NOTICE

Upon receiving this proposal by internet, email ellen.mcgowan@wilmingtonnc.gov to register as a prospective respondent. Failure to register as a prospective respondent may result in your firm not receiving proposal addenda. Failure to acknowledge proposal addenda with your submittal may cause your proposal to be considered non-responsive.

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

NEW HANOVER COUNTY

CONTRACT FOR SERVICES

THIS CONTRACT, made this the _____ day of ________________, 20___, by and between the CITY OF WILMINGTON, NORTH CAROLINA, a Municipal Corporation located in New Hanover County (hereinafter called "CITY"); and _________________, a corporation organized under the laws of the State of _________________, with its principal office in _________________ (hereinafter called "CONTRACTOR").

W I T N E S S E T H:

1. Purpose

   The CITY hereby employs the CONTRACTOR to furnish all labor, materials and equipment to perform all work in manner and form as specified by the attached documents consisting of, but not limited to: Advertisement, Instructions to Bidders, General Conditions, Technical Specifications, Scope of Work, Proposal and Affidavit, Contract and Performance and Payment Bonds, which are incorporated as if fully set out, for the following:

   PHASE II- DANGEROUS TREE AND HANGING LIMBS REMOVAL AND DISPOSAL CONTRACT
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1.00 DEFINITIONS

1.01 Bidding Documents include the Invitation to Bid, Instructions to Bidders, The Bid Form and the proposed Contract Documents including any Addenda issued prior to the receipt of bids.

1.02 The Contract Documents proposed for the work consist of Specifications and all Addenda issued prior to and all Modifications issued after execution of the Contract.

1.03 A Bid is the complete and properly signed proposal to do the work for the sums stipulated therein, as submitted in accordance with the Bidding Documents.

1.04 The Unit Price Bid is the sum stated in the Bid for which the Bidder offers to perform the work described in the Bidding Documents as the base to which work may be added or from which work may be deleted for sums stated in Alternate Bids.

1.05 Phase II - Dangerous Tree and Hanging Limb Removal and Disposal is to include cutting, loading, hauling and disposal of dangerous trees and hanging limbs from rights-of-way, parks, municipal golf course and designated Public Property within the incorporated limits of the City.

1.06 Hanging Limb is any broken limb(s) or tree parts(s) which is two (2) inches or larger in diameter and four (feet) or longer in length, that is overhanging or projecting into the right-of-way, public property or endangering the general public with regards to the accepted use of the property. The hanging limb may be broken and still attached to the tree, or detached from the tree and hung up in the tree.

1.07 Dangerous Tree is any leaning or damaged tree with a diameter breast height of six (6) inches or greater, that has the potential to create future damage to, or obstruction of, the right-of-way, any roadway appurtenances, public property or endanger the general public with regards to the accepted use of the property which meets one or more of the following criteria:

1.07.1.1 Trees where greater than or equal to 50% of the crown (treetop) has been broken out or destroyed.
1.07.1.2 Trunk damaged with wounds where limbs have been ripped “out of the sockets: where greater than or equal to 35% of the trunk diameter has been damaged.

1.07.1.3 Trees with split trunks.

1.07.1.4 Trees with severe vertical or horizontal cracks in the trunks.

1.07.1.5 Leaning trees in danger of falling into the right-of-way, any roadway appurtenances, public property or endanger the general public with regards to the accepted use of the property with regards to the accepted use of the property. Identified by a pronounced lean in combination with an upraised plate of soil on the opposite side of the lean or any storm affected tree leaning more than 30% from perpendicular which also matches the definition of dangerous tree.

1.07.1.6 Bent trees and vegetation: Trees and vegetation deformed by the storm to the extent they project into and endanger the right-of-way, any roadway appurtenances, public property or endanger the general public with regards to the accepted use of the property.

2.00 BIDDER REPRESENTATIVES

2.01 Each Bidder by making his Bid represents that:

A. Bidder has read and understands the Bidding Documents and his Bid is made in accordance therewith.

B. Bidder has familiarized himself with local conditions under which the work is to be performed and has correlated his observations with the requirements of the Contract Documents.

C. No consideration will be given any Claim based on lack of knowledge of existing conditions except where Contract Documents make definite provisions for adjustments of cost or extension of time due to existing conditions that cannot be readily ascertained.

D. The Bid as submitted is based upon providing the labor, materials, systems and equipment required to complete the “Scope of Work” without exceptions.

3.00 INTERPRETATION OR CORRECTION OF BIDDING DOCUMENTS
3.01 Bidders shall promptly notify Mr. Daryle L. Parker, Purchasing Manager, of any ambiguity, inconsistency or error, which they may discover upon examination of the Bidding Documents.

3.02 Bidder requiring clarification or interpretation of the Bidding Documents shall make written request which shall reach Mr. Daryle L. Parker, Purchasing Manager at least four (4) calendar days prior to the date for receipt of bids.

3.03 Any interpretation, correction or change of the Bidding Documents will be made by Addenda. Interpretations, corrections or changes of the bidding documents made in any other manner will not be binding, and Bidders shall not rely upon such interpretations, corrections, or changes.

4.00 BIDDING PROCEDURE

4.01 Sealed bids will be addressed to “PHASE II- DANGEROUS TREE AND HANGING LIMBS REMOVAL AND DISPOSAL CONTRACT”, Purchasing Division, 305 Chestnut Street – 5th Floor, PO Box 1810, Wilmington, NC 28401. Deadline for submittal of bids will be 11:00 AM on Wednesday, April 17, 2013. At which time the bid opening and reading will take place in a conference room made available at the Purchasing Division’s Offices at 305 Chestnut Street – 5th Floor, and be open to the public. A recommendation will be submitted to the City Council no later than the next scheduled meeting of the City Council, following which the selected bidder will be notified.

4.02 All bids shall be submitted in duplicate on a form identical to the form included with the Bidding documents. Copies shall be signed by the person or persons legally authorized to bind the Bidder to a Contract. A Bid by a Corporation shall further give the state of incorporation and have the corporate seal affixed.

4.03 The unit Price Bid Sum shall be expressed in figures.

4.04 Any interlineations, alteration or erasure must be initialized by the signer of the Bid.

4.05 Failure to submit a Bid in the form requested or inclusion of any alternates, conditions, limitations or provisions not called for will render the bid irregular, and may considered sufficient cause for rejection of Bid.

4.06 Bids shall be delivered to reach the address designated in the Invitation to Bid no
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later than the hour and date established for deadline for acceptance of bids. After that time, no bids will be received, nor may they be withdrawn. Faxed or E-mailed bids will not be accepted.

4.07 Negligence or error on the part of any Bidder in preparing his Bid confers no right of withdrawal or modification of his bid after time has been called. Sureties and principals are advised that the City cannot give consideration to any plea of "error" in preparation of the Bid.

4.08 A mandatory pre-bid conference is scheduled for 11:00 AM on Friday, April 5, 2013, at the City of Wilmington Council Chambers, City Hall, 102 N. 3rd Street, Wilmington, NC 28401.

5.00 CONSIDERATION OF BIDS

5.01 Rejection of Bids: The City shall have the right to reject any or all Bids and/or waive any informality or irregularity in the bid.

5.02 Acceptance of Bid (Award): It is the intent of the CITY to award two (2) Contracts; a primary contract to be awarded to the lowest responsible Bidder and a secondary contract to the next overall lowest responsible Bidder, provided the Bid(s) have been submitted in accordance with the requirements of the Bidding Documents and does not exceed a fair and equitable rate. The CITY shall have the right to reject any or all bids and/or waive any informality or irregularity in any bid or bids received and to accept the Bid or Bids, which in his judgment is in the CITY’S best interest.

5.03 The primary Contractor will be the CITY’S first call for this recovery phase of operation. The secondary contractor will be called if the primary contractor is not responsive or at the discretion of the CITY when it is deemed necessary for more than one contractor to assist in this response and Scope of Work.

6.00 INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS

6.01 Insurance Requirements: The CONTRACTOR shall not commence work under this contract until he has obtained all insurance required under this paragraph and after such insurance, provided by insurers of financial standing acceptable to the CITY, has been approved by the CITY. The CONTRACTOR shall be responsible for any liability directly or indirectly arising out of work performed under this contract by any Sub-contractor to the CONTRACTOR.
6.01.1 The CONTRACTOR shall maintain during the life of this contract WORKERS' COMPENSATION and EMPLOYER'S LIABILITY INSURANCE covering all of the CONTRACTOR'S employees to be engaged in the work under this contract, providing the required statutory benefits under North Carolina Workers Compensation Law, and Employers Liability Insurance providing limits at least in the amount of $1,000,000/1,000,000/1,000,000 applicable to claims due to bodily injury by accident or disease. Whenever work under this contract includes exposure to claims under the U. S. Longshoremen's and Harborworker's Act, such coverage shall be provided by appropriate endorsement to this policy.

6.01.2 The CONTRACTOR shall take out and maintain during the life of this contract COMMERCIAL GENERAL LIABILITY INSURANCE, including coverage for INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR OPERATIONS, CONTRACTUAL LIABILITY assumed under the provisions of this contract, PRODUCTS/COMPLETED OPERATIONS LIABILITY and BROAD FORM PROPERTY DAMAGE LIABILITY insurance coverage. Exclusions applicable to explosion, collapse and underground hazards are to be deleted when the work to be performed involves these exposures. The CITY shall be named as an additional insured under this policy. Unless otherwise specified, this coverage shall be written providing liability limits at least in the amount of $3,000,000 per occurrence, Combined Single Limits, applicable to claims due to bodily injury and/or property damage arising from an occurrence. Endorsements #CG 20 33 07 04 and CG 21 37 07 04 naming City of Wilmington as an additional insured under this policy shall be included.

6.01.3 The CONTRACTOR shall take out and maintain OWNERS’ AND CONTRACTORS’ PROTECTIVE LIABILITY INSURANCE. The City of Wilmington shall be included as the named insured under this policy. Unless otherwise specified this coverage shall be written providing limits at least in the amount of $3,000,000, Combined Single Limits, applicable to claims due to bodily injury and/or property damage arising from an occurrence.

6.01.4 The CONTRACTOR shall take out and maintain during the life of this agreement AUTOMOBILE/VEHICLE LIABILITY INSURANCE. Such coverage shall be written on a comprehensive form covering owned, non-owned, hired and leased vehicles. Unless otherwise specified, this coverage shall be written providing limits at least in the amount of $3,000,000, per occurrence, Combined Single Limits.

6.01.5 UMBRELLA LIABILITY INSURANCE providing as excess above the
underlying COMMERCIAL GENERAL LIABILITY INSURANCE, AUTOMOBILE LIABILITY INSURANCE, EMPLOYERS LIABILITY INSURANCE AND OWNERS AND CONTRACTOR’S PROTECTIVE LIABILITY INSURANCE policies required by this contract. This coverage shall provide excess limits at least in the amount of $5,000,000 per occurrence, combined single limits applicable to claims arising out of bodily injury and/or property damage. The parties named as additional insured under the primary underlying policies are to be included as additional insured under the Umbrella Liability Insurance Coverage.

The CONTRACTOR shall furnish the schedule of insurance carried under this contract in the form of a Certificate of Insurance attested by the insurance carrier or appointed agent, indicating the type, amount, class of operations covered, effective date and expiration date of all policies. This Certificate shall be in six (6) counterparts and when the contract is signed by the CONTRACTOR, a copy thereof shall be inserted in each copy of the contract documents and upon insertion shall become a part of such documents. The insurance carrier or its agent shall also certify on these documents that it will notify the CITY by registered mail at least twenty (20) days prior to any cancellation or non-renewal of these coverages.

7.00 TIME/COMPLETION SCHEDULE

7.01 This contract will be valid for the period beginning July 1, 2013 and ending June 30, 2014. All dates in this schedule are predicated on a contract being awarded. CONSTRUCTION WILL BEGIN PHASE II – DANGEROUS TREE AND HANGING LIMB REMOVAL AND DISPOSAL WITHIN 24 HOURS OF WRITTEN NOTICE TO PROCEED, as set forth in Part I, Section 31.00, by fax and followed by regular mail from the Director of Public Services or his designee.

8.00 CERTIFICATES

8.01 Payment will be made within thirty (30) days after receipt of an approved invoice. Payment will be based on unit price as determined by the City or its designee at the awarded unit price and satisfactory completion of requirement set forth in 8.02 below. Five percent (5%) of all invoices will be retained until the contract is complete to the satisfaction of the Superintendent of Parks & Landscape.

8.02 Subcontractor payment verification. All subcontractors must register with the City of Wilmington prior to beginning work for the Contractor. Each listed subcontractor will be required to confirm receipt of payment from Contractor through a “Subcontractor’s Final Affidavit, Waiver and Release” prior to the City
issuing final payment to the Contractor. Contractor will also prepare an Affidavit of Payment of Debts and Claims and to be verified with a Consent of Surety Company to Final Payment.

9.00 SAFETY

9.01 CONTRACTOR shall provide a safe working environment and will be solely responsible for maintaining safety at all work sites. CONTRACTOR shall take all reasonable steps to insure safety for both workers and visitors to any work site, to include traffic control.

10.00 LOCATIONS FOR DISPOSAL

10.01 The CONTRACTOR will be responsible for disposal of all trees, limbs, root balls, grinding, etc. removed under this agreement.

11.00 PERFORMANCE REQUIREMENTS

11.01 Performance and Payment Bond:

Selected CONTRACTOR(s) will be required to post a Performance and Payment Bond, each in the amount of One Million Dollars ($1,000,000.00) or 100 percent of the contract price throughout the contract execution period, when the Director of Public Services requests initiation of this Phase II – Dangerous Tree and Hanging Limb Removal and Disposal Contract, until such time as the scope of work contained in this contract is completed as determined by the Director of Public Services.

These bonds shall remain in effect at least one (1) year after the date when final payment becomes due. The Performance Bond and the Payment Bond shall be executed by one or more surety companies legally authorized to do business in the State of North Carolina and shall become effective upon the execution of the contract. The surety bonds must be in the form set forth in NCGS 44A-33, without any variations therefrom.

The Contractor shall provide surety bonds wherein Surety waives notice of any and all modifications, omissions, additions, changes and advance payments or deferred payments in or about the Contract, and agrees that the obligations undertaken by the Bond shall not be impaired in any manner by reason of any such modifications, omissions, additions, changes, and advance payments or deferred payments.
The surety bonds must set forth no requirement that suit be initiated prior to the
time stipulated in applicable North Carolina Statutes of Limitations.

11.02 City's right to carry, out the work:

If the CONTRACTOR defaults or neglects to carry out the work in accordance
with the Contract Documents and fails within a two-day period after receipt of
written notice from the City to commence and continue correction of such default
or neglect with diligence and promptness, the City may, without prejudice to other
remedies, correct such deficiencies. In the event the City sends written notice of
the same contract deficiency on two or more occasions, regardless if the
contractor corrects such deficiencies, the City may, without prejudice to other
remedies, correct such deficiencies. In such case an appropriate Change Order
shall be issued deducting from payments then or thereafter due the
CONTRACTOR the cost of correcting such deficiencies, including compensation
for the City's additional services and expenses made necessary by such default,
neglect or failure. If payments then or thereafter due the CONTRACTOR are not
sufficient to cover such amounts, the CONTRACTOR shall pay the difference to
the City.

12.00 TERMINATION BY THE CITY FOR CAUSE:

12.01.1 The City may terminate the contract if the CONTRACTOR:

a. persistently or repeatedly refuses or fails to supply enough
   properly skilled workers or proper equipment;

b. fails to make payment to subcontractors for materials or labor in
   accordance with the respective agreements between the
   CONTRACTOR and subcontractors;

c. persistently disregards laws, ordinances, or rules, regulations or
   orders of a public authority having jurisdiction; or

d. otherwise is guilty of substantial breach of a provision of the
   Contract Documents.

12.01.2 When any of the above reasons exist, the City may without prejudice to
any other rights or remedies of the City and after giving the
CONTRACTOR and the CONTRACTOR's surety, if any, two days' written notice, terminate employment of the CONTRACTOR and may,
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subject to any prior rights of the surety:

a. accept assignment of subcontracts; and/or

b. finish the work by whatever reasonable method the City may deem expedient.

12.01.3 When the City terminates the contract for one of the reasons stated in Subparagraph 12.01.1, the CONTRACTOR shall not be entitled to receive further payment until the work is finished.

12.01.4 If the unpaid balance of the contract sum exceeds additional costs incurred while finishing the work, including compensation for the City’s services and expenses made necessary thereby, such excess shall be paid to the CONTRACTOR. If such costs exceed the unpaid balance, the CONTRACTOR shall pay the difference to the City. This obligation for payment shall survive termination of the contract.

12.01.5 This agreement may be terminated without cause by either party with thirty (30) days written notice.

12.01.6 Nothing contained herein shall prevent the CITY from pursuing any other remedy, which it may have against CONTRACTOR including claims for damages.

13.00 ESTIMATED QUANTITIES

The CITY makes no guarantee as to the quantities the CONTRACTOR will actually remove or dispose.

14.00 PERSONNEL

It is mutually agreed that CONTRACTOR is an independent CONTRACTOR and not an agent of the CITY, and as such the CONTRACTOR shall not be entitled to any CITY employment benefits, such as, but not limited to, vacation, sick leave, insurance, workmen's compensation, or pension and retirement benefits.

15.00 CONFLICT OF INTEREST

No paid employee of the CITY shall have a personal or financial interest, direct or indirect, as a contracting party or otherwise, in the performance of this agreement.
16.00 NON-WAIVER OF RIGHTS

It is agreed that the CITY’S failure to insist upon the strict performance of any provision of this agreement, or to exercise any right based upon a breach thereof, or the acceptance of any performance during such breach, shall not constitute a waiver of any rights under this agreement.

17.00 FINDINGS CONFIDENTIAL

All of the information, reports, cost estimates, plans, specifications and documents prepared or assembled by the CONTRACTOR under this agreement are the property of the CITY. The CONTRACTOR agrees that any such documents shall not be made available to any individual or organization other than appropriate CITY officials without prior written approval of the CITY. Nothing contained in this paragraph shall be construed to prevent the CONTRACTOR from making information, reports and documents available to those individuals or firms directly concerned with the project involved with prior written agreement of the CITY.

18.00 ENTIRE AGREEMENT

This agreement constitutes the entire understanding of the parties.

19.00 BINDING EFFECT

This agreement shall be binding upon the heirs, successors, assigns, agents, officials, employees, independent contractors, and subcontractors of the parties.

20.00 CONTINUING OBLIGATION

The parties will make and execute all further instruments and documents required to carry out the purposes and intent of the agreement.

21.00 REFERENCE

Use of the masculine includes feminine and neuter, singular includes plural; and captions and headings are inserted for convenience of reference and do not define, describe, extend or limit the scope of intent of the agreement.

22.00 INTERPRETATION

All of the terms and conditions contained herein shall be interpreted in accordance with the laws of the State of North Carolina. In the event of a conflict between
23.00 **PREAUDIT**

This contract has been pre-audited in the manner required by the Local Government Budget and Fiscal Control Act as evidenced by City Purchase Order No. __________ which is incorporated as if fully set out.

24.00 **MINORITY BUSINESS ENTERPRISE (MBE)**

The CITY desires that minority business enterprises have the maximum opportunity to participate in the performance of this contract and will:

24.01 Promote affirmatively (where feasible) in accordance with North Carolina General Statute 143-129, together with all other applicable laws, statutes and constitutional provisions) the procurement of goods, services in connection with construction projects for minority owned business enterprises.

24.02 Insure that competitive and equitable bidding opportunities are followed to afford minority business enterprises participation. Strive to obtain contract and subcontract awards to minority business enterprises.

24.03 Identify and communicate to the minority business enterprises community procedures and contract requirements necessary for procurement of goods and services for construction projects and subcontracts.

24.04 Provide technical assistance as needed.

24.05 Promulgate and enforce contractual requirements that the general contractor or all construction projects shall exercise all necessary and reasonable steps to insure that minority business enterprises participate in the work required in such construction contracts.

The CONTRACTOR shall insure that minority business enterprises have the maximum opportunity to compete for and perform portions of the work included in this contract and shall not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin or sex. The CONTRACTOR shall include this special provision, Minority Business Enterprise (MBE), in all subcontracts for this contract. Failure on the part of the CONTRACTOR to carry out the requirements set forth in this special provision may constitute a breach of contract and after proper notification may
A minority business enterprise is defined as a business, with at least fifty-one (51%) percent owned and controlled by minority group members. The minority ownership must exercise actual day-to-day management. Minority group members may consist of Black Americans (an individual of the Black race of African origin), Hispanic Americans (an individual of a Spanish speaking culture and origin at parentage), Asian Americans (an individual of a culture, origin or parentage traceable to the areas of the Far East, Southeast Asia, the Indian subcontinent and the Pacific Islands), Indian Americans (an individual who is an enrolled member of a Federally recognized Indian tribe, or recognized by the tribe as being an Indian, as evidenced by a certification of a tribal leader), American Aleuts or any recognized minority group approved by the CITY.

A Woman Business Enterprise is a business with at least fifty-one (51%) percent owned and controlled by women who exercise actual day-to-day management.

The CONTRACTOR shall exercise all necessary and reasonable steps to insure that Minority Business Enterprises and Woman Business Enterprises participate in the work required in this contract. The CONTRACTOR agrees by executing this contract that he will exercise all necessary and reasonable steps to insure that this special provision contained herein on Minority Business Enterprise is complied with.

25.00 IMMUNITY NOT WAIVED

This agreement is governmental in nature for the benefit of the public and is not intended to be for private profit or gain. Any fees charged hereunder are intended to reflect as closely as possible the CITY'S actual cost and neither party intends to waive its sovereign immunity by reason of this agreement.

26.00 SAVING CLAUSE

If any section, subsection, paragraph, sentence, clause, phrase or portion of this agreement is for any reason held invalid, unlawful, or unconstitutional by any court of competent jurisdiction, such portion shall be deemed severable and such holding shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions hereof.

27.00 OTHER LAWS AND REGULATIONS

CONTRACTOR will comply with any and all applicable federal, state and local standards, regulations, laws, statutes and ordinances regarding toxic, hazardous
and solid wastes and any other pollutants; public and private nuisances; health or safety; and zoning, subdivision or other land use controls. CONTRACTOR will take all reasonably necessary, proper or required safety, preventative and remedial measures in accordance with any and all relations and directives from the North Carolina Department of Human Resources, Occupational Safety & Health Administration (OSHA), American National Standards Institute (ANSI), the United States Environmental Protection Agency, the North Carolina Department of Environment and Natural Resources, Health Departments, and any other federal, state or local agency having jurisdiction, to insure the prompt prevention or cessation (now or in the future) of violations of either the applicable provisions of such standards, regulations, laws, statutes, and ordinances or any permits or conditions issued thereunder.

28.00 AMENDMENTS

This agreement shall not be modified or otherwise amended except in writing signed by the parties.

29.00 NON-DISCRIMINATION

CONTRACTOR will take affirmative action not to discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment or otherwise illegally deny any person participation in or the benefits of the program which is the subject of this agreement because of race, creed, color, sex, age, disability or national origin. To the extent applicable, CONTRACTOR will comply with all provisions of Executive Order No. 11246 the Civil Rights Act of 1964, (P.L. 88-352) and 1968 (P.L. 90-284), and all applicable federal, state and local laws, ordinances, rules, regulations, orders, instructions, designations and other directives promulgated to prohibit discrimination. Violation of this provision, after notice, shall be a material breach of this agreement and may result, at CITY'S option, in a termination or suspension of this agreement in whole or in part.

30.00 RECORDS RETENTION AND REVIEW

30.01 The CONTRACTOR shall retain all records pertaining to the services and the contract for these services and make them make available to the City for a period of three (3) years following receipt of final payment for the services referenced herein.

31.00 WRITTEN NOTICE TO PROCEED

31.01 The City shall issue an official written notice to proceed for the services referenced in this contract. The notice shall be sent via facsimile followed by
regular mail. Under no circumstances shall the City be liable for any services rendered unless the written notice to proceed has been sent and received by the Contractor. Contractor must acknowledge receipt of the written notice to proceed.

32.00 QUALIFICATIONS OF CONTRACTOR

32.01 CONTRACTOR will be required to provide proof of previous experience performing Dangerous Trees and Hanging Limbs Debris Removal and Disposal Services as the prime CONTRACTOR.

32.02 As part of proposal submission and due at deadline of submittal (see Part I, Instructions to Bidders, 4.01); CONTRACTOR(s) will provide additional documentation utilized in due diligence evaluation and CONTRACTOR qualification, these are:

32.02.1 Most recent completed Annual Financial Report

32.02.2 Dun & Bradstreet # and a current Dunn & Bradstreet Comprehensive Report

32.02.3 Surety Company Name, Contact Name and telephone #

32.02.4 Listing of Sureties Secured the past 5 years and amounts

32.02.5 Insurance Company Name, Contact Name and telephone #

32.02.6 Dangerous Trees and Hanging Limbs Debris Removal and Disposal Experience (as the Prime Contractor) the past 5 years listed with Contact Info., Volume, Gross $, Contact Name and telephone #’s

32.02.7 Sample of other services provided with Contact Info., Gross $, Contact Name and telephone #’s

32.02.8 List of Company Owned Equipment available to service the City of Wilmington Dangerous Trees and Hanging Limbs Debris Removal and Disposal Contract.

32.02.9 A subcontract plan including a clear description of the percentage of the work the contractor may subcontract. A list of Subcontractors under obligation/agreements with CONTRACTOR with list of available equipment to service the City of Wilmington Dangerous Trees and
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32.02.10 Health & Safety Plan with training schedule and Environmental Protection Program as pertaining to Dangerous Trees and Hanging Limbs Debris Removal and Disposal operations.

32.02.11 Method to be used in management and disposal of Vegetative Debris removed

If CONTRACTOR intends to operate Debris Management Sites (DMS) previously called Temporary Debris Management and Reduction Sites (TDRS) that are not commercial permitted facilities, CONTRACTOR is required to submit a Debris Management Site Plan to include a Site Health & Safety Plan with training schedule and Environmental Management and Monitoring Plan identifying baseline data for each location and ingress/egress for sites. CONTRACTOR will be solely responsible for obtaining permit(s) and/or variance(s) from NC Department of Environment and Natural Resources, Solid Waste Division of the facility and provide documentation to the CITY prior to any use of the DMS facility.
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PART II – SCOPE OF WORK

1.00 GENERAL

1.01 The CONTRACTOR shall comply with all applicable Federal, State and Local codes, ordinances and requirements of all agencies having jurisdiction. The CONTRACTOR will be responsible for obtaining all necessary permits and licenses to complete the scope of work. The City of Wilmington will obtain any Right of Entry required to complete the “Scope of Work”.

1.02 Performance: The quality of workmanship concerning the removal of dangerous trees and hanging limbs must reflect professional work and conduct.

2.00 SCOPE OF WORK

Phase I of Debris Removal will be the immediate debris clearing from roads and major thoroughfares to reestablish Emergency Services and Vehicle Access. The City of Wilmington’s own work forces and separate contracts will be issued to complete Phase I of Debris Removal. Following the determination that Phase I Debris Removal has been completed or determined unnecessary, the City of Wilmington will enact Phase II - Dangerous Tree and Hanging Limb Removal and Disposal by written notice to proceed to the CONTRACTOR as set forth in Part I, Section 31.00, by fax and followed by regular mail from the Director of Public Services or his designee. This contract and associated scope of work in this request for proposal of services is exclusively for Phase II - Dangerous Tree and Hanging Limb Removal and Disposal.

2.01 CONTRACTOR will cut, gather, load, haul and dispose of Hanging Limbs from rights-of-way, parks, municipal golf course, designated public property or private property that endanger the general public with regards to the accepted use of public property within the incorporated limits of the City. Hanging Limbs still attached to privately owned trees shall be cut no farther than the outermost edge of the right-of-way. All trees where hanging limbs are removed must be documented by a City of Wilmington site monitor or its designee prior to removal.

2.02 CONTRACTOR will cut, gather, load, haul and dispose of Dangerous Trees from rights-of-way, parks, municipal golf course, designated public property or private property that endanger the general public with regards to the accepted use of public property within the incorporated limits of the City. Dangerous Trees originating from privately owned property shall be cut no farther than the outermost edge of the right-of-way. Trees will be cut so that no portion of the remaining stump protrudes more than two (2) inches above ground level where practicable, and no greater than two (2) inches above root flare. All trees
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removed must be documented by a City of Wilmington site monitor or its designee prior to removal.

2.03 CONTRACTOR will **grind and dispose** of stumps, cut under Part II, Section 2.02 if determined to be a hazard in itself from rights-of-way, parks, municipal golf course, designated public property or private property that endanger the general public with regards to the accepted use of public property within the incorporated limits of the City. All stumps ground must be ground to a minimum of twelve (12) inches below ground level and contractor will fill remaining crater with unclassified fill and compact to ground level. All stumps ground must be approved and documented by a City of Wilmington site monitor or its designee prior to removal.

2.04 Contractor will **remove and dispose of root balls** from leaning or blown down trees where root balls are at least 50% exposed, from rights-of-way, parks, municipal golf course, designated public property within the incorporated limits of the City. Contractor will fill remaining crater with unclassified fill and compact to ground level. All root balls removed must be approved and documented by a City of Wilmington site monitor or its designee prior to removal.

2.05 The CONTRACTOR **will not enter** or remove debris from **private property**, except where allowed specifically in Part II, Section 2.01 and 2.02 above.

2.06 The CONTRACTOR will be responsible for damages caused by the CONTRACTOR to both private and public property.

3.00 UNIT PRICE SCHEDULE

The contract will be for payment on a unit price basis. Unit prices include all necessary, mobilization, insurance, overhead, profit and applicable taxes. No minimum or maximum quantity is implied or inferred by this contract.

**Unit price No. 1**

CONTRACTOR will cut, gather, load, haul and dispose of Hanging Limbs from rights-of-way, parks, municipal golf course, designated public property or private property that endanger the general public with regards to the accepted use of public property within the incorporated limits of the City. Hanging Limbs still attached to privately owned trees shall be cut no farther than the outermost edge of the right-of-way. All trees where hanging limbs are removed must be documented by a City of Wilmington site monitor or its designee prior to removal.
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REMOVAL AND DISPOSAL CONTRACT

PART II – SCOPE OF WORK

removal.

Unit of Measurement: Each Tree

Unit price No. 2

CONTRACTOR will cut, gather, load, haul and dispose of Dangerous Trees from rights-of-way, parks, municipal golf course, designated public property or private property that endanger the general public with regards to the accepted use of public property within the incorporated limits of the City. Dangerous Trees originating from privately owned property shall be cut no farther than the outermost edge of the right-of-way. All trees removed must be documented by a City of Wilmington or its designated site monitor prior to removal.

Unit of Measurement, DBH (diameter at breast height) the diameter as measured approximately 4’ from the ground level and rounded to the nearest inch:

A. Each Tree Less than 6” in diameter
B. Each Tree (6” – 18”) in diameter
C. Each Tree (19” – 36”) in diameter
D. Each Tree Greater than 37” in diameter

Unit price No. 3

CONTRACTOR will grind and dispose of stumps, cut under Part II, Section 2.02 if determined to be a hazard in itself from rights-of-way, parks, municipal golf course, designated public property or private property that endanger the general public with regards to the accepted use of public property within the incorporated limits of the City. All stumps ground must be ground to a minimum of twelve (12) inches below ground level and contractor will fill remaining crater with unclassified fill and compact to ground level. All stumps ground must be approved and documented by a City of Wilmington site monitor or its designee prior to removal.

Unit of Measurement, DBH (diameter at breast height) the diameter as measured approximately 4’ from the ground level and rounded to the nearest inch:
PART II – SCOPE OF WORK

A. Each Tree Less than 6’’ in diameter

B. Each Tree (6’’ – 18’’) in diameter

C. Each Tree (19’’ – 36’’) in diameter

D. Each Tree Greater than 37’’ in diameter

Unit price No. 4

Contractor will remove and dispose of root balls from leaning or blown down trees where root balls are at least 50% exposed, from rights-of-way, parks, municipal golf course, designated public property within the incorporated limits of the City. Contractor will fill remaining crater with unclassified fill and compact to ground level. All root balls removed must be approved and documented by a City of Wilmington site monitor or its designee prior to removal.

Unit of Measurement, the diameter as measured approximately 24” from the ground level and rounded to the nearest inch:

A. Each Tree 24” in diameter or less

B. Each Tree Greater than 24” in diameter
UNIT PRICE BID: The undersigned, having carefully examined the Instructions to Bidders, *CITY OF WILMINGTON – PHASE II- DANGEROUS TREE AND HANGING LIMBS REMOVAL AND DISPOSAL CONTRACT* dated March 5, 2013 including the following addenda:

ADDENDUM # _______________ DATED: ______________________
ADDENDUM # _______________ DATED: ______________________

As well as the premises and conditions affecting the work, proposes to furnish all services, labor, materials and equipment called for to complete the completion of project in accordance with the contract documents for the following unit price amounts.

**Unit price No. 1**

CONTRACTOR will cut, gather, load, haul and dispose of Hanging Limbs from rights-of-way, parks, municipal golf course, designated public property or private property that endanger the general public with regards to the accepted use of public property within the incorporated limits of the City. Hanging Limbs still attached to privately owned trees shall be cut no farther than the outermost edge of the right-of-way. All trees where hanging limbs are removed must be documented by a City of Wilmington site monitor or its designee prior to removal.

**Unit Price No. 1 $ ____________ /tree**
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PART III – FORM OF PROPOSAL

Unit price No. 2

CONTRACTOR will cut, gather, load, haul and dispose of Dangerous Trees from rights-of-way, parks, municipal golf course, designated public property or private property that endanger the general public with regards to the accepted use of public property within the incorporated limits of the City. Dangerous Trees originating from privately owned property shall be cut no farther than the outermost edge of the right-of-way. All trees removed must be documented by a City of Wilmington or its designated site monitor prior to removal.

Unit Price No. 2A $_________/tree less than 6” in diameter
Unit Price No. 2B $_________/tree (6” – 18”) in diameter
Unit Price No. 2C $_________/tree (19” – 36”) in diameter
Unit Price No. 2D $_________/tree greater than 37” in diameter

Unit price No. 3

CONTRACTOR will grind and dispose of stumps, cut under Part II, Section 2.02 if determined to be a hazard in itself from rights-of-way, parks, municipal golf course, designated public property or private property that endanger the general public with regards to the accepted use of public property within the incorporated limits of the City. All stumps ground must be ground to a minimum of twelve (12) inches below ground level and contractor will fill remaining crater with unclassified fill and compact to ground level. All stumps ground must be approved and documented by a City of Wilmington site monitor or its designee prior to removal.

Unit Price No. 3A $_________/tree less than 6” in diameter
Unit Price No. 3B $_________/tree (6” – 18”) in diameter
Unit Price No. 3C $_________/tree (19” – 36”) in diameter
Unit Price No. 3D $_________/tree greater than 37” in diameter
Unit price No. 4

Contractor will remove and dispose of root balls from leaning or blown down trees where root balls are at least 50% exposed, from rights-of-way, parks, municipal golf course, designated public property within the incorporated limits of the City. Contractor will fill remaining crater with unclassified fill and compact to ground level. All root balls removed must be approved and documented by a City of Wilmington site monitor or its designee prior to removal.

Unit Price No. 4A  $_________ /tree 24” or less in diameter

Unit Price No. 4B  $_________ /tree greater than 24” in diameter

______________________________________________  _______________________
Company Name                                          Title

_________________________________________________
Signature                                                Title

_________________________________________________
State of Incorporation                                  (Corporate Seal)
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PART IV – STATEMENT OF ASSURANCES & COMPLIANCE  

The undersigned, as bidder certifies that the General Conditions and Instructions to Bidders found in the bidding document dated March 5, 2013, have been read and understood.

The bidder hereby provides assurance that the Firm represented in this bid, as indicated below:

1) Will comply with all requirements, stipulations, terms and conditions as stated in the bid document:

2) Currently complies with all applicable State and Federal Laws:

3) Is not guilty of collusion with the vendors possibly interested in this bid or in determining prices to be submitted: and

4) Such agent as indicated below is officially authorized to represent the firm in whose name this bid is submitted.

___________________________________  ____________________________  
Name of Firm     Name of Firm Representative

___________________________________  _______________________
Signature      Title

___________________________________
Date

___________________________________
Address of Firm

___________________________________
Telephone Number

___________________________________
State of Incorporation     (Corporate Seal)

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PART IV – STATEMENT OF ASSURANCES &
COMPLIANCE

STATE OF _________________
COUNTY OF _______________

AFFIDAVIT AND CERTIFICATE OF
NON-COLLUSION, NON-SUSPENSION AND NON-CONVICTION

The undersigned, being first duly sworn, deposes and says:

1. I understand that for the purposes of this affidavit, the term "bidder" shall include the person(s), firm(s), or corporation(s) signing this affidavit, the undersigned's subcontractor(s), subsidiary(ies) and affiliate(s) and any officer, director, employee or agent of the bidder; and the term "conviction" shall include guilty pleas, pleadings of nolo contendere and similar pleas.

2. This Affidavit and Certificate is made in accordance with Article 3 of Chapter 133 of the North Carolina General Statutes; I certify that this proposal is made without prior understanding, agreement, or connection with any person(s), firm(s), or corporation(s) making bids or proposals; I further certify that the bidder has not entered into any agreement with any other bidder or prospective bidder or with any other person(s), firm(s) or corporation(s) relating to the price named in said proposal, nor any agreement or arrangement under which any person(s), firm(s) or corporation(s) is to refrain from bidding, nor any agreement or arrangement for any act or omission in restraint of free competition among bidders; I understand collusive bidding is a violation of state and federal law and can result in fines, prison sentences, and civil damage awards; and I further certify that the bidder will abide by all terms of this bid or proposal.

3. The bidder is not suspended or debarred from bidding by any federal or state governmental agency that is providing funds for this contract.

4. The bidder is not presently charged in an indictment or information with engaging in any conspiracy, combination, or other unlawful act in restraint of trade or any similar charges in any federal court or a court of this or any other state.

5. The bidder, within one year immediately preceding the date of this affidavit, has not been convicted of charges or engaging in any conspiracy, combination, or other unlawful act in restraint of trade or similar charges in any federal court or a court of this or any other state.
6. If, during the time of this proposal, from the date advertised to the date bids are opened, the bidder is indicted or convicted of bid-rigging, I understand this proposal shall be rejected and not considered for award.

7. I hereby affirm that all information contained in this affidavit is true, correct, accurate and complete, and any untrue, incorrect, inaccurate or incomplete statements will result in the disqualification and rejection of this proposal. I certify that I am authorized to sign this bid and to make the representations set forth herein on behalf of myself and the bidder.

This the ______ day of _________________, 20_____.

COMPANY NAME _____________________________

BY: __________________________________________

(Owner, Partner, or Corporate President, Vice President or Assistant Vice President only)

ATTEST:

__________________________________

(Secretary, Assistant Secretary, Cashier or Assistant Cashier only)

(CORPORATE SEAL)

STATE OF _________________

COUNTY OF _________________

I, _________________________________, a Notary Public, certify that

(Name)

_________________________ personally came

(Name of Secretary, Assist. Sec., Cashier, Assist. Cashier)

before me this day and acknowledged that he (she) is

_________________________ of ______________________________,

(Secretary, Assist. Sec., Cashier, Assist. Cashier) (Name of Corporation)
corporation, and that by authority duly given and as the act of the corporation, the
foregoing Affidavit was signed in its name by its __________________________,
(President, Vice President, Assist. Vice President)
sealed with its corporate seal, and attest by himself (or herself) as its
_______________________________.
(Secretary, Assist. Sec., Cashier, Assist. Cashier)

WITNESS my hand and official seal, this the _____ day of
________________________, 20____.

________________________________________
Notary Public

My Commission Expires:
______________________________________
(SEAL)

(TO BE EXECUTED ON BEHALF OF THE CONTRACTOR)
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the CITY has caused this agreement to be duly executed in its name and behalf and the CONTRACTOR has caused this agreement to be duly executed in its name and behalf and its corporate seal to be hereunto affixed, and attested to.

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BY: _______________________________
    Sterling Cheatham, City Manager

ATTEST:

________________________________
Daryle L. Parker, Purchasing Manager

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

________________________________
William E. Wolak, City Attorney

FINANCE OFFICER'S CERTIFICATION STATEMENT

This instrument has been pre-audited in the manner required by the Local Government Budget and Fiscal Control Act this the _____ day of ____________, 20_____.

________________________________
Debra Mack, Finance Officer

Purchase Orders will be created at time of need.

Name of Company: __________________________

ATTEST:

_______________________________
President, Vice President, Assistant Vice President

_______________________________
Secretary, Assistant Secretary, Trust Officer

(CORPORATE SEAL)
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PART V – EXECUTION OF AGREEMENT

STATE OF ________________

COUNTY OF ________________

I, ______________________________, a Notary Public, certify that the corporation's Secretary, Assist. Secretary or Trust Officer, Mr./Mrs./Ms. ______________________________ personally came before me this day and acknowledged that he (she) is the ________ of ________, a corporation, and that by authority duly given and as the act of the corporation, the foregoing instrument was signed in its name by its President, Vice President, or Assist. Vice President, Mr./Mrs./Ms. ______________________________, sealed with its Corporate Seal, and attested by himself (herself) as its Secretary, Assist. Secretary or Trust Officer.

WITNESS my hand and official seal this the ______ day of ____________, 20___.

_______________________________
Notary Public

My commission expires: ________________

(SEAL)
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PART VI – BONDS & SURETIES

PERFORMANCE BOND

CITY OF WILMINGTON, NORTH CAROLINA

PRINCIPAL: ____________________________________________

SURETY: _____________________________________________

BOND AMOUNT: _______________________________________

______________________DOLLARS ($_______________)

BOND DATE: _______________________

CONTRACT NUMBER: _______________________

"KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, That we, the PRINCIPAL AND SURETY above named, are held and firmly bound unto the CITY OF WILMINGTON, NORTH CAROLINA, hereinafter called the CITY, in the penal sum of the amount stated above for the payment of which sum well and truly to be made, we bind ourselves, our heirs, executors, administrators, and successors, jointly and severally, firmly by these presents.

"THE CONDITION OF THIS OBLIGATION IS SUCH, that whereas the Principal entered into a certain contract with the CITY, numbered as shown above and hereto attached:

"NOW, THEREFORE, if the Principal shall well and truly perform and fulfill all the undertakings, covenants, terms, conditions, and agreements of said contract during the original term of said contract and any extensions thereof that may be granted by the CITY, with or without notice to the Surety, and during the life of any guaranty required under the contract, and shall also well and truly perform and fulfill all the undertakings, covenants, terms, conditions, and agreements of any and all duly authorized modifications of said contract that may hereafter be made, notice of which modifications to the Surety being hereby waived, then, this obligation to be void, otherwise to remain in full force and virtue.
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"IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the above-bounden parties have executed this instrument under their several seals on the date indicated above, the name and corporate seal of each corporate party being hereto affixed and these presents duly signed by its undersigned representative, pursuant to authority of its governing body."

(CORPORATE SEAL)

ATTEST: PRINCIPAL:

_____________________________   ________________________________
Secretary

By: _____________________________
Title: ___________________________

SURETY: _____________________________

WITNESS:

By: ______________________________
Title: _____________________________

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PAYMENT BOND

CITY OF WILMINGTON, NORTH CAROLINA

PRINCIPAL: _________________________________________________

SURETY: _________________________________________________

BOND AMOUNT: _________________________________________________

_______________________ DOLLARS ($_______________)

BOND DATE: _______________________

CONTRACT NUMBER: _______________________

"KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, That we, the PRINCIPAL AND
SURETY above named, are held and firmly bound unto the CITY OF WILMINGTON,
NORTH CAROLINA, hereinafter called the CITY, in the penal sum of the amount stated
above for the payment of which sum well and truly to be made, we bind ourselves, our
heirs, executors, administrators, and successors, jointly and severally, firmly by these
presents.

"THE CONDITION OF THIS OBLIGATION IS SUCH, that whereas the Principal
entered into a certain contract with the CITY, numbered as shown above and hereto
attached:

"NOW, THEREFORE, if the Principal shall promptly make payment to all persons
supplying labor and material in the prosecution of the work provided for in said contract,
and any and all duly authorized modifications of said contract that may hereafter be
made, notice of which modifications to the Surety being hereby waived, then this
obligation to be void; otherwise to remain in full force and virtue.
"IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the above-bounden parties have executed this instrument under their several seals on the date indicated above, the name and corporate seal of each corporate party being hereto affixed and these presents duly signed by its undersigned representative, pursuant to authority of its governing body."

(CORPORATE SEAL)

ATTEST: PRINCIPAL:

________________________________________
Secretary

By: _________________________________
Title: ________________________________

SURETY: _________________________________

WITNESS:

By: _________________________________
Title: _________________________________

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(TO BE EXECUTED ON BEHALF OF SURETY AGENT)

STATE OF _______________________

COUNTY OF _____________________

On this the _______ day of ____________________, 20____, before me the subscriber, Notary Public of the State of ________________, in and for the County of __________________________, duly commissioned and qualified came _____________________________________________________, to me personally known, and to me personally known to be the individual who executed the foregoing Payment Bond and Performance Bond: Pages 30, 31, 32, and 33 and he acknowledges the execution of the same, and being by me duly sworn deposes and says that he has Power-of-Attorney from _____________________________________________________, with their principal offices at ___________________________________, to execute the preceding instruments in the amount specified in the Payment Bond and Performance Bond on their behalf, that his signature was duly affixed and he subscribed to the said Payment Bond and Performance Bond by authority and direction of said corporation.

IN WITNESS, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my official seal at the City of __________________________, the day and year first above written.

_____________________________
Notary Public

My Commission expires:

_____________________________

(SEAL)
POWER OF ATTORNEY

DOCUMENTS

(Attached hereto original or validated documents which give to individual who signed Contract Bond Power of Attorney for Surety)
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PART VII – ATTACHMENTS

INSURANCE CERTIFICATES

(Staple Insurance Certificates as required under Part I, Section 6.01.1 – 6.01.5 to this sheet)