



**CONNECTICUT  
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RECOVERY  
AUTHORITY**

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

**FOR**

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

**PROPOSAL DUE DATE  
January 11, 2008**

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

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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**



**PROPOSAL FORM**

**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 <u>AND</u> 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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SECTION 12  
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."