BOARD MEETING DATE: May 1, 2015 AGENDA NO. 5

PROPOSAL: Issue RFP for CEQA Documentation Support to Prepare Program

Environmental Impact Report for 2016 AQMP and Other CEQA-

related Activities

SYNOPSIS: The SCAQMD requires additional resources to assist with CEQA-

related activities for preparation of the 2016 AQMP Program

Environmental Impact Report (EIR). This action is to issue an RFP to select one or more qualified contractors experienced in CEQA analysis and EIR preparation to assist staff with these activities. Funds for this proposal in an amount not to exceed \$125,000 are

included in the Proposed FY 2015-16 Budget.

COMMITTEE: Administrative, April 10, 2015; Recommended for Approval

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Approve the release of the attached RFP to solicit proposals for CEQA documentation support to prepare the 2016 AQMP Environmental Impact Report and other CEQA-related activities at a cost not to exceed \$125,000. Any contracts awarded would be valid for a period of up to two years, with an option to extend for an additional year.

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Background

Pursuant to the California Public Resources Code and California Code of Regulations, the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) applies to projects undertaken by, funded by, or requiring discretionary approval from public agencies. Consequently, CEQA analyses, documents, or notices are required for most SCAQMD rules, regulations, or plans prior to their adoption or modification by the Board. The SCAQMD can also be the CEQA lead agency for non-SCAQMD projects within the jurisdiction of the SCAQMD, where the SCAQMD has discretionary permit authority (e.g., construction of turbines at power plants, refinery modifications, etc.).

Moreover, Public Resources Code §21082.1 allows public agencies to prepare, or have prepared by consultants, CEQA documents. The public agency must retain independent review of all documents prepared by consultants. To augment current staff resources to prepare the Program EIR for the 2016 AQMP and other CEQA-related activity, staff recommends securing the services of one or more qualified consultants.

Proposal

SCAQMD seeks the service(s) of qualified CEQA contractor(s) primarily to assist SCAQMD CEQA staff with preparing the Program EIR for the 2016 AQMP and other CEQA-related activities as necessary. Initial funding shall be up to a maximum of \$125,000 to apply for the duration of the contract(s). The two-year contract includes an option to extend for an additional year, contingent on satisfactory performance and approval of subsequent budgets, at the Board's discretion.

Outreach

In accordance with SCAQMD's Procurement Policy and Procedure, a public notice advertising the RFP/RFQ and inviting bids will be published in the Los Angeles Times, the Orange County Register, the San Bernardino Sun, and Riverside County Press Enterprise newspapers to leverage the most cost-effective method of outreach to the South Coast Basin.

Additionally, potential bidders may be notified utilizing SCAQMD's own electronic listing of certified minority vendors. Notice of the RFP will be emailed to the Black and Latino Legislative Caucuses and various minority chambers of commerce and business associations, including small businesses, and placed on the Internet at SCAQMD's website (http://www.aqmd.gov) where it can be viewed by making the selection "Grants & Bids."

Bid Evaluation

Consultants will be selected through an open bidding process according to SCAQMD's Consultant Selection Policy and Proposals. Proposals received will be evaluated by a diverse panel of qualified individuals according to the criteria described in the attached RFP. Successful bidders shall be retained by level-of-effort contracts; therefore work assignments can be issued for specific needs and projects. More than one award for a level-of-effort contract may be made from this solicitation.

Resource Impacts

Funds for this project will be requested in the proposed FY 2015-16 Budget.

Attachment

RFP #2015-29 CEQA Consultant Assistance

SOUTH COAST AIR QUALITY MANAGEMENT DISTRICT REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT (CEQA) CONSULTANT ASSISTANCE

#P2015-29

The South Coast Air Quality Management District (SCAQMD) requests proposals for the following purpose according to terms and conditions attached. In the preparation of this Request for Proposals (RFP) the words "Proposer," "Contractor," and "Consultant" are used interchangeably.

PURPOSE

The purpose of this RFP is to solicit qualified Consultants to: assist or augment SCAQMD staff in preparing technical analyses to be included in the CEQA documents, which are expected to include a number of CEQA-related tasks including, principally, the preparation of a Program Environmental Impact Report (PEIR) for the 2016 Air Quality Management Plan (AQMP) and other CEQA-related activities.

The Consultants are required to have, and be able to demonstrate knowledge of the substantive and procedural requirements of CEQA and extensive experience as the primary consultants responsible for preparing CEQA documents. The most qualified bids will demonstrate expertise in analyzing environmental impacts resulting from a variety of different types of regulatory programs and affected sources represented by control measures in the 2016 AQMP, such as stationary, mobile, and area sources, including transportation, zeroand near-zero emission technologies, goods movement, energy, and climate change. Consultant proposals should demonstrate extensive knowledge of CEQA: the SCAQMD's 2007 and 2012 AQMPs; air quality analysis, including knowledge of dispersion models, e.g., AERMOD; other SCAQMD programs and procedures, including the Carl Moyer Program, SCAQMD's Transportation Program, etc.; as well as demonstrate substantial experience and ability analyzing impacts to environmental areas identified on the environmental checklist (CEQA Guidelines, Appendix G), including, but not limited to, potential impacts to environmental topics such as aesthetics; energy; geology and soils; hazards and hazardous materials: hydrology and water quality; noise: solid and hazardous transportation/traffic; etc. The SCAQMD shall retain full independent review and approval over any work prepared by the Consultant. All rights, title, and interest in the work product developed by the Contractor, shall remain with the SCAQMD. Work product shall include without limitation, all software, source code, documentation, reports, inventions, innovations, improvements, or other works of authorship, and all derivative works thereof that Contractor may conceive of or develop in the course of performing services for SCAQMD under this contract.

Contractor also agrees that any and all work product shall be deemed to be works-made-forhire within the meaning of the copyright laws of the United States, and that SCAQMD shall own all rights, including, but not limited to, all copyright rights, in and to such work product. Total funding for this RFP will be a maximum of \$125,000 for the fiscal year 2015 - 2016. The contract would be valid for a period of two years with an option to extend the contract an additional year. The intent of this RFP is to contract with knowledgeable and experienced CEQA Consultant(s) for assistance preparing the CEQA documents including the 2016 AQMP and other CEQA-related activities. The actual contract amount for the Consultant selected will be based on the cost proposal included as part of the Consultant's proposal. Consultants will be reimbursed on a Time and Materials (T&M) basis for work performed against the contract or specified tasks.

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SECTION I: BACKGROUND/INFORMATION

The goal of the SCAQMD with regard to preparing this RFP is to secure Consultant services to augment and/or assist SCAQMD CEQA staff with preparing any necessary CEQA documents for the 2016 AQMP as well as other CEQA-related activities. Contract(s) would last for a period of two years with an option to extend an additional year.

Consultant services are necessary to: assist staff with preparation of CEQA documents including, but not limited to, the PEIR for the 2016 AQMP, to ensure they are completed according to the established schedules; provide additional technical expertise in non-air quality environmental disciplines; and, in some cases, provide individuals to work onsite at the SCAQMD headquarters and under supervision of SCAQMD staff on an as-needed basis to expedite completion of specific sections of any necessary CEQA documents. The Consultant may also be required to attend meetings and/or workshops as necessary.

SECTION: II: CONTACT PERSON:

Questions regarding the content or intent of this RFP or on procedural matters should be addressed to:

Michael Krause
Program Supervisor – CEQA Section
Planning, Rule Development and Area Sources
South Coast Air Quality Management District
21865 Copley Drive

Diamond Bar, CA 91765 909.396.2706 v 909.396.3324 f

E-mail: mkrause@aqmd.gov

SECTION III: SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

May 1, 2015 June 2, 2015 June 2 – June 10, 2015 July 10, 2015 July 17, 2015 Board Approval and Release of RFP Proposals Due – **No Later than 3:00 p.m.** Proposal Evaluations Governing Board Approval Anticipated Contract Execution

No Bidders' Conference will be held in connection with this RFP. Dates are subject to change for Governing Board Approval, if interviews need to be conducted. At this time, however, it is not anticipated that interviews will be conducted.

SECTION IV: PARTICIPATION IN THE PROCUREMENT PROCESS

A. It is the policy of the South Coast Air Quality Management District to ensure that all businesses including minority business enterprises, women business enterprises, disabled veteran business enterprises, and small businesses have a fair and equitable opportunity to compete for and participate in SCAQMD contracts.

B. Definitions:

The definition of minority or women business enterprise set forth below is included for purposes of determining compliance with the affirmative steps requirement described in Paragraph F below on procurements funded in whole or in part with EPA grant funds which involve the use of subcontractors. The definition provided for disabled veteran business enterprise, local business, small business enterprise, low-emission vehicle business and off-peak hours delivery business are provided for purposes of determining eligibility for point or cost considerations in the evaluation process.

- 1. "Minority-or-women business enterprise" as used in this policy means a business enterprise that meets all the following criteria:
 - a. a business that is at least 51 percent owned by one or more minority persons or women, or in the case of any business whose stock is publicly held, at least 51 percent of the stock is owned by one or more minority persons or women.
 - b. a business whose management and daily business operations are controlled by one or more minority persons or women.
 - c. a business which is a sole proprietorship, corporation, or partnership with its primary headquarters office located in the United States, which is not a branch or subsidiary of a foreign corporation, foreign firm, or other foreign-based business.
- 2. "Minority person" for purposes of this policy, means a Black American, Hispanic American, Native American (including American Indian, Eskimo, Aleut, and Native

Hawaiian), Asian-Indian American (including a person whose origins are from India, Pakistan, and Bangladesh), Asian-Pacific American (including a person whose origins are from Japan, China, the Philippines, Vietnam, Korea, Samoa, Guam, the United States Trust Territories of the Pacific, Northern Marianas, Laos, Cambodia, and Taiwan).

- 3. "Disabled veteran" as used in this policy is a United States military, naval, or air service veteran with at least 10 percent service-connected disability who is a resident of California.
- 4. "Disabled veteran business enterprise" as used in this policy means a business enterprise that meets all of the following criteria:
 - a. is a sole proprietorship or partnership of which is at least 51 percent owned by one or more disabled veterans or, in the case of a publicly owned business, at least 51 percent of its stock is owned by one or more disabled veterans; a subsidiary which is wholly owned by a parent corporation but only if at least 51 percent of the voting stock of the parent corporation is owned by one or more disabled veterans; or a joint venture in which at least 51 percent of the joint venture's management and control and earnings are held by one or more disabled veterans.
 - b. the management and control of the daily business operations are by one or more disabled veterans. The disabled veterans who exercise management and control are not required to be the same disabled veterans as the owners of the business.
 - c. is a sole proprietorship, corporation, or partnership with its primary headquarters office located in the United States, which is not a branch or subsidiary of a foreign corporation, firm, or other foreign-based business.
- 5. "Local business" as used in the Procurement Policy and Procedure means a company that has an ongoing business within the boundaries of the South Coast SCAQMD at the time of bid application and performs 90% of the work related to the contract within the boundaries of the SCAQMD and satisfies the requirements of Paragraph I below.
- 6. "Small business" as used in this policy means a business that meets the following criteria:
 - a. an independently owned and operated business; ii) not dominant in its field of operation; iii) together with affiliates is either:
 - A service, construction, or non-manufacturer with 100 or fewer employees, and average annual gross receipts of ten million dollars (\$10,000,000) or less over the previous three years, or
 - A manufacturer with 100 or fewer employees.
 - b. Manufacturer means a business that is both of the following:
 - (i) Primarily engaged in the chemical or mechanical transformation of raw materials or processed substances into new products.

- (ii) Classified between Codes 311000 and 339000, inclusive, of the North American Industrial Classification System (NAICS) Manual published by the United States Office of Management and Budget, 2007 edition.
- 7. "Joint ventures" as defined in this policy pertaining to certification means that one party to the joint venture is a DVBE or a small business and owns at least 51 percent of the joint venture.
- 8. "Low-Emission Vehicle Business" as used in this policy means a company or contractor that uses low-emission vehicles in conducting deliveries to the SCAQMD. Low-emission vehicles include vehicles powered by electric, compressed natural gas (CNG), liquefied natural gas (LNG), liquefied petroleum gas (LPG), ethanol, methanol, hydrogen and diesel retrofitted with particulate matter (PM) traps.
- 9. "Off-Peak Hours Delivery Business" as used in this policy means a company or contractor that commits to conducting deliveries to the SCAQMD during off-peak traffic hours defined as between 10:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m.
- C. Under Request for Quotations (RFQ), DVBEs, DVBE business joint ventures, small businesses, and small business joint ventures shall be granted a preference in an amount equal to 5% of the lowest cost responsive bid. Low-Emission Vehicle Businesses shall be granted a preference in an amount equal to 5 percent of the lowest cost responsive bid. Off-Peak Hours Delivery Businesses shall be granted a preference in an amount equal to 2 percent of the lowest cost responsive bid. Local businesses (if the procurement is not funded in whole or in part by EPA grant funds) shall be granted a preference in an amount equal to 2% of the lowest cost responsive bid.
- D. Under Request for Proposals, DVBEs, DVBE joint ventures, small businesses, and small business joint ventures shall be awarded ten (10) points in the evaluation process. A non-DVBE or large business shall receive seven (7) points for subcontracting at least twenty-five (25%) of the total contract value to a DVBE and/or small business. Low-Emission Vehicle Businesses shall be awarded five (5) points in the evaluation process. On procurements which are not funded in whole or in part by EPA grant funds local businesses shall receive five (5) points. Off-Peak Hours Delivery Businesses shall be awarded two (2) points in the evaluation process.
- E. SCAQMD will ensure that discrimination in the award and performance of contracts does not occur on the basis of race, color, sex, national origin, marital status, sexual preference, creed, ancestry, medical condition, or retaliation for having filed a discrimination complaint in the performance of SCAQMD contractual obligations.
- F. SCAQMD requires Contractor to be incompliance with all state and federal laws and regulations with respect to its employees throughout the term of any awarded contract, including state minimum wage laws and OSHA requirements.
- G. When contracts are funded in whole or in part by EPA grant funds and if subcontracts are to be let, the Contractor must comply with the steps listed below, which demonstrate a good faith effort to solicit minority and women owned enterprises. Contractor shall submit a certification signed by an authorized official affirming compliance with the steps below at the time of proposal submission. The SCAQMD reserves the right to request documentation demonstrating compliance with these steps prior to contract execution.
 - 1. Place qualified small-and-minority businesses and women's business enterprises on solicitation lists:

- 2. Ensure that small-and-minority businesses, and women's business enterprises are solicited whenever they are potential sources including advertising at least ten days in advance of the bid in a variety of media directed to minority-and women-owned business audiences;
- 3. Divide total requirements, when economically feasible, into smaller tasks or quantities to permit maximum participation by small-and-minority business, and women's business enterprises;
- 4. Establish delivery schedules, where requirements permit, which encourage participation by small-and-minority business, and women's business enterprises; and
- 5. Use the services and assistance of the Small Business Administration and the Minority Business Development Agency of the Department of Commerce.
- H. To the extent that any conflict exists between this policy and any requirements imposed by federal and state law relating to participation in a contract by a certified MBE/WBE/DVBE as a condition of receipt of federal or state funds, the federal or state requirements shall prevail.
- I. When contracts are not funded in whole or in part by EPA grant funds, a local business preference will be awarded. For such contracts that involve the purchase of commercial off-the-shelf products, local business preference will be given to suppliers or distributors of commercial off-the-shelf products who maintain an ongoing business within the geographical boundaries of the SCAQMD. However, if the subject matter of the RFP or RFQ calls for the fabrication or manufacture of custom products, only companies performing 90% of the manufacturing or fabrication effort within the geographical boundaries of the SCAQMD shall be entitled to the local business preference.
- J. In compliance with federal fair share requirements set forth in 40 CFR 35.6580, the SCAQMD shall establish a fair share goal annually for expenditures covered by its procurement policy.

SECTION V: WORK STATEMENT/SCHEDULE OF DELIVERABLES

A. Statement of Work

Consultant assistance under the terms of this RFP would primarily include preparing all or portions of the draft PEIR for the 2016 AQMP; responding to comments received on the draft PEIR; and other CEQA-related activities. Other activities, as necessary, may include, but are not limited to, the following: organizing, attending and/or speaking at public meetings; preparing or assisting with the preparation of a mitigation monitoring and reporting plan; assisting with finalizing the PEIR document; and other associated tasks as necessary.

Specifically, the Consultant should be experienced and familiar with the following:

 CEQA-related statutes in the Public Resources Code (§21000, et seq.), especially amendments to the Public Resources Code that have occurred within the last three years

- The CEQA-related implementing guidelines (California Code of Regulations, §15000, et seq.), especially sections related to preparing EIRs (§§15120 15132); preparation of a PEIR (§15168); and amendments to the CEQA Guidelines that have occurred within the last three years
- 3. Latest CEQA case-law
- 4. Federal and California air quality laws including SCAQMD Rules and Regulations
- 5. Air quality analysis and guidance such as in the SCAQMD's CEQA webpages at http://www.aqmd.gov/home/regulations/ceqa/air-quality-analysis-handbook
- 6. Impacts to non-air quality environmental topics on the CEQA environmental checklist (Appendix G, CEQA Guidelines)
- 7. Control strategies in the SCAQMD's 2007 and 2012 Air Quality Management Plan
- 8. Transportation, zero- and near-zero emission technologies, on-road and off-road mobile sources, goods movement, energy and climate change
- 9. Air quality dispersion models such as AERMOD, AERSCREEN, CALINE 4, HARP, etc.
- 10. Health risk assessment methodologies and procedures at http://www.aqmd.gov/home/regulations/compliance/toxic-hot-spots-ab-2588/health-risk-assessment and http://www.aqmd.gov/home/permits/risk-assessment
- 11. California Air Resources Board (CARB) EMFAC2014 and off-road source categories
- 12. Greenhouse gas analysis methodologies, the California Emission Estimator Model (CalEEMod®), and CAPCOA's *Quantifying Greenhouse Gas Mitigation Measures* (August, 2010) at http://www.capcoa.org/wp-content/uploads/downloads/2010/11/CAPCOA-Quantification-Report-9-14-Final.pdf
- B. Schedule of Deliverables (TO BE DETERMINED BY INDIVIDUAL TASK ORDER)

SECTION VI: REQUIRED QUALIFICATIONS

- A. Persons or firms proposing to bid on this RFP must be qualified, experienced, and competent in providing a range of environmental analysis services within established time frames and budgets. Proposals submitted to the SCAQMD must include a statement of the Contractor's general qualifications demonstrating the Contractor's ability to fulfill requirements of this RFP. The Consultant's proposal should demonstrate any of the following:
 - 1. Sufficient experience and exemplary past performance in preparing EIRs for a range of projects such as regulatory actions, ongoing plans, land use projects, construction projects, traffic/transportation, goods movement, etc. To illustrate the Consultant's experience, the proposal must include sample EIRs prepared by the Consultant within the last two years demonstrating expertise in preparing environmental impact analyses in various environmental topics such as air quality, climate change, energy, water quality, hazards, human health, solid/hazardous wastes, transportation,

alternatives analyses, mitigation monitoring plans, etc. The Consultant must be the primary Consultant preparing the sample EIR. Primary Consultant means the Consultant was responsible for preparing 80 percent or more of the Sample EIR. Please provide sample EIRs on CD-ROMs. The sample CEQA documents must be EIRS or various types of EIRs, e.g., subsequent, program, master, etc. EIRs must include all of the substantive requirements in CEQA Guidelines §§15120 – 15132. Submitting addenda, negative declarations, mitigated negative declarations, or EIRs that do not include all of the substantive requirements in CEQA Guidelines §§15120 – 15132 is grounds for disqualification.

- 2. The Consultant's background in evaluating air pollution control technologies and potential secondary or indirect environmental impacts that may result from this type of equipment, particularly secondary criteria pollutant emissions, water quality impacts, or solid waste impacts. Knowledge of zero and near-zero emission technologies, emission control technologies for on-road and off-road mobile sources, alternative clean fuel technologies, and potential indirect impacts from such technologies is also desirable.
- 3. Sufficient experience and exemplary past performance in preparing EIRs for general plans or other area-wide plans such as AQMPs for local jurisdictions is desirable.
- 4. Expertise in the following areas: excellent writing skills; extensive knowledge of CEQA and CEQA case law; an excellent understanding of recent changes to CEQA and the CEQA Guidelines; extensive experience in conducting environmental impact analyses; preparing mitigation monitoring plans pursuant to Public Resources Code Section 21081.6; air quality modeling; preparing health risk assessments, and experience with determining consistency with applicable plans.
- 5. Experience preparing traffic analyses and knowledge of trip or vehicle miles traveled reduction programs.
- 6. Knowledge of off-road mobile sources, particularly construction equipment, and experience setting up construction scenarios and analyzing associated impacts.
- 7. Knowledge of, and experience with air quality dispersion modeling, health risk assessment procedures for air toxics, and other air quality-related models.
- 8. Knowledge of, and experience with CalEEMod® and the most current version of CARBs EMFAC and OFFROAD models.

B. Proposer must submit the following:

- 1. Resumes or similar statement of qualifications of person or persons who may be designated to manage SCAQMD projects and all other staff, and their job classifications, who may be assigned to work on SCAQMD CEQA projects.
- 2. List of representative clients.
- 3. Summary of proposer's general qualifications to meet required qualifications and fulfill statement of work, including additional firm personnel and resources beyond those of the designated Consultant.
- 4. Short and concise summary of major CEQA-related documents prepared by the Consultant as primary consultant (has prepared 80 percent or more of the CEQA

documents) during the last two years demonstrating knowledge and expertise involving as many as possible of the following issues:

- a. CEQA requirements contained in both the Public Resources Code and the state CEQA Guidelines, especially changes to CEQA and the CEQA Guidelines over the last two to three years;
- b. Leading CEQA case-law;
- c. California and Federal Clean Air Acts (including conformity);
- d. SCAQMD's AQMPs, Rules and Regulations, especially best available control technology for stationary sources;
- e. Air quality analysis including criteria pollutant emissions from construction and operational phases;
- f. Greenhouse gas impacts and mitigation measures;
- g. Proficiency using air quality modeling tools, e.g., CalEEMod[®], CALINE4, HARP, AERMOD, AERSCREEN, etc
- h. CARB's EMFAC2014 and off-road source categories;
- Transportation, zero- and near-zero emission technologies, on-road and off-road mobile sources, goods movement, energy and climate change;
- j. Analyzing non-air quality environmental topics identified on the environmental checklist form (Appendix G of the CEQA Guidelines).
- 5. Short and concise summary of other relevant experience and training that demonstrates ability to prepare legally defensible CEQA documents involving as many as possible of the issues listed in #4 above. This may include preparing mitigation monitoring plans, identifying project alternatives, preparing statements of findings and statements of overriding considerations, responding to comments received on CEQA documents prepared by your firm, conducting public meetings, experience working for public agencies, academic experience, publications, professional activities, etc.
- 6. A representative EIR (no addenda, negative declarations, mitigated negative declarations, or EIRs that do not include all of the substantive requirements in CEQA Guidelines §§15120 15132) addressing impacts to a wide range of environmental topics must be submitted with each proposal submitted to the SCAQMD in response to this RFP. In general, the CEQA document should demonstrate knowledge and expertise with the topics listed in #4 above. Only an EIR where the consultant is the primary Consultant (has prepared 80 percent or more of the EIR) will be accepted as a sample CEQA document.

SECTION VII: PROPOSAL SUBMITTAL REQUIREMENTS

Submitted proposals must follow the format outlined below and all requested information must be supplied. Failure to submit proposals in the required format or to follow other directions in this RFP will result in immediate elimination from proposal process without

further evaluation of the proposal by the SCAQMD. Please do not simply reiterate the language in this RFP. Concise responsive proposals are desired.

Each proposal must be submitted in three separate volumes:

- Volume I Technical Proposal
- Volume II Cost Proposal
- Volume III Certifications and Representations included in Attachment A to this RFP, which have been executed by an authorized official of the Contractor.

A separate cover letter including the name, address, and telephone number of the contractor, and signed by the person or persons authorized to represent the firm should accompany the proposal submission. Firm contact information as follows should also be included in the cover letter:

- 1. Address and telephone number of office in, or nearest to, Diamond Bar, California.
- 2. Name and title of firm's representative designated as the contact.

A separate Table of Contents should be provided for Volumes I and II.

VOLUME I - TECHNICAL PROPOSAL

DO NOT INCLUDE ANY COST INFORMATION IN THE TECHNICAL VOLUME

<u>Summary (Section A)</u> – State overall approach to meeting the objectives and satisfying the scope of work to be performed, the sequence of activities, and a description of methodology or techniques to be used for preparing CEQA documents.

<u>Program Schedule (Section B)</u> – Provide a sample of projected milestones or benchmarks for submitting EIRs within a six- to nine-month schedule.

<u>Project Organization (Section C)</u> – Describe the Consultant's organizational structure using an organization chart or matrix showing the structure of the firm, illustrating who reports to whom, as well as the relationship of all project personnel to the project manager. In addition, this section should describe project monitoring or tracking procedures used to ensure that projects will be completed on time.

Qualifications (Section D) - Describe the technical capabilities of the firm, with particular reference to a variety of areas of expertise, including, but not limited to, air quality modeling, knowledge of energy supply and demand, hydrology and water issues, hazards and hazardous materials analysis, noise analyses, solid and hazardous waste analyses, traffic studies, familiarity with SCAQMD operations and procedures as well as that of regulatory agencies in general, etc. This section should include a list of all major CEQA projects prepared by the Consultant within the last two years where the Consultant was the primary Consultant (was responsible for preparing at least 80 percent of the CEQA document), with particular emphasis on those that include an analysis of significant adverse air quality impacts (especially greenhouse gas impacts and climate change), i.e., EIRs. Provide a brief summary of the major highlights of each project. Specifically, the list of projects should demonstrate technical and/or engineering expertise that may be useful in preparing the PEIR for the 2016 AQMP. An ideal response will describe work experience in key areas applicable to SCAQMD rulemaking, e.g., controlling criteria pollutant and air toxic emissions from both

stationary and mobile sources. Bidders are encouraged to include a discussion of the following items in the project summaries: a) type of project or description and its location; b) lead agency for the project c) type of environmental documentation prepared for the project; d) unusual problems or situations, if any, associated with the project; e) any technical or complex analyses performed for the project; and f) whether or not the project was completed on time. In particular, it is important that these summaries highlight areas of technical or other types of expertise exhibited by the Contractor. Provide references of the above or other similar projects performed during the last two years. Include contact name, title, and telephone number for any references listed. If you have performed work for the SCAQMD in the last two years, identify every project and the SCAQMD project manager.

<u>Assigned Personnel (Section E)</u> - Provide the following information on the staff to be assigned to this project:

- List all key personnel that will be assigned to the project by level and name. Provide a
 resume or similar statement of the qualifications of the lead person and all persons
 assigned to the project. Substitution of project manager or lead personnel will not be
 permitted without prior written approval of SCAQMD.
- Provide a spreadsheet of the labor hours proposed for each labor category at the task level to complete the entire 2016 AQMP PEIR process. DO NOT INCLUDE ANY COST INFORMATION IN THE TECHNICAL PROPOSAL.
- 3. Provide a statement indicating whether or not 90% of the work will be performed within the geographical boundaries of the SCAQMD's jurisdiction.
- 4. Provide a statement of the education and training program provided by, or required of, the staff identified for participation in the project, particularly with reference to management consulting, governmental practices and procedures, and technical matters.
- Provide a summary of your firm's general qualifications to meet required qualifications and fulfill statement of work, including additional firm personnel and resources beyond those who may be assigned to the project.

<u>Subcontractors (Section F)</u> – This project may require expertise in multiple technical areas. List any subcontractors who will be used and the type of work or tasks to be performed by them. This section should identify all personnel to be used by the subcontractor and include, at a minimum, a resume for each individual that includes the same information required on the resumes for the primary Contractor personnel. The Contractor must specifically identify what tasks will be assigned to the subcontractor for this project. If no specific tasks have been identified for potential subcontractors, **do not list them in the proposal**. Further, the SCAQMD will **not** consider such subcontractors when awarding points during the proposal evaluation process (see Section IX below). The SCAQMD reserves the right to reject the Contractors' proposed subcontractors for any reason.

<u>Conflict of Interest (Section G)</u> - Address possible conflicts of interest with other clients affected by actions performed by the firm on behalf of SCAQMD. Although the proposer will not be automatically disqualified by reason of work performed for such firms, SCAQMD reserves the right to consider the nature and extent of such work in evaluating the proposal. Summarize any conflict of interest identification and resolution procedures and/or protocols written, adopted, or established by your firm.

<u>Additional Data (Section H)</u> – Provide other essential data that may assist in the evaluation of this proposal.

VOLUME II - COST PROPOSAL

<u>Name and Address</u> – The Cost Proposal must list the name and complete address of the proposer in the upper, left-hand corner of the main body of the Cost Proposal volume.

<u>Cost Proposal</u> – SCAQMD anticipates awarding a Time & Materials contract. Cost information must be provided as listed below:

- 1. Detail must be provided for the following categories:
 - A. <u>Labor</u> List the total number of hours and the hourly billing rate for each level of professional staff. A breakdown of the proposed billing rates must identify the direct labor rate, overhead rate and amount, fringe benefit rate and amount, General and Administrative rate and amount, and proposed profit or fee. Provide a basis of estimate justifying the proposed labor hours and proposed labor mix.
 - B. <u>Subcontractor Costs</u> List subcontractor costs and identify subcontractors that will be used for this project by name and their specific tasks. Itemize subcontractor charges per hour, per task, or per day.
 - C. <u>Travel Costs</u> Indicate amount of travel cost and basis of estimate to include trip destination, purpose of trip, length of trip, airline fare or mileage expense, per diem costs, lodging and car rental.
 - D. Other Direct Costs -This category may include such items as postage and mailing expense, printing and reproduction costs, etc. Provide a basis of estimate for these costs. The SCAQMD will not pay for any equipment, work products, or services unless adequately justified and documented. Any equipment or products paid for by the SCAQMD will become property of the SCAQMD.

VOLUME III - CERTIFICATIONS AND REPRESENTATIONS (see Attachment A to this RFP)

SECTION VIII: PROPOSAL SUBMISSION

All proposals must be submitted according to specifications set forth in the sections above. Failure to adhere to any of these specifications may be cause for rejection of a proposal without further review or evaluation.

<u>Signature</u> - All proposals should be signed by an authorized representative of the Proposer.

<u>Due Date</u> - The proposer shall submit four (4) complete copies of the proposal with sample EIRs on CD-ROMs in a sealed envelope, plainly marked in the upper left-hand corner with the name and address of the proposer and the words "Request for Proposals P2015-29." All proposals are due no later than 3:00 p.m., June 2, 2015, and should be directed to:

Procurement Section South Coast Air Quality Management District 21865 Copley Drive Diamond Bar, CA 91765-4178 (909) 396-3520 Late bids/proposals will not be accepted under any circumstances. Any correction or resubmission done by the proposer will not extend the submittal due date.

<u>Grounds for Rejection</u> - A proposal may be immediately rejected without further review or evaluation if:

- It is not prepared in the format described;
- Required submittals are not included;
- Directions for submitting proposals are not followed; or
- It is signed by an individual not authorized to represent the firm.

<u>Disposition of Proposals</u> - SCAQMD reserves the right to reject any or all proposals for any reason. All responses become the property of SCAQMD. One copy of the proposal shall be retained for SCAQMD files. Additional copies and materials will be returned only if requested and at the proposer's expense.

<u>Modification or Withdrawal</u> - Once submitted, proposals cannot be altered without the prior written consent of SCAQMD. All proposals shall constitute firm offers and may not be withdrawn for a period of ninety (90) days following the last day to accept proposals.

SECTION IX: PROPOSAL EVALUATION/CONTRACTOR SELECTION CRITERIA

- A. Proposals will be evaluated by a panel of three to five SCAQMD staff members familiar with the subject matter of the project. The panel shall be appointed by the Executive Officer or his designee. In addition, the evaluation panel may include such outside public sector or academic community expertise as deemed desirable by the Executive Officer. The panel will make a recommendation to the Executive Officer and/or the Governing Board of the SCAQMD for final selection of a contractor and negotiation of a contract.
- B. Each member of the evaluation panel shall be accorded equal weight in his or her rating of proposals. The evaluation panel members shall evaluate the proposals according to the specified criteria and numerical weightings set forth below.
 - 1. R&D Projects Requiring Technical or Scientific Expertise, or Special Projects Requiring Unique Knowledge or Abilities

a.	Technical Criteria	<u>Points</u>
	Demonstrated CEQA-related Experience	40
	Technical/Management Approach	15
	Organization/Technical Writing	10
	Past Performance of the Proposer on Similar Projects or Work Previously Done for SCAQMD, Similar Governmental Agencies, or Other Clients	5
b.	Cost	30

	Total Possible Points	100
c.	Additional Points	
	Small Business or Small Business Joint Venture	10
	DVBE or DVBE Joint Venture	10
	Use of DVBE or Small Business Subcontractors	7
	Low-Emission Vehicle Business	5
	Local Business (Non-EPA Funded Projects Only)	5
	Off-Peak Hours Delivery Business	2

The cumulative points awarded for small business, DVBE, use of small business or DVBE subcontractors, low-emission vehicle business, local business, and off-peak hours delivery business shall not exceed 15 points.

Note: The award of these additional points shall be contingent upon Proposer completing the Self-Certification section of Attachment A – Certifications and Representations and/or inclusion of a statement in the proposal self-certifying that Proposer qualifies for additional points as detailed above.

2. To receive additional points in the evaluation process for the categories of Small Business or Small Business Joint Venture, DVBE or DVBE Joint Venture or Local Business (for non-EPA funded projects), the proposer must submit a self-certification or certification from the State of California Office of Small Business Certification and Resources at the time of proposal submission certifying that the proposer meets the requirements set forth in Section III. To receive points for the use of DVBE and/or Small Business subcontractors, at least 25 percent of the total contract value must be subcontracted to DVBEs and/or Small Businesses (for additional information regarding subcontractors, please see Subcontractors (Section F)). To receive points as a Low-Emission Vehicle Business, the proposer must demonstrate to the Executive Officer, or designee, that supplies and materials delivered to the SCAQMD are delivered in vehicles that operate on either clean-fuels or if powered by diesel fuel, that the vehicles have particulate traps installed. To receive points as an Off-Peak Hours Delivery Business, the proposer must submit, at proposal submission, certification of its commitment to delivering supplies and materials to SCAQMD between the hours of 10:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. The cumulative points awarded for small business, DVBE, use of Small Business or DVBE Subcontractors, Local Business, Low-Emission Vehicle Business and Off-Peak Hour Delivery Business shall not exceed 15 points.

The Procurement Section will be responsible for monitoring compliance of suppliers awarded purchase orders based upon use of low-emission vehicles or off-peak traffic hour delivery commitments through the use of vendor logs which will identify the contractor awarded the incentive. The purchase order shall incorporate terms which

obligate the supplier to deliver materials in low-emission vehicles or deliver during offpeak traffic hours. The Receiving department will monitor those qualified supplier deliveries to ensure compliance to the purchase order requirements. Suppliers in non-compliance will be subject to a two percent of total purchase order value penalty. The Procurement Manager will adjudicate any disputes regarding either low-emission vehicle or off-peak hour deliveries.

- 3. For procurement of Research and Development (R & D) projects or projects requiring technical or scientific expertise or special projects requiring unique knowledge and abilities, technical factors including past experience shall be weighted at 70 points and cost shall be weighted at 30 points. A proposal must receive at least 56 out of 70 points on R & D projects and projects requiring technical or scientific expertise or special projects requiring unique knowledge and abilities, in order to be deemed qualified for award.
- 4. The lowest cost proposal will be awarded the maximum cost points available and all other cost proposals will receive points on a prorated basis. For example if the lowest cost proposal is \$1,000 and the maximum points available are 30 points, this proposal would receive the full 30 points. If the next lowest cost proposal is \$1,100 it would receive 27 points reflecting the fact that it is 10% higher than the lowest cost (90% of 30 points = 27 points).
- C. During the selection process the evaluation panel may wish to interview some proposers for clarification purposes only. No new material will be permitted at this time.
- D. The SCAQMD Executive Officer or Governing Board may award the contract to a proposer other than the proposer receiving the highest rating in the event the Governing Board determines that another proposer from among those technically qualified would provide the best value to SCAQMD considering cost and technical factors. The determination shall be based solely on the Evaluation Criteria contained in the Request for Proposal (RFP), on evidence provided in the proposal and on any other evidence provided during the bid review process. Evidence provided during the bid review process is limited to clarification by the Proposer of information presented in his/her proposal.
- E. Selection will be made based on the above-described criteria and rating factors. The selection will be made by and is subject to Executive Officer or Governing Board approval. Proposers may be notified of the results by letter.
- F. The Governing Board has approved a Bid Protest Procedure which provides a process for a bidder or prospective bidder to submit a written protest to the SCAQMD Procurement Manager in recognition of two types of protests: Protest Regarding Solicitation and Protest Regarding Award of a Contract. Copies of the Bid Protest Policy can be secured through a request to the SCAQMD Procurement Department.
- G. The Executive Officer or Governing Board may award contracts to more than one proposer if in (his or their) sole judgment the purposes of the (contract or award) would best be served by selecting multiple proposers.

- H. If additional funds become available, the Executive Officer or Governing Board may increase the amount awarded. The Executive Officer or Governing Board may also select additional proposers for a grant or contract if additional funds become available.
- I. Upon mutual agreement of the parties of any resultant contract from this RFP, the original contract term may be extended.

SECTION X: FUNDING

The total funding for the work contemplated by this RFP will be a maximum \$125,000 for the base year. The actual amount of funding allocated for individual consultant contracts will depend upon each consultant's qualifications and SCAQMD needs with an option to extend the two-year contract an additional year. The contract could be amended to increase funding for fiscal year (FY) 2016 – 2017, if CEQA consultant assistance funding is included in the SCAQMD's FY 2016 – 2017 budget.

SECTION XI: <u>DRAFT CONTRACT (Provided as a sample only)</u>



South Coast Air Quality Management District

21865 Copley Drive, Diamond Bar, CA 91765-4178 (909) 396-2000 • www.aqmd.gov

 PARTIES - The parties to this Contract are the South Coast Air Quality Management District (referred to here as "SCAQMD") whose address is 21865 Copley Drive, Diamond Bar, California 91765-4178, and *** (referred to here as "CONTRACTOR") whose address is ***.

2. RECITALS

- A. SCAQMD is the local agency with primary responsibility for regulating stationary source air pollution in the South Coast Air Basin in the State of California. SCAQMD is authorized to enter into this Contract under California Health and Safety Code Section 40489. SCAQMD desires to contract with CONTRACTOR for services described in Attachment 1 - Statement of Work, attached here and made a part here by this reference. CONTRACTOR warrants that it is well-qualified and has the experience to provide such services on the terms set forth here.
- B. CONTRACTOR is authorized to do business in the State of California and attests that it is in good tax standing with the California Franchise Tax Board.
- C. All parties to this Contract have had the opportunity to have this Contract reviewed by their attorney.
- D. CONTRACTOR agrees to obtain the required licenses, permits, and all other appropriate legal authorizations from all applicable federal, state and local jurisdictions and pay all applicable fees.

PERFORMANCE REQUIREMENTS

- A. CONTRACTOR warrants that it holds all necessary and required licenses and permits to provide these services. CONTRACTOR further agrees to immediately notify SCAQMD in writing of any change in its licensing status.
- B. CONTRACTOR shall submit reports to SCAQMD as outlined in Attachment 1 Statement of Work. All reports shall be submitted in an environmentally friendly format: recycled paper; stapled, not bound; black and white, double-sided print; and no three-ring, spiral, or plastic binders or cardstock covers. SCAQMD reserves the right to review, comment, and request changes to any report produced as a result of this Contract.
- C. CONTRACTOR shall perform all tasks set forth in Attachment 1 Statement of Work, and shall not engage, during the term of this Contract, in any performance of work that is in direct or indirect conflict with duties and responsibilities set forth in Attachment 1 - Statement of Work.
- D. CONTRACTOR shall be responsible for exercising the degree of skill and care customarily required by accepted professional practices and procedures subject to SCAQMD's final approval which SCAQMD will not unreasonably withhold. Any costs incurred due to the failure to meet the foregoing standards, or otherwise defective services which require re-performance, as directed by SCAQMD, shall be the responsibility of CONTRACTOR. CONTRACTOR's failure to achieve the performance goals and objectives stated in Attachment 1- Statement of Work, is not a basis for requesting re-performance unless work conducted by CONTRACTOR is deemed by SCAQMD to have failed the foregoing standards of performance.

- E. CONTRACTOR shall post a performance bond in the amount of *** Dollars (\$***) from a surety authorized to issue such bonds within the State. [USE IF REQUIRED]
- F. SCAQMD has the right to review the terms and conditions of the performance bond and to request modifications thereto which will ensure that SCAQMD will be compensated in the event CONTRACTOR fails to perform and also provides SCAQMD with the opportunity to review the qualifications of the entity designated by the issuer of the performance bond to perform in CONTRACTOR's absence and, if necessary, the right to reject such entity. [USE IF REQUIRED]
- G. CONTRACTOR shall ensure, through its contracts with any subcontractor(s), that employees and agents performing under this Contract shall abide by the requirements set forth in this clause.
- 4. <u>TERM</u> The term of this Contract is from the date of execution by both parties (or insert date) to ***, unless further extended by amendment of this Contract in writing. No work shall commence until this Contract is fully executed by all parties.

5. TERMINATION

- A. In the event any party fails to comply with any term or condition of this Contract, or fails to provide services in the manner agreed upon by the parties, including, but not limited to, the requirements of Attachment 1 Statement of Work, this failure shall constitute a breach of this Contract. The non-breaching party shall notify the breaching party that it must cure this breach or provide written notification of its intention to terminate this contract. Notification shall be provided in the manner set forth in Clause 11. The non-breaching party reserves all rights under law and equity to enforce this contract and recover damages.
- B. SCAQMD reserves the right to terminate this Agreement, in whole or in part, without cause, upon thirty (30) days' written notice. Once such notice has been given, CONTRACTOR shall, except as and to extent or directed otherwise by SCAQMD, discontinue any Work being performed under this Agreement cancel any of CONTRACTOR's orders for materials, facilities, and supplies in connection with such Work, and shall use its best efforts to procure termination of existing subcontracts upon terms satisfactory to SCAQMD. Thereafter, CONTRACTOR shall perform only such services as may be necessary to preserve and protect any Work already in progress and to dispose of any property as requested by SCAQMD.
 - C. CONTRACTOR shall be paid in accordance with this Agreement for all work performed before the effective date of termination under Clause 5.B. Before expiration of the thirty (30) days' written notice, CONTRACTOR shall promptly deliver to SCAQMD all copies of documents and other information and data prepared or developed by CONTRACTOR under this Agreement with the exception of a record copy of such materials, which may be retained by CONTRACTOR.

INSURANCE

- A. CONTRACTOR shall furnish evidence to SCAQMD of workers' compensation insurance for each of its employees, in accordance with either California or other states' applicable statutory requirements prior to commencement of any work on this Contract.
- B. CONTRACTOR shall furnish evidence to SCAQMD of general liability insurance with a limit of at least \$1,000,000 per occurrence, and \$2,000,000 in a general aggregate prior to commencement of any work on this Contract. SCAQMD shall be named as an additional insured on any such liability policy, and thirty (30) days written notice prior to cancellation of any such insurance shall be given by CONTRACTOR to SCAQMD.
- C. CONTRACTOR shall furnish evidence to SCAQMD of automobile liability insurance with limits of at least \$100,000 per person and \$300,000 per accident for bodily injuries, and \$50,000 in property damage, or \$1,000,000 combined single limit for bodily injury or property damage, prior to commencement of any

- work on this Contract. SCAQMD shall be named as an additional insured on any such liability policy, and thirty (30) days written notice prior to cancellation of any such insurance shall be given by CONTRACTOR to SCAQMD.
- D. CONTRACTOR shall furnish evidence to SCAQMD of Professional Liability Insurance with an aggregate limit of not less than \$5,000,000. [OPTIONAL FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES]
- E. If CONTRACTOR fails to maintain the required insurance coverage set forth above, SCAQMD reserves the right either to purchase such additional insurance and to deduct the cost thereof from any payments owed to CONTRACTOR or terminate this Contract for breach.
- F. All insurance certificates should be mailed to: SCAQMD Risk Management, 21865 Copley Drive, Diamond Bar, CA 91765-4178. **The SCAQMD Contract Number must be included on the face of the certificate.**
- G. CONTRACTOR must provide updates on the insurance coverage throughout the term of the Contract to ensure that there is no break in coverage during the period of contract performance. Failure to provide evidence of current coverage shall be grounds for termination for breach of Contract.
- 7. <u>INDEMNIFICATION</u> CONTRACTOR agrees to hold harmless, defend and indemnify SCAQMD, its officers, employees, agents, representatives, and successors-in-interest against any and all loss, damage, costs, lawsuits, demands, judgments, legal fees, or any other expenses incurred or required to be paid by SCAQMD, its officers, employees, agents, representatives, or successors-in-interest arising from or related to any injury to persons or damage to property caused directly or indirectly, in whole or in part, by any willful or negligent act or omission of CONTRACTOR, its employees, subcontractors, agents or representatives in the performance of this Contract.

8. <u>CO-FUNDING</u> [USE IF REQUIRED]

- A. CONTRACTOR shall obtain co-funding as follows: ***, *** Dollars (\$***); ***, *** Dollars (\$***); ***, *** Dollars (\$***); ***, *** Dollars (\$***); ***, *** Dollars (\$***).
- B. If CONTRACTOR fails to obtain co-funding in the amount(s) referenced above, then SCAQMD reserves the right to renegotiate or terminate this Contract.
- C. CONTRACTOR shall provide co-funding in the amount of *** Dollars (\$***) for this project. If CONTRACTOR fails to provide this co-funding, then SCAQMD reserves the right to renegotiate or terminate this Contract.

9. PAYMENT

[FIXED PRICE]-use this one or the T&M one below.

- A. SCAQMD shall pay CONTRACTOR a fixed price of *** Dollars (\$***) for work performed under this Contract in accordance with Attachment 2 Payment Schedule, attached here and included here by reference. Payment shall be made by SCAQMD to CONTRACTOR within thirty (30) days after approval by SCAQMD of an invoice prepared and furnished by CONTRACTOR showing services performed and referencing tasks and deliverables as shown in Attachment 1 Statement of Work, and the amount of charge claimed. Each invoice must be prepared in duplicate, on company letterhead, and list SCAQMD's Contract number, period covered by invoice, and CONTRACTOR's social security number or Employer Identification Number and submitted to: South Coast Air Quality Management District, Attn: ***.
- B. An amount equal to ten percent (10%) shall be withheld from all charges paid until satisfactory completion and final acceptance of work by SCAQMD. [OPTIONAL]
- C. SCAQMD reserves the right to disallow charges when the invoiced services are not performed satisfactorily in SCAQMD sole judgment.

[T & M]-use this one or the Fixed Price one above.

- A. SCAQMD shall pay CONTRACTOR a total not to exceed amount of *** Dollars (\$***), including any authorized travel-related expenses, for time and materials at rates in accordance with Attachment 2 Cost Schedule, attached here and included here by this reference. Payment of charges shall be made by SCAQMD to CONTRACTOR within thirty (30) days after approval by SCAQMD of an itemized invoice prepared and furnished by CONTRACTOR referencing line item expenditures as listed in Attachment 2 and the amount of charge claimed. Each invoice must be prepared in duplicate, on company letterhead, and list SCAQMD's Contract number, period covered by invoice, and CONTRACTOR's social security number or Employer Identification Number and submitted to: South Coast Air Quality Management District, Attn: ****.
- B. CONTRACTOR shall adhere to total tasks and/or cost elements (cost category) expenditures as listed in Attachment 2. Reallocation of costs between tasks and/or cost category expenditures is permitted up to One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000) upon prior written approval from SCAQMD. Reallocation of costs in excess of One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000) between tasks and/or cost category expenditures requires an amendment to this Contract.
- C. SCAQMD's payment of invoices shall be subject to the following limitations and requirements:
 - i) Charges for equipment, material, and supply costs, travel expenses, subcontractors, and other charges, as applicable, must be itemized by CONTRACTOR. Reimbursement for equipment, material, supplies, subcontractors, and other charges shall be made at actual cost. Supporting documentation must be provided for all individual charges (with the exception of direct labor charges provided by CONTRACTOR). SCAQMD's reimbursement of travel expenses and requirements for supporting documentation are listed below.
 - ii)CONTRACTOR's failure to provide receipts shall be grounds for SCAQMD's non-reimbursement of such charges. SCAQMD may reduce payments on invoices by those charges for which receipts were not provided.
 - iii) SCAQMD shall not pay interest, fees, handling charges, or cost of money on Contract.
- D. SCAQMD shall reimburse CONTRACTOR for travel-related expenses only if such travel is expressly set forth in Attachment 2 Cost Schedule of this Contract or pre-authorized by SCAQMD in writing.
 - i) SCAQMD's reimbursement of travel-related expenses shall cover lodging, meals, other incidental expenses, and costs of transportation subject to the following limitations:

Air Transportation - Coach class rate for all flights. If coach is not available, business class rate is permissible.

Car Rental - A compact car rental. A mid-size car rental is permissible if car rental is shared by three or more individuals.

Lodging - Up to One Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$150) per night. A higher amount of reimbursement is permissible if pre-approved by SCAQMD.

Meals - Daily allowance is Fifty Dollars (\$50.00).

ii)Supporting documentation shall be provided for travel-related expenses in accordance with the following requirements:

Lodging, Airfare, Car Rentals - Bill(s) for actual expenses incurred.

Meals - Meals billed in excess of \$50.00 each day require receipts or other supporting documentation for the total amount of the bill and must be approved by SCAQMD.

Mileage - Beginning each January 1, the rate shall be adjusted effective February 1 by the Chief Financial Officer based on the Internal Revenue Service Standard Mileage Rate

Other travel-related expenses - Receipts are required for all individual items.

E. SCAQMD reserves the right to disallow charges when the invoiced services are not performed satisfactorily in SCAQMD sole judgment.

- INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY RIGHTS Title and full ownership rights to any software, documents, or reports developed under this Contract shall at all times remain with SCAQMD. Such material is agreed to be SCAQMD proprietary information.
 - A. Rights of Technical Data SCAQMD shall have the unlimited right to use technical data, including material designated as a trade secret, resulting from the performance of services by CONTRACTOR under this Contract. CONTRACTOR shall have the right to use technical data for its own benefit.
 - B. Copyright CONTRACTOR agrees to grant SCAQMD a royalty-free, nonexclusive, irrevocable license to produce, translate, publish, use, and dispose of all copyrightable material first produced or composed in the performance of this Contract. In addition:
- 11. <u>NOTICES</u> Any notices from either party to the other shall be given in writing to the attention of the persons listed below, or to other such addresses or addresses as may hereafter be designated in writing for notices by either party to the other. Notice shall be given by certified, express, or registered mail, return receipt requested, and shall be effective as of the date of receipt indicated on the return receipt card.

SCAQMD: South Coast Air Quality Management District

21865 Copley Drive

Diamond Bar, CA 91765-4178

Attn: ***

CONTRACTOR: ***

Attn: ***

12. EMPLOYEES OF CONTRACTOR

- A. SCAQMD reserves the right to review the resumes of any of CONTRACTOR employees, and/or any subcontractors selected to perform the work specified here and to disapprove CONTRACTOR choices. CONTRACTOR warrants that it will employ no subcontractor without written approval from SCAQMD. CONTRACTOR shall be responsible for the cost of regular pay to its employees, as well as cost of vacation, vacation replacements, sick leave, severance pay and pay for legal holidays.
- B. CONTRACTOR, its officers, employees, agents, representatives or subcontractors shall in no sense be considered employees or agents of SCAQMD, nor shall CONTRACTOR, its officers, employees, agents, representatives or subcontractors be entitled to or eligible to participate in any benefits, privileges, or plans, given or extended by SCAQMD to its employees.
- C. SCAQMD requires Contractor to be incompliance with all state and federal laws and regulations with respect to its employees throughout the term of this Contract, including state minimum wage laws and OSHA requirements.
- 13. <u>CONFIDENTIALITY</u> It is expressly understood and agreed that SCAQMD may designate in a conspicuous manner the information which CONTRACTOR obtains from SCAQMD as confidential. CONTRACTOR agrees to:
 - A. Observe complete confidentiality with respect to such information, including without limitation, agreeing not to disclose or otherwise permit access to such information by any other person or entity in any manner whatsoever, except that such disclosure or access shall be permitted to employees or subcontractors of CONTRACTOR requiring access in fulfillment of the services provided under this Contract.
 - B. Ensure that CONTRACTOR's officers, employees, agents, representatives, and independent contractors are informed of the confidential nature of such information and to assure by agreement or otherwise that

- they are prohibited from copying or revealing, for any purpose whatsoever, the contents of such information or any part thereof, or from taking any action otherwise prohibited under this clause.
- C. Not use such information or any part thereof in the performance of services to others or for the benefit of others in any form whatsoever whether gratuitously or for valuable consideration, except as permitted under this Contract.
- D. Notify SCAQMD promptly and in writing of the circumstances surrounding any possession, use, or knowledge of such information or any part thereof by any person or entity other than those authorized by this clause.
- E. Take at CONTRACTOR expense, but at SCAQMD's option and in any event under SCAQMD's control, any legal action necessary to prevent unauthorized use of such information by any third party or entity which has gained access to such information at least in part due to the fault of CONTRACTOR.
- F. Take any and all other actions necessary or desirable to assure such continued confidentiality and protection of such information.
- G. Prevent access to such information by any person or entity not authorized under this Contract.
- H. Establish specific procedures in order to fulfill the obligations of this clause.
- I. Notwithstanding the above, nothing herein is intended to abrogate or modify the provisions of Government Code Section 6250 et.seq. (Public Records Act).

14. PUBLICATION

- A. SCAQMD shall have the right of prior written approval of any document which shall be disseminated to the public by CONTRACTOR in which CONTRACTOR utilized information obtained from SCAQMD in connection with performance under this Contract.
- B. Information, data, documents, or reports developed by CONTRACTOR for SCAQMD, pursuant to this Contract, shall be part of SCAQMD public record unless otherwise indicated. CONTRACTOR may use or publish, at its own expense, such information provided to SCAQMD. The following acknowledgment of support and disclaimer must appear in each publication of materials, whether copyrighted or not, based upon or developed under this Contract.
 - "This report was prepared as a result of work sponsored, paid for, in whole or in part, by the South Coast Air Quality Management District (SCAQMD). The opinions, findings, conclusions, and recommendations are those of the author and do not necessarily represent the views of SCAQMD. SCAQMD, its officers, employees, contractors, and subcontractors make no warranty, expressed or implied, and assume no legal liability for the information in this report. SCAQMD has not approved or disapproved this report, nor has SCAQMD passed upon the accuracy or adequacy of the information contained herein."
- C. CONTRACTOR shall inform its officers, employees, and subcontractors involved in the performance of this Contract of the restrictions contained herein and require compliance with the above.
- 15. NON-DISCRIMINATION In the performance of this Contract, CONTRACTOR shall not discriminate in recruiting, hiring, promotion, demotion, or termination practices on the basis of race, religious creed, color, national origin, ancestry, sex, age, or physical or mental disability and shall comply with the provisions of the California Fair Employment & Housing Act (Government Code Section 12900 et seq.), the Federal Civil Rights Act of 1964 (P.L. 88-352) and all amendments thereto, Executive Order No. 11246 (30 Federal Register 12319), and all administrative rules and regulations issued pursuant to said Acts and Order. CONTRACTOR shall likewise require each subcontractor to comply with this clause and shall include in each subcontract language similar to this clause.
- 16. <u>SOLICITATION OF EMPLOYEES</u> CONTRACTOR expressly agrees that CONTRACTOR shall not, during the term of this Contract, nor for a period of six months after termination, solicit for employment, whether as

- an employee or independent contractor, any person who is or has been employed by SCAQMD during the term of this Contract without the consent of SCAQMD.
- PROPERTY AND SECURITY Without limiting CONTRACTOR obligations with regard to security, CONTRACTOR shall comply with all the rules and regulations established by SCAQMD for access to and activity in and around SCAQMD premises.
- 18. <u>ASSIGNMENT</u> The rights granted hereby may not be assigned, sold, licensed, or otherwise transferred by either party without the prior written consent of the other, and any attempt by either party to do so shall be void upon inception.
- 19. <u>NON-EFFECT OF WAIVER</u> The failure of CONTRACTOR or SCAQMD to insist upon the performance of any or all of the terms, covenants, or conditions of this Contract, or failure to exercise any rights or remedies hereunder, shall not be construed as a waiver or relinquishment of the future performance of any such terms, covenants, or conditions, or of the future exercise of such rights or remedies, unless otherwise provided for herein.
- 20. <u>ATTORNEYS' FEES</u> In the event any action is filed in connection with the enforcement or interpretation of this Contract, each party shall bear its own attorneys' fees and costs.
- 21. <u>FORCE MAJEURE</u> Neither SCAQMD nor CONTRACTOR shall be liable or deemed to be in default for any delay or failure in performance under this Contract or interruption of services resulting, directly or indirectly, from acts of God, civil or military authority, acts of public enemy, war, strikes, labor disputes, shortages of suitable parts, materials, labor or transportation, or any similar cause beyond the reasonable control of SCAQMD or CONTRACTOR.
- 22. <u>SEVERABILITY</u> In the event that any one or more of the provisions contained in this Contract shall for any reason be held to be unenforceable in any respect by a court of competent jurisdiction, such holding shall not affect any other provisions of this Contract, and the Contract shall then be construed as if such unenforceable provisions are not a part hereof.
- 23. <u>HEADINGS</u> Headings on the clauses of this Contract are for convenience and reference only, and the words contained therein shall in no way be held to explain, modify, amplify, or aid in the interpretation, construction, or meaning of the provisions of this Contract.
- 24. <u>DUPLICATE EXECUTION</u> This Contract is executed in duplicate. Each signed copy shall have the force and effect of an original.
- 25. GOVERNING LAW This Contract shall be construed and interpreted and the legal relations created thereby shall be determined in accordance with the laws of the State of California. Venue for resolution of any disputes under this Contract shall be Los Angeles County, California.

26. CITIZENSHIP AND ALIEN STATUS

A. CONTRACTOR warrants that it fully complies with all laws regarding the employment of aliens and others, and that its employees performing services hereunder meet the citizenship or alien status requirements contained in federal and state statutes and regulations including, but not limited to, the Immigration Reform and Control Act of 1986 (P.L. 99-603). CONTRACTOR shall obtain from all covered employees performing services hereunder all verification and other documentation of employees' eligibility status required by federal statutes and regulations as they currently exist and as they may be

- hereafter amended. CONTRACTOR shall have a continuing obligation to verify and document the continuing employment authorization and authorized alien status of employees performing services under this Contract to insure continued compliance with all federal statutes and regulations.
- B. Notwithstanding paragraph A above, CONTRACTOR, in the performance of this Contract, shall not discriminate against any person in violation of 8 USC Section 1324b.
- C. CONTRACTOR shall retain such documentation for all covered employees for the period described by law. CONTRACTOR shall indemnify, defend, and hold harmless SCAQMD, its officers and employees from employer sanctions and other liability which may be assessed against CONTRACTOR or SCAQMD, or both in connection with any alleged violation of federal statutes or regulations pertaining to the eligibility for employment of persons performing services under this Contract.
- 27. <u>FEDERAL FAIR SHARE POLICY</u> As a recipient of Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) grant funds, SCAQMD is required to flow down to all of its contractors the provisions of 40 CFR Section 31.36(e) which addresses affirmative steps for contracting with small-and-minority firms, women's business enterprises, and labor surplus area firms. CONTRACTOR agrees to comply with these provisions.
- 28. REQUIREMENT FOR FILING STATEMENT OF ECONOMIC INTERESTS In accordance with the Political Reform Act of 1974 (Government Code Sec. 81000 et seq.) and regulations issued by the Fair Political Practices Commission (FPPC), SCAQMD has determined that the nature of the work to be performed under this Contract requires CONTRACTOR to submit a Form 700, Statement of Economic Interests for Designated Officials and Employees, for each of its employees assigned to work on this Contract. These forms may be obtained from SCAQMD's District Counsel's office. [USE IF REQUIRED]
- 29. COMPLIANCE WITH SINGLE AUDIT ACT REQUIREMENTS [OPTIONAL TO BE INCLUDED IN CONTRACTS WITH FOR-PROFIT CONTRACTORS WHICH HAVE FEDERAL PASS-THROUGH FUNDING] During the term of the Contract, and for a period of three (3) years from the date of Contract expiration, and if requested in writing by the SCAQMD, CONTRACTOR shall allow the SCAQMD, its designated representatives and/or the cognizant Federal Audit Agency, access during normal business hours to all records and reports related to the work performed under this Contract. CONTRACTOR assumes sole responsibility for reimbursement to the Federal Agency funding the prime grant or contract, a sum of money equivalent to the amount of any expenditures disallowed should the SCAQMD, its designated representatives and/or the cognizant Federal Audit Agency rule through audit exception or some other appropriate means that expenditures from funds allocated to the CONTRACTOR were not made in compliance with the applicable cost principles, regulations of the funding agency, or the provisions of this Contract.

[OPTIONAL - TO BE INCLUDED IN CONTRACTS WITH NON-PROFIT CONTRACTORS WHICH HAVE FEDERAL PASS-THROUGH FUNDING] - Beginning with CONTRACTOR's current fiscal year and continuing through the term of this Contract, CONTRACTOR shall have a single or program-specific audit conducted in accordance with the requirements of the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Circular A-133 (Audits of States, Local Governments and Non-Profit Organizations), if CONTRACTOR expended Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$500,000) or more in a year in Federal Awards. Such audit shall be conducted by a firm of independent accountants in accordance with Generally Accepted Government Audit Standards (GAGAS). Within thirty (30) days of Contract execution, CONTRACTOR shall forward to SCAQMD the most recent A-133 Audit Report issued by its independent auditors. Subsequent A-133 Audit Reports shall be submitted to the SCAQMD within thirty (30) days of issuance.

CONTRACTOR shall allow the SCAQMD, its designated representatives and/or the cognizant Federal Audit Agency, access during normal business hours to all records and reports related to the work performed under this Contract. CONTRACTOR assumes sole responsibility for reimbursement to the Federal Agency funding the prime grant or contract, a sum of money equivalent to the amount of any expenditures disallowed should the SCAQMD, its designated representatives and/or the cognizant Federal Audit Agency rule through audit exception or some other appropriate means that expenditures from funds allocated to the CONTRACTOR were not made in compliance with the applicable cost principles, regulations of the funding agency, or the provisions of this Contract.

- 30. OPTION TO EXTEND THE TERM OF THE CONTRACT SCAQMD reserves the right to extend the contract for a one-year period commencing *****(enter date) at the (option price or Not-to-Exceed Amount) set forth in Attachment 2. In the event that SCAQMD elects to extend the contract, a written notice of its intent to extend the contract shall be provided to CONTRACTOR no later than thirty (30) days prior to Contract expiration. [USE IF REQUIRED]
- 31. KEY PERSONNEL insert person's name is deemed critical to the successful performance of this Contract. Any changes in key personnel by CONTRACTOR must be approved by SCAQMD. All substitute personnel must possess qualifications/experience equal to the original named key personnel and must be approved by SCAQMD. SCAQMD reserves the right to interview proposed substitute key personnel. [USE IF REQUIRED]
- 32. PREVAILING WAGES [USE FOR INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS] CONTRACTOR is alerted to the prevailing wage requirements of California Labor Code section 1770 et seq. Copies of the prevailing rate of per diem wages are on file at the SCAQMD's headquarters, of which shall be made available to any interested party on request. Notwithstanding the preceding sentence, CONTRACTOR shall be responsible for determining the applicability of the provisions of California Labor Code and complying with the same, including, without limitation, obtaining from the Director of the Department of Industrial Relations the general prevailing rate of per diem wages and the general prevailing rate for holiday and overtime work, making the same available to any interested party upon request, paying any applicable prevailing rates, posting copies thereof at the job site and flowing all applicable prevailing wage rate requirements to its subcontractors. CONTRACTOR shall indemnify, defend and hold harmless the South Coast Air Quality Management District against any and all claims, demands, damages, defense costs or liabilities based on failure to adhere to the above referenced statutes.

33. APPROVAL OF SUBCONTRACT

- A. If CONTRACTOR intends to subcontract a portion of the work under this Contract, written approval of the terms of the proposed subcontract(s) shall be obtained from SCAQMD's Executive Officer or designee prior to execution of the subcontract. No subcontract charges will be reimbursed unless such approval has been obtained.
- B. Any material changes to the subcontract(s) that affect the scope of work, deliverable schedule, and/or cost schedule shall also require the written approval of the Executive Officer or designee prior to execution.
- C. The sole purpose of SCAQMD's review is to insure that SCAQMD's contract rights have not been diminished in the subcontractor agreement. SCAQMD shall not supervise, direct, or have control over, or be responsible for, subcontractor's means, methods, techniques, work sequences or procedures or for the safety precautions and programs incident thereto, or for any failure of subcontractor to comply with any local, state, or federal laws, or rules or regulations.

34.	<u>ENTIRE CONTRACT</u> - This Contract represents the entire agreement between the parties hereto related to CONTRACTOR providing services to SCAQMD and there are no understandings, representations, or warranties of any kind except as expressly set forth herein. No waiver, alteration, or modification of any of the provisions herein shall be binding on any party unless in writing and signed by the party against whom enforcement of such waiver, alteration, or modification is sought.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties to this Contract have caused this Contract to be duly executed on their behalf by their authorized representatives.

SOUTH COAST AIR QUALITY MANAGEMENT DISTRIC	***
By:	By: Name: Title:
Date:	_ Date:
ATTEST: Saundra McDaniel, Clerk of the Board	
By:	_
APPROVED AS TO FORM: Kurt R. Wiese, General Counsel	
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ATTACHMENT A

CERTIFICATIONS & REPRESENTATIONS



Business Information Request

Dear SCAQMD Contractor/Supplier:

The South Coast Air Quality Management District (SCAQMD) is committed to ensuring that our contractor/supplier records are current and accurate. If your firm is selected for award of a purchase order or contract, it is imperative that the information requested herein be supplied in a timely manner to facilitate payment of invoices. In order to process your payments, we need the enclosed information regarding your account. Please review and complete the information identified on the following pages, complete the enclosed W-9 form, remember to sign both documents for our files, and return them as soon as possible to the address below:

Attention: Accounts Payable, Accounting Department South Coast Air Quality Management District 21865 Copley Drive Diamond Bar, CA 91765-4178

If you do not return this information, we will <u>not</u> be able to establish you as a vendor. This will delay any payments and would <u>still</u> necessitate your submittal of the enclosed information to our Accounting department before payment could be initiated. Completion of this document and enclosed forms would ensure that your payments are processed timely and accurately.

If you have any questions or need assistance in completing this information, please contact Accounting at (909) 396-3777. We appreciate your cooperation in completing this necessary information.

Sincerely,

Michael B. O'Kelly Chief Financial Officer

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Enclosures: Business Information Request

Disadvantaged Business Certification

W-9

Form 590 Withholding Exemption Certificate Federal Contract Debarment Certification Campaign Contributions Disclosure Direct Deposit Authorization **Business Name**

BUSINESS INFORMATION REQUEST

Division of									
Subsidiary of									
Website Address									
Type of Business Check One:			Corporation LC/LLP,	e n, ID No ID No	<u> </u>	led in			
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All invoices must reference the corresponding Purchase Order Number(s)/Contract Number(s) if applicable and mailed to:

Attention: Accounts Payable, Accounting Department South Coast Air Quality Management District 21865 Copley Drive Diamond Bar, CA 91765-4178 Page 30 of 44

DISADVANTAGED BUSINESS CERTIFICATION

Federal guidance for utilization of disadvantaged business enterprises allows a vendor to be deemed a small business enterprise (SBE), minority

business enterprise (MBE) or women business enterprise (WBE) if it meets the criteria below.

• is certified by the Small Business Administration or

TELEPHONE NUMBER

- is certified by a state or federal agency or
- is an independent MBE(s) or WBE(s) business concern which is at least 51 percent owned and controlled by minority group member(s) who are citizens of the United States.

Stateme	nts of certification:
to a	a prime contractor to the SCAQMD,(name of business) will engage in good faith efforts achieve the fair share in accordance with 40 CFR Section 33.301, and will follow the six affirmative steps listed below for attracts or purchase orders funded in whole or in part by federal grants and contracts.
1.	Place qualified SBEs, MBEs, and WBEs on solicitation lists.
2.	Assure that SBEs, MBEs, and WBEs are solicited whenever possible.
3.	When economically feasible, divide total requirements into small tasks or quantities to permit greater participation by SBEs, MBEs, and WBEs.
4.	Establish delivery schedules, if possible, to encourage participation by SBEs, MBEs, and WBEs.
5.	Use services of Small Business Administration, Minority Business Development Agency of the Department of Commerce, and/or any agency authorized as a clearinghouse for SBEs, MBEs, and WBEs.
6.	If subcontracts are to be let, take the above affirmative steps.
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	of California Public Works Contractor Registration No MUST BE UDED IF BID PROPOSAL IS FOR PUBLIC WORKS PROJECT.
	dersigned, hereby declare that to the best of my knowledge the above information is accurate. Upon penalty of perjury, I certify ion submitted is factual.
	NAME TITLE

DATE

Definitions

Disabled Veteran-Owned Business Enterprise means a business that meets all of the following criteria:

- is a sole proprietorship or partnership of which is at least 51 percent owned by one or more disabled veterans, or in the case of any business whose stock is publicly held, at least 51 percent of the stock is owned by one or more disabled veterans; a subsidiary which is wholly owned by a parent corporation but only if at least 51 percent of the voting stock of the parent corporation is owned by one or more disabled veterans; or a joint venture in which at least 51 percent of the joint venture's management and control and earnings are held by one or more disabled veterans.
- the management and control of the daily business operations are by one or more disabled veterans. The
 disabled veterans who exercise management and control are not required to be the same disabled veterans as
 the owners of the business.
- is a sole proprietorship, corporation, partnership, or joint venture with its primary headquarters office located
 in the United States and which is not a branch or subsidiary of a foreign corporation, firm, or other foreignbased business.

Joint Venture means that one party to the joint venture is a DVBE and owns at least 51 percent of the joint venture. In the case of a joint venture formed for a single project this means that DVBE will receive at least 51 percent of the project dollars.

Local Business means a business that meets all of the following criteria:

- has an ongoing business within the boundary of the SCAQMD at the time of bid application.
- performs 90 percent of the work within SCAQMD's jurisdiction.

Minority-Owned Business Enterprise means a business that meets all of the following criteria:

- is at least 51 percent owned by one or more minority persons or in the case of any business whose stock is publicly held, at least 51 percent of the stock is owned by one or more minority persons.
- is a business whose management and daily business operations are controlled or owned by one or more minority person.
- is a business which is a sole proprietorship, corporation, partnership, joint venture, an association, or a cooperative with its primary headquarters office located in the United States, which is not a branch or subsidiary of a foreign corporation, foreign firm, or other foreign business.

"Minority" person means a Black American, Hispanic American, Native American (including American Indian, Eskimo, Aleut, and Native Hawaiian), Asian-Indian American (including a person whose origins are from India, Pakistan, or Bangladesh), Asian-Pacific American (including a person whose origins are from Japan, China, the Philippines, Vietnam, Korea, Samoa, Guam, the United States Trust Territories of the Pacific, Northern Marianas, Laos, Cambodia, or Taiwan).

Small Business Enterprise means a business that meets the following criteria:

- a. 1) an independently owned and operated business; 2) not dominant in its field of operation; 3) together with affiliates is either:
 - A service, construction, or non-manufacturer with 100 or fewer employees, and average annual gross receipts of ten million dollars (\$10,000,000) or less over the previous three years, or
 - A manufacturer with 100 or fewer employees.
- b. Manufacturer means a business that is both of the following:
 - Primarily engaged in the chemical or mechanical transformation of raw materials or processed substances into new products.
 - 2) Classified between Codes 311000 to 339000, inclusive, of the North American Industrial Classification System (NAICS) Manual published by the United States Office of Management and Budget, 2007 edition.

Small Business Joint Venture means that one party to the joint venture is a Small Business and owns at least 51 percent of the joint venture. In the case of a joint venture formed for a single project this means that the Small Business will receive at least 51 percent of the project dollars.

Women-Owned Business Enterprise means a business that meets all of the following criteria:

- is at least 51 percent owned by one or more women or in the case of any business whose stock is publicly held, at least 51 percent of the stock is owned by one or more women.
- is a business whose management and daily business operations are controlled or owned by one or more women
- is a business which is a sole proprietorship, corporation, partnership, or a joint venture, with its primary headquarters office located in the United States, which is not a branch or subsidiary of a foreign corporation, foreign firm, or other foreign business.

Form (Rev. December 2014) Department of the Treasury

Request for Taxpayer Identification Number and Certification

Give Form to the requester. Do not send to the IRS.

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	1 Name (as shown on your income tax return). Name is required on this line;	do not leave this line blank.									
ge 2.											
Print or type Specific Instructions on page	3 Check appropriate box for federal tax classification; check only one of the ☐ Individual/sole proprietor or ☐ C Corporation ☐ S Corporation Single-member LLC ☐ Limited liability company. Enter the tax classification (C=C corporation, S	Exemptions (codes apply only to certain entities, not individuals; see instructions on page 3): Exempt payee code (if any)									
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5 Address (number, street, and apt. or suite no.) Requester's name and address (optional)							al)				
88	7 List account number(s) here (optional)										
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3. I a	m a U.S. citizen or other U.S. person (defined below); and										
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interes gener	Certification instructions. You must cross out item 2 above if you have been notified by the IRS that you are currently subject to backup withholding because you have failed to report all interest and dividends on your tax return. For real estate transactions, item 2 does not apply. For mortgage interest paid, acquisition or abandonment of secured property, cancellation of debt, contributions to an individual retirement arrangement (IRA), and generally, payments other than interest and dividends, you are not required to sign the certification, but you must provide your correct TIN. See the instructions on page 3.										
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Future developments. Information about developments affecting Form W-9 (such as legislation enacted after we release it) is at www.irs.gov/fw9.											
Purp	ose of Form	Use Form W-9 only if provide your correct TIP	N.								
return	vidual or entity (Form W-9 requester) who is required to file an information with the IRS must obtain your correct taxpayer identification number (TIN)	If you do not return F to backup withholding.	See What is I	backup i					t be s	ubject	
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	include, but are not limited to, the following:	Certify that you are									
• Form	1099-INT (interest earned or paid)	Claim exemption from the applicable, you are also									
	1099-DIV (dividends, including those from stocks or mutual funds) 1099-MISC (various types of income, prizes, awards, or gross proceeds)	applicable, you are also certifying that as a U.S. person, your allocable share of any partnership income from a U.S. trade or business is not subject to the withholding tax on foreign partners' share of effectively connected income, and									

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4. Certify that FATCA code(s) entered on this form (if any) indicating that you are exempt from the FATCA reporting, is correct. See What is FATCA reporting? on page 2 for further information.

Cat. No. 10231X

• Form 1099-B (stock or mutual fund sales and certain other transactions by

Form 1099-S (proceeds from real estate transactions)
 Form 1099-K (merchant card and third party network transactions)

brokers)

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Note. If you are a U.S. person and a requester gives you a form other than Form W-9 to request your TIN, you must use the requester's form if it is substantially similar to this Form W-9.

Definition of a U.S. person. For federal tax purposes, you are considered a U.S. person if you are:

- . An individual who is a U.S. citizen or U.S. resident alien;
- A partnership, corporation, company, or association created or organized in the United States or under the laws of the United States;
- . An estate (other than a foreign estate); or
- A domestic trust (as defined in Regulations section 301.7701-7).

Special rules for partnerships. Partnerships that conduct a trade or business in the United States are generally required to pay a withholding tax under section 1446 on any foreign partners' share of effectively connected taxable income from such business. Further, in certain cases where a Form W-9 has not been received, the rules under section 1446 require a partnership to presume that a partner is a foreign person, and pay the section 1446 withholding tax. Therefore, if you are a U.S. person that is a partner in a partnership conducting a trade or business in the United States, provide Form W-9 to the partnership to establish your U.S. status and avoid section 1446 withholding on your share of partnership income.

In the cases below, the following person must give Form W-9 to the partnership for purposes of establishing its U.S. status and avoiding withholding on its allocable share of net income from the partnership conducting a trade or business in the United States:

- In the case of a disregarded entity with a U.S. owner, the U.S. owner of the disregarded entity and not the entity;
- In the case of a grantor trust with a U.S. grantor or other U.S. owner, generally, the U.S. grantor or other U.S. owner of the grantor trust and not the trust; and
- In the case of a U.S. trust (other than a grantor trust), the U.S. trust (other than a
 grantor trust) and not the beneficiaries of the trust.

Foreign person. If you are a foreign person or the U.S. branch of a foreign bank that has elected to be treated as a U.S. person, do not use Form W-9. Instead, use the appropriate Form W-8 or Form 8233 (see Publication 515, Withholding of Tax on Nonresident Aliens and Foreign Entities).

Nonresident alien who becomes a resident alien. Generally, only a nonresident alien individual may use the terms of a tax treaty to reduce or eliminate U.S. tax on certain types of income. However, most tax treaties contain a provision known as a "saving clause." Exceptions specified in the saving clause may permit an exemption from tax to continue for certain types of income even after the payee has otherwise become a U.S. resident alien for tax purposes.

If you are a U.S. resident alien who is relying on an exception contained in the saving clause of a tax treaty to claim an exemption from U.S. tax on certain types of income, you must attach a statement to Form W-9 that specifies the following flue items:

- The treaty country. Generally, this must be the same treaty under which you claimed exemption from tax as a nonresident alien.
- 2. The treaty article addressing the income.
- 3. The article number (or location) in the tax treaty that contains the saving clause and its exceptions.
- 4. The type and amount of income that qualifies for the exemption from tax.
- Sufficient facts to justify the exemption from tax under the terms of the treaty article.

Example. Article 20 of the U.S.-China income tax treaty allows an exemption from tax for scholarship income received by a Chinese student temporarily present in the United States. Under U.S. law, this student will become a resident alien for tax purposes if his or her stay in the United States exceeds 5 calendar years. However, paragraph 2 of the first Protocol to the U.S.-China treaty (dated April 30, 1984) allows the provisions of Article 20 to continue to apply even after the Chinese student becomes a resident alien of the United States. A Chinese student who qualifies for this exception (under paragraph 2 of the first protocol) and is relying on this exception to claim an exemption from tax on his or her scholarship or fellowship income would attach to Form W-9 a statement that includes the information described above to support that exemption.

If you are a nonresident alien or a foreign entity, give the requester the appropriate completed Form W-8 or Form 8233.

Backup Withholding

What is backup withholding? Persons making certain payments to you must under certain conditions withhold and pay to the IRS 28% of such payments. This is called "backup withholding." Payments that may be subject to backup withholding include interest, tax-exempt interest, dividends, broker and barter exchange transactions, rents, royalties, nonemployee pay, payments made in settlement of payment card and third party network transactions, and certain payments from fishing boat operators. Real estate transactions are not subject to backup withholding.

You will not be subject to backup withholding on payments you receive if you give the requester your correct TIN, make the proper certifications, and report all your taxable interest and dividends on your tax return.

Payments you receive will be subject to backup withholding if:

- 1. You do not furnish your TIN to the requester,
- You do not certify your TIN when required (see the Part II instructions on page 3 for details).

- 3. The IRS tells the requester that you furnished an incorrect TIN.
- The IRS tells you that you are subject to backup withholding because you did not report all your interest and dividends on your tax return (for reportable interest and dividends only), or
- You do not certify to the requester that you are not subject to backup withholding under 4 above (for reportable interest and dividend accounts opened after 1983 only).

Certain payees and payments are exempt from backup withholding. See Exempt payee code on page 3 and the separate Instructions for the Requester of Form W-9 for more information.

Also see Special rules for partnerships above.

What is FATCA reporting?

The Foreign Account Tax Compliance Act (FATCA) requires a participating foreign financial institution to report all United States account holders that are specified United States persons. Certain payees are exempt from FATCA reporting. See Exemption from FATCA reporting code on page 3 and the Instructions for the Requester of Form W-9 for more information.

Updating Your Information

You must provide updated information to any person to whom you claimed to be an exempt payee if you are no longer an exempt payee and anticipate receiving reportable payments in the future from this person. For example, you may need to provide updated information if you are a C corporation that elects to be an S corporation, or if you no longer are tax exempt. In addition, you must furnish a new Form W-9 if the name or TIN changes for the account; for example, if the grantor of a orantor trust dies.

Penalties

Failure to furnish TIN. If you fail to furnish your correct TIN to a requester, you are subject to a penalty of \$50 for each such failure unless your failure is due to reasonable cause and not to willful neglect.

Civil penalty for false information with respect to withholding. If you make a false statement with no reasonable basis that results in no backup withholding, you are subject to a \$500 penalty.

Criminal penalty for falsifying information. Willfully falsifying certifications or affirmations may subject you to criminal penalties including fines and/or imprisonment.

Misuse of TINs. If the requester discloses or uses TINs in violation of federal law, the requester may be subject to civil and criminal penalties.

Specific Instructions

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You must enter one of the following on this line; do not leave this line blank. The name should match the name on your tax return.

- If this Form W-9 is for a joint account, list first, and then circle, the name of the person or entity whose number you entered in Part I of Form W-9.
- a. Individual. Generally, enter the name shown on your tax return. If you have changed your last name without informing the Social Security Administration (SSA) of the name change, enter your first name, the last name as shown on your social security card, and your new last name.

Note. ITIN applicant: Enter your individual name as it was entered on your Form W-7 application, line 1a. This should also be the same as the name you entered on the Form 1040/1040A/1040EZ you filed with your application.

- b. Sole proprietor or single-member LLC. Enter your individual name as shown on your 1040/1040A/1040EZ on line 1. You may enter your business, trade, or "doing business as" (DBA) name on line 2.
- c. Partnership, LLC that is not a single-member LLC, C Corporation, or S Corporation. Enter the entity's name as shown on the entity's tax return on line 1 and any business, trade, or DBA name on line 2.
- d. Other entities. Enter your name as shown on required U.S. federal tax documents on line 1. This name should match the name shown on the charter or other legal document creating the entity. You may enter any business, trade, or DBA name on line 2.
- e. Disregarded entity. For U.S. federal tax purposes, an entity that is disregarded as an entity separate from its owner is treated as a "disregarded entity." See Regulations section 301.7701-2(c)(2)(iii). Enter the owner's name on line 1. The name of the entity entered on line 1 should never be a disregarded entity. The name on line 1 should be the name shown on the income tax return on which the income should be reported. For example, if a foreign LLC that is treated as a disregarded entity for U.S. federal tax purposes has a single owner that is a U.S. person, the U.S. owner's name is required to be provided on line 1. If the direct owner of the entity is also a disregarded entity, enter the first owner that is not disregarded for federal tax purposes. Enter the disregarded entity's name on line 2, "Business name/disregarded entity name." If the owner of the disregarded entity is a foreign person, the owner must complete an appropriate Form W-8 instead of a Form W-9. This is the case even if the foreign person has a U.S. TIN.

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If you have a business name, trade name, DBA name, or disregarded entity name, you may enter it on line 2.

Line 3

Check the appropriate box in line 3 for the U.S. federal tax classification of the person whose name is entered on line 1. Check only one box in line 3.

Limited Liability Company (LLC). If the name on line 1 is an LLC treated as a partnership for U.S. federal tax purposes, check the "Limited Liability Company" box and enter "P" in the space provided. If the LLC has filed Form 8832 or 2553 to be taxed as a corporation, check the "Limited Liability Company" box and in the space provided enter "C" for C corporation or "S" for S corporation. If it is a single-member LLC that is a disregarded entity, do not check the "Limited Liability Company" box; instead check the first box in line 3 "Individual/sole proprietor or single-member LLC."

Line 4, Exemptions

If you are exempt from backup withholding and/or FATCA reporting, enter in the appropriate space in line 4 any code(s) that may apply to you.

Exempt payee code.

- Generally, individuals (including sole proprietors) are not exempt from backup withholding.
- Except as provided below, corporations are exempt from backup withholding for certain payments, including interest and dividends.
- Corporations are not exempt from backup withholding for payments made in settlement of payment card or third party network transactions.
- Corporations are not exempt from backup withholding with respect to attorneys' fees or gross proceeds paid to attorneys, and corporations that provide medical or health care services are not exempt with respect to payments reportable on Form 1099-MISC.

The following codes identify payees that are exempt from backup withholding. Enter the appropriate code in the space in line 4.

- 1—An organization exempt from tax under section 501(a), any IRA, or a custodial account under section 403(b)(7) if the account satisfies the requirements of section 401(f)(2)
 - 2-The United States or any of its agencies or instrumentalities
- 3—A state, the District of Columbia, a U.S. commonwealth or possession, or any of their political subdivisions or instrumentalities
- 4—A foreign government or any of its political subdivisions, agencies, or instrumentalities
- 5-A corporation
- 6—A dealer in securities or commodities required to register in the United States, the District of Columbia, or a U.S. commonwealth or possession
- 7—A futures commission merchant registered with the Commodity Futures Trading Commission
- 8-A real estate investment trust
- 9—An entity registered at all times during the tax year under the Investment Company Act of 1940
 - 10-A common trust fund operated by a bank under section 584(a)
 - 11-A financial institution
- 12-A middleman known in the investment community as a nominee or custodian
- 13-A trust exempt from tax under section 664 or described in section 4947

The following chart shows types of payments that may be exempt from backup withholding. The chart applies to the exempt payees listed above, 1 through 13.

IF the payment is for	THEN the payment is exempt for
Interest and dividend payments	All exempt payees except for 7
Broker transactions	Exempt payees 1 through 4 and 6 through 11 and all C corporations. S corporations must not enter an exempt payee code because they are exempt only for sales of noncovered securities acquired prior to 2012.
Barter exchange transactions and patronage dividends	Exempt payees 1 through 4
Payments over \$600 required to be reported and direct sales over \$5,000 ¹	Generally, exempt payees 1 through 5 ²
Payments made in settlement of payment card or third party network transactions	Exempt payees 1 through 4

¹ See Form 1099-MISC, Miscellaneous Income, and its instructions.

² However, the following payments made to a corporation and reportable on Form 1099-MISC are not exempt from backup withholding: medical and health care payments, attorneys' fees, gross proceeds paid to an attorney reportable under section 6045(f), and payments for services paid by a federal executive agency.

Exemption from FATCA reporting code. The following codes identify payees that are exempt from reporting under FATCA. These codes apply to persons submitting this form for accounts maintained outside of the United States by certain foreign financial institutions. Therefore, if you are only submitting this form for an account you hold in the United States, you may leave this field blank. Consult with the person requesting this form if you are uncertain if the financial institution is subject to these requirements. A requester may indicate that a code is not required by providing you with a Form W-9 with "Not Applicable" (or any similar indication) written or printed on the line for a FATCA exemption code.

- A—An organization exempt from tax under section 501(a) or any individual retirement plan as defined in section 7701(a)(37)
 - B-The United States or any of its agencies or instrumentalities
- C—A state, the District of Columbia, a U.S. commonwealth or possession, or any of their political subdivisions or instrumentalities
- D—A corporation the stock of which is regularly traded on one or more established securities markets, as described in Regulations section 1.1472-1(c)(1)(i)
- E—A corporation that is a member of the same expanded affiliated group as a corporation described in Regulations section 1.1472-1(c)(1)(i)
- F—A dealer in securities, commodities, or derivative financial instruments (including notional principal contracts, futures, forwards, and options) that is registered as such under the laws of the United States or any state
 - G—A real estate investment trust
- H—A regulated investment company as defined in section 851 or an entity registered at all times during the tax year under the Investment Company Act of 1940
- I-A common trust fund as defined in section 584(a)
- J-A bank as defined in section 581
- K-A broker
- L-A trust exempt from tax under section 664 or described in section 4947(a)(1)
- M-A tax exempt trust under a section 403(b) plan or section 457(g) plan

Note. You may wish to consult with the financial institution requesting this form to determine whether the FATCA code and/or exempt payee code should be completed.

Line 5

Enter your address (number, street, and apartment or suite number). This is where the requester of this Form W-9 will mail your information returns.

Line 6

Enter your city, state, and ZIP code.

Part I. Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN)

Enter your TIN in the appropriate box. If you are a resident alien and you do not have and are not eligible to get an SSN, your TIN is your IRS individual taxpayer identification number (ITIN). Enter it in the social security number box. If you do not have an ITIN, see How to get a TIN below.

If you are a sole proprietor and you have an EIN, you may enter either your SSN or EIN. However, the IRS prefers that you use your SSN.

If you are a single-member LLC that is disregarded as an entity separate from its owner (see Limited Liability Company (LLC) on this page), enter the owner's SSN (or EIN, if the owner has one). Do not enter the disregarded entity's EIN. If the LLC is classified as a corporation or partnership, enter the entity's EIN.

Note. See the chart on page 4 for further clarification of name and TIN combinations.

How to get a TIN. If you do not have a TIN, apply for one immediately. To apply for an SSN, get Form SS-5, Application for a Social Security Card, from your local SSA office or get this form online at www.ssa.gov. You may also get this form by calling 1-800-772-1213. Use Form W-7, Application for IRS Individual Taxpayer Identification Number, to apply for an ITIN, or Form SS-4, Application for Employer Identification Number, to apply for an EIN. You can apply for an EIN online by accessing the IRS website at www.irs.gov/businesses and clicking on Employer Identification Number (EIN) under Starting a Business. You can get Forms W-7 and SS-4 from the IRS by visiting IRS.gov or by calling 1-800-TAX-FORM (1-800-829-3676).

If you are asked to complete Form W-9 but do not have a TIN, apply for a TIN and write "Applied For" in the space for the TIN, sign and date the form, and give it to the requester. For interest and dividend payments, and certain payments made with respect to readily tradable instruments, generally you will have 60 days to get a TIN and give it to the requester before you are subject to backup withholding on payments. The 60-day rule does not apply to other types of payments. You will be subject to backup withholding on all such payments until you provide your TIN to

Note. Entering "Applied For" means that you have already applied for a TIN or that you intend to apply for one soon.

Caution: A disregarded U.S. entity that has a foreign owner must use the appropriate Form W-8.

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Part II. Certification

To establish to the withholding agent that you are a U.S. person, or resident alien, sign Form W-9. You may be requested to sign by the withholding agent even if items 1, 4, or 5 below indicate otherwise.

For a joint account, only the person whose TIN is shown in Part I should sign (when required). In the case of a disregarded entity, the person identified on line 1 must sign. Exempt payees, see Exempt payee code earlier.

Signature requirements. Complete the certification as indicated in items 1 through 5 below.

- Interest, dividend, and barter exchange accounts opened before 1984 and broker accounts considered active during 1983. You must give your correct TIN, but you do not have to sign the certification.
- 2. Interest, dividend, broker, and barter exchange accounts opened after 1983 and broker accounts considered inactive during 1983. You must sign the certification or backup withholding will apply. If you are subject to backup withholding and you are merely providing your correct TIN to the requester, you must cross out item 2 in the certification before signing the form.
- Real estate transactions. You must sign the certification. You may cross out item 2 of the certification.
- 4. Other payments. You must give your correct TIN, but you do not have to sign the certification unless you have been notified that you have previously given an incorrect TIN. "Other payments" include payments made in the course of the requester's trade or business for rents, royalties, goods (other than bills for merchandise), medical and health care services (including payments to corporations), payments to a nonemployee for services, payments made in settlement of payment card and third party network transactions, payments to certain fishing boat crew members and fishermen, and gross proceeds paid to attorneys (including payments to corporations).
- 5. Mortgage interest paid by you, acquisition or abandonment of secured property, cancellation of debt, qualified tuition program payments (under section 529), IRA, Coverdell ESA, Archer MSA or HSA contributions or distributions, and pension distributions. You must give your correct TIN, but you do not have to sign the certification.

What Name and Number To Give the Requester

For this type of account:	Give name and SSN of:
Individual Two or more individuals (joint account)	The individual The actual owner of the account or, if combined funds, the first individual on the account'
Custodian account of a minor (Uniform Gift to Minors Act)	The minor
a. The usual revocable savings trust (grantor is also trustee) b. So-called trust account that is not a legal or valid trust under	The grantor-trustee' The actual owner'
state law 5. Sole proprietorship or disregarded entity owned by an individual	The owner ^a
Grantor trust filing under Optional Form 1099 Filing Method 1 (see Regulations section 1.671-4(b)(2)(i) (A))	The grantor*
For this type of account:	Give name and EIN of:
Disregarded entity not owned by an individual	The owner
8. A valid trust, estate, or pension trust	Legal entity ⁴
Corporation or LLC electing corporate status on Form 8832 or Form 2553	The corporation
Association, club, religious, charitable, educational, or other tax- exempt organization	The organization
11. Partnership or multi-member LLC	The partnership
12. A broker or registered nominee	The broker or nominee
 Account with the Department of Agriculture in the name of a public entity (such as a state or local government, school district, or prison) that receives agricultural program payments 	The public entity
 Grantor trust filing under the Form 1041 Filing Method or the Optional Form 1099 Filing Method 2 (see Regulations section 1.671-4(b)(2)(i) (B)) 	The trust

¹List first and circle the name of the person whose number you furnish. If only one person on a joint account has an SSN, that person's number must be furnished.

³ You must show your individual name and you may also enter your business or DBA name on the "Business name/disregarded entity" name line. You may use either your SSN or EIN (if you have one), but the IRS encourages you to use your SSN.

⁴ List first and circle the name of the trust, estate, or pension trust. (Do not furnish the TIN of the personal representative or trustee unless the legal entity itself is not designated in the account title.) Also see Special rules for partnerships on page 2.

*Note. Grantor also must provide a Form W-9 to trustee of trust.

Note. If no name is circled when more than one name is listed, the number will be considered to be that of the first name listed.

Secure Your Tax Records from Identity Theft

Identity theft occurs when someone uses your personal information such as your name, SSN, or other identifying information, without your permission, to commit fraud or other crimes. An identity thief may use your SSN to get a job or may file a tax return using your SSN to receive a refund.

To reduce your risk:

- · Protect your SSN.
- . Ensure your employer is protecting your SSN, and
- Be careful when choosing a tax preparer.

If your tax records are affected by identity theft and you receive a notice from the IRS, respond right away to the name and phone number printed on the IRS notice or letter.

If your tax records are not currently affected by identity theft but you think you are at risk due to a lost or stolen purse or wallet, questionable credit card activity or credit report, contact the IRS Identity Theft Hotline at 1-800-908-4490 or submit Form 14039.

For more information, see Publication 4535, Identity Theft Prevention and Victim Assistance.

Victims of identity theft who are experiencing economic harm or a system problem, or are seeking help in resolving tax problems that have not been resolved through normal channels, may be eligible for Taxpayer Advocate Service (TAS) assistance. You can reach TAS by calling the TAS toll-free case intake line at 1-877-777-4778 or TTY/TDD 1-800-829-4059.

Protect yourself from suspicious emails or phishing schemes. Phishing is the creation and use of email and websites designed to mimic legitimate business emails and websites. The most common act is sending an email to a user falsely claiming to be an established legitimate enterprise in an attempt to scam the user into surrendering private information that will be used for identity theft.

The IRS does not initiate contacts with taxpayers via emails. Also, the IRS does not request personal detailed information through email or ask taxpayers for the PIN numbers, passwords, or similar secret access information for their credit card, bank, or other financial accounts.

If you receive an unsolicited email claiming to be from the IRS, forward this message to phishing@irs.gov. You may also report misuse of the IRS name, logo, or other IRS property to the Treasury Inspector General for Tax Administration (TIGTA) at 1-800-366-4484. You can forward suspicious emails to the Federal Trade Commission at: spam@uce.gov or contact them at www.ftc.gov/idtheft or 1-877-IDTHEFT (1-877-438-4338).

Visit IRS.gov to learn more about identity theft and how to reduce your risk.

Privacy Act Notice

Section 6109 of the Internal Revenue Code requires you to provide your correct TIN to persons (including federal agencies) who are required to file information returns with the IRS to report interest, dividends, or certain other income paid to you; mortgage interest you paid; the acquisition or abandonment of secured property; the cancellation of debt; or contributions you made to an IRA, Archer MSA, or HSA. The person collecting this form uses the information on the form to file information returns with the IRS, reporting the above information. Routine uses of this information include giving it to the Department of Justice for civil and criminal litigation and to cities, states, the District of Columbia, and U.S. commonwealths and possessions for use in administering their laws. The information also may be disclosed to other countries under a treaty, to federal and state agencies to enforce civil and criminal laws, or to federal law enforcement and intelligence agencies to combat terrorism. You must provide your TIN whether or not you are required to file a tax return. Under section 3406, payers must generally withhold a percentage of taxable interest, dividend, and certain other payments to a payee who does not give a TIN to the payer. Certain penalties may also apply for providing false or fraudulent information.

² Circle the minor's name and furnish the minor's SSN.

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	2015 Withholding Exemption Certificate			590
	payee completes this form and submits it to the withholding agent.			
With	holding Agent (Type or print)			
Paye	ie			
Name	•	SSN or	ITIN 🗆 F	EIN CA Corp no. CA SOS file no
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City (If you have a foreign address, see instructions.)		State	ZIP Code
Exen	nption Reason			
	ck only one reason box below that applies to the payee.			
	thecking the appropriate box below, the Payee certifies the reason for the exemption fro prements on payment(s) made to the entity or individual.	m the Calif	fornia i	ncome tax withholding
	Individuals — Certification of Residency: I am a resident of California and I reside at the address shown above. If I become notify the withholding agent. See instructions for General Information D, Definitions		ent at a	any time, I will promptly
	Corporations: The corporation has a permanent place of business in California at the address sh California Secretary of State (SOS) to do business in California. The corporation we corporation ceases to have a permanent place of business in California or ceases the withholding agent. See instructions for General Information D, Definitions.	ill file a Ca	lifornia	tax return. If this
	Partnerships or Limited Liability Companies (LLCs): The partnership or LLC has a permanent place of business in California at the add California SOS, and is subject to the laws of California. The partnership or LLC will or LLC ceases to do any of the above, I will promptly inform the withholding agent. partnership (LLP) is treated like any other partnership.	file a Cali	fornia t	ax return. If the partnership
	Tax-Exempt Entities: The entity is exempt from tax under California Revenue and Taxation Code (R&TC Internal Revenue Code Section 501(c) (insert number). If this entity ceases the withholding agent. Individuals cannot be tax-exempt entities.			
	Insurance Companies, Individual Retirement Arrangements (IRAs), or Qualified P The entity is an insurance company, IRA, or a federally qualified pension or profit-s			naring Plans:
	California Trusts: At least one trustee and one noncontingent beneficiary of the above-named trust is California fiduciary tax return. If the trustee or noncontingent beneficiary becomes notify the withholding agent.			
	Estates — Certification of Residency of Deceased Person: I am the executor of the above-named person's estate or trust. The decedent was a The estate will file a California fiduciary tax return.	a California	a reside	ent at the time of death.
	Nonmilitary Spouse of a Military Servicemember: I am a nonmilitary spouse of a military servicemember and I meet the Military Sporequirements. See instructions for General Information E, MSRRA.	use Reside	ency R	elief Act (MSRRA)
CEF	RTIFICATE OF PAYEE: Payee must complete and sign below.			
	er penalties of perjury, I hereby certify that the information provided in this document is, ect. If conditions change, I will promptly notify the withholding agent.	to the bes	t of my	knowledge, true and
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Paye	ee's signature ▶		Date	

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2015 Instructions for Form 590

Withholding Exemption Certificate

References in these instructions are to the California Revenue and Taxation Code (R&TC).

General Information

Registered Domestic Partners (RDP) – For purposes of California income tax, references to a spouse, husband, or wife also refer to a Registered Domestic Partner (RDP) unless otherwise specified. For more information on RDPs, get FTB Pub. 737, Tax Information for Registered Domestic Partners.

A Purpose

Use Form 590, Withholding Exemption Certificate, to certify an exemption from nonresident withholding.

Form 590 does not apply to payments of backup withholding. For information on California backup withholding, go to ftb.ca.gov and search for backup withholding.

Form 590 does not apply to payments for wages to employees. Wage withholding is administered by the California Employment Development Department (EDD). For more information, go to edd.ca.gov or call 888.745,3886.

Do not use Form 590 to certify an exemption from withholding if you are a Seller of California real estate. Sellers of California real estate use Form 593-C, Real Estate Withholding Certificate, to claim an exemption from real estate withholding.

The following are excluded from withholding and completing this form:

- The United States and any of its agencies or instrumentalities.
- A state, a possession of the United States, the District of Columbia, or any of its political subdivisions or instrumentalities.
- A foreign government or any of its political subdivisions, agencies, or instrumentalities.

B Income Subject to Withholding

California Revenue and Taxation Code (R&TC) Section 18662 requires withholding of income or franchise tax on payments of California source income made to nonresidents of California.

Withholding is required on the following, but is not limited to:

- Payments to nonresidents for services rendered in California.
- Distributions of California source income made to domestic nonresident partners, members, and S corporation shareholders and allocations of California source income made to foreign partners and members.
- Payments to nonresidents for rents if the payments are made in the course of the withholding agent's business.

- Payments to nonresidents for royalties from activities sourced to California.
- Distributions of California source income to nonresident beneficiaries from an estate or trust.
- Endorsement payments received for services performed in California.
- Prizes and winnings received by nonresidents for contests in California.

However, withholding is optional if the total payments of California source income are \$1,500 or less during the calendar year.

For more information on withholding get FTB Pub. 1017, Resident and Nonresident Withholding Guidelines. To get a withholding publication, see Additional Information.

C Who Certifies this Form

Form 590 is certified by the payee. California residents or entities exempt from the withholding requirement should complete Form 590 and submit it to the withholding agent before payment is made. The withholding agent is then relieved of the withholding requirements if the agent relies in good faith on a completed and signed Form 590 unless notified by the Franchise Tax Board (FTB) that the form should not be relied upon.

An incomplete certificate is invalid and the withholding agent should not accept it. If the withholding agent receives an incomplete certificate, the withholding agent is required to withhold tax on payments made to the payee until a valid certificate is received. In lieu of a completed certificate on the preprinted form, the withholding agent may accept as a substitute certificate a letter from the payee explaining why the payee is not subject to withholding. The letter must contain all the information required on the certificate in similar language, including the under penalty of perjury statement and the payee's taxpayer identification number. The withholding agent must retain a copy of the certificate or substitute for at least four years after the last payment to which the certificate applies, and provide it upon request to the FTB.

For example, if an entertainer (or the entertainer's business entity) is paid for a performance, the entertainer's information must be provided. **Do not** submit the entertainer's agent or promoter information.

The grantor of a grantor trust shall be treated as the payee for withholding purposes. Therefore, if the payee is a grantor trust and one or more of the grantors is a nonresident, withholding is required. If all of the grantors on the trust are residents, no withholding is required. Resident grantors can check the box on Form 590 labeled "Individuals — Certification of Residency."

D Definitions

For California non-wage withholding purposes, nonresident includes all of the following:

- Individuals who are not residents of California.
- Corporations not qualified through the California Secretary of State (CA SOS) to do business in California or having no permanent place of business in California.
- Partnerships or limited liability companies (LLCs) with no permanent place of business in California
- Any trust without a resident grantor, beneficiary, or trustee, or estates where the decedent was not a California resident.

Foreign refers to non-U.S.

For more information about determining resident status, get FTB Pub. 1031, Guidelines for Determining Resident Status. Military servicemembers have special rules for residency. For more information, get FTB Pub. 1032, Tax Information for Military Personnel.

Permanent Place of Business:

A corporation has a permanent place of business in California if it is organized and existing under the laws of California or if it is a foreign corporation qualified to transact intrastate business by the CA SOS. A corporation that has not qualified to transact intrastate business (e.g., a corporation engaged exclusively in interstate commerce) will be considered as having a permanent place of business in California only if it maintains a permanent office in California that is permanently staffed by its employees.

E Military Spouse Residency Relief Act (MSRRA)

Generally, for tax purposes you are considered to maintain your existing residence or domicile. If a military servicemember and nonmilitary spouse have the same state of domicile, the MSRRA provides:

- A spouse shall not be deemed to have lost a residence or domicile in any state solely by reason of being absent to be with the servicemember serving in compliance with military orders.
- A spouse shall not be deemed to have acquired a residence or domicile in any other state solely by reason of being there to be with the servicemember serving in compliance with military orders.

Domicile is defined as the one place:

- Where you maintain a true, fixed, and permanent home.
- To which you intend to return whenever you are absent.

A military servicemember's nonmilitary spouse is considered a nonresident for tax purposes if the servicemember and spouse have the same domicile outside of California and the spouse is in California solely to be with the servicemember who is serving in compliance with Permanent Change of Station orders.

California may require nonmilitary spouses of military servicemembers to provide proof that they meet the criteria for California personal income tax exemption as set forth in the MSRRA

Income of a military servicemember's nonmilitary spouse for services performed in California is not California source income subject to state tax if the spouse is in California to be with the servicemember serving in compliance with military orders, and the servicemember and spouse have the same domicile in a state other than California.

For additional information or assistance in determining whether the applicant meets the MSRRA requirements, get FTB Pub. 1032.

Specific Instructions

Payee Instructions

Enter the withholding agent's name.

Enter the payee's information, including the taxpayer identification number (TIN) and check the appropriate TIN box.

You must provide an acceptable TIN as requested on this form. The following are acceptable TINs: social security number (SSN); individual taxpayer identification number (ITIN); federal employer identification number (FEIN); California corporation number (CA Corp no.); or CA SOS file number.

Private Mail Box (PMB) - Include the PMB in the address field. Write "PMB" first, then the box number. Example: 111 Main Street PMB 123.

Foreign Address - Enter the information in the following order: City, Country, Province/ Region, and Postal Code. Follow the country's practice for entering the postal code. Do not abbreviate the country's name.

Check the box that reflects the reason why the payee is exempt from the California income tax withholding requirement.

Withholding Agent Instructions

Keep Form 590 for your records. Do not send this form to the FTB unless it has been specifically requested.

For more information, contact Withholding Services and Compliance, see Additional Information

The payee must notify the withholding agent if any of the following situations occur:

- The individual payee becomes a nonresident.
- The corporation ceases to have a permanent place of business in California or ceases to be qualified to do business in California.
- The partnership ceases to have a permanent place of business in California.
- The LLC ceases to have a permanent place of business in California.
- The tax-exempt entity loses its tax-exempt status

If any of these situations occur, then withholding may be required. For more information, get Form 592, Resident and Nonresident Withholding Statement, Form 592-B, Resident and Nonresident Withholding Tax Statement, and Form 592-V, Payment Voucher for Resident and Nonresident Withholding.

Additional Information

For additional information or to speak to a representative regarding this form, call the Withholding Services and Compliance telephone service at:

Telephone: 888.792.4900 916.845.4900 916.845.9512 Fax:

OR write to:

WITHHOLDING SERVICES AND COMPLIANCE MS F182 FRANCHISE TAX BOARD PO BOX 942867 SACRAMENTO CA 94267-0651

You can download, view, and print California tax forms and publications at ftb.ca.gov.

OR to get forms by mail write to:

TAX FORMS REQUEST UNIT FRANCHISE TAX BOARD PO BOX 307 RANCHO CORDOVA CA 95741-0307

For all other questions unrelated to withholding or to access the TTY/TDD numbers, see the information below.

Internet and Telephone Assistance

Website: ftb.ca.gov

Telephone: 800.852.5711 from within the **United States**

916.845.6500 from outside the

United States

800.822.6268 for persons with hearing or speech impairments

Asistencia Por Internet y Teléfono

TTY/TDD:

Sitio web: **ftb.ca.gov**Teléfono: 800.852.5711 dentro de los

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916.845.6500 fuera de los Estados

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TTY/TDD: 800.822.6268 para personas con

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Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, and Other Responsibility Matters

The prospective participant certifies to the best of its knowledge and belief that it and the principals:

- (a) Are not presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from covered transactions by any Federal department or agency;
- (b) Have not within a three year period preceding this proposal been convicted of or had a civil judgement rendered against them or commission of fraud or a criminal offense in connection with obtaining, attempting to obtain, or performing a public (Federal, State, or local) transaction or contract under a public transaction: violation of Federal or State antitrust statute or commission of embezzlement, theft, forgery, bribery, falsification or destruction of records, making false statements, or receiving stolen property:
- (c) Are not presently indicted for or otherwise criminally or civilly charged by a government entity (Federal, State, or local) with commission of any of the offenses enumerated in paragraph (b) of this certification; and
- (d) Have not within a three-year period preceding this application/proposal had one or more public transactions (Federal, State, or local) terminated for cause or default.

I understand that a false statement on this certification may be grounds for rejection of this proposal or termination of the award. In addition, under 18 USC Sec. 1001, a false statement may result in a fine of up to \$10,000 or imprisonment for up to 5 years, or both.

Typed Name & Title of Authorized Representative	
Signature of Authorized Representative Date	
☐ I am unable to certify to the above statements. My explanation is attached.	
EPA Form 5700-49 (11-88)	



CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTIONS DISCLOSURE

In accordance with California law, bidders and contracting parties are required to disclose, at the time the application is filed, information relating to any campaign contributions made to South Coast Air Quality Management District (SCAQMD) Board Members or members/alternates of the MSRC, including: the name of the party making the contribution (which includes any parent, subsidiary or otherwise related business entity, as defined below), the amount of the contribution, and the date the contribution was made. 2 C.C.R. §18438.8(b).

California law prohibits a party, or an agent, from making campaign contributions to SCAQMD Governing Board Members or members/alternates of the Mobile Source Air Pollution Reduction Review Committee (MSRC) of more than \$250 while their contract or permit is pending before the SCAQMD; and further prohibits a campaign contribution from being made for three (3) months following the date of the final decision by the Governing Board or the MSRC on a donor's contract or permit. Gov't Code §84308(d). For purposes of reaching the \$250 limit, the campaign contributions of the bidder or contractor *plus* contributions by its parents, affiliates, and related companies of the contractor or bidder are added together. 2 C.C.R. §18438.5.

In addition, SCAQMD Board Members or members/alternates of the MSRC must abstain from voting on a contract or permit if they have received a campaign contribution from a party or participant to the proceeding, or agent, totaling more than \$250 in the 12-month period prior to the consideration of the item by the Governing Board or the MSRC. Gov't Code §84308(c).

The list of current SCAQMD Governing Board Members can be found at the SCAQMD website (www.aqmd.gov). The list of current MSRC members/alternates can be found at the MSRC website (http://www.cleantransportationfunding.org).

☐ No If YES, complete Section II below and then sign and date the form. If NO, sign and date below. Include this form with your submittal.

Has Contractor and/or any parent, subsidiary, or affiliated company, or agent thereof, made a campaign contribution(s) totaling \$250 or more in the aggregate to a current member of the South Coast Air Quality Management Governing Board or member/alternate of the MSRC in the

12 months preceding the date of execution of this disclosure?

Yes

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A controlling owner (50% or greater interest as a shareholder or as a general partner) in one entity also is a

(iv) There is otherwise a regular and close working relationship between the entities; or

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controlling owner in the other entity.

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 I authorize South Coast Air Quality Management District (SCAQMD) to direct deposit funds to my account in the financial institution as indicated below. I understand that the authorization may be rejected or discontinued by SCAQMD at any time. If any of the above information changes, I will promptly complete a new authorization agreement. If the direct deposit is not stopped before closing an account, funds payable to me will be returned to SCAQMD for distribution. This will delay my payment. This authorization remains in effect until SCAQMD receives written notification of changes or cancellation from you. I hereby release and hold harmless SCAQMD for any claims or liability to pay for any losses or costs related to insufficient fund transactions that result from failure within the Automated Clearing House network to correctly and timely deposit monies into my account. STEP 3: You must verify that your bank is a member of an Automated Clearing House (ACH). Failure to do so could delay the processing of your payment. You must attach a voided check or have your bank complete the bank information and the account holder must sign below.									
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