

# SAMPLE BIDDER CERTIFICATION

Instructions for the Procurement/Contract Professional:

1. Save [this document link](#) to your favorites. This document will be updated as needed and is best used online.
2. Copy and paste this sample Bidder Certification below into your own document or Agency letterhead.
3. Complete Section A.
4. **Delete all environmental preferences in section B that don't apply before providing this certification to the bidder.**
5. Questions? Contact DES Customer Service, (360) 360-407-2210 or email [Contractingandpurchasing@des.wa.gov](mailto:Contractingandpurchasing@des.wa.gov)

## BIDDER CERTIFICATION FOR ENVIRONMENTAL PREFERENCE

In any competitive procurement for goods that are subject to the requirements in [RCW 39.26](#), the State of Washington is required to provide a preference to a bidder that offers products that meet specific environmental criteria.

Section A: *To be completed by Washington State.*

WASHINGTON STATE COMPETITIVE SOLICITATION NO. \_\_\_\_\_ DATED \_\_\_\_\_

Product: \_\_\_\_\_

Environmental Preference: \_\_\_\_\_

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Environmental Preference: \_\_\_\_\_

\*Add additional lines if necessary.

Section B: *To be completed by bidder.*

### ELECTRONIC PRODUCTS:

Pursuant to RCW 39.26.265, the Washington State is providing a bid preference in the amount of five percent (5%) on the evaluated bid price to any bidder that provides electronic products. All bidders must certify whether they are seeking the statutory preference for electronic products.

Bidders who seek to obtain the five percent (5%) bid preference for electronic products must, in regard to the products pertaining to this Competitive Solicitation, certify that the products identified in Section A below have achieved EPEAT Silver or Gold registration [EPEAT Silver or Gold registration](#).

I hereby certify, on behalf of the firm identified below, as follows (check all that apply):

- Not applying for this environmental preference. **Or;**
- All product(s) in *Section A* of this certification, have achieved EPEAT Silver or Gold registration. Documentation to support the EPEAT registration for each applicable product bid is attached to this certification.

### NON MERCURY-ADDED PRODUCTS:

Pursuant to RCW 70.95M.060, the Washington State is providing a bid preference in the amount of five percent (5%) on the evaluated bid price to any bidder that provides products that contain the least amount of mercury-added compounds or components or the product containing mercury is designed to reduce electricity consumption by at least forty percent and there is no non-mercury or lower mercury alternative available that saves the same or a greater amount of electricity as the exempted product. All bidders must certify whether they are seeking the statutory preference for nonmercury-added products.

Bidders who seek to obtain the five percent (5%) bid preference for nonmercury-added products must, in regard to the products pertaining to this Competitive Solicitation, certify either (a) the amount of mercury-added compounds; or (b) the product(s) containing mercury is designed to reduce electricity consumption by at least forty percent and there is no non-mercury or lower mercury alternative available that saves the same or a greater amount of electricity as the exempted product. The preference will be applied to the applicable products that contain the least amount of mercury-added compounds or components as validated using the [Interstate Mercury Education and Reduction Clearinghouse Mercury-Added Products Database](#).

- Not applying for this environmental preference. **Or;**
- The mercury levels of all product(s) eligible for the preference, in *Section A* of this certification, and as contained in the Interstate Mercury Education and Reduction Clearinghouse Mercury-Added Products Database, are attached to this certification. **Or;**
- The product containing mercury is designed to reduce electricity consumption by at least 40%.

## PRODUCTS OR PRODUCTS IN PACKAGING THAT DO NOT CONTAIN POLYCHLORINATED BIPHENYLS (PCBs):

Pursuant to RCW [39.26.280](#) a preference of no less than 5% will be given to any bidder who provides evidence as set forth herein, that the products and/or product packaging in Exhibit \_\_\_ (cost worksheet), do not contain PCBs. In the event products and/or product packaging are tested, and no products or product packaging contain zero PCBs, a preference of no less than 5% will be given to bidders who provide evidence that the products and/or product packaging, identified for PCBS testing in Exhibit \_\_, (title of exhibit) contain the least amount of PCBs. The method for testing products and/or packaging for PCBs must be per the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Analytical Method 1668c.

- Not applying for this environmental preference. **Or;**
- All product(s) identified in *Section A* of this certification, have been tested within the previous 365 days, were performed by an independent, third party laboratory using Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Analytical Method 1668c. The test results are attached.

## PRODUCTS CONTAINING RECYCLED MATERIAL:

Pursuant to RCW 39.26.255, the Washington State is providing a bid preference in the amount of five percent (5%) on the evaluated bid price to any bidder that provides products or products-in-packaging that contain recycled material. All bidders must certify whether they are seeking the statutory preference for products containing recycled material.

Bidders who seek to obtain the five percent (5%) bid preference for Products Containing Recycled Material must, in regard to the products and products-in-packaging pertaining to this Competitive Solicitation, certify that the products identified in Section A below exceed the minimum required amount(s) of post-consumer or total recycled material described in the relevant section of the [Environmental Protection Agency's Comprehensive Procurement Guideline Program](#).

- Not applying for this environmental preference. **Or;**
- All product(s) in *Section A* of this certification, exceed the Environmental Protection Agency's Comprehensive Procurement Guidelines (EPA CPG) standard (as it existed on July 1, 2001) recommended content level percentages or the minimum product specification. The recycled material levels of all product(s) eligible for the preference are attached to this certification.

## PRODUCTS THAT DO NOT CONTAIN HYDROFLUOROCARBONS (HFCs):

Pursuant to RCW 39.26.310, the Washington State Department of Enterprise Services is providing a bid preference in the amount of five percent (5%) on the evaluated bid price to any bidder that provides products that do not contain HFCs or contain HFCs with a comparatively low global warming potential (GWP). All bidders must certify whether they are seeking the statutory preference for HFCs.

Bidders who seek to obtain the five percent (5%) bid preference for products that do not contain HFCs or contain HFCs with a comparatively low global warming potential must, in regard to the products pertaining to this Competitive Solicitation, certify that products identified in Section A below have the status of “Acceptable Substitute”, as identified by the [EPA SNAP Program](#); **AND** [certify the products are no listed under the prohibited substitutes within WAC 173-443-040](#).

- Not applying for this environmental preference. **Or;**
- All product(s) in *Section A* of this certification, have an “Acceptable” Substitute Listing Status as identified by the [EPA SNAP Program](#). Documentation to support the “Acceptable” Substitute Listing status for each applicable product bid is attached to this certification.

Section C: *To be completed by bidder.*

I hereby certify, under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of Washington, that the certifications herein are true and correct and that I am authorized to make these certifications on behalf of the firm listed herein.

**Firm Name:** \_\_\_\_\_  
Name of Bidder – Print full legal entity name of firm

**By:**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of authorized person                      \_\_\_\_\_  
Print name of authorized person

**Title:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Place:** \_\_\_\_\_  
Title of authorized person                      Print city and state where signed

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