

Date: September 22, 2021

Mr. Daniel Brewster Inter Technologies Corporation 106 E. Green Street Franklinton, NC 27525 Procurement Services University Purchasing

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RE: Contract #: 7058821-11JC Extension of Contract

Dear Mr. Brewster,

The Virginia Commonwealth University (VCU) contract for Audio Visual Products, Services and Maintenance will expire on March 28, 2022. It is VCU's intent that this contract remain in an extended period until June 30, 2022 while the current RFP solicitation is in progress.

Your signature constitutes your firm's acceptance of this contract extension. Please return this document by November 1, 2021. Please e-mail the completed form to <u>lofgreenj@vcu.edu</u>. If you have any questions, please contact me at 804-628-2897.

Products and services shall be provided in accordance with the contract during the contract extension period.

Sincerely,

Jason Lofgreen

Jason Lofgreen, CUPO Senior Buyer

Contract #:: 7058821-11JC

RESPONSE:

Inter Technologies Corporation

Name of Firm

Signature

Danie Bremter

Name Printed

President

Title

9/23/21

Date

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January 25, 2021

Daniel Brewster 106 E. Green Street Franklinton, NC 27525

RE: Contract #: 7058821-11JC Renewal No. Four of Four (Final) Procurement Services University Purchasing

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Dear Mr. Brewster,

Your firm's contract with Virginia Commonwealth University (VCU) for <u>Audio Visual Products</u>, <u>Services and</u> <u>Maintenance</u> expires on <u>02/28/2021</u>. VCU intends to exercise the renewal of this contract in accordance with:

Section XI, Item V of Contract #: 7058821-11JC;

Your signature constitutes your firm's acceptance of this renewal, to include the optional use language and the eVA registration requirement provisions below.

This contract is an optional use, requirements based contract. VCU is in no way required to make purchases from the Contractor and may, in its sole discretion, purchase the identical and/or similar goods/services from other sources. Any estimates/quantities identified on a purchase order issued against this contract do not represent a purchase commitment by VCU. Services shall be provided in accordance with the contract for the renewal period: <u>03/01/2021</u> through <u>02/28/2022</u>.

Pricing remains the same as the previous contract period.

- Attached is the revised pricing in accordance with the contract terms.
- By signing and submitting this contract renewal letter Contractor certifies that it will maintain the insurance coverages required at the time the contract was awarded. At renewal, Contractor shall have a <u>new</u> Certificate of Insurance listing VCU as the "Additional Insured", citing the contractor's name and contract number, mailed to VCU Risk Management, Box 843040, Richmond, VA.

Please return this document to me no later than <u>02/25/2021</u>. If you have any questions, please contact me at (804) 628-2897.

Sincerely,

Jason Lofgreen, CUPO Senior Buyer Contract #:: 7058821-11JC

RESPONSE:

Inter Technologies Corporation Name of Firm

Signature

Daniel Brengton Name Printed

President

Title

1/27/2021

Date

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January 23, 2020

Daniel Brewster 106 E. Green Street Franklinton, NC 27525

RE: Contract #: 7058821-11JC Renewal No. Three of Four (4)

Dear Mr. Brewster,

Your firm's contract with Virginia Commonwealth University (VCU) for <u>Audio Visual Products</u>, <u>Services and</u> <u>Maintenance</u> expires on <u>02/28/2020</u>. VCU intends to exercise the renewal of this contract in accordance with:

Section XI, Item V of Contract #: 7058821-11JC;

Your signature constitutes your firm's acceptance of this renewal, to include the optional use language and the eVA registration requirement provisions below.

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Pricing remains the same as the previous contract period.

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- By signing and submitting this contract renewal letter Contractor certifies that it will maintain the insurance coverages required at the time the contract was awarded. At renewal, Contractor shall have a <u>new</u> Certificate of Insurance listing VCU as the "Additional Insured", citing the contractor's name and contract number, mailed to VCU Risk Management, Box 843040, Richmond, VA.

Please return this document to me no later than <u>02/25/2020</u>. Your response may be faxed to me at (804) 828-7837. If you have any questions, please contact me at (804) 628-2897.

Sincerely,

Jason Lofgreen, CUPO Senior Buyer Procurement Services University Purchasing

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RESPONSE:

Inter Technologies Corporation Name of Firm

Signature

Danie (Brenster Name Printed

President Title <u>V25/2020</u> Date



Date: January 4, 2019 2

Inter Technologies Corporation 2 106 East Green St 2 Franklinton, NC 27525 2

RE: Renewal No.: Two (2) of four (4) one-year renewal options

Dear Daniel Brewster:

The VASCUPP cooperative contract # 7058821-11JC with Virginia Commonwealth University (VCU) as the lead institution for Audio Visual Products, Services and Maintenance expires on February 28, 2019. VCU intends to exercise the renewal of this contract in accordance with Section XI Special Terms and Conditions, item V, Renewal of Contract

Your signature constitutes your firm's acceptance of this renewal, to include the eVA registration and requirement provisions below.

This contract is an optional use, requirements based contract. VCU is in no way required to make purchases from the Contractor and may, in its sole discretion, purchase the identical and/or similar goods/services from other sources. Individual purchase orders shall be issued on an as needed basis for Audio Visual Products, Services and Maintenance. Services shall be provided in accordance with the contract for the renewal period: March 1, 2019 through February 28, 2020.

- $_{\rm X}$ Pricing remains the same as the previous contract period.
- Attached is the revised pricing in accordance with the contract terms.
- By signing and submitting this contract renewal letter, Contractor certifies that it will maintain the insurance
 coverages required at the time of the contract award. At renewal, Contractor shall have a <u>new</u> Certificate of
 Insurance listing VCU as the "Additional Insured", citing the contractor's name and contract number, mailed to VCU
 Risk Management, Box 843040, Richmond, VA.

Please return this document to me as soon as possible. You may fax this form to (804) 828-7837 or email to <u>pbanks3@vcu.edu</u>. If you have any questions, please contact me at (804) 828-0160.

Sincerely,

Princess Banks Senior Buyer 2 Procuremen er ces University Purchasing

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RESPONSE:

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David Brewster Name Printed	
SVP	
Title	
2/8/2019	
Date	

An Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action University



Date: February 7, 2018

RE: Contract #: : 7058821-(1JC-18JC) Renewal No.: 1 of four (4) one year renewal options Procurement Services University Purchasing

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Good Afternoon,

Your firm's contract with Virginia Commonwealth University (VCU) for Audio Visual Products, Services and Maintenance expires on February 28, 2018. VCU intends to exercise the renewal of this contract in accordance with Section XI Special Terms and Conditions, item V, Renewal of Contract.

Your signature constitutes your firm's acceptance of this renewal, to include the optional use language and the eVA registration requirement provisions below.

This contract is an optional use, requirements based contract. VCU is in no way required to make purchases from the Contractor and may, in its sole discretion, purchase the identical and/or similar goods/services from other sources. Individual purchase orders shall be issued on an as needed basis for Audio Visual Products, Services and Maintenance. Services shall be provided in accordance with the contract for the renewal period: March 1, 2018 through February 28, 2019.

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Please return this document to me no later than February 16, 2018. Your response may be emailed to me at <u>aranthes@vcu.edu</u> If you have any questions, please contact me at (804) 828-1070.

Sincerely,

Amy Anthes Senior Buyer Contract #:: 7058821-11JC

RESPONSE: Pricing remains the same as the previous contract period. Contract extension is accepted.

Inter Technologies Corporation

Name of Firm

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Signature

Daniel Brewster

Name Printed

President

Title

2/8/2018

Date



COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA STANDARD CONTRACT

Contract Number: 7058821-11JC

This contract entered into by Inter Technologies Corporation, hereinafter called the "Contractor" and Commonwealth of Virginia, Virginia Commonwealth University (VCU), called the "Purchasing Agency".

WITNESSETH that the Contractor and the Purchasing Agency, in consideration of the mutual covenants, promises and agreements herein contained, agree as follows:

PERIOD OF THE PERFORMANCE: March 1, 2017 through February 28, 2018 with four (4) successive one year renewal options.

SCOPE OF CONTRACT: The Contractor shall provide the goods/services to the Purchasing Agency as set forth in the Contract Documents.

The contract documents shall consist of:

- (1) This signed form;
- (2) The Request for Proposals #7058821JC dated October 13, 2016 including Addendum #01 dated November 1, 2016;
- (3) The Contractor's Proposal dated November 09, 2016; and
- (4) The Negotiated Modification dated January 17, 2017.

All of which documents are incorporated herein by reference.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have caused this Contract to be duly executed intending to be bound thereby.

CONTRACTOR:

Inter	Technologies Corporation
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Name Printed: Daniel Brewster

Title: President

Date: 2/22/2017

PURCH	ASING AGENCY:			
Virginia Commonwealth University				
By: Karol Lan Gray				
	Printed: Karol Kain Gray			
Title:	VP Finance and Budget			
Date:	a/24/17			

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Request for Proposals

RFP #: 7058821JC

RFP Title #: VASCUPP Audio Visual Term Contracts Issuing Agency: Virginia Commonwealth University Issue Date: October 13, 2016

Closing Date: November 11, 2016



A VASCUPP Member Institution

Issue Date: October 13, 2016

Title: VASCUPP Audio Visual Term Contracts

Send all Proposals To: Virginia Commonwealth University RFP #7058821JC Attention: Jackie Colbert 912 W Grace St, 5th floor Richmond, Virginia 23284-0327

Proposals Shall Be Received Until: November 11, 2016 at 11:00 AM local time

Direct ALL inquiries concerning this RFP to: Jackie Colbert

jcolbert@vcu.edu

Questions concerning this RFP must be received via email no later than: October 27, 2016 at 2:00 PM local time.

This Request for Proposals & any Addenda are posted on the eVa website at: http://www.eva.virginia.gov

HARD-COPY, ORIGINAL PROPOSALS MUST BE RECEIVED IN VIRGINIA COMMONWEALTH UNIVERSITY'S DEPARTMENT OF PROCUREMENT SERVICES ON OR BEFORE THE DATE AND TIME DESIGNATED ON THIS SOLICITATION. ELECTRONIC SUBMISSIONS AND FACSIMILE SUBMISSIONS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED IN LIEU OF THE HARD-COPY, ORIGINAL PROPOSAL. VENDORS ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE DELIVERY OF THEIR PROPOSAL. PROPOSALS RECEIVED AFTER THE OFFICIAL DATE AND TIME WILL BE REJECTED. THE OFFICIAL DATE AND TIME USED IN RECEIPT OF RESPONSES IS THAT TIME ON THE CLOCK OR AUTOMATIC TIME STAMP IN THE DEPARTMENT OF PROCUREMENT SERVICES.

IF PROPOSALS ARE HAND DELIVERED OR SENT BY FEDEX, UPS, OR ANY OTHER PRIVATE COURIER, DELIVER TO THE ADDRESS NOTED ABOVE. IF USING US MAIL (NOT RECOMMENDED): IF PROPOSALS ARE MAILED VIA US MAIL ONLY, MAIL TO VIRGINIA COMMONWEALTH UNIVERSITY, **RFP#7058821JC, ATTN: Jackie Colbert**, PO BOX 980327, RICHMOND, VA 23298-0327. THE RFP NUMBER, DATE AND TIME OF PROPOSAL SUBMISSION DEADLINE, AS REFLECTED ABOVE, MUST CLEARLY APPEAR ON THE FACE OF THE RETURNED PROPOSAL PACKAGE.

In Compliance With This Request for Proposals And To All Conditions Imposed Therein and Hereby Incorporated By Reference, The Undersigned Offers And Agrees To Furnish The Goods/Services Described Herein In Accordance With The Attached Signed Proposal Or As Mutually Agreed Upon By Subsequent Negotiation. Furthermore, The Undersigned Agrees Not To Start Any Work Relative To This Particular Solicitation Until A Resulting Formal Signed Purchase Order Is Received By The Contractor From University's Department of Procurement Services. Any Work Relative To This Request for Proposals Performed By The Contractor Prior To Receiving A Formal Signed Purchase Order Shall Be At The Contractor's Own Risk And Shall Not Be Subject To Reimbursement By The University. **Signature below constitutes acknowledgement of all information contained through links referenced herein.**

NAME AND ADDRESS OF COMPANY:

	Date:			
	By (Signature In Ink):			
Zip Code	Name Typed:			
E-Mail Address:	Title:			
Telephone: ()	Fax Number: ()			
Toll free, if available	Toll free, if available			
DUNS NO.:	FEI/FIN NO.:			
REGISTERED WITH eVA: () YES () NO	SMALL BUSINESS: () YES () NO			
VIRGINIA DSBSD CERTIFIED: () YES () NO	MINORITY-OWNED: () YES () NO			
DSBSD CERTIFICATION #:	WOMEN-OWNED: () YES () NO			

THIS SOLICITATION CONTAINS 29 PAGES.

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I. <u>PURPOSE:</u>

The intent and purpose of this Request for Proposals (RFP) is to establish multiple term contracts through competitive negotiations with qualified source(s) for a broad range of audio visual, multimedia and related products, services and maintenance.

It is the intent of this solicitation and resulting contract(s) to allow for cooperative procurement. Accordingly, any public body, public or private health or educational institution or lead-issuing institution's affiliated foundations may access any resulting contract(s) if authorized by the Contractor.

Participation in this cooperative procurement is strictly voluntary. If authorized by the Contractor(s), the resultant contract(s) may be extended to the entities indicated above to purchase at contract prices in accordance with contract terms. The Contractor shall notify the lead-issuing institution in writing of any entities accessing the contract. No modification of this contract or execution of a separate contract is required to participate. The Contractor shall provide usage reports for all entities accessing the Contract upon request. Participating entities shall place their own orders directly with the Contractor(s) and shall fully and independently administer their use of the contract(s) to include contractual disputes, invoicing and payments without direct administration from the lead-issuing institution. The lead-issuing institution shall not be held liable for any costs or damages incurred by any other participating entity as a result of any authorization by the Contractor to extend the contract. It is understood and agreed that the lead-issuing institution is not responsible for the acts or omissions of any entity, and will not be considered in default of the Agreement no matter the circumstances.

Use of this contract(s) does not preclude any participating entity from using other contracts or competitive processes.

II. GOVERNNG RULES:

This solicitations is issued in accordance with the provisions of:

- A. Purchasing Manual for Institution of Higher Education and their Vendors (<u>https://vascupp.org</u>)
- B. Rules Governing Procurement of goods, Services, Insurance, and Construction by a Public Institution of Higher Education of the commonwealth of Virginia (<u>https://vascupp.org</u>)

III. BACKGROUND:

The University is located on two downtown Campuses in Richmond, VCU enrolls more than 32,000 students in 211 certificate and degree programs in the arts, sciences and humanities. Sixty-nine of the programs are unique in Virginia, many of them crossing the disciplines of VCU's 14 degree-granting schools and one college. As one of the nation's top research universities, VCU attracts more than \$225 million a year in sponsored research funding.

Twenty-seven VCU graduate and professional programs are ranked among the best in the nation in U.S. News & World Report's "America's Best Graduate Schools." These include the No. 1 ranked sculpture and nurse anesthesia programs.

VCU Life Sciences has developed into a University-wide discipline that builds upon the University's traditional scientific strengths in the biological sciences, basic biomedical sciences, patient care, biomedical engineering and biotechnology. VCU Life Sciences is comprehensive in its involvement of all levels of students in the study of life sciences, from freshmen to students in the professional programs to Ph.D. candidates, and integrates diverse disciplines from all over the University, including the academic medical center as well as arts and humanities.

VCU Medical Center is one of the nation's leading academic medical centers and stands alone as the only academic medical center in Central Virginia. The medical center includes the 780-bed MCV Hospitals and outpatient clinics, MCV Physicians — a 600-physician-faculty group practice, and the health sciences schools of VCU. The VCU Medical Center offers state-of-the art care in more than 200 specialty areas, many of national and international note, including organ transplantation, head and spinal cord trauma, burn healing and cancer treatment. The VCU Medical Center is the site for the region's only Level 1 Trauma Center. As a leader in health care research, the VCU Medical Center offers patients the opportunity to choose to participate in programs that advance evolving treatment, such as those sponsored by the National Cancer Institute through VCU's Massey Cancer Center, Virginia's first NCI-designated cancer center.

VCU's nationally recognized theatre, music and dance programs offer more than 365 concerts, performances and recitals a year. The Anderson Gallery showcases regional art as well as work by international artists.

VCU is an urban leader, forging ties with business, industry and government in such innovative projects as the collocation of the schools of Business and Engineering, the da Vinci Center for Innovation in Product Design and Development and the Virginia BioTechnology Research Park.

The University and its medical center are the largest-single employer in the Richmond area, with more than 12,000 full-time and 6,000 part-time employees, including 1,900 full-time instructional faculty — many of them nationally and internationally recognized in their fields. John B. Fenn, Ph.D., research professor in the Department of Chemistry and affiliate professor of chemical engineering, was one of three international scientists to be awarded the 2002 Nobel Prize in chemistry.

IV. OFFEROR INFORMATION REQUESTS:

The opportunity for potential Offerors to present questions and obtain clarification relative to any facet of this solicitation is from the issue date of the RFP until October 27, 2016 at 2:00 PM EDT. Submit all questions to Jackie Colbert, <u>jcolbert@vcu.edu</u>. The questions and clarifications will be issued in an addendum to the RFP.

V. STATEMENT OF NEEDS:

- A. Goods
 - 1. The Contractor shall provide audio visual, multi-media, and related products, services and maintenance. The Contractor should provide access to every audio visual, multi-media and all related products and services that the company sells through the contract. Audio visual products and services added to the Contractor product mix after the award of the contracts may be incorporated into the contract. The Contractor shall only provide ENERGY STAR or similarly qualified equipment to Commonwealth of Virginia state agencies in any audio visual category where these energy efficient products are available.
 - 2. The contract should provide for purchasing equipment in the following categories:

Broadcast Television Equipment Multimedia Presentation Equipment Multimedia Development Equipment Satellite Transmitting and Receiving Equipment Teleconferencing and Communication Equipment Computer Presentation Equipment – Streaming and Webcasting

Broadband Distribution Equipment

Multi-Media Furniture

- 3. The Contractor should be able to install, maintain and service all products supplied in a professional manner while providing excellent customer service. The Contractor should anticipate that installation services are required for approximately 90.0% of the VCU AV projects.
- 4. The Contractor must have a Class "A" Contractor's license with the appropriate specialty classification as recognized by the Virginia Board for Contractors, Department of Professional and Occupational Regulation to perform required installation services for any work that is attached to real property.
- 5. It is anticipated that the Contractor may offer prices for equipment and services expressed as a percentage discount off the manufacturer's list price for equipment and the Contractor's list price for services. The discounted price shall include all associated costs for equipment and services including the freight terms F.O.B. Destination/Prepaid and any travel and living expenses for technician services. Discounts shall be considered the minimum discounts for the duration of the contracts including any renewals. Audio visual products and services added to the Contractor product mix after the award of the contracts shall be incorporated into the contract at the same discount as products priced similarly within the product category.
- 6. During the last fiscal year from July 1, 2015 to June 30, 2016, public institutions of higher education in the Commonwealth of Virginia purchased approximately \$27,700,000 from the current VASCUPP audio visual contracts. This RFP is issued because the existing contracts do not have any renewal options remaining. New audio visual contracts are required to support on-going audio visual needs at public institutions of higher education in the Commonwealth of Virginia. It is expected that the combined spend by the public institutions of higher education in the Commonwealth of Virginia will remain approximately \$27,700,000 on an annual basis during the initial contract term and any subsequent renewal terms. Potential annual purchases by other state agencies and localities could increase the estimated annual spend by approximately \$10,000,000. This estimated volume is provided only as a guideline for preparing the discounts offered. It is not a guarantee of the contract volume. The Contractor shall supply at the discounts offered the quantities actually ordered by the VASCUPP institutions of higher education and any other users of the contracts. The resulting contracts are for audio visual requirements on an "as needed basis".
- 7. The contract should contain provisions for a select group of products for rent on an "as needed" basis. The Contractor should provide the necessary combination of services to include, but not limited to, a rental technician to run the equipment, delivery, set-up, and pick-up. Rental equipment may be subject to availability.
- B. Design, Project Management, Installation/Integration, Commissioning and Closeout Standards
 - 1. System Standardization
 - a. When designing, quoting, and installing systems the Contractor must adhere to industry standards as well as all Buyer system and templates standards. Any deviation in system design, equipment, or configuration from the Buyer's standards must be pre-approved by the Buyer in advance.
 - 2. Project Management
 - a. All Buyer projects should be formally managed by a full time, in-house employee of the Contractor whose primary role is project management. The project manager shall be available to the Buyer at all times during the installation and be the point of contact person for the University. The project manager is to be knowledgeable of the specific project, all

industry and professional standards and current with proper installation techniques. Prior to the University authorizing payment, the project manager shall be responsible for providing proof of performance, quality installation and that all equipment is accounted for as part of the official system sign-off. Sign-off must be obtained from the Contract Administrator or designee.

- b. All projects should strictly follow the schedule provided by the Buyer.
- c. All project deliverables should be delivered on the date indicated in the schedule.
- d. The Contractor must use the Buyers project management system to interface with the project unless no such system is available. The Contractor should use the interface to manage items including but not limited to:
 - 1) Schedule
 - 2) Identify and manage Risk
 - 3) Store and retrieve project documents
 - 4) Communications
 - 5) Staging
 - 6) Commissioning
 - 7) Deliverables
 - 8) Punch lists
- 3. Control Programming
 - a. The Buyer owns all system programs such as control and audio DSP programs.
 - b. All programming must be performed by a full time, in-house employee of the Contractor.
 - c. All Contractor programmers should have a programming certification from the manufacturer providing the system or the Buyer must be notified if a non-certified programmer is working on the program to approve.
 - d. Contractor must adhere to all Buyer standards and templates for control programming.
- 4. System Integration
 - a. Staging Contractors shall stage all new system integrations on the agreed upon date local to the Buyer to provide proof of performance. The following system deliverables are due at staging if applicable:
 - 1) Full demonstration of system functionality as can be reasonably staged
 - a) For partial system upgrades, at a minimum the control programs functionality shall be virtually demonstrated.
 - b) All new equipment must at least be powered up to verify out of box functionality.
 - 2) Control Program Deliverables
 - a) Functional control program
 - b) Functional control user interface
 - 3) Equipment Documentation Deliverables
 - a) Manufacturer Name
 - b) Model Number
 - c) Serial Number
 - d) Mac Address
 - 4) Complete Wiring Diagrams
 - 5) The Contractor's programmer shall be present during system staging.
 - b. Installation

- 1) Installation crew must have the following upon arriving to the installation site:
 - a) Complete wiring diagrams and detailed knowledge of the system functionality
 - b) Scope of Work
 - c) Knowledge of location
 - d) Buyer's contact information
 - e) At least one member of the Contractor's on-site installation crew must have industry related certification.
- c. Commissioning
 - 1) The installed system must be fully tested by the Contractor with all possible sources and in every configuration prior to commissioning to the Buyer. This includes several system shutdowns and restarts after the final programs have been loaded.
 - 2) Contractor to then demonstrate all system functionality and scope deliverables to the Buyer.
- d. Project Closeout Deliverables due prior to system signoff
 - 1) Un-compiled control program and user interface files individually by room.
 - 2) Audio DSP program files individually by room.
 - 3) As built wiring diagrams in .DWG and PDF formats individually by room
 - 4) Any passwords associated with the equipment and system programming individually by room
 - 5) Date equipment warranties begin and duration
- C. Warranty and Maintenance
 - 1. The Contractor should include a minimum of a one (1) year warranty from the date of acceptance on all equipment or in accordance with the standard manufacturer's warranty, whichever is greater. The warranty should cover all equipment, labor and wiring of a completed system for a minimum of one (1) year from the date of final acceptance.
 - 2. All products purchased under the contract shall minimally include the Original Equipment Manufacturer (OEM) warranty that shall pass directly to the purchaser. Products that fail after acceptance and installation shall be covered under warranty. Products that are inoperative at installation shall either be replaced by the Contractor or repaired under warranty. The decision to replace such products or accept warranty repair shall be at the sole discretion of the purchaser except in the event the purchaser fails to provide timely notice of product failure to the Contractor.
 - 3. The Contractor should replace in-kind any equipment which fails within first thirty (30) days of purchase.
 - 4. The Contractor should provide loaner equipment, if needed, similar to the product, which requires repair under warranty at no charge to the University.
 - 1. After the warranty period, the Contractor should make service agreements available to the University. Either the Contractor or the manufacturer of the equipment may provide the maintenance.
- D. Additional Services

- 1. When necessary, the Contractor should provide professional on-site consultation, system design, installation, service and maintenance on the audio visual and multi-media products. Sometimes these services may be required in conjunction with the purchase of products from the Contractor and sometimes only the consulting services, system design, installation or service and maintenance may be required.
- 2. As may be agreed upon with the University, the Contractor should organize and participate in technology shows. The purpose of the show is to present new products and provide information to University departments.
- 3. When necessary, the Contractor should provide training to University departments on the operation of new equipment.
- E. Order Placement
 - 1. The Contractor shall provide a quote with t the following requirements product number, product description list price, contract discount, contract price, delivery lead time after receipt of order and contract number. Any labor quoted must indicate the number of hours times the hourly contract rate.
 - 2. The Contractor shall accept a University Purchase Order for individual orders of any dollar amount and should accept the Bank of America Visa Corporate Purchasing Card for orders of \$5,000 or less.
- F. Procurement Requirements:
 - 1. Freight terms shall be F.O.B. Destination/Prepaid with inside delivery; additional charges shall not be allowed.
 - 2. The terms and conditions of the RFP govern the resulting contract and not any Contractor terms and conditions or software license agreement.
 - 3. The proposal prices shall include all costs for the equipment and services including all applicable freight and travel and living expenses; extra charges will not be allowed.
 - 4. The initial contract term is one (1) year with four (4) annual, optional renewal terms.
 - 5. Any authorized user of a cooperative contract awarded from the RFP may choose at their discretion to waive specific requirements in Section V as needed. The contractor must receive written approval from the authorized user to waive a requirement and that written permission is applicable to the specific authorized user alone.

VI. PROPOSAL PREPARATION AND SUBMISSION INSTRUCTIONS:

- A. Proposal Submission Instructions:
 - 1. Complete and return Page 2 of the RFP. Proposals shall be signed by an authorized representative of the Offeror.
 - 2. Complete and return signed addenda acknowledgments (if applicable).
 - 3. Utilization of the words "shall" or "must" indicates a mandatory requirement.
 - 4. Submit one (1) original hard copy (paper) of the entire proposal, including all attachments and proprietary information. The original proposal must be clearly marked on the outside of the proposal. Submit one (1) unsecured, original electronic copy (on a disc or flash drive) of the entire proposal including all attachments and INCLUDING ANY PROPRIETARY INFORMATION and one (1) unsecured, original electronic copy (on a disc or flash drive) of the entire proposal

including all attachments and EXCLUDING ANY PROPRIETARY INFORMATION. These discs or flash drives must be clearly marked on the outside whether it includes or excludes proprietary information. No other distribution of the proposal shall be made by the Offeror.

- 5. Proposal Presentation:
 - a. All information requested must be submitted. Failure to submit all information requested may result in the Purchasing Agency requiring prompt submission of missing information and/or giving a lowered evaluation of the proposal. Proposals which are substantially incomplete or lack key information may be rejected by the purchasing agency. Mandatory requirements are those required by law or regulation or are such that they cannot be waived and are not subject to negotiation.
 - b. All information requested by this Request for Proposals on the ownership, utilization and planned involvement of small businesses, women-owned businesses and minority-owned businesses must be submitted. If an Offeror fails to submit all information requested, the Purchasing Agency may require prompt submission of missing information after the receipt of Contractors proposals.
 - c. Proposals should be prepared simply and economically, providing a straightforward, concise description of capabilities to satisfy the requirements of the RFP. Emphasis should be placed on completeness and clarity of content.
 - d. Proposals should be organized in the order in which the requirements are presented in the RFP. All pages of the proposal should be numbered. Each paragraph in the proposal should reference the paragraph number of the corresponding section of the RFP. It is also helpful to cite the paragraph number, subletter, and repeat the text of the requirement as it appears in the RFP. If a response covers more than one page, the paragraph number and subletter should be repeated at the top of the next page. The proposal should contain a table of contents, which cross-references the RFP requirements. Information which the offeror desires to present that does not fall within any of the requirements of the RFP should be inserted at an appropriate place or be attached at the end of the proposal and designated as additional material. Proposals that are not organized in this manner risk elimination from consideration if the evaluators are unable to find the RFP requirements are specifically addressed.
 - e. Each copy of the proposal should be bound or contained in a single volume where practical. All documentation submitted with the proposal should be contained in that single volume.
- 6. If applicable, the outside of the Proposal must be marked to clearly denote proprietary information is contained in the documents. Written notice of proprietary information must be submitted as the first page of the Offeror's Proposal. Notice must specifically identify the applicable portions of the Offeror's Proposal that contain data or materials to be protected and shall state the reasons why protection is necessary. In addition, the specific (i.e. specific words, figures or paragraphs) proprietary or trade secret material submitted, must be identified on the applicable page(s) within the Offeror's Proposal, by some distinct method, such as highlighting, underlining, etc. The classification of an entire Proposal document, line item prices and/or total Proposal prices as proprietary or trade secrets is not acceptable and may result in rejection and return of the Proposal. Ownership of all data, materials and documentation originated and prepared for VCU pursuant to the RFP shall belong exclusively to the University and be subject to public inspection in accordance with the Virginia Freedom of Information Act. Trade secrets or proprietary information submitted by an Offeror shall not be subject to public disclosure under the Virginia Freedom of Information Act; however, the Offeror must invoke the protections of Section 43F of The Governing Rules, in writing, either before or at the time the data or other material is submitted.
- 7. Communications regarding this Request for Proposals (RFP) shall be formal from the date of the issuance for this RFP, until either a Contractor has been selected or the University Procurement Services Department rejects all proposals. Formal communications shall be

directed to the University Procurement Department only. Informal communications including but not limited to, request for information, comments or speculations, regarding this RFP to any University employee other than Procurement Services Department representative may result in the offending Offeror's Proposal being rejected.

- 8. Oral Presentation: Offerors who submit a proposal in response to this RFP may be required to conduct an oral presentation of their proposal to VCU. Oral presentations are an option and may or may not be required. Should an oral presentation be required, VCU will designate the date and location for the presentation; the date is critical and alternative dates will not be available. Offerors who are invited to conduct an oral presentation shall include the individual(s) who would be the primary point of contact for VCU, on the Offerors presentation team.
- 9. The version of the solicitation issued by the Virginia Commonwealth University Purchasing Department as amended by any addenda is the mandatory controlling version of the document. Any modification of or additions to the solicitation by the Offeror shall not modify the official version of the solicitation issued by the Virginia Commonwealth University Purchasing Department unless accepted in writing by the University. Such modifications or additions to the solicitation by the Offeror may be cause for rejection of the proposal; however, Virginia Commonwealth University reserves the right to decide, on a case by case basis, in its sole discretion, whether to reject such a proposal. If the modifications or additions are not identified until after the award of the contract, the controlling version of the solicitation document shall still be the official state form issued by the Purchasing Department.
- B. Specific Proposal Requirements:
 - 1. Proposals should be as thorough and detailed as possible so that VCU may properly evaluate your capabilities to provide the required goods/services.
 - 2. Proposed Price.
 - a. Describe the proposed discount pricing structure for the required equipment categories listed Section V, Item A. 2. Provide a list of the brands of AV equipment, equipment categories and the discount from the manufacturer list price by brand and equipment category offered to include but not limited to the manufacturers that VCU uses below. VCU prefers that the deepest discounts are for the largest volume manufacturers listed below with competitive discounts off other manufacturers and types of AV equipment that your company sells.

AVF Apple

Biamp

Chief

Cisco

Clearone

Compulock

Crestron

Dalite

Dell

Epson

Ergotron

Extron

Icon

JBLLogitechMiddle AtlanticNECNetgearPlanarQSCRadio Design LabsSharpShureSonyTrippliteVaddioVutec

Discounts offered must at minimum meet any educational pricing discounts such as Crestron A+, Extron Education contract and Epson brighter futures pricing.

- b. What is the proposed pricing for maintenance after the warranty period? Are any costs associated with installation and system implementation?
- c. Does the offer from your firm include the option to rent equipment? If your firm can provide rental equipment on an "as needed" basis, what are the proposed prices?
- d. For evaluation purposes only, a hypothetical Pricing Schedule is included in Section VII of the RFP. Please fill out and submit the Pricing Schedule with the RFP offer.
- 3. Provide specific plans and approach for providing the proposed services as specified in the Statement of Needs including a statement of understanding that your firm shall comply with the mandatory requirements and indicating the desirable specifications that your firm agrees to provide. Mandatory requirements are designated by the words shall or must and desirable services are designated by the words should or may. The plans should include, but need not be limited to:
 - a. Describe the audio visual and multi-media products offered in the following categories:

Broadcast Television Equipment Multimedia Presentation Equipment Multimedia Development Equipment Satellite Transmitting and Receiving Equipment Teleconferencing and Communication Equipment Computer Presentation Equipment - Streaming and Webcasting Broadband Distribution Equipment

Multi-Media Furniture

b. Indicate that your firm understands that individual University purchase orders will be issued for individual requirements on an "as needed" basis.

- c. Confirm that your firm agrees to freight terms F.O.B. Destination/Pre-paid.
- d. Provide plans to provide the equipment and services specified in Section V.B.
- e. Submit a copy of your firm's Class "A" Contractor's License with appropriate specialty classification as recognized by the Virginia Board for Contractors, Department of Professional and Occupational Regulation to perform the AV installation services.
- f. Describe the proposed approach for the provision of warranty and maintenance under the contract.
- g. Address in detail the additional services listed in Section V.D. of the Statement of Needs that are offered. What, if any, are the costs associated with the services listed in Section V., Item D.2 and D.4.
- h. Provide a sample quote that provides all of the following information: product number, product description, list price, contract discount, contract price, delivery lead time after receipt of order and contract number.
- i. Provide an implementation schedule indicating how long after the award of the contract it shall take your company to begin accepting orders from authorized users of the contract and delivering audio visual products and services.
- 4. Utilization of the words "shall" or "must" in Section V, Statement of Needs indicates a mandatory requirement:

Does / Shall your company comply with mandatory requirements as presented in Section V, Statement of Needs?

Yes ____ No ____

If "NO," identify the specific requirement and the reason for non-compliance.

5. Utilization of the words "should" or "may" in Section V, Statement of Needs indicates a nonmandatory requirement.

Does / Shall your company comply the non-mandatory requirements as presented in Section V (i.e. "should" becomes "shall")?

Yes ____ No ____

- 6. If "NO," identify the specific requirement and the reason for non-compliance.
- 7. Submit information about the qualifications and experience that your company has to provide the required products and services.
 - a. Describe the firm's qualifications and experience providing the required products and services during the last three (3) years. Information provided should include, but is not limited to, comparable accounts in higher education and the scope of the services. Include information for a minimum of three (3) similar accounts, describing the types of projects and the scope of the services provided. Please include contact information with the name, address, email address and current phone number.
 - b. Specify any technicians your company intends to assign to the VASCUPP contract. Provide information to include but is not limited to the names, qualifications, and experience of the technicians to be assigned to the contract. Resumes of staff to be assigned to the contract may be used. Submit relevant professional certifications for the technicians proposed to work on contract projects.
 - c. Does the offer include a single primary point of contact for the VASCUPP institutions for sales, support and problem resolution? If so, please provide the name and contact information.

- d. Provide a list of institutions of higher education with which your firm has a signed term contract.
- e. Provide the amount of annual sales the firm has with each VASCUPP Member Institution. A list of VASCUPP Members can be found at:

http://procurement.vcu.edu/our-services/university-purchasing/vascupp/

- 8. Does your firm agree to accept the Bank of America Visa Corporate Purchasing Card for orders of \$5,000 or less?
- 9. Does your company accept the terms and conditions as presented in Section X, General Terms and Conditions and in Section XI, Special Terms and Conditions to govern the contract?

Yes _____ No ____

If "NO," identify the specific term and condition(s) and the reason for non-compliance.

- 10. Small, Women-Owned and Minority-Owned Business commitment for utilization.
 - a. The Offeror must submit complete information on Appendix I unless the Offeror is a Department of Small Business and Supplier Diversity (DSBSD). DSBSD certified small businesses must include their certification number on the coversheet of this RFP, but are not required to complete Appendix I.
- 11. Method of Payment
 - a. The Offeror must complete and submit Appendix II to select an electronic payment method.

VII. PRINCING SCHEDULE:

The hypothetical below will be used during the RFP evaluation process to determine the scores for the price evaluation criterion. Quantities indicated below are used for evaluation purposes <u>only</u> and shall not be interpreted as actual contract usage by VCU. Actual contract amounts shall be determined based on actual usage whether it is higher or lower than the amounts in the hypothetical. In the event of a mathematical error, the correct discount percentage or unit price shall prevail.

A. <u>Equipment and Furniture:</u>

	Annual Expenditures		% Discount		Discounted Total
Broadcast Television	\$200,000.	less _		% = \$	\$
Multimedia Presentation	\$700,000.	less _	(% = \$	۶
Multimedia Development	\$300,000.	less _		% = \$	\$
Satellite Transmitting	\$300,000.	less _		% = \$	\$
and Receiving					

Teleconferencing and Communication	\$1,300,000. less	% = \$	
Computer Presentation	\$1,900,000. less	% = \$	
Broadband Distribution	\$200,000. less	% = \$	
Multi-Media Furniture	\$ 150,000. less	% = \$	
Section A Total		\$	
B. <u>Services</u> :			
Annual Maintenance Contracts	\$100,000 less	% = \$	
Hourly Service Rates:			
	Annual Number Of Hours	Hourly Rate	Annual Total
Maintenance			
After The Warranty	200 hours X	\$ =	\$
Installation	700 hours X	\$ =	\$
Technical Assistance	50 hours X	\$ =	\$
Training	25 hours X	\$ =	\$
Section B Total		\$	
C Dontal Equipment			

C. <u>Rental Equipment</u>:

Annual

	Expenditures		% Discount	Discounted Total
Section C Total	\$100,000.	less	% =	\$
Grand Total Sections A, B and C			\$	

VIII. EVALUATION AND AWARD CRITERIA:

Proposals will be evaluated based upon the information provided in the Offeror's Proposal using the following criteria: Offeror's qualifications and experience; methodology/approach to providing the requirements stated herein; price; and the Offeror's status as a Virginia certified SWaM Business or the Offeror's plans to utilize Virginia DSBSD certified SWaM Businesses in the Offeror's performance of the contract. Negotiations shall be conducted with Offerors so selected. After negotiations have been conducted with each Offeror so selected, the VCU shall select the Offeror which, in its opinion, has made the best offer, and shall award the contract to that Offeror. VCU reserves the right to make multiple awards from the RFP. The University may cancel this Request for Proposals or reject Proposals at any time prior to an award, and is not required to furnish a statement of the reason why a particular Proposal was not deemed to be the most advantageous. (Governing Rules Section 49.D) Should the University determine in writing and in its sole discretion that only one Offeror has made the best proposal, a Contract may be negotiated and awarded to that Offeror. The award document will be a Contract incorporating by reference all the requirements, terms and conditions of the RFP, and the Offeror's response thereto.

Notice of Award(s) or Notice of Intent to Award may be accessed electronically at <u>http://www.eva.virginia.gov</u>.

IX. REPORTING AND DELIVERY REQUIREMENTS:

By submitting a Proposal, Offerors certify that all information provided in response to the Request for Proposals is true and accurate. Failure to provide information required by this Request for Proposals will ultimately result in rejection of the Proposal.

It is the policy of the Commonwealth of Virginia that 42% of its purchases be made from small businesses to contribute to the establishment, preservation, and strengthening of small businesses, and businesses owned by women and minorities, and to encourage their participation in VCU procurement activities. The University encourages Contractors to provide for the participation of small businesses and businesses owned by women and minorities through partnerships, joint ventures, subcontracts or other contractual opportunities.

<u>Use of Subcontractors</u>: If the Offeror intends to use subcontractors to perform any portion of the work described in this RFP, the Offeror must clearly so state. VCU is placing an increased emphasis on its SWaM (Small, Women, and Minority Owned) business program and is interested in identifying any potential opportunities that may be available to engage SWaM vendors to be certified by the Virginia Department of Small Business and Supplier Diversity (DSBSD) through new or existing contracts. Identify and list any such opportunities that your firm would commit to if awarded this Contract in Appendix I- Participation in VCU Procurement Transactions Small Businesses and Businesses Owned by Women and Minority. The Offeror's response must include a description of which portion(s) of the work will be sub-contracted out and the names and addresses of potential Subcontractor(s) under the Contract.

REPORT ON THE PARTICIPATION OF SMALL BUSINESSES AND BUSINESSES

OWNED

BY WOMEN AND MINORITIES

Unless the Contractor is a DSBSD certified small business, the Contractor shall submit quarterly reports on the direct involvement of Department of Small Business and Supplier Diversity (DSBSD) certified SWaM Businesses in the performance of the Contract. The report shall specify the actual dollars spent to date with Small Businesses, Women-Owned Businesses, and Minority-Owned Businesses based upon the Contractor's commitment for utilization of DSBSD SWaM Businesses.

The Contractor shall provide this information to:

Virginia Commonwealth University Procurement Services Office Attn: SWAM Coordinator 912 W. Grace Street, POB 980327 Richmond, VA 23284 Email: <u>swamreporting@vcu.edu</u>

Failure to submit the required information will be considered a contract compliance issue and will be addressed accordingly. In addition, failure to submit the required information will result in invoices being returned without payment.

X. GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS:

- A. <u>PURCHASING MANUAL</u>: This RFP is subject to the provisions of the Commonwealth of Virginia's Purchasing Manual for Institutions of Higher Education and their Vendors and any revisions thereto, which are hereby incorporated into this contract in their entirety. A copy of the manual is available for review at the VCU Procurement Services Office. In addition, the manual may be accessed electronically at <u>http://procurement.vcu.edu/</u> or a copy can be obtained by calling VCU Procurement Services at (804) 828-1077.
- B. <u>APPLICABLE LAW AND COURTS:</u> This RFP and any resulting Contract shall be governed in all respects by the laws of the Commonwealth of Virginia and any litigation with respect thereto shall be brought in the courts of the Commonwealth. The Contractor shall comply with all applicable federal, state and local laws, rules and regulations.
- C. <u>ANTI-DISCRIMINATION</u>: By submitting their Proposals, Offerors certify to the Commonwealth and to VCU that they will conform to the provisions of the Federal Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended, as well as the Virginia Fair Employment Contracting Act of 1975, as amended, where applicable, the Virginians With Disabilities Act, the Americans With Disabilities Act and Section 2.2-4311 of the *Virginia Public Procurement Act*. If the award is made to a faith-based organization, the organization shall not discriminate against any recipient of goods, services, or disbursements made pursuant to the contract on the basis of the recipient's religion, religious belief, refusal to participate in a religious practice, or on the basis of race, age, color, gender or national origin and shall be subject to the same rules as other organizations that contract with public bodies to account for the use of the funds provided; however, if the faith-based organization segregates public funds into separate accounts, only the accounts and programs funded with public funds shall be subject to audit by the public body. (*Code of Virginia*, § 2.2-4343.1).

In every Contract over \$10,000 the provisions in 1. and 2. below apply:

- 1. During the performance of this Contract, the Contractor agrees as follows:
 - a) Virginia Commonwealth University is an equal opportunity/affirmative action institution providing access to education and employment without regard to age, race,

color, national origin, gender, religion, sexual orientation, veteran's status, political affiliation or disability. As such, the Contractor will not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of age, race, color, national origin, gender, religion, sexual orientation, veteran's status, political affiliation or disability or any other basis prohibited by state law related to discrimination in employment, except where there is a bona fide occupational qualification reasonably necessary to the normal operation of the Contractor. The Contractor agrees to post in conspicuous places, available to employees and applicants for employment, notices setting forth the provisions of this nondiscrimination clause.

- b) The Contractor, in all solicitations or advertisements for employees placed by or on behalf of the Contractor, will state that such Contractor is an equal opportunity employer.
- c) Notices, advertisements and solicitations placed in accordance with federal law, rule or regulation shall be deemed sufficient for the purpose of meeting these requirements.
- 2. The Contractor will include the provisions of 1. above in every subcontract or purchase order over \$10,000, so that the provisions will be binding upon each subcontractor or vendor.
- D. <u>ETHICS IN PUBLIC CONTRACTING</u>: By submitting their Proposals, Offerors certify that their Proposals are made without collusion or fraud and that they have not offered or received any kickbacks or inducements from any other Offeror, supplier, manufacturer or subcontractor in connection with their Proposal, and that they have not conferred on any public employee having official responsibility for this procurement transaction any payment, loan, subscription, advance, deposit of money, services or anything of more than nominal value, present or promised, unless consideration of substantially equal or greater value was exchanged.
- E. <u>IMMIGRATION REFORM AND CONTROL ACT OF 1986</u>: By submitting their Proposals, Offerors certify that they do not and will not during the performance of this Contract employ illegal alien workers or otherwise violate the provisions of the Federal Immigration Reform and Control Act of 1986.
- F. <u>DEBARMENT STATUS</u>: By submitting their Proposals, Offerors certify that they are not currently debarred by the Commonwealth of Virginia from submitting proposals on contracts for the type of goods and/or services covered by this solicitation, nor are they an agent of any person or entity that is currently so debarred.
- G. <u>ANTITRUST:</u> By entering into a Contract, the Contractor conveys, sells, assigns, and transfers to the Commonwealth of Virginia all rights, title and interest in and to all causes of the action it may now have or hereafter acquire under the antitrust laws of the United States and the Commonwealth of Virginia, relating to the particular goods or services purchased or acquired by the Commonwealth of Virginia under said contract.
- H. <u>MANDATORY USE OF STATE FORM AND TERMS AND CONDITIONS</u>: Failure to submit a Proposal on the official VCU Form provided for that purpose may be a cause for rejection of the Proposal. Modification of, or additions to, the General Terms and Conditions of the solicitation may be cause for rejection of the Proposal; however, the Commonwealth reserves the right to decide, on a case by case basis, in its sole discretion, whether to reject such a Proposal.
- I. <u>FINAL OF TERMS</u>: If any prospective Offeror has questions about the specifications or other RFP documents, the prospective Offeror should contact the Services Category Manager whose name

appears on the face of the RFP no later than five (5) working days before the Proposal due date. Any revisions to the RFP will be made only by Addendum issued by the Services Category Manager.

J. <u>PAYMENT</u>:

1. To Prime Contractor:

- a) Invoices for items ordered, delivered and accepted shall be submitted by the Contractor directly to the payment address shown on the purchase order/Contract. All invoices shall show the VCU Contract number and/or purchase order number; social security number (for individual Contractors) or the federal employer identification number (for proprietorships, partnerships, and corporations).
- b) Any payment terms requiring payment in less than thirty (30) days will be regarded as requiring payment thirty (30) days after invoice or delivery, whichever occurs last. This shall not affect offers of discounts for payment in less than thirty (30) days, however.
- c) All goods or services provided under this Contract or purchase order, that are to be paid for with public funds, shall be billed by the Contractor at the contract price, regardless of which public institution is being billed.
- d) The following shall be deemed to be the date of payment: the date of postmark in all cases where payment is made by mail, or the date of offset when offset proceedings have been instituted as authorized under the Virginia Debt Collection Act.
- e) Unreasonable Charges. Under certain emergency procurements and for most time and material purchases, final job costs cannot be accurately determined at the time orders are placed. In such cases, contractors should be put on notice that final payment in full is contingent on a determination of reasonableness with respect to all invoiced charges. Charges which appear to be unreasonable will be researched and challenged, and that portion of the invoice held in abeyance until a settlement can be reached. Upon determining that invoiced charges are not reasonable, VCU shall promptly notify the contractor, in writing, as to those charges which it considers unreasonable and the basis for the determination. A Contractor may not institute legal action unless a settlement cannot be reached within thirty (30) days of notification. The provisions of this Section do not relieve VCU of its prompt payment obligations with respect to those charges that are not in dispute (Code of Virginia, § 2.2-4363).
- f) To Subcontractors:
- a) Contractor awarded a contract under this RFP is hereby obligated:
 - i. To pay the Subcontractor(s) within seven (7) days of the Contractor's receipt of payment from VCU for the proportionate share of the payment received for work performed by the Subcontractor(s) under the contract; or
 - ii. To notify VCU and the Subcontractor(s), in writing, of the Contractor's intention to withhold payment and the reason.
- b) The Contractor is obligated to pay the Subcontractor(s) interest at the rate of one percent per month (unless otherwise provided under the terms of the contract) on all amounts owed by the Contractor that remain unpaid seven (7) days following receipt of payment from VCU, except for amounts withheld as stated in 2. above. The date of mailing of any payment by U.S. Mail is deemed to be payment to the addressee. These

provisions apply to each sub-tier Contractor performing under the primary contract. A Contractor's obligation to pay an interest charge to a Subcontractor may not be construed to be an obligation of VCU.

- K. <u>PRECEDENCE OF TERMS</u>: Paragraphs A-J of these General Terms and Conditions shall apply in all instances. In the event there is a conflict between any of the other General Terms and Conditions and any Special Terms and Conditions in this solicitation, the Special Terms and Conditions shall apply.
- L. <u>QUALIFICATIONS OF OFFERORS</u>: VCU may make such reasonable investigations as deemed proper and necessary to determine the ability of the Offeror to perform the services/furnish the goods and the Offeror shall furnish to VCU all such information and data for this purpose as may be requested. VCU reserves the right to inspect Offeror's physical facilities prior to award to satisfy questions regarding the Offeror's capabilities. VCU further reserves the right to reject any Proposal if the evidence submitted by, or investigations of, such Offeror fails to satisfy VCU that such Offeror is properly qualified to carry out the obligations of the Contract and to provide the services and/or furnish the goods contemplated therein.
- M. <u>TESTING AND INSPECTION</u>: VCU reserves the right to conduct any test/inspection it may deem advisable to assure goods and services conform to the specifications.
- N. <u>ASSIGNMENT OF CONTRACT</u>: A Contract shall not be assignable by the Contractor in whole or in part without the written consent of the VCU Director of Procurement Services.
- 0. <u>CHANGES TO THE CONTRACT</u>: Changes can be made to the Contract in any one of the following ways:
 - 1. The parties may agree in writing to modify the scope of the Contract. An increase or decrease in the price of the Contract resulting from such modification shall be agreed to by the parties as a part of their written agreement to modify the scope of the Contract.
 - 2. The VCU Procurement Services Department may order changes within the general scope of the Contract at any time by written notice to the Contractor. Changes within the scope of the contract include, but are not limited to, things such as services to be performed, the method of packing or shipment, and the place of delivery or installation. The Contractor shall comply with the notice upon receipt. The Contractor shall be compensated for any additional costs incurred as the result of such order and shall give VCU a credit for any savings. Said compensation shall be determined by one of the following methods:
 - a) By mutual agreement between the parties in writing; or
 - b) By agreeing upon a unit price or using a unit price set forth in the Contract, if the work to be done can be expressed in units, and the Contractor accounts for the number of units of work performed, subject to the VCU's right to audit the Contractor's records and/or to determine the correct number of units independently; or
 - c) By ordering the Contractor to proceed with the work and keep a record of all costs incurred and savings realized. A markup for overhead and profit may be allowed if provided by the Contract. The same markup shall be used for determining a decrease in price as the result of savings realized. The Contractor shall present VCU with all vouchers and records of expenses incurred and savings realized. VCU shall have the right to audit the records of the Contractor as it deems necessary to determine costs or savings. Any claim for an adjustment in price under this provision must be asserted by written notice to VCU within thirty (30) days from the date of receipt of the written order from VCU. If the parties fail to agree on an amount of adjustment, the question of an increase or decrease in the Contract price or time for performance shall be resolved

in accordance with the procedures for resolving disputes provided by the Disputes Clause of this Contract or, if there is none, in accordance with the disputes provisions of the Commonwealth of Virginia's Purchasing Manual for Institutions of Higher Education and Their Vendors. Neither the existence of a claim or a dispute resolution process, litigation or any other provision of this Contract shall excuse the Contractor from promptly complying with the changes ordered by the VCU Procurement Service Office or with the performance of the Contract generally.

- P. <u>DEFAULT</u>: In case of failure to deliver goods or services in accordance with the Contract terms and conditions, VCU after due oral or written notice, may procure them from other sources and hold the Contractor responsible for any resulting additional purchase and administrative costs. This remedy shall be in addition to any other remedies which VCU may have in law or equity.
- Q. <u>USE OF BRAND NAMES</u>: Unless otherwise provided in this RFP, the name of a certain brand, make or manufacturer does not restrict Offerors to the specific brand, make or manufacturer named, but conveys the general style, type, character, and quality of the article desired. Any article, which the public body, in its sole discretion, determines to be the equal of that specified, considering quality, workmanship, economy of operation, and suitability for the purpose intended, shall be accepted. The Offeror is responsible to clearly and specifically identify the product being offered and to provide sufficient descriptive literature, catalog cuts and technical detail to enable VCU to determine if the product offered meets the requirements of the solicitation. This is required even if offering the exact brand, make or manufacturer specified. Unless the Offeror clearly indicates in its proposal that the product offered is an "equal" product, such proposal will be considered to offer the brand name product referenced in the RFP.
- R. <u>TRANSPORTATION AND PACKAGING</u>: By submitting their Proposals, all Offerors certify and warrant that the price offered for FOB Destination includes only the actual freight rate costs at the lowest and best rate and is based upon the actual weight of the goods to be shipped. Except as otherwise specified herein, standard commercial packaging, packing and shipping containers shall be used. All shipping containers shall be legibly marked or labeled on the outside with purchase order number, commodity description, and quantity. Further, Offeror shall bear the risk of loss until the goods and equipment until VCU accepts Delivery of them.
- S. <u>INSURANCE</u>: By signing and submitting a Proposal under this RFP, the Offeror certifies that if awarded the Contract, it will have the following insurance coverages at the time the Contract is awarded. For construction contracts, if any Subcontractors are involved, the subcontractor will have workers' compensation insurance in accordance with §§ 2.2-4332 and 65.2-800 et seq. of the *Code of Virginia*. The Offeror further certifies that the Contractor and any Subcontractors will maintain these insurance coverages during the entire term of the Contract and that all insurance coverage will be provided by insurance companies authorized to sell insurance in Virginia by the Virginia State Corporation Commission.

Minimum Insurance Coverages and Limits Required for Most Contracts:

- 1. Worker's Compensation Statutory requirements and benefits. Coverage is compulsory for employers of three or more employees, to include the employer. Contractors who fail to notify VCU of increases in the number of employees that change their workers' compensation requirements under the *Code of Virginia* during the course of the Contract shall be in noncompliance with the Contract.
- 2. Employers Liability \$100,000.
- 3. Commercial General Liability \$1,000,000 per occurrence. Commercial General Liability is to include bodily injury and property damage, personal injury and advertising injury, products

and completed operations coverage. VCU must be named as an additional insured and so endorsed on the policy.

- 4. Automobile Liability \$1,000,000 per occurrence. (Only used if motor vehicle is to be used in the contract.)
- T. <u>ANNOUNCEMENT OF AWARD</u>: Upon the award or the announcement of the decision to award a contract as a result of this RFP, VCU will publicly post such notice electronically at <u>http://www.eva.virginia.gov</u> for a minimum of ten (10) days.
- U. <u>DRUG-FREE WORKPLACE</u>: During the performance of this Contract, the Contractor agrees to (i) provide a drug-free workplace for the Contractor's employees; (ii) post in conspicuous places, available to employees and applicants for employment, a statement notifying employees that the unlawful manufacture, sale, distribution, dispensation, possession, or use of a controlled substance or marijuana is prohibited in the contractor's workplace and specifying the actions that will be taken against employees for violation of such prohibition: (iii) state in all solicitations or advertisements for employees placed by or on behalf of the Contractor that the Contractor maintains a drug-free workplace: and (iv) include the provisions of the foregoing clauses in every Subcontract or purchase order of over \$10,000, so that the provisions will be binding upon each Subcontractor and/ or Vendor.

For the purposes of this section, *"drug-free workplace"* means a site for the performance of work done in connection with a specific Contract awarded to a Contractor, the employees of whom are prohibited from engaging in the unlawful manufacture, sale, distribution, dispensation, possession or use of any controlled substance or marijuana during the performance of the Contract.

- V. <u>NONDISCRIMINATION OF CONTRACTORS</u>: A Bidder, Offeror, or Contractor shall not be discriminated against in the solicitation or award of this Contract because of race, religion, color, sex, national origin, age, disability, or against faith-based organizations or any other basis prohibited by state law relating to discrimination in employment. If the award of this Contract is made to a faith-based organization and an individual, who applies for or receives goods, services, or disbursements provided pursuant to this Contract objects to the religious character of the faith-based organization from which the individual receives or would receive the goods, services, or disbursements, the public body shall offer the individual, within a reasonable period of time after the date of his objection, access to equivalent goods, services, or disbursements from an alternative provider.
- W.<u>eVA BUSINESS-TO-GOVERNMENT VENDOR REGISTRATION, CONTRACTS, AND ORDERS</u>: The eVA Internet electronic procurement solution, website portal www.eVA.virginia.gov, streamlines and automates government purchasing activities in VCU. The eVA portal is the gateway for vendors to conduct business with VCU Institution and other public bodies. All Vendors desiring to provide goods and/or services to VCU shall participate in the eVA Internet e-procurement solution by completing the free eVA Vendor Registration. All Bidders or Offerors must register in eVA and pay the Vendor Transaction Fees specified below; failure to register will result in the bid/proposal being rejected.

Vendor Transaction Fees are determined by the date the original purchase order is issued and are as follows:

- 1. For orders issued July 1, 2014 and after, the Vendor Transaction Fee is:
 - a) DSBSD-certified Small Businesses: 1%, capped at \$500 per order.
 - b) Businesses that are not DSBSD-certified Small Businesses: 1%, capped at \$1,500 per order.

2. For orders issued prior to July 1, 2014 the vendor transaction fees can be found at www.eVA.virginia.gov

The specified vendor transaction fee will be invoiced, by the Commonwealth of Virginia Department of General Services, approximately thirty (30) days after the corresponding purchase order is issued and payable thirty (30) days after the invoice date. Any adjustments (increases/decreases) will be handled through purchase order changes.

X. <u>FAMILY EDUCATIONAL RIGHTS AND PRIVACY ACT (FERPA)</u>. The Selected Offeror/Vendor acknowledges that for the purposes of this Contract it will be designated as a "school official" with "legitimate educational interests" in the University education records, as those terms have been defined under FERPA and its implementing regulations, and the Selected Firm/Vendor agrees to abide by the limitations and requirements imposed on school officials. Selected Firm/Vendor will th edu ation d only for the of fulfilling it duties nder this Contract f University s and its students benefit, and will not share such data with or disclose it to any third party except as provided for in this Contract, required by law, or authorized in writing by the University.

XI. SPECIAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS:

- A. <u>ADVERTISING</u>: In the event a contract is awarded for supplies, equipment, or services resulting from this proposal, no indication of such sales or services to Virginia Commonwealth University will be used in product literature or advertising. The Contractor shall not state in any of the advertising or product literature that the Commonwealth of Virginia or any agency or institution of the Commonwealth has purchased or uses its products or services.
- B. <u>ASBESTOS</u>: Whenever and wherever during the course of performing any work under this contract, the Contractor discovers the presence of asbestos or suspects that asbestos is present, he shall stop the work immediately, secure the area, notify the Building Owner and await positive identification of the suspect material. During the downtime in such a case, the Contractor shall not disturb any surrounding surfaces but shall protect the area with suitable dust covers. In the event the Contractor is delayed due to the discovery of asbestos or suspected asbestos, then a mutually agreed extension of time to perform the work shall be allowed the Contractor but without additional compensation due to the time extension.
- C. <u>AUDIT</u>: The Contractor shall retain all books, records, and other documents relative to this contract for five (5) years after final payment, or until audited by the Commonwealth of Virginia, whichever is sooner. The agency, its authorized agents, and/or State auditors shall have full access to and the right to examine any of said materials during said period.
- D. <u>BEST AND FINAL OFFER (BAFO)</u>: At the conclusion of negotiations, the Offeror(s) may be asked to submit in writing, a best and final offer (BAFO). After the BAFO is submitted, no further negotiations shall be conducted with the Offeror(s). The Offeror(s)proposal will be re-evaluated to combine and include the information contained in the BAFO. The decision to award will be based on the final evaluation including the BAFO.
- E. <u>PROPOSAL ACCEPTANCE PERIOD</u>: Any proposal in response to this solicitation shall be valid for sixty (60) days. At the end of the sixty (60) days, the proposal may be withdrawn at the written request of the Offeror. If the proposal is not withdrawn at that time it remains in effect until an award is made or the solicitation is cancelled.
- F. <u>PROPOSAL PRICES</u>: Proposal prices shall be in the form of a firm discount percentage or a firm unit price as applicable for each item during the contract period.
- G. <u>CANCELLATION OF CONTRACT</u>: The purchasing agency reserves the right to cancel and terminate any resulting contract, in part or in whole, without penalty, upon sixty (60) days written notice to the Contractor. In the event the initial contract period is for more than twelve (12) months, the resulting contract may be terminated by either party, without penalty, after the initial twelve (12)

months of the contract period upon 60 days written notice to the other party. Any contract cancellation notice shall not relieve the Contractor of the obligation to deliver and/or perform on all outstanding orders issued prior to the effective date of cancellation.

H. CONTRACTOR REGISTRATION: If a contract for construction, removal, repair or improvement of a building or other real property is for one hundred and twenty thousand dollars (\$120,000) or more, or if the total value of all such contracts undertaken by the offeror within any 12-month period is seven hundred and fifty thousand dollars (\$750,000) or more, the offeror is required under Title 54.1-1100, Code of Virginia (1950), as amended, to be licensed by the State Board of Contractors as a "CLASS A CONTRACTOR". If such a contract is for seventy-five hundred dollars (\$7,500) or more but less than one hundred and twenty thousand dollars (\$120,000), or if the total value of all such contracts undertaken by offeror within any 12-month period is between one hundred and fifty thousand dollars (\$150,000) and seven hundred and fifty thousand dollars (\$750,000), the offeror is required to be licensed as a "CLASS B CONTRACTOR". If such a contract is for one thousand dollars (\$1,000) or more but less than seventy-five hundred dollars (\$7,500), or if the contractor does less than \$150,000 in business in a 12-month period, the offeror is required to be licensed as a "CLASS C CONTRACTOR". The board shall require a master tradesmen license as a condition of licensure for electrical, plumbing and heating, ventilation and air conditioning contractors. The offeror shall place on the outside of the envelope containing the proposal and shall place in the proposal over his signature whichever of the following notations is appropriate, inserting his contractor license number:

Licensed Class A Virginia Contractor No	Specialty:
Licensed Class B Virginia Contractor No	Specialty:
Licensed Class C Virginia Contractor No	Specialty:

If the offeror shall fail to provide this information on his proposal or on the envelope containing the proposal and shall fail to promptly provide said contractor license number to the Commonwealth in writing when requested to do so before or after the opening of proposals, he shall be deemed to be in violation of Section 54.1-1115 of the Code of Virginia (1950), as amended, and his proposal will not be considered.

If an offeror shall fail to obtain the required license prior to submission of his proposal, the proposal shall not be considered.

- I. <u>CONTRACTOR'S TITLE TO MATERIALS</u>: No materials or supplies for the work shall be purchased by the Contractor or by any Subcontractor subject to any chattel mortgage or under a conditional sales or other agreement by which an interest is retained by the seller. The Contractor warrants that he has clear title to all materials and supplies for which he invoices for payment.
- J. <u>DELIVERY AND STORAGE</u>: It shall be the responsibility of the Contractor to make all arrangements for delivery, unloading, receiving and storing materials in the building during installation. The Owner will not assume any responsibility for receiving these shipments. Contractor shall check with the Owner and make necessary arrangements for security and storage space in the building during installation.
- K. <u>SPECIAL EDUCATIONAL OR PROMOTIONAL DISCOUNTS</u>: The Contractor shall extend any special educational or promotional sale prices or discounts immediately to the Commonwealth during the term of the contract. Such notice shall also advise the duration of the specific sale or discount price.
- L. <u>DRUG FREE WORKPLACE</u>: The Contractor acknowledges and certifies that it understands that the following acts by the Contractor, its employees and/or agents performing services on state property are prohibited:

The unlawful manufacture, distribution, dispensing, possession or use of alcohol or other drugs; and

Any impairment or incapacitation from the use of alcohol or other drugs (except the use of drugs for legitimate medical purposes).

The Contractor further acknowledges and certifies that it understands that a violation of these prohibitions constitutes a breach of contract and may result in default action being taken by the Commonwealth in addition to any criminal penalties that may result from such conduct.

- M. <u>EXTRA CHARGES NOT ALLOWED</u>: The proposal price shall be for complete installation ready for Commonwealth's use, and shall include all applicable freight and installation charges; extra charges will not be allowed.
- N. <u>FINAL INSPECTION</u>: At the conclusion of the work, the Contractor shall demonstrate to the authorized owner's representative that the work is fully operational and in compliance with contract specifications and codes. Any deficiencies shall be promptly and permanently corrected by the Contractor at the Contractor's sole expense prior to final acceptance of the work.
- O. <u>IDENTIFICATION OF PROPOSAL</u>: The proposal package should be identified as follows:

From:				
	Name of Offeror	Due Date	Time	
	Street or Box Number	RFP No.		
	City, State, Zip Code +4	RFP Title		

Name of Contract / Purchase Officer or Buyer: Jackie Colbert

The package should be addressed as directed on Page 2 of the solicitation.

If a proposal is not clearly identified, the Offeror takes the risk that the proposal may be inadvertently opened and the information compromised which may cause the proposal to be disqualified. Proposals may be hand delivered to the designated location in the office issuing the solicitation. No other correspondence or other proposals should be placed in the envelope.

LATE PROPOSALS: To be considered for selection, proposals must be received by <u>the issuing office</u> by the designated date and hour. The official time used in the receipt of proposals is that time on the automatic time stamp machine in the issuing office. Proposals received in the issuing office after the date and hour designated are automatically disqualified and will not be considered. <u>The University is not responsible for delays in the delivery of mail by the U.S. Postal Service, private couriers, or the intrauniversity mail system. It is the sole responsibility of the Offeror to insure that its proposal reaches the issuing office by the designated date and hour.</u>

- P. <u>INDEMNIFICATION</u>: Contractor agrees to indemnify, defend and hold harmless the Commonwealth of Virginia, its officers, agents, and employees from any claims, damages and actions of any kind or nature, whether at law or in equity, arising from or caused by the use of any materials, goods, or equipment of any kind or nature furnished by the Contractor/any services of any kind or nature furnished by the Contractor, provided that such liability is not attributable to the sole negligence of the using agency or to failure of the using agency to use the materials, goods, or equipment delivered.
- Q. <u>INSTALLATION</u>: All items must be assembled and set in place, ready for use. All crating and other debris must be removed from the premises.
- R. <u>LIMITATION OF LIABILITY</u>: To the maximum extent permitted by applicable law, the Contractor will not be liable under this contract for any indirect, incidental, special or consequential damages, or damages from loss profits, revenue, data or use of the supplies, equipment and/or services delivered under this contract. This limitation of liability will not apply, however, to liability arising from: (a) personal injury or death; (b) defect or deficiency caused by willful misconduct or

negligence on the part of the Contractor; or (c) circumstances where the contract expressly provides a right to damages, indemnification or reimbursement.

- S. <u>MAINTENANCE MANUALS</u>: The Contractor shall provide with each piece of equipment an operations and maintenance manual with wiring diagrams, parts list, and a copy of all warranties.
- T. <u>PRIME CONTRACTOR RESPONSIBILITIES</u>: The Contractor shall be responsible for completely supervising and directing the work under this contract and all subcontractors that he may utilize, using his best skill and attention. Subcontractors who perform work under this contract shall be responsible to the prime Contractor. The Contractor agrees that he is as fully responsible for the acts and omissions of his subcontractors and of persons employed by them as he is for the acts and omissions of his own employees.
- U. <u>QUANTITIES</u>: Quantities set forth in this solicitation are estimates only, and the Contractor shall supply at proposal prices actual quantities as ordered, regardless of whether such total quantities are more or less than those shown.
- V. <u>RENEWAL OF CONTRACT</u>: This contract may be renewed by the Commonwealth for four (4) successive one (1) year periods under the terms and conditions of the original contract except as stated in 1. below. Price increases may be negotiated only at the time of renewal. Written notice of the Commonwealth's intention to renew should be provided approximately 60 days prior to the expiration date of each contract period:
 - 1. If the Commonwealth elects to exercise the option to renew the contract for an additional one (1) year period, the contract discounts which are applied to the Published List Price of the product(s) shall remain the same as in the initial term of the contract during all optional renewal terms except that deeper discounts may be offered if market conditions warrant increasing the discount percentage. Contract prices based on unit prices may be negotiated only at the time of renewal; however, in no case shall the costs for a succeeding one-year period exceed the prior year's contract price(s), increased or decreased by no more than the percentage increase or decrease the services category of the CPI-W section of the US Bureau of Labor Statistic's Consumer Price Index, for the latest twelve months for which statistics are available.
- W.<u>SUBCONTRACTS</u>: No portion of the work shall be subcontracted without prior written consent of the purchasing agency. In the event that the Contractor desires to subcontract some part of the work specified herein, the Contractor shall furnish the purchasing agency the names, qualifications and experience of their proposed subcontractors. The Contractor shall, however, remain fully liable and responsible for the work to be done by its subcontractor(s) and shall assure compliance with all requirements of the contract.
- X. <u>WARRANTY (COMMERCIAL)</u>: The Contractor agrees that the supplies or services furnished under any award resulting from this solicitation shall be covered by the most favorable commercial warranties the Contractor gives any customer for such supplies or services and that the rights and remedies provided therein are in addition to and do not limit those available to the Commonwealth by any other clause of this solicitation.
- Y. <u>WORK SITE DAMAGES</u>: Any damage to existing utilities, equipment or finished surfaces resulting from the performance of this contract shall be repaired to the Commonwealth's satisfaction at the Contractor's expense.
- Z. <u>POLICY OF EQUAL EMPLOYMENT</u>: Virginia Commonwealth University is an equal opportunity/affirmative action employer. Women, Minorities, persons with disabilities are encouraged to apply. The University encourages all vendors to establish and maintain a policy to insure equal opportunity employment. To that end, Offerors should submit along with their proposals, their policy of equal employment.
- AA. <u>COMMUNICATIONS</u>: Communications regarding this Request for Proposals (RFP) shall be formal from the date of issue for this RFP, until either a Contractor has been selected or the University

Purchasing Department rejects all proposals. Formal communications shall be directed to the University Purchasing Department.

Informal communications including but not limited to, request for information, comments or speculations, regarding this RFP to any University employee other than a Purchasing Department representative may result in the offending Offeror's proposal being rejected.

- BB. <u>SECTION 508 COMPLIANCE</u>: All information technology which, pursuant to this Contract, is purchased or upgraded by or for the use of any Commonwealth agency or institution or political subdivision of the Commonwealth (the "Technology") shall comply with Section 508 of the Rehabilitation Act (29 U.S.C. 794d), as amended. If requested, the Contractor must provide a detailed explanation of how compliance with Section 508 of the Rehabilitation Act is achieved and a validation of concept demonstration. The requirements of this Paragraph along with the Non-Visual Access to Technology Clause shall be construed to achieve full compliance with the Information Technology Access Act, §§ 2.2-3500 through 2.2-3504 of the *Code of Virginia*.
- CC. <u>NONVISUAL ACCESS TO TECHNOLOGY</u>: All information technology which, pursuant to this Agreement, is purchased or upgraded by or for the use of any State agency or institution or political subdivision of the Commonwealth (the "Technology") shall comply with the following nonvisual access standards from the date of purchase or upgrade until the expiration of this Agreement:
 - 1. effective, interactive control and use of the Technology shall be readily achievable by nonvisual means;
 - 2. the Technology equipped for nonvisual access shall be compatible with information technology used by other individuals with whom any blind or visually impaired user of the Technology interacts;
 - 3. nonvisual access technology shall be integrated into any networks used to share communications among employees, program participants or the public; and
 - 4. the technology for nonvisual access shall have the capability of providing equivalent access by nonvisual means to telecommunications or other interconnected network services used by persons who are not blind or visually impaired.

Compliance with the foregoing nonvisual access standards shall not be required if the head of the using agency, institution or political subdivision determines that (i) the Technology is not available with nonvisual access because the essential elements of the Technology are visual and (ii) nonvisual equivalence is not available.

Installation of hardware, software, or perpheral devices used for nonvisual access is not required when the Technology is being used exclusively by individuals who are not blind or visually impaired, but applications programs and underlying operating systems (including the format of the data) used for the manipulation and presentation of information shall permit the installation and effective use of nonvisual access software and peripheral devices.

If requested, the Contractor must provide a detailed explanation of how compliance with the foregoing nonvisual access standards is achieved and a validation of concept demonstration.

The requirements of this Paragraph shall be construed to achieve full compliance with the Information Technology Access Act, §§ 2.1-807 through 2.1-811 of the <u>Code of Virginia</u>.

DD.<u>DETERMINATION OF RESPONSIBILITY</u>: The Contract will be awarded to the responsive and responsible Offeror with a Proposal, conforming to the RFP, will be most advantageous to VCU, technical and financial factors considered. A responsible Offeror is one who affirmatively demonstrates to VCU that it has adequate financial resources and the requisite capacity, capability, and facilities to perform the Contract, has a satisfactory record of performance on other comparable projects, has a satisfactory record of integrity and business ethics, and is otherwise qualified and eligible to receive award under the solicitation and laws and regulations applicable to the procurement. VCU reserves the right to investigate the capabilities of Offeror, confirm any

part of the information furnished by an Offeror, and require other evidence to determine that the Offeror is responsible.

EE. REJECTION OF PROPOSALS & WAIVER OF MINOR INFORMALITIES/IRREGULARITIES:

VCU reserves the right to reject any or all Proposals in part or in total for any reason, to accept any Proposal if considered best for its interest, and to waive informalities and minor irregularities in Proposals received, commensurate with best public procurement practices.

FF. <u>PROTEST</u>: Any Offeror who desires to protest the award or decision to award a Contract shall submit the protest in writing to:

Director of Procurement Services Virginia Commonwealth University 912 West Grace, 5th Floor Richmond, VA 23284

VCU will announce the award utilizing the Commonwealth of Virginia's e-Procurement system (eVA). The protest must be received no later than ten (10) days after the award or the announcement of the decision to award, whichever occurs first. However, if the protest of any actual or potential Offeror depends in whole or in part upon information contained in public records pertaining to the procurement transaction that are subject to inspection under the Rules Governing Procurement of Goods, Services, Insurance, and Construction by a Public Institution of Higher Education of the Commonwealth of Virginia Governed by Subchapter 3 of the Restricted Higher Education Financial and Administrative Operations Act,, Chapter 4.10 (§23-38.88 et seq) of Title 23 of the Code of Virginia, §34, then the time within which the protest shall be submitted shall expire ten (10) days after those records are available for inspection by such Offeror under §34, or at such later time as provided in this section.

VCU Notices of Award(s) or Notices of Intent to Award may be accessed electronically at http://www.eva.virginia.gov.

No protest shall lie for a claim that the selected Offeror is not a responsible Offeror.

The written protest shall include the basis for the protest and relief sought.

The VCU Director of Procurement Services shall issue a decision in writing within ten (10) days of receipt stating the reasons for the action taken. This decision shall be final unless the Offeror appeals within ten (10) days of receipt of the written decision by instituting legal action as provided in Section 54 of the Governing Rules.

Nothing in this paragraph shall be construed to permit a proposer to challenge the validity of the terms or conditions of the RFP.

"Days" as used in this paragraph refer to calendar days. If a deadline falls on a Saturday or Sunday, the next business day shall be considered to be the deadline.

XII. CONTRACT ADMINISTRATION:

Upon award of the contract VCU shall designate, in writing, the name(s) of the Contract Administrator(s) who shall work with the contractor in formulating mutually acceptable plans and standards for the delivery, installation and on-going service and/or maintenance that may be required.

A. The Contract Administrator shall use all powers under the contract to enforce its faithful performance. The Contract Administrator shall determine the amount, quality and acceptability of

work and shall decide all other questions in connection with the work.

B. All direction and orders from VCU shall be transmitted through the Contract Administrator, or his designee. <u>However the Contract Administrator shall have no authority to order changes in the work which alter the concept or scope of the work or change the basis for compensation to the contractor.</u>

XII. ATTACHMENTS:

A: Appendix I – Participation In State Procurement Transactions Small Businesses and Businesses Owned By Women and Minorities:

http://procurement.vcu.edu/media/procurement/pdf/documentlibrary/RFP Website Link Appendix 1.pdf

B: Appendix II – Invoicing and Payment

http://procurement.vcu.edu/media/procurement/pdf/documentlibrary/RFP Website Link Appendix 2.pdf



RFP - Addendum

DATE: November 1, 2016

ADDENDUM NO. 01 TO ALL OFFERORS:

Reference - Request for Proposals: RFP# 7058821JC

Commodity/Title: Issue Date: Proposal Due:

VASACUPP Audio Visual Term Contracts October 13, 2016 November 11, 2016 at 11:00 AM

The above is hereby changed to read: See Attached.

NOTE: A signed acknowledgment of this addendum must be received by this office either prior to the proposal due date and hour <u>or</u> attached to your proposal. Signature of this addendum does not constitute your signature on the original proposal document. The original proposal document must also be signed.

Very truly yours,

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Jackie Colbert

Name of Firm

Signature/Title

Date

Questions for Clarification Submitted By Potential Offerors for RFP# 6946149JC

The questions submitted by potential proposers and the answers from VCU are below. The clarifications are in bold and italics.

1. Is it acceptable to exclude pricing for any manufacturers that do not offer products within our chosen categories?

It is a business decision whether your firm wants to propose to only sell "chosen" categories and manufacturers.

2. Can you provide any insight into the type of A/V gear needed for this RFP? We carry a range of products and I am curious if you all are interested in more Commercial Audio/TV's/Home style components.

Please see Section VI, Item B.2.a on Page 11 of the RFP for a list of the largest volume manufacturers.

3. Since we are a local business (based in Charlottesville), would it help if we could physically swap out any defective gear within a short period of time (1 day)?

The VASCUPP AV contracts are used by institutions of higher education and localities throughout the Commonwealth of Virginia. It is a business decision what your company wants to propose about swapping out defective gear.

4. I see in the RFP that "installation services are required for approximately 90% of the VCU AV projects" and that bidders "must have a Class "A" Contractor's License"; would you be willing to accept proposals from vendors without a Class A license offering products for projects that do not require installation services?

The contractor must have a Class A Virginia Contractor's License. Having a Class A Contractor's License is a mandatory requirement of the RFP. Companies that do not have a Class A Contractor's License are nonresponsive and not eligible for an award from the RFP.

5. We do not hold a Class "A" contractor's license. We hold a Class "B." Section e. states you must include "a copy of your firm's Class "A" Contractor's License with appropriate specialty classification as recognized by the Virginia Board for Contractors, Department of Professional and Occupational Regulation to perform the AV installation services." Section H. Contractor Registration states that either Class "A" or Class "B" is acceptable. Can you please clarify what is required?

Section H. does not state that either Class "A" or Class "B" is acceptable. Please see the answer to question #4 above.

6. Our company is undergoing SWaM recertification. How will our pending recertification impact our evaluation?

The SWaM's numerical score is for DSBSD registered firms only. If a firm is in the process of completing the registration, the points are only added to the total score after the registration is complete prior to the contract award. The points are not retroactive and are only added at the next milestone scoring during the RFP evaluation for firms that are still under consideration for the contract award.

7. On Page 9 of the VASCUPP Audio Visual Term contract RFP (proposal preparation and submission instructions) proposals are submitted electronically including any proprietary information and excluding any proprietary information. Can you please tell me what proprietary information means?

Proprietary information is confidential information that could be referred to as a trade secret. It is information that would put your organization at a competitive disadvantage if the information became generally known in the marketplace.

8. We are a small, minority business located in Maryland, and I was just wondering if we have to be located in VA to qualify for this. Any assistance you can provide would be greatly appreciated.

Your company does not have to be located in Virginia, but a small, minority business must be certified by DSBSD as a small, minority business to be recognized as a SWaM's business for the purposes of the RFP.

9. Can I submit a proposal for VASCUPP inclusion for AV rental and labor services only as I am no longer a reseller of AV equipment?

As specified in the Statement of Needs, the core requirement for RFP # 7058821JC is the purchase of AV equipment and the installation/support for that equipment. It is a business decision whether your firm wants to compete to provide only rental services for AV equipment.

10. Section VI, Item B.3.g – There is a requirement to provide costs associated with Section V., Item D.4. However, in looking at the RFP, there is not a Section V., Item D.4. Can you please provide the details of this "additional service" requirement? <u>Reference Page 13, Section VI., Item B.3.g.</u>: Change the Item to the following to delete Item D.4.

Address in detail the additional services listed in Section V.D. of the Statement of Needs that are offered. What, if any, are the costs associated with the services listed in Section V., Item D.2?

11. Section VI, Item B.2 - There is a list of identified manufacturers to propose and price. Our question is are we able to add to the list to submit?

The manufacturers listed in Section VI, Item B.2.a are the largest volume manufacturers. The list is to solicit the deepest discounts for these largest volume manufacturers and competitive discounts off all other manufacturers and categories of AV equipment that your company sells.



To: Virginia Commonwealth University RFP: 7058821JC Attention: Jackie Colbert 912 W. Grace St.

5th Floor

Richmond, VA 23284-0327

- Reason: Proposal for RFP# 7058821JC VASCUPP Audio-Visual Term Contracts Due: Nov 11, 2016 11:00AM
- From: Inter Technologies Corporation Daniel Brewster, President <u>daniel@intertech.tv</u> Phone: 540-605-0033 106 E. Green St Franklinton NC 27525



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- Section 1 RFP Cover Sheet and Executive Summary
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 - a. Discount Pricing Structure
 - a. Equipment Categories and Discounts
 - b. Proposed pricing for Maintenance after Warranty
 - c. Rental Pricing
 - d. Please see section 6
 - B. Plan and Approach for Proposed Services (Section VI B.3)
 - a. Description of Products and Services by Category offered.
 - b. Statement of Understanding of Purchase orders
 - c. Statement of F.O.B Destination
 - d. Sample furnish and installation plan. d-2
 - e. Copy of Class A Contractors License
 - f. Proposed Approach for Warranty and Maintenance.
 - g. Proposed Approach to provide for Section V.D.
 - h. Sample Quote
 - i. Implementation schedule
 - C. Qualifications and Experience (Section VI B.7)
 - a. Experience last three years with three accounts
 - b. Technicians
 - c. Contact Information
 - d. List of Institutions with existing term contract
 - e. Annual sales the firm has with each VASCUPP Member
- Section 4 Solicitation Documents and addenda
- Section 5 Price List
- Section 6 Section VII Pricing Schedule
- Section 7 Contractor's License
- Section 8 DMBE Certification

Issue Date: October 13, 2016

Title: VASCUPP Audio Visual Term Contracts

Send all Proposals To: Virginia Commonwealth University RFP #7058821JC Attention: Jackie Colbert 912 W Grace St, 5th floor Richmond, Virginia 23284-0327

Proposals Shall Be Received Until: November 11, 2016 at 11:00 AM local time

Direct ALL inquiries concerning this RFP to: Jackie Colbert

jcolbert@vcu.edu

Questions concerning this RFP must be received via email no later than: October 27, 2016 at 2:00 PM local time.

This Request for Proposals & any Addenda are posted on the eVa website at: http://www.eva.virginia.gov

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NAME AND ADDRESS OF COMPANY:

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E-Mail Address:	Title: President
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VIRGINIA DSBSD CERTIFIED: () YES () NO	MINORITY-OWNED: () YES (x) NO
DSBSD CERTIFICATION #: 665146	_WOMEN-OWNED: () YES (_x) NO

THIS SOLICITATION CONTAINS 29 PAGES.



Executive Summary

Inter Technologies Corporation (ITC) would like to thank VCU and the State of Virginia for the opportunity to submit this proposal. ITC is a Virginia Corporation and a certified SWAM business. Although ITC is a certified SWAM business the company has a national footprint and generates a sufficient volume of sales to provide economies of scale. The value of these economies of scale are passed on through cost savings to the companies clients.

ITC has either through a direct dealership or oem authorized supply chain the ability to provide custom audiovisual solutions to meet every need of the State. ITC has utilized the supplier relationships over the past decade to provide many State entities unique, cost-effective solutions. These relationships provide ITC with the ability to quickly respond to service request concerning defective equipment.

ITC is geographically located in multiple areas around and bordering the State. These locations provide ITC the ability to quickly arrive at client sites anywhere in the State. These locations include Chesapeake and Arlington, VA, Raleigh, NC and Pipestem, WV.

ITC is already servicing some of the larger government institutions within the State. These institutions include Northern Virginia Community College, Tidewater Community College and the Prince William County Government. ITC has had relationships spanning years with these entities and have developed a level of trust with them all.

ITC is able to bring ADA compliant services to the State. ITC has the ability and relationships to provide hearing assistive packages. ITC has the ability to add tactile control to any control system installed by the company. ITC has worked with numerous Virginia entities to ensure that the equipment is wheelchair accessible when required. ITC works with each client to determine their exact needs and proposes solutions around those needs.

ITC uses a modified TQM approach in its business model. ITC emphasizes the two pillars of Ethics and Trust foremost in all of its business dealings. ITC has a constant, life-long learning policy for all of its employees and encourages communication at all levels. ITC firmly believes in developing a team environment with the stake holders in each and every project. These TQM ideas flow down from the companies CEO who is himself a Six Sigma black belt.

Inter Technologies Corporation agrees to all terms and conditions in the solicitation document and addenda.

The primary point of contact for contract management, sales, support and problem resolution is:

Daniel Brewster, President

Phone: 540-605-0033

Email: daniel@intertech.tv



Specific Proposal Requirements

2. Specific Proposal Requirements

A. Proposed Price

a. The proposed pricing structure is a list price minus discount. Many manufacturers cross the category platforms described in part VI.b.3a of this solicitation document. Additional categories have been added when manufacturers have different pricing structures for different types of equipment. The proposed discounts from list price are listed in Section 5.

b. Maintenance will be offered after the warranty period at an additional price The initial maintenance period is one year or as dictated in the RFP document. Further maintenance can be purchased at a cost of 5% of the original purchase order value for the second year. The following years will be 5%+1% per year of the original purchase order value. For example year three will be 6%, year four will be 7%, and year five will be 8%. The maintenance contract covers the labor to repair the rooms back to original operating conditions. It does not cover replacement of equipment outside manufactures warranty. Extended warranties on individual items will be quoted on a as needed basis. A 5% discount will be offered from list price of the warranty. The warranty will be provided by either the manufacturer or a third party warranty service.

Installation and system implementation can be purchased on an hourly basis. The standard procedure for this is for the quote to state a firm fixed priced for the estimated hourly charges. However, Inter Technologies is willing to provide installation and system implementation services on a time and material basis as well. The labor rates are listed here:

Consultation, System Design, Installation, Service and Maintenance rates:

٠	System Design (CTS-D or 5 years experience)	\$75 an Hour
•	System Consultation (CTS-D or 5 years experience)	\$75 an Hour
٠	Installation Tech 1	\$35 an Hour
٠	Installation Tech 2 (CTS or 2 years experience)	\$50 an Hour
٠	Installation Tech 3 (CTS-I or 8 years experience)	\$75 an Hour

- Programming (Certified by Manufacturer) \$75 an Hour
- Project Manager (CTS-I, BS or 10 years experience) \$75 an Hour
- Training (5 years experience)
 \$50 an Hour

c. Inter Technologies Corporation will offer rental equipment services at 10% off the Inter Technologies published rental price sheet available online.

d. Please see attached hypothetical pricing schedule.

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B. Inter Technologies Corporation will comply and understands all the mandatory requirements in the solicitation document. Inter Technologies Corporation agrees to provide all the desirable specifications listed in the solicitation document.

a. Inter Technologies Corporation offers over sixty different manufacturers for this proposal. Inter Technologies Corporation offers over forty technicians in order to complete the services required by this RFP. Technicians are trained in both BISCI and ICIA certifications. Inter Technologies Corporation has technicians trained in RF and Satellite equipment. Over 100,000 products are offered under this proposal for the various categories. Brands offered for each category specifically are as follows.

- Broadcast AKG, AMX, Atlas Sound, Audio-Technica, Blonder Tongue, Clearone, Crestron, Crown, Denon/Marantz, Extron, Furman, Hitachi, Jupiter Systems, JVC, LG, Liberty, Middle Atlantic, Panasonic, Raxxess, and Sony
- Multimedia Presentation Equipment AKG, AMX, Analog Way, Atlas Sound, Audia Technica, Barco, Biamp, Buhl, Cables to Go, Canon, Christie, Clearone, Clock Audio, Community, Crestron, Crown, D-link, Da- Lite, Denon/Marantz, Draper, Eiki, Elmo, ELO, Epson, Extron, Furman, Hitachi, Hyundai, JBL, Jupiter Systems, JVC, Ken-A0Vision, KSI, LG, Liberty, Listen, Lumens, Marshall Furniture, Middle Atlantic, Milestone, Mitsubishi, NEC, Panasonic, Peerless, Polycom, QSC, Raxxess, RCI, RGB Spectrum, Risevision, Sabine, Samsung, Sanyo, Sennheiser, Sharp Electronics, Shure, Sonic Foundry, Sonic Shock, Sony, Tannoy, Vaddio, Valcom, Vista, Wolfvision
- Multimedia Development Equipment AMX, Cisco, Christie, Crestron, Vista
- Satellite Transmitting and Receiving Equipment Blonder Tongue, Liberty, Panasonic
- Teleconferencing and Communication Equipment AMX, Biamp, Christie, Cisco, Crestron, Denon/Marantz, Epson, Extron, Hitachi, Jupiter, LG, Liberty, Middle Atlantic, Polycom, Raxxess, Sony
- Computer Presentation Equipment AMX, Atlas Sound, Audio-Technica, Barco, Buhl, Canon, Christie, Clearone, Crestron, Crown, Da-Lite, Denon/Marantz, Draper, Elmo, Epson, Extron, JBL, Jupiter, LG, Liberty, Lumens, Marshall, MIddle Atlantic, Raxxess, Sonic Foundry, Vista
- Broadband Distribution Equipment Blonder Tongue, Crestron, Denon/Marantz, Extron, Jupiter Systems, Liberty, Valcom

b. Inter Technologies Corporaiton understands that individual University purchase orders will be issued for individual requirements on an "as needed" basis

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c. Inter Technologies Corporation agrees to the freight terms F.O.B. Destination/Pre-Paid

d. Inter Technologies Corporation follows ICIA best practices in designing and installing audio-visual solutions. Each installation is unique and will require slightly different plans. A brief overview would be:

- Define Need
- Design three solutions based on low, mid, and high costs
- Procure equipment
- Concurrently write program offsite, build racks offsite, install infrastructure onsite
- Bring racks onsite and complete installation
- Test system internally
- Test system with client
- Train
- Set-up maintenance plan, warranty

Inter Technologies Corporation has facilities in Northern Virginia and Chesapeake to service those areas. Inter Technologies Corporation has facilities in northern North Carolina and south western West Virginia to service the southern and western regions of the state. The central region of the state will be serviced by all four locations depending on circumstances. Additional resources can be brought in from other facilities for larger installations or for surge installations that typically happen during off school days. Equipment will be shipped either direct from the manufacturer or from Inter Technologies' 150,000 square foot facility in Franklinton, NC.

e. A copy of Inter Technologies Corporation's Cass A contractor's license is attached. The contractor number is 2705066899 with both the ESC and ELE specialties.

- f. The proposed approach for warranty and maintenance is asfollows:
- Installation, Testing and Training is concluded
- Client is given 800 number and project managers cell phonenumber
- If installation experiences a default caused by the installation or a defect in the equipment the client calls the 800 number or the project managers number (whichever is more comfortable for the client)
- Inter Technologies will try to fix the problem over the phone
- If unable to fix over the phone a technician will be dispatched within twenty-four hours to diagnose the defective piece of equipment
- If the technician does not a replacement on hand a replacement willbe ordered overnight to be installed the next day at no cost to theclient.

Inter Technologies Corporation has 4 facilities that will provide warranty and service on any resulting contract.



g. Inter Technologies Corporation will provide consulting, system design, installation, maintenance and training on any equipment on an hourly basis. There is no additional cost for section D.2.. Training costs are typically reflected in the fixed cost proposal. Additional training can be purchased on an hourly basis.

- When asked by VASCUPP entities to provide consulting services, system design, installation or service and maintenance separate the entity will be given the hourly rate set forth in the preceding section for the labor categories required.
- Inter Technologies will welcome any chance to participate in technology shows. Inter Technologies staff will be available to escort VASCUPP authorized personnel at industry sponsored tradeshows.
- Inter Technologies Corporation will provide training to University departments on the operation of new equipment on an hourly basis. This is usually reflected in the original purchase order's fixed price.
- **h.** A sample quote is attached.

I. Inter Technologies Corporation is available to immediately begin accepting orders after award.

4 Inter Technologies Corporation complies with the mandantory requirements as presented in Section V. Statement of Needs.

5 Inter Technologies Corporation complies with the non-mandantory requirements as presented in Section V



C. Qualifications and Experience Section VI.B.7

Since our formation 11 years ago, we have learned that customer needs vary and that a single solution will not work for every need. We are dedicated to providing dynamic solutions that meet or exceed each customers' requirements while staying within budget. We achieve this goal by employing a trained, experienced team. All our installation teams also have at least two years' experience in the audio-visual integration field. Our experienced staff allows us to complete our audio-visual installations right the first time. This reduces total cost of the project and enables us to pass the savings on to our customers.

Inter Technologies Corporation holds a VITA contract for Audio-Visual equipment and installation. Inter Technologies also hold term contracts with East Carolina University, North Carolina University, Northern Virginia Community College, the University of Wyoming, Charlotte, NC government, and the State of Georgia convenience contract. All of these contracts provide the same scope of services requested in the VCU solicitation document. With offices located throughout the United States, ITC is able to pull resources from many areas of the country. ITC's office in Hampton, VA is one of the company's major technician centers. However, should the need arise technicians from other offices can be drawn into this office on a temporary basis. This allows ITC to scale operations quickly to meet increased demand.

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University of Wyoming



THE UNIVERSITY OF WYOMING HAS CONTRACTED INTER TECHNOLOGIES CORPORATION TO INSTALL THE MAJORITY OF THEIR AUDIO-VISUAL NEEDS FOR THE PAST 5 YEARS. THE CUMULATIVE VALUE OF THE CONTINUING CONTRACTS EXCEEDS 5 MILLION DOLLARS.

BASIC CLASSROOM

Over 200 standard classroom have been installed. These classrooms consist of a lectern, projector, document camera, computer and laptop hookup. The systems are digital with backwards compatibility. This enables the system to play new protected content images as well as allowing faculty to bring in legacy devices to use on the system such as VCR's and VGA laptops. This University also has the ability to record almost every class and stream it to students after class.

COLLABORATIVE CLASSROOM

Collaborative classrooms provide more flexibility in the teaching environment. These rooms have led displays located around the room. Each display has a digital computer and legacy computer connection on the wall. Students can plug into the local display for group work and if the instructor wants to show the rest of the class what each student is working on they can display any device across all the screens in the room.

SPECIALTY

The University had the need to for a Moot Court for their law school. This room is built to be utilized like an existing courtroom for future attorneys and judges to practice cases. The technology integrated into this courtroom is similar to courtrooms across the United States.

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Northern Virginia Community College



NORTHERN VIRGINIA COMMUNITY COLLEGE HAS CONTRACTED INTER TECHNOLOGIES CORPORATION TO INSTALL THE MAJORITY OF THEIR AUDIO-VISUAL NEEDS FOR THE PAST 10 YEARS. THE CUMULATIVE VALUE OF THE CONTINUING CONTRACTS EXCEEDS 10 MILLION DOLLARS.

BASIC CLASSROOM

Over 500 standard classroom have been installed. These classrooms consist of a lectern, projector, document camera, computer and laptop hookup. The systems are digital with backwards compatibility. This enables the system to play new protected content images as well as allowing faculty to bring in legacy devices to use on the system such as VCR's and VGA laptops.

COLLABORATIVE CLASSROOM

Collaborative classrooms provide more flexibility in the teaching environment. These rooms have led displays located around the room. Each display has a digital computer and legacy computer connection on the wall. Students can plug into the local display for group work and if the instructor wants to show the rest of the class what each student is working on they can display any device across all the screens in the room.

SPECIALTY

Theaters (both black box and traditional), Emergency Operation Center's, break out, seminar, VTC and board rooms have also all been installed. The images above on the left shows the President's board room. The image on the right shows a production level sound studio.

Digital Signage

A College wide digital signage system has been installed. This system can utilize the College's emergency system to display critical information in the event of an emergency. During normal operations the system displays material relevant to the location they are installed. For instance, a display outside the theater might display theater or conference times.

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East Carolina Univeristy



EAST CAROLINA UNIVERISTY HAS CONTRACTED INTER TECHNOLOGIES CORPORATION TO INSTALL THE MAJORITY OF THEIR AUDIO-VISUAL NEEDS FOR THE PAST 10 YEARS. THE CUMULATIVE VALUE OF THE CONTINUING CONTRACTS EXCEEDS 7 MILLION DOLLARS.

BASIC CLASSROOM

Over 200 standard classroom have been installed. These classrooms consist of a lectern, projector, document camera, computer and laptop hookup. The systems are digital with backwards compatibility. This enables the system to play new protected content images as well as allowing faculty to bring in legacy devices to use on the system such as VCR's and VGA laptops.

COLLABORATIVE CLASSROOM

Collaborative classrooms provide more flexibility in the teaching environment. These rooms have led displays located around the room. Each display has a digital computer and legacy computer connection on the wall. Students can plug into the local display for group work and if the instructor wants to show the rest of the class what each student is working on they can display any device across all the screens in the room.

SPECIALTY

Theaters, break out, seminar, VTC and board rooms have also all been installed. Specialty medical rooms have been installed. These include counseling rooms where grad students can provide physiological help to people in need while being monitored by faculty. The picture above is part of the nursing building where each local monitoring station can be displayed on the projector. This allows the professor to ask students to complete their projects on the patients while streaming critical patient data to the projector for the rest of the class to see.

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b. Project Team

Contract Administrator: Daniel Brewster, President daniel@intertech.tv 540-605-0033

Chief Executive Officer, William Brewster, PE <u>bill@intertech.tv</u> 574-210-1825

Vice President Sales: David Brewster david@intertech.tv 540-605-0016

Director of Operations: Tadz, Juszczak tadz@intertech.tv 540-605-0015

Account Managers: Mike Wilson, Virginia Region Sales <u>mwilson@intertech.tv</u> 919-796-4663

Project Managers: Jonathon Brewster jon@intertech.tv 540-605-0017

Dale Miller dmiller@intertech.tv 919-273-3772



William Brewster, P.E. bill@intertech.tv

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Inter Technologies Corporation – Springfield, Virginia 2008 - Present CEO/CFO

Leads a fast growing international corporation, specializing in enhancing the educational experience of students, through the use of innovative technology. The company has been a profitable INC5000 company for eight straight years. Manages the strategic and financial focus of the company as well as its R&D efforts. The company has offices around the US and in three countries. Its clients include major universities, fortune 50 companies and federal and state institutions.

UNIVERSITY OF NOTRE DAME – South Bend, Indiana

1998 - 2008

Director of International Executive Programs

Concurrent, Director of Technology

International

Responsible for the strategy, development and implementation of executive education international programs that cover six continents. Programs are the first non-domestic offerings by the University of Notre Dame Executive Education Department and employ a complex blended technology solution. Leveraged previous technology investments into profit generating tools by finding specific niches that were exploitable. Created and maintain successful business relationships throughout the United States, Latin America, Europe, Asia, Australia and Africa.

Technology

Responsible for the deployment and management of multiple complex educational technology applications. Utilize project control methods to ensure expense

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reduction and scope enhancements across technology investments. Utilize a variety of contractual and in-house solutions to ensure best value obtained for investment. Manage annual technology budget of \$1,000,000.

Key Achievements

• Envisioned and then engaged CISCO to develop a dual path video stream through ISDN from the University of Notre Dame to all its remote sites. The technology became an integral part of videoconferencing technology.

• Substantially improved customer satisfaction while reducing cost by 50% in technology programs.

• Envisioned, developed and executed a plan to deliver business programs across six continents.

• Maintain 100% availability for multiple technology systems compared to industry standard 80%.

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

OAK RIDGE OPERATIONS OFFICE – Oak Ridge, Tennessee 1994 – 1998

Program Manager

Responsible for the management and installation of international projects at the Oak Ridge National Laboratory. Projects consisted of new technology development, complex hazardous installation and operations on a Category 2, Nuclear Facility. A representative project was completed at one-third the baseline schedule and half the estimated cost of \$15,000,000, due to innovative and pro-active management practices employed on the project.

On an annual basis managed \$50,000,000 in projects at the DOE Y-12, K-25 and X-10 plants. Implemented stringent requirements for improvement of contract performance in scope, schedule and cost. Achieved significant reductions in cost and improvements in scope by utilizing creative program management techniques.

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

SUPERCONDUCTING SUPER COLLIDER (SSC) – Dallas, Texas 1991 – 1994

Project Manager

Fully responsible for the successful completion of a complex multi-million dollar international system design, build and installation. Member of senior team responsible for multi-billion dollar Superconducting Super Collider.

Office of the President Elect – Washington, D.C. 1990

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Technology Manager

Responsible for developing technology plans to help facilitate the transition between two U.S. Presidents.

EDUCATION

University of Notre Dame, Notre Dame, IN Master of Business Administration, Cum Laude May 2002

University of Texas, Arlington, TX Master of Science in Electrical Engineering, Summa Cum Laude May 1994

Virginia Tech, Blacksburg, VA Bachelor of Science in Electrical Engineering May 1991

HONORS AND AWARDS

Six Sigma Black Belt Professional Engineer Department of Energy Certified Project Manager Tau Beta Pi Engineering Honor Society Eta Kappa Nu Electrical Engineering Honor Society INC5000 Fastest Growing Companies Status 2008 – Present Telly Award for video creation *Building Bridges – Haiti*

BOARD AND PROFESSIONAL POSITIONS

Voting Member, National Academy of Recording Arts and Sciences

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Member, Audio Engineering Society Member, American Society of Civil Engineers Past Advisory Board Member, United States Distance Learning Association Past Board Member, Indiana Distance Learning Association Former Public Relations Chair, Indiana Distance Learning Association Board Member Escrime Du Lac Fencing Academy Past School Board Member Holy Cross School Past Finance Board Member Holy Cross Parish

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David F. Brewster Vice President david@intertech.tv

EDUCATION

University of Notre Dame, South Bend, IN, 2007-2009 Master of Business Administration

Virginia Tech, Blacksburg, VA, 1996-2000 Bachelor of Science, Management Science

WORK EXPERIENCE

Inter Technologies Corporation, 2000-Present

Vice President Sales

- Oversight on all aspects of Inter Technologies Corporation
- · Responsible for new business growth and sales
- · Coordination of multi site connections through video conferencing for various clients
- · Facilitated training programs, for all completed contracts
- Provide hands on and remote support/troubleshooting of integrated video and audio conferencing equipment in conference room and mobile system environments
- Management and supervision of all staff for ongoing installation projects
- Design of new system architectures
- · Software design of custom control system source code
- Agent Authority for Inter Technologies Corporation
- Executed the largest audio/visual installation in the history of North Carolina Schools

 This project incorporated over 40 classrooms, 3 auditoriums, 2 video-conferencing
 rooms, 16 conference rooms and 2 observation areas
 - -Total project was valued at over 3.2 million dollars.

University of Notre Dame, 2000-2004

Videoconferencing Specialist

- Experience with audio and video in an integrated video/audio conferencing environment
- Designed Mendoza College of Business's videoconferencing infrastructure; including classroom design, teaching techniques and support mechanisms
- Tested and evaluated multiple beta versions of new technicality to ensure the University was both on the cutting edge of technology and that money was not wasted on irrelevant technology
- Maintain and update the existing technology used by the University.

COMPUTER SKILLS

SOFTWARE: Microsoft Office, AutoCAD, Pro/Engineer Release 2000i, Matlab PROGRAMMING: C++, Visual Basic, Simpl Widows (Crestron)

AWARDS/CERTIFICATIONS

Certified Technology Specialist (CTS) AMX Advanced Programmer Polycom Sales and Technical Certification

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Tadz Juszczak Director of Operations tadz@intertech.tv

EXPERIENCE

- Programming Crestron and Extron control systems for more than ten years
- Ten years managing project managers and installation technicians
- Fifteen years installing and commissioning systems
- Works closely with end users to ensure systems are completed on schedule
- Works closely with architects and design firms to ensure design requirements are met in the field
- Attends continuing education classes regularly
- Designs systems to meet customer needs from small systems to million dollar systems
- Works with clients to design user interface to meet the needs of the system without over complicating the process

Education

- BS: Electrical Engineering: Virginia Tech
- Certified Technology Specialist-Installation, CTS-I: InfoComm International
- Certified Technology Specialist, CTS: InfoComm International
- Crestron Certified Programmer
- Crestron DMC-E Certified
- Extron EAVA Certified
- Extron ECP Certified
- DES212 AV Design Principles: Environment: InfoComm Academy
- DES213 Design Infrastructure InfoComm Academy
- DES312 Applied AV Design: InfoComm Academy



Daniel Brewster

President – Contract Administrator daniel@intertech.tv

EXPERIENCE

- Programming Crestron Control System
- Programming Extron Control Systems
- Programming AMX Control Systems
- !5 years managing project managers and installation technicians
- Fifteen years installing and commissioning systems
- Works closely with end users to ensure systems are completed on schedule
- Works closely with architects and design firms to ensure design requirements are met in the field
- Attends continuing education classes regularly
- Designs systems to meet customer needs from small systems to million dollar systems
- Works with clients to design user interface to meet the needs of the system without over complicating the process

Education

- BS: Management: University of Phoenix
- Certified Technology Specialist-Installation, CTS-I: InfoComm International
- Certified Technology Specialist, CTS: InfoComm International
- Crestron Certified Intermediate Programmer
- University of Notre Dame : Certificate of Business Sustainability
 - SynAudCon Audio Certified



Jonathan M. Brewster C.O.O. jon@intertech.tv

Abilities/Experience

Provided thousands of Pro AV designs from a basic room to multimillion dollar systems

- 1. 15 years of PRO AV design experience
- 2. 15 years of onsite/offsite installation
- 3. Multiple multimillion dollar PRO AV design/builds
- 4. Interacting with Consultants, Architects, General Contractors, and End Users
- 5. Coordination with other trades
- 6. Passionate for gaining personal relationships with clients
- 7. Dedicated in continuing education
- 8. Demonstrates detailed knowledge of how to analyze, select and plan seamless audiovisual integrations.
- 9. Experience in the ability to modify or create complete specifications and drawings that deliver a desired outcome to meet a client's needs

EDUCATION

BS: Mechanical Engineering: Virginia Tech

Certificate in Executive Management: University of Notre Dame Certified Technology Specialist-Installation: InfoComm Academy DES212 AV Design Principles: Environment: InfoComm Academy DES213 Design Infrastructure InfoComm Academy: DES312 Applied AV Design: InfoComm Academy SynAudCon Audio Certified Crestron Lighting Certified

Committees

Infocomm Certification CTS-I Technical Committee Infocomm Ethics committee



Dale Miller Project Manager/Programmer

EXPERIENCE HIGHLIGHTS

- Experienced audiovisual technician, installer, programmer and trouble shooter
- Dedicated to continuing education
- 5 years of managing highly technical audio visual system installations
- Quickly learns new skills and technologies
- Managed the installation of smart classrooms across several large university
- Executed the installation of medical teaching facility which encompassed eighteen observation rooms, twelve classrooms and conference rooms

TECHNICIAN HIGHLIGHTS

- Responsible for the set-up, operation, troubleshooting and maintenance of all sound systems and Audio Visual equipment.
- Developed sound system design plan for college facilities.
- Installed sound equipment and materials for numerous campus buildings.
- Set up and break down of all equipment for event services.
- In charge of setting up and operating sound system for numerous shows for Sound Solutions, an independently owned company.
- Operated sound system for numerous local bands in hundreds of venues.

TRAINING AND CERTIFICATIONS

- Certified Technology Specialist-Design, CTS-D: InfoComm International
- Certified Technology Specialist-Installation, CTS-I: InfoComm International
- Certified Technology Specialist, CTS: InfoComm International
- Biamp Audia Certified: BiAmp Systems
- Biamp Tesira Certified: BiAmp Systems
- Biamp Vocia Certified: BiAmp Systems
- Crestron Certified Programmer
- Crestron DMC-E Certified
- Extron EAVA Certified
- Extron ECP Certified

EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

- Project Manager, Inter Technologies Corporation, July 2010 Present
- Sound Technician, Sound Solutions, October 2006 July 2010



Mike Wilson

Regional Sales Director

mwilson@intertech.tv

Abilities/ Experience

- Performed hundreds of Needs Analysis visits regarding AV applications.
- Designed and presented hundreds of AV system proposals
- Coordinated hundreds of AV projects from start to completion
- Set-up and performed on-site demonstrations
- 12 years hardware design experience
- 5 years of AV experience
- Attained Certified Technology Specialist
- 8 years as *Networking Specialist* (TCP/IP, SNMP, ATM, FDDI, LLC protocols, and Ethernet)

Education

MS Computer Engineering, Penn State University (20% complete)

BS Electrical Engineering Technology, Old Dominion University

AAS Electrical/Electronics, Thomas Nelson Community College

Certifications

Crestron Foundations of Crestron Programming

Crestron Core System Programming

Crestron DMC-D 4K

Crestron RL-C

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c. The single point of contact for this solicitation will be:

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d. Inter Technologies Corporation has a signed term contract with Northern Virginia Community College, University of Wyoming, NC State, and East Carolina University.

e. Inter Technologies Corporation has an annual sales volume of approximately \$200,000 with James Madison University.

- 8. Inter Technologies Corporation agrees to accept the Bank of America Visa Corporate Purchasing Card
- 9. Inter Technologies Corporaiton accepts the terms and conditions as presented in Section X. General terms and Conditions and in Section XI Special Terms and Conditions.
- 10. Inter Technologies is a DSBD certified small business and the certification number is on the cover sheet



Request for Proposals

RFP #: 7058821JC
RFP Title #: VASCUPP Audio Visual Term Contracts
Issuing Agency: Virginia Commonwealth University
Issue Date: October 13, 2016
Closing Date: November 11, 2016



A VASCUPP Member Institution

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Send all Proposals To: Virginia Commonwealth University RFP #7058821JC Attention: Jackie Colbert 912 W Grace St, 5th floor Richmond, Virginia 23284-0327

Proposals Shall Be Received Until: November 11, 2016 at 11:00 AM local time

Direct ALL inquiries concerning this RFP to: Jackie Colbert

jcolbert@vcu.edu

Questions concerning this RFP must be received via email no later than: October 27, 2016 at 2:00 PM local time.

This Request for Proposals & any Addenda are posted on the eVa website at: http://www.eva.virginia.gov

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I. <u>PURPOSE:</u>

The intent and purpose of this Request for Proposals (RFP) is to establish multiple term contracts through competitive negotiations with qualified source(s) for a broad range of audio visual, multimedia and related products, services and maintenance.

It is the intent of this solicitation and resulting contract(s) to allow for cooperative procurement. Accordingly, any public body, public or private health or educational institution or lead-issuing institution's affiliated foundations may access any resulting contract(s) if authorized by the Contractor.

Participation in this cooperative procurement is strictly voluntary. If authorized by the Contractor(s), the resultant contract(s) may be extended to the entities indicated above to purchase at contract prices in accordance with contract terms. The Contractor shall notify the lead-issuing institution in writing of any entities accessing the contract. No modification of this contract or execution of a separate contract is required to participate. The Contractor shall provide usage reports for all entities accessing the Contract upon request. Participating entities shall place their own orders directly with the Contractor(s) and shall fully and independently administer their use of the contract(s) to include contractual disputes, invoicing and payments without direct administration from the lead-issuing institution. The lead-issuing institution shall not be held liable for any costs or damages incurred by any other participating entity as a result of any authorization by the Contractor to extend the contract. It is understood and agreed that the lead-issuing institution is not responsible for the acts or omissions of any entity, and will not be considered in default of the Agreement no matter the circumstances.

Use of this contract(s) does not preclude any participating entity from using other contracts or competitive processes.

II. GOVERNNG RULES:

This solicitations is issued in accordance with the provisions of:

- A. Purchasing Manual for Institution of Higher Education and their Vendors (<u>https://vascupp.org</u>)
- B. Rules Governing Procurement of goods, Services, Insurance, and Construction by a Public Institution of Higher Education of the commonwealth of Virginia (<u>https://vascupp.org</u>)

III. BACKGROUND:

The University is located on two downtown Campuses in Richmond, VCU enrolls more than 32,000 students in 211 certificate and degree programs in the arts, sciences and humanities. Sixty-nine of the programs are unique in Virginia, many of them crossing the disciplines of VCU's 14 degree-granting schools and one college. As one of the nation's top research universities, VCU attracts more than \$225 million a year in sponsored research funding.

Twenty-seven VCU graduate and professional programs are ranked among the best in the nation in U.S. News & World Report's "America's Best Graduate Schools." These include the No. 1 ranked sculpture and nurse anesthesia programs.

VCU Life Sciences has developed into a University-wide discipline that builds upon the University's traditional scientific strengths in the biological sciences, basic biomedical sciences, patient care, biomedical engineering and biotechnology. VCU Life Sciences is comprehensive in its involvement of all levels of students in the study of life sciences, from freshmen to students in the professional programs to Ph.D. candidates, and integrates diverse disciplines from all over the University, including the academic medical center as well as arts and humanities.

VCU Medical Center is one of the nation's leading academic medical centers and stands alone as the only academic medical center in Central Virginia. The medical center includes the 780-bed MCV Hospitals and outpatient clinics, MCV Physicians — a 600-physician-faculty group practice, and the health sciences schools of VCU. The VCU Medical Center offers state-of-the art care in more than 200 specialty areas, many of national and international note, including organ transplantation, head and spinal cord trauma, burn healing and cancer treatment. The VCU Medical Center is the site for the region's only Level 1 Trauma Center. As a leader in health care research, the VCU Medical Center offers patients the opportunity to choose to participate in programs that advance evolving treatment, such as those sponsored by the National Cancer Institute through VCU's Massey Cancer Center, Virginia's first NCI-designated cancer center.

VCU's nationally recognized theatre, music and dance programs offer more than 365 concerts, performances and recitals a year. The Anderson Gallery showcases regional art as well as work by international artists.

VCU is an urban leader, forging ties with business, industry and government in such innovative projects as the collocation of the schools of Business and Engineering, the da Vinci Center for Innovation in Product Design and Development and the Virginia BioTechnology Research Park.

The University and its medical center are the largest-single employer in the Richmond area, with more than 12,000 full-time and 6,000 part-time employees, including 1,900 full-time instructional faculty — many of them nationally and internationally recognized in their fields. John B. Fenn, Ph.D., research professor in the Department of Chemistry and affiliate professor of chemical engineering, was one of three international scientists to be awarded the 2002 Nobel Prize in chemistry.

IV. OFFEROR INFORMATION REQUESTS:

The opportunity for potential Offerors to present questions and obtain clarification relative to any facet of this solicitation is from the issue date of the RFP until October 27, 2016 at 2:00 PM EDT. Submit all questions to Jackie Colbert, <u>jcolbert@vcu.edu</u>. The questions and clarifications will be issued in an addendum to the RFP.

V. STATEMENT OF NEEDS:

- A. Goods
 - 1. The Contractor shall provide audio visual, multi-media, and related products, services and maintenance. The Contractor should provide access to every audio visual, multi-media and all related products and services that the company sells through the contract. Audio visual products and services added to the Contractor product mix after the award of the contracts may be incorporated into the contract. The Contractor shall only provide ENERGY STAR or similarly qualified equipment to Commonwealth of Virginia state agencies in any audio visual category where these energy efficient products are available.
 - 2. The contract should provide for purchasing equipment in the following categories:

Broadcast Television Equipment Multimedia Presentation Equipment Multimedia Development Equipment Satellite Transmitting and Receiving Equipment Teleconferencing and Communication Equipment Computer Presentation Equipment – Streaming and Webcasting

Broadband Distribution Equipment

Multi-Media Furniture

- 3. The Contractor should be able to install, maintain and service all products supplied in a professional manner while providing excellent customer service. The Contractor should anticipate that installation services are required for approximately 90.0% of the VCU AV projects.
- 4. The Contractor must have a Class "A" Contractor's license with the appropriate specialty classification as recognized by the Virginia Board for Contractors, Department of Professional and Occupational Regulation to perform required installation services for any work that is attached to real property.
- 5. It is anticipated that the Contractor may offer prices for equipment and services expressed as a percentage discount off the manufacturer's list price for equipment and the Contractor's list price for services. The discounted price shall include all associated costs for equipment and services including the freight terms F.O.B. Destination/Prepaid and any travel and living expenses for technician services. Discounts shall be considered the minimum discounts for the duration of the contracts including any renewals. Audio visual products and services added to the Contractor product mix after the award of the contracts shall be incorporated into the contract at the same discount as products priced similarly within the product category.
- 6. During the last fiscal year from July 1, 2015 to June 30, 2016, public institutions of higher education in the Commonwealth of Virginia purchased approximately \$27,700,000 from the current VASCUPP audio visual contracts. This RFP is issued because the existing contracts do not have any renewal options remaining. New audio visual contracts are required to support on-going audio visual needs at public institutions of higher education in the Commonwealth of Virginia. It is expected that the combined spend by the public institutions of higher education in the Commonwealth of Virginia will remain approximately \$27,700,000 on an annual basis during the initial contract term and any subsequent renewal terms. Potential annual purchases by other state agencies and localities could increase the estimated annual spend by approximately \$10,000,000. This estimated volume is provided only as a guideline for preparing the discounts offered. It is not a guarantee of the contract volume. The Contractor shall supply at the discounts offered the quantities actually ordered by the VASCUPP institutions of higher education and any other users of the contracts. The resulting contracts are for audio visual requirements on an "as needed basis".
- 7. The contract should contain provisions for a select group of products for rent on an "as needed" basis. The Contractor should provide the necessary combination of services to include, but not limited to, a rental technician to run the equipment, delivery, set-up, and pick-up. Rental equipment may be subject to availability.
- B. Design, Project Management, Installation/Integration, Commissioning and Closeout Standards
 - 1. System Standardization
 - a. When designing, quoting, and installing systems the Contractor must adhere to industry standards as well as all Buyer system and templates standards. Any deviation in system design, equipment, or configuration from the Buyer's standards must be pre-approved by the Buyer in advance.
 - 2. Project Management
 - a. All Buyer projects should be formally managed by a full time, in-house employee of the Contractor whose primary role is project management. The project manager shall be available to the Buyer at all times during the installation and be the point of contact person for the University. The project manager is to be knowledgeable of the specific project, all

industry and professional standards and current with proper installation techniques. Prior to the University authorizing payment, the project manager shall be responsible for providing proof of performance, quality installation and that all equipment is accounted for as part of the official system sign-off. Sign-off must be obtained from the Contract Administrator or designee.

- b. All projects should strictly follow the schedule provided by the Buyer.
- c. All project deliverables should be delivered on the date indicated in the schedule.
- d. The Contractor must use the Buyers project management system to interface with the project unless no such system is available. The Contractor should use the interface to manage items including but not limited to:
 - 1) Schedule
 - 2) Identify and manage Risk
 - 3) Store and retrieve project documents
 - 4) Communications
 - 5) Staging
 - 6) Commissioning
 - 7) Deliverables
 - 8) Punch lists
- 3. Control Programming
 - a. The Buyer owns all system programs such as control and audio DSP programs.
 - b. All programming must be performed by a full time, in-house employee of the Contractor.
 - c. All Contractor programmers should have a programming certification from the manufacturer providing the system or the Buyer must be notified if a non-certified programmer is working on the program to approve.
 - d. Contractor must adhere to all Buyer standards and templates for control programming.
- 4. System Integration
 - a. Staging Contractors shall stage all new system integrations on the agreed upon date local to the Buyer to provide proof of performance. The following system deliverables are due at staging if applicable:
 - 1) Full demonstration of system functionality as can be reasonably staged
 - a) For partial system upgrades, at a minimum the control programs functionality shall be virtually demonstrated.
 - b) All new equipment must at least be powered up to verify out of box functionality.
 - 2) Control Program Deliverables
 - a) Functional control program
 - b) Functional control user interface
 - 3) Equipment Documentation Deliverables
 - a) Manufacturer Name
 - b) Model Number
 - c) Serial Number
 - d) Mac Address
 - 4) Complete Wiring Diagrams
 - 5) The Contractor's programmer shall be present during system staging.
 - b. Installation

- 1) Installation crew must have the following upon arriving to the installation site:
 - a) Complete wiring diagrams and detailed knowledge of the system functionality
 - b) Scope of Work
 - c) Knowledge of location
 - d) Buyer's contact information
 - e) At least one member of the Contractor's on-site installation crew must have industry related certification.
- c. Commissioning
 - 1) The installed system must be fully tested by the Contractor with all possible sources and in every configuration prior to commissioning to the Buyer. This includes several system shutdowns and restarts after the final programs have been loaded.
 - 2) Contractor to then demonstrate all system functionality and scope deliverables to the Buyer.
- d. Project Closeout Deliverables due prior to system signoff
 - 1) Un-compiled control program and user interface files individually by room.
 - 2) Audio DSP program files individually by room.
 - 3) As built wiring diagrams in .DWG and PDF formats individually by room
 - 4) Any passwords associated with the equipment and system programming individually by room
 - 5) Date equipment warranties begin and duration
- C. Warranty and Maintenance
 - 1. The Contractor should include a minimum of a one (1) year warranty from the date of acceptance on all equipment or in accordance with the standard manufacturer's warranty, whichever is greater. The warranty should cover all equipment, labor and wiring of a completed system for a minimum of one (1) year from the date of final acceptance.
 - 2. All products purchased under the contract shall minimally include the Original Equipment Manufacturer (OEM) warranty that shall pass directly to the purchaser. Products that fail after acceptance and installation shall be covered under warranty. Products that are inoperative at installation shall either be replaced by the Contractor or repaired under warranty. The decision to replace such products or accept warranty repair shall be at the sole discretion of the purchaser except in the event the purchaser fails to provide timely notice of product failure to the Contractor.
 - 3. The Contractor should replace in-kind any equipment which fails within first thirty (30) days of purchase.
 - 4. The Contractor should provide loaner equipment, if needed, similar to the product, which requires repair under warranty at no charge to the University.
 - 1. After the warranty period, the Contractor should make service agreements available to the University. Either the Contractor or the manufacturer of the equipment may provide the maintenance.
- D. Additional Services

- 1. When necessary, the Contractor should provide professional on-site consultation, system design, installation, service and maintenance on the audio visual and multi-media products. Sometimes these services may be required in conjunction with the purchase of products from the Contractor and sometimes only the consulting services, system design, installation or service and maintenance may be required.
- 2. As may be agreed upon with the University, the Contractor should organize and participate in technology shows. The purpose of the show is to present new products and provide information to University departments.
- 3. When necessary, the Contractor should provide training to University departments on the operation of new equipment.
- E. Order Placement
 - 1. The Contractor shall provide a quote with t the following requirements product number, product description list price, contract discount, contract price, delivery lead time after receipt of order and contract number. Any labor quoted must indicate the number of hours times the hourly contract rate.
 - 2. The Contractor shall accept a University Purchase Order for individual orders of any dollar amount and should accept the Bank of America Visa Corporate Purchasing Card for orders of \$5,000 or less.
- F. Procurement Requirements:
 - 1. Freight terms shall be F.O.B. Destination/Prepaid with inside delivery; additional charges shall not be allowed.
 - 2. The terms and conditions of the RFP govern the resulting contract and not any Contractor terms and conditions or software license agreement.
 - 3. The proposal prices shall include all costs for the equipment and services including all applicable freight and travel and living expenses; extra charges will not be allowed.
 - 4. The initial contract term is one (1) year with four (4) annual, optional renewal terms.
 - 5. Any authorized user of a cooperative contract awarded from the RFP may choose at their discretion to waive specific requirements in Section V as needed. The contractor must receive written approval from the authorized user to waive a requirement and that written permission is applicable to the specific authorized user alone.

VI. PROPOSAL PREPARATION AND SUBMISSION INSTRUCTIONS:

- A. Proposal Submission Instructions:
 - 1. Complete and return Page 2 of the RFP. Proposals shall be signed by an authorized representative of the Offeror.
 - 2. Complete and return signed addenda acknowledgments (if applicable).
 - 3. Utilization of the words "shall" or "must" indicates a mandatory requirement.
 - 4. Submit one (1) original hard copy (paper) of the entire proposal, including all attachments and proprietary information. The original proposal must be clearly marked on the outside of the proposal. Submit one (1) unsecured, original electronic copy (on a disc or flash drive) of the entire proposal including all attachments and INCLUDING ANY PROPRIETARY INFORMATION and one (1) unsecured, original electronic copy (on a disc or flash drive) of the entire proposal

including all attachments and EXCLUDING ANY PROPRIETARY INFORMATION. These discs or flash drives must be clearly marked on the outside whether it includes or excludes proprietary information. No other distribution of the proposal shall be made by the Offeror.

- 5. Proposal Presentation:
 - a. All information requested must be submitted. Failure to submit all information requested may result in the Purchasing Agency requiring prompt submission of missing information and/or giving a lowered evaluation of the proposal. Proposals which are substantially incomplete or lack key information may be rejected by the purchasing agency. Mandatory requirements are those required by law or regulation or are such that they cannot be waived and are not subject to negotiation.
 - b. All information requested by this Request for Proposals on the ownership, utilization and planned involvement of small businesses, women-owned businesses and minority-owned businesses must be submitted. If an Offeror fails to submit all information requested, the Purchasing Agency may require prompt submission of missing information after the receipt of Contractors proposals.
 - c. Proposals should be prepared simply and economically, providing a straightforward, concise description of capabilities to satisfy the requirements of the RFP. Emphasis should be placed on completeness and clarity of content.
 - d. Proposals should be organized in the order in which the requirements are presented in the RFP. All pages of the proposal should be numbered. Each paragraph in the proposal should reference the paragraph number of the corresponding section of the RFP. It is also helpful to cite the paragraph number, subletter, and repeat the text of the requirement as it appears in the RFP. If a response covers more than one page, the paragraph number and subletter should be repeated at the top of the next page. The proposal should contain a table of contents, which cross-references the RFP requirements. Information which the offeror desires to present that does not fall within any of the requirements of the RFP should be inserted at an appropriate place or be attached at the end of the proposal and designated as additional material. Proposals that are not organized in this manner risk elimination from consideration if the evaluators are unable to find the RFP requirements are specifically addressed.
 - e. Each copy of the proposal should be bound or contained in a single volume where practical. All documentation submitted with the proposal should be contained in that single volume.
- 6. If applicable, the outside of the Proposal must be marked to clearly denote proprietary information is contained in the documents. *Written notice of proprietary information must* be submitted as the first page of the Offeror's Proposal. Notice must specifically identify the applicable portions of the Offeror's Proposal that contain data or materials to be protected and shall state the reasons why protection is necessary. In addition, the specific (i.e. specific words, figures or paragraphs) proprietary or trade secret material submitted, must be identified on the applicable page(s) within the Offeror's Proposal, by some distinct method, such as highlighting, underlining, etc. The classification of an entire Proposal document, line item prices and/or total Proposal prices as proprietary or trade secrets is not acceptable and may result in rejection and return of the Proposal. Ownership of all data, materials and documentation originated and prepared for VCU pursuant to the RFP shall belong exclusively to the University and be subject to public inspection in accordance with the Virginia Freedom of Information Act. Trade secrets or proprietary information submitted by an Offeror shall not be subject to public disclosure under the Virginia Freedom of Information Act; however, the Offeror must invoke the protections of Section 43F of The Governing Rules, in writing, either before or at the time the data or other material is submitted.
- 7. Communications regarding this Request for Proposals (RFP) shall be formal from the date of the issuance for this RFP, until either a Contractor has been selected or the University Procurement Services Department rejects all proposals. Formal communications shall be

directed to the University Procurement Department only. Informal communications including but not limited to, request for information, comments or speculations, regarding this RFP to any University employee other than Procurement Services Department representative may result in the offending Offeror's Proposal being rejected.

- 8. Oral Presentation: Offerors who submit a proposal in response to this RFP may be required to conduct an oral presentation of their proposal to VCU. Oral presentations are an option and may or may not be required. Should an oral presentation be required, VCU will designate the date and location for the presentation; the date is critical and alternative dates will not be available. Offerors who are invited to conduct an oral presentation shall include the individual(s) who would be the primary point of contact for VCU, on the Offerors presentation team.
- 9. The version of the solicitation issued by the Virginia Commonwealth University Purchasing Department as amended by any addenda is the mandatory controlling version of the document. Any modification of or additions to the solicitation by the Offeror shall not modify the official version of the solicitation issued by the Virginia Commonwealth University Purchasing Department unless accepted in writing by the University. Such modifications or additions to the solicitation by the Offeror may be cause for rejection of the proposal; however, Virginia Commonwealth University reserves the right to decide, on a case by case basis, in its sole discretion, whether to reject such a proposal. If the modifications or additions are not identified until after the award of the contract, the controlling version of the solicitation document shall still be the official state form issued by the Purchasing Department.
- B. Specific Proposal Requirements:
 - 1. Proposals should be as thorough and detailed as possible so that VCU may properly evaluate your capabilities to provide the required goods/services.
 - 2. Proposed Price.
 - a. Describe the proposed discount pricing structure for the required equipment categories listed Section V, Item A. 2. Provide a list of the brands of AV equipment, equipment categories and the discount from the manufacturer list price by brand and equipment category offered to include but not limited to the manufacturers that VCU uses below. VCU prefers that the deepest discounts are for the largest volume manufacturers listed below with competitive discounts off other manufacturers and types of AV equipment that your company sells.

AVF Apple

Biamp

Chief

Cisco

Clearone

Compulock

Crestron

Dalite

Dell

Epson

Ergotron

Extron

Icon

JBLLogitechMiddle AtlanticNECNetgearPlanarQSCRadio Design LabsSharpShureSonyTrippliteVaddioVutec

Discounts offered must at minimum meet any educational pricing discounts such as Crestron A+, Extron Education contract and Epson brighter futures pricing.

- b. What is the proposed pricing for maintenance after the warranty period? Are any costs associated with installation and system implementation?
- c. Does the offer from your firm include the option to rent equipment? If your firm can provide rental equipment on an "as needed" basis, what are the proposed prices?
- d. For evaluation purposes only, a hypothetical Pricing Schedule is included in Section VII of the RFP. Please fill out and submit the Pricing Schedule with the RFP offer.
- 3. Provide specific plans and approach for providing the proposed services as specified in the Statement of Needs including a statement of understanding that your firm shall comply with the mandatory requirements and indicating the desirable specifications that your firm agrees to provide. Mandatory requirements are designated by the words shall or must and desirable services are designated by the words should or may. The plans should include, but need not be limited to:
 - a. Describe the audio visual and multi-media products offered in the following categories:

Broadcast Television Equipment Multimedia Presentation Equipment Multimedia Development Equipment Satellite Transmitting and Receiving Equipment Teleconferencing and Communication Equipment Computer Presentation Equipment - Streaming and Webcasting Broadband Distribution Equipment

b. Indicate that your firm understands that individual University purchase orders will be issued for individual requirements on an "as needed" basis.

- c. Confirm that your firm agrees to freight terms F.O.B. Destination/Pre-paid.
- d. Provide plans to provide the equipment and services specified in Section V.B.
- e. Submit a copy of your firm's Class "A" Contractor's License with appropriate specialty classification as recognized by the Virginia Board for Contractors, Department of Professional and Occupational Regulation to perform the AV installation services.
- f. Describe the proposed approach for the provision of warranty and maintenance under the contract.
- g. Address in detail the additional services listed in Section V.D. of the Statement of Needs that are offered. What, if any, are the costs associated with the services listed in Section V., Item D.2 and D.4.
- h. Provide a sample quote that provides all of the following information: product number, product description, list price, contract discount, contract price, delivery lead time after receipt of order and contract number.
- i. Provide an implementation schedule indicating how long after the award of the contract it shall take your company to begin accepting orders from authorized users of the contract and delivering audio visual products and services.
- 4. Utilization of the words "shall" or "must" in Section V, Statement of Needs indicates a mandatory requirement:

Does / Shall your company comply with mandatory requirements as presented in Section V, Statement of Needs?

Yes x No _____

If "NO," identify the specific requirement and the reason for non-compliance.

5. Utilization of the words "should" or "may" in Section V, Statement of Needs indicates a nonmandatory requirement.

Does / Shall your company comply the non-mandatory requirements as presented in Section V (i.e. "should" becomes "shall")?

- Yes x No _____
- 6. If "NO," identify the specific requirement and the reason for non-compliance.
- 7. Submit information about the qualifications and experience that your company has to provide the required products and services.
 - a. Describe the firm's qualifications and experience providing the required products and services during the last three (3) years. Information provided should include, but is not limited to, comparable accounts in higher education and the scope of the services. Include information for a minimum of three (3) similar accounts, describing the types of projects and the scope of the services provided. Please include contact information with the name, address, email address and current phone number.
 - b. Specify any technicians your company intends to assign to the VASCUPP contract. Provide information to include but is not limited to the names, qualifications, and experience of the technicians to be assigned to the contract. Resumes of staff to be assigned to the contract may be used. Submit relevant professional certifications for the technicians proposed to work on contract projects.
 - c. Does the offer include a single primary point of contact for the VASCUPP institutions for sales, support and problem resolution? If so, please provide the name and contact information.

- d. Provide a list of institutions of higher education with which your firm has a signed term contract.
- e. Provide the amount of annual sales the firm has with each VASCUPP Member Institution. A list of VASCUPP Members can be found at:

http://procurement.vcu.edu/our-services/university-purchasing/vascupp/

- 8. Does your firm agree to accept the Bank of America Visa Corporate Purchasing Card for orders of \$5,000 or less? Yes
- 9. Does your company accept the terms and conditions as presented in Section X, General Terms and Conditions and in Section XI, Special Terms and Conditions to govern the contract?

Yes X No ____

If "NO," identify the specific term and condition(s) and the reason for non-compliance.

- 10. Small, Women-Owned and Minority-Owned Business commitment for utilization.
 - a. The Offeror must submit complete information on Appendix I unless the Offeror is a Department of Small Business and Supplier Diversity (DSBSD). DSBSD certified small businesses must include their certification number on the coversheet of this RFP, but are not required to complete Appendix I.
- 11. Method of Payment
 - a. The Offeror must complete and submit Appendix II to select an electronic payment method.

VII. PRINCING SCHEDULE:

The hypothetical below will be used during the RFP evaluation process to determine the scores for the price evaluation criterion. Quantities indicated below are used for evaluation purposes <u>only</u> and shall not be interpreted as actual contract usage by VCU. Actual contract amounts shall be determined based on actual usage whether it is higher or lower than the amounts in the hypothetical. In the event of a mathematical error, the correct discount percentage or unit price shall prevail.

A. <u>Equipment and Furniture:</u>

	Annual Expenditures	5	% Discou	nt	Discounted Total
Broadcast Television	\$200,000.	less	31	% = \$	\$138,000
Multimedia Presentation	\$700,000.	less _	40	% = \$	\$420,000
Multimedia Development	\$300,000.	less _	31	% = \$	\$207000
Satellite Transmitting	\$300,000.	less	15	% = 3	\$255,000
and Receiving					

Teleconferencing and Communication	\$1,300,000.	less _	30	% = \$	910,	000
Computer Presentation	\$1,900,000.	less _	33	% = \$	1,27	3,000
Broadband Distribution	\$200,000.	less	31	% = \$	138,00	00
Multi-Media Furniture	\$ 150,000.	less	22	% = \$	117	,000
Section A Total			\$	34580		
B. <u>Services</u> :						
Annual Maintenance Contracts	\$100,000	less _		% = \$	inclu	ded
Hourly Service Rates:						
		al Number f Hours	ł	Iourly Rate		Annual Total
Maintenance				50.00		
After The Warranty	200	hours X	\$_	50.00	= \$	<u> 10,000 </u>
Installation	700	hours X	\$_	35	= \$	24,500
Technical Assistance	50	hours X	\$_	75	= :	\$3750
Training	25	hours X	\$_		= \$	1250
Section B Total					\$ <u></u> 3	9,500.00

C. <u>Rental Equipment</u>:

Annual

	Expenditures		% Discou	nt Discounted Total
Section C Total	\$100,000. le	ess	10	_% = \$90,000
				2 407 5000
Grand Total Sections A, B and C			\$_	3,497,5000

VIII. EVALUATION AND AWARD CRITERIA:

Proposals will be evaluated based upon the information provided in the Offeror's Proposal using the following criteria: Offeror's qualifications and experience; methodology/approach to providing the requirements stated herein; price; and the Offeror's status as a Virginia certified SWaM Business or the Offeror's plans to utilize Virginia DSBSD certified SWaM Businesses in the Offeror's performance of the contract. Negotiations shall be conducted with Offerors so selected. After negotiations have been conducted with each Offeror so selected, the VCU shall select the Offeror which, in its opinion, has made the best offer, and shall award the contract to that Offeror. VCU reserves the right to make multiple awards from the RFP. The University may cancel this Request for Proposals or reject Proposals at any time prior to an award, and is not required to furnish a statement of the reason why a particular Proposal was not deemed to be the most advantageous. (Governing Rules Section 49.D) Should the University determine in writing and in its sole discretion that only one Offeror has made the best proposal, a Contract may be negotiated and awarded to that Offeror. The award document will be a Contract incorporating by reference all the requirements, terms and conditions of the RFP, and the Offeror's response thereto.

Notice of Award(s) or Notice of Intent to Award may be accessed electronically at <u>http://www.eva.virginia.gov</u>.

IX. REPORTING AND DELIVERY REQUIREMENTS:

By submitting a Proposal, Offerors certify that all information provided in response to the Request for Proposals is true and accurate. Failure to provide information required by this Request for Proposals will ultimately result in rejection of the Proposal.

It is the policy of the Commonwealth of Virginia that 42% of its purchases be made from small businesses to contribute to the establishment, preservation, and strengthening of small businesses, and businesses owned by women and minorities, and to encourage their participation in VCU procurement activities. The University encourages Contractors to provide for the participation of small businesses and businesses owned by women and minorities through partnerships, joint ventures, subcontracts or other contractual opportunities.

<u>Use of Subcontractors</u>: If the Offeror intends to use subcontractors to perform any portion of the work described in this RFP, the Offeror must clearly so state. VCU is placing an increased emphasis on its SWaM (Small, Women, and Minority Owned) business program and is interested in identifying any potential opportunities that may be available to engage SWaM vendors to be certified by the Virginia Department of Small Business and Supplier Diversity (DSBSD) through new or existing contracts. Identify and list any such opportunities that your firm would commit to if awarded this Contract in Appendix I- Participation in VCU Procurement Transactions Small Businesses and Businesses Owned by Women and Minority. The Offeror's response must include a description of which portion(s) of the work will be sub-contracted out and the names and addresses of potential Subcontractor(s) under the Contract.

REPORT ON THE PARTICIPATION OF SMALL BUSINESSES AND BUSINESSES

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BY WOMEN AND MINORITIES

Unless the Contractor is a DSBSD certified small business, the Contractor shall submit quarterly reports on the direct involvement of Department of Small Business and Supplier Diversity (DSBSD) certified SWaM Businesses in the performance of the Contract. The report shall specify the actual dollars spent to date with Small Businesses, Women-Owned Businesses, and Minority-Owned Businesses based upon the Contractor's commitment for utilization of DSBSD SWaM Businesses.

The Contractor shall provide this information to:

Virginia Commonwealth University Procurement Services Office Attn: SWAM Coordinator 912 W. Grace Street, POB 980327 Richmond, VA 23284 Email: <u>swamreporting@vcu.edu</u>

Failure to submit the required information will be considered a contract compliance issue and will be addressed accordingly. In addition, failure to submit the required information will result in invoices being returned without payment.

X. GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS:

- A. <u>PURCHASING MANUAL</u>: This RFP is subject to the provisions of the Commonwealth of Virginia's Purchasing Manual for Institutions of Higher Education and their Vendors and any revisions thereto, which are hereby incorporated into this contract in their entirety. A copy of the manual is available for review at the VCU Procurement Services Office. In addition, the manual may be accessed electronically at <u>http://procurement.vcu.edu/</u> or a copy can be obtained by calling VCU Procurement Services at (804) 828-1077.
- B. <u>APPLICABLE LAW AND COURTS:</u> This RFP and any resulting Contract shall be governed in all respects by the laws of the Commonwealth of Virginia and any litigation with respect thereto shall be brought in the courts of the Commonwealth. The Contractor shall comply with all applicable federal, state and local laws, rules and regulations.
- C. <u>ANTI-DISCRIMINATION</u>: By submitting their Proposals, Offerors certify to the Commonwealth and to VCU that they will conform to the provisions of the Federal Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended, as well as the Virginia Fair Employment Contracting Act of 1975, as amended, where applicable, the Virginians With Disabilities Act, the Americans With Disabilities Act and Section 2.2-4311 of the *Virginia Public Procurement Act*. If the award is made to a faith-based organization, the organization shall not discriminate against any recipient of goods, services, or disbursements made pursuant to the contract on the basis of the recipient's religion, religious belief, refusal to participate in a religious practice, or on the basis of race, age, color, gender or national origin and shall be subject to the same rules as other organizations that contract with public bodies to account for the use of the funds provided; however, if the faith-based organization segregates public funds into separate accounts, only the accounts and programs funded with public funds shall be subject to audit by the public body. (*Code of Virginia*, § 2.2-4343.1).

In every Contract over \$10,000 the provisions in 1. and 2. below apply:

- 1. During the performance of this Contract, the Contractor agrees as follows:
 - a) Virginia Commonwealth University is an equal opportunity/affirmative action institution providing access to education and employment without regard to age, race,

color, national origin, gender, religion, sexual orientation, veteran's status, political affiliation or disability. As such, the Contractor will not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of age, race, color, national origin, gender, religion, sexual orientation, veteran's status, political affiliation or disability or any other basis prohibited by state law related to discrimination in employment, except where there is a bona fide occupational qualification reasonably necessary to the normal operation of the Contractor. The Contractor agrees to post in conspicuous places, available to employees and applicants for employment, notices setting forth the provisions of this nondiscrimination clause.

- b) The Contractor, in all solicitations or advertisements for employees placed by or on behalf of the Contractor, will state that such Contractor is an equal opportunity employer.
- c) Notices, advertisements and solicitations placed in accordance with federal law, rule or regulation shall be deemed sufficient for the purpose of meeting these requirements.
- 2. The Contractor will include the provisions of 1. above in every subcontract or purchase order over \$10,000, so that the provisions will be binding upon each subcontractor or vendor.
- D. <u>ETHICS IN PUBLIC CONTRACTING</u>: By submitting their Proposals, Offerors certify that their Proposals are made without collusion or fraud and that they have not offered or received any kickbacks or inducements from any other Offeror, supplier, manufacturer or subcontractor in connection with their Proposal, and that they have not conferred on any public employee having official responsibility for this procurement transaction any payment, loan, subscription, advance, deposit of money, services or anything of more than nominal value, present or promised, unless consideration of substantially equal or greater value was exchanged.
- E. <u>IMMIGRATION REFORM AND CONTROL ACT OF 1986</u>: By submitting their Proposals, Offerors certify that they do not and will not during the performance of this Contract employ illegal alien workers or otherwise violate the provisions of the Federal Immigration Reform and Control Act of 1986.
- F. <u>DEBARMENT STATUS</u>: By submitting their Proposals, Offerors certify that they are not currently debarred by the Commonwealth of Virginia from submitting proposals on contracts for the type of goods and/or services covered by this solicitation, nor are they an agent of any person or entity that is currently so debarred.
- G. <u>ANTITRUST:</u> By entering into a Contract, the Contractor conveys, sells, assigns, and transfers to the Commonwealth of Virginia all rights, title and interest in and to all causes of the action it may now have or hereafter acquire under the antitrust laws of the United States and the Commonwealth of Virginia, relating to the particular goods or services purchased or acquired by the Commonwealth of Virginia under said contract.
- H. <u>MANDATORY USE OF STATE FORM AND TERMS AND CONDITIONS</u>: Failure to submit a Proposal on the official VCU Form provided for that purpose may be a cause for rejection of the Proposal. Modification of, or additions to, the General Terms and Conditions of the solicitation may be cause for rejection of the Proposal; however, the Commonwealth reserves the right to decide, on a case by case basis, in its sole discretion, whether to reject such a Proposal.
- I. <u>FINAL OF TERMS</u>: If any prospective Offeror has questions about the specifications or other RFP documents, the prospective Offeror should contact the Services Category Manager whose name

appears on the face of the RFP no later than five (5) working days before the Proposal due date. Any revisions to the RFP will be made only by Addendum issued by the Services Category Manager.

J. <u>PAYMENT</u>:

1. To Prime Contractor:

- a) Invoices for items ordered, delivered and accepted shall be submitted by the Contractor directly to the payment address shown on the purchase order/Contract. All invoices shall show the VCU Contract number and/or purchase order number; social security number (for individual Contractors) or the federal employer identification number (for proprietorships, partnerships, and corporations).
- b) Any payment terms requiring payment in less than thirty (30) days will be regarded as requiring payment thirty (30) days after invoice or delivery, whichever occurs last. This shall not affect offers of discounts for payment in less than thirty (30) days, however.
- c) All goods or services provided under this Contract or purchase order, that are to be paid for with public funds, shall be billed by the Contractor at the contract price, regardless of which public institution is being billed.
- d) The following shall be deemed to be the date of payment: the date of postmark in all cases where payment is made by mail, or the date of offset when offset proceedings have been instituted as authorized under the Virginia Debt Collection Act.
- e) Unreasonable Charges. Under certain emergency procurements and for most time and material purchases, final job costs cannot be accurately determined at the time orders are placed. In such cases, contractors should be put on notice that final payment in full is contingent on a determination of reasonableness with respect to all invoiced charges. Charges which appear to be unreasonable will be researched and challenged, and that portion of the invoice held in abeyance until a settlement can be reached. Upon determining that invoiced charges are not reasonable, VCU shall promptly notify the contractor, in writing, as to those charges which it considers unreasonable and the basis for the determination. A Contractor may not institute legal action unless a settlement cannot be reached within thirty (30) days of notification. The provisions of this Section do not relieve VCU of its prompt payment obligations with respect to those charges that are not in dispute (Code of Virginia, § 2.2-4363).
- f) To Subcontractors:
- a) Contractor awarded a contract under this RFP is hereby obligated:
 - i. To pay the Subcontractor(s) within seven (7) days of the Contractor's receipt of payment from VCU for the proportionate share of the payment received for work performed by the Subcontractor(s) under the contract; or
 - ii. To notify VCU and the Subcontractor(s), in writing, of the Contractor's intention to withhold payment and the reason.
- b) The Contractor is obligated to pay the Subcontractor(s) interest at the rate of one percent per month (unless otherwise provided under the terms of the contract) on all amounts owed by the Contractor that remain unpaid seven (7) days following receipt of payment from VCU, except for amounts withheld as stated in 2. above. The date of mailing of any payment by U.S. Mail is deemed to be payment to the addressee. These

provisions apply to each sub-tier Contractor performing under the primary contract. A Contractor's obligation to pay an interest charge to a Subcontractor may not be construed to be an obligation of VCU.

- K. <u>PRECEDENCE OF TERMS</u>: Paragraphs A-J of these General Terms and Conditions shall apply in all instances. In the event there is a conflict between any of the other General Terms and Conditions and any Special Terms and Conditions in this solicitation, the Special Terms and Conditions shall apply.
- L. <u>QUALIFICATIONS OF OFFERORS</u>: VCU may make such reasonable investigations as deemed proper and necessary to determine the ability of the Offeror to perform the services/furnish the goods and the Offeror shall furnish to VCU all such information and data for this purpose as may be requested. VCU reserves the right to inspect Offeror's physical facilities prior to award to satisfy questions regarding the Offeror's capabilities. VCU further reserves the right to reject any Proposal if the evidence submitted by, or investigations of, such Offeror fails to satisfy VCU that such Offeror is properly qualified to carry out the obligations of the Contract and to provide the services and/or furnish the goods contemplated therein.
- M. <u>TESTING AND INSPECTION</u>: VCU reserves the right to conduct any test/inspection it may deem advisable to assure goods and services conform to the specifications.
- N. <u>ASSIGNMENT OF CONTRACT</u>: A Contract shall not be assignable by the Contractor in whole or in part without the written consent of the VCU Director of Procurement Services.
- 0. <u>CHANGES TO THE CONTRACT</u>: Changes can be made to the Contract in any one of the following ways:
 - 1. The parties may agree in writing to modify the scope of the Contract. An increase or decrease in the price of the Contract resulting from such modification shall be agreed to by the parties as a part of their written agreement to modify the scope of the Contract.
 - 2. The VCU Procurement Services Department may order changes within the general scope of the Contract at any time by written notice to the Contractor. Changes within the scope of the contract include, but are not limited to, things such as services to be performed, the method of packing or shipment, and the place of delivery or installation. The Contractor shall comply with the notice upon receipt. The Contractor shall be compensated for any additional costs incurred as the result of such order and shall give VCU a credit for any savings. Said compensation shall be determined by one of the following methods:
 - a) By mutual agreement between the parties in writing; or
 - b) By agreeing upon a unit price or using a unit price set forth in the Contract, if the work to be done can be expressed in units, and the Contractor accounts for the number of units of work performed, subject to the VCU's right to audit the Contractor's records and/or to determine the correct number of units independently; or
 - c) By ordering the Contractor to proceed with the work and keep a record of all costs incurred and savings realized. A markup for overhead and profit may be allowed if provided by the Contract. The same markup shall be used for determining a decrease in price as the result of savings realized. The Contractor shall present VCU with all vouchers and records of expenses incurred and savings realized. VCU shall have the right to audit the records of the Contractor as it deems necessary to determine costs or savings. Any claim for an adjustment in price under this provision must be asserted by written notice to VCU within thirty (30) days from the date of receipt of the written order from VCU. If the parties fail to agree on an amount of adjustment, the question of an increase or decrease in the Contract price or time for performance shall be resolved

in accordance with the procedures for resolving disputes provided by the Disputes Clause of this Contract or, if there is none, in accordance with the disputes provisions of the Commonwealth of Virginia's Purchasing Manual for Institutions of Higher Education and Their Vendors. Neither the existence of a claim or a dispute resolution process, litigation or any other provision of this Contract shall excuse the Contractor from promptly complying with the changes ordered by the VCU Procurement Service Office or with the performance of the Contract generally.

- P. <u>DEFAULT:</u> In case of failure to deliver goods or services in accordance with the Contract terms and conditions, VCU after due oral or written notice, may procure them from other sources and hold the Contractor responsible for any resulting additional purchase and administrative costs. This remedy shall be in addition to any other remedies which VCU may have in law or equity.
- Q. <u>USE OF BRAND NAMES</u>: Unless otherwise provided in this RFP, the name of a certain brand, make or manufacturer does not restrict Offerors to the specific brand, make or manufacturer named, but conveys the general style, type, character, and quality of the article desired. Any article, which the public body, in its sole discretion, determines to be the equal of that specified, considering quality, workmanship, economy of operation, and suitability for the purpose intended, shall be accepted. The Offeror is responsible to clearly and specifically identify the product being offered and to provide sufficient descriptive literature, catalog cuts and technical detail to enable VCU to determine if the product offered meets the requirements of the solicitation. This is required even if offering the exact brand, make or manufacturer specified. Unless the Offeror clearly indicates in its proposal that the product offered is an "equal" product, such proposal will be considered to offer the brand name product referenced in the RFP.
- R. <u>TRANSPORTATION AND PACKAGING</u>: By submitting their Proposals, all Offerors certify and warrant that the price offered for FOB Destination includes only the actual freight rate costs at the lowest and best rate and is based upon the actual weight of the goods to be shipped. Except as otherwise specified herein, standard commercial packaging, packing and shipping containers shall be used. All shipping containers shall be legibly marked or labeled on the outside with purchase order number, commodity description, and quantity. Further, Offeror shall bear the risk of loss until the goods and equipment until VCU accepts Delivery of them.
- S. <u>INSURANCE</u>: By signing and submitting a Proposal under this RFP, the Offeror certifies that if awarded the Contract, it will have the following insurance coverages at the time the Contract is awarded. For construction contracts, if any Subcontractors are involved, the subcontractor will have workers' compensation insurance in accordance with §§ 2.2-4332 and 65.2-800 et seq. of the *Code of Virginia*. The Offeror further certifies that the Contractor and any Subcontractors will maintain these insurance coverages during the entire term of the Contract and that all insurance coverage will be provided by insurance companies authorized to sell insurance in Virginia by the Virginia State Corporation Commission.

Minimum Insurance Coverages and Limits Required for Most Contracts:

- 1. Worker's Compensation Statutory requirements and benefits. Coverage is compulsory for employers of three or more employees, to include the employer. Contractors who fail to notify VCU of increases in the number of employees that change their workers' compensation requirements under the *Code of Virginia* during the course of the Contract shall be in noncompliance with the Contract.
- 2. Employers Liability \$100,000.
- 3. Commercial General Liability \$1,000,000 per occurrence. Commercial General Liability is to include bodily injury and property damage, personal injury and advertising injury, products

and completed operations coverage. VCU must be named as an additional insured and so endorsed on the policy.

- 4. Automobile Liability \$1,000,000 per occurrence. (Only used if motor vehicle is to be used in the contract.)
- T. <u>ANNOUNCEMENT OF AWARD</u>: Upon the award or the announcement of the decision to award a contract as a result of this RFP, VCU will publicly post such notice electronically at <u>http://www.eva.virginia.gov</u> for a minimum of ten (10) days.
- U. <u>DRUG-FREE WORKPLACE</u>: During the performance of this Contract, the Contractor agrees to (i) provide a drug-free workplace for the Contractor's employees; (ii) post in conspicuous places, available to employees and applicants for employment, a statement notifying employees that the unlawful manufacture, sale, distribution, dispensation, possession, or use of a controlled substance or marijuana is prohibited in the contractor's workplace and specifying the actions that will be taken against employees for violation of such prohibition: (iii) state in all solicitations or advertisements for employees placed by or on behalf of the Contractor that the Contractor maintains a drug-free workplace: and (iv) include the provisions of the foregoing clauses in every Subcontract or purchase order of over \$10,000, so that the provisions will be binding upon each Subcontractor and/ or Vendor.

For the purposes of this section, *"drug-free workplace"* means a site for the performance of work done in connection with a specific Contract awarded to a Contractor, the employees of whom are prohibited from engaging in the unlawful manufacture, sale, distribution, dispensation, possession or use of any controlled substance or marijuana during the performance of the Contract.

- V. <u>NONDISCRIMINATION OF CONTRACTORS</u>: A Bidder, Offeror, or Contractor shall not be discriminated against in the solicitation or award of this Contract because of race, religion, color, sex, national origin, age, disability, or against faith-based organizations or any other basis prohibited by state law relating to discrimination in employment. If the award of this Contract is made to a faith-based organization and an individual, who applies for or receives goods, services, or disbursements provided pursuant to this Contract objects to the religious character of the faith-based organization from which the individual receives or would receive the goods, services, or disbursements, the public body shall offer the individual, within a reasonable period of time after the date of his objection, access to equivalent goods, services, or disbursements from an alternative provider.
- W.<u>eVA BUSINESS-TO-GOVERNMENT VENDOR REGISTRATION, CONTRACTS, AND ORDERS</u>: The eVA Internet electronic procurement solution, website portal www.eVA.virginia.gov, streamlines and automates government purchasing activities in VCU. The eVA portal is the gateway for vendors to conduct business with VCU Institution and other public bodies. All Vendors desiring to provide goods and/or services to VCU shall participate in the eVA Internet e-procurement solution by completing the free eVA Vendor Registration. All Bidders or Offerors must register in eVA and pay the Vendor Transaction Fees specified below; failure to register will result in the bid/proposal being rejected.

Vendor Transaction Fees are determined by the date the original purchase order is issued and are as follows:

- 1. For orders issued July 1, 2014 and after, the Vendor Transaction Fee is:
 - a) DSBSD-certified Small Businesses: 1%, capped at \$500 per order.
 - b) Businesses that are not DSBSD-certified Small Businesses: 1%, capped at \$1,500 per order.

2. For orders issued prior to July 1, 2014 the vendor transaction fees can be found at www.eVA.virginia.gov

The specified vendor transaction fee will be invoiced, by the Commonwealth of Virginia Department of General Services, approximately thirty (30) days after the corresponding purchase order is issued and payable thirty (30) days after the invoice date. Any adjustments (increases/decreases) will be handled through purchase order changes.

X. <u>FAMILY EDUCATIONAL RIGHTS AND PRIVACY ACT (FERPA)</u>. The Selected Offeror/Vendor acknowledges that for the purposes of this Contract it will be designated as a "school official" with "legitimate educational interests" in the University education records, as those terms have been defined under FERPA and its implementing regulations, and the Selected Firm/Vendor agrees to abide by the limitations and requirements imposed on school officials. Selected Firm/Vendor will use the education records only for the purpose of fulfilling its duties under this Contract for University's and its students' benefit, and will not share such data with or disclose it to any third party except as provided for in this Contract, required by law, or authorized in writing by the University.

XI. SPECIAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS:

- A. <u>ADVERTISING</u>: In the event a contract is awarded for supplies, equipment, or services resulting from this proposal, no indication of such sales or services to Virginia Commonwealth University will be used in product literature or advertising. The Contractor shall not state in any of the advertising or product literature that the Commonwealth of Virginia or any agency or institution of the Commonwealth has purchased or uses its products or services.
- B. <u>ASBESTOS</u>: Whenever and wherever during the course of performing any work under this contract, the Contractor discovers the presence of asbestos or suspects that asbestos is present, he shall stop the work immediately, secure the area, notify the Building Owner and await positive identification of the suspect material. During the downtime in such a case, the Contractor shall not disturb any surrounding surfaces but shall protect the area with suitable dust covers. In the event the Contractor is delayed due to the discovery of asbestos or suspected asbestos, then a mutually agreed extension of time to perform the work shall be allowed the Contractor but without additional compensation due to the time extension.
- C. <u>AUDIT</u>: The Contractor shall retain all books, records, and other documents relative to this contract for five (5) years after final payment, or until audited by the Commonwealth of Virginia, whichever is sooner. The agency, its authorized agents, and/or State auditors shall have full access to and the right to examine any of said materials during said period.
- D. <u>BEST AND FINAL OFFER (BAFO)</u>: At the conclusion of negotiations, the Offeror(s) may be asked to submit in writing, a best and final offer (BAFO). After the BAFO is submitted, no further negotiations shall be conducted with the Offeror(s). The Offeror(s)proposal will be re-evaluated to combine and include the information contained in the BAFO. The decision to award will be based on the final evaluation including the BAFO.
- E. <u>PROPOSAL ACCEPTANCE PERIOD</u>: Any proposal in response to this solicitation shall be valid for sixty (60) days. At the end of the sixty (60) days, the proposal may be withdrawn at the written request of the Offeror. If the proposal is not withdrawn at that time it remains in effect until an award is made or the solicitation is cancelled.
- F. <u>PROPOSAL PRICES</u>: Proposal prices shall be in the form of a firm discount percentage or a firm unit price as applicable for each item during the contract period.
- G. <u>CANCELLATION OF CONTRACT</u>: The purchasing agency reserves the right to cancel and terminate any resulting contract, in part or in whole, without penalty, upon sixty (60) days written notice to the Contractor. In the event the initial contract period is for more than twelve (12) months, the resulting contract may be terminated by either party, without penalty, after the initial twelve (12)

months of the contract period upon 60 days written notice to the other party. Any contract cancellation notice shall not relieve the Contractor of the obligation to deliver and/or perform on all outstanding orders issued prior to the effective date of cancellation.

H. CONTRACTOR REGISTRATION: If a contract for construction, removal, repair or improvement of a building or other real property is for one hundred and twenty thousand dollars (\$120,000) or more, or if the total value of all such contracts undertaken by the offeror within any 12-month period is seven hundred and fifty thousand dollars (\$750,000) or more, the offeror is required under Title 54.1-1100, Code of Virginia (1950), as amended, to be licensed by the State Board of Contractors as a "CLASS A CONTRACTOR". If such a contract is for seventy-five hundred dollars (\$7,500) or more but less than one hundred and twenty thousand dollars (\$120,000), or if the total value of all such contracts undertaken by offeror within any 12-month period is between one hundred and fifty thousand dollars (\$150,000) and seven hundred and fifty thousand dollars (\$750,000), the offeror is required to be licensed as a "CLASS B CONTRACTOR". If such a contract is for one thousand dollars (\$1,000) or more but less than seventy-five hundred dollars (\$7,500), or if the contractor does less than \$150,000 in business in a 12-month period, the offeror is required to be licensed as a "CLASS C CONTRACTOR". The board shall require a master tradesmen license as a condition of licensure for electrical, plumbing and heating, ventilation and air conditioning contractors. The offeror shall place on the outside of the envelope containing the proposal and shall place in the proposal over his signature whichever of the following notations is appropriate, inserting his contractor license number:

Licensed Class A Virginia Contractor No	Specialty:
Licensed Class B Virginia Contractor No	Specialty:
Licensed Class C Virginia Contractor No	Specialty:

If the offeror shall fail to provide this information on his proposal or on the envelope containing the proposal and shall fail to promptly provide said contractor license number to the Commonwealth in writing when requested to do so before or after the opening of proposals, he shall be deemed to be in violation of Section 54.1-1115 of the Code of Virginia (1950), as amended, and his proposal will not be considered.

If an offeror shall fail to obtain the required license prior to submission of his proposal, the proposal shall not be considered.

- I. <u>CONTRACTOR'S TITLE TO MATERIALS</u>: No materials or supplies for the work shall be purchased by the Contractor or by any Subcontractor subject to any chattel mortgage or under a conditional sales or other agreement by which an interest is retained by the seller. The Contractor warrants that he has clear title to all materials and supplies for which he invoices for payment.
- J. <u>DELIVERY AND STORAGE</u>: It shall be the responsibility of the Contractor to make all arrangements for delivery, unloading, receiving and storing materials in the building during installation. The Owner will not assume any responsibility for receiving these shipments. Contractor shall check with the Owner and make necessary arrangements for security and storage space in the building during installation.
- K. <u>SPECIAL EDUCATIONAL OR PROMOTIONAL DISCOUNTS</u>: The Contractor shall extend any special educational or promotional sale prices or discounts immediately to the Commonwealth during the term of the contract. Such notice shall also advise the duration of the specific sale or discount price.
- L. <u>DRUG FREE WORKPLACE</u>: The Contractor acknowledges and certifies that it understands that the following acts by the Contractor, its employees and/or agents performing services on state property are prohibited:

The unlawful manufacture, distribution, dispensing, possession or use of alcohol or other drugs; and

Any impairment or incapacitation from the use of alcohol or other drugs (except the use of drugs for legitimate medical purposes).

The Contractor further acknowledges and certifies that it understands that a violation of these prohibitions constitutes a breach of contract and may result in default action being taken by the Commonwealth in addition to any criminal penalties that may result from such conduct.

- M. <u>EXTRA CHARGES NOT ALLOWED</u>: The proposal price shall be for complete installation ready for Commonwealth's use, and shall include all applicable freight and installation charges; extra charges will not be allowed.
- N. <u>FINAL INSPECTION</u>: At the conclusion of the work, the Contractor shall demonstrate to the authorized owner's representative that the work is fully operational and in compliance with contract specifications and codes. Any deficiencies shall be promptly and permanently corrected by the Contractor at the Contractor's sole expense prior to final acceptance of the work.
- O. <u>IDENTIFICATION OF PROPOSAL</u>: The proposal package should be identified as follows:

From:				
	Name of Offeror	Due Date	Time	
	Street or Box Number	RFP No.		
	City, State, Zip Code +4	RFP Title		

Name of Contract / Purchase Officer or Buyer: Jackie Colbert

The package should be addressed as directed on Page 2 of the solicitation.

If a proposal is not clearly identified, the Offeror takes the risk that the proposal may be inadvertently opened and the information compromised which may cause the proposal to be disqualified. Proposals may be hand delivered to the designated location in the office issuing the solicitation. No other correspondence or other proposals should be placed in the envelope.

LATE PROPOSALS: To be considered for selection, proposals must be received by <u>the issuing office</u> by the designated date and hour. The official time used in the receipt of proposals is that time on the automatic time stamp machine in the issuing office. Proposals received in the issuing office after the date and hour designated are automatically disqualified and will not be considered. <u>The University is not responsible for delays in the delivery of mail by the U.S. Postal Service, private couriers, or the intrauniversity mail system. It is the sole responsibility of the Offeror to insure that its proposal reaches the issuing office by the designated date and hour.</u>

- P. <u>INDEMNIFICATION</u>: Contractor agrees to indemnify, defend and hold harmless the Commonwealth of Virginia, its officers, agents, and employees from any claims, damages and actions of any kind or nature, whether at law or in equity, arising from or caused by the use of any materials, goods, or equipment of any kind or nature furnished by the Contractor/any services of any kind or nature furnished by the Contractor, provided that such liability is not attributable to the sole negligence of the using agency or to failure of the using agency to use the materials, goods, or equipment and permanently described by the Contractor on the materials, goods, or equipment delivered.
- Q. <u>INSTALLATION</u>: All items must be assembled and set in place, ready for use. All crating and other debris must be removed from the premises.
- R. <u>LIMITATION OF LIABILITY</u>: To the maximum extent permitted by applicable law, the Contractor will not be liable under this contract for any indirect, incidental, special or consequential damages, or damages from loss profits, revenue, data or use of the supplies, equipment and/or services delivered under this contract. This limitation of liability will not apply, however, to liability arising from: (a) personal injury or death; (b) defect or deficiency caused by willful misconduct or

negligence on the part of the Contractor; or (c) circumstances where the contract expressly provides a right to damages, indemnification or reimbursement.

- S. <u>MAINTENANCE MANUALS</u>: The Contractor shall provide with each piece of equipment an operations and maintenance manual with wiring diagrams, parts list, and a copy of all warranties.
- T. <u>PRIME CONTRACTOR RESPONSIBILITIES</u>: The Contractor shall be responsible for completely supervising and directing the work under this contract and all subcontractors that he may utilize, using his best skill and attention. Subcontractors who perform work under this contract shall be responsible to the prime Contractor. The Contractor agrees that he is as fully responsible for the acts and omissions of his subcontractors and of persons employed by them as he is for the acts and omissions of his own employees.
- U. <u>QUANTITIES</u>: Quantities set forth in this solicitation are estimates only, and the Contractor shall supply at proposal prices actual quantities as ordered, regardless of whether such total quantities are more or less than those shown.
- V. <u>RENEWAL OF CONTRACT</u>: This contract may be renewed by the Commonwealth for four (4) successive one (1) year periods under the terms and conditions of the original contract except as stated in 1. below. Price increases may be negotiated only at the time of renewal. Written notice of the Commonwealth's intention to renew should be provided approximately 60 days prior to the expiration date of each contract period:
 - 1. If the Commonwealth elects to exercise the option to renew the contract for an additional one (1) year period, the contract discounts which are applied to the Published List Price of the product(s) shall remain the same as in the initial term of the contract during all optional renewal terms except that deeper discounts may be offered if market conditions warrant increasing the discount percentage. Contract prices based on unit prices may be negotiated only at the time of renewal; however, in no case shall the costs for a succeeding one-year period exceed the prior year's contract price(s), increased or decreased by no more than the percentage increase or decrease the services category of the CPI-W section of the US Bureau of Labor Statistic's Consumer Price Index, for the latest twelve months for which statistics are available.
- W.<u>SUBCONTRACTS</u>: No portion of the work shall be subcontracted without prior written consent of the purchasing agency. In the event that the Contractor desires to subcontract some part of the work specified herein, the Contractor shall furnish the purchasing agency the names, qualifications and experience of their proposed subcontractors. The Contractor shall, however, remain fully liable and responsible for the work to be done by its subcontractor(s) and shall assure compliance with all requirements of the contract.
- X. <u>WARRANTY (COMMERCIAL)</u>: The Contractor agrees that the supplies or services furnished under any award resulting from this solicitation shall be covered by the most favorable commercial warranties the Contractor gives any customer for such supplies or services and that the rights and remedies provided therein are in addition to and do not limit those available to the Commonwealth by any other clause of this solicitation.
- Y. <u>WORK SITE DAMAGES</u>: Any damage to existing utilities, equipment or finished surfaces resulting from the performance of this contract shall be repaired to the Commonwealth's satisfaction at the Contractor's expense.
- Z. <u>POLICY OF EQUAL EMPLOYMENT</u>: Virginia Commonwealth University is an equal opportunity/affirmative action employer. Women, Minorities, persons with disabilities are encouraged to apply. The University encourages all vendors to establish and maintain a policy to insure equal opportunity employment. To that end, Offerors should submit along with their proposals, their policy of equal employment.
- AA. <u>COMMUNICATIONS</u>: Communications regarding this Request for Proposals (RFP) shall be formal from the date of issue for this RFP, until either a Contractor has been selected or the University

Purchasing Department rejects all proposals. Formal communications shall be directed to the University Purchasing Department.

Informal communications including but not limited to, request for information, comments or speculations, regarding this RFP to any University employee other than a Purchasing Department representative may result in the offending Offeror's proposal being rejected.

- BB. <u>SECTION 508 COMPLIANCE</u>: All information technology which, pursuant to this Contract, is purchased or upgraded by or for the use of any Commonwealth agency or institution or political subdivision of the Commonwealth (the "Technology") shall comply with Section 508 of the Rehabilitation Act (29 U.S.C. 794d), as amended. If requested, the Contractor must provide a detailed explanation of how compliance with Section 508 of the Rehabilitation Act is achieved and a validation of concept demonstration. The requirements of this Paragraph along with the Non-Visual Access to Technology Clause shall be construed to achieve full compliance with the Information Technology Access Act, §§ 2.2-3500 through 2.2-3504 of the *Code of Virginia*.
- CC. <u>NONVISUAL ACCESS TO TECHNOLOGY</u>: All information technology which, pursuant to this Agreement, is purchased or upgraded by or for the use of any State agency or institution or political subdivision of the Commonwealth (the "Technology") shall comply with the following nonvisual access standards from the date of purchase or upgrade until the expiration of this Agreement:
 - 1. effective, interactive control and use of the Technology shall be readily achievable by nonvisual means;
 - 2. the Technology equipped for nonvisual access shall be compatible with information technology used by other individuals with whom any blind or visually impaired user of the Technology interacts;
 - 3. nonvisual access technology shall be integrated into any networks used to share communications among employees, program participants or the public; and
 - 4. the technology for nonvisual access shall have the capability of providing equivalent access by nonvisual means to telecommunications or other interconnected network services used by persons who are not blind or visually impaired.

Compliance with the foregoing nonvisual access standards shall not be required if the head of the using agency, institution or political subdivision determines that (i) the Technology is not available with nonvisual access because the essential elements of the Technology are visual and (ii) nonvisual equivalence is not available.

Installation of hardware, software, or perpheral devices used for nonvisual access is not required when the Technology is being used exclusively by individuals who are not blind or visually impaired, but applications programs and underlying operating systems (including the format of the data) used for the manipulation and presentation of information shall permit the installation and effective use of nonvisual access software and peripheral devices.

If requested, the Contractor must provide a detailed explanation of how compliance with the foregoing nonvisual access standards is achieved and a validation of concept demonstration.

The requirements of this Paragraph shall be construed to achieve full compliance with the Information Technology Access Act, §§ 2.1-807 through 2.1-811 of the <u>Code of Virginia</u>.

DD.<u>DETERMINATION OF RESPONSIBILITY</u>: The Contract will be awarded to the responsive and responsible Offeror with a Proposal, conforming to the RFP, will be most advantageous to VCU, technical and financial factors considered. A responsible Offeror is one who affirmatively demonstrates to VCU that it has adequate financial resources and the requisite capacity, capability, and facilities to perform the Contract, has a satisfactory record of performance on other comparable projects, has a satisfactory record of integrity and business ethics, and is otherwise qualified and eligible to receive award under the solicitation and laws and regulations applicable to the procurement. VCU reserves the right to investigate the capabilities of Offeror, confirm any

part of the information furnished by an Offeror, and require other evidence to determine that the Offeror is responsible.

EE. REJECTION OF PROPOSALS & WAIVER OF MINOR INFORMALITIES/IRREGULARITIES:

VCU reserves the right to reject any or all Proposals in part or in total for any reason, to accept any Proposal if considered best for its interest, and to waive informalities and minor irregularities in Proposals received, commensurate with best public procurement practices.

FF. <u>PROTEST</u>: Any Offeror who desires to protest the award or decision to award a Contract shall submit the protest in writing to:

Director of Procurement Services Virginia Commonwealth University 912 West Grace, 5th Floor Richmond, VA 23284

VCU will announce the award utilizing the Commonwealth of Virginia's e-Procurement system (eVA). The protest must be received no later than ten (10) days after the award or the announcement of the decision to award, whichever occurs first. However, if the protest of any actual or potential Offeror depends in whole or in part upon information contained in public records pertaining to the procurement transaction that are subject to inspection under the Rules Governing Procurement of Goods, Services, Insurance, and Construction by a Public Institution of Higher Education of the Commonwealth of Virginia Governed by Subchapter 3 of the Restricted Higher Education Financial and Administrative Operations Act,, Chapter 4.10 (§23-38.88 et seq) of Title 23 of the Code of Virginia, §34, then the time within which the protest shall be submitted shall expire ten (10) days after those records are available for inspection by such Offeror under §34, or at such later time as provided in this section.

VCU Notices of Award(s) or Notices of Intent to Award may be accessed electronically at http://www.eva.virginia.gov.

No protest shall lie for a claim that the selected Offeror is not a responsible Offeror.

The written protest shall include the basis for the protest and relief sought.

The VCU Director of Procurement Services shall issue a decision in writing within ten (10) days of receipt stating the reasons for the action taken. This decision shall be final unless the Offeror appeals within ten (10) days of receipt of the written decision by instituting legal action as provided in Section 54 of the Governing Rules.

Nothing in this paragraph shall be construed to permit a proposer to challenge the validity of the terms or conditions of the RFP.

"Days" as used in this paragraph refer to calendar days. If a deadline falls on a Saturday or Sunday, the next business day shall be considered to be the deadline.

XII. CONTRACT ADMINISTRATION:

Upon award of the contract VCU shall designate, in writing, the name(s) of the Contract Administrator(s) who shall work with the contractor in formulating mutually acceptable plans and standards for the delivery, installation and on-going service and/or maintenance that may be required.

A. The Contract Administrator shall use all powers under the contract to enforce its faithful performance. The Contract Administrator shall determine the amount, quality and acceptability of

work and shall decide all other questions in connection with the work.

B. All direction and orders from VCU shall be transmitted through the Contract Administrator, or his designee. <u>However the Contract Administrator shall have no authority to order changes in the work which alter the concept or scope of the work or change the basis for compensation to the contractor.</u>

XII.ATTACHMENTS:

A: Appendix I – Participation In State Procurement Transactions Small Businesses and Businesses Owned By Women and Minorities:

http://procurement.vcu.edu/media/procurement/pdf/documentlibrary/RFP Website Link Appendix 1.pdf

B: Appendix II – Invoicing and Payment

http://procurement.vcu.edu/media/procurement/pdf/documentlibrary/RFP Website Link Appendix 2.pdf

APPENDIX II INVOICING AND PAYMENT

Invoicing:

The Contractor shall submit a fully itemized invoice to <u>Virginia Commonwealth University</u>, <u>Accounts Payable and Support Services</u>, P. O. Box 980327, Richmond, VA 23298-0327, that, at minimum, includes the following information: the Virginia Commonwealth University purchase order number; a description of the goods or services provided; quantities; unit prices; extended prices; and total prices. Payment will be issued in accordance with the payment method selected below and with the Commonwealth of Virginia Prompt Payment Legislation.

Upon request by VCU, the Contractor shall submit invoices electronically using the Ariba Network or other e-commerce channel utilized by VCU; and agrees to comply, within reason, with any future e-commerce initiatives including, but not limited to: procurement, procurement content, sourcing or any other electronic procurement and sourcing solutions.

Questions regarding this method of invoicing should be sent to: <u>ecommerce@vcu.edu</u>.

Payment:

VCU Procurement Services is automating the payment process to the greatest extent possible. Contractors are encouraged to accept payment electronically through the commercial card program. Please review the payment methods described below and select one for your firm. By selecting the payment method below, Contractor acknowledges that the selected payment method is **not specific to the contract resulting from this solicitation and will apply to all payments made to the Contractor** by Virginia Commonwealth University. For example, if the Contractor has an existing contract(s) and is currently receiving payment by paper check, and the Contractor is now electing to receive payment by the commercial card, **all payments** will be made using the commercial card once the commercial card payment process is implemented for the firm.

Payment Methods

1. Electronically through a Wells Fargo Visa commercial card: Payment will be made ten days (10) after receipt of a proper invoice for the amount of payment due, or ten (10) days after receipt of the goods or services, whichever is later.

It is the Contractor's responsibility to contact its banking institutions to determine any credit limit that may restrict the payment of invoices. It is the Contractor's responsibility to have its credit limit raised as necessary to facilitate the timely payment of all invoices. Invoices exceeding the Contractor's credit limit will be returned unpaid.

Failure to accept the commercial card after award of contract will be considered a contract compliance issue and will be addressed accordingly. In addition, invoices will be returned without payment until the Contractor can accept the payment through the commercial card.

Questions regarding this method of payment should be sent to <u>commcard@vcu.edu</u>.

2. **ACH:** Electronic payment via automated clearing house (ACH) to the vendor provided bank account of record. Payment is processed thirty (30) days after receipt of a proper invoice for the amount of payment due, or thirty (30) days after receipt of the goods or services, whichever is later. Additional information about ACH payments is available at: <u>http://www.vcu.edu/treasury/VendorACH.htm</u>.

Contractor must indicate the method of payment selected:

- _____ Commercial Card Payment (Wells Fargo VISA)
- ____x___ Automated Clearing House (ACH)

Invoicing and Payment Method Acknowledgement:

Signature:		
Name Printed:	_ Daniel Brewster	
Title:	President	
Name of Firm:	InterTechnologiesCorp	
Date:	_11/9/2016	

Please identify the following contact information for the individual who will serve as the appropriate point of contact within your company to be contacted by VCU Accounts Payable to implement the electronic invoicing and payment processes:

Name of the individual: Title:	Williar CEO_				
Mailing address:	1605N. 46545.	Home	St	Mishawaka,	ĪN
Email address: Phone number: Fax number:	bill@inte 547-210- 775-383-	-1825			



RFP - Addendum

DATE: November 1, 2016

ADDENDUM NO. 01 TO ALL OFFERORS:

Reference - Request for Proposals: RFP# 7058821JC

Commodity/Title: Issue Date: Proposal Due:

VASACUPP Audio Visual Term Contracts October 13, 2016 November 11, 2016 at 11:00 AM

The above is hereby changed to read: See Attached.

NOTE: A signed acknowledgment of this addendum must be received by this office either prior to the proposal due date and hour <u>or</u> attached to your proposal. Signature of this addendum does not constitute your signature on the original proposal document. The original proposal document must also be signed.

Very truly yours,

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Jackie Colbert

Inter Technologies Corporation

Name of Firm

Signature/Title

11/9/2016

Date

Questions for Clarification Submitted By Potential Offerors for RFP# 6946149JC

The questions submitted by potential proposers and the answers from VCU are below. The clarifications are in bold and italics.

1. Is it acceptable to exclude pricing for any manufacturers that do not offer products within our chosen categories?

It is a business decision whether your firm wants to propose to only sell "chosen" categories and manufacturers.

2. Can you provide any insight into the type of A/V gear needed for this RFP? We carry a range of products and I am curious if you all are interested in more Commercial Audio/TV's/Home style components.

Please see Section VI, Item B.2.a on Page 11 of the RFP for a list of the largest volume manufacturers.

3. Since we are a local business (based in Charlottesville), would it help if we could physically swap out any defective gear within a short period of time (1 day)?

The VASCUPP AV contracts are used by institutions of higher education and localities throughout the Commonwealth of Virginia. It is a business decision what your company wants to propose about swapping out defective gear.

4. I see in the RFP that "installation services are required for approximately 90% of the VCU AV projects" and that bidders "must have a Class "A" Contractor's License"; would you be willing to accept proposals from vendors without a Class A license offering products for projects that do not require installation services?

The contractor must have a Class A Virginia Contractor's License. Having a Class A Contractor's License is a mandatory requirement of the RFP. Companies that do not have a Class A Contractor's License are nonresponsive and not eligible for an award from the RFP.

5. We do not hold a Class "A" contractor's license. We hold a Class "B." Section e. states you must include "a copy of your firm's Class "A" Contractor's License with appropriate specialty classification as recognized by the Virginia Board for Contractors, Department of Professional and Occupational Regulation to perform the AV installation services." Section H. Contractor Registration states that either Class "A" or Class "B" is acceptable. Can you please clarify what is required?

Section H. does not state that either Class "A" or Class "B" is acceptable. Please see the answer to question #4 above.

6. Our company is undergoing SWaM recertification. How will our pending recertification impact our evaluation?

The SWaM's numerical score is for DSBSD registered firms only. If a firm is in the process of completing the registration, the points are only added to the total score after the registration is complete prior to the contract award. The points are not retroactive and are only added at the next milestone scoring during the RFP evaluation for firms that are still under consideration for the contract award.

7. On Page 9 of the VASCUPP Audio Visual Term contract RFP (proposal preparation and submission instructions) proposals are submitted electronically including any proprietary information and excluding any proprietary information. Can you please tell me what proprietary information means?

Proprietary information is confidential information that could be referred to as a trade secret. It is information that would put your organization at a competitive disadvantage if the information became generally known in the marketplace.

8. We are a small, minority business located in Maryland, and I was just wondering if we have to be located in VA to qualify for this. Any assistance you can provide would be greatly appreciated.

Your company does not have to be located in Virginia, but a small, minority business must be certified by DSBSD as a small, minority business to be recognized as a SWaM's business for the purposes of the RFP.

9. Can I submit a proposal for VASCUPP inclusion for AV rental and labor services only as I am no longer a reseller of AV equipment?

As specified in the Statement of Needs, the core requirement for RFP # 7058821JC is the purchase of AV equipment and the installation/support for that equipment. It is a business decision whether your firm wants to compete to provide only rental services for AV equipment.

10. Section VI, Item B.3.g – There is a requirement to provide costs associated with Section V., Item D.4. However, in looking at the RFP, there is not a Section V., Item D.4. Can you please provide the details of this "additional service" requirement? <u>Reference Page 13, Section VI., Item B.3.g.</u>: Change the Item to the following to delete Item D.4.

Address in detail the additional services listed in Section V.D. of the Statement of Needs that are offered. What, if any, are the costs associated with the services listed in Section V., Item D.2?

11. Section VI, Item B.2 - There is a list of identified manufacturers to propose and price. Our question is are we able to add to the list to submit?

The manufacturers listed in Section VI, Item B.2.a are the largest volume manufacturers. The list is to solicit the deepest discounts for these largest volume manufacturers and competitive discounts off all other manufacturers and categories of AV equipment that your company sells.

АМХ	Accessories	28%	
Anchor	Accessories	22%	
Cisco	Accessories	10%	
Crestron	Accessories	40%	Education Contract
Draper	Accessories	30%	Education Contract
Extron	Accessories	21%	Education Contract
Hitachi	Accessories	10%	Education Contract
JBL	Accessories	24%	
LG	Accessories	11%	
Lifesize	Accessories	30%	
Listen	Accessories	22%	
Marshall Electronics	Accessories	13%	
Middle Atlantic	Accessories	35%	
Peerless	Accessories	35%	
Polycom	Accessories	22%	
Sony	Accessories	10%	
Williams Sound	Accessories	10%	
Williams Sound	Accessories	14%	
AMX	Amplifiers	28%	
Anchor	Amplifiers	28%	
Crown	*	22%	
Extron	Amplifiers Amplifiers	40%	Education Contract
Powersoft	*	10%	Education Contract
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Sony	Amplifiers	25%	
Listen	Assistive Listening	22%	Education Contract
Crestron	Audio Equipment	40%	Education Contract
Optoma	Audio Equipment	15%	
Polycom	Audio Equipment	30%	
AKG	Broadcast	16%	
AMX	Broadcast	33%	
Analog Way	Broadcast	21%	
Atlas Sound	Broadcast	20%	
Audio Technica	Broadcast	11%	
Blonder Tongue	Broadcast	15%	
Clearone	Broadcast	10%	
Crestron	Broadcast	31%	Education Contract
Denon	Broadcast	21%	
Extron	Broadcast	23%	Education Contract
Furman	Broadcast	22%	
Hitachi	Broadcast	10%	
Jupiter Systems	Broadcast	10%	
JVC	Broadcast	10%	
LG	Broadcast	25%	
Liberty	Broadcast	11%	
Middle Atlantic	Broadcast	16%	
Panasonic	Broadcast	11%	
Raxess	Broadcast	12%	

Sony	Broadcast	5%	
Marshall Electronics	Broadcast	13%	
Panasonic	Broadcast	8%	
C2G	Cables	10%	
Crestron	Cables	25%	
Extron	Cables	35%	
Inter Technologies Corporation	Cables	20%	
Liberty	Cables	15%	
QVS	Cables	10%	
Polycom	Cameras	5%	
Sony	Cameras	15%	
AMX	Computer Presentation Equipment	33%	
Atlas Sound	Computer Presentation Equipment	20%	
Audio Technica	Computer Presentation Equipment	11%	
Barco	Computer Presentation Equipment	22%	
Buhl	Computer Presentation Equipment	10%	
Canon	Computer Presentation Equipment	17%	
Christie	Computer Presentation Equipment	16%	
Clearone	Computer Presentation Equipment	10%	
Crestron	Computer Presentation Equipment	31%	
Crown	Computer Presentation Equipment	21%	
Da-lite	Computer Presentation Equipment	25%	
Denon	Computer Presentation Equipment	21%	
Draper	Computer Presentation Equipment	22%	
Elmo	Computer Presentation Equipment	27%	
Epson	Computer Presentation Equipment	10%	Brighter Futures
Extron	Computer Presentation Equipment	23%	Education Contract
JBL	Computer Presentation Equipment	26%	
Jupiter Systems	Computer Presentation Equipment	10%	
LG	Computer Presentation Equipment	25%	
Liberty	Computer Presentation Equipment	10%	
Lumens	Computer Presentation Equipment	11%	
Marshall Electronics	Computer Presentation Equipment	10%	
Middle Atlantic	Computer Presentation Equipment	16%	
Raxess	Computer Presentation Equipment	12%	
Sonic Foundry	Computer Presentation Equipment	16%	
AMX	Control Equipment	28%	
Crestron	Control Equipment	40%	Education Contract
Extron	Control Equipment	21%	Education Contract
Epson	Document Cameras	15%	
Wolfvision	Document Cameras	19%	
Sony	DVD	5%	
Epson	Education Projectors	na	Brighter Futures
Jelco	Equipment Cases	10%	Digiter rutures
Dalite	Lecterns	41%	
Middle Atlantic	Lecterns	41% 35%	
Miller's Millwork	Lecterns		
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Hitachi	LED TV	10%
JVC	LED TV	4%
LG	LED TV	20%
LG (Commercial)	LED TV	20%
NEC	LED TV	11%
Panasonic	LED TV	8%
Samsung	LED TV	18%
Sharp	LED TV	18%
Sony	LED TV	18%
Toshiba	LED TV	10%
NAVITAR	Lens	10%
Martin	Lighting	10%
AKG	Microphones	40%
Audio Technica	Microphones	49%
Atlas Sound	Microphones	26%
Crown	Microphones	22%
Listen	Microphones	22%
Marshall Electronics	Microphones	13%
SHURE	Microphones	18%
Soundcraft	Mixers	10%
Chief	Mounts	23%
Peerless	Mounts	35%
Premier Mounts	Mounts	22%
AKG	Multimedia Presentation Equipment	16%
AMX	Multimedia Presentation Equipment	33%
Analog Way	Multimedia Presentation Equipment	21%
Atlas Sound	Multimedia Presentation Equipment	20%
Audio Technica	Multimedia Presentation Equipment	11%
Barco	Multimedia Presentation Equipment	22%
Biamp	Multimedia Presentation Equipment	11%
Buhl	Multimedia Presentation Equipment	10%
Cables to Go		26%
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Canon	Multimedia Presentation Equipment	17%
Christie	Multimedia Presentation Equipment	16%
Clearone	Multimedia Presentation Equipment	10%
Clock Audio	Multimedia Presentation Equipment	10%
Community	Multimedia Presentation Equipment	10%
Crestron	Multimedia Presentation Equipment	40% Education Contract
Crown	Multimedia Presentation Equipment	21%
D-Link	Multimedia Presentation Equipment	10%
Da-lite	Multimedia Presentation Equipment	25%
Denon	Multimedia Presentation Equipment	21%
Draper	Multimedia Presentation Equipment	22%
Eiki	Multimedia Presentation Equipment	30%
Elmo	Multimedia Presentation Equipment	27%
ELO	Multimedia Presentation Equipment	10%
Epson	Multimedia Presentation Equipment	10%

Extron	Multimedia Presentation Equipment	23%
Furman	Multimedia Presentation Equipment	22%
Hitachi	Multimedia Presentation Equipment	10%
Hyundai	Multimedia Presentation Equipment	16%
JBL	Multimedia Presentation Equipment	26%
Jupiter Systems	Multimedia Presentation Equipment	10%
JVC	Multimedia Presentation Equipment	10%
Ken-A-Vision	Multimedia Presentation Equipment	16%
KSI	Multimedia Presentation Equipment	31%
LG	Multimedia Presentation Equipment	25%
Liberty	Multimedia Presentation Equipment	11%
Listen	Multimedia Presentation Equipment	12%
Lumens	Multimedia Presentation Equipment	11%
Marshall Electronics	Multimedia Presentation Equipment	10%
Middle Atlantic	Multimedia Presentation Equipment	16%
Milestone	Multimedia Presentation Equipment	23%
Mitsubishi	Multimedia Presentation Equipment	11%
NEC	Multimedia Presentation Equipment	20%
Panasonic	Multimedia Presentation Equipment	11%
Peerless	Multimedia Presentation Equipment	21%
Polycom	Multimedia Presentation Equipment	19%
QSC	Multimedia Presentation Equipment	17%
Raxess	Multimedia Presentation Equipment	12%
RCI	Multimedia Presentation Equipment	11%
RGB Spectrum	Multimedia Presentation Equipment	14%
Risevision	Multimedia Presentation Equipment	10%
Sabine	Multimedia Presentation Equipment	15%
Samsung	Multimedia Presentation Equipment	15%
Sanyo Sennheiser	Multimedia Presentation Equipment Multimedia Presentation Equipment	21%
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Sharp Electronics Shure	Multimedia Presentation Equipment	11% 30%
Sonic Foundry	Multimedia Presentation Equipment	16%
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Sony	Multimedia Presentation Equipment	5%
Tannoy	Multimedia Presentation Equipment	26%
Vaddio	Multimedia Presentation Equipment	10%
Valcom	Multimedia Presentation Equipment	10%
Vista	Multimedia Presentation Equipment	16%
Wolfvision	Multimedia Presentation Equipment	21%
Cisco	Multimedia Development Equipment	26%
Christie	Multimedia Development Equipment	16%
Crestron	Multimedia Development Equipment	31% Education Contract
Vista	Multimedia Development Equipment	16%
Miller's Millwork	Multimedia Furniture	22%
KSI	Multimedia Furniture	22%
Draper	Projection Screens	30%
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Dalite	Projection Screens - Fixed	21%
Dalite	Projection Screens - Portable	42%
Benq	Projectors	42%
Christie	Projectors	38%
NEC	Projectors	11%
Optoma	Projectors	15%
Sharp	Projectors	30%
Epson	Projectors<\$1000.00	10%
Epson	Projectors<\$1000.00	27%
Middle Atlantic	Racks and Enclosures	35%
Miller's Millwork	Racks and Enclosures	22%
Spectrum Furniture	Racks and Enclosures	40%
Blonder Tongue	Satellite Equipment	15%
Liberty	Satellite Equipment	11%
Panasonic	Satellite Equipment	11%
Cisco	Service	5%
Polycom	Service	5%
BSS	Signal Processors	15%
DBX	Signal Processors	15%
Hall Research	Signal Processors	15%
Inter Technologies Corporation	Signal Processors	20%
Kramer	Signal Processors	33%
Kramer	Signal Processors	33%
Atlas Sound	Speakers	26%
Crestron	Speakers	40%
Extron	Speakers	21%
JBL	Speakers	24%
Crestron	Streaming	40%
Extron	Streaming	21%
Polycom	Streaming	30%
JVC	Studio Equipment	4%
Crestron	Switchers	40%
Extron	Switchers	21%
Crestron	Touchpanels	40%
Extron	Touchpanels	21%
Cisco	VTC	30%
Lifesize	VTC	30%
Polycom	VTC	30%
Sony	VTC	10%
Panasonic	Whiteboards	NA
Wiremold	Wire Management	15%

- d. Provide a list of institutions of higher education with which your firm has a signed term contract.
- e. Provide the amount of annual sales the firm has with each VASCUPP Member Institution. A list of VASCUPP Members can be found at:

http://procurement.vcu.edu/our-services/university-purchasing/vascupp/

- 8. Does your firm agree to accept the Bank of America Visa Corporate Purchasing Card for orders of \$5,000 or less? Yes
- 9. Does your company accept the terms and conditions as presented in Section X, General Terms and Conditions and in Section XI, Special Terms and Conditions to govern the contract?

Yes <u>x</u> No ____

If "NO," identify the specific term and condition(s) and the reason for non-compliance.

- 10. Small, Women-Owned and Minority-Owned Business commitment for utilization.
 - a. The Offeror must submit complete information on Appendix I unless the Offeror is a Department of Small Business and Supplier Diversity (DSBSD). DSBSD certified small businesses must include their certification number on the coversheet of this RFP, but are not required to complete Appendix I.
- 11. Method of Payment
 - a. The Offeror must complete and submit Appendix II to select an electronic payment method.

VII. PRINCING SCHEDULE:

The hypothetical below will be used during the RFP evaluation process to determine the scores for the price evaluation criterion. Quantities indicated below are used for evaluation purposes <u>only</u> and shall not be interpreted as actual contract usage by VCU. Actual contract amounts shall be determined based on actual usage whether it is higher or lower than the amounts in the hypothetical. In the event of a mathematical error, the correct discount percentage or unit price shall prevail.

A. <u>Equipment and Furniture:</u>

	Annual Expenditures	5	% Discou	nt	Discounted Total
Broadcast Television	\$200,000.	less _	31	_% = \$	138,000
Multimedia Presentation	\$700,000.	less _	40	% = \$	420,000
Multimedia Development	\$300,000.	less _	31	% = \$	<u>\$</u> 207000
Satellite Transmitting	\$300,000.	less _	15	% = \$	255,000
and Receiving					

Teleconferencing and Communication	\$1,300,000.	less _	30	% = \$	910,000	
Computer Presentation	\$1,900,000.	less _	33	% = \$	1,273,000	
Broadband Distribution	\$200,000.	less	31	% = \$	138,000	-
Multi-Media Furniture	\$ 150,000.	less	22	% = \$	117,000	-
Section A Total			S	34580	00	
B. <u>Services</u> :						
Annual Maintenance Contracts	\$100,000	less _		% = \$	included	
Hourly Service Rates:		al Number f Hours		Hourly Rate	Annual Tota	ıl
				,		
Maintenance After The Warranty	200	hours X	\$	50.00	= \$_10,000	
Installation	700	hours X	\$	35	= \$24,500	
Technical Assistance	50	hours X	\$_	75	= \$3750	
Training	25	hours X	\$_		= \$1250	
Section B Total					\$39,500.00	

C. <u>Rental Equipment</u>:

Annual

	Expenditures		% Discoun	t Discounted Total
Section C Total	\$100,000.	less	10	_% = \$90,000_
Grand Total Sections A, B and C			\$	3,497,5000

VIII. EVALUATION AND AWARD CRITERIA:

Proposals will be evaluated based upon the information provided in the Offeror's Proposal using the following criteria: Offeror's qualifications and experience; methodology/approach to providing the requirements stated herein; price; and the Offeror's status as a Virginia certified SWaM Business or the Offeror's plans to utilize Virginia DSBSD certified SWaM Businesses in the Offeror's performance of the contract. Negotiations shall be conducted with Offerors so selected. After negotiations have been conducted with each Offeror so selected, the VCU shall select the Offeror which, in its opinion, has made the best offer, and shall award the contract to that Offeror. VCU reserves the right to make multiple awards from the RFP. The University may cancel this Request for Proposals or reject Proposals at any time prior to an award, and is not required to furnish a statement of the reason why a particular Proposal was not deemed to be the most advantageous. (Governing Rules Section 49.D) Should the University determine in writing and in its sole discretion that only one Offeror has made the best proposal, a Contract may be negotiated and awarded to that Offeror. The award document will be a Contract incorporating by reference all the requirements, terms and conditions of the RFP, and the Offeror's response thereto.

Notice of Award(s) or Notice of Intent to Award may be accessed electronically at <u>http://www.eva.virginia.gov</u>.

IX. REPORTING AND DELIVERY REQUIREMENTS:

By submitting a Proposal, Offerors certify that all information provided in response to the Request for Proposals is true and accurate. Failure to provide information required by this Request for Proposals will ultimately result in rejection of the Proposal.

It is the policy of the Commonwealth of Virginia that 42% of its purchases be made from small businesses to contribute to the establishment, preservation, and strengthening of small businesses, and businesses owned by women and minorities, and to encourage their participation in VCU procurement activities. The University encourages Contractors to provide for the participation of small businesses and businesses owned by women and minorities through partnerships, joint ventures, subcontracts or other contractual opportunities.

<u>Use of Subcontractors</u>: If the Offeror intends to use subcontractors to perform any portion of the work described in this RFP, the Offeror must clearly so state. VCU is placing an increased emphasis on its SWaM (Small, Women, and Minority Owned) business program and is interested in identifying any potential opportunities that may be available to engage SWaM vendors to be certified by the Virginia Department of Small Business and Supplier Diversity (DSBSD) through new or existing contracts. **Identify and list any such opportunities that your firm would commit to if awarded this Contract in Appendix I- Participation in VCU Procurement Transactions Small Businesses and Businesses Owned by Women and Minority. The Offeror's response must include a description of which portion(s) of the work will be sub-contracted out and the names and addresses of potential Subcontractor(s) under the Contract.**

REPORT ON THE PARTICIPATION OF SMALL BUSINESSES AND BUSINESSES

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APPENDIX I

PARTICIPATION IN STATE PROCUREMENT TRANSACTIONS SMALL BUSINESSES AND BUSINESSES OWNED BY WOMEN AND MINORITIES

The following definitions will be used in completing the information contained in this Appendix.

Definitions

- **Small business** is an independently owned and operated business which, together with affiliates, has 250 or fewer employees, or average annual gross receipts of \$10 million or less averaged over the previous three years. Nothing in this definition prevents a program, agency, institution or subdivision from complying with the qualification criteria of a specific state program or federal guideline to be in compliance with a federal grant or program.
- Women-owned business is a business concern which is at least 51 percent owned by one or more women who are U.S. citizens or legal resident aliens, or in the case of a corporation, partnership or limited liability company or other entity, at least 51 percent of the equity ownership interest in which is owned by one or more women, and whose management and daily business operations are controlled by one or more of such individuals.
- **Minority-owned business** is a business concern which is at least 51 percent owned by one or more minorities or in the case of a corporation, partnership or limited liability company or other entity, at least 51 percent of the equity ownership interest in which is owned by one or more minorities and whose management and daily business operations are controlled by one or more of such individuals.
- **Minority Individual**: "Minority" means a person who is a citizen of the United States or a legal resident alien and who satisfies one or more of the following definitions:
 - "Asian Americans" means all persons having origins in any of the original peoples of the Far East, Southeast Asia, the Indian subcontinent, or the Pacific Islands, including but not limited to Japan, China, Vietnam, Samoa, Laos, Cambodia, Taiwan, Northern Marinas, the Philippines, U. S. territory of the Pacific, India, Pakistan, Bangladesh and Sri Lanka and who are regarded as such by the community of which these persons claim to be a part.
 - "African Americans" means all persons having origins in any of the original peoples of Africa and who are regarded as such by the community of which these persons claim to be a part.
 - "Hispanic Americans" means all persons having origins in any of the Spanish speaking peoples of Mexico, South or Central America, or the Caribbean Islands or other Spanish or Portuguese cultures and who are regarded as such by the community of which these persons claim to be a part.
 - "Native Americans" means all persons having origins in any of the original peoples of North America and who are regarded as such by the community of which these persons claim to be a part or who are recognized by a tribal organization.
 - "Eskimos and Aleuts" means all persons having origins in any of the peoples of Northern Canada, Greenland, Alaska, and Eastern Siberia and who are regarded as such in the community of which these persons claim to be a part.

PARTICIPATION BY SMALL BUSINESSES, BUSINESSES OWNED BY WOMEN

BUSINESSES OWNED BY MINORITIES

This appendix should only be completed by firms that are not Virginia Department of Small Business and Supplier Diversity (DSBSD) certified small businesses.

Offeror certifies that it will involve Small Businesses, Women-Owned Businesses, and/or Minority-Owned Businesses (SWaM) in the performance of this contract either as part of a joint venture, as a partnership, as Subcontractors or as suppliers.

VCU has an overall goal of 42% SWaM participation for all annual purchases and seeks the maximum level of participation possible from all its contractors.

List the names of the SWaM Businesses your firm intends to use and identify the direct role of these firms in the performance of the contract. State whether the firm is a Small Business (SB), Women-Owned (WO), or Minority-Owned (MO).

Title: Email:

Name of Businesses:	<u>SB, WO, MO:</u>	Role in contract:
Commitment for utilization	on of DSBSD SWaM Busin	esses:
% of total co	ontract amount that will be p	performed by DSBSD certified SWaM businesses.
Identify the individual res	ponsible for submitting S	WaM reporting information to VCU:
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Em elli		
Phone:		
Firm:		
Offeror understands and a	cknowledge that the percen	tages stated above represent a contractual commitment by
the Offeror. Failure to achi	eve the percentage commit	ment will be considered a breach of contract and may result
in contract default.		
Acknowledged:		
By (Signature):		
Name Printed:		

Note: Small, Minority and/or Women-owned business sub-contractors are required to become certified and maintain certification through the Virginia Department of Small Business and Supplier Diversity (DSBSD; http://www.sbsd.virginia.gov/swamcert.html) to fulfill the Offeror's commitment for utilization.



To: Virginia Commonwealth University RFP: 7058821JC Attention: Jackie Colbert 912 W. Grace St.

5th Floor

Richmond, VA 23284-0327

- Reason: Proposal for RFP# 7058821JC VASCUPP Audio-Visual Term Contracts Negotiation
- From: Inter Technologies Corporation Daniel Brewster, President <u>daniel@intertech.tv</u> Phone: 540-605-0033 106 E. Green St Franklinton NC 27525



1. Utilization of the words "shall" or "must" in Section V, Items A – E, Statement of Needs, indicates a mandatory requirement:

Does / Shall your company comply with mandatory requirements as presented in Section V, Items A – E, Statement of Needs?

Yes ____ No _____

If "NO," identify the specific requirement and the reason for non-compliance.

Utilization of the words "should" or "may" in Section V, Items A – E, Statement of Needs indicates a non-mandatory requirement.

Does / Shall your company comply the non-mandatory requirements as presented in Section V, Items A – E, Statement of Needs (i.e. "should" becomes "shall")?

Yes _____ No _____

If "NO," identify the specific requirement and the reason for non-compliance.

- Does your firm agree to comply with the Procurement Requirements in Section V, Item F. 1-5? Yes
- Does your company agree to the cooperative contract language specified in Section I, Purpose, Page 4? Yes
- 4. Proposed Pricing:

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- a. Most but not all of the product discounts proposed are as deep as the discounts on the VITA contract that your company has. VASCUPP pricing is intended to be 2% under VITA pricing at a minimum. Please see updated discount sheet.
- b. Is the pricing offered the most favorable pricing offered to any customer for the same volume at this particular time? What additional discounts or price breaks can be offered for this contract without changing any of the project approach and deliverables proposed? Please see updated price sheet.
- c. Submit a revised price list of the brands of AV equipment, equipment categories and the discount from the manufacturer list price by brand and equipment category that is the most favorable pricing offered to any customer for the same volume at this particular time with all of the proposed contract discounts at a minimum 2.0% less than the VITA contract your company has since the VITA surcharge does not apply to a VASCUPP contract. Inter Technologies Corporation agrees. Please see attached updated price sheet. VASCUPP Contract prices will maintain a 2% discount from VITA prices to reflect the 2% fee VITA charges.
- 5. Provide written agreement that any boiler plate terms and conditions on quotes for individual AV purchases do not apply and that the terms and conditions of the RFP without any exceptions govern the contract and each project.

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