

## ***Hospital HVAC Service; Request for Proposal***

**Anticipated Contract:**                    **July 1, 2012 – June 30, 2013**

**Services Requested:**

Twin Valley Behavioral Healthcare is accepting bids. Please provide an hourly quote for labor to perform HVAC Services at Twin Valley Behavioral Healthcare.

**Location of Services:**                    Twin Valley Behavioral Healthcare  
2200 West Broad Street  
Columbus, OH 43223 (Franklin County)

**Scope of Work:**

Providing HVAC Services (Steam/High Pressure Vessels; Valve and Pipe Repair/Replacement; Refrigeration System Repair; Electronic and Pneumatic Controls, Lines and Actuators; Duct Work, Dampers, Mixing Boxes, VAV Boxes, Air Handlers, Air Conditioning System, etc.), to complete projects at Twin Valley Behavioral Healthcare (TVBH).

Contractor's employees may be required to submit to a background check by the TVBH Police Department and shall be required to HIPAA compliance training (about 30 minutes). This will be provided by TVBH at no cost to the contractor.

**Bidding Period:**                            June 5, 2012 through close of business June 14, 2012.

**PreBid Walkthrough:**                    June 11, 2012 at 10:00 am. Bidders to meet at TVBH in the Lavelle Building, conference room.

**Bids Due:**                                    Bids are to be submitted on your organization letterhead no than **June 14, 2012 at 4:00 p.m.** (close of business). Bids can be sent by email to [DMHBidOpportunity@mh.ohio.gov](mailto:DMHBidOpportunity@mh.ohio.gov) . Or via U.S. mail, to Twin Valley Behavioral Healthcare, Lavelle Building, 2200 West Broad St., Columbus, Ohio 43223. Bids sent via U.S. mail to TVBH must be clearly marked "Sealed Bid" Attn: Todd Phlipot

## **Type of Service:**

1. The bid should show hourly rate for above services during normal working hours, weekends and holidays and be accompanied by any written certifications. Invoices must be itemized to clearly reflect labor and materials separately (if any materials are used). Materials may be provided by TVBH (prior approval will be required if contractor is to provide any materials).
2. TVBH will request and schedule services as needed. All planned work shall be performed during regular working hours (7:30 a.m. to 4:00 pm., Monday through Friday).
3. Contractor shall provide “on call” emergency service within two (2) hours of notification.
4. Emergency service during regular working hours shall be billed at regular hourly wage rates. Emergency service during hours other than 7:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. shall be listed clearly to describe overtime and holiday rates. The Contractor must have adequate personnel and equipment to respond to emergencies 24 hours per day, 365 days per year.
5. The contractor shall provide telephone and pager numbers so that TVBH may contact contractor at any hour.
6. Emergency service shall be charged in accordance with rates quoted on bid response.
7. The hourly charge for normal and emergency services should include all costs related to providing the service (i.e., transportation, travel time, equipment, disposal and personnel, etc.). Hourly charges for services shall commence upon arrival to our facility.
8. Emergency service response time of two (2) hours shall be allowed, after which liquidated damages shall accrue in the amount of the successful bidder’s emergency service hourly rates for each additional hour or fraction thereof until emergency service begins.
9. Invoices for service shall be forwarded to TVBH Plant Services Dept., and shall contain a brief description of work performed with dates and hours. Labor and materials must be itemized separately. Twin Valley Behavioral Healthcare is accepting bids.

## **Instructions for submitting proposals:**

1. Request to change or alter an original bid must be received in writing, prior to the submittal deadline.
2. All information requested must be provided as specified. Failure to comply will void the bid.

## **Specification Requirements**

- A. The contractor will be required to submit proposals that include, but not limited to, the following:
  1. Cover letter and summary of services to be provided consistent with duties identified below;
  2. Three (3) references (Organizations)
  3. Proof of insurance (Liability and Worker's Compensation)
  4. Work Plan, e.g., how work is assigned and monitored by agency
  5. Lump Sum Bid for the Work
  6. Licensure &/or Certification for Contractor and all Technicians
  7. Organizational Staff Competency Plan.
  8. A vendor shall include in it's proposal an affirmative statement that, as applicable, no sole proprietor, partner, shareholder, or other principal of the vendor or the spouse of such principal has made, as in individual, within the two previous calendar years, one or more contributions totaling in excess of \$1,000.00 to the Governor (Ohio) or to his campaign committees, consistent with the restrictions of Section 3517.13 of the Ohio Revised Code.
- B. **Additionally, contractual proposals will be evaluated considering their ability to:**
  1. Requisite ability to provide accurate and reliable services to Twin Valley Behavioral Healthcare.;
  2. Exhibit a professional and respectful demeanor (appearance and attitude) when providing translation services on hospital property;
  3. Engendering respect and adherence to HIAPPA confidentiality and security of protected health information standards and The Joint Commission;
  4. Contractor shall use trained personnel directly employed or supervised by Company. They must be qualified to perform the work as described in the Bidding Documents. A minimum of three (3) years' experience in Information Systems contracts is required to qualify for bidding. A letter certifying that the vendor meets the above requirements shall be submitted with the vendor's bid.
  5. Certification - Vendor must submit with his response a letter certifying that his firm and his agents are covered by Worker's Compensation, Employee's Liability and/or Contractor's Insurance in amounts sufficient to satisfy all claims that might arise from his acts or those of his employees and agents. Prior to any award, the successful vendor will be required to furnish proof of such coverage for filing with

the State of Ohio; a certificate attesting to the fact that the contractor has the maintenance services and personnel to repair and maintain the various types of equipment specified in this bid. Such certification shall be submitted with the bid. Furthermore, this certificate shall be on business or corporate letterhead paper and signed by a duly authorized representative of the organization submitting the response.

6. Public Liability - The contractor shall carry public liability insurance that meets all requirements and limits. The successful bidder shall be required to submit a copy of the insurance policy.
7. Quality/Cancellation - Work must be done professionally and meet the satisfaction of TVBH. Failure to comply with any of the specifications as outlined may result in immediate cancellation of contract. This agreement may be cancelled by written notice 30 days prior to the termination date.
8. Certification of Smoke and Drug-Free Compliance - By virtue of the signature on the Invitation to Bid, the bidder certifies that all its employees, while working on state property, will not smoke or possess tobacco products; will not purchase, transfer, use or possess illegal drugs or alcohol or abuse prescription drugs in any way.
9. A purchase order will be issued for the fiscal year; monthly or quarterly billing is preferred. Any repairs beyond the aforementioned scope of work are not included under this contract. It will be necessary for contractor to obtain proper authorization and a new purchase order number to proceed with any work not covered under this agreement.
10. All proposals and other materials submitted will become the property of the State and may be returned only at the State's option. Proprietary information should not be included in a Proposal or supporting materials because the State will have the right to use any materials or ideas submitted in any Proposal without compensation to the Vendor. Additionally, all Proposals will be open to the public after the award of the Contract has been posted.
11. Comply with TVBH "Contract Procedures" (attached)
12. Comply with TVBH "HIPAA Agreement" (attached)
13. Awards - Award will be based on the lowest responsive/responsible bidder meeting Bid requirements.

**Equal Opportunity Employer M/F/D**

## **Contractor Procedures**

### **Twin Valley Behavioral Hospital**

Welcome to the TWIN VALLEY BEHAVIORAL HOSPITAL. To ensure TVBH can remain safe and secure, all contractors must follow these procedures:

1. For access to NON-PATIENT locked areas, contractor keys shall be obtained only with prior arrangements through the Plant Services/ Maintenance Department, Ext. **5301**.
2. Contractors shall **Sign In/Out** at the Plant Services Department. Keys needed for accessing areas to perform work must also be signed out and returned to Plant Services Department when contractor signs out after work completion. Regular work hours are 7:30 AM to 4:00 PM Monday through Friday. Any work performed outside of the regular work hours must have prior approval by the Director of Plant Services or Chief Operating Officer. During long-term capital projects, keys will be issued to the contractor for the duration of the project. **All keys must be surrendered to Plant Services upon completion of projects.**
3. When entering locked areas ensure the area remains locked. Service area entry must be used when entering patient's living units. **DO NOT** let anyone out of a locked area. Staff has keys for entry/exit of locked areas.
4. Ensure all tools and equipment are secured safely (lockable tool storage box) while on grounds. This also involves while work is in process, i.e. cutting blades, small hand tools etc.
5. Fire lanes must be maintained. Roadways needing blocked, prior notice must be given to Protective Service Department. All vehicles and contents must be secured when unattended. This includes tools and materials.
6. Utility interruptions, **three working day notice** must be given before utility shut downs. All request will include: when, what, where and how
7. Fire alarm and/or sprinkler system interruptions must be reported in advance to the hospital's Protective Service/Safety Officer.
8. Any contractor who penetrates a rated fire or smoke separation wall to install conduit, ductwork, piping, or other material must seal the opening. A **above ceiling work permit** must be completed prior to closing up the area. All penetrations shall be fire stopped/sealed using the "3M" procedures and protocols. Record of completion of the work to be submitted to TVBH Safety Officer.
9. Contractors procedures for work area isolation/separation from occupied areas and dust control, are as follows:
  - Lead/Prime Contractor shall isolate HVAC in area of work. All supply and return air vents shall be covered w/ two layers of 6 mil flame retardant poly ethylene
  - Lead/Prime Contractor shall create an enclosed work area that is depressurized

and has a minimum of 2 air changes per hour or two HEPA equipped filtration devices in operation at all times. Isolation to include, but limited to: flame retardant poly covering of all common spaces above and below ceiling; all barriers shall be framed w/ metal studs at a minimum of 24 inch on center; barriers shall be constructed out of flame retardant materials. Contractor to review drawings and specifications for other requirements. The contractor shall comply w/ most stringent procedures.

- All Contractors shall follow the Interim Life Safety measures and train all workers in the procedures/requirements. Contractor shall supply the TVBH w/ documentation of training.
- All stored materials shall be properly covered and no materials shall be exposed to outside environment.
- If cutting, sawing, or drilling is required as part of an installation the contractor must use safe guards to insure that dust is contained. Precautions should also be taken when transporting material and tools within the facility to contain dust and dirt that could increase risk of infection.
- Project Isolation. Lead Contractor shall construct a one hour separation from slab to slab is required between the area of work and other occupied areas in the hospital
- Noise Attenuation. Occupied areas adjacent to construction zones noise levels not to exceed 80db.
- Movement of construction debris inside the hospital shall be in covered containers by contractors

10. All traffic laws must be obeyed; foot traffic has the right of way on all roads.

11. It is the contractor's responsibility to comply w/ applicable OSHA requirements. A hot work permit is required for all torch cutting, welding, or brazing operations.

12. TVBH Columbus Campus a smoke free, tobacco free environment. Smoking or other tobacco use is not permitted on hospital grounds.

13. Any emergencies should be reported to the TVBH operator via in-house phones. **Dial 5555....Do not call 911 on a personal cellular phone.**

14. When working in patient occupied areas, a Plant Services/ Maintenance staff person must accompany contractor personnel.

15. **Cameras are not permitted on grounds.** Prior authorization for camera use must be obtained from the CEO or Police Chief and communicated to Protective Services Department and be with a designated escort.

16. All patients must be provided treatment in a confidential environment. It is violation of Federal Law to disclose the identity of patients at TVBH, or disclose any information about the patients treated at TVBH to anyone outside of the hospital. Anyone found to have disclosed this type of information shall be prosecuted to the extent of the law.

17. Contractors and sub-contractors shall submit the following forms for any employee that

works at TVBH: **Audit of Contractor and Volunteer Personnel and HIPAA Agreement.**

18. In order to protect patient's confidentiality we ask people involved in capital and/or preventive maintenance projects, whom observe anything regarding patients or the care given, not share information off of the hospital grounds. Interaction and conversation with patients is discouraged and must be kept at a minimal necessity; however observation of patients involved in questionable activity should be brought to our attention.

The hospital appreciates your cooperation with these requirements. The hospital wishes to work with you to assure a safe well-completed project. Question may be addressed to the Associate or Plant Services Director at extension 5301.

**HIPAA AGREEMENT  
STUDENTS, VOLUNTEERS AND NON-CLINICAL CONTRACTS**

The HIPAA Privacy Rule ensures that personal medication information shared with doctors, hospitals and others who provide and pay for healthcare is protected from disclosure to unauthorized individuals or organizations.

Basically, the Privacy Rule does the following:

- 1) Imposes new restrictions on the use and disclosure of personal health information.
- 2) Gives patients greater access to their medical records.
- 3) Give patients greater protection of their medical records.

State and federal laws require that Protected Health Information (PHI) of all present and former patients/clients be kept confidential, subject to specific allowable uses and disclosures, and that PHI be appropriately safeguarded from unauthorized access.

The HIPAA Privacy Rule is a federal mandate and Twin Valley Behavioral Healthcare adheres to the requirements.

I have been given information and agree to adhere to TVBH's policies and procedures regarding the protection of PHI during the performance of my duties/activities at TVBH.

**Company or School:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Print Name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Witness:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

## REQUIRED CERTIFICATION FOR BIDDING

Those bidders claiming preference for Domestic Source End Products and/or the Ohio preference, pursuant to Revised Code Sections 125.09 and 125.11 and Administrative Code Section 123:5-1-06 must complete the following information. Bidders who qualify as an "Ohio" bidder (offer an Ohio product or who have significant Ohio economic presence) or who qualify as a Border State bidder are eligible to receive a five percent (5%) preference over non-Ohio/Border state bidders. The state reserves the right to clarify any information during the evaluation process. **BIDDERS MUST COMPLETE THIS CERTIFICATION TO RECEIVE THE PREFERENCE.**

**A. DOMESTIC PREFERENCE (BUY AMERICA):** [Not applicable to "Excepted Products"]

1. Where is each product/services being offered mined, raised, grown, produced or manufactured?

United States: \_\_\_\_\_(State)     Canada     Mexico    (Go to B-1)

Other: (Specify Country)\_\_\_\_\_ (Go to A-2)

2. End product is manufactured outside the United States and at least 50% of the cost of its components are produced, mined, raised, grown or manufactured within the United States. The cost of components may include transportation costs to the place of manufacture and, in the case of components of foreign origin, duty whether or not a duty free entry certificate is issued.

Yes (Go to Section B-1)     No (Go to Section A-3)

3. The Bidder hereby certifies that each end product, except the products listed below, is a domestic source end product as defined in the Buy America Act and that components of unknown origin have been considered to have been mined, produced, grown or manufactured outside the United States.

\_\_\_\_\_ (Item)    \_\_\_\_\_ (Country of Origin)

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A domestic end source product is deemed to be excessively priced if it exceeds the cost of the foreign product by more than 6%. Pursuant to FAR, Part 25, the state of Ohio does not acquire supplies or services that cannot be imported lawfully into the United States. The contractor, their subcontractor(s) and any agent of the contractor or subcontractor must not acquire any supplies or services originating from sources within, or that were located in or transported from or through Cuba, Iran, Iraq, Libya, North Korea, Sudan Territory of Afghanistan controlled by the Taliban, or Serbia (excluding the territory of Kosovo).

**B. OHIO PREFERENCE (BUY OHIO):**

1. The products/services being offered are raised, grown, produced, mined or manufactured in Ohio.

Yes (Go to C)     No (Go to B-2)



2. Bidder has significant economic presence within the state of Ohio.     Yes (Answer a, b, c, d below)     No (Go to B-3)

a) Bidder has paid the required taxes due the state of Ohio     Yes     No

b) Bidder is registered with the Ohio Secretary of State

Yes (Charter/Registration No.: \_\_\_\_\_)     No

Questions regarding registration should be directed to (614) 466-3910 or visit their web site at:

<http://www.sos.state.oh.us/>

c) Bidder has ten or more employees based in Ohio or border state.     Yes     No (Go to B-2d)

d) Bidder has seventy-five percent or more employees based in Ohio or border state.     Yes     No (Go to B-3)

3. Border state bidder:

Yes (Specify which state then go to B-2c):  KY     MI     NY     PA     IN     No (Go to B-4)

4. Border state bidder: mined products mined in respective border state     Yes     No     Not Applicable

**C. E.D.G.E. DESIGNATION**

Bidder is certified E.D.G.E. business     Yes     No

For information on E.D.G.E. designation, please visit the DAS Equal Opportunity Division website at:

<http://das.ohio.gov/Eod/Edge/Index.htm>

**D. DECLARATION REGARDING MATERIAL ASSISTANCE/NON-ASSISTANCE TO A TERRORIST ORGANIZATION (DMA)**

The Bidder being awarded this Contract must:

1. review the Terrorist Exclusion List at [http://www.publicsafety.ohio.gov/links/terrorist\\_exclusion\\_list.pdf](http://www.publicsafety.ohio.gov/links/terrorist_exclusion_list.pdf)

2. complete the Declaration Regarding Material Assistance/Non-Assistance to a Terrorist Organization (DMA) form <http://www.publicsafety.ohio.gov/links/HLS0038.pdf> and submit this with your bid response.

Failure to complete the Declaration Regarding Material Assistance/Non-Assistance to a Terrorist Organization (DMA) form may result in the bidder being deemed not responsive and/or may invalidate any Contract award. If not submitted with the bid response, the bidder will have seven (7) calendar days, after notification, to submit the form.

## READ BEFORE COMPLETING YOUR DMA FORM

Forms not conforming to the specifications listed below or not submitted to the appropriate agency or office will not be processed.

- To complete this form, you will need a copy of the Terrorist Exclusion List for reference. The Terrorist Exclusion List can be found on the Ohio Homeland Security Web site at the following address:

<http://www.homelandsecurity.ohio.gov/dma/dma.asp>

- Be sure you have the correct DMA form. If you are applying for a state issued license, permit, certification or registration, the "State Issued License" DMA form must be completed (HLS 0036). If you are applying for employment with a government entity, the "Public Employment" DMA form must be completed (HLS 0037). If you are obtaining a contract to conduct business with or receive funding from a government entity, the "Government Business and Funding Contracts" DMA form must be completed (HLS 0038).
- Your DMA form is to be submitted to the issuing agency or entity. "Issuing agency or entity" means the government agency or office that has requested the form from you or the government agency or office to which you are applying for a license, employment or a business contract. For example, if you are seeking a business contract with the Ohio Department of Commerce's Division of Financial Institutions, then the form needs to be submitted to the Department of Commerce's Division of Financial Institutions. Do NOT send the form to the Ohio Department of Public Safety UNLESS you are seeking a license from or employment or business contract with one of its eight divisions listed below.
- Department of Public Safety Divisions:

Administration	Ohio Homeland Security*
Ohio Bureau of Motor Vehicles	Ohio Investigative Unit
Ohio Emergency Management Agency	Ohio Criminal Justice Services
Ohio Emergency Medical Services	Ohio State Highway Patrol
- \* DO NOT SEND THE FORM TO OHIO HOMELAND SECURITY UNLESS OTHERWISE DIRECTED. FORMS SENT TO THE WRONG AGENCY OR ENTITY WILL NOT BE PROCESSED.

**STATE ISSUED LICENSE**

In accordance with section 2909.32 (A)(2)(a) of the Ohio Revised Code

**DECLARATION REGARDING MATERIAL ASSISTANCE/NON-ASSISTANCE TO A TERRORIST ORGANIZATION**

This form serves as a declaration by an applicant for a license of material assistance/non assistance to an organization on the U.S. Department of State Terrorist Exclusion List ("TEL"). Please see the Ohio Homeland Security Division Web site for a copy of the TEL.

Any answer of "yes" to any question, or the failure to answer "no" to any question on this declaration shall serve as a disclosure that material assistance to an organization identified on the U.S. Department of State Terrorist Exclusion List has been provided. Failure to disclose the provision of material assistance to such an organization or knowingly making false statements regarding material assistance to such an organization is a felony of the fifth degree.

For the purposes of this declaration, "material support or resources" means currency, payment instruments, other financial securities, funds, transfer of funds, financial services, communications, lodging, training, safe houses, false documentation or identification, communications equipment, facilities, weapons, lethal substances, explosives, personnel, transportation, and other physical assets, except medicine or religious materials.

LAST NAME		FIRST NAME		MI	
HOME ADDRESS					
CITY		STATE	ZIP	COUNTY	
HOME PHONE			WORK PHONE		

**COMPLETE THIS SECTION ONLY IF YOU ARE A COMPANY, BUSINESS OR ORGANIZATION**

BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME			PHONE		
BUSINESS ADDRESS					
CITY		STATE		ZIP	COUNTY
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION REPRESENTATIVE NAME			TITLE		

**DECLARATION**

In accordance with section 2909.32 (A)(2)(b) of the Ohio Revised Code

For each question, indicate either "yes" or "no" in the space provided. Responses must be truthful to the best of your knowledge.

- Are you a member of an organization on the U.S. Department of State Terrorist Exclusion List?  Yes  No
- Have you used any position of prominence you have with any country to persuade others to support an organization on the U.S. Department of State Terrorist Exclusion List?  Yes  No
- Have you knowingly solicited funds or other things of value for an organization on the U.S. Department of State Terrorist Exclusion List?  Yes  No
- Have you solicited any individual for membership on an organization on the U.S. Department of State Terrorist Exclusion List?  Yes  No
- Have you committed an act that you know, or reasonably should have known, affords "material support or resources" to an organization on the U.S. Department of State Terrorist Exclusion List?  Yes  No
- Have you hired or compensated a person you know to be a member of an organization on the U.S. Department of State Terrorist Exclusion List, or a person you knew to be engaged in planning, assisting, or carrying out an act of terrorism?  Yes  No

If an applicant's license is denied due to a positive indication on this form, the applicant may request the Ohio Department of Public Safety to review the denial. Please see the Ohio Homeland Security Web site for information on how to file a request for review.

**CERTIFICATION**

I hereby certify that the answers I have made to all of the questions on this declaration are true to the best of my knowledge. I understand that if this declaration is not completed in its entirety, it will not be processed and I will be automatically disqualified. I understand that I am responsible for the correctness of this declaration. I understand that failure to disclose the provision of material assistance to an organization identified on the U.S. Department of State Terrorist Exclusion List, or knowingly making false statements regarding material assistance to such an organization is a felony of the fifth degree. I understand that any answer of "yes" to any question, or the failure to answer "no" to any question on this declaration shall serve as a disclosure that material assistance to an organization identified on the U.S. Department of State Terrorist Exclusion List has been provided by myself or my organization. If I am signing this on behalf of a company, business or organization, I hereby acknowledge that I have the authority to make this certification on behalf of the company, business or organization referenced above.

APPLICANT SIGNATURE <b>X</b>	DATE
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# VENDOR INFORMATION FORM

All parts of the form must be completed by the vendor and returned to Ohio Shared Services. The information must be legible.

## SECTION 1 – PLEASE SPECIFY TYPE OF ACTION

- NEW (W-9 OR W-8ECI FORM ATTACHED)     CHANGE OF CONTACT PERSON/INFORMATON  
 ADDITIONAL ADDRESS (PLEASE PROVIDE COPY OF INVOICE OR LETTER OF EXPLANATION)  
 CHANGE OF ADDRESS – ENTER OLD ADDRESS   
 CHANGE OF TIN (NEW W-9 AND LETTER OF EXPLANATION OF CHANGE, WHICH INCLUDES OLD TIN, IS REQUIRED)  
 CHANGE OF NAME (NEW W-9 AND LETTER OF EXPLANATION OF CHANGE IS REQUIRED)  
 CHANGE OF PAY TERMS     CHANGE OF PO DISPATCH METHOD     OTHER \_\_\_\_\_

## SECTION 2 – PLEASE PROVIDE VENDOR INFORMATION

LEGAL BUSINESS OR INDIVIDUAL NAME: (MUST MATCH W-9 OR W-8ECI FORM)

BUSINESS NAME, TRADE NAME, DOING BUSINESS AS: (IF DIFFERENT THAN ABOVE)

FEDERAL TAX ID (TIN), EMPLOYER ID (EIN) OR SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER (REQUIRED):

BUSINESS ENTITY: (IF A SOLE PROPRIETOR, THE INDIVIDUAL'S NAME MUST APPEAR IN LEGAL BUSINESS NAME) **CHECK ONE:**  
 INDIVIDUAL/SOLE PROPRIETOR     CORPORATION     S CORPORATION     PARTNERSHIP     TRUST/ESTATE  
 LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY    **CIRCLE THE TAX CLASSIFICATION (C=CORPORATION, S= S CORPORATION, P=PARTNERSHIP)** \_\_\_\_\_  
 OTHER (PLEASE EXPLAIN)

## SECTION 3 – PLEASE PROVIDE COMPLETE ADDRESS 1 (IF MORE THAN 2 ADDRESSES, INCLUDE A SEPARATE SHEET)

ADDRESS: <input type="text"/>		COUNTY: <input type="text"/>
CITY: <input type="text"/>	STATE: <input type="text"/>	ZIP CODE: <input type="text"/>

## SECTION 4 – PLEASE PROVIDE COMPLETE ADDRESS 2

ADDRESS: <input type="text"/>		COUNTY: <input type="text"/>
CITY: <input type="text"/>	STATE: <input type="text"/>	ZIP CODE: <input type="text"/>

**SECTION 5 – CONTACT INFORMATION AND PERSON TO RECEIVE PURCHASE ORDER**

NAME:

WEBSITE:

PHONE:

FAX:

E-MAIL:

**SECTION 6 - STRATEGIC SOURCING CONTACT INFO (PERSON TO RECEIVE E-MAIL NOTICE OF BID EVENTS)  
THE USER ID & PASSWORD TO COMPLETE STRATEGIC SOURCING REGISTRATION WILL BE SENT TO E-MAIL ADDRESS BELOW.**

NAME::

E-MAIL:

PHONE NUMBER:

**SECTION 7 – IS YOUR BUSINESS CURRENTLY CERTIFIED AS? (PLEASE CHECK)**

MBE (MINORITY BUSINESS ENTERPRISE)     EDGE (ENCOURAGING DIVERSITY, GROWTH, & EQUITY)     N/A

**SECTION 8 – PAYMENT TERMS (PLEASE CHECK ONE, OTHERWISE NET 30 WILL BE APPLIED BY DEFAULT)**

2/10 NET 30     NET 30     NET 45     NET 60     NET 90

**SECTION 9 – PURCHASE ORDER DISTRIBUTION-OTHER THAN USPS MAIL (NOTE: APPLICABLE FOR VENDORS THAT RECEIVE PO ONLY (INPUT E-MAIL ADDRESS OR FAX NUMBER BELOW)**

E-MAIL OR FAX:

**SECTION 10 – PLEASE SIGN AND DATE**

PRINT NAME:

DATE:

SIGNATURE:

**SECTION 11 – STATE OF OHIO AGENCY CONTACT INFORMATION (AGENCY WHERE GOODS OR SERVICES ARE DELIVERED)**

AGENCY NAME: **OHIO DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH**

E-MAIL: Lucille.Fuller@mh.ohio.gov

PHONE NUMBER: 614-466-7697

COMMENTS:

**Note: This document does contain sensitive information. Sending via non-secure channels, including e-mail and fax can be a potential security risk.**

**SUBMIT FORM TO:**

**Mail:** Ohio Shared Services  
P.O. Box 182880 Cols., OH 43218-2880  
**Fax:** (614) 485-1052  
**E-mail:** [vendor@ohio.gov](mailto:vendor@ohio.gov)

**QUESTIONS? PLEASE CONTACT:**

**Phone:** 1 (877) OHIO-SS1 (1-877-644-6771)  
1 (614) 338-4781  
**E-mail:** [vendor@ohio.gov](mailto:vendor@ohio.gov)

## Request for Taxpayer Identification Number and Certification

**Give Form to the  
 requester. Do not  
 send to the IRS.**

<b>Print or type See Specific Instructions on page 2.</b>	Name (as shown on your income tax return)	
	Business name/disregarded entity name, if different from above	
	Check appropriate box for federal tax classification (required): <input type="checkbox"/> Individual/sole proprietor <input type="checkbox"/> C Corporation <input type="checkbox"/> S Corporation <input type="checkbox"/> Partnership <input type="checkbox"/> Trust/estate	
	<input type="checkbox"/> Limited liability company. Enter the tax classification (C=C corporation, S=S corporation, P=partnership) ▶	
	<input type="checkbox"/> Other (see instructions) ▶	
Address (number, street, and apt. or suite no.)		Requester's name and address (optional)
City, state, and ZIP code		
List account number(s) here (optional)		

### Part I Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN)

Enter your TIN in the appropriate box. The TIN provided must match the name given on the "Name" line to avoid backup withholding. For individuals, this is your social security number (SSN). However, for a resident alien, sole proprietor, or disregarded entity, see the Part I instructions on page 3. For other entities, it is your employer identification number (EIN). If you do not have a number, see *How to get a TIN* on page 3.

Social security number									

**Note.** If the account is in more than one name, see the chart on page 4 for guidelines on whose number to enter.

Employer identification number									

### Part II Certification

Under penalties of perjury, I certify that:

1. The number shown on this form is my correct taxpayer identification number (or I am waiting for a number to be issued to me), and
2. I am not subject to backup withholding because: (a) I am exempt from backup withholding, or (b) I have not been notified by the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) that I am subject to backup withholding as a result of a failure to report all interest or dividends, or (c) the IRS has notified me that I am no longer subject to backup withholding, and
3. I am a U.S. citizen or other U.S. person (defined below).

**Certification instructions.** You must cross out item 2 above if you have been notified by the IRS that you are currently subject to backup withholding because you have failed to report all interest and dividends on your tax return. For real estate transactions, item 2 does not apply. For mortgage interest paid, acquisition or abandonment of secured property, cancellation of debt, contributions to an individual retirement arrangement (IRA), and generally, payments other than interest and dividends, you are not required to sign the certification, but you must provide your correct TIN. See the instructions on page 4.

<b>Sign Here</b>	Signature of U.S. person ▶	Date ▶
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### General Instructions

Section references are to the Internal Revenue Code unless otherwise noted.

#### Purpose of Form

A person who is required to file an information return with the IRS must obtain your correct taxpayer identification number (TIN) to report, for example, income paid to you, real estate transactions, mortgage interest you paid, acquisition or abandonment of secured property, cancellation of debt, or contributions you made to an IRA.

Use Form W-9 only if you are a U.S. person (including a resident alien), to provide your correct TIN to the person requesting it (the requester) and, when applicable, to:

1. Certify that the TIN you are giving is correct (or you are waiting for a number to be issued),
2. Certify that you are not subject to backup withholding, or
3. Claim exemption from backup withholding if you are a U.S. exempt payee. If applicable, you are also certifying that as a U.S. person, your allocable share of any partnership income from a U.S. trade or business is not subject to the withholding tax on foreign partners' share of effectively connected income.

**Note.** If a requester gives you a form other than Form W-9 to request your TIN, you must use the requester's form if it is substantially similar to this Form W-9.

**Definition of a U.S. person.** For federal tax purposes, you are considered a U.S. person if you are:

- An individual who is a U.S. citizen or U.S. resident alien,
- A partnership, corporation, company, or association created or organized in the United States or under the laws of the United States,
- An estate (other than a foreign estate), or
- A domestic trust (as defined in Regulations section 301.7701-7).

**Special rules for partnerships.** Partnerships that conduct a trade or business in the United States are generally required to pay a withholding tax on any foreign partners' share of income from such business. Further, in certain cases where a Form W-9 has not been received, a partnership is required to presume that a partner is a foreign person, and pay the withholding tax. Therefore, if you are a U.S. person that is a partner in a partnership conducting a trade or business in the United States, provide Form W-9 to the partnership to establish your U.S. status and avoid withholding on your share of partnership income.

The person who gives Form W-9 to the partnership for purposes of establishing its U.S. status and avoiding withholding on its allocable share of net income from the partnership conducting a trade or business in the United States is in the following cases:

- The U.S. owner of a disregarded entity and not the entity,
- The U.S. grantor or other owner of a grantor trust and not the trust, and
- The U.S. trust (other than a grantor trust) and not the beneficiaries of the trust.

**Foreign person.** If you are a foreign person, do not use Form W-9. Instead, use the appropriate Form W-8 (see Publication 515, Withholding of Tax on Nonresident Aliens and Foreign Entities).

**Nonresident alien who becomes a resident alien.** Generally, only a nonresident alien individual may use the terms of a tax treaty to reduce or eliminate U.S. tax on certain types of income. However, most tax treaties contain a provision known as a “saving clause.” Exceptions specified in the saving clause may permit an exemption from tax to continue for certain types of income even after the payee has otherwise become a U.S. resident alien for tax purposes.

If you are a U.S. resident alien who is relying on an exception contained in the saving clause of a tax treaty to claim an exemption from U.S. tax on certain types of income, you must attach a statement to Form W-9 that specifies the following five items:

1. The treaty country. Generally, this must be the same treaty under which you claimed exemption from tax as a nonresident alien.
2. The treaty article addressing the income.
3. The article number (or location) in the tax treaty that contains the saving clause and its exceptions.
4. The type and amount of income that qualifies for the exemption from tax.
5. Sufficient facts to justify the exemption from tax under the terms of the treaty article.

**Example.** Article 20 of the U.S.-China income tax treaty allows an exemption from tax for scholarship income received by a Chinese student temporarily present in the United States. Under U.S. law, this student will become a resident alien for tax purposes if his or her stay in the United States exceeds 5 calendar years. However, paragraph 2 of the first Protocol to the U.S.-China treaty (dated April 30, 1984) allows the provisions of Article 20 to continue to apply even after the Chinese student becomes a resident alien of the United States. A Chinese student who qualifies for this exception (under paragraph 2 of the first protocol) and is relying on this exception to claim an exemption from tax on his or her scholarship or fellowship income would attach to Form W-9 a statement that includes the information described above to support that exemption.

If you are a nonresident alien or a foreign entity not subject to backup withholding, give the requester the appropriate completed Form W-8.

**What is backup withholding?** Persons making certain payments to you must under certain conditions withhold and pay to the IRS a percentage of such payments. This is called “backup withholding.” Payments that may be subject to backup withholding include interest, tax-exempt interest, dividends, broker and barter exchange transactions, rents, royalties, nonemployee pay, and certain payments from fishing boat operators. Real estate transactions are not subject to backup withholding.

You will not be subject to backup withholding on payments you receive if you give the requester your correct TIN, make the proper certifications, and report all your taxable interest and dividends on your tax return.

#### **Payments you receive will be subject to backup withholding if:**

1. You do not furnish your TIN to the requester,
2. You do not certify your TIN when required (see the Part II instructions on page 3 for details),
3. The IRS tells the requester that you furnished an incorrect TIN,
4. The IRS tells you that you are subject to backup withholding because you did not report all your interest and dividends on your tax return (for reportable interest and dividends only), or
5. You do not certify to the requester that you are not subject to backup withholding under 4 above (for reportable interest and dividend accounts opened after 1983 only).

Certain payees and payments are exempt from backup withholding. See the instructions below and the separate Instructions for the Requester of Form W-9.

Also see *Special rules for partnerships* on page 1.

### **Updating Your Information**

You must provide updated information to any person to whom you claimed to be an exempt payee if you are no longer an exempt payee and anticipate receiving reportable payments in the future from this person. For example, you may need to provide updated information if you are a C corporation that elects to be an S corporation, or if you no longer are tax exempt. In addition, you must furnish a new Form W-9 if the name or TIN changes for the account, for example, if the grantor of a grantor trust dies.

### **Penalties**

**Failure to furnish TIN.** If you fail to furnish your correct TIN to a requester, you are subject to a penalty of \$50 for each such failure unless your failure is due to reasonable cause and not to willful neglect.

**Civil penalty for false information with respect to withholding.** If you make a false statement with no reasonable basis that results in no backup withholding, you are subject to a \$500 penalty.

**Criminal penalty for falsifying information.** Willfully falsifying certifications or affirmations may subject you to criminal penalties including fines and/or imprisonment.

**Misuse of TINs.** If the requester discloses or uses TINs in violation of federal law, the requester may be subject to civil and criminal penalties.

### **Specific Instructions**

#### **Name**

If you are an individual, you must generally enter the name shown on your income tax return. However, if you have changed your last name, for instance, due to marriage without informing the Social Security Administration of the name change, enter your first name, the last name shown on your social security card, and your new last name.

If the account is in joint names, list first, and then circle, the name of the person or entity whose number you entered in Part I of the form.

**Sole proprietor.** Enter your individual name as shown on your income tax return on the “Name” line. You may enter your business, trade, or “doing business as (DBA)” name on the “Business name/disregarded entity name” line.

**Partnership, C Corporation, or S Corporation.** Enter the entity's name on the “Name” line and any business, trade, or “doing business as (DBA) name” on the “Business name/disregarded entity name” line.

**Disregarded entity.** Enter the owner's name on the “Name” line. The name of the entity entered on the “Name” line should never be a disregarded entity. The name on the “Name” line must be the name shown on the income tax return on which the income will be reported. For example, if a foreign LLC that is treated as a disregarded entity for U.S. federal tax purposes has a domestic owner, the domestic owner's name is required to be provided on the “Name” line. If the direct owner of the entity is also a disregarded entity, enter the first owner that is not disregarded for federal tax purposes. Enter the disregarded entity's name on the “Business name/disregarded entity name” line. If the owner of the disregarded entity is a foreign person, you must complete an appropriate Form W-8.

**Note.** Check the appropriate box for the federal tax classification of the person whose name is entered on the “Name” line (Individual/sole proprietor, Partnership, C Corporation, S Corporation, Trust/estate).

**Limited Liability Company (LLC).** If the person identified on the “Name” line is an LLC, check the “Limited liability company” box only and enter the appropriate code for the tax classification in the space provided. If you are an LLC that is treated as a partnership for federal tax purposes, enter “P” for partnership. If you are an LLC that has filed a Form 8832 or a Form 2553 to be taxed as a corporation, enter “C” for C corporation or “S” for S corporation. If you are an LLC that is disregarded as an entity separate from its owner under Regulation section 301.7701-3 (except for employment and excise tax), do not check the LLC box unless the owner of the LLC (required to be identified on the “Name” line) is another LLC that is not disregarded for federal tax purposes. If the LLC is disregarded as an entity separate from its owner, enter the appropriate tax classification of the owner identified on the “Name” line.

**Other entities.** Enter your business name as shown on required federal tax documents on the "Name" line. This name should match the name shown on the charter or other legal document creating the entity. You may enter any business, trade, or DBA name on the "Business name/disregarded entity name" line.

## Exempt Payee

If you are exempt from backup withholding, enter your name as described above and check the appropriate box for your status, then check the "Exempt payee" box in the line following the "Business name/disregarded entity name," sign and date the form.

Generally, individuals (including sole proprietors) are not exempt from backup withholding. Corporations are exempt from backup withholding for certain payments, such as interest and dividends.

**Note.** If you are exempt from backup withholding, you should still complete this form to avoid possible erroneous backup withholding.

The following payees are exempt from backup withholding:

1. An organization exempt from tax under section 501(a), any IRA, or a custodial account under section 403(b)(7) if the account satisfies the requirements of section 401(f)(2),
  2. The United States or any of its agencies or instrumentalities,
  3. A state, the District of Columbia, a possession of the United States, or any of their political subdivisions or instrumentalities,
  4. A foreign government or any of its political subdivisions, agencies, or instrumentalities, or
  5. An international organization or any of its agencies or instrumentalities.
- Other payees that may be exempt from backup withholding include:
6. A corporation,
  7. A foreign central bank of issue,
  8. A dealer in securities or commodities required to register in the United States, the District of Columbia, or a possession of the United States,
  9. A futures commission merchant registered with the Commodity Futures Trading Commission,
  10. A real estate investment trust,
  11. An entity registered at all times during the tax year under the Investment Company Act of 1940,
  12. A common trust fund operated by a bank under section 584(a),
  13. A financial institution,
  14. A middleman known in the investment community as a nominee or custodian, or
  15. A trust exempt from tax under section 664 or described in section 4947.

The following chart shows types of payments that may be exempt from backup withholding. The chart applies to the exempt payees listed above, 1 through 15.

IF the payment is for . . .	THEN the payment is exempt for . . .
Interest and dividend payments	All exempt payees except for 9
Broker transactions	Exempt payees 1 through 5 and 7 through 13. Also, C corporations.
Barter exchange transactions and patronage dividends	Exempt payees 1 through 5
Payments over \$600 required to be reported and direct sales over \$5,000 <sup>1</sup>	Generally, exempt payees 1 through 7 <sup>2</sup>

<sup>1</sup> See Form 1099-MISC, Miscellaneous Income, and its instructions.

<sup>2</sup> However, the following payments made to a corporation and reportable on Form 1099-MISC are not exempt from backup withholding: medical and health care payments, attorneys' fees, gross proceeds paid to an attorney, and payments for services paid by a federal executive agency.

## Part I. Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN)

**Enter your TIN in the appropriate box.** If you are a resident alien and you do not have and are not eligible to get an SSN, your TIN is your IRS individual taxpayer identification number (ITIN). Enter it in the social security number box. If you do not have an ITIN, see *How to get a TIN* below.

If you are a sole proprietor and you have an EIN, you may enter either your SSN or EIN. However, the IRS prefers that you use your SSN.

If you are a single-member LLC that is disregarded as an entity separate from its owner (see *Limited Liability Company (LLC)* on page 2), enter the owner's SSN (or EIN, if the owner has one). Do not enter the disregarded entity's EIN. If the LLC is classified as a corporation or partnership, enter the entity's EIN.

**Note.** See the chart on page 4 for further clarification of name and TIN combinations.

**How to get a TIN.** If you do not have a TIN, apply for one immediately. To apply for an SSN, get Form SS-5, Application for a Social Security Card, from your local Social Security Administration office or get this form online at [www.ssa.gov](http://www.ssa.gov). You may also get this form by calling 1-800-772-1213. Use Form W-7, Application for IRS Individual Taxpayer Identification Number, to apply for an ITIN, or Form SS-4, Application for Employer Identification Number, to apply for an EIN. You can apply for an EIN online by accessing the IRS website at [www.irs.gov/businesses](http://www.irs.gov/businesses) and clicking on Employer Identification Number (EIN) under Starting a Business. You can get Forms W-7 and SS-4 from the IRS by visiting [IRS.gov](http://IRS.gov) or by calling 1-800-TAX-FORM (1-800-829-3676).

If you are asked to complete Form W-9 but do not have a TIN, write "Applied For" in the space for the TIN, sign and date the form, and give it to the requester. For interest and dividend payments, and certain payments made with respect to readily tradable instruments, generally you will have 60 days to get a TIN and give it to the requester before you are subject to backup withholding on payments. The 60-day rule does not apply to other types of payments. You will be subject to backup withholding on all such payments until you provide your TIN to the requester.

**Note.** Entering "Applied For" means that you have already applied for a TIN or that you intend to apply for one soon.

**Caution:** A disregarded domestic entity that has a foreign owner must use the appropriate Form W-8.

## Part II. Certification

To establish to the withholding agent that you are a U.S. person, or resident alien, sign Form W-9. You may be requested to sign by the withholding agent even if item 1, below, and items 4 and 5 on page 4 indicate otherwise.

For a joint account, only the person whose TIN is shown in Part I should sign (when required). In the case of a disregarded entity, the person identified on the "Name" line must sign. Exempt payees, see *Exempt Payee* on page 3.

**Signature requirements.** Complete the certification as indicated in items 1 through 3, below, and items 4 and 5 on page 4.

**1. Interest, dividend, and barter exchange accounts opened before 1984 and broker accounts considered active during 1983.** You must give your correct TIN, but you do not have to sign the certification.

**2. Interest, dividend, broker, and barter exchange accounts opened after 1983 and broker accounts considered inactive during 1983.** You must sign the certification or backup withholding will apply. If you are subject to backup withholding and you are merely providing your correct TIN to the requester, you must cross out item 2 in the certification before signing the form.

**3. Real estate transactions.** You must sign the certification. You may cross out item 2 of the certification.

**4. Other payments.** You must give your correct TIN, but you do not have to sign the certification unless you have been notified that you have previously given an incorrect TIN. "Other payments" include payments made in the course of the requester's trade or business for rents, royalties, goods (other than bills for merchandise), medical and health care services (including payments to corporations), payments to a nonemployee for services, payments to certain fishing boat crew members and fishermen, and gross proceeds paid to attorneys (including payments to corporations).

**5. Mortgage interest paid by you, acquisition or abandonment of secured property, cancellation of debt, qualified tuition program payments (under section 529), IRA, Coverdell ESA, Archer MSA or HSA contributions or distributions, and pension distributions.** You must give your correct TIN, but you do not have to sign the certification.

### What Name and Number To Give the Requester

For this type of account:	Give name and SSN of:
1. Individual	The individual
2. Two or more individuals (joint account)	The actual owner of the account or, if combined funds, the first individual on the account <sup>1</sup>
3. Custodian account of a minor (Uniform Gift to Minors Act)	The minor <sup>2</sup>
4. a. The usual revocable savings trust (grantor is also trustee) b. So-called trust account that is not a legal or valid trust under state law	The grantor-trustee <sup>1</sup> The actual owner <sup>1</sup>
5. Sole proprietorship or disregarded entity owned by an individual	The owner <sup>3</sup>
6. Grantor trust filing under Optional Form 1099 Filing Method 1 (see Regulation section 1.671-4(b)(2)(i)(A))	The grantor*
For this type of account:	Give name and EIN of:
7. Disregarded entity not owned by an individual	The owner
8. A valid trust, estate, or pension trust	Legal entity <sup>4</sup>
9. Corporation or LLC electing corporate status on Form 8832 or Form 2553	The corporation
10. Association, club, religious, charitable, educational, or other tax-exempt organization	The organization
11. Partnership or multi-member LLC	The partnership
12. A broker or registered nominee	The broker or nominee
13. Account with the Department of Agriculture in the name of a public entity (such as a state or local government, school district, or prison) that receives agricultural program payments	The public entity
14. Grantor trust filing under the Form 1041 Filing Method or the Optional Form 1099 Filing Method 2 (see Regulation section 1.671-4(b)(2)(i)(B))	The trust

<sup>1</sup> List first and circle the name of the person whose number you furnish. If only one person on a joint account has an SSN, that person's number must be furnished.

<sup>2</sup> Circle the minor's name and furnish the minor's SSN.

<sup>3</sup> You must show your individual name and you may also enter your business or "DBA" name on the "Business name/disregarded entity" name line. You may use either your SSN or EIN (if you have one), but the IRS encourages you to use your SSN.

<sup>4</sup> List first and circle the name of the trust, estate, or pension trust. (Do not furnish the TIN of the personal representative or trustee unless the legal entity itself is not designated in the account title.) Also see *Special rules for partnerships* on page 1.

\*Note. Grantor also must provide a Form W-9 to trustee of trust.

**Note.** If no name is circled when more than one name is listed, the number will be considered to be that of the first name listed.

### Secure Your Tax Records from Identity Theft

Identity theft occurs when someone uses your personal information such as your name, social security number (SSN), or other identifying information, without your permission, to commit fraud or other crimes. An identity thief may use your SSN to get a job or may file a tax return using your SSN to receive a refund.

To reduce your risk:

- Protect your SSN,
- Ensure your employer is protecting your SSN, and
- Be careful when choosing a tax preparer.

If your tax records are affected by identity theft and you receive a notice from the IRS, respond right away to the name and phone number printed on the IRS notice or letter.

If your tax records are not currently affected by identity theft but you think you are at risk due to a lost or stolen purse or wallet, questionable credit card activity or credit report, contact the IRS Identity Theft Hotline at 1-800-908-4490 or submit Form 14039.

For more information, see Publication 4535, Identity Theft Prevention and Victim Assistance.

Victims of identity theft who are experiencing economic harm or a system problem, or are seeking help in resolving tax problems that have not been resolved through normal channels, may be eligible for Taxpayer Advocate Service (TAS) assistance. You can reach TAS by calling the TAS toll-free case intake line at 1-877-777-4778 or TTY/TDD 1-800-829-4059.

#### Protect yourself from suspicious emails or phishing schemes.

Phishing is the creation and use of email and websites designed to mimic legitimate business emails and websites. The most common act is sending an email to a user falsely claiming to be an established legitimate enterprise in an attempt to scam the user into surrendering private information that will be used for identity theft.

The IRS does not initiate contacts with taxpayers via emails. Also, the IRS does not request personal detailed information through email or ask taxpayers for the PIN numbers, passwords, or similar secret access information for their credit card, bank, or other financial accounts.

If you receive an unsolicited email claiming to be from the IRS, forward this message to [phishing@irs.gov](mailto:phishing@irs.gov). You may also report misuse of the IRS name, logo, or other IRS property to the Treasury Inspector General for Tax Administration at 1-800-366-4484. You can forward suspicious emails to the Federal Trade Commission at: [spam@uce.gov](mailto:spam@uce.gov) or contact them at [www.ftc.gov/idtheft](http://www.ftc.gov/idtheft) or 1-877-IDTHEFT (1-877-438-4338).

Visit [IRS.gov](http://IRS.gov) to learn more about identity theft and how to reduce your risk.

### Privacy Act Notice

Section 6109 of the Internal Revenue Code requires you to provide your correct TIN to persons (including federal agencies) who are required to file information returns with the IRS to report interest, dividends, or certain other income paid to you; mortgage interest you paid; the acquisition or abandonment of secured property; the cancellation of debt; or contributions you made to an IRA, Archer MSA, or HSA. The person collecting this form uses the information on the form to file information returns with the IRS, reporting the above information. Routine uses of this information include giving it to the Department of Justice for civil and criminal litigation and to cities, states, the District of Columbia, and U.S. possessions for use in administering their laws. The information also may be disclosed to other countries under a treaty, to federal and state agencies to enforce civil and criminal laws, or to federal law enforcement and intelligence agencies to combat terrorism. You must provide your TIN whether or not you are required to file a tax return. Under section 3406, payers must generally withhold a percentage of taxable interest, dividend, and certain other payments to a payee who does not give a TIN to the payer. Certain penalties may also apply for providing false or fraudulent information.