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1.0 GENERAL INFORMATION

1.1 Scope of Work

The Los Angeles County Sheriff’s Department (Department) is seeking qualified companies (Vendors) to enter into Master Agreements with the County to provide as-needed Vessel Removal and Disposal Services as described herein. Vendors shall properly and legally remove Vessels, which may be in varying states of disrepair and seaworthiness, from County waterways and shall provide services relative to the short-term or temporary storage and/or disposal of such Vessels. Vessels in the possession of the Department are typically located at the docks of the Department’s Marina del Rey Station, located at 13851 Fiji Way, Marina del Rey, California 90292.

Every year, approximately thirty (30) Vessels are abandoned by their owners because of their state of disrepair and lack of seaworthiness. Most of these Vessels are approximately twenty (20) to thirty (30) feet in length, but varied lengths can be expected. The Department is responsible for the removal and disposal of these Vessels per the California Harbors and Navigation Code sections 510 through 527, and Los Angeles County Code section 19.12.1070, as they can pose a potential health and safety hazard.

1.2 Overview of Solicitation Document

This Request for Statement of Qualifications (RFSQ) is composed of the following parts:

- **GENERAL INFORMATION:** Specifies the Vendor’s minimum mandatory qualifications, provides information regarding some of the requirements of the Master Agreement and the solicitation process.

- **INSTRUCTIONS TO VENDORS:** Contains instructions to Vendors on how to prepare and submit their Statement of Qualifications (SOQ).

- **STATEMENT OF QUALIFICATIONS (SOQ) REVIEW/SELECTION QUALIFICATION PROCESS:** Explains how the SOQ will be reviewed, qualified and selected.

- **ATTACHMENT 1, STATEMENT OF WORK:** Written description of tasks, deliverables, services, and other work required by County under this RFSQ and the resultant Master Agreement(s).

- **APPENDICES:**
  
  A - **Required Forms:** Forms contained in this section must be completed and included in the SOQ.

  B - **Transmittal Form to Request a Solicitation Requirements Review:** Transmittal sent to Department requesting a Solicitation Requirements Review.

  C - **County of Los Angeles Policy of Doing Business with Small Business:** County Policy.
D - **Jury Service Ordinance:** County Code.

E - **Listing of Contractors Debarred in Los Angeles County:** Contractors who are not allowed to contract with the County for a specific length of time.

F - **IRS Notice 1015:** Provides information on Federal Earned Income Credit.

G - **Safely Surrendered Baby Law:** County program.

H - **Model Master Agreement:** The Model Master Agreement used for this solicitation. The terms and conditions shown in the Model Master Agreement are not negotiable.

I - **Defaulted Property Tax Reduction Program:** County Code.

### 1.3 Terms and Definitions

Throughout this RFSQ, references are made to certain persons, groups, or departments/agencies. For convenience, a description of specific definitions can be found in Paragraph 2 (Definitions) of Appendix H (Model Master Agreement) of this RFSQ.

### 1.4 Vendor’s Minimum Mandatory Qualifications

Interested and qualified Vendors that can demonstrate their ability to successfully provide the required services outlined in Attachment 1 (Statement of Work) of this RFSQ are invited to submit a SOQ, provided they meet the following minimum mandatory qualifications:

1.4.1 Vendor must have a minimum of five (5) years of experience properly and legally hauling or removing Vessels, both power and sail, from waterways and providing short-term or temporary storage and disposal of such Vessels.

Vendor shall provide references and/or supporting documentation to meet this minimum mandatory qualification.

1.4.2 Vendor must possess or have access to a hoist, sling, lift, or other haul out type device with the capability to legally remove Vessels up to ninety (90) feet in length and up to one hundred (100) metric tons, from the County waterways for the Marina del Rey Sheriff’s Station.

Vendor shall provide local, state, and/or federal permits and/or licenses and/or other supporting documentation to meet this minimum mandatory qualification.

1.4.3 Vendor’s storage yard(s) shall meet the following qualifications:

- be located within a two (2) mile radius of the Department’s Marina del Rey Sheriff’s Station located at 13851 Fiji Way, Marina del Rey, California 90292; and
• have a locking system and fencing that is maintained by the Vendor; and
• have an alarm/monitoring system that is maintained by the Vendor; and
• be recorded twenty-four (24) hours a day, seven (7) days a week; and
• be enclosed and lighted.

A site visit of Vendor’s storage yard(s) will be conducted to verify that Vendor meets this minimum mandatory qualification.

1.4.4 Vendor must commit to providing emergency haul out of sinking Vessels or Vessels determined by the Department to be an environmental hazard within three (3) hours of notification by the Department, seven (7) days a week, twenty-four (24) hours a day.

Vendor’s commitment shall be evidenced by Vendor’s affirmative statement required by subparagraph 2.7.2 (Vendor’s Qualification (Section A)) of this RFSQ and Vendor’s certification set forth in the completed Appendix A (Required Forms), Exhibit 1 (Vendor’s Organization Questionnaire/Affidavit and CBE Information) of this RFSQ.

1.4.5 If Vendor’s compliance with a County contract has been reviewed by the Department of the Auditor-Controller within the last ten years, Vendor must not have unresolved questioned costs identified by the Auditor-Controller, in an amount over $100,000, that are confirmed to be disallowed costs by the contracting County department, and remain unpaid for six (6) months or more from the date of disallowance, unless such disallowed costs are the subject of current good faith negotiations to resolve the disallowed costs, in the opinion of the County.

1.5 Grant Funding

1.5.1 It is anticipated that services required under any resulting Master Agreements will be funded, either in whole or in part, by a grant from the California State Parks, Division of Boating and Waterways, Surrendered and Abandoned Vessel Exchange (SAVE) grant program for Fiscal Year 2019-2020, and any and all subsequent grant years, and, as such, shall be subject to all policies, provisions, and requirements of such grant(s) or any other grants obtained during the term of this Master Agreement.

1.5.2 Grant funding shall not be utilized by the County for removal, storage, or disposal of commercial vessels. Commercial vessels include those vessels for which the most recent registration or documentation was commercial, even though that registration or documentation may have lapsed.
1.6 **Master Agreement Process**

The objective of this RFSQ process is to secure one (1) or more qualified Vendors to provide as-needed services relative to the proper and legal removal, short-term or temporary storage, and/or disposal of Vessels acquired by the Department.

1.6.1 Master Agreements will be executed with all qualified Vendors that meet the required minimum mandatory qualifications specified in subparagraph 1.4 (Vendor’s Minimum Mandatory Qualifications) of this RFSQ.

1.6.2 Upon the County’s execution of these Master Agreements, the qualified Vendors will become Qualified Contractors.

1.6.3 Qualified Contractors who are in compliance with the terms and conditions the Master Agreement and whose evidence of insurance requirements have been received by the Department and are valid and in effect will become Active Contractors and thereafter may, on an as-needed basis, be required to provide Vessel Removal and Disposal Services under Work Orders issued by the Department.

1.6.4 Unless circumstances justify otherwise, it is the intent of the Department to issue Work Orders to Active Contractors based upon competitive bidding procedures, as further set forth in Paragraph 5.0 (Work Orders) of Attachment 1 (Statement of Work) of this RFSQ. The County reserves the right to solicit Work on either a competitive or non-competitive basis.

1.6.5 Work Orders shall include a description of the Work to be performed and the completion date required by the Department. An on-site examination of the Vessel by the Vendor at the Vessel's location may be required within seventy-two hours (72) of Work Order solicitation notification. Payment for all Work shall be on a fixed price per deliverables basis, subject to maximum rates and the Total Maximum Amount specified on each individual Work Order.

1.6.6 The execution of a Master Agreement does not guarantee a Contractor any minimum amount of business. The County does not promise, guarantee, or warrant that it will utilize any particular level of Contractor’s services or any services at all during the term of a Master Agreement. The determination as to the need for services shall rest solely within the discretion of the Department.

1.7 **Master Agreement Term**

1.7.1 Prior to commencement of any Master Agreement, the Model Master Agreement must be approved by the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors (Board).

1.7.2 The term of any Master Agreement shall commence upon execution by the Sheriff and shall terminate five (5) years from the date the Board approves the Model Master Agreement. The County shall have the option
to extend the term of any Master Agreement for up to five (5) additional one-year periods, for a total Master Agreement term not to exceed ten (10) years.

1.7.3 The County will continuously accept SOQs throughout the duration of the Model Master Agreement to qualify Vendors for Master Agreements, until the needs of the Department are met. Such Master Agreements shall become effective upon the date of execution by the Sheriff and shall terminate at the end of the then-current term of the Model Master Agreement, unless sooner extended or terminated.

1.8 **County Rights and Responsibilities**

The County has the right to amend the RFSQ by written addendum. The County is responsible only for that which is expressly stated in the solicitation document and any authorized written addenda thereto. Such addendum shall be made available to each person or organization which County records indicate has received this RFSQ. Should such addendum require additional information not previously requested, failure to address the requirements of such addendum may result in the SOQ not being considered, as determined in the sole discretion of the County. The County is not responsible for and shall not be bound by any representations otherwise made by any individual acting or purporting to act on its behalf.

1.9 **Contact with County Personnel**

Any contact regarding this RFSQ or any matter relating thereto must be in writing and may be mailed or e-mailed as follows:

Los Angeles County Sheriff’s Department  
Hall of Justice  
Fiscal Administration – Contracts Unit  
211 W. Temple Street, 6th Floor  
Los Angeles, California 90012  
Attention: Aloett Martin, Contract Analyst  
E-mail Address: a9martin@lasd.org

If it is discovered that a Vendor contacted and received information from any County personnel, other than the person specified above, regarding this solicitation, County, in its sole determination, may disqualify their SOQ from further consideration.

1.10 **Mandatory Requirement to Register on County’s WebVen**

Prior to executing a Master Agreement, all potential Contractors must register in the County’s WebVen. The WebVen contains the Vendor’s business profile and identifies the goods/services the business provides. Registration can be accomplished online via the Internet by accessing the County’s home page at [http://camisvr.co.la.ca.us/webven/](http://camisvr.co.la.ca.us/webven/).
1.11 County Option to Reject SOQs or Cancel RFSQ

The County may, at its sole discretion, reject any or all SOQs submitted in response to this RFSQ and/or cancel the RFSQ. The County shall not be liable for any cost incurred by a Vendor in connection with preparation and submittal of any SOQ. The County reserves the right to waive inconsequential disparities in a submitted SOQ.

1.12 Protest Process

1.12.1 Under Board Policy No. 5.055 (Services Contract Solicitation Protest), any prospective Vendor may request a review of the requirements under a solicitation for a Board-approved services contract, as described in subparagraph 1.12.3 below. Additionally, any actual Vendor may request a review of a disqualification under such a solicitation, as described in the subparagraphs below.

1.12.2 Throughout the review process, the County has no obligation to delay or otherwise postpone an award of contract based on a Vendor protest. In all cases, the County reserves the right to make an award when it is determined to be in the best interest of the County of Los Angeles to do so.

1.12.3 Grounds for Review

Unless state or federal statutes or regulations otherwise provide, the grounds for review of any Departmental determination or action should be limited to the following:

- Review of Solicitation Requirements Review (Reference subparagraph 2.4, Solicitation Requirement Review)
- Review of a Disqualified SOQ (Reference subparagraph 3.2, Disqualification Review)

1.13 Notice to Vendor’s Regarding Public Records Act

1.13.1 Responses to this RFSQ shall become the exclusive property of the County. At such time as when Department recommends the qualified Vendor(s) to the Board of Supervisors (Board) and such recommendation appears on the Board agenda, all SOQ’s submitted in response to this RFSQ, become a matter of public record, with the exception of those parts of each SOQ which are justifiably defined and identified by the Vendor as business or trade secrets, and plainly marked as “Trade Secret,” “Confidential,” or “Proprietary.”

1.13.2 The County shall not, in any way, be liable or responsible for the disclosure of any such record or any parts thereof, if disclosure is required or permitted under the California Public Records Act or otherwise by law. A blanket statement of confidentiality or the marking of each page of the SOQ as confidential shall not be deemed sufficient notice of exception. The Vendor must
specifically label only those provisions of their respective SOQ which are “Trade Secrets,” “Confidential,” or “Proprietary” in nature.

1.14 Indemnification and Insurance

Vendor shall be required to comply with the Indemnification provisions contained in subparagraph 8.22 (Indemnification) of Appendix H (Model Master Agreement) of this RFSQ. Vendor shall procure, maintain, and provide to the County proof of insurance coverage for all the programs of insurance along with associated amounts specified in subparagraph 8.23 (General Provisions for all Insurance Coverage) and subparagraph 8.24 (Insurance Coverage) of Appendix H (Model Master Agreement) of this RFSQ.

1.15 Intentionally Omitted

1.16 Injury and Illness Prevention Program (IIPP)

Vendor shall be required to comply with the State of California’s Cal OSHA’s regulations. Section 3203 of Title 8 in the California Code of Regulations requires all California employers to have a written, effective Injury and Illness Prevention Program (IIPP) that addresses hazards pertaining to the particular workplace covered by the program.

1.17 Background and Security Investigations

1.17.1 At any time prior to or during the term of the Master Agreement, all Contractor staff, subcontractors, and agents of the Contractor (collectively herein “Contractor’s staff”) performing services under the Master Agreement may be required to undergo and pass a background investigation to the satisfaction of the County as a condition of beginning and continuing to perform services under the Master Agreement. Such background investigation may include, but shall not be limited to, criminal conviction information obtained through fingerprints submitted to the California Department of Justice. The fees associated with the background investigation shall be at the expense of the Contractor, regardless if the member of the Contractor’s staff passes or fails the background investigation.

1.17.2 If a member of the Contractor’s staff does not pass the background investigation, the County may request that the member of the Contractor’s staff be immediately removed from performing services under the Master Agreement at any time during the term of the Master Agreement. The County will not provide to the Contractor or to the Contractor’s staff any information obtained through the County’s background investigation.

1.17.3 The County, in its sole discretion, may immediately deny or terminate facility access to any member of the Contractor’s staff that does not pass such investigation to the satisfaction of the County or whose background or conduct is incompatible with the County facility access.
1.17.4 Disqualification of any member of the Contractor’s staff pursuant to subparagraph 7.5 (Background and Security Investigations) of Appendix H (Model Master Agreement) of this RFSQ shall not relieve the Contractor of its obligation to complete all Work in accordance with the terms and conditions of the Master Agreement.

1.18 Confidentiality and Independent Contractor Status

As appropriate, Contractor shall be required to comply with the provisions contained in subparagraph 7.6 (Confidentiality) and subparagraph 8.21 (Independent Contractor Status) of Appendix H (Model Master Agreement) of this RFSQ.

1.19 Conflict of Interest

No County employee whose position in the County enables him/her to influence the selection of a Contractor for this RFSQ, or any competing RFSQ, nor any spouse of economic dependent of such employees, shall be employed in any capacity by a Vendor or have any other direct or indirect financial interest in the selection of a Contractor. Vendor shall certify that he/she is aware of and has read Section 2.180.010 of the Los Angeles County Code as stated in Exhibit 2 (Certification of No Conflict of Interest) of Appendix A (Required Forms) of this RFSQ.

1.20 Determination of Vendor Responsibility

1.20.1 A responsible Vendor is a Vendor who has demonstrated the attribute of trustworthiness, as well as quality, fitness, capacity and experience to satisfactorily perform the Master Agreement. It is the County’s policy to conduct business only with responsible Vendors.

1.20.2 Vendors are hereby notified that, in accordance with Chapter 2.202 of the County Code, the County may determine whether the Vendor is responsible based on a review of the Vendor’s performance on any contracts, including but not limited to County contracts. Particular attention will be given to violations of labor laws related to employee compensation and benefits, and evidence of false claims made by the Vendor against public entities. Labor law violations which are the fault of the subcontractors and of which the Vendor had no knowledge shall not be the basis of a determination that the Vendor is not responsible.

1.20.3 The County may declare a Vendor to be non-responsible for purposes of the Master Agreement if the Board of Supervisors, in its discretion, finds that the Vendor has done any of the following: (1) violated a term of a contract with the County or a nonprofit corporation created by the County; (2) committed an act or omission which negatively reflects on the Vendor’s quality, fitness or capacity to perform a contract with the County, any other public entity, or a nonprofit corporation created by the County, or engaged in a pattern or practice which negatively reflects on same; (3) committed an act or omission which indicates a lack of
business integrity or business honesty; or (4) made or submitted a false claim against the County or any other public entity.

1.20.4 If there is evidence that the Vendor may not be responsible, the Department shall notify the Vendor in writing of the evidence relating to the Vendor’s responsibility, and its intention to recommend to the Board of Supervisors that the Vendor be found not responsible. The Department shall provide the Vendor and/or the Vendor’s representative with an opportunity to present evidence as to why the Vendor should be found to be responsible and to rebut evidence which is the basis for the Department’s recommendation.

1.20.5 If the Vendor presents evidence in rebuttal to the Department, the Department shall evaluate the merits of such evidence, and based on that evaluation, make a recommendation to the Board of Supervisors. The final decision concerning the responsibility of the Vendor shall reside with the Board of Supervisors.

1.20.6 These terms shall also apply to proposed subcontractors of Vendors on County contracts.

## 1.21 Vendor Debarment

1.21.1 Vendor is hereby notified that, in accordance with Chapter 2.202 of the County Code, the County may debar the Vendor from bidding or proposing on, or being awarded, and/or performing work on other County contracts for a specified period of time, which generally will not exceed five (5) years but may exceed five (5) years or be permanent if warranted by the circumstances, and the County may terminate any or all of the Vendor’s existing contracts with County, if the Board of Supervisors finds, in its discretion, that the Vendor has done any of the following: (1) violated a term of a contract with the County or a nonprofit corporation created by the County; (2) committed an act or omission which negatively reflects on the Vendor’s quality, fitness or capacity to perform a contract with the County, any other public entity, or a nonprofit corporation created by the County, or engaged in a pattern or practice which negatively reflects on same; (3) committed an act or offense which indicates a lack of business integrity or business honesty; or (4) made or submitted a false claim against the County or any other public entity.

1.21.2 If there is evidence that the apparent highest ranked Vendor may be subject to debarment, the Department shall notify the Vendor in writing of the evidence which is the basis for the proposed debarment, and shall advise the Vendor of the scheduled date for a debarment hearing before the Contractor Hearing Board.

1.21.3 The Contractor Hearing Board shall conduct a hearing where evidence on the proposed debarment is presented. The Vendor and/or Vendor’s representative shall be given an opportunity to submit evidence at that hearing. After the hearing, the Contractor Hearing Board shall prepare
a tentative proposed decision, which shall contain a recommendation regarding whether the Vendor should be debarred, and, if so, the appropriate length of time of the debarment. The Vendor and the Department shall be provided an opportunity to object to the tentative proposed decision prior to its presentation to the Board of Supervisors.

1.21.4 After consideration of any objections, or if no objections are received, a record of the hearing, the proposed decision and any other recommendation of the Contractor Hearing Board shall be presented to the Board of Supervisors. The Board of Supervisors shall have the right to modify, deny or adopt the proposed decision and recommendation of the Contractor Hearing Board.

1.21.5 If a Vendor has been debarred for a period longer than five (5) years, that Vendor may, after the debarment has been in effect for at least five (5) years, submit a written request for review of the debarment determination to reduce the period of debarment or terminate the debarment. The County may, in its discretion, reduce the period of debarment or terminate the debarment if it finds that the Vendor has adequately demonstrated one or more of the following: (1) elimination of the grounds for which the debarment was imposed; (2) a bona fide change in ownership or management; (3) material evidence discovered after debarment was imposed; or (4) any other reason that is in the best interests of the County.

1.21.6 The Contractor Hearing Board will consider requests for review of a debarment determination only where (1) the Vendor has been debarred for a period longer than five (5) years; (2) the debarment has been in effect for at least five (5) years; and (3) the request is in writing, states one or more of the grounds for reduction of the debarment period or termination of the debarment, and includes supporting documentation. Upon receiving an appropriate request, the Contractor Hearing Board will provide notice of the hearing on the request. At the hearing, the Contractor Hearing Board shall conduct a hearing where evidence on the proposed reduction of debarment period or termination of debarment is presented. This hearing shall be conducted and the request for review decided by the Contractor Hearing Board pursuant to the same procedures as for a debarment hearing.

1.21.7 The Contractor Hearing Board’s proposed decision shall contain a recommendation on the request to reduce the period of debarment or terminate the debarment. The Contractor Hearing Board shall present its proposed decision and recommendation to the Board of Supervisors. The Board of Supervisors shall have the right to modify, deny, or adopt the proposed decision and recommendation of the Contractor Hearing Board.

1.21.8 These terms shall also apply to proposed subcontractors of Vendors on County contracts.
1.21.9 Appendix E (Listing of Contractors Debarred in Los Angeles County) of this RFSQ provides a link to the County’s website where there is a listing of Contractors that are currently on the Debarment List for Los Angeles County.

1.22 Vendor’s Adherence to County Child Support Compliance Program

Contractors shall (1) fully comply with all applicable State and Federal reporting requirements relating to employment reporting for its employees; and (2) comply with all lawfully served Wage and Earnings Assignment Orders and Notice of Assignment and continue to maintain compliance during the term of any Master Agreement that may be awarded pursuant to this solicitation. Failure to comply may be cause for termination of a Master Agreement or initiation of debarment proceedings against the non-compliant Contractor (County Code Chapter 2.202).

1.23 Gratuities

1.23.1 Attempt to Secure Favorable Treatment

It is improper for any County officer, employee or agent to solicit consideration, in any form, from a Vendor with the implication, suggestion or statement that the Vendor’s provision of the consideration may secure more favorable treatment for the Vendor in the award of a Master Agreement or that the Vendor’s failure to provide such consideration may negatively affect the County’s consideration of the Vendor’s submission. A Vendor shall not offer or give either directly or through an intermediary, consideration, in any form, to a County officer, employee or agent for the purpose of securing favorable treatment with respect to the award of a Master Agreement.

1.23.2 Vendor Notification to County

A Vendor shall immediately report any attempt by a County officer, employee or agent to solicit such improper consideration. The report shall be made either to the County manager charged with the supervision of the employee or to the County Auditor-Controller’s Employee Fraud Hotline at (800) 544-6861. Failure to report such a solicitation may result in the Vendor’s submission being eliminated from consideration.

1.23.3 Form of Improper Consideration

Among other items, such improper consideration may take the form of cash, discounts, services, the provision of travel or entertainment, or tangible gifts.

1.24 Notice to Vendors Regarding the County Lobbyist Ordinance

The Board of Supervisors of the County of Los Angeles has enacted an ordinance regulating the activities of persons who lobby County officials. This ordinance, referred to as the “Lobbyist Ordinance,” defines a County Lobbyist and imposes certain registration requirements upon individuals meeting the
definition. The complete text of the ordinance can be found in County Code Chapter 2.160. In effect, each person, corporation or other entity that seeks a County permit, license, franchise or contract must certify compliance with the ordinance. As part of this solicitation process, it will be the responsibility of each Vendor to review the ordinance independently as the text of said ordinance is not contained within this RFSQ. Thereafter, each person, corporation or other entity submitting a response to this solicitation, must certify that each County Lobbyist, as defined by Los Angeles County Code Section 2.160.010, retained by the Vendor is in full compliance with Chapter 2.160 of the Los Angeles County Code and each such County Lobbyist is not on the Executive Office’s List of Terminated Registered Lobbyists by completing and submitting Exhibit 5 (Familiarity with the County Lobbyist Ordinance Certification) of Appendix A (Required Forms) of this RFSQ, as a part of their SOQ.

1.25 Federal Earned Income Credit
The Contractor shall notify its employees, and shall require each subcontractor to notify its employees, that they may be eligible for the Federal Earned Income Credit under the federal income tax laws. Such notice shall be provided in accordance with the requirements set forth in the Internal Revenue Service Notice No. 1015. Reference Appendix F (IRS Notice 1015) of this RFSQ.

1.26 Consideration of GAIN-GROW Participants for Employment
1.26.1 As a threshold requirement for consideration of a Master Agreement, Vendors shall demonstrate a proven record of hiring participants in the County’s Department of Public Social Services Greater Avenues for Independence (GAIN) or General Relief Opportunity for Work (GROW) Programs or shall attest to a willingness to consider GAIN-GROW participants for any future employment openings if they meet the minimum qualifications for that opening. Vendors shall attest to a willingness to provide employed GAIN-GROW participants access to the Vendor’s employee mentoring program, if available, to assist these individuals in obtaining permanent employment and/or promotional opportunities. Vendors who are unable to meet this requirement shall not be considered for a Master Agreement.

1.26.2 Vendors shall complete and return Exhibit 9 (Attestation of Willingness to Consider GAIN-GROW Participants) of Appendix A (Required Forms) of this RFSQ, as part of their SOQ.

1.27 County’s Quality Assurance Plan
After award of a Master Agreement and subsequent Work Order(s), the County or its agent will monitor the Contractor’s performance under the Master Agreement and Work Order(s) on an annual basis. Such monitoring will include assessing Contractor’s compliance with all terms and conditions in the Master Agreement and performance standards identified in Work Order(s) and Attachment 1 (Statement of Work) of this RFSQ. The Contractor’s deficiencies which the County determines are significant or continuing and that may
jeopardize performance of the Master Agreement will be reported to the Board of Supervisors. The report will include improvement/corrective action measures taken by the County and Contractor. If improvement does not occur consistent with the corrective action measures, the County may terminate the Master Agreement in whole or in part, or impose other penalties as specified in the Master Agreement.

1.28 Recycled Bond Paper

Vendor shall be required to comply with the County’s policy on recycled bond paper as specified in subparagraph 8.38 (Recycled Bond Paper) of Appendix H (Model Master Agreement) of this RFSQ.

1.29 Safely Surrendered Baby Law

The Contractor shall notify and provide to its employees, and shall require each subcontractor to notify and provide to its employees, information regarding the Safely Surrendered Baby Law, its implementation in Los Angeles County, and where and how to safely surrender a baby. The information is set forth in Appendix G (Safely Surrendered Baby Law) of this RFSQ. Additional information is available at www.babysafela.org.

1.30 County Policy on Doing Business with Small Business

1.30.1 The County has multiple programs that address small businesses. The Board of Supervisors encourages small business participation in the County’s contracting process by constantly streamlining and simplifying our selection process and expanding opportunities for small businesses to compete for our business.

1.30.2 The Local Small Business Enterprise Preference Program, requires the Company to complete a certification process. This program and how to obtain certification are further explained in subparagraph 1.32 (Local Small Business Enterprise (LSBE) Preference Program) of this RFSQ.

1.30.3 The Jury Service Program provides exceptions to the Program if a company qualifies as a Small Business. It is important to note that each Program has a different definition for Small Business. You may qualify as a Small Business in one Program but not the other. Further explanation of the Jury Service Program is provided in subparagraph 1.31 (Jury Service Program) of this RFSQ.

1.30.4 The County also has a Policy on Doing Business with Small Business that is stated in Appendix C (County of Los Angeles Policy on Doing Business with Small Business) of this RFSQ.

1.31 Jury Service Program

The prospective Master Agreement is subject to the requirements of the County’s ordinance entitled Contractor Employee Jury Service Ordinance (“Jury Service Program”) (Los Angeles County Code, Chapter 2.203). Prospective Contractors should carefully read the Appendix D (Jury Service Ordinance), and the pertinent
jury service provisions of subparagraph 8.7 (Compliance with County’s Jury Service Ordinance Program) of Appendix H (Model Master Agreement), both of which are incorporated by reference into and made a part of this RFSQ. The Jury Service Program applies to both Contractors and their subcontractors. SOQs that fail to comply with the requirements of the Jury Service Program will be considered non-responsive and excluded from further consideration.

1.31.1 The Jury Service Program requires Contractors and their subcontractors to have and adhere to a written policy that provides that its employees shall receive from the Contractor, on an annual basis, no less than five (5) days of regular pay for actual jury service. The policy may provide that employees deposit any fees received for such jury service with the Contractor or that the Contractor deduct from the employee’s regular pay the fees received for jury service. For purposes of the Jury Service Program, “employee” means any California resident who is a full-time employee of a Contractor and “full-time” means forty (40) hours or more worked per week, or a lesser number of hours if: (1) the lesser number is a recognized industry standard as determined by the County, or (2) the Contractor has a long-standing practice that defines the lesser number of hours as full-time. Therefore, the Jury Service Program applies to all of a Contractor’s full-time California employees, even those not working specifically on the County project. Full-time employees providing short-term, temporary services of ninety (90) days or less within a twelve (12) month period are not considered full-time for purposes of the Jury Service Program.

1.31.2 There are two ways in which a Contractor might not be subject to the Jury Service Program. The first is if the Contractor does not fall within the Jury Service Program’s definition of “Contractor.” The Jury Service Program defines “Contractor” to mean a person, partnership, corporation of other entity which has a contract with the County or a subcontract with a County Contractor and has received or will receive an aggregate sum of $50,000 or more in any twelve (12)-month period under one or more County contracts or subcontracts. The second is if the Contractor meets one of the two exceptions to the Jury Service Program. The first exception concerns small businesses and applies to Contractors that have (1) ten or fewer employees; and, (2) annual gross revenues in the preceding twelve months which, if added to the annual amount of this contract is less than $500,000, and, (3) is not an “affiliate or subsidiary of a business dominant in its field of operation”. The second exception applies to Contractors that possess a collective bargaining agreement that expressly supersedes the provisions of the Jury Service Program. The Contractor is subject to any provision of the Jury Service Program not expressly superseded by the collective bargaining agreement.

1.31.3 If a Contractor does not fall within the Jury Service Program’s definition of “Contractor” or if it meets any of the exceptions to the Jury Service Program.
Program, then the Contractor must so indicate in Exhibit 10 (Contractor Employee Jury Service Program Certification Form and Application for Exception) of Appendix A (Required Forms) of this RFSQ, and include with its submission all necessary documentation to support the claim such as tax returns or a collective bargaining agreement, if applicable. Upon reviewing the Contractor’s application, the County will determine, in its sole discretion, whether the Contractor falls within the definition of Contractor or meets any of the exceptions to the Jury Service Program. The County’s decision will be final.

1.32 Local Small Business Enterprise (LSBE) Preference Program

1.32.1 In reviewing Work Order bids, the County will give LSBE preference to businesses that meet the definition of a LSBE, consistent with Chapter 2.204.030C.1 of the Los Angeles County Code. An LSBE is defined as a business: (1) certified by the State of California as a small business and has had its principal place of business located in Los Angeles County for at least one (1) year; or (2) certified as a small business enterprise with other certifying agencies pursuant to the Department of Consumer and Business Affair’s (DCBA) inclusion policy that: (a) has its principal place of business located in Los Angeles County, and (b) has revenues and employee sizes that meet the State’s Department of General Services requirements. The business must be certified by the DCBA as meeting the requirements set forth above prior to requesting the LSBE Preference in a solicitation.

1.32.2 To apply for certification as an LSBE, businesses should contact the DCBA at http://dcba.lacounty.gov.

1.32.3 Certified LSBEs may only request the preference in each of their Work Order responses and may not request the preference unless the certification process has been completed and certification is affirmed. Businesses must complete and submit the Request for Preference Program Consideration with each Work Order bid response and submit a letter of certification from the DCBA with their bid.

1.32.4 Information about the State’s small business enterprise certification regulations is in the California Code of Regulations, Title 2, Subchapter 8, Section 1896 et seq., and is also available on the California Department of General Services Office of Small Business Certification and Resources Web site at https://caleprocure.ca.gov/pages/sbdvbe-index.aspx.

1.33 Local Small Business Enterprise (LSBE) Prompt Payment Program

It is the intent of the County that Certified LSBEs receive prompt payment for services they provide to County departments. Prompt payment is defined as fifteen (15) calendar days after receipt of an undisputed invoice.
1.34 Notification to County of Pending Acquisitions/Mergers by Proposing Company

The Vendor shall notify the County of any pending acquisitions/mergers of its company unless otherwise legally prohibited from doing so. If the Vendor is restricted from legally notifying the County of pending acquisitions/mergers, then it should notify the County of the actual acquisitions/mergers as soon as the law allows and provide to the County the legal framework that restricted it from notifying the County prior to the actual acquisitions/mergers. This information shall be provided by the Vendor on Exhibit 1 (Vendor’s Organization Questionnaire/Affidavit and CBE Information) of Appendix A (Required Forms) of this RFSQ. Failure of the Vendor to provide this information may eliminate its SOQ from any further consideration.

1.35 Social Enterprise (SE) Preference Program

1.35.1 In securing Work Order bids, the County will give preference during the solicitation process to businesses that meet the definition of a SE, consistent with Chapter 2.205 of the Los Angeles County Code. A SE is defined as:

1) A business that qualifies as a SE and has been in operation for at least one (1) year providing transitional or permanent employment to a Transitional Workforce or providing social, environmental and/or human justice services; and

2) A business certified by the Department of Consumer and Business Affairs (DCBA) as a SE.

1.35.2 The DCBA shall certify that a SE meets the criteria set forth in subparagraph 1.35.1 above.

1.35.3 Certified SEs may only request the preference if the certification has been completed and certification is affirmed. Businesses must complete and submit Exhibit 4 (Request for Preference Program Consideration) of Appendix A (Required Forms) of this RFSQ and submit a letter of certification from the DCBA with their SOQ.

1.35.4 Further information on SEs is also available on the DCBA’s website at: http://dcba.lacounty.gov.

1.36 Intentionally Omitted

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1.38 Defaulted Property Tax Reduction Program

1.38.1 The prospective Master Agreement is subject to the requirements of the County’s Defaulted Property Tax Reduction Program (“Defaulted Tax Program”) (Los Angeles County Code, Chapter 2.206). Prospective Contractors should carefully read Appendix I (Defaulted Property Tax Reduction Program), and the pertinent provisions of Appendix H (Model Master Agreement), subparagraph 8.50 (Warranty of Compliance with
County’s Defaulted Property Tax Reduction Program) and subparagraph 8.51 (Termination for Breach of Warranty to Maintain Compliance with County’s Defaulted Property Tax Reduction Program), both of which are incorporated by reference into and made a part of this solicitation. The Defaulted Tax Program applies to both Contractors and their subcontractors.

1.38.2 Vendors shall be required to certify that they are in full compliance with the provisions of the Defaulted Tax Program and shall maintain compliance during the term of any Master Agreement that may be awarded pursuant to this solicitation or shall certify that they are exempt from the Defaulted Tax Program by completing Exhibit 12 (Certification of Compliance with the County’s Defaulted Property Tax Reduction Program), of Appendix A (Required Forms) of this RFSQ. Failure to maintain compliance, or to timely cure defects, may be cause for termination of a Master Agreement or initiation of debarment proceedings against the non-compliance Contractor (Los Angeles County Code, Chapter 2.202).

1.38.3 SOQs that fail to comply with the certification requirements of the Defaulted Tax Program will be considered non-responsive and excluded from further consideration.

1.39 Disabled Veteran Business Enterprise (DVBE) Preference Program

1.39.1 In reviewing Work Order bids, the County will give preference during the solicitation process to businesses that meet the definition of a DVBE, consistent with Chapter 2.211 of the Los Angeles County Code. A DVBE Vendor is defined as:

1) A business which is certified by the State of California as a DVBE; or

2) A business which is certified as a Service-Disabled Veteran-Owned Small Business (SDVOSB) by the Veterans Administration.

3) A business certified as DVBE with other certifying agencies pursuant to the Department of Consumer and Business Affairs’ (DCBA) inclusion policy that meets the criteria set forth by the agencies in 1 and 2 above.

1.39.2 The DCBA shall certify that a DVBE is currently certified by the State of California, by the U.S. Department of Veteran Affairs, or is determined by the DCBA’ inclusion policy that meets the criteria set forth by the agencies in subparagraph 1.39.1, 1 or 2 above.

1.39.3 Certified DVBEs may only request the preference if the certification process has been completed and certification is affirmed. Businesses must complete and submit Exhibit 4 (Request for Preference Program
Consideration) of Appendix A (Required Forms) of this RFSQ and submit a letter of certification from the DCBA with their SOQ.

1.39.4 Information about the State's DVBE certification regulations is found in the California Code of Regulations, Title 2, Subchapter 8, Section 1896 et seq., and is also available on the California Department of General Services Office of Disabled Veteran Business Certification and Resources Website at https://caleprocure.ca.gov/pages/sbdvbe-index.aspx.

1.39.5 Information on the Department of Veteran Affairs SDVOSB certification regulations is found in the Code of Federal Regulations, 38CFR 74 and is also available on the Department of Veterans Affairs Website at: https://www.va.gov/osdbu/.

1.40 Time Off for Voting

The Contractor shall notify its employees, and shall require each subcontractor to notify and provide to its employees, information regarding the time off for voting law (California Elections Code Section 14000). Not less than ten (10) calendar days before every statewide election, every Contractor and subcontractors shall keep posted conspicuously at the place of work, if practicable, or elsewhere where it can be seen as employees come or go to their place of work, a notice setting forth the provisions of California Elections Code Section 14000.

1.41 Vendor’s Acknowledgement of County’s Commitment to Zero Tolerance Policy on Human Trafficking

1.41.1 On October 4, 2016, the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors approved a motion taking significant steps to protect victims of human trafficking by establishing a zero tolerance policy on human trafficking. The policy prohibits Vendors engaged in human trafficking from receiving contract awards or performing services under a County contract.

1.41.2 Vendors are required to complete Exhibit 13 (Zero Tolerance Policy on Human Trafficking Certification) of Appendix A (Required Forms) of this RFSQ, certifying that they are in full compliance with the County’s Zero Tolerance Policy on Human Trafficking provision as defined in subparagraph 8.53 (Compliance with County’s Zero Tolerance Policy on Human Trafficking) of Appendix H (Model Master Agreement) of this RFSQ. Further, Contractors are required to comply with the requirements under said provision for the term of any Master Agreement awarded pursuant to this solicitation.

1.42 Intentionally Omitted

1.43 Default Method of Payment: Direct Deposit or Electronic Funds Transfer

1.43.1 The County, at its sole discretion, has determined that the most efficient and secure default form of payment for goods and/or services provided under a contract with the County shall be Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT)
or direct deposit, unless an alternative method of payment is deemed appropriate by the Auditor-Controller (A-C).

1.43.2 Upon Master Agreement award or at the request of the A-C and/or the contracting department, the Contractor shall submit a direct deposit authorization request with banking and vendor information, and any other information that the A-C determines is reasonably necessary to process the payment and comply with all accounting, record keeping, and tax reporting requirements.

1.43.3 Any provision of law, grant, or funding agreement requiring a specific form or method of payment other than EFT or direct deposit shall supersede this requirement with respect to those payments.

1.43.4 Upon Master Agreement award or at any time during the duration of the Master Agreement, a Contractor may submit a written request for an exemption to this requirement. The A-C, in consultation with the contracting department(s), shall decide whether to approve exemption requests.

1.44 Vendor’s Acknowledgement of County’s Commitment to Fair Chance Employment Hiring Practices

1.44.1 On May 29, 2018, the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors approved a Fair Chance Employment Policy in an effort to remove job barriers for individuals with criminal records. The policy requires businesses that contract with the County to comply with fair chance employment hiring practices set forth in California Government Code Section 12952, Employment Discrimination: Conviction History (Section 12952).

1.44.2 Contractors are required to complete Exhibit 15 (Compliance with Fair Chance Employment Hiring Practices Certification) of Appendix A (Required Forms) of this RFSQ, certifying that they are in full compliance with California Government Code Section 12952, as indicated in the Master Agreement. Further, Contractors are required to comply with the requirements under Section 12952 for the term of any Master Agreement awarded pursuant to this solicitation.

1.45 Prohibition from Participation in Future Solicitation(s)

A Vendor, or a Contractor or its subsidiary or Subcontractor ("Vendor/Contractor"), is prohibited from submitting a bid or proposal in a County solicitation if the Vendor/Contractor has provided advice or consultation for the solicitation. A Vendor/Contractor is also prohibited from submitting a bid or proposal in a County solicitation if the Vendor/Contractor has developed or prepared any of the solicitation materials on behalf of the County. A violation of this provision shall result in the disqualification of the Contractor/Vendor from participation in the County solicitation or the termination or cancellation of any resultant County contract.
2.0 INSTRUCTIONS TO VENDORS

This Paragraph contains key project dates and activities as well as instructions to Vendors on how to prepare and submit their Statement of Qualifications (SOQ).

2.1 County Responsibility

The County is not responsible for representations made by any of its officers or employees prior to the execution of the Master Agreement unless such understanding or representation is included in the Master Agreement.

2.2 Truth and Accuracy of Representations

False, misleading, incomplete, or deceptively unresponsive statements in connection with an SOQ shall be sufficient cause for rejection of the SOQ. The evaluation and determination in this area shall be at the Sheriff’s sole judgment and his/her judgment shall be final.

2.3 RFSQ Timetable

2.3.1 The timetable for this RFSQ is as follows:

- Release of RFSQ ........................................... September 20, 2019
- Request for a Solicitation Requirements Review Due ............................................................ October 4, 2019
- Written Questions Due ................................. October 4, 2019
- Questions and Answers Released .................... October 11, 2019
- SOQ due by 3:00 p.m. (Pacific Time) ............... October 25, 2019

2.3.2 The submittal date is an initial due date and those SOQs not received by that date may not be reviewed initially; however, they may be reviewed at a later date to determine if they meet the qualifications listed. The solicitation will remain open until the needs of the Department are met.

2.3.3 In the event the Department’s needs are met and the solicitation is closed, the solicitation may be reopened any time during the term of the Master Agreement, at the Department’s discretion, in order to meet any additional Department needs. In the event the solicitation is reopened, it will be publicized on the County’s website.

2.4 Solicitation Requirements Review

2.4.1 Any person or entity may seek a Solicitation Requirements Review by submitting Appendix B (Transmittal Form to Request a Solicitation Requirements Review) of this RFSQ to the Department conducting the solicitation as described in this subparagraph. A request for a Solicitation Requirements Review may be denied, in the Department’s sole discretion, if the request does not satisfy all of the following criteria:

1. The request for a Solicitation Requirements Review is made within the time frame identified in the solicitation document. Refer to subparagraph 2.3.1 above.
2. The request includes documentation (e.g., letterhead, business card, etc.), which identifies the underlying authority of the person or entity to submit a SOQ;

3. The request for itemizes in appropriate detail, each matter contested and factual reasons for the requested review; and

4. The request asserts that either:
   a. application of the minimum mandatory qualifications, evaluation criteria and/or business requirements unfairly disadvantages the person or entity; or,
   b. due to unclear instructions, the process may result in the County not receiving the best possible responses from prospective Vendor.

2.4.2 The Solicitation Requirements Review shall be completed and the Department’s determination shall be provided to the requesting person or entity, in writing, within a reasonable time prior to the SOQ due date.

2.4.3 All requests for a Solicitation Requirements Review should be submitted to:

   Los Angeles County Sheriff’s Department
   Hall of Justice
   Fiscal Administration – Contracts Unit
   211 W. Temple Street, 6th Floor
   Los Angeles, California 90012
   Attention: Aloett Martin, Contract Analyst
   E-mail Address: a9martin@lasd.org

2.5 Vendors’ Questions

2.5.1 Vendors may submit written questions regarding this RFSQ by mail, fax or e-mail to the Contract Analyst identified below. All questions must be received by October 4, 2019. All questions, without identifying the submitting company, will be compiled with the appropriate answers and issued as an addendum to this RFSQ.

2.5.2 When submitting questions, please specify the RFSQ paragraph number, subparagraph, page number and quote the language that prompted the question. This will ensure that the question can be quickly found in the RFSQ. County reserves the right to group similar questions when providing answers.

2.5.3 Questions may address concerns that the application of minimum qualifications, evaluation criteria and/or business requirements would unfairly disadvantage Vendors or, due to unclear instructions, may result in the County not receiving the best possible responses from Vendor.

2.5.4 Questions should be addressed to:

   Los Angeles County Sheriff’s Department
2.6 Intentionally Omitted

2.7 Preparation and Format of the SOQ

All SOQs must be bound and submitted in the prescribed format. Any SOQ that deviates from this format may be rejected without review at the County’s sole discretion.

The content and sequence of the SOQ must be as follows:

- Table of Contents
- Vendor’s Qualifications (Section A)
- Required Forms (Section B)
- Proof of Insurability (Section C)
- Proof of Licenses (Section D)

2.7.1 Table of Contents

The Table of Contents must be a comprehensive listing of material included in the SOQ. This section must include a clear definition of the material, identified by sequential page numbers and by section reference numbers.

2.7.2 Vendor’s Qualifications (Section A)

Demonstrate that the Vendor’s organization has the experience to perform the required services. The following sections must be included:

A. Vendor’s Background and Experience (Section A.1)

The Vendor shall complete, sign, and date Exhibit 1 (Vendor’s Organization Questionnaire/Affidavit and CBE Information) of Appendix A (Required Forms) of this RFSQ. The person signing the form must be authorized to sign on behalf of the Vendor and to bind the Vendor in a Master Agreement.

Provide a summary of relevant background information to demonstrate that the Vendor meets the minimum mandatory qualifications stated in subparagraph 1.4 (Vendor’s Minimum Mandatory Qualifications) of this RFSQ and has the capability to perform the required services as a corporation or other entity.

- Vendor must provide sufficient detail and documentation to demonstrate that they meet the minimum mandatory qualifications
stated in subparagraph 1.4 (Vendor’s Minimum Mandatory Qualifications) of this RFSQ and have the capability to perform the required services as required in Attachment 1 (Statement of Work) of this RFSQ.

- Vendor must provide a statement indicating Vendor’s commitment to provide emergency haul out of sinking Vessels or Vessels determined by the Department to be an environmental hazard within three (3) hours of notification by the Department, seven (7) days a week, twenty-four (24) hours a day.

- Vendor must demonstrate the capacity to perform the required services as a corporation or other entity.

- Vendor must provide the names, addresses, and telephone numbers of all persons authorized to represent and bind the company.

Taking into account the structure of the Vendor’s organization, Vendor shall determine which of the below referenced supporting documents the County requires. If the Vendor’s organization does not fit into one of these categories, upon receipt of the SOQ or at some later time, the County may, in its discretion, request additional documentation regarding the Vendor’s business organization and authority of individuals to sign contracts.

If the below referenced documents are not available at the time of SOQ submission, Vendors must request the appropriate documents from the California Secretary of State and provide a statement on the status of the request.

**Required Support Documents:**

**Corporations or Limited Liability Company (LLC):**

The Vendor must submit the following documentation with the SOQ:

1) A copy of a “Certificate of Good Standing” with the state of incorporation/organization.

2) A conformed copy of the most recent “Statement of Information” as filed with the California Secretary of State listing corporate officers or members and managers.

**Limited Partnership:**

The Vendor must submit a conformed copy of the Certificate of Limited Partnership or Application for Registration of Foreign Limited Partnership as filed with the California Secretary of State, and any amendments.
B. Vendor’s References (Section A.2)

It is the Vendor’s sole responsibility to ensure that the firm’s name, and point of contact’s name, title and phone number for each reference is accurate. The same references may be listed on both forms – Exhibit 6 (Prospective Contractor References) and Exhibit 7 (Prospective Contractor List of Terminated Contracts) of Appendix A (Required Forms) of this RFSQ.

County may disqualify a Vendor if:

- references fail to substantiate Vendor’s description of the services provided; or
- references fail to support that Vendor has a continuing pattern of providing capable, productive and skilled personnel, or
- the Department is unable to reach the point of contact with reasonable effort. It is the Vendor’s responsibility to inform the point of contact of normal working hours

The Vendor must complete and include Required Forms, Exhibits 6, 7 and 8 as set forth in Appendix A (Required Forms) of this RFSQ.

a. Prospective Contractor References, Exhibit 6

Vendor must provide three (3) references for which the same or similar Work to that described in Attachment 1 (Statement of Work) of this RFSQ was provided. References may be used to verify the minimum experience requirement stated in subparagraph 1.4.1 (Vendor’s Minimum Mandatory Qualifications) of this RFSQ.

b. Prospective Contractor List of Contracts, Exhibit 7

The listing must include all public entities contracts for the last three (3) years. A photocopy of this form should be used if additional pages are necessary.

c. Prospective Contractor List of Terminated Contracts, Exhibit 8

Listing must include contracts terminated within the past three (3) years with a reason for termination.

C. Vendor’s Pending Litigation and Judgments (Section A.3)

Identify by name, case and court jurisdiction any pending litigation in which Vendor is involved, or judgments against Vendor in the past five (5) years. Provide a statement describing the size and scope of any pending or threatened litigation against the Vendor or principals of the Vendor. If there are no pending litigation or judgements, Vendor must provide a statement stating such in this section.
2.7.3 Required Forms (Section B)
Include the following business forms as provided in Appendix A (Required Forms) of this RFSQ. Complete, sign and date all forms.

Exhibit 2 Certification of No Conflict of Interest
Exhibit 3 Vendor's EEO Certification
Exhibit 4 Request for Preference Program Consideration
Exhibit 5 Familiarity with the County Lobbyist Ordinance Certification
Exhibit 9 Attestation of Willingness to Consider GAIN/GROW Participants
Exhibit 10 County of Los Angeles Contractor Employee Jury Service Program Certification Form and Application for Exception
Exhibit 12 Certification of Compliance with the County’s Defaulted Property Tax Reduction Program
Exhibit 13 Zero Tolerance Policy on Human Trafficking Certification
Exhibit 15 Compliance with Fair Chance Employment Hiring Practices Certification

2.7.4 Proof of Insurability (Section C)
Vendor must provide proof of insurability that meets all insurance requirements set forth in subparagraphs 8.23 (General Provisions for all Insurance Coverage) and 8.24 (Insurance Coverage) of Appendix H (Model Master Agreement) of this RFSQ. If a Vendor does not currently have the required coverage, a letter from a qualified insurance carrier indicating a willingness to provide the required coverage should the Vendor be selected to receive a Master Agreement award may be submitted with the SOQ.

2.7.5 Proof of Licenses (Section D)
Vendor providing Work under the Master Agreement must possess, comply with, and keep current all applicable licenses, certifications, memberships, and permits pursuant to subparagraph 2.8 of Attachment 1 (Statement of Work) of this RFSQ. Vendor must complete Exhibit 16 (Required Licenses, Certifications, Memberships and Permits) of Appendix A (Required Forms) of this RFSQ and with it provide copies of all licenses, certifications, memberships, and permits required to perform the required Work, which may include but not limited to a valid business license, hazardous waste and pollution discharge permits, motor carrier permits, vehicle inspection reports, pull notices, and driver’s licenses.
2.8 **SOQ Submission**

The original SOQ and three (3) numbered exact copies, and two (2) separate electronic copies in pdf format on flash drives or compact discs, shall be enclosed in a sealed envelope or box, plainly marked in the upper left-hand corner with the name and address of the Vendor and bear the words:

**“SOQ FOR VESSEL REMOVAL AND DISPOSAL SERVICES”**

The SOQ and any related information shall be delivered or mailed to:

Los Angeles County Sheriff’s Department  
Hall of Justice  
Fiscal Administration – Contracts Unit  
211 W. Temple Street, 6th Floor  
Los Angeles, California 90012  
Attention: Aloett Martin, Contract Analyst

It is the sole responsibility of the submitting Vendor to ensure that its SOQ is received before the submission deadline identified in subparagraph 2.3 (RFSQ Timetable). Submitting Vendors shall bear all risks associated with delays in delivery by any person or entity, including the U.S. Mail. No facsimile (fax) or electronic mail (e-mail) copies will be accepted.

Any SOQ’s received after the scheduled due date and time, as stated in subparagraph 2.3 (RFSQ Timetable), or any addendum amending the SOQ due date and time, will not be reviewed initially; however, may be reviewed at a later date.

2.9 **Acceptance of Terms and Conditions of Master Agreement**

Vendors understand and agree that submission of the SOQ constitutes acknowledgement and acceptance of, and a willingness to comply with, all terms and conditions of Appendix H (Model Master Agreement) of this RFSQ.

2.10 **SOQ Withdrawals**

The Vendor may withdraw its SOQ at any time prior to the date and time which is set forth herein as the deadline for acceptance of SOQs, upon written request for same to:

Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department  
Hall of Justice  
Fiscal Administration – Contracts Unit  
211 W. Temple Street, 6th Floor  
Los Angeles, California 90012  
Attention: Irma Santana, Manager

Vendors that wish to re-submit a corrected SOQ, or correction to any component of the SOQ, must do so before the initial submission deadline stated in subparagraph 2.3 (RFSQ Timeline). Resubmitted corrections to SOQs submitted after the initial deadline may not be reviewed initially, however, they may be reviewed at a later date to determine if they meet the qualifications in this RFSQ.
If County determines at any time that there are one or more errors (e.g. clerical or arithmetic errors) or missing information in any submitted SOQ, County, in its sole discretion, may request in writing that the particular Vendor submit a written correction of the applicable portion(s) of its SOQ within a County-specified time period and in compliance with all County instructions as set forth in the request, including regarding content and format. Vendor understands and agrees that any such correction shall be limited to correcting errors or submitting missing information identified by County, shall comply with all County instructions as set forth in the request, and shall be considered part of the SOQ for all purposes including SOQ review. If Vendor fails to submit such correction or missing information within the County-specified time period, the SOQ shall stand as written

3.0 SOQ REVIEW/SELECTION/QUALIFICATION PROCESS

3.1 Review Process

SOQs will be subject to a detailed review by qualified County staff. The review process will include the following steps:

3.1.1 Adherence to Minimum Mandatory Qualifications

County shall review Exhibit 1 (Vendor’s Organization Questionnaire/Affidavit and CBE Information) of Appendix A (Required Forms), and determine if the Vendor meets the minimum mandatory qualifications as outlined in subparagraph 1.4 (Vendor’s Minimum Mandatory Qualifications), of this RFSQ.

Failure of the Vendor to comply with the minimum mandatory qualifications may eliminate its SOQ from any further consideration. The Department may elect to waive any informality in a SOQ if the sum and substance of the SOQ is present.

3.1.2 Vendor’s Qualifications (Section A)

County’s review shall include the following:

- Vendor’s Background and Experience as provided in Section A.1 of the SOQ.
- Vendor’s References as provided in Section A.2. The review will include verification of references submitted, a review of the County’s Contract Database and Contractor Alert Reporting Database, if applicable, reflecting past performance history on County or other contracts, and a review of terminated contracts.
- A review to determine the magnitude of any pending litigation or judgments against the Vendor as provided in Section A.3.

3.1.3 Required Forms

All forms listed in Paragraph 2 (Instructions to Vendors), subparagraph 2.7.3 (Required Forms) must be included in Section B of the SOQ.
3.1.4 Proof of Insurability
Review the proof of insurability provided in Section C of the SOQ.

3.1.5 Proof of Licenses
Review the proof of licenses provided in Section D of the SOQ.

3.2 Disqualification Review
An SOQ may be disqualified from consideration because the Department determined it was non-responsive at any time during the review/evaluation process. If the Department determines that an SOQ is disqualified due to non-responsiveness, the Department shall notify the Vendor in writing.

Upon receipt of the written determination of non-responsiveness, the Vendor may submit a written request for a Disqualification Review within the timeframe specified in the written determination.

A request for a Disqualification Review may, in the Department's sole discretion, be denied if the request does not satisfy all of the following criteria:

1. The request for a Disqualification Review is submitted timely (i.e., by the date and time specified in the written determination); and

2. The request for a Disqualification Review asserts that the Department's determination of disqualification due to non-responsiveness was erroneous (e.g. factual errors, etc.) and provides factual support on each ground asserted as well as copies of all documents and other material that support the assertions.

The Disqualification Review shall be completed and the determination shall be provided to the requesting Vendor, in writing, prior to the conclusion of the evaluation process.

3.3 Selection/Qualification Process
The Department will generally select Vendors that have experience in providing a broad range of vessel removal and disposal services. However, in order to ensure the Department has a varied pool of Qualified Contractors, the Department may offer Master Agreements to Vendors that offer a narrow scope of services in more highly specialized areas.

3.4 Master Agreement Award
Vendors who are notified by the Department that they appear to have the necessary qualifications and experience (i.e., they are qualified) may still not be recommended for a Master Agreement if other requirements necessary for award have not been met. Other requirements may include acceptance of the terms and conditions of the Master Agreement, and/or satisfactory documentation that required insurance will be obtained. Only when all such matters have been demonstrated to the Department's satisfaction can a Vendor, which is otherwise deemed qualified, be regarded as "selected" for recommendation of a Master Agreement.
The Department will execute a Board of Supervisors-authorized Master Agreement with each selected Vendor. All Vendors will be informed of the final selections.
ATTACHMENT 1

STATEMENT OF WORK

VESSEL REMOVAL AND DISPOSAL SERVICES

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STATEMENT OF WORK

1.0 SCOPE OF WORK

The Los Angeles County Sheriff’s Department (Department) requires the services of Contractors that can provide as-needed Vessel Removal and Disposal Services as described herein. The Contractor shall properly and legally remove Vessels, which will be in varying states of disrepair and seaworthiness, from County waterways as required by the Department’s Marina del Rey Sheriff’s Station. The Contractor shall also provide services relative to the short-term or temporary storage and/or disposal of such Vessels. Vessels in the possession of the Department are typically located at docks of the Department’s Marina del Rey Sheriff's Station, located at 13851 Fiji Way, Marina del Rey, California 90292.

Background

Every year, approximately thirty (30) Vessels are abandoned by their owners because of their state of disrepair and lack of seaworthiness. Most of these Vessels are approximately twenty (20) to thirty (30) feet in length, but varied lengths can be expected. The Department is responsible for the removal and disposal of these Vessels per California Harbors and Navigation Code, Sections 510 through 527, and Los Angeles County Code section 19.12.1070, as they can pose a potential health and safety hazard.

Grant Funding

It is anticipated that services required under the Master Agreement will be funded, either in whole or in part, by a grant from the California State Parks, Division of Boating and Waterways, Surrendered and Abandoned Vessel Exchange (SAVE) grant program for Fiscal Year 2019-2020, and any and all subsequent grant years, and, as such, shall be subject to all policies, provisions, and requirements of such grant(s) or any other grants obtained during the term of this Master Agreement. Grant funding shall not be utilized by the County for removal, storage, or disposal of commercial vessels. Commercial vessels include those vessels for which the most recent registration or documentation was commercial, even though that registration or documentation may have lapsed.

2.0 SPECIFIC WORK REQUIREMENTS

2.1 Haul Out or Removal of Vessels from County Waterways

2.1.1 The Contractor shall properly and legally haul out or remove Vessels from County waterways, as requested by the Department.

2.1.2 The Contractor shall pick up and tow or otherwise transport Vessels from the Department’s Marina del Rey Sheriff’s
Station’s docks, or any other location where the Vessel may be located when providing haul out or removal of Vessels and/or services relative to the short-term or temporary storage and/or disposal.

2.1.3 The Contractor shall use a hoist, sling, lift, or other type of haul out device to properly and legally haul out or remove Vessels, up to ninety (90) feet in length and up to one hundred (100) metric tons, from the County waterways, or any other location where the Vessel may be located.

2.1.4 Prior to removal of any Vessel, the Contractor shall obtain all necessary permits, authorizations, and documentation necessitated by any applicable provision of law.

2.2 Temporary or Short-Term Storage

2.2.1 The Contractor shall provide temporary or short-term storage of Vessels, as requested by the Department.

2.2.2 The Contractor shall not release any Vessel to any person without prior authorization from the County Project Director or the County Project Manager.

2.2.3 The Contractor shall report security breaches of any type to the County Project Manager immediately. Notifications during normal business hours should be directed to the County Project Manager. Notifications after business hours should be directed to Marina del Rey Sheriff’s Station at 310-482-6000.

2.3 Disposal

2.3.1 The Contractor shall properly and legally dispose of Vessels, as requested by the Department.

2.3.2 The Contractor shall empty the Vessel’s fuel tanks and reuse or dispose of gasoline as hazardous waste.

2.3.3 The Contractor shall remove and recycle, including but not limited to, the following Vessel parts and fluids:

   2.3.3.1 Used oil
   2.3.3.2 Used antifreeze
   2.3.3.3 Vessel engine (recycle as scrap metal)
2.3.3.4 Any metal with reuse value such as lead, zinc, aluminum

2.3.3.5 Refrigerants

2.3.3.6 Unused fluids

2.3.3.7 Other materials as needed

2.3.4 The Contractor shall remove all mercury-containing devices (i.e. some electronic equipment, bilge pump switches, old ship’s barometers, fluorescent bulbs) and handle as hazardous waste.

2.3.5 The Contractor shall reduce the size of the hull into smaller pieces and show proof (photographs) that the Vessels that are disposed of are incapable of being restored into a seaworthy condition.

2.3.6 The Contractor shall provide all photographs of the destroyed Vessel (if possible, showing CF numbers) with the original invoice and corresponding Work Order to the County Project Manager within ten Business Days of Work Due Date, as required in subparagraph 5.4 (Invoices and Payments) of the Master Agreement.

2.3.7 The Contractor shall dispose of fuel tanks either as regular solid waste or recycle as scrap metal (pursuant to 40 CFR 261.7) only when a portable or fixed tank for either gasoline or an oil and gasoline mixture is empty, meaning drained of all material that can be removed from the container by normal methods like pouring or pumping, AND no more than one inch (or 3% by weight) of residue remains in the container. If tank is not empty, it shall be disposed of as hazardous waste (pursuant to 40 CFR 262.11).

2.3.8 The Contractor shall store fuel tanks awaiting disposal away from ignition sources like heat or sparks.

2.3.9 The Contractor shall store cleaning and repair products in leak-proof containers with tight-fitting lids, in a manner that prevents contamination of products.

2.3.10 The Contractor shall properly label hazardous wastes for storage or disposal, identifying the contents of the container and its hazardous properties.

2.3.11 The Contractor shall maintain safe distance between different types of materials/chemicals to prevent cross-contamination.
and reactions. In fixed storage areas, containers of incompatible wastes shall be separated by means of dike, berm, wall, or similar device.

2.3.12 When a Vessel is disposed of, the Contractor shall completely destroy the Vessel plate (hull identification plate) with the Vessel. Vessel plates are never to be issued to Vessels other than to those which originally assigned.

2.4 Hazardous Materials

2.4.1 The Contractor shall be responsible for the proper and lawful handling, abatement, temporary storage, disposal, or recycling of Vessels, parts of any Vessels, hazardous substances, hazardous and solid wastes, fluids, petroleum products, and/or other associated chemicals, hazardous materials and all associated cost(s) thereof.

2.4.2 The Contractor shall comply with all local, state, and federal laws, regulations, and certifications pertaining to the treatment, removal, temporary storage, recycling, disposal, or any other handling of hazardous or solid wastes, Vessels or part of any Vessel, materials, fluids, petroleum products, and associated chemicals.

2.4.3 The Contractor shall secure any necessary and prudent studies, permits, certifications, and/or authorizations associated with treatment, removal, storage, disposal, or any other handling of hazardous substances, including, but not limited to, toxic waste, petroleum waste, asbestos, and similar substances, prior to the removal and disposal of any Vessel under this Master Agreement.

2.4.4 The Contractor shall report any oil spills that may occur while performing services related to this Master Agreement to the National Response Center at 800-424-8802 and the County Project Manager during normal business hours or Marina del Rey Sheriff’s Station after business hours at 310-482-6000 if the spill is into navigable waters or adjoining shoreline, water quality standards could be violated, the spill causes a sheen or discoloration, or the spill causes a sludge or emulsion (pursuant to 40 CFR 110).

2.4.5 The Contractor shall report a hazardous chemical spill while performing services related to this Master Agreement to the National Response Center at 800-424-8802 and the County Project Manager during normal business hours or Marina del Rey Sheriff’s Station after business hours at 310-482-6000 if the spill is into navigable waters or adjoining shoreline, water quality standards could be violated, the spill causes a sheen or discoloration, or the spill causes a sludge or emulsion (pursuant to 40 CFR 110).
Rey Sheriff’s Station after business hours at 310-482-6000 if the release could threaten human health off Contractor’s property.

2.5 The Contractor shall provide supporting documentation to the County Project Director upon completion of a Work Order relative to the final disposition of the Vessel processed for the Department under the Work Order, including but not limited to a photograph of the destroyed Vessel (if possible, showing CF numbers) and an invoice for services rendered.

2.5.1 All photographs submitted to the Department shall be made by Contractor as a work-for-hire for the County, and such photographs shall be the sole and exclusive property of the County.

2.5.2 The Contractor acknowledges and agrees that the County may grant the California State Parks, Division of Boating and Waterways (DBW) a non-exclusive, perpetual and worldwide right to use, reproduce, publish, copy distribute, alter, license, adopt, and display the photographs as further described in the Grant Agreement between the County and DBW.

2.5.3 The Contractor declares and avows that the photographs provided to the Department are the Contractor’s own original works in all respects, that they are free, clear, and unencumbered, and that no part of them is based on any other work, no part infringes the copyright of any person, and that the reproduction, publication, exhibition, or any other use by the County and/or DBW in any form whatever will not in any way, directly or indirectly, infringe on the rights of any person.

2.5.4 The Contractor agrees to indemnify, defend, and hold harmless the County and DBW from and against any and all loss, damage, costs, charges, legal fees, recoveries, judgments, amounts paid in settlement, penalties, and expenses that may be obtained against, imposed on, or suffered by the County and/or DBW by reason of:

(a) Any violation or infringement of any proprietary right or copyright; or

(b) Any libelous or unlawful matter contained in the photographs.

The Contractor also agrees to indemnify, defend, and hold harmless the County and DBW for any such amounts arising from Contractor’s breach of any covenant, representation, or warranty set forth in these subparagraphs 2.5.1 – 2.5.4.
2.6 The Contractor shall maintain complete and thorough records of all costs and charges relating to Vessels processed for the Department and submit such records to the County Project Director upon submission of invoices.

2.7 The Contractor shall have, and maintain during the term of the Master Agreement, all local, state, and federal permits, licenses, certifications, and memberships required for Contractor’s equipment and operations and required for the performance of Work under this Master Agreement, which may include but not limited to valid business license, hazardous waste and pollution discharge permits, motor carrier permits, vehicle inspection reports, pull notices, and driver’s licenses.

2.8 The Contractor shall be responsible for providing all necessary supplies and Work equipment required for the provision of services under the Master Agreement. The purchase of all materials/equipment to provide the needed services shall be the sole responsibility of the Contractor. Contractor shall use materials and equipment that are safe for the environment and safe for use by the employees.

2.9 Contractor shall provide training for all new employees and continuing in-service training for all employees. All employees shall be trained in their assigned tasks and in the safe handling of equipment and materials. All equipment shall be checked daily for safety. All employees shall wear safety and protective gear according to Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) standards.

2.10 The Contractor shall provide adequate traffic control and safety measures at any site where Contractor will perform any Work under this Master Agreement.

2.11 In accordance with indemnification requirements elsewhere in the Master Agreement, the Contractor shall be liable for any injury to persons or damage to County or private property incurred at a job site in the course of performing the services under this Master Agreement. The Contractor shall be liable for the cost of repairs for any such damages and expenses associated with any injury.

2.12 The Contractor shall allow the County, DBW, and/or any other the State of California representatives to inspect any site where Contractor is performing Work under this Master Agreement.

2.13 In accordance with grant requirements, the Contractor shall comply with all applicable laws and regulations of the State of California for all Work performed under this Master Agreement. By entering into the Master Agreement, the Contractor certifies its compliance with:

(a) Applicable provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act;
(b) Nondiscrimination Program requirements of California Government Code section 12990(a-f) and Title 2, California Code of Regulations, sections 8103 and 8113, along with section 7285 et seq. of the Fair Employment and Housing Act;

(c) Drug-Free Workplace requirement of California Government Code section 8350 et seq.;

(d) National Labor Relations Board Certification of Public Contract Code section 10296;

(e) Workers' Compensation requirement of California Labor Code section 3700; and

(f) Americans with Disabilities Act regulations issued pursuant to 42 U.S.C. section 12101 et seq.

The above provisions are incorporated into this Master Agreement by reference and made a part hereof as if set forth in full.

2.14 During the performance of this Master Agreement, the Contractor shall not unlawfully discriminate, harass, or allow harassment against any employee or applicant for employment because of sex, race, color, ancestry, religious creed, national origin, physical disability (including HIV and AIDS), mental disability, medical condition (e.g., cancer), age (over 40), marital status, and denial of family care leave. The Contractor shall insure that the evaluation and treatment of its employees and applicants for employment are free from such discrimination and harassment. The Contractor shall give written notice of its non-discrimination obligations under this subparagraph 2.13 and subparagraph 2.12(b) above to labor organizations with which Contractor has a collective bargaining or other agreement.

3.0 STORAGE SPECIFICATIONS AND SECURITY REQUIREMENTS

3.1 The Contractor’s storage yard(s) used in providing services under this Master Agreement shall be located within a two (2) mile radius of the Department’s Marina del Rey Sheriff’s Station located at 13851 Fiji Way, Marina del Rey, California 90292.

3.2 The Contractor’s storage yard(s) shall have a locking system and fencing that is maintained by the Contractor.

3.3 The Contractor’s storage yard(s) shall have an alarm/monitoring system that is maintained by the Contractor.

3.4 The Contractor’s storage yard(s) shall be recorded twenty-four (24) hours a day, seven (7) days a week. Recordings may be reviewed, and shall be
provided upon request, by the Department or other County representative at any time. Recordings shall be held by the Contractor during the term of the Master Agreement and for a period of five (5) years thereafter, in accordance with subparagraph 8.37 (Record Retention and Inspection-Audit Settlement) of the Master Agreement.

3.5 The Contractor’s storage yard(s) for storage of Vessels shall be in an enclosed and lighted.

4.0 EMERGENCY HAUL OUT AND SERVICES

4.1 Vessels in the Department’s custody may be in a sinking condition that require immediate haul out to prevent the Vessel from sinking completely.

4.2 The Contractor shall provide an emergency haul out within three (3) hours of notification by the Department, seven (7) days a week, twenty-four (24) hours a day.

4.3 If the Contractor is requested to perform an emergency haul out due to a sinking Vessel or other emergent situation, then the Contractor shall be required to provide all additional required services, such as temporary storage and/or disposal.

5.0 WORK ORDERS

5.1 Upon determination by the Department to request as-needed Vessel Removal and Disposal Services, it is the Department’s intent to issue Work Orders to Active Contractors under competitive bidding procedures, unless circumstances justify otherwise.

5.2 Work Orders shall generally conform to Exhibit F1 (Sample Work Order) and Exhibit F2 (Sample Emergency Work Order) of Appendix H (Model Master Agreement) of the RFSQ. Each Work Order shall include such information as Work Order number, County Project Manager contact information, description of Work to be performed, whether or not an on-site examination is required, and required completion date.

5.3 The County’s procedures for issuing and executing Work Orders are generally as follows:

5.3.1 Upon determination by the County to issue a Work Order, the County shall issue a Work Order solicitation to all Active Contractors. Each interested Active Contractor shall submit a bid to the Department by the due date specified in Section II (Work Description and Requirement) of the Work Order by completing Section III (Contractor’s Bid) of the Work Order indicating the Contractor’s maximum rates, Total Maximum
Amount for performance of the required services, and the date and time that Work will be completed.

5.3.2 Work Orders bids may require an on-site examination of the Vessel by the Contractor at the Vessel’s location. On-site examination must occur within seventy-two (72) hours of Work Order notification, unless in the event of an emergency.

5.3.3 The Contractor’s signed Work Order bid must be provided to the County Project Manager at the time of the on-site examination. If no on-site examination is required, the Contractor’s signed Work Order bid must be provided to the County Project Manager within seventy-two (72) hours of Work Order solicitation notification.

5.3.4 The failure of the Contractor to submit a bid within the specified timeframe may disqualify the Contractor from the particular Work Order.

5.3.5 Upon completion of evaluations, the County shall execute the Work Order by and through the Department staff identified in this Master Agreement with the Active Contractor with the lowest cost bid. The County will complete Section IV (County Acceptance of Contractor’s Bid) of the Work Order and return the fully-executed Work Order to the selected Active Contractor.

5.3.6 Upon the receipt of a fully-executed Work Order, the Contractor shall commence Work within twenty-four (24) hours of County Project Manager’s direction to commence Work or as otherwise mutually agreed upon.

5.3.7 Should the selected Contractor be unable to fulfill a Work Order, the County Project Manager, or designee in the County Project Manager’s sole discretion, may proceed to another Active Contractor.

5.4 In the event of an emergency, the Department will contact and solicit a bid from the Active Contractor within the closest proximity to the Marina del Rey Sheriff’s Station for the provision of the emergency services. If that Contractor is unable to fulfill the requested services, the Department will proceed to another Active Contractor.

5.4.1 Upon the receipt of a fully-executed Work Order for emergency services, the Contractor shall commence Work within three (3) hours of County Project Manager's direction to commence Work or as otherwise mutually agreed upon.
5.5 The Contractor has no guarantee of Work under this Master Agreement. The County does not promise, guarantee, or warrant that it will utilize any particular level of the Contractor’s services or any services at all during the term of this Master Agreement. The determination as to the need for such services shall rest solely within the discretion of the Department.

5.6 The County reserves the right to solicit Work on either a competitive or non-competitive basis. Active Contractors will be selected to perform services based upon the needs of the Department, as determined by the Department in its sole discretion.

5.7 The Contractor shall not accept any Work Orders issued by the County, nor provide any services to the County, after the expiration of the Master Agreement.

6.0 HOURS AND DAYS OF SERVICE

The Contractor shall perform Work at any time during the twenty-four (24) hour period, seven (7) days a week, including holidays.

7.0 CONTRACTOR’S OFFICE

7.1 The Contractor shall maintain an office where the Contractor conducts business related to this Master Agreement.

7.2 The Contractor’s office must be equipped with a functioning telephone and facsimile capabilities in the company’s name where the Contractor conducts business.

7.3 At least one (1) Contractor employee who can respond to requests for services, inquiries, and/or complaints that may be received regarding Contractor’s performance of the Master Agreement services shall staff the office from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding County holidays. This employee must be able to speak, read, and write in the English language.

8.0 QUALITY CONTROL

The Contractor shall establish and utilize a comprehensive Quality Control Plan to assure the Department a consistently high level of service throughout the term of the Master Agreement. The plan shall be submitted to the County Project Manager for review within thirty (30) Business Days of execution of Master Agreement. The plan shall include, but may not be limited to the following:

8.1 Method of monitoring to ensure that Master Agreement requirements are being met;
8.2 A record of all inspections conducted by the Contractor, any corrective action taken, the time a problem was first identified, a clear description of the problem, and the time elapsed between identification and completed corrective action, shall be provided to the Department upon request.

9.0 QUALITY ASSURANCE PLAN

9.1 The Department will evaluate Contractor’s performance under this Master Agreement using the quality assurance procedures as defined in subparagraph 8.14 (County’s Quality Assurance Plan) of the Master Agreement.

9.2 Contract Discrepancy Report (Exhibit H of Appendix H (Model Master Agreement))

9.2.1 The Contractor shall verbally notify the County Project Manager of a Master Agreement discrepancy as soon as possible whenever a Master Agreement discrepancy is identified. The problem shall be resolved within a time period mutually agreed upon by the Department and the Contractor.

9.2.2 The County Project Manager will determine whether a formal Contract Discrepancy Report shall be issued. Upon receipt of this document, the Contractor is required to respond in writing to the County Project Manager within ten (10) Business Days acknowledging the reported discrepancies or presenting contrary evidence. A plan for correction of all deficiencies identified in the Contract Discrepancy Report shall be submitted to the County Project Manager within ten (10) Business Days.

10.0 GREEN INITIATIVES

10.1 Contractor shall use reasonable efforts to initiate “green” practices for environmental and energy conservation benefits.
APPENDIX A

REQUIRED FORMS

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REQUIRED FORMS - EXHIBIT 1
VENDOR’S ORGANIZATION QUESTIONNAIRE/AFFIDAVIT AND CBE INFORMATION

Please complete, sign and date this form. The person signing the form must be authorized to sign on behalf of the Vendor and to bind the applicant in a Master Agreement.

1. Is your firm a corporation or limited liability company (LLC)?
   □ Yes □ No
   If yes, complete:
   Legal Name (found in Articles of Incorporation) _________________________________
   State _________________________________ Year Inc. ________________

2. If your firm is a limited partnership or a sole proprietorship, state the name of the proprietor or managing partner:
   _________________________________

3. Is your firm doing business under one or more DBA’s?
   □ Yes □ No
   If yes, complete:
   Name _________________________________ County of Registration _________________________________ Year became DBA ________________
   _________________________________ _________________________________ ________________

4. Is your firm wholly/majority owned by, or a subsidiary of another firm?
   □ Yes □ No
   If yes, complete:
   Name of parent firm: _________________________________
   State of incorporation or registration of parent firm: _________________________________

5. Has your firm done business as other names within last five (5) years?
   □ Yes □ No
   If yes, complete:
   Name _________________________________ Year of Name Change ______
   Name _________________________________ Year of Name Change ______

6. Is your firm involved in any pending acquisition or mergers, including the associated company name?
   □ Yes □ No
   If yes, provide information:
   _________________________________
VENDOR’S ORGANIZATION QUESTIONNAIRE/AFFIDAVIT AND CBE INFORMATION

Vendor acknowledges and certifies that firm meets and will comply with the vendor’s minimum qualifications as stated in Section 1.4 (Vendor’s Minimum Mandatory Qualifications), of this Request for Statement of Qualifications (RFSQ), as listed below.

Check the appropriate boxes:

☐ Yes ☐ No  **Subparagraph 1.4.1**

Vendor must have a minimum of five (5) years of experience properly and legally hauling or removing Vessels, both power and sail, from waterways and providing short-term or temporary storage and disposal of such Vessels.

Vendor shall provide references and/or supporting documentation to meet this minimum mandatory qualification.

☐ Yes ☐ No  **Subparagraph 1.4.2**

Vendor must possess or have access to a hoist, sling, lift, or other haul out type device with the capability to legally remove Vessels up to ninety (90) feet in length and up to one hundred (100) metric tons, from the County waterways for the Marina del Rey Sheriff’s Station.

Vendor shall provide local, state, and/or federal permits and/or licenses and/or other supporting documentation to meet this minimum mandatory qualification.

☐ Yes ☐ No  **Subparagraph 1.4.3**

Vendor’s storage yard(s) shall meet the following qualifications:

- be located within a two (2) mile radius of the Department’s Marina del Rey Sheriff’s Station located at 13851 Fiji Way, Marina del Rey, California 90292; and
- have a locking system and fencing that is maintained by the Vendor; and
- have an alarm/monitoring system that is maintained by the Vendor; and
- be recorded twenty-four (24) hours a day, seven (7) days a week; and
- be enclosed and lighted.

A site visit of Vendor’s storage yard(s) will be conducted to verify that Vendor meets this minimum mandatory qualification.

☐ Yes ☐ No  **Subparagraph 1.4.4**

Vendor must commit to providing emergency haul out of sinking Vessels or Vessels determined by the Department to be an environmental hazard within three (3) hours of notification by the Department, seven (7) days a week, twenty-four (24) hours a day.

Vendor’s commitment shall be evidenced by Vendor’s affirmative statement required by subparagraph 2.7.2 (Vendor’s Qualification (Section A)) of this RFSQ and Vendor’s certification set forth in the completed Appendix A (Required Forms), Exhibit 1 (Vendor’s Organization Questionnaire/Affidavit and CBE Information) of this RFSQ.

☐ Yes ☐ No  **Subparagraph 1.4.5**

Vendor does not have unresolved questioned cost, as identified by the Auditor-Controller, in an amount over $100,000, that are confirmed to be disallowed costs by the contracting County department, and remain unpaid for a period of six months or more from the date of disallowance, unless such disallowed costs are the subject of current good faith negotiations to resolve the disallowed costs, in the opinion of the County.
VENDOR'S ORGANIZATION QUESTIONNAIRE/AFFIDAVIT AND CBE INFORMATION

I. FIRM/ORGANIZATION INFORMATION: The information requested below is for statistical purposes only. On final analysis and consideration of award, contractor/vendor will be selected without regard to race/ethnicity, color, religion, sex, national origin, age, sexual orientation or disability.

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Total Number of Employees (including owners):

Race/Ethnic Composition of Firm. Distribute the above total number of individuals into the following:

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II. PERCENTAGE OF OWNERSHIP IN FIRM: Please indicate by percentage (%) how ownership of the firm is distributed.

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III. CERTIFICATION AS MINORITY, WOMEN, DISADVANTAGED, AND DISABLED VETERAN BUSINESS ENTERPRISES: If your firm is currently certified as a minority, women, disadvantaged or disabled veteran owned business enterprise by a public agency, complete the following and attach a copy of your proof of certification. (Use back of form, if necessary.)

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<th>Agency Name</th>
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<th>Disabled Veteran</th>
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Vendor further acknowledges that if any false, misleading, incomplete, or deceptively unresponsive statements in connection with this SOQ are made, the SOQ may be rejected. The evaluation and determination in this area shall be at the Director's sole judgment and his/her judgment shall be final.

DECLARATION: I DECLARE UNDER PENALTY OF PERJURY UNDER THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA THAT THE ABOVE INFORMATION IS TRUE AND ACCURATE.

VENDOR NAME:                                    COUNTY WEBVEN NUMBER:

ADDRESS:

PHONE NUMBER:                                  E-MAIL:

INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE EMPLOYER IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: CALIFORNIA BUSINESS LICENSE NUMBER:

VENDOR OFFICIAL NAME AND TITLE (PRINT):

SIGNATURE DATE
REQUIRED FORMS - EXHIBIT 2
CERTIFICATION OF NO CONFLICT OF INTEREST

The Los Angeles County Code, Section 2.180.010, provides as follows:

CONTRACTS PROHIBITED

Notwithstanding any other section of this Code, the County shall not contract with, and shall reject any SOQs submitted by, the persons or entities specified below, unless the Board of Supervisors finds that special circumstances exist which justify the approval of such contract:

1. Employees of the County or of public agencies for which the Board of Supervisors is the governing body;

2. Profit-making firms or businesses in which employees described in number 1 serve as officers, principals, partners, or major shareholders;

3. Persons who, within the immediately preceding 12 months, came within the provisions of number 1, and who:
   a. Were employed in positions of substantial responsibility in the area of service to be performed by the contract; or
   b. Participated in any way in developing the contract or its service specifications; and

4. Profit-making firms or businesses in which the former employees, described in number 3, serve as officers, principals, partners, or major shareholders.

Contracts submitted to the Board of Supervisors for approval or ratification shall be accompanied by an assurance by the submitting department, district or agency that the provisions of this section have not been violated.

________________________________________________________________________
Vendor Name

________________________________________________________________________
Vendor Official Title

________________________________________________________________________
Official's Signature
REQUIRED FORMS - EXHIBIT 3
VENDOR’S EEO CERTIFICATION

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**Company Name**

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**Address**

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**Internal Revenue Service Employer Identification Number**

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**GENERAL**

In accordance with provisions of the County Code of the County of Los Angeles, the Vendor certifies and agrees that all persons employed by such firm, its affiliates, subsidiaries, or holding companies are and will be treated equally by the firm without regard to or because of race, religion, ancestry, national origin, or sex and in compliance with all anti-discrimination laws of the United States of America and the State of California.

**CERTIFICATION**

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<td>2. Vendor periodically conducts a self-analysis or utilization analysis of its work force.</td>
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<td>3. Vendor has a system for determining if its employment practices are discriminatory against protected groups.</td>
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**Signature**

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**Date**

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**Name and Title of Signer (please print)**
REQUIRED FORMS - EXHIBIT 4
REQUEST FOR PREFERENCE CONSIDERATION

INSTRUCTIONS: Businesses requesting preference consideration must complete and return this form for proper consideration of the bid. Businesses may request consideration for one or more preference programs. Check all certifications that apply.*

I MEET ALL OF THE REQUIREMENTS AND REQUEST THIS BID BE CONSIDERED FOR THE PREFERENCE PROGRAM(S) SELECTED BELOW. A COPY OF THE CERTIFICATION LETTER ISSUED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AND BUSINESS AFFAIRS (DCBA) IS ATTACHED.

☐ Request for Local Small Business Enterprise (LSBE) Program Preference

☐ Certified by the State of California as a small business and has had its principal place of business located in Los Angeles County for at least one (1) year; or
☐ Certified as a LSBE with other certifying agencies under DCBA’s inclusion policy that has its principal place of business located in Los Angeles County and has revenues and employee size that meet the State’s Department of General Services requirements; and
☐ Certified as a LSBE by the DCBA.

☐ Request for Social Enterprise (SE) Program Preference

☐ A business that has been in operation for at least one year providing transitional or permanent employment to a Transitional Workforce or providing social, environmental and/or human justice services; and
☐ Certified as a SE business by the DCBA.

☐ Request for Disabled Veterans Business Enterprise (DVBE) Program Preference

☐ Certified by the State of California, or
☐ Certified by U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs as a DVBE; or
☐ Certified as a DVBE with other certifying agencies under DCBA’s inclusion policy that meets the criteria set forth by: the State of California as a DVBE or is verified as a service-disabled veteran-owned small business by the Veterans Administration; and
☐ Certified as a DVBE by the DCBA.

*BUSINESS UNDERSTANDS THAT ONLY ONE OF THE ABOVE PREFERENCES WILL APPLY. IN NO INSTANCE SHALL ANY OF THE ABOVE LISTED PREFERENCE PROGRAMS PRICE OR SCORING PREFERENCE BE COMBINED WITH ANY OTHER COUNTY PROGRAM TO EXCEED FIFTEEN PERCENT (15%) IN RESPONSE TO ANY COUNTY SOLICITATION.

DECLARATION: I DECLARE UNDER PENALTY OF PERJURY UNDER THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA THAT THE ABOVE INFORMATION IS TRUE AND ACCURATE.

☐ DCBA certification is attached.

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Reviewer’s Signature   Approved   Disapproved   Date

County of Los Angeles
Sheriff's Department

Vessel Removal and Disposal Services
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Appendix A – Required Forms
REQUIRED FORMS - EXHIBIT 5
FAMILIARITY WITH THE COUNTY
LOYBYIST ORDINANCE CERTIFICATION

The Vendor certifies that:

1) it is familiar with the terms of the County of Los Angeles Lobbyist Ordinance, Los Angeles Code Chapter 2.160;

2) that all persons acting on behalf of the Vendor organization have and will comply with it during the proposal process; and

3) it is not on the County’s Executive Office’s List of Terminated Registered Lobbyists.

Signature:_________________________________    Date:_______________________
**REQUIRED FORMS - EXHIBIT 6**  
**PROSPECTIVE CONTRACTOR REFERENCES**

**Contractor's Name: ______________________________**

Vendor must provide three (3) references for which the same or similar Work to that described in Attachment 1 (Statement of Work) of this RFSQ was provided. References may be used to verify the minimum experience requirement stated in subparagraph 1.4.1 (Vendor’s Minimum Mandatory Qualifications) of this RFSQ.

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REQUIRED FORMS - EXHIBIT 7
PROSPECTIVE CONTRACTOR LIST OF CONTRACTS

Contractor’s Name: _____________________________

List of all public entities for which the Contractor has provided service within the last three (3) years. A photocopy of this form should be used if necessary.

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REQUIRED FORMS - EXHIBIT 8
PROSPECTIVE CONTRACTOR LIST OF TERMINATED CONTRACTS

Contractor’s Name: ________________________________

List all contracts that have been terminated within the past three (3) years with a reason for termination.

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Name or Contract No.  Reason for Termination:
REQUIRED FORMS - EXHIBIT 9
ATTESTATION OF WILLINGNESS TO CONSIDER
GAIN/GROW PARTICIPANTS

As a threshold requirement for consideration for Master Agreement award, Vendor shall
demonstrate a proven record for hiring GAIN/GROW participants or shall attest to a willingness
to consider GAIN/GROW participants for any future employment opening if they meet the
minimum qualifications for that opening. Additionally, Vendor shall attest to a willingness
to provide employed GAIN/GROW participants access to the Vendor’s employee mentoring
program, if available, to assist these individuals in obtaining permanent employment and/or
promotional opportunities.

To report all job openings with job requirements to obtain qualified GAIN/GROW participants as
potential employment candidates, Contractor shall email: GAINGROW@DPSS.LACOUNTY.GOV and BSERVICES@WDACS.LACOUNTY.GOV.

Vendors unable to meet this requirement shall not be considered for contract award.

Vendor shall complete all of the following information, sign where indicated below, and return
this form with any resumes and/or fixed price bid being submitted:

A. Vendor has a proven record of hiring GAIN/GROW participants.
   ______YES (subject to verification by County) ______NO

B. Vendor is willing to provide DPSS with all job openings and job requirements to consider
   GAIN/GROW participants for any future employment openings if the GAIN/GROW
   participant meets the minimum qualifications for the opening. “Consider” means that Vendor
   is willing to interview qualified GAIN/GROW participants.
   ______YES ______NO

C. Vendor is willing to provide employed GAIN/GROW participants access to its employee-
   mentoring program, if available.
   ______YES ______NO ______N/A (Program not available)

Vendor Organization: _________________________________________________________

Signature: __________________________________________________________________

Print Name: _________________________________________________________________

Title: ____________________________ Date: ____________________________

Telephone No.: ____________________________ Fax No.: ____________________________
REQUIRED FORMS - EXHIBIT 10
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES CONTRACTOR EMPLOYEE JURY SERVICE
PROGRAM CERTIFICATION FORM AND APPLICATION FOR EXCEPTION

The County’s solicitation for this Request for Statement of Qualifications is subject to the County of Los Angeles Contractor Employee Jury Service Program (Program), Los Angeles County Code, Chapter 2.203. All Vendors, whether a Contractor or subcontractor, must complete this form to either certify compliance or request an exception from the Program requirements. Upon review of the submitted form, the County department will determine, in its sole discretion, whether the Vendor is given an exemption from the Program.

Company Name: ________________________________
Company Address: ______________________________
City: __________________ State: ______ Zip Code: ______
Telephone Number: ____________________________
Solicitation For Vessel Removal and Disposal Services

If you believe the Jury Service Program does not apply to your business, check the appropriate box in Part I (attach documentation to support your claim); or, complete Part II to certify compliance with the Program. Whether you complete Part I or Part II, please sign and date this form below.

Part I: Jury Service Program is Not Applicable to My Business

- My business does not meet the definition of “contractor,” as defined in the Program, as it has not received an aggregate sum of $50,000 or more in any 12-month period under one or more County contracts or subcontracts (this exception is not available if the contract itself will exceed $50,000). I understand that the exception will be lost and I must comply with the Program if my revenues from the County exceed an aggregate sum of $50,000 in any 12-month period.

- My business is a small business as defined in the Program. It 1) has ten or fewer employees; and, 2) has annual gross revenues in the preceding twelve months which, if added to the annual amount of this contract, are $500,000 or less; and, 3) is not an affiliate or subsidiary of a business dominant in its field of operation, as defined below. I understand that the exception will be lost and I must comply with the Program if the number of employees in my business and my gross annual revenues exceed the above limits.

“Dominant in its field of operation” means having more than ten employees and annual gross revenues in the preceding twelve months, which, if added to the annual amount of the contract awarded, exceed $500,000.

“Affiliate or subsidiary of a business dominant in its field of operation” means a business which is at least 20 percent owned by a business dominant in its field of operation, or by partners, officers, directors, majority stockholders, or their equivalent, of a business dominant in that field of operation.

- My business is subject to a Collective Bargaining Agreement (attach agreement) that expressly provides that it supersedes all provisions of the Program.

OR

Part II: Certification of Compliance

- My business has and adheres to a written policy that provides, on an annual basis, no less than five days of regular pay for actual jury service for full-time employees of the business who are also California residents, or my company will have and adhere to such a policy prior to award of the Master Agreement.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the information stated above is true and correct.

Print Name: ________________________________ Title: ________________________________
Signature: ________________________________ Date: ________________________________
REQUIRED FORMS - EXHIBIT 11
INTENTIONALLY OMITTED
REQUIRED FORMS - EXHIBIT 12
CERTIFICATION OF COMPLIANCE WITH THE COUNTY’S DEFAULTED PROPERTY TAX REDUCTION PROGRAM

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Solicitation For Vessel Removal and Disposal Services:

The Vendor certifies that:

☐ It is familiar with the terms of the County of Los Angeles Defaulted Property Tax Reduction Program, Los Angeles County Code Chapter 2.206; **AND**

To the best of its knowledge, after a reasonable inquiry, the Vendor is not in default, as that term is defined in Los Angeles County Code Section 2.206.020.E, on any Los Angeles County property tax obligation; **AND**

The Vendor agrees to comply with the County’s Defaulted Property Tax Reduction Program during the term of any awarded contract.

- OR -

☐ I am exempt from the County of Los Angeles Defaulted Property Tax Reduction Program, pursuant to Los Angeles County Code Section 2.206.060, for the following reason:

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I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the information stated above is true and correct.

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REQUIRED FORMS - EXHIBIT 13
ZERO TOLERANCE POLICY ON HUMAN TRAFFICKING
CERTIFICATION

| Company Name: |
| Company Address: |
| City: | State: | Zip Code: |
| Telephone Number: | Email address: |

Solicitation for Vessel Removal and Disposal Services

**VENDOR CERTIFICATION**

Los Angeles County has taken significant steps to protect victims of human trafficking by establishing a zero tolerance policy on human trafficking that prohibits contractors found to have engaged in human trafficking from receiving contract awards or performing services under a County contract.

Vendor acknowledges and certifies compliance with subparagraph 8.53 (Compliance with County’s Zero Tolerance Policy on Human Trafficking) of the proposed Master Agreement and agrees that Vendor or a member of his staff performing work under the proposed Master Agreement will be in compliance. Vendor further acknowledges that noncompliance with the County's Zero Tolerance Policy on Human Trafficking may result in rejection of any SOQ, or cancellation of any resultant Master Agreement, at the sole judgment of the County.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the information herein is true and correct and that I am authorized to represent this company.

| Print Name: | Title: |
| Signature: | Date: |
REQUIRED FORMS - EXHIBIT 14
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## REQUIRED FORMS - EXHIBIT 15
### COMPLIANCE WITH FAIR CHANCE EMPLOYMENT HIRING PRACTICES CERTIFICATION

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### PROPOSER/CONTRACTOR CERTIFICATION

The Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors approved a Fair Chance Employment Policy in an effort to remove job barriers for individuals with criminal records. The policy requires businesses that contract with the County to comply with fair chance employment hiring practices set forth in California Government Code Section 12952, Employment Discrimination: Conviction History (California Government Code Section 12952), effective January 1, 2018.

Vendor acknowledges and certifies compliance with fair chance employment hiring practices set forth in California Government Code Section 12952 and agrees that Vendor and staff performing work under the Master Agreement will be in compliance. Vendor further acknowledges that noncompliance with fair chance employment practices set forth in California Government Code Section 12952 may result in rejection of any SOQ, or termination of any resultant Master Agreement, at the sole judgment of the County.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the information herein is true and correct and that I am authorized to represent this company.

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County of Los Angeles
Sheriff's Department

Vessel Removal and Disposal Services
RFSQ 684-SH (Revised 3/31/21) Bulletin 3
Appendix A – Required Forms
Vendor providing Work under the Master Agreement must possess, comply with, and keep current all applicable licenses, certifications, memberships, and permits pursuant to subparagraph 2.8 of Attachment 1 (Statement of Work) of the RFSQ. Vendor shall list below all licenses, certifications, memberships, and permits required to perform the required Work, which may include but not limited to a valid business license, hazardous waste and pollution discharge permits, motor carrier permits, vehicle inspection reports, pull notices and driver's licenses, and attach copies with this form.

Attach additional pages to this form if necessary.

| List of all required licenses, certifications, memberships, and permits: |
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REQUEST FOR STATEMENT OF QUALIFICATIONS (RFSQ) TRANSMITTAL TO REQUEST A SOLICITATION REQUIREMENTS REVIEW

Vendor requesting a Solicitation Requirements Review must submit this form to the County within the timeframe identified in the solicitation document.

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A Solicitation Requirements Review is being requested because the Vendor asserts that they are being unfairly disadvantaged for the following reason(s): (check all that apply)

- [ ] Application of Minimum Mandatory Qualifications
- [ ] Application of Business Requirements
- [ ] Due to unclear instructions, the process may result in the County not receiving the best possible responses

For each area contested, Vendor must explain in detail the factual reasons for the requested review. (Attach supporting documentation.)

Request submitted by:

______________________________    ________________________________
(Name)                                                                                    (Title)

For County use only

______________________________    ________________________________
Date Transmittal Received by County: Date Solicitation Released:

Reviewed by: ________________________________
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES
POLICY ON DOING BUSINESS WITH SMALL BUSINESS

Forty-two percent of businesses in Los Angeles County have five or fewer employees. Only about four percent of businesses in the area exceed 100 employees. According to the Los Angeles Times and local economists, it is not large corporations, but these small companies that are generating new jobs and helping move Los Angeles County out of its worst recession in decades.

WE RECOGNIZE. . . .

The importance of small business to the County. . .

- in fueling local economic growth
- providing new jobs
- creating new local tax revenues
- offering new entrepreneurial opportunity to those historically under-represented in business

The County can play a positive role in helping small business grow. . .

- as a multi-billion dollar purchaser of goods and services
- as a broker of intergovernmental cooperation among numerous local jurisdictions
- by greater outreach in providing information and training
- by simplifying the bid/proposal process
- by maintaining selection criteria which are fair to all
- by streamlining the payment process

WE THEREFORE SHALL:

1. Constantly seek to streamline and simplify our processes for selecting our vendors and for conducting business with them.

2. Maintain a strong outreach program, fully-coordinated among our departments and districts, as well as other participating governments to: a) inform and assist the local business community in competing to provide goods and services; b) provide for ongoing dialogue with and involvement by the business community in implementing this policy.

3. Continually review and revise how we package and advertise solicitations, evaluate and select prospective vendors, address subcontracting and conduct business with our vendors, in order to: a) expand opportunity for small business to compete for our business; and b) to further opportunities for all businesses to compete regardless of size.

4. Insure that staff who manage and carry out the business of purchasing goods and services are well trained, capable and highly motivated to carry out the letter and spirit of this policy.
2.203.010 Findings.

The board of supervisors makes the following findings. The county of Los Angeles allows its permanent, full-time employees unlimited jury service at their regular pay. Unfortunately, many businesses do not offer or are reducing or even eliminating compensation to employees who serve on juries. This creates a potential financial hardship for employees who do not receive their pay when called to jury service, and those employees often seek to be excused from having to serve. Although changes in the court rules make it more difficult to excuse a potential juror on grounds of financial hardship, potential jurors continue to be excused on this basis, especially from longer trials. This reduces the number of potential jurors and increases the burden on those employers, such as the county of Los Angeles, who pay their permanent, full-time employees while on juror duty. For these reasons, the county of Los Angeles has determined that it is appropriate to require that the businesses with which the county contracts possess reasonable jury service policies. (Ord. 2002-0015 § 1 (part), 2002)

2.203.020 Definitions.

The following definitions shall be applicable to this chapter:

A. “Contractor” means a person, partnership, corporation or other entity which has a contract with the county or a subcontract with a county contractor and has received or will receive an aggregate sum of $50,000 or more in any 12-month period under one or more such contracts or subcontracts.

B. “Employee” means any California resident who is a full-time employee of a contractor under the laws of California.

C. “Contract” means any agreement to provide goods to, or perform services for or on behalf of, the county but does not include:

1. A contract where the board finds that special circumstances exist that justify a waiver of the requirements of this chapter; or

2. A contract where federal or state law or a condition of a federal or state program mandates the use of a particular contractor; or

3. A purchase made through a state or federal contract; or

4. A monopoly purchase that is exclusive and proprietary to a specific manufacturer, distributor, or reseller, and must match and inter-member with existing supplies, equipment or systems maintained by the county pursuant to the Los Angeles County Purchasing Policy and Procedures Manual, Section P-3700 or a successor provision; or

5. A revolving fund (petty cash) purchase pursuant to the Los Angeles County Fiscal Manual, Section 4.4.0 or a successor provision; or

6. A purchase card purchase pursuant to the Los Angeles County Purchasing Policy and Procedures Manual, Section P-2810 or a successor provision; or

7. A non-agreement purchase with a value of less than $5,000 pursuant to the Los Angeles County Purchasing Policy and Procedures Manual, Section A-0300 or a successor provision; or
APPENDIX D

Title 2 ADMINISTRATION
Chapter 2.203.010 through 2.203.090
CONTRACTOR EMPLOYEE JURY SERVICE

8. A bona fide emergency purchase pursuant to the Los Angeles County Purchasing Policy and Procedures Manual, Section PP-1100 or a successor provision.

D. “Full time” means 40 hours or more worked per week, or a lesser number of hours if:
   1. The lesser number is a recognized industry standard as determined by the chief administrative officer,
      or
   2. The contractor has a long-standing practice that defines the lesser number of hours as full time.

E. “County” means the county of Los Angeles or any public entities for which the board of supervisors is the governing body. (Ord. 2002-0040 § 1, 2002: Ord. 2002-0015 § 1 (part), 2002)

2.203.030 Applicability.

This chapter shall apply to contractors who enter into contracts that commence after July 11, 2002. This chapter shall also apply to contractors with existing contracts which are extended into option years that commence after July 11, 2002. Contracts that commence after May 28, 2002, but before July 11, 2002, shall be subject to the provisions of this chapter only if the solicitations for such contracts stated that the chapter would be applicable. (Ord. 2002-0040 § 2, 2002: Ord. 2002-0015 § 1 (part), 2002)

2.203.040 Contractor Jury Service Policy.

A contractor shall have and adhere to a written policy that provides that its employees shall receive from the contractor, on an annual basis, no less than five days of regular pay for actual jury service. The policy may provide that employees deposit any fees received for such jury service with the contractor or that the contractor deduct from the employees’ regular pay the fees received for jury service. (Ord. 2002-0015 § 1 (part), 2002)

2.203.050 Other Provisions.

A. Administration. The chief administrative officer shall be responsible for the administration of this chapter. The chief administrative officer may, with the advice of county counsel, issue interpretations of the provisions of this chapter and shall issue written instructions on the implementation and ongoing administration of this chapter. Such instructions may provide for the delegation of functions to other county departments.

B. Compliance Certification. At the time of seeking a contract, a contractor shall certify to the county that it has and adheres to a policy consistent with this chapter or will have and adhere to such a policy prior to award of the contract. (Ord. 2002-0015 § 1 (part), 2002)

2.203.060 Enforcement and Remedies.

For a contractor’s violation of any provision of this chapter, the county department head responsible for administering the contract may do one or more of the following:

1. Recommend to the board of supervisors the termination of the contract; and/or,

2. Pursuant to chapter 2.202, seek the debarment of the contractor. (Ord. 2002-0015 § 1 (part), 2002)
2.203.070. Exceptions.

A. Other Laws. This chapter shall not be interpreted or applied to any contractor or to any employee in a manner inconsistent with the laws of the United States or California.

B. Collective Bargaining Agreements. This chapter shall be superseded by a collective bargaining agreement that expressly so provides.

C. Small Business. This chapter shall not be applied to any contractor that meets all of the following:
   1. Has ten or fewer employees during the contract period; and,
   2. Has annual gross revenues in the preceding twelve months which, if added to the annual amount of the contract awarded, are less than $500,000; and,
   3. Is not an affiliate or subsidiary of a business dominant in its field of operation.

“Dominant in its field of operation” means having more than ten employees and annual gross revenues in the preceding twelve months which, if added to the annual amount of the contract awarded, exceed $500,000.

“Affiliate or subsidiary of a business dominant in its field of operation” means a business which is at least 20 percent owned by a business dominant in its field of operation, or by partners, officers, directors, majority stockholders, or their equivalent, of a business dominant in that field of operation. (Ord. 2002-0015 § 1 (part), 2002)

2.203.090. Severability.

If any provision of this chapter is found invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, the remaining provisions shall remain in full force and effect. (Ord. 2002-0015 § 1 (part), 2002)
LISTING OF CONTRACTORS DEBARRED
IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY

List of Debarred Contractors in Los Angeles County may be obtained by going to the following website:

http://doingbusiness.lacounty.gov/DebarmentList.htm
APPENDIX F

IRS NOTICE 1015

Have You Told Your Employees About the Earned Income Credit (EIC)?

What is the EIC?
The EIC is a refundable tax credit for certain workers.

Which Employees Must I Notify About the EIC?
You must notify each employee who worked for you at any time during the year and from whose wages you did not withhold income tax. However, you do not have to notify any employee who claimed exemption from withholding on Form W-4, Employee’s Withholding Allowance Certificate.

Note: You are encouraged to notify each employee whose wages for 2017 are less than $33,930 that he or she may be eligible for the EIC.

How and When Must I Notify My Employees?
You must give the employee one of the following.

• The IRS Form W-2, Wage and Tax Statement, which has the required information about the EIC on the back of the employee’s copy that is on Copy B of the IRS Form W-2.
• A substitute Form W-2 with the same EIC information on the back of the employee’s copy that is on Copy B of the IRS Form W-2.
• Notice 797, Possible Federal Tax Refund Due to the Earned Income Credit (EIC).
• Your written statement with the same wording as Notice 797.

If you give an employee a Form W-2 on time, no further notice is necessary if the Form W-2 has the required information about the EIC on the back of the employee’s copy. If you give an employee a substitute Form W-2, but it does not have the required information, you must notify the employee within 1 week of the date the substitute Form W-2 is given.

If Form W-2 is required but is not given on time, you must give the employee Notice 797 or your written statement by the date Form W-2 is required to be given. If Form W-2 is not required, you must notify the employee by February 7, 2018.

You must hand the notice directly to the employee or send it by first-class mail to the employee’s last known address. You will not meet the notification requirements by posting Notice 797 on an employee bulletin board or sending it through office mail. However, you may want to post the notice to help inform all employees of the EIC. You can download copies of the notice at www.irs.gov/FormsPublic. Or you can go to www.irs.gov/OrderForms to order it.

How Will My Employees Know If They Can Claim the EIC?
The basic requirements are covered in Notice 797. For more detailed information, the employee needs to see Pub. 946, Earned Income Credit (EIC), or the instructions for Form 1040, 1040A, or 1040EZ.

How Do My Employees Claim the EIC?
An eligible employee claims the EIC on his or her 2017 tax return. Even an employee who has no tax withheld from wages and owes no tax may claim the EIC and ask for a refund, but he or she must file a tax return to do so. For example, if an employee has no tax withheld in 2017 and owes no tax but is eligible for a credit of $800, he or she must file a 2017 tax return to get the $800 refund.

Safely Surrendered Baby Law

What is the Safely Surrendered Baby Law?
California’s Safely Surrendered Baby Law allows parents or other persons, with lawful custody, which means anyone to whom the parent has given permission to confidentially surrender a baby. As long as the baby is three days (72 hours) of age or younger and has not been abused or neglected, the baby may be surrendered without fear of arrest or prosecution.

Every baby deserves a chance for a healthy life. If someone you know is considering abandoning a baby, let her know there are other options. For three days (72 hours) after birth, a baby can be surrendered to staff at any hospital or fire station in Los Angeles County.

How does it work?
A distressed parent who is unable or unwilling to care for a baby can legally, confidentially, and safely surrender a baby within three days (72 hours) of birth. The baby must be handed to an employee at a hospital or fire station in Los Angeles County. As long as the baby shows no sign of abuse or neglect, no name or other information is required. In case the parent changes his or her mind at a later date and wants the baby back, staff will use bracelets to help connect them to each other. One bracelet will be placed on the baby, and a matching bracelet will be given to the parent or other surrendering adult.

What if a parent wants the baby back?
Parents who change their minds can begin the process of reclaiming their baby within 14 days. These parents should call the Los Angeles County Department of Children and Family Services at 1-800-540-4000.

Can only a parent bring in the baby?
No. While in most cases a parent will bring in the baby, the law allows other people to bring in the baby if they have lawful custody.

Does the parent or surrendering adult have to call before bringing in the baby?
No. A parent or surrendering adult can bring in a baby anytime, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, as long as the parent or surrendering adult assigns the baby to someone who works at the hospital or fire station.

A baby’s story
Early in the morning on April 9, 2005, a healthy baby boy was safely surrendered to nurses at Harbor-UCLA Medical Center. The woman who brought the baby to the hospital identified herself as the baby’s aunt, but the baby’s mother had asked her to bring the baby to the hospital on her behalf. The aunt was given a bracelet with a number matching the anklet placed on the baby; this would provide some identification in the event the mother changed her mind about surrendering the baby and wished to reclaim the baby in the 14-day period allowed by the law. The aunt was also provided with a medical questionnaire and said she would have the mother complete and mail back in the stamped return envelope provided. The baby was examined by medical staff and pronounced healthy and full-term. He was placed with a loving family that had been approved to adopt him by the Department of Children and Family Services.

Does the parent or surrendering adult have to tell anything to the people taking the baby?
No. However, hospital or fire station personnel will ask the surrendering party to fill out a questionnaire designed to gather important medical history information, which is very useful in caring for the baby. The questionnaire includes a stamped return envelope and can be sent in at a later time.

What happens to the baby?
The baby will be examined and given medical treatment. Upon release from the hospital, social workers immediately place the baby in a safe and loving home and begin the adoption process.

What happens to the parent or surrendering adult?
Once the parent or surrendering adult surrenders the baby to hospital or fire station personnel, they may leave at any time.

Why is California doing this?
The purpose of the Safely Surrendered Baby Law is to protect babies from being abandoned, hurt or killed by their parents. You may have heard tragic stories of babies left in dumpsters or public restrooms. Their parents may have been under severe emotional distress. The mothers may have hidden their pregnancies, fearful of what would happen if their families found out. Because they were afraid and had no one or nowhere to turn for help, they abandoned their babies. Abandoning a baby is illegal and places the baby in extreme danger. Too often, it results in the baby’s death. The Safely Surrendered Baby Law prevents this tragedy from ever happening again in California.
Los recién nacidos pueden ser entregados en forma segura al personal de cualquier hospital o cuartel de bomberos del Condado de Los Ángeles


En el Condado de Los Ángeles: 1-877-BABY SAFE • 1-877-222-9723
www.babysafe-la.org
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## Ley de Entrega de Bebés Sin Peligro

### ¿Qué es la Ley de Entrega de Bebés sin Peligro?

La Ley de Entrega de Bebés sin Peligro de California permite la entrega confidencial de un recién nacido por parte de sus padres u otras personas con custodia legal, sin decir a cualquier persona a quien los padres le hayan dado permiso.

Siempre que el bebé tenga tres días (72 horas) de vida o menos, y no haya sufrido abuso ni negligencia, pueden entregar al recién nacido sin temor de ser arrestados o procesados.

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### ¿Cómo funciona?

El padre/madre con dificultades que no puedan o quienes deseen cuidar de su recién nacido puede entregarlo de forma legal, confidencial y segura dentro de los tres días (72 horas) del nacimiento. El bebé debe ser entregado a un empleado de cualquier hospital o cuartel de bomberos del Condado de Los Ángeles. Siempre que el bebé no presente signos de abuso o negligencia, no será necesario suministrar nombres ni información alguna. Si el padre/madre cambia de opinión posteriormente y desea recuperar al bebé, los trabajadores utilizarán brazaletes para poder vincularlos.

El bebé llevará un brazalete con el padre/madre o el adulto que lo entregó, recibirá un brazalete igual.

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### ¿Es necesario que el padre/madre o adulto diga algo a las personas que reciben al bebé?

No. Sin embargo, el personal del hospital o cuartel de bomberos le pedirá a la persona que entrega al bebé que llene un cuestionario con la finalidad de recibir antecedentes médicos importantes, que resulten de gran utilidad para cuidar bien del bebé. El cuestionario incluye un sobre con el sello postal pagado para enviado en otro momento.

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### ¿Qué pasa si el padre/madre desea recuperar a su bebé?

Los padres que cambian de opinión pueden comentar el proceso de reclamar a su recién nacido dentro de los 14 días. Estos padres deberán llamar al Departamento de Servicios para Niños y Familias (Department of Children and Family Services) del Condado de Los Ángeles al 1-800-560-4000.

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### ¿Sólo los padres podrán llevar al recién nacido?

No. Si bien en la mayoría de los casos son los padres los que llevan al bebé, la ley permite que otras personas lo hagan si tienen consentido legal.

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### ¿Los padres o el adulto que entrega al bebé deben llamar antes de llevar al bebé?

No. El padre/madre o adulto puede llevar al bebé en cualquier momento, las 24 horas del día, los 7 días de la semana, siempre y cuando entreguen a su bebé a un empleado del hospital o cuartel de bomberos.

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### Historia de un bebé

A la mañana temprano del día 9 de abril de 2005, se entregó un recién nacido saludable a las enfermeras del Harbor-UCLA Medical Center. La mujer que llevó el recién nacido al hospital se dio a conocer como la tía del bebé, y dijo que la madre le había pedido que llevara al bebé al hospital en su nombre. Le entregaron a la tía un brazalete con un número que coincidía con la púasera del bebé, esto serviría como identificación en caso de que la madre cambiara de opinión a la entrega del bebé y decidiera recuperarlo dentro del período de 14 días que permite esta ley. También le dijeron a la tía un cuestionario médico, y ella dijo que la madre lo llenaría y lo enviaría de vuelta dentro del sobres con franqueo pagado que le habían dado. El personal médico examinó al bebé y se determinó que estaba saludable y a término. El bebé fue ubicado con una buena familia que ya había sido aprobada para adoptarlo por el Departamento de Servicios para Niños y Familias.
MASTER AGREEMENT

BY AND BETWEEN

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

AND

(CONTRACTOR)

FOR

VESSEL REMOVAL AND DISPOSAL SERVICES

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Model Master Agreement

MASTER AGREEMENT
BY AND BETWEEN
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES
AND
(CONTRACTOR)
FOR
VESSEL REMOVAL AND DISPOSAL SERVICES

This Master Agreement and Attachments/Exhibits made and entered into this ___ day of ______________, 2019 by and between the County of Los Angeles (County) and ______________(Contractor), to provide as-needed Vessel Removal and Disposal Services for the Los Angeles County Sheriff’s Department (Department).

RECITALS

WHEREAS, the County may contract with private businesses for as-needed Vessel Removal and Disposal Services when certain requirements are met; and

WHEREAS, the Contractor is a private firm specializing in providing Vessel Removal and Disposal Services; and

WHEREAS, this Master Agreement is therefore authorized under California Codes, Government Code Section 31000 and otherwise; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors has authorized the Sheriff or his designee to execute and administer this Master Agreement.

NOW THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual covenants contained herein, and for good and valuable consideration, the parties agree to the following:

1.0 APPLICABLE DOCUMENTS

Attachment 1 and Exhibits A, B, C, D, E, F1, F2, G1, G2, G3, G4 and H which are attached hereto, and Exhibit I, which is not attached hereto but incorporated herein by this reference, form a part of this Master Agreement. In the event of any conflict or inconsistency in the definition or interpretation of any word, responsibility, schedule, or the contents or description of any task, deliverable, goods, service, or other work, or otherwise between the base Master Agreement and the Attachments/Exhibits, or between Attachments/Exhibits, such conflict or inconsistency shall be resolved by giving precedence first to the Master Agreement.
Agreement and then to the Attachments/Exhibits according to the following priority:

Exhibits:

1.1 Attachment 1 Statement of Work (Not attached to Appendix H, Model Master Agreement; see Attachment 1, Statement of Work, of the RFSQ)

1.2 Exhibit I Subsequent Executed Work Orders (not attached to this Master Agreement but incorporated by reference)

1.3 Exhibit A County’s Administration

1.4 Exhibit B Contractor’s Administration

1.5 Exhibit C Contractor’s EEO Certification

1.6 Exhibit D Jury Service Ordinance

1.7 Exhibit E Safely Surrendered Baby Law

1.8 Exhibit F Sample Work Order Formats

1.8.1 Exhibit F1 Sample Work Order

1.8.2 Exhibit F2 Sample Emergency Work Order

1.9 Exhibit G Forms Required for Each Work Order Before Work Begins

1.9.1 Exhibit G1 Certification of Employee Status

1.9.2 Exhibit G2 Contractor Acknowledgement and Confidentiality Agreement

1.9.3 Exhibit G3 Contractor Employee Acknowledgement and Confidentiality Agreement

1.9.4 Exhibit G4 Contractor Non-Employee Acknowledgement and Confidentiality Agreement

1.10 Exhibit H Contract Discrepancy Report

This Master Agreement and the Attachments/Exhibits hereto constitute the complete and exclusive statement of understanding between the parties, and supersedes all previous agreements, written and oral, and all communications between the parties relating to the subject matter of this Master Agreement. No
change to this Master Agreement shall be valid unless prepared pursuant to subparagraph 8.1 (Amendments and Change Orders) and signed by both parties.

2.0 DEFINITIONS

The headings herein contained are for convenience and reference only and are not intended to define the scope of any provision thereof. The following words as used herein shall be construed to have the following meaning, unless otherwise apparent from the context in which they are used.

2.1 **Active Contractor:** means a Qualified Contractor who is in compliance with the terms and conditions of this Master Agreement and whose evidence of insurance requirements have all been received by the Department and are valid and in effect at the time of a given Work Order award. As used herein, the terms Active Contractor and Contractor may be used interchangeably throughout this document.

2.2 **Amendment:** has the meaning set forth in subparagraph 8.1 (Amendments and Change Orders) of this Master Agreement.

2.3 **Board:** means the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors.

2.4 **Business Day:** means Monday through Friday, excluding designated County-recognized holidays.

2.5 **Change Order:** has the meaning set forth in subparagraph 8.1 (Amendments and Change Orders) of this Master Agreement.

2.6 **Contractor:** means the sole proprietor, partnership, corporation or other person or entity that has entered into this Master Agreement with the County as identified in the preamble.

2.7 **Contractor Project Manager:** means the individual designated by the Contractor to administer the Master Agreement operations after the Master Agreement award, as further described in subparagraph 7.1 (Contractor Project Manager) of this Master Agreement.

2.8 **County:** means the County of Los Angeles.

2.9 **County Project Director:** means the individual designated by the County with authority to approve all Work Order solicitations and executions and as further described in subparagraph 6.1 (County Project Director) of this Master Agreement.

2.10 **County Project Manager:** means the individual designated by the County Project Director to manage the operations under this Master Agreement, as further described in subparagraph 6.2 (County Project Manager) of this Master Agreement.

2.11 **Day(s):** means calendar day(s) unless otherwise specified.

2.12 **Department:** means the Los Angeles County Sheriff’s Department.
2.13 **Fiscal Year:** means the twelve (12) month period beginning July 1st and ending the following June 30th.

2.14 **Master Agreement:** means the County’s standard agreement executed between County and individual Contractors. It sets forth the terms and conditions for the issuance and performance of, and otherwise governs, subsequent Work Orders.

2.15 **Qualified Contractor:** means a Contractor who has submitted a Statement of Qualifications (SOQ) in response to County’s Request For Statement of Qualifications (RFSQ); has met the minimum mandatory qualifications listed in subparagraph 1.4 (Vendor’s Minimum Mandatory Qualifications) of the RFSQ, and has an executed Master Agreement with the County.

2.16 **Request for Statement of Qualifications (RFSQ):** means a solicitation based on establishing a pool of Qualified Contractors to provide services through Master Agreements.

2.17 **Sheriff:** means the Sheriff of Los Angeles County.

2.18 **Statement of Qualifications (SOQ):** means a Contractor’s response to an RFSQ.

2.19 **Statement of Work:** means a written description of tasks and/or deliverables required by the County, as set forth in Attachment 1 (Statement of Work) to this Master Agreement.

2.20 **Vessel:** means a ship, boat, or watercraft, either power or sail, inclusive of parts and/or equipment.

2.21 **Work:** means any and all tasks, subtasks, deliverables, and goods, and other services performed by or on behalf of the Contractor pursuant to this Master Agreement, including all the Attachments, Exhibits and fully-executed Amendments, and Change Orders, and any subsequent executed Work Orders.

2.22 **Work Order:** means a subordinate agreement executed wholly within and subject to the provisions of this Master Agreement for the performance of tasks and/or provision of deliverables. Unless circumstances justify otherwise, each Work Order shall result from bids, solicited and tendered to County by Qualified Contractors. Unless otherwise specified, County shall select the lowest cost, qualified bid responding to the requirements of the proposed Work Order. No Work shall be performed by Contractors except in accordance with validly bid and executed Work Orders.

3.0 **WORK**

3.1 Pursuant to the provisions of this Master Agreement, the Contractor shall fully perform, complete and deliver on time, all tasks, deliverables, services and other Work as set forth in this Master Agreement, including Attachment 1 (Statement of Work), and any fully executed Work Order.
3.2 The Contractor acknowledges that, subject to this Paragraph 3.0 (Work), all Work performed under this Master Agreement is payable in arrears on a per-Work Order basis in accordance with the terms and conditions of this Master Agreement, including this Paragraph 3.0 (Work) and Paragraph 5.0 (Contract Sum) of this Master Agreement.

3.3 County procedures for issuing and executing Work Orders are as set forth in Paragraph 5.0 (Work Orders) of Attachment 1 (Statement of Work) of this Master Agreement. Work Orders shall generally conform to Exhibit F1 (Sample Work Order) and Exhibit F2 (Sample Emergency Work Order) of this Master Agreement.

3.4 If the Contractor provides any task, deliverable, service, or other work to the County that exceeds the scope of the Work Order and/or exceeds the Total Maximum Amount as specified in the Work Order as originally written, or as may be modified from time to time, and or/or performed after the expiration or termination of this Master Agreement, these shall be gratuitous efforts on the part of the Contractor for which the Contractor shall have no claim whatsoever against the County.

3.5 The execution of a Master Agreement does not guarantee a Contractor any minimum amount of business. The County does not promise, warrant or guarantee that the County will utilize any particular level of Contractor's service, or any services at all, during the term of the Master Agreement.

3.6 The Contractor shall have no claim against the County for payment of money or reimbursement, of any kind whatsoever, for any service provided by the Contractor after the expiration or other termination of this Master Agreement. Should the Contractor receive any such payment it shall immediately notify the County and shall immediately repay all such funds to the County. Payment by the County for services rendered after expiration/termination of this Master Agreement shall not constitute a waiver of the County’s right to recover such payment from the Contractor. This provision shall survive the expiration or the termination of this Master Agreement.

4.0 TERM OF MASTER AGREEMENT

4.1 The term of this Master Agreement shall commence upon execution by the Sheriff or his designee as authorized by the County Board of Supervisors (Board) and shall terminate on [five (5) years from the date the Board approves the Model Master Agreement], unless sooner extended or terminated, in whole or in part, as provided herein.

4.2 The County shall have the sole option to extend the term of this Master Agreement for up to five (5) additional one-year periods, for a maximum total Master Agreement term of ten (10) years. Each such option term extension shall be exercised at the sole discretion of the Sheriff or his designee as authorized by the Board of Supervisors and shall be in the
form of a written Amendment in accordance with subparagraph 8.1 (Amendments and Change Orders) of this Master Agreement.

4.3 The County maintains databases that track/monitor Contractor performance history. Information entered into such databases may be used for a variety of purposes, including determining whether the County will exercise an option term extension.

4.3 The Contractor shall notify the Department when this Master Agreement is within six (6) months from the expiration of the term as provided for herein above. Upon occurrence of this event, the Contractor shall send written notification to the Department at the address provided in Exhibit A (County’s Administration) of this Master Agreement.

5.0 CONTRACT SUM

5.1 The Contractor shall not be entitled to any payment by the County under this Master Agreement except pursuant to validly executed and satisfactorily performed Work Orders. In each year of this Master Agreement, the total of all amounts actually expended by the County hereunder (“maximum annual expenditures”) may not exceed amounts allocated to the Department by the Board in their approved budgets. The County has sole discretion to expend some, all, or none of such budgeted amounts. The sum of such annual expenditures for the duration of the Master Agreement is the Contract Sum.

5.2 The Contractor shall not be entitled to payment or reimbursement for any tasks or services performed, nor for any incidental or administrative expenses whatsoever incurred in or incidental to performance hereunder, except as specified herein. Assumption or takeover of any of the Contractor’s duties, responsibilities, or obligations, or performance of same by any entity other than the Contractor, whether through assignment, subcontract, delegation, merger, buyout, or any other mechanism, with or without consideration for any reason whatsoever, shall occur only with the County’s express prior written approval.

5.3 No Payment for Services Provided Following Expiration/Termination of Master Agreement

The Contractor shall have no claim against the County for payment of any money or reimbursement, of any kind whatsoever, for any service provided by the Contractor after the expiration or other termination of this Master Agreement. Should the Contractor receive any such payment it shall immediately notify the County and shall immediately repay all such funds to the County. Payment by the County for services rendered after expiration/termination of this Master Agreement shall not constitute a waiver of the County’s right to recover such payment from the Contractor. This provision shall survive the expiration or other termination of this Master Agreement.
5.4 Invoices and Payments

5.4.1 The Contractor shall invoice the County only for providing the tasks, deliverables, services, and other Work specified in Attachment 1 (Statement of Work) of this Master Agreement and validly executed Work Orders. The Contractor shall separately invoice the County for each Work Order.

5.4.2 Payment for all Work shall be on a fixed price per deliverable basis, subject to maximum rates and the Total Maximum Amount specified in each Work Order less any amounts assessed in accordance with subparagraph 8.25 (Liquidated Damages) of this Master Agreement.

5.4.3 The County shall not pay the Contractor for any overtime premiums, travel expenses, meals, lodging, holidays, vacation, sick leave, per diem, or miscellaneous expenses, etc.

5.4.4 Intentionally Omitted

5.4.5 Invoice Content

The period of performance specified in the Contractor’s invoice(s) must coincide with the period of performance specified in the applicable Work Order.

Each invoice submitted by the Contractor shall specify:

- Invoice number;
- Invoice date;
- Contractor’s name, address, and telephone number;
- County Work Order Number and Contractor’s Master Agreement Number;
- Dates of service;
- Copy of approved Work Order signed by County Project Director or designee;
- Photograph of the destroyed vessel; and
- The total amount of the invoice.

5.4.6 Approval of Invoices

All invoices submitted by the Contractor for payment must have the written approval of the County Project Director or designee, prior to any payment thereof. In no event shall the County be liable or responsible for any payment prior to such written approval.
5.4.7 The Contractor shall submit invoices within ten (10) Business Days of Work Due Date listed on the Work Order.

5.4.8 Submission of Invoices
The Contractor shall submit an original invoice with a photograph of the destroyed Vessel to the County Project Manager or designee.

5.4.9 Local Small Business Enterprises – Prompt Payment Program
Certified Local Small Business Enterprises (LSBEs) will receive prompt payment for services they provide to County departments. Prompt payment is defined as fifteen (15) calendar days after receipt of an undisputed invoice.

5.5 Default Method of Payment: Direct Deposit or Electronic Funds Transfer

5.5.1 The County, at its sole discretion, has determined that the most efficient and secure default form of payment for goods and/or services provided under this Master Agreement with the County shall be Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT) or direct deposit, unless an alternative method of payment is deemed appropriate by the Auditor-Controller (A-C).

5.5.2 The Contractor shall submit a direct deposit authorization request via the website https://directdeposit.lacounty.gov with banking and vendor information, and any other information that the A-C determines is reasonably necessary to process the payment and comply with all accounting, record keeping, and tax reporting requirements.

5.5.3 Any provision of law, grant, or funding agreement requiring a specific form or method of payment other than EFT or direct deposit shall supersede this requirement with respect to those payments.

5.5.4 At any time during the duration of the Master Agreement, a Contractor may submit a written request for an exemption to this requirement. Such request must be based on specific legal, business or operational needs and explain why the payment method designated by the A-C is not feasible and an alternative is necessary. The A-C, in consultation with the Department, shall decide whether to approve exemption requests.

6.0 ADMINISTRATION OF MASTER AGREEMENT - COUNTY
A listing of all County Administration referenced in the following subparagraphs is designated in Exhibit A (County’s Administration) of this Master Agreement. The County shall notify the Contractor in writing of any change in the names or addresses shown.
6.1 **County Project Director**

The responsibilities of the County Project Director may include:

6.1.1 ensuring that the objectives of this Master Agreement are met; and

6.1.2 providing direction to the Contractor, in areas relating to County policy, information requirements, and procedural requirements.

6.2 **County Project Manager**

The responsibilities of the County Project Manager or designee include:

6.2.1 meeting with the Contractor Project Manager on a regular basis; and

6.2.2 preparing Work Orders; and

6.2.3 inspecting any and all tasks, deliverables, goods, services, or other Work provided by or on behalf of the Contractor.

The County Project Manager or designee is not authorized to make any changes in any of the terms and conditions of this Master Agreement and is not authorized to further obligate the County in any respect whatsoever.

6.3 **Consolidation of Duties**

The County reserves the right to consolidate the duties of the County Project Director, which duties are enumerated in subparagraph 6.1 (County Project Director), and the duties of the County Project Manager, which duties are enumerated in subparagraph 6.2 (County Project Manager), into one County position, and to assign all such duties to one individual who will act as the County’s liaison in all matters relating to this Master Agreement. The County will notify to Contractor no later than five (5) Business Days prior to exercising its rights pursuant to this subparagraph 6.3 (Consolidation of Duties).

7.0 **ADMINISTRATION OF MASTER AGREEMENT - CONTRACTOR**

7.1 **Contractor Project Manager**

7.1.1 A listing of the Contractor’s Administration referenced in the following subparagraphs is designated in Exhibit B (Contractor’s Administration) of this Master Agreement. The Contractor shall notify the County in writing of any change in the names or addresses shown.

7.1.2 The Contractor’s Project Manager shall be able to speak, read, and write English, and as a liaison for the Contractor in coordinating the performance of services under this Master Agreement. The Contractor’s office must have and provide an email address where the Contractor conducts business.
7.1.3 The Contractor Project Manager is designated in Exhibit B (Contractor’s Administration) of this Master Agreement. The Contractor shall notify the County in writing of any change in the name or address of the Contractor Project Manager, in accordance with subparagraph 8.1 (Amendments and Change Orders) of this Master Agreement.

7.1.4 The Contractor Project Manager shall be available to meet and confer with the County as necessary, in person or by phone.

7.1.5 The Contractor Project Manager shall be available by telephone during normal business hours, 8:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday excluding County holidays. The Contractor shall appoint an alternate should the Contractor Project Manager be absent or otherwise unavailable.

7.1.6 The Contractor Project Manager shall provide to the Department emergency contact information in the event an emergency haul out is required after normal business hours.

7.2 Contractor’s Authorized Official(s)

7.2.1 The Contractor’s Authorized Official(s) are designated in Exhibit B (Contractor’s Administration) of this Master Agreement. The Contractor shall promptly notify the County in writing of any change in the name(s) or address(es) of the Contractor’s Authorized Official(s).

7.2.2 The Contractor represents and warrants that all requirements of the Contractor have been fulfilled to provide actual authority to such officials to execute documents under this Master Agreement on behalf of the Contractor.

7.3 Approval of Contractor’s Staff

The County has the absolute right to approve or disapprove all of the Contractor’s staff performing Work hereunder and any proposed changes in the Contractor’s staff, including, but not limited to, the Contractor Project Manager. The Contractor shall provide the County with a resume of each proposed substitute and an opportunity to interview such person prior to any staff substitution.

7.4 Contractor’s Staff Identification

7.4.1 All of the Contractor’s employees assigned to this Master Agreement are required to have a company uniform and/or picture identification (ID) badge on their person and visible at all times. The Contractor bears all expense of the uniform and badging.

7.4.2 The Contractor shall notify the County within one (1) Business Day when staff is terminated from working under this Master Agreement.
7.5 Background and Security Investigations

7.5.1 At any time prior to or during the term of this Master Agreement, all Contractor staff, subcontractors, and agents of the Contractor (collectively herein “Contractor’s staff) performing services under this Master Agreement may be required to undergo and pass a background investigation to the satisfaction of the County as a condition of beginning and continuing to perform services under this Master Agreement. Such background investigation may include, but shall not be limited to, criminal conviction information obtained through fingerprints submitted to the California Department of Justice. The fees associated with the background investigation shall be at the expense of the Contractor, regardless if the member of the Contractor’s staff passes or fails the background investigation.

7.5.2 If a member of the Contractor’s staff does not pass the background investigation, the County may request that the member of the Contractor’s staff be immediately removed from performing services under this Master Agreement at any time during the term of the Master Agreement. The County will not provide to the Contractor or to the Contractor’s staff any information obtained through the County’s background investigation.

7.5.3 The County, in its sole discretion, may immediately deny or terminate facility access to any member of the Contractor’s staff that does not pass such investigation to the satisfaction of the County or whose background or conduct is incompatible with the County facility access.

7.5.4 Disqualification of any member of the Contractor’s staff pursuant to this subparagraph 7.5 (Background and Security Investigations) shall not relieve the Contractor of its obligation to complete all work in accordance with the terms and conditions of this Master Agreement.

7.6 Confidentiality

7.6.1 The Contractor shall maintain the confidentiality of all records and information in accordance with all applicable Federal, State and local laws, rules, regulations, ordinances, directives, guidelines, policies and procedures relating to confidentiality, including, without limitation, the County policies concerning information technology security and the protection of confidential records and information.

7.6.2 The Contractor shall indemnify, defend, and hold harmless the County, its officers, employees, and agents, from and against any and all claims, demands, damages, liabilities, losses, costs and expenses, including, without limitation, defense costs and legal,
accounting and other expert, consulting, or professional fees, arising from, connected with, or related to any failure by the Contractor, its officers, employees, agents, or subcontractors, to comply with this subparagraph 7.6 (Confidentiality), as determined by the County in its sole judgment. Any legal defense pursuant to the Contractor’s indemnification obligations under this subparagraph 7.6 (Confidentiality) shall be conducted by the Contractor and performed by counsel selected by the Contractor and approved by the County. Notwithstanding the preceding sentence, the County shall have the right to participate in any such defense at its sole cost and expense, except that in the event the Contractor fails to provide the County with a full and adequate defense, as determined by the County in its sole judgment, the County shall be entitled to retain its own counsel, including, without limitation, County Counsel, and reimbursement from the Contractor for all such costs and expenses incurred by the County in doing so. The Contractor shall not have the right to enter into any settlement, agree to any injunction, or make any admission, in each case, on behalf of the County without the County’s prior written approval.

7.6.3 The Contractor shall inform all of its officers, employees, agents and subcontractors providing services hereunder of the confidentiality provisions of this Master Agreement.

7.6.4 The Contractor shall sign and adhere to the provisions Exhibit G2 (Contractor Acknowledgement and Confidentiality Agreement) of this Master Agreement.

7.6.5 The Contractor shall cause each employee performing services covered by this Master Agreement to sign and adhere to the provisions Exhibit G3 (Contractor Employee Acknowledgement and Confidentiality Agreement) of this Master Agreement.

7.6.6 The Contractor shall cause each non-employee performing services covered by this Master Agreement to sign and adhere to the provisions of Exhibit G4 (Contractor Non-Employee Acknowledgement and Confidentiality Agreement) of this Master Agreement.

8.0 STANDARD TERMS AND CONDITIONS

8.1 Amendments and Change Orders

No representative of either the County or the Contractor, including those named in this Master Agreement, is authorized to make any changes in any of the terms, obligations, or conditions of this Master Agreement, except through the procedures set forth in this subparagraph 8.1 (Amendments and Change Orders). The County reserves the right to change any portion of the Work required under this Master Agreement, or amend such other
terms and conditions, as may become necessary. Any such changes shall be accomplished in the following manner:

8.1.1 For any change which does not materially affect the scope of work, term, rates, payments, or any other term or condition included under this Master Agreement, a Change Order to this Master Agreement shall be executed by the Contractor and the County Project Director.

8.1.2 For any change which materially affects the scope of work, term, rates, payments, or any other term or condition included under this Master Agreement, an Amendment to the Master Agreement shall be executed by the Contractor and the Board of Supervisors.

8.1.3 The Board of Supervisors or the Chief Executive Officer or designee may require the addition and/or change of certain terms and conditions in this Master Agreement during the term of this Master Agreement. The County reserves the right to add and/or change such provisions as required by the Board of Supervisors or Chief Executive Officer. To implement such changes, an Amendment to this Master Agreement shall be prepared and executed by the Contractor and the Sheriff or designee.

8.1.4 Notwithstanding subparagraph 8.1.2 above, for (1) any option term extension of this Master Agreement, or (2) modifications pursuant to subparagraph 8.2 (Assignment and Delegation/Mergers or Acquisitions) of this Master Agreement, an Amendment to this Master Agreement shall be executed by the Contractor and the Sheriff or designee.

8.2 Assignment and Delegation/Mergers or Acquisitions

8.2.1 The Contractor shall notify the County of any pending acquisitions/mergers of its company unless otherwise legally prohibited from doing so. If the Contractor is restricted from legally notifying the County of pending acquisitions/mergers, then it should notify the County of the actual acquisitions/mergers as soon as the law allows and provide to the County the legal framework that restricted it from notifying the County prior to the actual acquisitions/mergers.

8.2.2 The Contractor shall not assign its rights or delegate its duties under this Master Agreement, or both, whether in whole or in part, without the prior written consent of the County, in its discretion, and any attempted assignment or delegation without such consent shall be null and void. For purposes of this subparagraph 8.2 (Assignments and Delegation/Mergers or Acquisitions), County consent shall require a written Amendment to this Master Agreement, which is formally approved and executed by the parties. Any payments by the County to any approved delegate or
assignee on any claim under this Master Agreement shall be deductible, at the County’s sole discretion, against the claims, which the Contractor may have against the County.

8.2.3 Shareholders, partners, members, or other equity holders of the Contractor may transfer, sell, exchange, assign, or divest themselves of any interest they may have therein. However, in the event any such sale, transfer, exchange, assignment, or divestment is effected in such a way as to give majority control of the Contractor to any person(s), corporation, partnership, or legal entity other than the majority controlling interest therein at the time of execution of this Master Agreement, such disposition is an assignment requiring the prior written consent of the County in accordance with applicable provisions of this Master Agreement.

8.2.4 Any assumption, assignment, delegation, or takeover of any of the Contractor’s duties, responsibilities, obligations, or performance of same by any entity other than the Contractor, whether through assignment, subcontract, delegation, merger, buyout, or any other mechanism, with or without consideration for any reason whatsoever without the County’s express prior written approval, shall be a material breach of this Master Agreement which may result in the termination of this Master Agreement. In the event of such termination, the County shall be entitled to pursue the same remedies against the Contractor as it could pursue in the event of default by the Contractor.

8.3 **Authorization Warranty**

The Contractor represents and warrants that the person executing this Master Agreement for the Contractor is an authorized agent who has actual authority to bind the Contractor to each and every term, condition, and obligation of this Master Agreement and that all requirements of the Contractor have been fulfilled to provide such actual authority.

8.4 **Complaints**

The Contractor shall develop, maintain and operate procedures for receiving, investigating and responding to complaints.

8.4.1 Within ten (10) Business Days after the Master Agreement effective date, the Contractor shall provide the County with the Contractor’s policy for receiving, investigating and responding to user complaints.

8.4.2 The County will review the Contractor’s policy and provide the Contractor with approval of said plan or with requested changes.
8.4.3 If the County requests changes in the Contractor's policy, the Contractor shall make such changes and resubmit the plan within five (5) Business Days for County approval.

8.4.4 If, at any time, the Contractor wishes to change the Contractor's policy, the Contractor shall submit proposed changes to the County for approval before implementation.

8.4.5 The Contractor shall preliminarily investigate all complaints and notify the County Project Manager of the status of the investigation within five (5) Business Days of receiving the complaint.

8.4.6 When complaints cannot be resolved informally, a system of follow-through shall be instituted which adheres to formal plans for specific actions and strict time deadlines.

8.4.7 Copies of all written responses shall be sent to the County's Project Manager within five (5) Business Days of mailing to the complainant.

8.5 Compliance with Applicable Laws

8.5.1 In the performance of this Master Agreement, the Contractor shall comply with all applicable Federal, State and local laws, rules, regulations, ordinances, directives, guidelines, policies and procedures, and all provisions required thereby to be included in this Master Agreement are hereby incorporated herein by reference.

8.5.2 The Contractor shall indemnify, defend, and hold harmless the County, its officers, employees, and agents, from and against any and all claims, demands, damages, liabilities, losses, costs, and expenses, including, without limitation, defense costs and legal, accounting and other expert, consulting or professional fees, arising from, connected with, or related to any failure by the Contractor, its officers, employees, agents, or subcontractors, to comply with any such laws, rules, regulations, ordinances, directives, guidelines, policies, or procedures, as determined by the County in its sole judgment. Any legal defense pursuant to the Contractor's indemnification obligations under this subparagraph 8.5 (Compliance with Applicable Laws) shall be conducted by the Contractor and performed by counsel selected by the Contractor and approved by the County. Notwithstanding the preceding sentence, the County shall have the right to participate in any such defense at its sole cost and expense, except that in the event the Contractor fails to provide the County with a full and adequate defense, as determined by the County in its sole judgment, the County shall be entitled to retain its own counsel, including, without limitation, County Counsel, and...
reimbursement from the Contractor for all such costs and expenses incurred by the County in doing so. The Contractor shall not have the right to enter into any settlement, agree to any injunction or other equitable relief, or make any admission, in each case, on behalf of the County without the County’s prior written approval.

8.6 Compliance with Civil Rights Laws

The Contractor hereby assures that it will comply with Subchapter VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, 42 USC Sections 2000 (e) (1) through 2000 (e) (17), to the end that no person shall, on the grounds of race, creed, color, sex, religion, ancestry, age, condition of physical handicap, marital status, political affiliation, or national origin, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be otherwise subjected to discrimination under this Master Agreement or under any project, program, or activity supported by this Master Agreement. The Contractor shall comply with Exhibit C (Contractor’s EEO Certification) of this Master Agreement.

8.7 Compliance with County’s Jury Service Program

8.7.1 Jury Service Program:

This Master Agreement is subject to the provisions of the County’s ordinance entitled Contractor Employee Jury Service (“Jury Service Program”) as codified in Sections 2.203.010 through 2.203.090 of the Los Angeles County Code, a copy of which is attached as Exhibit D (Jury Service Ordinance) and incorporated by reference into and made part of this Master Agreement.

8.7.2 Written Employee Jury Service Policy

1. Unless the Contractor has demonstrated to the County’s satisfaction either that the Contractor is not a “Contractor” as defined under the Jury Service Program (Section 2.203.020 of the County Code) or that the Contractor qualifies for an exception to the Jury Service Program (Section 2.203.070 of the County Code), the Contractor shall have and adhere to a written policy that provides that its employees shall receive from the Contractor, on an annual basis, no less than five (5) days of regular pay for actual jury service. The policy may provide that employees deposit any fees received for such jury service with the Contractor or that the Contractor deduct from the employee’s regular pay the fees received for jury service.

2. For purposes of this subparagraph, “Contractor” means a person, partnership, corporation or other entity which has a contract with the County or a subcontract with a County Contractor and has received or will receive an aggregate sum of $50,000 or more in any twelve (12)-month period under one or
more County contracts or subcontracts. “Employee” means any California resident who is a full time employee of the Contractor. “Full-time” means forty (40) hours or more worked per week, or a lesser number of hours if: (1) the lesser number is a recognized industry standard as determined by the County, or (2) the Contractor has a long-standing practice that defines the lesser number of hours as full-time. Full-time employees providing short-term, temporary services of ninety (90) days or less within a twelve (12)-month period are not considered full-time for purposes of the Jury Service Program. If the Contractor uses any subcontractor to perform services for the County under this Master Agreement, the subcontractor shall also be subject to the provisions of this subparagraph. The provisions of this subparagraph shall be inserted into any such subcontract agreement and a copy of the Jury Service Program shall be attached to the agreement.

3. If the Contractor is not required to comply with the Jury Service Program when this Master Agreement commences, the Contractor shall have a continuing obligation to review the applicability of its “exception status” from the Jury Service Program, and the Contractor shall immediately notify the County if the Contractor at any time either comes within the Jury Service Program’s definition of “Contractor” or if the Contractor no longer qualifies for an exception to the Jury Service Program. In either event, the Contractor shall immediately implement a written policy consistent with the Jury Service Program. The County may also require, at any time during this Master Agreement and at its sole discretion, that the Contractor demonstrate to the County’s satisfaction that the Contractor either continues to remain outside of the Jury Service Program’s definition of “Contractor” and/or that Contractor continues to qualify for an exception to the Jury Service Program.

4. The Contractor’s violation of this subparagraph of this Master Agreement may constitute a material breach of this Master Agreement. In the event of such material breach, the County may, in its sole discretion, terminate this Master Agreement and/or bar the Contractor from the award of future County Master Agreements for a period of time consistent with the seriousness of the breach.

8.8 Conflict of Interest

8.8.1 No County employee whose position with the County enables such employee to influence the award of this Master Agreement or any competing Master Agreement, and no spouse or economic
dependent of such employee, shall be employed in any capacity by
the Contractor or have any other direct or indirect financial interest in
this Master Agreement. No officer or employee of the Contractor
who may financially benefit from the performance of work hereunder
shall in any way participate in the County’s approval, or ongoing
evaluation, of such work, or in any way attempt to unlawfully
influence the County’s approval or ongoing evaluation of such work.

8.8.2 The Contractor shall comply with all conflict of interest laws,
ordinances, and regulations now in effect or hereafter to be enacted
during the term of this Master Agreement. The Contractor warrants
that it is not now aware of any facts that create a conflict of interest.
If the Contractor hereafter becomes aware of any facts that might
reasonably be expected to create a conflict of interest, it shall
immediately make full written disclosure of such facts to the
County. Full written disclosure shall include, but is not limited to,
identification of all persons implicated and a complete description of
all relevant circumstances. Failure to comply with the provisions of
this subparagraph 8.8 shall be a material breach of this Master
Agreement.

8.9 Consideration of Hiring County Employees Targeted for Layoff or Re-
employment
Should the Contractor require additional or replacement personnel after the
effective date of this Master Agreement to perform the services set forth
herein, the Contractor shall give first consideration for such employment
openings to qualified, permanent County employees who are targeted for
layoff or qualified, former County employees who are on a re-employment
list during the life of this Master Agreement.

8.10 Consideration of Hiring GAIN-GROW Participants

8.10.1 Should the Contractor require additional or replacement personnel
after the effective date of this Master Agreement, the Contractor
shall give consideration for any such employment openings to
participants in the County’s Department of Public Social Services
Greater Avenues for Independence (GAIN) Program or General
Relief Opportunity for Work (GROW) Program who meet the
Contractor’s minimum qualifications for the open position. For this
purpose, consideration shall mean that the Contractor will interview
qualified candidates. The County will refer GAIN-GROW participants by job category to the Contractor. Contractors shall
report all job openings with job requirements to:
GAINGROW@DPSS.LACOUNTY.GOV and
BSERVICES@WDACS.LACOUNTY.GOV and DPSS will refer
qualified GAIN-GROW job candidates.
8.10.2 In the event that both laid-off County employees and GAIN-GROW participants are available for hiring, County employees shall be given first priority.

8.11 Contractor Responsibility and Debarment

8.11.1 Responsible Contractor

A responsible Contractor is a Contractor who has demonstrated the attribute of trustworthiness, as well as quality, fitness, capacity and experience to satisfactorily perform this Master Agreement. It is the County’s policy to conduct business only with responsible Contractors.

8.11.2 Chapter 2.202 of the County Code

The Contractor is hereby notified that, in accordance with Chapter 2.202 of the County Code, if the County acquires information concerning the performance of the Contractor on this or other County contracts which indicates that the Contractor is not responsible, the County may, in addition to other remedies provided in this Master Agreement, debar the Contractor from bidding or proposing on, or being awarded, and/or performing work on County contracts for a specified period of time, which generally will not exceed five (5) years but may exceed five (5) years or be permanent if warranted by the circumstances, and terminate any or all existing Contracts the Contractor may have with the County.

8.11.3 Non-responsible Contractor

The County may debar a Contractor if the Board of Supervisors finds, in its discretion, that the Contractor has done any of the following: (1) violated a term of a contract with the County or a nonprofit corporation created by the County, (2) committed an act or omission which negatively reflects on the Contractor’s quality, fitness or capacity to perform a contract with the County, any other public entity, or a nonprofit corporation created by the County, or engaged in a pattern or practice which negatively reflects on same, (3) committed an act or offense which indicates a lack of business integrity or business honesty, or (4) made or submitted a false claim against the County or any other public entity.

8.11.4 Contractor Hearing Board

1. If there is evidence that the Contractor may be subject to debarment, the Department will notify the Contractor in writing of the evidence which is the basis for the proposed debarment and will advise the Contractor of the scheduled
date for a debarment hearing before the Contractor Hearing Board.

2. The Contractor Hearing Board will conduct a hearing where evidence on the proposed debarment is presented. The Contractor and/or the Contractor’s representative shall be given an opportunity to submit evidence at that hearing. After the hearing, the Contractor Hearing Board shall prepare a tentative proposed decision, which shall contain a recommendation regarding whether the Contractor should be debarred, and, if so, the appropriate length of time of the debarment. The Contractor and the Department shall be provided an opportunity to object to the tentative proposed decision prior to its presentation to the Board of Supervisors.

3. After consideration of any objections, or if no objections are submitted, a record of the hearing, the proposed decision, and any other recommendation of the Contractor Hearing Board shall be presented to the Board of Supervisors. The Board of Supervisors shall have the right to modify, deny, or adopt the proposed decision and recommendation of the Contractor Hearing Board.

4. If a Contractor has been debarred for a period longer than five (5) years, that Contractor may after the debarment has been in effect for at least five (5) years, submit a written request for review of the debarment determination to reduce the period of debarment or terminate the debarment. The County may, in its discretion, reduce the period of debarment or terminate the debarment if it finds that the Contractor has adequately demonstrated one or more of the following: (1) elimination of the grounds for which the debarment was imposed; (2) a bona fide change in ownership or management; (3) material evidence discovered after debarment was imposed; or (4) any other reason that is in the best interests of the County.

5. The Contractor Hearing Board will consider a request for review of a debarment determination only where (1) the Contractor has been debarred for a period longer than five (5) years; (2) the debarment has been in effect for at least five (5) years; and (3) the request is in writing, states one or more of the grounds for reduction of the debarment period or termination of the debarment, and includes supporting documentation. Upon receiving an appropriate request, the Contractor Hearing Board will provide notice of the hearing on the request. At the hearing, the Contractor Hearing Board will.
Board shall conduct a hearing where evidence on the proposed reduction of debarment period or termination of debarment is presented. This hearing shall be conducted and the request for review decided by the Contractor Hearing Board pursuant to the same procedures as for a debarment hearing.

6. The Contractor Hearing Board’s proposed decision shall contain a recommendation on the request to reduce the period of debarment or terminate the debarment. The Contractor Hearing Board shall present its proposed decision and recommendation to the Board of Supervisors. The Board of Supervisors shall have the right to modify, deny, or adopt the proposed decision and recommendation of the Contractor Hearing Board.

8.11.5 Subcontractors of Contractor

These terms shall also apply to subcontractors of County Contractors.

8.12 Contractor’s Acknowledgement of County’s Commitment to Safely Surrendered Baby Law

The Contractor acknowledges that the County places a high priority on the implementation of the Safely Surrendered Baby Law. The Contractor understands that it is the County’s policy to encourage all County Contractors to voluntarily post the County’s poster, attached hereto as Exhibit E (Safely Surrendered Baby Law), in a prominent position at the Contractor’s place of business. The Contractor will also encourage its subcontractors, if any, to post this poster in a prominent position in the subcontractor’s place of business. Information and posters for printing are available at www.babysafela.org.

8.13 Contractor’s Warranty of Adherence to County’s Child Support Compliance Program

8.13.1 The Contractor acknowledges that the County has established a goal of ensuring that all individuals who benefit financially from the County through Master Agreement are in compliance with their court-ordered child, family and spousal support obligations in order to mitigate the economic burden otherwise imposed upon the County and its taxpayers.

8.13.2 As required by the County’s Child Support Compliance Program (County Code Chapter 2.200) and without limiting the Contractor’s duty under this Master Agreement to comply with all applicable provisions of law, the Contractor warrants that it is now in compliance and shall during the term of this Master Agreement maintain in compliance with employment and wage reporting
requirements as required by the Federal Social Security Act (42 USC Section 653a) and California Unemployment Insurance Code Section 1088.5, and shall implement all lawfully served Wage and Earnings Withholding Orders or Child Support Services Department Notices of Wage and Earnings Assignment for Child, Family or Spousal Support, pursuant to Code of Civil Procedure Section 706.031 and Family Code Section 5246(b).

8.14 County’s Quality Assurance Plan

The County or its agent(s) will monitor the Contractor’s performance under this Master Agreement on not less than an annual basis. Such monitoring will include assessing the Contractor’s compliance with all Master Agreement terms and conditions and performance standards. Contractor deficiencies which the County determines are significant or continuing and that may place performance of this Master Agreement in jeopardy if not corrected will be reported to the Board of Supervisors and listed in the appropriate contractor performance database. The report to the Board of Supervisors will include improvement/corrective action measures taken by the County and the Contractor. If improvement does not occur consistent with the corrective action measures, the County may terminate this Master Agreement or impose other penalties as specified in this Master Agreement.

8.15 Damage to County Facilities, Buildings or Grounds

8.15.1 The Contractor shall repair, or cause to be repaired, at its own cost, any and all damage to County facilities, buildings, or grounds caused by the Contractor or employees or agents of the Contractor. Such repairs shall be made immediately after the Contractor has become aware of such damage, but in no event later than thirty (30) calendar days after the occurrence.

8.15.2 If the Contractor fails to make timely repairs, the County may make any necessary repairs. All costs incurred by the County, as determined by the County, for such repairs shall be repaid by the Contractor by cash payment upon demand.

8.16 Employment Eligibility Verification

8.16.1 The Contractor warrants that it fully complies with all Federal and State statutes and regulations regarding the employment of aliens and others and that all its employees performing work under this Master Agreement meet the citizenship or alien status requirements set forth in Federal and State statutes and regulations. The Contractor shall obtain, from all employees performing work hereunder, all verification and other documentation of employment eligibility status required by Federal and State statutes and regulations including, but not
limited to, the Immigration Reform and Control Act of 1986, (P.L. 99-603), or as they currently exist and as they may be hereafter amended. The Contractor shall retain all such documentation for all covered employees for the period prescribed by law.

8.16.2 The Contractor shall indemnify, defend, and hold harmless, the County, its agents, officers, and employees from employer sanctions and any other liability which may be assessed against the Contractor or the County or both in connection with any alleged violation of any Federal or State statutes or regulations pertaining to the eligibility for employment of any persons performing work under this Master Agreement.

8.17 Counterparts and Electronic Signatures and Representations

8.17.1 This Master Agreement may be executed in two or more counterparts, each of which shall be deemed an original but all of which together shall constitute one and the same Master Agreement. The facsimile, email or electronic signature of the Parties shall be deemed to constitute original signatures, and facsimile or electronic copies hereof shall be deemed to constitute duplicate originals.

8.17.2 The County and the Contractor hereby agree to regard electronic representations of original signatures of authorized officers of each party, when appearing in appropriate places on the Amendments and Change Orders prepared pursuant to subparagraph 8.1 (Amendments and Change Orders) and received via communications facilities (facsimile, email or electronic signature), as legally sufficient evidence that such legally binding signatures have been affixed to Amendments and Change Orders to this Master Agreement.

8.18 Fair Labor Standards

The Contractor shall comply with all applicable provisions of the Federal Fair Labor Standards Act and shall indemnify, defend, and hold harmless the County and its agents, officers, and employees from any and all liability, including, but not limited to, wages, overtime pay, liquidated damages, penalties, court costs, and attorneys’ fees arising under any wage and hour law, including, but not limited to, the Federal Fair Labor Standards Act, for work performed by the Contractor’s employees for which the County may be found jointly or solely liable.

8.19 Force Majeure

8.19.1 Neither party shall be liable for such party's failure to perform its obligations under and in accordance with this Master Agreement, if such failure arises out of fires, floods, epidemics, quarantine restrictions, other natural occurrences, strikes, lockouts (other
than a lockout by such party or any of such party's subcontractors), freight embargoes, or other similar events to those described above, but in every such case the failure to perform must be totally beyond the control and without any fault or negligence of such party (such events are referred to in this subparagraph 8.19 (Force Majeure) as "force majeure events").

8.19.2 Notwithstanding the foregoing, a default by a subcontractor of Contractor shall not constitute a force majeure event, unless such default arises out of causes beyond the control of both the Contractor and such subcontractor, and without any fault or negligence of either of them. In such case, the Contractor shall not be liable for failure to perform, unless the goods or services to be furnished by the subcontractor were obtainable from other sources in sufficient time to permit the Contractor to meet the required performance schedule. As used in this subparagraph 8.19 (Force Majeure), the term “subcontractor” and “subcontractors” mean subcontractors at any tier.

8.19.3 In the event the Contractor's failure to perform arises out of a force majeure event, the Contractor agrees to use commercially reasonable best efforts to obtain goods or services from other sources, if applicable, and to otherwise mitigate the damages and reduce the delay caused by such force majeure event.

8.20 Governing Law, Jurisdiction, and Venue

This Master Agreement shall be governed by, and construed in accordance with, the laws of the State of California. The Contractor agrees and consents to the exclusive jurisdiction of the courts of the State of California for all purposes regarding this Master Agreement and further agrees and consents that venue of any action brought hereunder shall be exclusively in the County of Los Angeles.

8.21 Independent Contractor Status

8.21.1 This Master Agreement is by and between the County and the Contractor and is not intended, and shall not be construed, to create the relationship of agent, servant, employee, partnership, joint venture, or association, as between the County and the Contractor. The employees and agents of one party shall not be, or be construed to be, the employees or agents of the other party for any purpose whatsoever.

8.21.2 The Contractor shall be solely liable and responsible for providing to, or on behalf of, all persons performing work pursuant to this Master Agreement all compensation and benefits. The County shall have no liability or responsibility for the payment of any salaries, wages, unemployment benefits, disability benefits,
Federal, State, or local taxes, or other compensation, benefits, or taxes for any personnel provided by or on behalf of the Contractor.

8.21.3 The Contractor understands and agrees that all persons performing work pursuant to this Master Agreement are, for purposes of Workers' Compensation liability, solely employees of the Contractor and not employees of the County. The Contractor shall be solely liable and responsible for furnishing any and all Workers' Compensation benefits to any person as a result of any injuries arising from or connected with any work performed by or on behalf of the Contractor pursuant to this Master Agreement.

8.21.4 The Contractor shall adhere to the provisions stated in subparagraph 7.6 (Confidentiality) of this Master Agreement.

8.22 Indemnification

The Contractor shall indemnify, defend and hold harmless the County, its Special Districts, elected and appointed officers, employees, agents and volunteers (“County Indemnitees”) from and against any and all liability, including but not limited to demands, claims, actions, fees, costs and expenses (including attorney and expert witness fees), arising from and/or relating to this Master Agreement, except for such loss or damage arising from the sole negligence or willful misconduct of the County Indemnitees.

8.23 General Provisions for All Insurance Coverage

Without limiting the Contractor's indemnification of the County, and in the performance of this Master Agreement and until all of its obligations pursuant to this Master Agreement have been met, the Contractor shall provide and maintain at its own expense insurance coverage satisfying the requirements specified in this subparagraph 8.23 (General Provisions for All Insurance Coverage) and subparagraph 8.24 (Insurance Coverage) of this Master Agreement. These minimum insurance coverage terms, types and limits (the “Required Insurance”) also are in addition to and separate from any other contractual obligation imposed upon the Contractor pursuant to this Master Agreement. The County in no way warrants that the Required Insurance is sufficient to protect the Contractor for liabilities which may arise from or relate to this Master Agreement.

8.23.1 Evidence of Coverage and Notice to County

- Certificate(s) of insurance coverage (Certificate) satisfactory to County, and a copy of an Additional Insured endorsement confirming County and its Agents (defined below) has been given Insured status under the Contractor's General Liability policy, shall be delivered to County at the address shown below and provided prior to commencing services under this Master Agreement.
- Renewal Certificates shall be provided to County not less than ten (10) calendar days prior to Contractor’s policy expiration dates. The County reserves the right to obtain complete, certified copies of any required Contractor and/or subcontractor insurance policies at any time.

- Certificates shall identify all Required Insurance coverage types and limits specified herein, reference this Master Agreement by name or number, and be signed by an authorized representative of the insurer(s). The Insured party named on the Certificate shall match the name of the Contractor identified as the contracting party in this Master Agreement. Certificates shall provide the full name of each insurer providing coverage, its NAIC (National Association of Insurance Commissioners) identification number, its financial rating, the amounts of any policy deductibles or self-insured retentions exceeding fifty thousand ($50,000.00) dollars, and list any County required endorsement forms.

- Neither the County’s failure to obtain, nor the County’s receipt of, or failure to object to a non-complying insurance certificate or endorsement, or any other insurance documentation or information provided by the Contractor, its insurance broker(s) and/or insurer(s), shall be construed as a waiver of any of the Required Insurance provisions.

Certificates and copies of any required endorsements shall be sent to the County Contract Compliance Manager listed in Exhibit A (County’s Administration) of this Master Agreement.

- The Contractor also shall promptly report to County any injury or property damage accident or incident, including any injury to a Contractor employee occurring on County property, and any loss, disappearance, destruction, misuse, or theft of County property, monies or securities entrusted to Contractor. The Contractor also shall promptly notify the County of any third party claim or suit filed against Contractor or any of its subcontractors which arises from or relates to this Master Agreement, and could result in the filing of a claim or lawsuit against the Contractor and/or County.

8.23.2 Additional Insured Status and Scope of Coverage

The County of Los Angeles, its Special Districts, Elected Officials, Officers, Agents, Employees and Volunteers (collectively, the County and its Agents) shall be provided additional insured status under Contractor’s General Liability policy with respect to liability arising out of the Contractor’s ongoing and completed operations.
performed on behalf of the County. The County and its Agents additional insured status shall apply with respect to liability and defense of suits arising out of the Contractor’s acts or omissions, whether such liability is attributable to the Contractor or to the County. The full policy limits and scope of protection also shall apply to the County and its Agents as an additional insured, even if they exceed the County’s minimum Required Insurance specifications herein. Use of an automatic additional insured endorsement form is acceptable providing it satisfies the Required Insurance provisions herein.

8.23.3 Cancellation of or Changes in Insurance
The Contractor shall provide the County with, or Contractor’s insurance policies shall contain a provision that County shall receive, written notice of cancellation or any change in Required Insurance, including insurer, limits of coverage, term of coverage or policy period. The written notice shall be provided to County at least ten (10) calendar days in advance of cancellation for non-payment of premium and thirty (30) calendar days in advance for any other cancellation or policy change. Failure to provide written notice of cancellation or any change in Required Insurance may constitute a material breach of this Master Agreement, in the sole discretion of the County, upon which the County may suspend or terminate this Master Agreement.

8.23.4 Failure to Maintain Insurance
The Contractor’s failure to maintain or to provide acceptable evidence that it maintains the Required Insurance shall constitute a material breach of this Master Agreement, upon which the County immediately may withhold payments due to the Contractor, and/or suspend or terminate this Master Agreement. The County, at its sole discretion, may obtain damages from the Contractor resulting from said breach. Alternatively, the County may purchase the Required Insurance, and without further notice to the Contractor, deduct the premium cost from sums due to the Contractor or pursue Contractor reimbursement.

8.23.5 Insurer Financial Ratings
Coverage shall be placed with insurers acceptable to the County with A.M. Best ratings of not less than A:VII unless otherwise approved by the County.

8.23.6 Contractor’s Insurance Shall Be Primary
The Contractor’s insurance policies, with respect to any claims related to this Master Agreement, shall be primary with respect to all other sources of coverage available to the Contractor. Any
County maintained insurance or self-insurance coverage shall be in excess of and not contribute to any Contractor coverage.

8.23.7 Waivers of Subrogation

To the fullest extent permitted by law, the Contractor hereby waives its rights and its insurer(s)' rights of recovery against the County under all the Required Insurance for any loss arising from or relating to this Master Agreement. The Contractor shall require its insurers to execute any waiver of subrogation endorsements which may be necessary to effect such waiver.

8.23.8 Subcontractor Insurance Coverage Requirements

The Contractor shall include all subcontractors as insureds under the Contractor's own policies, or shall provide the County with each subcontractor's separate evidence of insurance coverage. The Contractor shall be responsible for verifying each subcontractor complies with the Required Insurance provisions herein, and shall require that each subcontractor name the County and Contractor as additional insureds on the subcontractor's General Liability policy. The Contractor shall obtain the County's prior review and approval of any subcontractor request for modification of the Required Insurance.

8.23.9 Deductibles and Self-Insured Retentions (SIRs)

The Contractor's policies shall not obligate the County to pay any portion of any Contractor deductible or SIR. The County retains the right to require the Contractor to reduce or eliminate policy deductibles and SIRs as respects the County, or to provide a bond guaranteeing the Contractor's payment of all deductibles and SIRs, including all related claims investigation, administration and defense expenses. Such bond shall be executed by a corporate surety licensed to transact business in the State of California.

8.23.10 Claims Made Coverage

If any part of the Required Insurance is written on a claims made basis, any policy retroactive date shall precede the effective date of this Master Agreement. The Contractor understands and agrees it shall maintain such coverage for a period of not less than three (3) years following Master Agreement expiration, termination or cancellation.

8.23.11 Application of Excess Liability Coverage

The Contractor may use a combination of primary, and excess insurance policies which provide coverage as broad as ("follow
form” over) the underlying primary policies, to satisfy the Required Insurance provisions.

8.23.12 Separation of Insureds

All liability policies shall provide cross-liability coverage as would be afforded by the standard ISO (Insurance Services Office, Inc.) separation of insureds provision with no insured versus insured exclusions or limitations.

8.23.13 Alternative Risk Financing Programs

The County reserves the right to review, and then approve, the Contractor’s use of self-insurance, risk retention groups, risk purchasing groups, pooling arrangements and captive insurance to satisfy the Required Insurance provisions. The County and its Agents shall be designated as an Additional Covered Party under any approved program.

8.23.14 County Review and Approval of Insurance Requirements

The County reserves the right to review and adjust the Required Insurance provisions, conditioned upon the County’s determination of changes in risk exposures.

8.24 Insurance Coverage

8.24.1 Commercial General Liability insurance (providing scope of coverage equivalent to ISO policy form CG 00 01), naming the County and its Agents as an additional insured, with limits of not less than:

- General Aggregate: $2 million
- Products/Completed Operations Aggregate: $1 million
- Personal and Advertising Injury: $1 million
- Each Occurrence: $1 million

8.24.2 Automobile Liability insurance (providing scope of coverage equivalent to ISO policy form CA 00 01) with limits of not less than $1 million for bodily injury and property damage, in combined or equivalent split limits, for each single accident. Insurance shall cover liability arising out of the Contractor’s use of autos pursuant to this Master Agreement, including owned, leased, hired, and/or non-owned autos, as each may be applicable.

8.24.3 Workers Compensation and Employers’ Liability insurance or qualified self-insurance satisfying statutory requirements. If Contractor’s employees will be engaged in maritime employment, coverage shall provide workers compensation benefits as required by the U.S. Longshore and Harbor Worker’s Compensation Act,
Jones Act or any other federal law for which Contractor is responsible. In all cases the above insurance shall include Employers' Liability coverage with limits of not less than $1 million per accident. If Contractor will provide leased employees, or, is an employee leasing or temporary staffing firm or a professional employer organization (PEO), coverage also shall include an Alternate Employer Endorsement (providing scope of coverage equivalent to ISO policy form WC 00 03 01 A) naming the County as the Alternate Employer. The written notice shall be provided to County at least ten (10) days in advance of cancellation for non-payment of premium and thirty (30) days in advance for any other cancellation or policy change. If applicable to Contractor’s operations, coverage also shall be arranged to satisfy the requirements of any federal workers or workmen’s compensation law or any federal occupational disease law.

8.24.4 Marine Liability insurance with limits of not less than $5 million for bodily injury and property damage arising out of Contractor’s use of water vessels and include Marina Operations coverage for storage of watercrafts by Contractor pursuant to this Master Agreement.

8.24.5 Asbestos Liability and/or Contractors Pollution Liability insurance, if remediation of asbestos and/or pollutants is required of Contractor. Such insurance shall cover liability for personal injury and property damage arising from the release, discharge, escape, dispersal, or emission of asbestos and/or pollutants, whether gradual or sudden, and include coverage for the costs and expenses associated with voluntary clean-up, testing, monitoring, and treatment of asbestos in compliance with governmental mandate or requests. If the asbestos and/or pollutant will be transported from the seized watercraft, asbestos and/or pollution liability is also required under the Contractor's or subcontractor's Automobile Liability and/or Marine Liability Insurance. Contractor shall maintain limits of not less than $5 million.

8.25 Liquidated Damages

8.25.1 If, in the judgment of the County Project Director, the Contractor is deemed to be non-compliant with the terms and obligations assumed hereby, the County Project Director in addition to, or in lieu of, other remedies provided herein, may withhold the entire monthly payment or deduct pro rata from the Contractor’s invoice for work not performed. A description of the work not performed and the amount to be withheld or deducted from payments to the Contractor from the County, will be forwarded to the Contractor by the County Project Director in a written notice describing the reasons for said action.
8.25.2 If the Sheriff determines that there are deficiencies in the performance of this Master Agreement that the Sheriff or designee, deems are correctable by the Contractor over a certain time span, the Sheriff or designee, will provide a written notice to the Contractor to correct the deficiency within specified time frames. Should the Contractor fail to correct deficiencies within said time frame, the Sheriff may:

(a) Deduct from the Contractor’s payment, pro rata, those applicable portions of the monthly contract sum; and/or

(b) Deduct liquidated damages. The parties agree that it will be impracticable or extremely difficult to fix the extent of actual damages resulting from the failure of the Contractor to correct a deficiency within the specified time frame. The parties hereby agree that under the current circumstances a reasonable estimate of such damages is one hundred dollars ($100) per day per infraction, and that the Contractor shall be liable to the County for liquidated damages in said amount. Said amount shall be deducted from the County’s payment to the Contractor; and/or

(c) Upon giving five (5) Business Days’ notice to the Contractor for failure to correct the deficiencies, the County may correct any and all deficiencies and the total costs incurred by the County for completion of the work by an alternate source, whether it be County forces or separate private contractor, will be deducted and forfeited from the payment to the Contractor from the County, as determined by the County.

8.25.3 The action noted in subparagraph 8.25.2 above shall not be construed as a penalty, but as adjustment of payment to the Contractor to recover the County cost due to the failure of the Contractor to complete or comply with the provisions of this Master Agreement.

8.25.4 This subparagraph 8.25 (Liquidated Damages) shall not, in any manner, restrict or limit the County’s right to damages for any breach of this Master Agreement provided by law or as specified in subparagraph 8.25.2, and shall not, in any manner, restrict or limit the County’s right to terminate this Master Agreement as agreed to herein.

8.26 Most Favored Public Entity

If the Contractor’s prices decline, or should the Contractor at any time during the term of this Master Agreement provide the same goods or services under similar quantity and delivery conditions to the State of
California or any county, municipality, or district of the State at prices below those set forth in this Master Agreement, then such lower prices shall be immediately extended to the County.

8.27 Nondiscrimination and Affirmative Action

8.27.1 The Contractor certifies and agrees that all persons employed by it, its affiliates, subsidiaries, or holding companies are and shall be treated equally without regard to or because of race, color, religion, ancestry, national origin, sex, age, physical or mental disability, marital status, or political affiliation, in compliance with all applicable Federal and State anti-discrimination laws and regulations.

8.27.2 The Contractor shall certify to, and comply with, the provisions of Exhibit C (Contractor’s EEO Certification) of this Master Agreement.

8.27.3 The Contractor shall take affirmative action to ensure that applicants are employed, and that employees are treated during employment, without regard to race, color, religion, ancestry, national origin, sex, age, physical or mental disability, marital status, or political affiliation, in compliance with all applicable Federal and State anti-discrimination laws and regulations. Such action shall include, but is not limited to: employment, upgrading, demotion, transfer, recruitment or recruitment advertising, layoff or termination, rates of pay or other forms of compensation, and selection for training, including apprenticeship.

8.27.4 The Contractor certifies and agrees that it will deal with its subcontractors, bidders, or vendors without regard to or because of race, color, religion, ancestry, national origin, sex, age, physical or mental disability, marital status, or political affiliation.

8.27.5 The Contractor certifies and agrees that it, its affiliates, subsidiaries, or holding companies shall comply with all applicable Federal and State laws and regulations to the end that no person shall, on the grounds of race, color, religion, ancestry, national origin, sex, age, physical or mental disability, marital status, or political affiliation, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be otherwise subjected to discrimination under this Master Agreement or under any project, program, or activity supported by this Master Agreement.

8.27.6 The Contractor shall allow County representatives access to the Contractor’s employment records during regular business hours to verify compliance with the provisions of this subparagraph 8.27 (Nondiscrimination and Affirmative Action) when so requested by the County.
8.27.7 If the County finds that any provisions of this subparagraph 8.27 (Nondiscrimination and Affirmative Action) have been violated, such violation shall constitute a material breach of this Master Agreement upon which the County may terminate or suspend this Master Agreement. While the County reserves the right to determine independently that the anti-discrimination provisions of this Master Agreement have been violated, in addition, a determination by the California Fair Employment and Housing Commission or the Federal Equal Employment Opportunity Commission that the Contractor has violated Federal or State anti-discrimination laws or regulations shall constitute a finding by the County that the Contractor has violated the anti-discrimination provisions of this Master Agreement.

8.27.8 The parties agree that in the event the Contractor violates any of the anti-discrimination provisions of this Master Agreement, the County shall, at its sole option, be entitled to the sum of Five Hundred Dollars ($500) for each such violation pursuant to California Civil Code Section 1671 as liquidated damages in lieu of terminating or suspending this Master Agreement.

8.28 **Non Exclusivity**

Nothing herein is intended nor shall be construed as creating any exclusive arrangement with the Contractor. This Master Agreement shall not restrict the Department from acquiring similar, equal or like goods and/or services from other entities or sources.

8.29 **Notice of Delays**

Except as otherwise provided under this Master Agreement, when either party has knowledge that any actual or potential situation is delaying or threatens to delay the timely performance of this Master Agreement, that party shall, within one (1) Business Day, give notice thereof, including all relevant information with respect thereto, to the other party.

8.30 **Notice of Disputes**

The Contractor shall bring to the attention of the County Project Manager or designee and/or the County Project Director or designee any dispute between the County and the Contractor regarding the performance of services as stated in this Master Agreement. If the County Project Manager or County Project Director is not able to resolve the dispute, then the Sheriff or his designee shall resolve it.

8.31 **Notice to Employees Regarding the Federal Earned Income Credit**

The Contractor shall notify its employees, and shall require each subcontractor to notify its employees, that they may be eligible for the Federal Earned Income Credit under the federal income tax laws. Such
notice shall be provided in accordance with the requirements set forth in Internal Revenue Service Notice No. 1015.

8.32 Notice to Employees Regarding the Safely Surrendered Baby Law

The Contractor shall notify and provide to its employees, and shall require each subcontractor to notify and provide to its employees, information regarding the Safely Surrendered Baby Law, its implementation in Los Angeles County, and where and how to safely surrender a baby. The information is set forth in Exhibit E (Safely Surrendered Baby Law) of this Master Agreement. Additional information is available at www.babysafela.org.

8.33 Notices

All notices or demands required or permitted to be given or made under this Master Agreement shall be in writing and shall be hand delivered with signed receipt or mailed by first-class registered or certified mail, postage prepaid, addressed to the parties as identified in Exhibits A (County’s Administration), Exhibit B (Contractor’s Administration) of this Master Agreement. Addresses may be changed by either party giving ten (10) calendar days’ prior written notice thereof to the other party. The County Project Director shall have the authority to issue all notices or demands required or permitted by the County under this Master Agreement.

8.34 Prohibition Against Inducement or Persuasion

Notwithstanding the above, the Contractor and the County agree that, during the term of this Master Agreement and for a period of one year thereafter, neither party shall in any way intentionally induce or persuade any employee of one party to become an employee or agent of the other party. No bar exists against any hiring action initiated through a public announcement.

8.35 Public Records Act

8.35.1 Any documents submitted by the Contractor; all information obtained in connection with the County’s right to audit and inspect the Contractor’s documents, books, and accounting records pursuant to subparagraph 8.37 (Record Retention and Inspection-Audit Settlement) of this Master Agreement; as well as those documents which were required to be submitted in response to the Request for Statement of Qualifications (RFSQ) used in the solicitation process for this Master Agreement, become the exclusive property of the County. All such documents become a matter of public record and shall be regarded as public records. Exceptions will be those elements in the California Government Code Section 6250 et seq. (Public Records Act) and which are
marked “trade secret”, “confidential”, or “proprietary”. The County shall not in any way be liable or responsible for the disclosure of any such records including, without limitation, those so marked, if disclosure is required by law, or by an order issued by a court of competent jurisdiction.

8.35.2 In the event the County is required to defend an action on a Public Records Act request for any of the aforementioned documents, information, books, records, and/or contents of an SOQ marked “trade secret”, “confidential”, or “proprietary”, the Contractor agrees to defend and indemnify the County from all costs and expenses, including reasonable attorney’s fees, in action or liability arising under the Public Records Act.

8.36 Publicity

8.36.1 The Contractor shall not disclose any details in connection with this Master Agreement to any person or entity except as may be otherwise provided hereunder or required by law. However, in recognizing the Contractor’s need to identify its services and related clients to sustain itself, the County shall not inhibit the Contractor from publishing its role under this Master Agreement within the following conditions:

- The Contractor shall develop all publicity material in a professional manner; and
- During the term of this Master Agreement, the Contractor shall not, and shall not authorize another to, publish or disseminate any commercial advertisements, press releases, feature articles, or other materials using the name of the County without the prior written consent of the County’s Project Director. The County shall not unreasonably withhold written consent.

8.36.2 The Contractor may, without the prior written consent of the County, indicate in its proposals and sales materials that it has been awarded this Master Agreement with the County of Los Angeles, provided that the requirements of this subparagraph 8.36 (Publicity) shall apply.

8.37 Record Retention and Inspection-Audit Settlement

The Contractor shall maintain accurate and complete financial records of its activities and operations relating to this Master Agreement in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. The Contractor shall also maintain accurate and complete employment and other records relating to its performance of this Master Agreement. The Contractor agrees that the County, or its authorized representatives, shall have access to and the right to examine, audit, excerpt, copy, or transcribe any pertinent transaction,
activity, or record relating to this Master Agreement. All such material, including, but not limited to, all financial records, bank statements, cancelled checks or other proof of payment, timecards, sign-in/sign-out sheets and other time and employment records, and proprietary data and information, shall be kept and maintained by the Contractor and shall be made available to the County during the term of this Master Agreement and for a period of five (5) years thereafter unless the County’s written permission is given to dispose of any such material prior to such time. All such material shall be maintained by the Contractor at a location in Los Angeles County, provided that if any such material is located outside Los Angeles County, then, at the County’s option, the Contractor shall pay the County for travel, per diem, and other costs incurred by the County to examine, audit, excerpt, copy, or transcribe such material at such other location.

8.37.1 In the event that an audit of the Contractor is conducted specifically regarding this Master Agreement by any Federal or State auditor, or by any auditor or accountant employed by the Contractor or otherwise, then the Contractor shall file a copy of such audit report with the County’s Auditor-Controller within thirty (30) days of the Contractor’s receipt thereof, unless otherwise provided by applicable Federal or State law or under this Master Agreement. The County shall make a reasonable effort to maintain the confidentiality of such audit report(s).

8.37.2 Failure on the part of the Contractor to comply with any of the provisions of this subparagraph 8.37 (Record Retention and Inspection/Audit Settlement) shall constitute a material breach of this Master Agreement upon which the County may terminate or suspend this Master Agreement.

8.37.3 If, at any time during the term of this Master Agreement or within five (5) years after the expiration or termination of this Master Agreement, representatives of the County may conduct an audit of the Contractor regarding the work performed under this Master Agreement, and if such audit finds that the County’s dollar liability for any such work is less than payments made by the County to the Contractor, then the difference shall be either: (a) repaid by the Contractor to the County by cash payment upon demand or (b) at the sole option of the County’s Auditor-Controller, deducted from any amounts due to the Contractor from the County, whether under this Master Agreement or otherwise. If such audit finds that the County’s dollar liability for such work is more than the payments made by the County to the Contractor, then the difference shall be paid to the Contractor by the County by cash payment, provided that in no event shall the County’s maximum obligation for this Master Agreement exceed the funds appropriated by the County for the purpose of this Master Agreement.
8.38 Recycled Bond Paper

Consistent with the Board of Supervisors’ policy to reduce the amount of solid waste deposited at the County landfills, the Contractor agrees to use recycled-content paper to the maximum extent possible on this Master Agreement.

8.39 Subcontracting

8.39.1 The requirements of this Master Agreement may not be subcontracted by the Contractor without the advance approval of the County. Any attempt by the Contractor to subcontract without the prior consent of the County may be deemed a material breach of this Master Agreement.

8.39.2 If the Contractor desires to subcontract, the Contractor shall provide the following information promptly at the County’s request:

- A description of the work to be performed by the subcontractor;
- A draft copy of the proposed subcontract; and
- Other pertinent information and/or certifications requested by the County.

8.39.3 The Contractor shall indemnify and hold the County harmless with respect to the activities of each and every subcontractor in the same manner and to the same degree as if such subcontractor(s) were the Contractor employees.

8.39.4 The Contractor shall remain fully responsible for all performances required of it under this Master Agreement, including those that the Contractor has determined to subcontract, notwithstanding the County’s approval of the Contractor’s proposed subcontract.

8.39.5 The County’s consent to subcontract shall not waive the County’s right to prior and continuing approval of any and all personnel, including subcontractor employees, providing services under this Master Agreement. The Contractor is responsible to notify its subcontractors of this County right.

8.39.6 The County Project Director is authorized to act for and on behalf of the County with respect to approval of any subcontract and subcontractor employees. After approval of the subcontract by the County, the Contractor shall forward a fully executed subcontract to the County for their files.

8.39.7 The Contractor shall be solely liable and responsible for all payments or other compensation to all subcontractors and their
officers, employees, agents, and successors in interest arising through services performed hereunder, notwithstanding the County’s consent to subcontract.

8.39.8 The Contractor shall obtain certificates of insurance, which establish that the subcontractor maintains all the programs of insurance required by the County from each approved subcontractor. The Contractor shall ensure delivery of all such documents to the County Contract Compliance Manager in accordance with Exhibit A (County’s Administration) of this Master Agreement before any subcontractor employee may perform work hereunder.

8.40 Termination for Breach of Warranty to Maintain Compliance with County’s Child Support Compliance Program

Failure of the Contractor to maintain compliance with the requirements set forth in subparagraph 8.13 (Contractor’s Warranty of Adherence to County’s Child Support Compliance Program), shall constitute a default under this Master Agreement. Without limiting the rights and remedies available to the County under any other provision of this Master Agreement, failure of Contractor to cure such default within ninety (90) calendar days of written notice shall be grounds upon which the County may terminate this Master Agreement pursuant to subparagraph 8.42 (Termination for Default) and pursue debarment of the Contractor, pursuant to County Code Chapter 2.202.

8.41 Termination for Convenience

8.41.1 The County may terminate this Master Agreement, and any Work Order issued hereunder, in whole or in part, from time to time or permanently, when such action is deemed by the County, in its sole discretion, to be in its best interest. Termination of work hereunder shall be effected by notice of termination to the Contractor specifying the extent to which performance of work is terminated and the date upon which such termination becomes effective. The date upon which such termination becomes effective shall be no less than ten (10) calendar days after the notice is sent.

8.41.2 Upon receipt of a notice of termination and except as otherwise directed by the County, the Contractor shall immediately:

- Stop work under the Work Order or under this Master Agreement, as identified in such notice;
- Transfer title and deliver to the County all completed work and work in process; and
- Complete performance of such part of the work as shall not have been terminated by such notice.
8.41.3 All material including books, records, documents, or other evidence bearing on the costs and expenses of the Contractor under this Master Agreement or Work Order shall be maintained by the Contractor in accordance with subparagraph 8.37 (Record Retention and Inspection/Audit Settlement) of this Master Agreement.

8.42 Termination for Default

8.42.1 The County may, by written notice to the Contractor, terminate the whole or any part of this Master Agreement, and any Work Order if, in the judgment of County’s Project Director or designee:

- The Contractor has materially breached this Master Agreement;
- The Contractor fails to timely provide and/or satisfactorily perform any task, deliverable, service, or other work required either under this Master Agreement or any Work Order issued hereunder; or
- The Contractor fails to demonstrate a high probability of timely fulfillment of performance requirements of any Work Order issued under this Master Agreement, or of any obligations of this Master Agreement and in either case, fails to demonstrate convincing progress toward a cure within five (5) Business Days (or such longer period as the County may authorize in writing) after receipt of written notice from the County specifying such failure.

8.42.2 In the event that the County terminates this Master Agreement in whole or in part as provided in subparagraph 8.42.1 above, the County may procure, upon such terms and in such manner as the County may deem appropriate, goods and services similar to those so terminated. The Contractor shall be liable to the County for any and all excess costs incurred by the County, as determined by the County, for such similar goods and services. The Contractor shall continue the performance of this Master Agreement to the extent not terminated under the provisions of this subparagraph 8.42 (Termination for Default).

8.42.3 Except with respect to defaults of any subcontractor, the Contractor shall not be liable for any such excess costs of the type identified in subparagraph 8.42.2 above if its failure to perform this Master Agreement, including any Work Order issued hereunder, arises out of causes beyond the control and without the fault or negligence of the Contractor. Such causes may include, but are not limited to: acts of God or of the public enemy, acts of Federal or State governments in their sovereign capacities, fires, floods, epidemics,
quarantine restrictions, strikes, freight embargoes, and unusually severe weather; but in every case, the failure to perform must be beyond the control and without the fault or negligence of the Contractor. If the failure to perform is caused by the default of a subcontractor, and if such default arises out of causes beyond the control of both the Contractor and subcontractor, and without the fault or negligence of either of them, the Contractor shall not be liable for any such excess costs for failure to perform, unless the goods or services to be furnished by the subcontractor were obtainable from other sources in sufficient time to permit the Contractor to meet the required performance schedule. As used in this subparagraph 8.42.3, the terms "subcontractor" and "subcontractors" mean subcontractor(s) at any tier.

8.42.4 If, after the County has given notice of termination under the provisions of this subparagraph 8.42 (Termination for Default), it is determined by the County that the Contractor was not in default under the provisions of this subparagraph 8.42 (Termination for Default), or that the default was excusable under the provisions of subparagraph 8.42.3, the rights and obligations of the parties shall be the same as if the notice of termination had been issued pursuant to subparagraph 8.41 (Termination for Convenience) of this Master Agreement.

8.42.5 The rights and remedies of the County provided in this subparagraph 8.42 (Termination for Default) shall not be exclusive and are in addition to any other rights and remedies provided by law or under this Master Agreement.

8.43 Termination for Improper Consideration

8.43.1 The County may, by written notice to the Contractor, immediately terminate the right of the Contractor to proceed under this Master Agreement and any Work Order, if it is found that consideration, in any form, was offered or given by the Contractor, either directly or through an intermediary, to any County officer, employee, or agent with the intent of securing this Master Agreement or securing favorable treatment with respect to the award, amendment, or extension of this Master Agreement or the making of any determinations with respect to the Contractor's performance pursuant to this Master Agreement. In the event of such termination, the County shall be entitled to pursue the same remedies against the Contractor as it could pursue in the event of default by the Contractor.

8.43.2 The Contractor shall immediately report any attempt by a County officer or employee to solicit such improper consideration. The report shall be made either to the County manager charged with
the supervision of the employee or to the County Auditor-Controller's Employee Fraud Hotline at (800) 544-6861.

8.43.3 Among other items, such improper consideration may take the form of cash, discounts, services, the provision of travel or entertainment, or tangible gifts.

8.44 Termination for Insolvency

8.44.1 The County may terminate this Master Agreement and any Work Order forthwith in the event of the occurrence of any of the following:

- Insolvency of the Contractor. The Contractor shall be deemed to be insolvent if it has ceased to pay its debts for at least sixty (60) calendar days in the ordinary course of business or cannot pay its debts as they become due, whether or not a petition has been filed under the Federal Bankruptcy Code and whether or not the Contractor is insolvent within the meaning of the Federal Bankruptcy Code;
- The filing of a voluntary or involuntary petition regarding the Contractor under the Federal Bankruptcy Code;
- The appointment of a Receiver or Trustee for the Contractor; or
- The execution by the Contractor of a general assignment for the benefit of creditors.

8.44.2 The rights and remedies of the County provided in this subparagraph 8.44 (Termination for Insolvency) shall not be exclusive and are in addition to any other rights and remedies provided by law or under this Master Agreement.

8.45 Termination for Non-Adherence of County Lobbyist Ordinance

The Contractor, and each County Lobbyist or County Lobbying firm as defined in County Code Section 2.160.010 retained by the Contractor, shall fully comply with the County's Lobbyist Ordinance, County Code Chapter 2.160. Failure on the part of the Contractor or any County Lobbyist or County Lobbying firm retained by the Contractor to fully comply with the County's Lobbyist Ordinance shall constitute a material breach of this Master Agreement, upon which the County may in its sole discretion, immediately terminate or suspend this Master Agreement and any Work Order.

8.46 Termination for Non-Appropriation of Funds

Notwithstanding any other provision of this Master Agreement, the County shall not be obligated for the Contractor’s performance hereunder or by any provision of this Master Agreement during any of the County's future fiscal years unless and until the County’s Board of Supervisors appropriates
funds for this Master Agreement in the County’s Budget for each such future fiscal year. In the event that funds are not appropriated for this Master Agreement, then this Master Agreement shall terminate as of June 30 of the last fiscal year for which funds were appropriated. The County shall notify the Contractor in writing of any such non-allocation of funds at the earliest possible date.

8.47 Validity
If any provision of this Master Agreement or the application thereof to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the remainder of this Master Agreement and the application of such provision to other persons or circumstances shall not be affected thereby.

8.48 Waiver
No waiver by the County of any breach of any provision of this Master Agreement shall constitute a waiver of any other breach or of such provision. Failure of the County to enforce at any time, or from time to time, any provision of this Master Agreement shall not be construed as a waiver thereof. The rights and remedies set forth in this subparagraph 8.48 (Waiver) shall not be exclusive and are in addition to any other rights and remedies provided by law or under this Master Agreement.

8.49 Warranty Against Contingent Fees

8.49.1 The Contractor warrants that no person or selling agency has been employed or retained to solicit or secure this Master Agreement upon any agreement or understanding for a commission, percentage, brokerage, or contingent fee, excepting bona fide employees or bona fide established commercial or selling agencies maintained by the Contractor for the purpose of securing business.

8.49.2 For breach of this warranty, the County shall have the right to terminate this Master Agreement and, at its sole discretion, deduct from the Master Agreement price or consideration, or otherwise recover, the full amount of such commission, percentage, brokerage, or contingent fee.

8.50 Warranty of Compliance with County’s Defaulted Property Tax Reduction Program

8.50.1 The Contractor acknowledges that the County has established a goal of ensuring that all individuals and businesses that benefit financially from the County through contract are current in paying their property tax obligations (secured and unsecured roll) in order to mitigate the economic burden otherwise imposed upon the County and its taxpayers.

8.50.2 Unless the Contractor qualifies for an exemption or exclusion, the Contractor warrants and certifies that to the best of its
knowledge it is now in compliance, and during the term of this Master Agreement will maintain compliance, with Los Angeles County Code Chapter 2.206.

8.51 **Termination for Breach of Warranty to Maintain Compliance with County’s Defaulted Property Tax Reduction Program**

Failure of the Contractor to maintain compliance with the requirements set forth in subparagraph 8.50 (Warranty of Compliance with County’s Defaulted Property Tax Reduction Program) of this Master Agreement shall constitute default under this Master Agreement. Without limiting the rights and remedies available to the County under any other provision of this Master Agreement, failure of the Contractor to cure such default within ten (10) calendar days of notice shall be grounds upon which the County may terminate this Master Agreement and/or pursue debarment of Contractor, pursuant to County Code Chapter 2.206.

8.52 **Time Off for Voting**

The Contractor shall notify its employees, and shall require each subcontractor to notify and provide to its employees, information regarding the time off for voting law (California Elections Code Section 14000). Not less than ten (10) calendar days before every statewide election, every Contractor and subcontractors shall keep posted conspicuously at the place of work, if practicable, or elsewhere where it can be seen as employees come or go to their place of work, a notice setting forth the provisions of California Elections Code Section 14000.

8.53 **Compliance with County’s Zero Tolerance Policy on Human Trafficking**

8.53.1 The Contractor acknowledges that the County has established a Zero Tolerance Policy on Human Trafficking prohibiting contractors from engaging in human trafficking.

8.53.2 If a Contractor or member of the Contractor’s staff is convicted of a human trafficking offense, the County shall require that the Contractor or member of the Contractor’s staff be removed immediately from performing services under this Master Agreement. The County will not be under any obligation to disclose confidential information regarding the offenses other than those required by law.

8.53.3 Disqualification of any member of the Contractor’s staff pursuant to this subparagraph 8.53 (Compliance with County’s Zero Tolerance Policy on Human Trafficking) shall not relieve the Contractor of its obligation to complete all work in accordance with the terms and conditions of this Master Agreement.

8.54 **Intentionally Omitted**
8.55 Compliance with Fair Chance Employment Practices

The Contractor shall comply with fair chance employment hiring practices set forth in California Government Code Section 12952, Employment Discrimination: Conviction History. The Contractor’s violation of this subparagraph 8.55 (Compliance with Fair Chance Employment Practices) of this Master Agreement may constitute a material breach of this Master Agreement. In the event of such material breach, the County may, in its sole discretion, terminate this Master Agreement and any Work Order.

8.56 Compliance with the County Policy of Equity

The Contractor acknowledges that the County takes its commitment to preserving the dignity and professionalism of the workplace very seriously, as set forth in the County Policy of Equity (CPOE) (https://ceop.lacounty.gov/). The Contractor further acknowledges that the County strives to provide a workplace free from discrimination, harassment, retaliation and inappropriate conduct based on a protected characteristic, and which may violate the CPOE. The Contractor, its employees and subcontractors acknowledge and certify receipt and understanding of the CPOE. Failure of the Contractor, its employees or its subcontractors to uphold the County's expectations of a workplace free from harassment and discrimination, including inappropriate conduct based on a protected characteristic, may subject the Contractor to termination of contractual agreements as well as civil liability.

8.57 Prohibition from Participation in Future Solicitation(s)

A Vendor, or a Contractor or its subsidiary or Subcontractor ("Vendor/Contractor"), is prohibited from submitting a bid or proposal in a County solicitation if the Vendor/Contractor has provided advice or consultation for the solicitation. A Vendor/Contractor is also prohibited from submitting a bid or proposal in a County solicitation if the Vendor/Contractor has developed or prepared any of the solicitation materials on behalf of the County. A violation of this provision shall result in the disqualification of the Contractor/Vendor from participation in the County solicitation or the termination or cancellation of any resultant County contract. This provision shall survive the expiration, or other termination of this Master Agreement.

9.0 UNIQUE TERMS AND CONDITIONS

9.1 Local Small Business Enterprise (LSBE) Preference Program

9.1.1 This Master Agreement is subject to the provisions of the County's ordinance entitled LSBE Preference Program, as codified in Chapter 2.204 of the Los Angeles County Code.
9.1.2 The Contractor shall not knowingly and with the intent to defraud, fraudulently obtain, retain, attempt to obtain or retain, or aid another in fraudulently obtaining or retaining or attempting to obtain or retain certification as a LSBE.

9.1.3 The Contractor shall not willfully and knowingly make a false statement with the intent to defraud, whether by affidavit, report, or other representation, to a County official or employee for the purpose of influencing the certification or denial of certification of any entity as a LSBE.

9.1.4 If the Contractor has obtained certification as a LSBE by reason of having furnished incorrect supporting information or by reason of having withheld information, and which knew, or should have known, the information furnished was incorrect or the information withheld was relevant to its request for certification, and which by reason of such certification has been awarded this Master Agreement to which it would not otherwise have been entitled, shall:

1. Pay to the County any difference between this Master Agreement amount and what the County’s costs would have been if this Master Agreement had been properly awarded;

2. In addition to the amount described in subdivision (1), be assessed a penalty in an amount of not more than ten (10%) percent of the amount of this Master Agreement; and


The above penalties shall also apply to any business that has previously obtained proper certification, however, as a result of a change in their status would no longer be eligible for certification, and fails to notify the State and the Department of Consumer and Business Affairs of this information prior to responding to a solicitation or accepting a Master Agreement award.

9.2 Social Enterprise (SE) Preference Program

9.2.1 This Master Agreement is subject to the provisions of the County’s ordinance entitled SE Preference Program, as codified in Chapter 2.205 of the Los Angeles County Code.

9.2.2 The Contractor shall not knowingly and with the intent to defraud, fraudulently obtain, retain, attempt to obtain or retain, or aid
9.2.3 The Contractor shall not willfully and knowingly make a false statement with the intent to defraud, whether by affidavit, report, or other representation, to a County official or employee for the purpose of influencing the certification or denial of certification of any entity as a SE.

9.2.4 If the Contractor has obtained County certification as a SE by reason of having furnished incorrect supporting information or by reason of having withheld information, and which knew, or should have known, the information furnished was incorrect or the information withheld was relevant to its request for certification, and which by reason of such certification has been awarded this Master Agreement to which it would not otherwise have been entitled, Contractor shall:

1. Pay to the County any difference between this Master Agreement amount and what the County’s costs would have been if this Master Agreement had been properly awarded;

2. In addition to the amount described in subdivision (1) above, the Contractor will be assessed a penalty in an amount of not more than ten percent (10%) of the amount of this Master Agreement; and


The above penalties shall also apply to any entity that has previously obtained proper certification, however, as a result of a change in their status would no longer be eligible for certification, and fails to notify the Department of Consumer and Business Affairs of this information prior to responding to a solicitation or accepting a Master Agreement award.

9.3 Disabled Veteran Business Enterprise (DVBE) Preference Program

9.3.1 This Master Agreement is subject to the provisions of the County’s ordinance entitled DVBE Preference Program, as codified in Chapter 2.211 of the Los Angeles County Code.

9.3.2 The Contractor shall not knowingly and with the intent to defraud, fraudulently obtain, retain, attempt to obtain or retain, or aid another in fraudulently obtaining or retaining or attempting to obtain or retain certification as a DVBE.

9.3.3 The Contractor shall not willfully and knowingly make a false statement with the intent to defraud, whether by affidavit, report, or other representation, to a County official or employee for the
purpose of influencing the certification or denial of certification of any entity as a DVBE.

9.3.4 If the Contractor has obtained certification as a DVBE by reason of having furnished incorrect supporting information or by reason of having withheld information, and which knew, or should have known, the information furnished was incorrect or the information withheld was relevant to its request for certification, and which by reason of such certification has been awarded this Master Agreement to which it would not otherwise have been entitled, the Contractor shall:

1. Pay to the County any difference between this Master Agreement amount and what the County’s costs would have been if this Master Agreement had been properly awarded;

2. In addition to the amount described in subdivision (1) above, the Contractor will be assessed a penalty in an amount of not more than ten (10%) percent of the amount of this Master Agreement; and


Not withstanding any other remedies in this Master Agreement, the above penalties shall also apply to any business that has previously obtained proper certification, however, as a result of a change in their status would no longer be eligible for certification, and fails to notify the State and the Department of Consumer and Business Affairs of this information prior to responding to a solicitation or accepting a Master Agreement award.
MASTER AGREEMENT
BY AND BETWEEN
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES
AND

FOR
VESSEL REMOVAL AND DISPOSAL SERVICES

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Board of Supervisors of the County of Los Angeles has caused this Master Agreement to be executed by the Sheriff of Los Angeles County or his designee and Contractor has caused this Master Agreement to be executed by its duly authorized representative, on the dates written below.

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

By________________________________
ALEX VILLANUEVA, SHERIFF
Date_______________________________

CONTRACTOR

By_________________________________
Printed Name: _______________________
Title: _______________________________
Date:_______________________________

APPROVED AS TO FORM:
RODRIGO A. CASTRO-SILVA
County Counsel

By_______________________________
Michele Jackson
Principal Deputy County Counsel
STATEMENT OF WORK

(NOT ATTACHED; SEE ATTACHMENT 1 OF THE RFSQ)
COUNTY’S ADMINISTRATION

MASTER AGREEMENT NO. _________________

COUNTY PROJECT DIRECTOR:

Name: ___________________________________________
Title: ___________________________________________
Address: _________________________________________
_________________________________________________

Telephone: ________________________________
Facsimile: ________________________________
E-Mail Address: ________________________________

COUNTY PROJECT MANAGER:

Name: ___________________________________________
Title: ___________________________________________
Address: _________________________________________
_________________________________________________

Telephone: ________________________________
Facsimile: ________________________________
E-Mail Address: ________________________________

COUNTY CONTRACT COMPLIANCE MANAGER:

Name: ___________________________________________
Title: ___________________________________________
Address: _________________________________________
_________________________________________________

Telephone: ________________________________
Facsimile: ________________________________
E-Mail Address: ________________________________
CONTRACTOR’S ADMINISTRATION

MASTER AGREEMENT NO. _________________

CONTRACTOR’S PROJECT MANAGER:
Name: ___________________________________________________________________________
Title: _____________________________________________________________________________
Address: __________________________________________________________________________

Telephone: _________________________________________________________________________
Facsimile: _________________________________________________________________________
E-Mail Address: _____________________________________________________________________

CONTRACTOR’S AUTHORIZED OFFICIAL(S)
Name: _____________________________________________________________________________
Title: _____________________________________________________________________________
Address: __________________________________________________________________________

Telephone: _________________________________________________________________________
Facsimile: _________________________________________________________________________
E-Mail Address: _____________________________________________________________________

Name: _____________________________________________________________________________
Title: _____________________________________________________________________________
Address: __________________________________________________________________________

Telephone: _________________________________________________________________________
Facsimile: _________________________________________________________________________
E-Mail Address: _____________________________________________________________________

Name: _____________________________________________________________________________
Title: _____________________________________________________________________________
Address: __________________________________________________________________________

Telephone: _________________________________________________________________________
Facsimile: _________________________________________________________________________
E-Mail Address: _____________________________________________________________________

Notices to Contractor shall be sent to the following address:

Name: _____________________________________________________________________________
Title: _____________________________________________________________________________
Address: __________________________________________________________________________

Telephone: _________________________________________________________________________
Facsimile: _________________________________________________________________________
E-Mail Address: _____________________________________________________________________

County of Los Angeles
Sheriff’s Department

Vessel Removal and Disposal Services
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Appendix H – Model Master Agreement – Exhibits
CONTRACTOR'S EEO CERTIFICATION

Contractor Name

Address

Internal Revenue Service Employer Identification Number

GENERAL CERTIFICATION

In accordance with Section 4.32.010 of the Code of the County of Los Angeles, the contractor, supplier, or vendor certifies and agrees that all persons employed by such firm, its affiliates, subsidiaries, or holding companies are and will be treated equally by the firm without regard to or because of race, religion, ancestry, national origin, or sex and in compliance with all anti-discrimination laws of the United States of America and the State of California.

CONTRACTOR'S SPECIFIC CERTIFICATIONS

1. The Contractor has a written policy statement prohibiting discrimination in all phases of employment.
   
   [ ] Yes  [ ] No

2. The Contractor periodically conducts a self analysis or utilization analysis of its work force.
   
   [ ] Yes  [ ] No

3. The Contractor has a system for determining if its employment practices are discriminatory against protected groups.
   
   [ ] Yes  [ ] No

4. Where problem areas are identified in employment practices, the Contractor has a system for taking reasonable corrective action, to include establishment of goals or timetables.

   [ ] Yes  [ ] No

Authorized Official’s Printed Name and Title

Authorized Official’s Signature   Date
2.203.010 Findings.

The board of supervisors makes the following findings. The county of Los Angeles allows its permanent, full-time employees unlimited jury service at their regular pay. Unfortunately, many businesses do not offer or are reducing or even eliminating compensation to employees who serve on juries. This creates a potential financial hardship for employees who do not receive their pay when called to jury service, and those employees often seek to be excused from having to serve. Although changes in the court rules make it more difficult to excuse a potential juror on grounds of financial hardship, potential jurors continue to be excused on this basis, especially from longer trials. This reduces the number of potential jurors and increases the burden on those employers, such as the county of Los Angeles, who pay their permanent, full-time employees while on juror duty. For these reasons, the county of Los Angeles has determined that it is appropriate to require that the businesses with which the county contracts possess reasonable jury service policies. (Ord. 2002-0015 § 1 (part), 2002)

2.203.020 Definitions.

The following definitions shall be applicable to this chapter:

A. “Contractor” means a person, partnership, corporation or other entity which has a contract with the county or a subcontract with a county contractor and has received or will receive an aggregate sum of $50,000 or more in any 12-month period under one or more such contracts or subcontracts.

B. “Employee” means any California resident who is a full-time employee of a contractor under the laws of California.

C. “Contract” means any agreement to provide goods to, or perform services for or on behalf of, the county but does not include:

1. A contract where the board finds that special circumstances exist that justify a waiver of the requirements of this chapter; or

2. A contract where federal or state law or a condition of a federal or state program mandates the use of a particular contractor; or

3. A purchase made through a state or federal contract; or

4. A monopoly purchase that is exclusive and proprietary to a specific manufacturer, distributor, or reseller, and must match and inter-member with existing supplies, equipment or systems maintained by the county pursuant to the Los Angeles County Purchasing Policy and Procedures Manual, Section P-3700 or a successor provision; or

5. A revolving fund (petty cash) purchase pursuant to the Los Angeles County Fiscal Manual, Section 4.4.0 or a successor provision; or

6. A purchase card purchase pursuant to the Los Angeles County Purchasing Policy and Procedures Manual, Section P-2810 or a successor provision; or
7. A non-agreement purchase with a value of less than $5,000 pursuant to the Los Angeles County Purchasing Policy and Procedures Manual, Section A-0300 or a successor provision; or

8. A bona fide emergency purchase pursuant to the Los Angeles County Purchasing Policy and Procedures Manual, Section PP-1100 or a successor provision.

D. “Full time” means 40 hours or more worked per week, or a lesser number of hours if:

1. The lesser number is a recognized industry standard as determined by the chief administrative officer, or

2. The contractor has a long-standing practice that defines the lesser number of hours as full time.

E. “County” means the county of Los Angeles or any public entities for which the board of supervisors is the governing body. (Ord. 2002-0040 § 1, 2002: Ord. 2002-0015 § 1 (part), 2002)

2.203.030 Applicability.

This chapter shall apply to contractors who enter into contracts that commence after July 11, 2002. This chapter shall also apply to contractors with existing contracts which are extended into option years that commence after July 11, 2002. Contracts that commence after May 28, 2002, but before July 11, 2002, shall be subject to the provisions of this chapter only if the solicitations for such contracts stated that the chapter would be applicable. (Ord. 2002-0040 § 2, 2002: Ord. 2002-0015 § 1 (part), 2002)

2.203.040 Contractor Jury Service Policy.

A contractor shall have and adhere to a written policy that provides that its employees shall receive from the contractor, on an annual basis, no less than five days of regular pay for actual jury service. The policy may provide that employees deposit any fees received for such jury service with the contractor or that the contractor deduct from the employees’ regular pay the fees received for jury service. (Ord. 2002-0015 § 1 (part), 2002)

2.203.050 Other Provisions.

A. Administration. The chief administrative officer shall be responsible for the administration of this chapter. The chief administrative officer may, with the advice of county counsel, issue interpretations of the provisions of this chapter and shall issue written instructions on the implementation and ongoing administration of this chapter. Such instructions may provide for the delegation of functions to other county departments.

B. Compliance Certification. At the time of seeking a contract, a contractor shall certify to the county that it has and adheres to a policy consistent with this chapter or will have and adhere to such a policy prior to award of the contract. (Ord. 2002-0015 § 1 (part), 2002)
2.203.060 Enforcement and Remedies.

For a contractor’s violation of any provision of this chapter, the county department head responsible for administering the contract may do one or more of the following:

1. Recommend to the board of supervisors the termination of the contract; and/or,

2. Pursuant to chapter 2.202, seek the debarment of the contractor. (Ord. 2002-0015 § 1 (part), 2002)

2.203.070. Exceptions.

A. Other Laws. This chapter shall not be interpreted or applied to any contractor or to any employee in a manner inconsistent with the laws of the United States or California.

B. Collective Bargaining Agreements. This chapter shall be superseded by a collective bargaining agreement that expressly so provides.

C. Small Business. This chapter shall not be applied to any contractor that meets all of the following:

   1. Has ten or fewer employees during the contract period; and,
   2. Has annual gross revenues in the preceding twelve months which, if added to the annual amount of the contract awarded, are less than $500,000; and,
   3. Is not an affiliate or subsidiary of a business dominant in its field of operation.

“Dominant in its field of operation” means having more than ten employees and annual gross revenues in the preceding twelve months which, if added to the annual amount of the contract awarded, exceed $500,000.

“Affiliate or subsidiary of a business dominant in its field of operation” means a business which is at least 20 percent owned by a business dominant in its field of operation, or by partners, officers, directors, majority stockholders, or their equivalent, of a business dominant in that field of operation. (Ord. 2002-0015 § 1 (part), 2002)

2.203.090. Severability.

If any provision of this chapter is found invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, the remaining provisions shall remain in full force and effect. (Ord. 2002-0015 § 1 (part), 2002)
Safely Surrendered Baby Law

Babies can be safely surrendered to staff at any hospital or fire station in Los Angeles County.

No shame. No blame. No names.

In Los Angeles County: 1-877-BABY SAFE • 1-877-222-9723
www.babysafela.org
Safely Surrendered Baby Law

What is the Safely Surrendered Baby Law?
California’s Safely Surrendered Baby Law allows parents or other persons, with lawful custody, which means anyone to whom the parent has given permission to confidentially surrender a baby. As long as the baby is three days (72 hours) of age or younger and has not been abused or neglected, the baby may be surrendered without fear of arrest or prosecution.

How does it work?
A distressed parent who is unable or unwilling to care for a baby can legally, confidentially, and safely surrender a baby within three days (72 hours) of birth. The baby must be handed to an employee at a hospital or fire station in Los Angeles County. As long as the baby shows no sign of abuse or neglect, no name or other information is required. In case the parent changes his or her mind at a later date and wants the baby back, staff will use bracelets to help connect them to each other. One bracelet will be placed on the baby, and a matching bracelet will be given to the parent or other surrendering adult.

What if a parent wants the baby back?
Parents who change their minds can begin the process of reclaiming their baby within 14 days. These parents should call the Los Angeles County Department of Children and Family Services at 1-800-540-4000.

Can only a parent bring in the baby?
No. While in most cases a parent will bring in the baby, the Law allows other people to bring in the baby if they have lawful custody.

Every baby deserves a chance for a healthy life. If someone you know is considering abandoning a baby, let her know there are other options. For three days (72 hours) after birth, a baby can be surrendered to staff at any hospital or fire station in Los Angeles County.

A baby’s story
Early in the morning on April 9, 2005, a healthy baby boy was safely surrendered to nurses at Harbor-UCLA Medical Center. The woman who brought the baby to the hospital identified herself as the baby’s aunt and stated the baby’s mother had asked her to bring the baby to the hospital on her behalf. The aunt was given a bracelet with a number matching the ankle placed on the baby; this would provide some identification in the event the mother changed her mind about surrendering the baby and wished to reclaim the baby in the 14-day period allowed by the Law. The aunt was also provided with a medical questionnaire and said she would have the mother complete and mail back in the stamped return envelope provided. The baby was examined by medical staff and pronounced healthy and full-term. He was placed with a loving family that had been approved to adopt him by the Department of Children and Family Services.

Does the parent or surrendering adult have to tell anything to the people taking the baby?
No. However, hospital or fire station personnel will ask the surrendering party to fill out a questionnaire designed to gather important medical history information, which is very useful in caring for the baby. The questionnaire includes a stamped return envelope and can be sent in at a later time.

What happens to the baby?
The baby will be examined and given medical treatment. Upon release from the hospital, social workers immediately place the baby in a safe and loving home and begin the adoption process.

What happens to the parent or surrendering adult?
Once the parent or surrendering adult surrenders the baby to hospital or fire station personnel, they may leave at any time.

Why is California doing this?
The purpose of the Safely Surrendered Baby Law is to protect babies from being abandoned, hurt or killed by their parents. You may have heard tragic stories of babies left in dumpsters or public bathrooms. Their parents may have been under severe emotional distress. The mothers may have hidden their pregnancies, fearful of what would happen if their families found out. Because they were afraid and had no one or nowhere to turn for help, they abandoned their babies. Abandoning a baby is illegal and places the baby in extreme danger. Too often, it results in the baby’s death. The Safely Surrendered Baby Law prevents this tragedy from ever happening again in California.
Ley de Entrega de Bebés
Sin Peligro

Los recién nacidos pueden ser entregados en forma segura al personal de cualquier hospital o cuartel de bomberos del Condado de Los Ángeles


En el Condado de Los Ángeles: 1-877-BABY SAFE • 1-877-222-9723
www.babysafeLA.org
Ley de Entrega de Bebés Sin Peligro

¿Cómo funciona?
El padre/madre con dificultades que no pueda o no quiera cuidar de su recién nacido puede entregarlo en forma legal, confidencial y segura dentro de los tres días (72 horas) del nacimiento. El bebé debe ser entregado a un empleado de cualquier hospital o cuartel de bomberos del Condado de Los Ángeles. Siempre que el bebé no presente signos de abuso o negligencia, no será necesario suministrar nombres ni información alguna. Si el padre/madre cambia de opinión posteriormente y desea recuperar a su bebé, los trabajadores utilizarán brazaletes para poder vincularlos. El bebé llevará un brazalete y el padre/madre o el adulto que lo entregue recibirá un brazalete igual.

¿Es necesario que el padre/madre diga algo a las personas que reciben al bebé?
No. Sin embargo, el personal del hospital o cuartel de bomberos le pedirá a la persona que entregue al bebé que llenar un cuestionario con la finalidad de recabar antecedentes médicos importantes, que resultan de gran utilidad para cuidar bien del bebé. El cuestionario incluye un sobre con el sello postal pagado para enviarlo en otro momento.

¿Qué es la Ley de Entrega de Bebés sin Peligro?
La Ley de Entrega de Bebés sin Peligro de California permite la entrega confidencial de un recién nacido por parte de sus padres u otras personas con custodia legal, es decir cualquier persona a quien los padres le hayan dado permiso. Siempre que el bebé tenga tres días (72 horas) de vida o menos, y no haya sufrido abuso ni negligencia, pueden entregar al recién nacido sin temor de ser arrestados o procesados.

¿Qué pasa si el padre/madre desea recuperar a su bebé?
Los padres que cambien de opinión pueden comenzar el proceso de reclamar a su recién nacido dentro de los 14 días. Estos padres deberán llamar al Departamento de Servicios para Niños y Familias (Department of Children and Family Services) del Condado de Los Ángeles al 1-800-540-4000.

¿Sólo los padres podrán llevar al recién nacido?
No. Si bien en la mayoría de los casos son los padres los que llevan al bebé, la ley permite que otras personas lo hagan si tienen custodia legal.

¿Los padres o el adulto que entrega al bebé deben llamar antes de llevar al bebé?
No. El padre/madre o adulto puede llenar al bebé en cualquier momento, las 24 horas del día, los 7 días de la semana, siempre y cuando entreguen a su bebé a un empleado del hospital o cuartel de bomberos.

¿Por qué se está haciendo esto en California?
La finalidad de la Ley de Entrega de Bebés sin Peligro es proteger a los bebes que no sean abandonados, heridos o muertos por sus padres. Usted probablemente haya escuchado historias trágicas sobre bebés abandonados en basureros o en baños públicos. Los padres de esos bebés probablemente hayan estado pasando por dificultades emocionales graves. Las madres pueden haber ocultado su embarazo, por temor a que pasara si sus familias se enteraran. Abandonaron a sus bebés porque tenían miedo y no tenían nadie a quien pedir ayuda. El abandono de un recién nacido es ilegal y pone al bebé en una situación de peligro extremo. Muy a menudo el abandono provoca la muerte del bebé. La Ley de Entrega de Bebés sin Peligro impulsa que vuelva a suceder esta tragedia en California.

Cada recién nacido se merece la oportunidad de tener una vida saludable. Si alguien que usted conoce está pensando en abandonar a un recién nacido, infórmele que tiene otras opciones. Hasta tres días (72 horas) después del nacimiento, se puede entregar un recién nacido al personal de cualquier hospital o cuartel de bomberos del condado de Los Ángeles.

Historia de un bebé
A la mañana temprano del día 9 de abril de 2005, se entregó un recién nacido saludable a las enfermeras del Harbor-UCLA Medical Center. La mujer que llevó el recién nacido al hospital se dio a conocer como la tía del bebé, y dijo que la madre le había pedido que llevara al bebé al hospital en su nombre. Le entregaron a la tía un brazalete con un número que coincidía con la pulsera del bebé; esto serviría como identificación en caso de que la madre cambiara de opinión con respecto a la entrega del bebé y decidiera recuperarlo dentro del período de 14 días que permite esta ley. También le dieron a la tía un cuestionario médico, y ella dijo que la madre lo llenaría y lo enviaría de vuelta dentro del sobre con franqueo pagado que le habían dado. El personal médico examinó al bebé y se determinó que estaba saludable y a término. El bebé fue ubicado con una buena familia que ya había sido aprobada para adoptarlo por el Departamento de Servicios para Niños y Familias.
SAMPLE WORK ORDER FORMATS

F1  SAMPLE WORK ORDER

F2  EMERGENCY SAMPLE WORK ORDER
SAMPLE WORK ORDER
VESSEL REMOVAL AND DISPOSAL SERVICES
MASTER AGREEMENT
(FIXED PRICE PER DELIVERABLE BASIS)

(CONTRACTOR NAME)

Work Order No. ________________ County Master Agreement No. ________________

Project Title: _________________________________________________________________
County Project Manager: _______________________________________________________
County Project Director: ________________________________________________________

I. GENERAL
The Contractor shall satisfactorily perform all Work detailed in Attachment 1 (Statement of Work) of the Master Agreement and in this Work Order on a fixed price for service basis in compliance with the terms and conditions of the Contractor’s Master Agreement.

II. WORK DESCRIPTION AND REQUIREMENT
Vessel Identification # ____________________ Make / Model: ____________________
Approximate Length: ____________________ Color: ____________________
Location of Vessel: ___________________________________________________________
Work Required: ______________________________________________________________

Work required to be completed by: ____________________ Date:______________ Time:_______
(Work Order expiration)
On-site examination required? □ Yes □ No
(Within 72 hours of notification)
Contractor notified via fax or email by Department: ____________________ Date:______________ Time:_______
On-site examination / bid required by: ____________________ Date:______________ Time:_______

All Contractors shall be entitled to the same information provided in Section II of this document. No additional information shall be provided to Contractors prior to their bid.
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________________________
(CONTRACTOR NAME)

Work Order No. ________________ County Master Agreement No. ________________

III. CONTRACTOR’S BID (to be completed by the Contractor)

Maximum dollar rate per linear foot of Vessel to be hauled and disposed of, listed as length overall on vessel documentation:

$__________________

Maximum dollar rate per gallon of hazardous fluids safely removed from Vessel to be disposed of:

$__________________

Storage fee rate per foot, per day of Vessel to be stored:

$__________________

The “Total Maximum Amount” that the County shall pay the Contractor for all Work to be provided under this Work Order is as follows:

Total Maximum Amount: $__________________

The Contractor’s completion date/time cannot extend beyond the required completion date and time required by the County on Section II of this Work Order. The Contractor agrees to complete the Work by the following:

Completion date: ________________ Completion time: ________________

Contractor’s method of haul out: _________________________________________

CONTRACTOR: ________________________________________

Signature Date

The Contractor’s bid is due to the County Project Manager immediately upon on-site examination, or if no examination is required, within seventy-two (72) hours of fax or email notification by the County. The Contractor’s Total Maximum Amount shall include all costs associated with this Work Order. The Contractor shall then await further instructions. The Contractor’s bid provided herein does not guarantee the Contractor with Work under this Work Order or the Master Agreement as set forth in Paragraph 5.0 (Work Orders) of Attachment 1 (Statement of Work) of the Master Agreement. Failure of the Contractor to submit a bid within the specified timeframe may disqualify the Contractor for this particular Work Order.
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(CONTRACTOR NAME)

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IV. COUNTY ACCEPTANCE OF CONTRACTOR’S BID (to be completed by the Department)

The County hereby accepts the Contractor’s bid above for the performance of services under this Work Order and the Master Agreement. The Contractor shall perform and deliver all services by the Work Due Date stated below.

Work Order issue date: ________________

Work Due Date: ________________

Project Manager (or designee) signature: ________________

V. PAYMENT

A. The County shall pay the Contractor’s Total Maximum Amount listed in Section III of this Work Order for all Work described in Section II of this Work Order.

B. The Contractor shall satisfactorily provide and complete all required Work in accordance with Attachment 1 (Statement of Work) by the Work Due Date set forth in Section IV of this Work Order. Notwithstanding the fact that total payment from the County for all Work shall not exceed the Total Maximum Amount in Section III.

C. The Contractor shall submit all invoices within ten (10) Business Days of Work Due Date.

D. The Contractor shall submit an original invoice, a photograph of the destroyed vessel (if applicable) with this Work Order attached, to the Project Manager or designee.

VI. SERVICES

In accordance with Paragraph 3.0 (Work) of the Master Agreement, the Contractor may not be paid for any task, deliverable, service, or other work that is not specified in this Work Order, and/or that exceeds the Total Maximum Amount of this Work Order, and/or that goes beyond the expiration date of this Work Order.

ALL TERMS OF THE MASTER AGREEMENT SHALL REMAIN IN FULL FORCE AND EFFECT. THE TERMS OF THE MASTER AGREEMENT SHALL GOVERN AND TAKE PRECEDENCE OVER ANY CONFLICTING TERMS AND/OR CONDITIONS IN THIS WORK ORDER. NEITHER THE RATES NOR ANY OTHER SPECIFICATIONS IN THIS WORK ORDER ARE VALID OR BINDING IF THEY DO NOT COMPLY WITH THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THE MASTER AGREEMENT.
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MASTER AGREEMENT
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(CONTACTOR NAME)

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The Contractor’s signature on this Work Order document confirms the Contractor’s awareness of and agreement with the provisions of Paragraph 3.0 (Work) of the Master Agreement, which establish that the Contractor shall not be entitled to any compensation whatsoever for any task, deliverable, service, or other work:

A. That is not specified in this Work Order, and/or
B. That exceeds the Total Maximum Amount of this Work Order, and/or
C. That goes beyond the expiration date listed on Section II of this Work Order.

REGARDLESS OF ANY ORAL PROMISE MADE TO CONTRACTOR BY ANY COUNTY PERSONNEL WHATSOEVER.

CONTRACTOR
By: ____________________________
Name: ____________________________
Title: ____________________________
Date: ____________

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES
BY: ____________________________
Name: ____________________________
Title: ____________________________
Date: ____________
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______________________________
(CONTRACTOR NAME)

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Emergency call-out □ County Project Director
Authorized by: ____________________ □ County Project Manager
                                              □ Other

Phone No. ____________________ Work Due Date/Time: ________________
                                           (Work Order expiration date)

I.  WORK REQUIRED
Description of Work performed or to be performed:
__________________________________________________________________________
__________________________________________________________________________
__________________________________________________________________________

Date and time Contractor notified: _________________________________________

Name of Contractor personnel notified: _________________________________

II. JUSTIFICATION FOR EMERGENCY
__________________________________________________________________________
__________________________________________________________________________
__________________________________________________________________________

III. TOTAL MAXIMUM AMOUNT: $_________________
The “Total Maximum Amount” that the County shall pay the Contractor for all Work to be
provided under this Work Order is set forth above.

IV. PAYMENT
A. The County shall pay the Contractor’s Total Maximum Amount listed in Section III of this
   Work Order for all Work described in Section I of this Work Order.
B. The Contractor shall satisfactorily provide and complete all required Work in accordance
   with Attachment 1 (Statement of Work) by the Work Due Date set forth in this Work Order.
   Notwithstanding the fact that total payment from the County for all Work shall not exceed
   the Total Maximum Amount in Section III.
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C. The Contractor shall submit all invoices within ten (10) Business Days of Work Due Date.
D. The Contractor shall submit an original invoice, a photograph of the destroyed vessel (if applicable) with this Work Order attached, to the Project Manager or designee.

V. SERVICES

In accordance with Paragraph 3.0 (Work) of the Master Agreement, the Contractor may not be paid for any task, deliverable, service, or other work that is not specified in this Work Order, and/or that exceeds the Total Maximum Amount of this Work Order, and/or that goes beyond the expiration date of this Work Order.

ALL TERMS OF THE MASTER AGREEMENT SHALL REMAIN IN FULL FORCE AND EFFECT. THE TERMS OF THE MASTER AGREEMENT SHALL GOVERN AND TAKE PRECEDENCE OVER ANY CONFLICTING TERMS AND/OR CONDITIONS IN THIS WORK ORDER. NEITHER THE RATES NOR ANY OTHER SPECIFICATIONS IN THIS WORK ORDER ARE VALID OR BINDING IF THEY DO NOT COMPLY WITH THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THE MASTER AGREEMENT.

The Contractor’s signature on this Work Order document confirms the Contractor’s awareness of and agreement with the provisions of Paragraph 3.0 (Work) of the Master Agreement, which establish that the Contractor shall not be entitled to any compensation whatsoever for any task, deliverable, service, or other work:

A. That is not specified in this Work Order, and/or
B. That exceeds the Total Maximum Amount of this Work Order, and/or
C. That goes beyond the expiration date listed on page 1 of this Work Order.

REGARDLESS OF ANY ORAL PROMISE MADE TO CONTRACTOR BY ANY COUNTY PERSONNEL WHATSOEVER.

CONTRACTOR

By: ______________________________
Name: ______________________________
Title: ______________________________
Date: ____________

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

BY: ______________________________
Name: ______________________________
Title: ______________________________
Date: ____________
FORMS REQUIRED FOR EACH WORK ORDER
BEFORE WORK BEGINS

G1 CERTIFICATION OF EMPLOYEE STATUS
G2 CONTRACTOR ACKNOWLEDGEMENT AND CONFIDENTIALITY AGREEMENT
G3 CONTRACTOR EMPLOYEE ACKNOWLEDGEMENT AND CONFIDENTIALITY AGREEMENT
G4 CONTRACTOR NON-EMPLOYEE ACKNOWLEDGEMENT AND CONFIDENTIALITY AGREEMENT
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CERTIFICATION OF EMPLOYEE STATUS

(Note: This certification is to be executed and returned to the County with the Contractor's executed Work Order. Work cannot begin on the Work Order until the County receives this executed document.)

CONTRACTOR NAME

Work Order No. _______________ County Master Agreement No. _______________

I CERTIFY THAT: (1) I am an Authorized Official of the Contractor; (2) the individual(s) named below is(are) this organization’s employee(s); (3) applicable state and federal income tax, FICA, unemployment insurance premiums, and workers' compensation insurance premiums, in the correct amounts required by state and federal law, will be withheld as appropriate, and paid by the Contractor for the individual(s) named below for the entire time period covered by the attached Work Order.

EMPLOYEES

1. __________________________________________________________
2. __________________________________________________________
3. __________________________________________________________
4. __________________________________________________________

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Signature of Authorized Official

Printed Name of Authorized Official

Title of Authorized Official

Date
CONTRACTOR ACKNOWLEDGEMENT AND CONFIDENTIALITY AGREEMENT

(Note: This certification is to be executed and returned to the County with the Contractor's executed Work Order. Work cannot begin on the Work Order until the County receives this executed document.)

Contractor Name _________________________________________

Work Order No.________________                                       County Master Agreement No. ______________________

GENERAL INFORMATION:
The Contractor referenced above has entered into a Master Agreement with the County of Los Angeles to provide certain services to the County. The County requires the Corporation to sign this Contractor Acknowledgement and Confidentiality Agreement.

CONTRACTOR ACKNOWLEDGEMENT:
The Contractor understands and agrees that the Contractor employees, consultants, Outsourced Vendors and independent contractors (Contractor’s Staff) that will provide services in the above referenced agreement are Contractor’s sole responsibility. The Contractor understands and agrees that the Contractor’s Staff must rely exclusively upon the Contractor for payment of salary and any and all other benefits payable by virtue of the Contractor’s Staff’s performance of work under the above-referenced Master Agreement.

The Contractor understands and agrees that the Contractor’s Staff are not employees of the County of Los Angeles for any purpose whatsoever and that the Contractor’s Staff do not have and will not acquire any rights or benefits of any kind from the County of Los Angeles by virtue of my performance of work under the above-referenced Master Agreement. The Contractor understands and agrees that the Contractor’s Staff will not acquire any rights or benefits from the County of Los Angeles pursuant to any agreement between any person or entity and the County of Los Angeles.

CONFIDENTIALITY AGREEMENT:
The Contractor and the Contractor’s Staff may be involved with work pertaining to services provided by the County of Los Angeles and, if so, the Contractor and the Contractor's Staff may have access to confidential data and information pertaining to persons and/or entities receiving services from the County. In addition, the Contractor and the Contractor's Staff may also have access to proprietary information supplied by other vendors doing business with the County of Los Angeles. The County has a legal obligation to protect all such confidential data and information in its possession, especially data and information concerning health, criminal, and welfare recipient records. The Contractor and the Contractor's Staff understand that if they are involved in County work, the County must ensure that the Contractor and the Contractor’s Staff, will protect the confidentiality of such data and information. Consequently, the Contractor must sign this Confidentiality Agreement as a condition of work to be provided by the Contractor’s Staff for the County.

The Contractor and the Contractor’s Staff hereby agrees that they will not divulge to any unauthorized person any data or information obtained while performing work pursuant to the above-referenced Master Agreement between the Contractor and the County of Los Angeles. The Contractor and the Contractor’s Staff agree to forward all requests for the release of any data or information received to the County Project Manager.

The Contractor and the Contractor’s Staff agree to keep confidential all health, criminal, and welfare recipient records and all data and information pertaining to persons and/or entities receiving services from the County, design concepts, algorithms, programs, formats, documentation, Contractor proprietary information and all other original materials produced, created, or provided to the Contractor and the Contractor’s Staff under the above-referenced Master Agreement. The Contractor and the Contractor’s Staff agree to protect these confidential materials against disclosure to other than the Contractor or County employees who have a need to know the information. The Contractor and the Contractor’s Staff agree that if proprietary information supplied by other County vendors is provided to me during this employment, the Contractor and the Contractor’s Staff shall keep such information confidential.

The Contractor and the Contractor’s Staff agree to report any and all violations of this agreement by the Contractor and the Contractor’s Staff and/or by any other person of whom the Contractor and the Contractor’s Staff become aware.

The Contractor and the Contractor’s Staff acknowledge that violation of this agreement may subject the Contractor and the Contractor’s Staff to civil and/or criminal action and that the County of Los Angeles may seek all possible legal redress.

SIGNATURE: ________________________________  DATE: _____/_____/_____

PRINTED NAME: ____________________________________

POSITION: ____________________________________

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CONTRACTOR EMPLOYEE ACKNOWLEDGEMENT AND CONFIDENTIALITY AGREEMENT

(Note: This certification is to be executed and returned to the County with the Contractor's executed Work Order. Work cannot begin on the Work Order until the County receives this executed document.)

Contractor Name __________________________________________  Employee Name __________________________________________

Work Order No._________________ County Master Agreement No._________________

GENERAL INFORMATION:
Your employer referenced above has entered into a Master Agreement with the County of Los Angeles to provide certain services to the County. The County requires your signature on this Contractor Employee Acknowledgement and Confidentiality Agreement.

EMPLOYEE ACKNOWLEDGEMENT:
I understand and agree that the Contractor referenced above is my sole employer for purposes of the above-referenced Master Agreement. I understand and agree that I must rely exclusively upon my employer for payment of salary and any and all other benefits payable to me or on my behalf by virtue of my performance of work under the above-referenced Master Agreement.

I understand and agree that I am not an employee of the County of Los Angeles for any purpose whatsoever and that I do not have and will not acquire any rights or benefits of any kind from the County of Los Angeles by virtue of my performance of work under the above-referenced Master Agreement. I understand and agree that I do not have and will not acquire any rights or benefits from the County of Los Angeles pursuant to any agreement between any person or entity and the County of Los Angeles.

I understand and agree that I may be required to undergo a background and security investigation(s). I understand and agree that my continued performance of work under the above-referenced Master Agreement is contingent upon my passing, to the satisfaction of the County, any and all such investigations. I understand and agree that my failure to pass, to the satisfaction of the County, any such investigation shall result in my immediate release from performance under this and/or any future Master Agreement.

CONFIDENTIALITY AGREEMENT:
I may be involved with work pertaining to services provided by the County of Los Angeles and, if so, I may have access to confidential data and information pertaining to persons and/or entities receiving services from the County. In addition, I may also have access to proprietary information supplied by other vendors doing business with the County of Los Angeles. The County has a legal obligation to protect all such confidential data and information in its possession, especially data and information concerning health, criminal, and welfare recipient records. I understand that if I am involved in County work, the County must ensure that I, too, will protect the confidentiality of such data and information. Consequently, I understand that I must sign this agreement as a condition of my work to be provided by my employer for the County. I have read this agreement and have taken due time to consider it prior to signing.

I hereby agree that I will not divulge to any unauthorized person any data or information obtained while performing work pursuant to the above-referenced Master Agreement between my employer and the County of Los Angeles. I agree to forward all requests for the release of any data or information received by me to my immediate supervisor.

I agree to keep confidential all health, criminal, and welfare recipient records and all data and information pertaining to persons and/or entities receiving services from the County, design concepts, algorithms, programs, formats, documentation, Contractor proprietary information and all other original materials produced, created, or provided to or by me under the above-referenced Master Agreement. I agree to protect these confidential materials against disclosure to other than my employer or County employees who have a need to know the information. I agree that if proprietary information supplied by other County vendors is provided to me during this employment, I shall keep such information confidential.

I agree to report to my immediate supervisor any and all violations of this agreement by myself and/or by any other person of whom I become aware. I agree to return all confidential materials to my immediate supervisor upon completion of this Master Agreement or termination of my employment with my employer, whichever occurs first.

SIGNATURE: __________________________________________  DATE: _____/_____/_____

PRINTED NAME: __________________________________________

POSITION: __________________________________________
CONTRACTOR NON-EMPLOYEE ACKNOWLEDGEMENT AND CONFIDENTIALITY AGREEMENT

(Note: This certification is to be executed and returned to the County with the Contractor’s executed Work Order. Work cannot begin on the Work Order until the County receives this executed document.)

Contractor Name _____________________________ Non-Employee Name _____________________________________

Work Order No. ________________ County Master Agreement No. __________________

GENERAL INFORMATION:
The Contractor referenced above has entered into a Master Agreement with the County of Los Angeles to provide certain services to the County. The County requires your signature on this Contractor Non-Employee Acknowledgement and Confidentiality Agreement.

NON-EMPLOYEE ACKNOWLEDGEMENT:
I understand and agree that the Contractor referenced above has exclusive control for purposes of the above-referenced Master Agreement. I understand and agree that I must rely exclusively upon the Contractor referenced above for payment of salary and any and all other benefits payable to me or on my behalf by virtue of my performance of work under the above-referenced Master Agreement.

I understand and agree that I am not an employee of the County of Los Angeles for any purpose whatsoever and that I do not have and will not acquire any rights or benefits of any kind from the County of Los Angeles by virtue of my performance of work under the above-referenced Master Agreement. I understand and agree that I do not have and will not acquire any rights or benefits from the County of Los Angeles pursuant to any agreement between any person or entity and the County of Los Angeles.

I understand and agree that I may be required to undergo a background and security investigation(s). I understand and agree that my continued performance of work under the above-referenced Master Agreement is contingent upon my passing, to the satisfaction of the County, any and all such investigations. I understand and agree that my failure to pass, to the satisfaction of the County, any such investigation shall result in my immediate release from performance under this and/or any future Master Agreement.

CONFIDENTIALITY AGREEMENT:
I may be involved with work pertaining to services provided by the County of Los Angeles and, if so, I may have access to confidential data and information pertaining to persons and/or entities receiving services from the County. In addition, I may also have access to proprietary information supplied by other vendors doing business with the County of Los Angeles. The County has a legal obligation to protect all such confidential data and information in its possession, especially data and information concerning health, criminal, and welfare recipient records. I understand that if I am involved in County work, the County must ensure that I, too, will protect the confidentiality of such data and information. Consequently, I understand that I must sign this agreement as a condition of my work to be provided by the above-referenced Contractor for the County. I have read this agreement and have taken due time to consider it prior to signing.

I hereby agree that I will not divulge to any unauthorized person any data or information obtained while performing work pursuant to the above-referenced Master Agreement between the above-referenced Contractor and the County of Los Angeles. I agree to forward all requests for the release of any data or information received by me to the above-referenced Contractor.

I agree to keep confidential all health, criminal, and welfare recipient records and all data and information pertaining to persons and/or entities receiving services from the County, design concepts, algorithms, programs, formats, documentation, Contractor proprietary information, and all other original materials produced, created, or provided to or by me under the above-referenced Master Agreement. I agree to protect these confidential materials against disclosure to other than the above-referenced Contractor or County employees who have a need to know the information. I agree that if proprietary information supplied by other County vendors is provided to me, I shall keep such information confidential.

I agree to report to the above-referenced Contractor any and all violations of this agreement by myself and/or by any other person of whom I become aware. I agree to return all confidential materials to the above-referenced Contractor upon completion of this Master Agreement or termination of my services hereunder, whichever occurs first.

SIGNATURE: ___________________________ DATE: ____/____/____

PRINTED NAME: ___________________________

POSITION: ___________________________

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CONTRACT DISCREPANCY REPORT

TO:
FROM:

DATES:
Prepared: ____________________________________________________
Returned by Contractor: _________________________________________
Action Completed: _____________________________________________

DISCREPANCY PROBLEMS: __________________________________________________________________
___________________________________________________________________________________________
___________________________________________________________________________________________

_________________________________________________                  _______________________________
Signature of County Representative                               Date

CONTRACTOR RESPONSE (Cause and Corrective Action): ___________________________________________
___________________________________________________________________________________________
___________________________________________________________________________________________

_________________________________________________                  _______________________________
Signature of Contractor Representative                               Date

COUNTY EVALUATION OF CONTRACTOR RESPONSE: _______________________________________________
___________________________________________________________________________________________
___________________________________________________________________________________________

_________________________________________________                  _______________________________
Signature of Contractor Representative                               Date

COUNTY ACTIONS:____________________________________________________________________________
___________________________________________________________________________________________
___________________________________________________________________________________________

CONTRACTOR NOTIFIED OF ACTION:
County Representative’s Signature and Date _________________________________________________
Contractor Representative’s Signature and Date ______________________________________________
SUBSEQUENT EXECUTED WORK ORDERS

(Not attached to this Master Agreement, but incorporated by reference)
2.206.010 Findings and declarations.

The Board of Supervisors finds that significant revenues are lost each year as a result of taxpayers who fail to pay their tax obligations on time. The delinquencies impose an economic burden upon the County and its taxpayers. Therefore, the Board of Supervisors establishes the goal of ensuring that individuals and businesses that benefit financially from contracts with the County fulfill their property tax obligation. (Ord. No. 2009-0026 § 1 (part), 2009.)

2.206.020 Definitions.

The following definitions shall be applicable to this chapter:

A. “Contractor” shall mean any person, firm, corporation, partnership, or combination thereof, which submits a bid or proposal or enters into a contract or agreement with the County.

B. “County” shall mean the county of Los Angeles or any public entities for which the Board of Supervisors is the governing body.

C. “County Property Taxes” shall mean any property tax obligation on the County's secured or unsecured roll; except for tax obligations on the secured roll with respect to property held by a Contractor in a trust or fiduciary capacity or otherwise not beneficially owned by the Contractor.

D. “Department” shall mean the County department, entity, or organization responsible for the solicitation and/or administration of the contract.

E. “Default” shall mean any property tax obligation on the secured roll that has been deemed defaulted by operation of law pursuant to California Revenue and Taxation Code section 3436; or any property tax obligation on the unsecured roll that remains unpaid on the applicable delinquency date pursuant to California Revenue and Taxation Code section 2922; except for any property tax obligation dispute pending before the Assessment Appeals Board.

F. “Solicitation” shall mean the County’s process to obtain bids or proposals for goods and services.

G. “Treasurer-Tax Collector” shall mean the Treasurer and Tax Collector of the County of Los Angeles. (Ord. No. 2009-0026 § 1 (part), 2009.)

2.206.030 Applicability.

This chapter shall apply to all solicitations issued 60 days after the effective date of the ordinance codified in this chapter. This chapter shall also apply to all new, renewed, extended,
and/or amended contracts entered into 60 days after the effective date of the ordinance codified in this chapter. (Ord. No. 2009-0026 § 1 (part), 2009.)

2.206.040 Required solicitation and contract language.

All solicitations and all new, renewed, extended, and/or amended contracts shall contain language which:

A. Requires any Contractor to keep County Property Taxes out of Default status at all times during the term of an awarded contract;

B. Provides that the failure of the Contractor to comply with the provisions in this chapter may prevent the Contractor from being awarded a new contract; and

C. Provides that the failure of the Contractor to comply with the provisions in this chapter may constitute a material breach of an existing contract, and failure to cure the breach within 10 days of notice by the County by paying the outstanding County Property Tax or making payments in a manner agreed to and approved by the Treasurer-Tax Collector, may subject the contract to suspension and/or termination. (Ord. No. 2009-0026 § 1 (part), 2009.)

2.206.050 Administration and compliance certification.

A. The Treasurer-Tax Collector shall be responsible for the administration of this chapter. The Treasurer-Tax Collector shall, with the assistance of the Chief Executive Officer, Director of Internal Services, and County Counsel, issue written instructions on the implementation and ongoing administration of this chapter. Such instructions may provide for the delegation of functions to other departments.

B. Contractor shall be required to certify, at the time of submitting any bid or proposal to the County, or entering into any new contract, or renewal, extension or amendment of an existing contract with the County, that it is in compliance with this chapter is not in Default on any County Property Taxes or is current in payments due under any approved payment arrangement. (Ord. No. 2009-0026 § 1 (part), 2009.)

2.206.060 Exclusions/Exemptions.

A. This chapter shall not apply to the following contracts:

1. Chief Executive Office delegated authority agreements under $50,000;

2. A contract where federal or state law or a condition of a federal or state program mandates the use of a particular contractor;

3. A purchase made through a state or federal contract;
4. A contract where state or federal monies are used to fund service related programs, including but not limited to voucher programs, foster care, or other social programs that provide immediate direct assistance;

5. Purchase orders under a master agreement, where the Contractor was certified at the time the master agreement was entered into and at any subsequent renewal, extension and/or amendment to the master agreement.

6. Purchase orders issued by Internal Services Department under $100,000 that is not the result of a competitive bidding process.

7. Program agreements that utilize Board of Supervisors' discretionary funds;

8. National contracts established for the purchase of equipment and supplies for and by the National Association of Counties, U.S. Communities Government Purchasing Alliance, or any similar related group purchasing organization;

9. A monopoly purchase that is exclusive and proprietary to a specific manufacturer, distributor, reseller, and must match and inter-member with existing supplies, equipment or systems maintained by the county pursuant to the Los Angeles Purchasing Policy and Procedures Manual, section P-3700 or a successor provision;

10. A revolving fund (petty cash) purchase pursuant to the Los Angeles County Fiscal Manual, section 4.6.0 or a successor provision;

11. A purchase card purchase pursuant to the Los Angeles County Purchasing Policy and Procedures Manual, section P-2810 or a successor provision;

12. A non-agreement purchase worth a value of less than $5,000 pursuant to the Los Angeles County Purchasing Policy and Procedures Manual, section A-0300 or a successor provision; or

13. A bona fide emergency purchase pursuant to the Los Angeles County Purchasing Policy and Procedures Manual section P-0900 or a successor provision;

14. Other contracts for mission critical goods and/or services where the Board of Supervisors determines that an exemption is justified.

B. Other laws. This chapter shall not be interpreted or applied to any Contractor in a manner inconsistent with the laws of the United States or California. (Ord. No. 2009-0026 § 1 (part), 2009.)

2.206.070 Enforcement and remedies.

A. The information furnished by each Contractor certifying that it is in compliance with this chapter shall be under penalty of perjury.

B. No Contractor shall willfully and knowingly make a false statement certifying compliance with this chapter for the purpose of obtaining or retaining a County contract.
C. For Contractor's violation of any provision of this chapter, the County department head responsible for administering the contract may do one or more of the following:

1. Recommend to the Board of Supervisors the termination of the contract; and/or,

2. Pursuant to chapter 2.202, seek the debarment of the contractor; and/or,

3. Recommend to the Board of Supervisors that an exemption is justified pursuant to Section 2.206.060.A.14 of this chapter or payment deferral as provided pursuant to the California Revenue and Taxation Code. (Ord. No. 2009-0026 § 1 (part), 2009.)

2.206.080 Severability.

If any provision of this chapter is found invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, the remaining provisions shall remain in full force and effect. (Ord. No. 2009-0026 § 1 (part), 2009.)