

**PROGRAM 4519-S Contract Term: December 1, 2018 through November 30, 2019 plus four option years**

**TITLE: Dosimetric Labels Equivalent to STERIN**

| ITEM                        | DESCRIPTION   | BASIS OF AWARD | Ashland Specialty Ingredients Bridgewater, NJ |             | Previous Contractor International Specialty Products |             |
|-----------------------------|---|----------------|---|-------------|--|-------------|
|                             |   |                | UNIT RATE                                     | COST        | UNIT RATE  | COST        |
| <b>I. COMPLETE PRODUCT:</b> |   |                |   |             |  |             |
|                             | All prices are per inner dispenser roll. Dispenser = 500 labels |                |   |             |  |             |
| (a)                         | Labels to Waimanalo, HI   |                |   |             |  |             |
| (1)                         | Makeready and/or setup .....                                    | 2              | \$500.00                                      | \$1,000.00  | \$250.00   | \$500.00    |
| (2)                         | Running per inner dispenser box .....                           | 100            | \$255.00                                      | \$25,500.00 | \$250.00   | \$25,000.00 |
|                             |   |                |   |             |  |             |
|                             | <b>TOTAL OFFER</b>  |                |   | \$26,500.00 |  | \$25,500.00 |
|                             | <b>DISCOUNT</b>   |                | 0.00%   | \$0.00      | 0.00%  | \$0.00      |
|                             | <b>NET OFFER</b>  |                |   | \$26,500.00 |  | \$25,500.00 |
|                             |   |                | Awarded                                       |             |  |             |

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GENERAL TERMS, CONDITIONS, AND SPECIFICATIONS

For the Procurement of

**Dosimetric Labels Equivalent to STERIN® Gy 125**

as requisitioned from the U.S. Government Publishing Office (GPO) by the

USDA-APHIS

Single Award

**TERM OF CONTRACT:** The term of this contract is for the period beginning December 1, 2018 and ending November 30, 2019, plus up to 4 optional 12-month extension period(s) that may be added in accordance with the "Option to Extend the Contract Term" clause in SECTION 1 of this contract.

**BID OPENINGS:** Bids shall be publicly opened at 2 p.m. prevailing Chicago, IL time on **November 26, 2018.**

**BID SUBMISSION:** Facsimile bids are acceptable (see GPO Contract Terms, Pub 310.2, effective December 1, 1987 (Rev. 01-18)

Send bids to U.S. Government Publishing Office, Suite 810, 200 N. LaSalle St., Chicago, IL 60601, or fax bids to **312-886-2057**.

Previous abstract or award information available on line at:

Previous abstracts are available on the GPO Web Site at  
<http://www.gpo.gov/gpo/abstracts/abstract.action?region=Chicago>

**BIDDERS, PLEASE NOTE:** GPO has issued a new *GPO Publication 310.2, GPO Contract Terms - Solicitation Provisions, Supplemental Specifications, and Contract Clauses (Rev 1-18)*. Prospective bidders should carefully read this publication as the applicable terms within become an integral part of this contract. The document is posted at <https://www.gpo.gov/how-to-work-with-us/vendors/forms-and-standards> along with a list of major.

NOTE: The GPO 910 "BID" Form is no longer required. Bidders are to fill out, sign/initial, as applicable, all pages of SECTION 4. – SCHEDULE OF PRICES

**INFORMATION:** For questions about these specifications call Chuck Szopo @ 312 353-3916, ext. 6. No Collect calls.

## SECTION 1.- GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS

**GPO CONTRACT TERMS:** Any contract which results from this Invitation for Bid will be subject to the applicable provisions, clauses, and supplemental specifications of GPO Contract Terms (GPO Publication 310.2, effective December 1, 1987 (Rev. 01-18)) and GPO Contract Terms, Quality Assurance Through Attributes Program for Printing and Binding (GPO Publication 310.1, effective May 1979 (revised 8-02)).

GPO Contract Terms (GPO Publication 310.2) – <https://www.gpo.gov/docs/default-source/forms-and-standards-files-for-vendors/terms.pdf>.

GPO QATAP (GPO Publication 310.1) – <https://www.gpo.gov/docs/default-source/forms-and-standards-files-for-vendors/qatap.pdf>

**DOING BUSINESS WITH THE GPO:** Contractors wishing to do business with the GPO are referred to the GPO web site <http://www.gpo.gov/vendors/index.htm>, where one can register as a GPO contractor using the ‘GPO Contractor Connection’ link in accordance with the furnished instructions on this page.

**NOTE:** Prospective as well as existing GPO contractors are to note that, as of 1/1/08, all contractors seeking to do business with the GPO must first complete and thereafter maintain the accuracy of its GPO Contractor Connection registration with the following mandatory taxpayer information boxes: “EIN/TIN #” Employer Identification Number of Taxpayer Identification Number): “Subject to Backup Withholding” (See Form W-9). The GPO will withhold payment of any invoices for work completed by any contractor who fails to provide this tax data in GPO Contractor Connection. Such invoices will be declared ineligible for payment until all requirements for payment, including providing this tax data in GPO Contractor Connection, have been satisfied.

**SUBCONTRACTING:** The predominant production function is printing. Bidders who must subcontract this operation will be declared non-responsible.

**QUALITY ASSURANCE LEVELS AND STANDARDS:** The following levels and standards shall apply to these specifications:

Product Quality Levels:

- (a) Printing Attributes – Level IV.
- (b) Finishing Attributes – Level IV.

Inspection Levels (from ANSI/ASQC Z1.4):

- (a) Non-destructive Tests - General Inspection Level I.
- (b) Destructive Tests - Special Inspection Level S-2.

Specified Standards: The specified standards for the attributes requiring them shall be:

| <u>Attribute</u>                 | <u>Specified Standard</u> |
|----------------------------------|---------------------------|
| P-7. Type Quality and Uniformity | Approved Priors           |

**OPTION TO EXTEND THE CONTRACT TERM:** The Government has the option to extend the term of this contract for a period of 12 months by written notice to the contractor not later than 30 days before the contract expires. If the Government exercises this option, the extended contract shall be considered to include this clause, except, the total duration of the contract may not exceed 5 years as a result of, and including, any extension(s) added under this clause. Further extension may be negotiated under the “Extension of Contract Term” clause. See also “Economic Price Adjustment” for authorized pricing adjustment(s)

**EXTENSION OF CONTRACT TERM:** At the request of the Government, the term of any contract resulting from this solicitation may be extended for such period of time as may be mutually agreeable to the GPO and the contractor.

**ECONOMIC PRICE ADJUSTMENT:** The pricing under this contract shall be adjusted in accordance with this clause, provided that in no event will any pricing adjustment be made that would exceed the maximum permissible under any law in effect at the time of the adjustment. There will be no adjustment for orders placed during the first period specified below. Pricing will thereafter be eligible for adjustment during the second and any succeeding performance period(s). For each performance period after the first, a percentage figure will be calculated as described below and that figure will be the economic price adjustment for that entire next period. Pricing adjustments under this clause are not applicable to reimbursable postage or transportation costs, or to paper, if paper prices are subject to adjustment by separate clause elsewhere in this contract.

For the purpose of this clause, performance under this contract will be divided into successive periods. The first period will extend from (date), and the second and any succeeding period(s) will extend for 12 months from the end of the last preceding period, except that the length of the final period may vary. The first day of the second and any succeeding period(s) will be the effective date of the economic price adjustment for that period.

Pricing adjustments in accordance with this clause will be based on changes in the seasonally adjusted "Consumer Price Index For All Urban Consumers - Commodities Less Food" (Index) published monthly in the CPI Detailed Report by the U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics.

The economic price adjustment will be the percentage difference between Index averages as specified in this paragraph. An index called the variable index will be calculated by averaging the monthly Indexes from the 12-month interval ending three (3) months prior to the beginning of the period being considered for adjustment. This average is then compared to the average of the monthly Indexes for the 12-month interval ending September 1, 2019, called the base index. The percentage change (plus or minus) of the variable index from the base index will be the economic price adjustment for the period being considered for adjustment.

The Government will notify the contractor by contract modification specifying the percentage increase or decrease to be applied to invoices for orders placed during the period indicated. The contractor shall apply the percentage increase or decrease against the total price of the invoice less reimbursable postage or transportation costs and separately adjusted paper prices. Payment discounts shall be applied after the invoice price is adjusted.

If the Government exercises an option, the extended contract shall be considered to include this economic price adjustment clause

**ASSIGNMENT OF JACKETS, PURCHASE AND PRINT ORDERS:** A GPO jacket number will be assigned and a purchase order issued to the contractor to cover work performed. The purchase order will be supplemented by individual "Print Orders" for each job placed with the contractor. The print order, when issued, will indicate the quantity to be produced and other information pertinent to the particular order.

**PREAWARD SURVEY:** In order to determine the responsibility of the prime contractor or any subcontractor, the Government reserves the right to conduct an on-site preaward survey at the contractor's/subcontractor's facility or to require other evidence of technical, production, managerial, financial, and similar abilities to perform, prior to the award of a contract.

**ORDERING:** Items to be furnished under the contract shall be ordered by the issuance of print orders by the Government. Orders may be issued under the contract from December 1, 2018 through November 30, 2019 plus for such additional period(s) as the contract is extended. All print orders issued hereunder are subject to the terms and conditions of the contract. The contract shall control in the event of conflict with any print order. A print order shall be "issued" for purposes of the contract, when it is either deposited in the U.S. Postal Service mail or otherwise furnished to the contractor in conformance with the schedule.

**REQUIREMENTS:** This is a requirements contract for the items and for the period specified herein. Shipment/delivery of items or performance of work shall be made only as authorized by orders issued in accordance with the clause entitled "Ordering". The quantities of items specified herein are estimates only, and are not purchased hereby. Except as may be otherwise provided in this contract, if the Government's requirements for the items set forth herein do not result in orders in the amounts or quantities described as "estimated", it shall not constitute the basis for an equitable price adjustment under this contract.

Except as otherwise provided in this contract, the Government shall order from the contractor all the items set forth which are required to be purchased by the Government activity identified on page 1.

The Government shall not be required to purchase from the contractor, requirements in excess of the limit on total orders under this contract, if any.

Orders issued during the effective period of this contract and not completed within that time shall be completed by the contractor within the time specified in the order, and the rights and obligations of the contractor and the Government respecting those orders shall be governed by the terms of this contract to the same extent as if completed during the effective period of this contract.

If shipment/delivery of any quantity of an item covered by the contract is required by reason of urgency prior to the earliest date that shipment/delivery may be specified under this contract, and if the contractor will not accept an order providing for the accelerated shipment/delivery, the Government may procure this requirement from another source.

The Government may issue orders which provide for shipment/delivery to or performance at multiple destinations.

Subject to any limitations elsewhere in this contract, the contractor shall furnish to the Government all items set forth herein which are called for by print orders issued in accordance with the "Ordering" clause of this contract.

**OPTIONS:** Whenever an option is indicated in the specifications, it is the Government's option, not the contractor's, unless it is specifically stated otherwise.

**PAYMENT:** Submitting invoices for payment via the GPO fax gateway (if no samples are required) utilizing the GPO barcode coversheet program application is the most efficient method of invoicing. Instruction for using this method can be found at the following web address:

<http://winapps.access.gpo.gov/fms/vouchers/barcode/instructions.html>

Invoices may also be mailed to: U.S. Government Publishing Office, Office of Financial Management, Attn: Comptroller, Stop: FMCE, Washington, DC 20401.

For more information about the billing process refer to the General Information of the Office of Finance web page located at <https://www.gpo.gov/how-to-work-with-us/vendors/how-to-get-paid>.

**CONTRACTOR'S INVOICE FOR PAYMENT MUST BE ITEMIZED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE SCHEDULE OF PRICES. FAILURE TO ITEMIZE MAY RESULT IN DELAY OF PAYMENT.**

**NOTE:** In addition to the above, the contractor is required to email a copy of each billing along with a copy of the individual print order to [infochicago@gpo.gov](mailto:infochicago@gpo.gov) Failure to follow this procedure may result in delayed payment.

## SECTION 2.- SPECIFICATIONS

**SCOPE:** These specifications cover the production of Radiation Dosage Indicator Labels requiring such operations as electronic prepress, printing, specialty film coating, packing and delivery.

**TITLE:** Dosimetric Labels Equivalent to STERIN® Gy 125..

**FREQUENCY OF ORDERS:** Approximately 1-2 orders per year.

Although this is an option year contract, all estimates are based upon one year's production.

**QUANTITY:** Approximately 25,000 labels (50 dispenser rolls) per order.

All prices are per dispenser roll. Dispenser roll = 500 labels.

**TRIM SIZE:** Label size: 3-1/4 x 3/4"

Sheet size: 3-1/4 x 7-1/2", labels are ten down, butt cut

Dispenser box: Approximately 5-1/8 x 5-1/8 x 1-1/8" and square in shape

### GOVERNMENT TO FURNISH:

Dispenser box: Electronic file in Adobe Acrobat PDF format will be furnished via email from GPO contract administrator.

Print Order (GPO Form 2511). Print orders will be sent via email. At the Government's option, print orders may be furnished as hard copy, faxed copy, via email or via FTP. Contractor must be able to accept via email.

**CONTRACTOR TO FURNISH:** Contractor is required to produce all electronic artwork and production files, including any necessary typesetting and all electronic prepress, at no additional cost to the Government. All orders will print identical image.

All materials and operations, other than those listed under "Government to Furnish," necessary to produce the product(s) in accordance with these specifications.

**PRIOR TO PRODUCTION SAMPLES:** Prior to the commencement of production of the contract production quantity, the contractor shall submit (25) Prior to Production Samples to the address indicated in "DISTRIBUTION". Prior to Production Samples will be tested for conformance of material(s), usage in established production process and/or on the specified equipment, and/or for construction. The container and accompanying documentation shall be marked PREPRODUCTION SAMPLES and must include the GPO jacket number, purchase order number, program number and print order number. Prior to Production Samples must be submitted in sufficient time to allow Government testing of the samples and production and shipment in accordance with the shipping schedule.

The Government will approve, conditionally approve, or disapprove the samples within 5 workdays of the receipt thereof. Approval or conditional approval shall not relieve the contractor from complying with the specifications and all other terms and conditions of the contract. A conditional approval shall state any further action required by the contractor. A notice of disapproval shall state the reasons therefor.

If the samples are disapproved by the Government, the Government, at its option, may require the contractor to submit additional samples for inspection and test, in the time and under the terms and conditions specified in the notice of rejection. Such additional samples shall be furnished, and necessary changes made, at no additional cost to the Government and with no extension in the shipping schedule. The Government will require the time specified above to inspect and test any additional samples required.

In the event the additional samples are disapproved by the Government, the contractor shall be deemed to have failed to make delivery within the meaning of the default clause in which event this contract shall be subject to termination for default, provided however, that the failure of the Government to terminate the contract for default in such event shall not relieve the contractor of the responsibility to deliver the contract quantities in accordance with the shipping schedule.

In the event the Government fails to approve, conditionally approve, or disapprove the samples within the time specified, the Contracting Officer shall automatically extend the shipping schedule in accordance with Contract Clause 12, "Notice of Compliance With Schedules," of GPO Contract Terms (GPO Publication 310.2, effective December 1, 1987 (Rev. 6-01)).

Manufacture of the final product prior to approval of the Prior to Production Sample submitted is at the contractor's risk. Prior to Production Samples will not be returned to the contractor. All costs, including the costs of all samples shall be included in the contract price for the production quantity.

All samples shall be manufactured at the facilities in which the contract production quantities are to be manufactured, using the same equipment and all other workflow processes, and must comprise all elements of the final product.

**STOCK/PAPER:** The specifications of all paper furnished must be in accordance with those listed herein or listed for the corresponding JCP Code numbers in the "Government Paper Specification Standards No. 12" dated March 2011.

NOTICE: Copies of the "Government Paper Specifications Standards, No. 12," dated March 2011, are for sale, on a subscription basis, by the Superintendent of Documents, U.S. Government Publishing Office, Washington, D.C. 20402; or available in PDF format on the GPO website at <http://www.gpo.gov/vendors/sfas.htm>.

Labels: White Synthetic Label Paper with a radiation sensitive dosimetric indicator coated film chip of approximately 5/8" on diameter with permanent type pressure sensitive adhesive on face side of label. Adhesive to adhere properly between 0°C and +50°C.

Dispenser box: Total thickness of 3.4 mil / 86 micron (+/- 10%), with lamination of a semi-gloss white polypropylene film and aluminum foil on the face only. Or at contractor's option, White Coated One-side Cover, basis weight 15pt, equal to JCP L70, with lamination of a 1.5 mil semi-gloss white polypropylene film on the face only.

#### **PRINTING AND INK:**

Labels: Reference STERIN® Gy 125. Print line matter on face of label using black water-based ink, then apply specialty film chip, such that first ply has visible indicia thereon and second ply has a radiation sensitive zone overlying the indicia of the first ply. The radiation sensitive zone must be capable of changing color density in response to exposure to a radiation dosage exceeding a predetermined threshold so as to change the visibility of the indicia thereby providing an indication as to whether the indicator has been irradiated. An optical filter ply may be provided overlying the indicia, and the indicator also may be provided with a transparent protective outer ply. A pressure sensitive adhesive ply having a removable release sheet is employed for attaching the indicator to a substrate.

Dispenser box: Print one side only in two colors, black and PMS 285 (red).

**MARGINS:** Margins will be as indicated on copy.

**IDENTIFICATION MARKINGS:** Identification markings such as register marks, ring folios, rubber stamped jacket numbers, commercial identification marks of any kind, etc., except GPO imprint, form number, and revision date, carried on copy or film, must not print on finished product.

**CONSTRUCTION:**

Labels: Produce label rolls 1-up for easy removal and placement by hand in “sausage bags” containing fruit fly pupae. Face side of label must have a suitable adhesive coating and a suitable removable liner with easy removal feature. Back side of label must have a white backing. Labels must contain the wording “NOT IRRADIATED” with the word “NOT” integrated in the *radiation dosage indicator area* approximately 5/8” in diameter. After irradiation, the final indicator must have a change after exposure to 12.5 Krad gamma radiation. Irradiation at 12.5 Krad must cause the “NOT” to disappear completely from label and the label must read only “IRRADIATED” (follow furnished sample for the construction and margins).

Dispenser box: Construct in manner similar or equal to packaging for STERIN® Gy 125, to allow for easy dispensing of labels for hand placement. Construction must withstand shipping and employee handling through end of label usage.

**PACKING:** Pack one (1) roll (500 labels) per dispenser box. Pack 10 dispenser boxes per shipping container.

Shipping containers and dispenser boxes must be capable of withstanding and handling transit overseas and in storage facilities.

**LABELING AND MARKING:** Include on all dispenser boxes and shipping containers the title “Dosimetric Indicator Labels” and the quantity of labels contained in dispenser box and shipping container. Reproduce shipping container label GPO Form 905, fill in appropriate blanks and attach to shipping containers.

Labeling and Marking Specifications (GPO Form 905): See GPO Contract Terms Booklet, Publication 310.2. for more information: <http://www.gpo.gov/pdfs/vendors/terms.pdf> (page 11).

**GPO SAMPLES:** Ship 2 labels per each order and a copy of the print order (marked Term Contract Production Samples) to: U.S. Government Publishing Office, 200 N. LaSalle St., Suite 810, Chicago, IL 60601. Mark package with Program Number and Print Order Number. This sample is to be shipped at the same time as the scheduled shipment/delivery and cannot be deducted from the total quantity ordered. Deliver sample copies by the most economical method. No additional charge will be allowed for GPO samples. No selection certificate is required.

**GPO “VERIFICATION OF DELIVERY”:** Contractor MUST email delivery verification information to VerifyChicago@gpo.gov WITHIN 24 HOURS OF DELIVERY. Enter Program and Print Order numbers in the subject line, and in the body of the message indicate the method of shipment and the delivery date. If a contract specifies a shipping method of f.o.b. contractor city (at government’s expense), enter the date of shipment. If a contract specifies f.o.b. destination (at contractor’s expense), enter the date of delivery. If a contract specifies a combination of both methods, include all shipping and delivery dates. **Failure to provide this information for each print order may result in delayed payment of invoices.**

**RECEIPTS FOR DELIVERY:** Contractor must furnish their own receipts for delivery. These receipts must include the GPO jacket, program, and print order numbers; total quantity shipped and/or delivered, number of cartons, and quantity per carton; date delivery made; and signature of the Government agent accepting delivery. The original copy of these receipts or other acceptable proof must accompany the contractor’s voucher for payment.

**DISTRIBUTION:** Contractor to guarantee the labels are never exposed to temperatures below -50°C or above +50°C during production and shipping.

Ship f.o.b. destination (at contractor's expense) to:

USDA, APHIS, PPQ  
Hawaii Fruit Fly Facility  
41-650 Ahiki Street  
Waimanalo, HI 96795  
Attn: Wesley Sawamura  
808-259-8822/808-690-0450

**SCHEDULE:** Adherence to this schedule must be maintained. Contractor must not start production of any job prior to receipt of the individual print order (GPO Form 2511).

No definite dates can be predetermined for placement of orders. Contractor will be notified by telephone or email when furnished material is available for pickup.

All pickups and deliveries must be made Monday through Friday, exclusive of Federal Holidays, before 3:30 pm local prevailing time at pickup/delivery destination.

The following schedule begins the workday after notification of the availability of print order and furnished material. The workday after notification will be the first workday of the schedule.

Prior to Production Samples must be delivered to Waimanalo, HI within 5 days of notification of availability of print order. The labels delivered to Waimanalo, HI must be completed and delivered at destination within 20 workdays. Prior to Production Samples must be submitted in sufficient time to allow Government testing of the samples and production and shipment in accordance with the shipping schedule.

The ship/deliver date indicated on the print order is the date that all items pertaining to the order must complete delivery, including labels, GPO samples, returned furnished materials etc.

Unscheduled material such as shipping documents, receipts or instructions, delivery lists, labels, etc., may be furnished with each order or shortly thereafter. In the event such information is not received in due time, the contractor will not be relieved of any responsibility in meeting the delivery schedule because of failure to request such information.

### **SECTION 3.- DETERMINATION OF AWARD**

The Government will determine the lowest bid by applying the prices quoted in the "Schedule of Prices" to the following units of production which are the estimated requirements to produce one (1) year's production under this contract. These units do not constitute, nor are they to be construed as, a guarantee of the volume of work which may be ordered for a like period.

The following item designations correspond to those listed in the "Schedule of Prices".

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| I.  | (1) | (2) |
| (a) | 2   | 100 |

#### SECTION 4.- SCHEDULE OF PRICES

Bids offered are **f.o.b. destination**.

**Bidders must make an entry in each space provided.** Bids submitted with any obliteration, revision, or alteration of the order and manner of submitting bids, may be declared nonresponsive. Prices must be submitted for the entire term of the contract; bids qualified for a lesser period will not be considered.

An entry of NC (No Charge) shall be entered if bidder intends to furnish individual items at no charge to the Government.

**Bids submitted with NB (No Bid) or blank spaces for an item may be declared nonresponsive.**

The Contracting Officer reserves the right to reject any offer that contains prices for individual items of production (whether or not such items are included in the Determination of Award) that are inconsistent or unrealistic in regard to other prices in the same offer or to GPO prices for the same operation if such action would be in the best interest of the Government.

All billings submitted to the GPO shall be based on the most economical method of production.

The contractor is cautioned not to perform any operation(s) or produce any product(s) for which a price has not been offered under the contract. Further, the contractor is not to accept print orders which are outside the scope of the contract. Any changes made to the print order MUST be confirmed in writing by the Contracting Officer, Chicago GPO. If such orders are placed by the agency, and no Modification is received from the Chicago GPO, the contractor is to notify GPO Chicago immediately. Failure to do so may result in nonpayment.

**I. COMPLETE PRODUCT:** Prices offered shall include the cost of all required materials and operations necessary for the complete production and distribution of the product listed in accordance with these specifications.

All prices are per dispenser roll. Dispenser roll = 500 labels.

|                                  | <u>Makeready<br/>and/or Setup</u><br>(1) | <u>Running per<br/>Dispenser roll</u><br>(2) |                  |
|----------------------------------|--|--|------------------|
| (a) Labels to Waimanalo, HI..... | \$_____                                  | \$_____                                      |                  |
|                                  |  |  | (Initials) _____ |

**(COMPLETE AND SUBMIT THIS PAGE WITH YOUR BID)**

**SHIPMENT(S):** All Mailing will be made from the City \_\_\_\_\_, State \_\_\_\_\_,

The city(ies) indicated above will be used for evaluation of transportation charges when shipment f.o.b. contractor's city is specified. If no shipping point is indicated above, it will be deemed that the bidder has selected the city and state shown below in the address block, and the bid will be evaluated and the contract awarded on that basis. If shipment is not made from evaluation point, the contractor will be responsible for any additional shipping costs incurred.

**DISCOUNTS:** Discounts are offered for payment as follows: \_\_\_\_\_ Percent, \_\_\_\_\_ calendar days. See Article 12 "Discounts" of Solicitation Provisions in GPO Contract Terms (Publication 310.2).

**BID ACCEPTANCE PERIOD:** In compliance with the above, the undersigned agree, if this bid is accepted within \_\_\_\_\_ calendar days (60 calendar days unless a different period is inserted by the bidder) from the date for receipt of bids, to furnish the specified items at the price set opposite each item, delivered at the designated points(s), in exact accordance with specifications.

NOTE: Failure to provide a 60-day bid acceptance period may result in expiration of the bid prior to award.

**BIDDER'S NAME AND SIGNATURE:** Unless specific written exception is taken, the bidder, by signing and submitting a bid, agrees with and accepts responsibility for all certifications and representations as required by the solicitation and GPO Contract Terms-Publication 310.2. When responding by fax or mail, fill out and return one copy of all pages in "SECTION 4. -SCHEDULE OF PRICES," including initialing/signing where indicated.

Failure to sign the signature block below may result in the bid being declared non-responsive.

Bidder

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(Contractor Name)

(GPO Contractor's Code)

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(Street Address)

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(City – State – Zip Code)

By

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(Printed Name, Signature, and Title of Person Authorized to Sign this Bid)

(Date)

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(Person to be Contacted)

(Telephone Number)

(Email)

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**THIS SECTION FOR GPO USE ONLY**

Certified by: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Contracting Officer: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
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