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SHIP TO:

AS SPECIFIED ON INDIVIDUAL ORDERS

VENDOR ID:
DIAMOND MOWERS INC
350 E 60TH ST N

SIOUX FALLS, SD 57104
(605)977-3300

REFER QUESTIONS TO:

LISA FORTUNE MCDONALD
(410)767-4084
LISA.MCDONALD@MARYLAND.GOV

ITB:	**EXPR DATE:** 08/20/17 **POST DATE:** 11/04/16	**DISCOUNT TERMS:** . NET 30 DAY **CONTRACT AMOUNT:** .00

TERMS:

ARTICLES HEREIN ARE EXEMPT FROM MARYLAND SALES AND USE TAXES BY EXEMPTION CERTIFICATE NUMBER 3000256-3 AND FROM FEDERAL EXCISE TAXES BY EXEMPTION NUMBER 52-73-0358K. IT IS THE VENDOR'S RESPONSIBILITY TO ADVISE COMMON CARRIERS THAT AGENCIES OF THE STATE OF MARYLAND ARE EXEMPT FROM TRANSPORTATION TAX.

STATEWIDE CONTRACT FOR

GROUND MAINTNANCE EQUIPMENT WITH
RELATED EQUIPMENT ACCESSORIES AND
SUPPLIES

BASED ON NJPA MASTER CONTRACT #070313-KBA

CONTRACT START DATE: 10/3/16

CONTRACT EXPIRATION DATE: 8/20/17

THIS IS A 10 MONTH CONTRACT . THE STATE RESERVES THE RIGHT TO UNILATERALLY RENEW.

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IF THIS CONTRACT WAS BASED ON AN INTERGOVERNMENTAL COOPERATIVE PURCHASING AGREEMENT(IPCA), THE RENEWAL OPTION(S) WILL BE BASED ON THE TERMS OF THE MASTER AGREEMENT AND THE PERFORMANCE OF THE VENDOR AND USAGE OF THE CONTRACT.

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ANY SINGLE ITEM OF EQUIPMENT OR SINGLE EQUIPMENT LEASE IN THE AMOUNT OF $200,000 OR MORE, MAYBE SUBJECT TO BOARD OF

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PUBLIC WORKS APPROVAL. THE USING AGENCY MUST DETERMINE IF THE EQUIPMENT MUST BE SUBMITTED TO THE BOARD FOR APPROVAL.

MARYLAND LAW PREVAILS: THE PROVISIONS OF THIS CONTRACT SHALL BE GOVERNED BY THE LAWS OF MARYLAND.

VENDOR NAME: DIAMOND MOWERS, INC.

VENDOR CONTACT: JASON KIPPESE

TELEPHONE: 605-977-3314

VENDOR EMAIL ADDRESS: JKIPPES@DIAMONDMOWERS.COM

SCOPE OF CONTRACT:

REQUIREMENTS CONTRACT FOR SUPPLYING THE STATE OF MARYLAND AND USING AUTHORITIES WITH THEIR NEEDS FOR GROUNDS MAINTENANCE EQUIPMENT

CONTRACT REQUIREMENTS:

QUANTITIES ARE ESTIMATES ONLY AND ARE NOT TO BE CONSTRUED AS ANY MINIMUM OR MAXIMUM GUARANTEE.

PRICE ESCALATION:

FOR EACH OPTION YEAR, THE CONTRACTOR MAY REQUEST AN INCREASE OF THE PRICES THEN PREVAILING. THE REQUEST FOR A PRICE INCREASE MUST BE SUBMITTED WITHIN EIGHT (8) WEEKS OF THE ANNIVERSARY DATE OF THE CONTRACT.

THE INCREASE IS NOT TO EXCEED THE CURRENT RATE OF INFLATION, AS DETERMINED THE HTTP://WWW.BLS.GOV/CPI/LINK.
USE THE MOST RECENT FINAL INDEX.
ALL OTHER TERMS, CONDITIONS AND SPECIFICATIONS WILL REMAIN THE SAME.

ONCE A PRICE INCREASE HAS BEEN APPROVED, NO FURTHER INCREASES SHALL BE CONSIDERED FOR TWELVE (12) MONTHS. SUBSEQUENT INCREASES WILL BE BASED ON THE FINAL INDEX VALUE USED ON THE PRECEDING ADJUSTMENT AND THE MOST RECENT FINAL INDEX VALUE AVAILABLE ON THE BLS WEBSITE AT THE TIME OF THE CURRENT REQUEST. THE STATE RESERVES THE RIGHT NOT TO ALLOW A PRICE INCREASE.

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THE INCREASED CONTRACT PRICE SHALL NOT APPLY TO ORDERS RECEIVED BY THE CONTRACTOR PRIOR TO THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THE APPROVED INCREASED CONTRACT UNIT PRICE. ORDERS PLACED VIA PURCHASE ORDER, SHALL BE CONSIDERED TO HAVE BEEN RECEIVED BY THE CONTRACTOR AFTER THE FIFTH (5TH) CALENDAR DAY FOLLOWING THE DATE OF ISSUANCE. THE PROCUREMENT OFFICER MAY CANCEL, WITHOUT LIABILITY TO EITHER PARTY, ANY PORTION OF THE CONTRACT AFFECTED BY THE REQUESTED INCREASE AND ANY MATERIALS, SUPPLIES OR SERVICES UNDELIVERED AT THE TIME OF SUCH CANCELLATION. INVOICES REFLECTING "NEW" PRICES WILL NOT BE PROCESSED FOR DELIVERIES OF GOODS RECEIVED PRIOR TO THE INCREASE APPROVAL DATE.

PRICE DECREASES SHALL ALSO BE PASSED ON TO THE STATE AND DO NOT REQUIRE VERIFICATION. DECREASES BECOME EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY UPON NOTIFICATION.

THE PRICE ADJUSTMENTS FOR THE RENEWALS SHALL BE NEGOTIATED AND MUTUALLY AGREED UPON BY DGS AND THE CONTRACTORS.
ALTHOUGH EACH NEGOTIATION WILL BE CARRIED OUT INDEPENDENTLY, THE PERCENTAGE INCREASE OR THE MONETARY INCREASE SHALL BE THE SAME FOR ALL VENDORS. DGS RESERVES THE RIGHT TO RENEW ANY AND/OR ALL CONTRACTOR'S CONTRACTS. UPON RENEWAL, THE EXISTING CONTRACT TERMS AND CONDITIONS WILL APPLY.

DELIVERY AND ACCEPTANCE:

DELIVERY SHALL BE MADE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE SOLICITATION SPECIFICATIONS. THE STATE, IN ITS SOLE DISCRETION, MAY EXTEND THE TIME OF PERFORMANCE FOR EXCUSABLE DELAYS DUE TO UNFORESEEABLE CAUSES BEYOND THE CONTRACTOR'S CONTROL. THE STATE UNILATERALLY MAY ORDER IN WRITING THE SUSPENSION, DELAY OR INTERRUPTION OF PERFORMANCE HEREUNDER. THE STATE RESERVES THE RIGHT TO TEST ANY MATERIALS, EQUIPMENT, SUPPLIES, OR SERVICES DELIVERED TO DETERMINE IF THE

SPECIFICATIONS HAVE BEEN MET. THE MATERIALS LISTED IN THE BID OR PROPOSAL SHALL BE DELIVERED FOB THE POINT OR POINTS SPECIFIED PRIOR TO OR ON THE DATE SPECIFIED IN THE BID OR PROPOSAL. ANY MATERIAL THAT IS DEFECTIVE OR FAILS TO MEET THE TERMS OF THE SOLICITATION SPECIFICATIONS SHALL BE REJECTED. REJECTED MATERIALS SHALL BE PROMPTLY REPLACED. IF THE VENDOR REFUSES TO REPLACE REJECTED MATERIALS, THE STATE RESERVES THE RIGHT TO PURCHASE REPLACEMENT MATERIALS IN THE OPEN MARKET AND THE VENDOR SHALL BE LIABLE FOR ANY EXCESS PRICE PAID FOR THE REPLACEMENT, PLUS APPLICABLE EXPENSES, IF ANY.

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PURCHASES BY OTHER ENTITIES - INDEFINITE QUANTITY CONTRACTS: THIS PROVISION APPLIES TO INDEFINITE QUANTITY CONTRACTS.

A. PURSUANT TO ARTICLE 41, SECTION 18-201 OF THE ANNOTATED CODE OF MARYLAND, EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN (B) THE FOLLOWING ENTITIES MAY PURCHASE MATERIALS, SUPPLIES, AND EQUIPMENT UNDER THIS CONTRACT:

(1) A COUNTY OR BALTIMORE CITY;
(2) A MUNICIPAL CORPORATION;
(3) A GOVERNMENTAL AGENCY IN THE STATE;
(4) A PUBLIC OR QUASI-PUBLIC AGENCY THAT:
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(I) RECEIVES STATE MONEY; AND
(II) IS EXEMPT FROM TAXATION UNDER SECTION 501(C)(3) OF THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE;
(5) A PRIVATE ELEMENTARY OR SECONDARY SCHOOL THAT:
(I) EITHER HAS BEEN ISSUED A CERTIFICATE OF APPROVAL FROM THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION OR IS ACCREDITED BY THE ASSOCIATION OF INDEPENDENT SCHOOLS; AND

(II) IS EXEMPT FROM TAXATION UNDER SECTION 501(C)(3) OF THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE ; OR

(6) A NON-PUBLIC INSTITUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION UNDER SECTION 17-106 OF THE EDUCATION ARTICLE.
(B) A PRIVATE ELEMENTARY OR SECONDARY SCHOOL OR A NONPUBLIC INSTITUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION MAY NOT PURCHASE RELIGIOUS MATERIALS UNDER THIS CONTRACT.
(C) THE RIGHT TO PURCHASE UNDER THIS SECTION SHALL BE IN ADDITION TO, BUT NOT IN SUBSTITUTION FOR, THE APPLICABLE POWER GRANTED TO ANY OF THE LISTED ENTITIES PURSUANT TO ANY STATUTORY OR CHARTER PROVISION.
(D) ALL PURCHASES UNDER THIS CONTRACT BY ANY SUCH ENTITY WHICH IS NOT A UNIT OR AGENCY OF THE STATE OF MARYLAND FOR WHICH THE STATE OF MARYLAND MAY BE HELD LIABLE IN CONTRACT (1) SHALL CONSTITUTE A PURCHASE OR CONTRACT BETWEEN THE CONTRACTOR AND THAT ENTITY ONLY; (2) SHALL NOT CONSTITUTE A PURCHASE OR CONTRACT OF THE STATE OF MARYLAND; (3) SHALL NOT BE BINDING OR ENFORCEABLE AGAINST THE STATE OF MARYLAND OR ANY OF ITS UNITS OR AGENCIES; AND MAY BE SUBJECT TO OTHER TERMS AND CONDITIONS AGREED TO BY THE CONTRACTOR AND THE PURCHASER.

(E) CONTRACTOR BEARS THE RISK OF DETERMINING WHETHER OR NOT ANY ENTITY FROM WHICH THE CONTRACTOR RECEIVES AN ORDER UNDER THE

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THE CONTRACT IS A UNIT OR AGENCY OF THE STATE OF MARYLAND SUCH THAT THE CONTRACT MAY BEEN FORCED AGAINST THE STATE OF MARYLAND.

ELECTRONIC TRANSACTION FEE:

A. CONTRACTOR SHALL PAY AN ELECTRONIC TRANSACTION FEE TO THE STATE IN THE AMOUNT OF ONE PERCENT (1%) OF THE TOTAL CONTRACT SALES. THE ELECTRONIC TRANSACTION FEE IS CALCULATED BASED ON ALL SALES TRANSACTED UNDER THE CONTRACT, MINUS ANY RETURNS OR CREDITS. THE ELECTRONIC TRANSACTION FEE SHALL NOT BE CHARGED DIRECTLY TO THE CUSTOMER, E.G., AS A SEPARATE LINE ITEM, FEE OR SURCHARGE, BUT SHALL BE INCLUDED IN THE CONTRACT'S UNIT PRICES.

B. THE ELECTRONIC TRANSACTION FEE SHALL BE SUBMITTED TO THE DEPARTMENT OF GENERAL SERVICES, FISCAL SERVICES DIVISION, 301 W. PRESTON STREET, ROOM 1309, BALTIMORE, MD, 21201, WITHIN TEN (10) CALENDAR DAYS FOLLOWING THE END OF EACH CALENDAR MONTH ALONG WITH A MONTHLY USAGE REPORT DOCUMENTING ALL CONTRACT SALES. AN EXCEL VERSION OF THE MONTHLY USAGE REPORT SHALL BE EMAILED TO THE PROGRAM MANAGER, LISA MCDONALD AT LISA.MCDONALD@MARYLAND.GOV, AND TO EBONY SALAKO AT AWAWU.SALAKO@MARYLAND.GOV.

C. FAILURE TO REMIT TRANSACTION FEES IN A TIMELY MANNER OR REMITTANCE OF FEES INCONSISTENT WITH THE CONTRACT'S REQUIREMENTS MAY RESULT IN THE STATE EXERCISING ALL RECOURSE AVAILABLE UNDER THE CONTRACT INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, A THIRD PARTY AUDIT OF ALL CONTRACT ACTIVITY. SHOULD AN AUDIT BE REQUIRED BY THE STATE, THE CONTRACTOR SHALL REIMBURSE THE STATE FOR ALL COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH THE AUDIT UP TO $10,000.00 OR ONE (1%) PERCENT OF THE CONTRACT'S ESTIMATED ANNUAL VALUE, WHICHEVER IS HIGHER.

D. PRIOR TO AWARD, CONTRACTORS WILL BE ASKED TO CONFIRM IN WRITING THAT THEIR UNIT PRICES INCLUDE THE ONE PERCENT (1%) ELECTRONIC TRANSACTION FEE.

EMM CATALOG:

THE CONTRACT AWARDEE IS REQUIRED TO REGISTER AS A VENDOR IN THE EMARYLAND MARKETPLACE ECATALOG DIRECTORY (ONLINE SHOPPING ENVIRONMENT). IT OFFERS A VIRTUAL SHOP FRONT FOR YOUR GOODS AND SERVICES TO BE PURCHASED WITH EASE ACROSS THE STATE THROUGH THE SYSTEM. PLEASE CONTACT CATHY MARZOLA AT (410) 767-1492 REGARDING INFORMATION AND INSTRUCTIONS ON JOINING THE EMM ECATALOG. YOU MUST COORDINATE THE UPLOAD OF YOUR PRODUCT CATALOG TO ENSURE MAXIMUM USE OF YOUR PRODUCTS AND SERVICES PER CONTRACT TERMS.

PAYMENTS TO THE CONTRACTOR PURSUANT TO THIS CONTRACT SHALL BE MADE NO

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LATER THAN 30 DAYS AFTER THE STATE'S RECEIPT OF A PROPER INVOICE FROM THE CONTRACTOR. CHARGES FOR LATE PAYMENT OF INVOICES, OTHER THAN AS PRESCRIBED BY TITLE 15, SUBTITLE 1, OF THE STATE FINANCE AND PROCUREMENT ARTICLE, ANNOTATED CODE OF MARYLAND, OR BY THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF MARYLAND WITH RESPECT TO REGULATED PUBLIC UTILITIES, AS APPLICABLE, ARE PROHIBITED.
ELECTRONIC FUNDS TRANSFER: THIS PROVISION ON ELECTRONIC FUNDS TRANSFER APPLIES TO CONTRACTS OF OVER $200,000 FOR WHICH PAYMENTS ARE MADE THROUGH THE STATE COMPTROLLER
ELECTRONIC FUNDS TRANSFER WILL BE USED BY THE STATE TO PAY CONTRACTOR FOR THIS CONTRACT AND ANY OTHER STATE PAYMENTS DUE CONTRACTOR UNLESS THE STATE COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE GRANTS CONTRACTOR AN EXEMPTION.

INVOICES:
FOLLOWING DELIVERY AND ACCEPTANCE OF ANY MATERIALS, EQUIPMENT, SUPPLIES OR SERVICES (COMPANY NAME) SHALL SUBMIT AN ORGINAL INVOICE TO THE AGENCY FOR PAYMENT.
VENDOR MUST INCLUDE THE 9-DIGIT ZIP CODE OF COMPANY ADDRESS ON ALL INVOICES. FAILURE TO DO SO MAY RESULT IN DELAY OF PAYMENT.

BPO/PO AS CONTRACT:

THIS PROVISION APPLIES TO ALL PROCUREMENT CONTRACTS PROCURED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF GENERAL SERVICES EXCEPT CONTRACTS FOR THE PROCUREMENT OF ARCHITECTURAL AND ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR A PRICE OF GREATER THAN $200,000.
THE BIDDER'S EXECUTION AND SUBMISSION OF A RESPONSIVE BID CONSTITUTES A PROMISE BY THE BIDDER TO PERFORM THE CONTRACT SOLICITED BY THE DEPARTMENT IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS STATED IN THE SOLICITATION. THE BID SHALL BE IRREVOCABLE FOR THE PERIOD STATED IN THE SOLICITATION OR FOR SUCH LONGER PERIOD AS THE BIDDER AND THE DEPARTMENT MAY AGREE.

UPON ACCEPTANCE OF A BID, THE PROCUREMENT OFFICER MAY ISSUE A BLANKET PURCHASE ORDER (BPO), IN A FORM TO BE DETERMINED BY THE DEPARTMENT, TO THE BIDDER ACCEPTING THE BID AND BINDING THE BIDDER TO A CONTRACT. THE EXECUTION AND ISSUANCE OF A BPO BY THE PROCUREMENT OFFICER, SUBJECT TO ALL NECESSARY APPROVALS, SHALL CONSTITUTE ACCEPTANCE OF THE BID AND FINAL AWARD OF THE CONTRACT. THE CONTRACT OF THE PARTIES WILL BE EMBODIED IN THE CONTRACT DOCUMENTS, WHICH SHALL CONSIST OF THE EXECUTED BPO OF THE PROCUREMENT OFFICER, INCLUDING ALL DOCUMENTS, TERMS,

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AND CONDITIONS INCORPORATED INTO THOSE DOCUMENTS BY THE TERMS OF THE SOLICITATION, THE BPO, THE BID, OR BY OPERATION OF LAW, AND THE EXECUTED BID OF THE BIDDER. IF THE PROCUREMENT OFFICER ISSUES A BPO, AT THE OPTION OF THE PROCUREMENT OFFICER IT WILL NOT BE NECESSARY FOR THE BIDDER TO EXECUTE THE BPO OR ANY OTHER FORM OF CONTRACT OR AGREEMENT. THE PROCUREMENT OFFICER MAY REQUIRE THAT THE PARTIES BOTH EXECUTE A SINGLE DOCUMENT AS THE EMBODIMENT OF THE CONTRACT BETWEEN THE PARTIES.

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EQUIPMENT, GROUNDS MAINTENANCE

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CONTRACTOR BEARS THE RISK OF DETERMINING WHETHER OR NOT ANY ENTITY FROM WHICH THE CONTRACTOR RECEIVES AN ORDER UNDER THE CONTRACT IS A UNIT OR AGENCY OF THE STATE OF MARYLAND SUCH THAT THE CONTRACT MAY BE ENFORCED AGAINST THE STATE OF MARYLAND.

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