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STANDARD BIDDING DOCUMENTS

**Procurement of
Funeral Home/Morgue Services**

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Foreword

These Standard Tender Documents for Procurement of non-consulting/general services have been prepared by The Ministry of Finance (MOF) Procurement and Asset Policy Unit and its use is mandatory for general services, which include the procurement of janitorial services, security services and concessionaire services according to Government of Jamaica Procurement Regulations and Handbook of Public Sector Procurement Procedures. Non - Consulting Services/general will hereinafter be referred to simply as “Services”.

These Bidding Documents are intended as model lump sum types of Contract, which are the most common in Services contracting. Lump sum contracts are used in particular for Services which are well defined and are unlikely to change in quantity or specification, and where encountering difficult or unforeseen site conditions are unlikely.¹

Each Procuring Entity should ensure that due care is taken to check the relevance of the provisions of the standard documents against the requirements of the specific Services to be procured. The following directions should be observed when using the documents:

- a) Details to be provided by the Procuring Entity prior to release of the bidding documents are limited to the Invitation for Bids (User’s Guide), Instructions to Bidders (Section I), Bid Data Sheet (Section II), and Special Conditions of Contract (Section VI), in addition to Sections V and VII, which deal with Activity Schedule, Performance Specifications and Drawings, respectively. **Specific details** should be furnished in the spaces indicated by italicized notes inside brackets. Those details not filled in by the Procuring Entity are the responsibility of the Bidder.
- b) These Bidding Documents are intended to serve on a repetitive basis. Modifications to address specific Project or Contract needs should be provided only in the Special Conditions of Contract as amendments to the Conditions of Contract. If modifications must be made to the bidding procedures, they can be presented in the Bidding Data Sheet.
- c) This Foreword, the foot-notes and the notes inside boxes with single borders are not part of the text, but rather contain instructions for the user. **They should not be incorporated in the bidding documents.** The cover should be modified as required to identify the bidding documents as to the name of the Project, Contract, and the Implementing Agency, in addition to the date of issue.

¹ Lump sum contracts should be used for Services that can be defined in their full physical and qualitative characteristics before bids are called, or where the risks of substantial design or performance variations are minimal. In lump sum contracts, the concept of priced “activity schedules” has been introduced, to enable payments to be made as “activities” are completed. Payments can also be made on the basis of percentage completion of each activity.

- d) The notes inside boxes with double borders should be retained in the issued bidding documents, since these notes provide important guidance to bidders.

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Summary

PART 1 - BIDDING PROCEDURES

Section I: Instructions to Bidders (ITB)

This Section provides relevant information to help Bidders prepare their bids. Information is also provided on the submission, opening, and evaluation of bids and on the award of Contracts. **Section I contains provisions that are to be used without modification. However, the following clauses may be modified according to the nature of the procurement:**

ITB Clause Reference

- 1. Scope of Bid
- 4. Eligible Bidders
- 10. Clarification of Bidding Documents
- 13. Alternative Bids
- 14. Bid Prices and Discounts
- 15. Currencies of Bid
- 16. Documents Establishing the Eligibility of the Bidder
- 17. Documents Establishing the Conformity of the Goods and Related Services
- 21. Bid Security
- 34. Conversion to Single Currency
- 36. Evaluation of Bids
- 44. Performance Security

Section II. Bidding Data Sheet (BDS)

This Section consists of provisions that are specific to the procurement and that supplement the information or requirements included in Section I, Instructions to Bidders.

Section III: Bidding Forms

This Section contains the forms which are to be completed by the Bidder and submitted as part of his Bid.

PART 2 - ACTIVITY SCHEDULE**Section IV. Activity Schedule**

This Section contains the activity schedule.

PART 3 - *CONDITIONS OF CONTRACT AND CONTRACT FORMS***Section V. General Conditions of Contract (GCC)**

This Section contains the general clauses to be applied in all contracts. **The text of the clauses in this Section shall not be modified.**

Section VI. Special Conditions of Contract (SCC)

The contents of this Section supplement the General Conditions of Contract and shall be prepared by the Procuring Entity.

Section VII. Performance Specifications and Drawings

This section contains Specifications that are intended only as information for the Procuring Entity or the person drafting the bidding documents. **They should not be included in the final documents.**

Section VIII: Contract Forms

This Section contains forms which, once completed, will form part of the Contract. The forms for **Performance Security** and **Advance Payment Security**, when required, shall only be completed by the successful Bidder after contract award.

Part I - Bidding Procedures

Section I. Instructions to Bidders

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Instructions to Bidders (ITB)

A. General

- 1. Scope of Bid**
- 1.1 The Procuring Entity indicated in the Bidding Data Sheet (BDS), issues these Bidding Documents. The name and identification number are **specified in the BDS**.
- 1.2 The successful Bidder will be expected to complete the performance of the Services by the Intended Completion Date **provided in the BDS**.
- 2. Source of Funds**
- 2.1 The Procuring Entity **specified in the BDS** has allocated funds toward the cost of the project named in the BDS. The Procuring Entity intends to apply a portion of the funds to eligible payments under the contract for which these Bidding Documents are issued.
- 3. Corrupt or Fraudulent Practices**
- Government of Jamaica requires that Bidders, Suppliers, Contractors, and Consultants, observe the highest standard of ethics during the procurement and execution of such contracts. In pursuit of this policy, GOJ:
- a. defines, for the purposes of this provision, the terms set forth below as follows:
- “corrupt practice” means the offering, giving, receiving, or soliciting, directly or indirectly, of anything of value to influence the action of a public official in the procurement process or in contract execution;*
- “fraudulent practice” means a misrepresentation or omission of facts in order to influence a procurement process or the execution of a contract, to the detriment of Government of Jamaica and includes collusive practice among bidders (prior to or after bid submission) designed to establish bid prices at artificial non-competitive levels and to deprive Government of the benefits of free and open competition;*

“collusive practice” means a scheme or arrangement between two or more bidders, with or without the knowledge of the Procuring Entity, designed to establish bid prices at artificial non-competitive levels or to influence the action of any party in the procurement process or the execution of a contract; and

“coercive practice” means harming or threatening to harm, directly or indirectly, persons or their property to influence their participation in the procurement process or affect the execution of a contract;

- b. will reject a proposal for award if it determines that the Bidder recommended for award has, directly or through an agent, engaged in corrupt, fraudulent, collusive or coercive practices in competing for the Contract in question;
- c. will sanction a firm or individual, including declaring them ineligible, either indefinitely or for a stated period of time, to be awarded a GOJ-financed contract if it at any time determines that they have, directly or through an agent, engaged, in corrupt, fraudulent, collusive or coercive practices in competing for, or in executing, a GOJ-financed contract; and
- d. will have the right to require that a provision be included in Bidding Documents and in contracts financed by a GOJ, requiring bidders, suppliers, contractors and consultants to permit GOJ to inspect their accounts and records and other documents relating to the Bid submission and contract performance and to have them audited by auditors appointed by the GOJ.

3.2 Furthermore, Bidders shall be aware of the provision stated in Sub-Clauses 1.7 and 2.6.1 of the General Conditions of Contract.

4. Eligible Bidders

- 4.1 A Bidder, and all parties constituting the Bidder, may have the nationality of any country. A Bidder shall be deemed to have the nationality of a country if the Bidder is a citizen or is constituted, incorporated, or registered and operates in conformity with the provisions of the laws of that country. This criterion shall also apply to the determination of the nationality of proposed subcontractors or suppliers for any part of the Contract including Related Services.

- 4.2 All bidders shall provide in Section III, Bidding Forms, a statement that the Bidder (including all members of a joint venture and subcontractors) is not associated, nor has been associated in the past, directly or indirectly, with the consultant or any other entity that has prepared the design, specifications, and other documents for the Project or being proposed as Project Manager for the Contract. A firm that has been engaged by the Procuring Entity to provide Consultant Services for the preparation or supervision of the Services, and any of its affiliates, shall not be eligible to bid.
 - 4.3 In accordance with the Government of Jamaica Handbook of Public Sector Procurement Procedures November, 2008 (<http://www.mof.gov.jm>) the Bidder shall have to demonstrate that they have paid such taxes, duties, fees and other impositions as may be levied in Jamaica.
 - 4.4 At the time of the contract award overseas bidder shall present to the Procuring Entity a valid Tax Compliance Certificate. Local bidders shall submit their Tax Compliance Certificate at the time of bid submission
 - 4.5 Where deemed necessary, the bidders should be registered with the National Contracts Commission “Registry of Public Sector Contractors” (<http://www.ncc.gov.jm>).
- 5. Qualification of the Bidder**
- 5.1 All bidders shall provide in Section III, Bidding Forms, a preliminary description of the proposed work method and schedule, including drawings and charts, as necessary.
 - 5.2 In the event that prequalification of potential bidders has been undertaken **as stated in the BDS**, only bids from pre-qualified bidders shall be considered for award of Contract, in which case the provisions of sub-clauses 5.3 to 5.6 hereafter shall not apply. These qualified bidders should submit with their bids any information updating their original prequalification applications or, alternatively, confirm in their bids that the originally submitted prequalification information remains essentially correct as of the date of bid submission. The update or confirmation should be provided in Section IV.
 - 5.3 If the Purchase has not undertaken prequalification of potential bidders, all bidders shall include the following information and documents with their bids, unless otherwise **stated in the BDS**:
 - (a) copies of original documents defining the constitution or legal status, place of registration, and principal place of business; written power of

attorney of the signatory of the Bid to commit the Bidder;

- (b) total monetary value of Services performed for each of the last three years;
- (c) experience in Services of a similar nature and size for each of the last five years, and details of Services under way or contractually committed; and names and address of Procuring Entities who may be contacted for further information on those contracts;
- (d) list of major items of equipment proposed to carry out the Contract;
- (e) qualifications and experience of key site management and technical personnel proposed for the Contract;
- (f) reports on the financial standing of the Bidder, such as profit and loss statements and auditor's reports for the past three years;
- (g) evidence of adequacy of working capital for this Contract (access to line(s) of credit and availability of other financial resources);
- (h) authority to the Procuring Entity to seek references from the Bidder's bankers;
- (i) information regarding any litigation, current or during the last five years, in which the Bidder is involved, the parties concerned, and disputed amount. [*N.B. The Procuring Entity reserves the right not to award a contract to any party with whom it is currently in litigation or with whom it has been previously involved in litigation*]; and
- (j) proposals for subcontracting components of the Services amounting to more than 10 percent of the Contract Price.

5.4 Bids submitted by a joint venture of two or more firms as partners shall comply with the following requirements, unless otherwise stated in the **BDS**:

- (a) the Bid shall include all the information listed in ITB Sub-Clause 5.3 above for each joint venture partner;
- (b) the Bid shall be signed so as to be legally binding on all partners;

- (c) the Bid shall include a copy of the agreement entered into by the joint venture partners defining the division of assignments to each partner and establishing that all partners shall be jointly and severally liable for the execution of the Contract in accordance with the Contract terms; alternatively, a Letter of Intent to execute a joint venture agreement in the event of a successful bid shall be signed by all partners and submitted with the bid, together with a copy of the proposed agreement;
 - (d) one of the partners shall be nominated as being in charge, authorized to incur liabilities, and receive instructions for and on behalf of any and all partners of the joint venture; and
 - (e) the execution of the entire Contract, including payment, shall be done exclusively with the partner in charge.
- 5.5 To qualify for award of the Contract, bidders shall meet the following minimum qualifying criteria:
- (a) annual volume of Services of at least the amount **specified in the BDS;**
 - (b) experience as prime contractor in the provision of at least two service contracts of a nature and complexity equivalent to the Services over the last 3 years (to comply with this requirement, Services contracts cited should be at least 70 percent complete) **as specified in the BDS;**
 - (c) proposals for the timely acquisition (own, lease, hire, etc.) of the essential equipment **listed in the BDS;**
 - (d) a Contract Manager with five years' experience in Services of an equivalent nature and volume, including no less than three years as Manager; and
 - (e) Liquid assets and/or credit facilities, net of other contractual commitments and exclusive of any advance payments which may be made under the Contract, of no less than the amount specified in the **BDS.**

A consistent history of litigation or arbitration awards against the Applicant or any partner of a Joint Venture may result in disqualification.

- 5.6 The figures for each of the partners of a joint venture shall be added together to determine the Bidder's compliance

with the minimum qualifying criteria of ITB Sub-Clause 4.4(a), (b) and (e); however, for a joint venture to qualify the partner in charge must meet at least 40 percent of those minimum criteria for an individual Bidder and other partners at least 25% of the criteria. Failure to comply with this requirement will result in rejection of the joint venture's Bid. Subcontractors' experience and resources will not be taken into account in determining the Bidder's compliance with the qualifying criteria, unless otherwise stated in the BDS.

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| 6. One Bid per Bidder | 6.1 Each Bidder shall submit only one Bid, either individually or as a partner in a joint venture. A Bidder who submits or participates in more than one Bid (other than as a subcontractor or in cases of alternatives that have been permitted or requested) will cause all the proposals with the Bidder's participation to be disqualified. |
| 7. Cost of Bidding | 7.1 The Bidder shall bear all costs associated with the preparation and submission of his Bid, and the Procuring Entity will in no case be responsible or liable for those costs. |
| 8. Site Visit | 8.1 The Bidder, at the Bidder's own responsibility and risk, is encouraged to visit and examine the Site of required Services and its surroundings and obtain all information that may be necessary for preparing the Bid and entering into a contract for the Services. The costs of visiting the Site shall be at the Bidder's own expense. |

B. Bidding Documents

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| 9. Content of Bidding Documents | 9.1 The set of bidding documents comprises the documents listed in the table below and addenda issued in accordance with ITB Clause 11: |
| | Section I Instructions to Bidders |
| | Section II Bidding Data Sheet |
| | Section III Bidding Forms |
| | Section IV Activity Schedule |
| | Section V General Conditions of Contract |
| | Section VI Special Conditions of Contract |
| | Section VII Performance Specifications and Drawings (if Applicable) |
| | Section VIII Contract Forms |
| | 9.2 The Bidder is expected to examine all instructions, forms, terms, and specifications in the bidding documents. |

Failure to furnish all information required by the bidding documents or to submit a bid not substantially responsive to the bidding documents in every respect will be at the Bidder's risk and may result in the rejection of its bid.

- 10. Clarification of Bidding Documents**
- 10.1 A prospective Bidder requiring any clarification of the bidding documents may notify the Procuring Entity in writing or by cable ("cable" includes telex and facsimile) at the Procuring Entity's address indicated in the invitation to bid. The Procuring Entity will respond to any request for clarification received earlier than 14 days prior to the deadline for submission of bids. Copies of the Procuring Entity's response including a description of the inquiry will be forwarded, to all bidders but without identifying its source.
- 11. Amendment of Bidding Documents**
- 11.1 Before the deadline for submission of bids, the Procuring Entity may modify the bidding documents by issuing addenda.
- 11.2 Any addendum thus issued shall be part of the bidding documents and shall be communicated in writing to all bidders. Bidders shall acknowledge receipt of each addendum in writing to the Procuring Entity.
- 11.3 To give prospective bidders reasonable time in which to take an addendum into account in preparing their bids, the Procuring Entity shall extend, as necessary, the deadline for submission of bids, in accordance with ITB Sub-Clause 21.2 below.

C. Preparation of Bids

- 12. Language of Bid**
- 12.1 The bid prepared by the Bidder, as well as all correspondence and documents relating to the bid exchanged by the Bidder and the Procuring Entity shall be written in the language **specified in the BDS**. Supporting documents and printed literature furnished by the Bidder may be in another language provided they are accompanied by an accurate translation of the relevant passages in the language specified in the Bidding Data Sheet, in which case, for purposes of interpretation of the Bid, the translation shall govern.
- 13. Documents Comprising the Bid**
- 13.1 The Bid submitted by the Bidder shall comprise the following:
- (a) The Form of Bid (in the format indicated in Section III);

- (b) Bid Security;
- (c) Priced Activity Schedule;
- (d) Qualification Information Form and Documents;
- (e) Alternative offers where invited;

and any other materials required to be completed and submitted by bidders, as **specified in the BDS**.

13.2 Bidders bidding for this contract together with other contracts stated in the IFB to form a package will so indicate in the bid together with any discounts offered for the award of more than one contract

14. Bid Prices

14.1 The Contract shall be for the Services, as described in Appendix A to the contract and in the Specifications, Section VII, based on the priced Activity Schedule, Section IV, submitted by the Bidder.

14.2 The Bidder shall fill in rates and prices for all items of the Services described in the in Specifications (or Terms of Reference), Section VII and listed in the Activity Schedule, Section IV. Items for which no rate or price is entered by the Bidder will not be paid for by the Procuring Entity when executed and shall be deemed covered by the other rates and prices in the Activity Schedule.

14.3 All duties, taxes, and other levies payable by the Service Provider under the Contract, or for any other cause, as of the date 28 days prior to the deadline for submission of bids, shall be included in the total Bid price submitted by the Bidder.

14.4 If **provided for in the BDS**, the rates and prices quoted by the Bidder shall be subject to adjustment during the performance of the Contract in accordance with and the provisions of Clause 6.6 of the General Conditions of Contract and/or Special Conditions of Contract. The Bidder shall submit with the Bid all the information required under the Special Conditions of Contract and of the General Conditions of Contract.

14.5 For the purpose of determining the remuneration due for additional Services, a breakdown of the lump-sum price shall be provided by the Bidder in the form of Appendices D and E to the Contract

15. Currencies of Bid and Payment

15.1 The lump sum price shall be quoted by the Bidder separately in the following currencies:

- (a) for those inputs to the Services which the Bidder expects to provide from within the Jamaica, the prices shall be quoted in Jamaican Dollars, unless otherwise **specified in the BDS**; and
- (b) for those inputs to the Services which the Bidder expects to provide from outside Jamaica, the prices shall be quoted in freely convertible currency.

15.2 Bidders shall indicate details of their expected foreign currency requirements in the Bid.

15.3 Bidders may be required by the Procuring Entity to justify their foreign currency requirements and to substantiate that the amounts included in the Lump Sum are reasonable and responsive to ITB Sub-Clause 15.1.

16. Bid Validity

16.1 Bids shall remain valid for the period **specified in the BDS**.

16.2 In exceptional circumstances, the Procuring Entity may request that the bidders extend the period of validity for a specified additional period. The request and the bidders' responses shall be made in writing. A Bidder may refuse the request without forfeiting the Bid Security. A Bidder agreeing to the request will not be required or permitted to otherwise modify the Bid, but will be required to extend the validity of Bid Security for the period of the extension, and in compliance with ITB Clause 17 in all respects.

17. Bid Security

17.1 The Bidder shall furnish, as part of the Bid, a Bid Security, if required, as **specified in the BDS**.

17.2 The Bid Security shall be in the amount **specified in the BDS** and denominated in Jamaican Dollars and shall:

- (a) at the bidder's option, be in the form of either a letter of credit, or a bank guarantee from a banking institution, or a bond issued by a surety;
- (b) be issued by a reputable institution selected by the bidder. If the institution issuing the bond is located outside Jamaica, it shall have a correspondent financial institution located in Jamaica to make it enforceable.
- (c) be substantially in accordance with one of the forms of Bid Security included in Section III, Bidding Forms, or other form approved by the Procuring Entity prior to bid submission;

- (d) be payable promptly upon written demand by the Procuring Entity in case the conditions listed in ITB Sub-Clause 17.5 are invoked;
- (e) be submitted in its original form; copies will not be accepted;

17.3 If a Bid Security is required in accordance with ITB Sub-Clause 17.1, any bid not accompanied by a substantially responsive Bid Security in accordance with ITB Sub-Clause 17.1, shall be rejected by the Procuring Entity as non-responsive.

17.4 The Bid Security of unsuccessful Bidders shall be returned as promptly as possible upon the successful Bidder's furnishing of the Performance Security pursuant to ITB Clause 35.

17.5 The Bid Security may be forfeited:

- (a) if a Bidder withdraws its bid during the period of bid validity specified by the Bidder on the Bid Submission Form, except as provided in ITB Sub-Clause 16.2; or
- (b) if the successful Bidder fails to:
 - (i) sign the Contract in accordance with ITB Clause 34;
 - (ii) furnish a Performance Security in accordance with ITB Clause 35.

17.6 The Bid Security of a JV must be in the name of the JV that submits the bid. If the JV has not been legally constituted at the time of bidding, the Bid Security or Bid-Securing Declaration shall be in the names of all future partners as named in the letter of intent to constitute the JV.

18. Alternative Proposals by Bidders

18.1 Unless otherwise indicated in the BDS, alternative bids shall not be considered.

18.2 When alternative times for completion are explicitly invited, a statement to that effect will be **included in the BDS**, as will the method of evaluating different times for completion.

18.3 Except as provided under ITB Sub-Clause 18.4 below, bidders wishing to offer technical alternatives to the requirements of the bidding documents must first submit a Bid that complies with the requirements of the bidding documents, including the scope, basic technical data,

graphical documents and specifications. In addition to submitting the basic Bid, the Bidder shall provide all information necessary for a complete evaluation of the alternative by the Procuring Entity, including calculations, technical specifications, breakdown of prices, proposed work methods and other relevant details. Only the technical alternatives, if any, of the lowest evaluated Bidder conforming to the basic technical requirements shall be considered by the Procuring Entity. Alternatives to the specified performance levels shall not be accepted.

18.4 When bidders are **permitted in the BDS** to submit alternative technical solutions for specified parts of the Services, such parts shall be described in the Specifications (or Terms of Reference) and Drawings, Section VII. In such case, the method for evaluating such alternatives will be as **indicated in the BDS**.

19. Format and Signing of Bid

19.1 The Bidder shall prepare one original of the documents comprising the Bid as described in ITB Clause 11 of these Instructions to Bidders, bound with the volume containing the Form of Bid, and clearly marked "ORIGINAL." In addition, the Bidder shall submit copies of the Bid, in the number **specified in the BDS**, and clearly marked as "COPIES." In the event of discrepancy between them, the original shall prevail.

19.2 The original and all copies of the Bid shall be typed or written in indelible ink and shall be signed by a person or persons duly authorized to sign on behalf of the Bidder, pursuant to Sub-Clauses 5.3(a) or 5.4(b), as the case may be. All pages of the Bid where entries or amendments have been made shall be initialed by the person or persons signing the Bid.

19.3 The Bid shall contain no alterations or additions, except those to comply with instructions issued by the Procuring Entity, or as necessary to correct errors made by the Bidder, in which case such corrections shall be initialed by the person or persons signing the Bid.

D. Submission of Bids

20. Sealing and Marking of Bids

20.1 The Bidder shall seal the original and all copies of the Bid in two inner envelopes and one outer envelope, duly marking the inner envelopes as "ORIGINAL" and "COPIES".

20.2 The inner and outer envelopes shall

- (a) be addressed to the Procuring Entity at the address **provided in the BDS**;
 - (b) bear the name and identification number of the Contract as **defined in the BDS** and Special Conditions of Contract; and
 - (c) provide a warning not to open before the specified time and date for Bid opening as **defined in the BDS**.
- 20.3 In addition to the identification required in ITB Sub-Clause 20.2, the inner envelopes shall indicate the name and address of the Bidder to enable the Bid to be returned unopened in case it is declared late, pursuant to ITB Clause 22.
- 20.4 If the outer envelope is not sealed and marked as above, the Procuring Entity will assume no responsibility for the misplacement or premature opening of the Bid.
- 21. Deadline for Submission of Bids**
- 21.1 Bids shall be delivered to the Procuring Entity at the address specified above no later than the time and date **specified in the BDS**.
- 21.2 The Procuring Entity may extend the deadline for submission of bids by issuing an amendment in accordance with ITB Clause 11, in which case all rights and obligations of the Procuring Entity and the bidders previously subject to the original deadline will then be subject to the new deadline.
- 22. Late Bids**
- 22.1 Any Bid received by the Procuring Entity after the deadline prescribed in ITB Clause 21 will be returned unopened to the Bidder.
- 23. Modification and Withdrawal of Bids**
- 23.1 Bidders may modify or withdraw their bids by giving notice in writing before the deadline prescribed in ITB Clause 21.
- 23.2 Each Bidder's modification or withdrawal notice shall be prepared, sealed, marked, and delivered in accordance with ITB Clauses 19 and 20, with the outer and inner envelopes additionally marked "MODIFICATION" or "WITHDRAWAL," as appropriate.
- 23.3 No Bid may be modified after the deadline for submission of Bids.
- 23.4 Withdrawal of a Bid between the deadline for submission of bids and the expiration of the period of Bid validity specified in the BDS or as extended pursuant to ITB Sub-Clause 16.2 may result in the forfeiture of the Bid Security pursuant to ITB Clause 17.

23.5 Bidders may only offer discounts to, or otherwise modify the prices of their bids by submitting Bid modifications in accordance with this clause, or included in the original Bid submission.

E. Bid Opening and Evaluation

24. Bid Opening

24.1 The Procuring Entity will open the bids, including modifications made pursuant to ITB Clause 23, in the presence of the bidders' representatives who choose to attend at the time and in the place **specified in the BDS**.

24.2 Envelopes marked "WITHDRAWAL" shall be opened and read out first. Bids for which an acceptable notice of withdrawal has been submitted pursuant to ITB Clause 23 shall not be opened.

24.3 The bidders' names, the Bid prices, the total amount of each Bid and of any alternative Bid (if alternatives have been requested or permitted), any discounts, Bid modifications and withdrawals, the presence or absence of Bid Security, and such other details as the Procuring Entity may consider appropriate, will be announced by the Procuring Entity at the opening. No bid shall be rejected at bid opening except for the late bids pursuant to ITB Clause 22; Bids, and modifications, sent pursuant to ITB Clause 23 that are not opened and read out at bid opening will not be considered for further evaluation regardless of the circumstances. Late and withdrawn bids will be returned unopened to the bidders.

24.4 The Procuring Entity will prepare minutes of the Bid opening, including the information disclosed to those present in accordance with ITB Sub-Clause 24.3.

25. Process to Be Confidential

25.1 Information relating to the examination, clarification, evaluation, and comparison of bids and recommendations for the award of a contract shall not be disclosed to bidders or any other persons not officially concerned with such process until the award to the successful Bidder is notified of the award. Any effort by a Bidder to influence the Procuring Entity's processing of bids or award decisions may result in the rejection of his Bid.

25.2 If, after notification of award, a bidder wishes to ascertain the grounds on which its bid was not selected, it should address its request to the Procuring Entity, who will provide written explanation. Any request for explanation from one bidder should relate only to its own bid;

information about the bid of competitors will not be addressed.

26. Clarification of Bids

26.1 To assist in the examination, evaluation, and comparison of bids, the Procuring Entity may, at the Procuring Entity's discretion, ask any Bidder for clarification of the Bidder's Bid, including breakdowns of the prices in the Activity Schedule, and other information that the Procuring Entity may require. The request for clarification and the response shall be in writing or by cable, telex, or facsimile, but no change in the price or substance of the Bid shall be sought, offered, or permitted except as required to confirm the correction of arithmetic errors discovered by the Procuring Entity in the evaluation of the bids in accordance with ITB Clause 28.

26.2 Subject to ITB Sub-Clause 26.1, no Bidder shall contact the Procuring Entity on any matter relating to its bid from the time of the bid opening to the time the contract is awarded. If the Bidder wishes to bring additional information to the notice of the Procuring Entity, he should do so in writing.

26.3 Any effort by the Bidder to influence the Procuring Entity in the Procuring Entity's bid evaluation or contract award decisions may result in the rejection of the Bidder's bid.

27. Examination of Bids and Determination of Responsiveness

27.1 Prior to the detailed evaluation of bids, the Procuring Entity will determine whether each Bid (a) meets the eligibility criteria defined in ITB Clause 4; (b) has been properly signed; (c) is accompanied by the required securities; and (d) is substantially responsive to the requirements of the bidding documents.

27.2 A substantially responsive Bid is one which conforms to all the terms, conditions, and specifications of the bidding documents, without material deviation or reservation. A material deviation or reservation is one (a) which affects in any substantial way the scope, quality, or performance of the Services; (b) which limits in any substantial way, inconsistent with the bidding documents, the Procuring Entity's rights or the Bidder's obligations under the Contract; or (c) whose rectification would affect unfairly the competitive position of other bidders presenting substantially responsive bids.

27.3 If a Bid is not substantially responsive, it will be rejected by the Procuring Entity, and may not subsequently be made responsive by correction or withdrawal of the nonconforming deviation or reservation.

- 28. Correction of Errors**
- 28.1 Bids determined to be substantially responsive will be checked by the Procuring Entity for any arithmetic errors. Arithmetical errors will be rectified by the Procuring Entity on the following basis: if there is a discrepancy between unit prices and the total price that is obtained by multiplying the unit price and quantity, the unit price shall prevail, and the total price shall be corrected; if there is an error in a total corresponding to the addition or subtraction of subtotals, the subtotals shall prevail and the total shall be corrected; if there is a discrepancy between the amounts in figures and in words, the amount in words will prevail.
- 28.2 The amount stated in the Bid will be adjusted by the Procuring Entity in accordance with the above procedure for the correction of errors and, with the concurrence of the Bidder, shall be considered as binding upon the Bidder. If the Bidder does not accept the corrected amount, the Bid will be rejected, and the Bid Security may be forfeited in accordance with ITB Sub-Clause 17.5(b).
- 29. Currency for Bid Evaluation**
- 29.1 The Procuring Entity will convert the amounts in various currencies in which the Bid Price, corrected pursuant to ITB Clause 28, is payable (excluding Provisional Sums but including Day work where priced competitively) to either:
- (a) the currency of Jamaica at the selling rates established for similar transactions by the authority **specified in the BDS** on the date **stipulated in the BDS**;
- or
- (b) a currency widely used in international trade, such as the U.S. dollar, **stipulated in the BDS**, at the selling rate of exchange published in the international press as **stipulated in the BDS** on the date **stipulated in the BDS**, for the amounts payable in foreign currency; and, at the selling exchange rate established for similar transactions by the same authority specified in ITB Sub-Clause 29.1 (a) above on the date **specified in the BDS** for the amount payable Jamaican Dollars.
- 30. Evaluation and Comparison of Bids**
- 30.1 The Procuring Entity will evaluate and compare only the bids determined to be substantially responsive in accordance with ITB Clause 27.
- 30.2 In evaluating the bids, the Procuring Entity will determine for each Bid the evaluated Bid price by adjusting the Bid price as follows:

- (a) making any correction for errors pursuant to ITB Clause 28;
- (b) excluding provisional sums and the provision, if any, for contingencies in the Activity Schedule, Section IV, but including Day work, when requested in the Specifications (or Terms of Reference) Section VII;
- (c) making an appropriate adjustment for any other acceptable variations, deviations, or alternative offers submitted in accordance with ITB Clause 18; and
- (d) making appropriate adjustments to reflect discounts or other price modifications offered in accordance with ITB Sub-Clause 23.5.

30.3 The Procuring Entity reserves the right to accept or reject any variation, deviation, or alternative offer. Variations, deviations, and alternative offers and other factors, which are in excess of the requirements of the bidding documents or otherwise result in unsolicited benefits for the Procuring Entity will not be taken into account in Bid evaluation.

30.4 The estimated effect of any price adjustment conditions under Sub-Clause 7.6 of the General Conditions of Contract, during the period of implementation of the Contract, will not be taken into account in Bid evaluation.

**31. Preference
for Domestic
Bidders**

31.1 Domestic bidders shall not be eligible for any margin of preference in Bid evaluation.

F. Award of Contract

**32. Award
Criteria**

32.1 Subject to ITB Clause 33, the Procuring Entity will award the Contract to the Bidder whose Bid has been determined to be substantially responsive to the bidding documents and who has offered the lowest evaluated Bid price, provided that such Bidder has been determined to be (a) eligible in accordance with the provisions of ITB Clause 4, and (b) qualified in accordance with the provisions of ITB Clause 5.

32.2 If, pursuant to ITB Sub-Clause 13.2 this contract is being let on a “slice and package” basis, the lowest evaluated Bid Price will be determined when evaluating this contract in conjunction with other contracts to be awarded concurrently. Taking into account any discounts offered by the bidders for the award of more than one contract.

- 33. Procuring Entity's Right to Accept any Bid and to Reject any or all Bids**
- 33.1 Notwithstanding ITB Clause 32, the Procuring Entity reserves the right to accept or reject any Bid, and to cancel the bidding process and reject all bids, at any time prior to the award of Contract, without thereby incurring any liability to the affected Bidder or bidders or any obligation to inform the affected Bidder or bidders of the grounds for the Procuring Entity's action.
- 34. Notification of Award and Signing of Agreement**
- 34.1 The Bidder whose Bid has been accepted will be notified of the award by the Procuring Entity prior to expiration of the Bid validity period by cable, telex, or facsimile confirmed by registered letter from the Procuring Entity. This letter (hereinafter and in the Conditions of Contract called the "Letter of Acceptance") will state the sum that the Procuring Entity will pay the Service provider in consideration of the execution, completion, and maintenance of the Services by the Service provider as prescribed by the Contract (hereinafter and in the Contract called the "Contract Price").
- 34.2 The notification of award will constitute the formation of the Contract.
- 34.3 The Contract, in the form provided in the bidding documents, will incorporate all agreements between the Procuring Entity and the successful Bidder. It will be signed by the Procuring Entity and sent to the successful Bidder along with the Letter of Acceptance. Within 21 days of receipt of the Contract, the successful bidder shall sign the Contract and return it to the Procuring Entity, together with the required performance security pursuant to Clause 35.
- 34.4 Upon fulfillment of ITB Sub-Clause 34.3, the Procuring Entity will promptly notify the unsuccessful Bidders the name of the winning Bidder and that their bid security will be returned as promptly as possible.
- 34.5 If, after notification of award, a bidder wishes to ascertain the grounds on which its bid was not selected, it should address its request to the Procuring Entity. The Procuring Entity will promptly respond in writing to the unsuccessful Bidder.
- 35. Performance Security**
- 35.1 Within 21 days after receipt of the Letter of Acceptance, the successful Bidder shall deliver to the Procuring Entity a Performance Security in the amount and in the form (Bank Guarantee and/or Performance Bond) **stipulated in the BDS**, denominated in the type and proportions of currencies in the Letter of Acceptance and in accordance with the General Conditions of Contract.

- 35.2 If the Performance Security is provided by the successful Bidder in the form of a Bank Guarantee, it shall be issued either (a) at the Bidder's option, by a bank located in Jamaica or a foreign bank through a correspondent bank located in Jamaica, or (b) with the agreement of the Procuring Entity directly by a foreign bank acceptable to the Procuring Entity.
- 35.3 If the Performance Security is to be provided by the successful Bidder in the form of a Bond, it shall be issued by a surety which the Bidder has determined to be acceptable to the Procuring Entity.
- 35.4 Failure of the successful Bidder to comply with the requirements of ITB Sub-Clause 35.1 shall constitute sufficient grounds for cancellation of the award and forfeiture of the Bid Security.
- 36. Advance Payment and Security**
- 36.1 The Procuring Entity will provide an Advance Payment on the Contract Price as stipulated in the Conditions of Contract, subject to the amount **stated in the BDS.**

Section II. Bidding Data Sheet

Instructions to Bidders Clause Reference	A. General
1.1	The Procuring Entity is: Institute of Forensic Science and Legal Medicine The name and identification number of the Contract is: IFSLM/09/04/2019
1.2	The Intended Completion Date is: April 30, 2022
2.1	The Project is: Procurement of Funeral Home/Morgue Services
4.4	At the time of tender, if indicated herein in ITB 4.6 below, the bidder must be registered with the National Contracts Commission “Register of Public Sector Contractors”. Under the National Contracts Commission “Register of Public Sector Contractors”, the required registration category is: “Morgue Services” The bidder must also submit with its bid, a valid Tax Compliance Certificate (TCC)/Tax Compliance Letter (TCL)
5.2	Prequalification HAS NOT been undertaken.
5.3	The Qualification Information and Bidding forms to be submitted are as follows: ITB Sub-Clause 5.3 (a), (c),(d), (e), (g), (h): Bank Reference and (i)
5.4	The information needed for Bids submitted by joint ventures is as follows: See ITB Sub-Clause 5.4
5.5	The qualification criteria in Sub-Clause 4.4 are modified as follows: Not Applicable
5.5(a)	The minimum required annual volume of Services for the successful Bidder in any of the last ten years shall be: Not Applicable
5.5(b)	The experience required to be demonstrated by the Bidder should include as a minimum that he has executed during the last 5 years the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Retrieval and transportation of bodies from the place of death • Storage of Bodies • Service and handling of decomposed bodies • Provide facility for Post-Mortem services • Transport of bodies to postmortem sites and X-ray facilities

5.5(c)	The essential equipment to be made available for the Contract by the successful Bidder shall be: <i>See Specifications (Section VII)</i>
5.5(e)	The required number of years Audited Financial Statements to be submitted shall be: <i>Not Applicable</i>
5.5	Subcontractors' experience <i>WILL NOT</i> be taken into account.
B. Bidding Data	
9.2 and 19.1	The number of identical copies of the Bid to be completed and returned shall be: <i>Four (4)</i>
C. Preparation of Bids	
12.1	Language of the bid is: <i>English</i>
10.1	Clarification of the bidding document shall be sought in writing through the following media to the Purchaser' address. <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Facsimile: (876) 977-0234</i> <i>email: procurementflab@gmail.com</i></p> <p><i>Attention: Mr. Delree Arthurs</i> <i>Institute of Forensic Science and Legal Medicine</i> <i>2 ½ Hope Boulevard</i> <i>Kingston 6</i> <i>Tel: (876) 977-0229-33</i></p>
13.1	The additional materials required to be completed and submitted are: <i>See Appendix I</i>
14.4	The Contract _____ subject to price adjustment in accordance with Clause 6.6 of the Conditions of Contract. <i>Not Applicable</i>
15.1	Local inputs shall be quoted in <i>Jamaican Dollars</i>
16.1	The period of Bid validity shall be <i>120</i> days after the deadline for Bid submission specified in the BDS.
17.1	The Bidder shall provide: <i>No Bid Security required</i>
17.2	The amount of Bid Security shall be _____ or an equivalent amount in a freely-convertible currency. <i>Not Applicable</i>
18.1	Alternative bids <i>ARE NOT</i> permitted.
18.2	Alternative times for completion <i>IS NOT</i> permitted. If permitted, the range of acceptable completion time is: _____.

	If alternative times for completion are permitted, the evaluation method will be as follows: Not Applicable
18.4	Alternative technical solutions shall be permitted for the following parts of the Services: Not Applicable If alternative technical solutions are permitted, the evaluation method will be as follows: Not Applicable
D. Submission of Bids	
20.2	The Procuring Entity's address for the purpose of Bid submission is: <p style="text-align: center;">Attention: Mr. Delree Arthurs Procurement Manager Institute of Forensic Science and Legal Medicine 2 ½ Hope Boulevard Kingston 6</p> <p>For identification of the bid the envelopes should indicate: Contract: Funeral Home/Morgue Services Bid/Contract Number: IFSLM/09/04/2019</p> <p>Bids MUST be deposited in the Tender Box located at:</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Institute of Forensic Science and Legal Medicine 2 ½ Hope Boulevard Kingston 6</p>
21.1	The deadline for submission of bids shall be: No later than Tuesday, May 21, 2019 at 2:00 pm (local time) The time on the clock displayed in the lobby of the Institute of Forensic Science and Legal Medicine <i>will be used</i> .
E. Bid Opening and Evaluation	
24.1	The bid opening shall take place at: <p style="text-align: center;">Institute of Forensic Science and Legal Medicine Conference Room, 1st Floor Institute of Forensic Science and Legal Medicine 2 ½ Hope Boulevard Kingston 6 Jamaica, W.I.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Date: Tuesday, May 21, 2019 at 2:30 p.m. (local time)</p>
29.1	Currency chosen for the purpose of converting to a common currency:

	<p>Jamaican Dollar</p> <p>Source of exchange rate: Bank of Jamaica</p> <p>Exchange rate date: To be determined</p>
F. Award of Contract	
35.0	The Performance Security acceptable to the Procuring Entity shall be the in the Standard Form of Not Applicable
36.1	The Advance Payment shall be of _____ percent of the Contract Price. Not Applicable

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Service Provider's Bid

[date]_____

To: [name and address of Procuring Entity]_____

Having examined the bidding documents including addenda No, we offer to execute the [name and identification number of Contract] in accordance with the Conditions of Contract, specifications, drawings and activity schedule accompanying this Bid for the Contract Price of [amount in numbers], [amount in words] [names of currencies].

The Contract shall be paid in the following currencies:

Currency	Amount payable in currency	Inputs for which foreign currency is required
(a)		
(b)		

This Bid and your written acceptance of it shall constitute a binding Contract between us. We understand that you are not bound to accept the lowest or any Bid you receive.

We hereby confirm that this Bid complies with the Bid validity and Bid Security required by the bidding documents and specified in the Bidding Data Sheet.

Authorized Signature:

Name and Title of Signatory:

Name of Bidder:

Address:

Qualification Information

- 1. Individual Bidders or Individual Members of Joint Ventures**
- 1.1 Constitution or legal status of Bidder: *[attach copy]*
- Place of registration: *[insert]*_____
- Principal place of business: *[insert]*_____
- Power of attorney of signatory of Bid: *[attach]*
- 1.2 Total annual volume of Services performed in five years: *[insert]*_____
- 1.3 Services performed as prime Service Provider on the provision of Services of a similar nature and volume over the last five years. The values should be indicated in the same currency used for Item 1.2 above. Also list details of work under way or committed, including expected completion date.

Project name and country	Name of Procuring Entity and contact person	Type of Services provided and year of completion	Value of contract
(a)			
(b)			

- 1.4 Major items of Service Provider's Equipment proposed for carrying out the Services. List all information requested below. Refer also to ITB Sub-Clause 5.4(c).

Item of equipment	Description, make, and age (years)	Condition (new, good, poor) and number available	Owned, leased (from whom?), or to be purchased (from whom?)
(a)			
(b)			

- 1.5 Qualifications and experience of key personnel proposed for administration and execution of the Contract. Attach biographical data. Refer also to ITB Sub-Clause 5.4(e) and GCC Clause 9.1.

Position	Name	Years of experience (general)	Years of experience in proposed position

(a)

(b)

1.6 Proposed subcontracts and firms involved. Refer to GCC Clause 7.

Sections of the Services	Value of subcontract	Subcontractor (name and address)	Experience in providing similar Services
(a)			
(b)			

1.7 Financial reports for the last five years: balance sheets, profit and loss statements, auditors' reports, etc. List below and attach copies.

1.8 Evidence of access to financial resources to meet the qualification requirements: cash in hand, lines of credit, etc. List below and attach copies of support documents. We certify/confirm that we comply with eligibility requirements as per ITB Clause 4.

1.9 Name, address, and telephone, telex, and facsimile numbers of banks that may provide references if contacted by the Procuring Entity.

1.10 Information regarding any litigation, current or within the last five years, in which the Bidder is or has been involved.*

Other party(ies)	Cause of dispute	Details of litigation award	Amount involved
(a)			
(b)			

1.11 Statement of compliance with the requirements of ITB Sub-Clause 4.2.

* [N.B. The Procuring Entity reserves the right not to award a contract to any party with whom it is currently in litigation or with whom it has been previously involved in litigation]

- 1.12 Proposed Program (service work method and schedule). Descriptions, drawings, and charts, as necessary, to comply with the requirements of the bidding documents.
- 2. Joint Ventures**
- 2.1 The information listed in 1.1 - 1.11 above shall be provided for each partner of the joint venture.
 - 2.2 The information in 1.12 above shall be provided for the joint venture.
 - 2.3 Attach the power of attorney of the signatory(ies) of the Bid authorizing signature of the Bid on behalf of the joint venture.
 - 2.4 Attach the Agreement among all partners of the joint venture (and which is legally binding on all partners), which shows that
 - (a) all partners shall be jointly and severally liable for the execution of the Contract in accordance with the Contract terms;
 - (b) one of the partners will be nominated as being in charge, authorized to incur liabilities, and receive instructions for and on behalf of any and all partners of the joint venture; and
 - (c) the execution of the entire Contract, including payment, shall be done exclusively with the partner in charge.
- 3. Additional Requirements**
- 3.1 Bidders should provide any additional information required in the BDS and to fulfill the requirements of ITB Sub-Clause 5.1, if applicable.

Form of Contract

[letterhead paper of the Procuring Entity]

This CONTRACT (hereinafter called the “Contract”) is made the *[day]* day of the month of *[month]*, *[year]*, between, on the one hand, *[name of Procuring Entity]* (hereinafter called the “Procuring Entity”) and, on the other hand, *[name of Service Provider]* (hereinafter called the “Service Provider”).

*[Note: In the text below text in brackets is optional; all notes should be deleted in final text. If the Service Provider consist of more than one entity, the above should be partially amended to read as follows: “...(hereinafter called the “Procuring Entity”) and, on the other hand, a joint venture consisting of the following entities, each of which will be jointly and severally liable to the Procuring Entity for all the Service Provider’s obligations under this Contract, namely, *[name of Service Provider]* and *[name of Service Provider]* (hereinafter called the “Service Provider”).]*

WHEREAS

- (a) the Procuring Entity has requested the Service Provider to provide certain Services as defined in the General Conditions of Contract attached to this Contract (hereinafter called the “Services”);
- (b) the Service Provider, having represented to the Procuring Entity that they have the required professional skills, and personnel and technical resources, have agreed to provide the Services on the terms and conditions set forth in this Contract at a contract price of.....;
- (c) The Procuring Entity has committed funds toward the cost of the project and intends to apply a portion of the funds to eligible payments under the contract;

NOW THEREFORE the parties hereto hereby agree as follows:

1. The following documents shall be deemed to form and be read and construed as part of this Agreement, and the priority of the documents shall be as follows:

- (a) the Letter of Acceptance;
- (b) the Service Provider’s Bid
- (c) the Special Conditions of Contract;
- (d) the General Conditions of Contract;
- (e) the Specifications;
- (f) the Priced Activity Schedule; and
- (g) The following Appendices:

Appendix A: Description of the Services

Appendix B: Schedule of Payments:

Appendix C: Key Personnel and Subcontractors: **Not Used**

Appendix D: Breakdown of Contract Price in Foreign Currency: **Not Used**

Appendix E: Breakdown of Contract Price in Local Currency: **Not Used**

Appendix F: Services and Facilities Provided by the Procuring Entity: **Not Used**

Appendix G: Performance Incentive Compensation: **Not Used**

Appendix H: Bid Evaluation Criteria

2. The mutual rights and obligations of the Procuring Entity and the Service Provider shall be as set forth in the Contract, in particular:
 - (a) the Service Provider shall carry out the Services in accordance with the provisions of the Contract; and
 - (b) the Procuring Entity shall make payments to the Service Provider in accordance with the provisions of the Contract.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties hereto have caused this Contract to be signed in their respective names as of the day and year first above written.

For and on behalf of *[name of Procuring Entity]*

[Authorized Representative]

For and on behalf of *[name of Service Provider]*

[Authorized Representative]

[Note: If the Service Provider consists of more than one entity, all these entities should appear as signatories, e.g., in the following manner:]

For and on behalf of each of the Members of the Service Provider

[name of member]

[Authorized Representative]

[name of member]

[Authorized Representative]

Part II - Priced Activity Schedule

Priced Activity Schedule

Name of Bidder: _____

Bid No.: _____

Date: _____

Item	Description of Service	Proposed Rate \$	Remarks
1	Storage of Bodies (per body per day)		
2	Service and handling of decomposed bodies (including a coffin)		
3	Use of facility for Post-Mortem (per day)		
4	Retrieval and transportation of bodies from the place of death (flat rate)	4,500.00	Funeral Homes within the Kingston Metropolitan Region (KMTR)
5	Retrieval and transportation of bodies from the place of death (per Kilometre)	95.00	Funeral Homes outside the Kingston Metropolitan Region (KMTR)

The Institute of Forensic Science and Legal Medicine reserves the right to negotiate the price quoted on the services provided by the contractor.

Name: _____ In the capacity of _____

Signature: _____

Duly authorized to sign the bid for and on behalf of _____

Dated on _____ day of _____

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Section V. General Conditions of Contract

A. General Provisions

- 1.1 Definitions** Unless the context otherwise requires, the following terms whenever used in this Contract have the following meanings:
- (a) The Adjudicator is the person appointed jointly by the Procuring Entity and the Contractor to resolve disputes in the first instance, as provided for in Sub-Clause 8.2 hereunder.
 - (b) “Activity Schedule” is the priced and completed list of items of Services to be performed by the Service Provider forming part of his Bid;
 - (c) “MOFP” means the Ministry of Finance and Planning of the Government of Jamaica;
 - (d) “Completion Date” means the date of completion of the Services by the Service Provider as certified by the Procuring Entity
 - (e) “Contract” means the Contract signed by the Parties, to which these General Conditions of Contract (GCC) are attached, together with all the documents listed in Clause 1 of such signed Contract;
 - (f) “Contract Price” means the price to be paid for the performance of the Services, in accordance with Clause 6;
 - (g) “Dayworks” means varied work inputs subject to payment on a time basis for the Service Provider’s employees and equipment, in addition to payments for associated materials and administration.
 - (h) “Procuring Entity” means the party who employs the Service Provider
 - (i) “Foreign Currency” means any currency other than the currency of the country of the Procuring Entity;
 - (j) “GCC” means these General Conditions of Contract;
 - (k) “Government” means the Government of the Jamaica;
 - (l) “Local Currency” means the currency Jamaican Dollars;
 - (m) “Member,” in case the Service Provider consist of a joint venture of more than one entity, means any of these entities; “Members” means all these entities, and “Member in Charge” means the entity specified in the SC

to act on their behalf in exercising all the Service Provider' rights and obligations towards the Procuring Entity under this Contract;

- (n) "Party" means the Procuring Entity or the Service Provider, as the case may be, and "Parties" means both of them;
- (o) "Personnel" means persons hired by the Service Provider or by any Subcontractor as employees and assigned to the performance of the Services or any part thereof;
- (p) "Service Provider" is a person or corporate body whose Bid to provide the Services has been accepted by the Procuring Entity;
- (q) "Service Provider's Bid" means the completed bidding document submitted by the Service Provider to the Procuring Entity
- (r) "SCC" means the Special Conditions of Contract by which the GCC may be amended or supplemented;
- (s) "Specifications" means the specifications of the service included in the bidding document submitted by the Service Provider to the Procuring Entity
- (t) "Services" means the work to be performed by the Service Provider pursuant to this Contract, as described in Appendix A; and in the Specifications and Schedule of Activities included in the Service Provider's Bid.
- (u) "Subcontractor" means any entity to which the Service Provider subcontracts any part of the Services in accordance with the provisions of Sub-Clauses 3.5 and 4.

- 1.2 Applicable Law** The Contract shall be interpreted in accordance with the laws of Jamaica.
- 1.3 Language** This Contract has been executed in English, which shall be the binding and controlling language for all matters relating to the meaning or interpretation of this Contract.
- 1.4 Notices** Any notice, request, or consent made pursuant to this Contract shall be in writing and shall be deemed to have been made when delivered in person to an authorized representative of the Party to whom the communication is addressed, or when sent by registered mail, telex, email, or facsimile to such Party at the address **specified in the SCC.**
- 1.5 Location** The Services shall be performed at such locations as are specified in Appendix A, in the specifications and, where the

location of a particular task is not so specified, at such locations as the Procuring Entity may approve.

- 1.6 Authorized Representatives** Any action required or permitted to be taken, and any document required or permitted to be executed, under this Contract by the Procuring Entity or the Service Provider may be taken or executed by the officials **specified in the SCC.**
- 1.7 Inspection and Audit by the GOJ** The Service Provider shall permit the Government of Jamaica to inspect its accounts and records relating to the performance of the Services and to have them audited by auditors appointed by them, if so required.
- 1.8 Taxes and Duties** The Service Provider, Subcontractors, and their Personnel shall pay such taxes, duties, fees, and other impositions as may be levied under the Applicable Law, the amount of which is deemed to have been included in the Contract Price.

2. Commencement, Completion, Modification, and Termination of Contract

- 2.1 Effectiveness of Contract** This Contract shall come into effect on the date the Contract is signed by both parties or such other later date as may be **stated in the SCC.**
- 2.2 Commencement of Services**
- 2.2.1 Program** Before commencement of the Services, the Service Provider shall submit to the Procuring Entity for approval a Program showing the general methods, arrangements, order and timing for all activities. The Services shall be carried out in accordance with the approved Program as updated.
- 2.2.2 Starting Date** The Service Provider shall start carrying out the Services thirty (30) days after the date the Contract becomes effective, or at such other date as may be **specified in the SCC.**
- 2.3 Intended Completion Date** Unless terminated earlier pursuant to Sub-Clause 2.6, the Service Provider shall complete the activities by the Intended Completion Date, as is **specified in the SCC.** If the Service Provider does not complete the activities by the Intended Completion Date, it shall be liable to pay liquidated damage as per Sub-Clause 3.8. In this case, the Completion Date will be the date of completion of all activities.
- 2.4 Modification** Modification of the terms and conditions of this Contract, including any modification of the scope of the Services or of the Contract Price, may only be made by written agreement between the Parties and shall not be effective until the

consent of the Bank or of the Association, as the case may be, has been obtained.

2.5 Force Majeure

2.5.1 Definition For the purposes of this Contract, “Force Majeure” means an event which is beyond the reasonable control of a Party and which makes a Party’s performance of its obligations under the Contract impossible or so impractical as to be considered impossible under the circumstances.

2.5.2 No Breach of Contract The failure of a Party to fulfill any of its obligations under the contract shall not be considered to be a breach of, or default under, this Contract insofar as such inability arises from an event of Force Majeure, provided that the Party affected by such an event (a) has taken all reasonable precautions, due care and reasonable alternative measures in order to carry out the terms and conditions of this Contract, and (b) has informed the other Party as soon as possible about the occurrence of such an event.

2.5.3 Extension of Time Any period within which a Party shall, pursuant to this Contract, complete any action or task, shall be extended for a period equal to the time during which such Party was unable to perform such action as a result of Force Majeure.

2.5.4 Payments During the period of their inability to perform the Services as a result of an event of Force Majeure, the Service Provider shall be entitled to continue to be paid under the terms of this Contract, as well as to be reimbursed for additional costs reasonably and necessarily incurred by them during such period for the purposes of the Services and in reactivating the Service after the end of such period.

2.6 Termination

2.6.1 By the Procuring Entity The Procuring Entity may terminate this Contract, by not less than thirty (30) days’ written notice of termination to the Service Provider, to be given after the occurrence of any of the events specified in paragraphs (a) through (d) of this Sub-Clause 2.6.1:

- (a) if the Service Provider does not remedy a failure in the performance of its obligations under the Contract, within thirty (30) days after being notified or within any further period as the Procuring Entity may have subsequently approved in writing;
- (b) if the Service Provider become insolvent or bankrupt;

- (c) if, as the result of Force Majeure, the Service Provider is unable to perform a material portion of the Services for a period of not less than sixty (60) days; or
- (d) if the Service Provider, in the judgment of the Procuring Entity has engaged in corrupt or fraudulent practices in competing for or in executing the Contract.

For the purposes of this Sub-Clause:

“corrupt practice” means the offering, giving, receiving, or soliciting, directly or indirectly, of anything of value to influence the action of a public official in the procurement process or in contract execution;

“fraudulent practice” means a misrepresentation or omission of facts in order to influence a procurement process or the execution of a contract, to the detriment of Government of Jamaica and includes collusive practice among bidders (prior to or after bid submission) designed to establish bid prices at artificial non-competitive levels and to deprive Government of the benefits of free and open competition;

“collusive practice” means a scheme or arrangement between two or more bidders, with or without the knowledge of the Procuring Entity, designed to establish bid prices at artificial non-competitive levels or to influence the action of any party in the procurement process or the execution of a contract; and

“coercive practice” means harming or threatening to harm, directly or indirectly, persons or their property to influence their participation in the procurement process or affect the execution of a contract;

2.6.2 By the Service Provider The Service Provider may terminate this Contract, by not less than thirty (30) days’ written notice to the Procuring Entity, such notice to be given after the occurrence of any of the events specified in paragraphs (a) and (b) of this Sub-Clause 2.6.2:

- (a) if the Procuring Entity fails to pay any monies due to the Service Provider pursuant to this Contract and not subject to dispute pursuant to Clause 7 within forty-five

(45) days after receiving written notice from the Service Provider that such payment is overdue; or

- (b) if, as the result of Force Majeure, the Service Provider is unable to perform a material portion of the Services for a period of not less than sixty (60) days.

2.6.3 Payment upon Termination

Upon termination of this Contract pursuant to Sub-Clauses 2.6.1 or 2.6.2, the Procuring Entity shall make the following payments to the Service Provider:

- (a) remuneration pursuant to Clause 6 for Services satisfactorily performed prior to the effective date of termination;
- (b) except in the case of termination pursuant to paragraphs (a), (b), (d) of Sub-Clause 2.6.1, reimbursement of any reasonable cost incident to the prompt and orderly termination of the Contract, including the cost of the return travel of the Personnel.

3. Obligations of the Service Provider

3.1 General

The Service Provider shall perform the Services in accordance with the Specifications and the Activity Schedule, and carry out its obligations with all due diligence, efficiency, and economy, in accordance with generally accepted professional techniques and practices, and shall observe sound management practices, and employ appropriate advanced technology and safe methods. The Service Provider shall always act, in respect of any matter relating to this Contract or to the Services, as faithful adviser to the Procuring Entity, and shall at all times support and safeguard the Procuring Entity's legitimate interests in any dealings with Subcontractors or third parties.

3.2 Conflict of Interests

3.2.1 Service Provider Not to Benefit from Commissions and Discounts.

The remuneration of the Service Provider pursuant to Clause 6 shall constitute the Service Provider's sole remuneration in connection with this Contract or the Services, and the Service Provider shall not accept for their own benefit any trade commission, discount, or similar payment in connection with activities pursuant to this Contract or to the Services or in the discharge of their obligations under the Contract, and the Service Provider shall use their best efforts to ensure that the Personnel, any Subcontractors, and agents of either of them similarly shall not receive any such additional remuneration.

- 3.2.2 Service Provider and Affiliates Not to be Otherwise Interested in Project** The Service Provider agree that, during the term of this Contract and after its termination, the Service Provider and its affiliates, as well as any Subcontractor and any of its affiliates, shall be disqualified from providing goods, works, or Services (other than the Services and any continuation thereof) for any project resulting from or closely related to the Services.
- 3.2.3 Prohibition of Conflicting Activities** Neither the Service Provider nor its Subcontractors nor the Personnel shall engage, either directly or indirectly, in any of the following activities:
- (a) during the term of this Contract, any business or professional activities in Jamaica which would conflict with the activities assigned to them under this Contract;
 - (b) during the term of this Contract, neither the Service Provider nor their Subcontractors shall hire public employees in active duty or on any type of leave, to perform any activity under this Contract;
 - (c) after the termination of this Contract, such other activities as may be **specified in the SCC**.
- 3.3 Confidentiality** The Service Provider, its Subcontractors, and the Personnel of either of them shall not, either during the term or within two (2) years after the expiration of this Contract, disclose any proprietary or confidential information relating to the Project, the Services, this Contract, or the Procuring Entity's business or operations without the prior written consent of the Procuring Entity.
- 3.4 Insurance to be Taken Out by the Service Provider** The Service Provider (a) shall take out and maintain, and shall cause any Subcontractors to take out and maintain, at its (or the Subcontractors', as the case may be) own cost but on terms and conditions approved by the Procuring Entity, insurance against the risks, and for the coverage, as shall be **specified in the SCC**; and (b) at the Procuring Entity's request, shall provide evidence to the Procuring Entity showing that such insurance has been taken out and maintained and that the current premiums have been paid.
- 3.5 Service Provider's Actions Requiring Procuring Entity's Prior Approval** The Service Provider shall obtain the Procuring Entity's prior approval in writing before taking any of the following actions:
- (a) entering into a subcontract for the performance of any part of the Services,

- (b) appointing such members of the Personnel not listed by name in Appendix C (“Key Personnel and Subcontractors”),
- (c) changing the Program of activities; and
- (d) any other action that may be **specified in the SCC.**

3.6 Reporting Obligations

The Service Provider shall submit to the Procuring Entity the reports and documents specified in Appendix B in the form, in the numbers, and within the periods set forth in the said Appendix.

3.7 Documents Prepared by the Service Provider to Be the Property of the Procuring Entity

All plans, drawings, specifications, designs, reports, and other documents and software submitted by the Service Provider in accordance with Sub-Clause 3.6 shall become and remain the property of the Procuring Entity, and the Service Provider shall, not later than upon termination or expiration of this Contract, deliver all such documents and software to the Procuring Entity, together with a detailed inventory thereof. The Service Provider may retain a copy of such documents and software. Restrictions about the future use of these documents, if any, shall be **specified in the SCC.**

3.8 Liquidated Damages

3.8.1 Payments of Liquidated Damages

The Service Provider shall pay liquidated damages to the Procuring Entity at the rate per day **stated in the SCC** for each day that the Completion Date is later than the Intended Completion Date. The total amount of liquidated damages shall not exceed the amount **defined in the SCC.** The Procuring Entity may deduct liquidated damages from payments due to the Service Provider. Payment of liquidated damages shall not affect the Service Provider’s liabilities.

3.8.2 Correction for Overpayment

If the Intended Completion Date is extended after liquidated damages have been paid, the Procuring Entity shall correct any overpayment of liquidated damages by the Service Provider by adjusting the next payment certificate. The Service Provider shall be paid interest on the overpayment, calculated from the date of payment to the date of repayment, at the rates specified in Sub-Clause 6.5.

3.8.3 Lack of performance penalty

If the Service Provider has not corrected a Defect within the time specified in the Procuring Entity’s notice, a penalty for Lack of performance will be paid by the Service Provider. The amount to be paid will be calculated as a percentage of the cost of having the Defect corrected, assessed as described in Sub-Clause 7.2 and **specified in the SCC.**

- 3.9 Performance Security** The Service Provider shall provide the Performance Security to the Procuring Entity no later than the date specified in the Letter of acceptance. The Performance Security shall be issued in an amount and form and by a bank or surety acceptable to the Procuring Entity, and denominated in the types and proportions of the currencies in which the Contract Price is payable. The performance Security shall be valid until a date 28 days from the Completion Date of the Contract in case of a bank guarantee, and until one year from the Completion Date of the Contract in the case of a Performance Bond.

4. Service Provider's Personnel

- 4.1 Description of Personnel** The titles, agreed job descriptions, minimum qualifications, and estimated periods of engagement in the carrying out of the Services of the Service Provider's Key Personnel are described in Appendix C. The Key Personnel and Subcontractors listed by title as well as by name in Appendix C are hereby approved by the Procuring Entity.
- 4.2 Removal and/or Replacement of Personnel**
- (a) Except as the Procuring Entity may otherwise agree, no changes shall be made in the Key Personnel. If, for any reason beyond the reasonable control of the Service Provider, it becomes necessary to replace any of the Key Personnel, the Service Provider shall provide as a replacement a person of equivalent or better qualifications.
 - (b) If the Procuring Entity finds that any of the Personnel have (i) committed serious misconduct or have been charged with having committed a criminal action, or (ii) have reasonable cause to be dissatisfied with the performance of any of the Personnel, then the Service Provider shall, at the Procuring Entity's written request specifying the grounds thereof, provide as a replacement a person with qualifications and experience acceptable to the Procuring Entity.
 - (c) The Service Provider shall have no claim for additional costs arising out of or incidental to any removal and/or replacement of Personnel.

5. Obligations of the Procuring Entity

- 5.1 Assistance and Exemptions** The Procuring Entity shall use its best efforts to ensure that the Government shall provide the Service Provider such assistance and exemptions as **specified in the SCC.**

- 5.2 Change in the Applicable Law** If, after the date of this Contract, there is any change in the Applicable Law with respect to taxes and duties which increases or decreases the cost of the Services rendered by the Service Provider, then the remuneration and reimbursable expenses otherwise payable to the Service Provider under this Contract shall be increased or decreased accordingly by agreement between the Parties, and corresponding adjustments shall be made to the amounts referred to in Sub-Clauses 6.2 (a) or (b), as the case may be.
- 5.3 Services and Facilities** The Procuring Entity shall make available to the Service Provider the Services and Facilities listed under Appendix F.

6. Payments to the Service Provider

- 6.1 Lump-Sum Remuneration** The Service Provider's remuneration shall not exceed the Contract Price and shall be a fixed lump-sum including all Subcontractors' costs, and all other costs incurred by the Service Provider in carrying out the Services described in Appendix A. Except as provided in Sub-Clause 5.2, the Contract Price may only be increased above the amounts stated in Sub-Clause 6.2 if the Parties have agreed to additional payments in accordance with Sub-Clauses 2.4 and 6.3.
- 6.2 Contract Price**
- (a) The price payable in local currency is **set forth in the SCC.**
- (b) The price payable in foreign currency is **set forth in the SCC.**
- 6.3 Payment for Additional Services, and Performance Incentive Compensation**
- 6.3.1 For the purpose of determining the remuneration due for additional Services as may be agreed under Sub-Clause 2.4, a breakdown of the lump-sum price is provided in Appendices D and E.
- 6.3.2 **If the SCC so specify**, the service provider shall be paid performance incentive compensation as set out in the Performance Incentive Compensation appendix.
- 6.4 Terms and Conditions of Payment** Payments will be made to the Service Provider according to the payment schedule **stated in the SCC.** **Unless otherwise stated in the SCC**, the advance payment (Advance for Mobilization, Materials and Supplies) shall be made against the provision by the Service Provider of a bank guarantee for the same amount, and shall be valid for the period **stated in the SCC.** Any other payment shall be made after the conditions **listed in the SCC** for such payment have been met, and the Service Provider have submitted an invoice to the Procuring Entity specifying the amount due.

6.5 Interest on Delayed Payments If the Procuring Entity has delayed payments beyond fifteen (15) days after the due date stated in the SCC, interest shall be paid to the Service Provider for each day of delay at the rate stated in the SCC.

6.6 Price Adjustment 6.6.1 Prices shall be adjusted for fluctuations in the cost of inputs only if **provided for in the SCC**. If so provided, the amounts certified in each payment certificate, after deducting for Advance Payment, shall be adjusted by applying the respective price adjustment factor to the payment amounts due in each currency. A separate formula of the type indicated below applies to each Contract currency:

$$P_c = A_c + B_c \text{ Lmc/Loc} + C_c \text{ lmc/loc}$$

Where:

P_c is the adjustment factor for the portion of the Contract Price payable in a specific currency "c".

A_c , B_c and C_c are coefficients specified in the SCC, representing: A_c the nonadjustable portion; B_c the adjustable portion relative to labor costs and C_c the adjustable portion for other inputs, of the Contract Price payable in that specific currency "c"; and

Lmc is the index prevailing at the first day of the month of the corresponding invoice date and Loc is the index prevailing 28 days before Bid opening for labor; both in the specific currency "c".

lmc is the index prevailing at the first day of the month of the corresponding invoice date and loc is the index prevailing 28 days before Bid opening for other inputs payable; both in the specific currency "c".

If a price adjustment factor is applied to payments made in a currency other than the currency of the source of the index for a particular indexed input, a correction factor Z_o/Z_n will be applied to the respective component factor of p_n for the formula of the relevant currency. Z_o is the number of units of currency of the country of the index, equivalent to one unit of the currency payment on the date of the base index, and Z_n is the corresponding number of such currency units on the date of the current index.

6.6.2 If the value of the index is changed after it has been used in a calculation, the calculation shall be corrected and an adjustment made in the next payment certificate. The

index value shall be deemed to take account of all changes in cost due to fluctuations in costs.

- 6.7 Dayworks**
- 6.7.1 If applicable, the Daywork rates in the Service Provider's Bid shall be used for small additional amounts of Services only when the Procuring Entity has given written instructions in advance for additional services to be paid in that way.
- 6.7.2 All work to be paid for as Dayworks shall be recorded by the Service Provider on forms approved by the Procuring Entity. Each completed form shall be verified and signed by the Procuring Entity representative as indicated in Sub-Clause 1.6 within two days of the Services being performed.
- 6.7.3 The Service Provider shall be paid for Dayworks subject to obtaining signed Dayworks forms as indicated in Sub-Clause 6.7.2

7. Quality Control

- 7.1 Identifying Defects**
- The principle and modalities of Inspection of the Services by the Procuring Entity shall be as **indicated in the SCC**. The Procuring Entity shall check the Service Provider's performance and notify him of any Defects that are found. Such checking shall not affect the Service Provider's responsibilities. The Procuring Entity may instruct the Service Provider to search for a Defect and to uncover and test any service that the Procuring Entity considers may have a Defect. Defect Liability Period is as **defined in the SCC**.
- 7.2 Correction of Defects, and Lack of Performance Penalty**
- (a) The Procuring Entity shall give notice to the Service Provider of any Defects before the end of the Contract. The Defects liability period shall be extended for as long as Defects remain to be corrected.
- (b) Every time notice a Defect is given, the Service Provider shall correct the notified Defect within the length of time specified by the Procuring Entity's notice.
- (c) If the Service Provider has not corrected a Defect within the time specified in the Procuring Entity's notice, the Procuring Entity will assess the cost of having the Defect corrected, the Service Provider will pay this amount, and a Penalty for Lack of Performance calculated as described in Sub-Clause 3.8.

8. Settlement of Disputes

8.1 Dispute Settlement

Amicable Settlement

Any claim for loss or damage arising out of breach or termination of Agreement shall be settled between the Procuring Entity and Supplier by negotiation. If this negotiation is not successfully settled within fifteen (15) days after the date of initiation or negotiation or within such longer period as the parties may mutually agree, then the parties will jointly agree, within ten (10) days after the date of expiration of the period in which the parties should have successfully concluded their negotiations, to appoint a Mediator to assist in reaching an amicable resolution of dispute. This procedure shall be private and without prejudice. If the parties fail to agree upon the appointment of a Mediator within the stipulated period, then, within seven (7) days of expiration of this period, the Procuring Entity shall request appointment of a Mediator by the Dispute Resolution Foundation of Jamaica. The Mediator shall not have the power to impose a settlement on the parties. If the dispute is not resolved between the parties within thirty (30) days after the appointment of the Mediator by the Dispute Resolution Foundation of Jamaica, or after such longer period as the parties may mutually agree, the mediator shall advise the parties of the failure of the Mediation.

For the purposes of this clause, a negotiation is deemed to have been initiated as of the date of receipt of notice by one party of a request from the other party to meet and negotiate the matter in dispute.

For the purposes of this clause, a Mediator is deemed to have been appointed as of the date of notice of such appointment being given to both parties.

Dispute Settlement

In the event of the failure of the mediation between parties, the mediator will record those verifiable facts that the parties have agreed. Subsequently the case will be handled by arbitration. The parties agree to accept the award of the Arbitrator as binding and irrevocable within the provisions of the Arbitration Act of Jamaica. The mediator's role in the dispute resolution process shall cease upon appointment of the Arbitrator. During the dispute settlement process, the Supplier shall continue to perform the work in accordance with this contract. Failure to do so shall be considered a breach of contract.

Arbitration

The seat of the arbitration shall be Jamaica and disputes shall be settled in accordance with the Arbitration Act of Jamaica. Rules of procedure to be adopted shall be those as published by the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law (UNCITRAL) *Arbitration Rules of 1976*.

Section VI. Special Conditions of Contract

Number of GC Clause	Amendments of, and Supplements to, Clauses in the General Conditions of Contract
1.1(e)	The contract name is _____.
1.1(h)	The Procuring Entity is _____
1.1(m)	The Member in Charge is _____
1.1(p)	The Service Provider is _____
1.2	The Applicable Law is: _____
1.4	<p>The addresses are:</p> <p>Procuring Entity: _____</p> <p>Attention: _____</p> <p>Telex: _____</p> <p>Facsimile: _____</p> <p>Service Provider: _____</p> <p>Attention: _____</p> <p>Telex: _____</p> <p>Facsimile: _____</p>
1.6	<p>The Authorized Representatives are:</p> <p>For the Procuring Entity: _____</p> <p>For the Service Provider: _____</p>
2.1	The date on which this Contract shall come into effect is _____.
2.2.2	The Starting Date for the commencement of Services is _____.
2.3	The Intended Completion Date is _____.
3.2.3	<p>Activities prohibited after termination of this Contract are:</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p>
3.4	<p>The risks and coverage by insurance shall be:</p> <p>(i) Third Party motor vehicle _____</p> <p>(ii) Third Party liability _____</p>

Number of GC Clause	Amendments of, and Supplements to, Clauses in the General Conditions of Contract
	(iii) Procuring Entity's liability and workers' compensation __ (iv) Professional liability _____ (v) Loss or damage to equipment and property _____
3.5(d)	The other actions are _____.]
3.7	Restrictions on the use of documents prepared by the Service Provider are: _____
3.8.1	The liquidated damages rate is _____ per day The maximum amount of liquidated damages for the whole contract is _____ percent of the final Contract Price.
3.8.3	The percentage _____ to be used for the calculation of lack of performance Penalty (ies) is _____.
5.1	The assistance and exemptions provided to the Service Provider are: _____
6.2(a)	The amount in local currency is _____.
6.2(b)	The amount in foreign currency or currencies is _____.
6.3.2	The performance incentive paid to the Service Provider shall be: _____
6.4	Payments shall be made according to the following schedule: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Payments will be made upon submission of invoices for which services have been rendered and verified by the relevant divisional headquarters.
6.5	Payment shall be made within Thirty (30) days of receipt of the invoice and the relevant documents specified in Sub-Clause 6.4, and within _____ days in the case of the final payment.
6.6.1	Price adjustment is _____ in accordance with Sub-Clause 6.6. The coefficients for adjustment of prices are _____: (a) For local currency: A_L is _____ B_L is _____

Number of GC Clause	Amendments of, and Supplements to, Clauses in the General Conditions of Contract
	<p>C_L is _____</p> <p>L_{mc} and L_{oc} are the index for Labor from _____</p> <p>I_{mc} and I_{oc} are the index for _____ from _____</p> <p>(b) For foreign currency</p> <p>A_F is _____</p> <p>B_F is _____</p> <p>C_F is _____</p> <p>L_{mc} and L_{oc} are the index for Labor from _____</p> <p>I_{mc} and I_{oc} are the index for _____ from _____</p>
7.1	<p>The principle and modalities of inspection of the Services by the Procuring Entity are as follows: _____</p> <p>The Defects Liability Period is _____.</p>

Section VII. Specifications

Minimum Technical Specifications (Facility and Equipment)

QUANTITY	DESCRIPTION	SPECIFICATION	PROPOSED SPECIFICATION (Please indicate "Yes" or "No")
	Autopsy Room	500-700 square feet	
4	Autopsy Tables	Length: 6.6ft; Width: 2.5ft; Height: 3ft; Two (2) tables for opening and two (2) for closing	
	Ventilation/Air Conditioning	There should be proper ventilation with air conditioning in the Autopsy Room	
	Special Chamber	For special cases to include decomposing bodies	
	Storage Capacity	Minimum of Eighty (80) bodies	
	Refrigeration of bodies	Temperature maintained at 32°	
1	Waiting/reception area for relatives of deceased	To accommodate at least twenty (20) persons	
2	Restrooms	Proper restrooms and running water must be available; one for doctor and staff and another for visitors	
	Auxiliary Water Supply	800 Gallon Water Tank	
	Office Facilities	To accommodate Pathologist and staff	
1	Refrigerator/freezer (at least 14 cubic ft)	For storage of samples pending submission to the respective laboratories.	
1	Standby Generator	For consistent temperature of storage facility	

	Random Inspection of Bodies	The Pathologists and Senior CIB Personnel must be allowed to conduct random inspections of bodies for quality control purposes	
	Proper record keeping	Log books to record all movement of bodies, labeling of bodies and condition	
	Body Bags	Will be provided by the police and they must be used. Any objections to this must be clearly stated.	
	Post Mortem	To facilitate post-mortems at least three (3) times per week	
	Portable X-Ray machines to detect bullets etc.	Optional	
	Bodies from other funeral homes	To facilitate staff from other funeral homes delivering bodies for post mortems	
1	Viewing Room	Optional	
	Vehicles used to transport bodies	These are subject to inspection	
	Appropriate Security	Perimeter Fencing, Surveillance Cameras	
	Waste Disposal	Septic tank drainage, Proper disposal of gloves, body bags etc.	

NB. :

- Contractors who are also seeking to provide post mortem facility shall comply with all the specifications in **bold** in addition to the other requirements/specifications
- Failure to comply with the Minimum Technical Specifications will result in disqualification of the bid.
- The Institute of Forensic Science and Legal Medicine reserves the right to visit your facility to confirm that the above mentioned specifications have been met.

Appendices

Appendix A - Description of Services

DESCRIPTION OF SERVICE

1. The primary purpose of the contract is to retrieve the dead bodies from the place of death within a given geographic location, store the body, and transfer the body to the designated place for the postmortem examination as directed by the Police or the Institute of Forensic Science and Legal Medicine in the Ministry of National Security (IFSLM-MNS).

Contracted Funeral Homes will be contacted by the Jamaica Constabulary Force (JCF) to collect bodies that are deemed to be a medicolegal case after the scene is processed. In this case, the contracted funeral home for that area will be responsible to store the body on behalf of the IFSLM/JCF until the day that the post mortem is conducted. On that day, the family becomes responsible for their loved one (s).

The following are Medico-legal cases which must be handled by the police up to the point of Post Mortem.

- **Homicides**
 - **Suicides**
 - **Hanging**
 - **Poisoning or suspected poisoning**
 - **Prisoners or any other Ward of the state**
 - **Asphyxia (eg. choking or exposure to environs where victim was denied air)**
 - **Suspicious Deaths (foul play suspected)**
 - **Motor vehicle accidents**
 - **Blunt Force Trauma (fall/crush victims)**
 - **Drowning**
 - **Workplace accidents**
 - **Sudden deaths (victims with no known medical conditions)**
2. The contractor will be held responsible for any loss of evidence material or damage to the body; this means that bodies must be maintained at adequate refrigerated temperatures to prevent deterioration while in storage.
 3. The contractor is responsible for preserving the privacy and dignity of the deceased as well as upholding the rights of the dead.
 4. Under no circumstances must the contractor divulge any information relating to the state, number, condition and identity of bodies to any party other than the IFSLM/JCF.
 5. Under no circumstances must the contractor allow bodies in their possession to be viewed, tampered with or photographed/videotaped by any person without prior written permission from the Investigating Officer or the Government Pathologist.
 6. In cases where the body(ies) is/are located in a hostile environment, the contractor should comply with the instructions of the IFSLM/JCF.

7. The contractor shall maintain a Register containing the details of the identity (if known) of the deceased, the time and date of the recovery of the body, the IFSLM/JCF personnel and Police Station who authorized the collection of the body and the date scheduled for the postmortem examination. This register should also include the place from which the body was retrieved, and any activity pertaining to the body from the time of retrieval to the point when the post mortem is conducted.
8. This Register must be made available to be inspected by authorized persons from the IFSLM/JCF at any time.
9. The contractor shall divulge all information relating to the storage and transportation of bodies to the IFSLM/JCF.
10. For medicolegal postmortems, the IFSLM is responsible for costs (storage and transportation) up to the date of the postmortem examination.
11. Dead body means death in all forms e.g. Male, Female, Skeleton, Decomposed, remains etc.
12. The Funeral home shall submit with its monthly requests for payment a report on all bodies stored at their facility at the instructions of the IFSLM/JCF for more than 30 days.
13. If after the body of a person who has died suddenly has been picked up by the contracted Funeral Home there is a doctor is willing to sign the Death Certificate, then with the consent of the Police, the contracted Funeral Home should release that body to the family of the deceased. This must be done within 48 hrs.
14. If there is no Doctor willing to sign a Medical Cause of Death Certificate but there is no suspicion of foul play, then the family shall make arrangements for a medical autopsy to be performed. This must be done within 48 hours of death or the contracted Funeral Home is at liberty to charge the family the full commercial rate
15. The IFSLM will cover the cost of storage for the first 48 hours. Thereafter the cost of storage shall be borne by the family members.
16. If the Police cause the matter to drag on beyond 48 hours, the JCF will be liable for the commercial storage charges.
17. In cases where a decomposed body is retrieved in the night the same should be boxed and stored in the Funeral Home like any other body and transported to the respective morgue for postmortem examination as indicated by the IFSLM. The dead body in any form should not be left abandoned at any time after the completion of examination.
18. Transportation charges are calculated on trip basis, as per rates fixed per km by the IFSLM and not on a per body basis.
19. In cases of decomposed bodies or skeletons the remains must not be moved from the scene until approval is given by the JCF/Executive Director of the IFSLM.
20. At no time must the contractor use the fact of this contract to influence its other areas of business. This will be deemed to be a breach of this contract.

21. The Funeral Home is responsible for the security of the body, any belongings and evidence material attached to the body, until the postmortem examination.
22. The contracted Funeral Home should not unduly influence the families of the deceased for their other Funeral Home services. The Funeral Homes are prohibited from sending their agents to the site of the postmortem examination. The family must have the right to use the funeral home of their own choice after the postmortem examination.

Appendix B - Schedule of Payments and Reporting Requirements

Schedule of Payments and Reporting Requirements

The contractor reports the directly the Executive Director in the Institute of Forensic Science and Legal Medicine in the Ministry of National Security and will liaise with specified Departments and Agencies (as relevant) falling within the Ministry's purview as the need arises in completing the service.

Claims for payment/bills must be submitted to the respective Divisional Headquarters. At the Divisional Headquarters all claims will be thoroughly checked against the Sudden Death Register after which it will be certified.

Appendix H - Bid Evaluation Criteria

Evaluation Criteria

The following criteria and assigned weightings will be used to evaluate the proposals.

- Adequacy of the Proposed Experience and Qualification (Table A): 60(Weighting)
- Proposed Rates for Services (Table B): 40 (Weighting)

Bidders must obtain a minimum pass mark of 42 (or 70%) for Experience and Qualification.

A minimum combined score of 75 must be obtained for Experience & Qualification and Proposed Rates for bidders to be considered for the award of a contract.

Table A

Adequacy of the Proposed Experience and Qualification: 60 Points					
Sub-Criteria	Assigned Weighting	Grade (level of responsiveness)		Percentage Rating	Point Scored
			Tick		
(a) Experience in Services of a similar nature and size for each of the last five (5) years for the proposed services	30	Poor		40%	
		Satisfactory		70%	
		Good		90%	
		Very Good		100%	
(b) Qualifications and experience of key technical personnel in morgue services	20	Poor		40%	
		Satisfactory		70%	
		Good		90%	
		Very Good		100%	
(c) Letters of recommendation from other entities on past performance on projects of similar scope	10	Poor		40%	
		Satisfactory		70%	
		Good		90%	
		Very Good		100%	
Total	60				

Table B

Proposed Rates for Services: 40 Points				
Item	Description of Service	Assigned Weighting	Point Scored	Remarks
1	Storage of Bodies (per body per day)	10		
2	Service and handling of decomposed bodies (including a	10		
3	Use of facility for Post-Mortem (per day)	20		
	Total	40		

The formula for determining the financial score is the following:

$$FS = AW \times \frac{F_m}{F}$$
 in which **FS** is the financial score, **AW** is the assigned weighting, **F_m** is the lowest rate and **F** is the rate of the proposal under consideration.

Appendix I - Check List of Items to be submitted

CHECKLIST OF ITEMS TO BE SUBMITTED

Item	Description	Reference
1	National Contracts Commission (NCC) Certificate	
2	Tax Compliance Certificate (TCC)/Tax Compliance Letter (TCL)	
3	Specification Sheet	Section VII (page 60)
4	Priced activity Schedule	Section III (page 37)
5	Service Provider's Bid	Section III (page 29)
6	Qualification Information	Section III (page 30)
7	Bank Reference	ITB Sub-Clause 5.3 (h)
8	Certificate of Incorporation	ITB Sub-Clause 5.3 (a)
9	Written Power of Attorney to commit bidder	ITB Sub-Clause 5.3 (a)
10	Experience in Services of a similar nature and size for each of the last five (5) years	ITB Sub-Clause 5.3 (c)
11	Qualification & Experience of Key Personnel	ITB Sub-Clause 5.3 (e)
12	Evidence of adequacy of Working Capital	ITB Sub-Clause 5.3 (g)
13	Information regarding any litigation, current or during the last five years,	ITB Sub-Clause 5.3 (i)
14	Two letters of recommendation from other entities on past performance on projects of similar scope and nature	
15	Four copies of the original bid document	ITB Sub-Clause 9.2 & 19.1
	<p><u>NB.</u> <i>Please be advised that this checklist only serves as a quick guide for the documents to be submitted in your bid. It is therefore recommended that bidders carefully go through the Tender Document paying close attention to all requirements in the Bid Data Sheet and the Appendices.</i></p> <p><i>Failure to submit all the above will render the bid unresponsive and therefore will be rejected.</i></p>	