



with the Specifications within **Hidalgo County** following a request for Services by the Hidalgo County or his designated agent(s). Company agrees in performing the Services that it will use proper professional standards, comply with any and all appropriate laws and regulations in providing the Services, and devote such time as is necessary to safely and efficiently provide the Services.

3. This Contract shall be for a period beginning **April 28, 2009** and ending **April 27, 2010** and may be extended at the sole discretion of County for an additional one (1) year period, unless this Contract is terminated pursuant to the provisions herein, whichever occurs first. County also reserves the right to continue this bid for an additional sixty (60) day Grace Period, under the same rates terms and conditions.

4. As a condition of this Contract, Company shall hold and maintain throughout the term of this Contract all licenses and permits required, or which may be required by any authority during the term hereof to provide the Services.

5. All trucks or vehicles operated by the Company to perform the Services shall contain all equipment required by any authority to operate on streets and roads and all persons in the employ of Company who operate such trucks or vehicles shall have the required licenses, qualifications, skill and expertise to perform such Services and shall comply with all laws, rules and regulations prescribed by any agency or authority having jurisdiction with regard to the operation of such trucks or vehicles in providing the Services.

6. As consideration for rendering the Service provided for in this Contract, the County agrees to pay Company the amounts specified in Exhibit "B" attached hereto payable against written invoice submitted by Company.

7. Company shall provide insurance in force on all its vehicles and all persons connected with providing services under this Contract naming County as an additional insured (with the coverages and in the amounts described on Exhibit "C" attached hereto and incorporated herein at this point for all purposes), and shall furnish to County certificates of such insurance coverage.

8. Company shall provide a sufficient number of trucks, vehicles, personnel and equipment available to safely and efficiently provide the Services.

9. Company shall indemnify and hold harmless County, its elected officials, employees and agents from any and all claims, damages, losses, and expenses including attorney's fees for the defense of any action against County arising out of, resulting from, or connected with the provision of the Service by Company under this Contract. Said indemnity shall cover any act or failure to act by the Company, its agents or employees.

10. This Contract shall not be assignable in whole or in part by either party without prior written consent of the other party.

11. It is expressly agreed that this Contract and the performance by the parties hereunder does not create any agency relationship or master-servant relationship, that County has no supervision of the performance of the Services provided by Company, and that Company is an independent contractor under this Contract.

12. Any notice required or permitted to be given hereunder shall be in writing and shall be delivered personally or sent by certified mail, postage prepaid, as set forth below:

If to County:

**The County of Hidalgo  
Attn: County Judge  
100 E. Cano  
Edinburg, Texas 78539**

If to Company      **Lumatec Lighting Service**  
**Attn: Victor T. Rios-Owner**  
**P.O. Box 2225**  
**McAllen, Texas 78502-2225**

13. In case any one or more of the provisions contained in this Agreement shall for any reason be held to be invalid, illegal or unenforceable in any respect, such invalidity, illegality, or unenforceability shall not affect any other provision thereof and this Agreement shall be construed as if such invalid, illegal, or unenforceable provision had never been contained herein.

14. Any contract award to a successful bidder will be in effect until (a) the contract expires, (b) delivery and acceptance of products, and/or performance of services ordered, or (c) terminated by County with thirty day's written notice prior to cancellation.

15. This Agreement shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of and be enforceable by the parties hereto and their respective heirs, executors, administrators, legal representatives, successors, and assigns where permitted by this Agreement.

16. This Agreement shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of Texas and shall be performable in Hidalgo County.

WITNESS our hands in duplicate originals this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2009.

**COUNTY OF HIDALGO**

**ATTEST:**

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Juan D. Salinas, III, County Judge

\_\_\_\_\_  
Arturo Guajardo, Jr. County Clerk

COMPANY: \_\_\_\_\_

By: \_\_\_\_\_

Printed Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Approved by Commissioners Court on:

**APPROVED AS TO FORM:**  
**Atlas & Hall, L.L.P.**

By: \_\_\_\_\_

# EXHIBIT "A" SPECIFICATIONS

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PURCHASING DEPARTMENT  
County Of Hidalgo

**REQUEST FOR BID (RFB)  
CHECKLIST**

**HIDALGO COUNTY  
(PRECINCTS NOS. 1 & 3)  
"ROADWAY LIGHT FIXTURES MAINTENANCE  
Bid No: 2009-095-03-11-otm**

1. Request For Bid Letter, consists of 1 page.
2. Request for Bid, Legal Notice, consisting of 8 pages. (Page 8 must be submitted with bid)
3. ~~Exhibit "A" Specifications and Exhibit "B" Bid page(s) consisting of 6 pages.~~  
(Bid Pages Must be submitted with bid)
4. Exhibit "C" Insurance Requirements consisting of 3 pages. (Must be submitted with bid)
5. Exhibit "D" CIQ Conflict of Interest Questionnaire, consisting of 1 pages.  
(Copy of Receipt and this form must be submitted with bid)
6. Vendor/Bidder Application and W-9 form consisting of 6 pages.  
(Must be submitted with bid)
7. Certification Regarding Debarment 1 pages.
8. Draft Service Contract consisting of 5 pages.

The above mentioned items shall be found in the Request for Bid (RFB) packet that is attached herewith. Should you find that any of the items are not attached in its entirety please contact Purchasing by calling (956) 318-2626, advise of missing documentation, and Purchasing will forward information either through facsimile or by U.S. Mail.

*Martha L. Salazar*

Martha L. Salazar, CPPB  
Purchasing Agent

February 23, 2009  
Date



PURCHASING DEPARTMENT  
County Of Hidalgo

February 23, 2009

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Re: **HIDALGO COUNTY (PRECINCT NOS. 1 & 3)**  
**Request for Bids –“ROADWAY LIGHT FIXTURES MAINTENANCE”**  
**Bid No: 2009-095-03-11-OTM**

Dear Gentleman/Ladies:

Enclosed please find a Request for Bid (RFB) packet for your review and consideration.

Hidalgo County Purchasing Department welcomes and appreciates your participation in the bid process.

If any further assistance is required, please do not hesitate to call the Purchasing Department 956/318-2626.

Sincerely,

Martha L. Salazar, CPPB  
Hidalgo County Purchasing Agent

MLS/otm

Enclosures

**Bid No: 2009-095-03-11**

**Buyer: Olga T. Montero**

**Tel. No: (956) 318-2626**

# **REQUEST FOR BIDS**

**HIDALGO COUNTY**

**(PRECINCTS NOS. 1 & 3)**

**“ROADWAY LIGHT FIXTURES MAINTENANCE”**

**BID OPENING DATE:**

**MARCH 11, 2009**

Contact Person:

Martha L. Salazar, CPPB, Purchasing Agent  
Hidalgo County Purchasing Department  
2812 S. Business Hwy 281 New Administration Building  
Edinburg, Texas 78539

956 318-2626

Form HCPD-03

1. Sealed bids will be received for **Hidalgo County (Precincts Nos. 1 & 3) – “ROADWAY LIGHT FIXTURES MAINTENANCE”** in accordance with the specifications attached as Exhibit "A" hereto. Bids should address all specifications set forth. Bidders may suggest substitutions of features which they feel would be in the best interest of Hidalgo County ("County"). Strong rationale must be presented for any deviation from the specifications. Hidalgo County reserves the right to reject the deviation and its effect on the overall bid.
2. One (1) original and Three (3) copies of all bids are required with the bidders name and return address clearly typed/printed on upper left hand corner and the proper notation clearly typed/printed on the lower left hand corner of the envelope and/or package: **BID-2009-095-03-11-otm - Hidalgo County (Precincts Nos. 1 & 3) – “ROADWAY LIGHT FIXTURES MAINTENANCE”** and in County's Purchasing Department, 2812 S. Business 281, New Administration Building, Edinburg, Texas, **on or before 9:30 a.m., WEDNESDAY, MARCH 11, 2009. NO FACSIMILES OR LATE ARRIVALS WILL BE ACCEPTED. ANY RFB RECEIVED AFTER THAT TIME WILL NOT BE OPENED AND WILL BE RETURNED. OVERNIGHT MAIL MUST ALSO BE PROPERLY LABELED ON THE OUTSIDE OF EXPRESS ENVELOPE OR PACKAGE WITH REFERENCE TO REQUEST FOR BIDS-2009-095-03-11-otm- Hidalgo County (Precincts Nos. 1 & 3) – “ROADWAY LIGHT FIXTURES MAINTENANCE”** . Hidalgo County reserves the right to refuse and reject any/all RFB and to waive any/all formalities or technicalities, or to accept the RFB considered the best and most advantageous to Hidalgo County.
3. Hidalgo County reserves the right to: A. separate and accept, or eliminate any item(s) listed under this bid that it deems necessary to accommodate budgetary and/or operational requirements; B. reject any or all bids submitted and further reserves the right to design the evaluation criteria to be used in selecting the lowest and best bid for approval; and C. award the bid to one bidder or to multiple bidders if the County determines it is in its best interest to do so.”
4. The Bidder shall not substitute items named in the bid without the express written consent of Hidalgo County. Failure of the delivered item(s) to perform as specified, or failure to meet the stated delivery schedule shall release Hidalgo County from all obligations to the contracting party with regard to the item(s) in question. In such event, County may elect to award the contract to the next-lowest responsible bidder, or to reject all bids and re-advertise.
5. For work to be performed at a County owned or operated location, each bidder shall, in its sole discretion, visit the job site before preparing the bid and thoroughly familiarize himself/herself with existing conditions. Bidder should take field dimensions and note all circumstances which affect the dollar amount of the bid.
6. Descriptive specifications are referenced in this document to indicate the general kind and quality of equipment desired by Hidalgo County. Due to various styles and models of equipment, bidders are required to include illustrations, specifications, explanation of warranties, and service data with their bid including catalogue numbers and any necessary references.
7. No bid may be withdrawn within thirty (30) days from the scheduled time to open bids.

8. Proposed prices are to remain firm for a minimum of ninety (90) days after bid opening.
9. Any interpretations, amendments, corrections or changes to this bid document must be in a written addendum and signed by the County Judge or his designee. Addenda will be mailed to all who are known to have received a copy of the Request for Bids. Bidders shall acknowledge receipt of all addenda as a part of their bid.
10. County reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids.
11. Costs are to be net F.O.B., County Prepaid.
12. County is exempt from Federal Excise Tax, State Tax and Local Tax. Do Not include tax in cost figure. If it is determined that tax was included in the cost figures it will not be included in the tabulation of any awards. Tax exemption certificates will be furnished upon request.
13. Funds for this procurement have been provided through the County budget for this fiscal year only. County, on an annual basis, has the right to reconsider a contract during the budget process for ensuing years if financial resources of County are insufficient to meet the liabilities of said contract. The award of a bid or contract hereunder will not be construed to create a debt of the County which is payable out of funds beyond the current fiscal year.

14. Upon award and prior to execution of a contract, Sole Proprietorships are required to submit a copy of their social security cards to the Hidalgo County Auditor's Office in order to establish an account with the County. All awarded vendors must submit a completed W-9 and a copy of their Federal ID Number Certificate.

15. DELIVERY INSTRUCTIONS:

- . No deliveries accepted after 3:00 P.M., Monday-Friday.
- . At least seventy two (72) hours prior notice of delivery must be given to Martha L. Salazar, Purchasing Agent before delivery will be accepted.
- . If you need additional information call the office listed below:

Hidalgo County Purchasing Department  
 Martha L. Salazar, Purchasing Agent  
 (956) 318-2626

16. BILLING AND PAYMENT INSTRUCTIONS:

- . Invoices must include:
  - a) Name and address of successful bidder
  - b) Name and address of receiving department or official
  - c) Purchase Order Number (if any)
  - d) Notation - **Hidalgo County (Precincts Nos. 1 & 3)- "ROADWAY LIGHT FIXTURES MAINTENANCE"**. Descriptive information as to the items or services delivered, including product code, item number, quantity, etc.

- Discount payments will be considered when offered.
- Contact person for Billing and Payment questions:

Noe Montez  
**Hidalgo County Precinct #1**  
 1902 Joe Stevens Ave.  
 Weslaco, Texas 78596  
 (956) 968-8733

Norma Ceballos  
**Hidalgo County Precinct #3**  
 400 W. 13<sup>th</sup>  
 Mission, Texas 78573  
 (956) 585-4509

17. Schedule of Events

<b>Bid Opening, 9:30 AM</b>	<b>MARCH 11, 2009</b>
Award of Contract	_____, 2009
Commence Work or Deliver Products	_____, 2009

18. Bid or Performance Bond and Debarment Certification; Payment Under Contract:

- If the contract proposed is for the construction of public works or is for a contract for goods & services exceeding \$100,000, all bidders shall furnish a good and sufficient bid bond in the amount of five percent of the total contract price. A bid bond must be executed with a surety company authorized to do business in Texas. All bidders are also required to furnish a certification or acknowledgment stating that the contractor or vendor is free from suspension or debarment pursuant to federal regulation 45CFR Part 76.

- Together with the signing of a contract or issuance of a purchase order following the acceptance of a bid, and prior to commencement of the actual work, the bidder shall furnish a performance bond to the County for the full amount of the contract, if that contract exceeds \$50,000.

- If the contract is for \$50,000 or less, no money will be paid to the contractor until completion and acceptance of the work or the fulfillment of the purchase obligation to the County, and, if applicable, the receipt by County of satisfactory evidence that all subcontractors and material men have been paid.

- If a contract is for the construction, alteration or repair of public buildings or public works, the contractor *shall* provide a payment bond for a contract in excess of Twenty Five Thousand Dollars (\$25,000.00), as required by Tex. Govt. Code Ch. 2253.

- For requirements contracts, bond requirements are determined by applying the proposed unit price to the estimated quantities included in the specifications.

19. Ethical Standards:

. It shall be a breach of ethics to offer, give or agree to give any elected official, department head or employee, or former elected official, department head or employee, of the County, or for any elected official, department head or employee or former elected official, department head or employee of the County, to solicit, demand, accept or agree to accept from another person, entity or organization, a gratuity or an offer of employment in connection with any decision, approval, disapproval, recommendation, preparation or any part of a program requirement or purchase request, influencing the content of any specification or procurement standard, rendering of advice, investigation, auditing, or in any other advisory capacity in any proceeding or application, request for ruling, determination, claim or controversy, or other particular matter pertaining to any program requirement or a contract or subcontract, or to any solicitation or proposal therefore pending before any department or agency of the County.

. It shall be a breach of ethics for any payment, gratuity or offer of employment to be made by or on behalf of a subcontractor under a contract to the prime contractor or higher tier subcontractor for any contract for the County, or any person associated therewith, as an inducement for the award of a subcontract or order.

. No public official shall have an interest in a contract awarded hereunder except in accordance with Tex. Loc. Govt. Code Chapter 171.

20. Disclosure of Conflict of Interest

. Effective January 1, 2006, Chapter 176 of the Texas Local Government Code requires that any vendor, person, consultant or contractor considering doing business with Hidalgo County ("the County") to disclose in the Conflict of Interest Questionnaire (the "CIQ") attached as Exhibit D, the vendor, person, consultant or contractor's affiliation or business relationship that might cause a conflict of interest with the County. By law, the CIQ must be filed with the Hidalgo County Clerk's Office no later than the seventh business day after the date the person becomes aware of facts that require that statement to be filed. The disclosure requirement applies to a person or business who contracts or seeks to contract with Hidalgo County for the sale or purchase of property, goods or service. Any purchase order or contract resulting from this process shall be considered null and void if the successful bidder fails to comply with Texas Local Government Code Chapter 176. Vendors, consultants, contractors and others who desire to conduct business with Hidalgo County are encouraged to refer to Texas Local Government Code Chapter 176 for the details of this law. An offense under Texas Local Government Code Chapter 176 is a Class C Misdemeanor.

Please Submit completed CIQ forms to the Hidalgo County Clerk's Office located at 100 N. Closner, Edinburg, Texas 78539-Hidalgo County Courthouse

**COMPLETION AND SUBMISSION OF FORM CIQ IS THE SOLE  
RESPONSIBILITY OF THE PROSPECTIVE BIDDER.**

21. If, during the life of any contract or bid awarded, the successful bidder's net prices generally available to other customers for items awarded herein are reduced below the contracted price, it is understood and agreed that the benefits of such reduction shall be extended to County.
22. Bids, and all goods and services provided thereunder, shall comply with all federal, state and local laws concerning this type(s) of goods and/or services.
23. Minimum Standards For Responsible Prospective Bidders: A prospective bidder must affirmatively demonstrate bidder's responsibility. A prospective bidder, by submitting a bid, represents to County that it meets the following requirements:
  - . Possess or is able to obtain adequate financial resources as required to perform under the bid;
  - . Be able to comply with the required or proposed delivery schedule;
  - . Have a satisfactory record of performance;
  - . Have a satisfactory record of integrity and ethics;
  - . Be otherwise qualified and eligible to receive an award.
24. Successful bidder will pay or cause to be paid, without cost or expenses to County, all FICA, FUTA/SUTA and Federal Income Withholding Taxes of all employees, and all wages and benefits as required by Federal or State law. Successful bidder's officers, agents and/or employees will not be entitled to any benefits of an employee or elected official of County, including, but not limited to, benefits associated with County's civil service system.
25. Any contract award to a successful bidder will be in effect until (a) the contract expires, (b) delivery and acceptance of products, and/or performance of services ordered, or (c) terminated by County with thirty day's written notice prior to cancellation.
26. County reserves the right to enforce performance of any contract awarded hereunder in any manner prescribed by law or deemed to be in the best interest of the County in the event of breach or default by successful bidder; County reserves the right to terminate any contract immediately in the event a successful bidder fails to:
  - A. Meet schedules;
  - B. Pay any required fees or taxes; or
  - C. Otherwise perform in accordance with the specifications.
27. Successful bidder shall defend, indemnify and save harmless County and all its elected officials, officers, agents and employees from all suits, actions, or other claims of any character, name and description brought for or on account of any injuries or damages received or sustained by any person, persons, or property on account of any negligent act or fault of the successful bidder, or of any agent, employee, subcontractor or supplier of successful bidder in the execution of, or performance under, any contract which may

result from bid award or which arises from any event or casualty happening on or within County premises themselves or happening upon or in any halls, elevators, entrances, stairways or approaches of or to such County facilities. Successful bidder shall pay any judgment with costs which may be obtained against County growing out of such injury or damages, and shall, upon request, provide a defense to County by counsel reasonably acceptable to County. Successful bidder's indemnity hereunder shall include, but is not limited to, claims relating to patent, copyright or trademark infringement, and the like, arising out of the goods and services provided by successful bidder.

28. Successful bidder shall warrant that all items/services shall conform with the specifications and/or all warranties provided under the Uniform Commercial Code and be free from all defects in material, workmanship and the like. Items supplied under a contract pursuant to this Request for Bids shall be subject to County's approval. Items found to be defective or not meeting specifications shall be replaced by successful bidder within two business days at no expense to County. Items not picked up within one (1) week after notification shall be deemed a donation to County and may be used or disposed of at County's discretion and without waiver of any other rights of County as to the item's nonconformity.
29. This document and any disputes arising hereunder shall be governed and construed according to the laws of the State of Texas, and will be performable exclusively in Hidalgo County, Texas.
30. The successful bidder shall not assign, sell, transfer or convey its rights under any awarded contract, in whole or in part, without the prior written consent of County.

Bid  
for  
**HIDALGO COUNTY**  
**(Precincts Nos. 1 & 3)**  
**“ROADWAY LIGHT FIXTURES MAINTENANCE”**  
**BID NO.: 2009-095-03-11-otm**

To: Martha L. Salazar, CPPB, Purchasing Agent  
Hidalgo County Purchasing Department  
2812 S. Business Hwy 281-New Administration Bldg.  
Edinburg, Texas 78539

In accordance with the Specifications, and subject to all laws and regulations of the United States and state and local laws, the undersigned bidder proposes and commits to furnish all labor, equipment, material, software and services as set forth in the documents hereinbefore mentioned. The undersigned bidder further agrees, upon acceptance of its bid, to execute a contract and/or Purchase Order issued by Hidalgo County for performing and completing the work described in the Specifications within the time stated and for the prices proposed in the documents attached hereto and made a part hereof.

Bidder acknowledges receipt of all of the pages of the documents referenced in the Invitation to Bid Checklist presented in connection with this procurement. Bidder understands that Hidalgo County reserves the right to reject any or all bids and further reserves the right to design the evaluation criteria to be used in selecting the lowest and best bid.

Bidder agrees that this bid shall be good and may not be withdrawn for a period of ninety (90) calendar days after the scheduled closing time for receiving bids, as contained in the Specifications.

Respectfully submitted,

Bidder:

Address:

By:

Printed Name:

Title:

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Exhibit "A"  
HIDALGO COUNTY  
(Precinct Nos. 1 & 3) -  
"ROADWAY LIGHT FIXTURES MAINTENANCE"  
RFB NO. 2009-095-03-11-otm  
March 11, 2009

REQUIREMENTS, GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS

The County of Hidalgo is seeking vendor(s) for "ROADWAY LIGHT FIXTURES MAINTENANCE", with strict responsible adherence with all specifications and/or requirements contained herein with the bidder submitting the lowest and complying bid.

The term of the contract shall be for a period of one year with the County's option to renew for an additional year under the same rates, terms and conditions. Hidalgo County reserves the right to extend this bid award for an additional sixty (60) day grace period at the end of the contract term due to unforeseen delay in the award of the new bid contract term.

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Awarded vendor will be required to **maintain** the continuous lighting system on US 83 within the limits from Sta. 663+00 (1400' West of Showers Road to Sta. 715+00 (300' West of Abram Road) Circuits A and B (24 poles, 48 lights) and on US 83 within the limits from Sta. 1994+00 (470' East of FM 493) to Sta. 2076+00 (300' West of Miles 6 ½ Rd.) Circuits E,F, and G (43 poles, 80 lights) and Sta. 2277+00 (130' East of FM 1015) to Sta. 2302+00 (2,630' East of FM 1015) Circuits S and T (13 Poles, 24 Lights) inside Hidalgo County Precinct No. 1.

Awarded vendor must **maintain** and operate the lighting system in an efficient and sightly condition, including the furnishing of all equipment and labor and making any replacements which may become necessary.

The County of Hidalgo will obtain approval of the State before making any major changes in the design and/or operation of the lighting system or before the removal of any part of the installation except for the purpose of replacing identical or accepted equivalent equipment.

## EXHIBIT "A" -- SPECIFICATIONS

1. These specifications are intended to establish an agreement for the maintenance and electrical repairs of the **overhead lighting** system in Hidalgo County.
2. Maintenance hereunder refers to all maintenance necessary to keep facilities fully operating, properly functioning, with a minimum of 95% of the lights burning at all times for their normal expected useful life. Said maintenance shall include repairs and/or replacement of any component parts of the facilities as may be necessary.
3. Each highway lighting facility system was constructed or modified in essential accordance with plans approved by the Texas Department of Transportation.
4. All work and materials shall conform to the requirements and regulations of the National Electric Safety Code.
5. All electrical work performed under the agreement shall be under the supervision of a licensed electrician.
6. ~~BIDDER QUALIFICATIONS: Each bidder shall list each piece of equipment,~~ brand, size, model, age and vehicle condition to be used for lighting repairs for this agreement. Equipment shall be readily identifiable at Contractor's equipment, logo, etc.
7. The bid will be awarded on a per unit cost basis. There is no guarantee on annual volume and will be on an "as needed basis only".
8. In the event the contractor fails to perform routine emergency lighting repairs in an "as built" and timely manner, the County may obtain services from a secondary vendor. In such event, Hidalgo County will charge the successful bidder the difference for any additional cost incurred by Hidalgo County for such item or service.
9. Orders will be given to the Contractor, by telephone and/or confirmed in writing, by the County.
10. The following price schedule will be utilized throughout the agreement period to pay for services.
11. The Contractor shall start the required maintenance and/or normal repairs within forty-eight (48) hours after receiving notice by telephone, except that no routing work shall be performed after 3:00 p.m. on Fridays; or on Saturdays, Sundays, or Holidays, unless specifically requested to do so by the County.
12. The work area of maintenance operations performed from the roadway, including shoulders and lane closures shall be signed, marked and/or flagged by Contractor in accordance with the Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices for Streets and Highways, current edition, as amended.

13. All materials incorporated in the work, to be accepted by the County, shall be new first-quality material installed in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions, or these specifications, whichever is more applicable. It is the intent of this specification to provide materials free from defects in workmanship and product.
14. The Contractor shall provide a written guarantee on workmanship and materials for a period of one (1) year after the date of acceptance by the County. Any defects observed within the one (1) year guarantee period shall be repaired and/or replaced to the City's satisfaction at no additional cost to the County.
15. The user department will notify the contractor when repair is needed. Contractor does not survey the poles periodically. Services will be on "as needed basis".
16. All costs and expenses associated with the preparation and submission of bids shall be responsibility of the bidder and no reimbursements for such charges or expenses shall be passed onto Hidalgo County Precinct No. 2.
17. Insurance requirements for this project (refer to requirements and limits on Exhibit "C" form).
18. Hidalgo County reserves the right to reject any/all bids, to waive any or all formalities, or to accept the bid considered the lowest, best and most advantageous to the County, including compliance to the bid specifications. Hidalgo County reserves the right to hold the bids for a period of ninety (90) days without taking action hereon. In cases of discrepancy between unit price and extension, the unit price shall govern.
19. Hidalgo County is requesting that any all questions, inquiries and clarifications regarding this bid be routed to:

Martha L. Salazar, CPPB/Purchasing Agent  
Hidalgo County Purchasing Department  
Attn: Olga T. Montero, Buyer  
2802 S, Business Hwy. 281-New Administration Bldg.  
Edinburg, Texas 78539

20. All written inquiries will be accepted via facsimile (956) 318-2626 or via-email: [olga.montero@co.hidalgo.tx.us](mailto:olga.montero@co.hidalgo.tx.us) by no later than Wednesday, MARCH 4, 2009 by 5:00 p.m. Responses to said inquiries will be sent to all applicants via-facsimile or email by no later than 5:00 p.m. on Friday, MARCH 6, 2009.

**CLARIFICATION:** Traffic control is to be included all costs bid and in accordance with item 13 below. The Texas Department of Transportation approval is required for lane closures. There shall be no lane closure during weekdays rush hour periods from 6:00 a.m. to 8:00 a.m., and 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

### HIDALGO COUNTY (PALMVIEW)

PROJECT (CSJ)	CIRCUIT NO.	NO. OF POLES	NO. OF LIGHTS
0039-17-134	A	12	24
0039-17-134	B	12	24
TOTAL		24	48

### HIDALGO COUNTY (MID VALLEY)

PROJECT (CSJ)	CIRCUIT NO.	NO. OF POLES	NO. OF LIGHTS
0039-18-085	D	1	2
0039-18-085	E	16	28
0039-18-085	F	13	26
0039-18-085	G	14	26
0039-18-085	S	5	10
0039-18-085	T	8	14
TOTAL		57	106

**EXHIBIT "B"**

**HIDALGO COUNTY  
(Precinct Nos. 1 & 3) -  
"ROADWAY LIGHT FIXTURES MAINTENANCE"  
RFB NO. 2009-095-03-11-otm**

**BID PAGE**

Item	Qty.	Description	Unit Cost
01.		LANE CLOSURE	\$
02.		REMOVE AND REPLACE LUMINAIRE FIXTURES	\$
03.		REPLACE WIRE AND FUSES	\$
04.		REMOVE AND REPLACE PHOTO CELLS	\$
05.		REMOVE AND REPLACE LAMPS	\$
06.		REMOVE AND REPLACE BALLASTS	\$
		SEE ATTACHED SPECIFICATIONS FOR GENERAL REQUIREMENTS	

**Reset up to 50' pole** (includes, but not limited to, resetting/replacement of: pole, mast arm, luminaires, with the reuse of existing concrete base and anchor bolts).

**TOTAL Labor, Materials, and Equipment per pole \$**

**Re-lamp poles** (Lighting standards up to 50 foot) includes work necessary to make light fixture function correctly.

**TOTAL Labor, Materials, and Equipment per pole \$**

**Trencher and Operator:** To include trenching and cable replacement per foot, proper backfill and compaction depth of 12" below grade.

**Common:** \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Per foot

**Rocky:** \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Per foot

EXHIBIT "B"

**HIDALGO COUNTY**  
**(Precinct Nos. 1 & 3) -**  
**"ROADWAY LIGHT FIXTURES MAINTENANCE"**  
**RFB NO. 2009-095-03-11-otm**

**CONTINUATION - BID PAGE**

The following are examples of additional work that may be required during the term of the agreement and will be performed on a Time and Materials basis:

**Inspect and replace electrical wiring as needed.**

Time and Material (T & M) rates will be used for work outside the scope of the specified groups and for exception or special circumstances when completing a specific group. All T & M requires approval by the County.

Item	Summary of Labor and Equipment Classifications	Hourly Rates
a.	Foreman	\$
b.	Electrician	\$
c.	Operator	\$
d.	Ground Men/ Labor	\$
e.	12 Ton 56" JLG Crane	\$
f.	4 Ton 46' Nat'l Crane with Bucket	\$
g.	Altec AM 660 Bucket 40'	\$
h.	Hi Ranger TDI 65 55'	\$
i.	30 HP 360 Case Trencher/ Backhoe	\$
j.	6010 Case Directional Drill up to 4" inch	\$
k.	6010 Case Directional Drill up to 8" inch	\$
l.	Water Truck with Mud System	\$
m.	Dump Truck	\$
n.	1 Ton Pick up with Tools	\$
o.	Generator	\$
p.	Compressor	\$
q.	Digger Derrick	\$
r.	Vacuum Excavator	\$

# EXHIBIT "C"

## Insurance Requirements

### Applicable to the Acquisition of Goods and /or Services (other than Professional Services)

The Bidder awarded the contract shall furnish proof of insurance, which will also include any subcontractor that is subcontracted by the bidder in at least the following limits, to be in place prior to providing any services under this Contract and to continue at all times in force in effect during the term of this Contract:

1. A Five Hundred Thousand Dollar (\$500,000.00) Comprehensive General Liability insurance policy providing additional coverage to all underlying liabilities of County.
2. Automobile liability insurance policy with limits of at least Three Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$300,000.00) per person and Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$500,000.00) per occurrence. Coverage should include injury to or death of persons and property damage claims with limits up to Five Hundred Thousand (\$500,000.00) arising out of the services provided to County hereunder.
3. Uninsured/Underinsured motorist coverage in an amount equal to the bodily injury limits set forth immediately above;
4. Workers compensation insurance in amounts established by Texas law, unless the Bidder is specifically exempted from the Texas Workers Compensation Act, Texas Labor Code Chapter 401, et. seq.

**Hidalgo County will only accept certificates of insurance on an Acord form (as attached hereto).** Certificates of insurance naming County as an additional insured shall be submitted to County for approval prior to any services being performed by Contractor. Each policy of insurance required hereunder shall extend for a period equivalent to, or longer than the term of the Contract, and any insurer hereunder shall be required to give at least thirty (30) days written notice to the County prior to the cancellation of any such coverage on the termination date, or otherwise. This Contract shall be automatically suspended upon the cancellation, or other termination, of any required policy of insurance hereunder, and such suspension shall continue until evidence adequate replacement coverage is provided to County. If replacement coverage is not provided within thirty (30) days following suspension of the Contract, this Contract shall automatically terminate.

THIS CERTIFICATE IS ISSUED AS A MATTER OF INFORMATION ONLY AND CONFERS NO RIGHTS UPON THE CERTIFICATE HOLDER. THIS CERTIFICATE DOES NOT AMEND, EXTEND OR ALTER THE COVERAGE AFFORDED BY THE POLICIES BELOW.

**INSURERS AFFORDING COVERAGE**

INSURER A  
INSURER B  
INSURER C  
INSURER D  
INSURER E

**COVERAGES**

GENERAL LIABILITY

AUTOMOBILE LIABILITY

GARAGE LIABILITY

EXCESS LIABILITY

WORKERS COMPENSATION AND EMPLOYER'S LIABILITY

OTHER

DESCRIPTION OF OPERATION, LOCATION, VEHICLES, EXCLUSIONS ADDED BY ENDORSEMENT, SPECIAL PROVISIONS: County of Hidalgo shall be named as additional insured on all Commercial General Liability policies.

Hidalgo County  
Attn: Purchasing Department  
2812 S Highway Bus. 281  
Edinburg, Texas 78539

# Insurance Requirement Acknowledgment

I, \_\_\_\_\_, authorized representative for \_\_\_\_\_,  
Company/Vendor

hereby acknowledge receipt of the County's required insurance limits. Said requirements:

- will be acquired within 10 working days after notification from Purchasing Department of bid awarded by the Hidalgo County Commissioners= Court;
- will acquire additional amounts required to meet the County's requirements within 10 working days after notification from Purchasing Department of bid award by the Hidalgo County Commissioners= Court; currently carry the following:  
Automobile Liability: \$ \_\_\_\_\_ General Liability: \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- have already been met, see attached copy of insurance certificate.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Authorized Representative

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

## **Notice to Bidder:**

A certificate of insurance for the required insurance limits shall be provided to the Purchasing Department's Contract Managers in order to qualify for award of bid and to execute a contract between your Company and the County

Failure to provide Certificates of Insurance to the Purchasing Department's Contract Managers will cause the bid award to be rescinded and re-awarded to next lowest bidder. Certificates of Insurance will be monitored and verified on a **quarterly basis** to ensure coverage policy is in place. It is the Company=s obligation to maintain the appropriate insurance coverage throughout the term of the contract.

**THIS FORM MUST ACCOMPANY BID PACKET**

**PROJECT REQUIREMENTS  
ACKNOWLEDGMENT**

This is to certify that I, \_\_\_\_\_, possess all of the APPLICABLE:

1. Licenses: \_\_\_\_\_.
2. Bonds: \_\_\_\_\_.
3. Certificates: \_\_\_\_\_.
4. Permits: \_\_\_\_\_.
5. Other: \_\_\_\_\_.

necessary to carry out the required project. Furthermore, I am providing copies of the required documentation so that, if my company is awarded this bid, I may be eligible to enter into a contract with Hidalgo County and proceed to complete the project in a timely manner.

\* Any licenses, bonds, certificates, permits, etc. which are required must be presented as part of the bid packet in order to expedite the bid evaluation process. Failure to provide said documentation will result in the disqualification of your bid.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Authorized Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Company

\_\_\_\_\_  
Address

\_\_\_\_\_  
City, State, Zip

EXHIBIT "D"

CONFLICT OF INTEREST QUESTIONNAIRE

FORM CIQ

For vendor or other person doing business with local governmental entity

This questionnaire reflects changes made to the law by H.B. 1491, 80th Leg., Regular Session. This questionnaire is being filed in accordance with Chapter 176, Local Government Code by a person who has a business relationship as defined by Section 176.001(1-a) with a local governmental entity and the person meets requirements under Section 176.006(a) By law this questionnaire must be filed with the records administrator of the local governmental entity not later than the 7th business day after the date the person becomes aware of facts that require the statement to be filed. See Section 176.006, Local Government Code A person commits an offense if the person knowingly violates Section 176.006, Local Government Code. An offense under this section is a Class C misdemeanor.

OFFICE USE ONLY

Date Received

1 Name of person who has a business relationship with local governmental entity.

2 [ ] Check this box if you are filing an update to a previously filed questionnaire.

(The law requires that you file an updated completed questionnaire with the appropriate filing authority not later than the 7th business day after the date the originally filed questionnaire becomes incomplete or inaccurate.)

3 Name of local government officer with whom filer has employment or business relationship.

Name of Officer

This section (item 3 including subparts A, B, C & D) must be completed for each officer with whom the filer has an employment or other business relationship as defined by Section 176.001(1-a), Local Government Code. Attach additional pages to this Form CIQ as necessary.

A Is the local government officer named in this section receiving or likely to receive taxable income, other than investment income, from the filer of the questionnaire?

[ ] Yes [ ] No

B Is the filer of the questionnaire receiving or likely to receive taxable income, other than investment income, from or at the direction of the local government officer named in this section AND the taxable income is not received from the local governmental entity?

[ ] Yes [ ] No

C Is the filer of this questionnaire employed by a corporation or other business entity with respect to which the local government officer serves as an officer or director, or holds an ownership of 10 percent or more?

[ ] Yes [ ] No

D Describe each employment or business relationship with the local government officer named in this section

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Signature of person doing business with the governmental entity

Date



# HIDALGO COUNTY PURCHASING DEPARTMENT Bidder/Vendor Application

Complete in print or type. Please return this application to the Hidalgo County Purchasing Department  
thru Facsimile: (956) 318-2629 or (956) 292-7612  
in person or regular mail to: 2812 S. Business Hwy. 281, Edinburg, Texas 78539  
or e-mail: [purchasing@co.hidalgo.tx.us](mailto:purchasing@co.hidalgo.tx.us)

Company Name:	Telephone No. ( )
dba Name:	
Legal Name:	
Mailing Address :	Fax No. ( )
Physical Address:	
City, State, Zip	Tax I.D. No.
Remit to Address :	City, State, Zip
E-Mail Address:	
Representative(s) Name(s) & Title(s)	
Type of Organization (check one):	<input type="checkbox"/> Individual <input type="checkbox"/> Partnership <input type="checkbox"/> Corporation <input type="checkbox"/> Non-Profit <input type="checkbox"/> LLC <input type="checkbox"/> Sole Proprietor <input type="checkbox"/> Other, Specify
State Identification No. _____	(Please attached completed W-9 form with this application)
Federal Identification No. or (if individual) SS No.	
State of Incorporation: _____	Date: _____ Other: _____
Type of Business (check one):	<input type="checkbox"/> Manufacturer <input type="checkbox"/> Wholesaler <input type="checkbox"/> Retailer <input type="checkbox"/> Broker <input type="checkbox"/> Distributor <input type="checkbox"/> Service Organization <input type="checkbox"/> Other, Specify
<b>Name &amp; Title of Person(s) Authorized to Sign Bids, Proposals, and/or Contracts:</b>	
<b>Small and/or Disadvantaged Business Information (check application criteria)</b>	
Small Business: _____	Disadvantaged Business (At Least 51% Ownership)
<input type="checkbox"/> Less than 125,000 annual gross receipt	<input type="checkbox"/> Black American <input type="checkbox"/> Native American
<input type="checkbox"/> Less than 250,000 annual gross receipt	<input type="checkbox"/> Hispanic American <input type="checkbox"/> Women
<input type="checkbox"/> Less than 499,000 annual gross receipt	<input type="checkbox"/> Asian Pacific American <input type="checkbox"/> Other
<input type="checkbox"/> More than 500,000 annual gross receipt	
Have you been certified as a HUB or an MBE/WBE source?:	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Indicate Certification No.(s): _____	or are Certificate(s) attached?: <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
What type of product(s) is/are solicited by your company?:	
Would you like to be provided with specifications for procurements of such products?: <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	
<b>To Be Completed by the County: Rec'd by (Purchasing): _____ Date Rec'd by (Purchasing): _____</b>	
Date Forwarded Information to Auditor's Office: _____ Entry Date: _____ Vendor No.: _____	



### HISTORICALLY UNDERUTILIZED BUSINESS (HUB) DECLARATION

The primary objective of the Hidalgo County HUB Program is to ensure Historically Underutilized Businesses receive a fair and equal opportunity for participation in the County's procurement process. This fact holds true for Services (Professional & Non-Professional), Commodities, and Construction contracts and any subcontracts thereto. The program strongly encourages Prime Contractors to provide subcontracting opportunities to Certified Hub Contractors/Vendors. Our goal for HUB contractor/vendor participation, as well as HUB subcontractor participation is 30%. To be considered as a "Certified HUB Contractor/Vendor" the contractor/vendor must have been certified by, and hold a current and valid certification with any of the three agencies listed below.

Have you been Certified as a HUB or an MBE/WBE source?:  Yes  No

If yes, by whom?:  Texas Building & Procurement Commission  Other \_\_\_\_\_

Indicate Certification No(s): \_\_\_\_\_ or Are Certificate(s) Attached?:  Yes  No

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#### LIST OF CERTIFIED HUB SUBCONTRACTORS

(Attach additional pages if necessary)

What percentage of the Bid, RFP, or RFQ is to be subcontracted with Certified HUB sources?: \_\_\_\_\_% (List HUB Subcontractor information below).

HUB Subcontractor Name: \_\_\_\_\_ HUB Status: \_\_\_\_\_  
Certifying Agency (Check all applicable):  Texas Building & Procurement Commission  Other  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_  
Contact Person: \_\_\_\_\_ Title: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone No.: ( ) \_\_\_\_\_  
Subcontract Amount: \$\_\_\_\_\_ Description of Work to be Performed: \_\_\_\_\_

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HUB Subcontractor Name: \_\_\_\_\_ HUB Status: \_\_\_\_\_  
Certifying Agency (Check all applicable):  Texas Building & Procurement Commission  Other  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_  
Contact Person: \_\_\_\_\_ Title: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone No.: ( ) \_\_\_\_\_  
Subcontract Amount: \$\_\_\_\_\_ Description of Work to be Performed: \_\_\_\_\_

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HUB Subcontractor Name: \_\_\_\_\_ HUB Status: \_\_\_\_\_  
Certifying Agency (Check all applicable):  Texas Building & Procurement Commission  Other  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_  
Contact Person: \_\_\_\_\_ Title: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone No.: ( ) \_\_\_\_\_  
Subcontract Amount: \$\_\_\_\_\_ Description of Work to be Performed: \_\_\_\_\_

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## Request for Taxpayer Identification Number and Certification

**Give form to the  
 requester. Do not  
 send to the IRS.**

Print or type See Specific Instructions on page 2.	Name (as shown on your income tax return)	
	Business name, if different from above	
	Check appropriate box: <input type="checkbox"/> Individual/ Sole proprietor <input type="checkbox"/> Corporation <input type="checkbox"/> Partnership <input type="checkbox"/> Other ▶ .....	
	<input type="checkbox"/> Exempt from backup withholding	
	Address (number, street, and apt. or suite no.)	Requester's name and address (optional)
City, state, and ZIP code		
List account number(s) here (optional)		

### Part I Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN)

Enter your TIN in the appropriate box. The TIN provided must match the name given on Line 1 to avoid backup withholding. For individuals, this is your social security number (SSN). However, for a resident alien, sole proprietor, or disregarded entity, see the Part I instructions on page 3. For other entities, it is your employer identification number (EIN). If you do not have a number, see *How to get a TIN* on page 3.

Social security number									
or									
Employer identification number									

**Note.** If the account is in more than one name, see the chart on page 4 for guidelines on whose number to enter.

### Part II Certification

Under penalties of perjury, I certify that:

1. The number shown on this form is my correct taxpayer identification number (or I am waiting for a number to be issued to me), and
2. I am not subject to backup withholding because: (a) I am exempt from backup withholding, or (b) I have not been notified by the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) that I am subject to backup withholding as a result of a failure to report all interest or dividends, or (c) the IRS has notified me that I am no longer subject to backup withholding, and
3. I am a U.S. person (including a U.S. resident alien).

**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 4.)

<b>Sign Here</b>	Signature of U.S. person ▶	Date ▶
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### Purpose of Form

A person who is required to file an information return with the IRS, must obtain your correct taxpayer identification number (TIN) to report, for example, income paid to you, real estate transactions, mortgage interest you paid, acquisition or abandonment of secured property, cancellation of debt, or contributions you made to an IRA.

**U.S. person.** Use Form W-9 only if you are a U.S. person (including a resident alien), to provide your correct TIN to the person requesting it (the requester) and, when applicable, to:

1. Certify that the TIN you are giving is correct (or you are waiting for a number to be issued),
2. Certify that you are not subject to backup withholding, or
3. Claim exemption from backup withholding if you are a U.S. exempt payee.

In 3 above, if 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.

**Note.** If 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.

For federal tax purposes, you are considered a person if you are:

- An individual who is a citizen or resident of the United States,
- A partnership, corporation, company, or association created or organized in the United States or under the laws of the United States, or
- Any estate (other than a foreign estate) or trust. See Regulations sections 301.7701-6(a) and 7(a) for additional information.

**Special rules for partnerships.** Partnerships that conduct a trade or business in the United States are generally required to pay a withholding tax on any foreign partners' share of income from such business. Further, in certain cases where a Form W-9 has not been received, a partnership is required to presume that a partner is a foreign person, and pay the 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 withholding on your share of partnership income.

The person who gives 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 is in the following cases:

- The U.S. owner of a disregarded entity and not the entity,

- The U.S. grantor or other owner of a grantor trust and not the trust, and
- The U.S. trust (other than a grantor trust) and not the beneficiaries of the trust.

**Foreign person.** If you are a foreign person, do not use Form W-9. Instead, use the appropriate Form W-8 (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 recipient 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 five items:

1. 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.
5. 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 not subject to backup withholding, give the requester the appropriate completed Form W-8.

**What is backup withholding?** Persons making certain payments to you must under certain conditions withhold and pay to the IRS 28% of such payments (after December 31, 2002). This is called "backup withholding." Payments that may be subject to backup withholding include interest, dividends, broker and barter exchange transactions, rents, royalties, nonemployee pay, 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,
2. You do not certify your TIN when required (see the Part II instructions on page 4 for details),

3. The IRS tells the requester that you furnished an incorrect TIN.

4. 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

5. 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 the instructions below and the separate Instructions for the Requester of Form W-9.

Also see *Special rules regarding partnerships* on page 1.

## 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

### Name

If you are an individual, you must generally enter the name shown on your income tax return. However, if you have changed your last name, for instance, due to marriage without informing the Social Security Administration of the name change, enter your first name, the last name shown on your social security card, and your new last name.

If the account is in joint names, list first, and then circle, the name of the person or entity whose number you entered in Part I of the form.

**Sole proprietor.** Enter your individual name as shown on your income tax return on the "Name" line. You may enter your business, trade, or "doing business as (DBA)" name on the "Business name" line.

**Limited liability company (LLC).** If you are a single-member LLC (including a foreign LLC with a domestic owner) that is disregarded as an entity separate from its owner under Treasury regulations section 301.7701-3, enter the owner's name on the "Name" line. Enter the LLC's name on the "Business name" line. Check the appropriate box for your filing status (sole proprietor, corporation, etc.), then check the box for "Other" and enter "LLC" in the space provided.

**Other entities.** Enter your business name as shown on required federal tax documents on the "Name" line. 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 the "Business name" line.

**Note.** You are requested to check the appropriate box for your status (individual/sole proprietor, corporation, etc.).

### Exempt From Backup Withholding

If you are exempt, enter your name as described above and check the appropriate box for your status, then check the "Exempt from backup withholding" box in the line following the business name, sign and date the form.

Generally, individuals (including sole proprietors) are not exempt from backup withholding. Corporations are exempt from backup withholding for certain payments, such as interest and dividends.

**Note.** If you are exempt from backup withholding, you should still complete this form to avoid possible erroneous backup withholding.

**Exempt payees.** Backup withholding is not required on any payments made to the following payees:

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 possession of the United States, or any of their political subdivisions or instrumentalities.
4. A foreign government or any of its political subdivisions, agencies, or instrumentalities, or
5. An international organization or any of its agencies or instrumentalities.

Other payees that may be exempt from backup withholding include:

6. A corporation,
7. A foreign central bank of issue,
8. ~~A dealer in securities or commodities required to register~~ in the United States, the District of Columbia, or a possession of the United States,
9. A futures commission merchant registered with the Commodity Futures Trading Commission,
10. A real estate investment trust,
11. An entity registered at all times during the tax year under the Investment Company Act of 1940,
12. A common trust fund operated by a bank under section 584(a),
13. A financial institution,
14. A middleman known in the investment community as a nominee or custodian, or
15. A trust exempt from tax under section 664 or described in section 4947.

The chart below shows types of payments that may be exempt from backup withholding. The chart applies to the exempt recipients listed above, 1 through 15.

IF the payment is for . . .	THEN the payment is exempt for . . .
Interest and dividend payments	All exempt recipients except for 9
Broker transactions	Exempt recipients 1 through 13. Also, a person registered under the Investment Advisers Act of 1940 who regularly acts as a broker
Barter exchange transactions and patronage dividends	Exempt recipients 1 through 5
Payments over \$600 required to be reported and direct sales over \$5,000 <sup>1</sup>	Generally, exempt recipients 1 through 7

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

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

## 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-owner LLC that is disregarded as an entity separate from its owner (see *Limited liability company (LLC)* on page 2), enter your SSN (or EIN, if you have one). If the LLC is a corporation, partnership, etc., 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 Social Security Administration office or get this form online at [www.socialsecurity.gov](http://www.socialsecurity.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](http://www.irs.gov/businesses) and clicking on Employer ID Numbers under Related Topics. You can get Forms W-7 and SS-4 from the IRS by visiting [www.irs.gov](http://www.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, 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 the requester.

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

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

## 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, and 5 below indicate otherwise.

For a joint account, only the person whose TIN is shown in Part I should sign (when required). Exempt recipients, see *Exempt From Backup Withholding* on page 2.

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

**1. 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.

**3. 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 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:
1. Individual	The individual
2. Two or more individuals (joint account)	The actual owner of the account or, if combined funds, the first individual on the account <sup>1</sup>
3. Custodian account of a minor (Uniform Gift to Minors Act)	The minor <sup>2</sup>
4. a. The usual revocable savings trust (grantor is also trustee)	The grantor-trustee <sup>1</sup>
b. So-called trust account that is not a legal or valid trust under state law	The actual owner <sup>1</sup>
5. Sole proprietorship or single-owner LLC	The owner <sup>3</sup>
For this type of account:	Give name and EIN of:
6. Sole proprietorship or single-owner LLC	The owner <sup>3</sup>
7. A valid trust, estate, or pension trust	Legal entity <sup>4</sup>
8. Corporate or LLC electing corporate status on Form 8832	The corporation
9. Association, club, religious, charitable, educational, or other tax-exempt organization	The organization
10. Partnership or multi-member LLC	The partnership
11. A broker or registered nominee	The broker or nominee
12. 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

<sup>1</sup> List 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.

<sup>2</sup> Circle the minor's name and furnish the minor's SSN.

<sup>3</sup> You must show your individual name and you may also enter your business or "DBA" name on the second name line. You may use either your SSN or EIN (if you have one). If you are a sole proprietor, IRS encourages you to use your SSN.

<sup>4</sup> List first and circle the name of the legal 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 regarding partnerships* on page 1.

**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.

## Privacy Act Notice

Section 6109 of the Internal Revenue Code requires you to provide your correct TIN to persons who must file information returns with the IRS to report interest, dividends, and certain other income paid to you, mortgage interest you paid, the acquisition or abandonment of secured property, cancellation of debt, or contributions you made to an IRA, or Archer MSA or HSA. The IRS uses the numbers for identification purposes and to help verify the accuracy of your tax return. The IRS may also provide this information to the Department of Justice for civil and criminal litigation, and to cities, states, the District of Columbia, and U.S. possessions to carry out their tax laws. We may also disclose this information to other countries under a tax treaty, to federal and state agencies to enforce federal nontax 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. Payers must generally withhold 28% of taxable interest, dividend, and certain other payments to a payee who does not give a TIN to a payer. Certain penalties may also apply.

**Certification  
Regarding Debarment, Suspension and Ineligibility**

As is required by the Federal Regulations Implementing Executive Order 12549, Debarment and Suspension, 45 CFR Part 76, Government-wide Debarment and Suspension, the applicant certifies, to the best of his or her knowledge and belief, that both it and its principals:

- a. Are not presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this transaction by any federal department or agency;
- b. Have not within a three-year period preceding this bid proposal and/or application been convicted of or had a civil judgment rendered against them for 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 statutes 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 with commission of any of the offenses enumerated herein; and
- d. Have not within a three-year period preceding this bid proposal and/or application had one or more public transactions terminated for cause or default.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_  
Print Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Title: \_\_\_\_\_  
Telephone Number: \_\_\_\_\_  
Date: \_\_\_\_\_

If the bidder is unable to certify to all of the statements in this Certification, such bidder should attach an explanation to this proposal.



2. Company hereby promises and agrees to render and provide, during the term of this Contract, and shall be obligated to render and provide the Services in accordance with the Specifications within **Hidalgo County**. Company agrees in performing the Services that it will use proper professional standards, comply with any and all appropriate laws and regulations in providing the Services, and devote such time as is necessary to safely and efficiently provide the Services.

3. This Contract shall be for a period of one (1) year, beginning \_\_\_\_\_ and ending on \_\_\_\_\_ and may be extended at the sole discretion of County for an additional one (1) year, unless this Contract is terminated pursuant to the provisions herein, whichever occurs first. Hidalgo County reserves the right to extend this bid award for an additional sixty (60) day grace period at the end of the contract term due to unforeseen delay in the award of the new bid for the next contract term.

4. As a condition of this Contract, Company shall hold and maintain throughout the term of this Contract all licenses and permits required, or which may be required by any authority during the term hereof to provide the Services.

5. All trucks or vehicles operated by the Company to perform the Services shall contain all equipment required by any authority to operate on streets and roads and all persons in the employ of Company who operate such trucks or vehicles shall have the required licenses, qualifications, skill and expertise to perform such Services and shall comply with all laws, rules and regulations prescribed by any agency or authority having jurisdiction with regard to the operation of such trucks or vehicles in providing the Services.

6. As consideration for rendering the Service provided for in this Contract, the County agrees to pay Company the amounts specified in Exhibit "B" attached hereto payable against written



**Edinburg, Texas 78539**

If to Company

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13. In case any one or more of the provisions contained in this Agreement shall for any reason be held to be invalid, illegal or unenforceable in any respect, such invalidity, illegality, or unenforceability shall not affect any other provision thereof and this Agreement shall be construed as if such invalid, illegal, or unenforceable provision had never been contained herein.

~~14. Any contract award to a successful bidder will be in effect until (a) the contract expires, (b) delivery and acceptance of products, and/or performance of services ordered, (c) terminated by County with thirty day's written notice prior to cancellation.~~

15. This Agreement shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of and be enforceable by the parties hereto and their respective heirs, executors, administrators, legal representatives, successors, and assigns where permitted by this Agreement.

16. This Agreement shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of Texas and shall be performable in Hidalgo County.

**DRAFT**

WITNESS our hands in duplicate originals this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2009.

**COUNTY OF HIDALGO**

**ATTEST:**

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Juan D. Salinas, III, County Judge

\_\_\_\_\_  
Arturo Guajardo Jr., County Clerk

**COMPANY:** \_\_\_\_\_  
By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Printed Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Title: \_\_\_\_\_

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

By: \_\_\_\_\_

**EXHIBIT "B" VENDOR'S BID**



**EXHIBIT "B"**

**HIDALGO COUNTY  
(Precinct Nos. 1 & 3) -  
"ROADWAY LIGHT FIXTURES MAINTENANCE"  
RFB NO. 2009-095-03-11-otm**

**CONTINUATION - BID PAGE**

The following are examples of additional work that may be required during the term of the agreement and will be performed on a Time and Materials basis:

**Inspect and replace electrical wiring as needed.**

Time and Material (T & M) rates will be used for work outside the scope of the specified groups and for exception or special circumstances when completing a specific group. All T & M requires approval by the County.

Item	Summary of Labor and Equipment Classifications	Hourly Rates
a.	Foreman	\$ 42.50
b.	Electrician	\$ 30.00
c.	Operator	\$ 35.00
d.	Ground Men/ Labor	\$ 17.50
e.	12 Ton 56" JLG Crane	\$ 150.00
f.	4 Ton 46' Nat'l Crane with Bucket	\$ 125.00
g.	Altec AM 660 Bucket 40'	\$ 100.00
h.	Hi Ranger TDI 65 55'	\$ 125.00
i.	30 HP 360 Case Trencher/ Backhoe	\$ 120.00
j.	6010 Case Directional Drill up to 4" inch	\$ _____
k.	6010 Case Directional Drill up to 8" inch	\$ _____
l.	Water Truck with Mud System	\$ _____
m.	Dump Truck	\$ 75.00
n.	1 Ton Pick up with Tools	\$ 50.00
o.	Generator	\$ 100.00
p.	Compressor	\$ 95.00
q.	Digger Derrick	\$ 150.00
r.	Vacuum Excavator	\$ _____

## Olga Montero

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**From:** Victor, Victor Rios, Rios [lumateclighting2000@yahoo.com]  
**Sent:** Thursday, April 02, 2009 2:27 PM  
**To:** olga.montero@co.hidalgo.tx.us  
**Subject:** Roadway Light Fixtures Maintenance Bid: 2009-095-03-11-0tm

Olga,

As per your questions on the following:

**Reset up to 50' pole** (includes ,but not limited to, resetting/replacement of :pole , mast arm,luminaires, with the reuse of existing concrete base and anchor bolts).

**Total Labor , Materials, and Equipment per pole \$** (included in Item 01 )

and also the

**Re-lamp poles** (Lighting standards up to 50 foot) includes work necessary to make light fixture function correctly.

**Total Labor, Materials, and Equipment per pole \$** (cost included in Item 01)

On the description for Lane Closure the cost for this two items is included on item number 01 unit cost is \$5,000.00 per unit.

Thank you

Victor T Rios  
Owner  
Lumatec Lighting Service

# **EXHIBIT “C” INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS**

# ACORD™ CERTIFICATE OF LIABILITY INSURANCE

DATE (MM/DD/YYYY)  
04/20/09

PRODUCER <b>Willis of Texas, Inc.</b> (956)682-9423 FAX(956)687-1286 1400 N McColl Rd Suite 105 McAllen, TX 78501	THIS CERTIFICATE IS ISSUED AS A MATTER OF INFORMATION ONLY AND CONFERS NO RIGHTS UPON THE CERTIFICATE HOLDER. THIS CERTIFICATE DOES NOT AMEND, EXTEND OR ALTER THE COVERAGE AFFORDED BY THE POLICIES BELOW.	
	INSURERS AFFORDING COVERAGE	NAIC #
INSURED  <b>Lumatec Lighting Service</b> P O Box 2225 McAllen, TX 78502	INSURER A: <b>Essex Insurance Company</b>	<b>39020</b>
	INSURER B: <b>Mt Hawley</b>	<b>37974</b>
	INSURER C: <b>Hartford Underwriters Ins Co</b>	<b>30104</b>
	INSURER D: <b>Travelers Property Casualty</b>	<b>31194</b>
	INSURER E:	

**COVERAGES**

THE POLICIES OF INSURANCE LISTED BELOW HAVE BEEN ISSUED TO THE INSURED NAMED ABOVE FOR THE POLICY PERIOD INDICATED. NOTWITHSTANDING ANY REQUIREMENT, TERM OR CONDITION OF ANY CONTRACT OR OTHER DOCUMENT WITH RESPECT TO WHICH THIS CERTIFICATE MAY BE ISSUED OR MAY PERTAIN, THE INSURANCE AFFORDED BY THE POLICIES DESCRIBED HEREIN IS SUBJECT TO ALL THE TERMS, EXCLUSIONS AND CONDITIONS OF SUCH POLICIES. AGGREGATE LIMITS SHOWN MAY HAVE BEEN REDUCED BY PAID CLAIMS.

INSR ADD'L LTR	INSRD	TYPE OF INSURANCE	POLICY NUMBER	POLICY EFFECTIVE DATE (MM/DD/YY)	POLICY EXPIRATION DATE (MM/DD/YY)	LIMITS	
A		GENERAL LIABILITY <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> COMMERCIAL GENERAL LIABILITY <input type="checkbox"/> CLAIMS MADE <input type="checkbox"/> OCCUR <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PD Ded:250  GEN'L AGGREGATE LIMIT APPLIES PER: <input type="checkbox"/> POLICY <input type="checkbox"/> PRO-JECT <input type="checkbox"/> LOC	3DB1036	03/26/09	03/26/10	EACH OCCURRENCE	\$1,000,000
						DAMAGE TO RENTED PREMISES (Ea occurrence)	\$100,000
						MED EXP (Any one person)	\$5,000
						PERSONAL & ADV INJURY	\$1,000,000
						GENERAL AGGREGATE	\$2,000,000
						PRODUCTS - COMP/OP AGG	\$2,000,000
D		AUTOMOBILE LIABILITY <input type="checkbox"/> ANY AUTO <input type="checkbox"/> ALL OWNED AUTOS <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> SCHEDULED AUTOS <input type="checkbox"/> HIRED AUTOS <input type="checkbox"/> NON-OWNED AUTOS	BA5943B49709	01/20/09	01/20/10	COMBINED SINGLE LIMIT (Ea accident)	\$1,000,000
						BODILY INJURY (Per person)	\$
						BODILY INJURY (Per accident)	\$
						PROPERTY DAMAGE (Per accident)	\$
		GARAGE LIABILITY <input type="checkbox"/> ANY AUTO				AUTO ONLY - EA ACCIDENT	\$
						OTHER THAN AUTO ONLY: EA ACC	\$
						AGG	\$
B		EXCESS/UMBRELLA LIABILITY <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OCCUR <input type="checkbox"/> CLAIMS MADE  <input type="checkbox"/> DEDUCTIBLE <input type="checkbox"/> RETENTION \$	EMX0307434	08/08/08	08/08/09	EACH OCCURRENCE	\$1,000,000
						AGGREGATE	\$
							\$
							\$
							\$
C		WORKERS COMPENSATION AND EMPLOYERS' LIABILITY ANY PROPRIETOR/PARTNER/EXECUTIVE OFFICER/MEMBER EXCLUDED? If yes, describe under SPECIAL PROVISIONS below	46WECGD3788	01/22/09	01/22/10	WC STATU-TORY LIMITS	
						OTH-ER	
						E.L. EACH ACCIDENT	\$500,000
						E.L. DISEASE - EA EMPLOYEE	\$500,000
						E.L. DISEASE - POLICY LIMIT	\$500,000
		OTHER					

DESCRIPTION OF OPERATIONS / LOCATIONS / VEHICLES / EXCLUSIONS ADDED BY ENDORSEMENT / SPECIAL PROVISIONS

RE: Roadway Light Fixtures Maintenance Bid #2009-095-03-11-OTM

**CERTIFICATE HOLDER**

Hidalgo County Precinct 1 & 3  
 2812 S Business Hwy 281 New  
 Administration Bldg  
 Edinburg, TX 78539

**CANCELLATION**

SHOULD ANY OF THE ABOVE DESCRIBED POLICIES BE CANCELLED BEFORE THE EXPIRATION DATE THEREOF, THE ISSUING INSURER WILL ENDEAVOR TO MAIL 10 DAYS WRITTEN NOTICE TO THE CERTIFICATE HOLDER NAMED TO THE LEFT, BUT FAILURE TO DO SO SHALL IMPOSE NO OBLIGATION OR LIABILITY OF ANY KIND UPON THE INSURER, ITS AGENTS OR REPRESENTATIVES.

AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE

*Brian E Lewis*

## **IMPORTANT**

If the certificate holder is an ADDITIONAL INSURED, the policy(ies) must be endorsed. A statement on this certificate does not confer rights to the certificate holder in lieu of such endorsement(s).

If SUBROGATION IS WAIVED, subject to the terms and conditions of the policy, certain policies may require an endorsement. A statement on this certificate does not confer rights to the certificate holder in lieu of such endorsement(s).

## **DISCLAIMER**

The Certificate of Insurance on the reverse side of this form does not constitute a contract between the issuing insurer(s), authorized representative or producer, and the certificate holder, nor does it affirmatively or negatively amend, extend or alter the coverage afforded by the policies listed thereon.