

THE STATE OF TEXAS

BID # S23-L23475

COUNTY OF HARRIS

ORDINANCE # 2010-726

CONTRACT # 4600010543

I. PARTIES

1.0 ADDRESS:

THIS AGREEMENT FOR AUTOMOTIVE, HEAVY DUTY FRONT-END REPAIR SERVICES ("Agreement") is made on the Countersignature Date between the **CITY OF HOUSTON, TEXAS** ("City"), a Texas Home-Rule City and RUSH TRUCK CENTERS OF TEXAS, LP DBA RUSH TRUCK CENTER, HOUSTON ("Contractor or Vendor"), a corporation doing business in Texas.

The initial addresses of the parties, which one party may change by giving written notice to the other party, are as follows:

City

City Purchasing Agent
City of Houston
P.O. Box 1562
Houston, Texas 77251

Contractor

**Rush Truck Centers of Texas LP d/b/a
Rush Truck Center, Houston**
10200 N. Loop East
Houston, Texas 77029
Phone: (713)-495-6300
Fax: (713)-675-3451

The Parties agree as follows:

2.0 TABLE OF CONTENTS:

2.1 This Agreement consists of the following sections:

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3.0 PARTS INCORPORATED:

3.1 The above described sections and exhibits are incorporated into this Agreement.

4.0 CONTROLLING PARTS:

4.1 If a conflict among the sections or exhibits arises the Exhibits control over the Sections.

5.0 DEFINITIONS:

5.1 Certain terms used in this Agreement are defined in Exhibit "A".

6.0 SIGNATURES:

6.1 The Parties have executed this Agreement in multiple copies, each of which is an original.

ATTEST/SEAL (if a corporation):

Rush Truck Centers of Texas LP d/b/a

WITNESS (if not a corporation):

Rush Truck Center, Houston

By: Louis E Liles

By: Martin A. Naegelin, Jr.

Name: Louis E. Liles

Name: Martin A. Naegelin, Jr.

Title: Assistant Secretary

Title: Vice President, Sec'y, Treasurer of
Rushtex, Inc., General Partner of
Rush Truck Centers of Texas, L.P.
Federal Tax ID Number: 74-2786264

ATTEST/SEAL:

CITY OF HOUSTON, TEXAS

Signed by:

Christine Russell

City Secretary

Annise D. Parker

Mayor Mahmud D. Abdul

APPROVED:

COUNTERSIGNED BY:

Tammy Dukes

City Purchasing Agent

Ronald C. Grew

City Controller General Polk

DATE COUNTERSIGNED:

9-21-10

This Contract has been reviewed as to form by the undersigned legal assistant and has been found to meet established Legal Department criteria. The Legal Department has not reviewed the content of these documents.

9-3-10
Date

Nora B. Bush
Legal Assistant

II. DUTIES OF CONTRACTOR

1.0 SCOPE OF SERVICES:

- 1.1 In consideration of the payments specified in this Agreement, Contractor shall provide all labor, material, equipment, transportation and supervision necessary to perform the services described in Exhibit "B."

2.0 INDEMNITY AND RELEASE:

2.1 RELEASE

PRIME CONTRACTOR/SUPPLIER AGREES TO AND SHALL RELEASE THE CITY, ITS AGENTS, EMPLOYEES, OFFICERS, AND LEGAL REPRESENTATIVES (COLLECTIVELY THE CITY) FROM ALL LIABILITY FOR INJURY, DEATH, DAMAGE, OR LOSS TO PERSONS OR PROPERTY SUSTAINED IN CONNECTION WITH OR INCIDENTAL TO PERFORMANCE UNDER THIS AGREEMENT, EVEN IF THE INJURY, DEATH, DAMAGE, OR LOSS IS CAUSED BY THE CITY'S SOLE OR CONCURRENT NEGLIGENCE AND/OR THE CITY'S STRICT PRODUCTS LIABILITY OR STRICT STATUTORY LIABILITY.

2.2 INDEMNIFICATION:

PRIME CONTRACTOR/SUPPLIER AGREES TO AND SHALL DEFEND, INDEMNIFY, AND HOLD THE CITY, ITS AGENTS, EMPLOYEES, OFFICERS, AND LEGAL REPRESENTATIVES (COLLECTIVELY "THE CITY") HARMLESS FOR ALL CLAIMS, CAUSES OF ACTION, LIABILITIES, FINES, AND EXPENSES (INCLUDING, WITHOUT LIMITATION, ATTORNEY'S FEES, COURT COSTS, AND ALL OTHER DEFENSE COSTS AND INTEREST) FOR INJURY, DEATH, DAMAGE, OR LOSS TO PERSONS OR PROPERTY SUSTAINED IN CONNECTION WITH OR INCIDENTAL TO PERFORMANCE UNDER THIS AGREEMENT INCLUDING, WITHOUT LIMITATION, THOSE CAUSED BY:

- 2.2.1 PRIME CONTRACTOR/SUPPLIERS AND/OR ITS AGENTS', EMPLOYEES', OFFICERS', DIRECTORS', CONTRACTORS', OR SUBCONTRACTORS' (COLLECTIVELY IN NUMBERED PARAGRAPHS 2.1-2.3, "PRIME CONTRACTOR/SUPPLIER") ACTUAL OR ALLEGED NEGLIGENCE OR INTENTIONAL ACTS OR OMISSIONS;
- 2.2.2 THE CITY'S AND PRIME CONTRACTOR/SUPPLIER'S ACTUAL OR ALLEGED CONCURRENT NEGLIGENCE, WHETHER PRIME CONTRACTOR/SUPPLIER IS IMMUNE FROM LIABILITY OR NOT; AND
- 2.2.3 THE CITY'S AND PRIME CONTRACTOR/SUPPLIER'S ACTUAL OR ALLEGED STRICT PRODUCTS LIABILITY OR STRICT STATUTORY LIABILITY, WHETHER PRIME CONTRACTOR/SUPPLIER IS IMMUNE FROM LIABILITY OR NOT.
- 2.2.4 PRIME CONTRACTOR/SUPPLIER SHALL DEFEND, INDEMNIFY, AND HOLD THE CITY HARMLESS DURING THE TERM OF THIS AGREEMENT AND FOR FOUR YEARS AFTER THE AGREEMENT TERMINATES. PRIME CONTRACTOR/SUPPLIER'S INDEMNIFICATION IS LIMITED TO \$500,000.00 PER OCCURRENCE. PRIME CONTRACTOR/SUPPLIER SHALL NOT INDEMNIFY THE CITY FOR THE CITY'S SOLE NEGLIGENCE.

2.3 INDEMNIFICATION:

CONTRACTOR SHALL REQUIRE ALL OF ITS SUBCONTRACTORS (AND THEIR SUBCONTRACTORS) TO RELEASE AND INDEMNIFY THE CITY TO THE SAME EXTENT AND IN SUBSTANTIALLY THE SAME FORM AS ITS RELEASE AND INDEMNITY TO THE CITY

3.0 INDEMNIFICATION PROCEDURES:

3.1 Notice of Claims. If the City or Prime Contractor/Supplier receives notice of any claim or circumstances which could give rise to an indemnified loss, the receiving party shall give written notice to the other party within 10 days. The notice must include the following:

3.1.1 a description of the indemnification event in reasonable detail,

3.1.2 the basis on which indemnification may be due, and

3.1.3 the anticipated amount of the indemnified loss.

3.2 This notice does not stop or prevent the City from later asserting a different basis for indemnification or a different amount of indemnified loss than that indicated in the initial notice. If the City does not provide this notice within the 10 day period, it does not waive any right to indemnification except to the extent that Prime Contractor/Supplier is prejudiced, suffers loss, or incurs expense because of the delay.

3.3 Defense of Claims

3.3.1 Assumption of Defense. Prime Contractor/Supplier may assume the defense of the claim at its own expense with counsel chosen by it that is reasonably satisfactory to the City. Prime Contractor/Supplier shall then control the defense and any negotiations to settle the claim. Within 10 days after receiving written notice of the indemnification request, Prime Contractor/Supplier must advise the City as to whether or not it will defend the claim. If Prime Contractor/Supplier does not assume the defense, the City shall assume and control the defense, and all defense expenses constitute an indemnification loss.

3.3.2 Continued Participation. If Prime Contractor/Supplier elects to defend the claim, the City may retain separate counsel to participate in (but not control) the defense and to participate in (but not control) any settlement negotiations. Prime Contractor/Supplier may settle the claim without the consent or agreement of the City, unless it (i) would result in injunctive relief or other equitable remedies or otherwise require the City to comply with restrictions or limitations that adversely affect the City, (ii) would require the City to pay amounts that Prime Contractor/Supplier does not fund in full, (iii) would not result in the City's full and complete release from all liability to the plaintiffs or claimants who are parties to or otherwise bound by the settlement.

4.0 INSURANCE:

4.1 Contractor shall maintain in effect certain insurance coverage and shall furnish certificates of insurance, in duplicate form, before beginning its performance under this Agreement. All policies except Professional Liability and Workers' Compensation must name the City as an additional insured. The issuer of any policy (1) shall have a Certificate of Authority to transact insurance business in Texas or (2) shall be an eligible non-admitted insurer in the State of Texas and have a Best's rating of at least B+ and a Best's Financial Size Category of Class VI

or better, according to the most current edition Best's Key Rating Guide. Contractor shall maintain the following insurance coverages in the following amounts:

4.1.1 Commercial General Liability insurance including Contractual Liability insurance:
\$500,000 per occurrence; \$1,000,000 aggregate

4.1.2 Workers' Compensation including Broad Form All States endorsement:
Statutory amount

4.1.3 Automobile Liability insurance
\$1,000,000 combined single limit per occurrence
Defense costs are excluded from the face amount of the policy.
Aggregate Limits are per 12-month policy period unless otherwise indicated.

4.1.4 Employer's Liability
Bodily injury by accident \$100,000 (each accident)
Bodily injury by disease \$100,000 (policy limit)
Bodily injury by disease \$100,000 (each employee)

4.2 All insurance policies must require on their face, or by endorsement, that the insurance carrier waives any rights of subrogation against the City, and that it shall give 30 days written notice to the City before they may be canceled. Within the 30 day period, Contractor shall provide other suitable policies in lieu of those about to be canceled, materially changed, or non-renewed so as to maintain in effect the required coverage. If Contractor does not comply with this requirement, the Director, at his or sole discretion, may:

4.2.1 immediately suspend Contractor from any further performance under this Agreement and begin procedures to terminate for default, or

4.2.2 purchase the required insurance with City funds and deduct the cost of the premiums from amounts due to Contractor under this Agreement.

5.0 **WARRANTIES:**

5.1 Contractor represents and warrants that it shall perform all work in a good and workmanlike manner, meeting the standards of quality prevailing in Harris County, Texas for work of this kind. Contractor shall perform all work using trained and skilled persons having substantial experience performing the work required under this Agreement.

5.2 With respect to any parts and goods furnished by it, Contractor warrants:

5.2.1 that all items are free of defects in title, material, and workmanship,

5.2.2 that each item meets or exceeds the manufacturer's specifications and requirements for the equipment, structure, or other improvement in which the item is installed,

5.2.3 that each replacement item is new in accordance with original equipment manufacturer's specifications, and of a quality at least as good as the quality of the item which it replaces (when the replaced item was new), and

5.2.4 that no item or its use infringes any patent, copyright, or proprietary right.

6.0 LICENSES AND PERMITS:

6.1 Contractor shall obtain and pay for all licenses, permits, and certificates required by any statute, ordinance, rule, or regulation.

7.0 COMPLIANCE WITH EQUAL OPPORTUNITY ORDINANCE:

7.1 Contractor shall comply with the City's Equal Employment Opportunity Ordinance as set out in Exhibit "C."

8.0 MWBE COMPLIANCE:

8.1 Contractor shall comply with the City's Minority and Women Business Enterprise ("MWBE") programs as set out in Chapter 15, Article V of the City of Houston Code of Ordinances. Contractor shall make good faith efforts to award subcontracts or supply agreements in at least 11% of the value of this Agreement to MWBEs. Contractor acknowledges that it has reviewed the requirements for good faith efforts on file with the City's Affirmative Action Division and will comply with them.

8.2 Contractor shall require written subcontracts with all MWBE subcontractors and shall submit all disputes with MWBEs to binding arbitration in Houston, Texas if directed to do so by the Affirmative Action Division Director. MWBE subcontracts must contain the terms set out in Exhibit "D." If Contractor is an individual person (as distinguished from a corporation, partnership, or other legal entity), and the amount of the subcontract is \$50,000 or less, the subcontract must also be signed by the attorneys of the respective parties.

9.0 DRUG ABUSE DETECTION AND DETERRENCE:

9.1 It is the policy of the City to achieve a drug-free workforce and workplace. The manufacture, distribution, dispensation, possession, sale, or use of illegal drugs or alcohol by contractors while on City Premises is prohibited. Contractor shall comply with all the requirements and procedures set forth in the Mayor's Drug Abuse Detection and Deterrence Procedures for Contractors, Executive Order No. 1-31 ("Executive Order"), which is incorporated into this Agreement and is on file in the City Secretary's Office.

9.2 Before the City signs this Agreement, Contractor shall file with the Contract Compliance Officer for Drug Testing ("CCODT"):

9.2.1 a copy of its drug-free workplace policy,

9.2.2 the Drug Policy Compliance Agreement substantially in the form set forth in Exhibit "E," together with a written designation of all safety impact positions and,

9.2.3 if applicable (e.g. no safety impact positions), the Certification of No Safety Impact Positions, substantially in the form set forth in Exhibit "F."

9.3 If Contractor files a written designation of safety impact positions with its Drug Policy Compliance Agreement, it also shall file every 6 months during the performance of this Agreement or on completion of this Agreement if performance is less than 6 months, a Drug Policy Compliance Declaration in a form substantially similar to Exhibit "G." Contractor shall submit the Drug Policy Compliance Declaration to the CCODT within 30 days of the expiration of each 6-month period of performance and within 30 days of completion of this Agreement. The first 6-month period begins to run on the date the City issues its Notice to Proceed or if no Notice to Proceed is issued, on the first day Contractor begins work under this Agreement.

- 9.4 Contractor also shall file updated designations of safety impact positions with the CCOOT if additional safety impact positions are added to Contractor's employee work force.
- 9.5 Contractor shall require that its subcontractors comply with the Executive Order, and Contractor shall secure and maintain the required documents for City inspection.

10.0 ENVIRONMENTAL LAWS:

- 10.1 Contractor shall comply with all rules, regulations, statutes, or orders of the Environmental Protection Agency ("EPA"), the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality ("TCEQ"), and any other governmental agency with the authority to promulgate environmental rules and regulations ("Environmental Laws"). Contractor shall promptly reimburse the City for any fines or penalties levied against the City because of Contractor's failure to comply.
- 10.2 Contractor shall not possess, use, generate, release, discharge, store, dispose of, or transport any Hazardous Materials on, under, in, above, to, or from the site except in strict compliance with the Environmental Regulations. "Hazardous Materials" means any substances, materials, or wastes that are or become regulated as hazardous or toxic substances under any applicable federal, state, or local laws, regulations, ordinances, or orders. Contractor shall not deposit oil, gasoline, grease, lubricants or any ignitable or hazardous liquids, materials, or substances in the City's storm sewer system or sanitary sewer system or elsewhere on City Property in violation of the Environmental Laws.

11.0 CONTRACTOR'S PERFORMANCE:

- 11.1 Contractor shall make citizen satisfaction a priority in providing services under this Agreement. Contractor shall train its employees to be customer service-oriented and to positively and politely interact with citizens when performing contract services. Contractor's employees shall be clean, courteous, efficient, and neat in appearance and committed to offering the highest quality of service to the public. If, in the Director's opinion, Contractor is not interacting in a positive and polite manner with citizens, he or she shall direct Contractor to take all remedial steps to conform to these standards.

12.0 PAYMENT OF EMPLOYEES AND SUBCONTRACTORS:

- 12.1 Contractor shall make timely payments in accordance with applicable state and federal law to all persons and entities supplying labor, materials or equipment for the performance of this Agreement including Contractor's employees.
- 12.2 Failure of Contractor to pay its employees as required by law shall constitute a default under this contract for which the Contractor and its surety shall be liable on Contractor's performance bond if Contractor fails to cure the default as provided under this Agreement.
- 12.3 Contractor shall defend and indemnify the City from any claims or liability arising out of Contractor's failure to pay its subcontractors as required by law. Contractor shall submit disputes relating to payment of M/WBE subcontractors to arbitration in the same manner as any other disputes under the M/WBE subcontract.

13.0 CONTRACTOR PAY OR PLAY PROGRAM:

- 13.1 The requirement and terms of the City of Houston Pay or Play Policy, as set out in Executive Order 1-7, are incorporated into this Agreement for all purposes. Contractor has reviewed Executive Order 1-7 and shall comply with its terms and conditions as they are set out at the time of City Council approval of this Agreement. Exhibit "I".

III. DUTIES OF CITY

1.0 PAYMENT TERMS:

- 1.1 The City shall pay and Contractor shall accept fees at the unit prices provided in Exhibit H for all services rendered and the Deliverables furnished by Contractor. The fees must only be paid from Allocated Funds, as provided below.
- 1.2 Any quantities of services or Deliverables shown in any part of this contract or its exhibits are estimated only and are not any guarantee that the City will not purchase more or less of those services or Deliverables. The City will pay only for the services or Deliverables actually ordered and only at the unit prices set out.

2.0 TAXES:

- 2.1 The City is exempt from payment of Federal Excise and Transportation Tax and Texas Limited Sales and Use Tax. Contractor's invoices to the City must not contain assessments of any of these taxes. The Director will furnish the City's exemption certificate and federal tax identification number to Contractor if requested.

3.0 METHOD OF PAYMENT:

- 3.1 The City shall pay Contractor on the basis of invoices submitted by Contractor and approved by the Director, showing the specific tasks completed in the preceding month and the corresponding prices. The City shall make payments to Contractor at its address for notices within 30 days of receipt of an approved invoice.

4.0 METHOD OF PAYMENT - DISPUTED PAYMENTS:

- 4.1 If the City disputes any items in an invoice Contractor submits for any reason, including lack of supporting documentation, the Director shall temporarily delete the disputed item and pay the remainder of the invoice. The Director shall promptly notify Contractor of the dispute and request remedial action. After the dispute is settled, Contractor shall include the disputed amount on a subsequent regularly scheduled invoice or on a special invoice for the disputed item only.

5.0 LIMIT OF APPROPRIATION:

- 5.1 The City's duty to pay money to Contractor under this Agreement is limited in its entirety by the provisions of this Section.
- 5.2 In order to comply with Article II, Sections 19 and 19a of the City's Charter and Article XI, Section 5 of the Texas Constitution, the City has appropriated and allocated the sum of **\$156,285.00** to pay money due under this Agreement (the "Original Allocation"). The executive and legislative officers of the City, in their discretion, may allocate supplemental funds for this Agreement, but they are not obligated to do so. Therefore, the parties have agreed to the following procedures and remedies:
- 5.3 The City makes a Supplemental Allocation by issuing to Contractor a Service Release Order, or similar form approved by the City Controller, containing the language set out below. When necessary, the Supplemental Allocation shall be approved by motion or ordinance of City Council.

“NOTICE OF SUPPLEMENTAL ALLOCATION OF FUNDS”

By the signature below, the City Controller certifies that, upon the request of the responsible director, the supplemental sum set out below has been allocated for the purposes of the Agreement out of funds appropriated for this purpose by the City Council of the City of Houston. This supplemental allocation has been charged to such appropriation.

- 5.4 The Original Allocation plus all supplemental allocations are the Allocated Funds. The City shall never be obligated to pay any money under this Agreement in excess of the Allocated Funds. Contractor must assure itself that sufficient allocations have been made to pay for services it provides. If Allocated Funds are exhausted, Contractor’s only remedy is suspension or termination of its performance under this Agreement and it has no other remedy in law or in equity against the City and no right to damages of any kind.

6.0 CHANGES:

- 6.1 At any time during the Agreement Term, the City Purchasing Agent or Director may issue a Change Order to increase or decrease the scope of services or change plans and specifications, as he or she may find necessary to accomplish the general purposes of this Agreement. Contractor shall furnish the services or deliverables in the Change Order in accordance with the requirements of this Agreement plus any special provisions, specifications, or special instructions issued to execute the extra work.
- 6.2 The City Purchasing Agent or Director will issue the Change Order in substantially the following form:

CHANGE ORDER

TO: [Name of Contractor]
FROM: City of Houston, Texas (the "City")
DATE: [Date of Notice]
SUBJECT: Change Order under the Agreement between the City and [Name of Contractor] countersigned by the City Controller on [Date of countersignature of the Agreement]

Subject to all terms and conditions of the Agreement, the City requests that Contractor provide the following:

[Here describe the additions to or changes to the equipment or services and the Change Order Charges applicable to each.]

Signed:
[Signature of City Purchasing Agent or Director]

- 6.3 The City Purchasing Agent or Director may issue more than one Change Order, subject to the following limitations:
 - 6.3.1 Council expressly authorizes the City Purchasing Agent or Director to approve a Change Order of up to \$25,000. A Change Order of more than \$25,000 over the approved contract amount must be approved by the City Council.
 - 6.3.2 If a Change Order describes items that Contractor is otherwise required to provide under this Agreement, the City is not obligated to pay any additional money to Contractor.

- 6.3.3 The Total of all Change Orders issued under this section may not increase the Original Agreement amount by more than 25%.
- 6.4 Whenever Contractor receives a Change Order, Contractor shall furnish all material, equipment, and personnel necessary to perform the work described in the Change Order. Contractor shall complete the work within the time prescribed. If no time for completion is prescribed, Contractor shall complete the work within a reasonable time. If the work described in any Change Order causes an unavoidable delay in any other work Contractor is required to perform under this Agreement, Contractor may request a time extension for the completion of the work. The City Purchasing Agent's or Director's decision regarding a time extension is final.
- 6.5 A product or service provided under a Change Order is subject to inspection, acceptance, or rejection in the same manner as the work described in the Original Agreement, and is subject to the terms and conditions of the Original Agreement as if it had originally been a part of the Agreement.
- 6.6 Change Orders are subject to the Allocated Funds provisions of this Agreement.

IV. TERM AND TERMINATION

1.0 CONTRACT TERM:

- 1.1 This Agreement is effective on the Countersignature Date and expires three (3) years after the date specified in the Notice to Proceed unless sooner terminated according to the terms of this Agreement.

2.0 NOTICE TO PROCEED:

- 2.1 Contractor shall begin performance under this Agreement on the date specified in a Notice to Proceed from the City Purchasing Agent.

3.0 RENEWALS:

- 3.1 Upon expiration of the Initial Term, and so long as the City makes sufficient supplemental allocations, this Agreement will be automatically renewed for two successive one-year terms on the same terms and conditions. If the Director of the City Department elects not to renew this Agreement, the City Purchasing shall notify Contractor in writing of non-renewal at least 30 days before the expiration of the then-current term.

4.0 TIME EXTENSIONS:

- 4.1 If the Department requests an extension of time to complete its performance, then the City Purchasing Agent may, in his or her sole discretion, extend the time so long as the extension does not exceed 90 days. The extension must be in writing but does not require amendment of this Agreement. Contractor is not entitled to damages for delay(s) regardless of the cause of the delay(s).

5.0 TERMINATION FOR CONVENIENCE BY THE CITY:

- 5.1 The City Purchasing Agent or Director may terminate this Agreement at any time by giving 30 days written notice to Contractor. The City's right to terminate this Agreement for convenience is cumulative of all rights and remedies which exist now or in the future.
- 5.2 On receiving the notice, Contractor shall, unless the notice directs otherwise, immediately discontinue all services under this Agreement and cancel all existing orders and subcontracts that are chargeable to this Agreement. As soon as practicable after receiving the termination

notice, Contractor shall submit an invoice showing in detail the services performed under this Agreement up to the termination date. The City shall then pay the fees to Contractor for services actually performed, but not already paid for, in the same manner as prescribed in Section III unless the fees exceed the allocated funds remaining under this Agreement.

- 5.3 TERMINATION OF THIS AGREEMENT AND RECEIPT OF PAYMENT FOR SERVICES RENDERED ARE CONTRACTOR'S ONLY REMEDIES FOR THE CITY'S TERMINATION FOR CONVENIENCE, WHICH DOES NOT CONSTITUTE A DEFAULT OR BREACH OF THIS AGREEMENT. CONTRACTOR WAIVES ANY CLAIM (OTHER THAN ITS CLAIM FOR PAYMENT AS SPECIFIED IN THIS SECTION), IT MAY HAVE NOW OR IN THE FUTURE FOR FINANCIAL LOSSES OR OTHER DAMAGES RESULTING FROM THE CITY'S TERMINATION FOR CONVENIENCE.

6.0 TERMINATION FOR CAUSE BY CITY:

- 6.1 If Contractor defaults under this Agreement, the City Purchasing Agent or Director may either terminate this Agreement or allow Contractor to cure the default as provided below. The City's right to terminate this Agreement for Contractor's default is cumulative of all rights and remedies which exist now or in the future. Default by Contractor occurs if:
- 6.1.1 Contractor fails to perform any of its duties under this Agreement;
 - 6.1.2 Contractor becomes insolvent;
 - 6.1.3 all or a substantial part of Contractor's assets are assigned for the benefit of its creditors;
 - 6.1.4 a receiver or trustee is appointed for Contractor.
- 6.2 If a default occurs, the City Purchasing Agent or Director may, but is not obligated to, deliver a written notice to Contractor describing the default and the termination date. The City Purchasing Agent or Director at his or her sole option may extend the termination date to a later date. If the City Purchasing Agent or Director allows Contractor to cure the default and Contractor does so to the City Purchasing Agent's or Director's satisfaction before the termination date, then the termination is ineffective. If Contractor does not cure the default before the termination date, then the City Purchasing Agent or Director may terminate this Agreement on the termination date, at no further obligation of the City.
- 6.3 To effect final termination, the City Purchasing Agent or Director must notify Contractor in writing. After receiving the notice, Contractor shall, unless the notice directs otherwise, immediately discontinue all services under this Agreement, and promptly cancel all orders or subcontracts chargeable to this Agreement.

7.0 TERMINATION FOR CAUSE BY CONTRACTOR:

- 7.1 Contractor may terminate its performance under this Agreement only if the City defaults and fails to cure the default after receiving written notice of it. Default by the City occurs if the City fails to perform one or more of its material duties under this Agreement. If a default occurs and Contractor wishes to terminate the Agreement, then Contractor must deliver a written notice to the Director describing the default and the proposed termination date.
- 7.2 The date must be at least 30 days after the Director receives notice. Contractor, at its sole option, may extend the proposed termination date to a later date. If the City cures the default before the proposed termination date, then the proposed termination is ineffective. If the City does not cure the default before the proposed termination date, then Contractor may terminate its performance under this Agreement on the termination date.

8.0 REMOVAL OF CONTRACTOR OWNED EQUIPMENT AND MATERIALS:

8.1 Upon expiration, or termination of this Agreement, Contractor is permitted ten (10) days within which to remove contractor-owned material and equipment from the City's premises. The City shall make such material and equipment readily available to Contractor. The time period may be extended upon approval by the Director. The City reserves the right to deny any extension of time.

V. MISCELLANEOUS

1.0 INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR:

1.1 Contractor shall perform its obligations under this Agreement as an independent contractor and not as an employee of the City.

2.0 FORCE MAJEURE:

2.1 Timely performance by both parties is essential to this Agreement. However, neither party is liable for delays or other failures to perform its obligations under this Agreement to the extent the delay or failure is caused by Force Majeure. Force Majeure means fires, floods, explosions, and other acts of God, war, terrorist acts, riots, court orders, and the acts of superior governmental or military authority.

2.2 This relief is not applicable unless the affected party does the following:

2.2.1 uses due diligence to remove the Force Majeure as quickly as possible; and

2.2.2 provides the other party with prompt written notice of the cause and its anticipated effect.

2.3 The City may perform contract functions itself or contract them out during periods of Force Majeure. Such performance does not constitute a default or breach of this Agreement by the City.

2.4 If the Force Majeure continues for more than 30 days, the City Purchasing Agent or Director may terminate this Agreement by giving 30 days' written notice to Contractor. This termination is not a default or breach of this Agreement. CONTRACTOR WAIVES ANY CLAIM IT MAY HAVE FOR FINANCIAL LOSSES OR OTHER DAMAGES RESULTING FROM THE TERMINATION EXCEPT FOR AMOUNTS DUE UNDER THE AGREEMENT AT THE TIME OF THE TERMINATION.

3.0 SEVERABILITY:

3.1 If any part of this Agreement is for any reason found to be unenforceable, all other parts remain enforceable unless the result materially prejudices either party.

4.0 ENTIRE AGREEMENT:

4.1 This Agreement merges the prior negotiations and understandings of the Parties and embodies the entire agreement of the Parties. No other agreements, assurances, conditions, covenants (express or implied), or other terms of any kind exist between the Parties regarding this Agreement.

5.0 WRITTEN AMENDMENT:

5.1 Unless otherwise specified elsewhere in this Agreement, this Agreement may be amended only by written instrument executed on behalf of the City (by authority of an ordinance duly adopted by the City Council) and Contractor. The Director is only authorized to perform the functions specifically delegated to him or her in this Agreement.

6.0 APPLICABLE LAWS:

6.1 This Agreement is subject to the laws of the State of Texas, the City Charter and Ordinances, the laws of the federal government of the United States, and all rules and regulations of any regulatory body or officer having jurisdiction.

6.2 Venue for any litigation relating to this Agreement is Harris County, Texas.

7.0 NOTICES:

7.1 All notices required or permitted by this Agreement must be in writing and are deemed delivered on the earlier of the date actually received or the third day following: (1) deposit in a United States Postal Service post office or receptacle; (2) with proper postage (certified mail, return receipt requested); and (3) addressed to the other party at the address set out in the preamble of this Agreement or at such other address as the receiving party designates by proper notice to the sending party.

8.0 NON-WAIVER:

8.1 If either party fails to require the other to perform a term of this Agreement, that failure does not prevent the party from later enforcing that term and all other terms. If either party waives the other's breach of a term, that waiver does not waive a later breach of this Agreement.

8.2 An approval by the Director, or by any other employee or agent of the City, of any part of Contractor's performance does not waive compliance with this Agreement or establish a standard of performance other than that required by this Agreement and by law. The Director is not authorized to vary the terms of this Agreement.

9.0 INSPECTIONS AND AUDITS:

9.1 City representatives may perform, or have performed, (1) audits of Contractor's books and records, and (2) inspections of all places where work is undertaken in connection with this Agreement. Contractor shall keep its books and records available for this purpose for at least 3 years after this Agreement terminates. This provision does not affect the applicable statute of limitations.

10.0 ENFORCEMENT:

10.1 The City Attorney or his or her designee may enforce all legal rights and obligations under this Agreement without further authorization. Contractor shall provide to the City Attorney all documents and records that the City Attorney requests to assist in determining Contractor's compliance with this Agreement, with the exception of those documents made confidential by federal or State law or regulation.

11.0 AMBIGUITIES:

11.1 If any term of this Agreement is ambiguous, it shall not be construed for or against any party on the basis that the party did or did not write it.

12.0 SURVIVAL:

12.1 Contractor shall remain obligated to the City under all clauses of this Agreement that expressly or by their nature extend beyond the expiration or termination of this Agreement, including but not limited to, the indemnity provisions.

13.0 PARTIES IN INTEREST:

13.1 This Agreement does not bestow any rights upon any third party, but binds and benefits the City and Contractor only.

14.0 SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS:

14.1 This Agreement binds and benefits the Parties and their legal successors and permitted assigns; however, this provision does not alter the restrictions on assignment and disposal of assets set out in the following paragraph. This Agreement does not create any personal liability on the part of any officer or agent of the City.

15.0 BUSINESS STRUCTURE AND ASSIGNMENTS:

15.1 Contractor shall not assign this Agreement at law or otherwise or dispose of all or substantially all of its assets without the City Purchasing Agent's or Director's prior written consent. Nothing in this clause, however, prevents the assignment of accounts receivable or the creation of a security interest under Section 9.406 (c) of the Texas Business & Commerce Code. In the case of such an assignment, Contractor shall immediately furnish the City with proof of the assignment and the name, telephone number, and address of the Assignee and a clear identification of the fees to be paid to the Assignee.

15.2 Contractor shall not delegate any portion of its performance under this Agreement without the City Purchasing Agent's or Director's prior written consent.

16.0 REMEDIES CUMULATIVE:

16.1 Unless otherwise specified elsewhere in this Agreement, the rights and remedies contained in this Agreement are not exclusive, but are cumulative of all rights and remedies which exist now or in the future. Neither party may terminate its duties under this Agreement except in accordance with its provisions.

17.0 CONTRACTOR DEBT:

17.1 If Contractor, at any time during the term of this agreement, incurs a debt, as the word is defined in Section 15-122 of the Houston City Code of Ordinances, it shall immediately notify the City Controller in writing. If the City Controller becomes aware that Contractor has incurred a debt, she shall immediately notify contractor in writing. If Contractor does not pay the debt within 30 days of either such notification, the City Controller may deduct funds in an amount equal to the debt from any payments owed to Contractor under this agreement, and Contractor waives any recourse therefore.

EXHIBIT "A" DEFINITIONS

As used in this Agreement, the following terms have the meanings set out below:

"Agreement" means this contract between the Parties, including all exhibits, change orders, and any written amendments authorized by City Council and Contractor.

"City" is defined in the preamble of this Agreement and includes its successors and assigns.

"City Purchasing Agent" is defined as the person or duly authorized successor, authorized in writing to act for the City. The term includes, except as otherwise provided in this Contract, the authorized representative of the City Purchasing Agent acting within the limits of delegated authority.

"Contractor Administrator" means the representative of the Department who is responsible for the administration for the Contract.

"Contract Award Notice" means the official notification substantiated by the Notice to Proceed issued by the City Purchasing Agent to the Contractor.

"Contract Charges" means charges that accrue during a given month as defined in Article III.

"Contract Term" is defined in Article IV.

"Contractor" is defined in the preamble of this Agreement and includes its successors and assigns.

"Countersignature Date" means the date this agreement is countersigned by the City Controller.

"Director" means the Directors/Chiefs of each of the Departments or the City Purchasing Agent for the City, or the person he or she designates.

"Effective Date" is defined as date contract is countersigned by the City Controller.

"Governing Body" means the Mayor and City Council of the City of Houston.

"Hazardous Materials" is defined in Article II (Environmental Laws).

"Notice to Proceed" means a written communication from the City Purchasing Agent to Contractor instructing Contractor to begin performance.

"Parties" mean all the entities set out in the Preamble who are bound by this Agreement.

SECTION B
SCOPE OF WORK/SPECIFICATIONS
FOR

1.0 **Scope of Services**

- 1.1 The Contractor shall furnish all supervision, labor, tools, parts (when authorized by the City) and facilities to repair medium and heavy-duty vehicles suspension (front and rear) and steering. Performance for any services described herein shall be initiated upon delivery of an authorized Work Order, Change Order or Letter of Authorization issued on behalf of the user department.

- 1.2 The Contractor shall be required to inspect the vehicle and submit work estimates electronically (e.g. scanned quote sent to the City via e-mail). The Contractor will not be allowed to repair the vehicle without prior approval of work estimate. The Contractor's work estimate must separate cost of repairs and parts covered under the contract from items not covered under the contract. Costs not covered under the contract will require a "change order" prior to starting the repair.

2.0 **Basic Services**

- 2.1 The Contractor shall make all repairs to medium and heavy duty suspension (front and rear) and steering and other equipment/parts as necessary to return the vehicle to like new condition.

3.0 **Requirements (Fire Department)**

- 3.1 The Contractor shall be required to have sufficient lifts/jacks rated up to 100,000 pounds to service the heavy vehicles assigned to the Fire Department (ladder trucks, towers trucks, and pumpers). The Contractor must have the capability of performing front and rear alignments using laser (or newer) technology. Printed alignment reports for front and rear alignments will be required during vehicle pickup and upon request by the user departments.

4.0 **Requirements (All Departments)**

- 4.1 Subcontracting any portion of this contract shall require approval of the City.

5.0 **Repair Technicians**

- 5.1 The Contractor shall actively participate in ASE (Automotive Service Excellence) Certification Programs in the area of medium and heavy-duty brakes, suspension and steering.

6.0 **Replacement Parts**

- 6.1 All of the Price Lists mentioned are Associated Parts Lists. Any additional price lists, as may be required must be OEM Parts used in the repair of Fire Apparatus.

- 6.2 The Contractor shall have a sufficient inventory of parts on hand at their facility to repair City vehicles and Fire Apparatus within the specified delivery requirements of the contract. All parts must be OEM (or equivalent or better) in quality and workmanship.

- 6.3 Repair to include replacement of all suspension and steering parts:
Parts to include: Springs (Grommets, U and Tie Bolts) Shocks, Shock Mounts, Spring Mount to include air bags, when applicable. Also steering linkages, Seals, Bearings U-Joints, hubs, brakes, steering

gears and axle parts. Alignment of front ends and rear axle (Toe in/Toe out, caster, camber). Any frame straightening and welding of any parts must bring the frame back within OEM tolerances.

- 6.4 **The City of Houston reserves the right to purchase replacement parts from the Contractor and make repairs to the equipment covered under this agreement.**

7.0 Damage Repair/Work Estimate

- 7.1 For each vehicle to be repaired, the Contractor shall provide the user department with an electronic estimate (e.g. scanned estimate sent to the City via e-mail) of the repair needed to be done to the apparatus within one (1) working day from receipt of damaged vehicle. The written estimate shall include the repair labor hours and materials cost dollars. The Contractor's estimate/proposal must be a detailed legible description of parts and labor charges. In order to determine the total repair estimate/proposal amount, the Contractor shall apply the labor rate bid to the estimated labor hours and add the materials cost. If the Contractor's estimate is determined to be reasonable by the user department, the Contractor shall be given a written authorization to proceed with the repairs by the user department. Additional work beyond the original estimated shall be submitted in writing or by electronic format to the user department. No work shall be performed without prior approval by user department in writing/ mutually agree method.

8.0 Storage of Apparatus

- 8.1 The Contractor shall have a secure and fully lighted facility and area to protect City vehicles and equipment from theft and vandalism. All Fire Department vehicles must be secured indoors or behind gated facility if they remain on the facility overnight. All repair bays must be fully enclosed in a building in order to protect City vehicles and equipment from the elements and debris. Vehicles shall be locked at all times when not being serviced.

9.0 Completion of Repairs

- 9.1 The Contractor shall complete all repairs within three (3) business days after approval of work estimate and within 48 hours after approval in case of an emergency.

NOTE: FIRE DEPARTMENT APPARATUS SHALL HAVE PRIORITY OVER ALL "OTHER" VEHICLES.

10.0 Notice of Vehicle Completion

- 10.1 The Contractor shall notify the user department one (1) business day in advance of vehicle repair completion when possible.

11.0 Vehicle Acceptance

- 11.1 The apparatus repairs will be inspected by the user department for workmanship, appearance, proper functioning of all equipment and systems, and conformance to all other requirements of this specification. In the event deficiencies are detected, the vehicle(s) will be rejected to make the necessary repairs, adjustments, or replacements. It shall be the Contractor's responsibility to make the necessary corrections and resubmit the vehicle(s) for re-inspection and acceptance. Payment will not be made until the corrective action is completed and the vehicle(s) is/are re-inspected and accepted.

12.0 Examination of Cost Sheets

- 12.1 The Director of the user department or its designated representative reserves the right to examine the Contractor's parts/material cost invoices upon request.

13.0 Labor Rate Escalation Clause

13.1 No Labor Rate increases shall be allowed during the life of the contract. Therefore, the labor rates offered for each contract year shall be firm for the life of the contract.

13.2 **Labor hours charged in request for payment must be verifiable upon request.**

14.0 Warranty/Guarantee

14.1 The Contractor shall be authorized by the manufacturer of the vehicle, in writing, to perform repairs on vehicles that are under warranty.

14.2 The Contractor shall provide a one-year written warranty for each repaired vehicle. The warranty period shall commence at the time of final vehicle acceptance by the City.

14.3 If, during the warranty period, any defect or faulty materials are found, the Contractor shall upon notification by the user department proceed at its own expense to replace and repair same, together with any damages to all finishes, fixtures, equipment and furnishings that may have been damaged as a result of this defective equipment or workmanship. This warranty work must be completed within five (5) business days after receipt of unit.

15.0 Damaged Parts

15.1 The Contractor shall keep all damaged parts in its possession for at least (30) calendar days after acceptance of the apparatus. The City will not pay for any parts that are not made available upon request.

16.0 Liquidated Damages

16.1 The parties acknowledge that the Contractor's failures to deliver fire department apparatus repair work on the requested date constitutes a breach of the original agreement and will cause damages to the City and those actual damages from such harm are difficult to estimate accurately. Therefore, the Contractor shall be liable for and shall pay to the City the sum of \$125.00 per day for medium, heavy duty vehicles and ambulances for failure to deliver the vehicle within the prescribed five (5) business days after approval of work estimate or within 48 hours after approval in case of an emergency.

16.2 Should delivery of the vehicle submitted for repair exceed five (5) days from the original date agree upon, the City has the option to direct the Contractor to stop work and the user department will have the option of retrieving the vehicle and contacting another vendor to service the vehicle.

17.0 Invoicing

17.1 Invoices shall be submitted as follows:

17.1.1 The Contractor shall submit for payment in triplicate (one original and two copies) invoices that are on Contactor's company stationary with original signed by an authorized agent of the company. The invoice number shall not be duplicated during the contract period. Each invoice shall detail the following information:

17.1.1.1 City contract number, Service Release Order (SRO), Purchase Order (PO) and work order number.

17.1.1.2 Address of facility where services were performed.

17.1.1.3 Beginning and ending date of service.

17.1.1.4 Detailed description of service rendered.

17.1.1.5 Itemized listing of new equipment, parts/part numbers, materials or components installed or repaired. If equipment and/or parts are reconditioned, the cost to

- recondition parts must be listed.
- 17.1.1.6 Itemized labor hours and rates based on classification under Exhibit "G".
- 17.1.1.7 Subtotal costs for parts and labor listed separately.
- 17.1.1.8 Total invoice cost.
- 17.1.1.9 A copy of the following will be attached to the invoice:
 - A. The detailed job estimate with approval signature of the user department's authorized representative authorizing commencement of work.
 - B. Copy of "Completion of Work" report with required acceptance signature of the user department's representative.

17.1.2 Invoices must be submitted with the applicable copies of the Contractor's daily work orders attached, which must have the approval signature of the user department's Director or its designated representative.

17.1.3 Invoices submitted for services performed resulting from Extra Work/Services shall require copies of the user department's written request attached to the original and each of the two (2) invoice copies.

17.1.4 Invoices shall reference Contractor's contact person for invoice irregularities.

17.1.5 INVOICING ADDRESSES

- 17.1.5.1 **HFD Invoicing Address:**
Houston Fire Department
Attn: Accounts Payable
PO Box 3625
Houston, TX 77253
- 17.1.5.1 **PW&E Invoicing Address**
Public Works and Engineering Department
Attn: Accounts Payable – Mr. Craig Foster
PO Box 61449
Houston, Texas 77208-1449
- 17.1.5.1 **SWD Invoicing Address**
Solid Waste Management Department
Attn: Accounts Payables – Randt Tims
PO Box 1562
Houston, Texas 77251

18.0 Additions & Deletions:

18.1 The City, by written notice from the City Purchasing Agent to the Contractor, at any time during the term of this contract, may add or delete like or similar equipment, locations and/or services to the list of equipment, locations and/or services to be performed. Any such written notice shall take effect on the date stated in the notice from the City. Equipment, locations and/or services added will be subject to the contract services and charges or rates as an item already specified in the fee schedule. In the event the additional equipment, locations and/or service is not identical to any item already under contract, the charges therefore will then be the Contractor's normal and customary charges or rates for the equipment, locations and/or services classified in the fee schedule.

19.0 **Estimated Quantities Not Guaranteed**

19.1 The estimated quantities specified herein are not a guarantee of actual quantities, as the City does not guarantee any particular quantity of heavy duty front end truck repair services during the term of this contract. The quantities may vary depending upon the actual needs of the user Department. The quantities specified herein are good faith estimates of usage during the term of this contract. Therefore, the City shall not be liable for any contractual agreements/obligations the Contractor enters into based on the City purchasing/requiring all the quantities specified herein.

20.0 **Contractor's Facility and Inspection**

20.1 The City intends to inspect the work on its equipment during the course of its repair. This facility shall be equipped to provide the services specified and shall be staffed with qualified personnel. **THE REQUIREMENT SHALL APPLY TO ALL SUB-CONTRACTORS THAT WILL PERFORM WORK RELATED TO THIS CONTRACT FOR THE CONTRACTOR.**

20.2 The successful bidder shall satisfy the City that the bidder maintains a repair facility to allow monitoring and inspection of the Contractor's work by the user department. The successful bidder shall maintain a repair facility within one (1) hour driving radius from City Hall located at 901 Bagby, to allow for delivery, pickup, monitoring and inspection of vehicle being repair on a regular basis

20.3 The facility shall meet all Federal, State, Building Codes, regulations of Fire Department, City of Houston and/or local regulations, ordinances, codes and standards which **govern such facilities and the equipment therein.**

20.4 The Contractor shall have adequate access for City of Houston vehicles to enter, load, and exit safely without exposing the operator of the vehicle to danger such as backing in traffic lanes, crossing medians.

20.5 **FAILURE OF THE BIDDER TO SATISFY THIS REQUIREMENT OF THE CITY INSPECTION WILL DISQUALIFY THE BIDDER FROM FURTHER CONSIDERATION.**

21.0 **Warranty Of Services**

a) *Definitions:* "Acceptance" as used in this clause, means the act of an authorized representative of the City by which the City assumes for itself, approval of specific services as partial or complete performance of the contract.

"Correction" as used in this clause, means the elimination of a defect.

b) Notwithstanding inspection and acceptance by the City or any provision concerning the conclusiveness thereof, the Contractor warrants that all services performed under this contract will, at the time of acceptance, be free from defects in workmanship and conform to the requirements of this contract. The City shall give written notice of any defect or nonconformance to the Contractor within a one-year period from the date of acceptance by the City. This notice shall state either (1) that the Contractor shall correct or re-perform any defective or non-conforming services at no additional cost to the City, or (2) that the City does not require correction or re-performance

c) If the Contractor is required to correct or re-perform, it shall be at no cost to the City, and any services corrected or re-performed by the Contractor shall be subject to this clause to the same extent as work initially performed. If the Contractor fails or refuses to correct or re-perform, the City may, by contract or otherwise, correct or replace with similar services and charge to the Contractor the cost occasioned to the City thereby, or make an equitable adjustment in the contract price.

d) If the City does not require correction or re-performance, the City shall make an equitable adjustment in the contract price.

EXHIBIT "C"
EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

1. The contractor, subcontractor, vendor, supplier, or lessee will not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, religion, color, sex, national origin, or age. The contractor, subcontractor, vendor, supplier, or lessee will take affirmative action to ensure that applicants are employed and that employees are treated during employment without regard to their race, religion, color, sex, national origin, or age. Such action will include, but not be limited to, the following: employment; upgrading; demotion or transfer; recruitment advertising; layoff or termination; rates of pay or other forms of compensation and selection for training, including apprenticeship. The contractor, subcontractor, vendor, supplier or lessee agrees to post in conspicuous places available to employees, and applicants for employment, notices to be provided by the City setting forth the provisions of this Equal Employment Opportunity Clause.
2. The contractor, subcontractor, vendor, supplier, or lessee states that all qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, religion, color, sex, national origin or age.
3. The contractor, subcontractor, vendor, supplier, or lessee will send to each labor union or representatives of workers with which it has a collective bargaining agreement or other contract or understanding, a notice to be provided by the agency contracting officer advising the said labor union or worker's representative of the contractor's and subcontractor's commitments under Section 202 of Executive Order No. 11246, and shall post copies of the notice in conspicuous places available to employees and applicants for employment.
4. The contractor, subcontractor, vendor, supplier, or lessee will comply with all provisions of Executive Order No. 11246 and the rules, regulations, and relevant orders of the Secretary of Labor or other Federal Agency responsible for enforcement of the equal employment opportunity and affirmative action provisions applicable and will likewise furnish all information and reports required by the Mayor and/or Contractor Compliance Officer(s) for purposes of investigation to ascertain and effect compliance with this program.
5. The contractor, subcontractor, vendor, supplier, or lessee will furnish all information and reports required by Executive Order No. 11246, and by the rules, regulations, and orders of the Secretary of Labor, or pursuant thereto, and will permit access to all books, records, and accounts by the appropriate City and Federal Officials for purposes of investigations to ascertain compliance with such rules, regulations, and orders. Compliance reports filed at such times as directed shall contain information as to the employment practice policies, program, and work force statistics of the contractor, subcontractor, vendor, supplier, or lessee.
6. In the event of the contractor's, subcontractor's, vendor's, supplier's, or lessee's non-compliance with the non-discrimination clause of this contract or with any of such rules, regulations, or orders, this contract may be canceled, terminated, or suspended in whole or in part, and the contractor, subcontractor, vendor, supplier, or lessee may be declared ineligible for further City contracts in accordance with procedures provided in Executive Order No. 11246, and such other sanctions may be imposed and remedies invoked as provided in the said Executive Order, or by rule, regulation, or order of the Secretary of Labor, or as may otherwise be provided by law.
7. The contractor shall include the provisions of paragraphs 1-8 of this Equal Employment Opportunity Clause in every subcontract or purchase order unless exempted by rules, regulations, or orders of the Secretary of Labor issued pursuant to Section 204 of Executive Order No. 11246 of September 24, 1965, so that such provisions will be binding upon each subcontractor or vendor. The contractor will take such action with respect to any subcontractor or purchase order as the contracting agency may direct as a means of enforcing such provisions including sanctions for noncompliance; provided, however, that in the event the contractor becomes involved in, or is threatened with litigation with a subcontractor or vendor as a result of such direction by the contracting agency, the contractor may request the United States to enter into such litigation to protect the interests of the United States.
8. The contractor shall file and shall cause his or her subcontractors, if any, to file compliance reports with the City in the form and to the extent as may be prescribed by the Mayor. Compliance reports filed at such times as directed shall contain information as to the practices, policies, programs, and employment policies and employment statistics of the contractor and each subcontractor.

EXHIBIT "D"
NOT APPLICABLE

EXHIBIT "E"
DRUG POLICY COMPLIANCE AGREEMENT

I, Louis E. Liles Assistant Secretary as an owner or officer of
(Name) (Print/Type) (Title)
Rushtex, Inc., General Partner of
Rush Truck Centers of Texas, LP d/b/a Rush Truck Center, Houston (Contractor)
(Name of Company)

have authority to bind Contractor with respect to its bid, offer or performance of any and all contracts it may enter into with the City of Houston; and that by making this Agreement, I affirm that the Contractor is aware of and by the time the contract is awarded will be bound by and agree to designate appropriate safety impact positions for company employee positions, and to comply with the following requirements before the City issues a notice to proceed:

1. Develop and implement a written Drug Free Workplace Policy and related drug testing procedures for the Contractor that meet the criteria and requirements established by the Mayor's Amended Policy on Drug Detection and Deterrence (Mayor's Drug Policy) and the Mayor's Drug Detection and Deterrence Procedures for Contractors (Executive Order No. 1-31).
2. Obtain a facility to collect urine samples consistent with Health and Human Services (HHS) guidelines and a HHS certified drug testing laboratory to perform the drug tests.
3. Monitor and keep records of drug tests given and the results; and upon request from the City of Houston, provide confirmation of such testing and results.
4. Submit semi-annual Drug Policy Compliance Declarations.

I affirm on behalf of the Contractor that full compliance with the Mayor's Drug Policy and Executive Order No. 1-31 is a material condition of the contract with the City of Houston.

I further acknowledge that falsification, failure to comply with or failure to timely submit declarations and/or documentation in compliance with the Mayor's Drug Policy and/or Executive Order No. 1-31 will be considered a breach of the contract with the City and may result in non-award or termination of the contract by the City of Houston.

Date July 28, 2010

Rush Truck Centers of Texas, LP
d/b/a Rush Truck Center, Houston

Contractor Name _____

Signature Louis E Liles

Title Assistant Secretary

EXHIBIT "F"
**CONTRACTOR'S CERTIFICATION OF NO SAFETY IMPACT POSITIONS
IN PERFORMANCE OF A CITY CONTRACT**

NA Gal

I, _____
(Name)(Print/Type) **(Title)**

as an owner or officer of _____ (Contractor) have authority to bind the Contractor with respect to its bid, and I hereby certify that Contractor has no employee safety impact positions as defined in §5.18 of Executive Order No. 1-31 that will be involved in performing this City Contract. Contractor agrees and covenants that it shall immediately notify the City's Director of Personnel if any safety impact positions are established to provide services in performing this City Contract.

Date Contractor Name

Signature

Title

**CONTRACTOR'S CERTIFICATION OF NON-APPLICATION OF
CITY OF HOUSTON DRUG DETECTION AND DETERRENCE PROCEDURES
FOR CONTRACTORS**

I, _____
(NAME) (PRINT/TYPE)

as an owner or officer of _____ (Contractor) have authority to bind the Contractor with respect to its bid, and I hereby certify that Contractor has fewer than fifteen (15) employees during any 20-week period during a calendar year and also certify that Contractor has no employee safety impact positions as defined in 5.18 of Executive Order No. 1-31 that will be involved in performing this City Contract. Safety impact position means a Contractor's employment position involving job duties that if performed with inattentiveness, errors in judgment, or diminished coordination, dexterity, or composure may result in mistakes that could present a real and/or imminent threat to the personal health or safety of the employee, co-workers, and/or the public.

DATE Contractor Name

SIGNATURE

TITLE

**EXHIBIT "G"
DRUG POLICY COMPLIANCE DECLARATION**

I, Louis E. Liles Assistant Secretary as an owner or officer of
 (Name) (Print/Type) (Title)
Rushtex, Inc., General Partner of Rush Truck Centers of Texas,
L.P. d/b/a Rush Truck Center, Houston (Contractor or Vendor)
 (Name of Company)

have personal knowledge and full authority to make the following declarations:

This reporting period covers the preceding 6 months from January 1 to June 30, 2010.

SEL Initials A written Drug Free Workplace Policy has been implemented and employees notified.
 The policy meets the criteria established by the Mayor's Amended Policy on Drug Detection and Deterrence (Mayor's Policy).

SEL Initials Written drug testing procedures have been implemented in conformity with the Mayor's
 Drug Detection and Deterrence Procedures for Contractors, Executive Order No. 1-31.
 Employees have been notified of such procedures.

SEL Initials Collection/testing has been conducted in compliance with federal Health and Human
 Services (HHS) guidelines.

SEL Initials Appropriate safety impact positions have been designated for employee positions
 performing on the City of Houston contract. The number of employees in safety impact
 positions during this reporting period is 4.

SEL Initials From January 1, 2010 to June 30, 2010 the following test has occurred
 (Start date) (End date)

	Random	Reasonable Suspicion	Post Accident	Total
Number Employees Tested	16	0	7	23
Number Employees Positive	0	0	0	0
Percent Employees Positive	0	0	0	0

SEL Initials Any employee who tested positive was immediately removed from the City worksite
 consistent with the Mayor's Policy and Executive Order No. 1-31.

SEL Initials I affirm that falsification or failure to submit this declaration timely in accordance with
 established guidelines will be considered a breach of contract.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the affirmations made herein and all information contained in this
 declaration are within my personal knowledge and are true and correct.

July 28, 2010
 (Date)

Louis E. Liles
 (Typed or Printed Name)
Louis E. Liles
 (Signature)

EXHIBIT "H"

FEE SCHEDULE

PARTS

YEARS 1 THRU 5 GROUP 1 DAYTON STEERING AND SUSPENSION PARTS & MATERIAL MARKUP

Description	% Markup
Dayton Steering and Suspension Parts	PLUS 20%

YEARS 1 THRU 5 GROUP 2 DAYTON SPRING ASSEMBLIES AND LEAVES PARTS & MATERIAL MARKUP

Description	% Markup
DAYTON SPRING ASSEMBLIES AND LEAVES PARTS	PLUS 20%

YEARS 1 THRU 5 GROUP 3 STENCO HUB SEAL, HUB CAPS AND PINION SEALS & MATERIAL MARKUP

Description	% Markup
STENCO HUB SEAL, HUB CAPS AND PINION SEALS & MATERIAL MARKUP	PLUS 15%

YEARS 1 THRU 5 GROUP 4 BCA BEARING & MATERIAL MARKUP

Description	% Markup
BCA BEARING & MATERIAL MARKUP	PLUS 20%

LABOR

YEAR 1 GROUP 5 LABOR RATES

Description	Unit of Measure	Unit Price
STANDARD MECHANICAL LABOR RATES	HOUR	\$59.00
STANDARD FRAME STRAIGHTENING LABOR RATES	HOUR	\$59.00

YEAR 2 GROUP 5 LABOR RATES

Description	Unit of Measure	Unit Price
STANDARD MECHANICAL LABOR RATES	HOUR	\$60.00
STANDARD FRAME STRAIGHTENING LABOR RATES	HOUR	\$60.00

YEAR 3 GROUP 5 LABOR RATES

Description	Unit of Measure	Unit Price
STANDARD MECHANICAL LABOR RATES	HOUR	\$61.00
STANDARD FRAME STRAIGHTENING LABOR RATES	HOUR	\$61.00

YEAR 4 GROUP 5 LABOR RATES

Description	Unit of Measure	Unit Price
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EXHIBIT "I"

CITY OF HOUSTON
STANDARD SPECIFICATION
FORM POP 2 (DOCUMENT 00630)

AFFIRMATIVE ACTION AND CONTRACT COMPLIANCE
CERTIFICATION BY BIDDER
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**CERTIFICATION OF AGREEMENT TO
COMPLY WITH PAY OR PLAY PROGRAM**

Contractor Name: Rush Truck Centers of Texas, LP dba
Rush Truck Center, Houston \$ _____
(Contractor/Subcontractor) (Amount of Contract)

Contractor Address: 10200 N. Loop East, Houston TX 77029

Project No.: [GFS/CIP/AIP/File No.] 523-423475

Project Name: [Legal Project Name] Automotive, Heavy-Duty Front-End Truck Repair Services

In accordance with the City of Houston Pay or Play Program authorized by Ordinance 2007-534, Contractor agrees to abide by the terms of this Program. This certification is required of all contractors for contracts subject to the program. You must agree EITHER to PAY or to PLAY for each covered employee, including those of subcontractors subject to the program.

Yes No Contractor agrees to Pay \$1.00 per hour for work performed by covered employees, including compliance for covered subcontractors' employees and contract labor, under the contract with the City.

Yes No Contractor agrees to offer health benefits to each covered employee, including compliance by the covered subcontractors that meet or exceed the following criteria:
(1) the employer will contribute no less than \$150 per employee per month toward the total premium cost; and
(2) the employee contribution, if any amount, will be no greater than 50% of the total premium cost.

Yes No Contractor agrees to pay on behalf of some covered employees and contract labor and play on behalf of other covered employees, in accordance with program requirements, including subcontractors' employees, if applicable.

Yes No If contract labor is utilized the Contractor agrees to report hours worked by the contract laborer and Pay \$1.00 per hour for work performed.

Yes No Contractor will comply with all provisions of the Pay or Play Program and will furnish all information and reports requested to determine compliance with program provisions.

Yes No For Prime Contractors Only: Contractor will file compliance reports with the City, which will include activity for subcontractors subject to the program, in the form and to the extent requested by the administering department or the Affirmative Action and Contract Compliance Office. Compliance reports shall contain information including, but not limited to, documentation showing employee health coverage and employee work records.

Following Information is Mandatory	Prime Contractor	Sub-Contractor
Total No. Of Employees on City Job	4	0
No. Of Employees-"Playing"	4	
No. Of Employees -"Paying"		
No. Of Employees "Exempt"		

I hereby certify that the above information is true and correct.

Louis E. Liles
CONTRACTOR (Signature)

July 28, 2010
DATE

Louis E. Liles, Assistant Secretary of Rushtex, Inc.,
NAME AND TITLE (Print or type) General Partner of Rush Truck Centers of Texas, L.P.