

Solicitation Number: RFP #011124

## **CONTRACT**

This Contract is between Sourcewell, 202 12th Street Northeast, P.O. Box 219, Staples, MN 56479 (Sourcewell) and LION First Responder PPE, Inc., 7200 Poe Ave., #400, Dayton, OH 45414 (Supplier).

Sourcewell is a State of Minnesota local government unit and service cooperative created under the laws of the State of Minnesota (Minnesota Statutes Section 123A.21) that offers cooperative procurement solutions to government entities. Participation is open to eligible federal, state/province, and municipal governmental entities, higher education, K-12 education, nonprofit, tribal government, and other public entities located in the United States and Canada. Sourcewell issued a public solicitation for Uniforms with Related Products and Services from which Supplier was awarded a contract.

Supplier desires to contract with Sourcewell to provide equipment, products, or services to Sourcewell and the entities that access Sourcewell's cooperative purchasing contracts (Participating Entities).

#### 1. TERM OF CONTRACT

A. EFFECTIVE DATE. This Contract is effective upon the date of the final signature below.

EXPIRATION DATE AND EXTENSION. This Contract expires March 25, 2028, unless it is cancelled sooner pursuant to Article 22. This Contract allows up to three additional one-year extensions upon the request of Sourcewell and written agreement by Supplier. Sourcewell retains the right to consider additional extensions beyond seven years as required under exceptional circumstances.

B. SURVIVAL OF TERMS. Notwithstanding any expiration or termination of this Contract, all payment obligations incurred prior to expiration or termination will survive, as will the following: Articles 11 through 14 survive the expiration or cancellation of this Contract. All other rights will cease upon expiration or termination of this Contract.

## 2. EQUIPMENT, PRODUCTS, OR SERVICES

A. EQUIPMENT, PRODUCTS, OR SERVICES. Supplier will provide the Equipment, Products, or Services as stated in its Proposal submitted under the Solicitation Number listed above. Supplier's Equipment, Products, or Services Proposal (Proposal) is attached and incorporated into this Contract.

All Equipment and Products provided under this Contract must be new and the current model. Supplier may offer close-out or refurbished Equipment or Products if they are clearly indicated in Supplier's product and pricing list. Unless agreed to by the Participating Entities in advance, Equipment or Products must be delivered as operational to the Participating Entity's site.

This Contract offers an indefinite quantity of sales, and while substantial volume is anticipated, sales and sales volume are not guaranteed.

- B. WARRANTY. Supplier warrants that all Equipment, Products, and Services furnished are free from liens and encumbrances, and are free from defects in design, materials, and workmanship. In addition, Supplier warrants the Equipment, Products, and Services are suitable for and will perform in accordance with the ordinary use for which they are intended. Supplier's dealers and distributors must agree to assist the Participating Entity in reaching a resolution in any dispute over warranty terms with the manufacturer. Any manufacturer's warranty that extends beyond the expiration of the Supplier's warranty will be passed on to the Participating Entity.
- C. DEALERS, DISTRIBUTORS, AND/OR RESELLERS. Upon Contract execution and throughout the Contract term, Supplier must provide to Sourcewell a current means to validate or authenticate Supplier's authorized dealers, distributors, or resellers relative to the Equipment, Products, and Services offered under this Contract, which will be incorporated into this Contract by reference. It is the Supplier's responsibility to ensure Sourcewell receives the most current information.

#### 3. PRICING

All Equipment, Products, or Services under this Contract will be priced at or below the price stated in Supplier's Proposal.

When providing pricing quotes to Participating Entities, all pricing quoted must reflect a Participating Entity's total cost of acquisition. This means that the quoted cost is for delivered Equipment, Products, and Services that are operational for their intended purpose, and includes all costs to the Participating Entity's requested delivery location.

Regardless of the payment method chosen by the Participating Entity, the total cost associated with any purchase option of the Equipment, Products, or Services must always be disclosed in the pricing quote to the applicable Participating Entity at the time of purchase.

A. SHIPPING AND SHIPPING COSTS. All delivered Equipment and Products must be properly packaged. Damaged Equipment and Products may be rejected. If the damage is not readily apparent at the time of delivery, Supplier must permit the Equipment and Products to be returned within a reasonable time at no cost to Sourcewell or its Participating Entities. Participating Entities reserve the right to inspect the Equipment and Products at a reasonable time after delivery where circumstances or conditions prevent effective inspection of the Equipment and Products at the time of delivery. In the event of the delivery of nonconforming Equipment and Products, the Participating Entity will notify the Supplier as soon as possible and the Supplier will replace nonconforming Equipment and Products with conforming Equipment and Products that are acceptable to the Participating Entity.

Supplier must arrange for and pay for the return shipment on Equipment and Products that arrive in a defective or inoperable condition.

Sourcewell may declare the Supplier in breach of this Contract if the Supplier intentionally delivers substandard or inferior Equipment or Products.

- B. SALES TAX. Each Participating Entity is responsible for supplying the Supplier with valid taxexemption certification(s). When ordering, a Participating Entity must indicate if it is a taxexempt entity.
- C. HOT LIST PRICING. At any time during this Contract, Supplier may offer a specific selection of Equipment, Products, or Services at discounts greater than those listed in the Contract. When Supplier determines it will offer Hot List Pricing, it must be submitted electronically to Sourcewell in a line-item format. Equipment, Products, or Services may be added or removed from the Hot List at any time through a Sourcewell Price and Product Change Form as defined in Article 4 below.

Hot List program and pricing may also be used to discount and liquidate close-out and discontinued Equipment and Products as long as those close-out and discontinued items are clearly identified as such. Current ordering process and administrative fees apply. Hot List Pricing must be published and made available to all Participating Entities.

## 4. PRODUCT AND PRICING CHANGE REQUESTS

Supplier may request Equipment, Product, or Service changes, additions, or deletions at any time. All requests must be made in writing by submitting a signed Sourcewell Price and Product Change Request Form to the assigned Sourcewell Supplier Development Administrator. This approved form is available from the assigned Sourcewell Supplier Development Administrator. At a minimum, the request must:

- Identify the applicable Sourcewell contract number;
- Clearly specify the requested change;
- Provide sufficient detail to justify the requested change;
- Individually list all Equipment, Products, or Services affected by the requested change, along with the requested change (e.g., addition, deletion, price change); and
- Include a complete restatement of pricing documentation in Microsoft Excel with the effective date of the modified pricing, or product addition or deletion. The new pricing restatement must include all Equipment, Products, and Services offered, even for those items where pricing remains unchanged.

A fully executed Sourcewell Price and Product Change Request Form will become an amendment to this Contract and will be incorporated by reference.

## 5. PARTICIPATION, CONTRACT ACCESS, AND PARTICIPATING ENTITY REQUIREMENTS

A. PARTICIPATION. Sourcewell's cooperative contracts are available and open to public and nonprofit entities across the United States and Canada; such as federal, state/province, municipal, K-12 and higher education, tribal government, and other public entities.

The benefits of this Contract should be available to all Participating Entities that can legally access the Equipment, Products, or Services under this Contract. A Participating Entity's authority to access this Contract is determined through its cooperative purchasing, interlocal, or joint powers laws. Any entity accessing benefits of this Contract will be considered a Service Member of Sourcewell during such time of access. Supplier understands that a Participating Entity's use of this Contract is at the Participating Entity's sole convenience and Participating Entities reserve the right to obtain like Equipment, Products, or Services from any other source.

Supplier is responsible for familiarizing its sales and service forces with Sourcewell contract use eligibility requirements and documentation and will encourage potential participating entities to join Sourcewell. Sourcewell reserves the right to add and remove Participating Entities to its roster during the term of this Contract.

B. PUBLIC FACILITIES. Supplier's employees may be required to perform work at government-owned facilities, including schools. Supplier's employees and agents must conduct themselves in a professional manner while on the premises, and in accordance with Participating Entity policies and procedures, and all applicable laws.

#### 6. PARTICIPATING ENTITY USE AND PURCHASING

A. ORDERS AND PAYMENT. To access the contracted Equipment, Products, or Services under this Contract, a Participating Entity must clearly indicate to Supplier that it intends to access this Contract; however, order flow and procedure will be developed jointly between Sourcewell and

Supplier. Typically, a Participating Entity will issue an order directly to Supplier or its authorized subsidiary, distributor, dealer, or reseller. If a Participating Entity issues a purchase order, it may use its own forms, but the purchase order should clearly note the applicable Sourcewell contract number. All Participating Entity orders under this Contract must be issued prior to expiration or cancellation of this Contract; however, Supplier performance, Participating Entity payment obligations, and any applicable warranty periods or other Supplier or Participating Entity obligations may extend beyond the term of this Contract.

Supplier's acceptable forms of payment are included in its attached Proposal. Participating Entities will be solely responsible for payment and Sourcewell will have no liability for any unpaid invoice of any Participating Entity.

- B. ADDITIONAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS/PARTICIPATING ADDENDUM. Additional terms and conditions to a purchase order, or other required transaction documentation, may be negotiated between a Participating Entity and Supplier, such as job or industry-specific requirements, legal requirements (e.g., affirmative action or immigration status requirements), or specific local policy requirements. Some Participating Entities may require the use of a Participating Addendum, the terms of which will be negotiated directly between the Participating Entity and the Supplier or its authorized dealers, distributors, or resellers, as applicable. Any negotiated additional terms and conditions must never be less favorable to the Participating Entity than what is contained in this Contract.
- C. SPECIALIZED SERVICE REQUIREMENTS. In the event that the Participating Entity requires service or specialized performance requirements not addressed in this Contract (such as ecommerce specifications, specialized delivery requirements, or other specifications and requirements), the Participating Entity and the Supplier may enter into a separate, standalone agreement, apart from this Contract. Sourcewell, including its agents and employees, will not be made a party to a claim for breach of such agreement.
- D. TERMINATION OF ORDERS. Participating Entities may terminate an order, in whole or in part, immediately upon notice to Supplier in the event of any of the following events:
  - 1. The Participating Entity fails to receive funding or appropriation from its governing body at levels sufficient to pay for the equipment, products, or services to be purchased; or
  - 2. Federal, state, or provincial laws or regulations prohibit the purchase or change the Participating Entity's requirements.
- E. GOVERNING LAW AND VENUE. The governing law and venue for any action related to a Participating Entity's order will be determined by the Participating Entity making the purchase.

#### 7. CUSTOMER SERVICE

A. PRIMARY ACCOUNT REPRESENTATIVE. Supplier will assign an Account Representative to Sourcewell for this Contract and must provide prompt notice to Sourcewell if that person is changed. The Account Representative will be responsible for:

- Maintenance and management of this Contract;
- Timely response to all Sourcewell and Participating Entity inquiries; and
- Business reviews to Sourcewell and Participating Entities, if applicable.
- B. BUSINESS REVIEWS. Supplier must perform a minimum of one business review with Sourcewell per contract year. The business review will cover sales to Participating Entities, pricing and contract terms, administrative fees, sales data reports, performance issues, supply issues, customer issues, and any other necessary information.

#### 8. REPORT ON CONTRACT SALES ACTIVITY AND ADMINISTRATIVE FEE PAYMENT

A. CONTRACT SALES ACTIVITY REPORT. Each calendar quarter, Supplier must provide a contract sales activity report (Report) to the Sourcewell Supplier Development Administrator assigned to this Contract. Reports are due no later than 45 days after the end of each calendar quarter. A Report must be provided regardless of the number or amount of sales during that quarter (i.e., if there are no sales, Supplier must submit a report indicating no sales were made).

The Report must contain the following fields:

- Participating Entity Name (e.g., City of Staples Highway Department);
- Participating Entity Physical Street Address;
- Participating Entity City;
- Participating Entity State/Province;
- Participating Entity Zip/Postal Code;
- Participating Entity Contact Name;
- Participating Entity Contact Email Address;
- Participating Entity Contact Telephone Number;
- Sourcewell Assigned Entity/Participating Entity Number;
- Item Purchased Description;
- Item Purchased Price;
- Sourcewell Administrative Fee Applied; and
- Date Purchase was invoiced/sale was recognized as revenue by Supplier.

B. ADMINISTRATIVE FEE. In consideration for the support and services provided by Sourcewell, the Supplier will pay an administrative fee to Sourcewell on all Equipment, Products, and

Services provided to Participating Entities. The Administrative Fee must be included in, and not added to, the pricing. Supplier may not charge Participating Entities more than the contracted price to offset the Administrative Fee.

The Supplier will submit payment to Sourcewell for the percentage of administrative fee stated in the Proposal multiplied by the total sales of all Equipment, Products, and Services purchased by Participating Entities under this Contract during each calendar quarter. Payments should note the Supplier's name and Sourcewell-assigned contract number in the memo; and must be mailed to the address above "Attn: Accounts Receivable" or remitted electronically to Sourcewell's banking institution per Sourcewell's Finance department instructions. Payments must be received no later than 45 calendar days after the end of each calendar quarter.

Supplier agrees to cooperate with Sourcewell in auditing transactions under this Contract to ensure that the administrative fee is paid on all items purchased under this Contract.

In the event the Supplier is delinquent in any undisputed administrative fees, Sourcewell reserves the right to cancel this Contract and reject any proposal submitted by the Supplier in any subsequent solicitation. In the event this Contract is cancelled by either party prior to the Contract's expiration date, the administrative fee payment will be due no more than 30 days from the cancellation date.

#### 9. AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE

Sourcewell's Authorized Representative is its Chief Procurement Officer.

Supplier's Authorized Representative is the person named in the Supplier's Proposal. If Supplier's Authorized Representative changes at any time during this Contract, Supplier must promptly notify Sourcewell in writing.

## 10. AUDIT, ASSIGNMENT, AMENDMENTS, WAIVER, AND CONTRACT COMPLETE

A. AUDIT. Pursuant to Minnesota Statutes Section 16C.05, subdivision 5, the books, records, documents, and accounting procedures and practices relevant to this Contract are subject to examination by Sourcewell or the Minnesota State Auditor for a minimum of six years from the end of this Contract. This clause extends to Participating Entities as it relates to business conducted by that Participating Entity under this Contract.

B. ASSIGNMENT. Neither party may assign or otherwise transfer its rights or obligations under this Contract without the prior written consent of the other party and a fully executed assignment agreement. Such consent will not be unreasonably withheld. Any prohibited assignment will be invalid.

- C. AMENDMENTS. Any amendment to this Contract must be in writing and will not be effective until it has been duly executed by the parties.
- D. WAIVER. Failure by either party to take action or assert any right under this Contract will not be deemed a waiver of such right in the event of the continuation or repetition of the circumstances giving rise to such right. Any such waiver must be in writing and signed by the parties.
- E. CONTRACT COMPLETE. This Contract represents the complete agreement between the parties. No other understanding regarding this Contract, whether written or oral, may be used to bind either party. For any conflict between the attached Proposal and the terms set out in Articles 1-22 of this Contract, the terms of Articles 1-22 will govern.
- F. RELATIONSHIP OF THE PARTIES. The relationship of the parties is one of independent contractors, each free to exercise judgment and discretion with regard to the conduct of their respective businesses. This Contract does not create a partnership, joint venture, or any other relationship such as master-servant, or principal-agent.

#### 11. INDEMNITY AND HOLD HARMLESS

Supplier must indemnify, defend, save, and hold Sourcewell and its Participating Entities, including their agents and employees, harmless from any claims or causes of action, including attorneys' fees incurred by Sourcewell or its Participating Entities, arising out of any act or omission in the performance of this Contract by the Supplier or its agents or employees; this indemnification includes injury or death to person(s) or property alleged to have been caused by some defect in the Equipment, Products, or Services under this Contract to the extent the Equipment, Product, or Service has been used according to its specifications. Sourcewell's responsibility will be governed by the State of Minnesota's Tort Liability Act (Minnesota Statutes Chapter 466) and other applicable law.

#### 12. GOVERNMENT DATA PRACTICES

Supplier and Sourcewell must comply with the Minnesota Government Data Practices Act, Minnesota Statutes Chapter 13, as it applies to all data provided by or provided to Sourcewell under this Contract and as it applies to all data created, collected, received, maintained, or disseminated by the Supplier under this Contract.

## 13. INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY, PUBLICITY, MARKETING, AND ENDORSEMENT

## A. INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY

- 1. *Grant of License.* During the term of this Contract:
  - a. Sourcewell grants to Supplier a royalty-free, worldwide, non-exclusive right and license to use the trademark(s) provided to Supplier by Sourcewell in advertising and

- promotional materials for the purpose of marketing Sourcewell's relationship with Supplier.
- b. Supplier grants to Sourcewell a royalty-free, worldwide, non-exclusive right and license to use Supplier's trademarks in advertising and promotional materials for the purpose of marketing Supplier's relationship with Sourcewell.
- 2. Limited Right of Sublicense. The right and license granted herein includes a limited right of each party to grant sublicenses to their respective subsidiaries, distributors, dealers, resellers, marketing representatives, and agents (collectively "Permitted Sublicensees") in advertising and promotional materials for the purpose of marketing the Parties' relationship to Participating Entities. Any sublicense granted will be subject to the terms and conditions of this Article. Each party will be responsible for any breach of this Article by any of their respective sublicensees.
- 3. Use; Quality Control.
  - a. Neither party may alter the other party's trademarks from the form provided and must comply with removal requests as to specific uses of its trademarks or logos.
  - b. Each party agrees to use, and to cause its Permitted Sublicensees to use, the other party's trademarks only in good faith and in a dignified manner consistent with such party's use of the trademarks. Upon written notice to the breaching party, the breaching party has 30 days of the date of the written notice to cure the breach or the license will be terminated.
- 4. *Termination*. Upon the termination of this Contract for any reason, each party, including Permitted Sublicensees, will have 30 days to remove all Trademarks from signage, websites, and the like bearing the other party's name or logo (excepting Sourcewell's pre-printed catalog of suppliers which may be used until the next printing). Supplier must return all marketing and promotional materials, including signage, provided by Sourcewell, or dispose of it according to Sourcewell's written directions.
- B. PUBLICITY. Any publicity regarding the subject matter of this Contract must not be released without prior written approval from the Authorized Representatives. Publicity includes notices, informational pamphlets, press releases, research, reports, signs, and similar public notices prepared by or for the Supplier individually or jointly with others, or any subcontractors, with respect to the program, publications, or services provided resulting from this Contract.
- C. MARKETING. Any direct advertising, marketing, or offers with Participating Entities must be approved by Sourcewell. Send all approval requests to the Sourcewell Supplier Development Administrator assigned to this Contract.
- D. ENDORSEMENT. The Supplier must not claim that Sourcewell endorses its Equipment, Products, or Services.

#### 14. GOVERNING LAW, JURISDICTION, AND VENUE

The substantive and procedural laws of the State of Minnesota will govern this Contract. Venue for all legal proceedings arising out of this Contract, or its breach, must be in the appropriate state court in Todd County, Minnesota or federal court in Fergus Falls, Minnesota.

#### **15. FORCE MAJEURE**

Neither party to this Contract will be held responsible for delay or default caused by acts of God or other conditions that are beyond that party's reasonable control. A party defaulting under this provision must provide the other party prompt written notice of the default.

#### **16. SEVERABILITY**

If any provision of this Contract is found by a court of competent jurisdiction to be illegal, unenforceable, or void then both parties will be relieved from all obligations arising from that provision. If the remainder of this Contract is capable of being performed, it will not be affected by such determination or finding and must be fully performed.

## 17. PERFORMANCE, DEFAULT, AND REMEDIES

- A. PERFORMANCE. During the term of this Contract, the parties will monitor performance and address unresolved contract issues as follows:
  - 1. *Notification.* The parties must promptly notify each other of any known dispute and work in good faith to resolve such dispute within a reasonable period of time. If necessary, Sourcewell and the Supplier will jointly develop a short briefing document that describes the issue(s), relevant impact, and positions of both parties.
  - 2. *Escalation*. If parties are unable to resolve the issue in a timely manner, as specified above, either Sourcewell or Supplier may escalate the resolution of the issue to a higher level of management. The Supplier will have 30 calendar days to cure an outstanding issue.
  - 3. Performance while Dispute is Pending. Notwithstanding the existence of a dispute, the Supplier must continue without delay to carry out all of its responsibilities under the Contract that are not affected by the dispute. If the Supplier fails to continue without delay to perform its responsibilities under the Contract, in the accomplishment of all undisputed work, the Supplier will bear any additional costs incurred by Sourcewell and/or its Participating Entities as a result of such failure to proceed.
- B. DEFAULT AND REMEDIES. Either of the following constitutes cause to declare this Contract, or any Participating Entity order under this Contract, in default:
  - 1. Nonperformance of contractual requirements, or
  - 2. A material breach of any term or condition of this Contract.

The party claiming default must provide written notice of the default, with 30 calendar days to cure the default. Time allowed for cure will not diminish or eliminate any liability for liquidated or other damages. If the default remains after the opportunity for cure, the non-defaulting party may:

- Exercise any remedy provided by law or equity, or
- Terminate the Contract or any portion thereof, including any orders issued against the Contract.

#### **18. INSURANCE**

A. REQUIREMENTS. At its own expense, Supplier must maintain insurance policy(ies) in effect at all times during the performance of this Contract with insurance company(ies) licensed or authorized to do business in the State of Minnesota having an "AM BEST" rating of A- or better, with coverage and limits of insurance not less than the following:

1. Workers' Compensation and Employer's Liability.

Workers' Compensation: As required by any applicable law or regulation.

Employer's Liability Insurance: must be provided in amounts not less than listed below:

Minimum limits:

\$500,000 each accident for bodily injury by accident

\$500,000 policy limit for bodily injury by disease

\$500,000 each employee for bodily injury by disease

2. Commercial General Liability Insurance. Supplier will maintain insurance covering its operations, with coverage on an occurrence basis, and must be subject to terms no less broad than the Insurance Services Office ("ISO") Commercial General Liability Form CG0001 (2001 or newer edition), or equivalent. At a minimum, coverage must include liability arising from premises, operations, bodily injury and property damage, independent contractors, products-completed operations including construction defect, contractual liability, blanket contractual liability, and personal injury and advertising injury. All required limits, terms and conditions of coverage must be maintained during the term of this Contract.

Minimum Limits:

\$1,000,000 each occurrence Bodily Injury and Property Damage

\$1,000,000 Personal and Advertising Injury

\$2,000,000 aggregate for products liability-completed operations

\$2,000,000 general aggregate

3. Commercial Automobile Liability Insurance. During the term of this Contract, Supplier will maintain insurance covering all owned, hired, and non-owned automobiles in limits of liability not less than indicated below. The coverage must be subject to terms

no less broad than ISO Business Auto Coverage Form CA 0001 (2010 edition or newer), or equivalent.

Minimum Limits:

\$1,000,000 each accident, combined single limit

4. *Umbrella Insurance*. During the term of this Contract, Supplier will maintain umbrella coverage over Employer's Liability, Commercial General Liability, and Commercial Automobile.

Minimum Limits:

\$2,000,000

5. Network Security and Privacy Liability Insurance. During the term of this Contract, Supplier will maintain coverage for network security and privacy liability. The coverage may be endorsed on another form of liability coverage or written on a standalone policy. The insurance must cover claims which may arise from failure of Supplier's security resulting in, but not limited to, computer attacks, unauthorized access, disclosure of not public data – including but not limited to, confidential or private information, transmission of a computer virus, or denial of service.

Minimum limits:

\$2,000,000 per occurrence

\$2,000,000 annual aggregate

Failure of Supplier to maintain the required insurance will constitute a material breach entitling Sourcewell to immediately terminate this Contract for default.

B. CERTIFICATES OF INSURANCE. Prior to commencing under this Contract, Supplier must furnish to Sourcewell a certificate of insurance, as evidence of the insurance required under this Contract. Prior to expiration of the policy(ies), renewal certificates must be mailed to Sourcewell, 202 12th Street Northeast, P.O. Box 219, Staples, MN 56479 or sent to the Sourcewell Supplier Development Administrator assigned to this Contract. The certificates must be signed by a person authorized by the insurer(s) to bind coverage on their behalf.

Failure to request certificates of insurance by Sourcewell, or failure of Supplier to provide certificates of insurance, in no way limits or relieves Supplier of its duties and responsibilities in this Contract.

C. ADDITIONAL INSURED ENDORSEMENT AND PRIMARY AND NON-CONTRIBUTORY INSURANCE CLAUSE. Supplier agrees to list Sourcewell and its Participating Entities, including their officers, agents, and employees, as an additional insured under the Supplier's commercial general liability insurance policy with respect to liability arising out of activities, "operations," or "work" performed by or on behalf of Supplier, and products and completed operations of Supplier. The policy provision(s) or endorsement(s) must further provide that coverage is

primary and not excess over or contributory with any other valid, applicable, and collectible insurance or self-insurance in force for the additional insureds.

- D. WAIVER OF SUBROGATION. Supplier waives and must require (by endorsement or otherwise) all its insurers to waive subrogation rights against Sourcewell and other additional insureds for losses paid under the insurance policies required by this Contract or other insurance applicable to the Supplier or its subcontractors. The waiver must apply to all deductibles and/or self-insured retentions applicable to the required or any other insurance maintained by the Supplier or its subcontractors. Where permitted by law, Supplier must require similar written express waivers of subrogation and insurance clauses from each of its subcontractors.
- E. UMBRELLA/EXCESS LIABILITY/SELF-INSURED RETENTION. The limits required by this Contract can be met by either providing a primary policy or in combination with umbrella/excess liability policy(ies), or self-insured retention.

#### 19. COMPLIANCE

- A. LAWS AND REGULATIONS. All Equipment, Products, or Services provided under this Contract must comply fully with applicable federal laws and regulations, and with the laws in the states and provinces in which the Equipment, Products, or Services are sold.
- B. LICENSES. Supplier must maintain a valid and current status on all required federal, state/provincial, and local licenses, bonds, and permits required for the operation of the business that the Supplier conducts with Sourcewell and Participating Entities.

## 20. BANKRUPTCY, DEBARMENT, OR SUSPENSION CERTIFICATION

Supplier certifies and warrants that it is not in bankruptcy or that it has previously disclosed in writing certain information to Sourcewell related to bankruptcy actions. If at any time during this Contract Supplier declares bankruptcy, Supplier must immediately notify Sourcewell in writing.

Supplier certifies and warrants that neither it nor its principals are presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from programs operated by the State of Minnesota; the United States federal government or the Canadian government, as applicable; or any Participating Entity. Supplier certifies and warrants that neither it nor its principals have been convicted of a criminal offense related to the subject matter of this Contract. Supplier further warrants that it will provide immediate written notice to Sourcewell if this certification changes at any time.

# 21. PROVISIONS FOR NON-UNITED STATES FEDERAL ENTITY PROCUREMENTS UNDER UNITED STATES FEDERAL AWARDS OR OTHER AWARDS

Participating Entities that use United States federal grant or FEMA funds to purchase goods or services from this Contract may be subject to additional requirements including the procurement standards of the Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards, 2 C.F.R. § 200. Participating Entities may have additional requirements based on specific funding source terms or conditions. Within this Article, all references to "federal" should be interpreted to mean the United States federal government. The following list only applies when a Participating Entity accesses Supplier's Equipment, Products, or Services with United States federal funds.

- A. EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY. Except as otherwise provided under 41 C.F.R. § 60, all contracts that meet the definition of "federally assisted construction contract" in 41 C.F.R. § 60-1.3 must include the equal opportunity clause provided under 41 C.F.R. §60-1.4(b), in accordance with Executive Order 11246, "Equal Employment Opportunity" (30 FR 12319, 12935, 3 C.F.R. §, 1964-1965 Comp., p. 339), as amended by Executive Order 11375, "Amending Executive Order 11246 Relating to Equal Employment Opportunity," and implementing regulations at 41 C.F.R. § 60, "Office of Federal Contract Compliance Programs, Equal Employment Opportunity, Department of Labor." The equal opportunity clause is incorporated herein by reference.
- B. DAVIS-BACON ACT, AS AMENDED (40 U.S.C. § 3141-3148). When required by federal program legislation, all prime construction contracts in excess of \$2,000 awarded by nonfederal entities must include a provision for compliance with the Davis-Bacon Act (40 U.S.C. § 3141-3144, and 3146-3148) as supplemented by Department of Labor regulations (29 C.F.R. § 5, "Labor Standards Provisions Applicable to Contracts Covering Federally Financed and Assisted Construction"). In accordance with the statute, contractors must be required to pay wages to laborers and mechanics at a rate not less than the prevailing wages specified in a wage determination made by the Secretary of Labor. In addition, contractors must be required to pay wages not less than once a week. The non-federal entity must place a copy of the current prevailing wage determination issued by the Department of Labor in each solicitation. The decision to award a contract or subcontract must be conditioned upon the acceptance of the wage determination. The non-federal entity must report all suspected or reported violations to the federal awarding agency. The contracts must also include a provision for compliance with the Copeland "Anti-Kickback" Act (40 U.S.C. § 3145), as supplemented by Department of Labor regulations (29 C.F.R. § 3, "Contractors and Subcontractors on Public Building or Public Work Financed in Whole or in Part by Loans or Grants from the United States"). The Act provides that each contractor or subrecipient must be prohibited from inducing, by any means, any person employed in the construction, completion, or repair of public work, to give up any part of the compensation to which he or she is otherwise entitled. The non-federal entity must report all suspected or reported violations to the federal awarding agency. Supplier must be in compliance with all applicable Davis-Bacon Act provisions.

- C. CONTRACT WORK HOURS AND SAFETY STANDARDS ACT (40 U.S.C. § 3701-3708). Where applicable, all contracts awarded by the non-federal entity in excess of \$100,000 that involve the employment of mechanics or laborers must include a provision for compliance with 40 U.S.C. §§ 3702 and 3704, as supplemented by Department of Labor regulations (29 C.F.R. § 5). Under 40 U.S.C. § 3702 of the Act, each contractor must be required to compute the wages of every mechanic and laborer on the basis of a standard work week of 40 hours. Work in excess of the standard work week is permissible provided that the worker is compensated at a rate of not less than one and a half times the basic rate of pay for all hours worked in excess of 40 hours in the work week. The requirements of 40 U.S.C. § 3704 are applicable to construction work and provide that no laborer or mechanic must be required to work in surroundings or under working conditions which are unsanitary, hazardous or dangerous. These requirements do not apply to the purchases of supplies or materials or articles ordinarily available on the open market, or contracts for transportation or transmission of intelligence. This provision is hereby incorporated by reference into this Contract. Supplier certifies that during the term of an award for all contracts by Sourcewell resulting from this procurement process, Supplier must comply with applicable requirements as referenced above.
- D. RIGHTS TO INVENTIONS MADE UNDER A CONTRACT OR AGREEMENT. If the federal award meets the definition of "funding agreement" under 37 C.F.R. § 401.2(a) and the recipient or subrecipient wishes to enter into a contract with a small business firm or nonprofit organization regarding the substitution of parties, assignment or performance of experimental, developmental, or research work under that "funding agreement," the recipient or subrecipient must comply with the requirements of 37 C.F.R. § 401, "Rights to Inventions Made by Nonprofit Organizations and Small Business Firms Under Government Grants, Contracts and Cooperative Agreements," and any implementing regulations issued by the awarding agency. Supplier certifies that during the term of an award for all contracts by Sourcewell resulting from this procurement process, Supplier must comply with applicable requirements as referenced above.
- E. CLEAN AIR ACT (42 U.S.C. § 7401-7671Q.) AND THE FEDERAL WATER POLLUTION CONTROL ACT (33 U.S.C. § 1251-1387). Contracts and subgrants of amounts in excess of \$150,000 require the non-federal award to agree to comply with all applicable standards, orders or regulations issued pursuant to the Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C. § 7401-7671q) and the Federal Water Pollution Control Act as amended (33 U.S.C. § 1251-1387). Violations must be reported to the Federal awarding agency and the Regional Office of the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). Supplier certifies that during the term of this Contract will comply with applicable requirements as referenced above.
- F. DEBARMENT AND SUSPENSION (EXECUTIVE ORDERS 12549 AND 12689). A contract award (see 2 C.F.R. § 180.220) must not be made to parties listed on the government wide exclusions in the System for Award Management (SAM), in accordance with the OMB guidelines at 2 C.F.R. §180 that implement Executive Orders 12549 (3 C.F.R. § 1986 Comp., p. 189) and 12689 (3 C.F.R. § 1989 Comp., p. 235), "Debarment and Suspension." SAM Exclusions contains the names of parties debarred, suspended, or otherwise excluded by agencies, as well as parties declared

ineligible under statutory or regulatory authority other than Executive Order 12549. Supplier certifies that neither it nor its principals are presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation by any federal department or agency.

- G. BYRD ANTI-LOBBYING AMENDMENT, AS AMENDED (31 U.S.C. § 1352). Suppliers must file any required certifications. Suppliers must not have used federal appropriated funds to pay any person or organization for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a member of Congress, officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a member of Congress in connection with obtaining any federal contract, grant, or any other award covered by 31 U.S.C. § 1352. Suppliers must disclose any lobbying with non-federal funds that takes place in connection with obtaining any federal award. Such disclosures are forwarded from tier to tier up to the non-federal award. Suppliers must file all certifications and disclosures required by, and otherwise comply with, the Byrd Anti-Lobbying Amendment (31 U.S.C. § 1352).
- H. RECORD RETENTION REQUIREMENTS. To the extent applicable, Supplier must comply with the record retention requirements detailed in 2 C.F.R. § 200.333. The Supplier further certifies that it will retain all records as required by 2 C.F.R. § 200.333 for a period of 3 years after grantees or subgrantees submit final expenditure reports or quarterly or annual financial reports, as applicable, and all other pending matters are closed.
- I. ENERGY POLICY AND CONSERVATION ACT COMPLIANCE. To the extent applicable, Supplier must comply with the mandatory standards and policies relating to energy efficiency which are contained in the state energy conservation plan issued in compliance with the Energy Policy and Conservation Act.
- J. BUY AMERICAN PROVISIONS COMPLIANCE. To the extent applicable, Supplier must comply with all applicable provisions of the Buy American Act. Purchases made in accordance with the Buy American Act must follow the applicable procurement rules calling for free and open competition.
- K. ACCESS TO RECORDS (2 C.F.R. § 200.336). Supplier agrees that duly authorized representatives of a federal agency must have access to any books, documents, papers and records of Supplier that are directly pertinent to Supplier's discharge of its obligations under this Contract for the purpose of making audits, examinations, excerpts, and transcriptions. The right also includes timely and reasonable access to Supplier's personnel for the purpose of interview and discussion relating to such documents.
- L. PROCUREMENT OF RECOVERED MATERIALS (2 C.F.R. § 200.322). A non-federal entity that is a state agency or agency of a political subdivision of a state and its contractors must comply with Section 6002 of the Solid Waste Disposal Act, as amended by the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act. The requirements of Section 6002 include procuring only items designated in

guidelines of the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) at 40 C.F.R. § 247 that contain the highest percentage of recovered materials practicable, consistent with maintaining a satisfactory level of competition, where the purchase price of the item exceeds \$10,000 or the value of the quantity acquired during the preceding fiscal year exceeded \$10,000; procuring solid waste management services in a manner that maximizes energy and resource recovery; and establishing an affirmative procurement program for procurement of recovered materials identified in the EPA guidelines.

- M. FEDERAL SEAL(S), LOGOS, AND FLAGS. The Supplier cannot use the seal(s), logos, crests, or reproductions of flags or likenesses of Federal agency officials without specific pre-approval.
- N. NO OBLIGATION BY FEDERAL GOVERNMENT. The U.S. federal government is not a party to this Contract or any purchase by a Participating Entity and is not subject to any obligations or liabilities to the Participating Entity, Supplier, or any other party pertaining to any matter resulting from the Contract or any purchase by an authorized user.
- O. PROGRAM FRAUD AND FALSE OR FRAUDULENT STATEMENTS OR RELATED ACTS. The Contractor acknowledges that 31 U.S.C. 38 (Administrative Remedies for False Claims and Statements) applies to the Supplier's actions pertaining to this Contract or any purchase by a Participating Entity.
- P. FEDERAL DEBT. The Supplier certifies that it is non-delinquent in its repayment of any federal debt. Examples of relevant debt include delinquent payroll and other taxes, audit disallowance, and benefit overpayments.
- Q. CONFLICTS OF INTEREST. The Supplier must notify the U.S. Office of General Services, Sourcewell, and Participating Entity as soon as possible if this Contract or any aspect related to the anticipated work under this Contract raises an actual or potential conflict of interest (as described in 2 C.F.R. Part 200). The Supplier must explain the actual or potential conflict in writing in sufficient detail so that the U.S. Office of General Services, Sourcewell, and Participating Entity are able to assess the actual or potential conflict; and provide any additional information as necessary or requested.
- R. U.S. EXECUTIVE ORDER 13224. The Supplier, and its subcontractors, must comply with U.S. Executive Order 13224 and U.S. Laws that prohibit transactions with and provision of resources and support to individuals and organizations associated with terrorism.
- S. PROHIBITION ON CERTAIN TELECOMMUNICATIONS AND VIDEO SURVEILLANCE SERVICES OR EQUIPMENT. To the extent applicable, Supplier certifies that during the term of this Contract it will comply with applicable requirements of 2 C.F.R. § 200.216.

T. DOMESTIC PREFERENCES FOR PROCUREMENTS. To the extent applicable, Supplier certifies that during the term of this Contract will comply with applicable requirements of 2 C.F.R. § 200.322.

#### 22. CANCELLATION

Sourcewell or Supplier may cancel this Contract at any time, with or without cause, upon 60 days' written notice to the other party. However, Sourcewell may cancel this Contract immediately upon discovery of a material defect in any certification made in Supplier's Proposal. Cancellation of this Contract does not relieve either party of financial, product, or service obligations incurred or accrued prior to cancellation.

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Title: Chief Procurement Officer

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Date: \_\_\_\_\_

LION First Responder PPE, Inc.

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Mark T. Smith

By: \_\_\_\_\_5B7DDCBA48E84BD...
Mark T. Smith

Title: President LION Americas

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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## **Vendor Details**

Company Name: LION First Responder PPE

Does your company conduct

business under any other name? If

yes, please state:

LION

7200 Poe Avenue Address:

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## **Specifications**

## **Table 1: Proposer Identity & Authorized Representatives**

**General Instructions** (applies to all Tables) Sourcewell prefers a brief but thorough response to each question. Do not merely attach additional documents to your response without also providing a substantive response. Do not leave answers blank; respond "N/A" if the question does not apply to you (preferably with an explanation).

Line Item	Question	Response *	
1	Proposer Legal Name (one legal entity only): (In the event of award, will execute the resulting contract as "Supplier")	Lion First Responder PPE, Inc.	*
	Identify all subsidiary entities of the Proposer whose equipment, products, or services are included in the Proposal.	LION, LION Group, Inc. Lion First Responder PPE, Inc	*
	Identify all applicable assumed names or DBA names of the Proposer or Proposer's subsidiaries in Line 1 or Line 2 above.	LION, LION Group, Inc. Lion First Responder PPE, Inc	*
	Provide your CAGE code or Unique Entity Identifier (SAM):	LION Group Cage Code- 7FGF3, SAM-NCD6J71YMAQ5  * Lion First Responder PPE, Inc. Cage Code- 7GLA7, SAM-CQ1EXX7T3KB9	*
5	Proposer Physical Address:	7200 Poe Ave, #400 Dayton, OH 45414 *	*
6	Proposer website address (or addresses):	www.lionprotects.com  * www.elbeco.com	*
7	Proposer's Authorized Representative (name, title, address, email address & phone) (The representative must have authority to sign the "Proposer's Assurance of Compliance" on behalf of the Proposer and, in the event of award, will be expected to execute the resulting contract):	Mark T. Smith, President, LION Americas. 7200 Poe Ave, Suite 400 Dayton, OH 45414 513-535-7549	*
	Proposer's primary contact for this proposal (name, title, address, email address & phone):	Samantha Brady, Pricing Manager 4430 Pottsville Pike, Suite 1010 Reading, PA 19605 sbrady@elbeco.com 800-468-4654 Ext:1942	*
9	Proposer's other contacts for this proposal, if any (name, title, address, email address & phone):	Samantha Brady, Pricing Manager 4430 Pottsville Pike, Suite 1010 Reading, PA 19605 sbrady@elbeco.com 800-468-4654 Ext:1942	

**Table 2: Company Information and Financial Strength** 

Line Item	Question	Response *
10	Provide a brief history of your company, including your company's core values, business philosophy, and industry longevity related to the requested equipment, products or services.	Lion is a family owned, global business headquartered in Dayton, OH. Lion has been operating continuously since 1898. The stable family ownership means that we take the long-term approach to investment in the best people, systems and new technologies. We are committed to keeping public safety, first responder and transportation workers safe and comfortable day to day.  Lion First Responder PPE is part of a larger organization called LION Group, Inc that consists of three divisions:  LION Americas, LION Europe, Middle East & Asia and LVI (LION-Vallen Industries, a joint venture that specializes in military and government supply chain solutions).  LION just recently celebrated 125 years of service.  Please watch our celebration video to experience our company culture. https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-Zcl1JcSN3w  LION makes the gear emergency service providers, civilian responders and militaries need to stay safe in the line of duty. We got our start at the end of the 19th century as a dry goods store in Dayton, OH. By 1941, we had received a

commendation from Army Air Force Commanding General ""Hap"" Arnold, saluting the company for ""outstanding services rendered to your government"" after supplying the Army Air Force with electrically heated flying suits during World War II. Over the next two decades, we opened regional warehouses and had started operating in the firefighter station uniform market.

In 1970, we moved into the firefighter turnout business, and we have never looked back. We actually coined the term ""StationWear"" and were the first company to develop digital training technology for the firefighting market. Recently, in 2022 LION had moved into the Public Safety Uniform market when we acquired a well-known non-certified uniforms brand called Elbeco. We have a dedicated research and development staff that works with fire departments to generate (and evaluate) new product ideas. Real end users collaborate with us on wear trials and focus groups so we can deliver solutions that work for actual first responders and public safety personnel like you.

#### THE LION MISSION

Each and every day we fulfill the personal safety, readiness and identity needs of our customers worldwide. Our purpose is to keep first responders ready for action.

#### LION CULTURE

While remaining a family business, we have the organizational and financial resources to execute some of the largest uniform, personal equipment management and training projects in the world, as well as the flexibility to tailor them to our customers' expectations. Our solutions are not ""cookie cutter"" ones. They are as individual and unique as your organization, and they are advanced. LION is the only company in the world in our industry with dedicated staff working on fundamental research, not gimmicks.

#### Lion Core Beliefs

Fostering Customer Intimacy

We have a deep commitment to delivering at a "world-class" level our customer's personal safety, readiness, and professional identity needs. Delivering this starts with having a strong personal network and with personal experience 'walking in the shoes of the customer".

#### Doing What We Promise

We seek to do business with stakeholders who share our commitment to honesty, transparency, candor and fun, as well as to action consistent with our core values - like us, they strive to win with integrity.

#### Learning from Everything and Everyone

We value curiosity and strong personal initiative in the pursuit of understanding our customers' needs and exceeding them.

#### Respecting All People

We harness diverse points of view and even conflict as useful sources of learning, innovation, and continuous improvement.

#### Collaborating To Deliver Solutions

We use teamwork and a commitment to do whatever it takes to deliver solutions. This is what fuels our operational excellence. Lasting internal and external partnerships based on trust, mutual respect and collaboration are at the heart of Lion's success.

#### Expecting Nothing Short of Excellence

We understand that exceeding our customers' expectations demands leadership, diligent planning, skillful organizing, rapid decision making, training and having the right tools - This is how we consistently and reliably achieve flawless execution.

#### Being Good Corporate Citizens

We extend our sense of leadership to the global communities in which we live and work - we are privileged to give back to those who give so much to us.

11 What are your company's expectations in the event of an award?

To educate the First Responders/Public Safety network on the benefits of cooperative purchasing and leverage the relationship to achieve competitive advantage to continue to protect first responders.

Demonstrate your financial strength and stability with meaningful data. This could include such items as financial statements, SEC filings, credit and bond ratings, letters of credit, and detailed reference letters. Upload supporting documents (as applicable) in the document upload section of your response.

LION First Responder PPE, Inc is a wholly owned subsidiaries of LION Group, Inc. with total company sales of more than \$300M. LION Group, Inc. has positive cash flow and a strong balance sheet. Trade References attached.

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13	What is your US market share for the solutions that you are proposing?	25%
14	What is your Canadian market share for the solutions that you are proposing?	25%
15	Has your business ever petitioned for bankruptcy protection? If so, explain in detail.	LION has never petitioned for bankruptcy protection.
16	How is your organization best described: is it a manufacturer, a distributor/dealer/reseller, or a service provider? Answer whichever question (either a) or b) just below) best applies to your organization.  a) If your company is best described as a distributor/dealer/reseller (or similar entity), provide your written authorization to act as a distributor/dealer/reseller for the manufacturer of the products proposed in this RFP. If applicable, is your dealer network independent or company owned? b) If your company is best described as a manufacturer or service provider, describe your relationship with your sales and service force and with your dealer network in delivering the products and services proposed in this RFP. Are these individuals your employees, or the employees of a third party?	b) LION sells through a network of Distribution Partners to deliver products and services. Distribution Partners are authorized annually through a Letter of Authorization. Distribution Partners invest in the partnership by employing Distribution Sales Representatives, investing in LION product for demonstration and attending LION University for product and process education.
17	If applicable, provide a detailed explanation outlining the licenses and certifications that are both required to be held, and actually held, by your organization (including third parties and subcontractors that you use) in pursuit of the business contemplated by this RFP.	LION holds the following certifications for uniforms.  Certified Garments are all NFPA1975 certified. One certified garment is NFPA1975, NFPA1951 and NFPA1977 and that is the BDU1951P (TriCert Certified pant).  NFPA 1975, Standard on Emergency Services Work Apparel (Stationwear)  NFPA 1951-Standard on Protective Ensembles for Technical Rescue Incidents  NFPA 1977-Standard on Protective Clothing and Equipment for Wildland Fire Fighting and Urban Interface Fire Fighting  Non-Certified Uniform Certifications  107-2020 Type P Class 2-450 sq inches of background fluorescent & 201 sq inches of reflective material. Used on our UFX Ultra-light MLS and MSS Polos, HiVis Safety Vest, Color Block Softshell Jacket and HiVis Reversible Jacket.  107-2020 Type P Class 3-775 sq inches of background fluorescent & 310 sq inches of reflective material. Used on the HiVis Parka.  Detailed information on all certifications and styles they pertain to are listed in the Certification document upload.
18	Provide all "Suspension or Debarment" information that has applied to your organization during the past ten years.	There are no suspensions or debarments they apply to the LION organization.

## **Table 3: Industry Recognition & Marketplace Success**

Line Item	Question	Response *	
19	Describe any relevant industry awards or recognition that your company has received in the past five years	LION Non-certified Uniforms received the following awards.  NAUMD Innovation Award for the CX360 Uniform Program	*
		NAUMD Best Dressed Department (3 years)  Information on the above are attached in the documents section.	
20	What percentage of your sales are to the governmental sector in the past three years	LION sells uniforms through a distribution network. Approximately 5% would be a direct said to LION.	*
21	What percentage of your sales are to the education sector in the past three years	LION uniform sells uniforms through a distribution network. Approximately 5% would be a direct sale to LION.	*
22	List any state, provincial, or cooperative purchasing contracts that you hold. What is the annual sales volume for each of these contracts over the past three years?	NPP-Approximately 12M	*
23	List any GSA contracts or Standing Offers and Supply Arrangements (SOSA) that you hold. What is the annual sales volume for each of these contracts over the past three years?	LION does not hold a GSA contract. LION distribution Partners hold a GSA contract that represents the entire LION portfolio of products and services.	*

## **Table 4: References/Testimonials**

Line Item 24. Supply reference information from three customers who are eligible to be Sourcewell participating entities.

Entity Name *	Contact Name *	Phone Number *	
Chicago Fire Department	Lt. Thomas Paston	312-745-0558	*
Dallas Police Department	Kimberly Brewer-Quartermaster Supervisor III	214-670-6098	*
Massachusetts State Police	Sgt. Lynne Mulkerrin	774-462-3799	*

## **Table 5: Top Five Government or Education Customers**

**Line Item 25.** Provide a list of your top five government, education, or non-profit customers (entity name is optional), including entity type, the state or province the entity is located in, scope of the project(s), size of transaction(s), and dollar volumes from the past three years.

Entity Name	Entity Type *	State / Province *	Scope of Work *	Size of Transactions *	Dollar Volume Past Three Years *	
Virginia Military Institute	Education	Virginia - VA	Cadet Class Uniforms	\$21,291.50	\$204,263,95	*
Palm Beach County Sheriff's Department	Government	Florida - FL	Sheriff's Department shirts and pants for daily duty wear.	\$293,172.45	\$850,405.95	*
Pinellas County Sheriff's Department	Government	Florida - FL	Sheriff's Department shirts and pants for daily duty wear.	\$185,285.75	\$574,965.15	*
Hillsborough County Sheriff's Department	Government	Florida - FL	Sheriff's Department shirts, pants, polos and outerwear	\$257,000.00	\$991,271.17	*
Tennessee Department of Safety Highway Patrol	Government	Tennessee - TN	Department of Safety Uniform shirt and pants Class A and B	\$231,979.35	\$954,937.15	*

Table 6: Ability to Sell and Deliver Service

Describe your company's capability to meet the needs of Sourcewell participating entities across the US and Canada, as applicable. Your response should address in detail at least the following areas: locations of your network of sales and service providers, the number of workers (full-time equivalents) involved in each sector, whether these workers are your direct employees (or employees of a third party), and any overlap between the sales and service functions.

Line Item	Question	Response *
26	Sales force.	The LION Sales Team
		21 field sales team members that include strategic account directors, metro account managers, distribution sales managers, category sales managers and strategic distribution managers supporting the United States, Canada and Latin America for the entire LION product portfolio.
		Strategic Account Managers – Focused on fostering relationships, education, sales support and opportunity management for a specific set of accounts.
		Category Sales Managers – Subject matter expert for products within category. Supports the field sales team with product knowledge, demonstrations, sales presentations, identifying industry innovation needs and sales goal achievement.
		Metro Account Managers –Works in tandem with Distribution Sales Manager. Focused on fostering relationships, education and managing opportunities for departments with more than 150 members.
		Distribution Sales Managers – Works in tandem with Metro Account Manager. Focused on relationship with LION Distribution Partners to include fostering core beliefs, education, relationship, field sales support, opportunity management and sales goal achievement.
27	Dealer network or other distribution methods.	Dealer Network. LION partners with over 200 Distribution Partners. These Distribution Partners employee thousands of Distribution Sales Representatives across the United States, Canada and Latin America that are in field promoting the entire LION portfolio of products and services.
28	Service force.	All service is provided by the extensive dealer network that we have nationwide.
29	Describe the ordering process. If orders will be handled by distributors, dealers or others, explain the respective roles of the Proposer and others.	Orders will be placed through a LION Distribution Partner.  The order is placed by the end user customer with the Distribution Partner with the Sourcewell Member ID identified on their purchase order. The distribution partner purchase order is placed with LION, also including the Sourcewell member ID. When LION enters the order, the Sourcewell member ID is documented in a specific field used for utilization reporting.
30	Describe in detail the process and procedure of your customer service program, if applicable. Include your response-time capabilities and commitments, as well as any incentives that help your providers meet your stated service goals or promises.	LION has a Customer Sales and Support Team team located in Dayton, Ohio and Reading, PA. The Customer Support Team consists of regional representatives for Order Entry and Sales Coordination. This team enters orders for all product lines, provides support on warranty claims, product and delivery questions and works in conjunction with the LION Distribution Sales Manager and Distribution Partner. All orders are to be processed and shipped within 24-72 hours from receipt of order (if it is a stock item, made-to-order hold longer lead times). Qualifying dealers are offered a rebate program based on growth year over year.
31	Describe your ability and willingness to provide your products and services to Sourcewell participating entities in the United States.	LION will provide products and services to Sourcewell participating entities in the United States who are current Lion dealers.
32	Describe your ability and willingness to provide your products and services to Sourcewell participating entities in Canada.	LION will provide products and services to Sourcewell participating entities in Canada who are current Lion dealers.
33	Identify any geographic areas of the United States or Canada that you will NOT be fully serving through the proposed contract.	Products and Services are available in all geographic areas of the US and Canada
34	Identify any Sourcewell participating entity sectors (i.e., government, education, not-for-profit) that you will NOT be fully serving through the proposed contract. Explain in detail. For example, does your company have only a regional presence, or do other cooperative purchasing contracts limit your ability to promote another contract?	There are no identified restrictions.

35	Define any specific contract requirements	There are no identified restrictions.	
	or restrictions that would apply to our		*
	participating entities in Hawaii and Alaska		
	and in US Territories.		

## **Table 7: Marketing Plan**

Line Item	Question	Response *
36	Describe your marketing strategy for promoting this contract opportunity. Upload representative samples of your marketing materials (if applicable) in the document upload section of your response.	By looking at the immediate and long-term risks, LION is actively working on advocating and developing products and services that protect those that protect our communities. When those products and services are ready, we work to promote them and drive revenue and profitable share growth for our company and for our partners.  Our areas of strengths/marketing strategy include the following: LION Core Values & Commitment to Service Team Structure & Support Methodical Approach to Business Market Analysis Customer Segmentation New Product Launch Plans Meaningful Product Differentiation Brand Building Metro Support Distribution Support LION University End-User Outreach Press Releases & Press Coverage Metro Sponsorships Customer Education & Awareness Campaigns Trade Shows Collateral Development Print & Digital Advertising Industry Supplements Videography Digital Platforms (Website, LION Fire Academy) Social Media
37	Describe your use of technology and digital data (e.g., social media, metadata usage) to enhance marketing effectiveness.	LION uses multiple social media platforms, maintains an informative website, employs a robust SEO strategy, and advertises digitally. LION also has access to reporting capabilities on our sales information and uses public information databases to understand market potential and opportunity to drive marketing plans and sale strategies.  LION utilizes a YouTube Channel to share product information and demonstrations with our Distribution Partners and End User Customers.
38	In your view, what is Sourcewell's role in promoting contracts arising out of this RFP? How will you integrate a Sourcewell-awarded contract into your sales process?	The Sourcewell partnership will be incorporated into every distribution partner training and LION presentation as a purchasing avenue for LION Products. A shared resource site has been established to constantly share updated information with the field sales team and distribution partners. Field Team Members and Distribution Partners are encouraged to participate in Sourcewell Education and Engagement events.
39	Are your products or services available through an e-procurement ordering process? If so, describe your e-procurement system and how governmental and educational customers have used it.	Since LION sells through distribution, an e-procurement ordering process is not established directly with LION. Some LION Distribution Partners do have an established e-procurement process for all sectors that utilize uniforms.

## **Table 8: Value-Added Attributes**

Line Item	Question	Response *	
40	maintenance, or operator training programs that you offer to Sourcewell participating entities.	LION University is a unique meeting space that is designed for meetings and class room style education. The space showcases our brand by displaying garments worn by our top customers, our product offering and technology for demonstration and presentation. LION has developed a platform for Distribution Partners that provides a dynamic and engaging environment for education on all of LION's products and sales development.	*

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41	Describe any technological advances that your proposed products or services offer.	LION is the only company in our industry that has a dedicated research and development team. LION currently has more than 35 patents on technologies as diverse as materials and pattern design. LION non-certified uniforms offer Nano Water Repellency technology, Mechanical stretch and Wicking, Anti-Microbial technologies.	*
42	Describe any "green" initiatives that relate to your company or to your products or services, and include a list of the certifying agency for each.	Montgomery County Green Building Certification. This certification is a globally recognized symbol of sustainability achievement, and it is backed by an entire industry of committed organizations and individuals paving the way for market transformation.	*
labels, ratings or certifications that your company has received for the equipment or products included in your Proposal related to energy efficiency or conservation, life-cycle design (cradle-to-cradle), or other Da green/sustainability factors.		1. We strive to cut wasteful energy usage by replacing inefficient lighting with LED lighting in all of our primary manufacturing buildings and corporate offices by the end of 2025. This process is over 50% completed. Since 2015, LION's Dayton corporate headquarters has used LED lighting, leading to a reduction in annual environmental impact of at least 454,539.76 lbs. of Carbon Dioxide, 3,765.64 lbs. of Sulfur Dioxide, and 1,842.88 lbs. of Nitrogen Dioxide. In 2019, Lion completed the installation of renewable energy solar PV panels and LED lighting in its West Liberty manufacturing factory. Beattyville facility and Dayton Janney Road facility have 100% LED lighting as of September 2021. Hazel Green conversion to LED lighting is planned for 2024. We have a goal to have 50% of all energy at corporate headquarters, Hazel Green facility and the Dayton manufacturing facility using renewable energy by 2028.	
		2. We do not sell products that could have a harmful effect on human health and the environment.	
		3. We do not use manufacturing processes that release harmful pollutants or toxic materials.	
		4. We educate our employees on practical efforts to avoid wasteful uses of energy. a. We have installed motion detectors at Hazel Green Distribution Center and at our Dayton corporate headquarters. b. We review shipping and logistics methods to use the most efficient shipping routes to save fuel. c. We have a recycling program at the Dayton corporate headquarters with a goal for	*
		expansion to other facilities. All new employees receive a handout on what can and cannot be recycled. d. At the Dayton corporate headquarters, LION employees have recycling bins available to increase the amount of paper that is recycled. Confidential documents are shredded by Royal Document Destruction, which recycles paper.	
		5. We strive to minimize material waste. a. We strive to introduce efficiencies in the use of materials in order to reduce to the highest extent possible the generation of wastes.	
		6. In 2018 we installed a new Elkay Water Drinking System in the Dayton corporate headquarters to increase the use of re-usable water bottles and reduce plastic waste.	
		7. LION's Dayton corporate headquarters has been certified in 2015-2021 as a Green Business by the Dayton Regional Green Initiative (DRG3).	
		8. LION complies with all environmental laws and regulations in the locations where we operate.	
44	Describe any Women or Minority Business Entity (WMBE), Small Business Entity (SBE), or veteran owned business certifications that your company or hub partners have obtained. Upload documentation of certification (as applicable) in the document upload section of your response.	LION is deemed a large business. WMBE, SBE or Veteran Owned do not apply.	*
45	What unique attributes does your company, your products, or your services offer to Sourcewell participating entities (customization, personalization, alteration, fitting, and/or sizing)? What makes your proposed solutions unique in your industry as it applies to Sourcewell participating entities (laundering, cleaning, mending and/or repair services)?	LION Uniforms has the ability to fully customize our garments for customers. This includes but is not limited to modifications of sizing (sewing/hemming) and the application of post selection embellishments (striping/embroidery). A full list of customizing options is attached in the additional documents section of this RFP.	*

## **Table 9A: Warranty**

Describe in detail your manufacturer warranty program, including conditions and requirements to qualify, claims procedure, and overall structure. You may upload representative samples of your warranty materials (if applicable) in the document upload section of your response in addition to responding to the questions below.

Line Item	Question	Response *
46	Do your warranties cover all products, parts, and labor?	Certified Uniform Warranty LION warrants that its firefighter and emergency responder products meet all applicable NFPA standards in effect at the time of their manufacture and further warrants that such products are, during their useful life, free from any defect in workmanship or any material defect. Conditions of use are outside the control of LION. It is the responsibility of the user to inspect and maintain the products to assure they remain fit for their intended purpose. In order to maximize the useful life of these products and maintain the warranty, the products are to be used only by appropriately trained personnel following proper firefighting or emergency response techniques and in accordance with the product's warning, use, inspection, maintenance, care, storage and retirement instructions. Failure to do so will void the warranty. EXCEPT AS SET FORTH ABOVE, LION MAKES NO OTHER WARRANTIES, EXPRESS OR IMPLIED, INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, ANY WARRANTIES OF MERCHANTABILITY OR FITNESS FOR ANY PARTICULAR USE. Under the above warranties, LION will repair or replace, at its option, any product which does not meet the above warranties. Such repair or replacement will be the purchaser's sole remedy and LION will not be responsible for any incidental, consequential or other damages based upon or arising in any way from any breach of the warranties contained herein or the purchaser's use of such product. These warranty obligations apply only to any product, part or component which is returned to LION or LION TotalCare® with prior authorization and proof of purchase, and which LION agrees to be defective as covered by this warranty. The word "product" includes the product itself and any parts or labor furnished by LION with the sales, delivery or servicing of the product. USEFUL LIFE: Performance requirements are based on new, unworn Garments and materials. Useful life is the period of time that Garments, which have been properly cared for, can be expected to provide reasonable limited protection. The useful
		Non-Certified Uniform Warranty Elbeco products are recognized worldwide for their superior quality and durability. We agree to warrant our products to be free from defects in material and workmanship from date of purchase. This warranty does not cover damage from misuse or abuse of the garment, personalization or customization of the garment by a third party, nor situations that exceed the garment's intended scope or purpose.
		Products covered under Elbeco's 3 Year Warranty: Outerwear Products covered under Elbeco's 1 Year Warranty: Shirts, Pants, Soft Shells, Job Shirts, Base Layers, Blouse Coats Jumpsuits, Vest Carriers, and Accessories
		Dealer Warranty Servicing If you purchased an Elbeco product and find it to be defective, please contact customer service at elbcustomerservice@lionprotects.com. Our customer service department will evaluate the issue and, if the garment is still under warranty, they will provide further instructions to replace or repair your garment free of charge.
		Products Purchased Through Authorized Distributors If you have purchased an Elbeco product and find it to be defective, please bring the garment to the authorized distributor that you purchased it from for prompt warranty service. Your distributor will evaluate the issue and, if the

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		garment is still under warranty, will replace or repair your garment free of charge.
		Products Purchased Through Non-Authorized Distributors All products sold by a non-authorized dealer are not eligible for warranty repair or replacement by Elbeco, as we cannot guarantee the authenticity of such products.
		Product Care All Elbeco products come with care instructions. Please follow these instructions at all times to ensure the durability and performance of your purchase. Products that are damaged due to neglect in care may not be eligible for warranty.
47	Do your warranties impose usage restrictions or other limitations that adversely affect coverage?	EXCEPTIONS TO LIMITED WARRANTY This limited warranty does not cover the following items after receipt of product by end user:
		A. Claims made after 60 days from the date of shipment for damage to materials;
		B. Damage or color change from exposure of materials to direct or indirect sunlight or fluorescent light;
		C. Shade variations among textiles used or shade changes to fabrics caused by wear and tear and/or washing;
		D. Color loss due to abrasion (creases, folds, pleats, edges, collar points, etc.);
		E. Damage caused by improper washing, decontamination, disinfecting or maintenance (for example, use of chlorine or petrochemicals to clean)
		F. Damage caused by repair work not performed to factory specification.
		G. Damage from routine exposure to common hazards which may cause rips, tears, burn damage, or abrasion;
		H. Loss of retro reflectivity of reflective trim due to normal wear or heat exposure;
		I. Detachment of reflective trim due to thread abrasion or heat exposure;
		J. Replacement of zippers or closures worn partially sealed, or damaged by heavy wear and tear.
		K. Loss of buttons, snaps, or cuff hem seams
48	Do your warranties cover the expense of technicians' travel time and mileage to perform warranty repairs?	In the event, the repair is the result of a LION manufacturing/order entry error or Distributor error, the shipment of the garments is covered by LION or Distribution Partner.
49	Are there any geographic regions of the United States or Canada (as applicable) for which you cannot provide a certified technician to perform warranty repairs? How will Sourcewell participating entities in these regions be provided service for warranty repair?	No. LION can provide a certified factory tech or approved dealer tech to perform warranty repairs/exchanges anywhere in the US or Canada.  All core products can be shipped back to the factory for repair.
50	Will you cover warranty service for items made by other manufacturers that are part of your proposal, or are these warranties issues typically passed on to the original equipment manufacturer?	LION coordinates warranty coverage when returns are necessary due to an upstream supplier issue.

51	What are your proposed exchange and return programs and policies?	Garments may be returned under the following conditions:  a. Garments, in the case of shipping or ordering errors, may be returned for credit within 30 days. All garments must be in return-to-stock condition (i.e. new, unworn, unsoiled and unwashed in original packaging, with all hangtags intact and with no retail price markings). We cannot accept garments that do not meet these criteria.  b. Garments returned due to customer error will incur a 15% restocking fee.  c. In cases when returned garments that are not in return-to-stock condition are accepted, there will be a minimum 25% restocking fee. The acceptance of returned garments that do not meet the policy criteria is at the discretion of the company.  d. Garments, in the case of product defect covered under the product warranty, may be returned for credit. LION will assign a return authorization	*
		e. Special, non-stock and custom garment sales are final and cannot be returned or exchanged. Please check with Customer Service to verify garment status.	
		f. All returns must be accompanied by a return authorization (RA) number. The RA number must be written on the outside of the box. Garments will be sent back to the customer if they are received without an RA number.	
52	Describe any service contract options for the items included in your proposal.	We do not offer any service contract warranty options for Uniforms.	*

#### **Table 9B: Performance Standards or Guarantees**

Describe in detail your performance standards or guarantees, including conditions and requirements to qualify, claims procedure, and overall structure. You may upload representative samples of your performance materials (if applicable) in the document upload section of your response in addition to responding to the questions below.

Line Item	Question	Response *	
53	Describe any performance standards or guarantees that apply to your services (product longevity or wear- resistance).	The LION Sales and Service team have implemented KPI's related to both Order Entry and Customer Support relative to order entry lead time, error rates, quote generation, return authorization response time and general inquiry response time. Our team members are held accountable for meeting these performance standards as individuals and as a team.	*
	guarantees that apply to your services	LION Manufacturing is measured and held account to KPI's relative to Safety, Lost Time Injuries, Manufacturing lead time, labor and overhead variances and total units produced.	*

**Table 10: Payment Terms and Financing Options** 

Line Item	Question	Response *	
55	Describe your payment terms and accepted payment methods.	Net 30	*
56	Describe any leasing or financing options available for use by educational or governmental entities.	This does not apply to the LION product offering.	*
57	Describe any standard transaction documents that you propose to use in connection with an awarded contract (order forms, terms and conditions, service level agreements, etc.). Upload a sample of each (as applicable) in the document upload section of your response.	Purchase orders are submitted to a LION Order Support specific email and then distributed for entry by region. The Sourcewell Member ID is included on the purchase order. The LION Order Entry Team Member includes the Sourcewell Member ID in a specific field when entering the order. This information is used to generate a quarterly utilization report and administrative fee payment.	*
58	Do you accept the P-card procurement and payment process? If so, is there any additional cost to Sourcewell participating entities for using this process?	Yes, LION will accept p-card procurement at no additional cost.	*

## **Table 11: Pricing and Delivery**

Provide detailed pricing information in the questions that follow below. Keep in mind that reasonable price and product adjustments can be made during the term of an awarded Contract as described in the RFP, the template Contract, and the Sourcewell Price and Product Change Request Form.

Line Item	Question	Response *	
59	Describe your pricing model (e.g., line-item discounts or product-category discounts). Provide detailed pricing data (including standard or list pricing and the Sourcewell discounted price) on all of the items that you want Sourcewell to consider as part of your RFP response. If applicable, provide a SKU for each item in your proposal. Upload your pricing materials (if applicable) in the document upload section of your response.	A set percentage off list by product category. SKU would not be applicable, but a list price list will be uploaded for each product category.	*
60	Quantify the pricing discount represented by the pricing proposal in this response. For example, if the pricing in your response represents a percentage discount from MSRP or list, state the percentage or percentage range.	35% off MSRP list. A document stating product category and discount off list price will be uploaded.	*
61	Describe any quantity or volume discounts or rebate programs that you offer.	Volume discounts or rebate programs are opportunity/product specific programs that are developed in conjunction with LION Distribution Partners. Programs developed within the contract period would be offered to the end user via the LION Distribution Partner.	*
62	Propose a method of facilitating "sourced" products or related services, which may be referred to as "open market" items or "nonstandard options". For example, you may supply such items "at cost" or "at cost plus a percentage," or you may supply a quote for each such request.	This does not apply to the LION product offering.	*
63	Identify any element of the total cost of acquisition that is NOT included in the pricing submitted with your response. This includes all additional charges associated with a purchase that are not directly identified as freight or shipping charges. For example, list costs for items like predelivery inspection, installation, set up, mandatory training, or initial inspection. Identify any parties that impose such costs and their relationship to the Proposer.	LION Uniforms Please be advised that freight is not included.  Additional charges pertaining to fees for inspections, installations, set up and trainings do not apply to the product offering of this RFP. Those fees are associated with LION Training products which are being offered on a separate contract.	*
64	If freight, delivery, or shipping is an additional cost to the Sourcewell participating entity, describe in detail the complete freight, shipping, and delivery program.	Uniform Shipping is listed as FOB Shipping Point-Distribution Partner/End User is responsible for shipping costs to final destination. Customer will be billed or customers freight account is billed per collect numbers.  Orders shipping outside of the US, LION will bill freight to the distribution partner/end user is responsible for shipping to final destination.  Agency specific made to order garments that require production minimums-Lion will cover shipping.	*
65	Specifically describe freight, shipping, and delivery terms or programs available for Alaska, Hawaii, Canada, or any offshore delivery.	Alaska: Distribution Partner/End User is responsible for shipping costs to final destination.  Canada-Distribution Partner/End User is responsible for shipping costs to final destination.  Hawaii: Distribution Partner/End User is responsible for shipping costs to final destination.  Shipments to Alaska, Hawaii and Canada are shipped the same as we would ship to any other location in the US.	*
66	Describe any unique distribution and/or delivery methods or options offered in your proposal.	Some LION Distribution partners stock LION products. In this situation, the Distribution Partner would be able to offer a shorter lead time. Freight would be determined by Distribution Partner.  LION Uniforms also offers drop shipping options. We have the ability to drop ship directly to agencies from our facilities instead of shipping to a distributor. This will be decided on a case-by-case basis.	*

## **Table 12: Pricing Offered**

Line Item	The Pricing Offered in this Proposal is: *	Comments
	b. the same as the Proposer typically offers to GPOs, cooperative procurement organizations, or state purchasing departments.	Product Category  Non-Certified Uniforms-35% off List  Certified Uniforms-35% off List  See uploaded documents.  Please note that the price list submitted with this RFP for Certified Uniforms will change mid-year 2024. We are implementing a re-launch and
		update to our current Certified Uniform line.

**Table 13: Audit and Administrative Fee** 

Line Item	Question	Response *	
68	Specifically describe any self-audit process or program that you plan to employ to verify compliance with your proposed Contract with Sourcewell. This process includes ensuring that Sourcewell participating entities obtain the proper pricing, that the Vendor reports all sales under the Contract each quarter, and that the Vendor remits the proper administrative fee to Sourcewell. Provide sufficient detail to support your ability to report quarterly sales to Sourcewell as described in the Contract template.	As part of the self-audit process, LION reviews regional Distribution Partner spreadsheets and Customer Relationship Manager (CRM) opportunities to confirm Sourcewell Sales. Pricing transparency is provided with each transaction including reference to the Sourcewell Contract and LION Landing page. In addition, LION has created a specific field in our ERP system where our Order Management Specialist documents the Sourcewell Member ID during the order entry process. LION has assigned a Sourcewell Representative that reviews documentation and creates utilization reporting. The Representative and Supervisor review documentation and reporting prior to submission for payment.	*
69	If you are awarded a contract, provide a few examples of internal metrics that will be tracked to measure whether you are having success with the contract.	LION includes cooperative purchasing education in distribution partner onboarding and continued education. Distribution Partners are required to communicate cooperative purchasing activities quarterly that is verified by quarterly reporting created by LION.  LION has also included cooperative purchase tracking in our CRM. Field Sales Members are required to document	*
70	Identify a proposed administrative fee that you will pay to Sourcewell for facilitating, managing, and promoting the Sourcewell Contract in the event that you are awarded a Contract. This fee is typically calculated as a percentage of Vendor's sales under the Contract or as a per-unit fee; it is not a line-item addition to the Member's cost of goods. (See the RFP and template Contract for additional details.)	cooperative purchasing activities during opportunity generation.  1% of sales under the awarded contract.	*

Table 14A: Depth and Breadth of Offered Equipment Products and Services

Line Item	Question	Response *	
71	Provide a detailed description of the equipment, products, and services that you are offering in your proposal.	We will be offering Uniform Apparel for Public Safety and First Responders.  Please see uploaded catalogs for certified and non-certified uniform items offered.	*
72	Within this RFP category there may be subcategories of solutions. List subcategory titles that best describe your products and services.	Uniform Shirts and Pants (Certified and Non-certified garments), Polos, Undervest Shirts, Vest Carriers, Dress Uniforms, Outerwear and Caps	*

## Table 148: Depth and 8readth of Offered Equipment Products and Services

Indicate below if the listed types or classes of equipment, products, and services are offered within your proposal. Provide additional comments in the text box provided, as necessary.

Line Item	Category or Type	Offered *	Comments	
73	Uniform apparel, uniform accessories, and footwear;	© Yes ○ No	PPE Boots would be offered on our PPE contract, We do not offer any uniform accessories other than caps.	*
74	Rental and leasing services incidental to the offering of the uniform apparel, uniform accessories, and footwear described in Line 73 above;	C Yes C No	LION does not offer rental or leasing services for certified and non-certified uniforms.	*
75	Customization, personalization, alteration, fitting, and sizing services incidental to the offering of the uniform apparel, uniform accessories, and footwear described in Line 73 above;	© Yes ○ No	Our customization list that is offered on certified and non-certified uniform garments is attached in the additional document section.	*
76	Laundry, cleaning, mending, and repair services incidental to the offering of the uniform apparel, uniform accessories, and footwear described in Line 73 above; and,	C Yes C No	LION does not currently offer for certified and non-certified uniforms.	*
77	Incidental offering of facility supplies and related services such as, floor mats, mops, cleaning supplies, first-aid supplies, and related items to the extent they are complementary to the offering of the uniform apparel, uniform accessories, and footwear described in Line 73 above.	C Yes  C No	LION does not currently offer for certified and non-certified uniforms.	*

## **Exceptions to Terms, Conditions, or Specifications Form**

Only those Proposer Exceptions to Terms, Conditions, or Specifications that have been accepted by Sourcewell have been incorporated into the contract text.

#### **Documents**

#### Ensure your submission document(s) conforms to the following:

- 1. Documents in PDF format are preferred. Documents in Word, Excel, or compatible formats may also be provided.
- 2. Documents should NOT have a security password, as Sourcewell may not be able to open the file. It is your sole responsibility to ensure that the uploaded document(s) are not either defective, corrupted or blank and that the documents can be opened and viewed by Sourcewell.
- 3. Sourcewell may reject any response where any document(s) cannot be opened and viewed by Sourcewell.
- 4. If you need to upload more than one (1) document for a single item, you should combine the documents into one zipped file. If the zipped file contains more than one (1) document, ensure each document is named, in relation to the submission format item responding to. For example, if responding to the Marketing Plan category save the document as "Marketing Plan."

- Pricing LION Price Lists and Discount Off List.zip Wednesday January 10, 2024 14:49:11
- Financial Strength and Stability Corporate Trade References 2023.pdf Tuesday January 09, 2024 12:30:38
- Marketing Plan/Samples Marketing Plan.zip Tuesday January 09, 2024 12:31:26
- WMBE/MBE/SBE or Related Certificates LION Uniform Certifications.zip Wednesday January 10, 2024 14:18:28
- Warranty Information Warranty Information.zip Wednesday January 10, 2024 12:57:43
- Standard Transaction Document Samples (optional)
- Requested Exceptions Sourcewell Uniform RFP EXCEPTION.pdf Tuesday January 09, 2024 12:32:34
- <u>Upload Additional Document</u> Lion Additional Documentation.zip Thursday January 11, 2024 09:49:38

## Addenda, Terms and Conditions

#### PROPOSER AFFIDAVIT AND ASSURANCE OF COMPLIANCE

I certify that I am the authorized representative of the Proposer submitting the foregoing Proposal with the legal authority to bind the Proposer to this Affidavit and Assurance of Compliance:

- 1. The Proposer is submitting this Proposal under its full and complete legal name, and the Proposer legally exists in good standing in the jurisdiction of its residence.
- 2. The Proposer warrants that the information provided in this Proposal is true, correct, and reliable for purposes of evaluation for contract award.
- 3. The Proposer, including any person assisting with the creation of this Proposal, has arrived at this Proposal independently and the Proposal has been created without colluding with any other person, company, or parties that have or will submit a proposal under this solicitation; and the Proposal has in all respects been created fairly without any fraud or dishonesty. The Proposer has not directly or indirectly entered into any agreement or arrangement with any person or business in an effort to influence any part of this solicitation or operations of a resulting contract; and the Proposer has not taken any action in restraint of free trade or competitiveness in connection with this solicitation. Additionally, if Proposer has worked with a consultant on the Proposal, the consultant (an individual or a company) has not assisted any other entity that has submitted or will submit a proposal for this solicitation.
- 4. To the best of its knowledge and belief, and except as otherwise disclosed in the Proposal, there are no relevant facts or circumstances which could give rise to an organizational conflict of interest. An organizational conflict of interest exists when a vendor has an unfair competitive advantage or the vendor's objectivity in performing the contract is, or might be, impaired.
- 5. The contents of the Proposal have not been communicated by the Proposer or its employees or agents to any person not an employee or legally authorized agent of the Proposer and will not be communicated to any such persons prior to Due Date of this solicitation.
- 6. If awarded a contract, the Proposer will provide to Sourcewell Participating Entities the equipment, products, and services in accordance with the terms, conditions, and scope of a resulting contract.
- 7. The Proposer possesses, or will possess before delivering any equipment, products, or services, all applicable licenses or certifications necessary to deliver such equipment, products, or services under any resulting contract.
- 8. The Proposer agrees to deliver equipment, products, and services through valid contracts, purchase orders, or means that are acceptable to Sourcewell Members. Unless otherwise agreed to, the Proposer must provide only new and first-quality products and related services to Sourcewell Members under an awarded Contract.
- 9. The Proposer will comply with all applicable provisions of federal, state, and local laws, regulations, rules, and orders.
- 10. The Proposer understands that Sourcewell will reject RFP proposals that are marked "confidential" (or "nonpublic," etc.), either substantially or in their entirety. Under Minnesota Statutes Section 13.591, subdivision 4, all proposals are considered nonpublic data until the evaluation is complete and a Contract is awarded. At that point, proposals become public data. Minnesota Statutes Section 13.37 permits only certain narrowly defined data to be considered a "trade secret," and thus nonpublic data under Minnesota's Data Practices Act.
- 11. Proposer its employees, agents, and subcontractors are not:
  - 1. Included on the "Specially Designated Nationals and Blocked Persons" list maintained by the Office of Foreign Assets Control of the United States Department of the Treasury found at: https://www.treasury.gov/ofac/downloads/sdnlist.pdf;
  - 2. Included on the government-wide exclusions lists in the United States System for Award Management found at: <a href="https://sam.gov/SAM/">https://sam.gov/SAM/</a>; or
  - 3. Presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from programs operated

by the State of Minnesota; the United States federal government or the Canadian government, as applicable; or any Participating Entity. Vendor certifies and warrants that neither it nor its principals have been convicted of a criminal offense related to the subject matter of this solicitation.

■ By checking this box I acknowledge that I am bound by the terms of the Proposer's Affidavit, have the legal authority to submit this Proposal on behalf of the Proposer, and that this electronic acknowledgment has the same legal effect, validity, and enforceability as if I had hand signed the Proposal. This signature will not be denied such legal effect, validity, or enforceability solely because an electronic signature or electronic record was used in its formation. - Samantha Brady, Pricing Manager, LION First Responder PPE, Inc.

The Proposer declares that there is an actual or potential Conflict of Interest relating to the preparation of its submission, and/or the Proposer foresees an actual or potential Conflict of Interest in performing the contractual obligations contemplated in the bid.

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The Bidder acknowledges and agrees that the addendum/addenda below form part of the Bid Document.

Check the box in the column "I have reviewed this addendum" below to acknowledge each of the addenda.

File Name	I have reviewed the below addendum and attachments (if applicable)	Pages
Addendum_4_Uniforms_with_Related_Products_and_Services_RFP_011124  Mon December 18 2023 03:08 PM	₩	2
Addendum_3_Uniforms_with_Related_Products_and_Services_RFP_011124.pdf Thu December 14 2023 02:18 PM	₩	3
Addendum_2_Uniforms_with_Related_Products_and_Services_RFP_011124 Tue December 12 2023 01:10 PM	₩	1
Addendum_1_Uniforms_with_Related_Products_and_Services_RFP_011124 Mon November 20 2023 04:35 PM	₩	2