

*BID 2025-015 EMERGENCY GENERATOR MAINTENANCE AND REPAIR SERVICES*

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## Section 1 Introduction and Instructions

### 1.1 Bid Overview.

Subject: Invitation to BID 2025-015  
Bid Title: Emergency Generator Maintenance and Repair Services  
Bid Opening: FEB, 26 2026 @ 3pm Est  
Bid Opening Place: Sheriff's Operation Center (SOC)  
SPA: Wady Almanzar, WAlmanzar@TeamHCSO.com

The purpose of this Invitation to Bid/ (Bid) is to describe the requirements of the Hillsborough County Sheriff's Office to obtain the services of a qualified Supplier to provide scheduled maintenance and repair services for emergency generators and transfer switches. Any reference to the "Work" throughout this Bid packet is defined to be inclusive of the Scope of Work and any related performance detailed herein.

#### 1.1.1 Proposed Schedule.

The Bid schedule set out herein represents the Hillsborough County Sheriff's Office's (HCSO or Buyer) best estimate of the schedule that will be followed. If a component of this schedule, such as the deadline for receipt, is delayed, the rest of the schedule may shift accordingly. All times are Eastern Standard Time.

Issue Date: Advertisement/Website Publication/etc.	JAN, 20 2026
Pre-Bid Conference:	See 1.3, N/A
Deadline for Submitting Questions	FEB, 06 2026
Deadline for Submitting Samples (Date or N/A)	N/A
Deadline for Receipt / Bid Opening	FEB, 26 2026 3pm EST
Award Notification Target Date	MAR, 23 2026

#### 1.1.2 This Bid does not, by itself, obligate the HCSO.

The HCSO's obligation will commence when the contract is awarded. Upon written notice to the Bidder, the HCSO may set a different starting date. The HCSO will not be responsible for any Work commenced, even in good faith, if it occurs prior to the contract start date set by the HCSO.

### 1.2 Contract Documents.

During award procedures, the Bid, its attachments, its amendments, and the Bid package submitted by the Bidder will become incorporated into an agreement that becomes the "Contract Document." This agreement will require the signatures of the Bidder and either the signature of the Sheriff, Undersheriff, Chief Deputy, or the Chief Financial Officer to become binding. A draft copy of the proposed agreement and its terms and conditions are attached to this ITB for review. The final executed agreement may have differing terms due to corrections and/or negotiations. All Bid Packages become the property of the HCSO and will not be returned to the Bidder. The HCSO reserves the right to clarify any contractual relationship in writing with the Awarded Supplier, and such written clarification shall govern in case of conflict with the applicable requirements stated in the Bid or the Awarded Supplier's response. In all other matters not affected by the written clarification, if any, the Bid and all amendments thereto shall govern. The Bidder is cautioned that his Bid shall be subject to acceptance without further clarification.

Bidders selected for award of a contract will be required to execute a written agreement with HCSO (see attached Exhibit A). Only those modifications that the Bidder indicates in its response will be available for discussion. Much of the language in the Contract reflects the State of Florida and HCSO legal requirements and cannot be altered. Numerous and/or onerous exceptions that contradict Florida law or HCSO Policy may result in the Bid being disqualified from further review and evaluation.

To request a modification to the Contract terms, conditions, or specifications, a Bidder must submit the requested modifications or exceptions to the award contract along with the exceptions to bid, see section 5.3 for more information. Exceptions must:

- A. Clearly identify the affected article and section, and
- B. Clearly note what language is requested to be modified. Unclear requests will be automatically denied.

Only those exceptions that have been accepted by HCSO will be included in the contract document provided to the Awarded Supplier for signature.

If a Bidder receives a contract award resulting from this solicitation, it will have up to 30 days to sign and return the contract. After that time, at HCSO's sole discretion, the contract award may be revoked.

### **1.3 Pre-Bid Site Visits and Facility Tours.**

All scheduled Site Visits or Facility Tours must be attended. All attendees must adhere to HCSO policies and procedures while on site.

Mandatory Pre-Bid Site Visit : N/A

PLACE: N/A

### **1.4 Bid Response Submission Requirements.**

Bids will be received until the time and date shown and will be read aloud immediately thereafter. A video recording of the physically received, electronically submitted, or otherwise accepted Bid participants will then be posted to the (HCSO) website at <https://TeamHCSO.com/Purchasing> and on the OpenBids: <https://www.demandstar.com/app/agencies/florida/hillsborough-county-sheriff-s-office/procurement-opportunities/2edd7caf-d5b9-4fbd-97d1-e8820498d3ef/>. To support the evaluation of your Bid Response, please refer to the BID CHECKLIST. **Respondents who do not follow submittal instructions may be declared non-responsive and eliminated from consideration.**

Responses may be submitted by hand delivery, United States Postal Service (USPS), commercial shipment, or electronically on DemandStar.

The completed APPENDIX I (Supplier Application Packet) must be returned, with all the documentation listed therein, with your Bid Response, along with copies of Hillsborough County Business Tax Receipt, other local government, or state business license(s).

- 1.4.1 Physical submitted Bids must be contained in a SEALED envelope addressed to: **Hillsborough County Sheriff's Office, Sheriff's Operation Center, Financial Services Division – Purchasing Section, 2008 East Eighth Avenue, Tampa, Florida 33605**. To prevent inadvertent opening, the Bid must be marked as a BID DOCUMENT (including the Bid number, Date, and Time of Bid Opening) on the outermost envelope or packaging material – See 5.8 Packaging Label.
- 1.4.2 Electronic bids may be submitted through a secure mailbox at DemandStar (EUNA OpenBids) ([www.demandstar.com](http://www.demandstar.com)) until the date and time as indicated in this document. It is the sole responsibility of the Supplier to ensure their bid reaches DemandStar before the closing date and time.
- 1.4.3 When appropriate, the respondent should provide one (1) clearly marked redacted copy.
- 1.4.4 If our specifications, when included, are not returned with your Bid, and no specific reference is made to them in your Bid Response, it will be assumed that all specifications will be met. When material, sketches, cuts, descriptive literature, the company's, or manufacturer's specifications that accompany the Bid Response, contain information that can be construed or is intended to be a deviation from our specifications, such deviation must be specifically referenced in your Bid Response.
- 1.5 **Bid Delivery.**  
The responsibility for getting the Bid to the HCSO on or before the stated time and date will be solely and strictly the responsibility of the Bidder. The HCSO will in no way be responsible for delays caused by the USPS or a delay caused by any other occurrence or any other method of delivery. Bids must be received no later than the date and time listed herein. Late Bids or amendments may be disqualified, not opened, or accepted for evaluation when applicable.
- 1.6 **Bid Submittal Costs.**  
Submittal of a Bid is solely at the cost of the Bidder, and the HCSO is in no way liable or obligated for any cost incurred by the Bidder in preparing the Bid Package.
- 1.7 **Communication Between Parties.**  
All questions regarding this Bid are to be directed, in writing, to the Buyer listed in Section 1.1. No communication is allowed, either directly or indirectly, with any other HCSO employee regarding this Bid prior to the notice of award.  
  
In the interest of public access, all documents relating to this Bid will be posted to the HCSO website at <https://TeamHCSO.com/Purchasing>. This will include Question and Answers (Q&A), amendments, addenda, etc. Posting documents to the HCSO website is considered the official method of notification, regardless of other notification methods the Buyer utilizes for the convenience of the parties involved. Any modifications or alterations to the original document language will be cause for the rejection of a Bid.
- 1.8 **Amendments to the Bid.**  
If an amendment is issued, it will be provided to all who have notified the Buyer of their intent to bid and have also attended the pre-bid conference. It will also be posted to the HCSO website at <https://TeamHCSO.com/Purchasing> and on the EUNA OpenBids website.

**1.9 Amendments to Bids.**

Amendments to or withdrawals of submitted Bids will only be allowed if acceptable requests are received prior to the deadline that is set for receipt of the Bids.

**1.10 Prices.**

All Bids submitted must show the net Bid price after any allowable discounts have been deducted.

Prices are to be Free on Board (F.O.B.) Destination.

All Prices shall include freight (to include manufacturer to distributor), packaging, and any other similar fees.

The HCSO is exempt from all Florida State Sales, Use, Transportation, and Excise taxes. The HCSO will issue tax exemption certificates to the Awarded Supplier(s).

The Bidder's attention is directed to the laws of the State of Florida, including, but not limited to, Chapter 212, Florida Statutes, which applies to all transactions resulting from this Bid, and that all applicable taxes and fees shall be deemed to have been included in the Bid Response as part of the materials cost, when applicable.

**1.11 General Bidder Qualifications.**

Bids shall be considered only from those who clearly demonstrate to the HCSO a professional ability to perform the type of work specified within the Bid. Bidders must be able to demonstrate adequate organization, financial backing, equipment, and personnel to ensure the continuous provision of quality service to the HCSO. In the determination of the evidence of responsibility and ability to perform the contract by the Bidder, the HCSO reserves the right to investigate the financial condition, experience record, personnel, equipment, facilities, and organization of the Bidder. The HCSO shall determine whether the evidence of responsibility and ability to perform is satisfactory and will make awards only when such evidence is deemed satisfactory. The Sheriff reserves the right to reject a Bid when evidence indicates the inability to perform the work specified within the Bid.

**1.12 Documented Past Performance with the HCSO.**

Bidders are informed that documented past performance with the HCSO may be considered in determining Bidder responsibility and responsiveness. Bidders with a history of poor performance with the HCSO may be deemed non-responsive to this solicitation.

**1.13 Exceptions to Bid.**

All Bid Responses must clearly state, with specific detail, all deviations to the requirements imposed upon the Bid by the terms contained therein. Such deviations should be stated upon the Bid Response or appended thereto, see section 5.3. Bidders are hereby advised that the HCSO will only consider Bid Responses that meet the specifications and other requirements imposed upon them by this Bid. In instances where an exception is stated upon the Bid Response, said Bid Response may be rejected.

**1.14 Bid Errors.**

When errors are found in the extension of Bid prices, the unit price will govern. Bids having erasures or corrections must be initialed in ink by the Bidder.

**1.15 No Bid.**

If you do not wish to submit a response to the Bid, please fill out and return the Statement of No Participation contained in Section 5. The information garnered is helpful to better the HCSO Bid process and assures the HCSO that you wish to remain on the HCSO Supplier list.

**1.16 Subcontracting.**

No portion of the Work shall be subcontracted without prior written approval of the HCSO. The Awarded Supplier(s) may not sublet or subcontract any of the contractual obligations concerning this Bid matter except as provided in the written contract between the HCSO and Awarded Supplier. This statement prohibits subcontracting overall management obligations pertaining to the Work and requires the Awarded Supplier to retain ultimate liability for all contractual obligations.

**1.17 Required Review.**

Respondents should carefully review this Bid for defects and questionable or objectionable material. Comments concerning defects and questionable or objectionable material should be made in writing and received by the Buyer at least 5 business days before the deadline for the receipt of Bids. This will allow time for the issuance of any necessary amendments.

**1.18 Time for Consideration.**

Bidder warrants, by virtue of bidding, the prices quoted in their response will be good for an evaluation period of 60 calendar days from the date of Bid opening unless otherwise stated. Bidders will not be allowed to withdraw or modify their Bids after the opening time and date.

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## **Section 2 Specifications and Scope of Work**

### **2.1 Requirements.**

The requirement of this Bid is to obtain fixed pricing for the scheduled maintenance, repairs, parts, and services for the Hillsborough County Sheriff's Office (HCSO) emergency generators and transfer switches. This outline is intended to establish the level and type of scheduled maintenance and repair services required, but not necessarily to identify every detail of the scheduled maintenance and repair services.

The Awarded Supplier shall prominently display the solicitation number BID 2025-015 on all quotations, invoices, packing slips, and any other documentation related to this solicitation. This requirement facilitates accurate order tracking and payment processing. Non-compliance may lead to processing delays.

### **2.2 Contract Period.**

The Contract shall be effective for three (3) years from the date of award. By written mutual consent between the HCSO and the Bidder, the Contract may be extended for up to three (3) additional two (2) year periods. See section 3.13 for information about renewals.

### **2.3 Inventory of Equipment.**

The Contractor shall maintain an inventory of HCSO equipment for which the Awarded Supplier is responsible for performing Generator Maintenance and Repair Services. The Awarded Supplier shall maintain an accurate inventory of the HCSO equipment and shall modify its records to indicate any changes through additions or deletions. At a minimum, the inventory shall include the following details for all equipment:

- a. Make, model, and location of equipment;
- b. Any existing Manufacturer's warranties on equipment;
- c. Notation of any changes to equipment; and
- d. Type(s) of Generator Maintenance and Repair Services performed.

Under no circumstances shall the Awarded Supplier remove any Equipment from an HCSO location without prior written approval from the HCSO Facilities Management Bureau Director or authorized agent. If applicable, the Awarded Supplier shall request that any asset tags be removed by the HCSO Location Supervisor, authorized to adjust Equipment inventory records when replacing Equipment.

### **2.4 Records, Documentation, and Reporting.**

The Awarded Supplier shall maintain Generator Maintenance and Repair Service records and documentation for all services provided under this Contract. The records shall include, but shall not be limited to, records of all service calls, Generator Maintenance and Repair Services performed, any Equipment modifications as applicable, an inspection list, and an annual report of all service logs. The HCSO may request additional reports with written notice to the Awarded Supplier. The Awarded Supplier shall provide an inspection list and related documentation of all services to the HCSO Location Supervisor upon completion of each Generator Maintenance and Repair Service within one business day of completion. The inspection list shall include services provided, testing, preventive maintenance tasks performed on the generator, and recommendations for future services based on inspection results.

**2.5 Major Preventive Maintenance Services.**

The Awarded Supplier shall provide Major Preventive Maintenance Services at regular intervals and schedule in coordination with the HCSO Location Supervisor. Major Preventive Maintenance Services shall include all of the requirements of the Minor Preventive Maintenance Service Section of this Scope of Work, along with the following additional services on HCSO Equipment:

- a. Oil and Oil Filters
  - i. Change the oil and filters in all generators annually or every 100 hours of operation, whichever occurs first. Oil changes shall conform to the Manufacturer's specifications. Only the Manufacturer's approved oil and filters shall be used.
- b. Lubricating System
  - i. Change governor oil (where applicable)
  - ii. Change injection pump oil (where applicable)
  - iii. Change oil in crankcase breather (where applicable)
  - iv. Take oil sample; send to laboratory for analysis; provide a copy of the report to the HCSO Location Supervisor within 30 business days from the service date.
- c. Fuel Delivery System
  - i. Lubricate the day tank float switch and manual pump (where applicable)
  - ii. Replace fuel filters
  - iii. Lubricate carburetor and linkage (where applicable)
  - iv. Lubricate governor linkage and service air filters
- d. Cooling System
  - i. Replace water filters (where applicable)
- e. Battery
  - i. Perform a load test
- f. Exhaust System
  - i. Drain condensation where possible
  - ii. Check and lubricate the heat riser plate
- g. Ignition System
  - i. Replace plugs (where applicable)
  - ii. Replace points (where applicable)
  - iii. Replace condenser (where applicable)
  - iv. Replace rotor (where applicable)
  - v. Inspect cap, replace as necessary (where applicable)
  - vi. Lube point cam (where applicable)
  - vii. Lube advance wick (where applicable)
  - viii. Lube upper and lower bearing
  - ix. Set timing
  - x. Inspect and lube mechanical advance (where applicable)
  - xi. Inspect wires

h. Generator

- i. Clean rings and commutator
- ii. Lubricate the over-speed switch
- iii. Check diode heat sinks
- iv. Inspect rear bearing

i. Engine Running

- i. Test the Low Oil Pressure safety switch and record the seconds to shut down
- ii. Test the High Engine Temperature safety switch and record the seconds to shut down
- iii. Test Over Speed Safety switch and record seconds to shutdown
- iv. Check pre-alarms (where applicable)
- v. Check over crank system and record seconds to shutdown
- vi. Check cycle cranking time and record seconds of cranking; seconds of rest

j. Accessories

- i. Lubricate all hinges, door locks, snap covers, etc.

k. Loadbank Test

- i. Loadbank (resistive and reactive) test each generator under full-rated load for at least two hours
- ii. Record all operating systems of the alternator and the engine during the loadbank test
- iii. Provide a complete written report of the loadbank test to the HCSO Location Supervisor for each generator set.

l. Other Maintenance

- i. The Awarded Supplier shall test the fuel located in each fuel tank annually to ensure the cleanliness of the fuel.
- ii. The Awarded Supplier shall clean each fuel tank every three years.
- iii. The Awarded Supplier shall replace all batteries every three years, regardless of condition.
- iv. The Awarded Supplier shall replace all belts and hoses every five years, regardless of condition.

**2.6 Minor Preventive Maintenance Service.**

The Awarded Supplier shall provide Minor Preventive Maintenance Services as scheduled in coordination with the HCSO Location Supervisor. Testing and adjusting of the Equipment will be performed on-site. On a semi-annual basis for the term of the Contract, the Awarded Supplier shall conduct all checks as required by the Manufacturer's operating documents or per HCSO request. The Awarded Supplier shall perform the following services on HCSO Equipment:

a. Lubricating System

- i. Check the lube oil level and add oil as necessary
- ii. Inspect for oil leaks, and check and re-torque connections to the Manufacturer's specifications
- iii. Check the governor's oil level and add oil as necessary (where applicable)
- iv. Check condition of lube oil hoses and connections
- v. Check oil base heater and adjust if necessary
- vi. Check injection pump oil level and add oil if necessary (where applicable).

- vii. Check the engine breather, and clean and remove any oil residue, dust, dirt, or other restrictions
  - viii. Start engine, check oil pressure, and adjust if necessary, to Manufacturer's specifications
  - ix. Check engine oil stick for water or residue
  - x. Check turbocharger for oil leaks (where applicable)
  - xi. Check front and rear crankshaft seals for oil leaks
  - xii. Check the Equipment hour meter for hours of operation; refer to Manufacturer's operation and service manual; if hours of operation are near or exceed Manufacturer's stipulated time for oil service, change oil and filter with Manufacturer's approved oil and filter; start engine and check for oil leaks at the filter; check oil stick for proper oil level
  - xiii. Take an oil sample; send it to the laboratory for analysis; provide a copy of the report to the HCSO Location Supervisor within 30 business days from the service date.
- b. Fuel Delivery System
- i. Inspect fuel lines, hoses, connections, clamps, injectors/carburetors, injector pumps, and priming pump, etc., for leaks, and correct as needed
  - ii. Check operation of day tank (where applicable)
  - iii. Drain water from fuel traps (where applicable)
  - iv. Drain water from the day strainer (where applicable)
  - v. Clean sediment bowl (where applicable)
  - vi. Check for water in fuel
  - vii. Inspect fuel filter and change filter as necessary
  - viii. Check fuel pressure, ensuring compliance with Manufacturer's specifications
- c. Cooling System
- i. Check for leaks
  - ii. Check coolant level and add coolant if necessary
  - iii. Check coolant pH, add long-life anti-freeze, and replace as necessary
  - iv. Check all belts for cracks or wear and replace them as necessary
  - v. Check all belts for proper tension and adjust as necessary
  - vi. Check the condition of water hoses and clamps
  - vii. Check for leakage and repair leaks as necessary
  - viii. Check water, filter, and replace water filter elements annually or as needed, whichever is sooner
  - ix. Pressure test radiator and cap
  - x. Check the water pump for leaks and bearing noise
  - xi. Verify the temperature gauge is reading the correct temperature using an infrared device
  - xii. Check the operation of the engine heater and switch
  - xiii. Check the fan and radiator for physical damage, obstruction, and leaks
  - xiv. Drain and replace anti-freeze, when required
- d. Air Systems
- i. Check air cleaner (dry type)
  - ii. Check turbocharger clearance (where applicable)
  - iii. Check and service oil bath air cleaner as needed (where applicable)

- iv. Check air hoses and connections (where applicable)
- e. Electrical System
  - i. Check battery fluid and correct if necessary
  - ii. Check battery specific gravity and correct if necessary
  - iii. Check battery trickle charger and record rate
  - iv. Check battery connections and clean and tighten if necessary
  - v. Lubricate generator, starter/cranking
  - vi. Check the air compressor, if not electric start
  - vii. Check for loose load line connections and emergency supply line connections
- f. Exhaust System
  - i. Inspect the entire exhaust system
  - ii. Check the rain cap for leaks
  - iii. Inspect the manifold connection for leaks and re-torque as necessary
  - iv. Inspect insulation and the surrounding area for any potential fire hazards
- g. Engine Safety Controls
  - i. Check operations of all safety controls and emergency stops
- h. Engine Test – No Load
  - i. Start engine, check operation, and adjust RPM if necessary
  - ii. Observe oil pressure and record
- i. Ignition System
  - i. Inspect all wires
  - ii. Check the ammeter for discharging while cranking
  - iii. Check the ammeter for full charge at start-up
- j. Generator Sets
  - i. Check slip rings
  - ii. Check commutator
  - iii. Check brushes to ensure they are free
  - iv. Inspect generator wiring for fraying
  - v. Check and record each phase volts, amps, frequency, and check the operation of the transfer switch
  - vi. Check automatic start-up
  - vii. Check generator grounding
  - viii. Adjust the voltage regulator
  - ix. Check generator windings and armature for cleanliness
  - x. Check the excitor belts for fraying or cracking
  - xi. Check the excitor and regulator for cleanliness
  - xii. Check generator mounting bolts for tightness and re-torque as required
  - xiii. Lubricate generator bearings, drive, and joints
  - xiv. Inspect for potential hazards resulting from vibration or pressure
  - xv. Check for alternator vibration
  - xvi. Inspect and torque (if necessary) all main supply, emergency supply, and load line connections

xvii. Verify phase relay drop-out and pickup points, adjust if necessary

k. Transfer Switch

- i. Check all wiring
- ii. Inspect to ensure all supply and load lines are tight
- iii. Check for proper mechanical operation of the transfer mechanism
- iv. Note settings on timers and ensure they are proper for the application
- v. Verify phase relays drop out and pick up points, traditionally drop out at 70% and pick up at 90% of rated voltage, and adjust if necessary
- vi. Attach calibration tag with date and calibration of relays noted
- vii. Advise the HCSO Location Supervisor as to any options they might want to add or change
- viii. Ensure thorough inspection and testing of the transfer switch is completed to the required specifications
- ix. Coordinate with the HCSO Location Supervisor before a preventive maintenance task, if a building power shutdown is needed

l. Engine

- i. Check for engine noises
- ii. Check carburetor/injectors for proper adjustments and operation, and correct as necessary
- iii. Check choke adjustment (where applicable)
- iv. Check engine for excessive smoke
- v. Check for air in the induction system
- vi. Check cylinder head and head gasket
- vii. Check for excessive blow by
- viii. Check the turbocharger for noise
- ix. Check pre-lubed pump for proper operation
- x. Check the engine's high idle speed and correct if necessary
- xi. Check engine low idle speed and correct if necessary
- xii. Check emergency shutoff for proper operation
- xiii. Check the engine for proper operation at rated speed
- xiv. Inspect engine mounting bolts, tighten bolts if loose, and replace bolts if broken
- xv. Check engine wiring harness for breaks or wear, repairing wiring harness if broken, and repairing or re-routing harness if worn, and to prevent wear

m. Testing

- i. While the engine is running under actual connected load, such as during a loadbank test, adjust voltage and frequency
- ii. Adjust the clock exerciser as necessary
- iii. Test delay start
- iv. Test delay pick-up
- v. Test delay retransfer
- vi. Test delay cool down
- vii. Test delay transition
- viii. Test delay preheat
- ix. Calibrate the undervoltage sensors
- x. Calibrate the overvoltage sensor

- xi. Calibrate the generator sensors
- xii. Record load per leg
- xiii. Record voltage per leg
- xiv. Record frequency
- xv. Record oil pressure
- xvi. Record water temperature
- xvii. Check battery charging system
- xviii. Clean up work area

**2.7 Maintenance.**

The Maintenance portion of the contract shall include all labor, supplies, tools, and equipment necessary to test, repair, and maintain the equipment.

**2.8 Location of Work.**

A complete list of site locations where the work will be performed will be provided to the Awarded Supplier.

**2.9 Minimum Qualification Requirements.**

The Bidder must meet the following minimum qualification requirements. Bidders that do not meet these minimum requirements will not be considered.

- 2.9.1 Bidders may be required to furnish evidence in writing that they maintain a permanent place of business within Hillsborough County, Florida. The HCSO reserves the right to inspect the Bidder's place of business and equipment prior to award of any contract, for determining the ability to meet terms and conditions as set forth herein.
- 2.9.2 Bidders shall have engaged in business within Hillsborough County, Florida, for a period of no less than the past two (2) years and shall provide references upon request.
- 2.9.3 Bidders must have adequate equipment, finances, and personnel to furnish the item or service offered satisfactorily and expeditiously.
- 2.9.4 Bidders shall employ only qualified operators and workers who are skilled in the performance of the Work. All employees of the Awarded Supplier who will work in an HCSO Facility or on a Hillsborough County property may be required to have a background check by the HCSO prior to beginning Work. All employees must comply with HCSO's policies and procedures, which include the prohibition against the use of any tobacco products on any HCSO property.
- 2.9.5 The Bidder may be required to provide a Work crew list giving all personnel names and changes as they occur.
- 2.9.6 The Bidder shall have proper tools, equipment, facilities, and any other requirements to successfully perform the Work. All equipment necessary to perform work under this contract that requires certification with the State of Florida shall be current.
- 2.9.7 Upon request, the Bidder shall provide proof of training certificates acquired by its employees demonstrating the quality level of their expertise and training.
- 2.9.8 By signature on their Bid Package, the Bidder certifies that all services provided under this contract by the Bidder shall be performed in the United States.
- 2.9.9 Subcontractors may be used to perform work under this contract. If a Bidder intends to use

subcontractors, the Bidder must identify in the Bid the names of the subcontractors and the portions of the work the subcontractors will perform.

2.9.9.1 *Subcontractor experience shall not be considered in determining whether the Bidder meets the requirements set forth herein.*

2.9.9.2 *If a Bid with subcontractors is selected, the Bidder must provide the following information concerning each prospective subcontractor within five (5) business days from the date of the HCSO's request.*

2.9.9.3 ○ *Complete Name of the Subcontractor*

2.9.9.4 ○ *Evidence that the Subcontractor holds a valid Business License*

2.9.9.5 ○ *Complete Address of the Subcontractor*

2.9.9.6 ○ *Percentage of Work Subcontractor will be providing*

2.9.9.7 ○ *Type of work Subcontractor will perform*

2.9.9.8 ○ *A written statement, signed by each proposed subcontractor, that clearly verifies that the Subcontractor is committed to render the services required by the contract.*

2.9.9.9 *A Bidder's failure to provide this information, within the time set, may cause the HCSO to consider their Bid non-responsive.*

2.9.10 **Contract Personnel.** Any change of the key project team members or subcontractors named in the Bid must be approved, in advance and in writing, by the HCSO Facilities Management Bureau Director or authorized agent. Changes that are not approved by HCSO may be grounds for HCSO to terminate the contract.

## 2.10 **Service Calls.**

The Awarded Supplier shall be required to provide emergency and non-emergency repairs of the equipment listed herein as requested and authorized by HCSO. All repairs and services executed on any equipment covered under this contract shall be made with the express knowledge and in the presence of HCSO personnel. A test run of the repaired equipment shall be made in the presence of HCSO personnel, who, according to their best judgment, shall accept or reject the repaired equipment by signature on the Awarded Supplier's work order. In the event that the test run cannot be made in the presence of HCSO personnel, the Awarded Supplier's work order shall spell out in detail the work performed as well as the testing and verification made at the time of repair.

### a. Response Types and Times

- i. Emergency: The Awarded Supplier shall respond and be on site within two (2) hours upon receipt of a call for service. An emergency service call covers breakdowns of equipment that could affect the operations of the HCSO.
- ii. Non-Emergency: The Awarded Supplier shall respond within 24 hours upon receipt of a call for service. A non-emergency service call covers problems with equipment not considered to be critical to the operations of the HCSO.
- iii. Failure to Respond: Failure of the Awarded Supplier to respond within the specified time frame outlined above shall constitute Contract default and may be cause for Contract cancellation.
- iv. Priority Calls for Service: The Awarded Supplier shall give the HCSO priority to calls



for service in the event of a hurricane or other disasters, provided conditions are safe for personnel to respond.

- v. Personnel: Service and/or repair personnel shall be made available 24 hours per day, 365 days per year.
- vi. HCSO Repairs: The HCSO reserves the right to utilize its own personnel to make repairs when it is deemed to be in the best interest of the HCSO.

b. Load Bank Testing

- i. The Awarded Supplier shall be required to provide a minimum of a two (2) hour resistive or reactive load bank test of the equipment listed herein as requested and authorized by the HCSO.

**2.11 Warranty.**

The Bidder will warrant all replacements and repairs for a one (1) year period from the date of the Work completion. If a failure develops during the warranty period, the Bidder is responsible for repairs at no cost to the HCSO.

**2.12 Parts.**

Parts supplied by the Awarded Supplier for equipment covered under this contract shall be as recommended by the respective equipment manufacturer or an acceptable equivalent and in new, unused condition. Makeshift repairs made due to the unavailability of a proper part will not be accepted.

The Awarded Supplier shall provide replacement parts for the equipment listed herein as requested and authorized by the HCSO Location Supervisor. Actual charges for shipping and handling of required parts may be added to the invoice for work rendered. The Awarded Supplier shall provide an invoice for the part(s) with any applicable shipping and handling charges upon request by the HCSO within two (2) business days.

**2.13 Hidden Damages.**

When hidden conditions or damage are discovered after the work or repairs have commenced, the Awarded Supplier must advise the HCSO Location Supervisor in charge as to the nature and the extent of the hidden conditions or damage and provide a written estimate of additional repairs needed. No additional Work shall commence until approved by the HCSO Location Supervisor.

**2.14 Performance Reports.**

Sample template forms for Minor and Major Scheduled Maintenance must be provided with your BID Response (Section 5). These forms must be electronically filled out and returned to the HCSO Location Supervisor or an authorized agent of the assigned area(s) within 10 days upon completion of work.

**2.15 Security.**

When applicable, personnel or contractors performing work at HCSO facilities will be escorted by HCSO personnel at all times. It should be understood that the Work could be interrupted by an emergency, safety, or security issue at any time. No additional charges will be allowed due to this type of service interruption. It should be noted that the time it takes to enter and exit a detention facility will vary on a daily basis, depending on security levels.

- 2.15.1 All persons entering any HCSO facility shall not have weapons or tobacco/vaping products. Cell phones are not permitted in secure locations such as the detention facilities, or any other secure locations.
- 2.15.2 All persons are expected to wear appropriate working attire and may be denied access if attire is considered inappropriate.
- 2.15.3 HCSO detention facilities require all persons to wear long pants (**shorts will not be allowed**) and a shirt with the company logo is preferred.
- 2.15.4 HCSO detention facilities does not permit Orange, Red, or Forest Green clothing.
- 2.15.5 Safety vests may be worn in the HCSO detention facilities, if Work requires it, but may NOT be orange in color.
- 2.15.6 All persons entering a secured facility must have a background check performed before entering the facility.

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### **Section 3 General Process Information**

#### **3.1 Supplier Diversity.**

Sheriff's Office shall comply with, and shall cause each of its third-party contractors, Suppliers, and professionals to comply with, all applicable laws, regulations, codes, and rules governing the design, construction, and completion of the components of the Project, including but not limited to, those relating to the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA). To ensure the maximum participation in posted HCSO solicitations, the HCSO Purchasing Office submits all postings to the Florida Department of Management Services' Office of Supplier Diversity (OSD) and the Hillsborough County MBE/SBE Programs Office. These offices will then share the posted opportunities with OSD-certified vendors to ensure exposure to businesses and increase the number of eligible Disadvantaged Minority/Disadvantaged Women Business Enterprise (DM/DWBE) and Small Business Enterprise (SBE) vendors in the area while also expanding the overall participation rate for DM/DWBE and SBE vendors and overall providing greater opportunities to disadvantaged businesses.

#### **3.2 Acceptance and Rejection.**

The HCSO reserves the right to reject any or all Bids, for cause, to waive irregularities, if any, and to accept the Bid (or Bids) which, in the judgment of the Sheriff, are in the best interest of the HCSO. The HCSO reserves the right to evaluate, add, and/or reject any items from any Bid options or resulting contract(s) when deemed to be in the best interest of the HCSO.

#### **3.3 Next Best Bidder.**

In the event of a default by the Awarded Supplier or cancellation by the HCSO, the HCSO reserves the right to utilize the next best responsive Bid and responsible Bidder. In the event of this occurrence, the new Awarded Supplier shall be required to provide the Bid items at the prices as contained in their Bid Response, for the remainder of the award period.

#### **3.4 Addition/Deletion.**

The HCSO reserves the right to add or delete any items from this Bid or resulting Contract(s) when deemed to be in the best interest of the HCSO. Any additions or deletions to the Bid will be considered amendments. Any additions or deletions to the Contract will constitute a Change Order and must be executed in writing and approved by the CFO. The Change Order will consist of a memo to the CFO describing the justification for the item added, accompanied by the Awarded Supplier's written, fixed price quote for each item to be added. If approved by the CFO, the item will be added to the Contract and recorded on the original Bid tabulation/price sheet.

#### **3.5 Award.**

Award shall be made to the most Responsive and Responsible Bidder meeting specifications, price and other factors considered. HCSO reserves the right to award by line item or by overall total, whichever is deemed in the best interest of HCSO and/or Hillsborough County. An award may be made to more than one (1) Bidder to ensure that work is completed in a timely manner.

If the HCSO awards the entire bid, or line items, to more than one (1) Bidder, then orders will be placed as needed. The determination of which Awarded Supplier the HCSO will place an order with will be decided based upon price, lead times, and other operational needs at the time of the order.

Tabulation of the Bid prices and Bidder rankings, if applicable, will be published at the time of Award. All Bidders responding with a Bid will receive a copy of the Bid tabulation.

Notification of Award will be sent to the Bidder receiving the Award. Bid results will be published on the HCSO website at <https://TeamHCSO.com/Purchasing>

In the event that two (2) or more Bidders have submitted the lowest and best Bids, preference may be given in the Award in the following order. First, to the Bidder who has their principal place of business in Hillsborough County; second, to the Bidder who has a place of business in Hillsborough County; and third, if the Bidders involved in the "tie bid" situation are all located inside/outside Hillsborough County, the toss of a coin may be used to break the tie.

### **3.6 Determination of Responsiveness.**

Determination of responsiveness will take place at the time of Bid Opening and evaluation. In order to be deemed a responsive Supplier, the Bid must conform in all material respects to the requirements stated in the Invitation to Bid.

### **3.7 Responsible Supplier Criteria.**

Bids will be evaluated to determine if qualifications and contract requirements are met. Bid Responses that do not meet all requirements of this Invitation to Bid or fail to provide all required information, documents, or materials may be rejected as non-responsive. The HCSO will not request documentation or consider a Supplier's social, political, or ideological interests in determining if the Supplier is a responsible Supplier. HCSO will not give preference to a Supplier based on the Supplier's social, political, or ideological interests.

Suppliers whose responses, past performance, or current status do not reflect the capability, integrity, or reliability to fully and in good faith perform the requirements of the contract may be rejected as non-responsible. In determining a responsible Supplier, the following factors may be considered:

- Adequacy of facilities, staffing, and financial resources;
- Previous experience with HCSO contracts or other similar government contracts;
- Ability to provide excellent customer service, including on previous HCSO contracts; and
- Any other information relevant to the responsibility of a Supplier of which HCSO is aware.

In addition to the requirements set forth by these Terms & Conditions, HCSO reserves the right to request staffing, performance, and financial information from any Supplier during the evaluation process.

HCSO reserves the right to determine which responses meet the requirements, specifications, Terms & Conditions of the solicitation, and which Suppliers are responsive and responsible.

HCSO further reserves the right to limit participation of Suppliers who, in HCSO's sole discretion, are determined to present responsibility concerns that call into question the Supplier's ability to perform but that do not rise to the level of requiring rejection of the Supplier as non-responsible.

**3.8 Basis for Award:**

The HCSO intends to award this requirement to one or multiple Suppliers. Award will be made to the responsive and responsible Supplier(s) whose proposal is determined to be the most advantageous to the organization, based on price and compliance with all solicitation requirements. Only proposals deemed responsive and responsible Suppliers will be considered for award.

Pricing will be evaluated independently and assigned a weighted percentage as indicated. The total evaluated price score will be the sum of the weighted scores for all three sections.

<b>Pricing Section</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Weight</b>
<b>Section 1</b>	Minor/Major Inspection and Load Bank Testing	<b>50%</b>
<b>Section 2</b>	Parts and Materials	<b>30%</b>
<b>Section 3</b>	Emergency & Non-Emergency Repair Rates	<b>20%</b>
<b>Total</b>		<b>100%</b>

The Supplier must, by the time of award, be registered to do business in the State of Florida on SunBiz.gov.

**3.9 Protests.**

Any prospective Bidder who disputes the reasonableness or appropriateness of the notice of Award, or notice of rejection, for any or all Bids, must submit a notice of protest in writing within 72 hours (excluding HCSO holidays, Saturdays, and Sundays) of the notice of award to the HCSO Purchasing Section by registered mail or hand delivery for which a receipt must be provided.

3.9.1 The HCSO will have five (5) business days upon receipt of the notice to review and consider the protest as written. The Buyer will coordinate the review process with the parties involved and may request additional information from the Bidder or request a meeting to gain further clarification of the issue. Upon completion of this review process, the Buyer will make a recommendation to the Chief Financial Officer (CFO).

3.9.2 The CFO may concur with the recommendation or arrive at a separate decision. The decision of the CFO will be communicated to the protesting Bidder in writing. This decision, and the basis upon which it was made, will be communicated to the Bidder within five (5) business days following the receipt of the recommendation from the Purchasing Section. A single appeal of the CFO's decision is available by submitting a notice in writing within 72 hours (excluding HCSO holidays, Saturdays, and Sundays) requesting a management review of the decision. The final decision of an appeal will be made by the Sheriff.

**3.10 Delivery.**

Product(s) ordered shall be delivered in accordance with the time periods for delivery identified in the Bid Response. Failure to do so shall be considered a breach of Contract, or default, and the HCSO may utilize its options as stated herein.

Deliveries resulting from this Bid are to be made during the normal business hours of the HCSO.

It is the Bidder's responsibility to obtain this information.

Any backordered product(s) shall be made available within 60 calendar days of the time of backorder (original date of receipt). If the backorder cannot be filled within the time frame of this requirement, the HCSO's Financial Services Division shall be notified, in writing, thus permitting the HCSO to obtain the required materials/items and/or exercise its options as stated herein.

**3.11 Claims.**

The Awarded Supplier will immediately replace missing or damaged items and will be responsible for making any and all claims against carriers.

**3.12 Invoicing and Payments.**

The Bidder shall invoice the HCSO for Work completed and/or items delivered. All invoices must have a unique invoice number and shall include the HCSO Purchase Order (PO) number. Invoices shall be emailed to [AccountsPayable@HCSO.Tampa.FL.US](mailto:AccountsPayable@HCSO.Tampa.FL.US).

3.12.1 All Quotes must show: Price and Price after Markup amount, and must reference the HCSO BID 2025-015 Emergency Generator Maintenance and Repair.

3.12.2 At a minimum, all invoices for Work completed shall include:

- *Site location where the Work was performed.*
- *Description of Work completed.*
- *A statement that all Work completed meets state and local codes.*
- *Costs for supplies, parts, and equipment use plus percentage markup (cost + percentage markup). Supporting documentation for the Bidder's parts cost must be readily available to the HCSO for review.*
- *Labor hours by labor type, labor hourly rate, and labor total (labor hours x labor rate).*

3.12.3 At a minimum, all invoices for items/materials delivered shall include:

- *Ship-to location*
- *Items shipped, including quantity and stock number.*
- *For items priced using a percentage factor, the invoice must include the base price, the percentage factor, and the final price. Supporting documentation for base prices must be readily available to the HCSO for review.*

3.12.4 ACH and HCSO Purchasing Card (P-Card) are the accepted methods of payment; please inquire at (813) 247-8276 or [AccountsPayable@HCSO.Tampa.FL.US](mailto:AccountsPayable@HCSO.Tampa.FL.US).

3.12.5 Payment shall be made in accordance with Chapter 218, Part VII, Florida Statutes, which states the Bidder's rights and the HCSO's responsibilities concerning interest penalties and time limits for payment of invoices. Timely payment of invoices is incumbent upon the HCSO, and in no case shall payment exceed 45 calendar days from the date of receipt of a properly approved application/invoice.

**3.13 Renewal.**

Prior to the expiration of the Initial Term of the Agreement or any subsequent renewals, upon written mutual agreement between the HCSO and the Awarded Supplier, the contract may be extended for up to three (3) additional two (2) year periods. Contract extensions that do not alter any terms and

conditions outlined in the awarded contract or this ITB may be executed by the procurement office through a renewal process. Renewals involve a bilateral signature process, whereby both parties can extend the contract's duration under the same terms and conditions, or with an added price increase. Any modifications to the terms and conditions stated in the awarded contract or the ITB require written mutual consent between the HCSO and the Awarded Supplier, in the form of an amendment to this awarded contract. In the event the HCSO fails to exercise an option to renew, the Agreement shall continue in full force on a month-to-month basis unless the buyer communicates in writing that the contract will not be renewed.

**3.14 Escalation/De-escalation in Pricing.**

The HCSO will allow an escalation/de-escalation provision in this Contract. The prices set herein shall have the opportunity to be adjusted during the renewal period for each term of the contract. The Awarded Supplier(s) must notify the HCSO's Financial Services Division of the price escalation/de-escalation request a minimum of 60 calendar days prior to the end of each two (2) year period for which the Bid was awarded for it to be considered. The price escalation request must be due to a factor beyond the control of the Bidder and can be no more than the percentage of increase passed through to the Awarded Supplier by the manufacturer. At the time of request, Bidder must furnish written substantiation of the increase by its Supplier/Manufacturer to the HCSO. Said substantiation shall be in the form of invoices, receipts, and/or other appropriate documentation showing costs in effect at the time of the bid versus costs in effect at the time of the request for price escalation. Any price increase must be substantiated to the satisfaction of the HCSO and shall only be effective upon acceptance by HCSO in writing.

A price escalation request outside of the renewal process may be accepted. These requests must reference/cite and include any source materials used to form the basis of the proposed justification, but must not include historical information prior to the initial contract term. They must also include the same written substantiation documentation as mentioned in the paragraph above. The HCSO will research the Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) Producer Price Index (PPI) and/or other related indicators or sources and conduct an analysis to determine 1) if the submitted justification and evidence are sufficient, 2) the requested price escalation is fair and reasonable, and 3) if approving the request is in the HCSO's best interest. The HCSO reserves the right to negotiate, accept or reject the request, or terminate and re-solicit the contract.

**3.15 Default.**

The Contract may be cancelled or nullified by the HCSO's CFO in whole or in part, by written notice of default to the Awarded Supplier(s) upon non-performance or violation of Contract terms. An award may be made to the next best responsive Bid and responsible Bidder based on evaluation, or articles specified may be purchased on the open market, similar to those terminated. Failure of the Awarded Supplier to deliver materials or items within the time stipulated in this Bid, unless extended in writing by the Financial Services Division, shall constitute Contract Default. Awarded Suppliers who default on contracts may be removed from the HCSO Supplier List and determined ineligible for future contracts at the discretion of the CFO.

**3.16 Cancellation.**

When deemed to be in the best interest of the HCSO, any contract(s) resulting from this Bid may be cancelled by the following means:

- 10 calendar days' written notice with cause, or;
- 30 calendar days' written notice without cause.

If it becomes necessary to terminate the Contract without cause, all items and/or materials provided through the date of receipt of written notice of cancellation may be invoiced to the HCSO and will be considered for payment, providing documentation of said expenses is forwarded with the payment request. An award may be made to the next best responsive Bid and responsible Bidder based on evaluation, or articles specified may be purchased on the open market, similar to those terminated.

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## **Section 4 General Legal Information**

### **4.1 E-Verify Requirement.**

Pursuant to §448.095, Florida Statute, the Sheriff requires the Awarded Supplier, and any and all subcontractors, if permitted by agreement, to register with and utilize the E-Verify internet-based system to verify the work authorization status of all newly hired employees. If the Awarded Supplier enters into a contract with a subcontractor, the subcontractor must provide the Awarded Supplier with an affidavit stating that the subcontractor does not employ, contract with, or subcontract with an unauthorized alien. The Awarded Supplier shall maintain a copy of such affidavit for the duration of the contract. Additional information about E-Verify is available at <https://www.e-verify.gov/>.

- 4.1.1 If the Sheriff has a good faith belief that the Awarded Supplier has knowingly violated §448.09(1), Florida Statute, the contract will be terminated.
- 4.1.2 If the Sheriff has a good faith belief that a subcontractor knowingly violated this subsection, but the Awarded Supplier otherwise complied with this subsection, the Sheriff will promptly notify the Awarded Supplier and order the Awarded Supplier to immediately terminate the contract with the subcontractor.
- 4.1.3 Termination of any and all contracts and/or subcontracts as provided above does not constitute a breach of contract and may not be considered as such.
- 4.1.4 If the Sheriff terminates a contract with an Awarded Supplier as provided above, the Awarded Supplier may not be awarded a contract for at least one (1) year after the date on which the contract was terminated.
- 4.1.5 The Awarded Supplier is liable for any additional costs incurred by the Sheriff as a result of the termination of a contract.

### **4.2 Severability of Provisions.**

The covenants and provisions contained herein are separate and independent and in the event any section, paragraph, or provision herein shall be declared invalid, illegal, or unenforceable in any respect for any reason, the same will not affect any other section, paragraph or provision in this Document, which should be construed as if such invalid, illegal, or unenforceable section, paragraph or provision had never been contained herein.

### **4.3 No Waiver.**

No failure or delay on the part of any party hereto in exercising any right, power or remedy hereunder shall operate as a waiver thereof, nor shall any single or partial exercise of any such right, power or remedy preclude any other or further exercise thereof or the exercise of any other right, power or remedy. Any waiver granted hereunder must be in writing and shall be valid only in the specific instance in which given.

### **4.4 Manufacturer's Name.**

Any manufacturers' names, trade names, brand names information, and/or catalog numbers when furnished are for the purpose of description, reference and establishing general quality levels. Such references are not intended to be restrictive, and products of any manufacturer may be offered if they are approved as equals. The determination as to whether any alternate product or service is or is not equal shall be made by the HCSO and such determination shall be final and binding upon all Bidders. The HCSO will not allow substitutions to the brand name, model number or the

configuration of the requested equipment or service unless authorized in writing. All items not specifically mentioned but which are standard factory items shall be included. Manufacturers' specification sheets shall be furnished upon request.

**4.5 Independent Contractors.**

Nothing herein shall be construed to create any relationship of employer and employee, agent and principal, partnership, or joint venture between the Parties. Each Party is an independent contractor. Neither Party shall assume, either directly or indirectly, any liability of or for the other Party. Neither Party shall have the authority to bind or obligate the other Party, and neither Party shall represent that it has such authority.

The relationship of Awarded Supplier to HCSO under this Contract shall be that of an independent contractor. This Contract shall not be construed to create an employment relationship between the Parties. The Awarded Supplier shall be responsible for payroll, payroll taxes (including Federal and State Withholding taxes, Federal Social Security taxes, and State Unemployment taxes); costs of any background checks, uniforms, and all other expenses of the Awarded Supplier in conjunction with the performance of this Contract.

**4.6 Assignment.**

The Awarded Supplier(s) will not assign, transfer, convey, or otherwise dispose of this contract or any part thereof, or of its right, title, or interest therein, or its power to execute this contract or any amendment or modification hereto, to any other person, company, or corporation, without prior written consent of the HCSO. The sale of a majority of corporate stocks, filing for bankruptcy, or reorganization shall be considered an assignment.

**4.7 Conflict of Interest.**

The Bidder agrees to disclose any organizational conflict of interest, perceived or real, for evaluation of HCSO's compliance with §112.313, Florida Statute, regarding standards of conduct for public officers, employees of agencies, and local government attorneys.

No HCSO employee acting in an official capacity, as a purchasing agent, or public officer, shall either directly or indirectly purchase, rent, or lease any realty, goods, or services for HCSO from any business entity of which the officer, partner, director, or proprietor, or in which such officer or employee or the officer's or employee's spouse or child, or any combination thereof, has a material (>5%) interest. An officer or employee is also prohibited from having an employment or contractual relationship that creates a continuing or recurring conflict between their private interest and the performance of their HCSO public duties.

**4.8 Governing Law and Jurisdiction.**

This Contract and all amendments, modifications, alterations, supplements, and any disputes or claims arising out of or in connection with it or its subject matter or formation (including non-contractual disputes or claims) shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of Florida. The parties hereto irrevocably agree that the Thirteenth Judicial Circuit in and for Hillsborough County or the U.S. District Court for the Middle District of Florida shall have exclusive jurisdiction to settle any dispute or claim that arises out of or in connection with this Agreement or its subject matter or formation (including non-contractual disputes or claims).

**4.9 Familiarity with Law.**

The Bidder is required to be familiar with all Federal, State, and local laws, ordinances, rules, codes, and regulations that in any manner affect the Work. Ignorance on the part of the Bidder will in no way relieve them from responsibility.

**4.10 Laws, Statutes, and Ordinances.**

The terms and conditions of the Bid and the resulting Agreement shall be construed in accordance with the laws and statutes of the State of Florida and ordinances and other regulations of Hillsborough County. Where such statutes and regulations are referenced, they shall be interpreted to apply to this Bid and to the resulting Agreement. While the Sheriff is not bound by Chapter 287, Florida Statutes, in the spirit of fair dealing and just opportunity, the HCSO endeavors to meet the directives and business practices articulated in the Chapter.

4.10.1 The Bidders' attention is directed to the fact that all applicable Federal, State, and local laws, ordinances, codes, rules, and regulations shall apply to the contract throughout, and they will be deemed to be included in the contract the same as though written herein. Florida law will govern all questions concerning the interpretation and execution of this contract and shall also be controlling in any cause of action brought pursuant to this contract.

4.10.2 The Awarded Supplier agrees that it shall observe and obey all the laws, ordinances, regulations, and rules of the Federal, State, County, and City which may apply to its services, as well as the Standard Operating Procedures of the HCSO.

**4.11 No Exclusivity.**

The parties expressly acknowledge that this ITB or Awarded Agreement does not create an exclusive relationship between the parties. HCSO is free to engage others to perform services of the same or similar nature to those provided by the Awarded Supplier, and the Awarded Supplier shall be entitled to offer and provide services to others, solicit other clients, and otherwise advertise the services offered by the Awarded Supplier.

**4.12 Information and Descriptive Literature.**

Bidders must furnish all information requested in the Bid. If specified, each Bidder must submit samples, cuts, sketches, descriptive literature, and/or complete specifications covering the products offered. References to literature submitted with previous responses will not satisfy this provision. Bids that do not comply with these requirements will be subject to rejection.

**4.13 Public Entity Crimes.**

Pursuant to §§287.132-.133, Florida Statutes, the HCSO, as a public entity, may not accept any Bid, Proposal, or reply from, award any contract to, or transact any business in excess of the threshold amount provided in §287.017, Florida Statute, for Category Two (\$35,000) with any person or affiliate on the convicted vendor list, unless that person or affiliate has been removed from the list pursuant to §287.133(3)(f), Florida Statute. If you submit a proposal in response to this Bid, you are certifying that §§287.132-.133, Florida Statutes, does not restrict your submission.

**4.14 Compliance with Occupational Safety and Health Act (OSHA).**

The Bidder certifies that all materials/items contained in their response meet all OSHA requirements if applicable.

**4.15 Appropriation of Funds.**

The HCSO is subject to the appropriation of funds by the Hillsborough County Board of County Commissioners (BOCC) in an amount sufficient to allow continuation of its performance in accordance with the terms and conditions of any contract entered into as a result of this Bid for each and every fiscal year following the fiscal year in which this Contract is executed and entered into, and for which the Contract shall remain in effect. The HCSO shall, upon receipt of notice that sufficient funds are not available to continue its full and faithful performance under the Contract, provide prompt written notice of such event and effective 30 calendar days after giving of such notice, or upon the expiration of the period of time for which funds were appropriated, whichever occurs first, be thereafter released of all further obligations in any way related to such Contract.

**4.16 Emergency.**

If and when an emergency requirement should occur, the HCSO reserves the right to deviate from this Contract and procure the item(s) from the most available source.

**4.17 Force Majeure.**

Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained herein, neither party shall be liable for any delays or failures in performance resulting from acts beyond its reasonable control including, without limitation, acts of God, acts of war or terrorism, shortage of supply, breakdowns or malfunctions, interruptions of malfunction of computer facilities, or loss of data due to power failures or mechanical difficulties with information storage or retrieval systems, labor difficulties or civil unrest. Notwithstanding the foregoing, in the event of such an occurrence, each party agrees to make a good faith effort to perform its obligations hereunder.

**4.18 Governmental Purchasing Councils.**

All Bids received shall be considered as Bids to all members of the Hillsborough County and Tampa Bay Area Government Purchasing Councils. Said members may, at their discretion, utilize this Bid as required and are listed below.

Other government agencies or eligible users, as authorized by State law or as defined in Rule 60A-1.001, Florida Administrative Code, may also participate in this offer. Any resulting contract(s) or agreement(s) entered into with other local governments will be between the Supplier and that particular government or user and shall always remain separate from HCSO.

Children's Board of Hillsborough County	City of Saint Petersburg
City of Belleair Beach	City of Tampa
City of Clearwater	City of Tampa Housing Authority
City of Dunedin	City of Tarpon Springs
City of Gulfport	City of Temple Terrace
City of Indian Rocks Beach	City of Treasure Island
City of Largo	Clerk of Court and Comptroller of
City of Oldsmar	Hillsborough County
City of Pinellas Park	Hillsborough County Expressway Authority
City of Plant City	Hernando County
City of Safety Harbor	Hillsborough Area Regional Transit Authority
City of Saint Pete Beach	Hillsborough Community College

Hillsborough County Aviation Authority  
Hillsborough County Board of County  
Commissioners  
Hillsborough County Property Appraiser  
Hillsborough County School Board  
Hillsborough County Supervisor of  
Elections  
Hillsborough County Tax Collector  
Manatee County Board of Commissioners  
Pasco County Clerk and Comptroller  
Pasco County Schools  
Pasco County Sheriff  
Pinellas County Clerk of the Court

Pinellas County Government  
Pinellas County School Board  
Pinellas County Sheriff  
Pinellas Suncoast Transit Authority  
Saint Petersburg College  
State Attorney's Office  
Tampa Airport  
Tampa Bay Water  
Tampa Palms Community Development  
District  
Tampa Port Authority  
Tampa Sports Authority  
Town of Indian Shores

**4.19 Certificate of Insurance.**

- 4.19.1 The policy(ies) shall show Chad Chronister, Sheriff, as additional named insured; include the severability of interest provision; provide that all liability coverage required under contract is primary to any liability insurance carried or any self-insured programs of the Sheriff.

The Awarded Supplier shall not commence any work in connection with this Contract until he has obtained and provided copies of the same to the HCSO, nor shall the Awarded Supplier allow any Subcontractors to commence work on his subcontract until all similar insurance required of the Subcontractor has been so obtained and approved. All insurance policy(ies) shall be with insurers qualified to do business in Florida. Sixty calendar days' notice of cancellation, non-renewal, or change in the insurance coverage is a requirement.

- 4.19.2 Worker's Compensation Insurance. The Awarded Supplier shall take out and maintain during the life of this Contract, Worker's Compensation Insurance as per statutory minimum requirements for all of their employees connected with the Work of this project and, in case any Work is sublet, the Bidder shall require the subcontractor similarly to provide Worker's Compensation Insurance for all the latter's employees unless such employees are covered by the protection afforded by the Bidder. Such insurance shall comply fully with the Florida Workers' Compensation Law. In case any hazardous Work under this Contract at the site of the project is not protected under the Worker's Compensation statute, the Bidder shall provide, and cause each subcontractor to provide, adequate insurance satisfactorily to the HCSO for the protection of their employees not otherwise protected.

Employer's Liability:	\$100,000 Limit each Accident
	\$500,000 Limit each Aggregate
	\$100,000 Limit Disease for each employee

4.19.3 Contractors Public Liability and Property Damage Insurance. The Awarded Supplier shall take out and maintain during the life of this Contract, Comprehensive General Liability Insurance (including operations, completed operations, products, contractual, and owners and contractors protective liability) and Comprehensive Automobile Liability Insurance and shall protect itself from claims for damage for personal injury, including accidental death, as well as claims for property damage which may arise from operations under this Contract whether such operations be by itself or by anyone directly or indirectly employed by him, and the amounts of such insurance shall be the minimum limits as follows:

Comprehensive General:	\$300,000 bodily injury and property damage combined single limit.
Automobile:	\$300,000 bodily injury and property damage combined single limit.

4.19.4 Professional Liability Insurance (if applicable to the work being performed). The Awarded Supplier shall take out at its own expense, during the life of this Contract, Professional Liability Insurance in the amounts of:

Professional Liability:	\$500,000 per occurrence; and \$1,000,000 aggregate.
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4.19.5 Comprehensive Insurance Coverage (if any of the categories below apply to the work being performed). The Bidder shall take out and maintain during the life of this Contract, Comprehensive General Liability Insurance, and Comprehensive Automobile Insurance, and shall protect them from claims for damage for personal injury, including accidental death, as well as claims for property damage which may arise from operations under this Contract whether such operations be by themselves or by anyone directly or indirectly employed by them, and the amounts of such insurance shall be the minimum limits as follows:

Bodily Injury:	\$300,000 per person per occurrence
Property Damage:	\$300,000 per occurrence
Automobile Liability:	\$300,000 combined single limit bodily injury and property damage
Garage Liability:	\$1,000,000 combined single limit each occurrence
Garage Keepers Liability:	\$100,000 collision and comprehensive per vehicle

#### **4.20 Public Record.**

Any material submitted in response to this Bid will become a public document pursuant to §119.07, Florida Statute. This includes material that the respondent might consider to be confidential or a trade secret. Any claim of confidentiality is waived upon submission, effective after opening pursuant to §119.07, Florida Statute. The Bidder agrees to comply with §119.0701, Florida Statute, regarding maintenance and provision of access to all public records generated by this Contract with the HCSO.

The HCSO requires that, at the conclusion of the selection process, the contents of all the Bids be placed in the public domain and be open to inspection by interested parties. Any restrictions on the

use of data contained within a Bid must be clearly stated in the Bid itself, and a redacted electronic copy provided. Proprietary information submitted in response to the Bid will be handled in accordance with applicable Florida Statutes.

**If the Bidder has questions regarding the application of Chapter 110, Florida Statute, to the Bidder's duty to provide public records relating to this Contract, contact the custodian of public records at: Records Section - Freddie Solomon Annex, 1900 East 9th Avenue, Tampa, Florida 33605.**

Records Custodian may also be reached at (813) 247-0960 or [rec\\_request@hcsso.tampa.fl.us](mailto:rec_request@hcsso.tampa.fl.us).

**END OF SECTION**

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**Section 5 Bid Response**

**5.1 Bidder Order Instructions.**

Describe the preferred method of contact to request service.

Company Name:

Contact Name and Title:

Address:

City:

State:

Zip Code:

Office Phone:

Mobile Phone:

Fax:

E-Mail Address:

Company Website:

**5.2 Bid Contact Information.**

Provide the contact information for the individual submitting this Bid response. (Please print the information below.)

Company Name:

Contact Name and Title:

Address:

City:

State:

Zip Code:

Office Phone:

Mobile Phone:

Fax:

E-Mail Address:

Describe the preferred method of contact for questions regarding this Bid submission below:

**5.3 Exceptions to Bid.**

Any representation (below) or exception(s) may cause this Bid Package to be rejected by the HCSO. All Bidders should carefully read the entire document.

The following represents every deviation (itemized by number) to the foregoing Sections of this Bid, to wit. If there is no exception, please write "None," or "N/A."



**5.4 Pricing.**

Please see Appendix II - Pricing Matrix - BID 2025-015 Emerg Gen Maint & Repair Services.

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**5.5 Statement of No Participation.**

If, for any reason, you are unable or unwilling to participate in this Bid at this time, please complete and return this Statement of No Participation to the e-mail [Purchasing@HCSO.Tampa.FL.US](mailto:Purchasing@HCSO.Tampa.FL.US) or by fax at (813) 242-1826. Your choices or comments below will assist us in properly notifying you of future opportunities.

Specifications

Nature of Award

☐ Specifications are too "tight" (i.e., limited to one brand or manufacturer)

☐ Insufficient time was provided for response

☐ Unable to meet specifications

☐ Product or an equivalent is not offered

☐ Specifications are unclear

☐ Other

Please provide an explanation:

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We request to:

☐ Remain on HCSO's list for future solicitations in this service category

☐ Be removed from HCSO's list for future solicitations in this service category

Company Name:

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Officer Name and Title:

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Address:

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City:

State:

Zip Code:

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Office Phone:

Mobile Phone:

Fax:

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E-Mail Address:

Signature of Officer:

Date:

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**5.6 Affirmation and Declaration. (Signature Required)**

At this present time, we understand all requirements and warrant that as a Bidder we will comply with all the stipulations included in the Bid. The undersigned must be an Officer of the Company, or a designated agent empowered to bind the Company in Contract.

The below named Bidder affirms and declares:

- That Bidder is of lawful age and that no other person, firm or corporation has any interest in this Bid offered to be entered into;
- That this Bid is made without any understanding, agreement, or connection with any other person, firm, or corporation making a Bid for the same purpose, and is in all respects fair and without collusion or fraud;
- That the Bidder is not in arrears to Hillsborough County or the HCSO upon debt or contract and is not a defaulter, as surety or otherwise, upon any obligation to the HCSO;
- That no officer, employee, or person whose salary is payable in whole, or in part, from HCSO, is, shall be, or become interested, directly, or indirectly, surety or otherwise in this Bid Response; in the performance of the Contract; in the supplies, materials, equipment and Work or labor to which they relate; or in any portion of the profits thereof.

The undersigned agrees that this Bid shall remain open for 60 days following the opening of Bids.

**5.6.1 Signature of Acknowledgment. The General Terms and Conditions outlined in the preceding pages are acknowledged. Our Bid is attached.**

Respectfully submitted by,

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Company Name

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Company Officer Name (Printed)

Date

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Company Officer (Signature)

Title

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**5.7 Bid Checklist.**

To ensure your submission is found responsive, please ensure you have included all the requested items of this Bid. These may include, at a minimum, the items notated below. Failure to verify all requested items are included in your Response, regardless of whether included on this Checklist, may be grounds for your Response to be rejected.

- One (1) original **or** one (1) electronic copy of the completed Bid Package in its entirety.
- Signatures as required for Acknowledgments, Intent, Participation, Affirmations, Addenda, Change Orders, etc.
- Appendix I – Supplier Application to include the completed Application, W9, ACH Authorization with valid secondary verification method, Business Tax Receipt, or other government-issued business license.
- Appendix II – Pricing Matrix
- Section 5 Bid Response, all documents signed.
- Requested manufacturer’s literature and warranty information, when applicable.
- Properly labeled outermost layer of packaging to meet submission requirements, as applicable.

**\*\*Bidders are responsible for providing all required information, documents, and signatures.\*\***

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**5.8 Bid Packaging Label.**

Below is the information required on the outermost packaging of your Bid Package. Use this as a label.

**URGENT - SEALED SUBMITTAL PACKAGE ENCLOSED**

**URGENT**

**URGENT**

**HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE  
SHERIFF'S OPERATIONS CENTER  
ATTN: FINANCIAL SERVICES DIVISION – PURCHASING  
SECTION  
2008 EAST 8<sup>TH</sup> AVE  
TAMPA FL 33605**

**BID PACKAGE SUBMITTAL**

From: \_\_\_\_\_

**# 2025-015**

**EMERGENCY GENERATOR MAINTENANCE AND REPAIR**

**OPENING DATE/TIME:  
FEBRUARY 26, 2026 3:00pm EST**

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**Section 6 Attachments**

**6.1 Attachment Number and Description or Contents**

Appendix I - Supplier Packet

Appendix II - Pricing Matrix

Exhibit A - Draft Award Contract

**END OF SECTION**

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