The City of Los Angeles: Sample RFP Language

GTC-9. Sweat-Free Procurement Ordinance

This Agreement is subject to the Sweat-free Procurement Ordinance, Section 10.43, et seq. of the Los Angeles Administrative Code, as amended from time to time, unless otherwise exempt in accordance with its provisions. The Ordinance requires the Contractor to sign under oath and comply with the City's Contractor Code of Conduct, thereby promising the following:

- 1. Contractor shall comply with all applicable wage, health, labor, environmental and safety laws, legal guarantees of freedom of association, building and fire codes, and laws and ordinances relating to workplace discrimination.
- 2. Contractor shall comply with all human and labor rights and labor obligations that are imposed by treaty or law on the country in which the equipment, supplies, goods or materials are made or assembled, including but not limited to abusive forms of child labor, slave labor, convict or forced labor, or sweatshop labor.
- 3. Contractor shall take good faith measures to ensure, to the best of Contractor's knowledge, that Contractor's subcontractors also comply with the City's Contractor Code of Conduct.
- 4. Contractor shall pay a procurement living wage to employees working on contracts for garments, uniforms, foot apparel, and related accessories, meaning for domestic manufacturers a base hourly wage adjusted annually to the amount required to produce, for 2,090 hours worked, an annual income equal to or greater than the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services most recent poverty guideline for a family of three plus an additional 20 percent of the wage level paid either as hourly wages or health benefits. For manufacturing operations in countries other than the United States, a procurement living wage shall be comparable to the wage for domestic manufacturers as defined above, adjusted to reflect the country's level of economic development by using the World Bank's Gross National Income Per Capita Purchasing Power Index.

S23. Subcontractors

All subcontractors shall be approved by the City Purchasing Agent prior to working on City projects. A subcontractor is defined as a person, partnership, corporation or other entity, which enters into a contract with a contractor for performance of some or all of the City contracted work.

Bidders shall provide a list of all proposed subcontractors with the Quotation, including the following information: Subcontractor Name, Complete Address, Contact Name and Title, Email Address, Phone Number, and Fax Number.

The Contractor shall identify subcontracted work by subcontractor name and dollar amount subcontracted on all monthly/quarterly reports. Wholly owned subsidiaries of the contractor shall not be considered as subcontractors, but the City shall be notified in advance of their usage. The Contractor shall not change any of the approved subcontractors or reduce their level of work without the City Purchasing Agent's written approval. City approval shall not be unreasonably withheld.

All procurement agreements with a value in excess of \$25,000 and having a term in excess of three (3) months are subject to the Sweat-Free Procurement Ordinance. Subcontractor information for these agreements shall be provided in both hard copy and electronic versions. Information for these contractors/subcontractors will be posted on the City Purchasing Agent's Internet website.