



CITY OF KNOXVILLE
 OFFICE OF THE PURCHASING AGENT
 P.O. BOX 1631
 400 MAIN ST., ROOM 667
 KNOXVILLE, TN 37901

SEALED BID

THIS IS NOT AN ORDER

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READ ALL INSTRUCTIONS AND CONDITIONS ON ATTACHED PAGES BEFORE BIDDING. BID ON THIS FORM ONLY. BID PRICE ON ITEMS LISTED OR EQUAL. NO BID RECEIVED AFTER CLOSING HOUR WILL BE ACCEPTED.

****ALL PRICES TO INCLUDE TRANSPORTATION CHARGES & NET TERMS UNLESS STATED OTHERWISE ****

Merchandise to be delivered to : Knoxville Fire Dept.
 1625 Highland Ave
 (Basement)
 Knoxville TN 37916

BID will be received at: Office of the Purchasing Agent, Room 667, 400 Main St., Knoxville, TN 37902, until 02/17/2010 11:00:00 AM

ENVELOPE TO BE SEALED AND MARKED: **SCOTT EPIC VOICE AMPLIFIER**

Special Instructions:

Direct all questions to Captain Chris Foster at (865)740-9893.

No.	Quantity	Description	Brand	Unit	Unit Price	Total	Applicable Discount
1	200 Each	Scott Epic Voice Amplifier Part #200260-01					

IMPORTANT - State Merchandise

Delivery Date Here: _____

Buyer Name: Tucker, James
 Phone: 865-215-2064
 Fax: (865) 215-2277
 Email: JTUCKER@cityofknoxville.org

 (Company Name)

 (Authorized Signature)

 (Print Signed Name)

 (Phone Number)

 (Email Address)

EQUAL BUSINESS OPPORTUNITY PROGRAM

Contracting Component

SECTION I

EQUAL BUSINESS OPPORTUNITY PROGRAM "GOOD FAITH EFFORT PLAN"

The City of Knoxville strongly encourages contractors to employ minority owned businesses and women owned businesses as subcontractors whenever feasible. This is viewed favorably by the City of Knoxville. In fact, the City's goal for minority and women owned business participation is 10 percent of the contract amount.

Prime contractors will consider all competitive sub-bids and quotations received from minority owned businesses (MOB) and women owned businesses (WOB). When a subcontract is not awarded to the MOB/WOB submitting the lowest bid, the prime contractor must document the reason(s) the award was not made in writing. If the Contractor terminates an agreement and/or subcontract with a MOB/WOB, then the contractor is required to strongly consider selection of another MOB or WOB as a replacement.

GOOD FAITH EFFORTS

1. Soliciting through all reasonable and available means.
 - a. Advertising
 - b. Written notices to all certified MOB's and WOB's who have the capability to perform the work or provide the service.
 - c. Solicitation of interest must be within sufficient time to allow MOB's and WOB's to respond to the solicitation.
 - d. Faxes, direct mailings, and telephone requests.
2. Providing interested MOB's and WOB's with adequate information about plans, specifications, and requirements of the contract in a timely manner to assist them in responding to a solicitation.
3. Negotiating in good faith with interested MOB's and WOB's.
 - a. It is the **bidder's/proposer's** responsibility to make opportunities available to MOB's and WOB's subcontractors and suppliers and to select opportunities consistent with the available MOB/WOB business subcontractors and suppliers. Evidence of such negotiations includes the names, addresses, and telephone numbers of MOB's and WOB's considered.

- (1) A description of the specifications for the work selection for subcontracting
 - (2) Evidence why agreements could not be reached for MOB's and WOB's to perform the work.
4. Effectively using the services of available minority, women contractor groups, local minority and women business assistance offices, small business groups, and other organizations on a case-by-case basis to provide assistance in the recruitment and placement of minority/women business.

SECTION II

MOB/WOB SUBMITTAL TIME FRAME

The Contractor will submit the following forms with the **bid/proposal**:

1. "Statement of Intent for MOB/WOB Utilization" (Form I Attached)

This form will be submitted by the bidder/proposer if he/she plans to subcontract any portion(s) of the work with a MOB and/or a WOB. This form illustrates the areas the Contractor has identified as potential MOB and/or WOB subcontract opportunities and the **dollar value** associated with these opportunities. The purpose of "Form I" is to measure the Contractor's "**Good Faith Efforts.**" It does not commit the prime to subcontracting these areas only to MOB and WOB firms or release the prime from negotiating with MOB/WOB firms for subcontract opportunities.

OR

2. "Statement of Intent of Performing Work Without Subcontracting" (Form II Attached)

This form will be submitted if the **bidder/proposer** does not plan to subcontract any portion(s) of the work and if there are not any sufficient material purchases in which MOB/WOB firms can be utilized. The **bidder/proposer** must certify that this has been a typical practice on projects of similar scope and dollar value. By submittal of Form II, the Contractor certifies that:

- (1) He/she does not typically subcontract on projects of similar scope and dollar value.
- (2) He/she will not enter into any subcontract for duration of the project, and if he/she does decide to subcontract any portion of the work, he/she will: notify the City immediately of the decision to subcontract and adhere to the provision of "**Good Faith Efforts**" in filling that subcontract opportunity.

The Purchasing Division may request the apparent low bidder/proposer to provide additional information to clarify the bidder's/proposer's responsiveness and intent in this regard.

These documents will be received by the Purchasing Division upon submission of a proposal/bid. Additionally, prime contractors who submit Form I stating their intent to use MOB or WOB subcontractors for any part of the contract are required to report the amount(s) they have paid to these subcontractors on June 30th and December 31st of each year. Failure to submit this reporting data may result in a delay of payments. At the time of the final request for payment, the prime shall submit a Statement of Final Payments to MOB and WOB Subcontractors and Suppliers (Form III attached). Final payment will not be released by the City until Form III is submitted.

SECTION III

DEFINITIONS

Minority: A person who is a citizen or lawful admitted permanent resident of the United States and who is a member of one (1) of the following groups:

- a. Black American, which includes persons having origins in any of the Black racial groups of Africa;
- b. A Hispanic American, which includes persons of Mexican, Puerto Rican, Cuban, Central or South American or other Spanish culture or origin, regardless of race;
- c. Native American, which includes persons who are American Indians or Alaska Native;
- d. An Asian-Indian American, which includes persons whose origins are from Indian, Pakistan or Bangladesh.
- e. An Asian Pacific Islander, which includes persons whose origins are from Japan, China, Taiwan, Korea, Vietnam, Laos, Cambodia, the Philippines, Samoa, Guam, the U. S. Trust Territories of the Pacific and Northern Marinas.

Minority Owned Business (MOB), Women Owned Business (WOB): A business which is at least (51%) owned and controlled by minority group members or European American female(s). A MOB/WOB is bonafide only if the minority group interests are real and continuing and not created solely to meet the MOB/WOB requirement. In addition, the MOB/WOB must perform satisfactory work or services to provide supplies under the contract and not act as a mere conduit. In short, the contractual relationship must be bonafide. Certification of minority owned businesses and women owned businesses is provided by City Community Relations Office.

Owned and Controlled: A business which is (1) a sole proprietorship legitimately owned by an individual who is a minority or European American female; (2) a partnership or joint venture controlled by minorities or European American females, and in which at least (51%) of the beneficial ownership interests legitimately are held by minorities or European American females; or (3) a corporation or other entity controlled by minorities or European American females, and in which at least 51% of the voting interests and 51% of the beneficial ownership interests are legitimately held by minorities or European American females. In addition, these persons must control the management and operation of the

business on a day-to-day basis.

Subcontractor: Any named person, firm, partnership, or corporation which supplies any work, labor, services, supplies, equipment, materials, or any combination of the foregoing contract with the contractor on a public contract.

FORM I

STATEMENT OF INTENT OF MOB/WOB UTILIZATION (TO BE SUBMITTED WITH THE BID/PROPOSAL)

We, _____, do certify that on the
(Bidder/Proposer)

(Project Name)

(_____)
(Dollar Amount of Bid)

MOB/WOB's will be employed as subcontractor(s), vendor(s), supplier(s), or professional service(s). The estimated **dollar value** of the amount that we plan to pay the MOB or WOB subcontractor(s), vendor(s), supplier(s), or professional service(s) is \$ _____.

MOB/WOB Utilization			
Description of Work	MOB Amount	WOB Amount	Name of MOB/WOB

The undersigned understands that they are to report the annual amount disbursed to these MOB(s) /WOB(s) on June 30th of each year. Moreover, the undersigned understands that he/she is required to report the total amount disbursed to MOB(s)/WOB(s) for this project at the completion of the project and that payments may be withheld until these reporting requirements are met.

DATE: _____ COMPANY NAME: _____

SUBMITTED BY: _____
(Authorized Representative)

TITLE: _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY/STATE/ZIP CODE: _____

TELEPHONE NO: _____

FORM II

STATEMENT OF INTENT TO PERFORM WORK WITHOUT SUBCONTRACTING (TO BE SUBMITTED WITH BID/PROPOSAL)

We, _____, hereby certify that it is our
(Bidder/Proposer)

intent to perform 100 % of the work required for the _____
_____ contract.
(Name of Project)

In making this certification, the **Bidder/Proposer** states that:

1. It is a normal business practice of the bidder/proposer to perform all elements of this type contract with its own work forces without the use of subcontracts.

AND

2. If it is necessary to subcontract some portion of the work at a later date, the **bidder/proposer** will comply with all requirements of the "Good Faith Efforts" in providing equal opportunity to MOB/WOB Firms to subcontract the work.

The undersigned hereby certifies that he/she has read the terms and agrees to the terms of this statement.

Signature and title of authorized official of the company and the date must be properly executed on this document and a list of previous projects of similar scope and dollar value as stated in Section II attached or the bid may be deemed non-responsive.

DATE: _____ COMPANY NAME: _____

SUBMITTED BY: _____
(Authorized Representative)

TITLE: _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY/STATE/ZIP CODE: _____

TELEPHONE NO: _____

FORM III

**STATEMENT OF PAYMENTS TO MOB/WOB SUBCONTRACTOR(S) & SUPPLIER(S)
(TO BE SUBMITTED ON JUNE 30 AND DECEMBER 31 OF EACH YEAR FOR THE LIFE
OF THE CONTRACT AND TO BE WITH FINAL PAYMENT REQUEST)**

Project: _____ Contract#: _____

Contractor's Name: _____

Cert. #	MOB	WOB	Name of Firm / Address & Phone#	Total Amount Paid	Contact Person

I hereby certify that this statement is true and that above payments have been made.

Contractor: _____

Address: _____

By: _____
Contractor's Signature
Title

Subscribed and sworn to before me this _____ day of _____ 20__

Notary Public: _____

My Commission Expires: _____

INSTRUCTIONS AND CONDITIONS

1. All prices and notations must be in ink or typewritten. No erasures permitted. Mistakes may be crossed out and corrections typed adjacent and must be initialed and dated in ink by person signing quotation.
2. State brand or make on each item. If quoting on other than the make, model or brand specified, the manufacturer's name and catalogue number must be given.
3. Time of delivery is a part of the consideration and must be stated in definite terms and must be adhered to upon award. If time varies on different items, the bidder shall so state.
4. All quotations must be signed with the firm name and by a responsible officer or employee. Obligations assumed by such signature must be fulfilled.
5. The Purchasing Agent reserves the right to reject any or all bids, to accept or reject any items thereon, to waive technicalities, to split orders if in the best interest of the City, and to evaluate bids by various criteria and to accept any bid which, in his opinion, may be for the best interest of the City.
6. Samples of items, when required, must be furnished free of expense to the City and if not called for within fifteen days from date of bid opening, same will be disposed of to the best interest of the City.
7. Verify your quotations before submission as they cannot be withdrawn or corrected after being opened. Bids will be evaluated by unit price.
8. If you do not quote, return this sheet and state reason.
9. If Federal Excise Tax applies, show amount of same and deduct. Bear in mind that the City is exempt from the Tennessee Sales Tax.
10. PRICES CONSIDERED F.O.B. KNOXVILLE UNLESS OTHERWISE STATED.
11. Failure to observe the above instructions and conditions will constitute grounds for rejection of your bid.
12. Attention of all bidders is directed to the set of provisions contained in Chapter 24, Article II, Section 24-33 entitled, "Debts owed by persons receiving payments other than salary" of the Code of the City of Knoxville.
13. Before a contract will be signed by the City, the submitting entity, if selected, must provide the City Purchasing Office with a copy of its valid business license or with an affidavit explaining why it is exempt from the business licensure requirements of the city or county in which it is headquartered. If a contract is signed, the contractor's business license shall be kept current throughout the duration of the contract, and the contractor shall inform the City of changes in its business name or location.

INDEMNIFICATION CLAUSE

Contractor shall defend, indemnify and hold harmless the City, its officers, employees and agents from any and all liabilities which may accrue against the City, its officers, employees and agents or any third party for any and all lawsuits, claims, demands, losses or damages alleged to have arisen from an act or omission of Contractor in performance of this Agreement or from Contractor's failure to perform this Agreement using ordinary care and skill, except where such injury, damage, or loss was caused by the sole negligence of the City, its agents or employees.

Contractor shall save, indemnify and hold the City harmless from the cost of the defense of any claim, demand, suit or cause of action made or brought against the City alleging liability referenced above, including, but not limited to, costs, fees, attorney fees, and other expenses of any kind whatsoever arising in connection with the defense of the City; and Contractor shall assume and take over the defense of the City in any such claim, demand, suit, or cause of action upon written notice and demand for same by the City. Contractor will have the right to defend the City with counsel of its choice that is satisfactory to the City, and the City will provide reasonable cooperation in the defense as Contractor may request. Contractor will not consent to the entry of any judgment or enter into any settlement with respect to an indemnified claim without the prior written consent of the City, such consent not to be unreasonably withheld or delayed. The City shall have the right to participate in the defense against the indemnified claims with counsel of its choice at its own expense.

Contractor shall save, indemnify and hold City harmless and pay judgments that shall be rendered in any such actions, suits, claims or demands against City alleging liability referenced above.

The indemnification and hold harmless provisions of this Agreement shall survive termination of the Agreement.