



Hidalgo County Purchasing Department
2812 S. Business Highway 281
New Administration Building
Edinburg, Texas 78539
(956) 318-2626/ Fax: (956) 318-2629

March 9, 2015

Agustin Gomez
P.O. Box 1012
Elsa, Texas 78543

Via Email: augie21gomez@yahoo.com

Re: **Renewal of Contract C-14-083-05-27**
"Hidalgo County Precinct No. 1-Waste Water Management System"

Dear Mr. Gomez;

Hidalgo County Purchasing Department will be requesting Commissioners' Court to consider the County's sole option to exercise a one (1) year of the two (2)-one(1) year term as provided in the current contract (under the same rates, terms and conditions).

Please acknowledge receipt of this notice of placement on the Commissioners' Court meeting of **Tuesday, March 31, 2015** for discussion, consideration and action, by signing below and returning to the Purchasing Department, by no later than **Friday, 3:00 p.m., March 13, 2015 and or sooner**, via facsimile to (956) 956-318-2629 or email to: evangelina.garcia@co.hidalgo.tx.us so as to meet the agenda request form deadlines.

By: _____

Date: 3/13/2015

Additionally, we are requesting your company provide an updated certificate of insurance as required through Hidalgo County's Request for (Bid, Quote, Proposal, Statement of Qualification), if applicable.

Should you have any questions or require additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me at (956) 318-2626. Your cooperation in this matter is greatly appreciated and we hope your company continues its business relationship with Hidalgo County.

Sincerely,
Vangie Y. Garcia, Contract's Manager
Hidalgo County Purchasing Department

**CONSULTING SERVICES AGREEMENT
C-14-083-05-27**

THIS CONSULTING SERVICES AGREEMENT (the "Agreement") is made this 27th day of **May, 2014**, by and between, HIDALGO COUNTY, TEXAS, a political subdivision of the State of Texas ("County"), and **Agustin Gomez, d/b/a Gomez Wastewater Services** ("Operator");

Whereas, County is required to achieve and maintain compliance with the requirements of the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality ("**TCEQ**") with respect to testing of the sanitary sewer treatment facility at Delta Lake Park, (the "Facility");

Whereas, to insure that the standards of the TCEQ are met, it will be necessary for County to secure the assistance of a holder of a wastewater treatment plant operator's certificate, issued by **TCEQ**;

Whereas, Operator possesses particular experience and expertise in the areas relating to compliance with **TCEQ** compliance, and possesses a Class A Wastewater Treatment Plant Operator's License, and

Whereas, County wishes to engage the services of Operator to assist County in securing and maintaining compliance with **TCEQ** regulations.

NOW, THEREFORE, IN consideration of the mutual covenants and conditions hereinafter set forth, and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, the parties hereto agree as follows

1. Operator represents and warrants to County that he has experience and expertise in the field of compliance with **TCEQ** regulations, as the same relate to County's operations of the Facility, and that he is the current holder of a Class A Wastewater Treatment Plant Operator's Certificate issued by **TCEQ**, as further described in Exhibit "D" which is attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference for all purposes. In the event of the lapse, revocation or other termination of such license, this Agreement shall automatically terminate and be of no further force and effect. The fact of any such lapse, revocation or other termination of Operator's Class A Wastewater Treatment Plant Operator's Certification shall be immediately reported by Operator to the Hidalgo County Precinct No.1 Commissioner, and to the Hidalgo County Judge.
2. Operator shall assist County in its compliance with TCEQ regulations as same relate to the Facility located within Delta Lake Park and in the preparation of all reports and proposals which are necessary to assure that County is in compliance with **TCEQ** regulations.
3. Operator shall timely provide all daily, weekly, monthly, quarterly and annual reports as required under Hidalgo County's TPDES Permit No. WQ0010973001 (see Exhibit "E") to TCEQ on behalf of Hidalgo County with copies to the Hidalgo County Environmental

Compliance Office relating to compliance with TCEQ regulations with respect to the waste water treatment facility located within Delta Lake Park under the provisions hereof and relating to the actions necessary by County in order to be in compliance with **TCEQ** regulations. Operator will be required to sign in and out at the Delta Lake Park Offices when operator performs the services at the waste water treatment facility.

4. Operator shall submit monthly written invoices to Hidalgo County Environmental Office, describing in detail satisfactory to County, the services provided during the preceding month, under the terms of this Agreement. Upon receipt and approval of such invoices, they will be submitted for payment by the County. Compensation for the services herein described shall be **\$1,795.83** monthly, as further described in Exhibit "B" which is attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference for all purposes.

5. Operator at all times, will act as an independent contractor and will not act or hold itself out to third parties as an employee or agent of County in the provision of consulting services under the terms of this Agreement. County will not withhold income tax or FICA tax on behalf of Operator or any of his partners, employees, subcontractors or agents. In addition, none of the foregoing shall have any claim under this Agreement or otherwise against County for vacation pay, sick leave, unemployment insurance, worker's compensation, retirement benefits, disability benefits, civil service benefits, or employee benefits of any kind. Operator will have the exclusive responsibility for the payment or provision of all such taxes and benefits and arrangement for all insurance coverages for its employees, agents, officers or partners, and shall discharge such obligations fully.

6. Operator shall incur no financial obligation or any other obligation on behalf of County without prior written approval of the Commissioners' Court. Operator will be responsible for all personal and professional expenses incurred by Operator.

7. Operator will indemnify and hold County harmless from any and all claims, actions, liability and expenses (including costs of judgements, settlements, court costs and attorneys fees, regardless of the outcome of such claim or action) caused by, resulting from, or alleging negligent or intentional acts or omissions or any failure to perform any obligations undertaken or any covenant this Agreement, whether such act, omissions or failure was Operator or that of any person providing services hereunder by or through Operator. Upon written notice from County, Operator will resist and defend at its own expense, and by counsel reasonably satisfactory to County, any such claim or action. Operator will carry proper insurance with County named as an additional named insured to the extent such is reasonably available.

If to County:

**The County Of Hidalgo
County Judge Ramon Garcia
302 W. University Drive
Edinburg, Texas 78539**

If to Operator:

Agustin Gomez

**d/b/a Gomez Wastewater Services
PO Box 1012
Elsa, Texas 78543**

With Copy to:

**Hidalgo Co. Environmental Compliance
Department
C/O Martin Ramirez
1212 S. 25th Street, Suite B
Edinburg, TX 78539**

Each notice, demand, request or communication which shall be delivered or mailed in the matter described above shall be deemed sufficiently given for all purposes at such time as it is personally delivered to the addressee or, if mailed, at such time as it is personally delivered to the addressee or, if mailed, at such time as it is deposited in the United States mail.

8. This Agreement will be for a period of one (1) year commencing on **May 30, 2014** and ending on **May 29, 2015** with the County's option to renew for an additional two (2) one (1) year periods, under the same rates, terms and conditions and with the County's sole discretion to extend this Agreement for an additional sixty (60) day grace period at the end of the term or any renewal term for unforeseen delays in the award of the new bid and contingent upon cost to remain unchanged. This Contract may be terminated by County with or without cause on thirty (30) days written notice to Operator.

9. Following the expiration or termination of this Agreement, Operator agrees to do nothing that may interfere with a County contract or in the operation of the Program.

Miscellaneous Provisions.

10.01 **Conflict with Applicable Law.** Nothing in this Agreement shall be construed so as to require the commission of any act contrary to law, and whenever there is a conflict between any provision of this Agreement and any present or future law, ordinance or administrative, executive, or judicial regulation, order or decree, or amended thereof, contrary to which the parties have no legal right to contract, the latter shall prevail, but in such event the affected provision or provisions of this Agreement shall be modified only to the extent necessary to bring them within the legal requirements and only during the time such conflict exists.

10.02 **No Waiver.** No Waiver by County of any breach of any provision of this Agreement shall be deemed to be a waiver of any preceding or succeeding breach of the same or any other provision hereof.

10.03 **Entire Agreement.** This Agreement contains the entire agreement between the parties hereto, and each party acknowledges that neither has made (either directly or through any agent or representative) any representations or agreements in

connection with this agreement not specifically set forth herein. This Agreement may be modified or amended only by agreement in writing executed by County and Operator and not otherwise.

10.04 **Texas Law to Apply.** This Agreement shall be construed under any Accordance with the laws of the State of Texas, and all obligations of the parties created hereunder are performable in Hidalgo County, Texas. The parties hereby consent to personal jurisdiction in Hidalgo County, Texas.

10.05 **Notice.** Except as may be otherwise specifically provided in this Agreement, all notices, demands, requests or communications required or permitted hereunder shall be in writing and shall either be (i) personally delivered against a written receipt, or (ii) sent by registered or certified mail, return receipt requested, postage prepaid and addressed to the parties at the addresses set forth below, or at such other addressed as may have been therefore specified by written notice delivered in accordance herewith:

10.06 **Additional Documents.** The parties hereto covenant and agree that they will execute such other and further instruments and documents as are or may become necessary or convenient to effectuate and carry out the terms of this Agreement.

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

10.08 **Assignment.** This Agreement shall not be assignable by either party hereto.

10.09 **Headings.** The headings and captions contained in this Agreement are solely for convenient reference and shall not be deemed to affect the meaning or interpretation of any provisions or paragraph hereof.

10.10 **Gender and Number.** All pronouns used in this Agreement shall include the other gender, whether used in the masculine, feminine, or neuter gender, and the singular shall include the plural whenever and so often as may be appropriate.

10.11 **Insurance.** Operator shall provide insurance in force on all its vehicles and all persons connected with providing services under this Agreement naming County as an additional insured (with 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

10.12 **Commitment of Current Revenues Only.** In the event that, during any term hereof, the Commissioners Court does not appropriate sufficient funds to meet the obligations of County under this Agreement, County may terminate this Agreement upon sixty (60) days written notice to Operator. County agrees, however, to use reasonable efforts to secure funds necessary for the continued performance of this

Agreement. The parties intend this provision to be a continuing right to terminate this Agreement at the expiration of each budget period of County pursuant to the provisions of Tex. Loc. Govt. Code Ann. § 271.903 (Vernon Supp. 1996).

EXECUTED effective as of the day and year first written above.

HIDALGO COUNTY, TEXAS

By: Ramon Garcia
Ramon Garcia, County Judge

ATTEST:

Approved by Commissioners' Court
on 5/27/14 RO

Arturo Guajardo, Jr.
Arturo Guajardo, Jr., County Clerk

Operator: **Gomez Wastewater Services**

By: Austin Conz

Printed Name: Austin Conz

Title: Austin Conz UWS

Approved on Commissioners' Court: _____

APPROVED AS TO FORM

Atlas, Hall and Rodriguez, L.L.P.

By: Stephen L. Crain
Stephen L. Crain



Hidalgo County Purchasing Department
New Administration Building
2812 S. Business Highway 281
Edinburg, Texas 78539
(956) 318-2626/ Fax: (956) 292-7612

April 04, 2014

Re: **HIDALGO COUNTY PRECINCT NO.1**
REQUEST FOR SEALED QUOTES--“WASTE WATER MANAGEMENT SYSTEM”
RFSQ No: 2014-083-04-23-SGS

Dear Respondents:

Enclosed please find a Request for Sealed Quote (RFSQ) packet for you review and consideration.

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

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

Sincerely,

Sandy Suarez, Buyer II
Hidalgo County Purchasing Department

Enclosures



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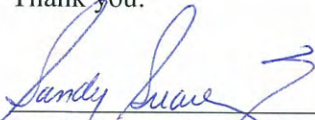
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The above mentioned items shall be found in the Request for Sealed Quotes (RFSQ) packet that is attached herewith. Should you find that any of the items are not attached in its entirety please contact Purchasing by calling (956) 318-2626, advise of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

Thank you.


Sandy Suarez, Buyer II

April 04, 2014
Date

RFSQ:2014-083-04-23-SGS

Buyer II: Sandy Suarez

Tel. No: (956) 318-2626 ext 4860

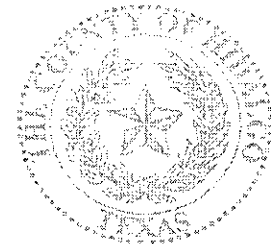
REQUEST FOR SEALED QUOTES

HIDALGO COUNTY "WASTE WATER MANAGEMENT SYSTEM" RFSQ NO.: 2014-083-04-23-SGS

**SEALED QUOTE OPENING DATE:
April 23, 2014**

Contact Person:

Martha L. Salazar, CPPB Purchasing Agent
Hidalgo County Purchasing Department
Physical Address: 2802 S. Business Hwy. 281 -New Administration Bldg
Mailing/Postal Address: 2812 S. Business Hwy. 281
Edinburg, Texas 78539
(956) 318-2626



Form HCPD-03

LEGAL NOTICE

RFSQ No: 2014-083-04-23-SGS

1. Sealed quotes will be received for **HIDALGO COUNTY--"WASTE WATER MANAGEMENT SYSTEM"** in accordance with the specifications attached as Exhibit "A" hereto. RFSQs should address all specifications set forth. Bidder 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 RFSQ.
2. One (1) original and three (3) copies of the sealed quote is 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: **RFSQ NO. 2014-083-04-23-SGS-HIDALGO COUNTY PRECINCT NO. 1 -"WASTE WATER MANAGEMENT SYSTEM"** and in County's Purchasing Department, physical address: 2802 S. Business 281 and a mailing address: 2812 S. Business Hwy 281, New Administration Building, Edinburg, Texas **on or before 9:30 A.M. April 23 2014. FACSIMILES OR LATE ARRIVALS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED. ANY RFSQ 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: RFSQ. NO. 2014-083-04-23-SGS-HIDALGO COUNTY PRECINCT 1 -"WASTE WATER MANAGEMENT SYSTEM"**. Hidalgo County reserves the right to refuse and reject any/all RFSQs and to waive any/all formalities or technicalities, or to accept the RFSQ 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 RFSQ that it deems necessary to accommodate budgetary and/or operational requirements; B.) reject any or all RFSQs submitted and further reserves the right to design the evaluation criteria to be used in selecting the lowest and best RFSQ for approval; and C.) award the RFSQ 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 RFSQ without the express written consent of Hidalgo County. Failure of the delivered item 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 RFSQs 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 RFSQ and thoroughly familiarize himself/herself with existing conditions. Bidder should take field dimensions and note all circumstances which affect the dollar amount of the RFSQ.
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 RFSQ including catalogue numbers and any necessary references.
7. No RFSQ may be withdrawn within thirty (30) days from the scheduled time to open RFSQs.
8. Proposed prices are to remain firm for a minimum of ninety (90) days after RFSQ opening.

9. Any interpretations, amendments, corrections or changes to this RFSQ 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 Sealed Quotes. Bidder shall acknowledge receipt of all addenda as a part of their RFSQ.
10. County reserves the right to accept or reject any or all RFSQs.
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 sealed quote 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 card 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: (IF APPLICABLE)**
 - . 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
Sandy Suarez, Buyer II
(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 PRECINCT 1--"WASTE WATER MANAGEMENT SYSTEM"** 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:

Hidalgo County Auditor's Office
2808 S. Business Hwy 281
Edinburg, Tx 78539
(956) 318-2511

17. Schedule of Events

Sealed Quote Opening, 9:30 AM	<u>April 23, 2014</u>
Award of Contract	<u>, 2014</u>
Commence Work or Deliver Products	<u>, 2014</u>

25. Bid or Performance Bond; Payment under Contract:

- ~~If the contract proposed is for the construction of public works or is for a contract 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.~~
- ~~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 sealed quote 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. Sealed quotes, and all goods and services provided there under, 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 sealed quote, represents to County that it meets the following requirements:
- . Possess or is able to obtain adequate financial resources as required to perform under the sealed quote;
 - . 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 (30) 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 RFSQ 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 Sealed Quotes 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.

RFSQ
for
HIDALGO COUNTY PRECINCT 1
“WASTE WATER MANAGEMENT SYSTEM”
RFSQ NO.: 2014-083-04-23-SGS

To: Martha L. Salazar, CPPB, Purchasing Agent
C/O Sandy Suarez, Buyer II
Physical Address: 2802 S. Business Hwy. 281 -New Administration Building
Mailing/Postal Address: 2812 S. Business Hwy. 281
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 RFSQ, 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 Sealed Quotes Checklist presented in connection with this procurement. Bidder understands that Hidalgo County reserves the right to reject any or all RFSQs and further reserves the right to design the evaluation criteria to be used in selecting the lowest and best RFSQ.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Bidder: _____
Address: _____
By: _____
Printed Name: _____
Title: _____

Exhibit "A"
Hidalgo County Precinct No.1
"Waste Water Management System"
RFSQ NO.: 2014-083-04-23-SGS

QUOTE DUE DATE: April 23, 2014

I. OVERVIEW:

Hidalgo County Precinct No. 1 is currently soliciting sealed quotes from certified waste water operators with a Class "A" license issued by the T.C.E.Q (Texas Commission of Environmental Quality), for "Waste Water Management System" including, but not limited too the following. The awarded vendor will service, maintain and monitor the operation waste water facility at Delta Lake Park.

II. SCOPE OF SERVICES:

The scope of work required to be performed by the operator is keeping the facility in compliance thru constant monitoring and collecting the required samples as permitted by the issued permit consisting of a daily, weekly, monthly, quarterly samples and analyzed as per the permit requirements. Awarded vendor will also need to assist the Precinct with the renewal of permit (when applicable) in accordance to T.C.E.Q. (Texas Commission of Environmental Quality).

III. REQUIREMENTS:

1. Be Class "A" certified and must submit copies of certifications.
2. Have knowledge of the current rules and regulations in accordance with applicable T.C.E.Q. and EPA (Environmental Protection Agency) requirements.
3. Inspects the facility five days out of the seven day week accordingly to T.C.E.Q. and collect the facility data such as flows, dissolved oxygen levels, PH, chlorine residuals.
4. Must sign In and Out at the Delta Park Office.
5. Maintain a record of all inspections and collections and keep a log in its maintenance requirements.
6. Awarded contractor will present daily, weekly, monthly, quarterly and annual reports as required under Hidalgo County's TPDES Permit No.: WQ0010973001, in person to the Hidalgo County Environmental Compliance Office relating to compliance with TCEQ regulations.
7. Must also visually check the pumps and its control and blower system on a daily basis

8. Observe safety practices at all times
9. Awarded vendor must provide all necessary equipment, tools and/or any other materials required to perform services.
10. Keep facility in T.C.E.Q. compliance at all times
11. Test water samples gathered from the facility must be sent to a state certified laboratory.
12. Laboratory must be approved by NELAC-Institute (National Environmental Laboratory Accreditation Conference).
13. In addition to the above samples, one yearly sample will be collected and analyzed for a complete water analysis Toxicity Characteristic Leaching Procedure (TCLP) Test.
14. Shall submit to the Environmental Compliance Section located at the Hidalgo County Executive Office, 2818 South Business Hwy 281, Edinburg, TX. 78539, monthly written invoices describing in detail satisfactory to the County, services provided during the preceding month under the terms of this Agreement

IV. LOCATION:

Delta Lake Park Wastewater Treatment Facility: 2 mi N. of FM88 and FM1422, E. of FM 88, adjacent to the Monte Alto Reservoir.

V. QUOTES MUST HAVE:

The vendor must include a brief summary or overview of the services to be provided including:

1. The number of staff to be involved in the project.
2. An overview of the services being requested.

VI. TERMS AND CONDITIONS:

1. The contract term shall be for an initial period of one (1) year with County's option to renew for two (2) additional, one (1) year terms, under the same rates, terms and conditions.
2. Hidalgo County reserves the right to continue this bid for a sixty (60) day grace period at the end of the contract term due to any unforeseen delay in the procurement process.
3. If at any time it appears that Hidalgo County will exceed \$50,000.00 within the fiscal year, all service(s) will be suspended until a contract is obtained through the Hidalgo County bidding process.
4. Hidalgo County has the authority to utilize State Contracts when ever it is in the County's best

interest to do so.

5. Any contract awarded to a successful bidder will be in effect until;
 - A.) The contract expires
 - B.) Delivery acceptance of products and/or performance of services ordered, or
 - C.) Terminated by County with thirty (30) day's written notice prior to be cancellation
6. Hidalgo County reserves the right reject any/all request for sealed quotes and to waive any/all formalities or technicalities, or to accept the RFSQ considered the best and most valuable to Hidalgo County.
7. All costs and expenses associated with the preparation and submission of (bid, proposals and / or quotes) shall be responsibility of the vendor and no reimbursements for such charges or expenses shall be passed on to Hidalgo County.
8. Hidalgo County reserves the right to hold the quote for a period of ninety (90) days without taking any action.
9. Insurance Certificates (Exhibit "C") must be submitted to the Purchasing Department for approval prior to any services being performed by the awarded vendor.

VII. QUOTE DEADLINE:

Deadline for quote submission is Wednesday, APRIL 23, 2014 at 9:30 A.M.

One (1) original and three (3) copies of the sealed quote shall be addressed to:

Martha L. Salazar, CPPB/Purchasing Agent
Attn: Sandy Suarez
Hidalgo County Purchasing Department
New Administration Building
2802 S, Business Hwy. 281
Edinburg, Texas 78539
RFSQ No.: 2014-083-04-23-SGS

VIII. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

Hidalgo County is requesting that any and all questions, inquires and clarifications regarding quotes, bids, proposals or statements of qualifications be addressed to: Martha Salazar, Attn: Sandy Suarez, 2812 South Business Hwy. 281, Edinburg, Tx 78539. TELEPHONE INQUIRIES WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.

ALL WRITTEN INQUIRIES WILL BE ACCEPTED VIA FACSIMILE to (956) 292-7612 or VIA E-MAIL to: sandy.suarez@co.hidalgo.tx.us by no later than, Friday, April 15, 2014 by 5:00 p.m. Responses to said inquiries will be sent to all applicants via email by no later than **Tuesday, April 17, 2014 by 5:00 p.m.**

EXHIBIT "B"
HIDALGO COUNTY PRECINCT NO. 1
"WASTE WATER MANAGEMENT SYSTEM"
RFSQ NO.: 2014-083-04-23-SGS

QUOTE PAGE

PRICE PER MONTH: \$ _____

INTERNAL USE ONLY- COMMODITY CODE: # 968-46

VENDOR'S INFORMATION:

BIDDER/COMPANY NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY/STATE/ZIP CODE: _____

PHONE & FAX NO.: _____

CELLULAR NO: _____

AUTHORIZED
SIGNATURE: _____

PRINTED NAME: _____

TITLE _____

EMAIL ADDRESS:
(IF AVAILABLE) _____

EXHIBIT "C"

Insurance Requirements

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 shall name Hidalgo County as additional insured and must 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.

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ACORD		CERTIFICATE OF INSURANCE	DATE (MM/DD/YY)
PRODUCER		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.	
INSURED		INSURERS AFFORDING COVERAGE	
		INSURER A:	
		INSURER B:	
		INSURER C:	
		INSURER D:	
		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 THEIR TERMS, EXCLUSIONS AND CONDITIONS OF SUCH POLICIES. AGGREGATE LIMITS SHOWN MAY HAVE BEEN REDUCED BY PAID CLAIMS.

INSR LTR	TYPE OF INSURANCE	POLICY NUMBER	POLICY EFFECTIVE DATE (MM/DD/YY)	POLICY EXPIRATION DATE (MM/DD/YY)	LIMITS
A	GENERAL LIABILITY				EACH OCCURRENCE \$
	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCIAL GENERAL LIABILITY				FIRE DAMAGE (Any one fire) \$
	<input type="checkbox"/> CLAIMS MADE OCCUR				MEDICAL (Any one person) \$
	<input type="checkbox"/> OWNER'S & CONT. PROT				PERSONAL & ADV INJURY \$
	<input type="checkbox"/> OWNER'S PROTECTIVE LIABILITY				ANNUAL AGGREGATE \$
	<input type="checkbox"/> GEN'L AGGREGATE LIMIT APPLIES PER:				PRODUCTS - COMPROP \$
	<input type="checkbox"/> POLICY <input type="checkbox"/> PROJECT <input type="checkbox"/> LOC				AGG
B	AUTOMOBILE LIABILITY				COMBINED SINGLE LIMIT (Ea accident) \$
	<input type="checkbox"/> ANY AUTO				BODILY INJURY (Per person) \$
	<input type="checkbox"/> ALL OWNED AUTOS				BODILY INJURY (Per accident) \$
	<input type="checkbox"/> SCHEDULED AUTOS				PROPERTY DAMAGE (Per accident) \$
	<input type="checkbox"/> HIRED AUTOS				
<input type="checkbox"/> NON OWNED AUTOS					
	GARAGE LIABILITY				AUTO ONLY-EA ACCIDENT \$
	<input type="checkbox"/> ANY AUTO				OTHER THAN EA ACC \$
					AUTO ONLY EA ACC AGG \$
C	EXCESS LIABILITY				EACH OCCURRENCE \$
	<input type="checkbox"/> OCCUR <input type="checkbox"/> CLAIMS MADE				AGGREGATE \$
	<input type="checkbox"/> DEDUCTIBLE				\$
	<input type="checkbox"/> RETENTION \$				\$
					\$
D	WORKERS COMPENSATION AND EMPLOYER'S LIABILITY				WC STATU- <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER TORY LIMITS
					E.L. EACH ACCIDENT \$
					E.L. DISEASE-EA EMPLOYEE \$
					E.L. DISEASE-POLICY LIMIT \$
	OTHER				

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

CERTIFICATE HOLDER	ADDITIONAL INSURED: INSURER LETTER:	CANCELLATION
Hidalgo County Attn: Purchasing Department 2812 S Highway Bus. 281 Edinburg, Texas 78539		SHOULD ANY OF THE ABOVE DESCRIBED POLICIES BY CANCELLED BEFORE THE EXPIRATION DATE THEREOF, THE ISSUING INSURER WILL ENDEAVOR TO MAIL 30 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

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		
<p>This questionnaire reflects changes made to the law by H.B. 1491, 80th Leg., Regular Session.</p> <p>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).</p> <p>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.</p> <p>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.</p>	OFFICE USE ONLY	
	1 Name of person who has a business relationship with local governmental entity.	Date Received
2 <input type="checkbox"/> 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? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> 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? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> 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? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No D. Describe each employment or business relationship with the local government officer named in this section.		
4 _____ Signature of person doing business with the governmental entity		
_____ Date		

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

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: _____

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: _____

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: _____

**Request for Taxpayer
Identification Number and Certification**

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

Name (as shown on your income tax return)

Business name/disregarded entity name, if different from above

Check appropriate box for federal tax classification (required): Individual/sole proprietor C Corporation S Corporation Partnership Trust/estate

Limited liability company. Enter the tax classification (C=C corporation, S=S corporation, P=partnership) ▶ _____

Other (see instructions) ▶ _____

Exempt payee

Address (number, street, and apt. or suite no.)

City, state, and ZIP code

List account number(s) here (optional)

Requester's name and address (optional)

Part I Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN)

Enter your TIN in the appropriate box. The TIN provided must match the name given on the "Name" line 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.

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

Social security number								
			-			-		
Employer identification number								
			-					

Part II Certification

Under penalties of perjury, I certify that:

- 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
- 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
- I am a U.S. citizen or other U.S. person (defined below).

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.

Sign Here Signature of U.S. person ▶ _____ Date ▶ _____

General Instructions

Section references are to the Internal Revenue Code unless otherwise noted.

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.

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:

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

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

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

Special rules for partnerships. Partnerships that conduct a trade or business in the United States are generally required to pay a withholding tax 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 payee has otherwise become a U.S. resident alien for tax purposes.

If you are a U.S. resident alien who is relying on an exception contained in the saving clause of a tax treaty to claim an exemption from U.S. tax on certain types of income, you must attach a statement to Form W-9 that specifies the following 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 a percentage of such payments. This is called "backup withholding." Payments that may be subject to backup withholding include interest, tax-exempt interest, dividends, broker and barter exchange transactions, rents, royalties, nonemployee pay, 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 3 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 for partnerships* on page 1.

Updating Your Information

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

Penalties

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

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

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

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

Specific Instructions

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/disregarded entity name" line.

Partnership, C Corporation, or S Corporation. Enter the entity's name on the "Name" line and any business, trade, or "doing business as (DBA)" name on the "Business name/disregarded entity name" line.

Disregarded entity. Enter the owner's name on the "Name" line. The name of the entity entered on the "Name" line should never be a disregarded entity. The name on the "Name" line must be the name shown on the income tax return on which the income will be reported. For example, if a foreign LLC that is treated as a disregarded entity for U.S. federal tax purposes has a domestic owner, the domestic owner's name is required to be provided on the "Name" line. If the direct owner of the entity is also a disregarded entity, enter the first owner that is not disregarded for federal tax purposes. Enter the disregarded entity's name on the "Business name/disregarded entity name" line. If the owner of the disregarded entity is a foreign person, you must complete an appropriate Form W-8.

Note. Check the appropriate box for the federal tax classification of the person whose name is entered on the "Name" line (individual/sole proprietor, Partnership, C Corporation, S Corporation, Trust/estate).

Limited Liability Company (LLC). If the person identified on the "Name" line is an LLC, check the "Limited liability company" box only and enter the appropriate code for the tax classification in the space provided. If you are an LLC that is treated as a partnership for federal tax purposes, enter "P" for partnership. If you are an LLC that has filed a Form 8832 or a Form 2553 to be taxed as a corporation, enter "C" for C corporation or "S" for S corporation. If you are an LLC that is disregarded as an entity separate from its owner under Regulation section 301.7701-3 (except for employment and excise tax), do not check the LLC box unless the owner of the LLC (required to be identified on the "Name" line) is another LLC that is not disregarded for federal tax purposes. If the LLC is disregarded as an entity separate from its owner, enter the appropriate tax classification of the owner identified on the "Name" line.

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/disregarded entity name" line.

Exempt Payee

If you are exempt from backup withholding, enter your name as described above and check the appropriate box for your status, then check the "Exempt payee" box in the line following the "Business name/disregarded entity 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.

The following payees are exempt from backup withholding:

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

IF the payment is for . . .	THEN the payment is exempt for . . .
Interest and dividend payments	All exempt payees except for 9
Broker transactions	Exempt payees 1 through 5 and 7 through 13. Also, C corporations.
Barter exchange transactions and patronage dividends	Exempt payees 1 through 5
Payments over \$600 required to be reported and direct sales over \$5,000 ¹	Generally, exempt payees 1 through 7 ²

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

² However, the following payments made to a corporation and reportable on Form 1099-MISC are not exempt from backup withholding: medical and health care payments, attorneys' fees, gross proceeds paid to an attorney, 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-member LLC that is disregarded as an entity separate from its owner (see *Limited Liability Company (LLC)* on page 2), enter the owner's SSN (or EIN, if the owner has one). Do not enter the disregarded entity's EIN. If the LLC is classified as a corporation or partnership, enter the entity's EIN.

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

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

If you are asked to complete Form W-9 but do not have a TIN, 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. Entering "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 item 1, below, and items 4 and 5 on page 4 indicate otherwise.

For a joint account, only the person whose TIN is shown in Part I should sign (when required). In the case of a disregarded entity, the person identified on the "Name" line must sign. Exempt payees, see *Exempt Payee* on page 3.

Signature requirements. Complete the certification as indicated in items 1 through 3, below, and items 4 and 5 on page 4.

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.

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

Secure Your Tax Records from Identity Theft

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

To reduce your risk:

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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 ¹
3. Custodian account of a minor (Uniform Gift to Minors Act)	The minor ²
4. a. The usual revocable savings trust (grantor is also trustee) b. So-called trust account that is not a legal or valid trust under state law	The grantor-trustee ¹ The actual owner ¹
5. Sole proprietorship or disregarded entity owned by an individual	The owner ³
6. Grantor trust filing under Optional Form 1099 Filing Method 1 (see Regulation section 1.671-4(b)(2)(i)(A))	The grantor ⁴
For this type of account:	Give name and EIN of:
7. Disregarded entity not owned by an individual	The owner
8. A valid trust, estate, or pension trust	Legal entity ⁴
9. Corporation or LLC electing corporate status on Form 8832 or Form 2553	The corporation
10. Association, club, religious, charitable, educational, or other tax-exempt organization	The organization
11. Partnership or multi-member LLC	The partnership
12. A broker or registered nominee	The broker or nominee
13. 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
14. Grantor trust filing under the Form 1041 Filing Method or the Optional Form 1099 Filing Method 2 (see Regulation section 1.671-4(b)(2)(i)(B))	The trust

¹ 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.

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

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

⁴ List first and circle the name of the trust, estate, or pension trust. (Do not furnish the TIN of the personal representative or trustee unless the legal entity itself is not designated in the account title.) Also see *Special rules for partnerships* on page 1.

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

Privacy Act Notice

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

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 indicated 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 verify to all of the statements in this Certification, such bidder should attach an explanation to this proposal.

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COUNTY OF HIDALGO §

**CONSULTING SERVICES AGREEMENT
C-14-083-00-00**

THIS CONSULTING SERVICES AGREEMENT (the "Agreement") is made this ____ day of _____ 2014, by and between, HIDALGO COUNTY, TEXAS, a political subdivision of the State of Texas ("County"), and _____ ("Operator");

Whereas, County is required to achieve and maintain compliance with the requirements of the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality ("TCEQ") with respect to testing of the sanitary sewer treatment facility at Delta Lake Park, (the "Facility");

Whereas, to insure that the standards of the TCEQ are met, it will be necessary for County to secure the assistance of a holder of a wastewater treatment plant operator's certificate, issued by TCEQ;

Whereas, Operator possesses particular experience and expertise in the areas relating to compliance with TCEQ compliance, and possesses a Class A Wastewater Treatment Plant Operator's License, and

Whereas, County wishes to engage the services of Operator to assist County in securing and maintaining compliance with TCEQ regulations.

NOW, THEREFORE, IN consideration of the mutual covenants and conditions hereinafter set forth, and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, the parties hereto agree as follows

1. Operator represents and warrants to County that he has experience and expertise in the field of compliance with TCEQ regulations, as the same relate to County's operations of the Facility, and that he is the current holder of a Class A Wastewater Treatment Plant Operator's Certificate issued by TCEQ, as further described in Exhibit "D" which is attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference for all purposes. In the event of the lapse, revocation or other termination of such license, this Agreement shall automatically terminate and be of no further force and effect. The fact of any such lapse, revocation or other termination of Operator's Class A Wastewater Treatment Plant Operator's Certification shall be immediately reported by Operator to the Hidalgo County Precinct No.1 Commissioner, and to the Hidalgo County Judge.
2. Operator shall assist County in its compliance with TCEQ regulations as same relate to the Facility located within Delta Lake Park and in the preparation of all reports and proposals which are necessary to assure that County is in compliance with TCEQ regulations.
3. Operator shall timely provide all daily, weekly, monthly, quarterly and annual reports as required under Hidalgo County's TPDES Permit No. WQ0010973001 (see Exhibit "E") to

TCEQ on behalf of Hidalgo County with copies to the Hidalgo County Environmental Compliance Office relating to compliance with TCEQ regulations with respect to the waste water treatment facility located within Delta Lake Park under the provisions hereof and relating to the actions necessary by County in order to be in compliance with TCEQ regulations. Operator will be required to sign in and out at the Delta Lake Park Offices when operator performs the services at the waste water treatment facility.

4. Operator shall submit monthly written invoices to Hidalgo County Environmental Office, describing in detail satisfactory to County, the services provided during the preceding month, under the terms of this Agreement. Upon receipt and approval of such invoices, they will be submitted for payment by the County. Compensation for the services herein described shall be \$_____ monthly, as further described in Exhibit "B" which is attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference for all purposes.

5. Operator at all times, will act as an independent contractor and will not act or hold itself out to third parties as an employee or agent of County in the provision of consulting services under the terms of this Agreement. County will not withhold income tax or FICA tax on behalf of Operator or any of his partners, employees, subcontractors or agents. In addition, none of the foregoing shall have any claim under this Agreement or otherwise against County for vacation pay, sick leave, unemployment insurance, worker's compensation, retirement benefits, disability benefits, civil service benefits, or employee benefits of any kind. Operator will have the exclusive responsibility for the payment or provision of all such taxes and benefits and arrangement for all insurance coverages for its employees, agents, officers or partners, and shall discharge such obligations fully.

6. Operator shall incur no financial obligation or any other obligation on behalf of County without prior written approval of the Commissioners' Court. Operator will be responsible for all personal and professional expenses incurred by Operator.

7. Operator will indemnify and hold County harmless from any and all claims, actions, liability and expenses (including costs of judgements, settlements, court costs and attorneys fees, regardless of the outcome of such claim or action) caused by, resulting from, or alleging negligent or intentional acts or omissions or any failure to perform any obligations undertaken or any covenant this Agreement, whether such act, omissions or failure was Operator or that of any person providing services hereunder by or through Operator upon written notice from County, Operator will resist and defend at its own expense, and by counsel reasonably satisfactory to County, any such claim or action. Operator will carry proper insurance with County named as an additional named insured to the extent such is reasonably available.

If to County:

**The County Of Hidalgo
County Judge Ramon Garcia
302 W. University Drive
Edinburg, Texas 78539**

If to Operator: _____

With Copy to:

**Hidalgo Co. Environmental Compliance
Department
C/O Martin Ramirez
1212 S. 25th Street, Suite B
Edinburg, TX 78539**

Each notice, demand, request or Communication which shall be delivered or mailed in the matter described above shall be deemed sufficiently given for all purposes at such time as it is personally delivered to the addressee or, if mailed, at such time as it is personally delivered to the addressee or, if mailed, at such time as it is deposited in the United States mail.

8. This Agreement will be for a period of one (1) year commencing on _____ **2014** and ending on _____, **2015** with the County's option to renew for an additional two (2) one (1) year periods, under the same rates, terms and conditions and with the County's sole discretion to extend this Agreement for an additional sixty (60) day grace period at the end of the term or any renewal term for unforeseen delays in the award of the new bid and contingent upon cost to remain unchanged. This Contract may be terminated by County with or without cause on thirty (30) days written notice to Operator.

9. Following the expiration or termination of this Agreement, Operator agrees to do nothing that may interfere with a County contract or in the operation of the Program.

Miscellaneous Provisions.

10.01 **Conflict with Applicable Law.** Nothing in this Agreement shall be construed so as to require the commission of any act contrary to law, and whenever there is a conflict between any provision of this Agreement and any present or future law, ordinance or administrative, executive, or judicial regulation, order or decree, or amended thereof, contrary to which the parties have no legal right to contract, the latter shall prevail, but in such event the affected provision or provisions of this Agreement shall be modified only to the extent necessary to bring them within the legal requirements and only during the time such conflict exists.

10.02 **No Waiver.** No Waiver by County of any breach of any provision of this Agreement shall be deemed to be a waiver of any preceding or succeeding breach of the same or any other provision hereof.

10.03 **Entire Agreement.** This Agreement contains the entire agreement between the parties hereto, and each party acknowledges that neither has made (either directly or through any agent or representative) any representations or agreements in connection with this agreement not specifically set forth herein. This Agreement may be

modified or amended only by agreement in writing executed by County and Operator and not otherwise.

10.04 **Texas Law to Apply.** This Agreement shall be construed under any Accordance with the laws of the State of Texas, and all obligations of the parties created hereunder are performable in Hidalgo County, Texas. The parties hereby consent to personal jurisdiction in Hidalgo County, Texas.

10.05 **Notice.** Except as may be otherwise specifically provided in this Agreement, all notices, demands, requests or communications required or permitted hereunder shall be in writing and shall either be (i) personally delivered against a written receipt, or (ii) sent by registered or certified mail, return receipt requested, postage prepaid and addressed to the parties at the addresses set forth below, or at such other address as may have been therefore specified by written notice delivered in accordance herewith:

10.06 **Additional Documents.** The parties hereto covenant and agree that they will execute such other and further instruments and documents as are or may become necessary or convenient to effectuate and carry out the terms of this Agreement.

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

10.08 **Assignment.** This Agreement shall not be assignable by either party hereto.

10.09 **Headings.** The headings and captions contained in this Agreement are solely for convenient reference and shall not be deemed to affect the meaning or interpretation of any provisions or paragraph hereof.

10.10 **Gender and Number.** All pronouns used in this agreement shall include the other gender, whether used in the masculine, feminine, or neuter gender, and the singular shall include the plural whenever and so often as may be appropriate.

10.11 **Insurance.** 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 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

10.12 **Commitment of Current Revenues Only.** In the event that, during any term hereof, the Commissioners Court does not appropriate sufficient funds to meet the obligations of County under this Agreement, County may terminate this Agreement upon sixty (60) days written notice to Operator. County agrees, however, to use reasonable efforts to secure funds necessary for the continued performance of this Agreement. The parties intend this provision to be a continuing right to terminate this

Agreement at the expiration of each budget period of County pursuant to the provisions of Tex. Loc. Govt. Code Ann. § 271.903 (Vernon Supp. 1996).

EXECUTED effective as of the day and year first written above.

HIDALGO COUNTY, TEXAS

By: _____
Ramon Garcia, County Judge

ATTEST:

Arturo Guajardo, Jr., County Clerk

Operator: _____

By: _____

Printed Name: _____

Title: _____

Approved on Commissioners' Court: _____

APPROVED AS TO FORM
Atlas, Hall and Rodriguez, L.L.P.

By: _____
Stephen L. Crain

EXHIBIT "B"
HIDALGO COUNTY PRECINCT NO. 1
"WASTE WATER MANAGEMENT SYSTEM"
RFSQ NO.: 2014-083-04-23-SGS

QUOTE PAGE

PRICE PER MONTH: \$ 1,795.83

OPENED
4/23/14
9:35 am
Witnessed

INTERNAL USE ONLY- COMMODITY CODE: # 968-46

VENDOR'S INFORMATION:

BIDDER/COMPANY NAME: Agustin Gomez Wastewater Services
ADDRESS: P.O. Box 1012
CITY/STATE/ZIP CODE: Glenn TX 78543
PHONE & FAX NO.: 554-246-9843
CELLULAR NO: 550-246-9843
AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE: [Signature]
PRINTED NAME: Agustin Gomez
TITLE: Agustin Gomez Wastewater Services
EMAIL ADDRESS: (IF AVAILABLE) agomez@yabur.com

EXHIBIT "C"
CERTIFICATE OF INSURANCE



CERTIFICATE OF LIABILITY INSURANCE

DATE (MM/DD/YYYY)
Mar 19, 2015

THIS CERTIFICATE IS ISSUED AS A MATTER OF INFORMATION ONLY AND CONFERS NO RIGHTS UPON THE CERTIFICATE HOLDER. THIS CERTIFICATE DOES NOT AFFIRMATIVELY OR NEGATIVELY AMEND, EXTEND OR ALTER THE COVERAGE AFFORDED BY THE POLICIES BELOW. THIS CERTIFICATE OF INSURANCE DOES NOT CONSTITUTE A CONTRACT BETWEEN THE ISSUING INSURER(S), AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE OR PRODUCER, AND THE CERTIFICATE HOLDER.

IMPORTANT: If the certificate holder is an ADDITIONAL INSURED, the policy(ies) must be endorsed. 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).

PRODUCER	DELTA GENERAL AGENCY CORPORATION PO Box 2045 Houston TX 77252 Retail Agent: MONTALVO INS AGENCY INC	CONTACT NAME: Retail Agent: MONTALVO INS AGENCY INC	
		PHONE (A/C, No, Ext): 956-968-5521 FAX (A/C, No): E-MAIL ADDRESS:	
INSURED	GOMEZ WASTE WATER SERVICE AGUSTIN GOMEZ DBA PO BOX 1012 ELSA, TX 78543	INSURER(S) AFFORDING COVERAGE	NAIC #
		INSURER A: NAUTILUS INSURANCE CO	17370
		INSURER B: NOT APPLICABLE	
		INSURER C: NOT APPLICABLE	
		INSURER D: NOT APPLICABLE	
		INSURER E: NOT APPLICABLE	
		INSURER F: NOT APPLICABLE	

COVERAGES CERTIFICATE NUMBER: REVISION NUMBER:

THIS IS TO CERTIFY THAT 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. LIMITS SHOWN MAY HAVE BEEN REDUCED BY PAID CLAIMS.

INSR LTR	TYPE OF INSURANCE	ADDL INSR	SUBR WVD	POLICY NUMBER	POLICY EFF (MM/DD/YYYY)	POLICY EXP (MM/DD/YYYY)	LIMITS	
A	GENERAL LIABILITY			NN488091	03/18/15	03/18/16	EACH OCCURRENCE	\$ 500,000
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> COMMERCIAL GENERAL LIABILITY						DAMAGE TO RENTED PREMISES (Ea occurrence)	\$ 100,000
	<input type="checkbox"/> CLAIMS-MADE <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OCCUR		Y				MED EXP (Any one person)	\$ 5,000
	GEN'L AGGREGATE LIMIT APPLIES PER:						PERSONAL & ADV INJURY	\$ Excluded
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> POLICY <input type="checkbox"/> PROJECT <input type="checkbox"/> LOC						GENERAL AGGREGATE	\$ 500,000
	AUTOMOBILE LIABILITY						PRODUCTS - COMP/OP AGG	\$ Excluded
	<input type="checkbox"/> ANY AUTO							\$
	<input type="checkbox"/> ALL OWNED AUTOS						COMBINED SINGLE LIMIT (Ea accident)	\$
	<input type="checkbox"/> HIRED AUTOS						BODILY INJURY (Per person)	\$
	<input type="checkbox"/> SCHEDULED AUTOS						BODILY INJURY (Per accident)	\$
	<input type="checkbox"/> NON-OWNED AUTOS						PROPERTY DAMAGE (Per accident)	\$
	<input type="checkbox"/> UMBRELLA LIAB							\$
	<input type="checkbox"/> EXCESS LIAB						EACH OCCURRENCE	\$
	<input type="checkbox"/> OCCUR						AGGREGATE	\$
	<input type="checkbox"/> CLAIMS-MADE							\$
	DED <input type="checkbox"/> RETENTION \$							\$
	WORKERS COMPENSATION AND EMPLOYERS' LIABILITY						WC STATUTORY LIMITS	OTHER
	ANY PROPRIETOR/PARTNER/EXECUTIVE OFFICER/MEMBER EXCLUDED? (Mandatory in NH)		Y/N	N/A			E.L. EACH ACCIDENT	\$
	If yes, describe under DESCRIPTION OF OPERATIONS below						E.L. DISEASE - EA EMPLOYEE	\$
							E.L. DISEASE - POLICY LIMIT	\$

DESCRIPTION OF OPERATIONS / LOCATIONS / VEHICLES (Attach ACORD 101, Additional Remarks Schedule, if more space is required)

CERTIFICATE HOLDER	CANCELLATION
HIDALGO COUNTY 100 E. CANO EDINBURG TX 78539	SHOULD ANY OF THE ABOVE DESCRIBED POLICIES BE CANCELLED BEFORE THE EXPIRATION DATE THEREOF, NOTICE WILL BE DELIVERED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE POLICY PROVISIONS.
	AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE DELTA GENERAL AGENCY CORPORATION

ACORD™ CERTIFICATE OF LIABILITY INSURANCE

DATE (MM/DD/YYYY)
02/12/15

PRODUCER
Reyes Insurance
401 S. Kansas Ste. A-1
Weslaco, TX 78596
(956) 968-6117 Fax: 968-4087

INSURED
AGUSTIN GOMEZ
DBA WASTEWATER SERVICE
PO BOX 1012
ELSA, TEXAS 78543

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INSURERS AFFORDING COVERAGE	NAIC#
INSURER A: HOME STATE COUNTY MUTUAL	
INSURER B:	
INSURER C:	
INSURER D:	
INSURER E:	

COVERAGES

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INSR ADDL LTR INSRD	TYPE OF INSURANCE	POLICY NUMBER	POLICY EFFECTIVE DATE (MM/DD/YYYY)	POLICY EXPIRATION DATE (MM/DD/YYYY)	LIMITS
	GENERAL LIABILITY <input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCIAL GENERAL LIABILITY <input type="checkbox"/> CLAIMSMADE <input type="checkbox"/> OCCUR GEN'L AGGREGATE LIMIT APPLIES PER: <input type="checkbox"/> POLICY <input type="checkbox"/> PRO-JECT <input type="checkbox"/> LOC				EACH OCCURRENCE \$ DAMAGE TO RENTED PREMISES (Ea occurrence) \$ MED EXP (Any one person) \$ PERSONAL & ADV INJURY \$ GENERAL AGGREGATE \$ PRODUCTS - COMP/OP AGG \$
	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	2001731381	02/15/15	02/15/16	COMBINED SINGLE LIMIT (Ea accident) \$ 300,001 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 \$
	EXCESS/UMBRELLA LIABILITY <input type="checkbox"/> OCCUR <input type="checkbox"/> CLAIMSMADE DEDUCTIBLE RETENTION \$				EACH OCCURRENCE \$ AGGREGATE \$ \$ \$
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DESCRIPTION OF OPERATIONS / LOCATIONS / VEHICLES / EXCLUSIONS ADDED BY ENDORSEMENT / SPECIAL PROVISIONS

CERTIFICATE HOLDER

HIDALGO PRECINCT #1
ATT: PURCHASING DEPT.
2812 S HIGHWAY BUS. 281
EDINBURG, TEXAS 78539

CANCELLATION

SHOULD ANY OF THE ABOVE DESCRIBED POLICIES BE CANCELLED BEFORE THE EXPIRATION DATE THEREOF, THE ISSUING INSURER WILL ENDEAVOR TO MAIL **30** 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

JAN 16 2014
BY [Signature] 1:57

Affidavit & Indemnity Agreement

Date: January 16, 2014

Affiant: Agustin Gomez dba Wastewater Services

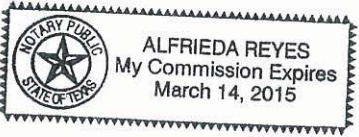
Affiant on oath swears that the following statements are true and are within the personal knowledge of Affiant.

Affiant Augustin Gomez states he is a sole proprietor doing business as Waste Water Services. Affiant will provide services for Hidalgo County Precinct No. 1, under a Hidalgo County RFSQ Description# 2014-015-01-10-SGS- "Waste Water Management System".

Affiant further states that he has no employees and does not anticipate employing any during the term of this contract. In the event Affiant does employ any staff during the contract, Affiant shall immediately notify Hidalgo County and obtain the Workers Compensation required by law.

Affiant agrees to indemnify, defend and hold harmless the County of Hidalgo and its agents, employees and elected officials from and against any and all claims, suits, demands and causes of action, of any kind or nature, arising out of or in any way relating to the services performed by Affiant

Further Affiant sayeth not.



[Signature]
Printed Name of Affiant: Agustin Gomez

SWORN AND SUBSCRIBED TO under oath before me on January 16, 2014
[Signature]
Notary Public, State of Texas

TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

Be it known that

AGUSTIN GOMEZ

*has fulfilled the requirements in accordance with the
laws of the State of Texas for*

CLASS A WASTEWATER TREATMENT OPERATOR

License Number: WW0002807

Issue Date: 05/04/2014

Expiration Date: 04/10/2017



Executive Director

Texas Commission on Environmental Quality

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P.O. Box 13087
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TPDES PERMIT NO. WQ0010973001
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No. TX0072133]

This is a renewal that replaces TPDES
Permit No. WQ0010973001 issued
January 18, 2006.

PERMIT TO DISCHARGE WASTES
under provisions of
Section 402 of the Clean Water Act
and Chapter 26 of the Texas Water Code

County of Hidalgo

whose mailing address is

c/o Hidalgo County Precinct 1
1902 Joe Stephens Avenue
Weslaco, Texas 78596

is authorized to treat and discharge wastes from the Delta Lake Park Wastewater Treatment Facility, SIC Code 4952

located approximately 2 miles north of the intersection of Farm-to-Market Roads 88 and 1422, east of Farm-to-Market Road 88, adjacent to the Monte Alto Reservoir in Hidalgo County, Texas 78538

to Hidalgo and Willacy Water Control and Improvement District Ditch No. 1; thence to Laguna Madre in Segment No. 2491 of the Bays and Estuaries

only according with effluent limitations, monitoring requirements and other conditions set forth in this permit, as well as the rules of the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ), the laws of the State of Texas, and other orders of the TCEQ. The issuance of this permit does not grant to the permittee the right to use private or public property for conveyance of wastewater along the discharge route described in this permit. This includes, but is not limited to, property belonging to any individual, partnership, corporation or other entity. Neither does this permit authorize any invasion of personal rights nor any violation of federal, state, or local laws or regulations. It is the responsibility of the permittee to acquire property rights as may be necessary to use the discharge route.

This permit shall expire at midnight, **July 1, 2015**.

ISSUED DATE: April 11, 2011

For the Commission