

# Administered by University of Maine System Office of Strategic Procurement Request for Proposal (RFP)

# UMF Photography and Videography Services RFP #2025-018

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# **1.0 INTRODUCTION**

### **1.1** Definitions, Background, Purpose and Specifications

### 1.1.1 Definitions

The University of Maine System will hereinafter be referred to as the "University." Respondents to the document shall be referred to as "Respondent(s)" or "Respondent".

The Respondent to whom the Agreement is awarded shall be referred to as the "Contractor."

The University of Maine System and other components of the University shall be referred to as "Multi-Institution".

### 1.1.2 Background

<u>Overview</u>

Established in 1968, the University of Maine System (UMS) unites six distinctive public universities, comprising 10 campuses and numerous centers, in the common purpose of providing quality higher education while delivering on its traditional tripartite mission of teaching, research, and public service.

A comprehensive public institution of higher education, UMS serves more than 30,000 students annually and is supported by the efforts of more than 2,000 full-time and part-time faculty, more than 3,000 regular full-time and part-time staff, and a complement of part-time temporary (adjunct) faculty.

Reaching more than 500,000 people annually through educational and cultural offerings, the University of Maine System also benefits from more than two-thirds of its alumni population residing within the state; more than 123,000 individuals.

The System consists of six universities: The University of Maine (UMaine), including its regional campus the University of Maine at Machias (UMM); the University of Maine at Augusta (UMA); the University of Maine at Farmington (UMF); the University of Maine at Fort Kent (UMFK), the University of Maine at Presque Isle (UMPI); and the University of Southern Maine (USM). The System also includes the University of Maine School of Law and the University of Maine Graduate and Professional Center.

### **Campus thumbnails**

### University of Maine at Farmington

The University of Maine at Farmington is the birthplace of public higher education in Maine and has earned a national reputation for excellence. Established in 1864, it is a small, selective public liberal arts college, serving primarily full-time, traditional-age undergraduates in a residential setting. UMF offers quality programs in teacher education, human services, arts and sciences and professional studies. At Farmington, students feel connected, deeply woven in the roots of the community. Through hands-on learning, the sharing of ideas, debating of issues and pursuit of research, our professors become an active part of their student's lives helping them engage and succeed in a place where they are valued, inspired and empowered. Located in the foothills of the mountains of western Maine, UMF offers the perfect mix of the active outdoor lifestyle with the quintessential New England college town. With enrollment at around 1,800 fulltime students, UMF is about the same size as many of New England's most selective private colleges and offers many of the same advantages, yet at a very affordable price—providing a tremendous college value in a spectacular natural setting.

### 1.1.3 Purpose

The University of Maine at Farmington(UMF) requires high-quality visual content to enhance its marketing efforts, document events, and create engaging promotional materials. The selected vendor(s) will provide traditional and drone photography/videography services for a variety of projects. Additionally, the vendor(s) should have the ability to teach photography, mentor student photographers, and provide drone license preparation. This engagement requires being in person on the UMF campus for up to 30 hours per month. This document provides instructions for submitting responses, the procedure and criteria by which the Respondent(s) will be selected, and the contractual terms which will govern the relationship between the University and the awarded Respondent(s).

Respondents should review **1.1.4 Specifications** / **Scope of Work** of this document to see the full Scope of Services/Products required.

The University is committed to providing increased access and opportunity to diverse businesses include and not limited to: Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender Business Enterprise (LGBTQ+BE); Minority Business Enterprise (MBE); Service-Disabled Veteran Business Enterprise (SDVBE); Small Business Enterprise (SBE); veteran-owned; service-disabled veteran-owned; HUBZone; small disadvantaged business; women-owned; minority-owned; Veteran Business Enterprise (VBE); and Women's Business Enterprise (WBE).

Though this document is primarily for UMF, all campuses in the University of Maine System must be afforded the use of this solution, with all the same terms and conditions applicable to the various University locations.

### **1.1.4** Specifications / Scope of Work

The selected vendor(s) will be responsible for: *Photography/Videography Services:* 

- 1. Capturing high-resolution photographs and HD video footage of campus events, student life, academic activities, and other university-related functions.
- 2. Editing and retouching photographs to ensure high quality.
- 3. Producing polished video content, including editing, sound mixing, and adding graphics or subtitles as needed.
- 4. Coordinating with UMF's marketing team to understand specific project requirements and deliverables.
- 5. Delivering final edited photos and videos in a timely manner.
- 6. Staging shoots, holding auditions, and hiring actors if needed for specific projects.
- 7. Teaching photography and mentoring student photographers, from youth to professionals.
- 8. Providing guidance and preparation for students and professionals seeking drone licenses.

### Drone Photography/Videography Services:

- 1. Capturing aerial photographs and videos using a drone.
- 2. Ensuring all drone operations comply with FAA regulations and university policies.
- 3. Editing and retouching drone footage to ensure high quality.
- 4. Coordinating with UMF's marketing team for specific project requirements and deliverables.
- 5. Delivering final edited drone footage in a timely manner.
- 6. Teaching drone photography and videography, and mentoring students in drone operations.
- 7. Providing drone license preparation for students and professionals.

### **Pre-Production to Post-Production Services:**

- 1. Managing all aspects of pre-production, including conceptualization, planning, and logistics.
- 2. Coordinating and staging shoots, holding auditions, and hiring actors or models as needed.
- 3. Handling all post-production processes, including editing, sound mixing, and final delivery of content.

### **Qualifications:**

- Interested vendors should possess the following qualifications:
- FAA Part 107 remote pilot license.
- Proven experience in professional photography and videography.
- Demonstrated expertise in drone photography and videography, with necessary certifications.
- Experience with multiple systems including camera systems, audio, editors, switchers, lighting, off-camera flash, keying, and special effects.
- Ability to capture photo/video in various styles: photojournalism, educational, lifestyle, branding, cinematic, tourism, and industrial.
- Proven ability to teach photography and drone license preparation, and mentor student photographers, ranging from young adults to professionals.
- Experience in supplying pre-production to post-production and delivery.
- A portfolio showcasing previous work in similar projects.
- Strong editing skills with proficiency in photo and video editing software.
- Excellent communication and organizational skills.
- Ability to meet deadlines and work within budget constraints.
- Ability to be on the UMF campus for up to 30 hours per month.

# **1.2 General Information**

### **1.2.1** Contract Administration and Conditions

1.2.1.1 The winning Respondent will be required to execute a contract in the form of a University of Maine System Master Agreement, which is attached to this response as **Appendix D**. The Master Agreement initial term and renewal periods are reflected in Section 2 of Appendix

D, Master Agreement, and are subject to continued availability of funding and satisfactory performance.

The Master Agreement entered into by the parties shall consist of the University of Maine System Master Agreement (attached to this document), the RFP, the selected Respondent's submission, including all appendices or attachments and clarifications, the specifications including all modifications thereof, and a Purchase Order or Letter of Agreement requiring signatures of the University and the Contractor, all of which shall be referred to collectively as the Agreement Documents.

In the event of a conflict of terms the following precedence will apply:

- 1. University of Maine System Master Agreement
- 2. Agreement Riders as required
- 3. Contract Amendments (as required)
- 4. The University's RFP
- 5. Respondent's Submission
- 6. Purchase Order or Letter of Agreement
- 1.2.1.2 Modification of Agreement terms and conditions is permitted except that the University, due to its public nature, will not:
  - a. Provide any defense, hold harmless or indemnity;
  - b. Waive any statutory or constitutional immunity;
  - c. Apply the law of a state other than Maine;
  - d. Procure types or amounts of insurance beyond those UMS already maintains or waive any rights of subrogation.
  - e. Add any entity as an additional insured to UMS policies of insurance;
  - f. Pay attorneys' fees, costs, expenses or liquidated damages;
  - g. Promise confidentiality in a manner contrary to Maine's Freedom of Access Act;
  - h. Permit an entity to change unilaterally any term or condition once the contract is signed;
  - i. Accept any references to terms and conditions, privacy policies or any other websites, documents or conditions referenced outside of the contract; or
  - j. Agree to automatic renewals for term(s) greater than month-to-month.
- 1.2.1.3 By submitting a response to a Request for Proposal, bid or other offer to do business with the University your entity understands and agrees that:
  - a. The above Agreement provisions (Section 1.2.1.2) will not be modified and are thereby incorporated into any agreement entered into between University and your entity; that such terms and condition shall control in the event of any conflict with such agreement; and that your entity will not propose or demand any contrary terms;
  - b. The above Agreement provisions (Section 1.2.1.2) will govern the interpretation of such agreement notwithstanding

the expression of any other term and/or condition to the contrary;

- c. Your entity agrees that the resulting Agreement will be the entire agreement between the University (including University's employees and other End Users) and Respondent and in the event that the Respondent requires terms of use agreements or other agreements, policies or understanding, whether on an order form, invoice, website, electronic, click-through, verbal or in writing, with University's employees or other End Users, such agreements shall be null, void and without effect, and the terms of the Agreement shall apply.
- d. Your entity will identify at the time of submission which, if any, portion or your submitted materials are entitled to "trade secret" exemption from disclosure under Maine's Freedom of Access Act; that failure to so identify will authorize UMS to conclude that no portions are so exempt; and that your entity will defend, indemnify and hold harmless UMS in any and all legal actions that seek to compel UMS to disclose under Maine's Freedom of Access Act some or all of your submitted materials and/or contract, if any, executed between UMS and your entity.

### **1.2.2** Communication with the University

It is the responsibility of the Respondent to inquire about any requirement of this document that is not understood. Responses to inquiries, if they change or clarify the document in a substantial manner, will be forwarded by addenda to all parties that have received a copy of the document. Addenda will also be posted on our web site, <u>www.maine.edu/strategic/upcoming\_bids.php</u>

It is the responsibility of all Respondents to check the web site before submitting a response to ensure that they have all pertinent documents. The University will not be bound by oral responses to inquiries or written responses other than addenda.

Inquiries must be made using the **Response Contact Information** provided on the cover sheet of this document. Refer to table in **Section 1.3.1 Timeline of Key Events** for deadline requirements.

### 1.2.3 Confidentiality

The University must adhere to the provisions of the Maine Freedom of Access Act (FOAA), 1 MRSA §401 et seq. As a condition of submitting a response under this section, a respondent must accept that, to the extent required by the Maine FOAA, responses to this solicitation, and any ensuing contractual documents, are considered public records and therefore are subject to freedom of access requests.

The information contained in responses submitted for the University's consideration will be held in confidence until all evaluations are concluded and a Respondent selected (the successful Respondent). At that time the University will issue award notice letters to all participating Respondents and all Respondents' responses may be made available to participating Respondents upon request. Such request must be made by submitting a written request to the individual noted in the Response Contact Information shown on the cover sheet of this document,

with a copy of the request provided to the other Respondents. Such requests are public records.

After the protest period has passed and the Agreement is fully executed, responses will be available for public inspection upon request.

Pricing and other information that is an integral part of the offer cannot be considered confidential after an award has been made. The University will honor requests for confidentiality for information that meets the definition of "trade secret" under Maine law. Clearly mark any portion of your submitted materials which are entitled to "trade secret" exemption from disclosure under Maine's Freedom of Access Act. Failure to so identify as trade secret will authorize the University to conclude that no portions are so exempt; and that your entity will defend, indemnify and hold harmless the University in any and all legal actions that seek to compel the University to disclose under Maine's Freedom of Access Act some or all of your submitted materials and/or contract, if any, executed between the University and your entity.

### **1.2.4** Costs of Preparation

Respondent assumes all costs of preparation of the response and any presentations necessary to the response process.

### **1.2.5** Authorization

Any Agreement for services that will, or may, result in the expenditure by the University of \$50,000 or more must be approved in writing by the Office of Strategic Procurement, Chief Procurement Officer and it is not approved, valid or effective until such written approval is granted.

Authorization. Any contract or agreement for services that will, or may, result in the expenditure by the University of \$50,000 or more must be approved in writing by the Executive Director of Strategic Procurement & Services and it is not approved, valid or effective until such written approval is granted.

Vice Chancellor for Finance and Administration approval is required of any University of Maine System agreement of \$50,000 or more, and it is not approved, valid or effective until such written approval is granted.

Chief Business Officer approval is required of any campus specific agreement of \$50,000 or more, and it is not approved, valid or effective until such written approval is granted.

### 1.2.6 Multi-Institutional

The University of Maine System, Office of Strategic Procurement reserves the right to authorize other University Institutions to use the Agreement(s) resulting from this document, if it is deemed to be beneficial for the University to do so.

### 1.2.7 Pricing

All prices provided shall remain firm for the entire term of the agreement.

### **1.2.8** Cost Response Form Quantities

University of Maine System RFP Rev. 08/16/2023 The quantities shown on the cost response form are approximate only. The Contractor shall cover the actual needs of the University throughout the term of the Agreement regardless of whether they are more or less than the quantities shown.

### 1.2.9 Employees

The Contractor shall employ only competent and satisfactory personnel and shall provide a sufficient number of employees to perform the required services efficiently and in a manner satisfactory to the University. If the Agreement Administrator or designee, notifies the Contractor in writing that any person employed on this Agreement is incompetent, disorderly, or otherwise unsatisfactory, such person shall not again be employed in the execution of this Agreement without the prior written consent of the Agreement Administrator.

### **1.2.10** Environment Compliance

In the event that the resulting Agreement involves the generation, transportation, handling, disposal, and/or other operations or activities in relation to toxic, hazardous, radioactive, or otherwise dangerous gases, vapors, fumes, acids, alkali's, chemicals, wastes or contaminants and/or other substance, material or condition, the Contractor agrees to indemnify save harmless and defend the University from and against all liabilities, claims, damages, forfeitures, suits, and the costs and expenses incident thereto (including costs of defense, settlement and reasonable attorney's fees) which the University may hereafter incur as a result of death or bodily injuries or damage to any property, contamination of or adverse effects of the environment or any violation of state or federal regulations or laws (including without limitation the Resources Conservation and Recovery Act, the Hazardous Material Transportation Act or the Superfund Amendment and Reauthorization Act, as the same now exists or may hereafter be amended) or order based on or arising in whole or in part from the Contractor's performance under the Agreement, provided, however the Contractor shall not indemnify the University for any liabilities, claims, damages, (as set forth above) caused by or arising out of the sole negligence of the University, or arising out of any area of responsibility not attributable to Contractor.

### 1.2.11 Specification Protest Process and Remedies:

If a Respondent feels that the specifications are written in a way that limits competition, a specification protest may be sent to the Office of Strategic Procurement to the email address provided on the cover page of this document. Specification Protests will be responded to within five (5) business days of receipt. Determination of protest validity is at the sole discretion of the University. The due date of the proposal may be changed if necessary to allow protest consideration of the and issuance of any necessarv addenda. Specification protests shall be presented to the University in writing as soon as identified, but no less than five (5) business days prior to the Deadline for Proposal Submission noted in Section 1.3.1. No protest against the award due to the specifications shall be considered after this deadline. Protests shall include the reason for the protest and any proposed changes to the specifications.

## **1.3 General Submission Provisions**

1.3.1 Timeline of Key Events

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Reference Section	Event Name	Event Due Date
		August 15, 2024
Section 1.2.2	Deadline for Written Inquiries/Questions	-
	Response to Written Inquiries/Questions	August 19, 2024
Section 1.2.2	(subject to change)	
		August 23, 2024
Section 1.2.2	Deadline for Proposal Submission	_
	Award Announcement	September 2, 2024
Section 2.2	(subject to change)	
	Estimated Agreement Start Date (subject to change)	September 9, 2024

### **1.3.2** Eligibility to Submit Responses

Public entities, private for-profit companies, and non-profit companies and institutions are invited to submit a response to this document.

### 1.3.3 Debarment

Respondents must complete and submit the "Debarment, Performance and Non-Collusion Certification Form provided in Appendix B. Failure to provide this certification may result in the disqualification of the Respondent's proposal, at the University's discretion.

Submission of a signed response in response to this solicitation is certification that your firm (or any subcontractor) is not currently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible or voluntarily excluded from participation in this transaction by any State or Federal department or agency. Submission is also agreement that the University will be notified of any change in this status.

### **1.3.4** Response Understanding

By submitting a response, the Respondent agrees and assures that the specifications are adequate, and the Respondent accepts the terms and conditions herein. Any exceptions should be noted in your response

### **1.3.5** Response Validity

Unless specified otherwise, all responses shall be valid for ninety (90) days from the due date of the response.

### 1.3.6 Non-Response Submission

The University will not consider non-responsive submissions, i.e., those with material deficiencies, omissions, errors or inconsistencies or that otherwise do not follow instructions. The University in its sole discretion will determine what is Non-Responsive.

### **1.3.7** Respondents' Presentations

Presentations may be requested of two or more Respondents deemed by the University to be the best suited among those submitting responses on the basis of the selection criteria. After presentations have been conducted, the University may select the Respondent(s) which, in its opinion, has made the response that is the

most responsive and most responsible and may award the Agreement to that/those Respondent(s).

### **1.3.8** Response Submission

A **SIGNED** virus-free electronic copy must be submitted as follows:

- The response must be received electronically to the E-Mail shown in the **Response Submission Information** section of the cover page of this document.
- Electronic submission must be received by the required **Response Deadline Date/Time** reflected on the cover page of this document.
- Response submissions that exceed 20 MB will be submitted with multiple emails modifying email subject line shown in the **Response Submission Information** section of the cover page of this document to include: Submission 1 of X ('X' representing the number of files being submitted).

# 2.0 EVALUATION AND AWARD PROCESS

## 2.1 Evaluation Criteria

### **2.1.1** Scoring Weights

The score will be based on a 100-point scale and will measure the degree to which each response meets the following criteria:

Evaluation Appendices	Category		Points
Appendix C	Cost Evaluation		15
Appendix E	References		10
Appendix F	Organization, Qualifications, and Experience		75
		Total Points	100

### 2.1.2 Scoring Section Descriptions

2.1.2.1 Cost Evaluation

The total cost proposed for conducting all the functions specified in this document will be assigned a score according to a mathematical formula. The lowest cost response will be awarded the total points. Responses with higher cost response values will be awarded proportionately fewer points calculated in comparison with the lowest cost response.

### The scoring formula is:

(Lowest submitted cost response / cost of response being scored) x
Points = pro-rated score

The University will <u>NOT</u> seek a best and final offer (BAFO) from any Respondent in this procurement process. All Respondents are expected to provide their best value pricing with the submission of their response. Respondents will <u>NOT</u> be given another opportunity to modify pricing once submitted.

2.1.2.2 Switching Cost: The University will evaluate the internal switching costs related to switching from a legacy solution or considerations from moving to on-premise to hosted with the legacy solution. This will include internal resource time, API/Interfaces, SSO and other requirements needed to support each proposed solution.

This cost may differ depending on the Respondent's unique solution proposed.

### 2.1.2.3 Master Agreement (Appendix D and D1) The evaluation team will use a consensus approach to evaluate and

assign evaluation based on pass/fail decision based on University risk assessment. The University reserves the right to reject any or all responses, in whole or in part, for any response receiving no points in this section in accordance with Section 2.2 Award.

Responses will be evaluated using the following guidelines:

- a. Full acceptance of the terms and conditions with the Respondents signature on the Agreement signature page, will receive the total points noted in Table 2.1.1.
- b. Revisions to the Agreement provisions specified in Section 1.2.1.2 will receive point reductions based on the University's risk assessment.
- c. Revisions to the Agreement provisions other than those specified in Section 1.2.1.2 will be evaluated at the University's discretion based on the University's risk assessment.
- 2.1.2.4 Organization, Qualifications, Experience and References The evaluation team will use a consensus approach to evaluate and assign evaluation points. Reference checks will be performed on the top Respondent(s) only as determined by consensus scoring in the other categories.

### 2.2 Award

While the University prefers a single solution that is scalable to meet the needs of both large and small institutions, it reserves the right to award Agreement(s) to one or multiple Respondents, which may include awards to Respondents for a geographical area, if such award is in the best interest of the University.

The University reserves the right to waive minor irregularities, which may include contacting the Respondent to resolve the irregularity. Scholarships, donations, or gifts to the University, will not be considered in the evaluation of responses. The University reserves the right to reject any or all responses, in whole or in part, and is not necessarily bound to accept the lowest cost response if that response is contrary to the best interests of the University. The University may cancel this request or reject any or all responses in whole or in part. Should the University determine in its sole discretion that only one Respondent is fully qualified, or that one Respondent is clearly more qualified than any other under consideration, an Agreement may be awarded to that Respondent without further action.

### 2.3 Tie Bids

When two equal bids are received, there shall be a preference for "in-state bidders". When tie bids are both in-state, or both out-of-state, the award will be made to the bid that arrives first which will be determined by reviewing the electronic submission date and time stamp.

## 2.4 Negotiations

The University reserves the right to negotiate with the successful Respondent to finalize a contract. Such negotiations may not significantly vary the content, nature or requirements of the proposal or the University's Request for Proposals to an extent that may affect the price of goods or services requested. <u>The University reserves the right to terminate contract negotiations with a selected respondent who submits a proposed contract significantly different from the response they submitted in response to the</u>

<u>advertised RFP</u>. In the event that an acceptable contract cannot be negotiated with the highest ranked Respondent, the University may withdraw its award and negotiate with the next-highest ranked Respondent, and so on, until an acceptable contract has been finalized. Alternatively, the University may cancel the RFP, at its sole discretion.

# 2.5 Award Protest

Respondents may appeal the award decision by submitting a written protest to the University of Maine System's University of Maine System's Chief Facilities and General Service Officer within five (5) business days of the date of the award notice, with a copy of the protest to the successful Respondent. The protest must contain a statement of the basis for the challenge. Further information regarding the appeal process can be found at

http://staticweb.maine.edu/wp-content/uploads/2015/07/APL\_VII-A\_20150630-FINAL.pdf?565a1d

If this RFP results in the creation of a pre-qualified or pre-approved list of vendors, then the appeal procedures mentioned above are available upon the original determination of that vendor list, but not during subsequent competitive procedures involving only the prequalified or pre-approved list participants.

# 3.0 RESPONSE FORMAT REQUIREMENTS

## 3.1 General Format Instructions

### 3.1.1 Electronic Submissions

Documents submitted as part of the electronic response are to be prepared on standard electronic formats of 8-1/2" x 11" and of PDF file type. Submissions requiring additional supporting information, such as, foldouts containing charts, spreadsheets, and oversize exhibits are permissible and must be submitted as Appendices, clearly numbered and referencing the Section in which they provide supporting information.

For clarity, the Respondent's name should appear on every document page, including Appendices. Each Appendix must reference the section or subsection number to which it corresponds.

### 3.1.2 Respondents Responsibility

It is the responsibility of the Respondent to provide <u>all</u> information requested in the document package <u>at the time of submission</u>. Failure to provide information requested in this document may, at the discretion of the University's evaluation review team, result in a lower rating for the incomplete sections and may result in the response being disqualified for consideration. Include any forms provided in the application package or reproduce those forms as closely as possible. All information should be presented in the same order and format as described in this document.

### 3.1.3 Brief Response

Respondents are asked to be brief and to respond to each question listed in the "Response to Questions" section of this document. Number each response in the response to correspond to the relevant question in this document.

### 3.1.4 Additional Attachments Prohibited

The Respondent may not provide additional attachments beyond those specified in the document for the purpose of extending their response. Any material exceeding the response limit will not be considered in rating the response and will not be returned. Respondents shall not include brochures or other promotional material with their response. Additional materials will not be considered part of the response and will not be evaluated.

### 3.2 **Response Format Instructions**

This section contains instructions for Respondents to use in preparing their response. The Respondent's submission must follow the outline used below, including the numbering of section and sub-section headings. Failure to use the outline specified in this section or to respond to all questions and instructions throughout this document may result in the response being disqualified as non-responsive or receiving a reduced score.

The University and its evaluation team for this document have sole discretion to determine whether a variance from the document specifications should result in either disqualification or reduction in scoring of a response.

Re-phrasing of the content provided in this document will, at best, be considered minimally responsive. The University seeks detailed yet succinct responses that demonstrate the Respondent's experience and ability to perform the requirements specified throughout this document.

### 3.2.1 Section 1 - Response Cover Page

- 3.2.1.1 Label this response <u>Section 1</u> UMS Response Cover Page
- 3.2.1.2 Insert Appendix A University of Maine System Response Cover Page
- 3.2.1.3 Insert Appendix B Debarment, Performance and Non-Collusion Certification

### 3.2.2 Section 2 - Cost Response

- 3.2.2.1 Label this response <u>Section 2</u> Cost Evaluation
- 3.2.2.2 Insert Appendix C Required Cost Evaluation Exhibits

### 3.2.3 Section 3 - Master Agreement

- 3.2.3.1 Label this response <u>Section 3</u> Master Agreement
- 3.2.3.2 Insert Appendix D1 Master Agreement

### 3.2.4 Section 4 - Response to Questions

- 3.2.4.1 Label this response <u>Section 4</u> Response to Evaluation Questions & Related Information
- 3.2.4.2 Insert Appendix E Organization Reference Form
- 3.2.4.3 Insert Appendix F Evaluation Question(s) Organization, Qualifications and Experience

# Appendix A – University of Maine System Response Cover Page

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UMF Photography and Videography Services

Organization Name:	
Chief Executive – Name/Title:	
Telephone:	
Fax:	
Email:	
Headquarters Street Address:	
Headquarters City/State/Zip:	
Lead Point of Contact for Quote –	
Name/Title:	
Telephone:	
Fax:	
Email:	
Street Address:	
City/State/Zip:	

- This pricing structure contained herein will remain firm for a period of 90 days from the date and time of the quote deadline date.
   No personnel currently employed by the University or any other University agency participated, either directly or indirectly, in any activities relating to the preparation of the Respondent's response.
- No attempt has been made or will be made by the Respondent to induce any other person or firm to submit or not to submit a response.
- 4. The undersigned is authorized to enter into contractual obligations on behalf of the above-named organization.
- 5. By submitting a response to a Request for Proposal, bid or other offer to do business with the University your entity understands and agrees that:
  - a. The Agreement provisions in **Section 1.2.1.2** of this document will not be modified and are thereby incorporated into any agreement entered into between University and your entity; that such terms and condition shall control in the event of any conflict with such agreement; and that your entity will not propose or demand any contrary terms;
  - b. The above Agreement provisions in **Section 1.2.1.2** of this document will govern the interpretation of such agreement notwithstanding the expression of any other term and/or condition to the contrary;
  - c. Your entity agrees that the resulting Agreement will be the entire agreement between the University (including University's employees and other End Users) and Respondent and in the event that the Respondent requires terms of use agreements or other agreements, policies or understanding, whether on an order form, invoice, website, electronic, click-through, verbal or in writing, with University's employees or other End Users, such agreements shall be null, void and without effect, and the terms of the Agreement shall apply.
  - d. Your entity will identify at the time of submission which, if any, portion or your submitted materials are entitled to "trade secret" exemption from disclosure under Maine's Freedom of Access Act; that failure to so identify will authorize UMS to conclude that no portions are so exempt; and that your entity will defend, indemnify and hold harmless UMS in any and all legal actions that seek to compel UMS to disclose under Maine's Freedom of Access Act some or all of your submitted materials and/or contract, if any, executed between UMS and your entity.

To the best of my knowledge all information provided in the enclosed response, both programmatic and financial, is complete and accurate at the time of submission.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Name and Title (Printed)

Authorized Signature

# Appendix B – Debarment, Performance and Non-Collusion Certification

# University of Maine System DEBARMENT, PERFORMANCE and NON-COLLUSION CERTIFICATION

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By signing this document, I certify to the best of my knowledge and belief that the aforementioned organization, its principals and any subcontractors named in this proposal:

- a. Are not presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, and declared ineligible or voluntarily excluded from bidding or working on contracts issued by any governmental agency.
- b. Have not within three years of submitting the proposal for this contract been convicted of or had a civil judgment rendered against them for:
  - i. Fraud or a criminal offense in connection with obtaining, attempting to obtain, or performing a federal, state or local government transaction or contract.
  - ii. Violating Federal or State antitrust statutes or committing embezzlement, theft, forgery, bribery, falsification or destruction of records, making false statements, or receiving stolen property;
  - iii. Are not presently indicted for or otherwise criminally or civilly charged by a governmental entity (Federal, State or Local) with commission of any of the offenses enumerated in paragraph (b) of this certification; and
  - iv. Have not within a three (3) year period preceding this proposal had one or more federal, state or local government transactions terminated for cause or default.
- c. Have not entered into a prior understanding, agreement, or connection with any corporation, firm, or person submitting a response for the same materials, supplies, equipment, or services and this proposal is in all respects fair and without collusion or fraud. The above mentioned entities understand and agree that collusive bidding is a violation of state and federal law and can result in fines, prison sentences, and civil damage awards.

Failure to provide this certification may result in the disqualification of the Respondent's proposal, at the University's discretion.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Name and Title (Printed)

Authorized Signature

# **Appendix C – Required Cost Evaluation Exhibits**

### University of Maine System COST EVALUATION

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#### **GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS:**

- 1. The cost response shall include the costs necessary for the Respondent to fully comply with the Agreement terms and conditions and requirements. **Note regarding total cost of ownership:** This "cost" will encompass the entire solution pricing along with all products and services offered as part of the solution.
- Failure to provide the requested information and to follow the required cost response format provided in Appendix C may result in the exclusion of the Response from consideration, at the discretion of the University. You can add rows and columns required to insert additional information. If a particular cost table is <u>not required</u> as part of your response simply leave it <u>blank</u>.
- 3. No costs related to the preparation of the Response for this document or to the negotiation of the Agreement with the University may be included in the Response. Only costs to be incurred after the Agreement effective date that are specifically related to the implementation or operation of contracted services may be included.
- 4. If there are additional options or services that are not included in the offering, they must be identified and itemized as "optional" and include a description of the product or service and the costs of the option. All items identified in the response (including third party items required) will be considered free add-ons to the proposed solution at the prices included in this response unless expressly stated otherwise.
- 5. The University will <u>NOT</u> seek a best and final offer (BAFO) from any Respondent in this procurement process. All Respondents are expected to provide their best value pricing with the submission of their response. Respondents will <u>NOT</u> be given another opportunity to modify pricing once submitted.

### **INSTRUCTIONS FOR - Exhibit 1 (Table 1)** - Professional Services Rate Schedule

If you charge by the hour for professional services, provide a rate schedule, or range of hourly rates we could expect. UMF will not reimburse travel expenses for this engagement. The hourly rates listed below must be all inclusive.

**Respondent's Organization Name** – Provide the Respondent's Organization Name.

**Role/Position Title if Individual -** List role/position title of each role/position title from your organization that would be responsible for work on the project.

Hourly Rate - Is the hourly dollar amount that may be invoiced by role/position title.

**Exhibit 1 (Table 1)** – Respondents will use this attachment to record all costs associated with this section. For a copy of the excel version of Exhibit 1, email the contact provided on the cover page of this document.

Res	Respondent's Name:				
#	Role of Individual/Position Title	Hourly Rate			
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	List explanations and assumptions here;				
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# Appendix D – Master Agreement

### UNIVERSITY OF MAINE SYSTEM MASTER AGREEMENT

This Master Agreement ("Agreement" or "Master Agreement") entered into this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, by and between the **University of Maine System**, hereinafter referred to as the **"University",** and \_\_\_\_\_, hereinafter referred to as **"Contractor"**.

**WITNESSETH**, that for and in consideration of the payments and agreements hereinafter mentioned, to be made and performed by the University, the Contractor hereby agrees with the University to provide the products and services described in this agreement, and the following Riders, hereby incorporated into this Agreement and made part of it by reference:

Rider A - Specifications of Work to be Performed

Rider A-1 – Pricing

Rider B – Insurance Requirements

Contract Amendments as required

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**Contractor's Bid in Response to Request for Proposal #2025-018** Proposal Submission Date <<insert date>> Titled **UMF Photography and Videography Services** 

**WHEREAS**, the University desires to enter into a contract for professional services, and the Contractor represents itself as competent and qualified to accomplish the specific requirements of this Contract to the satisfaction of the University;

**NOW THEREFORE,** in consideration of the mutual promises contained herein, the parties hereby agree as follows:

This Agreement, along with any documents identified, which are incorporated by reference, constitutes the entire Agreement between the parties, and there are no other or further written or oral understandings or agreements with respect thereto.

- 1. <u>Specifications of Work</u>: The Contractor agrees to perform the Specifications of Work as described in **Rider A**, hereby incorporated by reference.
- 2. <u>Term</u>: This Contract shall commence on September 9, 2024 and shall terminate on September 8, 2027, unless terminated earlier as provided in this Contract with option for **2 additional year renewals** upon the parities' mutual written agreement.

#### 3. Payment:

A. Payment shall be made upon submittal of an electronic invoice to the University by the Contractor on a net 30 basis unless discount terms are offered. In the event there is a discrepancy with the invoice, payment terms shall be effective starting on the date the discrepancy is resolved, for only that portion of the invoice that is disputed. Invoices must include a purchase order number.

- B. **"Additional Services**" The University will have the option to purchase additional services under this Agreement.
- 4. <u>Termination</u>: The Agreement may be terminated by the University in whole, or in part, whenever for any reason the University shall determine that such termination is in the best interest of the University. Any such termination shall be effected by delivery to the Contractor of a Notice of Termination specifying the extent to which performance of the Agreement is terminated and the date on which such termination becomes effective. The University shall pay all allowable costs incurred up to the effective date of termination. However, the Contractor shall not be reimbursed for any costs incurred after the effective date of termination.
- 5. **Obligations Upon Termination:** Any materials produced in performance of this agreement are the property of the University and shall be turned over to the University upon request. The University shall pay the Contractor for all services performed to the effective date of termination subject to offset of sums owed by the Contractor to the University.
- 6. <u>Non-Appropriation:</u> Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, if the University is not appropriated sufficient funds to pay for the work to be performed under this Agreement or if funds are de-appropriated, then the University is not obligated to make payment under this Agreement.
- 7. <u>Conflict of Interest</u>: No officer or employee of the University shall participate in any decision relating to this contract which affects his or her personal interest in any entity in which he or she directly or indirectly has interest. No employee of the University shall have any interest, direct or indirect, in this contract or proceeds thereof.
- 8. Modification: This Contract may be modified or amended only in a writing signed by both parties.
- 9. **Assignment:** This Contract, or any part thereof, may not be assigned, transferred or subcontracted by the Contractor without the prior written consent of the University.
- 10. <u>Applicable Law</u>: This Contract shall be governed and interpreted according to the laws of the State of Maine.
- 12. **Non-Discrimination:** In the execution of the contract, the Contractor shall not discriminate on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, transgender status or gender expression, national origin or citizenship status, age, disability, genetic information, or veteran status and shall provide reasonable accommodations to qualified individuals with disabilities upon request. The university encourages the employment of qualified individuals with disabilities.
- 13. <u>Indemnification</u>: The Contractor shall comply with all applicable federal, state and local laws, rules, regulations, ordinances and orders relating to the services provided under this Contract. Contractor shall indemnify, defend and hold the University, its Trustees, officers, employees, and agents, harmless from and against any and all loss, liability, claims, damages, actions, lawsuits, judgments and costs, including reasonable attorney's fees, that the University may become liable to pay or defend arising from or attributable to any acts or omissions of the Contractor, its agents, employees or subcontractors, in performing its obligations under this Contract, including, without limitation, for violation of proprietary rights, copyrights, or rights of privacy, arising out of a publication, translation, reproduction, delivery, performance, use or disposition of any data furnished under the Contract or based on any libelous or other unlawful matter contained in such data.
- 14. <u>Contract Validity</u>: In the event one or more clauses of this Contract are <u>declared</u> invalid, void, unenforceable or illegal, that shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this Contract.

- 15. Independent Contractor: Contractor is an independent contractor of the University, not a partner, agent or joint venture of the University and neither Party shall hold itself out contrary to these terms by advertising or otherwise, nor shall either party be bound by any representation, act or omission whatsoever of the other. For U.S. entities, Contractor, its employees and subcontractors if any, is/are independent contractors for whom no Federal or State Income Tax will be deducted by the University, and for whom no retirement benefits, social security benefits, group health or life insurance, vacation and sick leave, Worker's Compensation and similar benefits available to University's employees will accrue. The parties further understand that annual information returns as required by the Internal Revenue Code and Maine Income Tax Law will be filed by the University with copies sent to Contractor. Contractor will be responsible for compliance with all applicable laws, rules and regulations involving but not limited to, employment, labor, Workers Compensation, hours of work, working conditions, payment of wages, and payment of taxes, such as unemployment, social security and other payroll taxes, including other applicable contributions from such persons when required by law.
- 16. <u>Intellectual Property</u>: Any information and/or materials, finished or unfinished, produced in performance of this Contract, and all of the rights pertaining thereto, are the property of the University and shall be turned over to the University upon request.
- 17. Entire Contract: This Contract sets forth the entire agreement between the parties on the subject matter hereof and replaces and supersedes all prior agreements on the subject, whether oral or written, express or implied. This Contract is the entire agreement between the University (including University's employees and other End Users) and Contractor. In the event that Contractor enters into terms of use agreements or other agreements, policies or understandings, whether on Contractor's purchase order, website, electronic, click-through, verbal or in writing, with University's employees or other End Users, such agreements shall be null, void and without effect, and the terms of this Contract shall apply. University will not be bound to any other terms and conditions set forth in any documents, agreements or policies posted on Contractor's website unless such terms and conditions are set forth in this Contract. Contractor may not unilaterally change any term or condition of this Contract.
- 18. <u>Licensing</u>: Contractor shall secure in its name and at its expense all federal, state, and local licenses and permits required for operation under this Contract. Contractor shall provide proof of such licensure or permit to the University prior to commencing work under this Contract.
- 19. <u>Record Keeping, Audit and Inspection of Records</u>: The Contractor shall maintain books, records and other compilations of data pertaining to the requirements of the Contract to the extent and in such detail as shall properly substantiate claims for payment under the Contract. All such records shall be kept for a period of seven years or for such longer period as specified herein. All retention periods start on the first day after the final payment of the Contract. If any litigation, claim, negotiation, audit or other action involving the records is commenced prior to the expiration of the applicable retention period, all records shall be retained until completion of the action and resolution of all issues resulting therefrom, or until the end of the applicable retention period, whichever is later. The University, the grantor agency (if any), or any of their authorized representatives shall have the right at reasonable times and upon reasonable notice, to examine and copy the books, records and other compilations of data of the Contract. Such access shall include on-site audits.
- 20. Publicity, Publication, Reproduction and use of Contract's Products or Materials: Unless otherwise provided by law or the University, title and possession of all data, reports, programs, software, equipment, furnishings and any other documentation or product paid for with University funds shall vest with the University. The Contractor shall at all times obtain the prior written approval of the University before it, any of its officers, agents, employees or subcontractors, either during or after termination of the Contract, makes any statement bearing on the work performed or data collected under this Contract to the press or issues any material for publication through any medium of communication. If the Contract, or of the results and accomplishments attained in such performance, the University shall

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have a royalty free, non-exclusive and irrevocable license to reproduce, publish or otherwise use and to authorize others to use the publication.

- 21. <u>Confidentiality</u>: The contractor shall comply with all laws and regulations relating to confidentiality and privacy including but not limited to any rules or regulations of the University.
- 22. **Force Majeure:** Neither party shall be liable to the other or be deemed to be in breach of this Contract for any failure or delay in rendering performance arising out of causes beyond its reasonable control and without its fault or negligence. Such causes may include, but are not limited to, acts of God or of a public enemy, fires, flood, epidemics, strikes, embargoes or unusually severe weather. Dates or time of performance shall be extended to the extent of delays excused by this section provided that the party whose performance is affected notifies the other promptly of the existence and nature of such delay.
- 23. <u>Notices</u>: Unless otherwise specified in an attachment hereto, any notice hereunder shall be in writing and addressed to the persons and addresses below.

#### To the University:

Notice Submission via Email: <u>sourcing@maine.edu</u>

#### To Contractor:

Company Name: Contact Name: Address: Phone Number: Fax Number:

24. <u>Invoices:</u> Unless otherwise specified in an attachment hereto, invoices and questions regarding invoices will be directed to:

University of Maine System Accounts Payable PO BOX 3955 SCRANTON, PA 18505

Phone:	<u>207-581-2695</u>
Fax:	<u>207-581-2698</u>
Invoice Submission Email:	UMAP@maine.edu
Invoice Inquires:	UMSCentralAP@maine.edu

25. <u>Order of Precedence:</u> In the event of any conflict among the documents in this agreement, the following order of precedence shall apply:

- A. Terms and conditions of this Agreement
- B. Rider A Specifications of Work to be Performed
- C. Rider A-1 Pricing
- D. Rider B Insurance Requirements
- E. Contract Amendments as required
- *F.* Request for Proposal #2025-018 Issue Date August 8, 2024 Titled UMF Photography and Videography Services
- G. Contractor's Bid in Response to Request for Proposal #2025-018 Proposal Submission Date <<insert date>> Titled UMF Photography and Videography Services

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**26. Multi-Institution Capabilities** University will have the option to include products and services under this Agreement to additional University institutions, this includes any additional University institutions formed during the term of this agreement, all facilities utilized by an institution including those managed and/or owned by a third party, and additional entities, such as, the University College a division of University of Maine at Augusta.

**The Community College System and Maine Maritime Academy**, both public higher education institutions in the state, shall be permitted to piggyback off of the University's contract if they should so desire. The Contractor agrees to further provide the products and services, with all the same terms and conditions applicable, to these additional entities.

#### 27. Smoking Policy

The University must comply with the "Workplace Smoking Act of 1985" and M.R.S.A. title 22, § 1541 et seq "Smoking Prohibited in Public Places." In addition, University Institutions may have specific Smoking Prohibitions. The Respondent shall be responsible for the implementation and enforcements of these restrictions.

FOR THE UNIVERSITY OF MAINE SYSTEM:	FOR THE CONTRACTOR:
BY:	LEGAL NAME:
(signature)	BY:
Name:	(signature)
(print or type)	Name:
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### RIDER A SPECIFICATIONS OF WORK TO BE PERFORMED

The Contractor agrees to the **Specifications of Work to be Performed** as follows:

### **PRODUCT SCOPE OF WORK:**

**Additional Scope:** The Contractor shall permit product and services not covered herein to be added by mutual agreement, without voiding the provisions of the existing contract. The Contractor, for additional consideration, shall furnish additional such products and services to the University.

**PRICING:** Refer to RIDER A-1. Pricing will be valid for the term of the Agreement.

#### PERFORMANCE TERMS AND CONDITIONS

- 1. **Employees:** The Contractor shall employ only competent and satisfactory personnel and shall provide a sufficient number of employees to perform the required services efficiently and in a manner satisfactory to the University. If the University Contract Administrator notifies the Contractor in writing that any person employed on this Contract is incompetent, disorderly, or otherwise unsatisfactory, such person shall not again be utilized in the execution of this Contract without the prior written consent of the Contract Administrator.
- 2. Business and Performance Reviews: Recognizing that successful performance of this contract is dependent on favorable response, the Contractor shall meet at least quarterly with the Contract Administrator or designee for a business and performance review to evaluate operations and make necessary adjustments. These meetings will normally be conducted electronically but shall be face-to-face on demand. As part of these reviews, the University reserves the right to review equipment specifications quarterly and update equipment specifications accordingly. Contractor shall provide a single point of contact (i.e., relationship manager) and shall notify University in writing and in advance whenever there is a change to that single point of contact.
- 3. **Campus Visits:** The Contractor agrees to maintain good relations with the University. The Contractor shall make campus visits "as needed" on three days' notice. The Contractor will coordinate campus visits with the University Services Information and Technology Department to ensure proper communication and sharing of information related to customer projects.
- 4. Toll-Free Access: The Contractor shall provide to the University, toll-free telephone access to technical support. The University prefers a unique toll-free telephone number just for the University. The Contractor shall provide an escalated support feature to ensure that unresolved support issues can be elevated to upper level management.
- 5. Accessibility: If the solution, services or deliverables include any Information or Communication Technology (ICT) containing a human-interface, such as an end-user software component, web pages or site, video or audio playback, file upload system, mobile device components, control panel, reports, documents, keypad, etc., the Contractor hereby warrants that the products and/or services to be provided under this agreement comply with the W3C's Web Content Accessibility Guidelines (WCAG) 2.1 Level AA and the Web Accessibility Initiative Accessible Rich Internet Applications Suite (WAI-ARIA) 2.1 for web content

The Contractor agrees to promptly respond to and resolve any complaint regarding accessibility of its products or services which is brought to its attention and Contractor further agrees to indemnify and hold harmless the University of Maine System from any claim arising out of its failure to comply with the aforesaid requirements.

The University, at its discretion, may at any time test the Contractor's products or services covered by this agreement to ensure compliance with the above standards.

Complaints, or testing, that results in findings of non-compliance, that are not corrected within 30 days of being reported to the Contractor in writing, shall constitute a breach of this agreement and shall be grounds for termination of this agreement.

- 6. Standards for Safeguarding Information: The Contractor is expected to comply with these standards as outlined in *Rider C University of Maine System Standards for Safeguarding Information*. Should the Contractor fail to comply with the standards and is unable to reasonably cure its noncompliance within 60 days, the University may terminate this agreement.
- Implementation Plan and Timeline: The Contractor is expected to develop, manage and report the status of the progress on the implementation plan and timeline as outlined in *Rider E – Implementation Plan and Timeline*, of this Agreement.
- Service Level Agreement: The Contractor is expected to provide, monitor performance and provide reports of its service delivery commitments to the University as outlined in *Rider F – Contractor's Service Level Agreement to Support the University*, of this Agreement.
- 9. Environment Compliance: In the event this Agreement involves the generation, transportation, handling, disposal, and/or other operations or activities in relation to toxic, hazardous, radioactive, or otherwise dangerous gases, vapors, fumes, acids, alkali's, chemicals, wastes or contaminants and/or other substance, material or condition, the Contractor aggress to indemnify save harmless and defend the University from and against all liabilities, claims, damages, forfeitures, suits, and the costs and expenses incident thereto (including costs of defense, settlement and reasonable attorney's fees) which the University may hereafter incur as a result of death or bodily injuries or damage to any property, contamination of or adverse effects of the environment or any violation of state or federal regulations or laws (including without limitation the Resources Conservation and Recovery Act, the Hazardous Material Transportation Act or the Superfund Amendment and Reauthorization Act, as the same now exists or may hereafter be amended) or order based on or arising in whole or in part from the Contractor's performance under this Agreement, provided, however the Contractor shall not indemnify the University for any liabilities, claims, damages, (as set forth above) caused by or arising out of the sole negligence of the University, or arising out of any are of responsibility not attributable to Contractor.

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### RIDER A-1 PRICING

<< INSTRUCTIONS - Details in Exhibit 1 will be inserted here during Agreement negotiations. No action needed for Respondent as part of their submission. >>

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### RIDER B INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS

Contractor's Liability Insurance: During the term of this agreement, the Contractor shall maintain the following insurance:

#	Insurance Type	Coverage Limit
1	Commercial General Liability, including Product's and Completed Operations	\$1,000,000 per occurrence or more
	(Written on an Occurrence-based form) (Bodily Injury and Property Damage)	
2	Vehicle Liability (Including Hired & Non-Owned) (Bodily Injury and Property Damage)	\$1,000,000 per occurrence or more
3	Workers Compensation (In Compliance with Maine and Federal Law)	Required for all personnel
4	Professional Liability Insurance (Agents, Consultants, Brokers, Lawyers, Financial, Engineers, or Medical Services)	\$1,000,000 per occurrence or more
5	Cyber Liability Insurance (If PII or PHI is stored on systems managed by the provider, the coverage is mandatory.)	\$1,000,000 per occurrence or more
6	Marine General Liability (Any maritime or marine services)	\$1,000,000 per occurrence or more

Coverage limit requirements can be met with a single underlying insurance policy or through the combination of an underlying insurance policy plus an Umbrella insurance policy.

# The University of Maine System shall be named as Additional Insured on the Commercial General Liability insurance.

Certificates of Insurance for all of the above insurance shall be filed with:

University of Maine System Risk Manager Robinson Hall 46 University Drive Augusta, Maine 04330

Certificates shall be filed prior to the date of performance under this Agreement. Said certificates, in addition to proof of coverage, shall contain the standard statement pertaining to written notification in the event of cancellation, with a thirty (30) day notification period.

# **Appendix D1 – Evaluation Question(s) – Master Agreement**

This portion of the RFP contains special terms and conditions which will govern the resulting agreement, many of which are stated in RFP Section 1.2, with more detail in RFP Appendix D. Please indicate your acceptance for each special term by "X' in the Agree or Disagree column.

Should you take exception to any of these special terms and conditions you are required to note your exception directly below each of the respective terms in question. It should be noted that any exceptions may result in the disqualification of your proposal, lack of providing the required response or indicating terms will be negotiated post award will result in a zero (0) score for the Master Agreement evaluation criteria in RFP Section 2.1.1.

#	Language Reference	Agreement Language / Requirement	Agree	Disagree
Section	2 Requirement:	Term		
	Term This Contract shall commence on September 9, 2024 and shall terminate on September 8, 2027, unless terminated earlier as provided in this Contract with option for 2 additional year renewals upon the parities' mutual written agreement.			
Respon	Respondent Exception:			

#	Language Reference	Agreement Language / Requirement	Agree	Disagree
Sectio	on 4 Requirement:	Termination		
	Termination	The <b>Agreement or a Services Engagement (Rider D)</b> ma the University in whole, or in part, whenever for any reason determine that such termination is in the best interest of the termination shall be affected by delivery to the Agreement of Termination specifying the extent to which performance of t terminated and the date on which such termination become University shall pay all allowable costs incurred up to the ef termination. However, the Agreement or shall not be reimbu incurred after the effective date of termination.	the Universit Universit or of a Not he Agreen s effective fective da	ersity shall y. Any such ice of ment is e. The te of
Respo	ndent Exception:			

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#	Language Reference	Agreement Language / Requirement	Agree	Disagree
Section	on 5 Requirement:	Obligations Upon Termination		
	Obligations Upon Termination	on Any materials produced in performance of this agreement are the property of the University and shall be turned over to the University upon request. The University shall pay the Agreement or for all services performed to the effective date of termination subject to offset of sums owed by the Agreement or to the University.		
Respo	ondent Exception:			

#	Language Reference (RFP Section 3.0)	Agreement Language / Requirement	Agree	Disagree
Section 6 Requirement: Agree to termination language that excludes option for termination for reasons of non-appropriation.				
Non-Appropriation Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, if the University is not appropriated sufficient funds to pay for the work to be performed under this Agreement or if funds are de-appropriated, then the University is not obligated to make payment under this Agreement.				
Respondent Exception:				

#	Language Reference	Agreement Language / Requirement	Agree	Disagree
Section	n 8 Requirement:	Modification		
Modification This Agreement may be modified or amended only in a writing signed by both parties.				
Respondent Exception:				

#	Language Reference	Agreement Language / Requirement	Agree	Disagree
Section	n 10 Requirement:	Applicable Law		
Applicable Law This Agreement shall be governed and interpreted according to the laws of the State of Maine				
Respondent Exception:				

#	Language Reference	Agreement Language / Requirement	Agree	Disagree
Sectio	on 13 Requirement:	Applicable Law		
Applicable Law This Agreement shall be governed and interpreted according to the laws of the State of Maine. This includes Maine Tort Claims Act (14 M.R.S.A. '8101, et seq.).				
Respondent Exception:				

Section 17 Requirement:         Entire Agreement           Entire Agreement:         This Agreement sets forth the entire agreement between the parties on the subject matter hereof and replaces and supersedes all prior agreement in the subject, whether oral or written, express or implied. This Agreement is entire agreement between the University (including University's employe other End Users) and Contractor. In the event that Contractor enters into of use agreements or other agreements, policies or understandings, where Contractor's purchase order, website, electronic, click-through, verbal or	ements on ent is the
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#	Language Reference	Agreement Language / Requirement	Agree	Disagree
Sectio	on 21 Requirement:	Confidentiality		
	Confidentiality	The Agreement or shall comply with all laws and re confidentiality and privacy including but not limited to any r the University. The University must adhere to the pro Freedom of Access Act (FOAA), 1 MRSA §401 et se agreement, a respondent must accept that, to the extent r FOAA, any ensuing contractual documents, are considered therefore are subject to freedom of access requests.	viles or re visions of q. As a equired b	gulations of the Maine condition of y the Maine
Respo	ndent Exception:			

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#	Language Reference	Agreement Language / Requirement	Agree	Disagree
Requirement: Rider B Insurance Requirements				
Respondent Exception:				

# **Appendix E – Organization Reference Form**

### Respondent's Organization Name:

**INSTRUCTIONS**: Provide a minimum of three (3) current professional references who may be contacted for verification of the Respondent's professional qualifications to meet the requirements set forth herein. We prefer references from previous clients, ideally institutions of similar size and mission to UMF.

REFERENCE #1		
Institution/Company		
Name		
Contact Name		
Contact Title		
Contact Phone Number		
Contact eMail Address		
Relationship Length		
Relationship Length		

<b>REFERENCE #2</b>	
Institution/Company	
Name	
Contact Name	
Contact Title	
Contact Phone Number	
Contact eMail Address	
Relationship Length	

REFERENCE #3		
Institution/Company		
Name		
Contact Name		
Contact Title		
Contact Phone Number		
Contact eMail Address		
Relationship Length		

# Appendix F – Evaluation Question(s) - Organization, Qualifications and Experience

Respondent's Organization Name:

**INSTRUCTIONS**: Respondents shall ensure that all information required herein is submitted with the response. All information provided should be verifiable by documentation requested by the University. Failure to provide all information, inaccuracy or misstatement may be sufficient cause for rejection of the response or rescission of an award. Respondents are encouraged to provide any additional information describing operational abilities.

### **Evaluation Question(s)**

- 1. Provide a statement describing your company to include name, number of employees, locations, number of years in business, number of years offering/supporting the proposed solution.
- 2. Provide a summary of qualifications and relevant experience, including a portfolio of past work. The portfolio can be in the form of a website link or other digital attachments.
- 3. Provide information about the team members who will be involved in the project, including their roles and qualifications.
- 4. Provide a detailed description of the approach to fulfilling the scope of work, including equipment used and software for editing.
- 5. Provide your proposed timeline for completing projects after receiving assignments.