



INVITATION TO BID

**PEORIA PARK DISTRICT
PEORIA, ILLINOIS**

**PLANNING, DESIGN & CONSTRUCTION DEPARTMENT
(309) 686-3386**

Sealed bids will be received at the

**PEORIA PARK DISTRICT
Administrative Office
1125 W. Lake Avenue
Peoria, IL 61614**

until 1:30 P.M., Monday, March 23, 2015

for furnishing the materials described herein.

**Newman Golf Course Greens Project
Rootzone Mix - Material Only**

Return this copy as your bid.
Do Not Detach.

Submitted by:

Company Name

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

Sealed bids will be received by the Peoria Park District, Peoria, Illinois, hereinafter known as the Owner, for the following:

NEWMAN GOLF COURSE GREENS PROJECT
ROOTZONE MIX - MATERIAL ONLY

It is the intent of the Owner to receive Sealed Bids for the material listed above.

Sealed Bids will be received until 1:30 P.M., Monday, March 23, 2015, prevailing time, by the Owner, at the Peoria Park District Administrative Office, 1125 W. Lake Avenue, Peoria, Illinois, 61614. (The Board Room clock shall be the official time keeping device in respect to the bid submission deadline.)

An electronic file including Bid Documents, is available at www.peoriaparks-planning.org at no charge. Plans, Specifications and Interpretations for this project may be examined and/or obtained at the Planning, Design & Construction Department, Bradley Park Equipment Service, 1314 N. Park Road, Peoria, IL 61604. Telephone (309) 686-3386. A non-refundable plan deposit of \$10.00 will be charged for each printed set of Proposal Documents.

Information about this project will be available up to twenty-four (24) hours prior to the scheduled bid opening time. **After that deadline, no information pertaining to the project will be given.**

The general prevailing rate of wage for the Peoria area shall be paid for each craft or type of worker needed to execute the proposed work as required by the State of Illinois Department of Labor. Additionally, it is required that provisions of the Illinois Preference Act, the Illinois Drug Free Workplace Act, and the Substance Abuse Prevention on Public Works Act must be adhered to. Proposers are also advised that contract documents for this project will include the non-discrimination, equal opportunity and affirmative action provisions in the Human Rights Act and rules and regulations of the Department of Human Rights. The Peoria Park District is an AA/EEO organization and encourages participation by minority and female-owned firms.

The Peoria Park District reserves the right to reject any or all bids, waive technical deficiencies, informalities or irregularities or re-bid.

PLEASURE DRIVEWAY AND PARK DISTRICT
OF PEORIA, ILLINOIS

BY: TIMOTHY J. CASSIDY, President

BY: V. JOYCE MCLEMORE, Secretary

INSTRUCTIONS TO BIDDERS

ACCEPTANCE OF BIDS: The Board of Trustees of the Peoria Park District reserves the right to reject any or all bids, to waive any technicalities thereof, or reject any portion of a bid which does not meet specifications or, in its opinion, is not in the best interest of the Park District.

BID AMOUNT: The Board of Trustees of the Peoria Park District reserves the right to award an order, or orders, as it sees fit by selecting the lowest individual bid on each article to the lowest responsible qualified bidder. The quality of the articles to be supplied, their conformity with specifications, their suitability to the requirement of the Park District and the delivery terms will be taken into consideration in making the award.

CLOSING TIME: The bid closing time will be based on Central Standard time or Central Daylight time, whichever is in effect on the date the bid is due. No bid will be opened after the closing time specified in the bid proposal.

PRICES QUOTED: Prices bid will be understood as firm unless otherwise qualified by a bidder. Each bidder must bid unit prices and extend totals. In case of an error in extension, the unit prices shall govern. All prices must be typewritten or written in ink. No erasures are permitted. Mistakes must be crossed out and corrections typewritten or written in ink adjacent thereto and initialed in ink by the party signing the bid or his/her authorized representative. The prices quoted must be total prices, including such costs (when they apply) as packaging, transportation, placement in certain locations, and assembly, if any. No separate charges except those clearly recorded on this proposal sheet will be allowed.

TAXES: The Peoria Park District is exempt from most federal, state and local taxes. A certificate of exemption will be furnished upon request.

PAYMENT AND CASH DISCOUNT: Standard terms are net 45 days. However, the Park District may take advantage of any cash discount offered in this bid for prompt payment. Discount terms will be considered in determining the low bidder.

MATERIALS DELIVERIES: Deliveries will be accepted between 8:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. Monday through Friday. Delivery of material shall be to Newman Golf Course Parking Lot, 2021 W. Nebraska Ave., Peoria, IL 61604.

CANCELLATION: The Park District reserves the right to cancel all or part of any contract if the contractor fails to perform any of the provisions in the contract or fails to make delivery within the time stated. The contractor will not be liable to perform if situations arise by reasons of strikes, acts of god or the public enemy, acts of the Park District, fires or floods.

SIGNATURES: The bidder with his/her legal signature must sign each bid. Bids by partnerships must be signed with the partnership name by one of the members of the partnership, or by an authorized representative, followed by the signature and title of the person signing. Bids by corporations must be signed with the name of the corporation, followed by the signature and title of person authorized to bind it in the matter. All signatures must be ink and legible.

WORK FORCE PROFILE, EEO CERTIFICATION AND SEXUAL HARASSMENT POLICY: These three items must accompany your bid. Failure to include any of these items may result in disqualification.

CONTRACTOR CERTIFICATIONS: Bidder must complete and sign at least one of the two Contractor Certification forms included in this package. Failure to do so will disqualify your bid or proposal.

DRUG-FREE WORKPLACE CERTIFICATION, CERTIFICATION OF SAFETY COMPLIANCE AND SUBSTANCE ABUSE PREVENTION POLICY: Bidder must complete and sign the form included in this package. Failure to do so will disqualify your bid or proposal. Copies of the Illinois Drug Free Workplace Act of 1991 will be provided upon request.

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W-9 FORM: Bidder must complete and sign the W-9 Form in this package.

SPECIAL CONDITIONS: Where special conditions are written in the specifications, these conditions shall take precedence over any conditions listed under the “Instructions to Bidders”.

MAILING OF BIDS: All bid proposals are to be mailed or delivered to the Peoria Park District Administrative Office, 1125 W. Lake, Peoria, IL 61614. The Park District assumes no responsibility for prompt and timely delivery of U.S. mail.

QUESTIONS: All questions or inquiries concerning this bid shall be directed to the Peoria Park District’s Planning, Design & Construction Division, Attn: Becky Fredrickson at 309-686-3386 or rfredrickson@peoriaparks.org.



BID FORM
PEORIA PARK DISTRICT
NEWMAN GOLF COURSE GREENS PROJECT
ROOTZONE MIX – MATERIAL ONLY

ITEM	COST
BASE BID #1: 400 tons of Rootzone Mix per specifications – delivered to site	
BASE BID #2: 500 tons of Rootzone Mix per specifications – delivered to site	
BASE BID #3: 600 tons of Rootzone Mix per specifications – delivered to site	

**THE UNDERSIGNED CERTIFIES THAT THIS BID IS IN ACCORDANCE WITH
 PEORIA PARK DISTRICT SPECIFICATIONS.**

BID SUBMITTED BY:

Company Name

Address City State
 Zip

Telephone Number Fax Number

Signature Title Date

Rootzone Material Specification

The Bidder shall provide all labor, materials, and equipment necessary to furnish a “6/3/1” Greens Project Mix (GPM) comprising of a homogenous blend of USGA Rootzone Sand, Marsh Peat, and Canadian Sphagnum Peat Moss, or Owner and Golf Course Architect approved equal. This “6/3/1” GPM ratio is based by volume.

1. Material and Testing

- A. The Material Supplier shall provide independent testing of their “6/3/1” Greens Project Mix (GPM). **This testing is not required as part of the bid submittal.** However, once receiving the notice to proceed from the Owner, the material supplier shall provide testing results in ample time **prior to the date of delivery** to allow the Golf Course Architect and Owner to approve the results or request any necessary alterations without resulting undo delays to the project.
- B. The Material Supplier shall be responsible for the submission of all materials for testing and for the payment of the lab fees. Test results shall meet the specifications as stated within reasonable tolerances. The GPM must be tested at the following Owner-approved independent laboratory:

Turf Diagnostics & Design

Contact: Mr. Sam Ferro
 613 E 1st St.
 Linwood, KS 66052
 Tel: (913)723-3700
Fax: (913)23-3701

- C. The Complete Analysis testing shall consist of the following tests: PSA including % Sand, Silt, Clay, Sand Distribution, Shape, Acid Reaction, Uniformity Coefficient, D15, D85, K-Sat, Bulk Density, Infiltration Rate, PH, and USDA Soil Texture Classification.

- 1. **Textural Analysis** Soil textural components shall be as follows:

% of Whole	mm
> 92%	Sand 0.05-2.0
< 5%	Silt 0.002-0.05
< 3%	Clay < 0.002
< 3%	Gravel 2.0

- 2. **Particle Size Distribution “6/3/1” Greens Project Mix :**

% Retained	mm	US Sieve
< 3%*	Gravel 2.0	10
< 7%*	V. Coarse 1.0	18
> 60%	Coarse 0.5	35
	Medium 0.25	60
< 20%	Fine 0.15	100
< 5%	V. Fine 0.05	270

*#10 + #18 < 10% combined

- 3. **% Organic Matter Content by Dry Wt.: 1.85-3.95%**

2. Mixing Off-Site & Quality Control

- A. **Mixing of the approved GPM shall be done off site and away from the Owner's property. It is required that a qualified Material Supplier be used to insure proper mixing and quality control.**
- B. **At the Owner's request and expense, periodic samples may be taken and tested by a representative of the Material Supplier on behalf of the Owner to ensure that the delivered material is substantially the same as the original specified and approved mix during the course of delivery as the project progresses.**
- C. When the GPM have been thoroughly mixed off-site, it shall be transported to the Owner Designated stockpile location, which shall be a hard compact surface and easily accessible, at Newman Golf Course, 2021 W Nebraska, Peoria, IL 61604. All delivery sites shall be in good driving condition and out of flood plain or other regulatory restricted areas.
- D. Vehicles used to haul the mix must be washed to avoid contamination.

3. Additional Submittals

- A. As an additional submittal with bid, Material Supplier must provide documentation of placement of golf course construction blends in a minimum of 7 golf course projects.
- B. Supplier must also demonstrate experience (minimum of 7 years) of providing drainage/ construction mixes to similar projects while consistently meeting product guidelines and specifications.

4. Quantity & Schedule

- A. Owner is requesting three separate Base Bids:
 - a. Base Bid #1 shall include supply and delivery of 400 tons of the specified mix.
 - b. Base Bid #2 shall include supply and delivery of 500 tons of the specified mix.
 - c. Base Bid #3 shall include supply and delivery of 600 tons of the specified mix.
- B. It is anticipated that approval for this material shall occur on March 26, 2015, with required delivery by April 24, 2015.

End of Section



Office Use Only: Approved: _____ Date: _____
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**Peoria Park District
Certificate of Equal Employment Opportunity Compliance
for
Contractors and Vendors**

Disclosure of the information requested in this form is required by the Peoria Park District. Failure to properly complete and sign this form will result in it being returned unprocessed thereby resulting in a delay or denial of eligibility to bid.

As part of the Company's commitment to equal employment opportunity practices, this company does the following:

- Recruits, trains, upgrades, promotes and disciplines persons without regard to race, color, sex, religion, national origin, veteran status, age, mental or physical ability.
- Notifies all recruitment sources that all qualified applicants will be considered for employment without regard to race, color, sex, religion, national origin, veteran status, age, mental or physical ability.
- When advertising is used, specifies that all qualified applicants will be considered for employment without regard to race, color, sex, religion, national origin, veteran status, age, mental or physical ability.
- Notifies all labor organizations which furnish this company with any skilled or non-skilled labor of the Company's responsibility to comply with the equal employment opportunity requirements required in all contracts by the Peoria Park District.
- Notifies all of its sub-contractors of their obligation to comply with the equal employment opportunity requirements required in all contracts by the Peoria Park District.
- Has an affirmative action program that assures the company's fair employment practices are understood and carried out by all of its managerial, administrative and supervisory personnel.

Is the Company a minority/woman owned business (MBE/WBE)? YES NO

The Company does not discriminate against any employees or applicants for employment because of race, color, religion, sex, national origin, veteran status, age, mental or physical ability.

The Company does not maintain segregated facilities for any of its employees on the basis of race, religion, color, national origin, because of habit, local custom, or otherwise.

By signing this form, the Company attests that it complies with all statements listed above as part of the Company's commitment to equal employment opportunity practices. The Company further agrees that it has completed the attached Workforce Profile Sheet truthfully, to the best of its knowledge.

Company Name

Company Address

Signature of Company Official

Name / Title

Telephone Number & Fax Number

Email Address

PLEASE BE ADVISED!

Every party to a public contract and every party bidding on public contracts are required to have a written sexual harassment policy that contains:

- (1) a definition of sexual harassment under state law;
- (2) a description of sexual harassment utilizing examples;
- (3) a formalized complaint procedure;
- (4) a statement of victims rights;
- (5) directions on how to contact the Illinois Department of Human Rights – **Illinois companies.** **Out-of-State companies must include directions on how to contact the enforcement agency within their state.** Companies that issue a standard policy for all business locations must prepare an addendum providing directions on how to contact the appropriate enforcement agency.
- (6) a recitation that there cannot be any retaliation against employees who elect to file charges.

Recommendation: Your sexual harassment policy should be drafted in language easy to understand and any revisions should be reviewed by legal counsel. A copy of your policy should be posted in a prominent and accessible location to assure all employees will be notified of the company's position.

In order to conduct business with the THE PEORIA PARK DISTRICT, you must have a written sexual harassment policy that conforms to the new ACT.

**FAILURE TO DO SO
WILL DISQUALIFY YOU AS AN ELIGIBLE VENDOR!!!**

Please be advised, effective July 1, 1993, Governor Jim Edgar established under Executive Order Number 7 (Public Act 87-1257) that every party to a public contract and every party bidding on a public contract within the State of Illinois must have a written policy statement prohibiting sexual harassment. The following model policy statement is a draft copy provided for use in formulating your company's policy statement

SEXUAL HARASSMENT POLICY STATEMENT

It is the responsibility of each individual employee to refrain from sexual harassment and it is the right of each individual employee to work in an environment free from sexual harassment.

DEFINITION OF SEXUAL HARASSMENT

According to the Illinois Human Rights Act, sexual harassment is defined as:

Any unwelcome sexual advances or requests for sexual favors or any conduct of a sexual nature when

1. submission to such conduct is made either explicitly or implicitly a term or condition of an individual's employment;
2. submission to or rejection of such conduct by an individual is used as the basis for employment decision(s) affecting such individual; or
3. such conduct has the purpose or effect of substantially interfering with an individual's work performance or creating an intimidating, hostile, or offensive working environment.

The courts have determined that sexual harassment is a form of discrimination under Title VII of the U.S. Civil Rights act of 1964, as amended in 1991. One such example is a case where a qualified individual is denied employment opportunities and benefits that are, instead, awarded to another individual who submits (voluntarily or under duress) to sexual advances or sexual favors. Another example is where an individual must submit to unwelcome sexual conduct in order to receive an employment opportunity.

Other conduct commonly considered to be sexual harassment includes:

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- ⇒ Verbal: Sexual innuendoes, suggestive comments, insults, humor and jokes about sex, anatomy or gender-specific traits, sexual propositions, threats, repeated requests for dates, or statement about other employees, even outside of their presence, of a sexual nature.
- ⇒ Non-Verbal: Suggestive or insulting sounds (whistling), leering, obscene gestures, sexually suggestive bodily gestures, "catcalls", "smacking" or "kissing" noises.
- ⇒ Visual: Posters, signs, pin-ups, slogans of a sexual nature.
- ⇒ Physical: Touching, unwelcome hugging or kissing, pinching, brushing the body, coerced sexual intercourse or actual assault.

Sexual harassment most frequently involves a man harassing a woman. However, it can also involve a woman harassing a man or harassment between members of the same gender.

The most severe and overt forms of sexual harassment are easier to determine; however, some sexual harassment is more subtle and depends to some extent on individual perception and interpretation. The trend in the courts is to assess sexual harassment by a standard of what would offend a "reasonable woman" or a "reasonable man", depending upon the gender of the alleged victim.

An example of the most subtle form of sexual harassment is the use of endearments. The use of terms such as "honey", "darling", and "sweetheart" is objectionable to many women who believe that these terms undermine their authority and their ability to deal with men on an equal and professional level.

Another example is the use of a compliment that could potentially be interpreted as sexual in nature. Below are three statements that might be made about the appearance of a woman in the workplace:

- ⇒ “That’s an attractive dress you have on.”
- ⇒ “That’s an attractive dress. It really looks good on you.”
- ⇒ “That’s an attractive dress. You really fill it out well.”

The first statement appears to be simply a compliment. The last is most likely to be perceived as sexual harassment depending on individual perceptions and values. To avoid the possibility of offending an employee, it is best to follow a course of conduct above reproach, or to err on the side of caution.

RESPONSIBILITY OF INDIVIDUAL EMPLOYEES

Each individual employee has the responsibility to refrain from sexual harassment in the workplace. An individual employee who harasses a fellow worker is, of course, liable for his or her individual conduct. The harassing employee will be subject to disciplinary action up to and including discharge in accordance with company/organization policy or a collective bargaining agreement, as appropriate.

RESPONSIBILITY OF SUPERVISORY PERSONNEL

Each supervisor is responsible for maintaining a workplace free of sexual harassment. This is accomplished by promoting a professional environment and by dealing with sexual harassment as with all other forms of employee misconduct.

The courts have found companies/organizations as well as supervisors can be held liable for damages related to sexual harassment by a manager, supervisor, employee, or third party (an individual who is not an employee but does business with a company/organization, such as a contractor, customer, sales representative, or repair person).

Liability is based either on a company/organization's responsibility to maintain a safe and disciplined workplace, or on the supervisor acting as an agent of the company/organization. As such, supervisors must act quickly and responsibly, not only to minimize their own liability, but also that of the company/organization.

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RESOLUTION OUTSIDE THE COMPANY/ORGANIZATION

It is hoped that most sexual harassment complaints and incidents can be resolved within a company/organization. However, an employee has the right to contact the Illinois Department of Human Rights (IDHR) or the U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission (EEOC) about filing a formal complaint. An IDHR complaint must be filed within 180 days of the alleged incident(s) unless it is a continuing offense. A complaint with EEOC must be filed within 300 days.

Illinois Department of Human Rights
(217) 785-5100 – Springfield
(217) 785-5125 – TDD Springfield
(312) 814-6200 – Chicago
(312) 263-1579 – TDD Chicago

Illinois Human Rights Commission
(217) 785-4350 – Springfield
(217) 785-5125 – TDD Springfield
(312) 814-6269 – Chicago
(312) 814-4760 – TDD Chicago

U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission
(312) 353-2613 – Chicago District Office
(800) 669-4000 – Toll Free Within State of Illinois
(800) 669-6820 – TDD Chicago

An employee who is suddenly transferred to a lower paying job or passed for promotion, after filing a complaint with IDHR or EEOC, may file a retaliation charge, also due 180 days (IDHR) or 300 days (EEOC) from the alleged retaliation.

An employee who has been physically harassed or threatened while on the job may also have grounds for criminal charges of assault and battery.

FALSE AND FRIVOLOUS COMPLAINTS

False and frivolous charges refer to cases where the accuser is using a sexual complaint to accomplish some end other than stopping sexual harassment. It does not refer to charges made in good faith which cannot be proven. Given the seriousness of the consequences for the accused, a false and frivolous charge is a severe offense that can itself result in disciplinary action.



SUBSTANCE ABUSE PREVENTION PROGRAM CERTIFICATION

Project Name: _____

Location: _____

The Substance Abuse Prevention on Public Works Act Public Act 95-0635, prohibits the use of drugs and alcohol, as defined in the Act, by employees of the Contractor and by employees of all approved Subcontractors while performing work on a public works project. The Contractor/Subcontractor herewith certifies that it has a superseding collective bargaining agreement or makes the public filing of its written substance abuse prevention program for the prevention of substance abuse among its employees who are not covered by a collective bargaining agreement dealing with the subject as mandated by the Act.

A. The undersigned representative of the Contractor/Subcontractor certifies that the contracting entity has signed collective bargaining agreements that are in effect for all of its employees, and that deal with the subject matter of Public Act 95-0635.

Contractor/Subcontractor

Name of Authorized Representative (type or print)

Title of Authorized Representative (type or print)

Signature of Authorized Representative

Date

B. The undersigned representative of the Contractor/Subcontractor certifies that the contracting entity has in place, for all of its employees not covered by a collective bargaining agreement that deals with the subject of the Act, the attached substance abuse prevention program that meets or exceeds the requirements of Public Act 95-0635.

Contractor/Subcontractor

Name of Authorized Representative (type or print)

Title of Authorized Representative (type or print)

Signature of Authorized Representative

Date



ILLINOIS DRUG FREE WORKPLACE CERTIFICATION

The undersigned Contractor/Vendor hereby certifies that it will comply with all provisions of the Illinois Drug Free Workplace Act of 1991.

Dated this _____ day of _____, 20 _____

Contractor/Vendor

By: _____

PLEASURE DRIVEWAY AND PARK DISTRICT

OF PEORIA, ILLINOIS

Individual Contractor Form

CONTRACTOR CERTIFICATION

I, _____, do hereby certify that I am a contractor who has not been barred from bidding on a public contract as a result of a violation of either Section 33E-3 (bid-rigging) or Section 33E-4 (bid rotating) of the Illinois Criminal Code, Illinois Compiled Statutes 720 ILCS 5/33E-3 and 5/33E-4.

Contractor

By: _____

Subscribed and Sworn before me this _____ day of _____, 20____

Notary Public

My Commission Expires _____, 20____

PLEASURE DRIVEWAY AND PARK DISTRICT

OF PEORIA, ILLINOIS

Corporate or Partnership Contractor Form

CONTRACTOR CERTIFICATION

I, _____, a duly authorized agent of
(Agent)

_____, do hereby certify that neither
(Contractor)

_____, nor any individual presently
(Contractor)

affiliated with _____, has been barred from
(Contractor)

bidding on a public contract as a result of a violation of either Section 33E-3 (bid-rigging) or Section 33E-4 (bid rotating) of the Illinois Criminal Code, Illinois Compiled Statutes, 720 ILCS 5/33E-3 and 5/33E-4.

Contractor

By: _____

Subscribed and Sworn before me this _____ day of _____, 20____

Notary Public

My Commission Expires _____, 20____



CERTIFICATION OF SAFETY COMPLIANCE

The undersigned Contractor/Vendor hereby certify that they and their sub-contractors will comply with any and all prevailing occupational safety and health standards including, but not limited to the following: hazard communication, hearing conservation, respirator use, permit required confined space entry, scaffolding, personal protective equipment, ladder usage, ventilation, flammable and combustible liquids handling and storage and lockout/tagout. Such compliance may include a training component or require a written program of compliance.

Dated this day of _____, 20 ____.

CONTRACTOR/VENDOR: _____

By: _____

Request for Taxpayer Identification Number and Certification

**Give Form to the
 requester. Do not
 send to the IRS.**

Print or type See Specific Instructions on page 2.	Name (as shown on your income tax return)	
	Business name/disregarded entity name, if different from above	
	Check appropriate box for federal tax classification: <input type="checkbox"/> Individual/sole proprietor <input type="checkbox"/> C Corporation <input type="checkbox"/> S Corporation <input type="checkbox"/> Partnership <input type="checkbox"/> Trust/estate <input type="checkbox"/> Limited liability company. Enter the tax classification (C=C corporation, S=S corporation, P=partnership) ▶ _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Other (see instructions) ▶ _____	Exemptions (see instructions): Exempt payee code (if any) _____ Exemption from FATCA reporting code (if any) _____
	Address (number, street, and apt. or suite no.)	Requester's name and address (optional)
	City, state, and ZIP code	
List account number(s) here (optional)		

Part I Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN)

Enter your TIN in the appropriate box. The TIN provided must match the name given on the "Name" line to avoid backup withholding. For individuals, this is your social security number (SSN). However, for a resident alien, sole proprietor, or disregarded entity, see the Part I instructions on page 3. For other entities, it is your employer identification number (EIN). If you do not have a number, see *How to get a TIN* on page 3.

Social security number									

Note. If the account is in more than one name, see the chart on page 4 for guidelines on whose number to enter.

Employer identification number									

Part II Certification

Under penalties of perjury, I certify that:

1. The number shown on this form is my correct taxpayer identification number (or I am waiting for a number to be issued to me), and
2. I am not subject to backup withholding because: (a) I am exempt from backup withholding, or (b) I have not been notified by the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) that I am subject to backup withholding as a result of a failure to report all interest or dividends, or (c) the IRS has notified me that I am no longer subject to backup withholding, and
3. I am a U.S. citizen or other U.S. person (defined below), and
4. The FATCA code(s) entered on this form (if any) indicating that I am exempt from FATCA reporting is correct.

Certification instructions. You must cross out item 2 above if you have been notified by the IRS that you are currently subject to backup withholding because you have failed to report all interest and dividends on your tax return. For real estate transactions, item 2 does not apply. For mortgage interest paid, acquisition or abandonment of secured property, cancellation of debt, contributions to an individual retirement arrangement (IRA), and generally, payments other than interest and dividends, you are not required to sign the certification, but you must provide your correct TIN. See the instructions on page 3.

Sign Here	Signature of U.S. person ▶	Date ▶
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General Instructions

Section references are to the Internal Revenue Code unless otherwise noted.

Future developments. The IRS has created a page on IRS.gov for information about Form W-9, at www.irs.gov/w9. Information about any future developments affecting Form W-9 (such as legislation enacted after we release it) will be posted on that page.

Purpose of Form

A person who is required to file an information return with the IRS must obtain your correct taxpayer identification number (TIN) to report, for example, income paid to you, payments made to you in settlement of payment card and third party network transactions, real estate transactions, mortgage interest you paid, acquisition or abandonment of secured property, cancellation of debt, or contributions you made to an IRA.

Use Form W-9 only if you are a U.S. person (including a resident alien), to provide your correct TIN to the person requesting it (the requester) and, when applicable, to:

1. Certify that the TIN you are giving is correct (or you are waiting for a number to be issued),
2. Certify that you are not subject to backup withholding, or
3. Claim exemption from backup withholding if you are a U.S. exempt payee. If applicable, you are also certifying that as a U.S. person, your allocable share of any partnership income from a U.S. trade or business is not subject to the

withholding tax on foreign partners' share of effectively connected income, and

4. Certify that FATCA code(s) entered on this form (if any) indicating that you are exempt from the FATCA reporting, is correct.

Note. If you are a U.S. person and a requester gives you a form other than Form W-9 to request your TIN, you must use the requester's form if it is substantially similar to this Form W-9.

Definition of a U.S. person. For federal tax purposes, you are considered a U.S. person if you are:

- An individual who is a U.S. citizen or U.S. resident alien,
- A partnership, corporation, company, or association created or organized in the United States or under the laws of the United States,
- An estate (other than a foreign estate), or
- A domestic trust (as defined in Regulations section 301.7701-7).

Special rules for partnerships. Partnerships that conduct a trade or business in the United States are generally required to pay a withholding tax under section 1446 on any foreign partners' share of effectively connected taxable income from such business. Further, in certain cases where a Form W-9 has not been received, the rules under section 1446 require a partnership to presume that a partner is a foreign person, and pay the section 1446 withholding tax. Therefore, if you are a U.S. person that is a partner in a partnership conducting a trade or business in the United States, provide Form W-9 to the partnership to establish your U.S. status and avoid section 1446 withholding on your share of partnership income.

In the cases below, the following person must give Form W-9 to the partnership for purposes of establishing its U.S. status and avoiding withholding on its allocable share of net income from the partnership conducting a trade or business in the United States:

- In the case of a disregarded entity with a U.S. owner, the U.S. owner of the disregarded entity and not the entity,
- In the case of a grantor trust with a U.S. grantor or other U.S. owner, generally, the U.S. grantor or other U.S. owner of the grantor trust and not the trust, and
- In the case of a U.S. trust (other than a grantor trust), the U.S. trust (other than a grantor trust) and not the beneficiaries of the trust.

Foreign person. If you are a foreign person or the U.S. branch of a foreign bank that has elected to be treated as a U.S. person, do not use Form W-9. Instead, use the appropriate Form W-8 or Form 8233 (see Publication 515, Withholding of Tax on Nonresident Aliens and Foreign Entities).

Nonresident alien who becomes a resident alien. Generally, only a nonresident alien individual may use the terms of a tax treaty to reduce or eliminate U.S. tax on certain types of income. However, most tax treaties contain a provision known as a "saving clause." Exceptions specified in the saving clause may permit an exemption from tax to continue for certain types of income even after the payee has otherwise become a U.S. resident alien for tax purposes.

If you are a U.S. resident alien who is relying on an exception contained in the saving clause of a tax treaty to claim an exemption from U.S. tax on certain types of income, you must attach a statement to Form W-9 that specifies the following five items:

1. The treaty country. Generally, this must be the same treaty under which you claimed exemption from tax as a nonresident alien.
2. The treaty article addressing the income.
3. The article number (or location) in the tax treaty that contains the saving clause and its exceptions.
4. The type and amount of income that qualifies for the exemption from tax.
5. Sufficient facts to justify the exemption from tax under the terms of the treaty article.

Example. Article 20 of the U.S.-China income tax treaty allows an exemption from tax for scholarship income received by a Chinese student temporarily present in the United States. Under U.S. law, this student will become a resident alien for tax purposes if his or her stay in the United States exceeds 5 calendar years. However, paragraph 2 of the first Protocol to the U.S.-China treaty (dated April 30, 1984) allows the provisions of Article 20 to continue to apply even after the Chinese student becomes a resident alien of the United States. A Chinese student who qualifies for this exception (under paragraph 2 of the first protocol) and is relying on this exception to claim an exemption from tax on his or her scholarship or fellowship income would attach to Form W-9 a statement that includes the information described above to support that exemption.

If you are a nonresident alien or a foreign entity, give the requester the appropriate completed Form W-8 or Form 8233.

What is backup withholding? Persons making certain payments to you must under certain conditions withhold and pay to the IRS a percentage of such payments. This is called "backup withholding." Payments that may be subject to backup withholding include interest, tax-exempt interest, dividends, broker and barter exchange transactions, rents, royalties, nonemployee pay, payments made in settlement of payment card and third party network transactions, and certain payments from fishing boat operators. Real estate transactions are not subject to backup withholding.

You will not be subject to backup withholding on payments you receive if you give the requester your correct TIN, make the proper certifications, and report all your taxable interest and dividends on your tax return.

Payments you receive will be subject to backup withholding if:

1. You do not furnish your TIN to the requester,
2. You do not certify your TIN when required (see the Part II instructions on page 3 for details),
3. The IRS tells the requester that you furnished an incorrect TIN,
4. The IRS tells you that you are subject to backup withholding because you did not report all your interest and dividends on your tax return (for reportable interest and dividends only), or
5. You do not certify to the requester that you are not subject to backup withholding under 4 above (for reportable interest and dividend accounts opened after 1983 only).

Certain payees and payments are exempt from backup withholding. See *Exempt payee code* on page 3 and the separate Instructions for the Requester of Form W-9 for more information.

Also see *Special rules for partnerships* on page 1.

What is FATCA reporting? The Foreign Account Tax Compliance Act (FATCA) requires a participating foreign financial institution to report all United States account holders that are specified United States persons. Certain payees are exempt from FATCA reporting. See *Exemption from FATCA reporting code* on page 3 and the Instructions for the Requester of Form W-9 for more information.

Updating Your Information

You must provide updated information to any person to whom you claimed to be an exempt payee if you are no longer an exempt payee and anticipate receiving reportable payments in the future from this person. For example, you may need to provide updated information if you are a C corporation that elects to be an S corporation, or if you no longer are tax exempt. In addition, you must furnish a new Form W-9 if the name or TIN changes for the account, for example, if the grantor of a grantor trust dies.

Penalties

Failure to furnish TIN. If you fail to furnish your correct TIN to a requester, you are subject to a penalty of \$50 for each such failure unless your failure is due to reasonable cause and not to willful neglect.

Civil penalty for false information with respect to withholding. If you make a false statement with no reasonable basis that results in no backup withholding, you are subject to a \$500 penalty.

Criminal penalty for falsifying information. Willfully falsifying certifications or affirmations may subject you to criminal penalties including fines and/or imprisonment.

Misuse of TINs. If the requester discloses or uses TINs in violation of federal law, the requester may be subject to civil and criminal penalties.

Specific Instructions

Name

If you are an individual, you must generally enter the name shown on your income tax return. However, if you have changed your last name, for instance, due to marriage without informing the Social Security Administration of the name change, enter your first name, the last name shown on your social security card, and your new last name.

If the account is in joint names, list first, and then circle, the name of the person or entity whose number you entered in Part I of the form.

Sole proprietor. Enter your individual name as shown on your income tax return on the "Name" line. You may enter your business, trade, or "doing business as (DBA)" name on the "Business name/disregarded entity name" line.

Partnership, C Corporation, or S Corporation. Enter the entity's name on the "Name" line and any business, trade, or "doing business as (DBA) name" on the "Business name/disregarded entity name" line.

Disregarded entity. For U.S. federal tax purposes, an entity that is disregarded as an entity separate from its owner is treated as a "disregarded entity." See Regulation section 301.7701-2(c)(2)(iii). Enter the owner's name on the "Name" line. The name of the entity entered on the "Name" line should never be a disregarded entity. The name on the "Name" line must be the name shown on the income tax return on which the income should be reported. For example, if a foreign LLC that is treated as a disregarded entity for U.S. federal tax purposes has a single owner that is a U.S. person, the U.S. owner's name is required to be provided on the "Name" line. If the direct owner of the entity is also a disregarded entity, enter the first owner that is not disregarded for federal tax purposes. Enter the disregarded entity's name on the "Business name/disregarded entity name" line. If the owner of the disregarded entity is a foreign person, the owner must complete an appropriate Form W-8 instead of a Form W-9. This is the case even if the foreign person has a U.S. TIN.

Note. Check the appropriate box for the U.S. federal tax classification of the person whose name is entered on the "Name" line (Individual/sole proprietor, Partnership, C Corporation, S Corporation, Trust/estate).

Limited Liability Company (LLC). If the person identified on the "Name" line is an LLC, check the "Limited liability company" box only and enter the appropriate code for the U.S. federal tax classification in the space provided. If you are an LLC that is treated as a partnership for U.S. federal tax purposes, enter "P" for partnership. If you are an LLC that has filed a Form 8832 or a Form 2553 to be taxed as a corporation, enter "C" for C corporation or "S" for S corporation, as appropriate. If you are an LLC that is disregarded as an entity separate from its owner under Regulation section 301.7701-3 (except for employment and excise tax), do not check the LLC box unless the owner of the LLC (required to be identified on the "Name" line) is another LLC that is not disregarded for U.S. federal tax purposes. If the LLC is disregarded as an entity separate from its owner, enter the appropriate tax classification of the owner identified on the "Name" line.

Other entities. Enter your business name as shown on required U.S. federal tax documents on the "Name" line. This name should match the name shown on the charter or other legal document creating the entity. You may enter any business, trade, or DBA name on the "Business name/disregarded entity name" line.

Exemptions

If you are exempt from backup withholding and/or FATCA reporting, enter in the *Exemptions* box, any code(s) that may apply to you. See *Exempt payee code* and *Exemption from FATCA reporting code* on page 3.

Exempt payee code. Generally, individuals (including sole proprietors) are not exempt from backup withholding. Corporations are exempt from backup withholding for certain payments, such as interest and dividends. Corporations are not exempt from backup withholding for payments made in settlement of payment card or third party network transactions.

Note. If you are exempt from backup withholding, you should still complete this form to avoid possible erroneous backup withholding.

The following codes identify payees that are exempt from backup withholding:

- 1—An organization exempt from tax under section 501(a), any IRA, or a custodial account under section 403(b)(7) if the account satisfies the requirements of section 401(f)(2)
- 2—The United States or any of its agencies or instrumentalities
- 3—A state, the District of Columbia, a possession of the United States, or any of their political subdivisions or instrumentalities
- 4—A foreign government or any of its political subdivisions, agencies, or instrumentalities
- 5—A corporation
- 6—A dealer in securities or commodities required to register in the United States, the District of Columbia, or a possession of the United States
- 7—A futures commission merchant registered with the Commodity Futures Trading Commission
- 8—A real estate investment trust
- 9—An entity registered at all times during the tax year under the Investment Company Act of 1940
- 10—A common trust fund operated by a bank under section 584(a)
- 11—A financial institution
- 12—A middleman known in the investment community as a nominee or custodian
- 13—A trust exempt from tax under section 664 or described in section 4947

The following chart shows types of payments that may be exempt from backup withholding. The chart applies to the exempt payees listed above, 1 through 13.

IF the payment is for . . .	THEN the payment is exempt for . . .
Interest and dividend payments	All exempt payees except for 7
Broker transactions	Exempt payees 1 through 4 and 6 through 11 and all C corporations. S corporations must not enter an exempt payee code because they are exempt only for sales of noncovered securities acquired prior to 2012.
Barter exchange transactions and patronage dividends	Exempt payees 1 through 4
Payments over \$600 required to be reported and direct sales over \$5,000 ¹	Generally, exempt payees 1 through 5 ²
Payments made in settlement of payment card or third party network transactions	Exempt payees 1 through 4

¹ See Form 1099-MISC, Miscellaneous Income, and its instructions.

² However, the following payments made to a corporation and reportable on Form 1099-MISC are not exempt from backup withholding: medical and health care payments, attorneys' fees, gross proceeds paid to an attorney, and payments for services paid by a federal executive agency.

Exemption from FATCA reporting code. The following codes identify payees that are exempt from reporting under FATCA. These codes apply to persons submitting this form for accounts maintained outside of the United States by certain foreign financial institutions. Therefore, if you are only submitting this form for an account you hold in the United States, you may leave this field blank. Consult with the person requesting this form if you are uncertain if the financial institution is subject to these requirements.

- A—An organization exempt from tax under section 501(a) or any individual retirement plan as defined in section 7701(a)(37)
- B—The United States or any of its agencies or instrumentalities
- C—A state, the District of Columbia, a possession of the United States, or any of their political subdivisions or instrumentalities
- D—A corporation the stock of which is regularly traded on one or more established securities markets, as described in Reg. section 1.1472-1(c)(1)(i)
- E—A corporation that is a member of the same expanded affiliated group as a corporation described in Reg. section 1.1472-1(c)(1)(i)
- F—A dealer in securities, commodities, or derivative financial instruments (including notional principal contracts, futures, forwards, and options) that is registered as such under the laws of the United States or any state

- G—A real estate investment trust
- H—A regulated investment company as defined in section 851 or an entity registered at all times during the tax year under the Investment Company Act of 1940
- I—A common trust fund as defined in section 584(a)
- J—A bank as defined in section 581
- K—A broker
- L—A trust exempt from tax under section 664 or described in section 4947(a)(1)
- M—A tax exempt trust under a section 403(b) plan or section 457(g) plan

Part I. Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN)

Enter your TIN in the appropriate box. If you are a resident alien and you do not have and are not eligible to get an SSN, your TIN is your IRS individual taxpayer identification number (ITIN). Enter it in the social security number box. If you do not have an ITIN, see *How to get a TIN* below.

If you are a sole proprietor and you have an EIN, you may enter either your SSN or EIN. However, the IRS prefers that you use your SSN.

If you are a single-member LLC that is disregarded as an entity separate from its owner (see *Limited Liability Company (LLC)* on page 2), enter the owner's SSN (or EIN, if the owner has one). Do not enter the disregarded entity's EIN. If the LLC is classified as a corporation or partnership, enter the entity's EIN.

Note. See the chart on page 4 for further clarification of name and TIN combinations.

How to get a TIN. If you do not have a TIN, apply for one immediately. To apply for an SSN, get Form SS-5, Application for a Social Security Card, from your local Social Security Administration office or get this form online at www.ssa.gov. You may also get this form by calling 1-800-772-1213. Use Form W-7, Application for IRS Individual Taxpayer Identification Number, to apply for an ITIN, or Form SS-4, Application for Employer Identification Number, to apply for an EIN. You can apply for an EIN online by accessing the IRS website at www.irs.gov/businesses and clicking on Employer Identification Number (EIN) under Starting a Business. You can get Forms W-7 and SS-4 from the IRS by visiting IRS.gov or by calling 1-800-TAX-FORM (1-800-829-3676).

If you are asked to complete Form W-9 but do not have a TIN, apply for a TIN and write "Applied For" in the space for the TIN, sign and date the form, and give it to the requester. For interest and dividend payments, and certain payments made with respect to readily tradable instruments, generally you will have 60 days to get a TIN and give it to the requester before you are subject to backup withholding on payments. The 60-day rule does not apply to other types of payments. You will be subject to backup withholding on all such payments until you provide your TIN to the requester.

Note. Entering "Applied For" means that you have already applied for a TIN or that you intend to apply for one soon.

Caution: A disregarded U.S. entity that has a foreign owner must use the appropriate Form W-8.

Part II. Certification

To establish to the withholding agent that you are a U.S. person, or resident alien, sign Form W-9. You may be requested to sign by the withholding agent even if items 1, 4, or 5 below indicate otherwise.

For a joint account, only the person whose TIN is shown in Part I should sign (when required). In the case of a disregarded entity, the person identified on the "Name" line must sign. Exempt payees, see *Exempt payee code* earlier.

Signature requirements. Complete the certification as indicated in items 1 through 5 below.

1. Interest, dividend, and barter exchange accounts opened before 1984 and broker accounts considered active during 1983. You must give your correct TIN, but you do not have to sign the certification.

2. Interest, dividend, broker, and barter exchange accounts opened after 1983 and broker accounts considered inactive during 1983. You must sign the certification or backup withholding will apply. If you are subject to backup withholding and you are merely providing your correct TIN to the requester, you must cross out item 2 in the certification before signing the form.

3. Real estate transactions. You must sign the certification. You may cross out item 2 of the certification.

4. Other payments. You must give your correct TIN, but you do not have to sign the certification unless you have been notified that you have previously given an incorrect TIN. "Other payments" include payments made in the course of the requester's trade or business for rents, royalties, goods (other than bills for merchandise), medical and health care services (including payments to corporations), payments to a nonemployee for services, payments made in settlement of payment card and third party network transactions, payments to certain fishing boat crew members and fishermen, and gross proceeds paid to attorneys (including payments to corporations).

5. Mortgage interest paid by you, acquisition or abandonment of secured property, cancellation of debt, qualified tuition program payments (under section 529), IRA, Coverdell ESA, Archer MSA or HSA contributions or distributions, and pension distributions. You must give your correct TIN, but you do not have to sign the certification.

What Name and Number To Give the Requester

For this type of account:	Give name and SSN of:
1. Individual	The individual
2. Two or more individuals (joint account)	The actual owner of the account or, if combined funds, the first individual on the account ¹
3. Custodian account of a minor (Uniform Gift to Minors Act)	The minor ²
4. a. The usual revocable savings trust (grantor is also trustee) b. So-called trust account that is not a legal or valid trust under state law	The grantor-trustee ¹ The actual owner ¹
5. Sole proprietorship or disregarded entity owned by an individual	The owner ³
6. Grantor trust filing under Optional Form 1099 Filing Method 1 (see Regulation section 1.671-4(b)(2)(i)(A))	The grantor*
For this type of account:	Give name and EIN of:
7. Disregarded entity not owned by an individual	The owner
8. A valid trust, estate, or pension trust	Legal entity ⁴
9. Corporation or LLC electing corporate status on Form 8832 or Form 2553	The corporation
10. Association, club, religious, charitable, educational, or other tax-exempt organization	The organization
11. Partnership or multi-member LLC	The partnership
12. A broker or registered nominee	The broker or nominee
13. Account with the Department of Agriculture in the name of a public entity (such as a state or local government, school district, or prison) that receives agricultural program payments	The public entity
14. Grantor trust filing under the Form 1041 Filing Method or the Optional Form 1099 Filing Method 2 (see Regulation section 1.671-4(b)(2)(i)(B))	The trust

¹ List first and circle the name of the person whose number you furnish. If only one person on a joint account has an SSN, that person's number must be furnished.

² Circle the minor's name and furnish the minor's SSN.

³ You must show your individual name and you may also enter your business or "DBA" name on the "Business name/disregarded entity" name line. You may use either your SSN or EIN (if you have one), but the IRS encourages you to use your SSN.

⁴ List first and circle the name of the trust, estate, or pension trust. (Do not furnish the TIN of the personal representative or trustee unless the legal entity itself is not designated in the account title.) Also see *Special rules for partnerships* on page 1.

*Note. Grantor also must provide a Form W-9 to trustee of trust.

Note. If no name is circled when more than one name is listed, the number will be considered to be that of the first name listed.

Secure Your Tax Records from Identity Theft

Identity theft occurs when someone uses your personal information such as your name, social security number (SSN), or other identifying information, without your permission, to commit fraud or other crimes. An identity thief may use your SSN to get a job or may file a tax return using your SSN to receive a refund.

To reduce your risk:

- Protect your SSN,
- Ensure your employer is protecting your SSN, and
- Be careful when choosing a tax preparer.

If your tax records are affected by identity theft and you receive a notice from the IRS, respond right away to the name and phone number printed on the IRS notice or letter.

If your tax records are not currently affected by identity theft but you think you are at risk due to a lost or stolen purse or wallet, questionable credit card activity or credit report, contact the IRS Identity Theft Hotline at 1-800-908-4490 or submit Form 14039.

For more information, see Publication 4535, Identity Theft Prevention and Victim Assistance.

Victims of identity theft who are experiencing economic harm or a system problem, or are seeking help in resolving tax problems that have not been resolved through normal channels, may be eligible for Taxpayer Advocate Service (TAS) assistance. You can reach TAS by calling the TAS toll-free case intake line at 1-877-777-4778 or TTY/TDD 1-800-829-4059.

Protect yourself from suspicious emails or phishing schemes. Phishing is the creation and use of email and websites designed to mimic legitimate business emails and websites. The most common act is sending an email to a user falsely claiming to be an established legitimate enterprise in an attempt to scam the user into surrendering private information that will be used for identity theft.

The IRS does not initiate contacts with taxpayers via emails. Also, the IRS does not request personal detailed information through email or ask taxpayers for the PIN numbers, passwords, or similar secret access information for their credit card, bank, or other financial accounts.

If you receive an unsolicited email claiming to be from the IRS, forward this message to phishing@irs.gov. You may also report misuse of the IRS name, logo, or other IRS property to the Treasury Inspector General for Tax Administration at 1-800-366-4484. You can forward suspicious emails to the Federal Trade Commission at: spam@uce.gov or contact them at www.ftc.gov/idtheft or 1-877-IDTHEFT (1-877-438-4338).

Visit IRS.gov to learn more about identity theft and how to reduce your risk.

Privacy Act Notice

Section 6109 of the Internal Revenue Code requires you to provide your correct TIN to persons (including federal agencies) who are required to file information returns with the IRS to report interest, dividends, or certain other income paid to you; mortgage interest you paid; the acquisition or abandonment of secured property; the cancellation of debt; or contributions you made to an IRA, Archer MSA, or HSA. The person collecting this form uses the information on the form to file information returns with the IRS, reporting the above information. Routine uses of this information include giving it to the Department of Justice for civil and criminal litigation and to cities, states, the District of Columbia, and U.S. commonwealths and possessions for use in administering their laws. The information also may be disclosed to other countries under a treaty, to federal and state agencies to enforce civil and criminal laws, or to federal law enforcement and intelligence agencies to combat terrorism. You must provide your TIN whether or not you are required to file a tax return. Under section 3406, payers must generally withhold a percentage of taxable interest, dividend, and certain other payments to a payee who does not give a TIN to the payer. Certain penalties may also apply for providing false or fraudulent information.