



## **BED Fiber Splicing for Champlain Parkway Project**

**RFP #023-26**

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### **I. Request for Proposal**

The City of Burlington Electric Department invites proposals for an outside contractor to perform splicing of an existing overhead 96-count BED owned fiber optic cable to a new underground 96-count fiber optic cable at two pole locations.

### **II. Project Location**

In city right of way near  
1149 Pine Street  
Burlington, VT 05401

### **III. Detailed Requirements**

#### **A. Summary**

As a part of the Champlain Parkway project, all utilities crossing the new Parkway Road must be underground. BED owns a piece of fiber optic cable that crosses the Champlain Parkway from Queen City Park Road to Pine St that must be spliced into the new duct bank that crosses the road.

#### **B. Scope of Work**

A new conduit system between two riser poles on the north side and south side of the Champlain Parkway roadway along Pine St has been installed by the project contractors. BED line crews will pull in a new section of fiber optic cable in the new duct bank at each riser pole and will provide sufficient slack at each end to lower the new and existing cable down to ground level for the contractor to perform splicing. BED line crews will also raise the spliced fiber cables back into the primary space once all work is completed by the contractor.

The new and existing fiber optic cable is a single mode 96-count fiber optic cable. The cable is an active line, and the contractor shall perform their splicing with minimal communication disruptions.

BED will provide splice cans for the contractor to utilize for splicing work. BED's standard fiber splice can is the CommScope FOSC450B66NT0B3V.

Work is expected to occur within BED's normal business hours of Monday-Friday 7:00 AM-3:00PM. Any work that is expected to occur outside of normal business hours shall be disclosed in the RFP response.

Contractor shall be aware that the site where the splicing will occur is on an active construction site and shall follow all safety requirements of BED and the Champlain Parkway project.

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### **C. Site Walkthrough**

A site walkthrough will occur at the end of Pine Street near 1149 Pine Street in the city right of way. All contractors participating in the RFP process must attend the site walkthrough.

### **D. Safety**

Prior to the start of contracted work, the assigned BED employee(s) will review, with the Contractor, the written safety information located on the BED Purchase Order. The information is:

THE CONTRACTOR SHALL COMPLETE A DAILY WRITTEN PRE-JOB SAFETY BRIEFING PRIOR TO COMMENCING ANY WORK FOR BED. THAT WRITTEN BRIEFING SHALL BE MADE AVAILABLE UPON REQUEST. THE CONTRACTOR SHALL COMPLY WITH ALL APPLICABLE STANDARDS (SPECIFICALLY INCLUDING OSHA, VOSHA AND ANY OTHER STATE AND LOCAL OSHA PROGRAM), LAWS, ORDINANCES, RULES, REGULATIONS AND ORDERS OF ANY PUBLIC BODY HAVING JURISDICTION FOR THE SAFETY OF PERSON OR PROPERTY TO PROTECT THEM FROM DAMAGE, INJURY, OR LOSS. CONTRACTORS SHALL ERECT AND MAINTAIN ALL NECESSARY SAFEGUARDS FOR SUCH SAFETY AND PROTECTION.

BED will transfer information (site specific) such as status of power lines and clearance orders, grounding requirements, environmental requirements, potential hazards, and BED expectations. All this shall be documented through a BED safety tailboard prior to work beginning. BED will also update Contractor immediately, via a new BED safety tailboard, if any such information changes. In addition to receiving this briefing, the Contractor is still required to complete their own task specific written job briefing. This is to be done daily and will be verified by the assigned BED employee(s) upon BED's daily communication with the Contractor.

### **E. Proposal Format**

#### **Part I -- Summary**

This section should contain a summary of the company and contact information including name, mailing address, email address, and phone number.

#### **Part II -- Technical Proposal**

This section should describe the proposer's approach and plans for accomplishing the Scope of work. This section should contain but is not limited to the following:

- Materials – description of all materials contractor is expected to need to perform their work.

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- Any documentation the contractor needs from BED regarding our fiber network and active pairs.
- An expected duration for the work and outage times for critical fiber pairs.

### **Part III -- Cost Proposal**

This section should provide the fixed cost to complete the project as outlined in the RFP.

### **Part IV -- Professional Experience & References – Unit Information**

This section should contain all pertinent information relating to the proposer's organization, including licensure and experience demonstrating that the proposer is well-qualified to complete the project. This information must also include any sub-contractors that would be involved in the project.

### **Part V -- Additional Information**

This section should contain any additional information that the proposer feels is pertinent information that has not been mentioned anywhere else in the RFP.

## **IV. Proposed Schedule**

| <b>Milestone</b>                     | <b>Date</b>       |
|--------------------------------------|-------------------|
| Release of Formal RFP                | 8/25/2025         |
| Site Walkthrough                     | 9/2/2025 10:30 AM |
| Last Date to Submit Written Proposal | 9/9/2025 5 PM     |
| Evaluation of Proposals              | 9/9/2025-9/12/25  |
| Selection of contractor              | 9/12/2025         |
| Date project may begin               | 9/15/2025         |
| Date project must be completed       | 10/15/2025        |

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### **V. Evaluation of Proposals**

Proposal evaluation criteria will include but are not limited to:

- Quality of the proposal
- The cost of the proposal along with any additional cost BED would incur.
- Risks associated with the proposal
- Qualifications and experience of company/personnel
- The ability to meet the requirements of the RFP
- Prior performance of the proposer on projects of similar scope and size
- Compliance with the terms, conditions, and other provisions of the RFP
- Proof of insurance.
- Livable Wage Certificate
- Outsourcing Ordinance
- Union Deterrence

#### **A. Amendment or Cancellation of RFP**

The Department reserves the right to amend or cancel this RFP at any time if the best interest of the Department requires such action. The Department also reserves the right to award all or partial parts of the RFP to any or several suppliers or whatever is in the best interest of the Department.

#### **B. Proposal Modifications**

No additions or changes to any vendor's proposal will be allowed after the proposal's due date unless such modification is specifically requested by the Department.

#### **C. RFP Events and Timing**

See section IV. Proposed Schedule

The timing and sequence of events for this project will be determined by the Department. The schedule is planned as above; vendor contacts will be notified of any amendment to this schedule during the RFP Process.

#### **D. Proposal Expenses**

The Department assumes no liability for payment of any expenses incurred by any vendor in responding to this RFP.

#### **E. Acceptance or Rejection of Proposals**

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The Department reserves the right to accept or reject any or all proposals submitted for consideration in whole or in part; and to waive technical defects, irregularities, or omissions, if in its sole judgement the best interests of the Department will be served. The Department further reserves the right to accept a proposal for a contract other than that with the lowest cost, and to negotiate separately with any source whatsoever in any manner necessary to serve the best interests of the Department. The Department also reserves the right to award all or partial parts of the RFP to any or several suppliers that are in the best interest of the Department.

### **F. Ownership of Proposals**

All proposals submitted in response to this RFP shall become the sole property of the Department.

### **G. Oral Agreements and Arrangements**

Any oral agreement or arrangement made by a vendor with the Department or any Department employee will be disregarded in any Department proposal evaluation or associated award.

### **H. Provider Presentation of Supporting Evidence/Surety**

Vendors must be prepared to provide any evidence of experience, performance ability, and/or financial surety that the Department deems necessary to fully establish the performance capabilities represented in their proposals.

### **I. Vendor Demonstration of Proposed Services**

Not applicable.

### **J. Vendor Misrepresentation or Default**

The Department reserves the right to reject the proposal of any vendor and void any award resulting from this RFP to a vendor who materially misrepresents any product or defaults on any Department contract.

### **K. Erroneous Awards**

The Department reserves the right to correct inaccurate awards resulting from its clerical errors.

### **L. Public Records**

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Due regard will be given for the protection of proprietary information contained in all proposals received; however, vendors should be aware that all materials associated with the procurement are subject to the terms of the Vermont Access to Public Records Act (1 V.S.A. Chapter 5, Subchapter 3) and all rules, regulations and interpretations resulting from, and any other applicable rules, regulations or judicial decisions regarding access to the records of government.

It will not be sufficient for vendors to state generally that the proposal is proprietary in nature and not therefore subject to release to third parties. Those particular pages or sections which a vendor believes to be proprietary and of a trade secret nature must be specifically identified as such and must be separated from other sections or pages of their proposal. Convincing explanation and rationale sufficient to justify each exemption from release consistent with Section 316 of Title 1 of the Vermont Statutes Annotated must accompany the proposal. The rationale and explanation must be stated in terms of the prospective harm to the competitive position of the vendor that would result if the material were to be released and the reasons why the materials are legally exempt from release pursuant to the above cited statute. Between a vendor and the Department, the final administrative authority to release or exempt any or all material so identified, rests with the Department. **All materials for which a respondent would like to claim confidential treatment should be uploaded, along with the rational for confidentiality, to the web site <https://www.burlingtonelectric.com/rfp> in a separate file and with "CONFIDENTIAL" as part of the file name.**

### **M. Offer of Gratuities**

The vendor warrants, represents and certifies that no elected or appointed official or employee of the Department has or will benefit financially or materially from this procurement. Any Contract and/or award arising from this RFP may be terminated by the Department if it is determined that gratuities of any kind were either offered to, or received by any of the aforementioned officials or employees from the vendor, the vendor's agent of the vendor's employees.

### **N. Inspection of Work Performed**

BED will inspect work as it is performed and upon completion of the project. BED reserves the sole right to judge if work is completed satisfies the requirements as specified in this RFP and project contract.

### **O. Collusion**

By responding, the vendors implicitly state that the proposal is not made in conjunction with any competing vendor submitting a separate response to this RFP and that it is in all respects fair and without collusion or fraud.

### **P. Employee Contact**

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Any contact with any employee that is not authorized by the Purchasing Department could be considered a violation of the RFP process and could make your submission null and void.

### **Q. Questions**

All technical questions should be directed to Burlington Electric Department Purchasing Department ([purchasing@burlingtonelectric.com](mailto:purchasing@burlingtonelectric.com)) and must include the RFP Number in the Subject Line.

## **VI. Contract Provisions**

The obligations of the Department may only be established by a final contract, executed by both parties, that has received all required local and state approvals. Any contract to be entered into between the Department and the successful proposer shall contain negotiated provisions based on the specific requirements set forth in this RFP and the successful proposer's treatment thereof as contained in this proposal, as well as general Department contract provisions.

### **1. Termination**

The contract to be entered into between Burlington Electric Department and the successful proposer shall contain the following provisions dealing with termination. If the Contractor fails to fulfill any of the terms of the agreement on time, the Department shall have the right to terminate the said agreement immediately and award a new contract to another Proposer and the Contractor shall be responsible for damages and for additional costs incurred in reletting the contract.

### **2. Disclaimer**

The Burlington Electric Department is not liable for any costs incurred by proposers in the preparation of proposals or for any work performed prior to the approval of an executed contract.

### **3. Delivery of Proposals**

There will be no formal RFP opening. All RFPs are to be uploaded to our secure web site <https://www.burlingtonelectric.com/rfp> using your unique login (registration is required). When registering, please select "Consultant" for the category. We will not accept any mailed or emailed responses. In order to be accepted they must be uploaded to the website by the specified date and time. Sending the response to anyone other than this method will make your submission void and will not be accepted.

### **4. RFP Opening**

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There will be no formal RFP opening. Information in the RFPs will not be released until the contract is awarded. If you would like to receive the RFP overview results after the award you may do so only in writing (email) to our Purchasing Department. If you would like to review the RFPs that were submitted, you must submit a letter to our Purchasing Department requesting a meeting to review the files in person.

### **5. Notification of Selection**

Award of this bid will be by "Letter of Award" issued by communication from the Department along with a draft contract for the provision of services.

### **6. Contract Negotiation**

Upon award, the Department and the successful proposer will negotiate a contract. The final terms of the contract shall be subject to negotiation between the parties. The selected proposal in whole or in part as well as content from this RFP may be incorporated into and made a part of the final contract. BED reserves the right to terminate such negotiations at any time, and select another proposal, issue a new RFP, or take other action consistent with the best interest of the Department at its sole discretion.

By issuing this RFP the Department is not obligated to award a contract.

### **7. Right to Submit a Proposal on BED Contracts**

Any supplier that is in good standings with all city departments within the City of Burlington may submit a proposal for provision of energy supply as described above. If a potential supplier is found to owe funds or has been removed from any RFP lists within any city department, their RFP will not be considered. Supplier must comply with all provisions as outlined in this RFP in order to be considered.

The contractor shall comply with all applicable federal, state, and local laws, including but not limited to the Burlington Livable Wage Ordinance, the Non-Outsourcing Ordinance, and the Union-Deterrence Ordinance and shall provide the required certifications attesting to compliance with these ordinances (see attached ordinances and certifications).

### **8. BED Rights:**

BED reserves the right to accept or reject any or all proposals received in response to this RFP or to take other action consistent with the best interest of BED. BED reserves the right to negotiate separately with any source to serve the best interest of BED. ALL SUBMITTED BIDS BECOME THE PROPERTY OF BURLINGTON ELECTRIC DEPARTMENT. AFTER THE AWARDING OF THE CONTRACT TO THE SUCCESSFUL BIDDER, ALL BIDS ARE OPEN FOR PUBLIC VIEWING subject to any confidentiality requirements applicable under Vermont's Access to Public Records Law exclusions.

**Certification of Agreement to Comply with the City of Burlington's Livable Wage Ordinance**

I, \_\_\_\_\_, on behalf of \_\_\_\_\_ ("the Contractor"), in connection with a contract for \_\_\_\_\_

services to be provided to the City of Burlington ("the City"), hereby certify, under oath, that the Contractor (and any of its subcontractors or subgrantees under this contract) shall comply with the City's Livable Wage Ordinance ("LWO"), B.C.O. 21-80 et seq., and that:

- (1) The Contractor shall pay all "covered employees" as defined by the LWO (including covered employees of subcontractors or subgrantees) a livable wage (as determined, or adjusted, annually by the City's chief administrative officer), and shall provide required paid time off for the term of the contract (*or the duration of the contracted project*);
  - (a) Employees are entitled to 12 days of paid time off per year, which may be prorated subject to B.C.O. Sec. 21-82(c); and
  - (b) For a covered employer that provides employer assisted health care, the livable wage shall be at least \$19.90 per hour; and
  - (d) For a covered employer that does not provide employer assisted health care, the livable wage shall be at least \$22.11 per hour.
- (2) The Contractor shall post a notice regarding the applicability of the LWO in the workplace or in other locations where covered employees normally work, and where such notice can be readily seen;
- (3) Upon request of the City's chief administrative officer, the Contractor, for itself and, as applicable, for any of its subcontractors or subgrantees, shall provide payroll records, health insurance enrollment records, and other relevant documentation, as deemed necessary by the chief administrative officer, within ten (10) business days from receipt of the City's request;
- (4) The Contractor shall cooperate in any investigation conducted pursuant to the LWO by the City's designated accountability monitors or the City's Office of City Attorney & Corporate Counsel;
- (5) The Contractor shall not retaliate, nor allow any of its subcontractors or subgrantees to retaliate, against an employee or other person because such employee or person has exercised rights or is planning to exercise rights protected under the LWO, or has cooperated in an investigation conducted pursuant to the LWO;
- (6) The Contractor is required to insert in all subcontracts the requirements of the LWO. The Contractor is liable for violations of the LWO committed by its covered subcontractors.

***By signing below, I certify under the pains and penalties of perjury that I have personal knowledge of the foregoing or have made a reasonable inquiry therein, and that to the best of my knowledge and belief, the foregoing is true and correct. (See 13 V.S.A. 2904(b).)***

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Contractor, or its duly authorized agent

***IMPORTANT NOTE: Effective January 1, 2025, for covered employees not under a labor agreement and not working under an agreement subject to Davis-Bacon Act compliance for highway or heavy construction, if the contract or grant amount, inclusive of amendments, is \$50,000 or greater, the vendor is required to certify payroll with each invoice. An acceptable form of certification is attached. Backup documentation may be requested in connection with random compliance audits. Certification of subcontractor or subconsultant payroll is required only upon request.***

City of Burlington, Vermont  
Certified Payroll Record  
Living Wage Ordinance, B.C.O. § 21-84(a)

B.C.O. Ch. 21, Art. VI



**BURLINGTON**  
V E R M O N T

**Instructions to Covered Employers:** Use this form to report wages and benefits for covered employees, as defined in B.C.O. § 21-81(d). If three or fewer covered employees performed services pursuant to your agreement with the City of Burlington during the Reporting Period, then report information for each covered employee. If more than three covered employees performed services pursuant to your agreement with the City of Burlington during the Reporting Period, then report information for the three lowest paid covered employees only.

**Reporting Period:** from \_\_\_\_\_ (date) to \_\_\_\_\_ (date).

**(Note:** The Reporting Period should match the period covered by the invoice accompanying this Record.)

Employee No. 1

Initials, Last Four Digits of SSN, or other Unique Identifier: \_\_\_\_\_

Total Wages, Salary, and Tips Paid by Covered Employer During Reporting Period: \_\_\_\_\_

Total Number of Hours Worked for Covered Employer During Reporting Period: \_\_\_\_\_

Was the Covered Employee Provided Employer-provided Health Insurance as Specified in B.C.O. § 21-81(g)? Yes: \_\_\_\_\_ No: \_\_\_\_\_

Did the Covered Employer Offer Paid Time Off Pursuant to B.C.O. § 21-82(c)? Yes: \_\_\_\_\_ No: \_\_\_\_\_

Employee No. 2

Initials, Last Four Digits of SSN, or other Unique Identifier: \_\_\_\_\_

Total Wages, Salary, and Tips Paid by Covered Employer During Reporting Period: \_\_\_\_\_

Total Number of Hours Worked for Covered Employer During Reporting Period: \_\_\_\_\_

Was the Covered Employee Provided Employer-provided Health Insurance as Specified in B.C.O. § 21-81(g)? Yes: \_\_\_\_\_ No: \_\_\_\_\_

Did the Covered Employer Offer Paid Time Off Pursuant to B.C.O. § 21-82(c)? Yes: \_\_\_\_\_ No: \_\_\_\_\_

Employee No. 3

Initials, Last Four Digits of SSN, or other Unique Identifier: \_\_\_\_\_

Total Wages, Salary, and Tips Paid by Covered Employer During Reporting Period: \_\_\_\_\_

Total Number of Hours Worked for Covered Employer During Reporting Period: \_\_\_\_\_

Was the Covered Employee Provided Employer-provided Health Insurance as Specified in B.C.O. § 21-81(g)? Yes: \_\_\_\_\_ No: \_\_\_\_\_

Did the Covered Employer Offer Paid Time Off Pursuant to B.C.O. § 21-82(c)? Yes: \_\_\_\_\_ No: \_\_\_\_\_

**I certify under the pains and penalties of perjury that I have personal knowledge of matters asserted herein or that I am readily familiar with, and have reviewed, the books and records of the covered employer, and that to the best of my knowledge and belief the foregoing is true and correct. I understand that the covered employer may be asked to provide reasonable backup documentation, which shall be provided upon request.**

Authorized Representative: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

# Rights & Responsibilities

## Under Burlington's Livable Wage Ordinance

# \$19.90/hr

### WHEN

employer *provides* employer assisted health insurance

# \$22.11/hr

### WHEN

employer *does not provide* employer assisted health insurance

## and 12 days of paid time off per year\*

\*Subject to proration per B.C.O. Sec. 21-82(c)

***The law requires employers to display this poster where employees can readily see it.***

### COVERAGE

Any employer who receives City contracts or grants totaling in excess of \$15,000 for any 12-month period is covered. Covered employees are entitled to livable wages, 12 days paid time off per year\* for vacation, sick leave, or personal leave, and all rights under the Fair Labor Standards Act (FLSA), as well as other applicable state and federal laws.

Covered contractors are required to include in all subcontracts notice of the Livable Wage Ordinance (LWO), and are liable for LWO violations committed by their covered subcontractors.

### ENFORCEMENT

The City is responsible for the administration of the LWO, and has the authority to recover back wages in instances of violations. Employers found in violation of the LWO may be assessed monetary penalties and be barred from future City contracts and grants. The law prohibits retaliation against workers who file a complaint or participate in any proceeding under the LWO.

### ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

To obtain additional information about your rights and responsibilities under the LWO, visit the **LWO Webpage** (<https://www.burlingtonvt.gov/212/Livable-Wage-Ordinance>) or call 802-865-7000, option 1 (Office of the Clerk/Treasurer).

**Livable Wage July 1, 2025 - June 30, 2026**

Effective July 1, 2025

## **ATTACHMENT E**

Burlington Outsourcing Ordinance

Certification of Compliance with the City of Burlington's Outsourcing Ordinance

I, \_\_\_\_\_, on behalf of \_\_\_\_\_ (Contractor) and in connection with \_\_\_\_\_ (City contract/project/grant), hereby certify under oath that (1) Contractor shall comply with the City of Burlington's Outsourcing Ordinance (Ordinance §§ 21-90 – 21-93); (2) as a condition of entering into this contract or grant, Contractor confirms that the services provided under the above-referenced contract will be performed in the United States or Canada.

Dated at \_\_\_\_\_, Vermont this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_ .

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Duly Authorized Agent

Subscribed and sworn to before me: \_\_\_\_\_  
Notary

— A copy of the ordinance follows this Certification —

## **ATTACHMENT E – CONTINUED**

**NOTE: This ordinance only applies for contracts over \$50,000.**

### **BURLINGTON'S OUTSOURCING ORDINANCE**

#### **ARTICLE VII. OUTSOURCING**

##### **21-90 Policy.**

It is the policy of the City of Burlington to let service contracts to contractors, subcontractors and vendors who perform work in the United States.

(Ord. of 11-21-05/12-21-05)

##### **21-91 Definitions.**

- (a) *Contractor or vendor.* A person or entity that has a contract with the City of Burlington primarily for the furnishing of services (as opposed to the purchasing of goods), including any subcontractors of such contractor or vendor.
- (b) *Government funded project.* Any contract for services which involves any city funds and the total amount of the contract is fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000.00) or more. Burlington School Department contracts shall not be considered government funded projects under this article.
- (c) *Outsourcing.* The assigning or reassigning, directly, or indirectly through subcontracting, of services under a government funded project to workers performing the work outside of the United States.

(Ord. of 11-21-05/12-21-05)

##### **21-92 Implementation.**

- (a) No contract for a government funded project shall be let to any contractor, subcontractor, or vendor who is outsourcing, or causing the work to be performed outside of the United States or Canada.
- (b) Prior to the commencement of work on a government funded project a contractor, subcontractor or vendor shall provide written certification that the services provided under the contract will be performed in the United States or Canada.

(Ord. of 11-21-05/12-21-05)

##### **21-93 Exemption.**

An exemption from requirements of this article may be authorized by the chief administrative officer based upon a determination that the services to be performed for the government funded project are not available in the United States or Canada at a reasonable cost. Any such exemption decision by the chief administrative officer shall be reported to the board of finance in writing within five (5) days. The board of finance may, if it should vote to do so, override the exemption decision if such vote occurs within fourteen (14) days of the date of the chief administrative officer's communication to such board.

(Ord. of 11-21-05/12-21-05)

**21-94 Enforcement.**

(a) Any contractor, subcontractor or vendor who files false or materially misleading information in connection with an application, certification or request for information pursuant to the provisions of this article or outsources work on a government funded project shall be deemed to be in violation of this article.

(b) A violation of this article shall be a civil offense subject to a civil penalty of from one hundred dollars (\$100.00) to five hundred (\$500.00). All law enforcement officers and any other duly authorized municipal officials are authorized to issue a municipal complaint for a violation of this article. Each day any violation of any provision of this article shall continue shall constitute a separate violation.

(c) The City of Burlington shall have the right to modify, terminate and or seek specific performance of any contract for a government funded project if the contractor, subcontractor or vendor has not complied with this article.

(Ord. of 11-21-05/12-21-05)

**21-95—21-99 Reserved.**

## **ATTACHMENT F**

Burlington Union Deterrence Ordinance

Certification of Compliance with the City of Burlington's  
Union Deterrence Ordinance

I, \_\_\_\_\_, on behalf of \_\_\_\_\_ (Contractor)  
and in connection with \_\_\_\_\_ (City contract/project/grant), hereby  
certify under oath that \_\_\_\_\_ (Contractor) has not advised the conduct of  
any illegal activity, it does not currently, nor will it over the life of the contract provide union deterrence  
services in violation of the City's union deterrence ordinance.  
Dated at \_\_\_\_\_, Vermont this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2018.

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Duly Authorized Agent

Subscribed and sworn to before me: \_\_\_\_\_  
Notary

— A copy of the ordinance follows this Certification —

## **ATTACHMENT F – CONTINUED**

### **BURLINGTON'S UNION DETERRENCE ORDINANCE**

#### **ARTICLE VIII. UNION DETERRENCE**

##### **21-100 Policy.**

It is the policy of the City of Burlington to limit letting contracts to organizations that provide union deterrence services to other companies.  
(Ord. of 3-27-06/4-26-06)

##### **21-101 Definitions.**

- (a) *Contractor or vendor.* A person or entity that has a contract with the City of Burlington primarily for the furnishing of services (as opposed to the purchasing of goods), including any subcontractors of such contractor or vendor.
- (b) *Government funded project.* Any contract for services which involves any City funds and the total amount of the contract is fifteen thousand dollars (\$15,000.00) or more. Burlington School Department contracts shall not be considered government funded projects under this article.
- (c) *Union deterrence services.* Services provided by a contractor, subcontractor or vendor that are not restricted to advice concerning what activities by an employer are prohibited and permitted by applicable laws and regulations, but extend beyond such legal advice to encouraging an employer to do any of the following:
  - 1) Hold captive audience, (i.e., mandatory) meetings with employees encouraging employees to vote against the union;
  - 2) Have supervisors force workers to meet individually with them to discuss the union;
  - 3) Imply to employees, whether through written or oral communication, that their employer may have to shut down or lay people off if the union wins the election;
  - 4) Discipline or fire workers for union activity;
  - 5) Train managers on how to dissuade employees from supporting the union.
- (d) *Substantial portion of income.* For the purposes of this article, substantial portion of income shall mean greater than ten (10) percent of annual gross revenues or one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000.00), whichever is less.

(Ord. of 3-27-06/4-26-06)

##### **21-102 Implementation.**

- (a) No contract for a government funded project shall be let to any contractor, subcontractor, or vendor who
  - 1) Advises or has advised an employer to conduct any illegal activity in its dealings with a union.

- 2) Advertises union deterrence services as specialty services;
  - 3) Earns a substantial portion of its income by providing union deterrence services to other companies in order to defeat union organizing efforts.
- (b) Prior to the commencement of work on a government funded project a contractor, subcontractor or vendor shall provide written certification that it has not advised the conduct of any illegal activity, it does not currently, nor will it over the life of the contract provide union deterrence services in violation of this article.

(Ord. of 3-27-06/4-26-06)

**21-103 Enforcement.**

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- (a) Any contractor, subcontractor or vendor who files false or materially misleading information in connection with an application, certification or request for information pursuant to the provisions of this article or provided union deterrence services during the life of a contract for a government funded project shall be deemed to be in violation of this article.
- (b) The City of Burlington shall have the right to modify, terminate and or seek specific performance of any contract for a government funded project if the contractor, subcontractor or vendor has not complied with this article.

(Ord. of 3-27-06/4-26-06)

**21-104—21-110 Reserved.**

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# **BURLINGTON ELECTRIC DEPARTMENT (B.E.D.)**

## **MINIMUM INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS: TYPE 3 Contractor's Order**

- 1.1** Contractor shall purchase and maintain insurance coverage for not less than the following limits:

|    | <u>COVERAGE</u>                                                                                                                                                         | <u>MINIMUM LIMIT</u>                                    |
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| a. | <b>Commercial General Liability:</b><br>Bodily Injury and Property Damage                                                                                               | \$1,000,000 each occurrence<br>\$2,000,000 in aggregate |
| c. | <b>Automobile Liability:</b><br>Bodily Injury and Property Damage                                                                                                       | \$1,000,000 combined single<br>limit                    |
| d. | <b>Workers' Compensation and Employers Liability:</b><br>WC: Statutory coverage<br><br>EL: \$100,000 each accident<br>\$100,000 each employee<br>\$500,000 policy limit |                                                         |
| e. | <b>Cyber Liability:</b><br>Each Claim/Event Aggregate limit                                                                                                             | \$2,000,000 each claim<br>\$2,000,000 each event        |

- 1.2** Contractor shall purchase and maintain such comprehensive general liability and other insurance as set forth above which will provide protection from claims arising from the result of Contractor's performance and furnishing of services outlined in the awarded Purchase Order and/or Contract, whether it is performed or furnished by Contractor or by anyone directly or indirectly employed by the Contractor to perform or furnish any of the work outlined in the Purchase Order and/or Contract. The Contractor shall hold B.E.D. harmless for any and all damages/claims (including but not limited to bodily/personal injury, property damage, loss of income, business interruption, or wrongful death), while performing or as a result of, work assigned/related to the awarded contract.
- 1.3** Contractor shall provide B.E.D. with a certificate of insurance for coverages set forth above which shall not be subject to cancellation without at least thirty (30) days advance written notice to B.E.D. Such evidence of insurance shall be received at B.E.D. before the commencement of work, or Purchase Order and/or Contract is awarded, whichever is sooner, and such insurance shall be maintained throughout the duration of awarded contract. Forward certificate of insurance to Burlington Electric Department, 585 Pine St., Burlington, VT 05401, Attention: Director of Purchasing & Facilities.
- 1.4** Any claim in excess of limits set forth above or which are not covered by the Contractor's comprehensive general liability, automobile liability, or worker's compensation insurance are the sole responsibility of the Contractor.
- 1.5** B.E.D. and/or any affiliated or subsidiary companies shall be recognized as additional insureds with respect to insurance. Coverage provided by the contractor shall be primary to any other valid and collectible insurance available with respect to B.E.D. as additional insured.

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**TERMS and CONDITIONS**

1. These Terms and Conditions, together with the purchase order and/or contract issued by the Burlington Electric Department's (B.E.D.) Purchasing Office, constitute the entire agreement between B.E.D. and the supplier/contractor. Any modification to said agreement shall be submitted in writing by the party seeking said modification, to the other party. Said modification shall be agreed upon in writing by both parties in order for it to be enforceable. Absent said written modification, this form and said purchase order shall exclusively control the terms of the agreement between the parties.
2. Except as herein provided, no purchases ordered by unauthorized individuals shall be enforceable against B.E.D. Only individuals expressly designated as those vested with the authority to purchase on behalf of B.E.D. shall be considered persons possessing binding purchasing authority. Agreements entered into with unauthorized individuals shall be void and B.E.D. shall not be liable for any such unauthorized agreements.
3. Sellers, suppliers and contractors shall not assign, delegate, transfer, convey, sublet, or otherwise dispose of their rights, titles, interests or obligations under this contract, or their power to execute such contract to any other person, firm or corporation, without the previous written consent of B.E.D.'s Purchasing Office.
4. The parties to this agreement hereby agree that this contract is subject to the laws of the State of Vermont. The parties to this agreement further agree that Vermont's version of the Uniform Commercial Code, found in Title 9A of Vermont Statutes Annotated, shall apply.
5. B.E.D. may return any materials which are defective, unsatisfactory, or of inferior quality or workmanship, or fail to meet specifications or other requirements of this order.
6. B.E.D. reserves the right to cancel this order if goods are not shipped as directed. B.E.D. reserves the right to terminate its obligations under this order or any part hereof if any delivery/awarded service is not made in the time provided or, if no time is specified, within a reasonable time or if the material that is delivered/service provided is not as specified.
7. Seller shall ship in accordance with any instructions from B.E.D. and the requirements of common carriers to secure the lowest transportation costs. No shipments are to be made C.O.D., nor shall any such shipments be accepted. When goods or materials are shipped F.O.B. point of shipment, all freight charges are to be PREPAID by the Seller and added to the invoice total. An original copy of paid express or freight bill shall be attached to the invoice.
8. Seller shall furnish a packing slip with all shipments showing the purchase order number, seller name, catalog numbers, quantities (including back orders) and a full description of materials shipped.
9. Contractor shall furnish current Certificate of Insurance as outlined by B.E.D.'s Insurance Requirement Contractor's Order, a copy of which will be provided by B.E.D.'s Purchasing Office to the Seller. Such evidence of insurance shall be received at B.E.D. before the commencement of work, or Purchase Order and/or Contract is awarded, whichever is sooner, and such insurance shall be maintained throughout the duration of awarded contract. Seller shall be liable for any and/or all damages/claims (including but not limited to bodily/personal injury, property damage, loss of income, business interruption, or wrongful death), while performing or as a result of work assigned/related to the awarded contract.
10. The contractor shall be responsible for ensuring that all utilities are properly located, marked and identified through utilization of, and compliance with, the requirements of the "Dig Safe" program (30 V.S.A. §7001 et seq. and Vermont P.S.B. Rule 3.800). Contractor is responsible for working around existing utilities and agrees to indemnify and hold B.E.D. harmless for any damages to such utilities except for such damages whose sole proximate cause is due to negligence by B.E.D.
11. Seller shall follow all B.E.D. Safety Rules, a copy of which shall be provided, as well as follow good utility practices on details not covered in specification documents with preference given to B.E.D. Standard practices if suitable. Seller is responsible for following all applicable EPA/VOSHA/OSHA/NESC and NEC rules and regulations.
12. When the contract is awarded to provide services, the cost of service shall be a fixed fee or a time and material basis with a Not To Exceed amount. Expenses shall be billed at cost unless otherwise specified on the awarded contract. Seller shall furnish an invoice detailing Purchase Order number, scope of work, mileage and other expenses. If the contract is awarded on a time and material basis, the invoice shall also include dates worked, name of personnel, number of labor hours worked (traveled if chargeable), rate per hour and total labor, equipment rental hours and rates and materials. Seller shall be responsible to obtain all necessary permits and copies shall be furnished with each invoice. Seller shall also furnish documentation of all reimbursable expenses with each invoice.
13. Unless otherwise specified, payments shall be made on partial deliveries accepted by B.E.D. when the amount due on such deliveries so warrants. Progressive billing for services rendered shall be accepted unless fixed fee is quoted. Where there is a question of non-performance involved, payment in whole or part against which to charge back any adjustment required, shall be withheld. In the event cash discount is involved, the withholding of payment as provided herein shall not deprive B.E.D. from taking such discount.
14. In accordance with city regulations, invoices for completed purchase orders must be received by B.E.D.'s Accounts Payable by the 27th of each month to assure payment by approximately the 15th of the following month. Invoices received after that date shall be carried forward to the following month.
15. **All invoices shall be mailed to the ATTENTION of B.E.D.'s Accounts Payable.** Inquiries regarding the status of unpaid invoices shall likewise be directed to B.E.D.'s Accounts Payable.