

Solicitation Number: RFP #032620

# **CONTRACT**

This Contract is between **Sourcewell**, 202 12th Street Northeast, P.O. Box 219, Staples, MN 56479 (Sourcewell) and **L.N. Curtis & Sons**, 185 Lennox Lane, Suite 100, Walnut Creek, CA 94598 (Vendor).

Sourcewell is a State of Minnesota local government agency and service cooperative created under the laws of the State of Minnesota (Minnesota Statutes Section 123A.21) that offers cooperative procurement solutions to its members. Participation is open to all levels of governmental entity, higher education, K-12 education, nonprofit, tribal government, and other public entities located in the United States and Canada.

Vendor desires to contract with Sourcewell to provide equipment, products, or services to Sourcewell and its Members (Members) in the United States only.

#### 1. TERM OF CONTRACT

- A. EFFECTIVE DATE. This Contract is effective upon the date of the final signature below.
- B. EXPIRATION DATE AND EXTENSION. This Contract expires May 7, 2024, unless it is cancelled sooner pursuant to Article 24. This Contract may be extended up to one additional one-year period upon request of Sourcewell and with written agreement by Vendor.
- C. SURVIVAL OF TERMS. Articles 11 through 16 survive the expiration or cancellation of this Contract.

# 2. EQUIPMENT, PRODUCTS, OR SERVICES

A. EQUIPMENT, PRODUCTS, OR SERVICES. Vendor will provide the Equipment, Products, or Services as stated in its Proposal submitted under the Solicitation Number listed above. Vendor'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/current model. Vendor may offer close-out or refurbished Equipment or Products if they are clearly indicated in Vendor's product and pricing list. Unless agreed to by the Member in advance, Equipment or Products must be delivered as operational to the Member'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. Vendor 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, Vendor warrants the Equipment, Products, and Services are suitable for and will perform in accordance with the ordinary use for which they are intended. Vendor's dealers and distributors must agree to assist the Member in reaching a resolution in any dispute over warranty terms with the manufacturer. Any manufacturer's warranty that is effective past the expiration of the Vendor's warranty will be passed on to the Member.
- C. DEALERS AND DISTRIBUTORS. Upon Contract execution, Vendor will make available to Sourcewell a means to validate or authenticate Vendor's authorized Distributors/Dealers relative to the Equipment, Products, and Services related to this Contract. This list may be updated from time-to-time and is incorporated into this Contract by reference. It is the Vendor's responsibility to ensure Sourcewell receives the most current version of this list.

#### 3. PRICING

All Equipment, Products, or Services under this Contract will be priced as stated in Vendor's Proposal.

Regardless of the payment method chosen by the Member, 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 Member at the time of purchase.

When providing pricing quotes to Members, all pricing quoted must reflect a Member'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 Member's requested delivery location.

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, Vendor must permit the Equipment and Products to be returned within a reasonable time at no cost to Sourcewell or its Members. Members 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.

Vendor 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 Vendor in breach of this Contract if the Vendor intentionally delivers substandard or inferior Equipment or Products. In the event of the delivery of nonconforming Equipment and Products, the Member will notify the Vendor as soon as possible and the Vendor will replace nonconforming Equipment and Products with conforming Equipment and Products that are acceptable to the Member.

- B. SALES TAX. Each Member is responsible for supplying the Vendor with valid tax-exemption certification(s). When ordering, Members must indicate if it is a tax-exempt entity.
- C. HOT LIST PRICING. At any time during this Contract, Vendor may offer a specific selection of Equipment, Products, or Services at discounts greater than those listed in the Contract. When Vendor 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 Members.

#### 4. PRODUCT AND PRICING CHANGE REQUESTS

Vendor 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 Contract Administrator. This form is available from the assigned Sourcewell Contract 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)
- 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 Request Form will be become an amendment to this Contract and be incorporated by reference.

# 5. MEMBERSHIP, CONTRACT ACCESS, AND MEMBER REQUIREMENTS

A. MEMBERSHIP. Membership in Sourcewell is open to public and nonprofit entities across the United States and Canada; such as municipal, state/province, K-12 and higher education, tribal government, and other public entities.

The benefits of this Contract should be available to all Members that can legally access the Equipment, Products, or Services under this Contract within the United States. A Member'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. Vendor understands that a Member's use of this Contract is at the Member's sole convenience and Members reserve the right to obtain like Equipment, Products, or Services from any other source.

Vendor is responsible for familiarizing its sales and service forces with Sourcewell membership requirements and documentation and will encourage potential members to join Sourcewell. Sourcewell reserves the right to add and remove Members to its roster during the term of this Contract.

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

#### 6. MEMBER ORDERING AND PURCHASE ORDERS

- A. PURCHASE ORDERS AND PAYMENT. To access the contracted Equipment, Products, or Services under this Contract, Member must clearly indicate to Vendor that it intends to access this Contract; however, order flow and procedure will be developed jointly between Sourcewell and Vendor. Typically a Member will issue a purchase order directly to Vendor. Members may use their own forms for purchase orders, but it should clearly note the applicable Sourcewell contract number. Members will be solely responsible for payment and Sourcewell will have no liability for any unpaid invoice of any Member.
- B. ADDITIONAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS. Additional terms and conditions to a purchase order may be negotiated between a Member and Vendor, such as job or industry-specific requirements, legal requirements (such as affirmative action or immigration status requirements), or specific local policy requirements. Any negotiated additional terms and conditions must never be less favorable to the Member than what is contained in Vendor's Proposal.
- C. PERFORMANCE BOND. If requested by a Member, Vendor will provide a performance bond that meets the requirements set forth in the Member's purchase order.

- D. SPECIALIZED SERVICE REQUIREMENTS. In the event that the Member requires service or specialized performance requirements (such as e-commerce specifications, specialized delivery requirements, or other specifications and requirements) not addressed in this Contract, the Member and the Vendor 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.
- E. TERMINATION OF PURCHASE ORDERS. Members may terminate a purchase order, in whole or in part, immediately upon notice to Vendor in the event of any of the following events:
  - 1. The Member fails to receive funding or appropriation from its governing body at levels sufficient to pay for the goods to be purchased;
  - 2. Federal or state laws or regulations prohibit the purchase or change the Member's requirements; or
  - 3. Vendor commits any material breach of this Contract or the additional terms agreed to between the Vendor and a Member.
- F. GOVERNING LAW AND VENUE. The governing law and venue for any action related to a Member's purchase order will be determined by the Member making the purchase.

#### 7. CUSTOMER SERVICE

- A. PRIMARY ACCOUNT REPRESENTATIVE. Vendor 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 Member inquiries; and
  - Business reviews to Sourcewell and Members, if applicable.
- B. BUSINESS REVIEWS. Vendor must perform a minimum of one business review with Sourcewell per contract year. The business review will cover sales to members, pricing and contract terms, administrative fees, 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, Vendor must provide a contract sales activity report (Report) to the Sourcewell Contract Administrator assigned to this Contract. A Report must be provided regardless of the number or amount of sales during that quarter (i.e., if there are no sales, Vendor must submit a report indicating no sales were made).

The Report must contain the following fields:

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

B. ADMINISTRATIVE FEE. In consideration for the support and services provided by Sourcewell, the Vendor will pay an administrative fee to Sourcewell on all Equipment, Products, and Services provided to Members. The Vendor will submit a check payable 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 Members under this Contract during each calendar quarter. Payments should note the Sourcewell-assigned contract number in the memo and must be mailed to the address above "Attn: Accounts Receivable." Payments must be received no later than forty-five (45) calendar days after the end of each calendar quarter.

Vendor 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 Vendor is delinquent in any undisputed administrative fees, Sourcewell reserves the right to cancel this Contract and reject any proposal submitted by the Vendor 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 thirty (30) days from the cancellation date.

#### 9. AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE

Sourcewell's Authorized Representative is its Chief Procurement Officer.

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

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

- A. ASSIGNMENT. Neither the Vendor nor Sourcewell may assign or transfer any rights or obligations under this Contract without the prior consent of the parties and a fully executed assignment agreement. Such consent will not be unreasonably withheld.
- B. AMENDMENTS. Any amendment to this Contract must be in writing and will not be effective until it has been fully executed by the parties.
- C. WAIVER. If either party fails to enforce any provision of this Contract, that failure does not waive the provision or the right to enforce it.
- D. CONTRACT COMPLETE. This Contract contains all negotiations and agreements between Sourcewell and Vendor. No other understanding regarding this Contract, whether written or oral, may be used to bind either party.
- E. 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, master-servant, principal-agent, or any other relationship.

#### 11. LIABILITY

Vendor must indemnify, save, and hold Sourcewell and its Members, including their agents and employees, harmless from any claims or causes of action, including attorneys' fees, arising out of the performance of this Contract by the Vendor 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.

# **12. AUDITS**

Sourcewell reserves the right to review the books, records, documents, and accounting procedures and practices of the Vendor relevant to this Contract for a minimum of six (6) years from the end of this Contract. This clause extends to Members as it relates to business conducted by that Member under this Contract.

### 13. GOVERNMENT DATA PRACTICES

Vendor 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, stored, used, maintained, or disseminated by the Vendor under this Contract.

If the Vendor receives a request to release the data referred to in this article, the Vendor must immediately notify Sourcewell and Sourcewell will assist with how the Vendor should respond to the request.

# 14. INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY

As applicable, Vendor agrees to indemnify and hold harmless Sourcewell and its Members against any and all suits, claims, judgments, and costs instituted or recovered against Sourcewell or Members by any person on account of the use of any Equipment or Products by Sourcewell or its Members supplied by Vendor in violation of applicable patent or copyright laws.

# 15. PUBLICITY, MARKETING, AND ENDORSEMENT

- A. 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 Vendor individually or jointly with others, or any subcontractors, with respect to the program, publications, or services provided resulting from this Contract.
- B. MARKETING. Any direct advertising, marketing, or offers with Members must be approved by Sourcewell. Materials should be sent to the Sourcewell Contract Administrator assigned to this Contract.
- C. ENDORSEMENT. The Vendor must not claim that Sourcewell endorses its Equipment, Products, or Services.

# 16. GOVERNING LAW, JURISDICTION, AND VENUE

Minnesota law governs this Contract. Venue for all legal proceedings out of this Contract, or its breach, must be in the appropriate state court in Todd County or federal court in Fergus Falls, Minnesota.

#### 17. 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.

#### 18. SEVERABILITY

If any provision of this Contract is found to be illegal, unenforceable, or void then both Sourcewell and Vendor will be relieved of all obligations arising under such provisions. If the

remainder of this Contract is capable of performance, it will not be affected by such declaration or finding and must be fully performed.

#### 19. 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 Vendor 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 Vendor may escalate the resolution of the issue to a higher level of management. The Vendor will have thirty (30) calendar days to cure an outstanding issue.
  - 3. Performance while Dispute is Pending. Notwithstanding the existence of a dispute, the Vendor must continue without delay to carry out all of its responsibilities under the Contract that are not affected by the dispute. If the Vendor fails to continue without delay to perform its responsibilities under the Contract, in the accomplishment of all undisputed work, any additional costs incurred by Sourcewell and/or its Members as a result of such failure to proceed will be borne by the Vendor.
- B. DEFAULT AND REMEDIES. Either of the following constitutes cause to declare this Contract, or any Member order under this Contract, in default:
  - 1. Nonperformance of contractual requirements, or
  - 2. A material breach of any term or condition of this Contract.

Written notice of default and a reasonable opportunity to cure must be issued by the party claiming 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.

#### **20. INSURANCE**

A. REQUIREMENTS. At its own expense, Vendor 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. Vendor 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). 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-Completed operations

\$2,000,000 general aggregate

3. Commercial Automobile Liability Insurance. During the term of this Contract, Vendor 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).

Minimum Limits:

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

4. *Umbrella Insurance*. During the term of this Contract, Vendor will maintain umbrella coverage over Workers' Compensation, Commercial General Liability, and Commercial Automobile.

Minimum Limits:

\$2,000,000

5. Professional/Technical, Errors and Omissions, and/or Miscellaneous Liability.

During the term of this Contract, Vendor will maintain coverage for all claims the Vendor may become legally obligated to pay resulting from any actual or alleged negligent act, error, or omission related to Vendor's professional services required under this Contract.

Minimum Limits:

\$2,000,000 per claim or event

\$2,000,000 – annual aggregate

6. Network Security and Privacy Liability Insurance. During the term of this Contract, Vendor 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 Vendor'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 Vendor 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, Vendor 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 Contract Administrator assigned to this Contract. The certificates must be signed by a person authorized by the insurer(s) to bind coverage on their behalf. All policies must include there will be no cancellation, suspension, non-renewal, or reduction of coverage without thirty (30) days' prior written notice to the Vendor.

Upon request, Vendor must provide to Sourcewell copies of applicable policies and endorsements, within ten (10) days of a request. Failure to request certificates of insurance by Sourcewell, or failure of Vendor to provide certificates of insurance, in no way limits or relieves Vendor of its duties and responsibilities in this Contract.

- C. ADDITIONAL INSURED ENDORSEMENT AND PRIMARY AND NON-CONTRIBUTORY INSURANCE CLAUSE. Vendor agrees to name Sourcewell and its Members, including their officers, agents, and employees, as an additional insured under the Vendor's commercial general liability insurance policy with respect to liability arising out of activities, "operations," or "work" performed by or on behalf of Vendor, and products and completed operations of Vendor. 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. Vendor 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 Vendor 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 Vendor or its subcontractors. Where permitted by law, Vendor must require similar written express waivers of subrogation and insurance clauses from each of its subcontractors.

- E. UMBRELLA/EXCESS LIABILITY. The limits required by this Contract can be met by either providing a primary policy or in combination with umbrella/excess liability policy(ies).
- F. SELF-INSURED RETENTIONS. Any self-insured retention in excess of \$10,000 is subject to Sourcewell's approval.

# **21. 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. Vendor must maintain a valid status on all required federal, state, and local licenses, bonds, and permits required for the operation of the business that the Vendor conducts with Sourcewell and Members.

# 22. BANKRUPTCY, DEBARMENT, OR SUSPENSION CERTIFICATION

Vendor 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 Vendor declares bankruptcy, Vendor must immediately notify Sourcewell in writing.

Vendor 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 any Member. Vendor certifies and warrants that neither it nor its principals have been convicted of a criminal offense related to the subject matter of this Contract. Vendor further warrants that it will provide immediate written notice to Sourcewell if this certification changes at any time.

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

Members 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. Members may also require additional requirements based on specific funding specifications. Within this Article, all references to "federal" should be interpreted to mean the United States federal government. The following list only applies when

- a Member accesses Vendor'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. Vendor 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. Vendor certifies that during the term of an award for all contracts by Sourcewell resulting from this procurement process, Vendor 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. Vendor certifies that during the term of an award for all contracts by Sourcewell resulting from this procurement process, Vendor 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). Vendor 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. Vendor 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). Vendors must file any required certifications. Vendors 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. Vendors 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. Vendors 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, Vendor must comply with the record retention requirements detailed in 2 C.F.R. § 200.333. The Vendor further certifies that it will retain all records as required by 2 C.F.R. § 200.333 for a period of three (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, Vendor 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, Vendor 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). Vendor agrees that duly authorized representatives of a federal agency must have access to any books, documents, papers and records of Vendor that are directly pertinent to Vendor'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 Vendor'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.

#### 24. CANCELLATION

Sourcewell or Vendor may cancel this Contract at any time, with or without cause, upon sixty (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 Vendor's Proposal. Termination of this Contract does not relieve either party of financial, product, or service obligations incurred or accrued prior to termination.

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Jeremy Schwartz

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Title: Director of Operations &

Procurement/CPO

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Title: Executive Director/CEO

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L.N. Curtis & Sons

Nik Lawrence

Nick Lawrence

Title: Special Programs Director

Date: 5/5/2020 | 6:44 PM PDT

# RFP 032620 - Firefighting Personal Protective Equipment, Apparel, and Accessories, with Related Cleaning and Maintenance Equipment

#### **Vendor Details**

Company Name: L.N. Curtis & sons

Does your company conduct

business under any other name? If

yes, please state:

Curtis

185 Lennon Lane

Address: Suite 110

Walnut Creek, CA 94598

Contact: Nick Lawrence

Email: NLawrence@LNCurtis.com

Phone: 510-499-4112

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# **Submission Details**

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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. Please do not merely attach additional documents to your response without also providing a substantive response. Do not leave answers blank; mark "NA" if the question does not apply to you (preferably with an explanation).

Line Item	Question	Response *	
1	Proposer Legal Name (and applicable d/b/a, if any):	L.N. Curtis & sons (Curtis)	*
2	Proposer Address:	185 Lennox Lane Suite 100 Walnut Creek, CA 94598	*
3	Proposer website address:	http://www.lncurtis.com/	*
4	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):	Nick Lawrence, Special Programs Director	*
5	Proposer's primary contact for this proposal (name, title, address, email address & phone):	Nick Lawrence, Special Programs Director 185 Lennon Lane, Suite 110 Walnut Creek, CA 94598 NLawrence@LNCurtis.com (510) 499-4112	*
6	Proposer's other contacts for this proposal, if any (name, title, address, email address & phone):	Nick Lloyd, Executive Director of Sales 185 Lennon Lane, Suite 110 Walnut Creek, CA 94598 NLloyd@LNCurtis.com (740) 590-3446 Tim Henderson, Senior Vice President 4647 S. 33rd Street Phoenix, AZ 85040 THenderson@LNCurtis.com (510) 207-1568	

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

Line Item	Question	Response *	

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.

L.N. Curtis & sons (Curtis) has a long history with emergency responders. Lloyd N. "Pop" Curtis founded our company in 1929. "Pop's" brother, Newton, had partnered with his brothers-in-law in Glendale, California to build a mechanical resuscitator - a first of its kind.

The Depression of the early 30's interrupted many American lives. It most certainly hindered the sale of a resuscitator that was a very expensive piece of equipment for its day (as much as a new Chevy or Ford). Thus, "Pop" found himself trying to support a family and unable to make ends meet. He was, however, an extremely popular salesperson. It seemed firefighters liked him very much, respected his tenacity and were intent on keeping him afloat. It became their practice when "Pop" came around for a sales call to ask him "to pick up some fire boots and bring them next time he visited." Then fire boots turned into "Lloyd, we could use some turnouts on your next visit. How about it?" This is how L.N. Curtis & sons as we know it today was born.

Finally, the economy improved enough that, with the addition of a very small inheritance, "Pop" was able to buy a car and get back on the road. His sons, Jay and Bill were named "partners" and the "L.N. Curtis" company immediately evolved into, "L.N. Curtis & sons." 451 Hudson Street in Oakland, California was the garage that opened the doors to what has become one of the most successful distributors of emergency responder equipment in the United States. "Pop", Jay, and Bill Curtis each worked diligently in every capacity to be successful and support their family. In fact, none of them ever retired and each worked actively in the business until their deaths

Salt Lake City, Utah, became the home for Curtis' second Customer Service and Operations Center. Jay Curtis' son-in-law, Steven L. Chandler, ran this division until his retirement in 2009.

In 1945, Curtis' third Customer Service and Operations Center opened in Seattle, Washington. Eventually, three more Customer Service and Operations Centers have opened. These new Centers support customers in Southern California and Southern Nevada; the Southwest; and, U.S. Military customers world-wide.

Bill Curtis managed Curtis from 1946 until 1988. Upon his death in 2005, Bill's son, Paul Curtis, became President and CEO of the company. Curtis' headquarters and the home of the Curtis' Pacific North Customer Service Center and Special Programs was moved in 2020 from Oakland, CA, to Walnut Creek, CA.

Jeff Curtis, a great grandson of "Pop" Curtis is currently Vice President of Operations and Customer Service, while Roger Curtis, also a great grandson of "Pop" Curtis, is currently Vice President of Marketing and Administration.

During subsequent years, four additions were made to the L.N. Curtis & sons' family of companies: ECMS, Firefighters Bookstore, Curtis Force Protection, and Curtis Blue Line.

ECMS performs ensemble care and maintenance for emergency responders. ECMS includes six operations centers (Las Vegas, NV, Oakland, CA, La Mirada (Los Angeles), CA, Phoenix, AZ, Kent, WA, and Salt Lake City, UT).

Firefighters Bookstore services emergency responders on a world-wide basis with educational and training services.

Curtis Force Protection specializes in assisting federal agencies, located world-wide, with products and services supporting missions related to defense, security and enforcement.

Curtis Blue Line (CBL) services law enforcement agencies and their members from six operations centers and retail stores. CBL locations are in Boise, ID, Kent, WA, Phoenix, AZ, Tigard, OR, Salt Lake City, UT, and West Sacramento, CA.

Throughout the decades, Curtis' mission has remained constant: "L.N. Curtis & sons provides critical products and services that enable our nation's first responders to accomplish their missions and return safely home to family and friends."

In honor of those we serve, Curtis established a corporate-wide trademark, "Tools for Heroes"

Provide a detailed description of the products and services that you are offering in your proposal.  Provide a detailed description of the product and services that you are offering in your proposal.  Provide a detailed description of the product selected to this solicitation requirements. We have assembled a team from our stable of manufacturers to form a complication of product catelogs representing those products related to this solicitation that are required and most in demand to support interlighting and resource operations. The purpose of our proposal is to provide an array of the met cammon products used by today's Fire Service.  CURTIS offer includes one or more brands or styles for the following general product categories that are defined within the solicitation.  1. Personal Protective Equipment (PPP)  2. Breaking Air Compressor Systems  3. PPE-related Services  4. Curtis expects to make the ensuing contract very valuable to Sourcewell and to the membership Air Compressor Systems  3. PPE-related Services  4. Curtis expects to make the ensuing contract very valuable to Sourcewell and to the membership Air Compressor Systems  5. Fulfill customer requirements, accurately, timely and with significant value of the membership Air profits  Please refer to the attachment, "tilem 10 – Curtis Financials"  10. Demonstrate your financial strength and sability with meaningful data. This could stable the membership and profits the membership and profits the membership and profits of credit, and detailed reference letters. Upload supporting documents (as applicable) in the document upload section of your response.  11. What is your US market share for the solutions that you are proposing?  12. What is your Canadian market share, if any?  13. Has your business ever pertioned for canadian market share, if any?  14. How is your organization in details in the service provider, described as a marke	5	'		
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DocuSign Envelope ID: F29E8256-9191-451C-AFC6-8F089A10483A Within this RFP category there may be Curtis' proposal includes products representing the following categories and subsubcategories of solutions. List subcategory categories: titles that best describe your products and services. PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT (PPE) Firefighter Protective Clothing (structural and proximity [aircraft]) 0 Turnout Jackets 0 **Turnout Pants** Firefighting Boots 0 Firefighting Gloves 0 О Firefighting Hoods Wildland Fire Fighting Protective Gear o Wildland Jackets Wildland Pants 0 Wildland Boots 0 Wildland Gloves 0 0 Wildland Hoods Technical Rescue Protective Gear 0 Tech Rescue Jackets Tech Rescue Pants 0 0 Tech Rescue Boots Tech Rescue Gloves О Station-Wear Blouses (shirts) 0 Jackets 0 **Pants** 0 Footwear 0 Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBA) 0 Back-Packs 0 **Facepieces** Cylinders 0 0 Regulator RIČ UAC О **PASS** 0 0 Replacements parts and accessories Miscellaneous PPE-related equipment О Belts 0 **Packs** Other 0 2. BREATHING AIR COMPRESSOR SYSTEMS Breathing Air Systems (mobile and stationary) Fill Stations Storage Systems

PPE-RELATED SERVICES

3.

- Pre-sales Support (requirements definition and support to specification development)
- Post-Sales Support (sizing, use and care training, assistance during deployment, repair and maintenance)
- Inspection, Cleaning & Repair Support (proposal includes providing the membership a Verified Independent Service Provider offering NFPA 1851-compliant inspection, cleaning, and repair of personal protective equipment)

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

Line Item	Question	Response *	
18	Describe any relevant industry awards or recognition that your company has received in the past five years	None	*
19	What percentage of your sales are to the governmental sector in the past three years	Public sector agencies, including federal, state and local agencies, comprise in excess of 90% of total corporate sales. The balance are primarily sales to individuals, mainly those employed by the public sector.	*
20	What percentage of your sales are to the education sector in the past three years	Education entities comprised less than 1% of total corporate sales.	*
21	List any state or cooperative purchasing contracts that you hold. What is the annual sales volume for each of these contracts over the past three years?	Curtis has several cooperative purchasing contracts in place at the state, regional and national levels. Of note:  NPPGov: Sales on these multiple nation-wide contracts have gross sales, on average, of two-million dollars per reporting quarter.  Houston-Galveston Area Council: Sales on these multiple nation-wide contracts have gross sales, of on average, approximately ten-thousand dollars per reporting quarter.  GSA: Sales on this national/world-wide cooperative, of on average, approximately six-million dollars per year.	*
22	List any GSA contracts that you hold. What is the annual sales volume for each of these contracts over the past three years?	Curtis is conducting activities in support of our second twenty-year GSA contract (GSA Contract 47QSWA18D009Y). Sales have averaged in excess of six-million dollars, per year.	*

# **Table 4: References/Testimonials**

Line Item 23. Supply reference information from three customers who are eligible for Sourcewell membership.

Entity Name *	Contact Name *	Phone Number *	
The City of Los Angeles, CA City of Los Angeles Fire Department	Captain Joe Hill	213-485-6121	*
The County of Los Angeles, CA Los Angeles County Fire Department	Captain Tim Vanderlip	818-880-4411	*
Salt Lake City Fire Department	Deputy Chief Chris Milne	801-319-7910	*

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

Line Item 24. 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 *	
Defense Logistics Agency (DLA)	Government	Pennsylvania - PA	Provide a wide array of firefighting equipment, tools, and PPE, aircraft/crash rescue, hazardous material response, emergency medical services, homeland security, and domestic preparedness serving a worldwide DoD customer base	Range from a few hundred-dollars to a millions-of-dollars	Averaging approximately twenty-million dollars per years, 2017-2019	*
General Services Administration (GSA)	Government	Texas - TX	Provide a wide array of products to include firefighting and rescue equipment, PPE, law enforcement and security equipment, special purpose clothing, and related equipment and services for a world-wide federal agency customer base.	Range from a few hundred dollars to a few thousand dollars	Averaging approximately six-million dollars per year	*
The County of Los Angeles Fire Department	Government	California - CA	Provide a wide array of products to include Firefighting gear, Wildland gear, station PPE.	averages around \$50,000	average yearly sales volume totals approximately \$2M	*
The City of Los Angeles Fire Department	Government	California - CA	Products include firefighting tools, heavy rescue equipment, and water flow equipment	averages around \$50,000	average yearly sales volume totals approximately \$2.3M	*
Salt Lake City Fire Department	Government	Utah - UT	Provide PPE and sizing services	A few hundred to a few thousand dollars	Sales grew from \$53.8K in 2018 to \$201.5K in 2019	*

# Table 6: Ability to Sell and Deliver Service

Describe your company's capability to meet the needs of Sourcewell Members across the US, and Canada if 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 *	
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25	Sales force.	The Curtis Operation Center is the primary resource available to our customers for receiving technical and product support and customer service. Curtis' Fire & Emergency Services Operation Centers are located in the following locations:	
		Curtis Walnut Creek Operations Center Corporate HQ Special Program Office (Programs and Contracts Management) 185 Lennon Lane, Suite 110 Walnut Creek, California 94598 800.443.3556 Tel 510.839.5325 Fax	
		Curtis Salt Lake City Operations Center 1635 Gramercy Road Salt Lake City, Utah 84101 800.426.0509 Tel 801.487.1278 Fax	
		Curtis Seattle Operations Center 6507 S. 208th Street Kent, Washington 98032 800.426.6633 Tel 206.622.2723 Fax	*
		Curtis Los Angeles Operations Center 16821 Knott Avenue La Mirada, CA 90638866.557.0254 Tel 323.780.1484 Fax	
		Curtis Phoenix Operations Center 4647 South 33rd Street Phoenix, AZ 85040 877.453.3911 Tel 602.453.3910 Fax	
		Curtis Customer Service will support the Sourcewell Program in several critical areas of sales support who provide face-to-face, in person customer contact for sales and marketing activities; product (technical and sales) information; on-site service activities; and monitoring of customer satisfaction.	
		Refer to attachment, "Item 25 - Curtis Municipal Area Sales Managers"	L
26	Dealer network or other distribution methods.	Other than local, regional, national and international shipping companies, Curtis will deploy no additional distribution channel networks.	*
27	Service force.	In addition to providing significant pre-sales support and services, Curtis deploys teams to provide significant post-sales support to our customer community:	
		Warehousing & Inventory—logistics management and inventory control specialists who ensure the right parts go to the right customer	
		Marketing Specialists—provides educational information and training on a wide array of PPE industry topics; conducts training classes on products and product maintenance and repair procedures; and, offers seminars on specific products and product families and industry-specific standards, specifications and requirements. Areas of expertise include F&ES training, breathing air compressors, personal protective equipment, self-contained breathing apparatus, respirators, rescue tools and equipment, thermal imaging, hydraulics and water flow, and gas detection.	
		Factory-certified Product Technicians—provides in-house and mobile repair and maintenance services; warranty repairs, and annual, or as requested preventative maintenance	*
		Personal Protective Equipment and Ensemble Care & Maintenance—Curtis' wholly-owned subsidiary, ECMS, Inc. a five-facility operation, provides inspection, cleaning, and repair services of personal protective equipment to all National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) standards	
		Manufacturer Field and Product Technician Teams-Curtis has access to supplier specialists and technical teams for customer support and education	
		CurtisCARE—Curtis provides our customers with training and on-boarding support, inspection, repair and maintenance services for PPE, Rescue Tools, SCBA, Compressors, Small Engine Repair, and other related products.	

28	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	Although customer and technical support is available between the hours of 7:00am and 5:00pm, local time, Monday through Friday at each of our Customer Service Operation Centers, Curtis understands that "normal office hours" has lost all real meaning in the global marketplace.
	help your providers meet your stated service goals or promises.	Serving a world-wide customer community spanning all time zones, Curtis' customers contact a company representative in any of several ways, twenty-four hours a day, seven days a week, and three-hundred, sixty-five days a year (24/7/365) to discuss order placement, order tracking, problem resolution, and the myriad of other topics that will arise throughout the term of a business relationship.
		Curtis' customers contact company customer sales, service, and technical representatives via telephone, cell phone, email, or facsimile using the contact information listed on our web-site and also included in this section.
		It is a standard operating procedure that all outside sales representatives and management provide office, cell phone numbers, and email addresses to the company's customers. This enables Curtis' customers to contact the company's sales force directly for sales and service requests 24/7/365.
		Additionally, using toll-free numbers during "outside-of-normal" business hours or on national holidays, CURTIS representatives are contacted directly or via message service 24/7/365 in order to immediately respond to emergency or non-emergency situations. CURTIS' representatives will respond to all customer inquiries within 4 hours between the hours of 7am-5pm (local) Monday through Friday or within 24 hours during non-duty hours or national holidays.
29	Identify any geographic areas of the United States or Canada that you will NOT be fully serving through the proposed contract.	All products included in this Curtis proposal are available to the membership located in the thirteen Western States of Montana, Wyoming, Colorado, New Mexico, Arizona, Utah, Idaho, Washington, Oregon, Nevada, California, Alaska, Hawaii, and other states as may be acceptable to our manufacturing partners, without limitations.
		Curtis will, with manufacturer approval on a case-by-case basis, provide products to members, nation-wide.
30	Identify any Sourcewell Member 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	As previously discussed in #29, all products included in Curtis' proposal are available to the membership located in the thirteen Western States of Montana, Wyoming, Colorado, New Mexico, Arizona, Utah, Idaho, Washington, Oregon, Nevada, California, Alaska, Hawaii, and other states as may be acceptable to our manufacturing partners, without limitations.
	purchasing contracts limit your ability to promote another contract?	Curtis will, with manufacturer approval on a case-by-case basis, provide products to members, nation-wide.
31	Define any specific contract requirements or restrictions that would apply to our	Curtis price quotes for Hawaiian and Alaskan inquiries will be FOB: Destination that will be calculated using the following formula:
	Members in Hawaii and Alaska and in US Territories.	List Price less the Brand Discount plus an (estimated) Freight Charge.
		Curtis will estimate freight by using the UPS freight calculator listed at UPS Freight Calculator (https://wwwapps.ups.com/fctc/timeandcost? loc=en_US&ActionOriginPair=SeamlessExperience_StartSession&FREIGHT_TYPE=LTL) or other calculators made publicly available by other shipping companies. Curtis will always seek best value for our customers.
		Curtis will provide a quote to all other states in the contiguous 48 plus Alaska requesting to "piggy-back" on any resulting contract between Curtis and the member. Curtis quoted prices for shipments to the continental USA will be FOB: Origin, freight added and will be calculated using the following formula:
		List price less the brand discount plus an estimated freight charge.
		The customer invoice will include actual freight charges as a separate line item.
		Note: For those customers requiring a delivered price when the quote is prepared, Curtis will follow the same procedure by utilizing available freight calculators to determine freight costs.

**Table 7: Marketing Plan** 

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Curtis' sales teams will target the areas with greatest population densities because Describe your marketing strategy for promoting this contract opportunity. population densities typically correlate directly with the number of serving firefighters. Upload representative samples of your However, our outside sales and customer service representative teams will also target ALL potential agency participants within the western 13 states as agency near-term procurement marketing materials (if applicable) in the document upload section of your plans are identified. response. Specifically, immediately after contract award, our marketing department will announce the award on our web-site and other on-line public forums in which we participate with our customers. Additionally, Curtis' marketing department will prepare marketing collateral for distribution by our sales teams and through e-blast notifications to targeted customers (customers with nearterm, open requirements). This collateral will explain the cooperative purchasing opportunity that is available to our customers through the new contract, and how, using this new contract the public agency may purchase a wide variety of products and services while saving time, man-power, and money. We also offer a commitment to support Sourcewell in marketing campaigns and industry conferences to advertise the cooperative purchasing opportunities made available to the membership and to potential new members via the new contract. Please refer to attached example of a previous Curtis Marketing Plan that was customized to address a specific served-market segment, "Item 32 - Curtis Rescue Tool Marketing Plan." 33 Describe your use of technology and Curtis recognizes the importance of utilizing technology and digital data to drive marketing digital data (e.g., social media, effectiveness. Multiple, robust cross-digital marketing programs are already in place and metadata usage) to enhance being developed on a regular basis to support Curtis sales initiatives, brand awareness, marketing effectiveness. and product promotion. Metadata is reviewed to determine potential changes and alternate means to increase the reach and effectiveness of the marketing message in alignment with the program goals. A showcase of Curtis abilities is a cross-digital program in-place to support the Curtis sales initiative of promoting the MSA G1 SCBA which includes: LNCurtis.com Homepage - Main Product Merchandising Space LNCurtis.com Homepage - Call to Action Banner for Lead Generation LNCurtis.com - Call to Action Pop-up Modal for Lead Generation MSA G1 SCBA Landing Page (https://www.lncurtis.com/msa-g1-scba) MSA G1 SCBA Product Detail Page (https://www.lncurtis.com/MSA-G1-SCBA-4500-psig-Operating-System\_2) Social Media Posts and Ads **Email Marketing** Industry Website Ads Search Engine Ads Search Engine Optimization includes, among other parameters Keyword Campaigns Metadata o Rich Content 0 Backlinking A recent success story is the increase in leads for the Curtis Technical Services team for SCBA cylinder hydro testing. Creating a search engine keyword ad campaign with metadata focus has driven a substantial increase in visits to the Curtis hydro-test landing page: https://www.lncurtis.com/hydro-testing.

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some updates already completed and some in-process.

Curtis practices continual improvement and as this hydro test digital program has evolved, we've made adjustments to the ad campaign and identified landing page improvements—

34	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?	As previously discussed, marketing collateral will be provided to the Curtis Sales Teams during a contract kick-off (K/O) meeting. New contract Kick-Off meetings [virtual or physical presence] are standard operating procedures.  Sourcewell Personnel are encouraged to attend these K/O meetings whenever possible to establish relationships with Curtis personnel and to make sure all necessary information is exchanged.  Subjects covered during Curtis' K/O meetings include program / contract introduction and overview; brands, prices and discounts offered; rules of engagement (contract terms and conditions); procedures for quotes, order entry and post-sales support; and, any other program-specific information that will help the sales force gain understanding of and motivation to exploit the opportunities afforded by the new contract.
		In our view, Sourcewell can play as large or as small a part as the COOP may desire.  Curtis is well versed in conducting successful sales and marketing campaigns and fully expect to "hit the ground" prepared, running, and successful.
35	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.	Curtis' eCommerce Storefront and eCommerce Catalog allows customers to connect to Curtis' system in real time using the Internet to search Curtis' product catalog, place orders, check the status of orders, check product pricing and availability, and review account information.  Curtis' electronic order entry system provides customers with 24-hour service, support, and sales. The company's eCommerce storefront is a fully integrated, multi-channel sales and customer self-service portal solution that offers Curtis' trading partners and customers the
		ability to place orders. Some of the features of Curtis' eCommerce Storefront include:
		<ul> <li>Quick and secure customer access</li> <li>Real-time order entry system</li> <li>Email order confirmation</li> </ul>
		A portion of Curtis' commercial catalog is included in our eCommerce Storefront, in a searchable online format with links to images, documents, and products. Curtis' eCommerce Catalog provides customers with the latest product information, pricing, and availability on a World Wide Web storefront.
		Additional features of Curtis' eCommerce Catalog include:  • An attribute-based system, used to search for products  • Additional fields of information for searching  • Unlimited links from the catalog records to images, specification documents, and page references
		As the state of the art of the ITS for this contract evolves, Curtis stands ready to adapt to any IT-related updates as may be required to accommodate the needs of the Sourcewell membership.
		Curtis has on-line ordering systems (OLOS) that have been customized (product catalogs and pricing) to address as-contracted requirements from several public agencies. These secure on-line ordering systems enable authorized users to log-in and purchase as-contracted products, at as-contracted prices. These OLOS are available 24/7/365 to authorized end users.

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

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36	Describe any product, equipment, maintenance, or operator training programs that you offer to Sourcewell Members. Include details, such as whether training is standard or optional, who provides training, and any costs that apply.	Curtis' CurtisCARE Program offers members with significant opportunities to receive presales and post-delivery training and other related product support. Curtis' post-delivery services are usually provided as a part of a purchase order coupled with a statement of work (SOW) that Curtis receives from the customer. Curtis often works with the customer to define and develop an appropriate SOW. Often, Curtis provides customer training in equipment use; inspection, repair, maintenance; and, safety during deployment at no cost to the member. A sampling of available value-added training, available through our CurtisCARE program, includes:  Complete Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) product education and training, maintenance, repair and cleaning services  Complete Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBA) product education, training, fittesting, and maintenance services.  Complete gas detection product education, training, and maintenance services  Complete breathing air compressor product education, training and maintenance services  Complete Firefighting training towers and buildings, and Firefighting training prop product education, training, and maintenance services  CurtisCARE is provided by Curtis' product and service specialists, including service technicians, PPE education and training specialists, rescue tool education and training specialists, and several product demonstration vehicles that routinely visit customer sites.  An integral part of Curtis' product education and training involves our outside sales representatives. These professionals provide product education, training seminars, and handson demonstration. Additionally, Curtis' suppliers are a valuable and valued asset for product and service training programs.	*
37	Describe any technological advances that your proposed products or services offer.	Curtis provides local sales and service representatives, and product specialists for PPE, Rescue, and Breathing Air Systems. Additionally, manufacturers' representatives and technicians are available to support Curtis' product support and customer service activities.  All products are state-of-the-art, using the latest technology available for the market.	*
38	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.	None	*
39	Identify any third-party issued eco- 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 green/sustainability factors.	None	*
40	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.	As a very competitive small business that successfully competes against larger companies, Curtis is intimately aware that small businesses can often provide faster, more efficient and satisfactory customer-focused support than what is typical of large organizations. Therefore, it is Curtis policy to develop and utilize to the greatest extent possible, suppliers of quality product and services provided by historically underutilized businesses.  Small Business, Small Disadvantaged Business, Women-Owned Small Business, Service-Disabled Veteran-Owned Small Business, Veteran-Owned Small Business, Minority-Owned Small Business, and HUBZone Businesses account for an increasing segment of Curtis suppliers. Curtis' goal is to develop and more fully utilize these businesses as suppliers and business partners.	*
		Curtis views the programs such as the up-coming Sourcewell Firefighting PPE Program as a platform with which to provide new opportunities to underutilized businesses.  However, given the critical life-support functions performed by a majority of the manufacturers in Curtis' proposed product catalog, the ability to source THE BEST and MOST RELIABLE products must take precedence over any concerns about business entity-type.	

41	What unique attributes does your company, your products, or your services offer to Sourcewell Members? What makes your proposed solutions unique in your industry as it applies to Sourcewell members?	Curtis has conducted over ninety years of successful business focusing on supporting the fire, rescue, & emergency response industries. Curtis provides our customers with exceptional products, customer service, and product support covering an extremely broad-based product catalog.  Curtis' Customer Service Operations are located in Seattle, WA, Salt Lake City, UT, Walnut Creek, CA, La Mirada (Los Angeles), CA, and Phoenix, AZ. A brand new consolidated state-of-the-art warehousing facility, providing Curtis customers with a complete suite of Integrated Logistics Services, is located in Salt Lake City, UT.  Curtis is fully qualified to provide superior service to Sourcewell members. In addition to our many large contracts with city and state agencies, Curtis continues to perform on three programs that have honed our capabilities to manage and serve major accounts with a complex array of product & services offerings.  Curtis has a contract with the General Services Administration (GSA contract 47QSWA18D09Y). Curtis services over a thousand customers a year who purchase from our GSA product catalog.  Additionally, Curtis is a contractor to the Defense Logistics Agency (DLA) Troop Support under the provisions of a prime contract supporting the United States Defense Department's Fire and Emergency Services Tailored Logistics Support Program and the United States Fire Service (DLA contracts SPEBEH-19-D-0015) supporting agencies of the United States Fire Service (DLA contracts SPEBEH-19-D-0015) supporting agencies of the United States Fire Service (DLA contracts SPEBEH-19-D-0015). Supporting agencies of the United States Fire Service (DLA contracts SPEBEH-19-D-0015) supporting agencies of the United States Fire Service (DLA contracts SPEBEH-19-D-0015) supporting agencies of the United States Fire Service (DLA contracts SPEBEH-19-D-0015) supporting agencies of the United States Fire Service of corporate pride and import, Curtis held achieved great success while supporting the members of other COOPs. Since the launch of	*
42	Identify your ability and willingness to provide your products and services to Sourcewell member agencies in Canada.	Curtis will not be providing products or services to membership located in Canada.	*

**Table 9: 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 *	
43	Do your warranties cover all products, parts, and labor?	Curtis provides the manufacturers' warranties for all proposed supplies. Additionally, Curtis will offer any extended warranties if available, at additional costs.	
		The warranties provided under Curtis' proposed program will be the same as offered to the public and will include products, parts and labor (standard commercial practice).	*
		Please refer to attachment, "Item 43 - Curtis Terms & Conditions of Sales"	
44	Do your warranties impose usage restrictions or other limitations that adversely affect coverage?	No	*

45	Do your warranties cover the expense of technicians' travel time and mileage to perform warranty repairs?	Yes, where stated as part of the Manufacturer's standard warranty.	*
46	Are there any geographic regions of the United States (and Canada, if applicable) for which you cannot provide a certified technician to perform warranty repairs? How will Sourcewell Members in these regions be provided service for warranty repair?	All products and product support to perform warranty servicing included in this Curtis proposal are available to membership located in the thirteen Western States of Montana, Wyoming, Colorado, New Mexico, Arizona, Utah, Idaho, Washington, Oregon, Nevada, California, Alaska, and Hawaii without limitations.  When warranty support is required outside the 13 western states, Curtis will	*
		coordinate warranty servicing and support directly with the manufacturer to ensure warranty commitments are quickly met.	
47	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?	We take responsibility for what we sell. Curtis offers warranty service for all brands and models that we sell and that are included in this proposal.	*
48	What are your proposed exchange and return programs and policies?	Curtis strives to maintain the highest level of customer service. In accordance Curtis will re-fund or exchange your purchase within the following guidelines:	
		Product must be returned in new, unused condition within 30 days of receipt. Any product you desire to return after that date is subject to review by Curtis, and may be non-returnable.	
		Product that has been used, damaged, or not purchased through LNCurtis.com or CurtisBlueLine.com or from a Curtis location will not be refunded.	
		Product that has been altered by engraving, stamping, marking, stenciling, etc., is not eligible for return.  Clearance or Used product is also non-returnable. Custom, special order product and/or non-stock product may be returned only if acceptable to our vendor. A re-stocking and handling fee, as determined by our vendor and transportation costs to return to our vendor will be charged.	
		Return your product(s) by following these steps:	
		Contact Customer Service at 877.488.0469 or CustomerService@LNCurtis.com to re-quest a return or exchange.	
		2. A Return Authorization (RA) will be issued to you and is required to be included with the return of any product.	*
		3. Return your product by bringing it into or shipping to the Curtis location specified on the RA.	
		4. When shipping to a Curtis location, carefully pack the product in order to avoid damage during shipment. Product that arrives in damaged condition is not eligible for return credit and will be shipped back to you.	
		5. Return the product prepaid to the address specified on the RA. Make sure you include a copy of the RA with the product being returned. We recommend that you keep a copy of the RA and the receipt for the return shipment from the shipping service you use. Curtis does not take title to returned product until received by Curtis at our return location in undamaged condition. We will only consider a refund for product that arrives at our facility in undamaged new and unused condition.	
		Curtis reserves the right to reject any and all product returns. All returns are subject to re-view upon our receipt of the product and inspection. Product received in condition other than originally shipped may be rejected and shipped back to you.	
		You may request an exchange, a credit on your account or a refund if the product has already been paid for and funds received by us. All refunds are issued using the original payment method and may take up to ten (10) business days for the refund process to complete.	
49	Describe any service contract options for the items included in your proposal.	Curtis offers service and repair based upon manufacturers' recommendations and customer requirements. Pricing is typically based upon the specific requirements for each service or repair action.	*

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

Line Item	Question	Response *	

50	What are your payment terms (e.g., net 10, net 30)?	Net 30
51	Do you provide leasing or financing options, especially those options that schools and governmental entities may need to use in order to make certain acquisitions?	Curtis offers customized leasing plans both through third-parties and internally.
52	Describe your formal trade-in program or policy for the products or equipment offered in your proposal, if any. Upload trade-in program materials (if applicable) in the document upload section of your response.	Curtis may offer trade-in programs for various equipment. The offer is custom designed for each customer determined on a case-by-case basis.
53	Briefly describe your proposed order process. Include enough detail to support your ability to report quarterly sales to Sourcewell as described in the Contract template. For example, indicate whether your dealer network is included in your response and whether each dealer (or some other entity) will process the Sourcewell Members' purchase orders.	Curtis Procedures for Processing Orders  Curtis has developed straight forward procedures for order processing. Our order handling procedures are consistently applied to process routine, urgent, and emergency orders, product returns, and discrepant orders. Order processing is fully integrated into our automated distribution software platform (Oracle-NetSuite). This electronic system provides our sales, marketing, purchasing, accounting, and management with real time order status, while tracking inventory and shipping status.
		ORDERS
		Delivery order is considered issued upon receipt of order by mail, telephone, or facsimile, email, or on-line.
		ORDER PROCESSING
		After an order is received, Curtis uses a simple and consistent series of procedures for processing customer orders. The sourcing determination, made by the Customer Service Manager during the customer purchase order review process, is the primary factor made to determine the specific path to be taken by our staff while processing each individual order (e.g., ship from a Curtis warehouse; ship direct from the manufacturer; consolidate at a Curtis warehouse [bills-of-material orders]).
		ORDER SCHEDULING & DELIVERY
		Order scheduling at Curtis is based upon one of two customer requirements. Curtis' typical commercial customer requests product delivery per product availability as specified by the supplier. Or, the customer specifies a required delivery date. Curtis accommodates both scheduling requirements efficiently and effectively using our distribution software and consistent status reviews of all active orders.
		ORDER CONFIRMATION
		Customer orders are confirmed by Curtis after the Customer Service Manager has reviewed the customer purchase order (customer information, product and quantity requirements, pricing and availability, and the existence of any special requirements from the customer) and entered the order into our enterprise resource planning platform (Oracle-NetSuite).
		NOT-IN-STOCK CONDITIONS
		Curtis processes not-in-stock product orders by determining lead times necessary to complete the order, contacting the ordering activity, and advising current lead time of product. At customer preference, Curtis offers alternative in-stock substitute products of equal or higher quality and at equal value for customer consideration.
		PARTIAL DELIVERY / BACK ORDER PROCEDURES
		Curtis strives to ship the entire order complete and on time. However, if Curtis is in a low stock position on a particular product and the customer will accept a substitute item and accept a partial delivery, the order will be processed during Curtis' pre-order set-up to ensure that all items possible will be shipped either direct from our supplier or from one of the Curtis warehouses in order to provide the level of service our customer requests.
		Back-orders are tracked via the Company's ERP system and reports generated showing "non-fills" until the order is shipped complete.
		Partial deliveries and back orders status are provided to the

		customer on a regular basis until the order is filled.	
		ORDER BILLING	
		Curtis will submit invoices only after receiving assurances that our customer's requirements have been met. Once the order has been shipped complete and all required activities specified within the order have been accomplished, Curtis will submit invoices as required by the order.	
		PAYMENT FOR GOODS RECEIVED	
		Curtis extends payment terms of net thirty (30) days from date of invoice.	
54	Do you accept the P-card procurement and payment process? If so, is there any additional cost to Sourcewell Members for using this process?	Curtis accepts credit cards purchases while adding no processing fees.	*

# **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 desribed in the RFP, the template Contract, and the Sourcewell Price and Product Change Request Form.

Line Item	Question	Response *	
55	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.	The Pricing Offered in this Proposal is detailed in the attachment, "Item 63 - Curtis Price Offering."  Curtis' proposed pricing model is based upon a set discount off list price, by brand or in certain cases when a brand offers several models, by model. The pricing model is applicable to the brand's entire published catalog, as identified in item 63, Table 12.	*
56	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.	Curtis' proposed program is based upon offering, by brand, a fixed percentage (%) discount off the manufacturers' Suggested (List) Price.  The list prices are defined within the current Price List/Product Catalog of each of the Company's Manufacturer (Brand)-Partners (refer to item 63, Table 12).	*
57	Describe any quantity or volume discounts or rebate programs that you offer.	Curtis will offer customers deeper discounts than proposed, depending on volume, product specifications, and market conditions.	*
58	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.	When a customer requests a quote containing both on-contract and open market products or services, Curtis will offer the customer the following:  On-Contract Products & Services: Price will be the list price less ascontracted discount for the brand/model, plus freight.  Open Market Products & Services: Curtis will supply the customer with a quote consistent with the price offered our Most Favored	*
59	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.	Curtis adds no additional costs to member prices, unless the customer requests open market products or services that relate to the on-contract item but that are not on contract.	*

60	If freight, delivery, or shipping is an additional cost to the Sourcewell Member, describe in detail the complete freight, shipping, and delivery program.	Shipments to customers located in the continental 48 sates: FOB: Origin, freight added, or as otherwise required by the customer  Shipments to customers located in Alaska and Hawaii: FOB: Destination  Curtis price quotes for Hawaiian an Alaskan inquiries will include a shipping estimate that will be calculated using the following formula: List Price less the Brand Discount plus an (estimated) Freight Charge.  Curtis will estimate freight by using the UPS freight calculator listed at UPS Freight Calculator (https://wwwapps.ups.com/fctc/timeandcost? loc=en_US&ActionOriginPair=SeamlessExperience_StartSession&FREIGHT_TYPE=LTL) or other calculators made publicly available by other shipping companies. Curtis will always seek best value for our customers.
		The customer invoice will include actual freight charges as a separate line item. Note: For those customers who require a delivered price when the quote is prepared, Curtis will follow the same procedure by utilizing available freight calculators to determine quoted freight costs.
61	Specifically describe freight, shipping, and delivery terms or programs available for Alaska, Hawaii, Canada, or any offshore delivery.	As discussed in #60, Curtis price quotes for Hawaiian and Alaskan inquiries will be FOB: Destination, with estimated shipping charges calculated using the following formula: List price less the Brand Discount plus an (estimated) Freight Charge.
		Curtis will estimate freight by using the UPS freight calculator listed at UPS Freight Calculator (https://wwwapps.ups.com/fctc/timeandcost?loc=en_US&ActionOriginPair=SeamlessExperience_StartSession&FREIGHT_TYPE=LTL) or other calculators made publicly available by other shipping companies.
		Curtis will always seek best value for our customers.
		The customer invoice will include actual freight charges as a separate line item.

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Fulfill individual custom orders

checks to ensure the accuracy of final kits.

spikes and meet last-minute requests.

Fulfillment capabilities help you manage inventory throughout the kitting cycle, from individual components to creation of new SKUs. Our team maps efficient kitting processes and builds in quality

Our labor solutions help you economically manage activity

# **Table 12: Pricing Offered**

Line Item	The Pricing Offered in this Proposal is: *	Comments
63	b. the same as the Proposer typically offers to GPOs, cooperative procurement organizations, or state purchasing departments.	Curtis' proposed program includes prices to be considered ceiling prices. To be clear, ceiling prices are the highest prices that will be offered. Curtis anticipates that the membership will be offered products contained in this offer at prices reflecting deeper discounts (lower prices) than those proposed within the pricing schedule.  It is anticipated that market forces such as competition and the nature of specific sales actions (e.g., volume purchases, repeat customers) will lead to additional discounts being offered by Curtis to the membership.  The Pricing Offered in this Proposal is detailed in the attachment, "Item 63 - Curtis Price Offering."
		Curtis anticipates that future requests will be submitted to the Sourcewell to add products reflecting future product enhancements made by industry or requests for products made by members.

**Table 13: Audit and Administrative Fee** 

Line Item	Question	Response *	
64	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 Members 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.	Curtis will employ the same control processes that have been successfully employed by Curtis for over twenty-years to monitor and control every sale made on our GSA contract. Additionally, tracking and reporting requirements are included in Curtis' Prime Contracts on the Defense Logistics Agency's Fire & Emergency Tailored Logistics Support Program and the United States Air Force's PPE Program).  After multiple audits on these major programs, Curtis maintains exception operational and reporting performance scores, with no deficiencies noted.	*
65	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.)	Curtis proposes to pay Sourcewell a 1% administrative fee of total net revenues (gross sales, less product returns), on a quarterly basis.	*

**Table 14: Industry Specific Questions** 

Line Item	Question	Response *
66	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.	Per our standard operating procedures, Curtis tracks Key Performance Indicators (KPIs) to make sure our business is tracking per plan.  KPI-related data is extracted from our Enterprise Resource Planning platform, Oracle-NetSuite. Oracle-NetSuite, a cloud ERP solution that automates front and back-office processes enable the Company to track all critical business functions including financial management, revenue management, fixed assets, order entry/management/tracking, billing, and inventory management.  Oracle-NetSuite enables Curtis management to generate real-time performance and status reports (e.g., sales (orders and frequency) fill rates vendor performance returns due to improper shipments and defective items and back-orders).  Using Oracle-NetSuite, Curtis tracks performance of all orders, awards, contracts, and programs, including, should Curtis be honored with a contract, the Company's performance in support of Sourcewell.
67	Describe the unique design and feature attributes of the products and/or equipment offered in your proposal.	As the largest stocking distributor of firefighting equipment in the West and one of
68	Describe available options for customization of the products and/or equipment offered in your proposal.	Typically, PPE are highly customized products, based on the requirements of each department, and sometimes, each firefighter. Curtis' Sales and Product Support teams provide the market with pre-sales product training and education to help define the best materials and optimal design requirements required to meet each department's unique Risk Assessment.
69	Explain your processes for sizing, fitting, and the alteration of the products and/or equipment offered in your proposal, as applicable.	Curtis' Sales and Product Support Teams provide on-site sizing, when required, for PPE orders at no additional charge. Sizing is accomplished using actual sizing sets. Each firefighter dons sizing samples until a proper fit is identified.  Additionally, ECMS (a Curtis wholly-owned subsidiary) provides NFPA 1851-compliant PPE inspection, repair and cleaning services. ECMS is included in this Curtis proposal.
70	If you provide on-site or in-person sales, service, training, and/or support, explain how those activities are handled and the unique attributes of your process.	All on-site services are coordinated and mutually agreed upon with appropriate agency personnel prior any work performed.
71	Describe your compliance with applicable national standards for the products and/or equipment offered in your proposal, such as: National Fire Protection Association (NFPA), Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA), and American National Standards Institute (ANSI).	All products included in this Curtis proposal comply to the related and associated national standards and industry segment requirements, including NFPA, USFS/NFES, ANSI, ASTM, and 29 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) 1910 (OSHA).

# **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."
  - Financial Strength and Stability Item 10 Curtis Financials.pdf Tuesday March 24, 2020 23:17:46
  - Marketing Plan/Samples Item 32 Curtis Rescue Tools Marketing Plan.doc Tuesday March 24, 2020 23:54:21
  - WMBE/MBE/SBE or Related Certificates (optional)
  - Warranty Information Item 43 Curtis Terms & Conditions of Sales.pdf Wednesday March 25, 2020 00:16:43
  - Pricing SourceWell RFP 032620 Firefighting PPE Product Catalog Curtis.xlsx Wednesday March 25, 2020 14:09:13
  - Additional Document Item 25 Curtis Municipal Area Sales Managers.pdf Wednesday March 25, 2020 15:33:51

#### **Proposers Assurance of Comp**

#### PROPOSER ASSURANCE OF COMPLIANCE

#### PROPOSER'S AFFIDAVIT

The undersigned, authorized representative of the entity submitting the foregoing proposal (the "Proposer"), swears that the following statements are true to the best of his or her knowledge.

- 1. The Proposer is submitting its proposal under its true and correct name, the Proposer has been properly originated and legally exists in good standing in its state of residence, the Proposer possesses, or will possess before delivering any products and related services, all applicable licenses necessary for such delivery to Sourcewell member agencies. The undersigned affirms that he or she is authorized to act on behalf of, and to legally bind the Proposer to the terms in this RFP and any resulting Contract.
- 2. The Proposer, or any person representing the Proposer, has not directly or indirectly entered into any agreement or arrangement with any other vendor or supplier, any official or employee of Sourcewell, or any person, firm, or corporation under contract with Sourcewell, in an effort to influence the pricing, terms, or conditions relating to this RFP in any way that adversely affects the free and open competition for a Contract award under this RFP; and, the Proposer has not participated in any collusion, or otherwise taken any action in restraint of free, competitive bidding in connection with the above named solicitation.
- 3. The contents of the Proposer's proposal have not been communicated by the Proposer or its employees or agents to any person not an employee or agent of the Proposer and will not be communicated to any such persons prior to the official opening of the proposals.
- 4. The Proposer has examined and understands the terms, conditions, scope, contract opportunity, specifications request, and other documents in this solicitation and affirms that any and all exceptions have been noted and included with the Proposer's Proposal.
- 5. The Proposer will, if awarded a Contract, provide to Sourcewell Members the /products and services in accordance with the terms, conditions, and scope of this RFP, with the Proposer-offered specifications, and with the other documents in this solicitation.
- 6. The Proposer agrees to deliver 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.
- 7. The Proposer will comply with all applicable provisions of federal, state, and local laws, regulations, rules, and orders.
- 8. The Proposer understands that Sourcewell will reject RFP proposals that are marked "confidential" (or "nonpublic," etc.), either substantially or in their entirety. Under Minnesota Statute §13.591, Subd. 4, all proposals are considered nonpublic data until the evaluation is complete and a Contract is awarded. At that point, proposals generally become public data. Minnesota Statute §13.37 permits only certain narrowly defined data to be considered a "trade secret," and thus nonpublic data under Minnesota's Data Practices Act.

The Proposer understands that it is the Proposer's duty to protect information that it considers nonpublic, and it agrees to defend and indemnify Sourcewell for reasonable measures that Sourcewell takes to uphold such a data designation.

■ 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. - Nick Lawrence, Director, Special Programs, L.N. Curtis & sons

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.

Yes
No

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.

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