

EXHIBIT B

EVALUATION CRITERIA

**HIDALGO COUNTY
REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS**

ENGINEERING SERVICES

EVALUATION CRITERIA

The respondent's RFQ will be evaluated based on the criteria presented below. These criteria will be scored on the scales shown on the enclosed "RFQ Evaluation Form."

1. STAFFING OF PROJECT TEAM (20)

The firms should provide information on their proposed professional team members, i.e. applicable certifications/registrations and other pertinent information that demonstrates their qualifications to perform the contract. The professional team members shall have experience in performing similar contracts for counties, cities, irrigation districts, TX DOT or other clients as stated in the Request For Qualifications (RFQ). Similar experience gained through other clients should be substantiated by reference. A list of, and scope of, the various projects, for comparative purposes, shall be included in an appendix.

2. EXPERIENCE OF PROJECT TEAM/ABILITY TO COMMIT RESOURCES (25)

The provider shall designate experienced engineering staff to completely and efficiently perform the work. The designated individuals may not be replaced during the project unless approved by the County. The proposal shall identify the project team composition, project leadership, reporting responsibilities and address how sub-providers, if any, will fit into the management structure. Résumés of the key technical staff members, limited to two (2) pages per person, must be included in an appendix, as well as narrative descriptions of projects proposed as similar work experience. Also, in this section, outline the firm's contingency plans for servicing the project in the event that one or more key personnel are not available for any reason during the period of performance.

3. METHODOLOGY (20)

The RFQ should provide a description of the firm's approach to the methodology and management to the scope of services for the project.

4. UNDERSTANDING OF PROJECT/SIMILAR PROJECTS (25)

The proposal shall include the following:

- * demonstrate an understanding of the scope of services
- * address appropriate Federal/State/Local regulations and policies
- * identify information to be gathered or obtained

The firms should provide as much background information as to its experience in providing similar services to State, City, County or any other governmental agencies. Reference information should be as current as possible, especially contact persons and telephone numbers.

5. FAMILIARITY WITH APPLICABLE RULES AND REGULATIONS (10)

The RFQ should indicate through past experience of the proposed Team that they possess sufficient knowledge of governmental regulations, appropriate codes, guidelines, professional standards and policies (as required).

RFQ EVALUATION FORM

Selection Criteria	*RIF Range	*RIF Max.	=	Score
1. Staffing of Project Team	15-20	(20)	=	()
2. Experience of Project Team/ Ability to Commit Resources	20-25	(25)	=	()
3. Methodology	15-20	(20)	=	()
4. Understanding of Project/ Similar Projects	20-25	(25)	=	()
5. Familiarity with Applicable Rules and Regulations	05-10	(10)	=	()
Total		100%		Total Score _____

Provider: _____

Evaluator: _____ Date: _____

* The Relative Importance Factor (RIF) is the relative importance (or weight) of each criterion as it relates to the particular project, and must be within the specified acceptable range. The RIF is expressed as a percentage of the total importance of the project, and always totals 100%.