

State of Nebraska - INVITATION TO BID CONTRACT

Return to:
State Purchasing Bureau
1526 K Street, Suite 130
Lincoln, Nebraska 68508

Telephone: 402-471-6500
Fax: 402-471-2089

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Solicitation Number	6153 OF		
Opening Date and Time	10/18/19	2:00 pm	
Buyer	CHRISTIE KELLY (AS)		

DESTINATION OF GOODS
MULTIPLE DELIVERY LOCATIONS
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Per Nebraska's Transparency in Government Procurement Act, DAS is required to collect statistical information regarding the number of contracts awarded to Nebraska contractors. This information is for statistical purposes only and will not be considered for contract award purposes.

X NEBRASKA CONTRACTOR AFFIDAVIT: Bidder hereby attests that bidder is a Nebraska Contractor. "Nebraska Contractor" shall mean any bidder who has maintained a bona fide place of business and at least one employee within this state for at least the six (6) months immediately preceding the posting date of this ITB.

_____ I hereby certify that I am a Resident disabled veteran or business located in a designated enterprise zone in accordance with Neb. Rev. Stat. §73-107 and wish to have preference, if applicable, considered in the award of this contract.

Contract to supply and deliver Propane to the State of Nebraska as per the attached specifications for a one (1) year period from date of award. The contract may be renewed for one (1) additional one (1) year period when mutually agreeable to the vendor and the State of Nebraska.

(9/20/19 mel/sc)

INVITATION

Line	Description	Quantity	Unit of Measure	Unit Price	Extended Price ⁰⁰
1	PROPANE LAKE MCCONAUGHY STATE RECREATION AREA CONTACT INFORMATION: COLBY JOHNSON, SUPT. 308-284-8800	8,000.0000	GL	<u>1.20</u>	<u>\$ 9600</u> ⁰⁰
2	PROPANE ASH HOLLOW STATE RECREATION AREA CONTACT INFORMATION: TAMARA COOPER, SUPT. 308-778-5651	4,000.0000	GL	<u>1.20</u>	<u>\$ 4800</u> ⁰⁰

BIDDER MUST COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING

DISCOUNT PAYMENT TERMS: 0 % 30 DAYS

By signing this Invitation to Bid form, the bidder guarantees compliance with the provisions stated in this Invitation to Bid, agrees to the terms and conditions unless otherwise agreed to (see Section III) and certifies that bidder maintains a drug free work place environment. Vendor will furnish the items requested within 1 days after receipt of order. Failure to enter Delivery Date may cause quotation to be REJECTED.

Sign R-B
Here (Authorized Signature MANDATORY - MUST BE SIGNED IN INK)

Enter Contact Information Below

VENDOR# 2035799
VENDOR: SAPP BROS. PETROLEUM INC
Address: 9915 South 148th ST
OMAHA NE 68138

Contact RANDY BENSON
Telephone 402-895-2202
Facsimile 402-895-4253
Email rbenson@sappbros.net

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3	PROPANE BOWRING RANCH STATE HISTORICAL PARK CONTACT INFORMATION: DIANE BURRESS, SUPT. 308-684-3428	7,000.0000	GL	<u>NO BID</u>	<u>NO BID</u>
4	PROPANE ET MAHONEY STATE HISTORICAL PARK CONTACT INFORMATION: JAKE RODIEK, SUPT. 402-944-2523	10,000.0000	GL	<u>\$.959</u>	<u>\$9590.⁰⁰</u>
5	PROPANE PLATTE RIVER STATE PARK CONTACT INFORMATION: ADAM JOHNS, SUPT. 402-234-2217	16,000.0000	GL	<u>\$.959</u>	<u>\$15,344.⁰⁰</u>

LEAK CHECK IF RUNOUT
IS CUSTOMERS FAULT

\$ 50⁰⁰

AFTER HOURS CALL OUT
6pm - 6AM

\$ 150⁰⁰

EQUIPMENT UPGRADES
MAINTENANCE WORK

CASE BY
CASE BASIS
with both
PARTIES
Agreeing to the
COST.

II. TERMS AND CONDITIONS

Contractors should complete Sections II through VI as part of their bid. Contractor is expected to read the Terms and Conditions and must initial either accept, reject, or reject and provide alternative language for each clause. The Contractor should also provide an explanation of why the Contractor rejected the clause or rejected the clause and provided alternate language using "Track Changes". Upon request, an electronic copy of the bid with "Track Changes" must be submitted in an editable Word format. By signing the solicitation, Contractor is agreeing to be legally bound by all the accepted terms and conditions, and any proposed alternative terms and conditions submitted with the bid. The State reserves the right to negotiate rejected or proposed alternative language. If the State and Contractor fail to agree on the final Terms and Conditions, the State reserves the right to reject the bid. The State is soliciting bids in response to the solicitation. The State reserves the right to reject bids that attempt to substitute the Contractor's commercial contracts and/or documents for this solicitation.

The Contractor should submit with their bid any license, user agreement, service level agreement, or similar documents that the Contractor wants incorporated in the Contract. Upon notice of Intent to Award, the Contractor must submit a copy of these documents in an editable Word format. The State will not consider incorporation of any document not submitted with the Contractor's bid. These documents shall be subject to negotiation and will be incorporated as addendums if agreed to by the Parties.

If a conflict or ambiguity arises after the addendums have been negotiated and agreed to, the addendums shall be interpreted as follows:

1. If only one (1) Party's document has a particular clause then that clause shall control;
2. If both Party's documents have a similar clause, but the clauses do not conflict, the clauses shall be read together;
3. If both Party's documents have a similar clause, but the clauses conflict, the State's clause shall control.

A. GENERAL

Accept (Initial)	Reject (Initial)	Reject & Provide Alternative within Bid (Initial)	NOTES/COMMENTS:
			

The contract resulting from this solicitation shall incorporate the following documents:

1. Invitation to Bid and Addenda;
2. Amendments to the solicitation;
3. Questions and Answers;
4. Contractor's bid;
5. The executed Contract and any Addenda, if applicable, and properly submitted documents; and,
6. Amendments to the Contract

These documents constitute the entirety of the contract.

Unless otherwise specifically stated in a future contract amendment, in case of any conflict between the incorporated documents, the documents shall govern in the following order of preference with number one (1) receiving preference over all other documents and with each lower numbered document having preference over any higher numbered document: 1) Amendment to the executed Contract with the most recent dated amendment having the highest priority, 2) executed Contract and any attached Addenda, 3) Amendments to solicitation and any Questions and Answers, 4) the original solicitation document and any Addenda, and 5) the Contractor's submitted Bid.

Any ambiguity or conflict in the contract discovered after its execution, not otherwise addressed herein, shall be resolved in accordance with the rules of contract interpretation as established in the State.

B. NOTIFICATION

Contractor and State shall identify the contract manager who shall serve as the point of contact for the executed contract.

Communications regarding the executed contract shall be in writing and shall be deemed to have been given if delivered personally or mailed, by U.S. Mail, postage prepaid, return receipt requested, to the parties at their respective addresses set forth below, or at such other addresses as may be specified in writing by either of the parties. All notices, requests, or communications shall be deemed effective upon personal delivery or five (5) calendar days following deposit in the mail.

Either party may change its address for notification purposes by giving notice of the change, and setting forth the new address and an effective date.

C. NOTICE/BUYER REPRESENTATIVE (POC)

The State reserves the right to appoint a Buyer's Representative to manage [or assist the Buyer in managing] the contract on behalf of the State. The Buyer's Representative will be appointed in writing, and the appointment document will specify the extent of the Buyer's Representative authority and responsibilities. If a Buyer's Representative is appointed, the Contractor will be provided a copy of the appointment document, and is expected to cooperate accordingly with the Buyer's Representative. The Buyer's Representative has no authority to bind the State to a contract, amendment, addendum, or other change or addition to the contract.

D. GOVERNING LAW (Statutory)

Notwithstanding any other provision of this contract, or any amendment or addendum(s) entered into contemporaneously or at a later time, the parties understand and agree that, (1) the State of Nebraska is a sovereign state and its authority to contract is therefore subject to limitation by the State's Constitution, statutes, common law, and regulation; (2) this contract will be interpreted and enforced under the laws of the State of Nebraska; (3) any action to enforce the provisions of this contract must be brought in the State of Nebraska per state law; (4) the person signing this contract on behalf of the State of Nebraska does not have the authority to waive the State's sovereign immunity, statutes, common law, or regulations; (5) the indemnity, limitation of liability, remedy, and other similar provisions of the final contract, if any, are entered into subject to the State's Constitution, statutes, common law, regulations, and sovereign immunity; and, (6) all terms and conditions of the final contract, including but not limited to the clauses concerning third-party use, licenses, warranties, limitations of liability, governing law and venue, usage verification, indemnity, liability, remedy or other similar provisions of the final contract are entered into specifically subject to the State's Constitution, statutes, common law, regulations, and sovereign immunity.

The Parties must comply with all applicable local, state and federal laws, ordinances, rules, orders, and regulations.

E. AMENDMENT

This Contract may be amended in writing, within scope, upon the agreement of both parties.

F. CHANGE ORDERS OR SUBSTITUTIONS

Accept (Initial)	Reject (Initial)	Reject & Provide Alternative within Bid (Initial)	NOTES/COMMENTS:
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The State and the Contractor, upon the written agreement, may make changes to the contract within the general scope of the solicitation. Changes may involve specifications, the quantity of work or such other items as the State may find necessary or desirable. Corrections of any deliverable, service, or work required pursuant to the contract shall not be deemed a change. The Contractor may not claim forfeiture of the contract by reasons of such changes.

The Contractor shall prepare a written description of the work required due to the change and an itemized cost sheet for the change. Changes in work and the amount of compensation to be paid to the Contractor shall be determined in accordance with applicable unit prices if any, a pro-rated value, or through negotiations. The State shall not incur a price increase for changes that should have been included in the Contractor's bid, were foreseeable, or result from difficulties with or failure of the Contractor's bid or performance.

No change shall be implemented by the Contractor until approved by the State, and the Contract is amended to reflect the change and associated costs, if any. If there is a dispute regarding the cost, but both parties agree that immediate implementation is necessary, the change may be implemented, and cost negotiations may continue with both Parties retaining all remedies under the contract and law.

In the event any product is discontinued or replaced upon mutual consent during the contract period or prior to delivery, the State reserves the right to amend the contract or purchase order to include the alternate product at the same price.

*****Contractor will not substitute any item that has been awarded without prior written approval of SPB*****

G. VENDOR PERFORMANCE REPORT(S)

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The State may document any instance(s) of products or services delivered or performed which exceed or fail to meet the terms of the purchase order, contract, and/or solicitation specifications. The State Purchasing Bureau may contact the Vendor regarding any such report. Vendor performance report(s) will become a part of the permanent record of the Vendor.

H. NOTICE OF POTENTIAL CONTRACTOR BREACH

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If Contractor breaches the contract or anticipates breaching the contract, the Contractor shall immediately give written notice to the State. The notice shall explain the breach or potential breach, a proposed cure, and may include a request for a waiver of the breach if so desired. The State may, in its discretion, temporarily or permanently waive the breach. By granting a waiver, the State does not forfeit any rights or remedies to which the State is entitled by law or equity, or pursuant to the provisions of the contract. Failure to give immediate notice, however, may be grounds for denial of any request for a waiver of a breach.

I. BREACH

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Either Party may terminate the contract, in whole or in part, if the other Party breaches its duty to perform its obligations under the contract in a timely and proper manner. Termination requires written notice of default and a thirty (30) calendar day (or longer at the non-breaching Party's discretion considering the gravity and nature of the default) cure period. Said notice shall be delivered by Certified Mail, Return Receipt Requested, or in person with proof of delivery. Allowing time to cure a failure or breach of contract does not waive the right to immediately terminate the contract for the same or different contract breach, which may occur at a different time.

In case of breach by the Contractor, the State may, without unreasonable delay, make a good faith effort to make a reasonable purchase or contract to purchased goods in substitution of those due from the contractor. The State may recover from the Contractor as damages the difference between the costs of covering the breach. Notwithstanding any clause to the contrary, the State may also recover the contract price together with any incidental or consequential damages defined in UCC Section 2-715, but less expenses saved in consequence of Contractor's breach. OR In case of default of the Contractor, the State may contract the service from other sources and hold the Contractor responsible for any excess cost occasioned thereby.

The State's failure to make payment shall not be a breach, and the Contractor shall retain all available statutory remedies. (See Indemnity - Self-Insurance and Payment)

J. NON-WAIVER OF BREACH

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The acceptance of late performance with or without objection or reservation by a Party shall not waive any rights of the Party nor constitute a waiver of the requirement of timely performance of any obligations remaining to be performed.

K. SEVERABILITY

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If any term or condition of the contract is declared by a court of competent jurisdiction to be illegal or in conflict with any law, the validity of the remaining terms and conditions shall not be affected, and the rights and obligations of the parties shall be construed and enforced as if the contract did not contain the provision held to be invalid or illegal.

L. INDEMNIFICATION

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1. GENERAL

The Contractor agrees to defend, indemnify, and hold harmless the State and its employees, volunteers, agents, and its elected and appointed officials ("the indemnified parties") from and against any and all claims, liens, demands, damages, liability, actions, causes of action, losses, judgments, costs, and expenses of every nature, including investigation costs and expenses, settlement costs, and attorney fees and expenses ("the claims"), sustained or asserted against the State for personal injury, death, or property loss or damage, arising out of, resulting from, or attributable to the willful misconduct, negligence, error, or omission of the Contractor, its employees, Subcontractors, consultants, representatives, and agents, resulting from this contract, except to the extent such Contractor liability is attenuated by any action of the State which directly and proximately contributed to the claims.

2. SELF-INSURANCE (Statutory)

The State is self-insured for any loss and purchases excess insurance coverage pursuant to Neb. Rev. Stat. § 81-8,239.01 (Reissue 2008). If there is a presumed loss under the provisions of this contract, Contractor may file a claim with the Office of Risk Management pursuant to Neb. Rev. Stat. §§ 81-8,829 through 81-8,306 for review by the State Claims Board. The State retains all rights and immunities under the State Miscellaneous (Section 81-8,294), Tort (Section 81-8,209), and Contract Claim Acts (Section 81-8,302), as outlined in Neb. Rev. Stat. § 81-8,209 et seq. and under any other provisions of law and accepts liability under this contract to the extent provided by law.

M. ATTORNEY'S FEES

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In the event of any litigation, appeal, or other legal action to enforce any provision of the contract, the Parties agree to pay all expenses of such action, as permitted by law and if ordered by the court, including attorney's fees and costs, if the other party prevails.

N. ASSIGNMENT, SALE, OR MERGER

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Either party may assign the contract upon mutual written agreement of the other party. Such agreement shall not be unreasonably withheld.

The Contractor retains the right to enter into a sale, merger, acquisition, internal reorganization, or similar transaction involving Contractor's business. Contractor agrees to cooperate with the State in executing amendments to the contract to allow for the transaction. If a third party or entity is involved in the transaction, the Contractor will remain responsible for performance of the contract until such time as the person or entity involved in the transaction agrees in writing to be contractually bound by this contract and perform all obligations of the contract.

O. CONTRACTING WITH OTHER POLITICAL SUB-DIVISIONS OF THE STATE OR ANOTHER STATE

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The Contractor may, but shall not be required to, allow agencies, as defined in Neb. Rev. Stat. § 81-145, to use this contract. The terms and conditions, including price, of the contract may not be amended. The State shall not be contractually obligated or liable for any contract entered into pursuant to this clause.

The Contractor may, but shall not be required to, allow other states, agencies or divisions of other states, or political subdivisions of other states to use this contract. The terms and conditions, including price, of this contract shall apply to any such contract, but may be amended upon mutual consent of the Parties. The State of Nebraska shall not be contractually or otherwise obligated or liable under any contract entered into pursuant to this clause. The State shall be notified if a contract is executed, based upon this contract.

P. FORCE MAJEURE

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Neither party shall be liable for any costs or damages, or for default resulting from its inability to perform any of its obligations under the contract due to a natural or man-made event outside the control and not the fault of the affected party ("Force Majeure Event"). The Party so affected shall immediately make a written request for relief to the other party, and shall have the burden of proof to justify the request. The other Party may granted the relief requested; relief may not be unreasonably withheld. Labor disputes with the impacted party's own employees will not be considered a Force Majeure Event.

Q. CONFIDENTIALITY

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All materials and information provided by the Parties or acquired by a Party on behalf of the other Party shall be regarded as confidential information. All materials and information provided or acquired shall be handled in accordance with federal and state law, and ethical standards. Should said confidentiality be breached by a Party, the Party shall notify the other Party immediately of said breach and take immediate corrective action.

It is incumbent upon the Parties to inform their officers and employees of the penalties for improper disclosure imposed by the Privacy Act of 1974, 5 U.S.C. 552a. Specifically, 5 U.S.C. 552a (i)(1), which is made applicable by 5 U.S.C. 552a (m)(1), provides that any officer or employee, who by virtue of his/her employment or official position has possession of or access to agency records which contain individually identifiable information, the disclosure of which is prohibited by the Privacy Act or regulations established thereunder, and who knowing that disclosure of the specific material is prohibited, willfully discloses the material in any manner to any person or agency not entitled to receive it, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and fined not more than \$5,000.00.

R. EARLY TERMINATION

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The contract may be terminated as follows:

1. The State and the Contractor, by mutual written agreement, may terminate the contract at any time.
2. The State, at its sole discretion, may terminate the contract for any reason upon thirty (30)-calendar day's written notice to the Contractor. Such termination shall not relieve the Contractor of warranty or other service obligations incurred under the terms of the contract. In the event of termination, the Contractor shall be entitled to payment, determined on a pro rata basis, for products or services satisfactorily performed or provided.
3. The State may terminate the contract immediately for the following reasons:
 - a. if directed to do so by statute;
 - b. Contractor has made an assignment for the benefit of creditors, has admitted in writing its inability to pay debts as they mature, or has ceased operating in the normal course of business;
 - c. a trustee or receiver of the Contractor or of any substantial part of the Contractor's assets has been appointed by a court;
 - d. fraud, misappropriation, embezzlement, malfeasance, misfeasance, or illegal conduct pertaining to performance under the contract by its Contractor, its employees, officers, directors, or shareholders;
 - e. an involuntary proceeding has been commenced by any party against the Contractor under any one of the chapters of Title 11 of the United States Code and (i) the proceeding has been pending for at least sixty (60) calendar days; or (ii) the Contractor has consented, either expressly or by operation of law, to the entry of an order for relief; or (iii) the Contractor has been decreed or adjudged a debtor;
 - f. a voluntary petition has been filed by the Contractor under any of the chapters of Title 11 of the United States Code;
 - g. Contractor intentionally discloses confidential information;
 - h. Contractor has or announces it will discontinue support of the deliverable; and,
 - i. In the event funding is no longer available.

III. CONTRACTOR DUTIES

A. INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR / OBLIGATIONS

Accept (Initial)	Reject (Initial)	Reject & Provide Alternative within Bid (Initial)	NOTES/COMMENTS:
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It is agreed that the Contractor is an independent contractor and that nothing contained herein is intended or should be construed as creating or establishing a relationship of employment, agency, or a partnership.

The Contractor is solely responsible for fulfilling the contract. The Contractor or the Contractor's representative shall be the sole point of contact regarding all contractual matters.

The Contractor shall secure, at its own expense, all personnel required to perform the services under the contract. The personnel the Contractor uses to fulfill the contract shall have no contractual or other legal relationship with the State; they shall not be considered employees of the State and shall not be entitled to any compensation, rights or benefits from the State, including but not limited to, tenure rights, medical and hospital care, sick and vacation leave, severance pay, or retirement benefits.

By-name personnel commitments made in the Contractor's bid shall not be changed without the prior written approval of the State. Replacement of these personnel, if approved by the State, shall be with personnel of equal or greater ability and qualifications.

The Contractor warrants that all persons assigned to the project shall be employees of the Contractor or a Subcontractor, and shall be fully qualified to perform the work required herein. Personnel employed by the Contractor or a subcontractor to fulfill the terms of the contract shall remain under the sole direction and control of the Contractor or the subcontractor respectively.

With respect to its employees, the Contractor agrees to be solely responsible for the following:

1. Any and all pay, benefits, and employment taxes and/or other payroll withholding;
2. Any and all vehicles used by the Contractor's employees, including all insurance required by state law;
3. Damages incurred by Contractor's employees within the scope of their duties under the contract;
4. Maintaining Workers' Compensation and health insurance that complies with state and federal law and submitting any reports on such insurance to the extent required by governing law;
5. Determining the hours to be worked and the duties to be performed by the Contractor's employees; and,
6. All claims on behalf of any person arising out of employment or alleged employment (including without limit claims of discrimination alleged against the Contractor, its officers, agents, or subcontractors or subcontractor's employees).

If the Contractor intends to utilize any subcontractor, the Subcontractor's level of effort, tasks, and time allocation must be clearly defined in the Contractor's bid. The Contractor shall agree that it will not utilize any Subcontractors not specifically included in its bid in the performance of the contract without the prior written authorization of the State.

The State reserves the right to require the Contractor to reassign or remove from the project any Contractor or Subcontractor employee.

Contractor shall insure that the terms and conditions contained in any contract with a sub-contractor does not conflict with the terms and conditions of this contract.

The Contractor shall include a similar provision, for the protection of the State, in the contract with any Subcontractor engaged to perform work on this contract.

B. EMPLOYEE WORK ELIGIBILITY STATUS

The Contractor is required and hereby agrees to use a federal immigration verification system to determine the work eligibility status of employees physically performing work within the State. A federal immigration verification system means the electronic verification of the work authorization program authorized by the Illegal Immigration Reform and Immigrant Responsibility Act of 1996, 8 U.S.C. 1324a, known as the E-Verify Program, or an equivalent federal program designated by the United States Department of Homeland Security or other federal agency authorized to verify the work eligibility status of an employee.

If the Contractor is an individual or sole proprietorship, the following applies:

1. The Contractor must complete the United States Citizenship Attestation Form, available on the DAS website at <http://das.nebraska.gov/materiel/purchasing.html>

The completed United States Attestation Form should be submitted with the solicitation response.

2. If the Contractor indicates on such attestation form that he or she is a qualified alien, the Contractor agrees to provide the U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services documentation required to verify the Contractor's lawful presence in the United States using the Systematic Alien Verification for Entitlements (SAVE) Program.
3. The Contractor understands and agrees that lawful presence in the United States is required and the Contractor may be disqualified or the contract terminated if such lawful presence cannot be verified as required by Neb. Rev. Stat. § 4-108.

C. COMPLIANCE WITH CIVIL RIGHTS LAWS AND EQUAL OPPORTUNITY EMPLOYMENT / NONDISCRIMINATION (Statutory)

The Contractor shall comply with all applicable local, state, and federal statutes and regulations regarding civil rights laws and equal opportunity employment. The Nebraska Fair Employment Practice Act prohibits Contractors of the State, and their Subcontractors, from discriminating against any employee or applicant for employment, with respect to hire, tenure, terms, conditions, compensation, or privileges of employment because of race, color, religion, sex, disability, marital status, or national origin (Neb. Rev. Stat. §§ 48-1101 through 48-1125). The Contractor guarantees compliance with the Nebraska Fair Employment Practice Act, and breach of this provision shall be regarded as a material breach of contract. The Contractor shall insert a similar provision in all Subcontracts for goods or services to be covered by any contract resulting from this solicitation.

D. COOPERATION WITH OTHER CONTRACTORS

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Contractor may be required to work with or in close proximity to other contractors or individuals that may be working on the same or different projects. The Contractor shall agree to cooperate with such other contractors or individuals, and shall not commit or permit any act, which may interfere with the performance of work by any other contractor or individual. Contractor is not required to compromise Contractor's intellectual property or proprietary information unless expressly required to do so by this contract.

E. DISCOUNTS

Prices quoted shall be inclusive of ALL trade discounts. Cash discount terms of less than thirty (30)-days will not be considered as part of the bid. Cash discount periods will be computed from the date of receipt of a properly executed claim voucher or the date of completion of delivery of all items in a satisfactory condition, whichever is later.

F. PRICES

Prices quoted shall be net, including transportation and delivery charges fully prepaid by the contractor, F.O.B. destination named in the solicitation. No additional charges will be allowed for packing, packages, or partial delivery costs. When an arithmetic error has been made in the extended total, the unit price will govern.

All prices, costs, and terms and conditions submitted in the bid shall remain fixed and valid commencing on the opening date of the bid until the contract terminates or expires.

The State reserves the right to deny any requested price increase. No price increases are to be billed to any State Agencies prior to written amendment of the contract by the parties.

The State will be given full proportionate benefit of any decreases for the term of the contract.

G. PERMITS, REGULATIONS, LAWS

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The contract price shall include the cost of all royalties, licenses, permits, and approvals, whether arising from patents, trademarks, copyrights or otherwise, that are in any way involved in the contract. The Contractor shall obtain and pay for all royalties, licenses, and permits, and approvals necessary for the performance of the contract. The Contractor must guarantee that it has the full legal right to the materials, supplies, equipment, software, and other items used to execute this contract.

H. NOTICE OF POTENTIAL CONTRACTOR BREACH

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I. ANTITRUST

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The Contractor hereby assigns to the State any and all claims for overcharges as to goods and/or services provided in connection with this contract resulting from antitrust violations, which arise under antitrust laws of the United States and the antitrust laws of the State.

J. CONFLICT OF INTEREST

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By submitting a bid, bidder certifies that no relationship exists between the bidder and any person or entity, which either is, or gives the appearance of, a conflict of interest related to this Invitation to Bid or project.

Bidder further certifies that bidder will not employ any individual known by bidder to have a conflict of interest nor shall bidder take any action or acquire any interest, either directly or indirectly, which will conflict in any manner or degree with the performance of its contractual obligations hereunder or which creates an actual or appearance of conflict of interest.

If there is an actual or perceived conflict of interest, bidder shall provide with its bid a full disclosure of the facts describing such actual or perceived conflict of interest and a proposed mitigation plan for consideration. The State will then consider such disclosure and proposed mitigation plan and either approve or reject as part of the overall bid evaluation.

K. SITE RULES AND REGULATIONS

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The Contractor shall use its best efforts to ensure that its employees, agents, and Subcontractors comply with site rules and regulations while on State premises. If the Contractor must perform on-site work outside of the daily operational hours set forth by the State, it must make arrangements with the State to ensure access to the facility and the equipment has been arranged. No additional payment will be made by the State on the basis of lack of access, unless the State fails to provide access as agreed to in writing between the State and the Contractor.

L. ADVERTISING

Accept (Initial)	Reject (Initial)	Reject & Provide Alternative within Bid (Initial)	NOTES/COMMENTS:
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The Contractor agrees not to refer to the contract award in advertising in such a manner as to state or imply that the company or its goods and services are endorsed or preferred by the State. Any publicity releases pertaining to the project shall not be issued without prior written approval from the State.

M. DISASTER RECOVERY/BACK UP PLAN

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The Contractor shall have a disaster recovery and back-up plan, of which a copy should be provided upon request to the State, which includes, but is not limited to equipment, personnel, facilities, and transportation, in order to continue delivery of goods and services as specified under the specifications in the contract in the event of a disaster.

N. DRUG POLICY

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Contractor certifies it maintains a drug free work place environment to ensure worker safety and workplace integrity. Contractor agrees to provide a copy of its drug free workplace policy at any time upon request by the State.

O. WARRANTY

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Despite any clause to the contrary, the Contractor represents and warrants that its services hereunder shall be performed by competent personnel and shall be of professional quality consistent with generally accepted industry standards for the performance of such services and shall comply in all respects with the requirements of this Contract. For any breach of this warranty, the Contractor shall, for a period of ninety (90)-days from performance of the service, perform the services again, at no cost to Customer, or if Contractor is unable to perform the services as warranted, Contractor shall reimburse Customer the fees paid to Contractor for the unsatisfactory services. The rights and remedies of the parties under this warranty are in addition to any other rights and remedies of the parties provided by law or equity, including, without limitation actual damages, and, as applicable and awarded under the law, to a prevailing party, reasonable attorneys' fees and costs.

IV. PAYMENT

A. PROHIBITION AGAINST ADVANCE PAYMENT (Statutory)

Neb. Rev. Stat. §§ 81-2403 states, “[n]o goods or services shall be deemed to be received by an agency until all such goods or services are completely delivered and finally accepted by the agency.”

B. TAXES (Statutory)

The State is not required to pay taxes and assumes no such liability as a result of this solicitation. The Contractor may request a copy of the Nebraska Department of Revenue, Nebraska Resale or Exempt Sale Certificate for Sales Tax Exemption, Form 13 for their records. Any property tax payable on the Contractor's equipment which may be installed in a state-owned facility is the responsibility of the Contractor.

C. INVOICES

Invoices for payments must be submitted by the Contractor to the agency requesting the services with sufficient detail to support payment. Invoices are to be sent to:

Nebraska Game & Parks Commission
 Parks Division
 2200 N 22rd Street
 Lincoln, NE 68503

The terms and conditions included in the Contractor's invoice shall be deemed to be solely for the convenience of the parties. No terms or conditions of any such invoice shall be binding upon the State, and no action by the State, including without limitation the payment of any such invoice in whole or in part, shall be construed as binding or estopping the State with respect to any such term or condition, unless the invoice term or condition has been previously agreed to by the State as an amendment to the contract.

D. INSPECTION AND APPROVAL

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Final inspection and approval of all work required under the contract shall be performed by the designated State officials.

E. PAYMENT (Statutory)

Payment will be made by the responsible agency in compliance with the State of Nebraska Prompt Payment Act (See Neb. Rev. Stat. § 81-2403). The State may require the Contractor to accept payment by electronic means such as ACH deposit. In no event shall the State be responsible or liable to pay for any goods and services provided by the Contractor prior to the Effective Date of the contract, and the Contractor hereby waives any claim or cause of action for any such services.

F. LATE PAYMENT (Statutory)

The Contractor may charge the responsible agency interest for late payment in compliance with the State of Nebraska Prompt Payment Act (See Neb. Rev. Stat. §§ 81-2401 through 81-2408).

G. SUBJECT TO FUNDING / FUNDING OUT CLAUSE FOR LOSS OF APPROPRIATIONS (Statutory)

The State's obligation to pay amounts due on the Contract for a fiscal years following the current fiscal year is contingent upon legislative appropriation of funds. Should said funds not be appropriated, the State may terminate the contract with respect to those payments for the fiscal year(s) for which such funds are not appropriated. The State will give the Contractor written notice thirty (30) calendar days prior to the effective date of termination. All obligations of the State to make payments after the termination date will cease. The Contractor shall be entitled to receive just and equitable compensation for any authorized work, which has been satisfactorily completed as of the termination date. In no event shall the Contractor be paid for a loss of anticipated profit.

H. RIGHT TO AUDIT (First Paragraph is Statutory)

The State shall have the right to audit the Contractor's performance of this contract upon a thirty (30)-day written notice. Contractor shall utilize generally accepted accounting principles, and shall maintain the accounting records, and other records and information relevant to the contract (Information) to enable the State to audit the contract. (Neb. Rev. Stat. § 84-304 et seq.) The State may audit and the Contractor shall maintain the information during the term of the contract and for a period of five (5) years after the completion of this contract or until all issues or litigation are resolved, whichever is later. The Contractor shall make the Information available to the State at Contractor's place of business or a location acceptable to both Parties during normal business hours. If this is not practical or the Contractor so elects, the Contractor may provide electronic or paper copies of the Information. The State reserves the right to examine, make copies of, and take notes on any Information relevant to this contract, regardless of the form or the Information, how it is stored, or who possesses the Information. In no circumstances will contractor be required to create or maintain documents not kept in the ordinary course of contractor's business operations, nor will contractor be required to disclose any information, including but not limited to product cost data, which is confidential or proprietary to contractor.

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The Parties shall pay their own costs of the audit unless the audit finds a previously undisclosed overpayment by the State. If a previously undisclosed overpayment exceeds one-half of one percent (.5%) of the total contract billings, or if fraud, material misrepresentations, or non-performance is discovered on the part of the Contractor, the Contractor shall reimburse the State for the total costs of the audit. Overpayments and audit costs owed to the State shall be paid within ninety (90) days of written notice of the claim. The Contractor agrees to correct any material weaknesses or condition found as a result of the audit.

V. SCOPE OF WORK

The Contractor must provide the following information in response to this solicitation.

A. SCOPE

It is the intent of this bid invitation to establish a contract to supply **Propane** per the attached specifications from date of award for a period of one (1) year with the option to renew for an additional one (1) one-year period when mutually agreeable to the contractor and the State. The State reserves the right to extend the period of this contract beyond the end date when mutually agreeable to the contractor and the State.

All items proposed shall be of the latest manufacture in production as of the date of the solicitation and be of proven performance and under standard design complete as regularly advertised and marketed. All necessary materials for satisfactory performance of the supplies shall be incorporated into the **Propane** whether or not they may be specifically mentioned below.

Complete specifications, manufacturer's current descriptive literature and/or advertising data sheets with cuts or photographs must be included with the bid for the IDENTICAL items proposed. Any information necessary to show compliance with these specifications not given on the manufacturer's descriptive literature and/or advertising data sheets must be supplied in writing on or attached to the bid document. If manufacturer's information necessary to show compliance with these specifications is not attached to the bid document, the Contractor may be required to submit requested information within three (3) business days of a written request. Failure to submit requested descriptive literature or advertising data sheets may be grounds to reject the bid.

VI. TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS

A. CONTRACTOR INSTRUCTIONS

Contractor must respond to each of the following statements. Specifications listed are minimum conditions that must be met in order for a Contractor to qualify for the award.

“YES” response means the Contractor guarantees they can meet this condition.

“NO” response means the Contractor cannot meet this condition and will not be considered.

“NO & PROVIDE ALTERNATIVE” responses should be used only with a narrative response in the NOTES/COMMENTS section explaining in detail any deviation from the Contractor’s ability to meet the condition, and an explanation of how this would be determined to be an acceptable alternative to meeting the condition. Alternatives must be detailed in such a way that allows such deviations to be fully evaluated. The State shall determine at its sole discretion whether or not the Contractor’s alternative is an acceptable alternative.

B. NON-COMPLIANCE STATEMENT

YES	NO	NO & PROVIDE ALTERNATIVE	
X			1. Read these specifications carefully. Any and all exceptions to these specifications must be written on or attached to solicitation response. Any noncompliance may void your bid. Non-compliance to any single specification can void your bid.
X			2. It is the responsibility of Contractors to obtain information and clarifications as provided below. The State is not responsible for any erroneous or incomplete understandings or wrongful interpretations of this solicitation by any Contractor.
X			3. No interpretation related to the meaning of solicitation specifications or other pre-bid documents will be made orally to any Contractor by the State. Any solicitation interpretation must be put in writing by the Contractor to: the State Purchasing Bureau, E-mail questions to SPB. as.materielpurchasing@nebraska.gov by the last day to submit written questions per the Schedule of Events. (Inquiries received after the last day to submit written questions may not be addressed).
NOTES/COMMENTS:			

C. DELIVERY LOCATIONS / INSTRUCTIONS

YES	NO	NO & PROVIDE ALTERNATIVE	
X			1. The main list of delivery locations is provided in subsections below. Each of the delivery places listed below may have several delivery points in each park. These are for reference only. Locations are not restricted to the delivery locations below and may be subject to change.
		X	2. If a Bidder is only bidding certain locations, please choose “No & Provide Alternative” and provide a list of the locations/regions you are bidding in the “Notes/Comments” section.
			3. Lake McConaughy State Recreation Area 1475 Hwy 61 N, Ogallala, NE 69153-5929
			4. Lake Ogallala State Recreation Area 1475 Hwy 61 N, Ogallala, NE 69153-5929
			5. Ash Hollow State Historical Park 4725 Highway 26, Lewellen, NE 69147-0070
			6. Bowring Ranch State Historical Park 90468 State Hwy 61, Merriman, NE 69218-0038
			7. Eugene T Mahoney State Park 28500 W Park Hwy, Ashland, NE 68003-3508

			8. Platte River State Park 14421 346 th Street, Louisville, NE 68037-0040
NOTES/COMMENTS: WE CANNOT BID ON BOWRING RANCH. IT IS OUT OF OUR SERVICE AREA. ALL OTHERS WE CAN SERVICE.			

D. LAKE MCCONAUGHY STATE RECREATION AREA ESTIMATED ANNUAL USAGE, DELIVERY LOCATIONS AND TANK SIZE:

YES	NO	NO & PROVIDE ALTERNATIVE	
X			1. 1475 Hwy 61 N, Ogallala, NE 69153-5929. Estimated Annual Usage: 8,000 gallons
X			2. Tank Sizes and Delivery Locations:
X			a. One (1) 1,000 gallon tank at Cedar View Campground
X			b. One (1) 1,000 gallon tank at Cedar View Office
X			c. One (1) 1,000 gallon tank at Park Headquarters' Office
X			d. One (1) 1,000 gallon tank at Lone Eagle Campground
X			e. One (1) 1,000 gallon tank at Little Thunder Campground
X			f. One (1) 1,000 gallon tank at Arthur Bay Shower Facility
X			g. One (1) 1,000 gallon tank at Cedar View Residence
NOTES/COMMENTS:			

E. ASH HOLLOW STATE HISTORICAL PARK ESTIMATED ANNUAL USAGE, DELIVERY LOCATIONS AND TANK SIZE:

YES	NO	NO & PROVIDE ALTERNATIVE	
X			1. 4725 Highway 26, Lewellen, NE 69147-0070 3 miles south on Hwy 26, Lewellen, NE 69147-0070 Estimated Annual Usage: 4,000 gallons
X			2. Tank Sizes and Delivery Locations:
X			a. One (1) 500 gallon tank at Small Green House
X			b. One (1), 1,000 gallon tank at Shop
X			c. One (1) 1,000 gallon tank at Main Greenhouse
X			d. One (1) 1,000 gallon tank at the Visitor Center
NOTES/COMMENTS:			

F. BOWRING RANCH STATE HISTORICAL PARK ESTIMATED ANNUAL USAGE, DELIVERY LOCATIONS AND TANK SIZE:

YES	NO	NO & PROVIDE ALTERNATIVE	
	X		1. Merriman, NE 69218-0038 Estimated Annual Usage: 7,000 gallons
	X		2. Tank Sizes and Delivery Locations:
	X		a. One (1) 1,000 gallon tank
NOTES/COMMENTS: THIS IS OUTSIDE OUR COVERAGE AREA			

G. EUGENE T. MAHONEY STATE PARK ESTIMATED ANNUAL USAGE, DELIVERY LOCATIONS AND TANK SIZE:

YES	NO	NO & PROVIDE ALTERNATIVE	
X			1. 28500 W Park Hwy, Ashland, NBE 68003-3508 Estimated Annual Usage: 10,000 gallons
X			2. Tank Sizes and Delivery Locations:
X			a. One (1) 500 gallon tank located at park Superintendent's residence home #4, located at the entrance of the Park
X			b. One (1) 500 gallon tank located at the Lodge
X			c. One (1) 1,000 gallon tank located at Park Superintendent's residence #3 located by Quest Lake
NOTES/COMMENTS: LEAK CHECK & SYSTEM CHECK WILL NEED TO BE DONE IF WE ARE AWARDED THE BID			

H. PLATTE RIVER STATE PARK ESTIMATED ANNUAL USAGE, DELIVERY LOCATIONS AND TANK SIZE:

YES	NO	NO & PROVIDE ALTERNATIVE	
X			1. 14421 345 th Street, Louisville, NE 68037-0040 Estimated Annual Usage: 16,000 gallons
X			2. Tank Sizes and Delivery Locations (Twelve (12) 500 gallon tanks and Delivery Locations):
X			a. One (1) 500 gallon tank located at the Superintendents Residence
X			b. One (1) 500 gallon tank located at the Park Headquarters
X			c. One (1) 500 gallon tank located at Maintenance
X			d. One (1) 500 gallon tank located at the Housekeeping/Carpenter Shop
X			e. One (1) 500 gallon tank located at the Bobwhite Cabin
X			f. One (1) 500 gallon tank located at the Decker Creek Lodge/Craft Center (April through October use only)
X			g. One (1) 500 gallon tank located at the Evergreen Cabin
X			h. One (1) 500 gallon tank located at the Red Cedar Pavilion (April through October use only)
X			i. One (1) 500 gallon tank located at the Burr Oak Pavilion (April through October use only)
X			j. One (1) 500 gallon tank located at the Wild Strawberry Pavilion (April through October use only)

X			k. One (1) 500 gallon tank located at the Goldenrod Pavilion (April through October use only)
X			l. One (1) 500 and One (1) 1,000 gallon tank connected located at the Scott Lodge/Gumpa Sir Shower House
X			3. Four (4) 1,000 gallon tanks and Delivery Locations:
X			a. One (1) 500 and One (1) 1,000 gallon tank connected located at the Scott Lodge/Gumpa Sir Shower House
X			b. One (1) 1,000 gallon tank located at the Mallet Lodge/Pool, two (2) 1000 gallon tanks connected
X			c. One (1) 1,000 gallon tank located at the Assistant Superintendent Residence
NOTES/COMMENTS: SYSTEM CHECK & LEAK CHECK MAY NEED PERFORMED.			

I. DELIVERY ARO

YES	NO	NO & PROVIDE ALTERNATIVE	
X			1. Propane will be ordered on an "as needed" basis throughout the year.
X			2. Delivery is to be made within twenty-four (24) hours of receiving the order.
X			3. Most deliveries will be Monday through Friday unless there is an emergency situation.
X			4. Propane will be delivered on a weekly basis to the lodge/restaurant tank at Eugene T. Mahoney State Park.
X			5. The area superintendent will grant access to buildings and facilities if it is necessary to perform system leak tests.
NOTES/COMMENTS:			

J. ANNUAL USAGE, ESTIMATED

YES	NO	NO & PROVIDE ALTERNATIVE	
X			1. Annual usage figures provided are estimates and are not to be construed as either a minimum or maximum purchase quantity. The orders shall be for the actual quantities of each item ordered by or for any agency during the life of the contract. Contractor shall not impose minimum order requirements.
NOTES/COMMENTS:			

K. USAGE REPORT

YES	NO	NO & PROVIDE ALTERNATIVE	
X			1. The contractor shall, upon request, provide a usage report of this contract by state agencies and political subdivisions. Information will include agency name, item, and dollar amount. Information may be requested at any time by the SPB, as determined by the State.
NOTES/COMMENTS:			

L. ORDERS

YES	NO	NO & PROVIDE ALTERNATIVE	
X			1. Orders will be placed either by, phone, e-mail or Internet (if available and not to the exclusion of the other methods).
X			2. All orders must reference a purchase order number on the packing slip, and invoice.
X			3. Invoices are to be sent to the "Invoice to" address on the purchase order.
NOTES/COMMENTS:			

M. QUALITY

YES	NO	NO & PROVIDE ALTERNATIVE	
X			1. Product quality must meet specifications and be consistent for the term of the contract. All materials must be of first quality, under standard production by the manufacturer and be of standard design, complete as regularly advertised and marketed and be of proven performance.
X			2. A guarantee of satisfactory performance by the contractor and meeting delivery dates are considered to be an integral part of the purchase contract resulting from this bid invitation.
X			3. Products are to be fully guaranteed and may be returned for full credit or replacement (at the State's option) for any reason during the initial warranty period with no additional charges for shipping or restocking.
NOTES/COMMENTS:			

N. AUTHORIZED DEALER & WARRANTY

YES	NO	NO & PROVIDE ALTERNATIVE	
		NO NOT APPLICABLE	1. To the extent required by the manufacturer, the Contractor shall be an authorized dealer. Contractor may be required to substantiate that he/she is an authorized dealer. Proof, if required, must be submitted to SPB within three (3) business days of the request and prior to the award of any contract.
		NO NOT APPLICABLE	2. The terms of the original manufacturer's standard warranty shall apply to all equipment acquired from this solicitation for the entire warranty period.

NOTES/COMMENTS: