

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

DHHS – DIVISION OF STATE OPERATED HEALTHCARE FACILITIES

Invitation for Bid #: 30-25104

SOLID WASTE REMOVAL AND RECYCLING SERVICES EASTERN REGION

Date of Issue: July 9, 2025

Bid Opening Date: July 22, 2025

At 1:00 PM ET

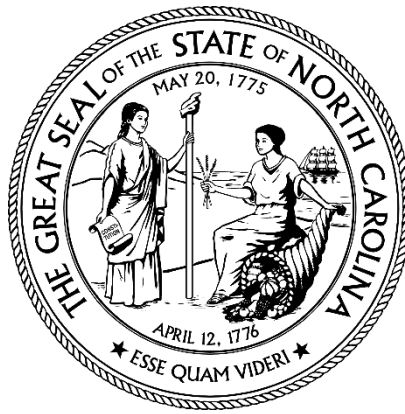
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For internal State agency processing, including tabulation of bids, provide your company's eVP (Electronic Vendor Portal) Number. Pursuant to G.S. 132-1.10(b) this identification number shall not be released to the public. **This page will be removed and shredded, or otherwise kept confidential**, before the procurement file is made available for public inspection.

**This page shall be filled out and returned with your bid.
Failure to do so may subject your bid to rejection.**

Vendor Name

Vendor eVP#

Note: For a contract to be awarded to you, your company (you) must be a North Carolina registered vendor in good standing. You must enter the vendor number assigned through eVP (Electronic Vendor Portal). If you do not have a vendor number, register at <https://vendor.ncgov.com/vendor/login>

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Refer <u>ALL</u> Inquiries regarding this IFB to the procurement lead through the Message Board in the Sourcing Tool. See section <u>2.6</u> for details: Rita Sutton	Invitation for Bid #: 30-25104 Bids will be opened virtually: July 22, 2025 @ 1:00 PM
Using Agency: DSOHF – Walter B. Jones ADATC; Caswell Developmental Center; Longleaf Neuro-Medical Treatment Center; O’Berry Neuro-Medical Treatment Center and Cherry Hospital	Commodity No. and Description: 761215 – Refuse collection and disposal
Requisition No.: TBD	

EXECUTION

In compliance with this Invitation for Bid (IFB), and subject to all the conditions herein, the undersigned Vendor offers and agrees to furnish and deliver any or all items upon which prices are bid, at the prices set opposite each item within the time specified herein.

By executing this bid, the undersigned Vendor understands that false certification is a Class I felony and certifies that:

- this bid is submitted competitively and without collusion (G.S. 143-54),
- none of its officers, directors, or owners of an unincorporated business entity has been convicted of any violations of Chapter 78A of the General Statutes, the Securities Act of 1933, or the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (G.S. 143-59.2), and
- it is not an ineligible Vendor as set forth in G.S. 143-59.1.

Furthermore, by executing this bid, the undersigned certifies to the best of Vendor’s knowledge and belief, that:

- it and its principals are not presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible or voluntarily excluded from covered transactions by any Federal or State department or agency.

As required by G.S. 143-48.5, the undersigned Vendor certifies that it, and each of its sub-Contractors for any Contract awarded as a result of this IFB, complies with the requirements of Article 2 of Chapter 64 of the NC General Statutes, including the requirement for each employer with more than 25 employees in North Carolina to verify the work authorization of its employees through the federal E-Verify system.

As required by Executive Order 24 (2017), the undersigned vendor certifies will comply with all Federal and State requirements concerning fair employment and that it does not and will not discriminate, harass, or retaliate against any employee in connection with performance of any Contract arising from this solicitation.

G.S. 133-32 and Executive Order 24 (2009) prohibit the offer to, or acceptance by, any State Employee associated with the preparing plans, specifications, estimates for public contracts; or awarding or administering public contracts; or inspecting or supervising delivery of the public contract of any gift from anyone with a contract with the State, or from any person seeking to do business with the State. By execution of this response to the IFB, the undersigned certifies, for Vendor’s entire organization and its employees or agents, that Vendor is not aware that any such gift has been offered, accepted, or promised by any employees of your organization.

By executing this bid, Vendor certifies that it has read and agreed to the **INSTRUCTION TO VENDORS** and the **NORTH CAROLINA GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS** incorporated herein. These documents can be accessed from the Ariba Sourcing Tool.

Failure to execute/sign bid prior to submittal may render bid invalid and it MAY BE REJECTED. Late bids shall not be accepted.

COMPLETE/FORMAL NAME OF VENDOR:		
STREET ADDRESS:	P.O. BOX:	ZIP:
CITY & STATE & ZIP:	TELEPHONE NUMBER:	TOLL FREE TEL. NO:
PRINCIPAL PLACE OF BUSINESS ADDRESS IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE (SEE INSTRUCTIONS TO VENDORS ITEM #21):		
PRINT NAME & TITLE OF PERSON SIGNING ON BEHALF OF VENDOR:		FAX NUMBER:
VENDOR’S AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE*:	DATE:	EMAIL:

Bid Number: 30-25104

Vendor: _____

VALIDITY PERIOD

Offer shall be valid for at least one hundred twenty (120) days from date of bid opening, unless otherwise stated here: _____ days, or if extended by mutual agreement of the parties in writing. Any withdrawal of this offer shall be made in writing, effective upon receipt by the agency issuing this IFB.

ACCEPTANCE OF BIDS

If your bid is accepted, all provisions of this IFB, along with the written results of any negotiations, shall constitute the written agreement between the parties ("Contract"). The NORTH CAROLINA GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS are incorporated herein and shall apply. Depending upon the Goods or Services being offered, other terms and conditions may apply, as mutually agreed.

FOR STATE USE ONLY: Offer accepted and Contract awarded this _____ day of _____, 20____, as indicated on the attached certification, by _____.

(Authorized Representative of DHHS-DSOHF)

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1.0 PURPOSE AND BACKGROUND

The NC Department of Health and Human Services, Division of State Operated Healthcare Facilities oversees and manages 13 state-operated healthcare facilities that treat adults and children with mental illness, developmental disabilities, substance use disorders and neuro-medical needs.

The intent of this solicitation is to solicit competitive bids from qualified Vendors and award an Agency Specific Term Contract for the provision of providing solid waste removal and recycling services for five (5) facilities located within the eastern region of North Carolina:

- Walter B. Jones Alcohol and Drug Abuse Treatment Center
- Caswell Developmental Center
- Longleaf Neuro-Medical Treatment Center
- O’Berry Neuro-Medical Treatment Center
- Cherry Hospital

1.1 CONTRACT TERM

The Contract shall have an initial term of three (3) years, beginning on the date of final Contract execution (the “Effective Date”) or as of the dates listed below, whichever is later.

FACILITY	CONTRACT START DATE	CONTRACT END DATE
Caswell Developmental Center	October 1, 2025	September 30, 2028
Longleaf Neuro-Medical Treatment Center	October 1, 2025	September 30, 2028
Walter B. Jones Alcohol and Drug Abuse Treatment Center	December 3, 2025	September 30, 2028
O’Berry Neuro-Medical Treatment Center	December 3, 2025	September 30, 2028
Cherry Hospital	December 3, 2025	September 30, 2028

At the end of the Contract’s initial term, the State shall have the option, and with the Vendor’s concurrence, the State reserves the right to extend the Contract after the last active term.

Bids shall be submitted in accordance with the terms and conditions of this IFB and any addenda issued hereto.

2.0 GENERAL INFORMATION

2.1 INVITATION FOR BID DOCUMENT

This IFB is comprised of the base IFB document, any attachments, and any addenda released before Contract award, which are incorporated herein by reference.

2.2 E-PROCUREMENT FEE

ATTENTION: This is an NC eProcurement solicitation facilitated by the Ariba Network. The E-Procurement fee may apply to this solicitation. See the paragraph entitled ELECTRONIC PROCUREMENT of the North Carolina General Terms and Conditions.

General information on the E-Procurement Services can be found at: <http://eprocurement.nc.gov/>.

What is the Ariba Network?

The Ariba Network is a web-based platform that serves as a connection point for buyers and vendors. Vendors can log in to the Ariba Network to view purchase orders, respond to electronic requests for quotes, participate in Sourcing Events, and collaborate with buyers on contract documents.

For training on how to use the Sourcing Tool to view solicitations, submit questions, develop responses, upload documents, and submit offers to the State, Vendors should go to the following site:

<http://eprocurement.nc.gov/training/vendor-training>.

2.3 NOTICE TO VENDORS REGARDING IFB TERMS AND CONDITIONS

It shall be the Vendor’s responsibility to read the Instructions to Vendors, the North Carolina General Terms and Conditions, all relevant exhibits and attachments, and any other components made a part of this IFB and comply with all requirements and specifications herein. Vendors are also responsible for obtaining and complying with all Addenda and other changes that may be issued in connection with this IFB.

If Vendors have questions or issues regarding any component of this IFB, those must be submitted as questions in accordance with the instructions in the BID QUESTIONS Section. If the State determines that any changes will be made as a result of the questions asked, then such decisions will be communicated in the form of an IFB addendum. The State may also elect to leave open the possibility for later negotiation of specific provisions of the Contract that have been addressed during the question-and-answer period, prior to contract award.

Other than through the process of negotiation under 01 NCAC 05B.0503, the State rejects and will not be required to evaluate or consider any additional or modified terms and conditions submitted with Vendor’s bid or otherwise. This applies to any language appearing in or attached to the document as part of the Vendor’s bid that purports to vary any terms and conditions or Vendors’ instructions herein or to render the bid non-binding or subject to further negotiation. Vendor’s bid shall constitute a firm offer that shall be held open for the period required herein (“Validity Period” above).

The State may exercise its discretion to consider Vendor proposed modifications. By execution and delivery of this IFB Response, the Vendor agrees that any additional or modified terms and conditions, whether submitted purposely or inadvertently, shall have no force or effect, and will be disregarded unless expressly agreed upon during negotiations and incorporated by way of a Best and Final Offer (BAFO). Noncompliance with, or any attempt to alter or delete, this paragraph shall constitute sufficient grounds to reject Vendor’s bid as nonresponsive.

2.4 IFB SCHEDULE

The table below shows the *intended* schedule for this IFB. The State will make every effort to adhere to this schedule.

Event	Responsibility	Date and Time
Issue IFB	State	July 9, 2025
Hold Pre-Bid Meeting/Site Visit	State	July 16, 2025
Submit Written Questions	Vendor	July 17, 2025 by 1:00 PM
Provide Response to Questions	State	July 18, 2025
Submit Bids	Vendor	July 22, 2025 @ 1:00 PM Microsoft Teams Join the meeting now Meeting ID: 216 984 015 900 7 Passcode: vV3j2XL6 <hr/> Dial in by phone +1 984-204-1487 , 481249817# United States, Raleigh Find a local number Phone conference ID: 481 249 817# Join on a video conferencing device Tenant key: ncgov@m.webex.com Video ID: 111 248 916 5
Contract Award	State	TBD

2.5 SITE VISIT

Urged and Cautioned Site Visit:

SITE ONE: CASWELL DEVELOPMENTAL CENTER

Date: July 16, 2025
Time: 9:00 AM Eastern Time
Location: 2415 W. Vernon Avenue
FRONT OF ADMINISTRATION BUILDING
Kinston, NC 28504
Contact #: 984-220-1049

SITE TWO: CHERRY HOSPITAL - NEW

Date: July 16, 2025
Time: 10:30 AM Eastern Time
Location: 1401 West Ash Street
REAR OF HOSPITAL
Goldsboro, NC 27530
Contact #: 984-220-1049

SITE TWO: CHERRY HOSPITAL - ROYSTER

Date: July 16, 2025
Time: 11:00 AM Eastern Time
Location: 201 Stevens Mill Road
REAR OF BUILDING
Goldsboro, NC 27530
Contact #: 984-220-1049

SITE THREE: O'BERRY NEURO-MEDICAL TREATMENT CENTER

Date: July 16, 2025
Time: 11:30 AM Eastern Time
Location: 400 Old Smithfield Road
FRONT OF ADMINISTRATION BUILDING
Goldsboro, NC 27530
Contact #: 984-220-1049

SITE FOUR: LONGLEAF NEURO-MEDICAL TREATMENT CENTER

Date: July 16, 2025
Time: 2:00 PM Eastern Time
Location: 4761 Ward Blvd
FRONT OF ADMINISTRATION BUILDING
Wilson, NC 27893
Contact #: 984-220-1049

SITE FIVE: WALTER B. JONES ALCOHOL AND DRUG ABUSE TREATMENT CENTER

Date: July 16, 2025
Time: 3:00 PM Eastern Time

Bid Number: 30-25104

Vendor: _____

Location: 2577 W. Fifth Street
REAR OF FACILITY
Greenville, NC 27834
Contact #: 984-220-1049

Instructions: Vendor representatives are URGED and CAUTIONED to visit the site and apprise themselves of the conditions and requirements which will affect the performance of the work called for by this IFB. A non-mandatory site visit is scheduled for this IFB. Submission of a bid shall constitute sufficient evidence of this compliance and no allowance will be made for unreported conditions which a prudent Vendor would recognize as affecting the performance of the work called for in this IFB.

Vendor is cautioned that any information released to attendees during the site visit, other than that involving the physical aspects of the facility referenced above, and which conflicts with, supersedes, or adds to requirements in this IFB, must be confirmed by written addendum before it can be considered to be a part of this IFB and any resulting contract.

2.6 BID QUESTIONS

Upon review of the IFB documents, Vendors may have questions to clarify or interpret the IFB in order to submit the best bid possible. To accommodate the Bid Questions process, Vendors shall submit any such questions by the "Submit Written Questions" date and time provided in the IFB SCHEDULE Section above, unless modified by Addendum.

Questions related to the content of the solicitation, or the procurement process should be directed to the person on the title page of this document via the Sourcing Tool's message board by the date and time specified in the IFB SCHEDULE Section of this IFB. Vendors will enter "IFB # 30-25104 – Questions" as the subject of the message. Question submittals should include a reference to the applicable IFB section. This is the only manner in which questions will be received.

Questions or issues related to using the Sourcing Tool itself can be directed to the North Carolina eProcurement Help Desk at 888-211-7440, Option 2. Help Desk representatives are available Monday through Friday from 7:30 AM ET to 5:00 PM ET.

Questions received prior to the submission deadline date, the State's response, and any additional terms deemed necessary by the State will be posted in the Sourcing Tool in the form of an addendum and shall become an Addendum to this IFB. No information, instruction or advice provided orally or informally by any State personnel, whether made in response to a question or otherwise in connection with this IFB, shall be considered authoritative or binding. Vendors shall rely *only* on written material contained in the IFB and an addendum to this IFB.

2.7 BID SUBMITTAL

IMPORTANT NOTE: This is an absolute requirement. Late bids, regardless of cause, will not be opened or considered, and will be automatically disqualified from further consideration. Vendor shall bear the sole risk of late submission due to unintended or unanticipated delay. It is the Vendor's sole responsibility to ensure its bid has been received as described in this IFB by the specified time and date of opening. Failure to submit a bid in strict accordance with instructions provided shall constitute sufficient cause to reject a Vendor's bids(s). Solicitation responses are subject to Sealed Bidding requirements.

Vendor's bids for this procurement must be submitted through the Sourcing Tool. For training on how to use the Sourcing Tool to view solicitations, submit questions, develop responses, upload documents, and submit offers to the State, Vendors should go to the following site: <https://eprocurement.nc.gov/training/vendor-training>

Questions or issues related to using the Sourcing Tool itself can be directed to the North Carolina eProcurement Help Desk at 888-211-7440, Option 2. Help Desk representatives are available Monday through Friday from 7:30 AM EST to 5:00 PM EST.

Tips for Using the Sourcing Tool

1. Vendors should review available training and confirm that they are able to access the Sourcing Event, enter responses, and upload files well in advance of the date and time response are due to allow sufficient time to seek assistance from the North Carolina eProcurement Help Desk.

2. Vendors may submit their responses early to make sure there are no issues, and then submit a revised response any time prior to the response due date and time. The State will only review the most recent response.
3. Vendors should respond to all relevant sections of the Sourcing Event. Certain questions or items are required in order to submit a response and are denoted with an asterisk. The Sourcing Tool will not allow a response to be submitted unless all required items are completed. The Sourcing Tool will provide error messages to help identify any required information that is missing when response is submitted.
4. Simply saving your response in the Sourcing Tool is not the same as submitting your response to the State. Vendors should make sure they complete the submission process and receive a message that their response was successfully submitted.
5. **Only Bids submitted through the Content Section of the Ariba Sourcing Event will be considered. Bids submitted through the Message Board will not be accepted or considered for award.**

If confidential and proprietary information is included in the bid, also submit one (1) signed, REDACTED copy of the bid. Such information may include trade secrets defined by N.C. Gen. Stat. § 66-152 and other information exempted from the Public Records Act pursuant to N.C. Gen. Stat. §132- 1.2. Vendor may designate information, Products, Services, or appropriate portions of its response as confidential, consistent with and to the extent permitted under the statutes and rules set forth above. By so redacting any page, or portion of a page, the Vendor warrants that it has formed a good faith opinion, having received such necessary or proper review by counsel and other knowledgeable advisors, that the portions determined to be confidential and proprietary and redacted as such, meet the requirements of the Rules and Statutes set forth above. However, under no circumstances shall price information be designated as confidential.

If the Vendor does not provide a redacted version of the bid with its bid submission, the Department may release an unredacted version if a record request is received.

2.8 BID CONTENTS

Vendors shall provide responses to all questions and complete all attachments for this IFB that require the Vendor to provide information and upload them to the Sourcing Event in the Sourcing Tool. Vendor may not be able to submit its response in the Sourcing Tool unless all required items are addressed. Vendors shall provide authorized signatures where requested. Failure to provide all required items, or Vendor's submission of incomplete items, may result in the State rejecting Vendor's bid, in the State's sole discretion.

Vendors shall upload the following items and attachments in the Sourcing Tool:

- a) Completed and signed version of all EXECUTION PAGES, along with the body of the IFB.
- b) Signed receipt pages of any addenda released in conjunction with this IFB, if required to be returned.
- c) Completed version of ATTACHMENT A: PRICING
- d) Completed version of ATTACHMENT D: HUB SUPPLEMENTAL VENDOR INFORMATION
- e) Completed version of ATTACHMENT E: CUSTOMER REFERENCE FORM
- f) Completed version of ATTACHMENT F: LOCATION OF WORKERS UTILIZED BY VENDOR
- g) Completed and signed version of ATTACHMENT G: CERTIFICATION OF FINANCIAL CONDITION
- h) Completed and signed version of ATTACHMENT H: STATE CERTIFICATIONS
- i) Completed and signed version of ATTACHMENT I: STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA SUBSTITUTE W-9 FORM

2.9 ALTERNATE BIDS

Unless provided otherwise in this IFB, Vendor may submit alternate bids for comparable Goods, various methods or levels of Service(s), or that propose different options. Alternate bid must specifically identify the IFB requirements and advantage(s) addressed by the alternate bid. Each bid must be for a specific set of Goods and Services and must include specific pricing. If a

Vendor chooses to respond with various offerings, Vendor shall follow the specific instructions for uploading Alternate Bids in the Sourcing Tool.

2.10 DEFINITIONS, ACRONYMS, AND ABBREVIATIONS

Relevant definitions for this IFB are provided in 01 NCAC 05A .0112 and in the Instructions to Vendors found in the Sourcing Tool, which are incorporated herein by this reference.

The following definitions, acronyms, and abbreviations are also relevant to this IFB:

- a) **CDC – CASWELL DEVELOPMENTAL CENTER:** The State Developmental Center for North Carolina’s Eastern region. Caswell provides services and support to individuals with Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities, complex behavioral challenges, and/or medical conditions whose clinical treatment needs exceed the supports currently available in the community.
- b) **CH – CHERRY HOSPITAL:** An inpatient regional referral psychiatric hospital in Goldsboro, NC. As one of three psychiatric hospitals operated by the NC Department of Health and Human Services, Cherry Hospital provides services to 38 counties in the eastern region of North Carolina.
- c) **DHHS – DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES:** Manages the delivery of health and human related services for all North Carolinians, especially our most vulnerable people – children, elderly, disabled and low-income families.
- d) **DSOHF – DIVISION OF STATE OPERATED HEALTHCARE FACILITIES:** Oversees and manages 13 state operated healthcare facilities that treat adults and children with mental illness, developmental disabilities, substance use disorders, and neuro-medical needs.
- e) **LNMTTC – LONGLEAF NEURO-MEDICAL TREATMENT CENTER:** A specialized Skilled Nursing facility located in Wilson, North Carolina. Longleaf provides services to adults with chronic and complex medical conditions that co-exist with neurodevelopmental, and/or neurocognitive disorders, and/or a diagnosis of severe and persistent mental illness.
- f) **OBNMTC – O’BERRY NEURO-MEDICAL TREATMENT CENTER:** A specialized Skilled Nursing facility that serves the aging adults in the eastern and central regions of the state with chronic, complex medical conditions that co-exist with neurological conditions often related to a diagnosis of intellectual and/or developmental disability. O’Berry provides specialized medical and intellectual and/or developmental disability services to these adults that cannot be served in the community.
- g) **WBJ ADATC – WALTER B. JONES ALCOHOL AND DRUG ABUSE TREATMENT CENTER:** A state operated alcohol and drug abuse treatment center. The Walter B. Jones Center provides inpatient treatment, psychiatric stabilization and medical detoxification for individuals with substance use and other co-occurring mental health diagnoses to prepare for ongoing community-based treatment and recovery.

3.0 METHOD OF AWARD AND BID EVALUATION PROCESS

3.1 METHOD OF AWARD

North Carolina G.S. 143-52 provides a general list of criteria the State shall use to award contracts, as supplemented by the additional criteria herein. The Goods or Services being procured shall dictate the application and order of criteria; however, all award decisions shall be in the State’s best interest.

All responsive bids will be reviewed, and an award or awards will be based on the responsive bid(s) offering the lowest price that meets the specifications provided herein, to include any required verifications set out here in such as but not limited to past performance, references, and financial documents.

While the intent of this IFB is to award a Contract(s) to a single Vendor, the State reserves the right to make separate awards to different Vendors for one or more line items, to not award one or more line items, or to cancel this IFB in its entirety without awarding a Contract, if it is considered to be most advantageous to the State to do so.

The State reserves the right to waive any minor informality or technicality in bids received.

3.2 CONFIDENTIALITY AND PROHIBITED COMMUNICATIONS DURING EVALUATION

While this IFB is under evaluation, the responding Vendor, including any subcontractors and suppliers, is prohibited from engaging in conversations intended to influence the outcome of the evaluation. See Paragraph 29. of the Instructions to Vendors entitled COMMUNICATOINS BY VENDORS

Each Vendor submitting a bid to this IFB, including its employees, agents, subcontractors, suppliers, subsidiaries and affiliates, is prohibited from having any communications with any person inside or outside the using agency; issuing agency; other government agency office or body (including the purchaser named above, any department secretary, agency head, members of the General Assembly and Governor’s office); or private entity, if the communication refers to the content of Vendor’s bid or qualifications, the content of another Vendor’s proposal, another Vendor’s qualifications or ability to perform a resulting contract, and/or the transmittal of any other communication of information that could be reasonably considered to have the effect of directly or indirectly influencing the evaluation of proposals, the award of a contract, or both.

Any Vendor not in compliance with this provision shall be disqualified from evaluation and award. A Vendor’s proposal may be disqualified if its subcontractor and/or supplier engage in any of the foregoing communications during the time that the procurement is active (*i.e.*, the issuance date of the procurement until the date of contract award or cancellation of the procurement). Only those discussions, communications or transmittals of information authorized or initiated by the issuing agency for this IFB or inquiries directed to the purchaser named in this IFB regarding requirements of the IFB (prior to proposal submission) or the status of the award (after submission) are excepted from this provision.

3.3 BID EVALUATION PROCESS

Only responsive submissions will be evaluated.

The State will conduct an evaluation of responsive Bids, as follows:

Bids will be received according to the method stated in the Bid Submittal section above.

All bids must be received by the issuing agency not later than the date and time specified in the IFB SCHEDULE Section above, unless modified by Addendum. Vendors are cautioned that this is a request for offers, not an offer or request to contract, and the State reserves the unqualified right to reject any and all offers at any time if such rejection is deemed to be in the best interest of the State.

At the date and time provided in the IFB SCHEDULE Section above, unless modified by Addendum, the bids from each responding Vendor will be opened publicly and all offers (except those that have been previously withdrawn, or voided bids) will be tabulated. The tabulation shall be made public at the time it is created. When negotiations after receipt of bids is authorized pursuant to G.S. 143-49 and 01 NCAC 05B.0503, only the names of offerors and the Goods and Services offered shall be tabulated at the time of opening. Cost and price shall become available for public inspection at the time of the award. Interested parties are cautioned that these costs and their components are subject to further evaluation for completeness and correctness and therefore may not be an exact indicator of a Vendor’s pricing position.

At their option, the evaluators may request oral presentations or discussions with any or all Vendors for clarification or to amplify the materials presented in any part of the bid. Vendors are cautioned, however, that the evaluators are not required to request presentations or other clarification—and often do not. Therefore, all bids should be complete and reflect the most favorable terms available from the Vendor. Prices bid cannot be altered or modified as part of a clarification.

Bids will generally be evaluated, based on completeness, content, cost and responsibility of the Vendor to supply the requested Goods and Services. Specific evaluation criteria are listed in Section 3.1 METHOD OF AWARD.

Upon completion of the evaluation process, the State will make Award(s) based on the evaluation and post the award(s) to the *electronic Vendor Portal (eVP)*, <https://evp.nc.gov>, under the IFB number for this solicitation. Award of a Contract to one Vendor does not mean that the other bids lacked merit, but that, all factors considered, the selected bid was deemed most advantageous and represented the best value to the State.

The State reserves the right to negotiate with one or more Vendors, or to reject all original offers and negotiate with one or more sources of supply that may be capable of satisfying the requirement, and in either case to require Vendor to submit a Best and Final Offer (BAFO) based on discussions and negotiations with the State.

3.4 PERFORMANCE OUTSIDE THE UNITED STATES

Vendor shall complete ATTACHMENT F: LOCATION OF WORKERS UTILIZED BY VENDOR. In addition to any other evaluation criteria identified in this IFB, the State may also consider, for purposes of evaluating proposed or actual contract performance outside of the United States, how that performance may affect the following factors to ensure that any award will be in the best interest of the State:

- a) Total cost to the State
- b) Level of quality provided by the Vendor
- c) Process and performance capability across multiple jurisdictions
- d) Protection of the State's information and intellectual property
- e) Availability of pertinent skills
- f) Ability to understand the State's business requirements and internal operational culture
- g) Particular risk factors such as the security of the State's information technology
- h) Relations with citizens and employees
- i) Contract enforcement jurisdictional issues

3.5 INTERPRETATION OF TERMS AND PHRASES

This IFB serves two functions: (1) to advise potential Vendors of the parameters of the solution being sought by the State; and (2) to provide (together with other specified documents) the terms of the Contract resulting from this procurement. The use of phrases such as "shall," "must," and "requirements" are intended to create enforceable contract conditions. In determining whether bids should be evaluated or rejected, the State will take into consideration the degree to which Vendors have proposed or failed to propose solutions that will satisfy the State's needs as described in the IFB. Except as specifically stated in the IFB, no one requirement shall automatically disqualify a Vendor from consideration. However, failure to comply with any single requirement may result in the State exercising its discretion to reject a bid in its entirety.

4.0 REQUIREMENTS

This Section lists the requirements related to this IFB. By submitting a bid, the Vendor agrees to meet all stated requirements in this Section as well as any other specifications, requirements, and terms and conditions stated in this IFB. If a Vendor is unclear about a requirement or specification, or believes a change to a requirement would allow for the State to receive a better bid, the Vendor is urged to submit these items in the form of a question during the question and answer period in accordance with the Bid Questions Section above.

4.1 PRICING

Bid price shall constitute the total cost to the State for complete performance in accordance with the requirements and specifications herein, including all applicable charges for handling, transportation, administrative and other similar fees. Complete ATTACHMENT A: PRICING FORM included within this IFB. The pricing provided in ATTACHMENT A, or resulting from any negotiations, is incorporated herein and shall become part of any resulting Contract.

4.2 INVOICES

Vendor shall invoice the Purchasing Agency. The standard format for invoicing shall be Single Invoices meaning that the Vendor shall provide the Purchasing Agency with an invoice for each order. Invoices shall include detailed information to allow Purchasing Agency to verify pricing at point of receipt matches the correct price from the original date of order. The following fields shall be included on all invoices, as relevant:

Vendor's Billing Address, Customer Account Number, NC Contract Number, Order Date, Buyer's Order Number, Item Descriptions, Price, Quantity, and Unit of Measure.

EACH FACILITY SHALL BE INVOICED SEPARATELY.

INVOICES MAY NOT BE PAID UNTIL AN INSPECTION HAS OCCURRED AND THE GOODS OR SERVICES ACCEPTED.

4.3 FINANCIAL STABILITY

As a condition of contract award, the Vendor must certify that it has the financial capacity to perform and to continue to perform its obligations under the Contract; that Vendor has no constructive or actual knowledge of an actual or potential legal proceeding being brought against Vendor that could materially adversely affect performance of this Contract; and that entering into this Contract is not prohibited by any contract, or order by any court of competent jurisdiction.

Each Vendor shall certify it is financially stable by completing ATTACHMENT G: CERTIFICATION OF FINANCIAL CONDITION. The State is requiring this certification to minimize potential issues from contracting with a Vendor that is financially unstable. From the date of the Certification to the expiration of the Contract, the Vendor shall notify the State within thirty (30) days of any occurrence or condition that materially alters the truth of any statement made in this Certification. The Contract Manager may require annual recertification of the Vendor's financial stability.

4.4 HUB PARTICIPATION

Pursuant to North Carolina General Statute G.S. 143-48, it is State policy to encourage and promote the use of small, minority, physically handicapped, and women contractors in purchasing Goods and Services. As such, this IFB will serve to identify those Vendors that are minority owned or have a strategic plan to support the State's Historically Underutilized Business program by meeting or exceeding the goal of 10% utilization of diverse firms as 1st or 2nd tier subcontractors. Vendor shall complete ATTACHMENT D: HUB SUPPLEMENTAL VENDOR INFORMATION.

4.5 REFERENCES

Vendor shall upload to the Sourcing Tool at least three (3) references, using ATTACHMENT E: CUSTOMER REFERENCE FORM, for which it has provided Services of similar size and scope to those proposed herein. The State may contact these users to determine whether the Services provided are substantially similar in scope to those proposed herein and whether Vendor's performance has been satisfactory. The information obtained may be considered in the evaluation of the Bid.

4.6 PERSONNEL

Vendor warrants that qualified personnel shall provide Services under this Contract in a professional manner. "Professional manner" means that the personnel performing the Services will possess the skill and competence consistent with the prevailing business standards in the industry. Vendor will serve as the prime contractor under this Contract and shall be responsible for the performance and payment of all subcontractor(s) that may be approved by the State. Names of any third-party Vendors or subcontractors of Vendor may appear for purposes of convenience in Contract documents; and shall not limit Vendor's obligations hereunder. Vendor will retain executive representation for functional and technical expertise as needed in order to incorporate any work by third party subcontractor(s).

Should the Vendor's bid result in an award, the Vendor shall be required to agree that it will not substitute key personnel assigned to the performance of the Contract without prior written approval by the Contract Lead. Vendor shall further agree that it will notify the Contract Lead of any desired substitution, including the name(s) and references of Vendor's recommended substitute personnel. The State will approve or disapprove the requested substitution in a timely manner. The State may, in

its sole discretion, terminate the Services of any person providing Services under this Contract. Upon such termination, the State may request acceptable substitute personnel or terminate the contract Services provided by such personnel.

4.7 VENDOR’S REPRESENTATIONS

If Vendor’s bid results in an award, Vendor agrees that it will not enter any agreement with a third party that may abridge any rights of the State under the Contract. If any Services, deliverables, functions, or responsibilities not specifically described in this solicitation are required for Vendor’s proper performance, provision and delivery of the Service and deliverables under a resulting Contract, or are an inherent part of or necessary sub-task included within such Service, they will be deemed to be implied by and included within the scope of the Contract to the same extent and in the same manner as if specifically described in the Contract. Unless otherwise expressly provided herein, Vendor will furnish all of its own necessary management, supervision, labor, facilities, furniture, computer and telecommunications equipment, software, supplies and materials necessary for the Vendor to provide and deliver the Services and/or other Deliverables.

4.8 AGENCY INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS MODIFICATION

A. Default Insurance Coverage from the General Terms and Conditions applicable to this Solicitation:

- Small Purchases
- Contract value in excess of the Small Purchase threshold, but up to \$1,000,000.00
- Contract value in excess of \$1,000,000.00

4.9 LICENSE AND ELECTRICAL

REQUIREMENTS	VENDOR’S RESPONSE
Specifications	
A copy of your Garbage Disposal NC License is included with your response.	<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO
Vendor can provide final electrical hookup requirements of proposed equipment to electrical disconnect.	<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO

5.0 SPECIFICATIONS AND SCOPE OF WORK

5.1 SOLID WASTE REMOVAL SERVICES

Removal services shall occur as follows:

FACILITY	SERVICE TIME
Caswell Developmental Center	Between 5:00 AM and 6:00 AM
Longleaf Neuro-Medical Treatment Center	Between 5:00 AM and 6:00 AM
Walter B. Jones Alcohol and Drug Abuse Treatment Center	Between 7:30 AM and 5:00 PM
O’Berry Neuro-Medical Treatment Center	Between 8:00 AM and 11:30 AM
Cherry Hospital	Between 8:00 AM and 11:30 AM

All facilities are Nursing/Medical Facilities and shall receive priority servicing during times of adverse weather.

Changes to any portion of the Contract, addition or deletion of equipment, equipment relocation etc. are strictly prohibited without the proper approval and acceptance through an Amendment to the Contract.

“Rental” refers to the equipment, e.g. containers, agreement where the vendor permits the State to use the equipment in exchange for periodic payments. The vendor owned equipment shall be provided as part of the contract.

Each rental container must be kept clean and in proper working condition at all times. The Vendor shall be responsible for the repair and maintenance of all rental equipment provided during the term of contract. Vendor shall power clean and sanitize the rental dumpster containers two (2) times per year. This must be completed at a site other than the facilities listed below.

Caswell Developmental Center – 2415 W. Vernon Avenue, Kinston, NC 28504

The Vendor shall provide, service and empty the following RENTAL solid waste removal containers listed below:

Quantity	Location	Size	Schedule	Pickup Day
1	Gamma	Eight (8) Cubic Yard Front Load	3 x week	Mon/Wed/Fri
1	Beta	Eight (8) Cubic Yard Front Load	3 x week	Mon/Wed/Fri
1	Alpha	Eight (8) Cubic Yard Front Load	3 x week	Mon/Wed/Fri
1	Kendall/Johnson	Eight (8) Cubic Yard Front Load	3 x week	Mon/Wed/Fri
1	Kendall/Johnson	Eight (8) Cubic Yard Front Load	3 x week	Mon/Wed/Fri
1	Kendall/Johnson	Eight (8) Cubic Yard Front Load	3 x week	Mon/Wed/Fri
1	Vending Warehouse	Eight (8) Cubic Yard Front Load	3 x week	Mon/Wed/Fri
1	Barnes School	Eight (8) Cubic Yard Front Load	3 x week	Mon/Wed/Fri
1	McNairy	Eight (8) Cubic Yard Front Load	3 x week	Mon/Wed/Fri
1	Central Hospital	Eight (8) Cubic Yard Front Load	3 x week	Mon/Wed/Fri
1	Magnolia	Eight (8) Cubic Yard Front Load	3 x week	Mon/Wed/Fri
1	Cypress	Eight (8) Cubic Yard Front Load	3 x week	Mon/Wed/Fri
1	Cedar	Eight (8) Cubic Yard Front Load	3 x week	Mon/Wed/Fri
1	Hardison	Eight (8) Cubic Yard Front Load	3 x week	Mon/Wed/Fri
1	Byrum/Parrott	Eight (8) Cubic Yard Front Load	3 x week	Mon/Wed/Fri
1	Byrum/Parrott	Eight (8) Cubic Yard Front Load	3 x week	Mon/Wed/Fri
1	Pate	Eight (8) Cubic Yard Front Load	3 x week	Mon/Wed/Fri
1	LAC	Eight (8) Cubic Yard Front Load	3 x week	Mon/Wed/Fri
1	Hardy	Eight (8) Cubic Yard Front Load	3 x week	Mon/Wed/Fri
1	Carpentry Shop	Eight (8) Cubic Yard Front Load	3 x week	Mon/Wed/Fri
1	Garage	Eight (8) Cubic Yard Front Load	3 x week	Mon/Wed/Fri
1	Balloon Company	Four (4) Cubic Yard Front Load	3 x week	Mon/Wed/Fri
1	Farm	Four (4) Cubic Yard Front Load	3 x week	Mon/Wed/Fri

Longleaf Neuro-Medical Treatment Center – 4761 Ward Boulevard, Wilson, NC 27893

The Vendor shall provide, service and empty the following RENTAL solid waste removal containers listed below:

Quantity	Location	Size	Schedule	Pickup Day
1	Behind Warehouse / Shipping Area	Thirty-Four (34) Cubic-Yard Self Contained Compactor	1 x week	Friday

O’Berry Neuro-Medical Treatment Center – 400 Old Smithfield Road, Goldsboro, NC 27530

The Vendor shall provide, service and empty the following RENTAL solid waste removal containers listed below:

Quantity	Location	Size	Schedule	Pickup Day
1	A-2 (Building 100)	Eight (8) Cubic Yard Front Load	2 x week	Mon/Thurs
2	Cluster 1 (101-104)	Eight (8) Cubic Yard Front Load	2 x week	Mon/Thurs
2	Cluster 2 (201-204)	Eight (8) Cubic Yard Front Load	2 x week	Mon/Thurs
1	Cluster 5 (504-505)	Eight (8) Cubic Yard Front Load	2 x week	Mon/Thurs
1	Cluster 7 (Building 276)	Eight (8) Cubic Yard Front Load	2 x week	Mon/Thurs
2	Between Cluster 4 and HAB East (Building 400)	Eight (8) Cubic Yard Front Load	2 x week	Mon/Thurs
1	Special Services / Custom Adaptation Building (Building 500)	Eight (8) Cubic Yard Front Load	2 x week	Mon/Thurs
1	Canteen (Building 506)	Eight (8) Cubic Yard Front Load	2 x week	Mon/Thurs
1	Old Dietary (Building 205)	Eight (8) Cubic Yard Front Load	2 x week	Mon/Thurs
1	Health Services (Building 605)	Six (6) Cubic Yard Front Load	2 x week	Mon/Thurs
1	Maintenance (Building 411)	Six (6) Cubic Yard Front Load	2 x week	Mon/Thurs
1	Cluster 6 (Building 364)	Eight (8) Cubic Yard Front Load	2 x week	Mon/Thurs
2	Maintenance (Building 411) and Hotel Area (Building 500)	Thirty (30) Cubic-Yard Open Top Container (Construction Debris)		Will call as needed

Cherry Hospital (NEW)– 1401 E. Ash Street, Goldsboro, NC 27530

The Vendor shall provide, service and empty the following RENTAL solid waste removal containers listed below:

Quantity	Location	Size	Schedule	Pickup Day
1	Rear of Hospital	Thirty-Four (34) Cubic-Yard Self Contained Compactor equipped with pressure gauge	2 x week	Mon/Thurs

Cherry Hospital (OLD)– 201 Stevens Mill Road, Goldsboro, NC 27530

The Vendor shall provide, service and empty the following RENTAL solid waste removal containers listed below:

Quantity	Location	Size	Schedule	Pickup Day
1	Royster Building	Six (6) Cubic Yard Front Load	2 x week	Mon/Thurs
1	Carpentry Shop	Six (6) Cubic Yard Front Load	2 x week	Mon/Thurs
1	Warehouse	Six (6) Cubic Yard Front Load	2 x week	Mon/Thurs
1	Carpentry	Thirty (30) Cubic-Yard Open Top Container (Construction Debris)	1 x month	Will call as needed

Walter B. Jones ADATC – 2577 West 5th Street, Greenville, NC 27834

The Vendor shall provide, service and empty the following RENTAL solid waste removal containers listed below:

Quantity	Location	Size	Schedule	Pickup Day
1	Rear of Center	Eight (8) Cubic Yard Front Load	3 x week	Mon/Wed/Fri
1	Rear of Center	Eight (8) Cubic Yard Front Load	3 x week	Mon/Wed/Fri

5.2 EMERGENCY (NON-ROUTINE) PICK-UPS RESPONSE TIME

Emergency Pick-ups for All Facilities: Cost for emergency/non – routine waste removal will be listed as a separate cost on the Cost Sheet provided. If emergency services are requested, we will require a response time of four (4) hours minimum. **If your company response will differ from required response time, please note below.**

Emergency Response Time: _____

5.3 RECYCLING SERVICES

Removal services shall occur as follows:

FACILITY	SERVICE TIME
Caswell Developmental Center	Between 5:00 AM and 6:00 AM
Longleaf Neuro-Medical Treatment Center	Between 5:00 AM and 6:00 AM
Walter B. Jones Alcohol and Drug Abuse Treatment Center	Between 7:30 AM and 5:00 PM
O’Berry Neuro-Medical Treatment Center	Between 8:00 AM and 11:30 AM
Cherry Hospital	Between 8:00 AM and 11:30 AM

All facilities are Nursing/Medical Facilities and shall receive priority servicing during times of adverse weather.

Changes to any portion of the Contract, addition or deletion of equipment, equipment relocation etc. are strictly prohibited without the proper approval and acceptance through an Amendment to the Contract.

“Rental” refers to the equipment, e.g. containers, agreement where the vendor permits the State to use the equipment in exchange for periodic payments. The vendor owned equipment shall be provided as part of the contract.

Each rental container must be kept clean and in proper working condition at all times. The Vendor shall be responsible for the repair and maintenance of all rental equipment provided during the term of contract. Vendor shall power clean and sanitize the rental dumpster containers two (2) times per year. This must be completed at a site other than the facilities listed below.

Caswell Developmental Center – 2415 W. Vernon Avenue, Kinston, NC 28504

The Vendor shall provide, service and empty the following RENTAL recycling containers listed below:

Quantity	Location	Size	Schedule	Pickup Day
1	Rear of Center	Eight (8) Cubic Yard Slant Carboard Recycling	2 x week	Mon/Thurs
1	Rear of Center	Eight (8) Cubic Yard Slant Carboard Recycling	2 x week	Mon/Thurs
1	Rear of Center	Eight (8) Cubic Yard Slant Carboard Recycling	2 x week	Mon/Thurs
1	Rear of Center	Thirty (30) Cubic Yard Open Top - Co-Mingled		Will call as needed
1	Carpentry Shop	Twenty (20) Cubic Yard Open Top – Construction Debris		Will call as needed

Longleaf Neuro-Medical Treatment Center – 4761 Ward Boulevard, Wilson, NC 27893

The Vendor shall provide, service and empty the following RENTAL recycling containers listed below:

Quantity	Location	Size	Schedule	Pickup Day
1	Behind Warehouse / Shipping Area	Eight (8) Cubic Yard OCC Container	1 x week	Friday
1	Behind Warehouse / Shipping Area	Forty (40) Cubic Yard Open Top		Will call as needed

O’Berry Neuro-Medical Treatment Center – 400 Old Smithfield Road, Goldsboro, NC 27530

The Vendor shall provide, service and empty the following RENTAL recycling containers listed below:

Quantity	Location	Size	Schedule	Pickup Day
2	Special Services Building 500	Eight (8) Cubic Yard Front Load – Designated OCC Only	2 x week	Mon/Thurs
1	Warehouse 409	Eight (8) Cubic Yard Front Load – Designated OCC Only	2 x week	Mon/Thurs
1		Thirty (30) Cubic Yard Open Top (Metal Recycling)		Will call as needed

Cherry Hospital (NEW)– 1401 E. Ash Street, Goldsboro, NC 27530

The Vendor shall provide, service and empty the following RENTAL recycling containers listed below:

Quantity	Location	Size	Schedule	Pickup Day
1	Rear of Hospital	Thirty-Four (34) Cubic-Yard Self Contained Compactor equipped with pressure gauge Designated OCC Only Must contain a slot for OCC boxes to be deposited. Boxes must be broken down to fit through the slot.	2 x week	Mon/Thurs
1	Rear of Hospital	Thirty-Four (34) Cubic Yard Roll Off Dumpster – Designated Co-Mingled (Plastic, aluminum and metal)	2 x week	Mon/Thurs

Cherry Hospital (OLD)– 201 Stevens Mill Road, Goldsboro, NC 27530

The Vendor shall provide, service and empty the following RENTAL recycling containers listed below:

Quantity	Location	Size	Schedule	Pickup Day
1	Carpentry Shop	Eight (8) Cubic Yard Front Load – Designated OCC Only	2 x week	Mon/Thurs
1	Warehouse	Twelve (12) Cubic Yard Front Load – Designated OCC Only	2 x week	Mon/Thurs

Walter B. Jones ADATC – 2577 West 5th Street, Greenville, NC 27834

The Vendor shall provide, service and empty the following RENTAL recycling containers listed below:

Quantity	Location	Size	Schedule	Pickup Day
1	Rear of Center	Eight (8) Cubic Yard Front Load – Designated OCC Only	1 x week	Thurs

5.4 SURPLUS COMMODITY RECYCLABLE MATERIALS

Whereas the State of North Carolina has declared certain recyclable materials as a surplus commodity, the institutions must take necessary steps to recover value of same in accordance with N.C. General Statute 130A-309.14 and Executive Order 156. For additional information <https://deq.nc.gov/conservation/recycling>. Monthly reports must be provided by the Vendor giving total Old Corrugated Containers (OCC), Plastics, and Mixed Paper collected and diverted from the landfill. **The Vendor shall make arrangements to sell all the recyclable materials to a recycling business and return 47% of the proceeds from the sale of the recyclable materials to each institution in the form of a check made out to each facility.**

Vendor Signature of Acknowledgment of Section 5.4 Recycling Services terms.

Date

5.5 POWER CLEANING AND SANITIZING

All containers shall be cleaned and sanitized prior to being brought onsite to the facilities. As part of this IFB, Vendor shall provide power cleaning and sanitizing of each container for solid waste and recycling at a minimum of once per quarter. Power cleaning and sanitizing services shall not be performed onsite at the facility. Power cleaning and sanitizing will be coordinated with the Facility Contract Managers, or their designees, listed herein. Containers must be returned to each facility within four (4) hours of pickup.

- **NOTE: Cherry Hospital (New) – 1401 E. Ash Street, Goldsboro, NC 27530**
Power cleaning and sanitizing services to be provided **weekly**.

Additional power cleaning and sanitizing services may be requested by the facilities at an additional cost as noted in Attachment A: PRICING FORM.

5.6 CERTIFICATION AND SAFETY LABELS

Any manufactured items and/or fabricated assemblies provided hereunder that are subject to operation under pressure, operation by connection to an electric source, or operation involving a connection to a manufactured, natural, or LP gas source shall be constructed and approved in a manner acceptable to the appropriate inspector which customarily requires the label or re-examination listing or identification marking of the appropriate safety standard organization *acceptable to govern inspection where the item is to be located*, such as the American Society of Mechanical Engineers for pressure vessels; the Underwriters Laboratories and /or National Electrical Manufacturers’ Association for electrically operated assemblies; or the American Gas Association for gas operated assemblies, where such approvals of listings have been established for the type of device offered and furnished. Further, all items furnished shall meet all requirements of the Occupational Safety and Health Act (OSHA), and state and federal requirements relating to clean air and water pollution.

5.7 DEVIATIONS

The nature of all deviations from the Specifications listed herein shall be clearly described by the Vendor. Otherwise, it will be considered that items offered by the Vendor are in strict compliance with the Specifications provided herein, and the successful Vendor shall be required to supply conforming goods and/or services. Deviations shall be explained in detail on an attached sheet. However, no implication is made or intended by the State that any deviation will be acceptable. Do not list objections to the North Carolina General Terms and Conditions in this section.

6.0 CONTRACT ADMINISTRATION

All Contract Administration requirements are conditioned on an award resulting from this solicitation. This information is provided for the Vendor’s planning purposes.

6.1 CONTRACT MANAGER AND CUSTOMER SERVICE

The Vendor shall be required to designate and make available to the State a contract manager. The contract manager shall be the State’s point of contact for Contract related issues and issues concerning performance, progress review, scheduling, and service.

Contract Manager Point of Contact	
Name:	
Office Phone #:	
Mobile Phone #:	
Email:	

The Vendor shall be required to designate and make available to the State for customer service. The customer service point of contact shall be the State’s point of contact for customer service-related issues to include invoicing, credits, complaints and organizational information.

Customer Service Point of Contact	
Name:	
Office Phone #:	
Mobile Phone #:	
Email:	

6.2 POST AWARD PROJECT REVIEW MEETINGS

The Vendor, at the request of the State, shall be required to meet periodically with the State for Project Review meetings. The purpose of these meetings will be to review project progress reports, discuss Vendor and State performance, address outstanding issues, review problem resolution, provide direction, evaluate continuous improvement and cost saving ideas, and discuss any other pertinent topics.

6.3 CONTINUOUS IMPROVEMENT

The State encourages the Vendor to identify opportunities to reduce the total cost the State. A continuous improvement effort consists of various ways to enhance business efficiencies as performance progresses.

6.4 PERIODIC MONTHLY STATUS REPORTS

The Vendor shall be required to provide Disposal Reports to the designated Contract Lead of each facility on a monthly basis. This report shall include, at a minimum, information concerning dates of pickup for the facility, weight figured in tons, type of material recycled, and location recycled material was taken. These reports shall be well organized and easy to read. The Vendor shall submit these reports electronically using the format required by the Purchasing Agency. The Vendor shall submit the reports in a timely manner and on a regular schedule as agreed by the parties.

Within ten (10) business days of the award of the Contract the Vendor shall submit a final work plan and a sample report, both to the designated Contract Lead for approval.

6.5 ACCEPTANCE OF WORK

Performance of the work and/or delivery of Goods shall be conducted and completed at least in accordance with the Contract requirements and recognized and customarily accepted industry practices. Performance shall be considered complete when the Services or Goods are approved as acceptable by the Contract Administrator.

Acceptance of Vendor’s work product shall be based on the following criteria:

1. Adherence to service schedule as listed within Section 5.0 Specifications and Scope of Work.
2. Adherence to Adverse Weather Conditions requirements.
3. Changes or modifications to the contract are made through an Amendment and approved through the Procurement Office.
4. Missed pickups are immediately rescheduled for **next day** service.
5. Clean up of any debris that falls from the container during service pickup.

The State shall have the obligation to notify Vendor, in writing ten (10) calendar days following completion of such work or delivery of a deliverable described in the Contract that it is not acceptable. The notice shall specify in reasonable detail the reason(s) it is unacceptable. Acceptance by the State shall not be unreasonably withheld; but may be conditioned or delayed as required for reasonable review, evaluation, installation, or testing, as applicable to the work or deliverable. Final acceptance is expressly conditioned upon completion of all applicable assessment procedures. Should the work or deliverables fail to meet any specifications, acceptance criteria or otherwise fail to conform to the Contract, the State may exercise any and all rights hereunder, including, for Goods deliverables, such rights provided by the Uniform Commercial Code, as adopted in North Carolina.

6.6 TRANSITION ASSISTANCE

If a Contract results from this solicitation, and the Contract is not renewed at the end of the last active term, or is canceled prior to its expiration, for any reason, Vendor shall provide transition assistance to the State, at the option of the State, for up to six (6) months to allow for the expired or canceled portion of the Services to continue without interruption or adverse effect, and to facilitate the orderly transfer of such Services to the State or its designees. If the State exercises this option, the Parties agree that such transition assistance shall be governed by the terms and conditions of the Contract (notwithstanding this expiration or cancellation), except for those Contract terms or conditions that do not reasonably apply to such transition assistance. The State shall agree to pay Vendor for any resources utilized in performing such transition assistance at the most current rates provided by the Contract for performance of the Services or other resources utilized.

6.7 DISPUTE RESOLUTION

During the performance of the Contract, the parties agree that it is in their mutual interest to resolve disputes informally. Any claims by the Vendor shall be submitted in writing to the State’s Contract Manager for resolution. Any claims by the State shall be submitted in writing to the Vendor’s Project Manager for resolution. The Parties shall agree to negotiate in good faith and use all reasonable efforts to resolve such dispute(s).

During the time the Parties are attempting to resolve any dispute, each shall proceed diligently to perform their respective duties and responsibilities under this Contract. The Parties will agree on a reasonable amount of time to resolve a dispute. If a dispute cannot be resolved between the Parties within the agreed upon period, either Party may elect to exercise any other remedies available under the Contract, or at law. This provision, when agreed in the Contract, shall not constitute an agreement by either party to mediate or arbitrate any dispute.

6.8 CONTRACT CHANGES

Contract changes, if any, over the life of the Contract shall be implemented by contract amendments agreed to in writing by the State and Vendor. Amendments to the contract can only be done through the contract administrator.

6.9 ATTACHMENTS

All attachments to this IFB are the copies found within the Ariba Sourcing Tool, and are incorporated herein, and shall be submitted by responding in the Sourcing Tool.

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ATTACHMENT A: PRICING

1. SOLID WASTE REMOVAL SERVICES

Caswell Developmental Center – 2415 W. Vernon Avenue, Kinston, NC 28504

The Vendor shall provide, service and empty the following RENTAL solid waste removal containers listed below:

Quantity	Size	YEAR 1 – Monthly Rental Amount (12 months) (10.1.25 – 9.30.26)	YEAR 2 – Monthly Rental Amount (12 months) (10.1.26 – 9.30.27)	YEAR 3 – Monthly Rental Amount (12 Months) (10.1.27 – 9.30.28)
21	Eight (8) Cu Yd			
2	Four (4) Cu Yd			
YEAR 1 TOTAL VALUE:				
YEAR 2 TOTAL VALUE:				
YEAR 3 TOTAL VALUE:				
CDC – TOTAL 3 YEAR CONTRACT VALUE SOLID WASTE:				

Longleaf Neuro-Medical Treatment Center – 4761 Ward Boulevard, Wilson, NC 27893

The Vendor shall provide, service and empty the following RENTAL solid waste removal containers listed below:

Quantity	Size	YEAR 1 – Monthly Rental Amount (12 months) (10.1.25 – 9.30.26)	YEAR 2 – Monthly Rental Amount (12 months) (10.1.26 – 9.30.27)	YEAR 3 – Monthly Rental Amount (12 Months) (10.1.27 – 9.30.28)
1	Thirty-Four (34) Cu Yd Self Contained Compactor			
YEAR 1 TOTAL VALUE:				
YEAR 2 TOTAL VALUE:				
YEAR 3 TOTAL VALUE:				
LNMTC – TOTAL 3 YEAR CONTRACT VALUE SOLID WASTE:				

O’Berry Neuro-Medical Treatment Center – 400 Old Smithfield Road, Goldsboro, NC 27530

The Vendor shall provide, service and empty the following RENTAL solid waste removal containers listed below:

Quantity	Size	YEAR 1 – Monthly Rental Amount (10 months) (12.3.25 – 9.30.26)	YEAR 2 – Monthly Rental Amount (12 months) (10.1.26 – 9.30.27)	YEAR 3 – Monthly Rental Amount (12 Months) (10.1.27 – 9.30.28)
13	Eight (8) Cu Yd			
2	Six (6) Cu Yd			
2	Thirty (30) Cu Yd			
YEAR 1 TOTAL VALUE:				
YEAR 2 TOTAL VALUE:				
YEAR 3 TOTAL VALUE:				
ONMTC – TOTAL 3 YEAR CONTRACT VALUE SOLID WASTE:				

Cherry Hospital (NEW)– 1401 E. Ash Street, Goldsboro, NC 27530

The Vendor shall provide, service and empty the following RENTAL solid waste removal containers listed below.

Quantity	Size	YEAR 1 – Monthly Rental Amount (10 months) (12.3.25 – 9.30.26)	YEAR 2 – Monthly Rental Amount (12 months) (10.1.26 – 9.30.27)	YEAR 3 – Monthly Rental Amount (12 Months) (10.1.27 – 9.30.28)
1	Thirty-Four (34) Cu Yd Self Contained Compactor with Pressure Gauge			
YEAR 1 TOTAL VALUE:				
YEAR 2 TOTAL VALUE:				
YEAR 3 TOTAL VALUE:				
CH NEW – TOTAL 3 YEAR CONTRACT VALUE SOLID WASTE:				

Cherry Hospital (OLD)– 201 Stevens Mill Road, Goldsboro, NC 27530

The Vendor shall provide, service and empty the following RENTAL solid waste removal containers listed below.

Quantity	Size	YEAR 1 – Monthly Rental Amount (10 months) (12.3.25 – 9.30.26)	YEAR 2 – Monthly Rental Amount (12 months) (10.1.26 – 9.30.27)	YEAR 3 – Monthly Rental Amount (12 Months) (10.1.27 – 9.30.28)
3	Six (6) Cu Yd			
1	Thirty (30) Cu Yd			
YEAR 1 TOTAL VALUE:				
YEAR 2 TOTAL VALUE:				
YEAR 3 TOTAL VALUE:				
CH NEW – TOTAL 3 YEAR CONTRACT VALUE SOLID WASTE:				

Walter B. Jones ADATC – 2577 West 5th Street, Greenville, NC 27834

The Vendor shall provide, service and empty the following RENTAL solid waste removal containers listed below:

Quantity	Size	YEAR 1 – Monthly Rental Amount (10 months) (12.3.25 – 9.30.26)	YEAR 2 – Monthly Rental Amount (12 months) (10.1.26 – 9.30.27)	YEAR 3 – Monthly Rental Amount (12 Months) (10.1.27 – 9.30.28)
2	Eight (8) Cu Yd			
YEAR 1 TOTAL VALUE:				
YEAR 2 TOTAL VALUE:				
YEAR 3 TOTAL VALUE:				
WBJ ADATC – TOTAL 3 YEAR CONTRACT VALUE SOLID WASTE:				

2. RECYCLING SERVICES

Caswell Developmental Center – 2415 W. Vernon Avenue, Kinston, NC 28504

The Vendor shall provide, service and empty the following RENTAL recycling containers listed below:

Quantity	Size	YEAR 1 – Monthly Rental Amount (12 months) (10.1.25 – 9.30.26)	YEAR 2 – Monthly Rental Amount (12 months) (10.1.26 – 9.30.27)	YEAR 3 – Monthly Rental Amount (12 Months) (10.1.27 – 9.30.28)
3	Eight (8) Cu Yd Slant			
1	Thirty (30) Cu Yd			
1	Twenty (20) Cu Yd			
YEAR 1 TOTAL VALUE:				
YEAR 2 TOTAL VALUE:				
YEAR 3 TOTAL VALUE:				
CDC – TOTAL 3 YEAR CONTRACT VALUE RECYCLING:				

Longleaf Neuro-Medical Treatment Center – 4761 Ward Boulevard, Wilson, NC 27893

The Vendor shall provide, service and empty the following RENTAL recycling containers listed below:

Quantity	Size	YEAR 1 – Monthly Rental Amount (12 months) (10.1.25 – 9.30.26)	YEAR 2 – Monthly Rental Amount (12 months) (10.1.26 – 9.30.27)	YEAR 3 – Monthly Rental Amount (12 Months) (10.1.27 – 9.30.28)
1	Eight (8) Cu Yd Slant			
1	Forty (40) Cu Yd			
YEAR 1 TOTAL VALUE:				
YEAR 2 TOTAL VALUE:				
YEAR 3 TOTAL VALUE:				
LNMTC – TOTAL 3 YEAR CONTRACT VALUE RECYCLING:				

O’Berry Neuro-Medical Treatment Center – 400 Old Smithfield Road, Goldsboro, NC 27530

The Vendor shall provide, service and empty the following RENTAL recycling containers listed below:

Quantity	Size	YEAR 1 – Monthly Rental Amount (10 months) (12.3.25 – 9.30.26)	YEAR 2 – Monthly Rental Amount (12 months) (10.1.26 – 9.30.27)	YEAR 3 – Monthly Rental Amount (12 Months) (10.1.27 – 9.30.28)
3	Eight (8) Cu Yd Font Load			
1	Thirty (30) Cu Yd Open Top			
YEAR 1 TOTAL VALUE:				
YEAR 2 TOTAL VALUE:				
YEAR 3 TOTAL VALUE:				
ONMTC – TOTAL 3 YEAR CONTRACT VALUE RECYCLING:				

Cherry Hospital (NEW)– 1401 E. Ash Street, Goldsboro, NC 27530

The Vendor shall provide, service and empty the following RENTAL recycling containers listed below:

Quantity	Size	YEAR 1 – Monthly Rental Amount (10 months) (12.3.25 – 9.30.26)	YEAR 2 – Monthly Rental Amount (12 months) (10.1.26 – 9.30.27)	YEAR 3 – Monthly Rental Amount (12 Months) (10.1.27 – 9.30.28)
1	Thirty-Four (34) Cu Yd Compactor			
1	Thirty-four (34) Cu Yd Roll Off			
YEAR 1 TOTAL VALUE:				
YEAR 2 TOTAL VALUE:				
YEAR 3 TOTAL VALUE:				
CH – TOTAL 3 YEAR CONTRACT VALUE RECYCLING:				

Cherry Hospital (OLD)– 201 Stevens Mill Road, Goldsboro, NC 27530

The Vendor shall provide, service and empty the following RENTAL recycling containers listed below:

Quantity	Size	YEAR 1 – Monthly Rental Amount (10 months) (12.3.25 – 9.30.26)	YEAR 2 – Monthly Rental Amount (12 months) (10.1.26 – 9.30.27)	YEAR 3 – Monthly Rental Amount (12 Months) (10.1.27 – 9.30.28)
1	Eight (8) Cu Yd			
1	Twelve (12) Cu Yd			
YEAR 1 TOTAL VALUE:				
YEAR 2 TOTAL VALUE:				
YEAR 3 TOTAL VALUE:				
CH – TOTAL 3 YEAR CONTRACT VALUE RECYCLING:				

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The Vendor shall provide, service and empty the following RENTAL recycling containers listed below:

Quantity	Size	YEAR 1 – Monthly Rental Amount (10 months) (12.3.25 – 9.30.26)	YEAR 2 – Monthly Rental Amount (12 months) (10.1.26 – 9.30.27)	YEAR 3 – Monthly Rental Amount (12 Months) (10.1.27 – 9.30.28)
1	Eight (8) Cu Yd Slant			
YEAR 1 TOTAL VALUE:				
YEAR 2 TOTAL VALUE:				
YEAR 3 TOTAL VALUE:				
WBJ ADATC – TOTAL 3 YEAR CONTRACT VALUE RECYCLING:				

Total Contract Cost for Solid Waste and Recycling Services (All Facilities)					
FACILITY	SERVICE	YEAR 1 VALUE	YEAR 2 VALUE	YEAR 3 VALUE	TOTAL CONTRACT VALUE
Caswell	Solid Waste				
	Recycling				
TOTAL CONTRACT VALUE CASWELL:					
Longleaf	Solid Waste				
	Recycling				
TOTAL CONTRACT VALUE LONGLEAF:					
O’Berry	Solid Waste				
	Recycling				
TOTAL CONTRACT VALUE O’BERRY:					
Cherry NEW	Solid Waste				
	Recycling				
Cherry OLD	Solid Waste				
	Recycling				
TOTAL CONTRACT VALUE CHERRY (BOTH LOCATIONS):					
Walter B. Jones	Solid Waste				
	Recycling				
TOTAL CONTRACT VALUE WALTER B JONES:					

TOTAL CONTRACT VALUE ALL FACILITIES	\$ _____
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