REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL
DIGITAL FORENSIC SERVICES
FOR THE UNIVERSITY TECHNOLOGY OFFICE
RFP 032001
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SECTION I – REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

RFP 032001

Arizona State University is requesting sealed proposals from qualified firms or individuals for Digital Forensic Services for the University Technology Office.

Proposals are to be addressed and delivered to the receptionist area, first floor, University Services Building, Purchasing and Business Services, Arizona State University, 1551 S. Rural Road, (located on the east side of Rural Road between Apache Boulevard & Broadway Road) Tempe, Arizona 85281 on or before 3:00 P.M., MST, 10/22/19 at which time a representative of Purchasing and Business Services will announce publicly the names of those firms or individuals submitting proposals. All times noted are Mountain Standard Time (MST). Please note that Daylight Savings Time is NOT observed. No telephone, electronic or facsimile proposals will be considered. Proposals received after the time and date for closing will be returned to the proposer unopened. No proposals will be accepted after this time. No other public disclosure will be made until after award of the contract.

Arizona State University’s Overnight Delivery (FedEx, Airborne, and UPS) address is:

Purchasing and Business Services
University Services Building
Arizona State University
1551 S. Rural Rd
Tempe, AZ 85281

Arizona State University’s U.S. Postal Service Mail address is:

Purchasing and Business Services
Arizona State University
P.O. Box 875212
Tempe, AZ 85287-5212

ARIZONA STATE UNIVERSITY

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Karson Andersen
Supply Chain Buyer
SECTION II – PURPOSE OF THE RFP

1. INTENT

This Request for Proposal (RFP) is being issued to obtain a contract to provide Digital Forensic services for the Arizona State University (ASU), University Technology, Information Security Office (ISO). It is the intent of the University to establish contracts with one or more responsible Contractor for these services. The University may choose to enter into multiple contracts under this solicitation.

After awarding, the University does not guarantee a certain amount of hours of work or projects per year, and there is no predetermined budget since services rendered are an on-demand basis.

2. BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Arizona State University comprises of four campuses across the Phoenix valley and includes ASU Online, Lake Havasu City campus, and Thunderbird campus. ASU is home to over 17 colleges and multiple departments dedicated to major research initiatives and student success. As the University grows in size and complexity, the collection of storage of student data protected by FERPA, patient data protected by HIPAA, PCI data, and other personally identifiable information on students, faculty, staff, alumni, and donors has also increased. In addition, some colleges conduct research governed by contractual or federal regulations.

All of these department and college operations are dependent upon their information infrastructures and can be adversely impacted by denial of service attacks or other negative cyber events.

ASU is governed by the policies and procedures of the University Technology Office (UTO) in regards to infrastructure architectures, tools, third party vendors, etc. Under the guidelines of UTO is the Information Security Office (ISO) that intends to provide a list of suppliers that have been vetted to perform digital forensic services to the ASU community through this RFP process.

The ASU Information Security Office (ISO) is championing the effort to offer a pool of forensics service providers to the University community.

Arizona State University is a new model for American higher education, an unprecedented combination of academic excellence, entrepreneurial energy and broad access. This New American University is a single, unified institution comprising four differentiated campuses positively impacting the economic, social, cultural and environmental health of the communities it serves. Its research is inspired by real world application blurring the boundaries that traditionally separate
academic disciplines. ASU serves more than 100,000 students in metropolitan Phoenix, Arizona, the nation's fifth largest city. ASU champions intellectual and cultural diversity, and welcomes students from all fifty states and more than one hundred nations across the globe.


3. **TERM OF CONTRACT**

The initial contract term will be for one (1) year with the possibility of four (4) successive one (1) year renewals, for a total term not to exceed five (5) years. The contract will be available for use by other University departments during this term.
SECTION III – PRE-PROPOSAL CONFERENCE

No pre-proposal conference will be held.
SECTION IV – INSTRUCTIONS TO PROPOSERS

1. You must address and deliver your proposal to the receptionist area, first floor, University Services Building, Purchasing and Business Services, Arizona State University, 1551 S. Rural Road, Tempe, Arizona 85281, on or before the time and date set for closing. No proposal will be accepted after this time. The University Services Building is located on the east side of Rural Road between Apache Boulevard and Broadway Road. PROPOSALS MUST BE IN A MARKED SEALED CONTAINER (i.e., envelope, box):

Name of Proposer  
Title of Proposal  
RFP Number  
Date and Time Proposal is Due

All times noted are Mountain Standard Time (MST). Please note that Daylight Savings Time is NOT observed. No telephone, electronic or facsimile proposals will be considered. Proposals received after the time and date for closing will be returned to the proposer unopened.

2. DIRECTIONS TO USB VISITOR PARKING. Purchasing and Business Services is in the University Services Building (“USB”) 1551 S. Rural Road, Tempe, AZ, 85281 (located on the east side of Rural between Broadway Road and Apache Boulevard). A parking meter is located near the main entry to USB.

All visitors to USB are required to check in at the USB Reception Desk to obtain a visitor’s badge to wear while in the building. The receptionist will call to have you escorted to your meeting.

3. Proposer should use recycled paper and double-sided copying for the production of all printed and photocopied proposal documents. Furthermore, the documents should be clearly marked to indicate that they are printed on recycled content (minimum 30% post-consumer waste paper).

4. You may withdraw your proposal at any time prior to the time and date set for closing.

5. No department, school, or office at the University has the authority to solicit or receive official proposals other than Purchasing and Business Services. All solicitations are performed under the direct supervision of the Chief Procurement Officer and in complete accordance with University policies and procedures.

6. The University reserves the right to conduct discussions with proposers, and to accept revisions of proposals, and to negotiate price changes. During this discussion period, the University will not disclose any information derived from proposals submitted, or from discussions with other proposers. Once a contract is executed, the solicitation file, and the proposals contained therein, are in the public record and will be disclosed upon request.

7. Proposers submitting proposals which meet the selection criteria and which are deemed to be the most advantageous to the University may be requested to give an oral presentation to a selection committee. Purchasing and Business Services will do the scheduling of these oral presentations.
8. The award shall be made to the responsible proposer whose proposal is determined to be the most advantageous to the University based on the evaluation factors set forth in this solicitation. Price, although a consideration, will not be the sole determining factor.

9. If you are submitting any information you consider to be proprietary, you must place it in a separate envelope and mark it "Proprietary Information". If the Chief Procurement Officer concurs, this information will not be considered public information. The Chief Procurement Officer is the final authority as to the extent of material, which is considered proprietary or confidential. Pricing information cannot be considered proprietary.

10. The University is committed to the development of Small Business and Small Disadvantaged Business (“SB & SDB”) suppliers. If subcontracting (Tier 2 and higher) is necessary, proposer (Tier 1) will make every effort to use SB & SDB in the performance of any contract resulting from this proposal. A report may be required at each annual anniversary date and at the completion of the contract indicating the extent of SB & SDB participation. A description of the proposer's expected efforts to solicit SB & SDB participation should be enclosed with your proposal.

11. Your proposal should be submitted in the format shown in Section X. Proposals in any other format will be considered informal and may be rejected. Conditional proposals will not be considered. An individual authorized to extend a formal proposal must sign all proposals. Proposals that are not signed may be rejected.

12. The University reserves the right to reject any or all proposals or any part thereof, or to accept any proposal, or any part thereof, or to withhold the award and to waive or decline to waive irregularities in any proposal when it determines that it is in its best interest to do so. The University also reserves the right to hold all proposals for a period of one hundred twenty (120) days after the opening date and the right to accept a proposal not withdrawn before the scheduled proposal opening date.

13. EXCEPTIONS: The Arizona State University contract terms and conditions are included in this Request for Proposal in Section XII. These terms and conditions will be incorporated into the contract between the University and the successful proposer. Proposals that are contingent upon any changes to these mandatory contract terms and conditions may be deemed nonresponsive and may be rejected. All exceptions must be submitted with justification and alternate language, and MUST be submitted with the proposal. In no event is a Proposer to submit its own standard contract terms and conditions as a response to this RFP.

14. Unless specifically stated to the contrary, any manufacturer's names, trade names, brand names or catalog numbers used in the specifications of this Request for Proposal are for the purpose of describing and/or establishing the quality, design and performance required. Any such reference is not intended to limit or restrict an offer by any proposer and is included in order to advise the potential proposer of the requirements for the University. Any offer, which proposes like quality, design or performance, will be considered.

15. Days: Calendar days
May: Indicates something that is not mandatory but permissible/desirable.
Shall, Must, Will: Indicates mandatory requirement. Failure to meet these mandatory requirements will result in rejection of your proposal as non-responsive.
Should: Indicates something that is recommended but not mandatory. If the proposer fails to provide recommended information, the University may, at its sole option, ask the proposer to provide the information or evaluate the proposal without the information.

16. Any person, firm, corporation or association submitting a proposal shall be deemed to have read and understood all the terms, conditions and requirements in the specifications/scope of work.

17. All proposals and accompanying documentation will become the property of the University at the time the proposals are opened. It will be the proposer’s responsibility to request that samples be returned to the proposer and provide a method for doing so at the expense of the proposer. If a request is not received and a method of return is not provided, all samples shall become the property of the University 45 days from the date of the award.

18. All required performance and payment bonds shall be held by the University in a secure location until the performance of the contract and the payment of all obligations rising there under have been 100% fulfilled. Upon completion of the project and all obligations being fulfilled, it shall be the proposer’s responsibility to request the surety bonding company to submit to the University the necessary documents to approve the release of the bonds. Until such time the bonds shall remain in full force and effect.

19. The University of Arizona, Northern Arizona University, and Arizona State University are all state universities governed by the Arizona Board of Regents. Unless reasonable objection is made in writing as part of your proposal to this Request for Proposal, the Board or either of the other two Universities may purchase goods and/or services from any contract resulting from this Request for Proposal.

20. The University has entered into Cooperative Purchasing Agreements with the Maricopa County Community College District and with Maricopa County, in accordance with A.R.S. Sections 11-952 and 41-2632. Under these Cooperative Purchasing Agreements, and with the concurrence of the proposer, the Community College District and/or Maricopa County may access a contract resulting from a solicitation done by the University. If you do not want to grant such access to the Maricopa County Community College District and/or Maricopa County, please state so in your proposal. In the absence of a statement to the contrary, the University will assume that you do wish to grant access to any contract that may result from this Request for Proposal.

21. Arizona State University is also a member of the Strategic Alliance for Volume Expenditures ($AVE) cooperative purchasing group. $AVE includes the State of Arizona, many Phoenix metropolitan area municipalities, and many K-12 unified school districts. Under the $AVE Cooperative Purchasing Agreement, and with the concurrence of the proposer, a member of $AVE may access a contract resulting from a solicitation done by the University. If you do not want to grant such access to a member of $AVE, please state so in your proposal. In the absence of a statement to the contrary, the University will assume that you do wish to grant access to any contract that may result from this Request for Proposal.

22. All formal inquiries or requests for significant or material clarification or interpretation, or notification to the University of errors or omissions relating to this Request for Proposal must be directed, in writing, to:

Karson Andersen
Purchasing and Business Services
Requests must be submitted on a copy of the Proposer Inquiry Form included in Section XI of this Request for Proposal. All formal inquiries must be submitted at least ten (10) calendar days before the time and date set for closing this Request for Proposal. Failure to submit inquiries by this deadline may result in the inquiry not being answered.

Note that the University will answer informal questions orally. The University makes no warranty of any kind as to the correctness of any oral answers and uses this process solely to provide minor clarifications rapidly. Oral statements or instructions shall not constitute an amendment to this Request for Proposal. Proposers shall not rely on any verbal responses from the University.

23. The University shall not reimburse any proposer the cost of responding to a Request for Proposal.

24. In accordance with an executive order titled “Air Pollution Emergency Proclamation” modified by the Governor of Arizona on July 16, 1996, the University formally requests that all products used in the performance of any contract that results from this Request for Proposal be of low- or no-content of reactive organic compounds, to the maximum extent possible.

25. Arizona requires that the University purchase ENERGY STAR® products or those certified by the Federal Energy Management Program as energy efficient in all categories available. If this Request for Proposal is for a product in a category for which ENERGY STAR® or certified products are available, please submit evidence of the ENERGY STAR® status or certification for the products you are bidding. Please note that if you fail to submit this information but a competitor does, the University will select your competitor’s product as meeting specifications and deem your product as not meeting specifications. See A.R.S. §34-451.

26. The University requires that all desktop computers, notebooks, and monitors purchased must meet Electronic Product Environmental Assessment Tool (EPEAT) Gold status as contained in the IEEE 1680 Standard for the Environmental Assessment of Personal Computer Products. The registration criteria and a list of all registered equipment are at http://www.epeat.net on the Web.

27. To the extent applicable to any contract resulting from this Request for Proposal, the proposer shall comply with the Standards for Privacy of Individually Identifiable Information under the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 contained in 45 CFR Parts 160 and 164 (the “HIPAA Privacy Standards”) as of the effective date of the HIPAA Privacy Standards on April 14, 2003 or as later determined. Proposer will use all security and privacy safeguards necessary to protect Protected Health Information (PHI), as defined by HIPAA, and shall immediately report to University all improper use or disclosure of PHI of which it becomes aware. Proposer agrees to ensure that its agents and subcontractors agree to and abide by these requirements. Proposer agrees to indemnify the State of Arizona, its departments, agencies, boards, commissions, universities and its officers, officials, agents, and
employees against all harm or damage caused or contributed to by proposer’s breach of its obligations under this paragraph.

28. The University believes that it can best maintain its reputation for treating suppliers in a fair, honest, and consistent manner by conducting solicitations in good faith and by granting competitors an equal opportunity to win an award. If you feel that we have fallen short of these goals, you may submit a protest pursuant to the Arizona Board of Regents procurement procedures, section 3-809.

Protests should be directed to:

Jamon Hill
Deputy Chief Procurement Officer
Purchasing and Business Services
PO Box 875212
Tempe AZ 85287-5212
Email: Jamon.Hill@asu.edu

Please note that as the University takes protests very seriously; we expect you to do so as well. Frivolous protests will not result in gain for your firm.

29. Other Opportunities with the University NOT related to this Request for Proposal.

The ASU Magazine

Connect your business with an affluent, educated audience through a business partnership with the ASU Alumni Association. The Association is the touchstone for the University’s 450,000 alumni and provides valuable connections between them and a wide variety of businesses. By doing business with the University, the largest university in the United States, your company can stand above the competition.

ASU alumni represent a responsive target market for your product or service.

☐ Alumni live worldwide.
☐ 230,000 of alumni reside in Arizona.
☐ More than 200,000 alumni live in Maricopa County.
☐ 38,000 of alumni reside in California.
☐ 55% of ASU alumni are under the age of 55.
☐ 85% own their own place of residence.
☐ 60% earn more than $50,000 annually.
☐ 40% fall in the top two highest wealth rating categories.
☐ 14% hold multiple and/or advanced degrees.

Specific partnership opportunities exist in a variety of areas.

☐ Advertise in the ASU Magazine, mailed to more than 400,000 homes around the world three times per year.
☐ Sponsor one of the Association’s many programs and events and receive recognition and access to targeted audiences. Events include: Founder’s Day, Homecoming, Legends Luncheon, Sun Devil 100, football tailgates, Career Fairs and many more!
☐ Create a unique partnership with us to suit your needs.
☐ Establish benefits for ASU alumni by offering targeted discounts and services to Sun Devil alums all over the world.
Advertise on the ASU Alumni Website or on our 110 Chapter/Club websites or in monthly E newsletter which is sent out to more than 240,000 people monthly. Cost is $1000 per month per each advertising venue.

Learn more by Contacting John Davis at 480-965-5051 or jadavis@asu.edu today to start doing business with Sun Devil nation!

Sun Devil Sports Marketing

Sun Devil Sports Properties is the exclusive marketing and corporate sponsorship partner for Arizona State University Athletics and manages all corporate marketing opportunities surrounding Sun Devil Athletics. Sponsorship opportunities include, but are not limited to, on-premise signage, radio, print, digital, premium hospitality, event marketing and promotions. If you are interested in partnering with ASU Athletics, please contact Brittany Mack at 480-727-4151.

Arizona PBS Delivers…

Arizona PBS, delivers award-winning, educational, cultural and current events programming to approximately 1.5 million viewers each week. Become an AZPBS sponsor.

- **AZPBS delivers – reach.** Comparable to other TV channels, well beyond cable channels and way beyond the top local radio stations and print media. AZPBS / KAET reaches 85 percent of the people of Arizona.

- **AZPBS delivers – quality audience.** Business leaders, decision makers, high income households, educated citizens & boomers and spenders with disposable income.

- **AZPBS delivers – marketing benefits:**
  - Build brand awareness by linking your business with high-quality programs
  - Generate community goodwill through support of public television
  - Promote your offerings to a broad audience at an affordable price
  - Market your brand in an environment free of commercial clutter

- **AZPBS delivers – multiple media platforms:**
  - 3 TV Channels – Eight HD, Eight Life & Eight World
  - Web views – [www.azpbs.org](http://www.azpbs.org) (150,000 unique visitors a month)
  - E-Marketing – 40,000 email addresses … and more.

Contact: Chad Bowen at AZPBS corporate support at 602-496-8669 or Chad.Bowen@asu.edu
Kelly McCullough, General Manager at 602-496-2422 or Kelly.McCullough@asu.edu
SECTION V – SPECIFICATIONS/SCOPE OF WORK

5.1 General

5.1.1 Proposer will provide the following services to ASU in the event of an information security breach or disruptive incident, such as a distributed denial of services (“DDOS”) attack occurring anywhere within the ASU system.

5.1.2 There is no specific Statement of Work (“SOW”) under this RFP. See Exhibit A for example SOW template to be used. The awarded firm(s) will be contracted on an “as-needed” basis. To the extent that a firm is selected, the SOW will be developed per project. The designee who contacts the firm to perform work will describe the particular matter and the services requested at the time which will be input into the SOW and agreed upon by both parties. The firm may not provide services under this contract until it receives a fully executed SOW and purchase order issued by ASU.

5.1.3 NOTE: Please fill in details about how your firm will provide the following services, including examples of previous projects if applicable. Please reply directly underneath each item below in Section V for ease of evaluation.

5.2 Requirements

5.2.1 Collection of evidence in a manner that protects the chain of custody.

5.2.2 eDiscovery to support legal proceedings.

5.2.3 Expert witness testimony.

5.2.4 Cooperation with relevant law enforcement agencies including ASU Police.

5.2.5 Provide recommendations of process or system changes to prevent a repeat of the incident.

5.2.6 Provide comprehensive incident reporting at the conclusion of the incident.

5.2.7 Provide Executive Summaries.

5.2.8 Provide executive level briefings.

5.2.9 Work with ASU internal audit staff to provide relevant points for audit plans.

5.2.10 Create and maintain an audit trail or other record of all processes applied to the forensic activity to allow a third party to be able to examine those processes and achieve the same result.

5.2.11 During an engagement, firm will be required to provide:
A written status report of activities completed, findings, and planned activities no less frequently than weekly.
Provide ASU with an inventory of all copies made of files or configurations from workstations, servers, or network devices.

5.2.12 Ability to provide digital forensic services and examination of computers, mobile devices, tablets, and other digital devices and form factors.

5.2.13 Ability to identify, acquire, recover, cleanse, mine and securitize electronically stored data.

5.2.14 Provide committed response times in an SLA document.

5.2.15 Guarantee that proper chain of custody is maintained and that all evidence recovery and collection methods are conducted, managed, and archived in a manner consistent to maintain preservation and protection of data and evidence in its original form.

5.2.17 Testify in administrative and/or court proceedings as to the procedures and methods used to obtain data and expert trial testimony as needed.

**5.3 Process Map**

5.3.1 The following section details ASU’s approach to conducting digital forensic services. Describe how your firm structures, analyzes, and standardizes the review of the digital forensics.

5.3.2 Phase I – Data Acquisition:

Conduct forensic acquisition of required systems. The target systems will be imaged, reviewed, and maintained in a forensically sound manner, assisting in the identification of target data, system analysis, and the preservation of primary evidence in accordance with standards for the US Justice System. This phase will include the following activities:

- Forensically collect all suspect electronic storage devices;
- Photograph all devices and initiate “chain of custody”;
- Forensically duplicate (“image”) each device;
- Forensically encapsulate, validate, and compress each image;
- Create a forensically sound backup of each image;
- Secure storage of all backup images.

5.3.3 Phase II – Data Analysis:

Data analysis may include an in depth interview with Client’s personnel (or counsel) to determine the specific case parameters and legal objectives. An analysis strategy will be developed and services will commence thereafter.

5.3.4 Phase III – Reporting and Presentation:

“Reporting and Presentation” includes the creation and submission of a detailed case report outlining the approach and procedures, and specifying all responsive
data elements. This report will be completed for all projects unless Client requests that the report be omitted in writing. Supplier may be deposed or required to provide testimony with respect to the involvement in particular matters, if so requested or ordered.

**5.4 Additional Questions Specific to this RFP**

5.4.1 The proposer must submit the following information as part of their proposal:

1. Has proposer provided digital forensic services to any State of Arizona institution in the past five (5) years? If “yes”, state which State of Arizona agency name, department name, department contact, the nature of the engagement, the dates of engagement, and a brief description of work performed.

2. How many digital forensic services has proposer had in the past three (3) years involving state sponsored intrusions? Provide examples of the nature of the intrusion and major activities that proposer performed, or consulted with the customer organization to perform, to remediate the intrusion.

3. How many digital forensic investigation engagements has proposer conducted related to loss or theft of ePHI covered by HIPAA in the past three (3) years? Provide examples of the nature of the investigation and major activities that proposer performed, or consulted with the customer organization to perform.

4. How many digital forensic investigation engagements has proposer conducted related to loss or theft of data subject to PCI contracts in the past three (3) years? Provide examples of the nature of the investigation and major activities that proposer performed, or consulted with the customer organization to perform.

5. How many digital forensic services has proposer had in the past three (3) years involving large-scale ransomware? Provide examples of the nature of the intrusion and major activities that proposer performed, or consulted with the customer organization to perform, to remediate the intrusion.

6. How many digital forensic services engagements has proposer had in the past three (3) years involving denial of service (DOS) attacks or other large scale network disruptions? Provide examples of the nature of the intrusion and major activities that proposer performed, or consulted with the customer organization to perform, to remediate the intrusion.

7. How many digital forensic investigation engagements has proposer conducted related to insider actions within an organization in the past three (3) years? Provide examples of the nature of the investigation and major activities that proposer performed, or consulted with the customer organization to perform.
8. How many digital forensic investigation engagements has proposer conducted related to fraud investigations in the past three (3) years? Provide examples of the nature of the investigation and major activities that proposer performed, or consulted with the customer organization to perform.

9. How many digital forensic investigation engagements has proposer conducted related to eDiscovery in the past three (3) years? Provide examples of the nature of the investigation and major activities that proposer performed, or consulted with the customer organization to perform.

10. Describe the experience proposer’s analysts have with malware analysis? What tools does proposer use?

11. To proposer’s knowledge, has evidence collected in one or more of proposer’s investigations been used in an Office of Civil Rights (“OCR”) audit or risk assessment for HIPAA compliance?

12. Has proposer ever conducted an investigation that involved medical devices? If so, describe.

13. What other types of services has proposer’s company provided to higher education or governmental organizations that have made proposer familiar with the threat models facing higher education or government institutions?

5.4.2 The proposer must submit the following information regarding company workforce capabilities:

How many forensic investigators does proposer have on staff within the United States?

Include five (5) sample resumes that represent a typical team. Names of the individuals are not necessary.

How many of proposer’s investigators currently on staff have qualified as PCI Forensic Investigators?

Have proposer’s forensic investigators served as expert witnesses in either criminal trials or civil litigation? Provide names of forensic investigators that served as expert witnesses.

Does proposer subcontract any digital forensic work? If so, describe how proposer chooses a subcontractor? Provide a list of frequently used subcontractors.

Does proposer have experience presenting information about incidents to a Board of Director (Board of Regents) level body? If so, provide details who on proposer’s staff has this type of experience.

5.4.3 The proposer must submit the following information regarding company process and tools:
Describe proposer’s approach to service delivery or methodology for conducting a digital forensics investigation. At a minimum, include a description of:

- The typical structure of proposer’s team;
- What roles proposer expects ASU to play;
- How proposer keeps the institution informed of proposer’s findings and progress;
- Final report;

What does proposer’s technology stack for collection, detection, and response consist of?

Are any proposer’s tools proprietary to proposer? If yes, list and describe them.

What would be required for an institution to deploy proposer’s tools or agents on a network or hosts?

List any commercial software tools that proposer might require ASU to license for proposer’s use during a digital forensic engagement.

Under what circumstances does proposer deploy personnel to the affected site(s)?

How much of the work is typically done at one of the proposer’s locations (rather than on site at one of ASU’s locations)? Describe the type of activities that are typically done on site and those that are done offsite at proposer’s facilities.

How does proposer ensure appropriate chain of custody for data on a server?

What roles and type of work would proposer expect the affected customer(s) to perform?

Some ASU systems maintain shared files and email on-premise, some have migrated to Office 365, and some are a hybrid. Describe proposer’s approach to eDiscovery for hosted apps / IaaS / SaaS platforms.

What specific tools or capabilities for information archiving would proposer expect an institution to have established prior to the occurrence of an incident or breach?

Explain how proposer approaches eDiscovery tasks if the tools and capabilities listed in the response to Question #10 are not present at an institution.

Explain where data collected from ASU systems during an investigation will be stored.

5.4.4 Outsourcing

The Offeror must detail the manner in which it intends to utilize resources or workers located outside of the United States, and the University will evaluate the additional risks, costs and other factors associated with such utilization to make
the award for this proposal as deemed by the awarding authority to be in the best interest of the University.

For any proposed or actual utilization or contract performance outside of the United States, the Offeror’s proposal must include:

The location of work performed under contract by the vendor, any subcontractors, employees, or other persons performing the contract.
The corporate structure and location of corporate employees and activities of the vendors, its affiliates or any subcontractors.

5.5 Value-Added Services

5.5.1 Please provide a summary of any other value added services or programs which may contribute to the overall value of your proposal, including but not limited to:

- Training
- Industry Partnerships
- Support of ASU’s Charter and goals
- Support of Sustainable development, veterans’ affairs, initiatives in support of women, wellness, and our changing regional demographics
- Support and enhance of ASU’s reputation as an innovative, foundational model for the New American University
- Commitment to provide significant financial and non-financial support for the University and its signature programs
- Other services or goods provided by your company
SECTION VI – GREEN PURCHASING REQUIREMENTS/SPECIFICATIONS

In order to reduce the adverse environmental impact of our purchasing decisions the University is committed to buying goods and services from manufacturers and suppliers who share the University’s environmental concern and commitment. Green purchasing is the method wherein environmental and social considerations are taken with equal weight to the price, availability and performance criteria that we use to make purchasing decisions.

Proposer shall use environmentally preferable products, materials and companies where economically feasible. Environmentally preferable products have a less or reduced effect on human health and the environment when compared to other products and companies that serve the same purpose. If two (2) products are equal in performance characteristics and the pricing is within 5%, the University will favor the more environmentally preferable product and company.

If you are citing environmentally preferred product claims, you must provide proper certification or detailed information on environmental benefits, durability and recyclable properties.

The University and the supplier may negotiate during the contract term to permit the substitution or addition of Environmentally Preferable Products (EPPs) when such products are readily available at a competitive cost and satisfy the university’s performance needs.

Unless otherwise specified, proposers and contractors should use recycled paper and double-sided copying for the production of all printed and photocopied documents. Furthermore, the documents shall be clearly marked to indicate that they are printed on recycled content (minimum 30% post-consumer waste) paper.

Proposer shall minimize packaging and any packaging/packing materials that are provided must meet at least one of, and preferably all, of the following criteria:

- Made from 100% post-consumer recycled materials
- Be recyclable
- Reusable
- Non-toxic
- Biodegradable

Further, proposer is expected to pick up packaging and either reuse it or recycle it. This is a requirement of the contract or purchase order.
SECTION VII – PROPOSER QUALIFICATIONS

The University is soliciting proposals from firms, which are in the business of providing services as listed in this Request for Proposal. Your proposal shall include, at a minimum, the following information. Failure to include these items may be grounds for rejection of your proposal.

1. The proposer shall present evidence that the firm or its officers have been engaged for at least the past five (5) years in providing services as listed in this Request for Proposal.

2. The proposer must provide evidence of their ability to provide and perform an established capability to perform digital forensics for higher education and/or governmental entities within the State of Arizona and to conduct investigations and support subsequent legal action if required on behalf of ASU.

3. The proposer must provide three (3) relevant client references for digital forensics with similar size and scope to ASU. For each reference include: nature of the engagement, dates of the engagement, name (or description) of the client firm, and a summary of the activities Proposer performed. If necessary references can be interviewed via blind conference calls to protect proposer’s previous clients' confidentiality.

4. The proposer must provide one (1) sample (redacted) final report for previous digital forensics services, preferably to an organization similar to the size and scope of ASU.

5. Project Manager and personnel assigned must possess one or more of the following credentials in a current and valid status:
   - PMI Project Management Professional (PMP)
   - GIAC Certified Incident Handler (GCIH)
   - GIAC Certified Intrusion Analyst (GCIA)
   - ISC2 Certified information Systems Security Professional (CISSP)
   - Certified Ethical Hacker (CEH)

6. List of Certifications held by personnel that would be responsible for providing services to ASU. Provide resumes for each of these persons.

7. The proposer shall provide a list of operating systems and applications on which they have experience providing forensic services. For example, Solaris 10, Solaris 9, and Red Hat Enterprise Linux operating systems and Oracle or MS SQL databases.

8. The proposer must provide a statement of their review and acceptance of ASU’s Terms and Conditions included in this RFP under Section XII. **Note: all exceptions with justification and alternative language MUST be submitted with the proposal.**
SECTION VIII – EVALUATION CRITERIA

Proposals will be evaluated on the following criteria, listed in order of their relative priority with most important listed first:

1. Response to Section V – Specifications/Scope of Work (35%)
2. Response to Section IX – Pricing Schedule (25%)
3. Response to Section VII – Proposer Qualifications (15%)
4. Acknowledgment and acceptance of ASU Terms and Conditions (10%)
5. Sustainability Efforts/Sustainability Questionnaire (10%)
6. Value Added Services (5%)
SECTION IX – PRICING SCHEDULE

Proposer shall submit a detailed cost proposal to include all aspects of providing the scope of work associated with this Request for Proposal.

A. Provide the hourly rate for professionals with the following experience

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B. Other Related Fees

1. Workstation hard drive copy with 10GB of data in a manner that preserves the chain of evidence

   $__________/ per copy

2. Fees or licenses for required software tools (reference Question 5 in Section 5.4.3)

   3. Fees for monthly storage of 1GB of digital materials / evidence collected during the investigation. If there is a discount for larger quantities of storage, include this information.

   4. Fees for other additional Services:
If ASU agrees to reimburse contractor for any travel expenses, all reimbursable travel expenses must be authorized in writing by ASU in advance of the planned travel and must be consistent with ASU Financial Services Policy FIN 421-01, [www.asu.edu/aad/manuals/fin/fin421-01.html](http://www.asu.edu/aad/manuals/fin/fin421-01.html). If ASU agrees to reimburse contractor for any expenses, Licensor will submit all receipts and any required backup documentation to ASU within 60 days after the applicable expenses were incurred. ASU will not be required to reimburse Licensor for any expenses, invoices, or receipts for expenses received after that time.

**Note**

- Market pricing shall be used for all materials required, and for any postal services deemed necessary.

- Invoices shall reflect detail information for each 15 minute increment billed reflecting a complete audit trail of the service provided.

- State any additional pricing and or discounts that will apply if awarded this contract. Please include any information regarding such discounts so that the University can fully understand the impact they might have on any resulting contract.

- All costs must be identified in your response as the University will not pay for any hidden costs.
SECTION X – FORM OF PROPOSAL/SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS

Format of Submittal

To facilitate direct comparisons, your proposal must be submitted in the following format:

1. **One (1) clearly marked hardcopy “original” in 8.5” x 11” double-sided, non-binding form. No metal or plastic binding – may use binder, folder, or clip for easy removal of proposal; and**

2. **One (1) “single” continuous electronic copy (flash drive only), PC readable, labeled and no passwords.**

9. Any confidential and/or proprietary documents must be on a separate flash drive and labeled appropriately.

10. Proposer must check all flash drives before submitting. Company marketing materials should not be included unless the Request for Proposal specifically requests them. All photos must be compressed to small size formats.

Content of Submittal

If proposer fails to provide any of the following information, with the exception of the mandatory proposal certifications, the University may, at its sole option, ask the proposer to provide the missing information or evaluate the proposal without the missing information.

1. Mandatory certifications and Supplier Sustainability Questionnaire per Section XIII.

2. Detailed Response to Specifications/Scope of Work– Section V

3. Detailed Response to Proposer Qualifications - Section VII

4. Response to Pricing Schedule - Section IX

5. Acceptance of ASU’s RFP Terms and Conditions – Section XII
   Note: all exceptions with justification and alternative language MUST be submitted with the proposal.

Confidential and/or Proprietary Information must be submitted per the instructions in Section IV, item 9. Any watermarks, footnotes or reference to Confidential and/or Proprietary throughout the submitted proposal will be disregarded as boilerplate markings.
SECTION XI – PROPOSER INQUIRY FORM

Pre-Proposal Questions, General Clarifications, etc. to be emailed to karson.andersen@asu.edu.

PROJECT NAME: ____________________________________________

PROPOSAL NUMBER: _________________________________________

INQUIRY DEADLINE: 3:00 P.M., MST, 10/11/2019

QUESTIONS ON: _____ ORIGINAL PROPOSAL or _____ ADDENDUM NO. _____________

DATE: ____________________________

WRITER: ____________________________

COMPANY: ____________________________

E-MAIL ADDRESS: ____________________________

PHONE: ____________________________ FAX: ____________________________

QUESTIONS:

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SECTION XII – AGREEMENT - TERMS & CONDITIONS

ASU will issue a Purchase Order(s) for goods and/or services awarded under this RFP.

The parties to the Purchase Order will be bound by the ASU Terms and Conditions effective on the date the purchase order is received. The ASU Terms and Conditions are available at ASU Standard Terms and Conditions.

Insurance requirements are outlined within this RFP and will be included in any resulting Purchase Order.

Proposals that are contingent upon any changes to these mandatory contract terms and conditions may be deemed non responsive and may be rejected. All exceptions must be submitted with justification and alternate language, and MUST be submitted with the proposal.

ASU Terms and Conditions Amendment: Unless and until the District Court's injunction in Jordahl v. Brnovich et al., Case No. 3:17-cv-08263 (D. Ariz.) is stayed or lifted, the Anti-Israel Boycott Provision (A.R.S.35-393.01 (A)) is unenforceable and the State will take no action to enforce it. Offers will not be evaluated based on whether this certification has been made.
Insurance Requirements

Without limiting any liabilities or any other obligation of Supplier, Supplier will purchase and maintain (and cause its subcontractors to purchase and maintain), until all of their obligations have been discharged or satisfied, including any warranty periods under the Agreement, insurance against claims that may arise from or in connection with the performance of the work hereunder by Supplier, its agents, representatives, employees or subcontractors, as described below.

These insurance requirements are minimum requirements for the Agreement and in no way limit any indemnity covenants in the Agreement. ASU does not warrant that these minimum limits are sufficient to protect Supplier from liabilities that might arise out of the performance of the work under the Agreement by Supplier, its agents, representatives, employees, or subcontractors. These insurance requirements may change if Supplier is a foreign entity, or with foreign insurance coverage.

- **Minimum Scope and Limits of Insurance**: Supplier’s insurance coverage will be primary insurance with respect to all other available sources. Supplier will provide coverage with limits of liability not less than those stated below:

  - **Commercial General Liability – Occurrence Form.** Policy will include bodily injury, property damage, personal injury, and broad form contractual liability coverage.

    - Each Occurrence $5,000,000

      - Policy will include the following additional insured language: “The State of Arizona, its departments, agencies, boards, commissions, universities, and its officers, officials, agents, and employees, will be named as additional insureds with respect to liability arising out of the activities performed by or on behalf of Supplier.”

      - Policy will contain a waiver of subrogation against the State of Arizona, its departments, agencies, boards, commissions, universities, and its officers, officials, agents, and employees, for losses arising from work performed by or on behalf of Supplier.

- **Worker’s Compensation and Employers’ Liability**: Applicable statutory limits, as amended from time to time.

  - Employer’s Liability in the amount of $1,000,000 injury and disease.

  - Policy will contain a waiver of subrogation against the State of Arizona, its departments, agencies, boards, commissions, universities, and its officers, officials, agents, and employees, for losses arising from work performed by or on behalf of Supplier.

  - This requirement will not apply to any contractor or subcontractor exempt under ARS § 23-901, when such contractor or subcontractor signs the Sole Proprietor Waiver Form.

- **Technology/Network Errors and Omissions Insurance.** The terms of this section apply if: 1) ASU is purchasing or leasing software, or processing a software renewal; 2) Supplier is creating any code for ASU; 3) Supplier receives, stores, or analyzes ASU Data (including if the data is not online); 4) Supplier is hosting, or managing by infrastructure outside of ASU, including in the cloud, ASU Data; OR 5) ASU is purchasing or leasing equipment that will connect to ASU’s data network.

  - Each Claim $10,000,000

    - This insurance will cover Supplier’s liability for acts, errors and omissions arising out of Supplier’s operations or services, including loss arising from unauthorized access, or use that results in identity theft or fraud.

    - If the liability insurance required by the Agreement is written on a claims-made basis, Supplier warrants that any retroactive date under the policy will precede the effective date of the Agreement, and that either continuous coverage will be maintained or an extended discovery period will be exercised for a period of 2 years beginning at the time work under the Agreement is completed.

    - Policy will cover professional misconduct for those positions defined in the scope of work of the Agreement.
Professional Liability (Errors and Omissions Liability). If the Supplier will provide ASU Services under the Agreement, the Policy will include professional liability coverage as follows:

- Each Claim $5,000,000
  - If the professional liability insurance required by the Agreement is written on a claims-made basis, Supplier warrants that any retroactive date under the policy will precede the effective date of the Agreement; and that either continuous coverage will be maintained or an extended discovery period will be exercised for 2 years beginning at the time work under the Agreement is completed.
  - Policy will cover professional misconduct for those positions defined in the scope of work of the Agreement.

Cancellation; Material Changes: Cancellation notices will be delivered to ASU in accordance with all policy provisions. Notices required in this Section must be sent directly to ASU Purchasing and Business Services, email insurance.certificates@asu.edu or mail to PO Box 875212, Tempe, AZ, 85287-5212.

Acceptability of Insurers: Insurance is to be placed with duly licensed or approved non-admitted insurers in the State of Arizona with an “A.M. Best” rating of not less than A-VII. ASU in no way warrants that the above required minimum insurer rating is sufficient to protect Supplier from potential insurer insolvency. Self-Insurance may be accepted in lieu of or in combination with insurance coverage requested.

Verification of Coverage: Each insurance policy required by the Agreement must be in effect at or prior to commencement of work under the Agreement and remain in effect for the term of the Agreement. Failure to maintain the insurance policies as required by the Agreement, or to provide evidence of renewal, is a material breach of contract.

If requested by ASU, Supplier will furnish ASU with valid certificates of insurance. ASU’s project or purchase order number and project description will be noted on each certificate of insurance. The State of Arizona and ASU may require complete, certified copies of policies at the time of notice of any loss or claim.

Subcontractors. Supplier’s certificate(s) may include all subcontractors as insureds under its policies as required by the Agreement, or Supplier will furnish to ASU upon request, copies of valid certificates and endorsements for each subcontractor. Coverages for subcontractors will be subject to the minimum requirements identified above.

Approval. These insurance requirements are the standard insurance requirements of ASU. Any modification or variation from the insurance requirements in the Agreement will require the approval of ASU’s Department of Risk and Emergency Management.
SECTION XIII – MANDATORY CERTIFICATIONS

Fillable PDF versions of mandatory certifications are at: https://cfo.asu.edu/business/do-business-asu under the Formal Solicitations tab. ORIGINAL signatures are REQUIRED for either version.

CONFLICT OF INTEREST CERTIFICATION

____________________
(Date)

The undersigned certifies that to the best of his/her knowledge: (check only one)

( ) There is no officer or employee of Arizona State University who has, or whose relative has, a substantial interest in any contract resulting from this request.

( ) The names of any and all public officers or employees of Arizona State University who have, or whose relative has, a substantial interest in any contract resulting from this request, and the nature of the substantial interest, are included below or as an attachment to this certification.

____________________
(Email address) ______________________

____________________
(Address) ______________________

____________________
(Signature required) ______________________

____________________
(Phone) ______________________

____________________
(Print name) ______________________

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(Print title) ______________________
FEDERAL DEBARRED LIST CERTIFICATION

Certification Regarding Other Responsibility Matters (April 2010)

_____________________
(Date)

In accordance with the Federal Acquisition Regulation, 52.209-5:

(a) (1) The Offeror certifies, to the best of its knowledge and belief, that—
   (i) The Offeror and/or any of its Principals—

   (A) (check one) Are (    ) or are not (    ) presently debarred, suspended, proposed for
debarment, or declared ineligible for the award of contracts by any Federal agency; (  

   (B) (check one) Have (    ) or have not (    ), within a three-year period preceding this offer,
been convicted of or had a civil judgment rendered against them for: commission of fraud or
a criminal offense in connection with obtaining, attempting to obtain, or performing a public
(Federal, state, or local) contract or subcontract; violation of Federal or state antitrust statutes
relating to the submission of offers; or commission of embezzlement, theft, forgery, bribery,
falsification or destruction of records, making false statements, tax evasion, or receiving
stolen property; and

   (C) (check one) Are (    ) or are not (    ) presently indicted for, or otherwise criminally or
civilly charged by a governmental entity with, commission of any of the offenses enumerated
in paragraph (a)(1)(i)(B) of this provision.

   (D) (check one) Have (    ) or have not (    ) within a three-year period preceding this offer,
been notified of any delinquent Federal taxes in an amount that exceeds $3,500 for which
the liability remains unsatisfied.

   (ii) The Offeror (check one) has (    ) or has not (    ), within a three-year period preceding this
offer, had one or more contracts terminated for default by any Federal agency.

(2) (a) “Principal,” for the purposes of this certification, means an officer; director; owner; partner;
or, person having primary management or supervisory responsibilities within a business entity (e.g.,
general manager; plant manager; head of a subsidiary, division, or business segment, and similar
positions).

(b) The Offeror shall provide immediate written notice to the University if, at any time prior to contract
award, the Offeror learns that its certification was erroneous when submitted or has become erroneous
by reason of changed circumstances.

(c) A certification that any of the items in paragraph (a) of this provision exists will not necessarily result
in withholding of an award under this solicitation. However, the certification will be considered in
connection with a determination of the Offeror’s responsibility. Failure of the Offeror to furnish a
certification or provide such additional information as requested by University may render the Offeror
nonresponsible.
(d) Nothing contained in the foregoing shall be construed to require establishment of a system of records in order to render, in good faith, the certification required by paragraph (a) of this provision. The knowledge and information of an Offeror is not required to exceed that which is normally possessed by a prudent person in the ordinary course of business dealings.

(e) The certification in paragraph (a) of this provision is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when making award. If it is later determined that the Offeror knowingly rendered an erroneous certification, in addition to other remedies available to the Government, the University may terminate the contract resulting from this solicitation for default.

________________________________________  ____________________________
(Email address)                           (Address)

________________________________________  ____________________________
(Signature required)                      (Phone)

________________________________________  ____________________________
(Print name)                              (Fax)

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(Print title)
ANTI-LOBBYING CERTIFICATION

Certification and Disclosure Regarding Payments to Influence Certain Federal Transactions (Sept 2007)

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(Date)

In accordance with the Federal Acquisition Regulation, 52.203-11:

(a) The definitions and prohibitions contained in the clause, at FAR 52.203-12, Limitation on Payments to Influence Certain Federal Transactions, included in this solicitation, are hereby incorporated by reference in paragraph (b) of this certification.

(b) The offeror, by signing its offer, hereby certifies to the best of his or her knowledge and belief that on or after December 23, 1989—

(1) No Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress on his or her behalf in connection with the awarding of this contract;

(2) If any funds other than Federal appropriated funds (including profit or fee received under a covered Federal transaction) have been paid, or will be paid, to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress on his or her behalf in connection with this solicitation, the offeror shall complete and submit, with its offer, OMB standard form LLL, Disclosure of Lobbying Activities, to the University; and

(3) Offeror will include the language of this certification in all subcontract awards at any tier and require that all recipients of subcontract awards in excess of $100,000 shall certify and disclose accordingly.

(c) Submission of this certification and disclosure is a prerequisite for making or entering into this contract imposed by Section 1352, Title 31, United States Code. Any person who makes an expenditure prohibited under this provision or who fails to file or amend the disclosure form to be filed or amended by this provision, shall be subject to a civil penalty of not less than $10,000, and not more than $100,000, for each such failure.

________________________________ _________ ______________________
(Email address)   (Address)

________________________________ _________ ______________________
(Signature required)   (Phone)

________________________________ _________ ______________________
(Print name)   (Fax)

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(Print title)
SUPPLIER SUSTAINABILITY QUESTIONNAIRE – SMALL COMPANY

Firm Name: ______________________ Date: ______________________

The Supplier Sustainability Questionnaire must be completed and returned with your Proposal. This questionnaire is applicable to firms that provide services as well as those that provide goods. Arizona State University’s vision is to be environmentally sustainable while expanding our education, research, and community support programs. The University seeks suppliers who share our sustainability vision. Accordingly, please answer the following questions.

To each question please provide at least one of the following types of responses:

- An explanation or description
- A URL of your policy or program

An electronic copy of your illustrative policies or programs must be provided if requested. If the question does not apply, answer with N/A and provide an explanation as to why.

Energy
1. What is your firm doing to be energy efficient?
2. What plan is in place to reduce greenhouse gas emissions in the future?

Solid Waste
1. What is your firm doing to reduce waste to landfill?
2. What plan is in place to reduce waste to landfill generated in the future?

Water Waste
1. What is your firm doing to reduce water waste?
2. What plan is in place to reduce water waste in the future?

Packaging
1. What is your firm’s plan to minimize packaging and/or describe your firm’s packaging “Take Back” program?
2. What kind of reusable, recyclable, and/or compostable packaging materials does your firm use?
3. What does your firm do to encourage/require your suppliers to minimize packaging and/or use reusable, recyclable, or compostable packaging materials?

Sustainability Practices
1. What programs does your firm have to encourage your employees to use alternative transportation while commuting to work and travelling locally?
2. What sustainability guidelines or environmental statement does your firm have to guide the firm as a whole?
3. What are your firm’s sustainable purchasing guidelines?
4. What kind of position(s) or team(s) does your firm have dedicated to overseeing sustainability initiatives?
5. List the sustainability related professional associations of which your firm is a member.
6. What kind of effort does your firm make to reduce the use of environmentally harmful materials?
7. Does your firm use Green Seal/EcoLogo certified or biodegradable/eco-friendly cleaning products?
8. Has your firm been cited for non-compliance of an environmental or safety issue in the past ten years?
9. Name any third party certifications your firm has in regards to sustainable business practices?
10. Describe any other initiatives your firm has taken to integrate sustainability practices principles into your operations.

Community
1. What charity, community development, educational programs, or environmental programs is your firm involved in within your local community?
2. What educational programs does your firm have to develop employees?

SUPPLIER SUSTAINABILITY QUESTIONNAIRE – LARGE COMPANY

Firm Name: __________________________ Date: __________________________

The Supplier Sustainability Questionnaire must be completed and returned with your Proposal. This questionnaire is applicable to firms that provide services as well as those that provide goods. Arizona State University’s vision is to be environmentally sustainable while expanding our education, research, and community support programs. The University seeks suppliers who share our sustainability vision. Accordingly, please answer the following questions.
To each question please provide at least one of the following types of responses:
  • An explanation or description
  • A URL of your policy or program

An electronic copy of your illustrative policies or programs must be provided if requested. If the question does not apply, answer with N/A and provide an explanation as to why.

Energy
1. What is your firm doing to be energy efficient?
2. What are your firm’s annual greenhouse gas emissions in metric tons of carbon dioxide equivalent? (Enter total metric tons of CO2 equivalency [includes the following GHGs: CO2, CH4, N2], SF6, HFCs and PFCs])
3. What plan is in place to reduce greenhouse gas emissions in the future?

Solid Waste
1. What is your firm doing to reduce waste to landfill?
2. What is your firm’s annual waste to landfill generated in metric tons? (Enter total metric tons)
3. What plan is in place to reduce waste to landfill generated in the future?

Water Waste
1. What is your firm doing to reduce water waste?
2. What is your firm’s annual water waste in gallons? (Enter total gallons)
3. What plan is in place to reduce water waste in the future?

Packaging
1. What is your firm’s plan to minimize packaging and/or describe your firm’s packaging “Take Back” program?
2. What kind of reusable, recyclable, and/or compostable packaging materials does your firm use?
3. What does your firm do to encourage/require your suppliers to minimize packaging and/or use reusable, recyclable, or compostable packaging materials?

**Sustainability Practices**

1. What programs does your firm have to encourage your employees to use alternative transportation while commuting to work and travelling locally?
2. What sustainability guidelines or environmental statement does your firm have to guide the firm as a whole?
3. What are your firm’s sustainable purchasing guidelines?
4. What kind of position(s) or team(s) does your firm have dedicated to overseeing sustainability initiatives?
5. List the sustainability related professional associations of which your firm is a member.
6. What kind of effort does your firm make to reduce the use of environmentally harmful materials?
7. Has an environmental life-cycle analysis of your firm’s products been conducted by a certified testing organization?
8. Does your firm use Green Seal/EcoLogo certified or biodegradable/eco-friendly cleaning products?
9. Has your firm been cited for non-compliance of an environmental or safety issue in the past ten years?
10. Name any third party certifications your firm has in regards to sustainable business practices?
11. Describe any other initiatives your firm has taken to integrate sustainability practices principles into your operations.

**Community**

1. What charity, community development, educational programs, or environmental programs is your firm involved in within your local community?
2. What educational programs does your firm have to develop employees?

If your firm is just beginning the sustainability journey, or is looking for tools and resources, here are some suggestions:

**Energy**

Greenhouse Gas Protocol provides tools to calculate emissions that are industry specific:
- [http://www.ghgprotocol.org/calculation-tools](http://www.ghgprotocol.org/calculation-tools)

Practice Green health provides basic information and tools for emissions as well:

**Solid Waste**

The EPA’s pre-built excel file to help measure and track your waste and recycling:
- [http://www.epa.gov/smm/wastewise/measure-progress.htm](http://www.epa.gov/smm/wastewise/measure-progress.htm)

Greenbiz’s comprehensive guide to reducing corporate waste:

**Water Waste**

BSR’s guide on how to establish your water usage:
EPA information about conserving water:
  o http://water.epa.gov/polwaste/nps/chap3.cfm

Packaging
  Links to get you started on sustainable packaging:
  o http://www.epa.gov/oswer/international/factsheets/200610-packaging-directives.htm

Sustainability Practices
  Ideas for alternative transportation programs:
  o http://www.ctaa.org/webmodules/webarticles/articlefiles/SuccessStoriesEmpTranspPrograms.pdf
  The EPA environmentally preferable purchasing guidelines for suppliers:
  o http://www.epa.gov/epp/

EPA life cycle assessment information:
  o http://www.epa.gov/nrmrl/std/lca/lca.html

Green Seal green products & services:

Ecologo cleaning and janitorial products:

EPA information on sustainable landscape management:
  o http://www.epa.gov/epawaste/conserve/tools/greenscapes/index.htm
EXHIBIT A – Statement of Work (example)

This Statement of Work is made in accordance with the Agreement for Independent Contractor / Consultant Services between ________________ (“Consultant”) and the Arizona Board of Regents for and on behalf of Arizona State University (“ASU”), dated ________________. 

1. Project Objectives

2. Design and Specifications

3. Deliverables

4. Timelines

5. Costs

Arizona Board of Regents for and on behalf of Arizona State University

By: ______________________
Name: ______________________
Title: ______________________
Date Signed: ______________________

CONSULTANT:

By: ______________________
Name: ______________________
Title: ______________________
Date Signed: ______________________