

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

Item Description: On-Call Environmental Lead Paint Inspection Services (4-Year Contract)

Procurement/MinuteTraq #: 49464

Date to be opened: 6/16/2025

Issuing Department: Department of Housing and Human Services **QUESTIONS**

- Please direct questions related to the process, how to fill out forms, and how to submit an application(Pages 1-8) to the Purchasing Department.
 - o Email: purchasing@providenceri.gov
 - Please use the subject line "Solicitation Question"
- Please direct questions relative to the Minority and Women's Business Enterprise Program and the corresponding forms (Pages 10-11) to the MBE/WBE Outreach Director for the City of Providence, Grace Diaz
 - o Email: gdiaz@providenceri.gov
 - Please use subject line "MBE WBE Forms"
- Please direct questions relative to the specifications outlined (beginning on page 14) to the issuing department's subject matter expert:
 - o Name: Paula Baron
 - o Title: Lead Abatement Coordinator
 - o Email Address: pbaron@providenceri.gov

Pre-submission Conference

There is no pre-bid conference scheduled for this item.

Deadline for questions submissions:

June 13, 2025

INSTRUCTIONS FOR SUBMISSION

Meeting Date: 6/16/2025

Bids may be submitted up to **2:15 P.M.** on the above meeting date at the **Department of the City Clerk. Room 311, City Hall. 25 Dorrance Street, Providence.** At 2:15 P.M. all bids will be publicly opened and read at the Board of Contract Meeting in Conference Room 305, on the 3rd floor of City Hall.

- Bidders must submit 2 copies of their bid in sealed envelopes or packages labeled with the captioned Item Description and the City Department to which the solicitation and bid are related and must include the company name and address on the envelope as well. (On page 1).
- If required by the Department, please keep the original bid bond and check in only one of the envelopes.
- Communications to the Board of Contract and Supply that are not competitive sealed bids (i.e. product information/samples) should have "**NOT A BID**" written on the envelope or wrapper.
- Only use form versions and templates included in this solicitation. If you have an old version of a form do not recycle it for use in this bid.
- The bid envelope and information relative to the bid must be addressed to:

Board of Contract and Supply Department of the City Clerk – City Hall, Room 31 25 Dorrance Street Providence, RI 02903

**<u>PLEASE NOTE</u>: This bid may include details regarding information that you will need to provide (such as proof of licenses) to the issuing department before the formalization of an award.

This information is NOT requested to be provided in your initial bid by design.

All bids submitted to the City Clerk become public record. Failure to follow instructions could result in information considered private being posted to the city's Open Meetings Portal and made available as a public record. The City has made a conscious effort to avoid the posting of sensitive information on the City's Open Meetings Portal, by requesting that such sensitive information be submitted to the issuing department only at their request.

BID PACKAGE CHECKLIST

Digital forms are available in the City of Providence Purchasing Department Office or online at http://www.providenceri.gov/purchasing/how-to-submit-a-bid/

The bid package **MUST** include the following, in this order:

- Bid Form 1: Bidder's Blank as the cover page/ 1st page (see page 6 of this document)
- Bid Form 2: Certification of Bidder as 2nd page (see page 7 of this document)
- Bid Form 3: Certificate Regarding Public Records (see page 8 of this document)
- Bid Form 4: Affidavit of City Vendor (see pages 9 and 10 of this document)
- Forms from the Minority and Women Business Enterprise Program: Based on Bidder Category. See forms and instructions enclosed (pages 10-11) or on:
 https://www.providenceri.gov/purchasing/minority-women-owned-business-mbewbe-procurement-program/

*Please note: MBE/WBE forms must be completed for EVERY bid submitted and must be inclusive of <u>ALL</u> required signatures. Forms without all required signatures will be considered <u>incomplete</u>.

- Bidder's Proposal/Packet: Formal response to the specifications outlined in this RFP, including pricing information and details related to the good(s) or service(s) being provided. Please be mindful of formatting responses as requested to ensure clarity.
- Financial Assurance, <u>if requested</u> (as indicated on page 5 of this document under "Bid Terms")

All of the above listed documents are REQUIRED. (With the exception of financial assurances, which are only required if specified on page 5.)

***Failure to meet specified deadlines, follow specific submission instructions, or enclose all required documents with all applicable signatures will result in disqualification, or in an inability to appropriately evaluate bids.

NOTICE TO VENDORS

- 1. The Board of Contract and Supply will make the award to the lowest qualified and responsible bidder.
- 2. In determining the lowest responsible bidder, cash discounts based on preferable payment terms will not be considered.
- 3. Where prices are the same, the Board of Contract and Supply reserves the right to award to one bidder, or to split the award.
- 4. No proposal will be accepted if the bid is made in collusion with any other bidder.
- 5. Bids may be submitted on an "equal in quality" basis. The City reserves the right to decide equality. Bidders must indicate brand or the make being offered and submit detailed specifications if other than brand requested.
- 6. A bidder who is an out-of-state corporation shall qualify or register to transact business in this State, in accordance with the Rhode Island Business Corporation Act, RIGL Sec. 7-1.2-1401, et seq.
- 7. The Board of Contract and Supply reserves the right to reject any and all bids.
- 8. Competing bids may be viewed in person at the Department of the City Clerk, City Hall, Providence, immediately upon the conclusion of the formal Board of Contract and Supply meeting during which the bids were unsealed/opened. Bids may also be accessed electronically on the internet via the City's Open Meetings Portal.
- 9. As the City of Providence is exempt from the payment of Federal Excise Taxes and Rhode Island Sales Tax, prices quoted are not to include these taxes.
- 10. In case of error in the extension of prices quoted, the unit price will govern.
- 11. The contractor will **NOT** be permitted to: a) assign or underlet the contract, or b) assign either legally or equitably any monies or any claim thereto without the previous written consent of the City Purchasing Director.
- 12. Delivery dates must be shown in the bid. If no delivery date is specified, it will be assumed that an immediate delivery from stock will be made.
- 13. A certificate of insurance will normally be required of a successful vendor.
- 14. For many contracts involving construction, alteration and/or repair work, State law provisions concerning payment of prevailing wage rates apply (RIGL Sec. 37-13-1 et seq.)
- 15. No goods should be delivered, or work started without a Purchase Order.
- 16. Submit 2 copies of the bid to the City Clerk, unless the specification section of this document indicates otherwise.
- 17. Bidder must certify that it does not unlawfully discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, gender, gender identity or expression, sexual orientation and/or religion in its business and hiring practices and that all of its employees are lawfully employed under all applicable federal, state and local laws, rules and regulations. (See Bid Form 2.)

BID TERMS

1.	Financial assurances may be required in order to be a successful bidder for Commodity or Construction
	and Service contracts. If either of the first two checkboxes below is checked, the specified assurance
	must accompany a bid, or the bid will not be considered by the Board of Contract and Supply. The
	third checkbox indicates the lowest responsible bidder will be contacted and required to post a bond to
	be awarded the contract.
	a) A certified check for <u>\$</u> must be deposited with the City Clerk as a guarantee that the Contract will be signed and delivered by the bidder.
	b) A bid bond in the amount of per centum (%) of the proposed total price, must be deposited with the City Clerk as a guarantee that the contract will be signed and delivered by the bidder; and the amount of such bid bond shall be retained for the use of the City as liquidated damages in case of default. Any person signing a bid bond as an attorney-in-fact shall include with the bid bond an original, or a photocopy or facsimile of an original, power of attorney.
	c) A performance and payment bond with a satisfactory surety company will be posted by the bidder in a sum equal to one hundred per centum (100%) of the awarded contract.
	d) No financial assurance is necessary for this item.

- 2. Awards will be made within **nighty** (90) days of bid opening. All bid prices will be considered firm, unless qualified otherwise. Requests for price increases will not be honored.
- 3. Failure to deliver within the time quoted or failure to meet specifications may result in default in accordance with the general specifications. It is agreed that deliveries and/or completion are subject to strikes, lockouts, accidents, and Acts of God.

The following entry applies only for COMMODITY BID TERMS:

4. Payment for partial delivery will not be allowed except when provided for in blanket or term contracts. The following entries apply only for CONSTRUCTION AND SERVICE BID TERMS:

- 5. Only one shipping charge will be applied in the event of partial deliveries for blanket or term contracts.
- 6. Prior to commencing performance under the contract, the successful bidder shall attest to compliance with the provisions of the Rhode Island Worker's Compensation Act, <u>RIGL 28-29-1</u>, et seq. If exempt from compliance, the successful bidder shall submit a sworn Affidavit by a corporate officer to that effect, which shall accompany the signed contract.
- 7. Prior to commencing performance under the contract, the successful bidder shall, submit a certificate of insurance, in a form and in an amount satisfactory to the City.

BID FORM 1: Bidders Blank

- 1. Bids must meet the attached specifications. Any exceptions or modifications must be noted and fully explained.
- 2. Bidder's responses must be in ink or typewritten, and all blanks on the bid form should be completed.
- 3. The price or prices proposed should be stated both in **WRITING** and in **FIGURES**, and any proposal not so stated may be rejected. **Contracts exceeding twelve months must specify annual costs for each year.**
- 4. Bids **SHOULD BE TOTALED** so that the final cost is clearly stated (unless submitting a unit price bid), however **each item should be priced individually**. Do not group items. Awards may be made on the basis of *total* bid or by *individual items*.
- 5. All bids MUST BE SIGNED IN INK.

Name of Bidder (Firm or Individual):	
Contact Name:	
Business Address:	
Business Phone #:	
Contact Email Address:	
Agrees to bid on (Write the "Item Description" here):	
If the bidder's company is based in a state <u>other than Rhode</u> <u>Island</u> , list name and contact information for a local agent for service of process that is located <u>within</u> Rhode Island	
Delivery Date (if applicable):	
Name of Surety Company (if applicable):	
Total Amount in Writing*:	
Total Amount in Figures*:	
*If you are submitting a unit price bid, please insert "Unit Price Bid"	
Use additional pages if necessary for additional bidding details.	
	Signature of Representation
	Title

BID FORM 2: Certification of Bidder

(Non-Discrimination/Hiring)

Upon be	ehalf of	(Firm or Individual Bidding),				
Ι,		(Name of Person Making Certification),				
being its	S	(Title or "Self"), hereby certify that:				
	lder does not unlawfully discriminate on the entation and/or religion in its business and h	basis of race, color, national origin, gender, sexual iring practices.				
	2. All of Bidder's employees have been hired in compliance with all applicable federal, state and local laws, rules and regulations.					
I affirm	by signing below that I am duly authorized	on behalf of Bidder, on				
this	day of	20				
		Signature of Representation				
		Printed Name				

BID FORM 3: Certificate Regarding Public Records

Upon	behalf of	(Firm or Individual Bidding),
I,		(Name of Person Making Certification),
being	its	(Title or "Self"), hereby certify an
unders	standing that:	
	(RFQ's), documents contained w record upon receipt by the City C and Supply (BOCS) meeting.	Requests for Proposals (RFP's) and Requests for Qualification ithin, and the details outlined on those documents become public lerk's office and opening at the corresponding Board of Contract
2.	effort to request that sensitive/per	he issuing department for this RFP/RFQ have made a conscious sonal information be submitted directly to the issuing verification of specific details is critical the evaluation of a
3.		mation may be crucial to evaluating bids. Failure to provide ification, or an inability to appropriately evaluate bids.
4.	defined supplemental information submitted to the City Clerk, the C	not been requested is enclosed or if a bidder opts to enclose the prior to the issuing department's request in the bidding packet City of Providence has no obligation to redact those details and the information becoming public record.
5.	The City of Providence observes the bidding packet may not be sul	a public and transparent bidding process. Information required in bmitted directly to the issuing department at the discretion of the formation, such as pricing terms, from becoming public. Bidders
I affir	m by signing below that I am duly	authorized on behalf of Bidder, on
this	day of	20
		Signature of Representation

Printed Name

BID FORM 4: Affidavit of City Vendor

Per our Code of Ordinances Sec. 21.-28.1 (e), this form applies to a) the business, b) any political action committee whose name includes the name of the business, c) all persons holding ten (10) percent or greater equity interest or five thousand dollars (\$5,000.00) or greater cash value interest in the business at any time during the reporting period, d) all executive officers of the business entity, e) any spouse or dependent child of any individual identified in a) though d) above.

Per R.I.G.L. § 36-14-2, "Business" means a sole proprietorship, partnership, firm, corporation, holding company, joint stock company,

Executive officers who are not residents of the state of Rhode Island are exempted from this requirement.

rec	eivership, trust, or any other entity recognized in law thr	rough which business for profit or not for profit is conducted.
Na	me of the person making this affidavit:	
Pos	sition in the "Business"	
	nme of Entity	
Ad	ldress:	
Pho	one number:	
The	e number of persons or entities in your entity that are req	quired to report under Sec. 2128.1 (e):
Re	ead the following paragraph and answer one of the op	tions:
are hav	e not in writing within the 12 month period preceding the ve you made campaign contributions within a calendar you	ubmission with the City of Providence, or with respect to the contracts that date of notification that the contract has reached the \$100,000 threshold, ear to (please list all persons or entities required under Sec. 2128.1 (e)).
a.	 Members of the Providence City Council? ☐ Yes If Yes, please complete the following: Recipient(s) of the Contribution: Contribution Date(s): 	□ No Contribution Amount(s):
b.	Candidates for election or reelection to the Providence • If Yes, please complete the following: Recipient(s) of the Contribution: Contribution Date(s):	City Council? ☐ Yes ☐ No Contribution Amount(s):
c.	The Mayor of Providence? ☐ Yes ☐ No If Yes, please complete the following: Recipient(s) of the Contribution: Contribution Date(s):	Contribution Amount(s):
d.	 Candidates for election or reelection to the office of Ma If Yes, please complete the following: Recipient(s) of the Contribution: Contribution Date(s): 	ayor of Providence? □ Yes □ No Contribution Amount(s):
	Signed under the pains and penalties of perjury.	Position

MBE/WBE Participation Plan

Please complete separate forms for each MBE/WBE subcontractor/supplier to be utilized on the solicitation.

Bidder's Name:								
Bidder's Address:								
Point of Contact:								
Telephone:								
Email:								
Procurement #:								
Project Name:								
Which one of the follows: business' status in terr Owned Business Enter State of Rhode Island' This form is intended.	or Woman rith the ly).	□MI		□WBE		either MBE nor WI		
This form is intended to capture commitments between the prime contractor/vendor and MBE/WBE subcontractors and suppliers, including a description of the work to be performed and the percentage of the work as submitted to the prime contractor/vendor. Please note that all MBE/WBE subcontractors/suppliers must be certified by the Office of Diversity, Equity and Opportunity at the time of bid. The MBE/WBE Directory can be found here . Please visit, the City's MBE/WBE page for details of the program (e.g. instructions and requirements). • Nonprofit organizations are not required to complete the rest of this form. • Construction projects unable to identify subcontractors prior to bid submission (e.g. Design Build) are required to provide updates to the MBE/WBE Outreach Office								
Name of Subcontracto								-
Type of RI Certification	on:	□МВЕ		□WBE		□Neit	ther	
Address:								
Point of Contact:								
Telephone:								
Email:								
Detailed Description of Performed by Subcont to be Supplied by Sup of Work provided in the Total Contract Value (tractor or Materials plier Per the Scope he RFP			Subcontract			Participation	
				Value (\$):			Rate (%):	
Anticipated Date of Pe								
I certify under penalty	1 0 0	orgoing sta	tement	s are true and				
Prime Contractor/Ve	endor Signature				Title			Date
Subcontractor/Suppl	ier Signature			-	Title			Date

*If you did not meet the 20% MBE/WBE combined participation goal, submit a Waiver Request Form.

MBE/WBE Waiver Request Form

Fill out this form only if you did not meet the 20% MBE/WBE participation goal. State-certified MBE or WBE Prime Bidders are NOT REQUIRED to fill out this form.

Submit this form to the City of Providence MBE/WBE Outreach Director, Grace Diaz, at gdiaz@providenceri.gov, for review **prior** to bid submission. This waiver applies only to the current bid which you are submitting to the City of Providence and does not apply to other bids your company may submit in the future. In case a waiver is needed, City Department Directors should not recommend a bidder for an award if this form is not included, absent or is not signed by the city of Providence MBE/WBE director.

Prime Bidder:		Contact Email and Phone					
		Trade					
Project /Item Description (as seen	on RFP): 						
To receive a waiver, you must list the certified MBE and/or WBE companies you contacted, the name of the primary individual with whom you interacted, and the reason the MBE/WBE company could not participate on this project.							
MBE/WBE Company Name	Individual's Name	Company Name	Why did you choose not to work with this company?				
waiver of % MBE/WBE	2(20%) minus the value of B	ox F on the Subcontractor Disclo	f the total bid value. I am requesting sure Form). If an opportunity is affort will be made to select MBE/V				
Signature of Prime Contractor / or Duly Authorized Representativ	Printed	Name	Date Signed				
Signature of City of Providence MBE/WBE Outreach Director / or Duly Authorized Representativ	MBE/V	Name of City of Providence VBE Outreach Director	Date Signed				

FOR CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS

APPRENTICE REQUIREMENTS (Construction Projects Valued at \$100,000 or More).

Attention of prospective bidders is called to the fact that this project is to be bid upon and executed under the City of Providence Code of Ordinances Chapter 21 Art. II Section 21-28.1 c(1) and (2) related to utilizing apprentices in the contract. This ordinance outlines requirements for utilizing not less than 15% of total hours worked by apprentices. The City may lower this percentage only if it determines in writing that compliance is not feasible or that it would be unduly cost prohibitive to the project. The attention of prospective bidders is also called to the fact that reporting the efforts undertaken and progress towards achieving the requirements in this ordinance is a condition for payment. Compliance reporting shall be submitted with any contract payment requisition, in a format to be specified by the City. This demonstration of compliance through such reports shall be a condition of the requisition for payment to be processed. Upon the contract being awarded to the successful bidder, a mandatory meeting will be scheduled to review the project requirements relative to apprenticeship requirements and the process and protocols by which these goals will be achieved. At this meeting, specific forms and procedures for the documentation and achievement of these requirements by the successful bidder will be provided, discussed and agreed upon for the execution of the contract.

"FIRST SOURCE" REQUIREMENTS.

Attention of prospective bidders is called to the fact that this project is to be bid upon and executed under the City of Providence Code of Ordinances Chapter 21 Art. III 1/2 First Source Agreements Sec. 21-91 through 21-96. This ordinance outlines requirements for hiring Providence residents to work on this project. The City may waive this requirement only upon a determination in writing that qualified residents of Providence are not available for the project, pursuant to Sec. 21-94(e). The attention of prospective bidders is called to the fact that reporting the efforts undertaken and progress towards achieving the requirements in this ordinance is a condition for payment. Compliance reporting shall be submitted with any contract payment requisition, in a format to be specified by the City. This demonstration of compliance through such reports shall be a condition of the requisition for payment to be processed. Upon the contract being awarded to the successful bidder, a mandatory meeting will be scheduled to review the project requirements relative to the First Source Agreements and the process and protocols by which these goals will be achieved. At this meeting, specific forms and procedures for the documentation and achievement of these requirements by the successful bidder will be provided, discussed, and agreed upon for the execution of the contract.

BID PACKAGE SPECIFICATIONS

Overview

The City of Providence is seeking proposals to provide comprehensive environmental lead inspections and/or risk assessment reports, and clearances for the Lead Safe Providence Program and other federally funded projects. The purpose of the Request for Proposal (RFP) is to create a list of on-call environmental lead inspectors throughout a four-year time period.

Scope of Work

- A. Inspection services will include Comprehensive Environmental Lead Inspections (CELI) with Lead Inspection Risk Assessment reports (LIRA), comprehensive clearance inspections on single family, multifamily, and multi-use properties in the City of Providence, as described in further detail below.
- B. All inspection and sampling procedures, result interpretations, report generation, and reporting requirements, must, at a minimum, be performed in accordance with the Rhode Island Rules and Regulations for Lead Poisoning Prevention [R23-24.6-PB].
- C. All inspection documentation, including reports and certificates, must be legible and in a format approved by the Rhode Island DOH and the LSPP.

All inspections will be modified to meet additional US Dept. of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) requirements which are:

- All four walls in every room area must be separately tested by XRF sampling and results recorded.
- All windows in every room must be separately tested by XRF sampling and results recorded
- A minimum total of 8 dust samples will be taken, 2 samples in each common stair/hall and an additional blank sample per project/day.
- D. The LSPP strongly encourages Inspection Firms to utilize e-mail when submitting inspection documentation to the LSPP. The LSPP will accept inspection documentation in paper format or by e-mail to pbaron@providenceri.gov (with the full property address in the subject line and attachments in .pdf format). All other documents related to the inspection services provided may also be submitted in paper or electronic format.
- E. Inspection Service Assignments ("ISAs") will be offered on a rotating basis to the Inspection Firms selected to work with the LSPP. The LSPP will make two (2) attempts to contact an Inspection Firm, by email and phone, to provide owner contact information and details about the property which is need of an inspection. The Inspection Firm will have until 2:00 P.M. the following business day to respond to the LSPP, by telephone or e-mail, to accept or decline the ISA. When an Inspection Firm declines an assignment, the LSPP will log the information and offer the assignment to the next Inspection Firm in the rotation. This procedure will be repeated until the ISA is accepted.
 - 1. Lead Inspection Risk Assessment Reports

Lead Inspection Risk Assessment Reports (LIRA) are on-site investigations to determine the existence, severity, and location of lead-based paint hazards which are accompanied by a report explaining the results and

options for reducing lead-based paint hazards. The LIRA being provided by firms must follow the Guidelines for the Evaluation and Control of Lead Based Paint Hazards in Housing cover the following, at a minimum:

- Title: Lead Safe Providence Program,
- Lead Inspector/Risk Assessors Respondent Name:
- Identification of the existence, nature, severity, source and location of lead-based paint hazards, including soil and dust hazards as well as paint (or documentation that no such hazards have been identified);
- Description of the options for controlling lead hazards in the event that hazards are found, including interim controls and abatement measures;
- Suggestions on how to keep in a non-hazardous condition lead-based paint that will remain in a dwelling after present hazards are corrected; and Recommended changes to the management and maintenance systems. By considering all hazards and examining resident and owner practices, the assessment can determine appropriate ways to control hazards.
- Questionnaire(s) for a Lead Hazard Risk Assessment for an Individual Occupied Dwelling Form 5.0 in the "Guidelines for the Evaluation and Control of Lead Based Paint Hazards," or in the case where an ebl child resides please use Form 16.1, "Resident Questionnaire for Elevated Blood Lead Levels" must be included with the LIRA.

2. CLEARANCE INSPECTION

- When the visual portion of the Clearance Inspection fails, the result must be communicated promptly to the LSPP or Housing Rehab Specialist by telephone while the Inspector is on-site. The Inspector must document the reason for the visual inspection failure, and forward the information to the LSPP.
- When media samples are collected as part of the clearance inspection, the Inspector will interpret the laboratory results. Passage or failure must be communicated promptly to the LSPP by telephone or email. A Certification of Lead Safe Status or written notice of clearance failure is due to the LSPP within two (2) business days after receipt of the laboratory analysis results.
- When a property passes visual inspection and laboratory analysis confirms that the collected media samples meet the Regulation standards, clearance results must be documented on the DOH Partial Lead Safe Certificate or Conditional Lead Safe Certificate, and transmitted to the LSPP within two (2) business days after receipt of the laboratory analysis results.
- The full CELI with Federal Risk Assessment report must be transmitted to the LSPP within **ten** (10) business days after receipt of laboratory analysis results.
- 24 hour turn around time for dust results.

3. RETURN INSPECTION/SITE VISIT BY PROGRAM REQUEST

• Return inspections and site visits may be required by the LSPP in special circumstances. Pricing will be based upon the nature of the visit and the time required for inspection/sample collection.

4. LABORATORIES/SAMPLES

• Laboratories that analyze samples for lead in dust, water and soil must be recognized by EPA under its National Lead Laboratory Accreditation Program (NLLAP). The City of Providence will pay for all authorized samples submitted according to the sampling protocols. Any sampling or shipping charges arising outside the sampling protocols will be the responsibility of the Inspection Firm. The City of Providence will have a contract with an accredited lab to submit samples to.

ITEMS TO BE INCLUDED WITH YOUR PROPOSAL

- A. General Firm Information
- 1. Provide a brief description of your Firm (10 points), including but not limited to the following:
 - a. Name of the principal(s) of the Firm
 - b. Name, telephone number and e-mail address of a representative of the Firm authorized to discuss your proposal.
 - c. Address of all offices of the Firm.
 - d. Number of employees of the Firm.
- 2. Experience and Resources
- 1. Provide a detailed list of references including a contact name and telephone number for organizations or businesses with similar inspection service needs (20 points).
 - *Quality and relevance of prior experience with similar inspection service needs.
 - *Strength and detail of references provided (including contact names and phone numbers)
- 2. Identify any business or personal relationships that you, your Firm, employees, and associates have dealing with lead paint, lead paint issues, inspection or construction firms, companies, or suppliers that might constitute a conflict of interest, make you consistently unavailable to accept assignments, or inhibit your ability to perform inspection services in a timely manner (10 points).
 - *Identification of any personal or business relationships with lead paint-related firms or city-affiliated organizations.
 - *Assessment of the firm's independence and ability to perform timely services.
- 3. Identify any conflict of interest that may arise as a result of business activities or ventures by you, your Firm and associates of your Firm, employees, or subcontractors as a result of any individual's status as a member of the board of directors of any organization likely to interact with the City of Providence (10 points).
 - *Disclosure of affiliations with boards, organizations, or business ventures likely to interact with the City.
 - *Evaluation of the firm's ability to maintain impartiality.
- 4. Identify any material litigation, administrative proceedings or investigations in which you or your Firm is currently involved. Identify any material litigation, administrative proceedings or investigations, to which you, your Firm or any of its principals, partners, associates, subcontractors or support staff was a party, that has been settled within the past two (2) years (10 points).
 - *Disclosure and explanation of any litigation, administrative proceedings, or investigations involving the firm or its associates within the past two years.
 - *Assessment of the firm's legal standing and reliability.
- 5. Include the name of the lab(s) your company utilizes for dust, water soil results (10 points).
 - *Identification and appropriateness of laboratories used for dust, water, and soil analysis.
 - *Verification of lab certifications and capabilities.

PRICING FOR LEAD PAINT INSPECTIONS

1.	Comprehensive Environmental Lead Inspection with	\$
	Federal Risk Assessment Report (single family	
	dwellings)	
2.	Comprehensive Environmental Lead Inspection with	\$
	Federal Risk Assessment Report (per unit, multi-	
	family units)	
3.	Clearance Inspection (per unit) 24-hour results are	\$
	required	
4.	Clearance Inspection common areas	\$
5.	Exterior Clearance Inspection (with porch dust wipe)	\$
6.	Exterior Clearance Inspection (without porch dust	\$
	wipe)	
		\$
7.	Soil Clearance Inspection	
8.	Fee for apprenticeship training for municipal staff per	\$
	Comprehensive Environmental Lead Inspection	
9.	Fee for apprenticeship training for municipal staff	\$
	Per clearance inspection	
10.	Fee for apprenticeship training for municipal staff	\$
	Per certificate of conformance	
		\$
11.	Other:	

Lowest cost proposal will receive 30 points. Others will receive points proportionally.

^{*} Minimum score to pass evaluation is **70 points** over a total maximum of **100 points**.

SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION

If the issuing department for this RFP determines that your firm's bid is best suited to accommodate their need, you will be asked to provide proof of the following prior to formalizing an award.

An inability to provide the outlined items at the request of the department may lead to the disqualification of your bid.

This information is <u>NOT</u> requested to be provided in your initial bid that you will submit to the City Clerk's office by the "date to be opened" noted on page 1. This list only serves as a list of items that your firm should be ready to provide on request.

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You must be able to provide:

- Business Tax ID will be requested after an award is approved by the Board of Contract and Supply.
- Proof of Insurance liability and workers compensation.
- Certificate of Good Standing with the Rhode Island Secretary of State.
- Provide a copy of Environmental Lead Inspector License
- Registration of a unique entity id on sam.gov upon approval.



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CITY OF PROVIDENCE STANDARD TERMS & CONDITIONS

- 1. The terms "you" and "your" contained herein refer to the person or entity that is a party to the agreement with the City of Providence ("the City") and to such person's or entity's employees, officers, and agents.
- 2. The Request For Proposals ("RFP") and these Standard Terms and Conditions together constitute the entire agreement of the parties ("the Agreement") with regard to any and all matters. By your submission of a bid proposal or response to the City's RFP, you accept these Standard Terms & Conditions and agree that they supersede any conflicting provisions provided by bid or in any terms and conditions contained or linked within a bid and/or response. Changes in the terms and conditions of the Agreement, or the scope of work thereunder, may only be made by a writing signed by the parties.
- 3. You are an independent contractor and in no way does this Agreement render you an employee or agent of the City or entitle you to fringe benefits, workers' compensation, pension obligations, retirement or any other employment benefits. The City shall not deduct federal or state income taxes, social security or Medicare withholdings, or any other taxes required to be deducted by an employer, and this is your responsibility to yourself and your employees and agents.
- 4. You shall not assign your rights and obligations under this Agreement without the prior written consent of the City. Any assignment without prior written consent of the City shall be voidable at the election of the City. The City retains the right to refuse any and all assignments in the City's sole and absolute discretion.
- 5. Invoices submitted to the City shall be payable sixty (60) days from the time of receipt by the City. Invoices shall include support documentation necessary to evidence completion of the work being invoiced. The City may request any other reasonable documentation in support of an invoice. The time for payment shall not commence, and invoices shall not be processed for payment, until you provide reasonably sufficient support documentation. In no circumstances shall the City be obligated to pay or shall you be entitled to receive interest on any overdue invoice or payment. In no circumstances shall the City be obligated to

- pay any costs associated with your collection of an outstanding invoice.
- 6. For contracts involving construction, alteration, and/or repair work, the provisions of applicable state labor law concerning payment of prevailing wage rates (R.I. Gen. Laws §§ 37-13-1 et seq., as amended) and the City's First Source Ordinance (Providence Code of Ordinances §§ 21-91 et seq., as amended) apply.
- 7. With regard to any issues, claims, or controversies that may arise under this Agreement, the City shall not be required to submit to dispute resolution or mandatory/binding arbitration. Nothing prevents the parties from mutually agreeing to settle any disputes using mediation or non-binding arbitration.
- 8. To the fullest extent permitted by law, you shall indemnify, defend, and hold harmless the City, its employees, officers, agents, and assigns from and against any and all claims, damages, losses, allegations, demands, actions, causes of action, suits, obligations, fines, penalties, judgments, liabilities, costs and expenses, including but not limited to attorneys' fees, of any nature whatsoever arising out of, in connection with, or resulting from the performance of the work provided in the Agreement.
- 9. You shall maintain throughout the term of this Agreement the insurance coverage that is required by the RFP or, if none is required in the RFP, insurance coverage that is considered in your industry to be commercially reasonable, and you agree to name the City as an additional insured on your general liability policy and on any umbrella policy you carry.
- 10. The City shall not subject itself to any contractual limitations on liability. The City shall have the time permitted within the applicable statute of limitations, and no less, to bring or assert any and all causes of action, suits, claims or demands the City may have arising out of, in connection with, or resulting from the performance of the work provided in the Agreement, and in no event does the City agree to limit your liability to the price of the Agreement or any other monetary limit.
- 11. The City may terminate this Agreement upon five (5) days' written notice to you if you fail to observe any of the terms and conditions of this Agreement, or if the City believes your ability to perform the

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terms and conditions of this Agreement has been materially impaired in any way, including but in no way limited to loss of insurance coverage, lapsing of a surety bond, if required, declaration of bankruptcy, or appointment of a receiver. In the event of termination by the City, you shall be entitled to just and equitable compensation for any satisfactory work completed and expenses incurred up to the date of termination.

- 12. Written notice hereunder shall be deemed to have been duly served if delivered in person to the individual or member of the firm or entity or to an officer of the entity for whom it was intended, or if delivered at or sent by registered or certified mail to the last business address known by the party providing notice.
- 13. In no event shall the Agreement automatically renew or be extended without a writing signed by the parties.
- 14. You agree that products produced or resulting from the performance of the Agreement are the sole property of the City and may not be used by you without the express written permission of the City.
- 15. For any Agreement involving the sharing or exchange of data involving potentially confidential and/or personal information, you shall comply with any and all state and/or federal laws or regulations applicable to confidential and/or personal information you receive from the City, including but not limited to the Rhode Island Identity Theft Protection Act, R.I. Gen. Laws § 11-49.3-1, during the term of the Agreement. You shall implement and maintain appropriate physical, technical, and administrative security measures for the protection of, and to prevent access to, use, or disclosure of, confidential and/or personal information. In the event of a breach of such information, you shall notify the City of such breach immediately, but in no event later than twenty-four (24) hours after discovery of such breach.
- 16. The Agreement is governed by the laws of the State of Rhode Island. You expressly submit yourself to and agree that any and all actions arising out of, in connection with, or resulting from the performance of the Agreement or relationship between the parties shall occur solely in the venue and jurisdiction of the State of Rhode Island or the federal court located in Rhode Island.
- 17. The failure of the City to require performance of any provision shall not affect the City's right to

- require performance at any time thereafter, nor shall a waiver of any breach or default of this Agreement constitute a waiver of any subsequent breach or default or a waiver of the provision itself.
- 18. If any term or provision of this Agreement, or the application thereof to any person or circumstance shall, in any extent, be invalid or unenforceable, the remainder of this Agreement shall not be affected thereby, and each term and provision shall be valid and enforceable to the fullest extent permitted by law.