

NORTH CAROLINA EDUCATION LOTTERY

INVITATION TO BID

FIRE SUPPRESSION SYSTEM AND RELATED SERVICES

ITB # LC-000022

October 27, 2009

PART I- GENERAL INFORMATION

1.1 INTRODUCTION

The North Carolina Education Lottery ("**NCEL**") is soliciting bids through this Invitation To Bid ITB # LC-000022 ("**ITB**") to invite responsible bids ("**Bids**") from qualified and reputable companies ("**Lottery Suppliers**") to provide a fire suppression system and related services for the NCEL's Headquarters in Raleigh, NC and its Secondary Data Center in Greensboro, NC, as outlined in this ITB (collectively, the "**Work**").

The NCEL requires the Lottery Supplier that is selected to provide the Work contemplated by this ITB (the "**Successful Lottery Supplier**") to provide all Services and Deliverables and do all things necessary to enable the NCEL to achieve all of its objectives as set forth in this ITB.

The NCEL currently intends to execute only one contract (the "**Contract**") as a result of this ITB; provided, however, nothing obligates the NCEL to sign any Contract, or only one Contract, and the NCEL may do whatever it determines in its sole discretion to be in the best interests of the NCEL and the State of North Carolina.

All Bids and the Contract are automatically subject to the requirements of, and must comply with, the North Carolina State Lottery Act (the "**Act**") and the regulations, policies and procedures of the NCEL as they may be adopted or amended from time to time (collectively, the "**Regulations, Policies and Procedures**"), as they may be changed from time to time. Copies of these documents may be obtained either from the NCEL or through a link on the NCEL's website, <http://www.nc-educationlottery.org/> (the "**Website**").

1.2 BID SUBJECT TO PUBLIC RECORDS LAWS

All Bids, data, materials and documentation originated, prepared and submitted to the NCEL pursuant to this ITB shall belong exclusively to the NCEL and may become available to the public in accordance with the North Carolina Public Records Act as provided in N.C.G.S. §132-1 et. seq. (the "**Public Records Laws**"). The NCEL will make reasonable attempts to maintain, in accordance with the Public Records Laws and the Act and all applicable laws of its domicile, the State of North Carolina and the United States of America (all of the forgoing being collectively defined as, the "**Applicable Laws**"), the confidentiality of any trade secrets or confidential information that meets the requirements of N.C.G.S. §132-1.2 of the Public Records Laws (collectively, "**Confidential Information**") if such Lottery Suppliers properly and conspicuously identify the particular data or other materials which are Confidential Information in accordance with the Public Records Laws.

