



State of Arkansas
OFFICE OF STATE PROCUREMENT
1509 West Seventh Street, Room 300
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201-4222

INVITATION FOR BID

IFB Number: SP-16-0158	Buyer: Karrie Duncan
Commodity or Service: Arkansas State Highway Map Agency: AR State Highway & Transportation Depart.	Bid Opening Date: January 27, 2016
Date Issued: January 15, 2016	Bid Opening Time: 2 p.m. Central Time

BIDS **WILL** BE ACCEPTED UNTIL THE TIME AND DATE SPECIFIED ABOVE. THE BID ENVELOPE, INCLUDING THE OUTSIDE OF OVERNIGHT PACKAGES, **MUST** BE SEALED AND SHOULD BE PROPERLY MARKED WITH THE BID NUMBER, DATE AND HOUR OF BID OPENING AND VENDOR'S RETURN ADDRESS. IT IS NOT NECESSARY TO RETURN "NO BIDS" TO THE OFFICE OF STATE PROCUREMENT.

Vendors are responsible for delivery of their bid documents to the Office of State Procurement prior to the scheduled time for opening of the particular bid. When appropriate, vendors should consult with delivery providers to determine whether the bid documents will be delivered to the OSP office street address prior to the scheduled time for bid opening. Delivery providers, USPS, UPS, and FedEx deliver mail to our street address on a schedule determined by each individual provider. These providers will deliver to our offices based solely on our street address.

<u>MAILING ADDRESS:</u> Office of State Procurement 1509 West Seventh Street, Room 300 Little Rock, AR 72201-4222 TELEPHONE NUMBER: 501-324-9316	<u>BID OPENING LOCATION:</u> Office of State Procurement 1509 West Seventh Street, Room 300 Little Rock, AR 72201-4222
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Company Name: _____

Name (type or print): _____

Title: _____

Address: _____

City: _____

State: _____

Zip Code: _____

Telephone Number: _____

Fax Number: _____

E-Mail Address: _____

Signature: _____

USE INK ONLY. UNSIGNED BIDS WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED

Business Designation
(check one):

Individual []

Sole Proprietorship []

Public Service Corp []

Partnership []

Corporation []

Government/ Nonprofit []

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TYPE OF CONTRACT:	TERM
AGENCY P.R. NUMBER	OFFLINE

1. **MINORITY BUSINESS POLICY**: Minority participation is encouraged in this and in all other procurements by state agencies. Minority is defined by Arkansas Code Annotated § 15-4-303 as a lawful permanent resident of this state who is: African American, Hispanic American, American Indian, Asian American, Pacific Islander American or a Service Disabled Veteran as designated by the United States Department of Veterans Affairs. The Arkansas Economic Development Commission conducts a certification process for minority business. Bidders unable to include minority-owned business as subcontractors "may explain the circumstances preventing minority inclusion".

Check minority type:

African American____ Hispanic American____ American Indian____ Asian American____
Pacific Islander American____ Service Disabled Veteran____

Arkansas Minority Certification Number_____

2. **EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY POLICY**: In compliance with Arkansas Code Annotated § 19-11-104, the Office of State Procurement is required to have a copy of the vendor's Equal Opportunity Policy prior to issuing a contract award. EO Policies may be submitted in electronic format to the following email address: eeopolicy.osp@dfa.arkansas.gov, or as a hard copy accompanying the solicitation response. The Office of State Procurement **will** maintain a file of all vendor EO policies submitted in response to solicitations issued by this office. The submission is a one- time requirement, but vendors are responsible for providing updates or changes to their respective policies, and for supplying EO policies upon request to other state agencies that **must** also comply with this statute. Vendors that do not have an established EO policy **will** not be prohibited from receiving a contract award, but are required to submit a written statement to that effect.
6. **ALTERATION OF ORIGINAL IFB DOCUMENTS**: The original written or electronic language of the IFB documents **shall** not be changed or altered except by approved written addendum issued by the Office of State Procurement. This does not eliminate a Bidder from taking exception(s) to non-mandatory terms and conditions, but does clarify that the Bidder cannot change the original document's written or electronic language. If the Bidder wishes to make exception(s) to any of the original language, it **must** be submitted by the Bidder in separate written or electronic language in a manner that clearly explains the exception(s). If Bidder's/Contractor's submittal is discovered to contain alterations/changes to the original written or electronic documents, the Bidder's response may be declared as "non-responsible" and the response **shall** not be considered.
7. **REQUIREMENT OF AMENDMENT**: THIS IFB MAY BE MODIFIED ONLY BY AMENDMENTS WRITTEN AND AUTHORIZED BY THE OFFICE OF STATE PROCUREMENT. Bidders are cautioned to ensure that they have received or obtained, and responded to, any and all amendments to the bid prior to submission. There **will** be no addendums to a bid 72 hours prior to the bid opening. It is the responsibility of the vendor to check the OSP website, <http://www.arkansas.gov/dfa/procurement/bids/index.php> for any and all addendums up to that time.
8. **DELIVERY OF RESPONSE DOCUMENTS**: In accordance with the Arkansas Procurement Law and Rules, it is the responsibility of vendors to submit bids at the place, and on or before the date and time, set in the bid solicitation documents. Bid documents received at the Office of State Procurement after the date and time designated for bid opening are considered late bids and **shall** not be considered. Bid documents arriving late, which are to be returned and are not clearly marked, may be opened to determine for which bid the submission is intended.
9. **ADDITIONAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS**: The Office of State Procurement objects to, and **shall** not consider, any additional terms or conditions submitted by a bidder, including any appearing in documents attached as part of a bidder's response. In signing and submitting his bid, a bidder agrees that any additional terms or conditions, whether submitted intentionally or inadvertently, **shall** have no force or effect. Failure to comply with terms and conditions, including those specifying information that **must** be submitted with a bid, **shall** be grounds for rejecting a bid.

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10. ANTICIPATION TO AWARD: After complete evaluation of the solicitation, the anticipated award **will** be posted on the Office of State Procurement website. The purpose of the posting is to establish a specific time in which vendors and agencies are aware of the anticipated award. The bid results **will** be posted for a period of fourteen (14) days prior to the issuance of any award. Vendors and agencies are cautioned that these are preliminary results only, and no official award **will** be issued prior to the end of the fourteen-day posting period. Accordingly, any reliance on these preliminary results is at the agency's/vendor's own risk.

The Office of State Procurement reserves the right to waive the Anticipation to Award when it is determined to be in the best interest of the State.

11. PAST PERFORMANCE: In accordance with provisions of The State Procurement Law, R7: 19-11-229 Competitive Sealed Bidding - Bid Evaluation paragraph (E) (i) & (ii): a vendor's past performance with the state may be used in the evaluation of any bid made in response to this solicitation. The past performance should not be greater than three years old and **must** be supported by written documentation on file in the Office of State Procurement at the time of the bid opening. Documentation may be in the form of a written or an electronic report, VPR (Vendor Performance Report), memo, file or any other appropriate authenticated notation of performance to the vendor files.

12. VISA ACCEPTANCE: Awarded contractors should have the capability of accepting the State's authorized VISA Procurement Card (p-card) as a method of payment. Price changes or additional fee(s) may not be assessed when accepting the p-card as a form of payment. The successful bidder may receive payment from the State by the p-card in the same manner as other VISA purchases. VISA acceptance is preferred but is not the exclusive method of payment.

13. EO-98-04 GOVERNOR'S EXECUTIVE ORDER: Bidders should complete the Disclosure Forms issued with this bid.

14. CURRENCY: All bid pricing **must** be United States dollars and cents.

15. LANGUAGE: Bids **will** only be accepted in the English language.

SECTION 1 - GENERAL INFORMATION

1.1 INTRODUCTION

This Invitation for Bid (IFB) is issued by the Office of State Procurement (OSP) for Arkansas State Highway & Transportation Department to obtain pricing and a contract for printing of the Arkansas state highway map.

1.2 ISSUING AGENCY

The issuing office is the sole point of contact in the State for the selection process. Vendor questions regarding IFB related matters should be made through the State's buyer, Karrie Duncan at 501-324-9316 or by email: karrie.duncan@dfa.arkansas.gov. Vendor's questions **will** be answered as a courtesy and at vendor's own risk.

1.3 CAUTION TO BIDDERS

1. **During the time between the bid opening and contract award, any contact concerning this IFB should be initiated by the issuing office or requesting entity and not the vendor.** Specifically, the person named herein **will** initiate all contact.
2. **Vendors must submit one (1) signed original IFB response on or before the date specified on page one.**
3. The State Procurement Official reserves the right to award a contract or reject a bid for any or all line items of a bid received as a result of this IFB, if it is in the best interest of the State to do so. Bids **will** be rejected for one or more reasons not limited to the following:
 - a. Failure of the vendor to submit his bid(s) on or before the deadline established by the issuing office.
 - b. Failure to sign an Official Bid Document.
 - c. Failure to complete the Official Bid Price Sheet(s).
 - d. Any wording by the vendor in their response to this IFB, or in subsequent correspondence, which conflicts with or takes exception to a requirement in the IFB.
 - e. Failure of any proposed goods or service to meet or exceed the specifications.

1.4 BID FORMAT

Any statement in this document that contains the word "**will**", "**must**" or "**shall**" means that compliance with the intent of the statement is mandatory, and failure by the bidder to satisfy that intent **will** cause the bid to be rejected.

1.5 TYPE OF CONTRACT

This **will** be a TERM contract. The term of this contract **shall** be for a period of twelve (12) months with option to renew in three (2)-year increments or a portion thereof upon mutual agreement. In no even **shall** the total contract term be more than seven years.

1.6 PAYMENT AND INVOICE PROVISIONS

All invoices should be forwarded to the:
AR State Highway & Transportation Depart.
Attention: Section Head - Reprographics
PO Box 226
Little Rock, AR 72203-2261

Payment **will** be made in accordance with applicable State of Arkansas accounting procedures upon acceptance by the agency. The State may not be invoiced in advance of delivery and acceptance of any commodity. Payment **will** be made only after the contractor has successfully satisfied the agency as to the goods purchased. Vendor should invoice agency by an itemized list of charges. Purchase Order Number and/or Contract Number should be referenced on each invoice.

Selected vendor **must** be registered to receive payment and future bid notifications. If you are not a registered vendor you may register on-line at <https://www.ark.org/vendor/index.html>

1.7 RECORD RETENTION

The Contractor **shall** be required to maintain all pertinent financial and accounting records and evidence pertaining to the contract in accordance with generally accepted principles of accounting and other procedures specified by the State of Arkansas. Access **will** be granted upon request, to State or Federal Government entities or any of their duly authorized representatives.

Financial and accounting records **shall** be made available, upon request, to the State of Arkansas' designees at any time during the contract period and any extension thereof, and for five (5) years from expiration date and final payment on the contract or extension thereof.

1.8 PROPRIETARY INFORMATION

Proprietary information submitted in response to this (IFB) **will** be processed in accordance with applicable State of Arkansas procurement procedures. Bids and documents pertaining to the (IFB) become the property of the State and **shall** be open to public inspection subsequent to bid opening. It is the responsibility of the Vendor to identify all proprietary information. **The vendor should submit one complete copy of the response from which any proprietary information has been removed, i.e., a redacted copy.** The redacted copy should reflect the same pagination as the original, show the empty space from which information was redacted, and should be submitted on a CD or flash drive. Except for the redacted information, the redacted copy **must** be identical to the original hard copy. The vendor is responsible for ensuring the redacted copy on CD/flash drive is protected against restoration of redacted data. The redacted copy **will** be open to public inspection under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) without further notice to the vendor. If a redacted copy is not included, the entire bid **will** be open to public inspection with the exception of financial data (other than pricing). If the State of Arkansas deems redacted information to be subject to the FOIA the vendor **will** be contacted prior to sending out the information.

1.9 RESERVATION

This IFB does not commit the State Procurement Official to award a contract, to pay costs incurred in the preparation of a bid in response to this request, or to procure or contract for commodities or services.

1.10 PRIME CONTRACTOR RESPONSIBILITY

The selected vendor **will** be required to assume prime contractor responsibility for the contract and **will** be the sole point of contact with regard to all commodities, services and support.

If any part of the work **must** be subcontracted, vendor **must** include a list of subcontractors, including firm name and address, contact person, complete description of work to be subcontracted, and descriptive information concerning subcontractor's organizational activities in their technical bid response.

The contractor **shall** give OSP immediate notice, in writing, by certified mail of any action which, in the opinion of the contractor, may result in litigation related in any way to the contract or the State.

1.11 CONTRACT INFORMATION

1. The State of Arkansas may not contract with another party:
 - a. Upon default, to pay all sums to become due under a contract.
 - b. To pay damages, legal expenses or other costs and expenses of any party.
 - c. To continue a contract once the equipment has been repossessed.
 - d. To conduct litigation in a place other than Pulaski County, Arkansas
 - e. To agree to any provision of a contract which violates the laws or constitution of the State of Arkansas.
2. A party wishing to contract with the State of Arkansas should:
 - a. Remove any language from its contract which grants to it any remedies other than:
 - i. The right to possession.
 - ii. The right to accrued payments.
 - iii. The right to expenses of de-installation.
 - iv. The right to expenses of repair to return the equipment to normal working order, normal wear and tear excluded.
 - v. The right to recover only amounts due at the time of repossession and any unamortized nonrecurring cost as allowed by Arkansas Law.
 - b. Include in its contract that the laws of the State of Arkansas govern the contract.
 - c. Acknowledge that contracts become effective when awarded by the State Procurement Official.
3. The State of Arkansas may contract with another party:

- a. To accept the risk of loss of the equipment and pay for any destruction, loss or damage of the equipment while the State has such risk, when the extent of liability for such risk is based upon the purchase price of the equipment at the time of any loss and the contract has required the State to carry insurance for such risk.

1.12 CONDITIONS OF CONTRACT

The successful bidder **shall** at all times observe and comply with Federal and State laws, local laws, ordinances, orders, and regulations existing at the time of or enacted subsequent to the execution of the contract which in any manner affect the completion of the work. The successful bidder **shall** indemnify and save harmless the agency and all its officers, representatives, agents, and employees against any claim or liability arising from or based upon the violation of any such law, ordinance, regulation, order or decree by an employee, representative, or subcontractor of the successful bidder.

1.13 STATEMENT OF LIABILITY

The State **will** demonstrate reasonable care but **shall** not be liable in the event of loss, destruction, or theft of contractor-owned items to be delivered or to be used in the installation of deliverables. The vendor is required to retain total liability until the deliverables have been accepted by the "authorized agency official." At no time **will** the State be responsible for or accept liability for any vendor-owned items.

1.14 AWARD RESPONSIBILITY

The State Procurement Official **will** be responsible for award and administration of any resulting contract.

1.15 AWARD CRITERIA

This Invitation for Bid **shall** be awarded to the lowest responsible, responsive bidder by Grand Total. **Consideration will be given only to those who bid all line items.**

Bids **must** meet or exceed all defined specifications. Bids **must** meet all terms and conditions of this Invitation for Bid and the laws of the State of Arkansas.

1.16 DELEGATION AND/OR ASSIGNMENT

The vendor **shall** not assign the contract in whole or in part or any payment arising there from without the prior written consent of the State Procurement Official. The vendor **shall** not delegate any duties under the contract to a subcontractor unless the State Procurement Official has given written consent to the delegation.

1.17 COST

All charges **must** be included on the Official Bid Price Sheet and **must** include all associated cost for the goods being bid. Bid pricing **must** be valid for ninety (90) days following IFB opening to allow sufficient time to tabulate and evaluate bid responses.

NOTE:

1. The State **will** not be obligated to pay any costs not identified on the Official Bid Price Sheet.
2. Any cost not identified by the bidder but subsequently incurred in order to achieve completion and delivery of items **shall** be borne by the bidder.

1.18 PRICE CHANGE CLAUSE

All prices bid **will** remain firm for the first term of the contract. In the event of an industry wide price increase, the contractor may request a price adjustment at the time of the contract extension request, provided the contractor submits documentation from the manufacturer certifying/justifying the increased cost for the items bid. After receipt of required documentation and in the event a price change is authorized thereafter, said prices **will** remain firm for any period agreed upon for extension.

In the event of a general price decrease, the State **shall** be guaranteed full benefit of the price reduction for all undelivered purchase orders on the effective date of the decrease and thereafter.

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1.19 DELIVERY: FOB DESTINATION-INSIDE DELIVERY

Inside delivery of orders **must** be made to three separate locations as specified below.

1. Delivery of 160,400 (160,000 folded and 400 flat/unfolded) maps to **AR State Highway & Transportation Department (Address #1)** is required within forty-five (45) working days after receipt of agency purchase order or production materials, whichever is later.
2. Delivery of 169,800 (all folded) maps to **Arkansas Parks & Tourism Warehouse (Address #2)** is required within (20) working days after receipt of agency purchase order.
3. Delivery of 169,800 (all folded) maps to **Arkadelphia Human Development Center (Address #3)** is required within (20) working days after receipt of agency purchase order.

Note: Quantity of maps delivered to all locations may vary annually.

"Working days" **shall** be defined as Monday through Friday of each week exclusive of all official State holidays. The time the proof is out of the vendors hands for agency approval **will** not count against production time. All transportation expenses for inside delivery of the finished product as well as all required proofs **will** be the responsibility of the contractor.

Definition - Inside Delivery: Unit prices quoted include, at no additional charge, the contractor providing "Inside delivery" service. "Inside delivery" is defined in this contract as: "Delivery to a building with or without an accessible dock and breaking shipping container to hand truck deliver individual cartons to a specific room(s) or area(s)."

All deliveries **must** be made during normal state work hours and within the agreed upon number of days unless otherwise arranged and coordinated with the agency. The vendor **shall** give the agency immediate notice of any anticipated delays or plant shutdowns that **will** affect the delivery requirement.

Loss or damage that occurs during shipping, prior to the order being received by the agency, is the vendor's responsibility. All orders should be properly packaged to prevent damage during shipping.

FOB DELIVERY LOCATIONS

ADDRESS # 1

AR State Highway & Transportation Department
10324 Interstate 30, Room 206 (2nd Floor Storeroom)
Little Rock, AR 72209

NOTE: Call Reprographics Section Head at 501-569-2442 prior to attempted delivery.

** Deliveries to this building require special delivery methods. This building has no standard loading dock. Dock is 24" high and accommodates a vehicle with a lift gate. Maximum pallet size is 38" x 40" with jack access on 38" side. To deliver full pallets inside to second floor, driver can utilize a pallet jack to offload onto elevator, then use a pallet jack on second floor to offload pallet from elevator to deliver to storeroom location on second floor.

Delivery Hours: Monday through Friday, 8 AM - 3:00 PM (By appointment only)

ADDRESS # 2

Arkansas Parks & Tourism Warehouse
2312 Cantrell Road
Little Rock, Arkansas 72202

Delivery Hours: Monday through Friday, 8 AM - 3 PM (By appointment only)

ADDRESS # 3

Arkadelphia Human Development Center
1 Prator Drive
Arkadelphia, Arkansas 71923

Delivery Hours: Monday through Friday 8:30 AM - 1:30 PM (**By appointment only**)

***NOTE: For Deliveries to Address Locations #2 and #3**

The contractor **must** call Parks and Tourism Warehouse at 501-324-9172 for dock appointment 24 hours in advance of all deliveries. Contractor **must** provide the following information:

- Shipping destination;
- Content (name of item)
- Number of skids; and
- Number of cartons per skid.

1.20 ACCEPTANCE STANDARDS

Inspection and acceptance/rejection of product **shall** be made within thirty (30) days of receipt. Arkansas State Highway & Transportation Department **shall** have the option to return any product within the thirty (30) day timeframe for any reason. Bid **must** include a "total satisfaction" return policy for all products and **shall** not impose any liability on the State for such returns.

1.21 CANCELLATION

In the event the State no longer needs the service or commodity specified in the contract or purchase order due to program changes, changes in laws, rules, or regulations, relocation of offices, or lack of appropriated funding, the State may cancel the contract or purchase order by giving the contractor written notice of such cancellation thirty (30) days prior to the date of cancellation.

SECTION 2 - SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS

2.1 SCOPE

This **will** be a TERM contract for the printing of the Arkansas State Highway Map for the Arkansas State Highway and Transportation Department located in Little Rock, Arkansas.

2.2 SUBSTITUTION OF BRAND

Any substitutions of brand under this contract after award **must** be approved in writing by the Office of State Procurement prior to delivery. Brand substitutes **must** be the same or higher GRADE with same or better brightness level. Any delivery of unauthorized substitutions **will** be considered contract default.

2.3 MISCELLANEOUS CHARGES / ALLOWANCES

Prior to any work being performed under this contract that **will** result in additional costs, written authorization **must** be obtained from the Office of State Procurement. Any other costs incurred in production and not provided for in these instructions and specifications may be invoiced at the "fair market price" as established by the Office of State Procurement. These costs may include, but are not limited to, halftones, author's alterations, extra composition, overruns, or any other unforeseen costs.

2.4 LIQUIDATED DAMAGES

All commodities furnished **will** be subject to inspection and acceptance after delivery. Failure to meet specifications authorizes the Office of State Procurement to cancel this contract or any portion of same and reasonably purchase commodities elsewhere and charge full increase, if any, in cost and handling to the defaulting contractor.

It is expressly acknowledged by the Contractor that the damages to the State for the Contractor's failure to perform its responsibilities in any form as agreed upon in this Contract **will** result in damages to the State, damages which are difficult to calculate. Accordingly, damages **will** be imposed by the State against the contractor for failure to meet delivery schedule at the rate of one percent (1%) of the invoice amount for each working day beyond the specified delivery time as liquidated damages and not as a penalty. The contractor **shall** be relieved of delays due to causes beyond his control such as acts of God, national emergency, strikes or fire. The Office of State Procurement **will** assess such liquidated damages for late delivery in all cases except those that relate to causes beyond the contractor's control. The contractor **must** notify in writing, on a timely basis, the Office of State

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Procurement of such developments stating reason, justification and extent of delay. Other liquidated damages provided for in this contract **must** be verified and approved in writing by the Office of State Procurement prior to application by the ordering agency.

When the time does not allow for reprinting or reordering, acceptance of an inferior commodity may result in liquidated damages of the greater of up to 20% of the invoice price or \$500.

2.5 SAMPLES

Contractor **shall** provide a minimum of three samples produced under this contract.

Send Samples to:

Office of State Procurement
ATTN: Karrie Duncan
1509 West 7th Street, Suite 300
Little Rock, AR 72201

2.6 MINIMUM ORDER QUANTITY

INITIAL ORDER each year **will** be placed for estimated 500,000 maps as follows:

Flat (unfolded): 400 each
Folded: 499,600 each

SUBSEQUENT ORDERS **will** be placed in increments of 100,000.

2.7 ORDERING PROCEDURE

All orders placed against this contract **shall** be in the form of an agency issued purchase order on an as-required basis. Agency **will** determine quantity at the time of order.

2.8 QUANTITY

The quantities stated within are estimated for bidding purposes only. The State may order more or less as is required during the term of the contract.

SECTION 3 – SPECIFICATIONS

3.1 QUALITY

Items provided under the scope of this contract **shall** be of **EXCELLENT** quality. Concise registration, consistent ink coverage and density, accurate folding and binding are required. Accurate trimming is to be even with no jagged or torn edges. Obvious press or production defects such as roller marks, hickies, set-off, smudges, hollow or pitted type, hairlines, broken serifs, fluctuating alignment, varying density, ghosting and etc. are reasons for possible rejection of the printing job on a quality basis. Any procedure or technique not previously stated for construction of items in this contract **shall** meet industry standards for excellent quality.

Receipt of the merchandise does not necessarily constitute acceptance. The using agency **will** be granted a minimum of 15 days in which to inspect the merchandise and to determine if its quality meets the requirements or standards of the contract. If quality problems are evident, the Office of State Procurement, in coordination with the using agency, **will** review the problems and if the specifications of the contract are not met, **will** assess any damages for the inferior merchandise. If, in the opinion of the Office of State Procurement and the using agency, the merchandise is unacceptable, the vendor may be offered an opportunity to reprint the material within a reasonable time. At the time authorization for the reprint is given, the Office of State Procurement **will** establish, in writing, a new delivery date.

3.2 SIZE

Flat: 22" x 32"
Folded: 4" x 7-5/16"

3.3 PAPER STOCK

Virgin Premium Uncoated Opaque Offset, 50# text weight, white, smooth finish, Minimum acceptable brightness: 94, Minimum opacity: 92

Examples of brands: Accent Opaque by I.P., Cougar Opaque by Domtar, Lynx Opaque by Domtar, Finch Opaque, Domtar Starbrite Opaque or approved alternate

INDICATE BRANDS OF VIRGIN PAPER STOCK BID ON OFFICIAL BID PRICE SHEET.

3.4 INK

4 - Color process. The use of a soybean oil ink product is REQUIRED for the printing of text pages on this contract. *INDICATE BRAND OF SOYBEAN OIL INK BID ON OFFICIAL BID PRICE SHEET.*

3.5 COMPOSITION / PRODUCTION MATERIALS

A total of four (4) PDF files **will** be provided by the agency using FTP server: two (2) front side and two (2) back side files of the Arkansas State Highway map. One of the PDF files **will not** have raster images and **will** be used for image placement and prepress preparation. The other PDF files **will** have raster images (JPEG, TIFF, PNG, GIF) and **will** be used as a reference guide.

Note: To obtain a current copy of the map, please call 501-569-2205.

Vendor **must** provide all separations and may direct image to plate and provide required proofs. Raster images, JPEG or TIFF files **must** be converted into PDF files of the Arkansas State Highway Map.

Note: Images are subject to change with each contract renewal. PDF Files **will** be provided by the agency in the event that images change during the renewal period.

Contractor is required to inspect and make a determination as to the usability of all agency provided production materials. Problems encountered with materials **must** be reported immediately by the contractor to the agency and the Office of State Procurement. If the contractor fails to comply with this requirement, the State may disallow, as a valid reason for failing to meet the required delivery schedule, any claim involving agency provided production materials.

3.6 PRESSWORK

Maps print in 4-color process on both sides with no bleeds. Majority of maps are to be folded in an accordion fold. 400 maps **will** be delivered flat/unfolded

3.7 PROOFS

Vendor to provide a digital printed color proof, on comparable paper stock as specified in bid, for agency approval. A proof run of at least five (5) folded and two (2) flat maps should be delivered. The agency **will** be allowed to keep at least one folded and 1 flat proof for archival records.

When proofs are submitted to the agency, it **will** be the agency's responsibility to mark-up the proofs for any necessary corrections on the Author's or Printer's part. The notation "AA" (Author's Alterations) or "PE" (Printer's Error) **will** be made in the margin of the copy alongside each correction.

Author's Alteration charges on digital printed color proof, on paper stock chosen by vendor, not to exceed \$3.00 per line or \$10.00 per page.

Author's Alteration charges on digital printed color proof, on comparable paper stock as specified in bid, not to exceed \$4.00 per line or \$30.00 per page.

Both the using agency and the contract holder are responsible for keeping accurate records showing the date and time that proofs are sent and received by both the agency and the contract holder.

Author's alteration charges after proofs have been approved not to exceed \$15.00 per production plate.

3.8 FOLDING

The map folds in an accordion fold to 4" x 7-5/16". Maps accordion fold as follows: seven (7) vertical folds creating eight (8) four-inch panels on the 32" width. Two (2) parallel folds on the 22" width to finished fold size of 4" x 7-5/16"

NOTE: 400 maps **will** be delivered flat/unfolded

3.9 OVERRUNS / UNDERRUNS

A 2% overrun **will** be allowed. Overruns to be priced at 80% only of unit contract price. Underruns are not allowed.

3.10 PACKAGING

Custom cartons required.

FOLDED MAPS **shall** be shrinkwrapped in packages of 25 each and are cartoned 400 maps per carton. Carton size **must** be 15-1/2" x 9" x 14-1/2". All cartons **must** be of 175 pound test board or equal and **must** be sealed with string reinforced tape that **will** not break open in normal handling.

FLAT/UNFOLDED MAPS **must** be appropriately packed to prevent soiling or damage in shipping and handling.

3.11 PALLET REQUIREMENTS- LOCATION #1

Dock Height: 24"

Pallet Materials: Solid Wood Preferred

Pallet Size: 38" x 40" with jack access on 38" side

Maximum Pallet and Contents Height: 60"

Maximum pallet Weight: 2000 lbs. regardless of height

Cartons **must** be on pallets preferably constructed of wood (not fiberboard) if possible.

Cartons to be palletized in a manner that lends itself to triple staking

Consistent Palletizing: Equal number of layers and cartons per layer.

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3.12 PALLET REQUIREMENTS – LOCATIONS #2 and #3

Dock Height: 45"

Pallet Materials: Solid Wood Preferred

Pallet Size: 48" x 40"

Maximum Pallet and Contents Height: 60"

Maximum pallet Weight: 2000 lbs. regardless of height

Cartons **must** be on pallets preferably constructed of wood (not fiberboard) if possible.

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OFFICIAL BID PRICE SHEET

<u>ITEM</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>ESTIMATED QUANTITY</u>	<u>UNIT OF MEASURE</u>	<u>UNIT PRICE PER THOUSAND</u>	<u>EXTENSION PRICE</u>
1.	Arkansas State Highway Map	500,000	each	\$ _____/M	\$ _____
2.	Additional Copies	100,000	each	\$ _____/M	\$ _____
GRAND TOTAL \$					_____

Brand of VIRGIN Stock Bid: _____

Brand of Soy Ink Bid: _____

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STANDARD TERMS AND CONDITIONS

1. **GENERAL:** Any special terms and conditions included in the invitation for bid override these standard terms and conditions. The standard terms and conditions and any special terms and conditions become part of any contract entered into if any or all parts of the bid are accepted by the State of Arkansas.
2. **ACCEPTANCE AND REJECTION:** The state reserves the right to accept or reject all or any part of a bid or any and all bids, to waive minor technicalities, and to award the bid to best serve the interest of the state.
3. **BID SUBMISSION:** Bids **must** be submitted to the Office of State Procurement on this form, with attachments when appropriate, on or before the date and time specified for bid opening. If this form is not used, the bid may be rejected. The bid **must** be typed or printed in ink. The signature **must** be in ink. Unsigned bids **will** be disqualified. The person signing the bid should show title or authority to bind his firm in a contract. Each bid should be placed in a separate envelope completely and properly identified. Late bids **will** not be considered under any circumstances.
4. **PRICES:** Bid unit price F.O.B. destination. In case of errors in extension, unit prices **shall** govern. Prices are firm and not subject to escalation unless otherwise specified in the bid invitation. Unless otherwise specified, the bid **must** be firm for acceptance for thirty days from the bid opening date. "Discount from list" bids are not acceptable unless requested in the bid invitation.
5. **QUANTITIES:** Quantities stated in **term contracts** are estimates only, and are not guaranteed. Bid unit price on the estimated quantity and unit of measure specified. The state may order more or less than the estimated quantity on term contracts. Quantities stated on **firm contracts** are actual requirements of the ordering agency.
6. **BRAND NAME REFERENCES:** Any catalog brand name or manufacturer's reference used in the bid invitation is descriptive only, not restrictive, and used to indicate the type and quality desired. Bids on brands of like nature and quality **will** be considered. If bidding on other than referenced specifications, the bid **must** show the manufacturer, brand or trade name, and other descriptions, and should include the manufacturer's illustrations and complete descriptions of the product offered. The state reserves the right to determine whether a substitute offered is equivalent to and meets the standards of the item specified, and the state may require the bidder to supply additional descriptive material. The bidder guarantees that the product offered **will** meet or exceed specifications identified in this bid invitation. If the bidder takes no exception to specifications or reference data in this bid he **will** be required to furnish the product according to brand names, numbers, etc., as specified in the invitation.
7. **GUARANTY:** All items bid **shall** be newly manufactured, in first-class condition, latest model and design, including, where applicable, containers suitable for shipment and storage, unless otherwise indicated in the bid invitation. The bidder hereby guarantees that everything furnished hereunder **will** be free from defects in design, workmanship and material, that if sold by drawing, sample or specification, it **will** conform thereto and **will** serve the function for which it was furnished. The bidder further guarantees that if the items furnished hereunder are to be installed by the bidder, such items **will** function properly when installed. The bidder also guarantees that all applicable laws have been complied with relating to construction, packaging, labeling and registration. The bidder's obligations under this paragraph **shall** survive for a period of one year from the date of delivery, unless otherwise specified herein.
8. **SAMPLES:** Samples or demonstrators, when requested, **must** be furnished free of expense to the state. Each sample should be marked with the bidder's name and address, bid number and item number. If samples are not destroyed during reasonable examination they **will** be returned at bidder's expense, if requested, within ten days following the opening of bids. All demonstrators **will** be returned after reasonable examination.
9. **TESTING PROCEDURES FOR SPECIFICATIONS COMPLIANCE:** Tests may be performed on samples or demonstrators submitted with the bid or on samples taken from the regular shipment. In the event products tested fail to meet or exceed all conditions and requirements of the specifications, the cost of the sample used and the reasonable cost of the testing **shall** be borne by the bidder.
10. **AMENDMENTS:** The bid cannot be altered or amended after the bid opening except as permitted by regulation.
11. **TAXES AND TRADE DISCOUNTS:** Do not include state or local sales taxes in the bid price. Trade discounts should be deducted from the unit price and the net price should be shown in the bid.
12. **AWARD: Term Contract:** A contract award **will** be issued to the successful bidder. It results in a binding obligation without further action by either party. This award does not authorize shipment. Shipment is authorized by the receipt of a purchase order from the ordering agency. **Firm Contract:** A written state purchase order authorizing shipment **will** be furnished to the successful bidder.
13. **LENGTH OF CONTRACT:** The invitation for bid **will** show the period of time the term contract **will** be in effect.

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- 14. DELIVERY ON FIRM CONTRACTS:** The invitation for bid **will** show the number of days to place a commodity in the ordering agency's designated location under normal conditions. If the bidder cannot meet the stated delivery, alternate delivery schedules may become a factor in an award. The Office of State Procurement has the right to extend delivery if reasons appear valid. If the date is not acceptable, the agency may buy elsewhere and any additional cost **will** be borne by the vendor.
- 15. DELIVERY REQUIREMENTS:** No substitutions or cancellations are permitted without written approval of the Office of State Procurement. Delivery **shall** be made during agency work hours only 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., unless prior approval for other delivery has been obtained from the agency. Packing memoranda **shall** be enclosed with each shipment.
- 16. STORAGE:** The ordering agency is responsible for storage if the contractor delivers within the time required and the agency cannot accept delivery.
- 17. DEFAULT:** All commodities furnished **will** be subject to inspection and acceptance of the ordering agency after delivery. Back orders, default in promised delivery, or failure to meet specifications authorize the Office of State Procurement to cancel this contract or any portion of it and reasonably purchase commodities elsewhere and charge full increase, if any, in cost and handling to the defaulting contractor. The contractor **must** give written notice to the Office of State Procurement and ordering agency of the reason and the expected delivery date. Consistent failure to meet delivery without a valid reason may cause removal from the bidders list or suspension of eligibility for award.
- 18. VARIATION IN QUANTITY:** The state assumes no liability for commodities produced, processed or shipped in excess of the amount specified on the agency's purchase order.
- 19. INVOICING:** The contractor **shall** be paid upon the completion of all of the following: (1) submission of an original and the specified number of copies of a properly itemized invoice showing the bid and purchase order numbers, where itemized in the invitation for bid, (2) delivery and acceptance of the commodities and (3) proper and legal processing of the invoice by all necessary state agencies. Invoices **must** be sent to the "Invoice To" point shown on the purchase order.
- 20. STATE PROPERTY:** Any specifications, drawings, technical information, dies, cuts, negatives, positives, data or any other commodity furnished to the contractor hereunder or in contemplation hereof or developed by the contractor for use hereunder **shall** remain property of the state, be kept confidential, be used only as expressly authorized and returned at the contractor's expense to the F.O.B. point properly identifying what is being returned.
- 21. PATENTS OR COPYRIGHTS:** The contractor agrees to indemnify and hold the State harmless from all claims, damages and costs including attorneys' fees, arising from infringement of patents or copyrights.
- 22. ASSIGNMENT:** Any contract entered into pursuant to this invitation for bid is not assignable nor the duties thereunder delegable by either party without the written consent of the other party of the contract.
- 23. OTHER REMEDIES:** In addition to the remedies outlined herein, the contractor and the state have the right to pursue any other remedy permitted by law or in equity.
- 24. LACK OF FUNDS:** The state may cancel this contract to the extent funds are no longer legally available for expenditures under this contract. Any delivered but unpaid for goods **will** be returned in normal condition to the contractor by the state. If the state is unable to return the commodities in normal condition and there are no funds legally available to pay for the goods, the contractor may file a claim with the Arkansas Claims Commission. If the contractor has provided services and there are no longer funds legally available to pay for the services, the contractor may file a claim.
- 25. DISCRIMINATION:** In order to comply with the provision of Act 954 of 1977, relating to unfair employment practices, the bidder agrees that: (a) the bidder **will** not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, sex, color, age, religion, handicap, or national origin; (b) in all solicitations or advertisements for employees, the bidder **will** state that all qualified applicants **will** receive consideration without regard to race, color, sex, age, religion, handicap, or national origin; (c) the bidder **will** furnish such relevant information and reports as requested by the Human Resources Commission for the purpose of determining compliance with the statute; (d) failure of the bidder to comply with the statute, the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder and this nondiscrimination clause **shall** be deemed a breach of contract and it may be cancelled, terminated or suspended in whole or in part; (e) the bidder **will** include the provisions of items (a) through (d) in every subcontract so that such provisions **will** be binding upon such subcontractor or vendor.
- 26. CONTINGENT FEE:** The bidder guarantees that he has not retained a person to solicit or secure this contract upon an agreement or understanding for a commission, percentage, brokerage or contingent fee, except for retention of

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bona fide employees or bona fide established commercial selling agencies maintained by the bidder for the purpose of securing business.

- 27. ANTITRUST ASSIGNMENT:** As part of the consideration for entering into any contract pursuant to this invitation for bid, the bidder named on the front of this invitation for bid, acting herein by the authorized individual or its duly authorized agent, hereby assigns, sells and transfers to the State of Arkansas all rights, title and interest in and to all causes of action it may have under the antitrust laws of the United States or this state for price fixing, which causes of action have accrued prior to the date of this assignment and which relate solely to the particular goods or services purchased or produced by this State pursuant to this contract.
- 28. DISCLOSURE:** Failure to make any disclosure required by Governor's Executive Order 98-04, or any violation of any rule, regulation, or policy adopted pursuant to that order, **shall** be a material breach of the terms of this contract. Any contractor, whether an individual or entity, who fails to make the required disclosure or who violates any rule, regulation, or policy **shall** be subject to all legal remedies available to the agency.