

**CONNECTICUT  
RESOURCES  
RECOVERY  
AUTHORITY**

**REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS  
("RFP")**

**FOR**

**COMPUTER INFORMATION CONSULTING SERVICES  
(RFP Number FY08-IT-001)**

**PROPOSAL DUE DATE  
January 11, 2008**

**Connecticut Resources Recovery Authority  
100 Constitution Plaza, 6<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Hartford, Connecticut 06103-1722**

**December 1, 2007**

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**SECTION 1**

**NOTICE TO FIRMS  
REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS**

# CONNECTICUT RESOURCES RECOVERY AUTHORITY

## NOTICE TO FIRMS REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

The Connecticut Resources Recovery Authority ("CRRA") is a quasi-public entity of the State of Connecticut that is responsible for implementing the State Solid Waste Management Plan and is currently providing solid waste disposal and recycling services to more than 100 municipalities in the state. To that end, CRRA owns or leases certain parcels of real property throughout the state of Connecticut (the "Properties"). CRRA is directly responsible for the provision, operation and maintenance of computer information services and equipment at some of the Properties, specifically at some of the Properties located in the municipalities of Ellington, Essex, Hartford, Stratford, Torrington and Watertown.

CRRA is seeking proposals from qualified technical services provider firms to perform computer information consulting services, consisting of the following categories of services:

- (a) Field technician to provide assistance to and backup for CRRA IT staff;
- (b) Microsoft system engineer(s) to provide technical expertise for CRRA IT staff;
- (c) Cisco system engineer(s) to provide technical expertise for CRRA IT staff; and
- (d) Web page design specialist(s) to provide assistance to CRRA IT staff in the development and maintenance of CRRA web sites.

Proposers may submit a proposal for any one, all or a combination of the above listed categories of services. The services will be provided for a one-year period from March 1, 2008, through February 28, 2009, with the option, at CRRA's sole and absolute discretion, for one two-year extension from March 1, 2009 through February 28, 2011.

Request for Proposal ("RFP") package documents may be obtained Monday through Friday, from 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. at the offices of CRRA, 100 Constitution Plaza, 6<sup>th</sup> Floor, Hartford, Connecticut 06103-1722, beginning **Monday, December 3, 2007**. The documents will also be available beginning on the same date on the World Wide Web at <http://www.crra.org> under the "Business Opportunities" page.

Firms interested in this RFP should submit a Notice Of Interest Form to CRRA by 3:00 p.m., Friday, December 14, 2007. The Notice Of Interest Form is available on CRRA's web site along with the other RFP documents.

**Sealed proposals must be received at the offices of CRRA, 100 Constitution Plaza, 6<sup>th</sup> Floor, Hartford, Connecticut 06103-1722 no later than 3:00 p.m., Friday, January 11, 2008.** Proposals received after the time and date set forth above shall be rejected. All proposals shall remain open for ninety (90) days after the proposal due date.

Proposals will be opened at CRRA's convenience on or after the proposal due date. Note that all information submitted by a proposer is subject to the Freedom of Information Act.

All questions regarding this RFP must be submitted in writing to Chris May, Information Systems Operations Manager, by e-mail ([cmay@crra.org](mailto:cmay@crra.org)), by fax ((860) 757-7740), or by correspondence (CRRA, 100 Constitution Plaza, 6<sup>th</sup> Floor, Hartford, Connecticut 06103) no later than **3:00 p.m. on Wednesday, December 19, 2007**. Any firm considering submitting a proposal is prohibited from having any ex-parte communications with any CRRA staff member or CRRA Board member except Mr. May.

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# INSTRUCTIONS TO PROPOSERS

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#### 1. Introduction

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- (c) Cisco system engineer(s) to provide technical expertise for CRRA IT staff; and
- (d) Web page design specialist(s) to provide assistance to CRRA IT staff in the development and maintenance of CRRA web sites.

Proposers may submit a proposal for one, all or a combination of the above listed categories of services.

This Request For Proposals (“RFP”) is for the provision of computer information consulting services for a one-year period from March 1, 2008, through February 28, 2009, with the option, at CRRA’s sole and absolute discretion, for one two-year extension from March 1, 2009 through February 28, 2011.

## 2. RFP Projected Timeline

The following is the projected timeline for the RFP process:

ITEM	DATE
RFP Documents Available	Monday, December 3, 2007
Notice of Interest Forms Due at CRRA	3:00 p.m., Friday, December 14, 2007
Deadline for Written Questions	3:00 p.m., Wednesday, December 19, 2007
Response to Written Questions	No Later Than Monday, January 7, 2008
Proposals Due at CRRA	3:00 p.m., Friday, January 11, 2008
Interviews with Selected Proposers	Wednesday, January 23, 2008
Selection and Notice of Award Issued	Friday, February 29, 2008
Effective Date of Agreement	March 1, 2008

CRRA reserves the right at its sole and absolute discretion to extend any of the actual or proposed dates in the above Projected Timeline, and further reserves the right to reject any and all proposals and republish this RFP. CRRA also reserves the right, at its sole and absolute discretion, to terminate this RFP process at any time prior to the execution of any Agreement.

## 3. Definitions

As used in this Instructions To Proposers and in other Contract Documents (as defined herein), the following terms shall have the meanings as set forth below:

- (a) **Addenda:** Written or graphic documents issued prior to the proposal due date that clarify, correct or change any or all of the Contract Documents.



(b) **Contract Documents:**

- (1) Computer Information Consulting Services Agreement (the "Agreement");
- (2) Notice To Firms – Request For Proposals;
- (3) Instructions To Proposers;
- (4) Proposal Form;
- (5) Proposal Price And Payment Rate Schedule Form;
- (6) References Form(s);
- (7) Background And Experience Form(s);
- (8) Questionnaire Concerning Affirmative Action, Small Business Contractors And Occupational Health And Safety;
- (9) Affidavit Of Third Party Fees;
- (10) Certification Concerning Nondiscrimination;
- (11) Proposer's Background Questionnaire;
- (12) Issues And Questions To Be Addressed;
- (13) SEEC Form 11, Notice To Executive Branch State Contractors And Prospective State Contractors Of Campaign Contribution And Solicitation Ban;
- (14) Addenda;
- (15) Proposer's Proposal (including all documentation attached to or accompanying such Proposal, all other documentation submitted in connection with such Proposal, and all post-proposal documentation submitted prior to the Notice Of Award);
- (16) Notice Of Award, with Contractor Certification Concerning Gifts attached [to be executed by successful proposer]; and
- (17) Any written amendments to the Agreement issued pursuant to Section 2.6 and Section 7.7 of the Agreement.

(c) **Laws And Regulations:** Any and all applicable laws, rules, regulations, ordinances, codes, orders and permits of any and all federal, state and local governmental and quasi-governmental bodies, agencies, authorities and courts having jurisdiction.

(d) **Notice Of Award:** Written notification from CRRA to the apparent successful proposer that states that CRRA has accepted such proposer's proposal and sets forth the remaining conditions that must be fulfilled by such proposer before CRRA executes the Agreement.

(e) **Project:** The provision by the successful proposer of computer information consulting services to CRRA in accordance with the Contract Documents.

Terms used, but not defined, in this Instructions To Proposers shall have the same respective meanings assigned to such terms in the Agreement.

#### **4. Communications With CRRA Staff and Board Members**

Except as otherwise authorized by this Instructions To Proposers, during the period while the RFP process is active (i.e., from the date CRRA issues the RFP until the date the successful proposer accepts the Notice Of Award), firms contemplating or preparing proposals are prohibited from contacting CRRA staff or CRRA Board of Director members in an ex parte manner to discuss the RFP submission process. A firm's RFP submission shall be rejected if any of the foregoing ex parte communications take place.

#### **5. Scope Of Services**

The Services to be performed under the Agreement are more particularly described in **Exhibit A** of the Agreement. Specific instructions about how the Services are to be performed are included in the Agreement.

The Services are in four Categories as follows:

- (a) Field technician to provide assistance to and backup for CRRA IT staff;
- (b) Microsoft system engineer(s) to provide technical expertise for CRRA IT staff;
- (c) Cisco system engineer(s) to provide technical expertise for CRRA IT staff; and
- (d) Web page design specialist(s) to provide assistance to CRRA IT staff in the development and maintenance of CRRA web sites.

CRRA will assume that a proposer responding to this RFP is willing to perform only the Categories of Services that are selected by the proposer on the Proposal Form in the proposer's proposal.

The Services would be provided for a one-year period from March 1, 2008, through February 28, 2009, with the option, at CRRA's sole and absolute discretion, for one two-year extension from March 1, 2009 through February 28, 2011.

#### **6. Proposal Package Documents**

This RFP package consists of the following documents:

- 1. Notice To Firms – Request For Proposals;
- 2. Instructions To Proposers;
- 3. Notice Of Interest Form;
- 4. Proposal Form;
- 5. Proposal Payment Rate Schedule Form;
- 6. References Form [one Form to be submitted for each Category of Services for which the firm wishes to be considered];
- 7. Background And Experience Form [one Form to be submitted for each Category of Services for which the firm wishes to be considered];

8. Questionnaire Concerning Affirmative Action, Small Business Contractors And Occupational Health And Safety;
9. Affidavit Of Third Party Fees;
10. Certification Concerning Nondiscrimination;
11. Proposer's Background Questionnaire;
12. Issues And Questions To Be Addressed;
13. SEEC Form 11, Notice To Executive Branch State Contractors And Prospective State Contractors Of Campaign Contribution And Solicitation Ban;
14. Notice Of Award, with Contractor Certification Concerning Gifts attached [to be executed by successful proposer];
15. Computer Information Consulting Services Agreement, including:
  - A. Scope Of Services;
  - B. Request For Services Standard Format;
  - C. Compensation Schedule;
  - D. CRRA Travel And Expense Policy;
  - E. Monthly Bill Format;
  - F. SEEC Form 11, Notice To Executive Branch State Contractors And Prospective State Contractors Of Campaign Contribution And Solicitation Ban.

Complete sets of the above documents may be obtained Monday through Friday, from 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. at CRRA's offices, 100 Constitution Plaza, 6<sup>th</sup> Floor, Hartford, Connecticut 06103-1722 (telephone (860) 757-7700), beginning Monday, December 3, 2007.

All of the documents are also available in PDF format beginning on the same date on the World Wide Web at:

<http://www.crra.org> under the "Business Opportunities" page; select the "RFP: Computer Information Consulting Services" link.

All of the forms included in the documents are available for downloading in Microsoft Word format at the same place on CRRA's web site where the PDF of the RFP is located. CRRA encourages proposers to make use of the downloaded Word forms.

## **7. Notice Of Interest**

CRRA encourages prospective proposers to submit a Notice Of Interest Form to CRRA as early as they can. Forms should be submitted no later than **3:00 p.m., Friday, December 14, 2007**. CRRA will directly provide to anyone than has submitted a Notice Of Interest Form by the Form due date Addenda and any other information related to this RFP that CRRA makes available. Instructions for submitting the Form are included on the Form.

## **8. Addenda And Interpretations**

CRRA may issue Addenda to this proposal package that shall, upon issuance, become part of this package and binding upon all potential or actual proposers for the Services. Such Addenda may be issued in response to requests for interpretation or clarification received

from potential proposers. Any request for interpretation or clarification of any documents included in this proposal package must be **submitted in writing to Chris May, Information Systems Operations Manager, by e-mail [cmay@crra.org](mailto:cmay@crra.org)**, by fax ((860) 757-7740), or by correspondence (CRRA, 100 Constitution Plaza, 6<sup>th</sup> Floor, Hartford, Connecticut 06103) no later than 3:00 p.m. on Wednesday, December 19, 2007.

Addenda, if any, will be mailed and/or e-mailed to all persons who submitted a Notice Of Interest Form (see Section 7, above) or who picked up or requested from CRRA a printed copy of the RFP package documents. Such addenda will also be posted on CRRA's web site (<http://www.crra.org> on the "Business Opportunities" page under the "RFP: Computer Information Consulting Services" heading).

Failure of any proposer to receive any such Addenda shall not relieve such proposer from any conditions stipulated in such Addenda. Only questions answered or issues addressed by formal written Addenda will be binding. **All oral and other written responses, statements, interpretations or clarifications shall be without legal effect and shall not be binding upon CRRA.**

## 9. Proposal Submittal Procedures

**Sealed proposals shall be submitted no later than 3:00 p.m., Eastern Time, Friday, January 11, 2008** at the offices of CRRA, 100 Constitution Plaza, 6th Floor, Hartford, Connecticut 06103-1722, Attn: Chris May. Proposals received after the time and date set forth above shall be rejected.

Each proposer must submit one (1) original and two (2) copies of its proposal. The original proposal shall be stamped or otherwise marked as such.

Each proposal (the original and two copies) shall be enclosed in a sealed envelope that shall be clearly marked "Proposal For Computer Information Consulting Services."

Proposals shall remain open and subject to acceptance for ninety (90) days after the proposal due date.

**The terms and conditions of the Agreement (Section 15 of this RFP), as attached, are non-negotiable. Any potential proposer that will be unable to execute the Agreement, as attached, should not submit a proposal.**

Proposals may be modified or withdrawn by an appropriate document duly executed (in the manner that a proposal must be executed) and delivered to the place where proposals are to be submitted at any time prior to the proposal due date.

## 10. Proposal Contents

Proposals shall be submitted on forms provided by CRRA as part of this proposal package, all of which forms must be completed with the appropriate information required and all blanks on such forms filled in.

A proposal must consist of the following and must be in the following order:

- (a) Title page;
- (b) Cover letter, which includes name of the proposer and the proposer's promise, if any, to set aside a portion of the contract for legitimate minority business enterprises (see Section 12.2(e) of this Instructions To Proposers);
- (c) Table of Contents;
- (d) The Proposal Form (Section 4 of this RFP), with Addenda, if any, listed in the appropriate place (Page 3), the name and address of the contact for Notices listed in the appropriate place (Page 7) and the completed agreement section (Page 7);
- (e) The completed Proposal Payment Rate Schedule Form (Section 5 of this RFP);
- (f) A completed References Form (Section 6 of this RFP) for each Category of Services for which the proposer wishes to be considered. A particular reference can be used for more than one Category of Services. Indicate on the Form the Category of Services for which the references pertain;
- (g) A completed Background And Experience Form (Section 7 of this RFP) for each Category of Services for which the proposer wishes to be considered. Indicate on the Form the Category of Services for which the background and experience pertain;
- (h) The completed Questionnaire Concerning Affirmative Action, Small Business Contractors And Occupational Health And Safety form (Section 8 of this RFP), with the Proposer's most recent EEO-1 data attached if the Proposer wishes such data to be considered in the evaluation of its Proposal;
- (i) The completed Affidavit Of Third Party Fees form (subscribed and sworn before a Notary Public or Commissioner of the Superior Court) (Section 9 of this RFP);
- (j) The completed Certification Concerning Nondiscrimination (Section 10 of this RFP), with the Proposer's policies and procedures addressing nondiscrimination attached;
- (k) The completed Proposer's Background Questionnaire (subscribed and sworn before a Notary Public or Commissioner of the Superior Court) (Section 11 of this RFP);
- (l) Answers to the Issues And Questions To Be Addressed (the answer to each question must begin on a new page) (Section 12 of this RFP);
- (m) A copy of the proposer's up-to-date certificate of insurance showing all current insurance coverage.

Proposers should not include in their proposals other portions of the Proposal Package Documents (e.g., this Instructions To Proposers or the Agreement).

A proposer may include additional information as an addendum/appendix to its proposal if the proposer thinks that it will assist CRRA in evaluating the proposer's proposal. A proposer should not include information that is not directly related to the subject matter of this solicitation.

## 11. Proposal Opening

Proposals will be opened at CRRA's convenience on or after the proposal due date.

**CRRA reserves the right to reject any or all of the proposals, or any part(s) thereof, and/or to waive any informality or informalities in any proposal or the RFP process for this Project.**

## 12. Proposal Evaluation

The award of the contract for the Services will be made, if at all, to the proposer whose evaluation by CRRA results in CRRA determining that such award to such proposer is in the best interests of CRRA. **However, the selection of a proposer and the award of such contract, while anticipated, are not guaranteed.**

CRRA is an Equal Opportunity and Affirmative Action employer and does not discriminate in its hiring, employment, contracting, or business practices. CRRA is committed to complying with the Americans with Disability Act of 1990 (ADA) and does not discriminate on the basis of disability in admission to, access to, or operation of its programs, services, or activities.

### 12.1 Evaluation Criteria

CRRA will base its evaluation of the proposals on price, qualifications, demonstrated skill, ability and integrity of each proposer to perform the Services required by the Contract Documents and any other factor or criterion that CRRA, in its sole discretion, deems or may deem relevant or pertinent for such evaluation.

In evaluating bids, CRRA will give primary consideration to corporate and staff experience with the hardware and software systems identified below. Evaluation criteria will include consideration of Proposer's staff with professional certifications (such as MCSE, CNE (Cisco)) and experience with Dell servers and PCs.

#### Software:

- Windows 2000/2003 Server (Active Directory, IIS, DHCP, DNS)
- Windows XP Pro
- MS SQL 2000
- MS Office 2003 applications

- MS Exchange/Outlook
- Cisco IOS

Hardware:

- Dell Servers
- Dell PC's
- Cisco routers/switches
- Cisco PIX Firewall

## **12.2 Affirmative Action Evaluation Criteria**

Proposals will also be rated on the proposer's demonstrated commitment to affirmative action. Sections 46a-68-1 to 46a-68-17 of the *Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies* require CRRA to consider the following factors when awarding a contract that is subject to contract compliance requirements:

- (a) The proposer's success in implementing an affirmative action plan (See Question 4 of the Questionnaire Concerning Affirmative Action, Small Business Contractors And Occupational Health And Safety (Section 8 of this RFP));
- (b) The proposer's success in developing an apprenticeship program complying with Sections 46a-68-1 to 46a-68-17 of the *Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies*, inclusive (See Question 5 of the Questionnaire Concerning Affirmative Action, Small Business Contractors And Occupational Health And Safety (Section 8 of this RFP));
- (c) The proposer's promise to develop and implement a successful affirmative action plan (See Question 4B of the Questionnaire Concerning Affirmative Action, Small Business Contractors And Occupational Health And Safety (Section 8 of this RFP));
- (d) The proposer's submission of EEO-1 data indicating that the composition of its work force is at or near parity when compared to the racial and sexual composition of the work force in the relevant labor market area (See Section 10(h) of this Instructions To Proposers); and
- (e) The proposer's promise to set aside a portion of the contract for legitimate minority business enterprises (See Section 10(b) of this Instructions To Proposers).

## **13. Interviews**

CRRA may select one or more firms that have submitted proposals and invite them to be interviewed. If CRRA decides to conduct interviews, they will be conducted on Wednesday, January 23, 2007.

#### **14. Contract Award**

If the contract is to be awarded, CRRA will issue to the successful proposer a Notice Of Award within ninety (90) days after the proposal due date.

CRRA reserves the right to correct inaccurate awards resulting from CRRA's clerical errors. This may include, in extreme circumstances, revoking a Notice Of Award already made to a proposer and subsequently awarding the Notice of Award to another proposer. Such action by CRRA shall not constitute a breach of this RFP by CRRA since the Notice Of Award to the initial proposer is deemed to be void ab initio and of no effect as if no Agreement ever existed between CRRA and the initial proposer.

#### **15. Contractor's Certification Concerning Gifts**

Pursuant to *Connecticut General Statutes* Section 4-252, the apparently successful Proposer must submit a document certifying that it has not given any gifts to certain individuals between the date CRRA started planning the RFP and the date the Agreement is executed. If the apparently successful Proposer does not execute the Certification, it will be disqualified for the Agreement. The dates between which the Proposer may not give gifts and the identities of those to whom it may not give gifts are specified in the attachment to the Notice of Award included in this RFP (see Section 14 of the RFP).

#### **16. Proposer's Qualifications**

CRRA may make any investigation deemed necessary to determine the ability of any proposer to perform the Services required. Each proposer shall furnish CRRA with all such information as may be required for this purpose.

#### **17. Proposal Preparation And Other Costs**

Each proposer shall be solely responsible for all costs and expenses associated with the preparation and/or submission of its proposal, or incurred in connection with any interviews and negotiations with CRRA, and CRRA shall have no responsibility or liability whatsoever for any such costs and expenses.



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**SECTION 3**

**NOTICE OF INTEREST FORM**

## NOTICE OF INTEREST FORM

Individuals and firms that have an interest in the Connecticut Resources Recovery Authority (“CRRA”) solicitation listed below are encouraged to submit this Notice Of Interest Form to CRRA as early as they can. Forms should be submitted no later than the date specified below. Addenda and other information released by CRRA related to the solicitation will be directly provided to those firms that have submitted this Form to CRRA by the Form Due Date.

Solicitation:	<b>Computer Information Consulting Services</b>
Form Due Date:	<b>3:00 p.m., Friday, December 14, 2007</b>

Provide the following information about the individual/firm and the contact person for the firm.

Name of Individual/Firm:	
Name of Contact Person:	
Title of Contact Person:	
Mailing Address:	
Telephone Number:	
Fax Number:	
E-Mail Address:	

Submit this form to the CRRA contact listed below via e-mail, fax or correspondence as listed below.

CRRA Contact:	<b>Chris May, Information Systems Operations Manager</b>
E-Mail Address:	<b><u><a href="mailto:cmay@crra.org">cmay@crra.org</a></u></b>
Fax Number:	<b>(860) 757-7740</b>
Correspondence Address:	<b>Connecticut Resources Recovery Authority 100 Constitution Plaza, 6<sup>th</sup> Floor Hartford, CT 06103</b>

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**SECTION 4  
PROPOSAL FORM**



<b>PROPOSAL FORM</b>
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**PROJECT:** General  
**RFP NUMBER:** FY08-IT-001  
**CONTRACT FOR:** Computer Information Consulting Services  
**PROPOSALS SUBMITTED TO:** Connecticut Resources Recovery Authority  
100 Constitution Plaza, 6<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Hartford, Connecticut 06103-1722

**1. CATEGORY(IES) OF SERVICES FOR WHICH PROPOSAL SUBMITTED**

In the table below, place a check mark in the box for each Category Of Services for which the Proposer wishes to be considered. (The Scope Of Services for each Category is described in Exhibit A of the Agreement and should be consulted before checking the box for any Category Of Services.)

<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>Field Technician Services</b>
<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>Microsoft System Engineer Services</b>
<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>Cisco System Engineer Services</b>
<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>Web Page Development and Maintenance Services</b>

**2. DEFINITIONS**

Unless otherwise defined herein, all terms that are not defined and used in this Proposal Form (a "Proposal") shall have the same respective meanings assigned to such terms in the Contract Documents.

**3. TERMS AND CONDITIONS**

The undersigned (the "Proposer") accepts and agrees to all terms and conditions of the Request For Proposals, Instructions To Proposers, the Agreement and any Addenda to any

such documents. This Proposal shall remain open and subject to acceptance for ninety (90) days after the Proposal due date.

If CRRA issues a Notice Of Award to Proposer, Proposer shall within ten (10) days after the date thereof:

- (a) Execute and deliver to CRRA the required number of counterparts of the non-negotiable Agreement;
- (b) Execute and deliver to CRRA the Contractor's Certification Concerning Gifts;
- (c) Execute and deliver to CRRA all other Contract Documents attached to the Notice Of Award along with any other documents required by the Contract Documents; and
- (d) Satisfy all other conditions of the Notice Of Award.

#### **4. PROPOSER'S OBLIGATIONS**

Proposer proposes and agrees, if this Proposal is accepted by CRRA and CRRA issues a Notice Of Award to Proposer, to the following:

- (a) To perform, furnish and complete all the Services as specified or indicated in the Contract Documents and Agreement for the applicable prices, rates and/or costs set forth in this Proposal and in accordance with the terms and conditions of the Contract Documents and Agreement; and
- (b) At the request of CRRA and if the successful Proposer qualifies, to apply with the State of Connecticut Department of Administrative Services, and do all that is necessary to make itself qualify, as a Small Contractor and/or Minority/Women/Disabled Person Business Enterprise in accordance with Section 4a-60g of the *Connecticut General Statutes*.

#### **5. PROPOSER'S REPRESENTATIONS CONCERNING NON-NEGOTIABILITY OF THE AGREEMENT**

In submitting this Proposal, Proposer acknowledges and agrees that the terms and conditions of the Agreement (including all Exhibits thereto), as included in the RFP, are non-negotiable, and Proposer is willing to and shall, if CRRA accepts its Proposal for the Services and issues a Notice Of Award to Proposer, execute such Agreement. However, CRRA reserves the right to negotiate with Proposer over Proposer's rates for the Services submitted on its Proposal Payment Rate Schedule Form.

#### **6. PROPOSER'S REPRESENTATIONS CONCERNING EXAMINATION OF CONTRACT DOCUMENTS**

In submitting this Proposal, Proposer represents that:

- (a) Proposer has thoroughly examined and carefully studied the RFP package documents and the following Addenda, receipt of which is hereby acknowledged (list Addenda by Addendum number and date):

Addendum Number	Date Issued

- (b) Without exception the Proposal is premised upon performing, furnishing and completing the Services required by the Contract Documents and applying the specific means, methods, techniques, sequences or procedures (if any) that may be shown, indicated or expressly required by the Contract Documents;
- (c) Proposer is fully informed and is satisfied as to all Laws and Regulations that may affect cost, progress, performance, furnishing and/or completion of the Services;
- (d) Proposer has studied and carefully correlated Proposer's knowledge and observations with the Contract Documents and such other related data;
- (e) Proposer has given CRRA written notice of all conflicts, errors, ambiguities and discrepancies that Proposer has discovered in the Contract Documents and the written resolutions thereof by CRRA are acceptable to Proposer;
- (f) If Proposer has failed to promptly notify CRRA of all conflicts, errors, ambiguities and discrepancies that Proposer has discovered in the Contract Documents, such failure shall be deemed by both Proposer and CRRA to be a waiver to assert these issues and claims in the future;
- (g) Proposer is aware of the general nature of work to be performed by CRRA and others that relates to the Services for which this Proposal is submitted; and
- (h) The Contract Documents are generally sufficient to indicate and convey understanding by Proposer of all terms and conditions for performing, furnishing and completing the Services for which this Proposal is submitted.

**7. PROPOSER'S REPRESENTATIONS CONCERNING INFORMATION MADE AVAILABLE**

In submitting this Proposal, Proposer acknowledges and agrees that Proposer shall not use any information made available to it or obtained in any examination made by it in connection with this RFP in any manner as a basis or grounds for a claim or demand of any nature against CRRA arising from or by reason of any variance which may exist between information offered or so obtained and the actual materials, conditions, or structures encountered during performance of any of the Services.

**8. PROPOSER'S REPRESENTATIONS CONCERNING STATE OF CONNECTICUT TAXES**

In submitting this Proposal, Proposer acknowledges and agrees that CRRA is exempt from all State of Connecticut taxes and assessments, including sales and use taxes. Accordingly, Proposer shall not charge CRRA any State of Connecticut taxes or assessments at any time in connection with Proposer's performance of this Agreement, nor shall Proposer include any State of Connecticut taxes or assessments in any rates, costs, prices or other charges to CRRA hereunder. Proposer represents and warrants that no State of Connecticut taxes or assessments were included in any rates, costs, prices or other charges presented to CRRA in any Proposal or other submittal to CRRA in connection with this RFP.

**9. PROPOSER'S REPRESENTATIONS CONCERNING DISCLOSURE OF INFORMATION**

In submitting this Proposal, Proposer:

- (a) Recognizes and agrees that CRRA is subject to the Freedom of Information provisions of the *Connecticut General Statutes* and, as such, any information contained in or submitted with or in connection with Proposer's Proposal is subject to disclosure if required by law or otherwise; and
- (b) Expressly waives any claim(s) that Proposer or any of its successors and/or assigns has or may have against CRRA or any of its directors, officers, employees or authorized agents as a result of any such disclosure.

**10. PROPOSER'S REPRESENTATIONS CONCERNING NON-COLLUSION**

By submission of this Proposal, the Proposer, together with any affiliates or related persons, the guarantor and any joint ventures, hereby represents that, under risk of termination of the Agreement, if awarded, to the best of its knowledge and belief:

- (a) The prices in the Proposal have been arrived at as the result of an independent business judgment without collusion, consultation, communication, agreement or otherwise for the purpose of restricting competition, as to any matter relating to such prices and any other person or company;

- (b) Unless otherwise required by law, the prices that have been quoted in this Proposal have not, directly or indirectly, been knowingly disclosed by the Proposer prior to "opening" to any other person or company;
- (c) No attempt has been made or will be made by the Proposer to induce any other person, partnership or corporation to submit, or not to submit, a Proposal for the purpose of restricting competition;
- (d) Proposer has not directly or indirectly induced or solicited any other Proposer to submit a false or sham Proposal; and
- (e) Proposer has not sought by collusion to obtain for itself any advantage for the Services over any other Proposer for the Services or over CRRA.

#### **11. PROPOSER'S REPRESENTATIONS CONCERNING RFP FORMS**

By submission of this Proposal, the Proposer, together with any affiliates or related business entities or persons, the guarantor and any joint ventures, hereby represents that, under risk of termination of the Agreement, if awarded, all of the forms included in the RFP that are submitted to CRRA as part of its Proposal are identical in form and content to the preprinted forms in the RFP except that information requested by the forms has been inserted in the spaces on the forms provided for the insertion of such requested information.

#### **12. PROPOSER'S WAIVER OF DAMAGES**

Proposer and all its affiliates and subsidiaries understand that by submitting a Proposal, Proposer is acting at its and their own risk and Proposer does for itself and all its affiliates, subsidiaries, successors and assigns hereby waive any rights any of them may have to receive any damages for any liability, claim, loss or injury resulting from:

- (a) Any action or inaction on the part of CRRA or any of its directors, officers, employees or authorized agents concerning the evaluation, selection, non-selection and/or rejection of any or all Proposals by CRRA or any of its directors, officers, employees or authorized agents;
- (b) Any agreement entered into for the Services (or any part thereof) described in the Contract Documents; and/or
- (c) Any award or non-award of a contract for the Services (or any part thereof) pursuant to the Contract Documents.

#### **13. PROPOSER'S REPRESENTATION REGARDING THE CONNECTICUT CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTION AND SOLICITATION BAN**

With regard to a State contract as defined in P.A. 07-1 having a value in a calendar year of \$50,000 or more or a combination or series of such agreement or contracts having a value of \$100,000 or more, the authorized signatory to this submission in response to CRRA's solicitation expressly acknowledges receipt of the State Elections Enforcement



Commission's notice advising prospective state contractors of state campaign contribution and solicitation prohibitions, and will inform its principals of the contents of the notice. See Section 13 [SEEC Form 11] of the Contract Documents.

#### **14. ATTACHMENTS**

The following documents are attached hereto and made a part of this Proposal:

- (a) The completed Proposal Payment Rate Schedule Form;
- (b) A completed References Form for each Category of Services for which the Proposer wishes to be considered;
- (c) A completed Background And Experience Form for each Category of Services for which the Proposer wishes to be considered;
- (d) Questionnaire Concerning Affirmative Action, Small Business Contractors And Occupational Health and Safety that has been completely filled out by the Proposer;
- (e) Affidavit Of Third Party Fees that has been completely filled out by Proposer and signed before a Notary Public or Commissioner of the Superior Court;
- (f) Certification Concerning Nondiscrimination that has been completely filled out and signed by Proposer, with the Proposer's nondiscrimination policies and procedures attached;
- (g) Background Questionnaire that has been completely filled out by the Proposer and signed before a Notary Public or Commissioner of the Superior Court; and
- (h) Answers to the Issues And Questions To Be Addressed, with a written answer provided to each question and each answer beginning on a new page;
- (i) A copy of the Proposer's up-to-date certificate of insurance showing all current insurance coverage.

#### **15. NOTICES**

Communications concerning this Proposal should be addressed to Proposer at the address set forth below.

Proposer Name:	
Proposer Contact:	
Title:	
Address:	
Telephone Number:	
Fax Number:	
E-Mail Address:	

**16. ADDITIONAL REPRESENTATION**

Proposer hereby represents that the undersigned is duly authorized to submit this Proposal on behalf of Proposer.

**AGREED TO AND SUBMITTED ON** \_\_\_\_\_, 200\_\_

Name of Proposer (Firm):	
Signature of Proposer Representative:	
Name (Typed/Printed):	
Title (Typed/Printed):	

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**SECTION 5**

**PROPOSAL PAYMENT RATE SCHEDULE FORM**



# PROPOSAL PAYMENT RATE SCHEDULE FORM

Name of Proposer:	
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Each Proposer must submit the information requested on the forms on the following pages.

## 1. Payment Rate Schedule

### 1.1 Personnel Billing Rates

On Page 2 of this Form, Proposer must list the staff level, title and hourly billing rates for each staff level of personnel in its firm who will be assigned to work with CRRA on the project.

### 1.2 Ancillary Service Rates

On Page 3 of this Form, Proposer must provide the rates at which ancillary services are billed, including, but not limited to:

- Word processing;
- Copying;
- Travel in firm-owned vehicle (per mile);
- Computer time;
- Any other services (excluding telephones and cell phones) for which the bidder routinely bills.





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**SECTION 6  
REFERENCES FORM**



# REFERENCES FORM

<b>CATEGORY OF SERVICES FOR WHICH THIS FORM IS SUBMITTED:</b>	
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In space below, provide the names of three (3) references who can attest to the quality of work performed/services provided by firm. Include job title, affiliation, address, phone number and a brief description of the work performed/services provided for each reference.

**REFERENCE 1**

Name of Person:	
Title:	
Name of Firm:	
Address:	
Telephone Number:	
Description Of Work Performed:	

**REFERENCE 2**

Name of Person:	
Title:	
Name of Firm:	
Address:	
Telephone Number:	
Description Of Work Performed:	



**REFERENCE 3**

Name of Person:	
Title:	
Name of Firm:	
Address:	
Telephone Number:	
Description Of Work Performed:	

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BACKGROUND AND EXPERIENCE FORM**



# BACKGROUND AND EXPERIENCE FORM

<b>CATEGORY OF SERVICES FOR WHICH THIS FORM IS SUBMITTED:</b>	
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In the space below, summarize work performed/services provided of a similar nature to that specified in the Contract Documents which has been performed by the proposer and which will enable CRRA to evaluate the experience and professional capabilities of the proposer.

[Attach Additional Pages If Necessary]

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**SECTION 8  
QUESTIONNAIRE CONCERNING AFFIRMATIVE  
ACTION, SMALL BUSINESS CONTRACTORS  
AND OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH AND SAFETY**



**QUESTIONNAIRE CONCERNING AFFIRMATIVE ACTION, SMALL BUSINESS CONTRACTORS AND OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH AND SAFETY**

Because CRRA is a political subdivision of the State of Connecticut, it is required by various statutes and regulations to obtain background information on prospective contractors prior to entering into a contract. The questions below are designed to assist CRRA in procuring this information. Many of the questions are required to be asked by RCSA 46a-68j-31. For the purposes of this form, "Contractor" means Bidder or Proposer, as appropriate.

	Yes	No
1. Is the Contractor an Individual? <i>If you answered "Yes" to Question 1, skip to Question 2.</i> <i>If you answered "No" to Question 1, proceed to Question 1A and then to Question 2.</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
1A. How many employees does the Contractor have? <input type="text"/>		
2. Is the Contractor a Small Contractor based on the criteria in Schedule A? <i>If you answered "Yes" to Question 2, proceed to Question 2A and then to Question 3.</i> <i>If you answered "No" to Question 2, skip to Question 3.</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2A. Is the Contractor registered with the DAS as a Certified Small Business? <i>If you answered "Yes" to Question 2A, please provide a copy of your Set-Aside Certificate.</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3. Is the Contractor a MWDP Business Enterprise based on the criteria in Schedule B? <i>If you answered "Yes" to Question 3, proceed to Question 3A and then to Question 4.</i> <i>If you answered "No" to Question 3, skip to Question 4.</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3A. Is the Contractor registered with DAS as a MWDP Small Business?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4. Does the Contractor have an Affirmative Action Plan? <i>If you answered "Yes" to Question 4, proceed to Question 4A and then to Question 5.</i> <i>If you answered "No" to Question 4, skip to Question 4B and then to Question 5.</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4A. Has the Affirmative Action Plan been approved by the CHRO?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4B. Will the Contractor develop and implement an Affirmative Action Plan?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
5. Does the Contractor have an apprenticeship program complying with RCSA 46a-68-1 through 46a-68-17?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
6. Has the Contractor been cited for three or more willful or serious violations of any occupational safety and health act?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
7. Has the Contractor received one or more criminal convictions related to the injury or death of any employee in the three-year period preceding the issuance of this Request For Bids/Proposals/Qualifications?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
8. Has the Contractor been the recipient of one or more ethical violations from the State of Connecticut Ethics Commission during the three-year period preceding the issuance of this Request For Bids/Proposals/Qualifications?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
9. Will subcontractors be involved? <i>If you answered "Yes" to Question 9, proceed to Question 9A.</i> <i>If you answered "No" to Question 9, you are finished with the questionnaire.</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
9A. How many subcontractors will be involved? <input type="text"/>		

## LIST OF ACRONYMS

RCSA	–	Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies
CHRO	–	State of Connecticut Commission on Human Rights and Opportunities
DAS	–	State of Connecticut Department of Administrative Services
MWDP	–	Minority/Women/Disabled Person

## FOOTNOTE

- <sup>1</sup> If the Contract is a "public works contract" (as defined in Section 46a-68b of the Connecticut General Statutes), the dollar amount exceeds \$50,000.00 in any fiscal year, and the Contractor has 50 or more employees, the Contractor, in accordance with the provisions of Section 46a-68c of the Connecticut General Statutes, shall develop and file an affirmative action plan with the Connecticut Commission on Human Rights and Opportunities.

## SCHEDULE A CRITERIA FOR A SMALL CONTRACTOR

Contractor must meet all of the following criteria to qualify as a Small Contractor:

1. Has been doing business and has maintained its principal place of business in the State for a period of at least one year immediately preceding the issuance of the Request For Bids/Proposals/Qualifications;
2. Has had gross revenues not exceeding ten million dollars in the most recently completed fiscal year;
3. Is headquartered in Connecticut; and,
4. At least 51% of the ownership of the Contractor is held by a person or persons who are active in the daily affairs of the business and have the power to direct the management and policies of the business.

## SCHEDULE B CRITERIA FOR A MINORITY/WOMAN/DISABLED PERSON BUSINESS ENTERPRISE

Contractor must meet all of the following criteria to qualify as a Minority/Woman/Disabled Person Business Enterprise:

1. Satisfies all of the criteria in Schedule A for a Small Contractor;
2. 51% or more of the business and/or its assets must be owned by a person or persons who are minorities as defined in Connecticut General Statutes Section 32-9n (please see below) or is an individual with a disability;
3. The Minority/Woman/Disabled Person must have the power to change policy and management of the business; and,
4. The Minority/Woman/Disabled Person must be active in the day-to-day affairs of the business.

## CONNECTICUT GENERAL STATUTES SECTION 32-9n

Sec. 32-9n. Office of Small Business Affairs. (a) There is established within the Department of Economic and Community Development an Office of Small Business Affairs. Such office shall aid and encourage small business enterprises, particularly those owned and operated by minorities and other socially or economically disadvantaged individuals in Connecticut. As used in this section, minority means: (1) Black Americans, including all persons having origins in any of the Black African racial groups not of Hispanic origin; (2) Hispanic Americans, including all persons of Mexican, Puerto Rican, Cuban, Central or South American, or other Spanish culture or origin, regardless of race; (3) all persons having origins in the Iberian Peninsula, including Portugal, regardless of race; (4) women; (5) Asian Pacific Americans and Pacific islanders; or (6) American Indians and persons having origins in any of the original peoples of North America and maintaining identifiable tribal affiliations through membership and participation or community identification.

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**SECTION 9  
AFFIDAVIT OF THIRD PARTY FEES**



# AFFIDAVIT OF THIRD PARTY FEES (Form A2)

All Bidders/Proposers must complete and properly execute this Affidavit of Third Party Fees. The purpose of this Affidavit is to ascertain if the Bidder/Proposer has made or promised any payment to a third party attributable to this Agreement. If no such payment has been made or promised, Bidder/Proposer should write "None" in the first box in the table and execute this Affidavit. For purposes of the Affidavit, Bidder's/Proposer's subcontractors, if any, are not considered third parties.

I, \_\_\_\_\_, a duly authorized officer and/or representative  
of \_\_\_\_\_ (firm name)  
(the "Consultant"), being duly sworn, hereby depose and say that:

1. I am over eighteen (18) years of age and believe in the obligations of an oath;
2. Consultant seeks to enter into the Computer Information Consulting Services Agreement (the "Agreement") with the Connecticut Resources Recovery Authority; and
3. All third party fees and agreements to pay third party fees attributable to the "Agreement" are as follows:

Name Of Payee	Dollar Amount Paid Or Value Of Non-Cash Compensation AND Date	Fee Arrangement	Specific Services Performed Or To Be Performed By Payee <sup>1</sup>

*(Attach additional copies of this page as necessary.)*

**NOTE:** For each third party fee arrangement described above (if any), complete the attached Form A2a.

4. The information set forth herein is true, complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge and belief under penalty of perjury.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

Name (Print): \_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Sworn to before me this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 200 \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Notary Public/Commissioner of the Superior Court

<sup>1</sup> Please attach documents evidencing the terms of the fee arrangement and services.





**ADDENDUM TO  
AFFIDAVIT OF THIRD PARTY FEES  
(Form A2a)**

For each third party fee arrangement disclosed in the attached Affidavit, please explain whether and how each such payment falls within one or more of the following categories of compensation:

- (1) Compensation earned for the rendering of legal services when provided by an attorney while engaged in the ongoing practice of law;
- (2) Compensation earned for the rendering of investment services, other than legal services, when provided by an investment professional while engaged in the ongoing business of providing investment services;
- (3) Compensation for placement agent, due diligence or comparable tangible marketing services when paid to a person who is an investment professional (i) engaged in the ongoing business of representing providers of investment services, or (ii) in connection with the issuance of bonds, notes or other evidence of indebtedness by a public agency;
- (4) Compensation earned by a licensed real estate broker or real estate salesperson while engaging in the real estate business on an ongoing basis; or
- (5) Payments for client solicitation activities meeting the requirements of Rule 206(4)-3 under the Investment Advisers Act of 1940.

***Attach additional pages as necessary.***

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**SECTION 10  
CERTIFICATION CONCERNING  
NONDISCRIMINATION**



## CERTIFICATION CONCERNING NONDISCRIMINATION

(This certification must be executed by an individual or business entity submitting a bid/proposal to the Connecticut Resources Recovery Authority regarding support of nondiscrimination against persons on account of their race, color, religious creed, age, marital or civil union status, national origin, ancestry, sex, mental retardation, physical disability or sexual orientation.).

I, \_\_\_\_\_, a duly authorized officer and/or representative  
of \_\_\_\_\_ (firm name),  
(the "Consultant"), hereby certify that:

1. Consultant seeks to enter into the Information Services Consulting Services Agreement (the "Agreement") with the Connecticut Resources Recovery Authority; and
2. In carrying out its obligation under the Agreement, Consultant will abide by the nondiscrimination agreements and warranties required under Connecticut General Statutes Sections 4a-60(a)(1) and 4a-60a(a)(1), as amended in State of Connecticut Public Act 07-245 and Sections 9(a)(1) and 10(a)(1) of Public Act 07-142; and
3. Attached to this Certification are the policies and procedures concerning nondiscrimination, which have not been modified or rescinded, adopted by the appropriate governing body or management of Consultant; and
4. The information set forth herein is true, complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge and belief.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has executed this certificate this

\_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 200 \_\_\_\_\_

By (Signature): \_\_\_\_\_

Name (Print): \_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

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**SECTION 11  
BACKGROUND QUESTIONNAIRE**



**BIDDER'S/PROPOSER'S BACKGROUND  
QUESTIONNAIRE**

*Please answer the following questions by placing an "X" in the appropriate box.*

	Yes	No
<p>1. Has the Bidder/Proposer or any of its principals, owners, officers, partners, directors or stockholders holding more than 50% of the stock of the Bidder/Proposer ever been the subject of a <b>criminal</b> investigation?</p> <p><i>If you answered "Yes" to Question 1, proceed to Question 1A and, on a separate sheet of paper, state the following: the court in which the investigation is taking or took place; the approximate date the investigation commenced and, if applicable, concluded; the subject matter of the investigation; and the identity of the person or entity involved.</i></p> <p><i>If you answered "No" to Question 1, proceed to Question 2.</i></p>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<p>1A. Has any indictment arisen out of any such investigation?</p> <p><i>If you answered "Yes" to Question 1A, proceed to Question 2 and, on a separate sheet of paper, state the following: the name of the person or entity indicted; and the status of any such indictment.</i></p> <p><i>If you answered "No" to Question 1A, proceed to Question 2.</i></p>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<p>2. Has the Bidder/Proposer or any of its principals, owners, officers, partners, directors or stockholders holding more than 50% of the stock of the Bidder/Proposer ever been the subject of a <b>civil</b> investigation?</p> <p><i>If you answered "Yes" to Question 2, proceed to Question 3 and, on a separate sheet of paper, state the following: the court or other forum in which the investigation took or is taking place; the approximate date the investigation commenced and, if applicable, concluded; the subject matter of the investigation; the identity of the person or entity involved; and the status of the investigation.</i></p> <p><i>If you answered "No" to Question 2, proceed to Question 3.</i></p>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<p>3. Has any entity (e.g., corporation, partnership, etc.) in which a principal, owner, officer, partner, director or stockholder of the Bidder/Proposer has an ownership interest in excess of 50% in such entity ever been the subject of a <b>criminal</b> investigation?</p> <p><i>If you answered "Yes" to Question 3, proceed to Question 3A and, on a separate sheet of paper, state the following: the court in which the investigation is taking or took place; the approximate date the investigation commenced and, if applicable, concluded; the subject matter of the investigation; and the identity of the person or entity involved.</i></p> <p><i>If you answered "No" to Question 3, proceed to Question 4.</i></p>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<p>3A. Has any indictment arisen out of any such investigation?</p> <p><i>If you answered "Yes" to Question 3A, proceed to Question 4 and, on a separate sheet of paper, state the following: the name of the person or entity indicted; and the status of any such indictment.</i></p> <p><i>If you answered "No" to question 3A, proceed to Question 4.</i></p>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<p>4. Has any entity (e.g., corporation, partnership, etc.) in which a principal, owner, officer, partner, director or stockholder of the Bidder/Proposer has an ownership interest in excess of 50% in such entity ever been the subject of a <b>civil</b> investigation?</p> <p><i>If you answered "Yes" to Question 4, on a separate sheet of paper state the following: the court in which the investigation is taking or took place; the approximate date the investigation commenced and, if applicable, concluded; the subject matter of the investigation; the identity of the person or entity involved; and the status of the investigation.</i></p>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

	Yes	No
5. Has the Bidder/Proposer or any of its principals, owners, officers, partners, directors or stockholders holding more than 50% of the stock of the Bidder/Proposer ever been debarred from bidding on, or otherwise applying for, any contract with the State of Connecticut or any other governmental authority? <i>If you answered "Yes" to Question 5, on a separate sheet of paper please explain.</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Name (print/type): \_\_\_\_\_  
 Title: \_\_\_\_\_  
 State Of: \_\_\_\_\_  
 County Of: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_, being fully sworn, deposes and says that he/she is the \_\_\_\_\_ (Title) of \_\_\_\_\_ (Firm Name), the Bidder/Proposer herein, that he/she has provided answers to the foregoing questions on the Bidder's/Proposer's background, and, under the penalty of perjury, certifies that each and every answer is true.

Sworn to before me this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 200\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
 Notary Public/Commissioner of the Superior Court

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ISSUES AND QUESTIONS TO BE ADDRESSED**

## ISSUES AND QUESTIONS TO BE ADDRESSED

**INSTRUCTIONS:** Complete, written answers must be provided to each of the following issues/questions and each answer must begin on a new page.

1. Provide a summary of the key strengths and qualifications of the Proposer to provide computer information consulting services to CRRA. Indicate the location of the Proposer's offices and number of employees in each.
2. For each Category of Services for which the Proposer wishes to be considered, provide the names, titles and salary grade of the individuals who would be assigned to work with CRRA. Provide a brief description of the background of each individual including a brief (no more than two page) resume of each. Indicate whether an individual is an employee of the Proposer or a contractor to the Proposer. Indicate the certifications held by each individual.
3. Describe how the Proposer would organize the team of professionals that would work with CRRA and the Proposer's approach to adequately staffing and completing time-sensitive projects.



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**SECTION 13**

**SEEC FORM 11  
NOTICE TO EXECUTIVE BRANCH STATE  
CONTRACTORS AND PROSPECTIVE STATE  
CONTRACTORS OF CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTION  
AND SOLICITATION BAN**

**NOTICE TO EXECUTIVE BRANCH STATE CONTRACTORS AND PROSPECTIVE STATE CONTRACTORS OF CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTION AND SOLICITATION BAN**

This notice is provided under the authority of Connecticut General Statutes 9-612(g)(2), as amended by P.A. 07-1, and is for the purpose of informing state contractors and prospective state contractors of the following law (italicized words are defined on the following page):

**Campaign Contribution and Solicitation Ban**

No *state contractor, prospective state contractor, principal of a state contractor or principal of a prospective state contractor*, with regard to a *state contract or state contract solicitation* with or from a state agency in the executive branch or a quasi-public agency or a holder, or principal of a holder of a valid prequalification certificate, shall make a contribution to, or *solicit* contributions on behalf of (i) an exploratory committee or candidate committee established by a candidate for nomination or election to the office of Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Attorney General, State Comptroller, Secretary of the State or State Treasurer, (ii) a political committee authorized to make contributions or expenditures to or for the benefit of such candidates, or (iii) a party committee;

In addition, no holder or principal of a holder of a valid prequalification certificate, shall make a contribution to, or solicit contributions on behalf of (i) an exploratory committee or candidate committee established by a candidate for nomination or election to the office of State senator or State representative, (ii) a political committee authorized to make contributions or expenditures to or for the benefit of such candidates, or (iii) a party committee.

**Duty to Inform**

State contractors and prospective state contractors are required to inform their principals of the above prohibitions, as applicable, and the possible penalties and other consequences of any violation thereof.

**Penalties for Violations**

Contributions or solicitations of contributions made in violation of the above prohibitions may result in the following civil and criminal penalties:

Civil penalties--\$2000 or twice the amount of the prohibited contribution, whichever is greater, against a principal or a contractor. Any state contractor or prospective state contractor which fails to make reasonable efforts to comply with the provisions requiring notice to its principals of these prohibitions and the possible consequences of their violations may also be subject to civil penalties of \$2000 or twice the amount of the prohibited contributions made by their principals.

Criminal penalties—Any knowing and willful violation of the prohibition is a Class D felony, which may subject the violator to imprisonment of not more than 5 years, or \$5000 in fines, or both.

**Contract Consequences**

Contributions made or solicited in violation of the above prohibitions may result, in the case of a state contractor, in the contract being voided.

Contributions made or solicited in violation of the above prohibitions, in the case of a prospective state contractor, shall result in the contract described in the state contract solicitation not being awarded to the prospective state contractor, unless the State Elections Enforcement Commission determines that mitigating circumstances exist concerning such violation.

The State will not award any other state contract to anyone found in violation of the above prohibitions for a period of one year after the election for which such contribution is made or solicited, unless the State Elections Enforcement Commission determines that mitigating circumstances exist concerning such violation.

Additional information and the entire text of P.A 07-1 may be found on the website of the State Elections Enforcement Commission, [www.ct.gov/seec](http://www.ct.gov/seec). Click on the link to "State Contractor Contribution Ban."

Definitions:

"State contractor" means a person, business entity or nonprofit organization that enters into a state contract. Such person, business entity or nonprofit organization shall be deemed to be a state contractor until December thirty-first of the year in which such contract terminates. "State contractor" does not include a municipality or any other political subdivision of the state, including any entities or associations duly created by the municipality or political subdivision exclusively amongst themselves to further any purpose authorized by statute or charter, or an employee in the executive or legislative branch of state government or a quasi-public agency, whether in the classified or unclassified service and full or part-time, and only in such person's capacity as a state or quasi-public agency employee.

"Prospective state contractor" means a person, business entity or nonprofit organization that (i) submits a response to a state contract solicitation by the state, a state agency or a quasi-public agency, or a proposal in response to a request for proposals by the state, a state agency or a quasi-public agency, until the contract has been entered into, or (ii) holds a valid prequalification certificate issued by the Commissioner of Administrative Services under section 4a-100. "Prospective state contractor" does not include a municipality or any other political subdivision of the state, including any entities or associations duly created by the municipality or political subdivision exclusively amongst themselves to further any purpose authorized by statute or charter, or an employee in the executive or legislative branch of state government or a quasi-public agency, whether in the classified or unclassified service and full or part-time, and only in such person's capacity as a state or quasi-public agency employee.

"Principal of a state contractor or prospective state contractor" means (i) any individual who is a member of the board of directors of, or has an ownership interest of five per cent or more in, a state contractor or prospective state contractor, which is a business entity, except for an individual who is a member of the board of directors of a nonprofit organization, (ii) an individual who is employed by a state contractor or prospective state contractor, which is a business entity, as president, treasurer or executive vice president, (iii) an individual who is the chief executive officer of a state contractor or prospective state contractor, which is not a business entity, or if a state contractor or prospective state contractor has no such officer, then the officer who duly possesses comparable powers and duties, (iv) an officer or an employee of any state contractor or prospective state contractor who has *managerial or discretionary responsibilities with respect to a state contract*, (v) the spouse or a *dependent child* who is eighteen years of age or older of an individual described in this subparagraph, or (vi) a political committee established or controlled by an individual described in this subparagraph or the business entity or nonprofit organization that is the state contractor or prospective state contractor.

"State contract" means an agreement or contract with the state or any state agency or any quasi-public agency, let through a procurement process or otherwise, having a value of fifty thousand dollars or more, or a combination or series of such agreements or contracts having a value of one hundred thousand dollars or more in a calendar year, for (i) the rendition of services, (ii) the furnishing of any goods, material, supplies, equipment or any items of any kind, (iii) the construction, alteration or repair of any public building or public work, (iv) the acquisition, sale or lease of any land or building, (v) a licensing arrangement, or (vi) a grant, loan or loan guarantee. "State contract" does not include any agreement or contract with the state, any state agency or any quasi-public agency that is exclusively federally funded, an education loan or a loan to an individual for other than commercial purposes.

"State contract solicitation" means a request by a state agency or quasi-public agency, in whatever form issued, including, but not limited to, an invitation to bid, request for proposals, request for information or request for quotes, inviting bids, quotes or other types of submittals, through a competitive procurement process or another process authorized by law waiving competitive procurement.

"Managerial or discretionary responsibilities with respect to a state contract" means having direct, extensive and substantive responsibilities with respect to the negotiation of the state contract and not peripheral, clerical or ministerial responsibilities.

"Dependent child" means a child residing in an individual's household who may legally be claimed as a dependent on the federal income tax of such individual.

"Solicit" means (A) requesting that a contribution be made, (B) participating in any fund-raising activities for a candidate committee, exploratory committee, political committee or party committee, including, but not limited to, forwarding tickets to potential contributors, receiving contributions for transmission to any such committee or bundling contributions, (C) serving as chairperson, treasurer or deputy treasurer of any such committee, or (D) establishing a political committee for the sole purpose of soliciting or receiving contributions for any committee. Solicit does not include: (i) making a contribution that is otherwise permitted by Chapter 155 of the Connecticut General Statutes; (ii) informing any person of a position taken by a candidate for public office or a public official, (iii) notifying the person of any activities of, or contact information for, any candidate for public office; or (iv) serving as a member in any party committee or as an officer of such committee that is not otherwise prohibited in this section.

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**SECTION 14  
NOTICE OF AWARD**



## NOTICE OF AWARD

**TO:** [NAME OF CONTACT FOR SUCCESSFUL PROPOSER]  
[NAME OF SUCCESSFUL PROPOSER]  
[ADDRESS OF SUCCESSFUL PROPOSER]

**PROJECT:** General Fund

**RFP NUMBER:** FY08-IT-001

**CONTRACT:** Computer Information Consulting Services

The Connecticut Resources Recovery Authority (“CRRA”) has considered the Proposal submitted by you dated [DATE] in response to CRRA’s Notice To Firms – Request For Proposals for the above-referenced Services, which Services are more particularly described in the Computer Information Consulting Services Agreement (the “Services”).

You are hereby notified that your Proposal has been accepted for performing the following Category(ies) the Services from time to time as the same may be requested by CRRA.

- (a) [CRRA will list each Category of Services for which the proposer has been selected.]

Within ten (10) days from the date of this Notice of Award you are required to:

- (a) Execute the required number of the attached counterparts of the non-negotiable Agreement and deliver such executed counterparts to CRRA;
- (b) Execute the attached Contractor’s Certification Concerning Gifts and deliver such executed Certification to CRRA;
- (c) Deliver to CRRA the requisite certificates of insurance;
- (d) Deliver to CRRA all other Contract Documents attached to the Notice Of Award;  
and
- (e) Satisfy all other conditions set forth herein.

**As you have agreed, the terms and conditions of the Agreement, as attached, are non-negotiable.**

If you fail within ten (10) days from the date of this Notice Of Award to perform and complete any of your obligations set forth in items (a) through (e) above, CRRA will be entitled to consider all your rights arising out of CRRA's acceptance of your Proposal as abandoned and terminated. CRRA will also be entitled to such other rights and remedies as may be granted at law or in equity.

You are required to acknowledge your receipt of this Notice Of Award by signing below and returning the same to CRRA.

Dated this [DAY] day of [MONTH], [YEAR].

Connecticut Resources Recovery Authority

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Ronald E. Gingerich  
Title: IT Manager

**ACCEPTANCE OF NOTICE**

Receipt of this NOTICE OF AWARD is hereby acknowledged this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 200\_.

By:

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Name (print/type): \_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

**ATTACHMENT A**

**To**

**NOTICE OF AWARD**

**CONTRACTORS CERTIFICATION CONCERNING  
GIFTS**



## CONTRACTOR'S CERTIFICATION CONCERNING GIFTS

### COMPUTER INFORMATION CONSULTING SERVICES

(This CERTIFICATION is to be signed by an authorized officer of the Contractor or the Contractor's managing general partner.)

Section 4-252 of the *Connecticut General Statutes* requires that a Contractor (i.e., the successful bidder/proposer for an Agreement) complete and properly execute this Certification Concerning Gifts at the same time that the Contractor executes the Agreement. If the Contractor fails to make the required certifications, the Contractor shall be disqualified for the Agreement.

I, \_\_\_\_\_, a duly authorized officer and/or representative of \_\_\_\_\_ (firm name) (the "Contractor"), being duly sworn, hereby depose and say that:

1. I am over eighteen (18) years of age and believe in the obligations of an oath; and
2. Contractor has submitted a bid/proposal for the Computer Information Consulting Services Agreement (the "Agreement") to the Connecticut Resources Recovery Authority ("CRRA"), has been selected by CRRA as the successful bidder/proposer for the Agreement and is prepared to enter into the Agreement with CRRA; and
3. No gifts were made between November 1, 2007 and the date of execution of the Agreement, by
  - (a) The Contractor,
  - (b) Any principals and key personnel of the Contractor who participated substantially in preparing the Contractor's bid/proposal for or the negotiation of the Agreement, or
  - (c) Any agent of the Contractor or principals and key personnel who participated substantially in preparing the Contractor's bid/proposal for or the negotiation of the Agreementto
  - (1) Any public official or employee of CRRA who participated substantially in the preparation of the bid/proposal solicitation for or the negotiation or award of the Agreement (such CRRA employees are listed in Table 2 below), or
  - (2) Any public official or state employee of any state agency who has supervisory or appointing authority over CRRA (such public officials and state employees are listed in Table 3 below); and
4. No such principals and key personnel of the Contractor or agent of the Contractor or principals and key personnel knows of any action by Contractor to circumvent the prohibition on gifts by providing for any other principals and key personnel, official, employee or agent of the Contractor to provide a gift to any such public official or state employee; and



5. The Contractor made the bid/proposal for the Agreement without fraud or collusion with any person;
6. The information set forth herein is true, to the best of my knowledge and belief, subject to the penalties of false statement.

**TABLE 2: CRRA Substantial Participants in the Preparation of the Request for Bids/Proposals for the Agreement**

Christopher May, Information Systems Operations Manager
Ronald Gingerich, Information Technology Manager

**TABLE 3: Public Officials and State Employees of State Agencies Who Have Supervisory or Appointing Authority over CRRA**

Governor M. Jodi Rell
Senator Donald E. Williams, Jr., President Pro Tempore of the Senate
Senator John McKinney, Minority Leader of the Senate
Representative James A. Amann, Speaker of the House of Representatives
Representative Lawrence F. Cafero, Jr., Minority Leader of the House of Representatives

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Name (type/print): \_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

State Of: \_\_\_\_\_

County Of: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_, being fully sworn, deposes and says that he/she is the \_\_\_\_\_ (Title) of \_\_\_\_\_ (Firm Name), the Contractor herein, that he/she has read the foregoing statement concerning gifts, and, under the penalty of perjury, certifies that each and every part of said statement is true to his/her best knowledge and belief.

Sworn to before me this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 200\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Notary Public/Commissioner of the Superior Court

For the purposes of this Certification Concerning Gifts, the following terms are defined as follows:

"Gift" means anything of value, which is directly and personally received, unless consideration of equal or greater value is given in return. "Gift" shall not include:

- (1) A political contribution otherwise reported as required by law or a donation or payment as described in subdivision (9) or (10) of subsection (b) of section 9-333b of the *Connecticut General Statutes*;
- (2) Services provided by persons volunteering their time, if provided to aid or promote the success or defeat of any political party, any candidate or candidates for public office or the position of convention delegate or town committee member or any referendum question;
- (3) A commercially reasonable loan made on terms not more favorable than loans made in the ordinary course of business;
- (4) A gift received from (A) an individual's spouse, fiance or fiancée, (B) the parent, brother or sister of such spouse or such individual, or (C) the child of such individual or the spouse of such child;
- (5) Goods or services (A) which are provided to the state (i) for use on state property, or (ii) to support an event or the participation by a public official or state employee at an event, and (B) which facilitate state action or functions. As used in this Affidavit Concerning Gifts, "state property" means (i) property owned by the state, or (ii) property leased to an agency in the Executive or Judicial Department of the state;
- (6) A certificate, plaque or other ceremonial award costing less than one hundred dollars;
- (7) A rebate, discount or promotional item available to the general public;
- (8) Printed or recorded informational material germane to state action or functions;
- (9) Food or beverage or both, costing less than fifty dollars in the aggregate per recipient in a calendar year, and consumed on an occasion or occasions at which the person paying, directly or indirectly, for the food or beverage, or his representative, is in attendance;
- (10) Food or beverage or both, costing less than fifty dollars per person and consumed at a publicly noticed legislative reception to which all members of the General Assembly are invited and which is hosted not more than once in any calendar year by a lobbyist or business organization. For the purposes of such limit, (A) a reception hosted by a lobbyist who is an individual shall be deemed to have also been hosted by the business organization which he owns or is employed by, and (B) a reception hosted by a business organization shall be deemed to have also been hosted by all owners and employees of the business organization who are lobbyists. In making the calculation for the purposes of such fifty-dollar limit, the donor shall divide the amount spent on food and beverage by the number of persons whom the donor reasonably expects to attend the reception;
- (11) Food or beverage or both, costing less than fifty dollars per person and consumed at a publicly noticed reception to which all members of the General Assembly from a region of the state are

invited and which is hosted not more than once in any calendar year by a lobbyist or business organization. For the purposes of such limit, (A) a reception hosted by a lobbyist who is an individual shall be deemed to have also been hosted by the business organization which he owns or is employed by, and (B) a reception hosted by a business organization shall be deemed to have also been hosted by all owners and employees of the business organization who are lobbyists. In making the calculation for the purposes of such fifty-dollar limit, the donor shall divide the amount spent on food and beverage by the number of persons whom the donor reasonably expects to attend the reception. As used in this subdivision, "region of the state" means the established geographic service area of the organization hosting the reception;

- (12) Gifts costing less than one hundred dollars in the aggregate or food or beverage provided at a hospitality suite at a meeting or conference of an interstate legislative association, by a person who is not a registrant or is not doing business with the state of Connecticut;
- (13) Admission to a charitable or civic event, including food and beverage provided at such event, but excluding lodging or travel expenses, at which a public official or state employee participates in his official capacity, provided such admission is provided by the primary sponsoring entity;
- (14) Anything of value provided by an employer of (A) a public official, (B) a state employee, or (C) a spouse of a public official or state employee, to such official, employee or spouse, provided such benefits are customarily and ordinarily provided to others in similar circumstances; or
- (15) Anything having a value of not more than ten dollars, provided the aggregate value of all things provided by a donor to a recipient under this subdivision in any calendar year shall not exceed fifty dollars.

"Participated substantially" means participation that is direct, extensive and substantive, and not peripheral, clerical or ministerial.

"Principals and key personnel" means officers, directors, shareholders, members, partners and managerial employees.

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**SECTION 15  
COMPUTER INFORMATION CONSULTING  
SERVICES AGREEMENT**

# COMPUTER INFORMATION CONSULTING SERVICES AGREEMENT

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**THIS COMPUTER INFORMATION CONSULTING SERVICES AGREEMENT** (“Agreement”) is made and entered into as of this First day of March, 2008 by and between the **CONNECTICUT RESOURCES RECOVERY AUTHORITY**, a body politic and corporate, constituting a public instrumentality and political subdivision of the State of Connecticut, having its principal offices at 100 Constitution Plaza, 6<sup>th</sup> Floor, Hartford, Connecticut 06103 (hereinafter “CRRA”) and [NAME OF CONSULTANT], having its principal offices at [ADDRESS OF CONSULTANT] (hereinafter “Consultant”).

## **PRELIMINARY STATEMENT**

**WHEREAS** CRRA is the owner or lessee of certain pieces and parcels of real property located throughout the State of Connecticut (collectively, the “Properties”) upon which Properties CRRA owns and operates various solid waste management and/or disposal facilities (collectively, the “Facilities”).

**WHEREAS** CRRA maintains and is directly responsible for information technology systems at many of these Facilities.

**WHEREAS** CRRA now desires to enter into this Agreement with Consultant in order for Consultant to provide computer information consulting services for CRRA and other related work, in accordance with the Contract Documents (the “Project”).

**NOW, THEREFORE**, in consideration of the mutual covenants, promises, and representations contained herein, and for other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, the parties hereto agree as follows.

## **1. DEFINITIONS, CONSTRUCTION AND INTERPRETATION**

### **1.1 Definitions**

As used in this Agreement and in other Contract Documents (as defined herein) the following terms shall have the meanings as set forth below:

- (a) **“Addenda”** means written or graphic documents issued prior to the bid due date, which clarify, correct or change any or all of the Contract Documents.
- (b) **“Contract Documents”** means this Agreement (including all exhibits attached hereto), Notice To Firms – Request For Proposals, Instructions To Proposers, Addenda, Consultant’s proposal (including all documentation accompanying such proposal, all other documentation submitted in connection with such proposal, and all post-proposal documentation submitted prior to the Notice Of Award), Notice Of Award, any written amendments to any of the Contract Documents and any change order issued pursuant to Section 2.7 hereof.

- (c) **“Effective Date”** means the date set forth above in this Agreement.
- (d) **“Laws And Regulations”** means any and all applicable current or future laws, rules, regulations, ordinances, codes, orders and permits of any and all federal, state and local governmental and quasi-governmental bodies, agencies, authorities and courts having jurisdiction.
- (e) **“Notice Of Award”** means written notification from CRRA to the apparent successful proposer which states that CRRA has accepted such proposer’s proposal and sets forth the remaining conditions that must be fulfilled by such proposer before CRRA executes the Agreement.
- (f) **“Project”** means the provision by the Consultant of computer information consulting services to CRRA in accordance with the Contract Documents.

## 1.2 Construction And Interpretation

For purposes of this Agreement:

- (a) Capitalized terms used herein shall have the meanings set forth herein;
- (b) Whenever nouns or pronouns are used in this Agreement, the singular shall mean the plural, the plural shall mean the singular, and any gender shall mean all genders or any other gender, as the context may require;
- (c) Words that have well-known technical or trade meanings are used herein in accordance with such recognized meanings unless otherwise specifically provided;
- (d) All accounting terms not otherwise defined herein have the meanings assigned to them in accordance with “generally accepted accounting principles,” and the term “generally accepted accounting principles” with respect to any computation required or permitted hereunder shall mean such accounting principles that are generally accepted as of the Effective Date of this Agreement;
- (e) The words “herein”, “hereof” and “hereunder” and words of similar import refer to this Agreement as a whole and not to any particular Article, Section or Subsection;
- (f) Reference to any particular party shall include that party’s employees and the authorized agents of that party;
- (g) All references to agreements are references to the agreements as the provisions thereof that may be amended, modified or waived from time to time; and,

- (h) The captions contained in this Agreement have been inserted for convenience only and shall not affect or be effective to interpret, change or restrict the terms of provisions of this Agreement.

## **2. SCOPE OF SERVICES**

### **2.1 Consultant's Responsibilities**

Consultant retains Consultant to render certain independent computer information consulting services to CRRA as detailed in described in Exhibit A attached hereto (collectively, the "Services") and as identified as the following category(ies):

- (a) [CRRA WILL LIST THE CATEGORY(IES) OF SERVICES FOR WHICH THE CONSULTANT HAS BEEN SELECTED].

### **2.2 Performance and Completion of Services**

All Services shall be performed and completed by Consultant as an independent contractor and in a good workmanlike manner consistent and in accordance with:

- (a) Any and all instructions, guidance and directions provided by CRRA to Consultant;
- (b) The Contract Documents;
- (c) Sound computer information consulting practices;
- (d) The highest prevailing industry standards applicable to Consultant and its performance of the Services hereunder;
- (e) All Laws And Regulations; and
- (f) Any Request (as hereinafter defined) pursuant to which such Services are rendered.

Items (a) through (f) above are hereinafter collectively referred to as the "Standards."

Consultant shall obtain any locally required building or other permits required for the Services, and Consultant shall also assist and fully cooperate with CRRA in obtaining any other applicable permits necessary to begin and complete the Services.

### **2.3 Authorized Representative Of CRRA**

Consultant will only perform Services upon request from an Authorized Representative of CRRA. For purposes of this Agreement, the terms "Authorized Representative of CRRA" or "Authorized Representative" shall mean CRRA's President (the "President"), CRRA's IT



Manager or any person designated in writing to Consultant by the President or the IT Manager. Any Services performed at the request of anyone who is not an Authorized Representative shall not be paid for by CRRA. CRRA and Consultant shall from time to time mutually agree on the method and manner of performing such Services.

#### **2.4 Direction of Services**

CRRA and/or its Authorized Representative may, where necessary or desired, provide Consultant with instructions, guidance and directions in connection with Consultant's performance of the Services hereunder. CRRA reserves the right to determine whether Consultant will, upon completion of any phase of the Services, proceed to any or all remaining phases of the Services. If CRRA determines that Consultant shall not proceed with the remaining Services, CRRA shall terminate this Agreement in accordance with Section 4.3 hereof.

#### **2.5 CRRA's Inspection Rights**

Consultant's performance of the Services hereunder, as well as Consultant's work products resulting from such performance, are subject to inspection by CRRA. Inspections may be conducted at any time by CRRA. In the event of an inspection, Consultant shall provide to CRRA any documents or other materials that may be necessary in order for CRRA to conduct the inspection. If, after any such inspection, CRRA is unsatisfied with Consultant's performance of the Services hereunder or any of the work products resulting therefrom, Consultant shall, at the direction of CRRA, render such performance or work products satisfactory to CRRA at no additional cost or expense to CRRA and without any extension of the Project Schedule for the remaining Services. For purpose of this Section 2.5, CRRA shall mean CRRA and/or its Authorized Representative.

#### **2.6 Change in Scope of Services**

In the event that CRRA determines during the term of this Agreement that any revisions, modifications or changes are necessary to the Scope Of Services as set forth in Section 2.1 hereof, then pursuant to CRRA's request, Consultant shall promptly commence and perform the services required for such revisions, modifications or changes, which services shall be performed in accordance with the Standards unless otherwise specifically agreed to in writing by CRRA and Consultant.

#### **2.7 Specific Services Request For Services**

At its discretion, CRRA, through an Authorized Representative, may require that prior to undertaking work on a specific task, Consultant and an Authorized Representative mutually agree in writing upon a detailed Scope of Services required for such task, together with an estimate of the time, cost, and expenses for such Services. In such cases, CRRA will request performance of such Services by means of a written request in accordance with the format of **Exhibit B** attached hereto and made a part hereof (a "Request"). Accordingly, upon receipt

and acceptance of a written Request, Consultant will perform such Services described in such Request in accordance with the terms of this Agreement and such Request.

If, during Consultant's performance of such Services, there is a change in Consultant's estimate time, cost or expenses for such Services, Consultant will promptly notify CRRA in writing of such change and shall not incur any costs or expenses exceeding those specified in the Request without prior written authorization from an Authorized Representative. CRRA shall not pay for any Services rendered or expenses incurred by Consultant in excess of those included in such Request unless specifically authorized in advance and in writing by an Authorized Representative.

## **2.8 Lobbying And Paying Finder's Fees**

Pursuant to the *Connecticut General Statutes*, CRRA is prohibited from retaining or hiring a lobbyist as defined in section 1-91 of the *Connecticut General Statutes* or paying a finder's fee for any Services provided to CRRA. Therefore, Consultant shall not provide CRRA any lobbying services, or receive, pay, or distribute any finder's fees under this Agreement.

## **2.9 Access**

In the event that Consultant required access to any Facility or Property in order to perform any of the Services hereunder, CRRA hereby grants to Consultant, during the Facilities' normal hours of operation, access to only those areas of the Properties necessary for Consultant to perform the Services hereunder, provided that:

- (a) Consultant shall not interfere with any other operations or activities being conducted on the Properties by either CRRA or any other person or entity;
- (b) Consultant directly coordinates with CRRA on such access and Consultant's storage of any equipment or materials on the Properties; and
- (c) Consultant is in compliance with all of the terms and conditions of this Agreement.

CRRA reserves the right to revoke the access granted to Consultant herein if Consultant fails to comply with any of the foregoing conditions of access.

## **2.10 Proprietary Information**

Consultant shall not use, publish, distribute, sell or divulge any information obtained from CRRA by virtue of this Agreement for Consultant's own purposes or for the benefit of any person, firm, corporation or other entity (other than CRRA) without the prior written consent of CRRA. Any report or other work product prepared by Consultant in connection with the performance of the Services hereunder shall be owned solely and exclusively by CRRA and cannot be used by Consultant for any purpose beyond the scope of this Agreement without the prior written consent of CRRA. Any material designated by CRRA in accordance with applicable law as confidential shall not be disclosed to any third parties without the prior

written consent of CRRA. However, Consultant acknowledges that CRRA is subject to the Connecticut Freedom of Information Act and CRRA must disclose certain documents in accordance with said statutes.

## **2.11 Books and Records**

Consultant shall maintain proper books and records containing complete and correct information on all Services performed by Consultant pursuant to this Agreement in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles and practices. CRRA has the right to inspect and review all such books and records during Consultant's business hours.

## **2.12 Progress Reports**

If requested by CRRA, Consultant agrees to provide a progress report to CRRA by the 10th day of each calendar month for the Services which Consultant is performing. The report is to contain the following information in the format given:

- (a) Title of task;
- (b) Description of task;
- (c) Original schedule;
- (d) Original estimated budget by month in dollars and hours;
- (e) Progress in preceding month;
- (f) Estimated dollars and hours spent in preceding month;
- (g) Dollars and hours spent monthly, to date;
- (h) Problem areas; and
- (i) Description of activities for the coming month and estimated hours and dollars for such activities.

## **2.13 Status of Consultant**

CRRA and Consultant acknowledge and agree that Consultant is acting as an independent Consultant in performing any Services for CRRA hereunder and that Consultant shall perform such Services in its own manner and method subject to the terms of this Agreement. Nothing in this Agreement shall be construed or interpreted as creating a partnership, a joint venture, an agency, a master-servant relationship, an employer-employee relationship or any other relationship between CRRA and Consultant other than that of an owner and an independent contractor. Consultant is expressly forbidden from transacting any business in the name of or on account of CRRA, and Consultant has no power or authority to assume or create any obligation or responsibility for or on behalf of CRRA in any manner whatsoever.

## 2.14 Subcontractors

Consultant shall consult with CRRA before hiring any subcontractors to perform any Services hereunder. Consultant shall require all of its subcontractors to abide by the terms and conditions of this Agreement. Moreover, Consultant's subcontracts with such subcontractors shall specifically provide that, in the event of a default by Consultant thereunder or under this Agreement, CRRA may directly enforce such subcontracts and make payments thereunder. Consultant shall provide CRRA with all contracts, amendments, books, records, accounts, correspondence and other materials necessary to enforce such subcontracts. Also Consultant's subcontracts with its subcontractors shall specifically include CRRA as a third party beneficiary and shall provide that such subcontractors shall not be excused from any of their obligations under such subcontracts by reason of any claims, setoffs, or other rights whatsoever that they may have with or against Consultant other than through such subcontracts.

## 2.15 Consultant's Employees

All persons employed by Consultant shall be subject and responsible solely to the direction of Consultant and shall not be deemed to be employees of CRRA.

# 3. COMPENSATION AND PAYMENT

## 3.1 Compensation Schedule

Consultant shall be paid by CRRA for the services rendered and expenses incurred under this Agreement on the basis set forth on the Compensation Schedule attached hereto as **Exhibit C** attached hereto and made a part hereof.

CRRA will not reimburse the costs of first-class travel and expects that travel arrangements will take advantage of any cost-effective discounts or special rates. Provided they are consistent with CRRA's Travel and Expense Reporting document attached hereto and made a part hereof as **Exhibit D**, Consultant's out-of-pocket expenses shall be reimbursed at cost. Consultant will be deemed to have met CRRA's "receipt" requirements of such document if Consultant provides to CRRA with each billing

- (a) Receipts for all items greater than or equal to \$25 and
- (b) Copies of the Consultant's expense forms itemizing expenses incurred in providing Services to CRRA.

Consultant shall not be compensated for any time spent preparing any billing documentation, or any information requested by CRRA's in-house accountants/auditors or outside auditors, State of Connecticut auditors, or CRRA in-house accounting department, or related materials.

### 3.2 Bill Format

Consultant shall render a bill to CRRA each month for all of the Services performed and all of the costs and expenses incurred in the immediately preceding month pursuant to this Agreement. Each monthly bill shall contain at least the following information:

- (a) The name, title and billing rate for each person performing Services for which payment is sought;
- (b) A description of the Services performed by each person by task;
- (c) The time spent by each person;
- (d) Separate listing of all expenses incurred including copies of receipts or subcontractor invoices;
- (e) The project name and number to be charged;
- (f) The contract number for this Agreement (to be provided by CRRA); and
- (g) The request for services identification number, if appropriate.

The format for all monthly bills is attached hereto as **Exhibit E** and made a part hereof.

Consultant shall not carry forward balances. If a previous bill is unpaid, Consultant shall resubmit that periodic bill for payment. Group or block billing is not acceptable and bills with such billing will be returned unpaid to the Consultant for clarification and itemization.

Invoices shall be accompanied by an itemization of disbursements and costs (long-distance calls, photocopying, etc.) and travel expenses shall be itemized separately to indicate travel, lodging, business meeting, meals, taxis and other expenses (specially detailed). Disbursements will be reimbursed at the Consultant's cost. Consultant shall be solely responsible for the reporting of and payment of federal, state, and local income taxes, FICA and FUTA contributions and shall maintain any insurance coverage required by state or federal law in addition to any insurance required hereunder.

### 3.3 Payment Procedure

If CRRA determines, in its sole discretion, that

- (a) The Services for which Consultant is requesting payment have been properly performed and completed in conformance with the Standards,
- (b) Consultant is not in default hereunder,
- (c) CRRA does not dispute the amount of the payment requested, and
- (d) The bill contains all of the information required hereunder,

then CRRA shall pay the amount requested within thirty (30) calendar days after its receipt of such bill.

If, however,

- (a) CRRA determines that any of the Services for which Consultant has requested payment are not in conformance with the Standards,
- (b) Such bill does not contain all the requisite information, or
- (c) Consultant is in default hereunder,

then CRRA may, in its sole and absolute discretion, withhold all or a portion of the payment requested by Consultant and Consultant shall, if requested by CRRA, immediately take, at Consultant's sole cost and expense, all action necessary to render such Services and/or bill in conformance with the Standards, or to cure such default.

CRRA shall have no obligation under this Agreement to pay for any Services that CRRA determines have not been performed and/or completed in conformance with the Standards, and CRRA shall have no obligation to pay Consultant any amount due Consultant under this Agreement if Consultant is in default hereunder. If CRRA disputes the amount in any written request for payment submitted by Consultant, CRRA shall have the right to withhold the disputed amount until the dispute is settled. CRRA shall notify Consultant of any disputed amount and the reason(s) for disputing such amount.

Consultant's acceptance of an assignment from CRRA will be deemed as Consultant's agreement to conform to CRRA's billing policies and procedures.

### **3.4 Accounting Obligations**

Consultant shall maintain books and accounts of the costs incurred by Consultant in performing the Services pursuant to this Agreement by contract number and in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles and practices. CRRA, during normal business hours, for the duration of this Agreement, shall have access to such books and accounts to the extent required to verify such costs incurred.

### **3.5 Audit**

CRRA reserves the right to review the reasonableness of all bills and expenses as they are billed to CRRA by Consultant. Upon reasonable notice from CRRA, Consultant agrees to allow CRRA to audit Consultant's files pertaining to CRRA's Services assigned to Consultant. Any such audit will be conducted on Consultant's premises and Consultant will be expected to produce any pertinent file information requested including Consultant's time and expense records.

For an audit, Consultant must provide the following:

- (a) Access to files, records, bills in electronic forms, electronic daily billing reports and summaries;
- (b) Each worker's original bills and time slips for the services. Consultant must retain bills and time slips for each file;
- (c) A list of hourly rates for each individual providing Services.
- (d) A detailed explanation of Consultant's billing methods.

CRRA reserves the right to seek reimbursement of inappropriately billed time or expenses.

### **3.6 Withholding Taxes And Other Payments**

No FICA (social security) payroll tax, state or federal income tax, federal unemployment tax or insurance payments, state disability tax or insurance payments or state unemployment tax or insurance payments shall be paid or deposited by CRRA with respect to Consultant, nor be withheld from payment to Consultant by CRRA. No workers' compensation insurance has been or will be obtained by CRRA on account of the Services to be performed hereunder by Consultant, or any of Consultant's employees or subcontractors. Consultant shall be responsible for paying or providing for all of the taxes, insurance and other payments described or similar to those described in this Section 3.6 and Consultant hereby agrees to indemnify CRRA and hold CRRA harmless against any and all such taxes, insurance or payments, or similar costs which CRRA may be required to pay in the event that Consultant's status hereunder is determined to be other than that of an independent contractor.

### **3.7 State of Connecticut Taxes**

Consultant agrees that, pursuant to *Connecticut General Statutes* § 22a-270 (as the same may be amended or superseded from time to time) CRRA is exempt from all State of Connecticut taxes and assessments. Without limiting the generality of the preceding sentence, Consultant also agrees that, pursuant to *Connecticut General Statutes* § 12-412(92) (as the same may be amended or superseded from time to time), "[t]he sales and use of any services or tangible personal property to be incorporated into or used or otherwise consumed in the operation of any project of [CRRA] . . . whether such purchases are made directly by [CRRA] or are reimbursed by [CRRA] to the lessee or operator of such project" is not subject to Connecticut Sales and Use Taxes. Accordingly, Consultant shall not charge CRRA any State of Connecticut taxes or assessments at any time in connection with Consultant's performance of this Agreement, nor shall Consultant include any State of Connecticut taxes or assessments in any rates, costs, prices or other charges to CRRA hereunder. The obligations of Consultant contained in the preceding sentence are absolute and shall apply notwithstanding any payment by Consultant of any State of Connecticut taxes or assessments in connection with its performance of this Agreement. Consultant represents and warrants that no State of Connecticut taxes or assessments were included in any rates, costs, prices or

other charges presented to CRRA in any RFP or other submittal or proposal to CRRA in connection with this Agreement.

#### **4. TERM OF AGREEMENT**

##### **4.1 Term**

The term of this Agreement shall commence upon the Effective Date and shall terminate, unless otherwise terminated or extended in accordance with the terms and provisions hereof, on February 28, 2009. CRRA shall have, at its sole and absolute discretion, the option of extending the Agreement for one (1) two (2) year period from March 1, 2009 through February 28, 2011. CRRA may exercise such option by providing Consultant with written notice of its intent to exercise such option no later than sixty (60) days prior to February 28, 2009.

##### **4.2 Time is of the Essence**

CRRA and Consultant hereby acknowledge and agree that time is of the essence with respect to Consultant's performance of the Services hereunder. Accordingly, upon the effective date of a Request, Consultant shall immediately commence performance of the Services and continue to perform the same during the term of this Agreement.

##### **4.3 Termination**

CRRA may terminate this Agreement at any time by providing Consultant with thirty (30) days' prior written notice of such termination. Upon receipt of such written notice from CRRA, Consultant shall immediately cease performance of all Services, unless otherwise directed in writing by CRRA.

Upon termination of this Agreement pursuant to this Section 4.3,

- (a) CRRA shall pay Consultant for all Services performed and completed by Consultant prior to the termination date, provided:
  - (1) Such Services have been performed and completed by Consultant in conformance with the Standards;
  - (2) Payment for such Services have not been previously made or is not disputed by CRRA;
  - (3) Consultant is not in default hereunder; and,
  - (4) Consultant has performed and completed all its obligations under this Section 4.3 to CRRA's satisfaction, and
- (b) CRRA shall have no further liability hereunder.



Except for the payment that may be required pursuant to the preceding sentence, CRRA shall not be liable to Consultant in any other manner whatsoever in the event CRRA exercises its right to terminate this Agreement.

Consultant shall transmit to CRRA originals or copies of any and all material prepared, developed or obtained under this Agreement in Consultant's possession within thirty (30) days of receipt of the written notice of termination unless otherwise directed by the Authorized Representative.

#### **4.4 Records And Documents**

Consultant shall retain and maintain accurate records and documents relating to the performance of Services under this Agreement for a minimum of three (3) years after final payment by CRRA and shall make them available for inspection and audit by CRRA. Consultant's obligations under this Section 4.4 shall survive the termination or expiration of this Agreement.

### **5. INDEMNIFICATION**

#### **5.1 Consultant's Indemnity**

Consultant shall at all times defend, indemnify and hold harmless CRRA and its board of directors, officers, agents and employees from and against any and all claims, damages, losses, judgments, liability, workers' compensation payments and expenses (including but not limited to attorneys' fees) arising out of injuries to the person (including death), damage to property or any other damages alleged to have been sustained by: (a) CRRA or any of its directors, officers, agents, employees or other contractors, or (b) Consultant or any of its directors, officers, agents, employees, subcontractors or materialmen, or (c) any other person, to the extent any such injuries, damage or damages are caused or alleged to have been caused in whole or in part by the acts, omissions or negligence of Consultant or any of its directors, officers, agents, employees, subcontractors or materialmen. Consultant further undertakes to reimburse CRRA for damage to property of CRRA caused by Consultant or any of its directors, officers, agents, employees, subcontractors or materialmen, or by faulty, defective or unsuitable material or equipment used by it or any of them. The existence of insurance shall in no way limit the scope of this indemnification. Consultant's obligations under this Section 5.1 shall survive the termination or expiration of this Agreement.

### **6. INSURANCE**

#### **6.1 Required Insurance**

Consultant shall procure and maintain, at its own cost and expense, throughout the term of this Agreement and any extension thereof, the following insurance, including any required endorsements thereto and amendments thereof:

- (a) Commercial General Liability insurance alone or in combination with Commercial Umbrella insurance with a limit of not less than One Million Dollars (\$1,000,000) each occurrence covering liability arising from premises, operations, independent contractors, products-completed operations, personal injury and advertising injury, and liability assumed under an insurance contract (including the tort liability of another assumed in a business contract).
- (b) Business Automobile Liability insurance alone or in combination with Commercial Umbrella insurance covering any auto (including owned, hired, and non-owned autos), with a limit of not less than Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$500,000) each accident.
- (c) Workers' Compensation with statutory limits and Employers' Liability limits of than Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$500,000) each accident for bodily injury by accident or than Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$500,000) for each employee for bodily injury by disease.

## **6.2 Certificates**

Within five (5) days after CRRA issues the Notice Of Award, Consultant shall submit to CRRA a certificate or certificates for each required insurance referenced in Section 6.1 above certifying that such insurance is in full force and effect and setting forth the information required by Section 6.3 below. Additionally, Consultant shall furnish to CRRA within thirty (30) days before the expiration date of the coverage of each required insurance set forth in Section 6.1 above, a certificate or certificates containing the information required by Section 6.3 below and certifying that such insurance has been renewed and remains in full force and effect.

## **6.3 Specific Requirements**

All policies for each insurance required hereunder shall:

- (a) Name CRRA as an additional insured (this requirement shall not apply to workers' compensation insurance/employers' liability insurance);
- (b) Include a standard severability of interest clause;
- (c) Provide for not less than thirty (30) days' prior written notice to CRRA by registered or certified mail of any cancellation, restrictive amendment, non-renewal or change in coverage;
- (d) Contain a waiver of subrogation holding CRRA free and harmless from all subrogation rights of the insurer; and
- (e) Provide that such required insurance hereunder is the primary insurance and that any other similar insurance that CRRA may have shall be deemed in excess of such primary insurance.

#### **6.4 Issuing Companies**

All policies for each insurance required hereunder shall be issued by insurance companies that are either licensed by the State of Connecticut and have a Best's Key Rating Guide of A-VII or better, or otherwise deemed acceptable by CRRA in its sole discretion.

#### **6.5 Consultant's Subcontractors**

Consultant shall either have its subcontractors covered under the insurance required hereunder, or require such subcontractors to procure and maintain the insurance that Consultant is required to procure and maintain under this Agreement.

#### **6.6 No Limitation on Liability**

No provision of this Article 6 shall be construed or deemed to limit Consultant's obligations under this Agreement to pay damages or other costs and expenses.

#### **6.7 Other Conditions**

CRRA shall not, because of accepting, rejecting, approving, or receiving any certificate of insurance required hereunder, incur any liability for:

- (a) The existence, non-existence, form or legal sufficiency of the insurance described on such certificate,
- (b) The solvency of any insurer, or
- (c) The payment of losses.

### **7. MISCELLANEOUS**

#### **7.1 Non-Discrimination**

Consultant agrees to the following:

- (a) Consultant agrees and warrants that in the performance of the Services for CRRA Consultant will not discriminate or permit discrimination against any person or group of persons on the grounds of race, color, religious creed, age, marital status, including civil union status, national origin, ancestry, sex, sexual orientation, mental retardation or physical disability, including, but not limited to, blindness, unless it is shown by Consultant that such disability prevents performance of the Services involved, in any manner prohibited by the laws of the United States or of the State of Connecticut. Consultant further agrees to take affirmative action to insure that applicants with job related qualifications are employed and that employees are treated when employed without regard to their race, color, religious creed, age, marital status, including civil union status,

national origin, ancestry, sex, sexual orientation, mental retardation, or physical disability, including, but not limited to, blindness, unless it is shown by Consultant that such disability prevents performance of the Services involved;

- (b) Consultant agrees, in all solicitations or advertisements for employees placed by or on behalf of Consultant, to state that it is an “affirmative action-equal opportunity employer” in accordance with regulations adopted by the Connecticut Commission on Human Rights and Opportunities (The “Commission”);
- (c) Consultant agrees to provide each labor union or representative of workers with which Consultant has a collective bargaining agreement or other contract or understanding and each vendor with which Consultant has a contract or understanding, a notice to be provided by the Commission, advising the labor union, workers’ representative and vendor of Consultant’s commitments under Sections 4a-60 and 4a-60a of the *Connecticut General Statutes* and to post copies of the notice in conspicuous places available to employees and applicants for employment;
- (d) Consultant agrees to comply with each applicable provision of Sections 4a-60, 4a-60a, 46a-68e, and 46a-68f, inclusive, of the *Connecticut General Statutes* and with each regulation or relevant order issued by the Commission pursuant to Sections 46a-56, 46a-68e, and 46a-68f of the *Connecticut General Statutes*; and
- (e) Consultant agrees to provide the Commission with such information requested by the Commission, and permit access to pertinent books, records and accounts concerning the employment practices and procedures of Consultant as related to the applicable provisions of Sections 4a-60, 4a-60a and 46a-56 of the *Connecticut General Statutes*. If this Agreement is a public works contract, Consultant agrees and warrants that it will make good faith efforts to employ minority business enterprises as subcontractors and suppliers of materials in such public works project.

## 7.2 Campaign Contribution And Solicitation Prohibitions

For all State contracts as defined in P.A. 07-1 having a value in a calendar year of \$50,000 or more or a combination or series of such agreements or contracts having a value of \$100,000 or more, the authorized signatory to this Agreement expressly acknowledges receipt of the State Elections Enforcement Commission’s notice advising state contractors of state campaign contribution and solicitation prohibitions, and will inform its principals of the contents of the notice. See **Exhibit F** [SEEC Form 11].

### **7.3 Entire Agreement**

This Agreement constitutes the entire agreement and understanding between the parties hereto and concerning the subject matter hereof, and supersedes any previous agreements, written or oral, between the parties hereto and concerning the subject matter hereof.

### **7.4 Governing Law**

This Agreement shall be governed by, and construed, interpreted and enforced in accordance with the laws of the State of Connecticut as such laws are applied to contracts between Connecticut residents entered into and to be performed entirely in Connecticut.

### **7.5 Assignment**

This Agreement may not be assigned in whole or in part by either party without the prior written consent of the other party or such assignment shall be void.

### **7.6 No Waiver**

Failure to enforce any provision of this Agreement or to require at any time performance of any provision hereof shall not be construed to be a waiver of such provision, or to affect the validity of this Agreement or the right of any party to enforce each and every provision in accordance with the terms hereof. No waiver of any provision of this Agreement shall affect the right of CRRA or Consultant thereafter to enforce such provision or to exercise any right or remedy available to it in the event of any other default involving such provision or any other provision. Making payment or performing pursuant to this Agreement during the existence of a dispute shall not be deemed to be and shall not constitute a waiver of any claims or defenses of the party so paying or performing.

### **7.7 Modification**

This Agreement may not be amended, modified or supplemented except by a writing signed by the parties hereto that specifically refers to this Agreement. Any oral representations or letters by the parties or accommodations shall not create a pattern or practice or course of dealing contrary to the written terms of this Agreement unless this Agreement is formally amended, modified or supplemented.

### **7.8 Notices**

All notices, requests, demands and other communications hereunder shall be in writing and shall be deemed to have been duly given if mailed via certified first class mail return receipt requested postage prepaid or overnight express mail service to the pertinent address below.

(a) If to CRRA:

Connecticut Resources Recovery Authority  
100 Constitution Plaza, 6<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Hartford, Connecticut 06103  
Attention: IT Manager

With a copy to:

Connecticut Resources Recovery Authority  
100 Constitution Plaza, 6<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Hartford, Connecticut 06103  
Attention: President

(b) If to Consultant:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Attention: \_\_\_\_\_

## 7.9 Benefit and Burden

This Agreement shall inure to the benefit of and be binding upon the heirs, personal representatives, successors and assigns of the parties hereto.

## 7.10 Severability

CRRA and Consultant hereby understand and agree that if any part, term or provision of this Agreement is held by any court to be invalid, illegal or in conflict with any applicable law, the validity of the remaining portions of this Agreement shall not be affected, and the rights and obligations of the parties shall be construed and enforced as if this Agreement did not contain the particular part, term or provision held to be invalid, illegal or in conflict with any applicable law.

## 7.11 Small Contractors Application

At the request of CRRA and if Consultant qualifies, Consultant shall apply with the State of Connecticut Department of Administrative Services, and do all that is necessary to make itself qualify, as a Small Contractor and/or Minority/Women/Disabled Person Business Enterprise in accordance with *Connecticut General Statutes* Section 4a-60g.

## 7.12 Counterparts

This Agreement may be executed in any number of counterparts by the parties hereto. Each such counterpart so executed shall be deemed to be an original and all such executed counterparts shall constitute but one and the same instrument.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, the parties hereto have set their hands and seals as of the day and year first written above.

CONNECTICUT RESOURCES RECOVERY AUTHORITY

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Thomas D. Kirk  
Its President  
Duly Authorized

CONSULTANT

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Its  
Duly Authorized

**EXHIBIT A**

**To**

**COMPUTER INFORMATION CONSULTING SERVICES  
AGREEMENT**

**SCOPE OF SERVICES**



# SCOPE OF SERVICES

## 1. SYSTEM OVERVIEW

CRRA maintains and is directly responsible for information technology systems at three main offices and seven remote locations (scale houses). The personal computers (PCs) at each office are connected via a local area network (LAN); these offices are also connected to CRRA's wide area network (WAN).

### 1.1 Main Offices

CRRA's three main offices are located as follows:

- Headquarters, 100 Constitution Plaza, 6<sup>th</sup> Floor, Hartford, CT 06103;
- Mid-Connecticut Project Office, 211 Murphy Road, Hartford, CT 06114; and
- Bridgeport Project Office, 1410 Honeyspot Road Extension, Stratford, CT 06615

CRRA has over fifty computers (PCs and Laptops) at the Headquarters office, fourteen at the Mid-Connecticut Project Office, and eight at the Bridgeport Project Office. These PC's run Microsoft Windows XP or Vista as their operating system. The PC's utilize Microsoft Office 2003 as the main office suite.

### 1.2 Scale Houses

CRRA's seven scale houses are located as follows:

- Ellington Transfer Station, 140 Sadds Mill Road, Ellington, CT 06029;
- Essex Transfer Station, Dump Road, Essex, CT 06442;
- Hartford Landfill, 180 Leibert Road, Hartford, CT 06114;
- Mid-Connecticut Regional Recycling Facility, 211 Murphy Road, Hartford, CT 06114
- Torrington Transfer Station, Vista Drive, Torrington, CT 06790;
- Waste Processing Facility, 300 Maxim Road, Hartford, CT 06114; and
- Watertown Transfer Station, Echo Lake Road, Watertown, CT 06795.

The scale houses each have one or two PCs and are connected via a VPN using a combination of Point to Point and DSL circuits.

### **1.3 File Servers and Operating System**

CRRA has a mixed network environment, consisting of Novell Netware and Microsoft Windows 2003. The Windows network now provides file, print, database and e-mail services. The three main offices share data and resources among this network.

CRRA also has several application servers, most of which are located in the Headquarters office. The financial system and Data Warehouse both reside on Windows 2000/2003 servers using Microsoft SQL 2000/2005 as their database backend. CRRA also has a scale management server; this resides on a Windows 2003 server, running MS SQL 2005. The Corporate E-mail is Exchange 2000

### **1.4 Wide Area Network**

Each office is connected to the WAN. The WAN is currently using Cisco routers utilizing point-to-point circuits.

## **2. THE SERVICES**

The Contractor will perform for CRRA the category of computer information consulting Services that corresponds to the type of service indicated on Page 1 of the Bid Form And Agreement and as specified in more detail below.

- (a) A Field Technician to provide assistance to and backup for CRRA IT staff ("Field Technician");
- (b) Microsoft System Engineer(s) to provide technical expertise for CRRA IT staff ("Microsoft System Engineer");
- (c) Cisco System Engineer(s) to provide technical expertise for CRRA IT staff ("Cisco System Engineer"); and
- (d) A Web Page Specialist(s) to provide assistance to CRRA IT staff in developing and maintaining CRRA web sites ("Web Page Services").

### **2.1 Field Technician**

The Field Technician will assist with critical "break/fix" support on an "on call" basis. The Field Technician will be used as a resource to provide expert technical support on basic hardware and software issues. This individual will learn the technical operations of CRRA and provide onsite support and assistance to CRRA IT staff when internal resources are not sufficient to handle the Services load and when CRRA IT staff is unavailable due to vacations, training or other unforeseen

events. This will provide redundancy for the position and limit CRRA's exposure in the event of an IT crisis.

Normally, CRRA will schedule onsite assistance and support of the Field Technician at least 24 hours in advance. However, in emergency situations, the Field Technician must respond to an emergency request from CRRA for onsite assistance and support within four (4) hours of receiving the request.

CRRA anticipates that it will require the onsite assistance and support of the Field Technician an average approximately three to four days per month.

## **2.2 Microsoft System Engineer**

The Microsoft System Engineer(s) will provide technical expertise for CRRA IT staff. The System Engineer(s) will provide general high level "on call" support and must be available to help with projects where a specific expertise is required.

## **2.3 Cisco System Engineer**

The Cisco System Engineer(s) will provide technical expertise for CRRA IT staff. The System Engineer(s) will provide general high level "on call" support and must be available to help with projects where a specific expertise is required.

## **2.4 Web Page Services**

Web Page Specialist(s) will assist CRRA IT staff in developing and maintaining CRRA web pages. CRRA currently has an internet page (<http://www.crra.org/>) and an intranet page. While CRRA IT staff have had training in various web page software applications, the staff require the services of a Web Page Specialist to assist in making revisions to the existing web pages and maintaining the pages.

**EXHIBIT B**

**To**

**COMPUTER INFORMATION CONSULTING SERVICES  
AGREEMENT**

**REQUEST FOR SERVICES STANDARD FORMAT**



**REQUEST FOR SERVICES**

[Date]

[Name of Consultant]  
[Address of Consultant]

**Re: Computer Information Consulting Services Agreement  
Request for Services**

Dear \_\_\_\_\_:

This Request will authorize you to provide the Services described below in accordance with the terms and conditions of the Computer Information Consulting Services Agreement, dated [DATE OF AGREEMENT] between CRRA and you.

The Scope of Services, Estimated time of Performance and Estimated Costs set forth below will become a part of the above-referenced Agreement and will be incorporated therein, as an amendment, upon your acceptance of this Request, to be indicated below. The Scope of Services is the product of consultation between CRRA and you and the Estimated Time of Performance and Estimated Costs have been provided by you and deemed acceptable by CRRA.

**1. Scope of Services**

[PROVIDE DETAILS]

**2. Estimated Time of Performance**

[PER CONSULTANT]

**3. Estimated Costs**

[PER CONSULTANT]

These costs are not to be exceeded without CRRA's prior written consent. CRRA shall not pay for any services rendered or expenses incurred by Consultant in excess of those included in this Request unless specifically authorized in advance and in writing by CRRA.

Sincerely,

CONNECTICUT RESOURCES RECOVERY AUTHORITY

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Accepted and agreed to under the terms of the  
Computer Information Consulting Services Agreement  
dated [DATE OF AGREEMENT]

CONSULTANT [FIRM NAME]

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Title: \_\_\_\_\_

STANDARD FORMAT

**EXHIBIT C**

**To**

**COMPUTER INFORMATION CONSULTING SERVICES  
AGREEMENT**

**COMPENSATION SCHEDULE**

## **COMPENSATION SCHEDULE**

[The Compensation Schedule will be added by CRRA based on the successful Proposer's Proposal Payment Rate Schedule Form, as such Form may be modified as a result of negotiations between CRRA and the successful Proposer.]

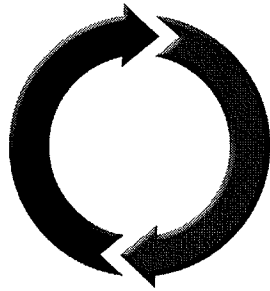


**EXHIBIT D**

**To**

**COMPUTER INFORMATION CONSULTING SERVICES  
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**CRRA TRAVEL AND EXPENSE POLICY**



**CONNECTICUT  
RESOURCES  
RECOVERY  
AUTHORITY**

# **TRAVEL POLICY AND EXPENSE REPORTING**

**BOARD OF DIRECTORS POLICY AND PROCEDURE  
NUMBER 032**

**APPROVED BY CRRA BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
SEPTEMBER 29, 2005**

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# **CONNECTICUT RESOURCES RECOVERY AUTHORITY TRAVEL POLICY AND EXPENSE REPORTING**

## **1. GENERAL STATEMENT**

This Travel Policy and Expense Reporting guide presents the policies that all CRRA employees (hereafter “employee(s)”) must adhere to in the planning and conducting of their business travel and their reimbursement requests. CRRA requires that all travel expenditures and their accountings meet the Internal Revenue Service requirements of “ordinary, necessary and reasonable” and should be conservative and consistent with the nature of the business assignment. These policies safeguard CRRA and protect the employee from being assessed additional taxable income. All employees are expected to fully comply with the policies and instructions in this guide. Reimbursements for actual and necessary expenses made to Directors of CRRA shall be made consistent with the provisions of this Travel Policy And Expense Reporting guide; however, as stated in the Connecticut General Statutes, Directors shall not be required to obtain pre-approval from the President for any expenses.

## **2. APPROVALS**

Prior written approval by the President or the employee’s Division Head at least one (1) week in advance is required for all overnight trips out of state, except in an emergency. It is the obligation of the employee to obtain this prior approval and no reimbursement will be made without this approval.

Prior written approval by the President or the employee’s Division Head at least one (1) week in advance is required for all employee trips that are for educational seminars, professional conferences, vendor-initiated field trips, and industry organization events.

To obtain written approval, the employee must complete the overnight travel form, and, if a cash advance is requested, complete a cash advance form that estimates the out-of-pocket expenses, and submit the completed form(s) to the appropriate Division Head or President in as far in advance as possible of departure date.

## **3. TRANSPORTATION**

Transportation expenses should be kept to a minimum. The most direct and practical route should be selected.

## **3.1 Rental Automobile**

Rental car expenses will be paid by CRRA and whenever possible should be billed directly to CRRA to take advantage of CRRA's tax-exempt status and any other discounts available to CRRA.

### **3.1.1 Insurance**

#### **3.1.1.1 Business Use Of A Rental Automobile**

Employees on business do not need to purchase additional insurance coverage (collision damage waiver or excess liability) from the rental company. The Corporate Insurance Program covers these risks. Please note that all vehicles must be rented in CRRA's name to have CRRA's policy cover the employee.

#### **3.1.1.2 Personal Use Of A Rental Automobile**

Employees are prohibited from using a CRRA rental automobile for personal use. Personal use that is incidental to CRRA business use will be covered by the CRRA insurance policy as long as the vehicle was rented in CRRA's name. Incidental usage is defined as usage of the vehicle that is directly related to business usage (e.g. mileage to get meals on a business trip).

## **3.2 Business Use Of Employee's Car**

### **3.2.1 Reimbursement Rate**

The reimbursement rate for an employee's use of their personal automobile for CRRA business is the IRS approved rate, as adjusted from time to time by the IRS, for employee use of their personal car on business. The above mileage reimbursement allowance for business use of an employee's vehicle is calculated in a manner that takes into account all auto-related expenses, including the cost of carrying insurance (without a deductible). Therefore, CRRA will not reimburse an employee for vehicle damage or personal liability that occurs while a personal automobile is being used on CRRA business if the employee drives their personal vehicle 2,500 miles per year or more. This includes any deductible that may apply. However, if an employee's vehicle is driven on company business 2,500 miles or less annually, and is involved in a motor vehicle accident, CRRA will reimburse the employee through the normal expense reimbursement process for their physical damage deductible up to a maximum of \$500.00 per accident. Evidence of the payment of the deductible by the employee must be provided to CRRA in order to receive reimbursement. (Traveling on business does not include any travel involved in commuting to or from work, lunch time errands or anything other than authorized business use). Before an employee seeks the foregoing reimbursement for the use of his personal automobile, the

employee shall provide CRRA with written evidence of his personal automobile insurance with limits as required by the Connecticut General Statutes. The foregoing written proof shall be kept on file in the CRRA Finance Division.

### **3.2.2 Mileage Calculation**

In all travel away from the CRRA office, the employee will be reimbursed using the shortest distance between points. For travel from Hartford to a CRRA facility, the President shall cause the shortest distance to be determined and the President shall cause such determination to be made available to employees. Unless approved by an employee's Division Head, employees shall use the distances determined by the President in all requests for reimbursement for travel from Hartford to a CRRA facility. An employee may request and the employee's Division Head may approve distances other than those determined by the President in extraordinary circumstances when, for reasons beyond the control of the employee, the route of the shortest distance was not reasonably available for use.

In calculating mileage, the normal commute mileage to and from the employee's home to the employee's assigned place of work must be deducted from the total trip mileage. For example, if the total trip mileage equals 100 miles, and normal commute mileage equals 20 miles, CRRA will reimburse the employee for 80 miles. This is in accordance with Internal Revenue Service and State of Connecticut policy.

### **3.2.3 Tolls/Parking**

No receipts are necessary for tolls or parking unless they exceed five (\$5.00) dollars.

## **3.3 Air Travel**

All air travel requires prior approval from the CRRA President. For approved travel, CRRA will reimburse employees only for coach accommodations. Employees are encouraged to inquire about discount packages and to take advantage of the least costly route whenever possible. When an employee plans a trip, the reservations should be made as far in advance as practical to obtain the lowest rate. All approved air travel for the previous month shall be reported to the CRRA Board of Directors at its next Board Meeting.

## **3.4 Taxis**

Taxi service may be used when no other form of public transportation is available or when the cost of a taxi is close to the cost of public transportation. Employees are encouraged to use courtesy cars, airport limousines, or buses whenever possible. Since some taxi services do not provide receipts, you should have the back of your business card signed, dated, and the amount of the fare indicated by the driver.

### **3.5 CRRA Owned Automobiles**

Please refer to the CRRA Vehicle Usage Policy adopted by the CRRA Board of Directors at its November 21, 2003, Board of Directors Meeting.

#### **4. MEALS**

Permissible expenditures for meals and tips depend on location and circumstances. Only reasonable and customary charges will be allowed and reimbursed by CRRA. An exception may be granted by the President in unusual circumstances. In-state breakfast, lunch, and dinner will not be reimbursed unless they involve a business meeting.

#### **5. LODGING**

Lodging accommodations in reasonable and economically priced single occupancy rooms, including customary tips, are reimbursable if the employee has to stay away from home overnight because of unfinished business or an early morning business meeting.

Employees should request government rates at the time of making reservations.

#### **6. INCIDENTALS**

The incidentals allowance encompasses such things as gratuities and one telephone call a day of reasonable duration to the employee's home. It is anticipated that the cost of such calls generally will appear on the employee's hotel bill.

#### **7. PERSONAL EXPENSES**

Some travel expenses are considered personal and CRRA will not reimburse them. The following, while not all inclusive, lists examples of such personal expenses that are not reimbursable expenses: amusements, athletic events, barbers, books for personal reading, athletic court or gym costs, damage to luggage, fines, hair stylists, magazines, newspapers, movies, and saunas.

#### **8. OTHER BUSINESS EXPENSES**

With prior approval of the President, CRRA will reimburse an employee for the incidental costs necessary to further an important CRRA business purpose. Any foregoing expense must be reported to the Board at the Board's next Board of Directors meeting. Any such expense must be documented by showing the following:

- The name(s) of the person or persons and the location and nature of the expense.
- The business relationship with CRRA.
- The specific business reason for the expense.
- The actual business conducted.

CRRA will not reimburse the cost of home entertaining.

## 9. EXPENSE REPORTING

All expense reporting must be submitted to CRRA using the CRRA expense reimbursement form(s) within twenty working days after the day the employee returns from his/her trip.

## 10. RECEIPTS

Employees shall obtain receipts for all travel expenses, exclusive of mileage reimbursement. This includes receipts for all meals, airfare, bus fare, taxi, toll or parking charges in excess of \$5.00 dollars, limousine, hotel, and registration fees. Travel expenses in excess of the stated guidelines herein will be reimbursed only if all receipts accompany expense vouchers. Expenses submitted without a receipt, except for gratuity and certain transfer charges, may not be reimbursed.

Original receipts are required for all entertainment.

## 11. EXCEPTIONS

Exceptions to these travel and expense guidelines will be authorized only upon the prior authorization of President when the circumstances warrant. Any such exception to these travel and expense guidelines should be documented and the President should notify the CRRA Board of Directors of such exception at the Board's next Board Meeting.

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**EXHIBIT E**

**To**

**COMPUTER INFORMATION CONSULTING SERVICES  
AGREEMENT**

**MONTHLY BILL FORMAT**

## MONTHLY BILL FORMAT

Name of Consultant:	
Contract Number:	
Billing Period:	
Project Name:	Computer Information Consulting Services
Purchase Order Number:	
Request For Services Number:	

**TASK (Insert Task Number and Name; Use a separate set of tables for each task.)**

Personnel	Title	Work Performed	Hours	Rate	Amount
(Insert Name of Person who worked on Task)					
(Insert Name of Person who worked on Task)					
(Insert Name of Person who worked on Task)					
<b>Subtotal Personnel</b>					
<b>Ancillary Services/Equipment</b>			<b>Units</b>	<b>Rate</b>	<b>Amount</b>
(Insert Name of Ancillary Services/Equipment used for Task)					
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(Insert Name of Ancillary Services/Equipment used for Task)					
<b>Subtotal Ancillary Services/Equipment</b>					

<b>Subtotal for Task (Insert Task Number)</b>	
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<b>TOTAL (Insert billing period for which bill is being submitted)</b>	
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**EXHIBIT F**

**To**

**COMPUTER INFORMATION CONSULTING SERVICES  
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**SEEC FORM 11**

**NOTICE TO EXECUTIVE BRANCH STATE  
CONTRACTORS AND PROSPECTIVE STATE  
CONTRACTORS OF CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTION  
AND SOLICITATION BAN**

SEEC FORM 11

**NOTICE TO EXECUTIVE BRANCH STATE CONTRACTORS AND PROSPECTIVE STATE CONTRACTORS OF CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTION AND SOLICITATION BAN**

This notice is provided under the authority of Connecticut General Statutes 9-612(g)(2), as amended by P.A. 07-1, and is for the purpose of informing state contractors and prospective state contractors of the following law (italicized words are defined on the following page):

**Campaign Contribution and Solicitation Ban**

*No state contractor, prospective state contractor, principal of a state contractor or principal of a prospective state contractor, with regard to a state contract or state contract solicitation with or from a state agency in the executive branch or a quasi-public agency or a holder, or principal of a holder of a valid prequalification certificate, shall make a contribution to, or solicit contributions on behalf of (i) an exploratory committee or candidate committee established by a candidate for nomination or election to the office of Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Attorney General, State Comptroller, Secretary of the State or State Treasurer, (ii) a political committee authorized to make contributions or expenditures to or for the benefit of such candidates, or (iii) a party committee;*

In addition, no holder or principal of a holder of a valid prequalification certificate, shall make a contribution to, or solicit contributions on behalf of (i) an exploratory committee or candidate committee established by a candidate for nomination or election to the office of State senator or State representative, (ii) a political committee authorized to make contributions or expenditures to or for the benefit of such candidates, or (iii) a party committee.

**Duty to Inform**

State contractors and prospective state contractors are required to inform their principals of the above prohibitions, as applicable, and the possible penalties and other consequences of any violation thereof.

**Penalties for Violations**

Contributions or solicitations of contributions made in violation of the above prohibitions may result in the following civil and criminal penalties:

Civil penalties--\$2000 or twice the amount of the prohibited contribution, whichever is greater, against a principal or a contractor. Any state contractor or prospective state contractor which fails to make reasonable efforts to comply with the provisions requiring notice to its principals of these prohibitions and the possible consequences of their violations may also be subject to civil penalties of \$2000 or twice the amount of the prohibited contributions made by their principals.

Criminal penalties--Any knowing and willful violation of the prohibition is a Class D felony, which may subject the violator to imprisonment of not more than 5 years, or \$5000 in fines, or both.

**Contract Consequences**

Contributions made or solicited in violation of the above prohibitions may result, in the case of a state contractor, in the contract being voided.

Contributions made or solicited in violation of the above prohibitions, in the case of a prospective state contractor, shall result in the contract described in the state contract solicitation not being awarded to the prospective state contractor, unless the State Elections Enforcement Commission determines that mitigating circumstances exist concerning such violation.

The State will not award any other state contract to anyone found in violation of the above prohibitions for a period of one year after the election for which such contribution is made or solicited, unless the State Elections Enforcement Commission determines that mitigating circumstances exist concerning such violation.

Additional information and the entire text of P.A 07-1 may be found on the website of the State Elections Enforcement Commission, [www.ct.gov/seec](http://www.ct.gov/seec). Click on the link to "State Contractor Contribution Ban."

Definitions:

"State contractor" means a person, business entity or nonprofit organization that enters into a state contract. Such person, business entity or nonprofit organization shall be deemed to be a state contractor until December thirty-first of the year in which such contract terminates. "State contractor" does not include a municipality or any other political subdivision of the state, including any entities or associations duly created by the municipality or political subdivision exclusively amongst themselves to further any purpose authorized by statute or charter, or an employee in the executive or legislative branch of state government or a quasi-public agency, whether in the classified or unclassified service and full or part-time, and only in such person's capacity as a state or quasi-public agency employee.

"Prospective state contractor" means a person, business entity or nonprofit organization that (i) submits a response to a state contract solicitation by the state, a state agency or a quasi-public agency, or a proposal in response to a request for proposals by the state, a state agency or a quasi-public agency, until the contract has been entered into, or (ii) holds a valid prequalification certificate issued by the Commissioner of Administrative Services under section 4a-100. "Prospective state contractor" does not include a municipality or any other political subdivision of the state, including any entities or associations duly created by the municipality or political subdivision exclusively amongst themselves to further any purpose authorized by statute or charter, or an employee in the executive or legislative branch of state government or a quasi-public agency, whether in the classified or unclassified service and full or part-time, and only in such person's capacity as a state or quasi-public agency employee.

"Principal of a state contractor or prospective state contractor" means (i) any individual who is a member of the board of directors of, or has an ownership interest of five per cent or more in, a state contractor or prospective state contractor, which is a business entity, except for an individual who is a member of the board of directors of a nonprofit organization, (ii) an individual who is employed by a state contractor or prospective state contractor, which is a business entity, as president, treasurer or executive vice president, (iii) an individual who is the chief executive officer of a state contractor or prospective state contractor, which is not a business entity, or if a state contractor or prospective state contractor has no such officer, then the officer who duly possesses comparable powers and duties, (iv) an officer or an employee of any state contractor or prospective state contractor who has *managerial or discretionary responsibilities with respect to a state contract*, (v) the spouse or a *dependent child* who is eighteen years of age or older of an individual described in this subparagraph, or (vi) a political committee established or controlled by an individual described in this subparagraph or the business entity or nonprofit organization that is the state contractor or prospective state contractor.

"State contract" means an agreement or contract with the state or any state agency or any quasi-public agency, let through a procurement process or otherwise, having a value of fifty thousand dollars or more, or a combination or series of such agreements or contracts having a value of one hundred thousand dollars or more in a calendar year, for (i) the rendition of services, (ii) the furnishing of any goods, material, supplies, equipment or any items of any kind, (iii) the construction, alteration or repair of any public building or public work, (iv) the acquisition, sale or lease of any land or building, (v) a licensing arrangement, or (vi) a grant, loan or loan guarantee. "State contract" does not include any agreement or contract with the state, any state agency or any quasi-public agency that is exclusively federally funded, an education loan or a loan to an individual for other than commercial purposes.

"State contract solicitation" means a request by a state agency or quasi-public agency, in whatever form issued, including, but not limited to, an invitation to bid, request for proposals, request for information or request for quotes, inviting bids, quotes or other types of submittals, through a competitive procurement process or another process authorized by law waiving competitive procurement.

"Managerial or discretionary responsibilities with respect to a state contract" means having direct, extensive and substantive responsibilities with respect to the negotiation of the state contract and not peripheral, clerical or ministerial responsibilities.

"Dependent child" means a child residing in an individual's household who may legally be claimed as a dependent on the federal income tax of such individual.

"Solicit" means (A) requesting that a contribution be made, (B) participating in any fund-raising activities for a candidate committee, exploratory committee, political committee or party committee, including, but not limited to, forwarding tickets to potential contributors, receiving contributions for transmission to any such committee or bundling contributions, (C) serving as chairperson, treasurer or deputy treasurer of any such committee, or (D) establishing a political committee for the sole purpose of soliciting or receiving contributions for any committee. Solicit does not include: (i) making a contribution that is otherwise permitted by Chapter 155 of the Connecticut General Statutes; (ii) informing any person of a position taken by a candidate for public office or a public official, (iii) notifying the person of any activities of, or contact information for, any candidate for public office; or (iv) serving as a member in any party committee or as an officer of such committee that is not otherwise prohibited in this section.