work and the completion of the work within the specified time.
- c. All payments for work performed by a subcontractor shall be made to the Contractor to whom the contract was awarded and the purchase order issued.

Invoicing and Payment

- a. MoDOT is exempt from paying Missouri Sales Tax, Missouri Use Tax and Federal Excise Tax. However, the Contractor may themselves be responsible for the payment of taxes on materials they purchase to fulfill the contract. A Project Tax Exemption Certificate will be furnished to the successful Bidder/Offeror upon request if applicable.
- b. Each invoice should be itemized in accordance with items listed on the purchase order and/or contract. The statewide financial management system has been designed to capture certain receipt and payment information. Therefore, each invoice submitted must reference the purchase order number and must be itemized in accordance with items listed on the purchase order. Failure to comply with this requirement may delay processing of invoices for payment.
- c. Unless otherwise provided for in the solicitation documents, payment for all equipment, supplies, and/or services required herein shall be made in arrears. The Missouri Highways and Transportation Commission (MHTC) shall not make any advance deposits.
- d. The MHTC assumes no obligation for equipment, supplies, and/or services shipped or provided in excess of the quantity ordered. Any authorized quantity is subject to the MHTC's rejection and shall be returned at the Contractor's expense.
- e. The MHTC reserves the right to purchase goods and services using the state-purchasing card.

Applicable Laws and Regulations

- a. The contract shall be construed according to the laws of the State of Missouri. The Contractor shall comply with all local, state, and federal laws and regulations related to the performance of the contract.
- b. The Contractor must be registered and maintain good standing with the Secretary of State of the State of Missouri and other regulatory agencies, as may be required by law or regulations. Prior to the issuance of a purchase order and/or notice to proceed, the Contractor may be required to submit to MoDOT a copy of their current Authority Certificate from the Secretary of State of the State of Missouri.
 - 1) Prior to the issuance of a purchase order and/or notice to proceed, all **out-of-state** Contractors **providing services** within the state of Missouri must submit to MoDOT a copy of their current Transient Employer Certificate from the Department of Revenue, in addition to a copy of their current Authority Certificate from the Secretary of State of the State of Missouri.
- c. The exclusive venue for any legal proceeding relating to or arising, out of the contract shall be in the Circuit Court of Cole County, Missouri.

Executive Order

- a. The Contractor shall comply with all the provisions of Executive Order 07-13, issued by the Honorable Matt Blunt, Governor of Missouri, on the sixth (6th) day of March, 2007. This Executive Order, which promulgates the State of Missouri's position to not tolerate persons who contract with the state engaging in or supporting illegal activities of employing individuals who are not eligible to work in the United States, is incorporated herein by reference and made a part of this Agreement.
 - 1) "By signing this Agreement, the Contractor hereby certifies that any employee of the Contractor assigned to perform services under the contract is eligible and authorized to work in the United States in compliance with federal law."
 - 2) In the event the Contractor fails to comply with the provisions of the Executive Order 07-13, or in the event the Commission has reasonable cause to believe that the contractor has knowingly employed individuals who are not eligible to work in the United States in violation of federal law, the Commission reserves the right to impose such contract sanctions as it may determine to be appropriate, including but not limited to contract cancellation, termination or suspension in whole or in part or both.
 - 3) The Contractor shall include the provisions of this paragraph in every subcontract. The Contractor shall take such action with respect to any subcontract as the Commission may direct as a means of enforcing such provisions, including sanctions for noncompliance.

Preferences

- a. In the evaluation of bids/quotes/proposals, preferences shall be applied in accordance with Chapter 34 RSMo. Contractors should apply the same preferences in selecting subcontractors.
- b. By virtue of statutory authority, RSMo. 34.076 and 34.350 to 34.359, a preference will be given to materials, products, supplies, provisions and all other articles produced, manufactured, made or grown within the State of Missouri. Such preference shall be given when quality is equal or better and delivered price is the same or less.

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- 1) If attached, the document entitled "**PREFERENCE IN PURCHASING PRODUCTS**" should be completed and returned with the solicitation documents.
 - 2) If attached, the document entitled "**MISSOURI DOMESTIC PRODUCTS PROCUREMENT ACT**" should be completed and returned with the solicitation documents. **Applies if bid is Twenty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$25,000.00) or more.**
- c. By virtue of statutory authority, RSMo 34.074, a preference will be given all contracts for the performance of any job or service to service-disabled veteran business either doing business as Missouri firms, corporations, or individuals; or which maintain Missouri offices or places of business, when the quality of performance promised is equal or better and the price quoted is the same or less or whenever competing bids, in their entirety, are comparable.
- 1) If attached, the document entitled "**MISSOURI SERVICE-DISABLED VETERAN PREFERENCE**" should be completed and returned with the solicitation documents.
- d. In the event of a tie of low bids, the MHTC reserves the right to establish the method to be used in determining the award

Remedies and Rights

- a. No provision in the contract shall be construed, expressly or implied, as a waiver by the MHTC of any existing or future right and/or remedy available by law in the event of any claim by the MHTC of the Contractor's default or breach of contract.
- b. The Contractor agrees and understands that the contract shall constitute an assignment by the Contractor to the MHTC of all rights, title and interest in and to all causes of action that the Contractor may have under the antitrust laws of the United States or State of Missouri for which causes of action have accrued or will accrue as the result of or in relation to the particular equipment, supplies, and/or services purchased or produced by the Contractor in the fulfillment of the contract with the MHTC.
- c. In the event a Contractor becomes involved in, or is threatened with, litigation with a subcontractor or supplier as a result of such direction, the Contractor may request MoDOT to enter into such litigation to protect the interests of the MHTC, and, in addition, the Contractor may request the United States to enter into such litigation to protect the interests of the United States.

Cancellation of Contract

- a. The MHTC may cancel the contract at any time for a material breach of contractual obligations or for convenience by providing the Contractor with written notice of cancellation. Should the MHTC exercise its right to cancel the contract for such reasons, cancellation will become effective upon the date specified in the notice of cancellation sent to the Contractor.
- b. If the MHTC cancels the contract for breach, the MHTC reserves the right to obtain the equipment, supplies, and/or services to be provided pursuant to the contract from other sources and upon such terms and in such manner as the MHTC deems appropriate and charge the Contractor for any additional costs incurred thereby.

Bankruptcy or Insolvency

- a. Upon filing for any bankruptcy or insolvency proceeding by or against the Contractor, whether voluntary or involuntary, or upon the appointment of a receiver, trustee, or assigned the benefit or creditors, the Contractor must notify MoDOT immediately. Upon learning of any such actions, the MHTC reserves the right, at its sole discretion, to either cancel the contract or affirm the contract and hold the Contractor responsible for damages.

Inventions, Patents, and Copyrights

- a. The Contractor shall defend, protect, and hold harmless the MHTC, its officers, agents, and employees against all suits of law or in equity resulting from patent and copyright infringement concerning the Contractor's performance or products produced under the terms of the contract.

Inspection and Acceptance

- a. No equipment, supplies, and/or services received by MoDOT pursuant to a contract shall be deemed accepted until MoDOT has had reasonable opportunity to inspect said equipment, supplies, and/or services.
- b. All equipment, supplies, and/or services which do not comply with the specifications and/or requirements or which are otherwise unacceptable or defective may be rejected. In addition, all equipment, supplies, and/or services which are discovered to be defective or which do not conform to any warranty of the Contractor upon inspection (or at any later time if the defects contained were not reasonably ascertainable upon the initial inspection) may be rejected.
- c. The MHTC reserves the right to return any such rejected shipment at the Contractor's expense for full credit or replacement and to specify a reasonable date by which replacements must be received.
- d. The MHTC's right to reject any unacceptable equipment, supplies, and/or services shall not exclude any other legal, equitable or contractual remedies the MHTC may have.

Warranty

- a. The Contractor expressly warrants that all equipment, supplies, and/or services provided shall: (1) conform to each and every specification, drawing, sample or other description which was furnished to or adopted by MoDOT, (2) be fit and sufficient for the purpose expressed in the solicitation documents, (3) be merchantable, (4) be of good materials and workmanship, and (5) be free from defect.
- b. Such warranty shall survive delivery and shall not be deemed waived either by reason of the MHTC's acceptance of or payment for said equipment, supplies, and/or services.

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Status of Independent Contractor

- a. The Contractor represents itself to be an independent Contractor offering such services to the general public and shall not represent itself or its employees to be an employee of the MHTC. Therefore, the Contractor shall assume all legal and financial responsibility for taxes, FICA, employee fringe benefits, workers' compensation, employee insurance, minimum wage requirements, overtime, etc., and agrees to indemnify, save and hold the MHTC, its officers, agents and employees harmless from and against any and all losses (including attorney fees) and damage of any kind related to such matters.

Indemnification

- a. The Offeror shall defend, indemnify and hold harmless the Commission, including its members and department employees, from any claim or liability whether based on a claim for damages to real or personal property or to a person for any matter relating to or arising out of the Offeror's performance of its obligations under this Agreement.