

4.16. Patents: The Contractor shall protect the County against suits for patent infringement on material, equipment, and methods used.

4.17. Legal Requirements: The Contractor shall do all work in such manner as to comply with all County ordinances, and laws of the County, State, and Nation as apply to the work herein

outlined. The Contractor shall also obtain all necessary licenses and permits and keep necessary records as required.

- 4.18. **Equal Opportunity:** The County of Boone is an equal opportunity affirmative action employer, pursuant to federal and state law, and all Offerors submitting bids shall be considered to be EEO/AA employers in compliance with federal and state laws, unless otherwise stipulated by the bidders herein.
- 4.19. **Domestic Purchasing Policy:** Contractors are encouraged to select and use materials manufactured, assembled, or produced in the United States in the performance of this contract whenever the quality and price are comparable with other goods.

By submission of this bid, the vendor certifies that they are in compliance with section 34.353 and, if applicable, section 34.359 (“Missouri Domestic Products Procurement Act”) of the Revised Statutes of Missouri, 1987.

- 4.20. If a contradiction in the contract documents occurs then the more expensive interpretation shall prevail and be inclusive in that respective contractor’s proposal response.
- 4.20. **Insurance requirements:** The Contractor shall not commence work under this contract until they have obtained all insurance required under this paragraph and the Certificate of Insurance has been approved by the County, nor shall the Contractor allow any subcontractor to commence work on their subcontract until all similar insurance required of subcontractor has been so obtained and approved. All policies shall be in amounts, form and companies satisfactory to the County which must carry an A-6 or better rating as listed in the A.M. Best or equivalent rating guide. Insurance limits indicated below may be lowered at the discretion of the County.
 - 4.20.1. **Employers Liability and Workers Compensation Insurance** - The Contractor shall take out and maintain during the life of this contract, **Employers Liability and Workers Compensation Insurance** for all of its employees employed at the site of work, and in case any work is sublet, the Contractor shall require the subcontractor similarly to provide Workers Compensation Insurance for all of the latter’s employees unless such employees are covered by the protection afforded by the Contractor. Workers Compensation coverage shall meet Missouri statutory limits. Employers Liability limits shall be \$500,000.00 each employee, \$500,000.00 each accident, and \$500,000.00 policy limit. In case any class of employees engaged in hazardous work under this Contract at the site of the work is not protected under the Workers Compensation Statute, the Contractor shall provide and shall cause each subcontractor to provide Employers Liability Insurance for the protection of their employees not otherwise protected.
 - 4.20.2. **Commercial General Liability Insurance** - The Contractor shall take out and maintain during the life of this contract, such commercial general liability insurance as shall protect it and any subcontractor performing work covered by this contract, from claims for damages for personal & advertising injury, bodily injury including accidental death, as well as from claims for property damages, which may arise from operations under this contract, whether such operations be by themselves or for any subcontractor or by anyone directly or indirectly employed by them. The amounts of insurance shall be not less than \$2,000,000.00 combined single limit for any one occurrence covering both bodily injury and property damage, including accidental death. If the Contract involves any underground/digging operations, the general liability certificate shall include X, C, and U (Explosion, Collapse, and Underground) coverage. If providing Commercial General Liability Insurance, then the Proof of Coverage of Insurance shall also be included.

Contractor may satisfy the minimum liability limits required for Commercial General Liability or Business Auto Liability under an Umbrella or Excess Liability policy. There is no minimum per occurrence limit of liability under the umbrella or Excess Liability; however, the Annual Aggregate limit shall not be less than the highest "Each Occurrence" limit for either Commercial General Liability or Business Auto Liability. **Contractor agrees to include the County as an Additional Insured on the umbrella or Excess Liability, unless the Certificate of Insurance state the Umbrella or Excess Liability provides coverage on a "Follow-Form" basis.**

- 4.20.3. **Business Automobile Liability** – The Contractor shall maintain during the life of this contract, automobile liability insurance in the amount of not less than \$2,000,000.00 combined single limit for any one occurrence, covering both bodily injury, including accidental death, and property damage, to protect themselves from any and all claims arising from the use of the Contractor's own automobiles, teams and trucks; hired automobiles, teams and trucks; non-owned and both on and off the site of work.
- 4.20.4. **Subcontractors:** Contractor shall cause each Subcontractor to purchase and maintain insurance of the types and amounts specified herein. Limits of such coverage may be reduced only upon written agreement of County. Contractor shall provide to County copies of certificates of insurance evidencing coverage for each Subcontractor. Subcontractors' commercial general liability and business automobile liability insurance shall name County as Additional Insured and have the Waiver of Subrogation endorsements added.
- 4.20.5. **Proof of Carriage of Insurance** - The Contractor shall furnish the County with Certificate(s) of Insurance which name the County as additional insured in an amount as required in this contract. The Certificate of Insurance shall provide that there will be no cancellation, non-renewal or reduction of coverage without 30 days prior written notice to the County. In addition, such insurance shall be on an occurrence basis and shall remain in effect until such time as the County has made final acceptance of the services provided.
- 4.20.6. **INDEMNITY AGREEMENT:** To the fullest extent permitted by law, Contractor shall indemnify, hold harmless and defend the County, its directors, officers, agents, and employees from and against all claims, damages, losses and expenses (including but not limited to attorney's fees) arising by reason of any act or failure to act, negligent or otherwise, of Contractor, of any subcontractor (meaning anyone, including but not limited to consultants having a contract with contractor or a subcontract for part of the services), of anyone directly or indirectly employed by contractor or by any subcontractor, or of anyone for whose acts the contractor or its subcontractor may be liable, in connection with providing these services. This provision does not, however, require contractor to indemnify, hold harmless, or defend the County of Boone from its own negligence.
- 4.20.7. Nothing in these requirements shall be construed as a waiver of any governmental immunity of the County, its officials nor any of its employees in the course of their official duties.
- 4.20.8. Failure to maintain the required insurance in force may be cause for contract termination. In the event the Agency/Service fails to maintain and keep in force the required insurance or to obtain coverage from its subcontractors, the County shall have the right to cancel and terminate the contract without notice.

Certificate Holder address:
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C/O Purchasing Department

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