

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS (RFP) #19-7009-28B

AUDITING SERVICES FOR UNION EMPLOYEES FUNDED PENSION PLAN

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Subject: RFP # 19-9007-28B AUDITING SERVICES FOR UNION EMPLOYEES FUNDED PENSION PLAN

The Kansas City Area Transportation Authority (KCATA) is requesting proposals from qualified and experienced contractors to perform Auditing Services for Union Employees Funded Pension Plan.

The term of the contract will be for three (3) years with two 1-year options. It is anticipated that the start date will begin April 2019.

Proposals are subject to all terms, conditions, and provisions of this document, including Affirmative Action and Equal Employment Opportunity regulations. Offerors shall read and understand the requirements of this RFP.

Minority Owned Business Enterprises (MBEs), Woman Owned Business Enterprises (WBEs), Disadvantaged Business Enterprises (DBEs) and Small Business Enterprises (SBEs) are encouraged to submit proposals as Prime Contractors, Subcontractors, or through joint venture/partnership.

Questions (technical, contractual, or administrative) must be directed in writing via email to Rebecca Clyma at rclyma@kcata.org. KCATA encourages submission of questions as they arise. However, questions and requests for clarification will be received until 2:00 P.M. CDT March 13, 2019. If required, KCATA's response to these submissions will be in the form of an Addendum by March 18, 2019.

Proposals must be received with all required submittals as stated in the RFP no later than 2:00 P.M. CDT on April 5, 2019.

Kansas City Area Transportation Authority
Attn: Rebecca Clyma, Buyer
Procurement Department
1350 East 17th Street
Kansas City, Missouri 64108

Proposals received after time specified shall not be considered for award. Proposals received via facsimile (fax) or electronic mail (e-mail) shall not be considered. Proposals not meeting specified delivery and method of submittal will not be opened nor considered as responsive. Submission of a proposal shall constitute a firm offer to the KCATA for ninety (90) days from the date of closing.

If delivering in person, proposals must be delivered to KCATA's Shipping and Receiving Department. Proposers should consider additional time needed for clearance through KCATA's secured facility.

This proposal does not commit the KCATA to award a contract, to pay any cost incurred in preparation of a proposal, or to procure or contract for services. Submission of a proposal shall constitute a firm offer to the KCATA for ninety (90) days from the date of the RFP closing.

No person or entity submitting a proposal in response to this RFP, nor any officer, employee, agent, representative, relative or consultant representing such a person (or entity) may contact through any means, or engage in any discussion concerning the award of this contract with any member of KCATA's Board of Commissioners or any

employee of KCATA (excluding Procurement staff) during the period beginning on the date of proposal issue and ending on the date of the selection of Contractor. Any such contact would be grounds for disqualification of the Proposer.

Gaylord Salisbury
Director of Procurement

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To assist us in obtaining good competition on our Request for Proposal, we ask that each firm that has received an invitation, but does not wish to propose, to complete and return this form. Forms may be sent electronically or via fax at (816) 346-0336.

This information will not preclude receipt of future invitations unless you request removal from the Proposer's List by so indicating below.

Unfortunately, we must offer a "No Proposal" at this time because:

___ 1. We do not wish to participate in the proposal process.

___ 2. We do not wish to propose under the terms and conditions of the Request for Proposal document. Our objections are:

___ 3. We do not feel we can be competitive.

___ 4. We do not provide the services on which Proposals are requested.

___ 5. Other:

___ We wish to remain on the Proposer's list for these services.

___ We wish to be removed from the Proposer's list for these services.

FIRM NAME

SIGNATURE

SECTION 1 - PROPOSAL CALENDAR

Proposal Advertised and Issued	March 5, 2019
Deadline for Proposer Questions, Comments, & Requests for Clarification	2:00 P.M., March 13, 2019
KCATA's Response to Questions/Requests for Clarifications	March 18, 2019
Proposal Closing	2:00 P.M., April 5, 2019
Interviews (Tentative, and if Required))	April 17-19, 2019
Potential Notice of Contract Award	May, 2019

**SECTION 2.
OVERVIEW AND GENERAL SCOPE OF SERVICES**

A. Background:

The Kansas City Area Transportation Authority (“KCATA” or “Authority”) was formed in 1965 by the signing of a bi-state compact between the States of Missouri and Kansas. The compact gives the KCATA responsibility for planning, constructing, owning and operating transportation systems and facilities within the seven-county metropolitan area.

The counties are Cass, Clay, Jackson, and Platte in Missouri; and Johnson, Leavenworth, and Wyandotte in Kansas. The Authority’s Transportation Division operates a fleet of about 287 buses on 58 (53 fixed, 5 flex) routes, logging nearly 43,000 passenger trips every weekday. Service is provided from 4 a.m. to 1 a.m. seven days a week.

In addition, KCATA also operates the very popular Trolley Track Trail, 35 park-and-ride lots and transit centers, Freedom paratransit service, and the Vanpool Program.

The KCATA employs approximately 762 full time equivalent employees involved in such activities as bus driving, vehicle maintenance, facilities maintenance, administrative, and clerical functions. KCATA operates from a central facility located at 1200 East 18th Street, Kansas City, Missouri.

Below is a breakdown of the work force:

Transportation	469
Vehicle/Facilities Maintenance	175
<u>Administrative/Salaried/Clerical</u>	<u>135</u>
Total	779

The Division of Administrative Services will be the authority’s liaison on all issues that arise between the successful proposer and the services requested in the Scope of Services.

Information regarding all of the transportation services provided by KCATA can be found on its website at www.kcata.org.

B. Term and Renewal Options:

The term of this agreement shall be for a period of three years from date of contract award with the possibility of two 1-year options. Work in process prior to expiration of the Agreement shall be completed and as construed by KCATA to be within the “contract term.”

C. Scope of Services:

1. BACKGROUND

The Kansas City Area Transportation Authority (KCATA) on behalf of The Union Employees' Funded Pension Plan is seeking Auditing Services of a qualified auditing firm to perform both limited and full audits for the pension fund.

The KCATA is a corporate body and political subdivision of the States of Missouri and Kansas. Therefore, the KCATA's Union Employees' Funded Pension Plan is a governmental plan as defined in §3(32) of ERISA. The Plan is a defined benefit plan with both employee and employer contributions in amounts specified in the collective bargaining agreement between the KCATA and Amalgamated Transit Union (ATU) Local 1287.

Benefits are to be paid by the investment manager to retirees based upon formulas prescribed by the plan, calculated and provided to the investment manager by the Authority.

The Funded Pension Committee is comprised of three representatives from the Authority's Board of commissioners and three representatives from the ATU Local 1287. The Committee has the power to:

- a. Administer the Plan in accordance with its provisions;
- b. Make, change, and enforce rules and regulations, consistent with the provisions of the Plan, as may be necessary or desirable to carry out its duties for the efficient administration of the Plan; and
- c. Determine the eligibility of employees for retirement under the Plan, and, if eligible, their rights hereunder.

The Kansas City Area Transportation Authority Union Employees Funded Pension Plan is a Defined Benefit Pension Plan. The assets of the plan as of December 2018 are \$47,590,586. The Pension Fund currently has 630 active employees who contribute to the plan and 438 retirees. The assets of the plan are managed and invested by Russell Investments who also perform the custodial and trustee services for the plan. Cavanaugh Macdonald Consulting, LLC is the actuarial agency that currently provides the annual actuarial valuation and employee calculations for pension data. This plan became effective November 1, 1971.

Attachments are provided describing the following aspects of the current Plan:

- a. Investment Policies and guidelines (Attachment G)
- b. Asset Allocation Mix (Attachment G)
- c. Investment Results (Attachment G)

2. SERVICES TO BE PROVIDED

- Perform audit of plan by testing accounting records of the plan, reviewing procedures of implementing the plan and a review of internal controls.
- Prepare annual audit report by testing plan documents, which include accrued liabilities, investments and employee/employer contributions.

- Provide a written report to the Funded Pension Committee.
- Make annual presentation to the Funded Pension Committee regarding the status of the funded pension plan.
- Advise Funded Pension Committee of any fraud; errors or illegal acts pertaining to the plan
- Limited and full audits will be prepared on alternating years.
- Breakdown of billings by the hourly rate

**SECTION 3
PROPOSAL INSTRUCTIONS**

1. General Information

- A. The terms “solicitation” and “Request for Proposals (RFP)” are used interchangeably, and the terms “offer” and “proposal” are used interchangeably. The terms “Proposer,” “Contractor” and “Offeror” are also used interchangeably.
- B. Interested firms may submit proposals until proposal closing at **2:00 P.M., April 5, 2019**. Proposals received after the time specified may not be considered for award. Proposals received via facsimile (fax) or electronic mail (e-mail) will not be considered. Proposals must meet specified method of submittal or they will not be opened or considered responsive. **Proposals must be delivered or mailed to KCATA’s Shipping and Receiving Department, Attn: Rebecca Clyma, Procurement, at 1350 E. 17th Street, Kansas City, MO 64108.**
- C. Submitting a proposal constitutes a firm offer to KCATA for ninety (90) days from the closing date.
- D. KCATA is not responsible for any cost or expense that may be incurred by the Proposer before the execution of a contract, including costs associated with preparing a proposal or interviews.
- E. The Kansas City Area Transportation Authority is exempt from federal excise, federal transportation and state sales tax and such taxes shall not be included in bid prices/price quotations or proposals. Nevertheless, the Offeror is not exempt from these taxes when purchasing materials directly from its supplier.
- F. In cases where communication is required between bidders and the KCATA, such as requests for information, instruction, clarification of specifications, approval of completed work, etc., such communication shall be forwarded in writing directly to **Rebecca Clyma, Buyer**. Electronic comments, questions and requests for clarification should be sent to rclyma@kcata.org and the subject line should read “RFP #19-7009-28B.”

2. Reservations

- A. KCATA reserves the right to waive informalities or irregularities in proposals, to accept or reject any or all proposals, to cancel this RFP in part or in its entirety, and to re-advertise for proposals if it is in the best interest of the Authority. KCATA shall be the sole judge of what is in its best interest with respect to this RFP.
- B. KCATA also reserves the right to award a contract solely on the basis of the initial proposal without interviews, discussions, or negotiations. Therefore, offers should be submitted to KCATA on the most favorable terms possible, from a cost or price and technical standpoint.

3. Proposer’s Responsibilities

- A. By submitting a proposal, the Proposer represents that:
 - 1. The Proposer has read and understands the RFP and the proposal is made in accordance with the RFP requirements and instructions; and agrees to furnish and deliver the items or perform services as described herein for the consideration stated in accordance with the terms and conditions listed

in the KCATA RFP. The rights and obligations of the parties to any resultant purchase order/contract shall be subject to and governed by this document and any documents attached or incorporated herein by reference.

2. The Proposer possesses the capabilities, resources, and personnel necessary to provide efficient and successful service to KCATA; and
 3. It is authorized to transact business in the State of Missouri.
- B. Before submitting a proposal, the Proposer should make all investigations and examinations necessary to ascertain site or other conditions and requirements affecting the full performance of the contract.

4. Authorization to Propose

If an individual doing business under a fictitious name makes the proposal, the proposal should so state. If the proposal is made by a partnership, the full names and addresses of all members of the partnership must be given and one principal member should sign the proposal. If a corporation makes the proposal, an authorized officer should sign the proposal in the corporate name. If the proposal is made by a joint venture, the full names and addresses of all members of the joint venture should be given and one authorized member should sign the proposal.

5. Withdrawal & Incomplete Proposals

- A. Proposals may be withdrawn upon written request received by KCATA before proposal closing. Withdrawal of a proposal does not prejudice the right of the Proposer to submit a new proposal, provided the new proposal is received before the closing date.
- B. Incomplete proposals may render the proposal non-responsive.

6. Modification of Proposals

Any proposal modifications or revisions received after the time specified for proposal closing may not be considered.

7. Unbalanced Proposals

KCATA may determine that an offer is unacceptable if the prices proposed are materially unbalanced. An offer is materially unbalanced when it is based on prices significantly less than cost for some work and prices which are significantly overstated in relation to cost for other work.

8. Protests

- A. The following protest procedures will be employed for this procurement. For the purposes of these procedures, "days" shall mean business days of KCATA administrative personnel which are days other than a Saturday, Sunday or legal holiday observed by KCATA for such administrative personnel.
- B. **Pre-Submittal** - A pre-submittal protest is received prior to the proposal due date. Pre-submittal protests must be received by the Authority, in writing and addressed to KCATA's Director of Procurement, no later than five (5) days before the bid closing date.

- C. **Post-Submittal/Pre-Award** - A post-submittal/pre-award protest is a protest against making an award and is received after receipt of proposals but before award of a contract. Post-submittal protests must be received by the Authority, in writing and addressed to KCATA's Director of Procurement, no later than five (5) days after the bid closing date.
- D. **Post-Award** - Post-Award protests must be received by the Authority, in writing and addressed to KCATA's Director of Procurement, no later than five (5) days after the date of the Notice of Intent to Award.
- E. KCATA's Interim Director of Procurement shall respond in writing within five (5) days from the date of the written request. If the protester is not satisfied with the response of the KCATA's Director of Procurement, the protester may appeal in writing to the KCATA Chief Financial Officer within five (5) days from the date of the Interim Director of Procurement's response.
- F. KCATA's Chief Financial Officer will decide if the protest and the appeal (if any) have been given fair and reasonable consideration, or if additional consideration is warranted. The Chief Financial Officer's response will be provided within ten (10) days after receipt of the request. The Chief Financial Officer's decision is final and no further action on the protest shall be taken by the KCATA.
- G. By written notice to all parties, KCATA's Interim Director of Procurement may extend the time provided for each step of the protest procedures, extend the date of notice of award, or postpone the award of a contract if deemed appropriate for protest resolution.
- H. Protesters shall be aware of the Federal Transit Administration's (FTA) protest procedures with the FTA Regional Office (ref: FTA Circular 4220.1F) If federal funding is involved, FTA will review protests from a third party only when: 1) a grantee does not have a written protest procedure or fails to follow its procedure, or fails to review a complaint or protest; or 2) violations of specific federal laws or regulations have occurred.
- I. An appeal to FTA must be received by FTA's regional office within five (5) working days of the date the protester learned or should have learned of KCATA's decision. Protests shall be addressed to: Regional Administrator, FTA Region 7, 901 Locust, Room 404, Kansas City, Missouri, 64106.

9. Disclosure of Proprietary Information

- A. A proposer may restrict the disclosure of scientific and technological innovations in which it has a proprietary interest, or other information that is protected from public disclosure by law, which is contained in the proposal by:
 - (1) marking each page of each such document prominently in at least 16-point font with the words "Proprietary Information;"
 - (2) printing each page of each such document on a different color paper than the paper on which the remainder of the proposal is printed; and
 - (3) segregating each page of each such document in a sealed envelope, which shall prominently display, on the outside, the words "Proprietary Information" in at least 16-point font, along with the name and address of the Proposer.
- B. After either a contract is executed pursuant to this RFP, or all proposals are rejected, the proposals

will be considered public records open for inspection. If access to documents marked "Proprietary Information," as provided above, is requested under the Missouri Open Records Law, Section 610 of the Revised Statutes of Missouri, the KCATA will notify the Proposer of the request and the Proposer shall have the burden to establish that such documents are exempt from disclosure under the law. Notwithstanding the foregoing, in response to a formal request for information, the KCATA reserves the right to release any documents if the KCATA determines that such information is a public record pursuant to the Missouri Sunshine Law.

10. Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) Requirements

- A. This Contract is subject to the Requirements of Title 49, Code of Federal Regulations Part 26, Participation by Disadvantaged Business Enterprises in Department of Transportation Financial Assistance Programs. KCATA's overall goal for DBE participation is 15%. **A separate contract goal of 0% has been established for this procurement.**
- B. **Non-discrimination** - Proposers shall not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, or sex in the performance of this project. The Proposer shall carry out applicable requirements of 49 CFR Part 26 in the award and administration of DOT-assisted contracts. Failure by the Proposer to carry out these requirements is a material breach of the resulting contract, which may result in the termination of the contract or such other remedy as KCATA deems appropriate.
- C. **DBE Certification** - KCATA will only recognize firms that are certified as DBE's under the DOT guidelines found in 49 CFR Part 26. DBE subcontractors must be certified as a DBE by the Kansas Department of Transportation (KDOT) or a member of the Missouri Regional Certification Committee, which includes KCMO, MoDOT, City of St. Louis, Metro in St. Louis or KCATA. A list of certified firms certified by the MRCC may be found at www.modot.mo.gov/ecr/index.htm. A list of KDOT certified firms is located at <https://kdotapp.ksdot.org/dbcontractorlist/>. MBE and WBE certifications for other agencies will not be considered.
- D. **DBE Participation Credit** - DBE firms may participate as Prime Contractors, Subcontractors or Suppliers.

The following shall be credited towards achieving the goals, except as provided herein:

- A. The total contract dollar amount that a qualified DBE Prime Contractor earns for that portion of work on the contract that is performed by its own workforce, is performed in a category in which the DBE is currently certified and is a commercially useful function as defined by the Program. DBE Prime Contractors must perform thirty percent (30%) of the contract value.
- B. The total contract dollar amount that a Prime Contractor has paid or is obligated to pay to a subcontractor that is a qualified DBE; and
- C. Subcontractor participation with a lower tier DBE subcontractor; and
- D. Sixty percent (60%) of the total dollar amount paid or to be paid by a Prime Contractor to obtain supplies or goods from a supplier who is not a manufacturer and who is a qualified DBE. If the DBE is a manufacturer of the supplies, then one hundred percent (100%) may be credited, to be determined on a case-by-case basis.
- E. NO CREDIT, however, will be given for the following:

1. Participation in a contract by a DBE that does not perform a commercially useful function as defined by the Program; and
2. Any portion of the value of the contract that a DBE Subcontractor subcontracts back to the prime contractor or any other contractor who is not a qualified DBE; and
 - a. Materials and supplies used on the contract unless the DBE is responsible for negotiating the price, determining quality and quantity, ordering the materials and installing (where applicable) and paying for material itself; and
 - b. Work performed by a DBE in a scope of work other than that in which the DBE is currently certified.

SECTION 4
PROPOSAL SUBMISSION, EVALUATION AND AWARD

1. Proposal Format

Proposals shall be submitted as follows. Interested firms may submit proposals for one or both desired services. Firms may also partner with another firm to provide a complete, integrated package.

- A. The proposal package consists of three (3) separately sealed volumes.
- B. The proposal shall consist of one (1) original and five (5), complete, and exact copies of the original proposal. All copies and originals shall be labeled with the RFP number, Title, the offeror's identity, volume number and volume title printed on the cover page.
- C. Volumes shall be submitted in the following order:
 - 1. Volume I – Cost/Price Proposal: One (1) Original. Cost proposal shall be in a separate sealed envelope.
 - 2. Volume II – Technical Proposal: One (1) unbound original and five (5) copies. Do not include cost in Technical Proposal.
 - 3. Volume III – Contractual: One (1) original of the signed documents to include DBE and subcontractor documents (if needed), Receipt of Addenda form (if issued) and other submittals as required and specified.
 - 4. Proposers are asked to submit a complete set of their proposal documents (Volumes I, II and III) in an electronic format on a flash-drive. Include this in Volume III.
 - 5. Each Proposal package shall be labeled as follows:

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- D. The pages in the proposal documents should be numbered. The bidder should ensure all copies and all electronic media are identical to the bidder's hardcopy original bid. In case of a discrepancy, the hardcopy shall govern.

2. Volume I - Cost/Price Proposal

- A. KCATA anticipates awarding a fixed price contract.
- B. KCATA will evaluate cost/price proposals for reasonableness, completeness, and realism as appropriate.
- C. Detailed and summary cost/ proposal forms are attached as Attachment K. Only the proportionate share of costs, fixed or variable, associated with this project shall be included in the Price Proposal
- D. The costs/prices included in the cost/price proposal should include all items of labor materials, and other costs necessary to perform the contract. Any items omitted from this RFP which are clearly necessary for the completion of the work being proposed should be considered part of the work

though not directly specified or called for in this RFP.

- E. Cost proposals will only be evaluated for those Proposers whose Technical Proposals are determined to be technically acceptable.
- F. The Kansas City Area Transportation Authority is exempt from federal excise, federal transportation and state sales tax and such taxes shall not be included in bid prices/price quotations or proposals. Nevertheless, the Offeror is not exempt from these taxes when purchasing materials directly from its supplier.
- G. Cost information is not to be included in the Technical Proposal (Volume II).

3. Volume II - Technical Proposal

- A. Each technical proposal should enable the evaluation committee to make a thorough evaluation and arrive at a sound determination as to whether or not the proposal will meet KCATA's requirements. Each technical proposal must be so specific, detailed and complete as to clearly and fully demonstrate that the Proposer has a thorough knowledge and understanding of the requirements and has valid and practical solutions for technical problems. Statements which paraphrase the requirements or state that "standard procedures will be employed" are inadequate to demonstrate how the Proposer will comply with the requirements of this procurement.

1. Technical Proposal Page Limit

- a. The technical proposal page limit is 25 pages. If a Proposer submits a proposal exceeding this limit, KCATA will consider the pages up to the allowable number and discard all subsequent pages. The Technical Proposal should be clearly written and as brief as possible while providing all the information requested. By submission of a technical proposal, the Offeror acknowledges having read and understood the specifications.
- b. The following are excluded from the page count:
 - Title Page
 - Table of Contents
 - Letter of Transmittal
 - Tabs or Indices
 - Additional lists of references
 - Résumé/background information (please restrict to a maximum of three (3) pages per individual)
 - Required forms such as Licenses, Certifications and Financial Data
- c. One page is defined as one side of a single, 8-1/2 x 11" page, with 11-point minimum font size for the substantive text. Any page over this size will be counted as two (2) pages. Any page or partial page with substantive text, tables, graphics, charts, résumés, etc. will be counted as one (1) page. Proposers may use their discretion for the font size of other materials (e.g. graphics, charts). KCATA discourages the inclusion of marketing materials.

- B. To achieve a uniform review process and obtain the maximum degree of compatibility, technical proposals must be organized as follows:

1. Title Page

Show the RFP number and title, the name of the firm, address, telephone number(s), name and title of contact person, telephone number(s), email address, facsimile number and date.

2. Table of Contents

Clearly identify the materials by section and page number.

3. Letter of Transmittal

The letter should be addressed to Michael Graham, V.P. of Procurement and Finance/CFO, and signed by a corporate officer with authority to bind the firm. The letter must contain the following:

- a. Identification of proposing firm(s), including name, address, telephone number(s) and email addresses of each subcontractor
- b. Proposed working relationship among proposing firms (e.g., prime, subcontractor), if applicable
- c. Name, title, address, telephone number and email address of the contact person for the project
- d. Briefly state the Firm understands the services to be performed and make a positive commitment to provide the services as specified
- e. Identification of parent or affiliated offices that will be available and/or necessary in serving KCATA's needs
- f. Acknowledge receipt of addenda, if any

4. Key Personnel Experience and Qualifications

- a. Provide a brief synopsis of the firm, including when and where incorporated, major business activities, and a listing of officers of the company. State whether the firm is local, regional, or national and how long the firm has been in existence under current ownership/management.
- b. This section should demonstrate the proposer's experience, skills and qualifications of the Engagement Partner and other key personnel in the design and implementation of Independent Auditing Services for Kansas City Transportation Authority. Information provided should be presented in a clear, concise manner so that evaluators understand the proposing team's qualifications, experience and unique skill set applicable to this RFP for services.
- c. Describe direct experience administering and operating, i.e., number of years in field and specifically state any plans/services the proposer will provide that are not specifically required in this RFP.

- d. Provide resumes for the proposed Engagement Partner and other key personnel and discuss the unique qualifications these individuals bring to the project including governmental auditing experience as applicable.
- e. To demonstrate the Engagement Partner's experience, provide references for up to five (5) representative projects. At least one reference contact (including name, title, email address and telephone number) should be provided for each project. Include role of the engagement partner, contract amount and contract start and end dates.
- f. The proposer shall also address the capacity of the firm and its experience/qualification as follows:
 - 1. Size of firm's auditing staff
 - 2. Location of principal site at which the scope of work will be performed
 - 3. Number of staff committed to the services on a full-time basis
 - 4. Number of staff committed to the services on a part-time basis
 - 5. Describe whether the firm is national, regional or local
 - 6. If approaching the RFP as a joint venture, identify firm that is serving as principal. Personnel performing services included in scope of work shall be specifically identified by title and firm of employment
 - 7. Provide at a minimum three (3) auditing engagements performed for governmental entities. KCATA prefers that the engagements referenced have been performed within the past thirty-six (36) months
 - 8. List references for governmental entities, and other referenced clientele, should include the client name, address, current telephone number and current email address for point of contact for client/firm as well as the time period of the contract for services/engagement
 - 9. Describe range of activities proposing firm performs such as audit, accounting, or management services
 - 10. Provide one (1) copy of most recent AICPA (American Institute of Certified Public Accountants) peer review documentation if proposer's policies/procedures are subject to this review. If not, indicate other method of review used.

5. Program Management

- a. This section should demonstrate the experience, skills and qualifications of key personnel and staff to perform the required services. Present the management approach to be followed and the management techniques required for implementation and control of the work. At minimum address and include a service start-up plan and schedule.
- b. Provide an organizational chart showing how the project will be staffed in all functional areas. Indicate the number of employees of each type. Indicate how the on-site staff will be supported by other regional or national staff and the reporting relationships between on-site staff and other firm management staff, if applicable
- c. Define and identify the proposed key on-site project staff. In addition to the previously requested resumes, also provide references for all key staff. Indicate if each has worked in similar operations to what is requested in the RFP and in what capacity they served at these other operations.

6. Exceptions, Omissions and Form of Contract

- a. Exceptions. The proposal should clearly identify any exceptions to the requirements set forth in this RFP.
- b. Omissions. The contractor will be responsible for providing all services, equipment, facilities, and functions which are necessary for the safe, reliable, efficient, and well-managed operation of the program, within the general parameters described in this RFP, and consistent with established industry practices, regardless of whether those services, equipment, facilities, and functions are specifically mentioned in this RFP or not. The proposer should clearly identify any omissions to the requirements set forth in the RFP.
- c. Sample Contract and Conditions. In addition to carefully reading all of the information in the RFP, the proposer must carefully read and review the attached sample contract (Attachment A). The successful proposer will be required to enter into a contract with KCATA which will be substantially similar to the sample provided. **Therefore, the proposer must submit any proposed changes to the sample contract with the proposal. Any requested changes must be made legibly and conspicuously. Page(s) on which the change(s) appear must be tabbed so as to be easily identified. The proposer must also provide the rationale for any requested changes.** If no changes are requested, the proposer will be deemed to have accepted the sample contract. **If the proposer request changes, such requests will be considered in any negotiations with the KCATA.** Failure to reach an agreement may result in KCATA pursuing negotiations with the second ranked proposer.

7. Subcontractor Utilization

- a. Subcontractors must be approved by KCATA prior to contract award. If applicable, Proposers shall provide the following information regarding unaffiliated firms that will perform a portion of the work.
 - Company name
 - Address
 - Contact person and title
 - Telephone number, facsimile number and email address
 - Indicate if an affiliate or subsidiary of another firm and provide details
 - Date business established and number of years under present ownership/management
 - Services to be performed on this project and anticipated cost of work subcontracted
 - Resumes indicating experience, education, licenses and certifications of key personnel that will be involved in this project
 - If a certified Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE), include a copy of certificate verifying current status
 - Provide up to five (5) current, relevant references for contracts performing similar work. Include contract amount, contract start/end dates, type of services performed, assigned Project Manager or other key personnel
- b. Include the following signed and dated certification statement:

"I certify that each subcontractor has been notified that it has been listed in this proposal and that each subcontractor has consented, in writing, to its name being submitted for this RFP. Additionally, I certify that I shall notify each subcontractor in writing if the award is granted to my firm, and I will make all documentation available to KCATA upon request."

4. Volume III – Contractual

- A. Financial Condition of the Firm. Financial data will be held in confidence and will not become part of the procurement file or the awarded contract file. In this section the Proposer must submit information demonstrating that it is financially sound and has the necessary financial resources to perform the contract in a satisfactory manner. The Proposer is required to permit KCATA to inspect and examine its financial statements. The Proposer shall submit the firm's most recent unaudited financial statements as well as two (2) years of its most recent audited annual financial statements. These statements consist of Statement of Financial Position (Balance Sheet), Results of Operations (Income Statement), Statement of Cash Flow, and Statement of Retained Earnings, and applicable footnotes. Supplementary financial information may be requested as necessary.
- B. Disclosure of Investigations/Actions. Proposer must provide a detailed description of any investigation or litigation, including administrative complaints or other administrative proceedings, involving any public-sector clients during the past five (5) years including the nature and status of the investigation, and, for any litigation, the caption of the action, a brief description of the action, the date of inception, current status, and, if applicable, the disposition.
- C. Employee Eligibility Verification
1. The Proposer is required by sworn affidavit and provision of documentation, to affirm its enrollment and participation in a Federal work authorization program with respect to employees working in connection with the contracted services.
 2. The Proposer shall also affirm that it does not knowingly employ any person in connection with the contracted services who does not have the legal right or authorization under Federal law to work in the United States as defined in 8 U.S.C. §1324a(h)(3).
 3. The Proposer is required to obtain the same affirmation from all subcontractors at all tiers.
- D. Proposer Status and Affirmative Action
1. Vendor Registration. All firms doing business with the KCATA shall complete a Vendor Registration Form (Attachment A). However, bidders that have previously submitted a form within the past two (2) years need not submit a Vendor Registration Form. It is the vendors' responsibility to keep a current Form on file with the KCATA Procurement Department.
 2. Affirmative Action Compliance
 - a. Contractors and subcontractors agree to comply with Federal Transit Law, specifically 49 U.S.C. 5332 which prohibits discrimination, including discrimination in employment and discrimination in business opportunity.
 - b. Firms that have not filed an Affirmative Action compliance certification with the KCATA in

the past year shall submit an Affidavit of Civil Rights Compliance (Attachment C).

- c. An exemption from filing an Affirmative Action Program may be requested if your firm has fewer than fifty (50) employees. To do so, a signed, notarized Attachment C shall be submitted.
- d. A current Certificate of Affirmative Action compliance from a local government agency may be submitted in lieu of a program or policy statement.
- e. For questions on these requirements, or assistance in completing the forms, please contact KCATA's Procurement Manager at (816) 346-0224.

5. Basis for Contract Award

- A. KCATA's Evaluation Committee will evaluate only those proposals received by the submittal deadline and are deemed responsive with respect to the criteria outlined in this Request for Proposal.
- B. Contract negotiations will be initiated with the firm that, in the opinion of the KCATA, best meets the needs of KCATA for this procurement. Respondents must meet all the following to be considered:
 - 1. Submittal meets KCATA deadline
 - 2. Proposals submitted as required in the Format of Proposals, Section IV.
 - 3. Completeness of proposal. All required forms, questionnaires, and information are complete, signed and dated.
- C. Proposers may be asked to submit additional information if needed.

6. Evaluation Criteria

- A. Each technical proposal should enable the evaluation committee to make a thorough evaluation and arrive at a sound determination as to whether the proposal will meet KCATA's requirements. Each technical must be so specific, detailed and complete as to clearly and fully demonstrate that the proposer has a thorough knowledge and understanding of the requirements and has valid and practical solutions for technical problems. Statements which paraphrase the requirements or attest that "standard procedures will be employed" are inadequate to demonstrate how the proposer will comply with the requirements of this procurement.
- B. Technical proposals will first be reviewed by KCATA for responsiveness. To be responsive, proposals must contain all required forms, meet the RFP requirements to KCATA's satisfaction, and provide the requested information. Failure to submit the required forms, meet the RFP requirements, or provide the requested information will cause the proposal to be deemed as non-responsive.
- C. Responsive proposals will be evaluated by the evaluation committee on the following criteria, listed in order of importance. The combined technical factors are significantly more important than price. A total of 100 points can be awarded.

Evaluation Criteria	Evaluation Point Value
Rates/Fees	25
Qualification/Experience related to this proposal – Quality, quantity and continuity of the experience of the proposer to cover the service(2) proposed in the scope of work to include technical education and experience of proposed personnel, experience with similar clients and support capabilities especially with any new forthcoming requirements.	35
Approach to Plan & Schedule – Company’s performance in converting the scope of services into a work plan, the detail and clarity as to the respondent’s approach to undertaking the project, the ability to identify any special problems or concerns associated with the project and provide ideas and resolutions on how these obstacles should be addressed.	20
Past Performance and Client References –Relevant references for prime and sub-consultants relating to its most recently completed transit-related projects that closely support its ability to provide the services identified in the RFP.	20
Total Points	100

7. Presentations/Interviews/Written Responses

Proposers that have been determined to be responsive may be scheduled for a presentation and interview with the Evaluation committee prior to final selection. In this case, selected proposers will be informed a to the exact date and time of the interview. This presentation shall be at the Proposer’s own expense and should last no longer than twenty (20) minutes, with another thirty (3) minutes allotted for questions and answers.

The KCATA reserves the right to forego the interview process and determine highest-ranked firm based solely on the proposals submitted which meet the described Evaluation Criteria.

8. Negotiations & Best and Final Offer (BAFO)

- A. Additional contract negotiations may be required with the highest ranked proposers prior to final contract award. KCATA may solicit a revised proposal or a Best and Final Offer (BAFO) from one or more proposers. KCATA may or may not contact all proposers to negotiate and/or to submit a BAFO.
- B. After receipt of the results of the proposal evaluations, interviews, and BAFO(s), if applicable, the evaluation committee will complete its evaluation and recommend for award the responsible proposer(s) judged to provide the best value to the Kansas City Area Transportation Authority.
- C. If the KCATA fails to reach an agreement with the best-qualified firm, it will then enter into negotiations with the subsequent firms/teams.

SECTION 5 – ATTACHMENTS

DOCUMENT/FORM REQUIREMENTS

Listed below are documents that are required to be submitted in response to this Request for Proposals (RFP).

- Volume I – Cost Proposal
 - ✓ Cost Proposal Form (Attachment F). One (1) unbound original.
- Volume II – Technical Proposal.
 - ✓ One (1) unbound original and five (5) copies.
- Volume III – Contractual
 - ✓ Vendor Registration Form (Attachment B); (unless already on file with KCATA). *Include this form for each subcontractor.*
 - ✓ Affidavit of Civil Rights Compliance (Attachment C). *Include this form for each subcontractor.*
 - ✓ Work Force Analysis Report Form (Attachment D.2; unless already on file with KCATA). *Include this Report for each subcontractor.*
 - ✓ Affidavit of Primary Participants Regarding Employee Eligibility Verification (Primary and Lower-Tier) Form (Attachment E). *Include E.2 if using Subcontractors.*
 - ✓ Certification of Receipt of Addenda Form (if issued)
 - ✓ Audited Financial Statements for Past Two Years
 - ✓ .PDF copy of complete set of proposal documents (Volumes I through III) on flash/jump drive.
 - ✓ Attachment G is for reference only and does not need to be returned with your proposal.

The electronic copy of Attachments B through J can be obtained by going to:

http://www.kcata.org/about_kcata/entries/vendorforms

ATTACHMENT A

**Sample Contract/Terms and Conditions
Contract #19-7009-28B
Auditing Services for Union Employees Funded Pension Fund**

THIS CONTRACT (the "Contract"), made and entered into as of the ____ day of _____, 2019, by and between the **Kansas City Area Transportation Authority ("KCATA")**, a body corporate and politic, and a political subdivision of the States of Missouri and Kansas, with offices at 1350 East 17th Street, Kansas City, Missouri, and _____ ("**Contractor**"), with offices at _____.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the covenants and conditions to be performed by the respective parties hereto and of the compensation to be paid as hereinafter specified, the KCATA and the Contractor agree as follows:

1. EMPLOYMENT OF CONTRACTOR.

This Contract is entered into for the purpose of engaging the Contractor as an independent contractor by KCATA in accordance with that certain bid submitted by the Contractor dated _____, a copy of which is attached hereto as Appendix D and incorporated herein by reference ("Bid").

2. SCOPE OF CONTRACT.

The Contractor shall provide the products, equipment, materials and/or work services consistent with the Request for Proposals (RFP) solicited by the KCATA, dated December 17, 2018 entitled "Auditing Services for Union Employees Funded Pension Fund" (sometimes referred to as the "Project" or the "Work"), which is incorporated herein by reference. The Contractor hereby agrees to provide Physical Therapy Services as needed at the firm, fixed prices stated in the Appendix C attached hereto for the KCATA in accordance with the specifications of the scope of contract provided in the Contract Documents herein.

3. TERM.

The term of this contract agreement shall be for a period of three (3) year(s) beginning _____, 2019 and expiring on _____. The services to be performed shall commence upon receipt of a notice to proceed from the KCATA. Work in process prior to expiration of the contract agreement shall be completed and as construed by KCATA to be within the "contract term."

4. CONTRACT SUM.

The KCATA shall pay the Contractor in current funds for the provision of products and the performance of the services (Appendix B to this Contract), subject to (a) the terms and conditions of the Contract and (b) any KCATA authorized additions or deductions by "Change Order," if applicable, as provided in this Contract. The contractor shall be paid for the work performed at the rates set out in the Contractor's Cost Proposal (Appendix C). It is anticipated that the funds to be paid the Contractor under this contract shall not exceed the sum of _____ Dollars (\$_____).

Annual funding for subsequent years of the contract and extension options, if exercised, will be based on KCATA's anticipated needs and in accordance with the rates established herein.

5. ORDER OF PRECEDENCE

In the event of any inconsistency between the articles, attachments, specifications or provisions which constitute this Contract, the following order of precedence shall apply:

- A. Specific written amendments or modifications/change orders to the executed Contract;
- B. KCATA’s Standard Terms and Conditions;
- C. Executed Contract and any attachments incorporated by reference
- D. Contractor’s Proposal; and
- E. KCATA’s RFP and Scope of Work, including any attachments incorporated by reference.

6. MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS.

The following Appendices are attached hereto by reference as part of this Contract. This Contract and any amendments issued hereafter, constitute the entire Contract between the KCATA and the Contractor.

- Appendix A. Contract Terms and Conditions; and
- Appendix B. Scope of Work; and
- Appendix C. Cost Page Submitted by Contractor.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto for themselves, their successors and permitted assigns, executed this Contract Agreement as of the day and year first above written.

**CONTRACTOR’S NAME
(CONTRACTOR)**

**KANSAS CITY AREA TRANSPORTATION
AUTHORITY (KCATA)**

By _____
Name of Authorized Signer
Title of Authorized Signer

By _____
, Chairman of the Committee

By _____
, Secretary of the Committee

**SAMPLE
CONTRACT TERMS AND CONDITIONS**

1. ACCEPTANCE OF SERVICES/DELIVERABLES – NO RELEASE

Acceptance of any portion of the services and/or deliverables prior to final acceptance shall not release the Contractor from liability for faulty workmanship, or for failure to fully comply with all of the terms of this Contract. KCATA reserves the right and shall be at liberty to inspect all work products at any time during the Contract term, and shall have the right to reject all services or deliverables which do not conform with the conditions, Contract requirements or specifications; provided, however, that KCATA is under no duty to make such inspection, and Contractor shall (notwithstanding any such inspection) have a continuing obligation to furnish all services and deliverables in accordance with the instructions, Contract requirements and specifications. Until delivery and acceptance, and after any rejections, risk of loss will be on the Contractor, unless loss results from negligence of KCATA.

2. AGREEMENT IN ENTIRETY

This Contract represents the entire and integrated agreement between the parties and supersedes all prior negotiations, representations or agreements, either written or oral. This Contract may be amended only by written instrument signed by all parties.

3. ASSIGNMENT

The Contractor shall not assign any interest in this Contract and shall not transfer any interest in the same (whether by assignment or novation), without the prior written consent of KCATA. In the event of KCATA's consent to assignment of this Contract, all of the terms, provisions and conditions of the Contract shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of the parties and their respective successors, assigns and legal representative.

4. BANKRUPTCY

In the event the Contractor enters into proceedings relating to bankruptcy, whether voluntary or involuntary, the Contractor agrees to furnish, by certified mail, written notification of the bankruptcy to the KCATA official identified in the "Notification and Communication" section. This notification shall be furnished within five (5) days of the initiation of the proceedings relating to bankruptcy filing. This notification shall include the date on which the bankruptcy petition was filed, the identity of the court in which the bankruptcy petition was filed, and a listing of KCATA Contract numbers against which final payment has not been made. This obligation remains in effect until final payment under this Contract.

5. BREACH OF CONTRACT; REMEDIES

- A. If the Contractor shall fail, refuse or neglect to comply with any terms of this Contract, such failure shall be deemed a total breach of contract and the Contractor shall be subject to legal recourse by KCATA, plus costs resulting from failure to comply including the KCATA's reasonable attorney fees, whether or not suit be commenced.
- B. The duties and obligations imposed by this Contract and the rights and remedies available hereunder shall be in addition to and not a limitation of any duties, obligations, rights and remedies otherwise imposed or available by law or equity. No action or failure to act by KCATA shall constitute a waiver of any right or duty afforded under this Contract, nor shall any such action or failure to act constitute an approval of or acquiescence in any breach hereunder, except as may be specifically agreed in writing.

6. CHANGES

KCATA may at any time, by a written order, and without notice to the Contractor, make changes within the general scope of this Contract. No such changes shall be made by the Contractor without prior written approval by KCATA. If any such change causes an increase or decrease in the Contract sum, or the time required for performance of this Contract, whether changed or not changed by such order, an equitable adjustment shall be made by written modification. Any Contractor's claim for adjustment under this clause must be asserted within 30 days from the date of receipt by the Contractor of the notification of change. Nothing in this clause shall excuse the Contractor from proceeding with this Contract as changed.

7. CIVIL RIGHTS

A. **Nondiscrimination.** In accordance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act, as amended, 42 U.S.C. § 2000e, section 303 of the Age Discrimination Act of 1975, as amended, 42 U.S.C. § 6102, section 202 of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, 42 U.S. C. § 12132, and Federal transit law at 49 U.S.C. § 5332, the Contractor agrees that it will not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, color, creed, age, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, national origin or disability. In addition, the Contractor agrees to comply with applicable Federal implementing regulations and other implementing regulations that the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) may issue.

B. **Equal Employment Opportunity.** The following equal employment opportunity requirements apply to this Contract:

1. Race, Color, Creed, National Origin or Sex. In accordance with Title VII of the Civil Rights Act, as amended, 42 U.S.C. §2000e, *et seq.*, and Federal transit laws at 49 U.S.C. §5332, the Contractor agrees to comply with all applicable equal opportunity requirements of the U.S. Department of Labor (U.S. DOL) regulations, "Office of Federal Contract Compliance Programs, Equal Employment Opportunity, Department of Labor" 41 C.F.R. Parts 60 *et seq.*, (which implement Executive Order No. 11246, "Equal Employment Opportunity," as amended by Executive Order No. 11375, "Amending Executive Order 11246 Relating to Equal Employment Opportunity," 42 U.S.C. 2000e note), and with any applicable Federal statutes, executive orders, regulations, and Federal policies that may in the future affect construction activities undertaken in the course of the Contract. The Contractor agrees to take affirmative action to ensure that applicants are employed, and that employees are treated during employment without regard to their race, color, creed, age, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity or national origin. Such action shall include, but not be limited to, the following: employment, upgrading, demotion or transfer, recruitment or recruitment advertising, layoff or termination; rates of pay or other forms of compensation; and selection for training, including apprenticeship. In addition, the Contractor agrees to comply with any implementing requirements FTA may issue.

2. Age. In accordance with the Age Discrimination in Employment Act, 29 U.S.C. §§ 621-634, U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission (U.S.EEOC) regulations, "Age Discrimination in Employment Act," 29 C.F.R. part 1625, the Age Discrimination Act of 1975, as amended, 42 U.S.C. § 6101 *et seq.*, and U. S. Department of Health and Human Services regulations, "Nondiscrimination on the Basis of Age in Programs or Activities Receiving Federal Financial Assistance," 45 C.F. R. part 90, and Federal transit law at 49 U.S.C. §5332, the Contractor agrees to refrain from discrimination against present and prospective employees for reason of age. In addition, the Contractor agrees to comply with any implementing requirements FTA may issue.

3. Disabilities. In accordance with section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended, 29 U.S.C. § 794, the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, as amended, 42 U.S.C. §12102 *et seq.*, the Architectural Barriers Act of 1968, as amended, 42 U.S.C. § 4151 *et eq.*, and the Federal transit law at 49 U.S.C. § 5332, the Contractor agrees that it will not discriminate against individuals on the basis of disability. In addition, the Contractor agrees to comply with any implementing requirements FTA may issue.

8. CONFLICTS OF INTEREST (ORGANIZATIONAL)

In accordance with 2 C.F.R. § 200.112, the Contractor certifies that it has no other activities or relationships that would make the Contractor unable, or potentially unable, to render impartial assistance or advice to KCATA, or that would impair the Contractor's objectivity in performing work under this Contract, or that would result in an unfair competitive advantage to Contractor or to another third party performing the Project work.

9. CONTINUITY OF SERVICES

- A. The Contractor recognizes that the services under this Contract are vital to the KCATA and must be continued without interruption and that, upon contract expiration, a successor, either the KCATA or another contractor may continue them. The Contractor agrees to (1) furnish phase in-training and (2) exercise its best efforts and cooperation to affect an orderly and efficient transition to a successor.
- B. The Contractor shall, upon KCATA's written notice, (1) furnish phase-in, phase-out services for up to 90 days after this Contract expires and (2) negotiate in good faith a plan with a successor to determine the nature and extent of phase-in, phase-out services required. The plan shall specify a training program and a date for transferring responsibilities for each division of work described in the plan and shall be subject to KCATA's approval. The Contractor shall provide sufficient experienced personnel during the phase-in, phase-out period to ensure that the services called for by this Contract are maintained at the required level of proficiency.

10. CONTRACTOR'S PERSONNEL

All of the services required hereunder shall be performed by the Contractor or under its supervision and all personnel engaged in the services shall be fully qualified and authorized under state and local law to perform such services. Any change in the key personnel, as described in the contractor's proposal, shall be subject to the written approval of KCATA; such approval shall not be unreasonably withheld. The parties agree that at all times during the entire term of this Contract that the persons listed in Contractor's proposal shall serve as the primary staff person(s) of Contractor to undertake, render and oversee all of the services of this Contract subject to KCATA's right to remove personnel. KCATA reserves the right to require the Contractor to remove any personnel and or subcontractors for any cause provided such request for removal shall be documented in writing to Consultant.

11. CONTRACTOR'S RESPONSIBILITY

No advantage shall be taken by the Contractor or its subcontractor of the omission of any part or detail which goes to make the equipment complete and operable for use by KCATA. In case of any variance, this specification shall take precedence over Contractor's or subcontractor's own specifications. The Contractor shall assume responsibility for all materials and services used whether the same is manufactured by the Contractor or purchased ready made from a source outside the Contractor's company.

12. DISPUTE RESOLUTION

- A. Except as otherwise provided in this Contract, any dispute concerning a question of fact arising under this Contract which is not disposed of by agreement shall be decided by KCATA's Director of Procurement, who shall reduce the decision to writing and mail or otherwise furnish a copy to the Contractor. The decision of the Director of Procurement shall be final and conclusive unless within ten (10) days from the date of receipt of such copy the Contractor mails or otherwise furnishes a written appeal addressed to the Chief Financial Officer, with a copy to the Director of Procurement. The determination of such appeal by the Chief Financial Officer shall be final and conclusive unless determined by a court of competent jurisdiction to have been fraudulent or capricious, arbitrary, or not supported by substantial evidence. In connection with any appeal proceeding under this clause the Contractor shall be afforded an opportunity to be heard and to offer evidence in support of its appeal. Pending final decision of a dispute hereunder, and unless otherwise directed in writing by KCATA, the Contractor shall proceed diligently with performance in accordance with the Director of Procurement's decision.
- B. The duties and obligations imposed by the Contract and the rights and remedies available hereunder shall be in addition to and not a limitation of any duties, obligations, rights and remedies otherwise imposed or available by law. No action or failure to act by the KCATA or Contractor shall constitute a waiver of any right or duty afforded any of them under the Contract, nor shall any such action or failure to act constitute an approval of or acquiescence in any breach thereunder, except as may be specifically agreed in writing.

13. EMPLOYEE ELIGIBILITY VERIFICATION

- A. To comply with Section 285.500 RSMo, *et seq.*, the Contractor is required by sworn affidavit and provision of documentation, to affirm its enrollment and participation in a federal work authorization program with respect to the employees working in connection with the contracted services. The Contractor shall also affirm that it does not knowingly employ any person in connection with the contracted services who does not have the legal right or authorization under federal law to work in the United States as defined in 8 U.S.C. §1324a(h)(3). The Contractor is required to obtain the same affirmation from all subcontractors at all tiers with contracts exceeding \$5,000.
- B. A federal work authorization program is any of the electronic verification of work authorization programs operated by the United States Department of Homeland Security (E-Verify) or an equivalent federal work authorization program operated by the United States Department of Homeland Security to verify information of newly hired employees, under the Immigration Reform and control Act of 1986 (IRCA), P.L.99-603.

14. GOVERNING LAW; CHOICE OF JUDICIAL FORUM

This Contract shall be deemed to have been made in, and be construed in accordance with, the laws of the State of Missouri. Any action of law, suit in equity, or other judicial proceeding to enforce or construe this Contract, respecting its alleged breach, shall be instituted only in the Circuit Court of Jackson County, Missouri.

15. HEADINGS

The headings included in this Contract are inserted only as a matter of convenience and for reference, and in no way define, limit or describe the scope of intent of any provision, and shall not be construed to affect, in any manner, the terms and provisions hereof of the interpretation or construction thereof.

16. INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR

- A. The parties agree that the Contractor is an independent contractor under this Contract. Under no circumstance shall the Contractor be considered an agent, employee or representative of KCATA and KCATA shall not be liable for any claims, losses, damages, or liabilities of any kind resulting from any action taken or failed to be taken by the Contractor.
- B. The Contractor shall furnish adequate supervision, labor, materials, supplies, security, financial resources and equipment necessary to perform all the services contemplated under this Contract in an orderly, timely, and efficient manner.

17. INSPECTION OF SERVICES

- A. The Contractor shall provide and maintain an inspection system acceptable to the Authority covering the services provided in the performance of the Contract. "Services" as used in this clause, includes services performed, quality of the work, and materials furnished or used in the performance of services.
- B. The Contractor shall provide and maintain an inspection system acceptable to the Authority covering the project. Complete records of all inspection work performed by the Contractor shall be maintained and made available to the Authority during contract performance and for as long afterwards and the Contract requires.
- C. The Authority has the right to inspect and test all services called for by this Contract to the extent practicable at all times and places during the term of the Contract. The Authority shall perform inspection and tests in a manner that will not unduly delay the work.
- D. If any of the services performed do not conform to Contract requirements, the Authority may require the contractor to perform the services again in conformity with Contract requirements for no additional fee. When the defects in performance cannot be corrected by re-performance, the Authority may:
 - 1. Require the Contractor to take necessary action to ensure that future performance conforms to Contract requirements; or
 - 2. Reduce the Contract Sum accordingly.
- E. If the Contractor fails to promptly perform the services again or to take the necessary action to ensure future performance in conformity with contract requirements, the Authority may:
 - 1. By contract or otherwise, perform the services and charge to the Contractor any cost incurred by the Authority that is directly related to the performance of the work; or
 - 2. Terminate the Contract for default.

18. INSURANCE

- A. The insurance required in this Contract shall be written for not less than any limits of liability required by law or by those set forth below, whichever is greater, and shall include blanket contractual liability insurance as applicable to the Contractor's obligations under the Liability and Indemnification section below. All policies, except Professional Liability policies, shall name KCATA, its commissioners, officers, and employees as additional insureds. Explosion, collapse and underground coverage shall not be excluded. The insurance

should be written with companies acceptable to KCATA and the companies should have a minimum A.M. Best's insurance rating of A-(VIII). An exception to the minimum A.M. Best rating is granted for Workers Compensation exposures insured through the Builders' Association of Self Insurance Fund (BASIF).

- B. The Contractor shall be required to furnish to KCATA certificates verifying the required insurance and relevant additional insured endorsements prior to execution of the Contract, and thereafter furnish the certificates on an annual basis. The certificates (with the exception of Professional Liability and Workers Compensation coverage) shall specifically state that:
1. Contractual liability coverage is applicable; and
 2. The Kansas City Area Transportation Authority, its commissioners, officers and employees are named as additional insureds (Named Insureds) on the policies covered by the certificate; using this specific wording: **Kansas City Area Transportation Authority, its commissioners, officers, and employees are named as additional insureds as respects general liability and where required by written contract. Any coverage afforded the certificate holder as an additional insured shall apply as primary and not excess or contributing to any insurance or self-insurance in the name of the certificate holder and shall include a waiver of subrogation.**
- C. Further, from time to time and whenever reasonably requested by KCATA, the Contractor shall represent and warrant to KCATA (1) the extent to which the insurance limits identified below have been, or may be, eroded due to paid or pending claims under the policies; and (2) the identity of other entities or individuals covered as an additional insured on the policies. Further, the Contractor shall confirm that the insurers' obligation to pay defense costs under the policies is in addition to, and not part of the liability limits stated in the policies.
- D. All such insurance, with the exception of Professional Liability coverage, shall contain endorsements that the policies may not be canceled or amended or allowed to lapse by the insurers with respect to KCATA its commissioners, officers and employers by the insurance company without thirty (30) days prior notice to KCATA in addition to the Named Insured (s) and that denial of coverage or voiding of the policy for failure of Contractor to comply with its terms shall not affect the interest of KCATA, its commissioners, officers and employees thereunder.
- E. The requirements for insurance coverage are separate and independent of any other provision hereunder.

1. **Worker's Compensation:**

- a. State: Missouri and/or Kansas – Statutory
- b. Employer's Liability: Bodily Injury by Accident -- \$500,000 Each Accident
Bodily Injury by Disease -- \$500,000 Each Employee
Bodily Injury by Disease -- \$500,000 Policy Limit

The Contractor and any subcontractor shall maintain adequate workers' compensation insurance as required by law to cover all employees during performance of services, or during delivery, installation, assembly or related services in conjunction with this Agreement.

2. **Commercial General Liability:**

Bodily Injury and Property Damage to include Products and Completed Operations:
\$1,000,000 Each Occurrence
\$2,000,000 General Aggregate (per project)

\$1,000,000 Personal and Advertising Injury
\$50,000 Fire Damage
\$5,000 Medical Expenses
2 Years (Completed Operations)

Contractor shall procure and maintain at all times during the term of the KCATA purchase order or the Contract commercial general liability insurance for liability arising out of the operations of the Contractor and any subcontractors. The policy(ies) shall include coverage for the Contractor's and subcontractors' products and completed operations for at least two (2) years following project completion, or as otherwise noted. The policy(ies) shall name as an additional insured, in connection with Contractor's activities, the KCATA, its commissioners, officers, and employees. Using ISO Form CG 20 10 11 85 (or OCG20 26 0704 in the case of a Blanket Endorsement), or such other additional insured forms acceptable to KCATA. The Insurer(s) shall agree that its policy(ies) is primary insurance and that it shall be liable for the full amount of any loss up to and including the total limit of liability without right of contribution from any other insurance or self-insurance KCATA may have.

3. Auto Liability:

Bodily Injury and Property Damage: \$1,000,000 Combined Single Limit

The policy(ies) shall include automobile liability coverage for all vehicles, licensed or unlicensed, on or off the KCATA premises, whether the vehicles are owned, hired or non-owned, covering use by or on behalf of the Contractor and any subcontractors during the performance of work under this Contract.

4. Professional Liability Insurance

Professional Liability Limit: \$1,000,000 Each Occurrence
\$1,000,000 Annual Aggregate

Where applicable, the Contractor shall obtain professional liability insurance covering any damages caused by an error, omission or any negligent acts of the Contractor or its employees with regard to performance under this Agreement.

5. Pollution

Pollution Liability Limit: \$1,000,000 Each Occurrence
\$1,000,000 Annual Aggregate

Where applicable, the Contractor shall obtain and keep in effect during the term of the Contract, Pollution Liability Insurance covering their liability for bodily injury, property damage and environment damage, including clean up and remediation costs arising out of the work or services to be performed under this contract. Coverage shall apply to the above for premises and operations, products and completed operations and automobile liability. Automobile liability coverage may be satisfied by utilizing ISO Endorsement CA 9948 or equivalent.

6. Umbrella or Excess Liability

Umbrella or Excess Liability Limit: \$4,000,000 Each Occurrence
\$4,000,000 Aggregate (per project)

Where applicable, the Contractor shall obtain and keep in effect during the term of the contract, Umbrella or Excess Liability Insurance covering their liability over the limit for primary general liability, automobile liability, and employer's liability.

19. LIABILITY AND INDEMNIFICATION

- A. **Contractor's Liability.** Contractor shall be liable for all damages to persons (including employees of Contractor) or property of any type that may occur as a result of any act or omission by Contractor, any subcontractors, or sub-subcontractor, their respective agents or anyone directly employed by any of them or anyone for whose acts any of them may be liable or arising out of any product provided or services rendered under this Agreement.
- B. **Subrogation.** Contractor, its agents and any subcontractor hereby waive and relinquish any right of subrogation or claim against KCATA, its commissioners, senior leaders and employees arising out of the use of KCATA's premises (including any equipment) by any party in performance of this Agreement.
- C. **Indemnification.**
1. To the fullest extent permitted by law, Contractor agrees to and shall indemnify, defend and hold harmless KCATA, its Commissioners, officers and employees from and against any and all claims, losses, damages, causes of action, suits, liens and liability of every kind, (including all expenses of litigation, expert witness fees, court costs and attorney's fees whether or not suit be commenced) by or to any person or entity (collectively the "Liabilities") arising out of, caused by, or resulting from the acts or omissions of Contractor, subcontractors, or sub-subcontractors, their respective agents or anyone directly or indirectly employed by any of them in performing work under this Contract, including consequential damages, regardless of whether or not such claim, damage, loss or expense is caused in part by a party indemnified hereunder, so long as such Liabilities are not caused by the sole negligence or willful misconduct of a party indemnified hereunder. Such obligation shall not be construed to negate, abridge or otherwise reduce other rights or obligations of indemnity which would otherwise exist as to a party or person described in this paragraph.
 2. In claims against any person or entity indemnified under this section, by an employee or Contractor, subcontractor or sub-subcontractor or anyone directly or indirectly employed by any of them, the indemnification obligation shall not be limited by a limitation on the amount or type of damages, compensation or benefits payable by or for the Contractor, subcontractor, or sub-subcontractor under worker's compensation acts, disability benefit acts or other employee benefit acts. If any action at law or suit in equity is instituted by any third party against Contractor arising out of or resulting from the acts of Contractor in performing work under this Contract, Contractor shall promptly notify KCATA of such suit.
 3. If any action at law or suit in equity is instituted by any third party against KCATA or its commissioners, officers or employees arising out of or resulting from the acts of Contractor, a subcontractor or sub-subcontractor, their respective agents or anyone directly or indirectly employed by any of them in providing products, equipment or materials, or in performing work or services under this Contract, and if Contractor has failed to provide insurance coverage to KCATA against such action as required herein or otherwise refuses to defend such action, KCATA shall have the right to conduct and control, through counsel of its choosing, the defense of any third party claim, action or suit, and may compromise or settle the same, provided that KCATA shall give the Contractor advance notice of any proposed compromise or settlement.

- C. The Contractor shall notify KCATA immediately when a change in ownership has occurred or is certain to occur.
- D. The addresses to which notices may be made may be changed from time to time by notice mailed as described above. Any notice given by mail shall be deemed given on the day after that on which it is deposited in the United States Mail as provided above.

22. OWNERSHIP, IDENTIFICATION, AND CONFIDENTIALITY OF WORK

- A. All reports, programs, documentation, designs, drawings, plans, specifications, schedules and other materials prepared, or in the process of being prepared, for the services to be performed by Contractor shall be and are the property of KCATA and shall be identified in an appropriate manner by a title containing KCATA's name and address.
- B. KCATA shall be entitled to and copies of these materials during the progress of the work.
- C. Any such material remaining in the possession of the Contractor or in the possession of a subcontractor upon completion or termination of the work, and for which KCATA has reimbursed the contractor, shall be immediately delivered to KCATA. If any materials are lost, damaged or destroyed before final delivery to KCATA, the Contractor shall replace them at its own expense, and the Contractor assumes all risks of loss, damage or destruction of or to such material.
- D. The Contractor may retain a copy of all materials produced under this Contract for its own internal use.
- E. Any KCATA materials to which the Contractor has access or materials prepared by the Contractor shall be held in confidence by the Contractor, who shall exercise all reasonable precautions to prevent the disclosure of confidential information to anyone except the officers, employees and agents of the Contractor as necessary to accomplish the work set forth in this agreement.
- F. Access to copies of any reports, information, data, etc., available to or prepared or assembled by the Contractor under this Contract shall not be made available to any third party by the Contractor without the prior written consent of KCATA.

23. PRIVACY ACT REQUIREMENTS

- A. The Contractor agrees to comply with and assures the compliance of its employees and subcontractors with, the information restrictions and other applicable requirements of the Privacy Act of 1974, 5 U.S.C. § 552. Among other things, the Contractor agrees to obtain the express consent of the KCATA and/or the Federal Government before the Contractor or its employees operate a system of records on behalf of the KCATA or Federal Government.
- B. The Contractor understands that the requirements of the Privacy Act, including the civil and criminal penalties for violation of that Act, apply to all individuals involved, and that failure to comply with the terms of the Privacy Act may result in termination of the underlying Agreement.
- C. The Contractor agrees that strict privacy will be maintained in the collection, storage, use, transfer, access to and/or security of personnel information. Contractor agrees to protect such information, and to limit the use of the information to that required by the contract.

- D. Contractor shall be liable to each employee for loss of any private or personal information lost or left unsecure by Contractor. Contractor shall not have any personal employee information for any reason outside of this contract.

24. PROHIBITED INTERESTS

- A. No board member, officer, employee or agent of KCATA or of a local public body who has participated or will participate in the selection, award, or administration of this Contract, nor any member of his or her immediate family, business partner or any organization which employs, or intends to employ any of the above during such period, shall have any interest, direct or indirect, in this Contract or the proceeds thereof, to any share or part of this Contract, or to any benefit arising there from. This shall not be construed to prevent any such person from owning stock in a publicly owned corporation.
- B. No member of, or delegates to, the Congress of the United States shall be admitted to any share or part of the Contract, or to any benefit arising there from. This shall not be construed to prevent any such person from owning stock in a publicly-owned corporation.

25. RECORD RETENTION AND ACCESS

- A. The Contractor agrees that, during the course of this agreement and any extensions thereof, and for three years thereafter, it will maintain intact and readily accessible all data, documents, reports, records, contracts, and supporting materials relating to this Contract in accordance with 2 C.F.R. §§ 200.333. In the event of litigation or settlement of claims arising from the performance of this Contract, the Contractor agrees to maintain same until such litigation, appeals, claims or exceptions related thereto have been disposed of.
- B. The Contractor shall permit KCATA, the U.S. Secretary of Transportation, the Comptroller General of the United States, and, as applicable, the City of Kansas City, Missouri, to inspect all work, materials, construction sites, payrolls, and other data and records, and to audit the books, records, and accounts of the Contractor relating to its performance under this Contract.
- C. The Contractor agrees to permit any of the foregoing parties to reproduce by any means whatsoever or to copy excerpts and transcriptions as reasonably needed, and to include this clause in all subcontracts.

26. REQUESTS FOR PAYMENT

- A. Invoices requesting payment shall be submitted directly to KCATA's Procurement Department. All invoices shall be numbered, dated and submitted in duplicate, and contain full descriptive information of materials or services furnished. All invoices and correspondence shall reference KCATA's Contract number. Separate invoices shall be submitted for each purchase order or work (task) order. Invoice requesting payment shall be submitted directly to KCATA's Procurement Department via email to payme@kcata.org.
- B. Payment by KCATA will be made within the later of 1) 30 days after receipt of a proper invoice, or 2) 30 days after KCATA's acceptance of supplies delivered or services performed by the Contractor. On a final invoice where the payment amount is subject to contract settlement actions, acceptance shall be deemed to have occurred on the effective date of the contract settlement.
- C. All final invoices shall be submitted to KCATA within 90 days of project completion or contract termination. Invoices submitted more than 90 days after project completion or contract termination will not be valid and will not be paid. Contractor indemnifies and holds KCATA harmless for any suit filed for payment of invoices submitted after 90 days of project completion or contract termination.

D. Subcontractor Payments.

1. Prompt Payment. The Contractor shall establish procedures to ensure timely payment of amounts due pursuant to the terms of its subcontracts. The Contractor shall pay each DBE and non-DBE subcontractor for satisfactory performance of its contract, or any billable portion thereof, in accordance with the timing set forth in any applicable laws or no later than 30 days, whichever is less, from the date of the Contractor's receipt of payment from the Authority for work by that subcontractor.
2. Prompt Return of Retainage. If retainage is withheld from subcontractors, the Contractor is required to return any retainage payment to its DBE and non-DBE subcontractors in accordance with the timing set forth in any applicable laws or no later than 30 days, whichever is less, from the date of receipt of the retainage payment from the Authority related to the subcontractor's work. Any delay or postponement of payment from said time frame may occur only for good cause following written approval from KCATA.
3. The Contractor shall certify on each payment request to the Authority that payment has been or will be made to all subcontractors. Lien waivers may be required for the Contractor and its subcontractors. The Contractor shall notify KCATA on or before each payment request, of any situation in which scheduled subcontractor payments have not been made.
4. If a subcontractor alleges that the Contractor has failed to comply with this provision, the Contractor agrees to support any Authority investigation, and if deemed appropriate by the Authority, to consent to remedial measures to ensure that subcontractors are properly paid as set forth herein.
5. The Contractor agrees that the Authority may provide appropriate information to interested subcontractors who inquire about the status of Authority payments to the Contractor.
6. Nothing in this provision is intended to create a contractual obligation between the Authority and any subcontractor or to alter or affect traditional concepts of privity of contract between all parties.

27. RIGHT TO OFFSET

KCATA, without waiver or limitation of any rights, may deduct from any amounts due Contractor in connection with this Contract, or any other contract between Contractor and KCATA, any amounts owed by Contractor to KCATA, including amounts owed by Contractor pursuant to Contractor's obligation to indemnify KCATA against third party claims arising out of Contractor's performance of work under this Contract.

28. SEAT BELT USE POLICY

Contractor agrees to comply with terms of Executive Order No. 13043 "Increasing Seat Belt Use in the United States" and is encouraged to include those requirements in each subcontract awarded for work relating to this Agreement.

30. SEVERABILITY

If any clause or provision of this Contract is held to be invalid illegal or otherwise unenforceable by a court of competent jurisdiction, the remaining provisions of this Contract shall continue in full force and effect.

31. SUBCONTRACTORS

- A. **Subcontractor Approval.** None of the work or services covered by this Contract shall be subcontracted without the prior written approval of KCATA. The only subcontractors approved for this Contract, if any, are listed in an appendix to this Contract. Any substitutions or additions of subcontractors must have the prior written approval of KCATA as set forth herein.
- B. **DBE/SBE Subcontractor Employment.** See Disadvantaged Business Enterprise Provisions.
- C. **Subcontractor Payments.** See Requests for Payment Provisions.
- D. **Adequate Provision(s) in Subcontract(s).** Any subcontracts related to this Contract must contain adequate provisions to define a sound and complete agreement. In addition, all subcontracts shall contain contractual provisions or conditions that allow for:
 - 1. Administrative, contractual, or legal remedies in instances where subcontractors violate or breach contract terms, including sanctions and penalties as may be appropriate.
 - 2. Termination for cause and for convenience including the manner by which it will be effected and the basis for settlement.
 - 3. The following provisions if included in this Contract:
 - Acceptance of Services/Deliverables – No Release
 - Agreement in Entirety
 - Assignment
 - Bankruptcy
 - Breach of Contract; Remedies
 - Changes
 - Civil Rights
 - Conflicts of Interest
 - Continuity of Services
 - Contractor’s Personnel
 - Contractor’s Responsibility
 - Dispute Resolution
 - Employee Eligibility Verification
 - Governing Law: Choice of Judicial Forum
 - Headings
 - Independent Contractor
 - Inspection of Services
 - Insurance
 - Liability and Indemnification
 - Licensing, Laws and Regulations
 - Notification and Communication
 - Ownership, Identification, and Confidentiality of Work
 - Privacy Act Requirements
 - Prohibited Interests
 - Record Retention and Access
 - Requests for Payment
 - Right to Offset

Seat Belt Use Policy
Severability
Subcontractors
Suspension of Work
Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN)
Termination
Texting While Driving and Distracted Driving
Unavoidable Delays
General Provisions

32. SUSPENSION OF WORK

KCATA may order the Contractor, in writing, to suspend, delay, or interrupt all or any part of the work under this agreement for the period of time that KCATA determines appropriate for the convenience of KCATA.

33. TAXPAYER IDENTIFICATION NUMBER (TIN)

The Contractor is required to provide its TIN, which is the number required by the IRS to be used by KCATA in reporting income tax and other returns. The TIN provided by the Contractor is _____.

34. TERMINATION

- A. **Termination for Convenience.** The KCATA may terminate this Contract, in whole or in part, at any time by written notice to the Contractor when it is in KCATA's best interest. The Contractor will only be paid the Contract price for supplies delivered and accepted, or work or services performed in accordance with the manner of performance set forth in the Contract.
- B. **Funding Contingency.** If this Contract is subject to financial assistance provided by the U.S. Department of Transportation, the Contractor agrees that withdrawal or termination of such financial assistance by the U.S. DOT may require KCATA to terminate the agreement.
- C. **Termination for Default.**
1. If the Contractor does not deliver supplies in accordance with the contract delivery schedule or according to specifications, or if the Contract is for services, and the Contractor fails to perform in the manner called for in the Contract, or if the Contractor fails to comply with any other provisions of the Contract, KCATA may terminate this Contract for default. Termination shall be effected by serving a notice of termination on the Contractor setting forth the manner in which the Contractor is in default. The Contractor will only be paid the contract price for supplies delivered and accepted, or services performed in accordance with the manner of performance set forth cost of the Contract.
 2. If the termination is for failure of the Contractor to fulfill the contract obligations, KCATA may complete the work by contract or otherwise and the Contractor shall be liable for any additional cost incurred by KCATA. If, after termination for failure to fulfill contract obligations, it is determined that the Contractor was not in default, KCATA, after setting up a new delivery or performance schedule, may allow the Contractor to continue work, or treat the termination as a termination for convenience.
- D. **Opportunity to Cure.** KCATA in its sole discretion may, in the case of a termination for breach or default, allow the Contractor an appropriately short period of time in which to cure the defect. In such case, the written notice of termination will state the time period in which cure is permitted and other appropriate

conditions. If Contractor fails to remedy to KCATA's satisfaction the breach or default of any of the terms, covenants, or conditions of this Contract within the time period permitted, KCATA shall have the right to terminate the Contract without any further obligation to Contractor. Any such termination for default shall not in any way operate to preclude KCATA from also pursuing all available remedies legal and non-legal against Contractor and its sureties for said breach or default.

- E. **Waiver of Remedies for any Breach.** In the event that KCATA elects to waive its remedies for any breach by Contractor of any covenant, term or condition of this Agreement, such waiver by KCATA shall not limit KCATA's remedies for any succeeding breach of that or of any other term, covenant, or condition of this Agreement.
- F. **Property of KCATA.** Upon termination of this Contract for any reason, and if the Contractor has any property in its possession or under its control belonging to KCATA, the Contractor shall protect and preserve the property or pay KCATA full market value of the property, account for the same, and dispose of it in the manner KCATA directs. Upon termination of this Contract for any reason, the Contractor shall (1) immediately discontinue all services affected (unless the notice directs otherwise), and (2) deliver to KCATA's Project Manager all data, drawings, specifications, reports, estimates, summaries, and other information and materials accumulated in performing this Contract, whether completed or in process.

35. TEXTING WHILE DRIVING AND DISTRACTED DRIVING

Consistent with Executive Order No. 13513, "Federal Leadership on Reducing Text Messaging While Driving," October 1, 2009, 23 U.S.C. Section 402 note, and DOT Order 3902.10, "Text Messaging While Driving," December 30, 2009, the Contractor agrees to promote policies and initiatives for its employees and other personnel that adopt and promote safety policies to decrease crashes by distracted drivers, including policies to ban text messaging while driving, and to encourage each subcontractor to do the same.

37. UNAVOIDABLE DELAYS

- A. A delay is unavoidable only if the delay was not reasonably expected to occur in connection with or during the Contractor's performance, and was not caused directly or substantially by acts, omissions, negligence, or mistakes of the Contractor, the Contractor's suppliers, or their agents, and was substantial and in fact caused the Contractor to miss delivery dates, and could not adequately have been guarded against by contractual or legal means.
- B. **Notification of Delays.** The Contractor shall notify the Director of Procurement as soon as the Contractor has, or should have, knowledge that an event has occurred which will cause an unavoidable delay. Within five (5) days, the Consultant shall confirm such notice in writing furnishing as much as detail as is available.
- C. **Request for Extension.** The Consultant agrees to supply, as soon as such data is available, any reasonable proof that is required by the Director of Procurement to make a decision on any request for extension. The Director of Procurement shall examine the request and any documents supplied by the Consultant and shall determine if the Consultant is entitled to an extension and the duration of such extension. The Director of Procurement shall notify the Consultant of its decision in writing.
- D. It is expressly understood and agreed that the Consultant shall not be entitled to damages or compensation and shall not be reimbursed for losses on account of delays resulting from any cause under this provision, except to the extent the Consultant's delay was attributable to KCATA's non-performance of its duties herein.

39. GENERAL PROVISIONS

- A. **No Third-Party Beneficiaries.** The parties do not intend to confer any benefit hereunder on any person, firm or entity other than the parties hereto.
- B. **Extensions of Time.** No extension of time for performance of any Contractor obligations or acts shall be deemed an extension of time for performance of any other obligations or acts.
- C. **Time of Essence.** Time is of the essence in Contractor's performance of this Agreement.
- D. **Time Periods.** A "business day" is a business working day of KCATA administrative personnel which are days other than a Saturday, Sunday or legal holidays observed by the KCATA for administrative personnel. If the time period by which any right or election provided under this Contract must be exercised, or by which any act required hereunder must be performed, expires on a day which is not a business day, then such time period shall be automatically extended through the close of business on the next regularly scheduled business day.
- E. **Binding Effect.** This Contract shall bind and inure to the benefit of the legal representatives, successors and permitted assigns of the parties.
- F. **Counterparts.** This Contract may be executed at different times and in two or more counterparts and all counterparts so executed shall for all purposes constitute one contract, binding on all the parties hereto, notwithstanding that all parties shall not have executed the same counterpart. And, in proving this Contract, it shall not be necessary to produce or account for more than one such counterpart executed by the party against whom enforcement is sought.
- G. **Interpretation; Update of Citations.** Unless otherwise specified herein, (a) the singular includes the plural and the plural the singular; (b) words importing any gender include the other genders; and (c) references to persons or parties include their permitted successors and assigns. The parties recognize and agree that many of the laws, regulations, policies, procedures and directives stated as governing the Contractor's performance of its work or services, or the supplying of products, equipment, or materials, pursuant to this Contract are subject to updating, amendment or replacement. Therefore, all such references in this Contract are agreed by the parties to be deemed to refer to the then current updated, amended or replacement form of such laws, regulations, policies, procedures and directives in effect at the applicable time during the term of this Contract and the same are hereby incorporated into this Contract by this reference.
- H. **When Effective.** Notwithstanding any provision contained in this Contract to the contrary, this Contract shall become effective only after the execution and delivery of this Contract by each of the parties hereto and no course of conduct, oral contract or written memoranda shall bind the parties hereto with respect to the subject matter hereof except this Contract.
- I. **Further Actions; Reasonableness and Cooperation by Parties; Time for Certain Actions.** Each party agrees to take such further actions and to execute such additional documents or instruments as may be reasonably requested by the other party to carry out the purpose and intent of this Contract. Except where expressly stated to be in a party's sole discretion, or where it is stated that a party has the ability to act in its sole judgment or for its own uses or purposes, wherever it is provided or contemplated in this Contract that a party must give its consent or approval to actions or inactions by the other party or a third party in connection with the transactions contemplated hereby, such consent or approval will not be

unreasonably withheld or delayed. If no time period is set hereunder for a party to approve or consent to an action or inaction by the other party or a third party such approval shall be given or affirmatively withheld in writing within ten (10) business days after it is requested in writing or it shall be deemed given.

- J. **Survival.** In addition to any provisions expressly stated to survive termination of this Contract, all provisions which by their terms provide for or contemplate obligations or duties of a party which are to extend beyond such termination (and the corresponding rights of the other party to enforce or receive the benefit thereof) shall survive such termination.

- K. **Authority of Signatories.** Any person executing this Contract in a representative capacity represents and warrants that such person has the authority to do so and, upon request, will furnish proof of such authority in customary form.

- L. **Project Kick-Off**
 - a. The selected Proposer shall not only perform work on the Contract after the effective date is affixed and the fully-executed contract sent to the selected Proposer. KCATA shall issue a written Notice to Proceed to the selected Proposer authorizing the work to begin on a date which is on or after the effective date.

 - b. The selected Proposer shall not start the performance of any work prior to the date set forth in the Notice to Proceed and KCATA shall not be liable to pay the selected Proposer for any service or work performed or expenses incurred before the date set forth in the Notice to Proceed. No KCATA employee or Board member has the authority to verbally direct the commencement of any work under the Contract.

Contractor's Initials _____

KCATA's Initials _____

KCATA's Initials _____

**ATTACHMENT B
KCATA VENDOR REGISTRATION FORM**

Thank you for your interest in doing business with the Kansas City Area Transportation Authority. To be placed on the KCATA Registered Vendors List for goods and services, please complete this form **in its entirety** and return it to the KCATA Procurement Department. Submittal of this registration form will place your company on the KCATA Registered Vendor List, but does not guarantee a solicitation. The list will be periodically purged. If you do not receive solicitations, inquire to confirm that your company remains on our list. Current business opportunities can be found in the "Doing Business with KCATA" section of our website, www.kcata.org.

Firms are required to submit this information to KCATA once. However, it is your responsibility to notify KCATA of any changes to your business that may affect your registration (i.e. address, contact information).

Legal Entity Name:			Phone:	
Doing Business As:			Toll-free Phone:	
Physical Address:			Fax:	
City:			Email:	
State:		Zip:		Website:
Contact Person Name:			Title:	
Contact Phone:			Contact Email:	
Mailing Address:			Phone:	
City:			Fax:	
State:		Zip:		Comments:
Business Type:	<input type="checkbox"/> Individual		<input type="checkbox"/> Partnership	
	<input type="checkbox"/> Limited Liability Company		<input type="checkbox"/> Corporation	
			<input type="checkbox"/> Other (Explain) _____	
If Incorporated, in Which State:			Federal Tax ID No:	
Years in Business:			Years in Business Under Current Name:	
Does your firm have a Data Universal Numbering System (DUNS) number as a Federal contractor? If so, please provide. DUNS numbers may be obtained free of charge from Dun & Bradstreet at 1-866-705-5711 or at www.fedgov.dnb.com/webform .				DUNS # _____
Annual Gross Receipts. This information is required by U. S. Department of Transportation and Vendors will be requested to update this information on a regular basis.	<input type="checkbox"/> Less than \$250,000		<input type="checkbox"/> \$250,000 to \$500,000	<input type="checkbox"/> \$500,000 to \$1 Million
	<input type="checkbox"/> \$1 Million to 5 Million		<input type="checkbox"/> \$5 Million to 10 Million	<input type="checkbox"/> More than \$10 Million

Standard Invoice Terms:	Due Days	Discount Days	Percent

Please provide a description of the goods and services you are interested in providing to KCATA. Include the corresponding North America Industry Classification System (NAICS) Codes for your business type. For a listing of the codes visit U.S. Small Business Administration’s website at <http://www.sba.gov/content/small-business-size-standards>.

NAICS CODE(S) :		NAICS CODE(S):	
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| 1. Is your firm a Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) based on the definitions and U.S. Department of Transportation certification guidelines in 49 CFR Part 26? If YES, submit a copy of a copy of your current certification from your state’s UCP. | <input type="checkbox"/>
YES | <input type="checkbox"/>
NO | <input type="checkbox"/>
ENCLOSED |
| 2. Is your firm a Small Business Enterprise (SBE) as defined by the U.S. Small Business Administration’s Small Business Size Guidelines and 13 CFR 121? For further information on 13 CFR 121 and SBE designation refer to SBA’s website at http://www.sba.gov/content/small-business-size-standards | <input type="checkbox"/>
YES | <input type="checkbox"/>
NO | <input type="checkbox"/>
ENCLOSED |
| 3. Is your firm a Woman-Owned Business Enterprise (WBE) or Minority Owned Business Enterprise (MBE) certified by a nationally recognized organization? If YES, please provide a copy of your certification documentation. | <input type="checkbox"/>
YES | <input type="checkbox"/>
NO | <input type="checkbox"/>
ENCLOSED |

4. Does your firm meet any of these other federal business classifications? If YES, please provide a copy of certification documents.
- Service Disabled, Veteran Owned Business SBA 8(a) Certified Business
 HubZone Program Certified Other _____

DBE/SBE CERTIFICATION: The KCATA participates in the U. S. Department of Transportation’s DBE and SBE programs. Certification in these programs is based on the regulations in 49 CFR Part 26. If your firm is interested in becoming a certified DBE or SBE, please contact KCATA’s Contracting/Supplier Diversity Coordinator at (816) 346-0272 or via email at wmorgan@kcata.org

WORKER ELIGIBILITY AFFIDAVIT: As required by §285.500 RSMo, et seq., any business contracting to perform work in excess of \$5,000 for the KCATA shall provide a sworn affidavit affirming: (1) its enrollment and participation in a federal work authorization program such as U. S. Department of Homeland Security’s E-Verify, accompanied by corresponding documentation to evidence its enrollment in that program; and (2) that it does not knowingly employ any person who does not have the legal right or authorization under federal law to work in the United States. Prior to being awarded any contract with KCATA, you will be required to furnish proof of your firm’s participation in such program.

VENDOR CERTIFICATION: *I certify that information supplied herein (including all pages attached) is correct and that neither the business entity nor any person in any connection with the business entity as a principal or officer, so far as known, is now debarred or otherwise declared ineligible from bidding for furnishing materials, supplies, or services to the Kansas City Area Transportation Authority or declared ineligible to participate in federally funded projects.*

Signature		Date
Printed Name		Title

The following documents must be returned:

- Completed Vendor Registration Form
- KCATA Workforce Analysis/EEO-1 Report
- Affidavit of Civil Rights Compliance (*found on KCATA’s website as Attachment B*)

Return completed Vendor Registration Packet to Kansas City Area Transportation Authority,
Procurement Department, 1350 East 17th Street, Kansas City, MO 64108
Fax: (816) 346-0336 or email: mgay@kcata.org

**NOTE: Vendors will be required to submit a signed IRS W9 form
prior to authorization of any purchase.**

*A foreign corporation may not transact business in Missouri until it obtains a Certificate of Authority.
To apply, you must use the forms provided by the Missouri Secretary of State’s office, as required by law.*

**ATTACHMENT C
AFFIDAVIT OF CIVIL RIGHTS COMPLIANCE**

STATE OF _____

COUNTY OF _____

On this ____ day of _____, 20____, before me appeared _____, personally known by me or otherwise proven to be the person whose name is subscribed on this affidavit and who, being duly sworn, stated as follows: I am the _____ (title) of _____ (business entity) and I am duly authorized, directed or empowered to act with full authority on behalf of the business entity in making this affidavit.

I hereby swear or affirm that the business entity complies with the following:

- A. **Nondiscrimination.** In accordance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act, as amended, 42 U.S.C. § 2000d, section 303 of the Age Discrimination Act of 1975, as amended, 42 U.S.C. § 6102, section 202 of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, 42 U.S. C. § 12132, and Federal transit law at 49 U.S.C. § 5332, the Contractor agrees that it will not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, color, creed, age, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, national origin or disability. In addition, the Contractor agrees to comply with applicable Federal implementing regulations and other implementing regulations that the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) may issue.

- B. **Equal Employment Opportunity.** The following equal employment opportunity requirements apply to this Contract:
 - 1. Race, Color, Creed, National Origin or Sex. In accordance with Title VII of the Civil Rights Act, as amended, 42. U.S.C. §2000e, *et seq.*, and Federal transit laws at 49 U.S.C. §5332, the Contractor agrees to comply with all applicable equal opportunity requirements of the U.S. Department of Labor (U.S. DOL) regulations, “Office of Federal Contract Compliance Programs, Equal Employment Opportunity, Department of Labor” 41 C.F.R. Parts 60 et seq., (which implement Executive Order No. 11246, “Equal Employment Opportunity,” as amended by Executive Order No. 11375, “Amending Executive Order 11246 Relating to Equal Employment Opportunity,” 42 U.S.C. 2000e note), and with any applicable Federal statutes, executive orders, regulations, and Federal policies that may in the future affect activities undertaken in the course of the Contract. The Contractor agrees to take affirmative action to ensure that applicants are employed, and that employees are treated during employment, without regard to their race, color, creed, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, national origin, disability or age. Such action shall include, but not be limited to, the following: employment, upgrading, demotion or transfer, recruitment or recruitment advertising, layoff or termination; rates of pay or other forms of compensation; and selection for training, including apprenticeship. In addition, the Contractor agrees to comply with any implementing requirements FTA may issue.

 - 2. Age. In accordance with Section 4 of the Age Discrimination in Employment Act of 1967, as amended, 29 U.S.C. § 623 and Federal transit law at 49 U.S.C. §5332, the Contractor agrees to refrain from discrimination against present and prospective employees for reason of age. In addition, the Contractor agrees to comply with any implementing requirements FTA may issue.

3. Disabilities. In accordance with section 102 of the Americans with Disabilities Act, as amended, 42 U.S.C. §12112, the Contractor agrees that it will comply with the requirements of U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, "Regulations to Implement the Equal Employment Provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act," 29 C.F.R. Part 1630, pertaining to employment of persons with disabilities. In addition, the Contractor agrees to comply with any implementing requirements FTA may issue.

Affiant's Signature

Date

Subscribed and sworn to me before this _____ day of _____, 20____.

Notary Public Signature

Date

My Commission expires: _____

ATTACHMENT D.1
GUIDELINES FOR WORKFORCE ANALYSIS

DEFINITIONS: Contractor shall apply the following definitions to the categories in KCATA's Workforce Analysis/EEO-1 Report form.

RACIAL/ETHNIC

1. **WHITE** (not of Hispanic origin): All persons having origins in any of the original peoples of Europe, North Africa, or the Middle East.
2. **BLACK** (not of Hispanic origin): All persons having origins in any of the Black racial groups of Africa.
3. **HISPANIC**: All persons of Mexican, Puerto Rican, Cuban, Central or South American origin, regardless of race.
4. **ASIAN or PACIFIC ISLANDER**: All persons having origins in any of the original peoples of the Far East, Southeast Asia, the Indian Subcontinent, or the Pacific Islands. This area includes, for example, China, Japan, Korea, the Philippine Islands, and Samoa.
5. **AMERICAN INDIAN or ALASKAN NATIVE**: All persons having origins in any of the original peoples of North America, and who maintain cultural identification through tribal affiliation or community recognition.

JOB CATEGORIES

1. **OFFICIALS and MANAGERS**: Includes chief executive officers, presidents, vice-presidents, directors and kindred workers.
2. **PROFESSIONALS**: Includes attorneys, accountants and kindred workers.
3. **TECHNICIANS**: Includes computer programmers and operators, drafters, surveyors, highway technicians, inspectors and kindred workers.
4. **SALES WORKERS**: Includes contract sales representatives, purchasing agents, customer relations representatives and kindred workers.
5. **OFFICE and CLERICAL**: Includes secretaries, book-keepers, clerk typists, payroll clerks, accounts payable clerks, receptionists, switchboard operators and kindred workers.
6. **CRAFT WORKERS** (skilled): Includes mechanics and repairers, electricians, carpenters, plumbers and kindred workers.
7. **OPERATIVES** (semi-skilled): Includes bricklayers, plaster attendants, welders, truck drivers and kindred workers.
8. **LABORERS** (unskilled): Includes laborers performing lifting, digging, mixing, loading and pulling operations and kindred workers.
9. **SERVICE WORKERS**: Includes janitors, elevator operators, watchmen, chauffeurs, attendants and kindred workers.

ATTACHMENT D.2 – EEO-1 / WORK FORCE ANALYSIS REPORT

**Report all permanent, temporary, or part-time employees including apprentices and on-the-job trainees.
Enter the appropriate figures on all lines and in all columns. All blank spaces will be considered zero.**

Job Categories	Number of Employees (Report employees in only one category)														
	Race/Ethnicity														
	Hispanic or Latino		Not Hispanic or Latino												Total Col A-N
	Male	Female	Male						Female						
White			Black or African American	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	Asian	American Indian or Alaska Native	Two or more races	White	Black or African American	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	Asian	American Indian or Alaska Native	Two or more races		
A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N	O	
Executive/Senior-Level Officials and Managers															
First/Mid-Level Officials and Managers															
Professionals															
Technicians															
Sales Workers															
Administrative Support Workers															
Craft Workers															
Operatives															
Laborers and Helpers															
Service Workers															
TOTAL															
PREVIOUS YEAR TOTAL															
TYPE OF BUSINESS	<input type="checkbox"/> Manufacturing	<input type="checkbox"/> Wholesale	<input type="checkbox"/> Construction	<input type="checkbox"/> Regular Dealer	<input type="checkbox"/> Selling Agent	<input type="checkbox"/> Service Establishment	<input type="checkbox"/> Other								

Signature of Certifying Official

Company Name

Printed Name and Title

Address/City/State/Zip Code

Date Submitted

Telephone Number/Fax Number

**ATTACHMENT E
AFFIDAVIT OF PRIMARY PARTICIPANTS
COMPLIANCE WITH SECTION 285.500 RSMO, ET SEQ.
REGARDING EMPLOYEE ELIGIBILITY VERIFICATION**

STATE OF _____

COUNTY OF _____

On this _____ day of _____, 20 _____, before me appeared _____, personally known by me or otherwise proven to be the person whose name is subscribed on this affidavit and who, being duly sworn, stated as follows: I am the _____ (title) of _____ (business entity) and I am duly authorized, directed or empowered to act with full authority on behalf of the business entity in making this affidavit.

I hereby swear or affirm that the business entity does not knowingly employ any person in connection with the contracted services who does not have the legal right or authorization under federal law to work in the United States as defined in 8 U.S.C. §1324a(h)(3).

I hereby additionally swear or affirm that the business entity is enrolled in an electronic verification of work program operated by the United States Department of Homeland Security (E-Verify) or an equivalent federal work authorization program operated by the United States Department of Homeland Security to verify information of newly hired employees, under the Immigration Reform and Control Act of 1986, and that the business entity will participate in said program with respect to any person hired to perform any work in connection with the contracted services.

I have attached hereto documentation sufficient to establish the business entity's enrollment and participation in the required electronic verification of work program. I shall require that the language of this affidavit be included in the award documents for all sub-contracts exceeding \$5,000.00 at all tiers and that all subcontractors at all tiers shall affirm and provide documentation accordingly.

Affiant's signature

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

Notary Public

My Commission expires:

NOTE: An example of acceptable documentation is the E-Verify Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) – a valid, completed copy of the first page identifying the business entity and a valid copy of the signature page completed and signed by the business entity, the Social Security Administration and the Department of Homeland Security.

**ATTACHMENT F
 COST/PRICE PROPOSAL RESPONSE FORM
 AUDITING SERVICES FOR UNION EMPLOYEES FUNDED PENSION FUND**

COMPANY NAME (Type or Print) _____

Address/City/State/Zip _____

Telephone No. _____ **Fax No.** _____ **E-mail Address** _____

Tax Payer Identification Number _____

Description	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Option Yr 1	Option Yr 2	Total
Full Scope Audit						
Limited Scope Audit						
Other Costs (not anticipated by KCATA – Please explain)						

The undersigned, acting as an authorized agent or officer for the Offeror, does hereby agree to the following:

1. The offer submitted is complete and accurate, including all forms required for submission in accordance with the terms and conditions listed in this Request for Proposals and any subsequent Addenda. The Offeror shall immediately notify the KCATA in the event of any change.
2. The quantities specified are based upon the best available estimates and do not determine the actual amount the Authority shall order during the contract period. The quantities are subject to change. Payments will be based on actual quantities order based on the unit rates quoted.
3. The undersigned agrees to furnish and deliver the items or perform services as described herein for the consideration stated in accordance with the terms and conditions listed in the KCATA RFP. The rights and obligations of the parties to any resultant purchase order/contract shall be subject to and governed by this document and any documents attached or incorporated herein by reference.

Company Name (Type/Print) _____

_____ Date _____

Address/City/State/Zip _____

Authorized Signature _____ Title _____

Name (Type/Print) _____

Telephone # _____ Fax# _____

E-mail address _____