Central New Mexico Community College  
Purchasing Department  
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**INSTRUCTIONS TO BIDDERS**

The Central New Mexico Community College (CNM) invites you to submit a bid on the material and/or services specified within this Invitation to Bid. Please read carefully all instructions, specifications, terms and conditions. Failure to comply with the instructions, specifications, terms and conditions of the Invitation may result in your bid being declared non-responsive. The purchase of materials and/or services awarded under this Invitation are subject to CNM's General Terms and Conditions as well as all statements contained in this Invitation to Bid. All terms and conditions of the Invitation to Bid will remain unchanged for the duration of any resultant agreement(s) and will supersede and take precedence over any bidder agreement forms. Additional or different terms proposed by the vendor are hereby rejected. New Mexico criminal law prohibits bribes, gratuities and kickbacks (13-1-28 through 13-1-199, NMSA 1978).

To bid on the goods or services specified herein, type or print the information requested in the spaces provided on the response form. All blank spaces for bid prices, manufacturer’s name and product number offered, delivery, warranty, etc. must be written in ink or typed. Corrections shall be initialed in ink by person signing the bid. When bidder makes mistakes in calculating total price where quantities are involved, the unit price shall prevail. If you wish to offer more than one bid for a single item or group of items specified, copy the response form and fill in all spaces by typing or printing in ink. Clearly label the top as an alternate bid, and submit all responses in the same envelope as the original bid. Submit the number of copies of your bid specified above. Each copy is to include all supporting documentation. Failure to submit the required number of copies may result in your bid being considered non-responsive.

The completed bid package must be placed in a sealed envelope and submitted to the above address no later than the time and date specified above. Failure to properly identify this RFB # and Bid Due Date and Time on the lower left outside corner of your sealed proposal envelope may result in either premature opening of your proposal or failure to open it upon the correct closing date and time.

**Note:** Any and all clarifications of instructions, specifications, scope, requirements, terms and conditions, insurance, bonds, or bid preparation, etc. shall be made only by the Buyer listed above. All requests for clarification or exception to instructions, terms and conditions, specifications, requirements, scope, insurance, bonds, or bid preparation, etc. must be made in writing, addressed to the Buyer listed above, and submitted no later than five (5) days prior to the bid due date. Technical questions concerning the requirements of the requester should be directed to the technical clarification contact listed above. If appropriate, CNM Purchasing shall issue a written Amendment/Addendum which shall thereafter become part of this Invitation to Bid. Amendments and addendums will be posted at http://cnm.edu/purchasing. It is ultimately the offerors responsibility to check for any updates to this procurement.

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SECTION A
STANDARD BID TERMS AND CONDITIONS

1. ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF AMENDMENT/ADDENDUM. Bidders shall acknowledge receipt of any amendments/Addenda to this Invitation by identifying the amendment number and date in the space provided on the form labeled “Signature of Firm’s Authorized Representative”.

2. ADDRESSES FOR NOTICES. Any notice required to be given or which may be given under this Invitation or the resultant price agreement shall be in writing and delivered in person or via first class mail to the following address:
   Central New Mexico Community College
   Purchasing Department
   525 Buena Vista, SE
   Albuquerque, NM 87106

3. ALTERNATE BIDS. The brand names, part and or catalog numbers are used to describe the standard of quality, performance and characteristics desired and are not intended to limit or restrict competition. Alternate bids will be accepted and considered, unless otherwise specified in the supplementary bid terms and conditions, provided they are equal to and meet all specifications of this Invitation which may include all specifications of the Brand used to identify the quality of the goods and/or services requested. If offering a brand, part or catalog number other than that listed, please indicate items offered and include literature and or technical specifications. Failure to do so may cause offer to be declared non-responsive. CNM reserves the right to make the final determination of whether an alternate bid is equal. It is the contractor’s responsibility to provide, as part of the bid, descriptive literature and specification information on all alternates bid. If the bid is not clearly identified as an alternate item, it is understood that the items are bid as specified.

4. AWARD OF BIDS. CNM reserves the right to award this bid based on price and any other evaluation criteria contained herein; to reject any and all bids or any part thereof, and to accept the bid that is in the best interest of CNM.

   CNM reserves the right to make multiple awards of the items, projects and/or sections of this Invitation. Price agreements may be awarded on a unit basis for each individually numbered item to the lowest responsible bidder; or when a group of items have been consolidated for uniformity, it may be necessary to bid all inclusive items to receive consideration.

5. BID OPENING. Bid will be opened publicly on the bid due date and time specified on the bid cover sheet in the Purchasing Department Office. Anyone may attend the opening.

6. CANCELLATION. CNM reserves the right to cancel without penalty this Invitation, the resultant price agreement or any portion thereof for unsatisfactory performance, unavailability of funds, or when it is in the best interest of CNM.

7. CHANGES/ALTERATIONS AFTER AWARD. Changes or alterations after the award can only be made if agreed to in writing by CNM.

8. CONTRACTOR GUARANTEE. The contractor shall guarantee all materials, equipment and workmanship furnished and or installed to be free of defects and shall agree to replace solely at his/her expense any and all defective equipment, parts, etc. within a one year period after the date of acceptance of the items and or installation by CNM, unless otherwise agreed to in writing at the time of award.

9. DELIVERY. Delivery is an important consideration and may be a factor in determining the award. Please state your earliest delivery date in the space provided on the response form. Delivery to be made to Receiving/Warehousing, CNM, 901 Buena Vista SE, Albuquerque, NM 87106, unless otherwise specified.

10. DELIVERY DELAYS. If after award, the contractor becomes aware of possible problems that could result in delay in the agreed-to delivery schedule, the contractor must immediately notify the Buyer or the designated representative. The initial notification of the delay may be verbal with a written confirmation, giving the probable cause and effect, with recommendations for alternate action. Nothing in this paragraph will be interpreted as relieving the contractor of his/her contractual obligations. However, failure to notify CNM promptly will be a basis for determining the contractor responsibility in an otherwise excusable delay.

11. DISCREPANCIES. If any bidder is of the opinion that the bid specifications as written preclude him/her/it from submitting a response to this Invitation to Bid, it is specifically requested that the bidder’s opinion be made known to the Buyer, in writing, at least seven (5) days prior to the established bid opening date.

12. GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS. CNM’s General Terms and Conditions are an equal and integral part of this Invitation.

13. CONTRACT. CNM’s purchase order shall be considered the binding agreement/contract. In the event of any inconsistent or incompatible provisions, the purchase order (excluding contractor’s bid) shall take precedence, followed by the provisions of the Invitation to Bid, and then lastly, the terms of the vendor’s bid response.

14. GOVERNING LAW. This Invitation and the resultant price agreement will be interpreted and governed by the Laws of the State of New Mexico.

15. INVITATION IS ENTIRE AGREEMENT. This Invitation constitutes the entire agreement between the parties with respect to its subject and shall not be modified, altered nor amended in any way except as provided for in this Invitation.

16. LATE SUBMISSIONS. Late submissions of bids will not be considered unless it is determined by CNM that the late receipt was due solely to mishandling by CNM or if the bid is the only one received. All other late submissions will be returned unopened.

17. MODIFICATIONS. Only modifications received prior to the time specified for the closing will be accepted. No modifications will be accepted following the opening. Technical clarifications of the offer may be requested by the Buyer following the opening.

18. NEW MATERIALS REQUIRED. All materials and equipment delivered and or installed under this Invitation shall be new and be the standard products of a manufacturer regularly engaged in the production of the materials and equipment (unless otherwise specified in the supplementary bid terms and conditions). Where two or more units of the same class of materials and or equipment are required, the units shall be the products of the same manufacturer. Any manufacturer's data supplied with the items shall be submitted to CNM's authorized representative.

19. NUMBER FOR BID CLARIFICATION. The Bidder should include a local or toll-free number for bid clarifications. Failure to do so may result in the bid being declared non-responsive.

20. OPTION TO RENEW. CNM reserves the option to renew the resultant agreement, contingent upon fiscal funding, as provided for within Section 13-1-150 NMSA 1978, if such renewal is found to be
in the best interests of CNM. Renewal options will be exercised in increments of one-year terms unless otherwise agreed to by both parties.

21. OSHA REGULATIONS. The contractor shall abide by Federal Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) regulations and the State of New Mexico Environmental Improvement Board occupational health and safety regulations that apply to the work performed under this Invitation. ALL PRODUCTS CONTAINING HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCES MUST BE PROPERLY LABELED AND ACCOMPANIED BY MATERIAL SAFETY DATA SHEETS. The contractor shall defend, indemnify and hold CNM free and harmless against any and all claims, loss, liability and expense resulting from any alleged violations of said regulations including but not limited to fines, penalties, judgments, court costs and attorney fees.

22. PACKAGING. Packaging of materials shall be suitable to insure that the materials are received in an undamaged condition. All material returns will be at the contractor's expense.

23. PAYMENT DISCOUNTS. CNM will take advantage of payment discounts offered whenever possible; however, payment discounts will not be used as a means to determine the lowest responsible bidder.

24. PERIOD FOR BID ACCEPTANCE. The Bidder agrees, if his/her bid is accepted within 90 calendar days of the closing date, to furnish the goods and services at the prices set forth in his/her bid, delivered to the designated point(s) within the specified time in the delivery schedule. Failure to comply may result in removal from the bidlist. An additional time period may be requested elsewhere in this Invitation.

25. POTENTIAL COSTS UNSPECIFIED. The contractor shall include in his/her bid all material and labor costs known to be required to complete the work under this Invitation including any materials, labor or other costs that are not specifically identified in the specifications. Any unspecified costs should be identified and included as a separate item in the price bid.

26. PUBLIC INFORMATION. All information, except that marked as confidential, will become public information at the time that the Bid is opened. Confidential information must be marked "CONFIDENTIAL" in red letters in the upper right hand corner of the sheets containing the confidential information. Price and information concerning the specifications cannot be considered confidential.

27. RELEASES. Upon final payment of the amount due under the terms of the resultant agreement, the Contractor shall release CNM, its officers and employees from all liabilities, claims and obligations arising from or under the terms of the resultant agreement. The Contractor agrees not to purport to bind CNM to any obligation not assumed herein by CNM unless CNM has expressly authorized the Contractor to do so and then only within the strict limits of that authority.

28. REPORTS AND INFORMATION. At such times and in such forms as CNM may require, there shall be furnished to CNM such statements, records, reports, data and information, as CNM may request pertaining to matters covered by all resultant agreements to this Invitation to Bid.

29. RESIDENTIAL PREFERENCE. In evaluating bids for purchases over $20,000 using State funds, residential preference of 5% will be used in compliance with Sections 13-1-21 of the New Mexico Statutes 1978 Annotated, Chapter 13. Federal law prohibits the use of residential preference when the expenditure involves Federal funds.

30. RESPONSIBLE BIDDER. CNM reserves the right to conduct any investigations deemed necessary to determine the responsibility of a bidder (i.e., prove that his/her financial resources, production or service facilities, personnel, service reputation and experience are adequate to make satisfactory delivery of the services, construction or items of tangible personal property described in the invitation for bids). Bidder shall provide audited financial statements if requested by CNM.

31. RESPONSIVENESS OF BIDS. Bidders are hereby expressly instructed that all bids in response to this solicitation shall meet all specifications and requirements of this solicitation.

32. SEVERABILITY. If any provision of the resultant agreement is found invalid or unenforceable, the remainder of the resultant price agreement will be enforced to the maximum extent permissible and the legality and enforceability of the other provisions of the resultant agreement will not be affected.

33. SIGNATURE. The response must be signed by an authorized representative in order for bid to be considered responsive. Compete and return the form labeled “Signature of Firm’s Authorized Representative” with bid response.

34. STATUS OF CONTRACTOR. The Contractor is an independent contractor performing services for CNM and neither he/she nor his/her agents or employees shall, as a result of the resultant agreement, accrue leave, retirement, insurance, bonding authority, use of CNM vehicles, or any other benefits, prerequisites or allowances normally afforded only to employees of CNM. The contractor acknowledges that all sums received under the resultant agreement are personally reportable by him/her for income, self-employment and other applicable taxes.

35. SUBMISSIONS OF SAMPLES/DRAWINGS/LITERATURE. It may be necessary to test samples or have demonstrations to make an award. All samples, when required, shall be furnished free of expense to CNM. Returns shall only be made at the Bidder’s request and expense. Bid samples or descriptive literature should not be submitted unless expressly requested; and, regardless of any attempt by a bidder to condition the bid, unsolicited bid samples or descriptive literature shall be submitted at the Bidder’s risk.

36. TAXES. CNM is exempt from Federal Excise Taxes and from New Mexico Sales Taxes on Materials, except construction materials used by a contractor. Services are not exempt. Taxes on services should be included as a separate line item and not included in your base price bid. Applicable taxes are excluded from the evaluation of the bid.

37. TECHNICALITIES. CNM reserves the right to waive any technical irregularities in the form of the bid of the low bidder which do not alter price, quality or quantity of the services, construction or items of tangible personal property bid.

38. TELEGRAPHIC/FACSIMILE BIDS. Telegraphic/Facsimile bids will not be considered. However, bids may be modified by telegraphic/facsimile notice, provided that the notice is received by the time and date specified for the closing.

39. WITHDRAWAL OF BIDS. Bids may be withdrawn by written notice, telegram or in person by a bidder or an authorized representative any time prior to the award. Bids requiring bid security may result in forfeiture of the security if the bid is withdrawn following the opening.

40. EXCLUSIVE RIGHTS. Under no circumstances shall this Agreement be construed or deemed to be a contract whereby CNM
grants Contractor exclusive right to furnish CNM its needs or requirements for services described herein.

42. **FORCE MAJEURE.** Neither party to the resultant agreement will be liable to the other for any failure or delay in performance under the resultant agreement due to circumstances beyond its reasonable control including, but not limited to, acts of God, accidents, labor disputes, acts or omissions and defaults of third parties, and official, government or judicial action not the result of negligence of the party failing or late in performing.
GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS

SECTION B.

1. Inspection and Audit. a. CNM may inspect, at any reasonable time, any part of Seller's plant or place of business which is related to performance of this Purchase Order. Acceptance of delivery shall not be considered acceptance of the materials, supplies or services furnished. Final inspection of product and services will be made at the destination. Any testing or inspection procedures required by the specification are in addition to CNM's rights under this paragraph.

b. The Contractor shall maintain detailed time records which indicate the date, time and nature of services rendered. Contractor shall maintain detailed records of all materials or supplies delivered to CNM under this Purchase Order, including serial numbers and other appropriate identifiers. These records shall be subject to internal and external audit. CNM shall have the right to audit billings both before and after payment. Payment under the resultant Agreement shall not preclude CNM from recovering excessive, erroneous or illegal payments previously made to the Contractor.

2. Warranties. Seller warrants the materials, supplies or services furnished to be exactly as specified in this order, free from defects in Seller's design, labor, materials and manufacture, and to be in compliance with any drawings or specifications incorporated herein and with any samples furnished by Seller. All applicable UCC warranties, express and implied, are incorporated herein.

3. Acceptance and Rejection. If prior to final acceptance, any materials, supplies or service are found to be defective or not as specified, or, if CNM is entitled to revoke acceptance of them, CNM may reject or revoke acceptance, require Seller to correct without charge within a reasonable time, or require delivery at an equitable reduction in price at CNM's option. Seller shall reimburse CNM for all incidental and consequential costs related to unaccepted materials, supplies or service. Notwithstanding final acceptance and payment, Seller shall be liable for latent defects, fraud, or such gross mistakes as amount to fraud. Acceptance of performance shall not waive CNM's right to claim damages for breach.

4. Assignment. This order is assignable by CNM. Except as to any payment due hereunder, this order is not assignable by Seller without written approval of CNM.

5. Changes. CNM's Purchasing department may make changes within the general scope of this order by giving notice to Seller and subsequently confirming such changes in writing. If such changes affect the cost of, or the time required for performance of this order, an appropriate equitable adjustment shall be made. No change by Seller shall be recognized without prior written approval of CNM's Purchasing department. Any claim of Seller for an adjustment under this paragraph must be made in writing within thirty (30) days from the date of receipt of Seller of notification of such change, unless CNM waives this condition. Nothing in this paragraph shall excuse Seller from proceeding with performance of the order as changed hereunder.

6. Termination and Delays. CNM, by written notice stating the extent and effective date may terminate this order for convenience in whole or in part, at any time. CNM shall pay Seller as full compensation for performance until such termination: (1) the unit or pro rata order price for the delivered and accepted portion; and (2) a reasonable amount to be approved by CNM, and not otherwise recoverable from other sources by Seller, with respect to the undelivered or unaccepted portion of this order. Provided, however, compensation hereunder shall in no event exceed the total order price. Such amount will be limited to Seller's actual cost and may not include anticipated profits.

CNM may terminate this order by written notice in whole or in part for Seller's default if Seller refuses or fails to comply with the provision of this order, or fails to make progress so as to endanger performance and does not cure such failure within a reasonable period of time. In such event, CNM may otherwise recover the materials, supplies or services ordered and Seller shall be liable for damages suffered by CNM, including incidental and consequential damages.

If, after notice of termination, CNM determines Seller was not in default, or if Seller's default is due to failure of CNM, termination shall be deemed for the convenience of CNM. The rights and remedies of CNM provided in this article shall not be exclusive and are in addition to any other rights and remedies provided by law or under this order.

As used in this paragraph, the word "Seller" includes Seller and its subsuppliers at any tier.

7. Equal Employment Opportunity. Contractor shall not discriminate with regard to hiring, termination or other incidents of employment on the basis of race, sex, national origin, religion, age or handicap.

8. Indemnification and Insurance. Seller assumes the entire responsibility and liability for losses, expenses, damages, demands and claims in connection with or arising out of any actual or alleged personal injury (including death) and/or damage or destruction to property sustained or alleged to have been sustained in connection with or arising out of the performance of the work by Seller, its agents, employees, subcontractors or consultants, except to the extent of liability arising out of the negligent performance of the work by or willful misconduct of Contractor. In any event, CNM's liability shall be subject to the limitations of the New Mexico Tort Claims Act. Seller shall indemnify and hold harmless CNM, its officers, agents, and employees from any and all liability for such losses, expenses, damages, demands, and claims and shall defend any suit or action brought against any or all of them based on any actual or alleged personal injury or damage and shall pay any damage costs and expenses including attorneys fees, in connection with or resulting from such suit or action. Seller agrees that it and its subcontractors will maintain public liability and property damage insurance in reasonable amounts covering the above obligation and will maintain workers' compensation coverage covering all employees performing this order.

9. Patent and Copyright Indemnity. Seller shall pay all royalty and license fees relating to deliverables and other items covered hereby. In the event any third party shall claim that the reproduction, manufacture, use, or sale of goods or items covered hereby infringes any copyright, trademark, patent, or other intellectual property rights, Seller shall indemnify and hold CNM harmless from any cost, expense, damage, or loss resulting therefrom.

10. Discounts. Any discount time will not begin until the materials, supplies, or services have been received and accepted and correct invoice received by CNM's Purchasing Department. In the event testing is required, the discount time shall begin upon the completion of the tests.

11. Penalties. The Procurement Code, Section 13-1-28 et seq., imposes civil and criminal penalties for its violation. In addition, the New Mexico criminal statutes impose felony penalties for bribes, gratuities and kickbacks.

12. Title and Delivery. Title to the materials and supplies passed hereunder shall pass to CNM at the F.O.B. point specified subject to the right of CNM to reject upon inspection. For any exception to the delivery date specified, Seller shall give prior notification and obtain approval from CNM's Purchasing Department. Time is of the essence and the order is subject to termination for failure to deliver on time.

13. Payment Charges. Late payment charges shall be paid in the amount and under the conditions stated in Section 13-1-158, NMSA 1978.

1. Other Applicable Laws. Any provision required to be included in a contract of this type by any applicable and valid Executive order, federal, state or local law, ordinance, rule or regulation shall be deemed to be incorporated herein.

15. OSHA Regulations. The contractor shall abide by Federal Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) regulations and the State of New Mexico Environmental Improvement Board Occupational Health and Safety regulations that apply to the work performed under this invitation. ALL PRODUCTS CONTAINING HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCES MUST BE PROPERLY LABELED AND ACCOMPANIED BY MATERIAL SAFETY DATA SHEETS. The contractor shall defend, indemnify and hold CNM free and harmless against any and all claims, loss, liability and expense resulting from any alleged violations of said regulations including but not limited to fines, penalties, judgments, court costs and attorney fees.

16. Debarment/Suspension. In performing the services and/or furnishing the goods specified in this purchase order, the vendor/contractor certifies that it is not suspended, debarred or declared ineligible from entering into contracts with the Executive Branch of the Federal Government, any State agency or local public body; nor is in receipt of a notice of proposed debarment or suspension from the Executive Branch of the federal Government, any State agency or local public body.

SECTION 2

GOVERNMENT SUBCONTRACT PROVISIONS

If this order is subcontract under a U.S. Government Prime Contract, the applicable clauses listed below are incorporated into, and form a part of, the terms and conditions of this order. In the event of any conflict between the terms and condition of Section 2 and any other provisions of this order the terms and conditions of Section 2 shall prevail. The clauses contained in the following paragraphs of the Federal Acquisition Regulations are incorporated herein by reference. For purposes of this Purchase Order, in the following clauses, the term "contract" shall mean "this order", the term "contractor" shall mean "Seller" and the term "Government" and "Contracting Officer* shall mean "CNM" and the "Director of Purchasing,* respectively.

The following provisions of the Federal Acquisition Regulations (FAR) apply regardless of the amount of this order:

* Anti-kickback Procedures: 52.203-7
Buy American Act 52.222-1
* Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act-Overtime Comp. 52.222-4
* Equal Employment Opportunity 52.222-26
Notice to the Government of Labor Disputes 52.222-1
Preference for U.S. Flag Air Carriers (For international air travel) 52.247-63
Restriction on Subcontractor Sales to the Government 52.203-6
Service Contract Act of 1965 (Reserved) 52.222-41
* Termination for Convenience of Government (Education and other Nonprofit Institutions) 52.249-5(a)(f)

CNM reserves all administrative, contractual, and legal remedies against Seller in case of any breaches of the contract.

* On contracts funded by federal grants, only the Special Terms and Conditions clauses identified by the asterisk (*) are incorporated into this contract.
SECTION C: SCOPE OF WORK FOR BID T-2751

Central New Mexico Community College is requesting bids to establish an indefinite quantity price agreement for the purchase of “Microscopes” on behalf of the Math Science and Engineering Department. Bidders are encouraged to submit prices on any or all items as their ability to furnish dictates. The term of the Price Agreement shall be for one year from date of award with the option to renew for seven (7) additional one year periods per NMSA 13-1-150. Note: CNM is eligible for academic pricing. CNM is a secondary educational institution supported by the State of New Mexico. Please refer to Section D Bidders response form for specifications.

INSTRUCTIONS TO BIDDERS

Pricing and Price Adjustment

1. All prices shall be FOB Destination and shall include all charges that may be imposed in fulfilling the terms of this agreement. CNM does not recognize minimum quantity or minimum amount order requirements. The vendor warrants that the unit prices stated herein shall remain firm for one year from the date of award. Contracted unit prices may be increased upon approval of the Vendor's written request to the Buyer and shall only be considered upon annual price agreement renewal. Such a request shall include as minimum: 1) the cause for the adjustment; 2) the proposed effective date; 3) the amount of the change requested with documentation to support the requested adjustment (i.e. change in manufacturer's price, etc.). Such price adjustment shall be by the same percentage documented and the agreement shall be modified accordingly provided that the increase in the unit price does not exceed the maximum allowed percentage increase per option year of the original agreed upon price. Price increases shall become effective only upon written approval via new Purchase Order or Purchase Order revision by the buyer. The increase unit price shall not affect any outstanding orders.

2. The bidder should present in detail, all products and services offered in response to this invitation. Bidders shall provide enough information to support that items offered meet all critical specifications identified in Bidder’s Response Form.

3. Brand name or equal specification:
   - Alternate brands will be considered.
   - The use of a brand name is for the purpose of describing the standard of quality, performance and characteristics desired and is not intended to limit or restrict competition.
   - Any offer that proposes like quality, design or performance will be considered, providing sufficient descriptive literature, specification sheets, etc. are included to properly evaluate the equivalency.
   - It is the bidder’s responsibility to make sure all products proposed are adequately described.
   - Bidders shall provide brand name, model, and all applicable part numbers, for all substitute items offered, in Section D of the Bidder’s Response Form.

4. It should not be assumed that the buyer has specific knowledge of the products proposed, but has sufficient technical background to conduct an evaluation when presented complete information.

5. Sample products and/or additional information to support an “alternate brand” may be required at no charge to CNM. Such items shall be delivered to the Purchasing Department within three (3) working days of the request. CNM WILL BE THE SOLE JUDGE OF EQUIVALENCY.

6. Questions should be directed to the Buyer, Greg Van Wart, (505) 224-4546. If appropriate, CNM Purchasing shall issue a written Amendment/Addendum, which shall thereafter become part of this Invitation to Bid. No oral interpretations shall be binding upon CNM unless reduced to a written Amendment/Addendum issued by CNM Purchasing prior to the bid due date and time.

7. Bidders shall provide no less than manufacturer’s warranty.

8. Note: Contractor hereby agrees to furnish items and/or services, at the prices quoted, pursuant to all requirements and specifications contained in this document, upon receipt of an authorized purchase order from the purchasing department, and further agree that the language of this document shall govern in the event of a conflict with its bid. Purchase order will be issued to vendor bidding no third party purchase orders will be issued.

9. Please return in duplicate Sections D, E and Exhibit B retaining all remaining pages for your files.
Company name ____________________________________
Residential Preference number ________________________

SECTION D – Bidders Response Form For Bid T-2751 “Microscopes”

All prices shall be F.O.B. Destination and shall include all charges, shipping, including but not limited to freight, insurance, and other associated costs that may be imposed in fulfilling the terms of this agreement. All equipment, labor, packaging, freight, shipping, handling, delivery, warranty, inspections, insurance, documentations and other associated costs are to be included in the unit costs bid. Note: Bidders shall not include applicable taxes.

Note: Bidders shall provide brand name, model, and all applicable part numbers, for all substitute items offered.

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<td>• Complete microscope set including frame: **6V/30W halogen lamphouse with 6V/30W halogen bulb; binocular observation tube, FN20 with 30 degree eyetube inclination and 48-75mm interpupillary distance adjustment; 10X eyepieces, pair, FN20; right hand rackless stage with rubber stage grips and double slide specimen holder; upper limit stage focus knobs, rack and pinion focus drive; coaxial coarse and fine focus knobs, <strong>fine focus 200um/rotation, 2.5um sensitivity</strong>; 4-position inward-tilting revolving nosepiece; <strong>4X, 10X, 40X and 100X Plan C infinity corrected objectives</strong>; Abbe condenser NA 1.25 with centerable condenser lens and aperture iris diaphragm; condenser accepts 32mm filter; Field diaphragm for Köhler illumination; blue filter; includes UYCP-11 power cord. Frame accepts 45mm filter. <strong>Hand-holds for easy portability</strong>. Universal input voltage 100-120V, 220-240V. <strong>Anti-fungus treatment applied to the observation tubes, eyepieces and objectives.</strong> Includes user manual, 8cc immersion oil and warranty card.</td>
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Please state maximum escalation and/or percentage off MSRP /Catalog price:

Option Year 01: ______ Max. % or Discount from list: ______ %
Option Year 02: ______ Max. % or Discount from list: ______ %
Option Year 03: ______ Max. % or Discount from list: ______ %
Option Year 04: ______ Max. % or Discount from list: ______ %
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Option Year 06: ______ Max. % or Discount from list: ______ %
Option Year 07: ______ Max. % or Discount from list: ______ %
SECTION E
SIGNATURE OF FIRM'S AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE

By signing below, contractor acknowledges that it is a competent firm capable of providing the items and/or services requested, is properly licensed for providing the items or services specified, has read this Invitation to Bid, understands it, and agrees to be bound by its terms and conditions. Contractor hereby agrees to furnish items and/or services, at the prices quoted, pursuant to all requirements and specifications contained in this document, upon receipt of an authorized purchase order from the purchasing department, and further agree that the language of this document shall govern in the event of a conflict with its bid. The undersigned, being duly authorized to sign bidding documents and act on behalf of the contractor in an official capacity, certifies that the items and/or services offered on this Invitation to Bid meets or exceeds all specifications, terms and conditions as described in this Invitation to Bid without exceptions. I understand that items and/or services not meeting all specifications, terms and conditions will be rejected and all costs shall be borne by the contractor.

Please fill in all spaces below:

Company Name__________________________
Address__________________________
City, State, Zip__________________________
Phone Number__________________________ FAX Number__________________________

Contact Person for Clarification of Bid Response__________________________
Residential Preference Number (Applies to BIDS over $20,000 only)__________________________
NM Tax ID__________________________ Federal Tax ID__________________________
Applicable NM License Numbers__________________________

Is your firm a "New York state business enterprise"? Yes______ No______ If yes, provide supporting documentation.

Acknowledgment of Amendment/Addendum
Specify Number(s) and Date(s) # date # date # date # date # date # date

Printed/Typed Name and Title of Individual Signing__________________________
Signature of Member Authorized to Sign for Firm__________________________

DEBARMENT/SUSPENSION STATUS & NON-COLLUSION AFFIDAVIT FORM

DEBARMENT/SUSPENSION STATUS
1. The vendor/contractor certifies that it is not suspended, debarred or ineligible from entering into contracts with the Executive Branch of the Federal Government, or in receipt of a notice of proposed debarment from any State agency or local public body.
2. The vendor/contractor agrees to provide immediate notice to CNM's Purchasing Department in the event of being suspended, debarred or declared ineligible by any State or Federal department or agency, or upon receipt of a notice of proposed debarment that is received after the submission of this bid but prior to the award of the purchase order/contract.

NON-COLLUSION AFFIDAVIT
The undersigned, duly authorized to represent the persons, firm and/or corporation joining and participating in the submission of the foregoing bid (such persons, firm and/or corporation hereinafter being referred to as the vendor/contractor), being duly sworn, on his/her oath, states that to the best of his/her belief and knowledge no person, firm, or corporation, nor any person duly representing the same joining and participating in the submission or the foregoing bid/proposal, has directly or indirectly entered into any agreement or arrangement with any other vendor/contractors, or with any employee of CNM, or any person, firm or corporation under contract with CNM whereby the contractor, in order to induce the acceptance of the foregoing bid by CNM has paid or is to pay any other vendor/contractor or to the aforementioned persons anything of value whatsoever, and that the vendor/contractor has not directly or indirectly entered into any agreement or arrangement with any other vendor/contractor which tends to or does lessen or destroy free competition in the letting of the contract sought for by the foregoing bid.

CERTIFICATION
The undersigned hereby certifies that he/she has read the above Non-Collusion Affidavit and Debarment/Suspension Disclosure Statement and that he/she understands and will comply with these requirements. The undersigned further certifies that he/she have the authority to certify compliance for the vendor/contractor named below.

Signature__________________________ Title__________________________
Printed/Typed Name__________________________ Date__________________________
Company__________________________
Address__________________________
City/State/Zip__________________________

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EXHIBIT A: INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS

CERTIFICATES OF INSURANCE
The Contractor shall furnish the Owner one copy each of Certificates of insurance herein required for each copy of the resultant Agreement, showing the coverage, limits of liability, covered operation, effective dates of expiration of policies of Insurance carried by the Contractor. The Contractor shall furnish to the Owner copies of limits. The Certificates of Insurance shall be in the form of AIA Document G-705 or similar format acceptable to the Owner. Such certificates shall be filed with the Owner and shall also contain the following statements:

1. The Governing Board of Central New Mexico Community College, Central New Mexico Community College, its agents, servants and employees are held as additional insured.

2. "The insurance coverage certified herein shall not be canceled or materially changed except after forty five (45) days written notice has been provided to the Owner."

COMPENSATION INSURANCE:
The Contractor shall procure and shall maintain during the life of any resultant agreement Worker's Compensation insurance as required by applicable State law for all of the Contractor's employees to be engaged at the site referred to in this solicitation in case of any such work sublet, the Contractor's Worker's Compensation insurance. In case any class of employee engaged in work on the project under this contract is not protected under a Worker's Compensation Statute, the Contractor shall provide and shall cause each subcontractor or sub-subcontractor to provide Employer's Insurance in an amount of not less than $500,000.

CONTRACTOR'S PUBLIC LIABILITY INSURANCE:
The Contractor shall maintain insurance coverage "equal to the maximum liability amounts set forth in the New Mexico Tort Claims Act Section 41-4-1 et.seq. NMSA 1978". The insurance must remain in force for the life of the contract including all contract extension or renewals. The limits effective July 1, 1992 are:

$400,000 per person/$750,000 per occurrence plus $300,000 for medical and $100,000 for property damage for a total maximum liability of $1,150,000 per occurrence.

CONTRACTOR'S VEHICLE LIABILITY INSURANCE:
The Contractor shall procure and shall maintain during the life of this contract Vehicle Liability Insurance coverage "equal to the maximum liability amounts set forth in the New Mexico Tort Claims Act Section 41-1-1 et seq. NMSA 1978". The insurance must remain in force for the life of the contract including all contract extensions or renewals. The limits effective July 1, 1992 are:

Bodily Injury $750,000. Each Occurrence
Property Damage $100,000. Each Occurrence

SUBCONTRACTOR'S AND SUB-SUBCONTRACTOR'S PUBLIC AND VEHICLE LIABILITY INSURANCE:
The Contractor shall either:

(1) Require each subcontractor or sub-subcontractor to procure and maintain during the life of the subcontract or sub-subcontract Public Liability Insurance of the types and amounts specified above or,

(2) Insure the activities of the subcontractors or sub-subcontractors in the Contractor's policy as required under this Article.

GENERAL:
All insurance policies are to be issued by companies authorized to do business under the laws of the state in which the work is to be done and acceptable to Owner.

The Contractor shall not violate, or permit to be violated, any conditions of any said policies, and shall at all times satisfy the requirements of the insurance companies writing said policies.
EXHIBIT B  
SMALL AND SMALL DISADVANTAGED BUSINESS CERTIFICATION

1.0 Small Business - An enterprise independently owned and operated, not dominant in its field and meets employment and/or sales standards developed by the Small Business Administration. See 13 CFR 121.201

1.a Small Disadvantaged Business - A Small Business Concern owned and controlled by **socially and economically disadvantaged** individuals; and

(1) Which is at least 51% owned by one or more socially and economically disadvantaged individuals; or in the case of any publicly owned business, at least 51% of the stock of which is owned by one or more socially and economically disadvantaged individuals and

(2) Whose management of daily operations is controlled by one or more such individuals. The contractor shall presume Black Americans, Hispanic Americans, Native Americans (such as American Indians, Eskimos, Aleuts and Native Hawaiians), Asian-Pacific Americans and other minorities or any other individual found to be disadvantaged by the Administration pursuant to Section 8 (a) of the Small Business Act and

(3) Is certified by the SBA as a Small Disadvantaged Business.

1.b Women-Owned Business Concern - A business that is at least 51% owned by a woman or women who also control and operate it. Control in this context means exercising the power to make policy decisions. Operate in this context means being actively involved in the day-to-day management.

1.c HUBZone Small Business Concern - A business that is located in historically underutilized business zones, in an effort to increase employment opportunities, investment and economic development in those areas as detem-lined by the Small Business Administration's (SBA) List of Qualified HUBZone Small Business Concerns.

1.d Veteran-Owned Small Business Concern - A business that is at least 51% owned by one or more veterans; or in the case of any publicly owned business, at least 51% of the stock of which is owned and controlled by one or more veterans and the management and daily business operations of which are controlled by one or more veterans.

1.e Service Disabled Veteran-Owned Small Business - A business that is at least 51% owned by one or more service disabled veterans; or in the case of any publicly owned business, at least 51% of the stock of which is owned and controlled by one or more service disabled veterans and the management and daily business operations of which are controlled by one or more service disabled veterans. Service disabled veteran means a veteran as defined in 38 U.S.C. 101 (2) with a disability that is service connected as defined in 13 U.S.C 101(16).

Company Name: ___________________________ Telephone: ___________________________

Street Address: ___________________________ County: ___________________________

City: ___________________________ State & Zip: ___________________________

Is this firm a (please check): [ ] Division [ ] Subsidiary [ ] Affiliated? Primary NAICS Code ___________________________

If an item above is checked, please provide the name and address of the Parent Company below:

________________________________________________

Signature and Title of Individual Completing Form:

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Date

Please return this form to:

CNM Community College
Purchasing Department
A Bldg, Room A-128
525 Buena Vista SE
Albuquerque, NM 87106
(505) 224-4546 (voice)
(505) 224-4548 (fax)

NOTE: This certification is valid for a one-year period. It is your responsibility to notify us if your size or ownership status changes during this period. After one year, you are required to re-certify with us.

Notice: In accordance with U.S.C. 645(d), any person who misrepresents a firm's proper size classification shall (1) be punished by imposition of a fine, imprisonment, or both; (2) be subject to administrative remedies; and (3) be ineligible for participation in programs conducted under the authority of the Small Business Act.

If you have difficulty determining your size status, you may contact the Small Business Administration at 1-800-U-ASK-SBA OR 202-205-6618, You may also access the SBA website at www.sba.gov/size or you may contact the SBA Government Contracting Office at 817-684-530 1. (Rev. 3/8/04)

Thank you for your cooperation.