**STATE OF MAINE**

**Department of** **Administrative and Financial Services**

*Property Management Division*



**RFP# 202404088**

**2024-2029 Sprinkler Systems & Fire Pump Inspections/Tests,**

**Maintenance & Repairs**

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| **RFP Coordinator** | *All communication regarding the RFP must be made through the RFP Coordinator identified below*.  **Name:** Valerie Russell **Title:** Office Specialist I  **Contact Information:** Valerie.L.Russell@maine.gov |
| **Submitted Questions Due** | *All questions must be received by the RFP Coordinator identified above by:*  **Date:** May 16, 2024, no later than 11:59 p.m., local time |
| **Proposal Submission Deadline** | *Proposals must be received by the Division of Procurement Services by:*  **Submission Deadline:** May 29, 2024, no later than 11:59 p.m., local time.  *Proposals must be submitted electronically to:* [Proposals@maine.gov](mailto:Proposals@maine.gov) |

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PUBLIC NOTICE

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**State of Maine**

**Department of Administrative and Financial Services**

**RFP# 202404088**

**2024-2029 Sprinkler Systems & Fire Pump Inspections/Tests,**

**Maintenance & Repairs**

The State of Maine is seeking proposals for inspections/tests, maintenance and repairs of sprinkler systems and fire pumps identified in the RFP.

A copy of the RFP, as well as the Question & Answer Summary and all amendments related to the RFP, can be obtained at: <https://www.maine.gov/dafs/bbm/procurementservices/vendors/rfps>

Proposals must be submitted to the State of Maine Division of Procurement Services, via e-mail, at: [Proposals@maine.gov](mailto:Proposals@maine.gov). Proposal submissions must be received no later than 11:59 p.m., local time, on May 29, 2024. Proposals will be opened the following business day. Proposals not submitted to the Division of Procurement Services’ aforementioned e-mail address by the aforementioned deadline will not be considered for contract award.

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**RFP TERMS/ACRONYMS with DEFINITIONS**

The following terms and acronyms, as referenced in the RFP, shall have the meanings indicated below:

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| **Term/Acronym** | **Definition** |
| **Department** | Department of Administrative and Financial Services |
| **RFP** | Request for Proposal |
| **State** | State of Maine |
| **NFPA** | National Fire Protection Association |

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**PART I INTRODUCTION**

1. **Purpose and Background**

The Department of Administrative and Financial Services (Department) is seeking inspections/tests, maintenance and repairs of sprinkler systems and fire pumps identified in the RFP as defined in this Request for Proposal (RFP) document. This document provides instructions for submitting proposals, the procedure and criteria by which the awarded Bidder will be selected, and the contractual terms which will govern the relationship between the State of Maine (State) and the awarded Bidder.

1. **General Provisions**
   1. From the time the RFP is issued until award notification is made, all contact with the State regarding the RFP must be made through the RFP Coordinator. No other person/ State employee is empowered to make binding statements regarding the RFP. Violation of this provision may lead to disqualification from the bidding process, at the State’s discretion.
   2. Issuance of the RFP does not commit the Department to issue an award or to pay expenses incurred by a Bidder in the preparation of a response to the RFP. This includes attendance at personal interviews or other meetings and software or system demonstrations, where applicable.
   3. All proposals must adhere to the instructions and format requirements outlined in the RFP and all written supplements and amendments (such as the Summary of Questions and Answers), issued by the Department. Proposals are to follow the format and respond to all questions and instructions specified below in the “Proposal Submission Requirements” section of the RFP.
   4. Bidders will take careful note that in evaluating a proposal submitted in response to the RFP, the Department will consider materials provided in the proposal, information obtained through interviews/presentations (if any), and internal Departmental information of previous contract history with the Bidder (if any). The Department also reserves the right to consider other reliable references and publicly available information in evaluating a Bidder’s experience and capabilities.
   5. The proposal must be signed by a person authorized to legally bind the Bidder and must contain a statement that the proposal and the pricing contained therein will remain valid and binding for a period of 180 days from the date and time of the bid opening.
   6. The RFP and the awarded Bidder’s proposal, including all appendices or attachments, will be the basis for the final contract, as determined by the Department.
   7. Following announcement of an award decision, all submissions in response to this RFP will be public records, available for public inspection pursuant to the State of Maine Freedom of Access Act (FOAA) ([1 M.R.S. § 401](http://www.mainelegislature.org/legis/statutes/1/title1sec401.html) et seq.).
   8. The Department, at its sole discretion, reserves the right to recognize and waive minor informalities and irregularities found in proposals received in response to the RFP.
   9. All applicable laws, whether or not herein contained, are included by this reference. It is the Bidder’s responsibility to determine the applicability and requirements of any such laws and to abide by them.
2. **Eligibility to Submit Bids**

The bidder must have staff or sub-contractors with current Fire Sprinkler Inspection licenses, as required by the State of Maine Fire Marshall, in order to be considered.

1. **Contract Term**

The Department is seeking a cost-efficient proposal to provide services, as defined in the RFP, for the anticipated contract period defined in the table below. Please note, the dates below are estimated and may be adjusted, as necessary, in order to comply with all procedural requirements associated with the RFP and the contracting process. The actual contract start date will be established by a completed and approved contract.

The term of the anticipated contract, resulting from the RFP, is defined as follows:

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| **Period** | **Start Date** | **End Date** |
| Period of Performance | July 1, 2024 | June 30, 2029 |

1. **Number of Awards**

The Department anticipates making one (1) award as a result of the RFP process.

**PART II SCOPE OF SERVICES TO BE PROVIDED**

All service technicians performing inspections/tests, maintenance and/or repairs on equipment/systems must have a current license in the State of Maine.

1. Perform **sprinkler systems testing and inspection** on all wet, dry, pre-action and deluge sprinkler systems listed below in **Table 1** and as defined in NFPA 25 - Inspection and Testing of Water-based Fire Protection Systems. Testing and inspection shall comply with NFPA 25, chapter 5 and specifically table 5.1.1.2. The awarded contract shall include all test/inspection items identified in above referenced NFPA code which are required by code to be completed with a frequency of quarterly up to 5 years. Any items with a less than quarterly frequency will be completed at the quarterly inspection.
2. Perform **fire pump testing and inspection** in accordance with NFPA 25, chapter 8, table 8.1.2. Testing shall include, but not be limited to, the annual capacity test verifying pump output matches design parameters. Note: Does not include routine driver maintenance, i.e. engine oil changes.
3. Perform **annual draining of the low points** of the sprinkler piping in the State House prior to November 15. Locations are provided below in **Table 2**. Work must be coordinated with the Plant Maintenance Engineer III or their designee.
4. Perform **5-year Fire Department Connection Test** for eighteen (18) locations in the Augusta, and Vassalboro, ME area, see **Table 3**. The piping from the fire department connection to the fire department check valve shall be hydrostatically tested at 150 psi for 2 hours, in accordance with NFPA-25 13.7.4, state, and local codes. The contractor shall be responsible for all labor, materials, and equipment to perform the testing. The last 5-year test was completed in August 2021.
5. Provide **reports of tests/inspections** to the Plant Maintenance Engineer III following each event.
6. Provide **repairs to sprinkler systems and fire pumps** as requested by the Plant Maintenance Engineer III or their designee. Emergency repairs shall be responded to twenty-four (24) hours per day, seven (7) days per week, **within two (2) hours** of initial request. Non-emergency repairs will be scheduled with the Plant Maintenance Engineer III or their designee. Repairs executed during normal business hours, 8:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M. Monday - Friday, will be paid at the straight time rate. Repairs executed outside of normal business hours, including weekends and holidays will be paid at the overtime rate. The Department will not pay for mileage or fuel surcharges.

**Table 1 – Equipment and Locations**



**Table 2 – State Capitol Building Diagram**

** Table 3 – Fire Department Connections**

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| **LOCATION** | **ADDRESS** | **Date Last Insp.** |
| **EAST CAMPUS** | |  |
| Bureau of Motor Vehicles | 101 Hospital Street, Augusta | August 2021 |
| DEP – Boathouse | 1 Chimney Loop, Augusta | August 2021 |
| Mechanical Building | 5 Chimney Loop, Augusta | August 2021 |
| Harlow Building | 18 Elkins Lane, Augusta | August 2021 |
| Tyson Building | 25 Tyson Drive, Augusta | August 2021 |
| Williams Pavilion | 17 Elkins Lane, Augusta | August 2021 |
| Marquardt Building | 32 Blossom Lane, Augusta | August 2021 |
| **STATE POLICE COMPLEX** | |  |
| ME State Police Crime Lab | 26 Hospital Street, Augusta | August 2021 |
| Medical Examiner’s Office | 30 Hospital Street, Augusta | August 2021 |
| **VASSALBORO** | |  |
| ME Criminal Justice Academy | 15 Oak Grove Rd, Vassalboro | August 2021 |
| **WEST CAMPUS** | |  |
| Burton M. Cross Building | 111 Sewall Street, Augusta | August 2021 |
| Daschlager House | 55 Capitol Street, Augusta | August 2021 |
| DHHS | 221 State Street, Augusta | August 2021 |
| ME State Library | 242 State Street, Augusta | August 2021 |
| Nash School | 103 Sewall Street, Augusta | August 2021 |
| State House | 210 State Street, Augusta | August 2021 |
| Maine IT Data Center | 127 Sewall Street, Augusta | August 2021 |
| Blaine House | 192 State Street, Augusta | August 2021 |

**PART III KEY RFP EVENTS**

1. **Questions**
   1. **General Instructions:** It is the responsibility of all Bidders and other interested parties to examine the entire RFP and to seek clarification, in writing, if they do not understand any information or instructions.
      1. Bidders and other interested parties should use **Appendix F** (Submitted Questions Form) for submission of questions. The form is to be submitted as a WORD document.
      2. The Submitted Questions Form must be submitted, by e-mail, and received by the RFP Coordinator identified on the cover page of the RFP as soon as possible but no later than the date and time specified on the RFP cover page.
      3. Submitted Questions must include the RFP Number and Title in the subject line of the e-mail. The Department assumes no liability for assuring accurate/complete/on time e-mail transmission and receipt.
   2. **Question & Answer Summary:** Responses to all questions will be compiled in writing and posted on the following website no later than seven (7) calendar days prior to the proposal due date: [Division of Procurement Services RFP Page](https://www.maine.gov/dafs/bbm/procurementservices/vendors/rfps). It is the responsibility of all interested parties to go to this website to obtain a copy of the Question & Answer Summary. Only those answers issued in writing on this website will be considered binding.
2. **Amendments**

All amendments released in regard to the RFP will also be posted on the following website: [Division of Procurement Services RFP Page](https://www.maine.gov/dafs/bbm/procurementservices/vendors/rfps). It is the responsibility of all interested parties to go to this website to obtain amendments. Only those amendments posted on this website are considered binding.

1. **Submitting the Proposal**
   1. **Proposals Due:** Proposals must be received no later than 11:59 p.m. local time, on the date listed on the cover page of the RFP.
      1. Any e-mails containing original proposal submissions or any additional or revised proposal files, received after the 11:59 p.m. deadline, will be rejected without exception.
   2. **Delivery Instructions:** E-mail proposal submissions are to be submitted to the State of Maine Division of Procurement Services at [Proposals@maine.gov](mailto:Proposals@maine.gov).
      1. Only proposal submissions received by e-mail will be considered. The Department assumes no liability for assuring accurate/complete e-mail transmission and receipt.
         1. Proposal submission e-mails that are successfully received by the [proposals@maine.gov](mailto:proposals@maine.gov) inbox will receive an automatic reply stating as such.
      2. E-mails containing links to file sharing sites or online file repositories will not be accepted as submissions. Only e-mail proposal submissions that have the actual requested files attached will be accepted.
      3. Encrypted e-mails received which require opening attachments and logging into a proprietary system will not be accepted as submissions. Please check with your organization’s Information Technology team to ensure that your security settings will not encrypt your proposal submission.
      4. File size limits are 25MB per e-mail. Bidders may submit files separately across multiple e-mails, as necessary, due to file size concerns. All e-mails and files must be received by the due date and time listed above.
      5. Bidders are to insert the following into the subject line of their e-mail proposal submission: **“RFP# 202404088 Proposal Submission – [Bidder’s Name]”**
      6. Bidder’s proposal submissions are to be broken down into multiple files, with each file named as it is titled in bold below, and include:

* **File 1 [Bidder’s Name] – Preliminary Information:**

*PDF format preferred*

**Appendix A** (Proposal Cover Page)

**Appendix B** (Debarment, Performance and Non-Collusion Certification)

All required eligibility documentation stated in PART IV, Section I.

* **File 2 [Bidder’s Name] – Organization Qualifications and Experience:**

*PDF format preferred*

**Appendix C** (Organization Qualifications and Experience Form) and all required information and attachments stated in PART IV, Section II.

* **File 3 [Bidder’s Name] – Proposed Services:**

*PDF format preferred*

**Appendix D** (Proposed Services) and all required information and attachments stated in PART IV, Section III.

* **File 4 [Bidder’s Name] – Cost Proposal:**

*Excel format preferred*

**Appendix E** (Cost Proposal Form) and all required information and attachments stated in PART IV, Section IV.

**PART IV PROPOSAL SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS**

This section contains instructions for Bidders to use in preparing their proposals. The Department seeks detailed yet succinct responses that demonstrate the Bidder’s qualifications, experience, and ability to perform the requirements specified throughout the RFP.

The Bidder’s proposal must follow the outline used below, including the numbering, section, and sub-section headings. Failure to use the outline specified in PART IV, or failure to respond to all questions and instructions throughout the RFP, may result in the proposal being disqualified as non-responsive or receiving a reduced score. The Department, and its evaluation team, has sole discretion to determine whether a variance from the RFP specifications will result either in disqualification or reduction in scoring of a proposal. Rephrasing of the content provided in the RFP will, at best, be considered minimally responsive.

Bidders are not to provide additional attachments beyond those specified in the RFP for the purpose of extending their response. Additional materials not requested will not be considered part of the proposal and will not be evaluated. Include any forms provided in the submission package or reproduce those forms as closely as possible. All information must be presented in the same order and format as described in the RFP.

**Proposal Format and Contents**

**Section I Preliminary Information** (File #1)

* 1. **Proposal Cover Page**

Bidders must complete **Appendix A** (Proposal Cover Page). It is critical that the cover page show the specific information requested, including Bidder address(es) and other details listed. The Proposal Cover Page must be dated and signed by a person authorized to enter into contracts on behalf of the Bidder.

* 1. **Debarment, Performance and Non-Collusion Certification**

Bidders must complete **Appendix B** (Debarment, Performance and Non-Collusion Certification Form). The Debarment, Performance and Non-Collusion Certification Form must be dated and signed by a person authorized to enter into contracts on behalf of the Bidder.

* 1. **Eligibility Requirements**

Bidders must provide documentation to demonstrate meeting eligibility requirements stated in PART I, C. of the RFP. This documentation includes: current Maine Fire Sprinkler Inspection License for contractor and all sub-contractors.

**Section II Organization Qualifications and Experience** (File #2)

* 1. **Overview of the Organization**

Bidders must complete **Appendix C** (Qualifications and Experience Form) describing their qualifications and skills to provide the requested services in the RFP. Bidders must include three examples of projects which demonstrate their experience and expertise in performing these services as well as highlighting the Bidder’s stated qualifications and skills.

* 1. **Subcontractors**

If subcontractors are to be used, Bidders must provide a list that specifies the name, address, phone number, contact person, and a brief description of the subcontractors’ organizational capacity and qualifications.

* 1. **Organizational Chart**

Bidders must provide an organizational chart.  The organizational chart must include the project being proposed.  Each position must be identified by position title and corresponding to the personnel job descriptions.

* 1. **Litigation**

Bidders must attach a list of all current litigation in which the Bidder is named and a list of all closed cases that have closed within the past five (5) years in which the Bidder paid the claimant either as part of a settlement or by decree.  For each, list the entity bringing suit, the complaint, the accusation, amount, and outcome.

* 1. **Licensure/Certification**

Bidders may provide documentation of any applicable licensure/certification or specific credentials that are related to providing the proposed services of the RFP. This documentation may include: current Maine Fire Sprinkler Inspection License for contractor and all sub-contractors

* 1. **Certificate of Insurance**

Bidders must provide a certificate of insurance on a standard ACORD form (or the equivalent) evidencing the Bidder’s general liability, professional liability and any other relevant liability insurance policies that might be associated with the proposed services.

**Section III Proposed Services** (File #3)

* 1. **Services to be Provided**

Bidders must complete **Appendix D** (Proposed Services) describing the Scope of Services referenced above in Part II of the RFP and what the Bidder will offer. Give particular attention to describing the methods and resources you will use and how you will accomplish the tasks involved. Also, describe how you will ensure expectations and/or desired outcomes as a result of these services will be achieved. If subcontractors are involved, clearly identify the work each will perform.

**Section IV Cost Proposal** (File #4)

* 1. **General Instructions**
     1. Bidders must submit a cost proposal that covers the period starting July 1, 2024 and ending on June 30, 2029.
     2. The cost proposal must include the costs necessary for the Bidder to fully comply with the contract terms, conditions, and RFP requirements.
     3. No costs related to the preparation of the proposal for the RFP, or to the negotiation of the contract with the Department, may be included in the proposal. Only costs to be incurred after the contract effective date that are specifically related to the implementation or operation of contracted services may be included.
  2. **Cost Proposal Form Instructions**

Bidders must fill out **Appendix E** (Cost Proposal Form), following the instructions detailed here and in the form. Failure to provide the requested information, and to follow the required cost proposal format provided, may result in the exclusion of the proposal from consideration, at the discretion of the Department.

**PART V PROPOSAL EVALUATION AND SELECTION**

Evaluation of the submitted proposals will be accomplished as follows:

1. **Evaluation Process – General Information**
   1. An evaluation team, composed of qualified reviewers, will judge the merits of the proposals received in accordance with the criteria defined in the RFP.
   2. Officials responsible for making decisions on the award selection will ensure that the selection process accords equal opportunity and appropriate consideration to all who are capable of meeting the specifications. The goals of the evaluation process are to ensure fairness and objectivity in review of the proposals and to ensure that the contract is awarded to the Bidder whose proposal provides the best value to the State of Maine.
   3. The Department reserves the right to communicate and/or schedule interviews/presentations with Bidders, if needed, to obtain clarification of information contained in the proposals received. The Department may revise the scores assigned in the initial evaluation to reflect those communications and/or interviews/presentations. Changes to proposals, including updating or adding information, will not be permitted during any interview/presentation process and, therefore, Bidders must submit proposals that present their rates and other requested information as clearly and completely as possible.
2. **Scoring Weights and Process**
   1. **Scoring Weights:** The score will be based on a 100-point scale and will measure the degree to which each proposal meets the following criteria.

**Section I. Preliminary Information (No Points – Eligibility Requirements)**

Includes all elements addressed above in Part IV, Section I.

**Section II. Organization Qualifications and Experience (30 points)**

Includes all elements addressed above in Part IV, Section II.

**Section III. Proposed Services (25 points)**

Includes all elements addressed above in Part IV, Section III.

**Section IV. Cost Proposal (45 points)**

Includes all elements addressed above in Part IV, Section IV.

* 1. **Scoring Process:** For proposals that demonstrate meeting the eligibility requirements in Section I, the evaluation team will use a consensus approach to evaluate and score Sections II & III above. Members of the evaluation team will not score those sections individually but, instead, will arrive at a consensus as to assignment of points for each of those sections. Sections IV, the Cost Proposal, will be scored as described below.
  2. **Scoring the Cost Proposal:** The total cost proposed for conducting all the functions specified in the RFP will be assigned a score according to a mathematical formula. The lowest bid will be awarded 45 points. Proposals with higher bids values will be awarded proportionately fewer points calculated in comparison with the lowest bid.

The scoring formula is:

(Lowest submitted cost proposal / Cost of proposal being scored) x 45 = pro-rated score

No Best and Final Offers: The State of Maine will not seek or accept a best and final offer (BAFO) from any Bidder in this procurement process.  All Bidders are expected to provide their best value pricing with the submission of their proposal.

* 1. **Negotiations:** The Department reserves the right to negotiate with the awarded Bidder to finalize a contract. Such negotiations may not significantly vary the content, nature or requirements of the proposal or the Department’s Request for Proposal to an extent that may affect the price of goods or services requested. The Department reserves the right to terminate contract negotiations with an awarded Bidder who submits a proposed contract significantly different from the proposal they submitted in response to the advertised RFP. In the event that an acceptable contract cannot be negotiated with the highest ranked Bidder, the Department may withdraw its award and negotiate with the next-highest ranked Bidder, and so on, until an acceptable contract has been finalized. Alternatively, the Department may cancel the RFP, at its sole discretion.

1. **Selection and Award**
   1. The final decision regarding the award of the contract will be made by representatives of the Department subject to approval by the State Procurement Review Committee.
   2. Notification of conditional award selection or non-selection will be made in writing by the Department.
   3. Issuance of the RFP in no way constitutes a commitment by the State of Maine to award a contract, to pay costs incurred in the preparation of a response to the RFP, or to pay costs incurred in procuring or contracting for services, supplies, physical space, personnel or any other costs incurred by the Bidder.
   4. The Department reserves the right to reject any and all proposals or to make multiple awards.
2. **Appeal of Contract Awards**

Any person aggrieved by the award decision that results from the RFP may appeal the decision to the Director of the Bureau of General Services in the manner prescribed in [5 M.R.S.A. § 1825-E](http://www.mainelegislature.org/legis/statutes/5/title5sec1825-E.html) and [18-554 Code of Maine Rules Chapter 120](https://www.maine.gov/dafs/bbm/procurementservices/policies-procedures/chapter-120).  The appeal must be in writing and filed with the Director of the Bureau of General Services, 9 State House Station, Augusta, Maine, 04333-0009 within 15 calendar days of receipt of notification of conditional contract award.

**PART VI CONTRACT ADMINISTRATION AND CONDITIONS**

1. **Contract Document**
   1. The awarded Bidder will be required to execute a State of Maine Service Contract with appropriate riders as determined by the issuing department.

The complete set of standard State of Maine Service Contract documents, along with other forms and contract documents commonly used by the State, may be found on the Division of Procurement Services’ website at the following link: [Division of Procurement Services Forms Page](https://www.maine.gov/dafs/bbm/procurementservices/forms)

* 1. Allocation of funds is final upon successful negotiation and execution of the contract, subject to the review and approval of the State Procurement Review Committee. Contracts are not considered fully executed and valid until approved by the State Procurement Review Committee and funds are encumbered. No contract will be approved based on an RFP which has an effective date less than fourteen (14) calendar days after award notification to Bidders. (Referenced in the regulations of the Department of Administrative and Financial Services, [Chapter 110, § 3(B)(i)](https://www.maine.gov/dafs/bbm/procurementservices/policies-procedures/chapter-110).)

This provision means that a contract cannot be effective until at least 14 calendar days after award notification.

* 1. The State recognizes that the actual contract effective date depends upon completion of the RFP process, date of formal award notification, length of contract negotiation, and preparation and approval by the State Procurement Review Committee. Any appeals to the Department’s award decision(s) may further postpone the actual contract effective date, depending upon the outcome. The contract effective date listed in the RFP may need to be adjusted, if necessary, to comply with mandated requirements.
  2. In providing services and performing under the contract, the awarded Bidder must act as an independent contractor and not as an agent of the State of Maine.

1. **Standard State Contract Provisions**
   1. Contract Administration

Following the award, a Contract Administrator from the Department will be appointed to assist with the development and administration of the contract and to act as administrator during the entire contract period. Department staff will be available after the award to consult with the awarded Bidder in the finalization of the contract.

* 1. Payments and Other Provisions

The State anticipates paying the Contractor on the basis of net 30 payment terms, upon the receipt of an accurate and acceptable invoice. An invoice will be considered accurate and acceptable if it contains a reference to the State of Maine contract number, contains correct pricing information relative to the contract, and provides any required supporting documents, as applicable, and any other specific and agreed-upon requirements listed within the contract that results from the RFP.

**PART VII LIST OF RFP APPENDICES AND RELATED DOCUMENTS**

**Appendix A** – Proposal Cover Page

**Appendix B** – Debarment, Performance, and Non-Collusion Certification

**Appendix C** – Qualifications and Experience Form

**Appendix D** – Proposed Services

**Appendix E** – Cost Proposal Form

**Appendix F** – Submitted Question Form

**APPENDIX A**

**State of Maine**

**Department of Administrative and Financial Services**

**PROPOSAL COVER PAGE**

**RFP# 202404088**

**2024-2029 Sprinkler Systems & Fire Pump Inspections/Tests,**

**Maintenance & Repairs**

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| **Bidder’s Organization Name:** | |  | | |
| **Chief Executive - Name/Title:** | |  | | |
| **Tel:** |  | | **E-mail:** |  |
| **Headquarters Street Address:** | |  | | |
| **Headquarters City/State/Zip:** | |  | | |
| ***(Provide information requested below if different from above)*** | | | | |
| **Lead Point of Contact for Proposal - Name/Title:** | |  | | |
| **Tel:** |  | | **E-mail:** |  |
| **Headquarters Street Address:** | |  | | |
| **Headquarters City/State/Zip:** | |  | | |

* This proposal and the pricing structure contained herein will remain firm for a period of 180 days from the date and time of the bid opening.
* No personnel currently employed by the Department or any other State agency participated, either directly or indirectly, in any activities relating to the preparation of the Bidder’s proposal.
* No attempt has been made, or will be made, by the Bidder to induce any other person or firm to submit or not to submit a proposal.
* The above-named organization is the legal entity entering into the resulting contract with the Department if they are awarded the contract.
* The undersigned is authorized to enter contractual obligations on behalf of the above-named organization.

*To the best of my knowledge, all information provided in the enclosed proposal, both programmatic and financial, is complete and accurate at the time of submission.*

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| **Name (Print):** | **Title:** |
| **Authorized Signature:** | **Date:** |

**APPENDIX B**

**State of Maine**

**Department of Administrative and Financial Services**

**DEBARMENT, PERFORMANCE, and NON-COLLUSION CERTIFICATION**

**RFP# 202404088**

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| **Bidder’s Organization Name:** |  |

*By signing this document, I certify to the best of my knowledge and belief that the aforementioned organization, its principals and any subcontractors named in this proposal:*

1. *Are not presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, and declared ineligible or voluntarily excluded from bidding or working on contracts issued by any governmental agency.*
2. *Have not within three years of submitting the proposal for this contract been convicted of or had a civil judgment rendered against them for:*
   1. *Fraud or a criminal offense in connection with obtaining, attempting to obtain, or performing a federal, state, or local government transaction or contract.*
   2. *Violating Federal or State antitrust statutes or committing embezzlement, theft, forgery, bribery, falsification or destruction of records, making false statements, or receiving stolen property.*
3. *Are not presently indicted for or otherwise criminally or civilly charged by a governmental entity (Federal, State or Local) with commission of any of the offenses enumerated in paragraph (b) of this certification.*
4. *Have not within a three (3) year period preceding this proposal had one or more federal, state, or local government transactions terminated for cause or default*.
5. *Have not entered into a prior understanding, agreement, or connection with any corporation, firm, or person submitting a response for the same materials, supplies, equipment, or services and this proposal is in all respects fair and without collusion or fraud. The above-mentioned entities understand and agree that collusive bidding is a violation of state and federal law and can result in fines, prison sentences, and civil damage awards.*

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| **Authorized Signature:** | **Date:** |

**APPENDIX C**

**State of Maine**

**Department of Administrative and Financial Services**

## QUALIFICATIONS and EXPERIENCE FORM

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| **Bidder’s Organization Name:** |  |

**Section I Organization Qualifications and Experience**

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| 1. **Overview of the Organization**    1. How many years has the company been in business?       1. How many years has the company been in the sprinkler system and fire protection business?    2. Provide listing of current resources, i.e. personnel qualified to perform this work and equipment available, to execute this RFP.       1. How many personnel are full time?       2. How many personnel are part time?    3. Will sub-contractors be used? If so, provide a list that specifies the name, address, phone number, contact person, and a brief description of the subcontractors’ organizational capacity and qualifications. |
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**APPENDIX C (continued)**

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| 1. **Organization Location and Licensure**   a. Provide the location of the corporate headquarters and the location from which the services will be provided, if different than above.  b. Attach documentation of any applicable Maine licensure requirements i.e. Fire Sprinkler Inspector licenses, include for sub-contractors, if applicable.  c. Attach a current certificate of insurance on a standard Acord form (or the equivalent) evidencing the Bidder’s general liability, professional liability and any other relevant liability insurance policies that might be associated with this contract. |
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**APPENDIX C (continued)**

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| 1. **Description of Experience with Similar Projects**   Provide a list of three (3) contracts/agreements, similar in size, that occurred within  the past five (5) years which reflect experience and expertise needed in performing the functions described in the “Scope of Services” portion of this RFP. For each of the three (3) examples provided, a contact person from the client organization involved should be listed, along with that person’s telephone number. Please note that contract history with the State of Maine, whether positive or negative, may be considered in rating proposals even if not provided by the Bidder. |

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| **Project One** | |
| **Client Name:** |  |
| **Client Contact Person:** |  |
| **Telephone:** |  |
| **E-Mail:** |  |
| **Brief Description of Project** | |
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| **Project Two** | |
| **Client Name:** |  |
| **Client Contact Person:** |  |
| **Telephone:** |  |
| **E-Mail:** |  |
| **Brief Description of Project** | |
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**APPENDIX C (continued)**

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| **Project Three** | |
| **Client Name:** |  |
| **Client Contact Person:** |  |
| **Telephone:** |  |
| **E-Mail:** |  |
| **Brief Description of Project** | |
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| 1. **Litigation**   Attach a list of all current litigation in which the Bidder is named and a list of all closed cases that have closed within the past five (5) years in which Bidder paid the claimant either as part of a settlement or by decree. For each, list the entity bringing suit, the complaint, the accusation, amount and outcome. If no litigation will be included, write “none” on submitted attachment. |
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**APPENDIX D**

**State of Maine**

**Department of Administrative and Financial Services**

**PROPOSED SERVICES FORM**

**RFP#**

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| **Services to be Provided**  Discuss the Scope of Services referenced above in Part II of this RFP and what the Bidder will offer. Give particular attention to describing the methods and resources you will use and how you will accomplish the tasks involved. Also, describe how you will ensure expectations and/or desired outcomes as a result of these services will be achieved. If **subcontractors** are involved, clearly identify the work each will perform. |
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**APPENDIX E**

**State of Maine**

**Department of Administrative and Financial Services**

**COST PROPOSAL FORM**

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| **Bidder’s Organization Name:** |  |

**Total Five (5) Year Fixed Inspection/Test Cost:** This item provides for the total five (5) year cost of all scheduled inspections/tests, and maintenance per NFPA 25 for the sprinkler systems and fire pumps listed in this RFP. This item shall be bid as a total for all locations and will be the cost used in evaluating your proposal. The Department will not pay for mileage or any fuel surcharges.

**Repair Service Rates**

**Straight Time Rate:** This item is for repair services that are not covered in the fixed cost and occur during regular hours. *Straight time* refers to the hours between 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday. This item should be bid as an hourly labor rate.

**Overtime Rate:** This item is for repair services that are not covered in the fixed cost and occur after business hours. *Overtime* refers to the hours before and after regular hours to include weekends and holidays. This item should be bid as an hourly labor rate.

**Percentage Markup for Parts:** This item is for all parts not covered in the fixed cost. The parts markup rate beyond cost shall be expressed as a percentage rate.

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| Five (5) Year Fixed Inspection/Test Cost | |
| Total Five (5) Year Fixed Cost | $ |
| Repair Service Rates | |
| Straight Time | $ /hour |
| Overtime | $ /hour |
| Parts Markup Percentage | |
| Percentage Markup for Parts | % |

**APPENDIX F**

**State of Maine**

**Department of Administrative and Financial Services**

**SUBMITTED QUESTIONS FORM**

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This form should be used by Bidders when submitting written questions to the RFP Coordinator as defined in Part III of the RFP.

If a question is not related to any section of the RFP, enter “N/A” under the RFP Section & Page Number. Add additional rows as necessary.

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