

REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

**LIMITED SERVICES TERM CONTRACT FOR
PERFORMING SAFETY INSPECTIONS OF HIGHWAY
STRUCTURES AND BRIDGES**

Districtwide Contract

NORTHERN VIRGINIA DISTRICT

SB2009-06



GENERAL

The Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) is seeking expressions of interest from consulting engineering firms who wish to be considered to provide professional engineering services, on a districtwide basis, for bridge safety inspections and load ratings of highway structures and bridges under a one-year term contract. Such contract may be renewed for two additional one-year terms at the option of the Commissioner. This contract covers the Northern Virginia District. The total compensation for all assigned projects will not exceed \$2,000,000 per term.

The Department reserves the right to assign work in this District to the consultant(s) under contract for these same services in other Regions/Districts throughout the State. The Department also reserves the right to assign work for these same services in other Regions or Districts throughout the State to the consultant under contract in this District. These services will be provided utilizing the Department's policies and procedures and FHWA's guidelines. This Request for Proposal does not commit the Department to award a contract, to pay any costs incurred in the preparation of a proposal for this request, or to procure or contract for services. The Department reserves the right to accept or reject any or all proposals received as a result of this request, to negotiate with any qualified firm or to modify or cancel in part or in its entirety the Request for Proposal if it is in the best interest of the Department to do so.

SCOPE

The scope of work shall consist of providing safety inspections and load ratings for various types of bridge structures including trusses and other major structures. Inspections include, but are not limited to, fatigue prone details, pin and hanger assemblies and fracture critical members utilizing non-destructive-testing methods. Structure load ratings (when required) and all bridge inspections shall be performed in accordance with the requirements of 23 CFR 650 Subpart C, National Bridge Inspection Standards and the VDOT Structure and Bridge Division's Instructional and Information Memorandum IIM S&B 27.6 and any addendums issued. Structure load ratings shall be completed using VIRTIS™ when possible. When it is not possible to use VIRTIS™ due to software limitations, other programs can be used with prior approval by the Department. The consultant shall also perform element level bridge inspections in accordance with 23 CFR 500 (C), Management and Monitoring Systems, and the VDOT Element Data Collection Manual.

The anticipated workload will consist of annual safety inspections of approximately 500 highway structures and bridges. In addition structural load ratings and emergency inspections may be assigned on an as-needed basis. The consultant shall have sufficient staff to adequately meet the anticipated workload.

The qualifications of the Project Manager, Inspection Team Leaders for all inspections performed, and the individual(s) charged with the overall responsibility for load rating bridges must meet the requirements as stated in the National Bridge Inspection Standards 23 CFR 650 Subpart C.

The scope of work may also consist of providing occasional diving services for inspection, analysis, and repair recommendations on the submerged substructures of bridges at various locations throughout the District. The contractor shall provide personnel and equipment necessary to perform underwater inspection of the bridge substructures. The quality of inspection shall allow the contractor to assess the general physical condition of the submerged bridge substructures and/or areas subject to frequent wetting by wave or tidal action. Underwater assessment includes, but is not limited to, underwater inspection, engineering analysis of existing conditions, engineering calculation, recommendations and follow-up

action, and documentation of finding. In areas with salt water and/or brackish water, minimum of 10% of each substructure element shall be cleaned of marine growth to provide for an accurate assessment. The consulting firm shall document underwater areas with severe defects using color photographs and/or video. The photographs and/or video shall be included as part of the final inspection report.

The consultant shall furnish all access equipment, test equipment and traffic control required to perform all safety inspections assigned. The consultant will select access equipment that is most economical for the specific structure being inspected. When inspecting highway bridges over railways the consultant shall contact appropriate railroad company to schedule rail flagmen and coordinate with VDOT to procure all agreements necessary to complete the work.

The bridge inspection reports will provide the general condition ratings in accordance with 23 CFR 650 (C), National Bridge Inspection Standards, and provide condition state data for each bridge element in accordance with the provisions of the VDOT Element Data Collection Manual or any revisions to same which become effective during the life of this contract. The Department will furnish the consultant a copy of the latest structure inventory data sheet, necessary plans and the latest routine report for each structure to be inspected.

For all work noted herein, the consultant shall develop a Quality Assurance/Quality Control plan which meets or exceeds the Department's Structure and Bridge Division Instructional and Information Memorandum IIM-S&B-78 and any addendums issued. Prior to submission to VDOT, all documentation shall be reviewed for completeness and accuracy and revised when necessary.

The consultant may also be required to investigate bridge conditions during emergency situations. Firms must have sufficient staff capable of responding to the Department's needs with little advance notice and on very tight time schedules.

All procurement related questions or information should be directed to Jason Krempf at 804-786-5964 or email Jason.Krempf @VDOT.Virginia.gov.

EXPRESSION OF INTEREST (EOI)

1. The Expression of Interest shall be organized in the following order:
 - Transmittal letter
 - Table of Contents
 - Understanding of Scope of Work
 - Response to RFP Expression of Interest Items 2-15
 - Present Workload with Department form
 - Team Organization Chart
 - GSA Form 255 – one combined for the project team
 - GSA Form 254 – one for each firm
 - Full size copies of SCC and DPOR supporting registration/licensing documentation for each firm (including that of each pertinent branch office)
 - Full size copies of DPOR registration certificate for the Key Personnel
 - Firm Data Sheet
 - Certification Regarding Debarment form
 - DBE Commitment and Confirmation Letter (if applicable)

2. Furnish three copies of current GSA Forms 254 for each firm involved and three copies of one

combined GSA Form 255 for the project team. The GSA Form 255 must specify the number of personnel by discipline for each office where the work is to be performed. In Section 4 of GSA Form 255, list only the full time employees assigned to the office(s) at the time of this submission. Section 8 of GSA Form 255 is limited to one page with not more than 10 projects total (prime and subconsultants combined) on the one page and should primarily list experience of offices where the work will be performed and of the people shown in the organizational chart. If the experience shown is for a branch office other than where the work will be performed, it should be clearly indicated as such. More detailed descriptions for Section 8b may be expanded into Section 10. In Section 9 of GSA Form 255, references to “Federal agencies” are to be replaced by “Virginia Department of Transportation or transportation agencies of other states.”

3. If more than one firm will participate in the contract, state the type of arrangement between the firms, the names and addresses of all firms, description of the work that each firm will perform, and the percentage of work to be performed by each in Section 5 and 6 of GSA Form 255. Indicate office locations at which the work will be performed. A one page organizational chart showing all firms involved and key personnel assignments and responsibilities is required to be included.
4. In Section 7 of GSA Form 255, indicate **KEY PERSONNEL ONLY** who will be assigned to this project and give the experience record of each. Key personnel are defined as those to whom the project will be assigned and who will be performing the actual design/services. The project manager shall have a minimum of five years experience in managing similar type and size projects. In Section 7c, indicate the location of the office where the person is currently working if different from where work is to be performed. In Section 7c, part time personnel, personnel not employed on the date of the form, or personnel used on an “as needed basis” must have their status clearly indicated. Section 7g may be expanded to provide a total of a one page resume per individual.

Furthermore, all individuals identified as Key Personnel in the EOI shall remain on the Consultant’s Team for the duration of the procurement process and, if the consultant is awarded a contract, the duration of the contract. If extraordinary circumstances require a proposed change, it must be submitted in writing to the Department’s Project Manager, who, at his/her sole discretion, will determine whether to authorize a change. Unauthorized changes to the Consultant’s Team at any time during the procurement process may result in elimination of the Consultant’s Team from further consideration.

5. Section 10 of GSA Form 255 is limited to a maximum of ten pages. This section should describe the organization of the proposed project staff indicating the role of each by individual. If subconsultants are proposed, the role of each subconsultant should be discussed. It should also include statements that are responsive to the attached Consultant Short List Score Sheet that will be used to evaluate your submission. This is the **ONLY** section of the submission which may include pictures or graphics (included in the ten page limit). List any computer and CADD equipment and any specialized computer software packages that you will use on this VDOT project.
6. It is the policy of the Virginia Department of Transportation that Disadvantaged Business Enterprises (DBE) as defined in 49 CFR Part 26 shall have the maximum opportunity to participate in the performance of federally funded consultant contracts. A list of Virginia Department of Minority Business Enterprise certified DBE firms is maintained on their web site (<http://www.dmb.e.state.va.us/>) under the **DBE Directory of Certified Vendors**. Consultants are encouraged to take all necessary and reasonable steps to ensure that DBE firms have the maximum opportunity to compete for and perform services on the contract, including participation in any subsequent supplemental contracts. If the consultant intends to subcontract a portion of the services

on the project, the consultant is encouraged to seek out and consider DBE firms as potential subconsultants. The consultant is encouraged to contact DBE firms to solicit their interest, capability and qualifications. Any agreement between a consultant and a DBE firm whereby the DBE firm promises not to provide services to other consultants is prohibited. The Department believes that these services support 10 % DBE participation.

In accordance with the Governor's Executive Order No. 33, the Virginia Department of Transportation also requires a utilization of Small, Women and Minority (SWaM) Businesses to participate in the performance of state funded consultant contracts. A list of Virginia Department of Minority Business Enterprise (DMBE) certified SWaM firms is maintained on the DMBE web site (<http://www.dmb.state.va.us/>) under the **SWaM Vendor Directory** link. Consultants are encouraged to take all necessary and reasonable steps to ensure that SWaM firms have the maximum opportunity to compete for and perform services on the contract, including participation in any subsequent supplemental contracts. If the consultant intends to subcontract a portion of the services on the project, the consultant is encouraged to seek out and consider SWaM firms as potential subconsultants. The consultant is encouraged to contact SWaM firms to solicit their interest, capability and qualifications. Any agreement between a consultant and a SWaM firm whereby the SWaM firm promises not to provide services to other consultants is prohibited.

49 CFR Part 26 requires VDOT to collect certain data about firms attempting to participate in VDOT contracts. This data must be provided on the enclosed Firm Data Sheet.

VDOT is also required to capture DBE and SWaM payment information on all professional services contracts. The successful prime consultant will be required to complete C- 63 form for both state and federally funded projects on quarterly basis.

Any DBE or SWaM firm must become certified (with the Virginia Department of Minority Business Enterprise) prior to your response being submitted. If DBE or SWaM firm is the prime consultant, the firm will receive full credit for planned involvement of their own forces, as well as the work that they commit to be performed by DBE or SWaM subconsultants. DBE or SWaM prime consultants are encouraged to make the same outreach efforts as other consultants. DBE or SWaM credit will be awarded only for work actually being performed by them. When a DBE or SWaM prime consultant subcontracts work to another firm, the work counts toward DBE or SWaM goals only if the other firm is itself a DBE or SWaM. A DBE or SWaM prime consultant must perform or exercise responsibility for at least 30% of the total cost of its contract with its own force.

DBE or SWaM certification entitles consultants to participate in VDOT's DBE and SWaM programs. However, this certification does not guarantee that the firm will obtain VDOT work nor does it attest to the firm's abilities to perform any particular work.

Business Opportunity and Workforce Development (BOWD) Center - The BOWD Center is a VDOT developmental supportive services program and partnering initiative funded by FHWA for selected DBE firms of various skill and competence levels interested in entering, enhancing or expanding highway contracting opportunities with prime consultants. The partnering initiative between prime consultants and BOWD DBE firms provides the opportunity for the further development of DBE firms through performance on contracts and guidance from prime consultants. The intent of this partnering initiative is to increase capacity by perfecting existing skills and knowledge, expanding into new work areas, and prime consultant joint venturing with DBE firms. The prime consultants are encouraged to achieve all or a percentage of the required DBE participation/goals determined for this project by the utilization of BOWD approved firms. To assist

consultants in taking advantage of this opportunity for utilization of approved BOWD firms, please contact the BOWD Center for additional information, details, resources and support. For further information on the BOWD Center and to view the DBE profiles, go to www.virginiadot.org/business/BOWD.asp. The BOWD Center can be contacted at (804) 662-9555 or via email to BOWDCenter@vdot.virginia.gov.

7. If any firms involved with this submission currently have work with the Department, indicate the projects, the division managing the projects, the amount of outstanding fee remaining, and the estimated date of completion. For limited services term contracts, include only the amount of all tasks orders executed or under negotiation. Also, include your estimated fees for pending supplemental agreements and any projects for which the firms have been selected, but have not executed an agreement. Work of affiliated and/or subsidiary companies is to be included. The outstanding workload of any Virginia Department of Minority Business Enterprise certified DBE or SWaM prime or subconsultant is not to be included. When a DBE or SWaM firm graduates from the program, their workload incurred while a DBE or SWaM will be exempted for the next three years. Any workload obtained after graduating from the program will be counted. Work being performed under the Public Private Transportation Act (PPTA) or as a subcontractor on a Design-Build project shall not be included. Work being performed as a prime or joint venture on a Design-Build project shall be included. The outstanding fee remaining is the maximum total compensation payable less the amount previously paid to date. Only Category C work will be counted in the scoring criteria. This information shall be submitted using the attached Present Workload with Department form. Please carefully read the instructions on the Present Workload with Department form.
8. Give names and detailed addresses of all affiliated and/or subsidiary companies. Indicate which companies are subsidiaries. If a situation arises in responding to this questionnaire where you are unsure whether another firm is or is not an affiliate, doubt should be resolved in favor of affiliation and the firm should be listed accordingly.

Affiliate - Any business entity which is closely associated to another business entity so that one entity controls or has the power to control the other entity either directly or indirectly; or, when a third party has the power to control or controls both; or where one business entity has been so closely allied with another business entity through an established course of dealings, including but not limited to the lending of financial wherewithal, engaging in joint ventures, etc. as to cause a public perception that the two firms are one entity. Firms which are owned by a holding company or a third party, but otherwise meet the above conditions and do not have interlocking directorships or joint officers serving are not considered affiliates.

9. In 4 page(s) or less, please emphasize your qualifications in the following areas:
 - a. Inspection of pin and hanger assemblies (Ultrasonic inspection)
 - b. Inspection of fracture critical structures, including trusses
 - c. Complying with the requirements of Transportation Management Plan Requirements as detailed in IIM-LD-241.4/TED-351.2
 - d. Load ratings
 - e. Underwater inspection services
 - f. Ability to provide needed services with little advanced notice and on very tight schedules.
 - g. Describe how you would develop and implement measures to effectively optimize the cost of routine inspections; to include man-hours spent on inspections, cost of equipment and maintenance of traffic operations, travel expenses and per diem costs.

10. A project approach discussion is neither required nor desired for this project.
11. In addition to the page restrictions listed above, a maximum of 2 additional pages may be included in the Expression of Interest. All pages are to be 8 1/2" X 11" and printed on one side with single-spaced type no smaller than 12 pitch.
12. Please indicate, by executing and returning the attached Certification Regarding Debarment forms, if your firm, subconsultant, subcontractor, or any person associated therewith in the capacity of owner, partner, director, officer or any position involving the administration of Federal or State funds:
 - Is currently under suspension, debarment, voluntary exclusion or determination of ineligibility by any federal agency.
 - Has been suspended, debarred, voluntarily excluded or determined ineligible by any federal agency within the past 3 years.
 - Does have a proposed debarment pending; or has been indicted, convicted, or had a civil judgement rendered against it or them by a court of competent jurisdiction in any matter involving fraud or official misconduct within the past 3 years.

Any of the above conditions will not necessarily result in denial of award, but it will be considered in determining offeror responsibility. For any condition noted, indicate to whom it applies, initiating agency, and dates of action. Providing false information may result in Federal criminal prosecution or administrative sanctions.

13. If the prime consultant or subconsultant does not have the in-house capability to provide non-professional services, each with an estimated cost of \$5,000 or greater, such as diving services, soil drilling, sampling services or laboratory testing, these services must be subcontracted in accordance with State procurement procedures once a contract is executed, with no DBE or SWaM credit in the selection of the most qualified firm or team. Clearly indicate these services in the EOI.
14. Each business entity (prime and subconsultants) on the proposed team who is practicing or offering to practice professional services in Virginia, including, but not limited to, those practicing or offering to practice engineering, surveying, hydrologic and hydraulic analysis, geotechnical analysis and landscape architecture, should provide evidence including full size copies of appropriate commercial professional registrations and licenses for all main and branch offices proposed for this Project, as well as providing full size copies of appropriate individual registrations/licenses for those professional occupations listed below. (The full size copies of State Corporation Commission (SCC) and Department of Professional and Regulation (DPOR) supporting registration documentations should be included in the EOI and will not be counted towards page restriction):

.1 The SCC registration detailing the name, registration number, type of corporation and status of the business entity.

.2 The DPOR registration detailing the main office practicing or offering to practice any professional services in Virginia: the business name, address, registration type, registration number, expiration date, and licensing details for the associated professional responsible in charge.

.3 For this Project/Contract, the DPOR registration detailing for each branch office practicing or offering to practice professional services in Virginia: the business name, business

address, registration type, registration number, expiration date and licensing details for the associated professional responsible in charge of the branch office.

.4 For this Project/Contract, the DPOR license detailing for each of the Key Personnel practicing or offering to practice professional services in Virginia: the name, the address, type, the registration number, and the expiration date. Provide the office location where each Key Personnel member will be performing the work.

.5 For this Project/Contract, the DPOR license detailing for those regulated services other than professional services (i.e. real estate appraisal): the business name, the address, the registration type, the registration number, and the expiration date.

Failure to comply with the law with regard to those requirements in Virginia (whether federal or state) regarding your organizational structure, any required registration with governmental agencies and/or entities, and any required governmental licensure, whether business, individual, or professional in nature may render your EOI submittal(s), in the sole and reasonable discretion of the Department, non-responsive and in that event your EOI submittal(s) may be returned without any consideration or evaluation.

ADMINISTRATIVE

1. The following services marked with an X will **NOT** be required:

Surveying <u>X</u>	Specifications <u>X</u>
Bridge and Structure Safety Inspections ____	Materials Analysis <u>X</u>
Permit Drawings <u>X</u>	Environmental <u>X</u>
Hydraulic and Hydrologic Analysis <u>X</u>	Road Plans <u>X</u>
Traffic Data <u>X</u>	Maintenance of Traffic ____
Signs and Signals Plans <u>X</u>	Lighting Plans <u>X</u>
Scour Analysis <u>X</u>	Geotechnical Borings and Analysis <u>X</u>
Utility Plans <u>X</u>	Load Rating ____

2. All business entities, except for sole proprietorships, are required to register with the Virginia State Corporation Commission (A Business Registration Guide is available on the Internet at <http://www.scc.virginia.gov/clk/brg.aspx>). Foreign Professional corporations and Foreign Professional Limited Liability Companies must possess a Commonwealth of Virginia Certificate of Authority from the State Corporation Commission to render professional services. Any business entity other than a professional corporation, professional limited liability company or sole proprietorships that do not employ other individuals for which licensing is required must be registered in the Commonwealth of Virginia with the Department of Professional & Occupational Regulation, Virginia Board for Architects, Professional Engineers, Land Surveyors and Landscape Architects (Board). Board regulations require that all branch offices of professional corporations and business entities located in Virginia, which offer or render any professional services relating to the professions regulated by the Board shall be registered as separate branch office with the Board. All offices, including branches, which offer or render any professional service, must have at least one full-time resident professional in responsible charge who is licensed in the profession offered or rendered at that office. All firms involved that are to provide professional services must meet these criteria prior to submitting an Expression of Interest to the Department. Individual engineers shall meet the requirements of Chapter 4, Title 54.1 of the Code of Virginia.
3. The Department will not consider for award any cost proposals submitted by any consultants and will not consent to subcontracting any portions of the contract to any subconsultants in violation of the provisions of the Federal Immigration Reform and Control Act of 1986, which prohibits employment of illegal aliens.
4. The method of payment will be lump sum for each project assignment based on fixed billable rates. For purpose of determining the fixed billable rates, an overhead rate shall be established in compliance with cost principles contained in the Federal Acquisition Regulations (FAR) of Part 31 of Title 48 of the Code of Federal Regulations. The overhead rate shall be established by an audit by a cognizant government agency or independent CPA firm.
5. All firms submitting Expressions of Interest (prime consultants, joint ventures and subconsultants)

must have internal control systems in place that meet Federal requirements for accounting. These systems must comply with requirements of 48CFR31, "Federal Acquisition Regulations, Contract Cost Principles and Procedures," and 23CFR172, "Administration of Negotiated Contracts." All firms selected for a project (prime consultants, joint ventures and subconsultants) must submit their FAR audit data to the Department within 10 work days of being notified of their selection. Should any firm on the consultant team fail to submit the required audit data within the 10 work days, negotiations will be terminated by the Department and the next most qualified team invited to submit a proposal.

6. Records Exclusion from Public Disclosure: Pursuant to the provisions of §2.2-3705.6 (22) of the Code of Virginia, trade secrets, as defined in the Uniform Trade Secrets Act (§ 59.1-336 et seq.), including, but not limited to, financial records, including balance sheets and financial statements, that are not generally available to the public through regulatory disclosure or otherwise, and revenue and cost projections supplied by a private or nongovernmental entity to the Inspector General of the Virginia Department of Transportation for the purpose of an audit, special investigation, or any study requested by the Inspector General's Office in accordance with law may, subject to a determination by the Inspector General as described herein, be withheld from public disclosure under the Virginia Freedom of Information Act (FOIA). To enable the Inspector General to identify data or records that may be subject to this exclusion from disclosure under FOIA the private or nongovernmental entity shall, in accord with procedures adopted by the Inspector General, make a written request to the Inspector General of the Virginia Department of Transportation:
 - invoking such exclusion upon submission of the data or other materials for which protection is sought;
 - identifying with specificity the data or other materials for which protection is sought; and stating the reasons why protection is necessary.

The Inspector General of the Virginia Department of Transportation shall determine whether the requested exclusion from disclosure is necessary to protect the trade secrets or financial records of the private entity. The Virginia Department of Transportation shall make a written determination of the nature and scope of the protection to be afforded by it. Notwithstanding the foregoing, Contractor's failure to comply with the requirements stated herein and procedures established by the Inspector General for seeking an exclusion pursuant to §2.2-3705.6 (22) of the Code of Virginia shall result in a denial of the exclusion. Requests for exclusion that are submitted after data or other materials for which protection is sought have been submitted will be denied.

If litigation directly or indirectly results from or arises out of a granted exemption, the contractor will be responsible for all litigation costs incurred by contractor and/or VDOT associated with such litigation. In no event shall the Virginia Department of Transportation or its officers, employees or agents be liable to the contractor as a result of any disclosure of records or data collected by the Department, its officers, employees or agents, pursuant to an audit, special investigation, or any study requested by the Inspector General's Office, whether or not the Inspector General has determined that the requested exclusion from disclosure under FOIA is necessary to protect the trade secrets or financial records of the private entity, and in no event shall the Virginia Department of Transportation, or its officers, employees, or agents be liable to the contractor for any damages or other claims arising directly or indirectly from a determination that the exclusion from public disclosure will not be granted.

7. Submittals shall be prepared simply and economically, providing a straightforward, concise description of the firm's capabilities to satisfy the requirements of the RFP. Emphasis should be on

completeness and clarity of content. Elaborate brochures and other representations beyond that sufficient to present a complete and effective proposal are neither required nor desired. Please do not duplicate information furnished in the GSA Form 254 or 255 elsewhere in the submittal. All information must be submitted in TRIPLICATE and received no later than **4:00 p.m. Tuesday, January 12, 2010**. Responses received after this time will not be considered.

US Postal Service regular mail, send to:

Mr. W. W. Barker
Administrative Services Division
Virginia Department of Transportation
1401 E. Broad Street
Richmond, Virginia 23219

Hand delivery, US Postal Service express mail, or private delivery service (FEDEX, UPS, etc.), send to:

Mr. W. W. Barker
Administrative Services Division
Virginia Department of Transportation
1st Floor Reception Desk
1201 E. Broad Street
Richmond, Virginia 23219

8. The Department assures compliance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended. The consultant and all subconsultants selected for this project will be required to submit a Title VI Evaluation Report (EEO-D2) within 10 work days of notification of selection when requested by the Department. This requirement applies to all consulting firms when the contract amount equals or exceeds \$10,000.
9. The Department does not discriminate against an offeror because of race, religion, color, sex, national origin, age, disability, or any other basis prohibited by state law relating to discrimination in employment.
10. Any offeror who desires to protest the award of a contract shall submit such protest in writing to the Department no later than ten days after the announcement of the award. Public announcement of the award shall be posted on the Department's Business Center Internet site.
11. eVA Business-to-Government Vendor Registration: The eVA Internet electronic procurement solution, web site portal (<http://www.eva.state.va.us>), streamlines and automates government purchasing activities in the Commonwealth. The portal is the gateway for vendors to conduct business with state agencies and public bodies. All vendors desiring to provide goods and/or services to the Commonwealth shall participate in the eVA Internet e-procurement solution through either eVA Basic Vendor Registration Service or eVA Premium Vendor Registration Service. For more detail information regarding eVA, registrations, fee schedule, and transaction fee, use the website link: <http://www.eva.state.va.us>. All bidders or offerors must register in eVA; failure to register may result in the bid/proposal/expression of interest being rejected.
12. The required services will involve the handling of Critical Infrastructure Information/Sensitive Security Information (CII/SSI) material. Firm(s) handling CII/SSI material will be required to sign non-disclosure agreements. Individuals with the firm(s) that handle CII/SSI material will be required

to sign non-disclosure agreements. Once negotiations have been completed and prior to executing a contract, personnel handling CII/SSI material, visiting Critical Infrastructure (CI) facilities or performing bridge/tunnel inspections may be required to pass a fingerprint-based Criminal History Background Check (CHBC). An individual employee's failure to successfully pass the fingerprint-based CHBC will not negate the selection and offerors will be allowed to replace those individuals. However, if key personnel fail the fingerprint-based CHBC, the selection may be cancelled and negotiations begun with the next ranked offeror. VDOT reserves the right to conduct fingerprint-based CHBC on all employees of the prime consultant, on any employees of subconsultants or on any proposed replacements during the term of the contract who will be involved in this project. All costs associated with the fingerprint-based CHBC are the responsibility of the prime consultant. A VDOT issued photo-identification badge is required for each employee of the prime consultant or any subconsultant who will need access to VDOT CI facilities or who will be performing bridge/tunnel inspections. Based upon the results of the fingerprint-based CHBC, VDOT reserves the right to deny issuance of a VDOT security clearance or a VDOT issued photo-identification badge.

FIRM DATA SHEET

Funding: S/F (S=State F=Federal)

Project No.: SB2009-06

Division: Structure and Bridge

EOI Due Date: January 12, 2010

The prime consultant is responsible for submitting the information requested below on all firms on the project team, both prime and all subconsultants. All firms are to be reported on one combined sheet unless the number of firms requires the use of an additional sheet. Failure to submit all of the required data will result in the Expression of Interest not being considered.

Firm's Name, Address and DBE and/or SWAM Certification Number	Firm's DBE or SWaM Status *	Firm's Age	Firm's Annual Gross Receipts

* YD = DBE Firm Certified by DMBE

N = DBE or SWaM Firm Not Certified by DMBE

NA = Firm Not Claiming DBE or SWaM Status

YS = SWaM Firm Certified by DMBE. Indicate whether small, woman-owned, or small business.

DMBE is the Virginia Department of Minority Business Enterprise

CERTIFICATION REGARDING DEBARMENT
PRIMARY COVERED TRANSACTIONS
(To be completed by a Prime Consultant)

Project: Limited Service Term Contract for Performing Safety Inspections of Highway Structures and Bridges in the Northern Virginia District

- 1) The prospective primary participant certifies to the best of its knowledge and belief, that it and its principals:
 - a) Are not presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from covered transactions by any Federal department or agency.
 - b) Have not within a three-year period preceding this proposal been convicted of or had a civil judgement rendered against them for commission of fraud or a criminal offense in connection with obtaining, attempting to obtain, or performing a public (Federal, State or local) transaction or contract under a public transaction; and have not been convicted of any violations of Federal or State antitrust statutes or commission of embezzlement, theft, forgery, bribery, falsification, or destruction of records, making false statements, or receiving stolen property;
 - c) Are not presently indicted for or otherwise criminally or civilly charged by a governmental entity (Federal, State or local) with commission of any of the offenses enumerated in paragraph 1) b) of this certification; and
 - d) Have not within a three-year period preceding this application/proposal had one or more public transactions (Federal, State or local) terminated for cause or default.
- 2) Where the prospective primary participant is unable to certify to any of the statements in this certification, such prospective participant shall attach an explanation to this proposal.

The undersigned makes the foregoing statements to be filed with the proposal submitted on behalf of the offeror for contracts to be let by the Commonwealth Transportation Board.

Signature	Date	Title
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Name of Firm

CERTIFICATION REGARDING DEBARMENT

LOWER TIER COVERED TRANSACTIONS

(To be completed by a Sub-consultant)

Project: Limited Service Term Contract for Performing Safety Inspections of Highway Structures and Bridges in the Northern Virginia District

- 1) The prospective lower tier participant certifies, by submission of this proposal, that neither it nor its principals is presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this transaction by any Federal department or agency.

- 2) Where the prospective lower tier participant is unable to certify to any of the statements in this certification, such prospective participant shall attach an explanation to this proposal.

The undersigned makes the foregoing statements to be filed with the proposal submitted on behalf of the offeror for contracts to be let by the Commonwealth Transportation Board.

Signature Date Title

Name of Firm

PROJECT: Safety Inspections of Highway Structures and Bridges -
 Districtwide – Northern Virginia District SB2009-06
 DESCRIPTION: Performing safety inspections of highway structures
 and bridges

FIRM: _____

SUBS: _____

DATE:

	NUMERICAL VALUE				AVG.	WEIGHT	WEIGHTED EVALUATION
FIRM/TEAM'S EXPERIENCE IN SIMILAR TYPE OF SERVICES (Expertise, experience and qualifications of team in providing services as related to the scope of services) (1=least, 10=most)	1-10					25%	
PERSONNEL'S EXPERIENCE IN SIMILAR TYPE OF SERVICES (Expertise, experience and qualifications of team in providing services as related to the scope of services) (1=least, 10=most)	1-10					40%	
QUALIFICATIONS OF PROJECT MANAGER (Expertise, experience and qualifications in project management as related to the scope of services) (1=least, 10=most)	1-10					5%	
ORGANIZATIONAL CAPABILITY (Ability to complete work in a timely manner, size of firm(s) relative to size of project, proposed project staff resources, proposed use of subconsultants) (1=least, 10=most)	1-10					20%	
PRESENT WORKLOAD WITH DEPARTMENT ** (Dollar value of present outstanding fee including estimated pending contracts under negotiation. For limited services term contracts, include the amount of all task orders executed or under negotiation. Work being performed under the Public Private Transportation Act (PPTA) or as a subcontractor on a Design-Build project shall not be included. Work being performed as a prime or joint venture on a Design-Build project shall be included.) † (Only Category C workload is counted on this selection*)	Above \$8,000,000	0				10%	
	7,000,001-8,000,000	1					
	6,000,001-7,000,000	2					
	5,000,001-6,000,000	3					
	4,000,001-5,000,000	4					
	3,000,001-4,000,000	5					
	2,000,001-3,000,000	6					
	1,500,001-2,000,000	7					
	1,000,001-1,500,000	8					
	500,001-1,000,000	9					
0-500,000	10						
						TOTAL	

*CATEGORIES OF WORKLOAD:

- A - TERM SURVEYING AND UTILITY DESIGNATION/LOCATION CONTRACTS
- B - PRELIMINARY ENGINEERING CONTRACTS - includes transportation planning and environmental studies, utility relocation and design, and roadway and bridge design.
- C - CONSTRUCTION ENGINEERING CONTRACTS - includes construction inspection, preparation of final estimates, and bridge and traffic structure safety inspection.
- D - OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE CONTRACTS - includes operation and maintenance of traffic management systems.

**When determining total Present Workload with Department, the outstanding workload of each DBE/SWaM subconsultant will not be counted.

† The outstanding workload of any certified DBE or SWaM prime and subconsultant is not to be included. When a DBE or SWaM firm graduates from the program, their workload incurred while a DBE or SWaM will be exempted for the next three years. Any work obtained after graduating from the program will be counted.

In determining the final short list, the top ranked firms and their subconsultants will have their VDOT Consultant Performance Reports reviewed and/or references checked.