



WALLACE COMMUNITY COLLEGE - DOTHAN

Bid #: 1599
Charter Bus Services

Issue Date: Tuesday, May 30, 2023

Due Date: Tuesday, June 20, 2023 at 2:00 PM CST

Mail or Submit to:

Wallace Community College – Dothan
Business Affairs Office
1141 Wallace Drive
Dothan, AL 36303

Direct all bid inquiries to:

Joley Anderson
Purchasing Manager
Phone: 334-556-2288
Email: janderson@wallace.edu



BID INSTRUCTIONS

ADMINISTERED BY:

Linda C. Young, President

Marc Nicholas, Dean of Business Affairs

1. The price(s) submitted should include any associated costs such as any labor, equipment, transport/delivery charges, training materials, etc.
2. No price shall include state tax or federal excise tax. Exemption letter furnished upon request.
3. All forms must be completed in ink and signed/initialed/notarized/witnessed where required. Pencil will not be accepted.
4. Must be submitted in a sealed envelope using the forms provided and clearly indicate the bid number, bid name, and opening date on the outside of the return envelope.
5. If a requested item or service cannot be furnished as specified, a substitute may be made by giving full description of the item or service being bid.
6. Correction of errors in evaluation factors will not be allowed after bid opening. However, the College reserves the right to waive or allow correction of technical errors in accordance with Alabama Code, Section 41-4-132.
7. The Beason-Hammon Alabama Taxpayer and Citizen Protection Act (Act 2011-535) requires that, as a condition for the award of a contract by a government agency to a business entity or employer with one or more employees working in Alabama, **the business entity or employer must provide documentation of enrollment in the E-Verify program**. During the performance of the contract, the business entity or employer shall participate in the E-Verify program and shall verify every employee that is required to be verified according to the applicable federal rules and regulations. If you do not believe these requirements are applicable to your entity, include an explanation justifying such exemption. An entity can obtain the E-Verify Memorandum of Understanding upon completion in the E-Verify enrollment process located at the Federal website www.e-verify.gov. The Alabama Department of Homeland Security <http://immigration.alabama.gov> has also established an E-Verify employer agent account for any business entity or employer with 25 or fewer employees that will provide a participating business entity or employer with the required documentation of enrollment in the E-Verify program. An Employee Identification Number (EIN) also known as a Federal Tax Identification Number, is required to enroll in E-Verify or to establish an E-Verify employer agent account. **The contractor's E-Verify Memorandum of Understanding must be supplied before contract award.**
8. Bids *exceeding* \$10,000.00 must include a Bid Bond for 5% of total bid, provided that bonding is available for included services, equipment, or materials. The Bid Bond must be furnished **prior** to contract award. **A Cashier's Check made payable to Wallace Community College – Dothan for 5% of the total bid amount may be substituted in lieu of a bid bond.** For vendors who are not awarded the contract, the cashier's check will be returned with the rejection letter. For the vendor(s) who are awarded the contract, the cashier's check will be returned upon contract completion.



BID AGREEMENT

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A. OBJECTIVE

Wallace Community College – Dothan (WCCD) is seeking bids from qualified and experienced transportation firms to provide Charter Bus Services for both in-state and out-of-state travel. Only providers with a satisfactory safety rating with the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration will be considered.

B. GENERAL VENDOR REQUIREMENTS

The successful bidder must:

- 1) Have sufficient capability and capacity to provide the full scope of services requested herein.
- 2) Provide all materials, labor, equipment and supplies necessary to perform the Contract.
- 3) Attend meetings as needed with College representatives, which may include a pre-bid meeting, pre-contract meeting, and occasional job progress meetings. The date, time and location of these meetings will be provided as scheduled.
- 4) Provide a list of current subcontractors, if any, to be used during the Contract for the College's review and approval.

C. BID SPECIFICATIONS / SCOPE OF WORK

1) General:

The College will need occasional transportation services from a qualified and experienced firm for the potential of both in-state and out-of-state travel. Travel may have a same-day return or may occasionally require overnight stays. Travel typically requires transport with the capacity to accommodate 20-50 passengers at a time. Multiple buses or other modes of transport may be required simultaneously. The College is seeking a provider that can also supply ADA compliant vehicles if/when there is a need.

2) Vehicles:

All vehicles must be in good condition and have fully functioning air conditioning/heating, interior lighting. Large capacity vehicles must also have a bathroom. All maintenance records for vehicles must be available to the College for inspection, if requested. Vendor shall ensure that all vehicles are in good condition, cosmetically and mechanically, thoroughly cleaned with restrooms that are sanitized and stocked with toilet paper and soap or hand sanitizer prior to boarding College personnel or students.

All large capacity buses must have under-the-bus storage/baggage compartments with functioning locks, and storage/baggage areas for lower capacity vehicles must be available to meet the needs of the reserving College department. The Contractor must use only their company owned or leased vehicles.

In the event of mechanical malfunctions or breakdowns, the Contractor will be responsible for providing replacement transportation for the College so they arrive as scheduled. Any and all costs incurred for the replacement transportation, mechanical repairs, or towing services will be the responsibility of the Contractor. Any back-up or replacement vehicles used must meet the same requirements as those listed in this bid.

The Contractor must provide a Vehicle Inventory List that includes, at a minimum, the year, make and model of all available vehicles, type and size, rider capacity, as well as the passenger amenities of each vehicle such as charging outlets, passenger Wi-Fi, satellite TV, ADA equipped, etc.

The College reserves the right to refuse service or request an alternate vehicle if the supplied vehicle is determined to be unsafe according to current Federal Regulations.

3) Services:

Service scheduling must be flexible, including the ability to change itinerary if necessary, adding up to twenty (20) total miles in distance or two (2) hours in duration. While there is no guarantee as to the number of charters that will be requested, or the distance/duration of said charters, the annual spend on these services is anticipated to average between \$15,000 - \$30,000 per year.

Trips cannot be subcontracted to another transportation company or individual without the prior written approval of the College (other than those subcontractors already approved through this bid in response to Section B.4). Any service the Contractor proposes to sublease to a third-party carrier must first be approved by the College and the Contractor will still be responsible for meeting all requirements of this bid along with being held liable for all actions of the third-party carrier. Any and all approved third-parties must comply with all requirements of this bid and all applicable Federal and State of Alabama Regulations.

Contractor shall have emergency and critical incident procedures and arrangements in place to protect passengers and minimize disruption from on road incidents and vehicle system failures.

Bid response must detail standard reservation procedures and lead time required to make vehicle reservations. Contractor must also include any requirements or fees associated with reservation alterations or cancellations. Cancellation requests, if they occur, typically arise from unexpected weather conditions, changes in schedules, or tournament results that affect athletic schedules. Any penalties that would be imposed must be detailed in the Contractor's bid response.

Procedures should also be detailed for how the Contractor will notify the College if there is an issue with a reservation and/or the vehicle will be late to arrive, including any credit provided to the College in those instances.

4) Drivers:

The Vendor should require that all drivers be appropriately licensed, trained and regularly evaluated for driving skills and compliance with safety regulations applicable in Alabama as well as applicable regulations by the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration. All drivers must possess a valid state-issued driver's license qualifying them to operate the vehicles; a valid DOT medical card may also be necessary depending upon the vehicle and details of travel. The Contractor is responsible for ensuring that all drivers stay informed and compliant with any and all revisions to the CDL requirements and the Contractor will be held responsible for any failures to remain compliant. Contractor must comply with the federal hours-of-service regulations for CDL drivers and must ensure that all drivers are certified as physically and medically qualified and are able to produce their certificate at all times while on duty. The certification should include the required notification of traffic citations, and drug/alcohol testing to

include, but not limited to, pre-testing, random testing and post-accident testing. Contractor is responsible for ensuring that drivers perform the proper pre and post-trip vehicle inspections. The Contractor should provide documentation of their policies that validates compliance with these requirements, but do not send any personally identifying information, or copies of driver's licenses. A copy of the Contractor's certification and training procedures must also be provided.

Drivers must stay with their vehicle and be available for contact at any time during the trip, unless specifically excused by the designated group point-of-contact. To meet this requirement, every vehicle/driver must have a fully functioning cell phone available at all times. Drivers must obey all applicable state and federal laws regarding cell phone use while driving.

The College reserves the right to review driver records at any time, upon reasonable request, including the disqualification file, personnel file, driver hours-of-service (physical or electronic), and DOT medical card.

Contractor must provide a complete and current copy of its Drug & Alcohol policy with this bid response.

In the bid response, the Contractor shall provide a report detailing the accident ratio per 100,000 miles, including detail for each accident that occurred in the last twelve (12) months that reports which party was at fault and if the accident was minor, significant or major, and if a fatality was involved. For the purpose of this bid, "minor" is considered having sustained under \$500.00 in damage, "significant" is considered having sustained between \$500.00 and \$2,000.00 in damage, and "major" is having over \$2,000.00 in damage.

For trips requiring an overnight stay, the College department requesting charter services will accept responsibility to provide one hotel room for the sole occupancy of charter service staff for the duration of the trip. The College will not pay any fees for extra luxuries such as room service, internet access, rented movies, etc. Driver meals will be paid for through the designated point-of-contact, via College credit card, at the same time student and/or employee meals are paid for.

D. SPECIFICATION VARIATION

Please list below any variations from the stated specifications:

E. EVALUATION FACTORS

- 1) Pricing: Bidders should submit pricing that fully considers all specifications in Section C. The pricing each bidder lists below should not include sales tax and should include all applicable costs such as labor, equipment, materials, transport/delivery charges, fuel cost, training materials, etc. Bidders should consider any possible fluctuation of these applicable costs.

Price per mile for 56 (at least) passenger charter bus: \$ _____

Price per mile for 22-26 passenger executive charter bus: \$ _____

- 2) Condition and functionality of vehicles: Provide a Vehicle Inventory List that includes, at a minimum, the year, make and model of all available vehicles, type and size, rider capacity, as well as the passenger amenities of each vehicle such as charging outlets, passenger Wi-Fi, satellite TV, ADA equipped, etc.
- 3) Experience and references: Vendor shall demonstrate experience with public and/or private sector clients of similar scope and size to the College by providing at least three (3) references using the enclosed Vendor Reference Form.
- 4) Service and flexibility: Bid response must include details of the standard reservation procedures and lead time required to make vehicle reservations. Contractor must also include any requirements or fees associated with reservation alterations or cancellations as well as any penalties that would be imposed.

Failure to provide responses to the Evaluation Factors above may result in a bid package being declared nonresponsive.

F. EVALUATION SCALE

The bid providing the best overall service and cost to the College will be awarded the contract using the following evaluation criteria:

1) Pricing of specified services	25%
2) Condition and functionality of vehicles	25%
3) Experience and references	25%
4) Service and flexibility	25%
Total:	100%

Proposals will be ranked in order from least cost/most beneficial to the College to the highest cost/least beneficial to the College in each attribute. Review for item (1) will be numerical and based solely on proposed prices. Review for item (2) and (3) will be subjective and based on the information provided by the bidder.

G. BID SCHEDULE

The table below shows the intended schedule for this bid, which the College will make every effort to adhere to.

Event	Responsibility	Day, Date and Time
Issue Bid/RFP	The College	Tuesday, May 30, 2023
Submit Written Questions	Vendor	Tuesday, June 6, 2023 by 12:00 PM CST
Response to Written Questions	The College	Friday, June 9, 2023
Submit Bid/Proposal	Vendor	Tuesday, June 20, 2023 at 2:00 PM CST
Contract Award	The College	TBD
Contract Effective Date	The College	July 1, 2023

H. BID QUESTIONS

Upon review of the bid documents, Vendors may have questions to clarify or interpret the bid in order to submit the best bid possible. Vendors should submit any such questions by the above due date.

Written questions should be emailed to janderson@wallace.edu by the date/time specified above. Vendors should enter "Bid #1599: Questions" as the subject for the email. Questions should include reference to the applicable bid section.

Questions received prior to the submission date, the College's response(s), and any additional terms deemed necessary by the College will be posted in the form of an addendum to the College's Bid Solicitation webpage

<https://www.wallace.edu/about/bid-solicitation/> and shall become an Addendum to this bid. No information, instruction or advice provided orally or informally by any College personnel, whether made in response to a question or otherwise in connection with the bid, should be considered authoritative or binding. Vendors should rely only on written material contained in an Addendum to this bid.

I. BID SUBMITTAL

Vendors shall bear the risk for late submission due to unintended or unanticipated delay, or technical issue. It is the Vendor's sole responsibility to ensure its proposal has been received by the College by the specified date and time of opening. Any bid received or attempted to be submitted after the deadline will be rejected.

All bids should be submitted in a *sealed* envelope with the bid number, bid name, and opening date clearly marked on the outside of the envelope. Bids can be submitted by mail or in person at Wallace Community College – Dothan, Business Office, 1141 Wallace Drive, Dothan, AL 36303.

Critical updates may be included in Addenda to this bid. It is important that all participating Vendors periodically check the College's Bid Solicitation webpage <https://www.wallace.edu/about/bid-solicitation/> for any Addenda that may be issued prior to the proposal due date. All Vendors shall be deemed to have read and understood all information in this bid and all Addenda thereto. Bid submissions shall be in accordance with the terms and conditions herein and any addenda issued hereafter.

J. BID SUBMITTAL CONTENTS

Below are the requirements necessary for a complete bid packet. These requirements include any authorized signatures where requested. Vendor submissions should include the following items and should be arranged in the following order.

- 1) Bid Agreement: The Bid Agreement must include all pages (pp. 1-9) of this bid document with completion of Specification Variation in Section D, if any, Evaluation Factors in Section E, and Acknowledgement/Certification in Section O that requires authorized signature and notary.
- 2) Subcontractor List: Provide a list of current subcontractors, if any, to be used during the Contract for the College's review and approval.
- 3) Vendor Reference Form (Enclosure A): At least three (3) references from clients with similar or greater size and complexity to the College.
- 4) Vendor's Vehicle Inventory List: Provide a vehicle list that addresses all components listed in Section E.2.
- 5) Vendor's Standard Reservation Procedures: Provide details of the standard reservation procedures as specified in Section C.3.
- 6) Compliance and Training Documentation: Provide documentation of policies that validate compliance with the driver requirements specified in Section C.4. A copy of certification and training procedures must also be provided.
- 7) Drug & Alcohol Policy: Provide a complete and current copy as specified in C.4.
- 8) Accident Ratio Report: Provide accident ratio per 100,000 miles including details specified in Section C.4.
- 9) Vendor Contact Form (Enclosure B): Include company name, physical address, mailing address, company phone number, the authorized representative's name, title, direct phone number and email address.
- 10) Disclosure Statement (Enclosure C): Completed, signed, and notarized
- 11) Beason-Hammon (Enclosure D): Completed, signed, and witnessed
- 12) W9 Tax Form (Enclosure E): Completed and signed
- 13) Vendor's Certificate of Insurance: copy should list Wallace Community College – Dothan as Additional Insured.

K. CONTRACT ADMINISTRATION/TERM

The terms of the Contract shall begin at the time of contract award. The Contract shall have an initial term of two (2) years, beginning on the date of contract award (the "Effective Date"). At the end of the Contract's initial term, the College shall have the option, in its sole discretion, to renew the Contract on the same terms and conditions for three (3) additional one-year option periods. The College will notify the Vendor of its intent to exercise the option to renew by the end of the then-current term. The Vendor can choose to reject any of the option periods, in which case the College will solicit new bids. If the Vendor chooses not to enter into an option period, the services shall continue at the stated terms until the end of the then-current term.

L. FINANCIAL TERMS

- 1) Payment to the Vendor will be made after the completion of each service and after submission of an invoice by the Vendor. The Vendor shall provide any administrative documentation required such as disclosure statements, tax identification forms, etc. necessary for the successful processing of payment.
- 2) The standard arrangement for invoicing shall be single invoices, meaning the Vendor shall provide the College with an invoice for each scheduled trip. Invoices must include detailed line item information, which includes separate line items for each charge associated with the scheduled trip, to allow the College to verify that invoiced pricing matches the pricing established through this bid.

M. TERMINATION

The College reserves the right to terminate the Contract for non-performance should the Vendor not meet the criteria of the Contract. If the Vendor does not meet the Contract requirements, the College will issue a cure notice specifying the deficiencies and allowing a time for correction (normally 10 days). If the deficiencies are not corrected in the time frame specified, the College may terminate the Contract. Either party reserves the right to terminate this contract with a 90-day written notice. If either party chooses to terminate this contract, the agreed upon services should continue at the terms specified herein throughout the termination period.

N. RIGHT TO AWARD

The College reserves the right to award this contract or any portion of this contract to a successful bidder, to negotiate with any or all bidders, to reject, accept and/or reconcile technical errors and to make any other decision which is considered in the best interest of the College in accordance with the provisions of The Code of Alabama 1975, Section 41-4-132. This contract will not be awarded solely on the basis of lowest price offered, but on the best overall value, quality and timeliness for the College.

O. ACKNOWLEDGMENT/CERTIFICATION

By executing this bid, the undersigned certifies to all of the following and acknowledges the contract may be declared void if it is discovered these certifications are false:

- 1) In compliance with Alabama Code 41-16-5, the contractor hereby certifies that it is not currently engaged in, and will not engage in, the boycott of a person or an entity based in, or doing business with, a jurisdiction with which this State can enjoy open trade.
- 2) As required by Alabama Code 41-4-142, the undersigned certifies to the best of the vendor's knowledge and belief, that it and its principals are not presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible or voluntarily excluded from covered transactions by any Federal or State department or agency.
- 3) As required by Alabama Code 41-4-142, the undersigned certifies that it, its contractors, or affiliates are appropriately registered to collect and remit sales and use tax, or simplified sellers use tax and lease tax.

- 4) As required by the Beason-Hammon Alabama Taxpayer and Citizen Protection Act (Act 2011-535), the undersigned vendor certifies that it, and each of its sub-contractors for any contract awarded as a result of this bid/proposal, complies with the requirements of Act 2011-535, including the requirement for each employer in Alabama to verify the work authorization of its employees through the federal E-Verify system.
- 5) I affirm I have not been in any agreement or collusion among bidders or prospective bidders in restraint of freedom of competition by agreement to bid, at a fixed price, or to refrain from bidding or otherwise.

Firm: _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Print Name: _____

Terms: _____

Title: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Sworn to and subscribed before me this

_____ day of _____ 20 _____

Notary Public

My Commission Expires: _____ / _____ / _____



VENDOR REFERENCE FORM

Vendor Name: _____

Bid #: _____

Instructions: Vendor shall use this template to submit three (3) references of similar scope and size.

Company Name of Client:	
Reference Contact Person:	
Contact Person Phone Number:	
Contact Person Email:	
Company Address:	
Service Start Date:	
Service End Date:	
Explanation of contract, services agreement, or type of products and quantity provided to the client:	

Company Name of Client:	
Reference Contact Person:	
Contact Person Phone Number:	
Contact Person Email:	
Company Address:	
Service Start Date:	
Service End Date:	
Explanation of contract, services agreement, or type of products and quantity provided to the client:	

Company Name of Client:	
Reference Contact Person:	
Contact Person Phone Number:	
Contact Person Email:	
Company Address:	
Service Start Date:	
Service End Date:	
Explanation of contract, services agreement, or type of products and quantity provided to the client:	

ENCLOSURE B: VENDOR CONTACT FORM



VENDOR CONTACT FORM

COMPANY INFORMATION

Company Name: _____

Physical Address: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Company Phone Number: _____

AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE'S INFORMATION

Authorized Representative's Name: _____

Title: _____

Direct Phone Number: _____

Direct Email Address: _____

ENCLOSURE C: DISCLOSURE STATEMENT



State of Alabama Disclosure Statement

(Required by Act 2001-955)

ENTITY COMPLETING FORM

ADDRESS

CITY, STATE, ZIP

TELEPHONE NUMBER

STATE AGENCY/DEPARTMENT THAT WILL RECEIVE GOODS, SERVICES, OR IS RESPONSIBLE FOR GRANT AWARD

ADDRESS

CITY, STATE, ZIP

TELEPHONE NUMBER

This form is provided with:

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Contract

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Proposal

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Request for Proposal

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Invitation to Bid

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Grant Proposal

Have you or any of your partners, divisions, or any related business units previously performed work or provided goods to any State Agency/Department in the current or last fiscal year?

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Yes

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No

If yes, identify below the State Agency/Department that received the goods or services, the type(s) of goods or services previously provided, and the amount received for the provision of such goods or services.

STATE AGENCY/DEPARTMENT	TYPE OF GOODS/SERVICES	AMOUNT RECEIVED
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Have you or any of your partners, divisions, or any related business units previously applied and received any grants from any State Agency/Department in the current or last fiscal year?

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Yes

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No

If yes, identify the State Agency/Department that awarded the grant, the date such grant was awarded, and the amount of the grant.

STATE AGENCY/DEPARTMENT	DATE GRANT AWARDED	AMOUNT OF GRANT
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1. List below the name(s) and address(es) of all public officials/public employees with whom you, members of your immediate family, or any of your employees have a family relationship and who may directly personally benefit financially from the proposed transaction. Identify the State Department/Agency for which the public officials/public employees work. (Attach additional sheets if necessary.)

NAME OF PUBLIC OFFICIAL/EMPLOYEE	ADDRESS	STATE DEPARTMENT/AGENCY
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2. List below the name(s) and address(es) of all family members of public officials/public employees with whom you, members of your immediate family, or any of your employees have a family relationship and who may directly personally benefit financially from the proposed transaction. Identify the public officials/public employees and State Department/Agency for which the public officials/public employees work. (Attach additional sheets if necessary.)

NAME OF FAMILY MEMBER	ADDRESS	NAME OF PUBLIC OFFICIAL/ PUBLIC EMPLOYEE	STATE DEPARTMENT/ AGENCY WHERE EMPLOYED
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If you identified individuals in items one and/or two above, describe in detail below the direct financial benefit to be gained by the public officials, public employees, and/or family members as the result of the contract, proposal, request for proposal, invitation to bid, or grant proposal. (Attach additional sheets if necessary.)

Describe in detail below any indirect financial benefits to be gained by any public official, public employee, and/or family members of the public official or public employee as the result of the contract, proposal, request for proposal, invitation to bid, or grant proposal. (Attach additional sheets if necessary.)

List below the name(s) and address(es) of all paid consultants and/or lobbyists utilized to obtain the contract, proposal, request for proposal, invitation to bid, or grant proposal.

NAME OF PAID CONSULTANT/LOBBYIST	ADDRESS
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By signing below, I certify under oath and penalty of perjury that all statements on or attached to this form are true and correct to the best of my knowledge. I further understand that a civil penalty of ten percent (10%) of the amount of the transaction, not to exceed \$10,000.00, is applied for knowingly providing incorrect or misleading information.

Signature	Date
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Notary's Signature	Date	Date Notary Expires
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Act 2001-995 requires the disclosure statement to be completed and filed with all proposals, bids, contracts, or grant proposals to the State of Alabama in excess of \$5,000.

ENCLOSURE D: BEASON-HAMMON

State of _____

County of _____

CERTIFICATE OF COMPLIANCE WITH THE BEASON-HAMMON ALABAMA TAXPAYER AND CITIZEN PROTECTION ACT (ACT 2011-535, as amended by Act 2012-491)

RE Contract/Grant/Incentive (describe by number or subject): _____ by and
between _____ (Contractor/Grantee)
and _____ (State Agency or Department or other Public Entity)

The undersigned hereby certifies to the State of Alabama as follows:

1. The undersigned holds the position of _____ with the Contractor/Grantee named above, is authorized to provide the representations that are set out in this Certificate as the official and binding act of that entity, and has knowledge of the provisions of THE BEASON-HAMMON ALABAMA TAXPAYER AND CITIZEN PROTECTION ACT (ACT 2011-535 of the Alabama Legislature, as amended by Act 2012-491) which is described herein as "the Act".
2. Applying the following definitions from the Section 3 of the Act, the Contractor/Grantee business structure is as indicated by my initials.

BUSINESS ENTITY. Any person or group of persons employing one or more persons performing or engaging in any activity, enterprise, profession, or occupation for gain, benefit, advantage, or livelihood, whether for profit or not for profit. "Business entity" shall include, but not be limited to the following:

- a. Self-employed individuals, business entities filing articles of incorporation, partnerships, limited partnerships, limited liability companies, foreign corporations, foreign limited partnerships, foreign limited liability companies authorized to transact business in this state, business trusts, and any business entity that registers with the Secretary of State.
- b. Any business entity that possesses a business license, permit, certificate, approval, registration, charter, or similar form of authorization issued by the state, any business entity that is exempt by law from obtaining such a business license, and any business entity that is operating unlawfully without a business license.

EMPLOYER. Any person, firm, corporation, partnership, joint stock association, agent, manager, representative, foreman, or other person having control or custody of any employment, place of employment, or of any employee, including any including any person or entity employing any person for hire within the State of Alabama, including a public employer. This term shall not include the occupant of a household contracting with another person to perform casual domestic labor within the household.

_____ a. The Contractor/Grantee is a business entity or employer as those terms are defined in Section 3 of the Act.

_____ b. The Contractor/Grantee is not a business entity or employer as those terms are defined in Section 3 of the Act.

3. As of the date of this Certificate, Contractor/Grantee does not knowingly employ an unauthorized alien, as that term is defined in Section 3 of the Act, within the State of Alabama and hereafter it will not knowingly employ, hire for employment, or continue to employ an unauthorized alien within the State of Alabama.

{Alien is any person who is not a citizen or national of the United States, as described in 8 U.S.C. § 1101, et seq., and any amendments thereto.}

{Unauthorized Alien is an alien who is not authorized to work in the United States as defined in 8 U.S.C. § 1324a(h)(3).}

4. Contractor/Grantee is enrolled in E-Verify unless {initial the following selections which apply}:

_____ (a) it is not eligible to enroll because of the rules of that program or other factors beyond its control.

_____ (b) it is excused from the requirement of enrollment in E-Verify because it does not have an employee in the State of Alabama.

Certified this _____ day of _____ 20_____.

Name of Contractor/Grantee/Recipient

By: _____

Its _____

The above Certification was signed in my presence by the person whose name appears above, on
this _____ day of _____ 20_____.

WITNESS _____

Print Name of Witness

ENCLOSURE E: W-9 TAX FORM

Form **W-9**
(Rev. October 2018)
Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Request for Taxpayer Identification Number and Certification

► Go to www.irs.gov/FormW9 for instructions and the latest information.

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

Print or type. See Specific Instructions on page 3.	1 Name (as shown on your income tax return). Name is required on this line; do not leave this line blank.	
	2 Business name/disregarded entity name, if different from above	
	3 Check appropriate box for federal tax classification of the person whose name is entered on line 1. Check only one of the following seven boxes. <input type="checkbox"/> Individual/sole proprietor or single-member LLC <input type="checkbox"/> Limited liability company. Enter the tax classification (C=C corporation, S=S corporation, P=Partnership) ► _____ Note: Check the appropriate box in the line above for the tax classification of the single-member owner. Do not check LLC if the LLC is classified as a single-member LLC that is disregarded from the owner unless the owner of the LLC is another LLC that is not disregarded from the owner for U.S. federal tax purposes. Otherwise, a single-member LLC that is disregarded from the owner should check the appropriate box for the tax classification of its owner. <input type="checkbox"/> Other (see instructions) ► _____	4 Exemptions (codes apply only to certain entities, not individuals; see instructions on page 3): Exempt payee code (if any) _____ Exemption from FATCA reporting code (if any) _____ <i>(Applies to accounts maintained outside the U.S.)</i>
	5 Address (number, street, and apt. or suite no.) See instructions.	Requester's name and address (optional)
	6 City, state, and ZIP code	
	7 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 line 1 to avoid backup withholding. For individuals, this is generally your social security number (SSN). However, for a resident alien, sole proprietor, or disregarded entity, see the instructions for Part I, later. For other entities, it is your employer identification number (EIN). If you do not have a number, see *How to get a TIN*, later.

Note: If the account is in more than one name, see the instructions for line 1. Also see *What Name and Number To Give the Requester* for guidelines on whose number to enter.

Social security number									
				-				-	
or									
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 for Part II, later.

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. For the latest information about developments related to Form W-9 and its instructions, such as legislation enacted after they were published, go to www.irs.gov/FormW9.

Purpose of Form

An individual or entity (Form W-9 requester) who is required to file an information return with the IRS must obtain your correct taxpayer identification number (TIN) which may be your social security number (SSN), individual taxpayer identification number (ITIN), adoption taxpayer identification number (ATIN), or employer identification number (EIN), to report on an information return the amount paid to you, or other amount reportable on an information return. Examples of information returns include, but are not limited to, the following.

- Form 1099-INT (interest earned or paid)

- Form 1099-DIV (dividends, including those from stocks or mutual funds)
- Form 1099-MISC (various types of income, prizes, awards, or gross proceeds)
- Form 1099-B (stock or mutual fund sales and certain other transactions by brokers)
- Form 1099-S (proceeds from real estate transactions)
- Form 1099-K (merchant card and third party network transactions)
- Form 1098 (home mortgage interest), 1098-E (student loan interest), 1098-T (tuition)
- Form 1099-C (canceled debt)
- Form 1099-A (acquisition or abandonment of secured property)

Use Form W-9 only if you are a U.S. person (including a resident alien), to provide your correct TIN.

If you do not return Form W-9 to the requester with a TIN, you might be subject to backup withholding. See What is backup withholding, later.

By signing the filled-out form, you:

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. See *What is FATCA reporting*, later, for further information.

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 Pub. 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.

Backup Withholding

What is backup withholding? Persons making certain payments to you must under certain conditions withhold and pay to the IRS 24% 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 instructions for Part II 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*, later, and the separate Instructions for the Requester of Form W-9 for more information.

Also see *Special rules for partnerships*, earlier.

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*, later, 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

Line 1

You must enter one of the following on this line; **do not** leave this line blank. The name should match the name on your tax return.

If this Form W-9 is for a joint account (other than an account maintained by a foreign financial institution (FFI)), list first, and then circle, the name of the person or entity whose number you entered in Part I of Form W-9. If you are providing Form W-9 to an FFI to document a joint account, each holder of the account that is a U.S. person must provide a Form W-9.

a. **Individual.** Generally, enter the name shown on your tax return. If you have changed your last name without informing the Social Security Administration (SSA) of the name change, enter your first name, the last name as shown on your social security card, and your new last name.

Note: ITIN applicant: Enter your individual name as it was entered on your Form W-7 application, line 1a. This should also be the same as the name you entered on the Form 1040/1040A/1040EZ you filed with your application.

b. **Sole proprietor or single-member LLC.** Enter your individual name as shown on your 1040/1040A/1040EZ on line 1. You may enter your business, trade, or "doing business as" (DBA) name on line 2.

c. **Partnership, LLC that is not a single-member LLC, C corporation, or S corporation.** Enter the entity's name as shown on the entity's tax return on line 1 and any business, trade, or DBA name on line 2.

d. **Other entities.** Enter your name as shown on required U.S. federal tax documents on line 1. 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 line 2.

e. **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 Regulations section 301.7701-2(c)(2)(iii). Enter the owner's name on line 1. The name of the entity entered on line 1 should never be a disregarded entity. The name on line 1 should 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 line 1. 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 line 2, "Business name/disregarded entity name." 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.

Line 2

If you have a business name, trade name, DBA name, or disregarded entity name, you may enter it on line 2.

Line 3

Check the appropriate box on line 3 for the U.S. federal tax classification of the person whose name is entered on line 1. Check only one box on line 3.

IF the entity/person on line 1 is a(n) . . .	THEN check the box for . . .
• Corporation	Corporation
• Individual • Sole proprietorship, or • Single-member limited liability company (LLC) owned by an individual and disregarded for U.S. federal tax purposes.	Individual/sole proprietor or single-member LLC
• LLC treated as a partnership for U.S. federal tax purposes, • LLC that has filed Form 8832 or 2553 to be taxed as a corporation, or • LLC that is disregarded as an entity separate from its owner but the owner is another LLC that is not disregarded for U.S. federal tax purposes.	Limited liability company and enter the appropriate tax classification. (P= Partnership; C= C corporation; or S= S corporation)
• Partnership	Partnership
• Trust/estate	Trust/estate

Line 4, Exemptions

If you are exempt from backup withholding and/or FATCA reporting, enter in the appropriate space on line 4 any code(s) that may apply to you.

Exempt payee code.

- Generally, individuals (including sole proprietors) are not exempt from backup withholding.
- Except as provided below, corporations are exempt from backup withholding for certain payments, including interest and dividends.
- Corporations are not exempt from backup withholding for payments made in settlement of payment card or third party network transactions.
- Corporations are not exempt from backup withholding with respect to attorneys' fees or gross proceeds paid to attorneys, and corporations that provide medical or health care services are not exempt with respect to payments reportable on Form 1099-MISC.

The following codes identify payees that are exempt from backup withholding. Enter the appropriate code in the space in line 4.

- 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 U.S. commonwealth or possession, 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 U.S. commonwealth or possession
- 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 reportable under section 6045(f), 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 requester may indicate that a code is not required by providing you with a Form W-9 with "Not Applicable" (or any similar indication) written or printed on the line for a FATCA exemption code.

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 U.S. commonwealth or possession, 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 Regulations 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 Regulations 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

Note: You may wish to consult with the financial institution requesting this form to determine whether the FATCA code and/or exempt payee code should be completed.

Line 5

Enter your address (number, street, and apartment or suite number). This is where the requester of this Form W-9 will mail your information returns. If this address differs from the one the requester already has on file, write NEW at the top. If a new address is provided, there is still a chance the old address will be used until the payor changes your address in their records.

Line 6

Enter your city, state, and ZIP code.

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.

If you are a single-member LLC that is disregarded as an entity separate from its owner, 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 *What Name and Number To Give the Requester*, later, 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 SSA 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. Go to www.irs.gov/Forms to view, download, or print Form W-7 and/or Form SS-4. Or, you can go to www.irs.gov/OrderForms to place an order and have Form W-7 and/or SS-4 mailed to you within 10 business days.

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 item 1, 4, or 5 below indicates 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 line 1 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), ABLE accounts (under section 529A), 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) other than an account maintained by an FFI	The actual owner of the account or, if combined funds, the first individual on the account ¹
3. Two or more U.S. persons (joint account maintained by an FFI)	Each holder of the account
4. Custodial account of a minor (Uniform Gift to Minors Act)	The minor ²
5. a. The usual revocable savings trust (grantor is also trustee)	The grantor-trustee ¹
b. So-called trust account that is not a legal or valid trust under state law	The actual owner ¹
6. Sole proprietorship or disregarded entity owned by an individual	The owner ³
7. Grantor trust filing under Optional Form 1099 Filing Method 1 (see Regulations section 1.671-4(b)(2)(i)(A))	The grantor*
For this type of account:	Give name and EIN of:
8. Disregarded entity not owned by an individual	The owner
9. A valid trust, estate, or pension trust	Legal entity ⁴
10. Corporation or LLC electing corporate status on Form 8832 or Form 2553	The corporation
11. Association, club, religious, charitable, educational, or other tax-exempt organization	The organization
12. Partnership or multi-member LLC	The partnership
13. A broker or registered nominee	The broker or nominee

For this type of account:	Give name and EIN of:
14. 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
15. Grantor trust filing under the Form 1041 Filing Method or the Optional Form 1099 Filing Method 2 (see Regulations 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*, earlier.

***Note:** The 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, 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 Pub. 5027, Identity Theft Information for Taxpayers.

Victims of identity theft who are experiencing economic harm or a systemic 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 (TIGTA) at 1-800-366-4484. You can forward suspicious emails to the Federal Trade Commission at spam@uce.gov or report them at www.ftc.gov/complaint. You can contact the FTC at www.ftc.gov/idtheft or 877-IDTHEFT (877-438-4338). If you have been the victim of identity theft, see www.IdentityTheft.gov and Pub. 5027.

Visit www.irs.gov/IdentityTheft 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.