

AMENDMENT NO. 2

This Amendment modifies Contract No. 2245-10053, for Inspections, Testing, Maintenance, Certification and Repairs for Fire Fighting Systems by and between the County of Cook, Illinois, herein referred to as "County" and Dependable Fire Equipment, authorized to do business in the State of Illinois hereinafter referred to as "Contractor":

RECITALS

Whereas, the County and Contractor have entered into a Contract approved by the County Board on April 27, 2023, (hereinafter referred to as the "Contract"), wherein the Contractor is to provide Inspections, Testing, Maintenance, Certification, and Repairs for Fire Fighting Systems (hereinafter referred to as the "Services") from May 15, 2023 through May 14, 2026, in an amount not to exceed \$204,733.00, with one, two-year renewal option; and

Whereas, Amendment No. 1 was executed by the Chief Procurement Officer on September 15, 2023, in the amount of \$80,000.00 and the Total Contract Amount was revised to \$284,733.00; and

Whereas, the Contract will expire May 14, 2026, and the agreed upon services are still required; and

Whereas, an increase of the Contract amount is required for the continuation of supplies; and pursuant to Section GC-10 of the Contract, the County and Contractor desire to increase the Contract in the amount of \$204,643.98.

Whereas, pursuant to GC-10 of the Contract, the County and Contractor desire to renew the Contract for two-years beginning on May 15, 2026 through May 14, 2028.

Whereas, pursuant to Section SC-05 of the Contract, the County and Contractor desire to provide for the unit prices to be increased. The revised unit prices per Attachment No. 1 will be incorporated to the contract with an effective date of January 23, 2026.

Now therefore, in consideration of mutual covenants contained herein, it is agreed by and between the parties to amend the Contract as follows:

1. The Contract is renewed through May 14, 2028.
2. The Contract is increased by \$204,643.98 and the Total Contract Amount is revised to \$489,376.98.
3. The Contract is hereby amended to incorporate Attachment No.1 and made part of the Contract.
4. The attached updated Identification of Sub-Contractors/Suppliers/Sub-Consultants Form, MBE/WBE Utilization Plan forms, Certificate of Insurance, and Economic Disclosures Statement under Attachment No. 2 are incorporated and made a part of this Contract.
5. All other terms and conditions remain as stated in the Contract.

In witness whereof and pursuant to County Board approval on January 15, 2026, the County and Contractor have caused this Amendment No. 2 to be executed on the date and year last written below.

County of Cook, Illinois

By: Raffi Sarrafian
Chief Procurement Officer

Date: _____

By: N/A
State's Attorney

Type or print name

Date: _____

Dependable Fire Equipment


Signed

Paul Zielinski
Type or print name

President
Title

Date: 11/19/2025

ATTACHMENT NO. 1



DEPENDABLE
FIRE EQUIPMENT

100 Le Baron Street
Waukegan, Illinois 60085-3025
847 662-8400

November 19, 2025

Chief Procurement Officer
Cook County Office of Procurement

Subject: Request for Contract Rate Adjustment – Dependable Fire Equipment, Inc.

Dear Chief Procurement Officer,

Dependable Fire Equipment, Inc. is grateful for the opportunity to continue serving Cook County through our current contract. As a premier fire protection company established in 1974, we provide comprehensive fire safety solutions including sales, installation, maintenance, service, training, and consulting throughout the Chicago metropolitan area and southern Wisconsin.

We are requesting a rate adjustment in accordance with Section SC-05, CONTRACT ESCALATION, of our agreement.

This rate increase request is based solely on documented increases in essential cost factors such as fire protection equipment and materials, labor costs in line with industry wage trends, and compliance requirements due to recent regulatory changes impacting our sector. These cost escalations are outside our control and are necessary for us to maintain the high level of service, safety standards, and contractual compliance expected by Cook County. Increases are in no way representative of an increase for profits or other overhead.

Dependable Fire Equipment prides itself on quality and exceptional service, with a dedicated team available 24/7 to respond promptly to fire equipment emergencies. This adjustment allows us to continue fulfilling these commitments amid rising economic and operational costs.

We respectfully request your approval of this rate adjustment and stand ready to support Cook County with any further detailed information as needed to assist in your review and evaluation.

Thank you for your consideration.

Dependable Fire Equipment, Inc.

Sincerely,
Paul Zilenski, President

Cook County Government - Office of the Chief Procurement Officer



ATTACHMENT A	
Contract #	2245-10053
Vendor Name:	Dependable Fire

Please fill out the unit price for each of the line items listed. The Extended Price is a

Line #	Description	Commodity Code (UNSPSC)	Unit of Measure	Estimated Quantity	CURRENT UNIT PRICE	NEW UNIT PRICE	% Increase	Current Price	New price
1	Annual Inspections – ABC 5 LBS	72154000	EACH	132	3.5	7.5	114%	\$ 462.00	\$ 990.00
2	Annual Inspections - ABC 10 LBS	72154000	EACH	5018	3.5	7.5	114%	\$ 17,563.00	\$ 37,635.00
3	Annual Inspections – ABC 20 LBS	72154000	EACH	732	3.5	7.5	114%	\$ 2,562.00	\$ 5,490.00
4	Annual Inspections – ABC 30 LBS	72154001	EACH	10	3.5	7.5	114%	\$ 35.00	\$ 75.00
5	Annual Inspections – WATER 2.5	72154000	EACH	646	3.5	7.5	114%	\$ 2,261.00	\$ 4,845.00
6	Annual Inspections - WATER 10	72154000	EACH	2	3.5	7.5	114%	\$ 7.00	\$ 15.00
7	Annual Inspections – CO2 5 LBS.	72154000	EACH	2	3.5	7.5	114%	\$ 7.00	\$ 15.00
8	Annual Inspections – CO2 10 LBS.	72154000	EACH	370	3.5	7.5	114%	\$ 1,295.00	\$ 2,775.00
9	Annual Inspections – CO2 15 LBS.	72154002	EACH	6	3.5	7.5	114%	\$ 21.00	\$ 45.00
10	Annual Inspections – CO2 20 LBS.	72154000	EACH	38	3.5	7.5	114%	\$ 133.00	\$ 285.00
11	Annual Inspections – BC 10 LBS	72154000	EACH	38	3.5	7.5	114%	\$ 133.00	\$ 285.00
12	Annual Inspections – BC 35 LBS	72154000	EACH	2	3.5	7.5	114%	\$ 7.00	\$ 15.00
13	Annual Inspections - HALON 10 LBS	72154003	EACH	48	3.5	7.5	114%	\$ 168.00	\$ 360.00
14	Annual Inspections – K 6L	72154000	EACH	2	3.5	7.5	114%	\$ 7.00	\$ 15.00
15	Annual Inspections – K CLASS 2.5	72154000	EACH	2	3.5	7.5	114%	\$ 7.00	\$ 15.00
16	Annual Inspections – K CLASS 6L	72154000	EACH	2	3.5	7.5	114%	\$ 7.00	\$ 15.00
17	5 Year Inspections – WATER 2.5	72154000	EACH	323	19	45	137%	\$ 6,137.00	\$ 14,535.00
18	5 Year Inspections - WATER 10	72154005	EACH	1	25	45	80%	\$ 25.00	\$ 45.00
19	5 Year Inspections – CO2 5 LBS.	72154000	EACH	1	25	84.75	239%	\$ 25.00	\$ 84.75
20	5 Year Inspections – CO2 10 LBS.	72154000	EACH	185	19	87.25	359%	\$ 3,515.00	\$ 16,141.25
21	5 Year Inspections – CO2 15 LBS.	72154000	EACH	3	19	89.75	372%	\$ 57.00	\$ 269.25
22	5 Year Inspections – CO2 20 LBS.	72154000	EACH	19	19	94.75	399%	\$ 361.00	\$ 1,800.25
23	5 Year Inspections – BC 10 LBS	72154000	EACH	19	19	87.25	359%	\$ 361.00	\$ 1,657.75
24	5 Year Inspections – K 6L	72154000	EACH	1	25	189.75	659%	\$ 25.00	\$ 189.75
25	5 Year Inspections – K CLASS 2.5	72154000	EACH	1	25	189.75	659%	\$ 25.00	\$ 189.75
26	5 Year Inspections – K CLASS 6L	72154007	EACH	1	25	189.75	659%	\$ 25.00	\$ 189.75
27	6 Year Inspections – ABC 5 LBS.	72154000	EACH	33	4	42	950%	\$ 132.00	\$ 1,386.00
28	6 Year Inspections - ABC 10 LBS.	72154000	EACH	1259	4	44	1000%	\$ 5,036.00	\$ 55,396.00
29	6 Year Inspections – ABC 20 LBS	72154008	EACH	191	4	48	1100%	\$ 764.00	\$ 9,168.00
30	6 Year Inspections - HALON 10 LBS	72154000	EACH	24	4	332.52	8213%	\$ 96.00	\$ 7,980.48
31	12 Year Inspections – ABC 5 LBS.	72154000	EACH	33	19	56.5	197%	\$ 627.00	\$ 1,864.50
32	12 Year Inspections – ABC 8 LBS.	72154000	EACH	1	19	56.5	197%	\$ 19.00	\$ 56.50
33	12 Year Inspections - ABC 10 LBS.	72154011	EACH	1255	18	58.5	225%	\$ 22,590.00	\$ 73,417.50
34	12 Year Inspections – ABC 20 LBS	72154000	EACH	175	19	62.5	229%	\$ 3,325.00	\$ 10,937.50
35	Recharge Service Call	72154014	EACH	300	30	53	77%	\$ 9,000.00	\$ 15,900.00
36	Hourly Rate Over Minimum Service Calls	72154000	HOURLY RATE	300	45	85	89%	\$ 13,500.00	\$ 25,500.00
37	Service Calls	72154000	EACH	200	30	53	77%	\$ 6,000.00	\$ 10,600.00
38	Annual Testing of 50 ft Fire Hoses and Connections	72154000	EACH	780	32	25	-22%	\$ 24,960.00	\$ 19,500.00
39	Annual Testing of 100 ft Fire Hoses and Connections	72154000	EACH	780	42	50	19%	\$ 32,760.00	\$ 39,000.00
40	Building Reports	72154015	EACH	780	65	65	0%	\$ 50,700.00	\$ 50,700.00
41	Parts and Material	72154000	LOT	1	80000	80000	\$	\$ 80,000.00	\$ 80,000.00
							\$	\$ 284,740.00	\$ -
							\$	\$ 489,383.98	

ATTACHMENT NO. 2



Board of Commissioners of Cook County

118 North Clark Street
Chicago, IL

Legislation Details

File #:	26-0480	Version:	1	Name:	Dependable Fire Equipment
Type:	Contract Amendment	Status:		Approved	
File created:	12/18/2025	In control:		Board of Commissioners	
On agenda:	1/15/2026	Final action:		1/15/2026	
Title:	PROPOSED CONTRACT AMENDMENT				
	Department(s): Facilities Management				
	Vendor: Dependable Fire Equipment, Waukegan, Illinois				
	Request: Authorization for the Chief Procurement Officer to renew and increase contract				
	Good(s) or Service(s): Inspections, Testing, Maintenance, Certification and Repairs for Fire Fighting Systems				
	Original Contract Period: 5/15/2023-5/14/2026, with one (1), two (2) year renewal option				
	Proposed Amendment Type: Renewal and Increase				
	Proposed Contract Period: 5/15/2026-5/14/2028				
	Total Current Contract Amount Authority: \$284,733.00				
	Original Approval (Board or Procurement): Board, 4/27/2023, \$204,733.00				
	Increase Requested: \$204,643.98				
	Previous Board Increase(s): N/A				
	Previous Chief Procurement Officer Increase(s): 9/15/2023, \$80,000.00				
	Previous Board Renewals: N/A				
	Previous Chief Procurement Officer Renewals: N/A				
	Previous Board Extension(s): N/A				
	Previous Chief Procurement Officer Extension(s): N/A				
	Contract Utilization: The Vendor has met the Minority-and Women-Owned Business Enterprise Ordinance Via: Full WBE Waiver.				
	Potential Fiscal Impact: FY 2026 \$59,687.83, FY 2027 \$102,321.99, FY 2028 \$42,634.16				
	Accounts: 11100.1200.12355.540350				
	Contract Number(s): 2245-10053				
	Summary: This two (2) year contract renewal and increase will allow the Department of Facilities Management to continue the contract with Dependable Fire Equipment for Inspections, Testing, Maintenance, Certification, and Repairs for Fire Fighting Systems.				

This contract was awarded through a publicly advertised competitive bidding process in accordance with the Cook County Procurement Code. Dependable Fire Equipment was the lowest, responsive and responsible bidder.

Sponsors:

Indexes: BILQIS JACOBS-EL, Director, Department of Facilities Management

Code sections:

Attachments:

Date	Ver.	Action By	Action	Result
1/15/2026	1	Board of Commissioners		



CERTIFICATE OF LIABILITY INSURANCE

DATE (MM/DD/YYYY)
01/09/2026

THIS CERTIFICATE IS ISSUED AS A MATTER OF INFORMATION ONLY AND CONFERS NO RIGHTS UPON THE CERTIFICATE HOLDER. THIS CERTIFICATE DOES NOT AFFIRMATIVELY OR NEGATIVELY AMEND, EXTEND OR ALTER THE COVERAGE AFFORDED BY THE POLICIES BELOW. THIS CERTIFICATE OF INSURANCE DOES NOT CONSTITUTE A CONTRACT BETWEEN THE ISSUING INSURER(S), AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE OR PRODUCER, AND THE CERTIFICATE HOLDER.

IMPORTANT: If the certificate holder is an ADDITIONAL INSURED, the policy(ies) must have ADDITIONAL INSURED provisions or be endorsed. If SUBROGATION IS WAIVED, subject to the terms and conditions of the policy, certain policies may require an endorsement. A statement on this certificate does not confer rights to the certificate holder in lieu of such endorsement(s).

PRODUCER		CONTACT NAME: Heather Knight PHONE (A/C, No. Ext): (847)360-1300 E-MAIL ADDRESS: heather@stolaricksins.com	
Stolarick & Company, Inc. 4673 Old Grand Avenue		FAX (A/C, No): (847)360-1302	
Gurnee IL 60031		INSURER(S) AFFORDING COVERAGE	
INSURED		INSURER A: West Bend Insurance	
Dependable Fire Equipment, Inc. 100 Le Baron St		INSURER B:	
Waukegan IL 60085-3027		INSURER C:	
		INSURER D:	
		INSURER E:	
		INSURER F:	

COVERAGES **CERTIFICATE NUMBER:** **REVISION NUMBER:**
THIS IS TO CERTIFY THAT THE POLICIES OF INSURANCE LISTED BELOW HAVE BEEN ISSUED TO THE INSURED NAMED ABOVE FOR THE POLICY PERIOD INDICATED. NOTWITHSTANDING ANY REQUIREMENT, TERM OR CONDITION OF ANY CONTRACT OR OTHER DOCUMENT WITH RESPECT TO WHICH THIS CERTIFICATE MAY BE ISSUED OR MAY PERTAIN, THE INSURANCE AFFORDED BY THE POLICIES DESCRIBED HEREIN IS SUBJECT TO ALL THE TERMS, EXCLUSIONS AND CONDITIONS OF SUCH POLICIES. LIMITS SHOWN MAY HAVE BEEN REDUCED BY PAID CLAIMS.

INSR LTR	TYPE OF INSURANCE	ADDL INSD	SUBR WVD	POLICY NUMBER	POLICY EFF (MM/DD/YYYY)	POLICY EXP (MM/DD/YYYY)	LIMITS		
A	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> COMMERCIAL GENERAL LIABILITY <input type="checkbox"/> CLAIMS-MADE <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OCCUR	Y	0887834	01/01/2026	01/01/2027	EACH OCCURRENCE	\$ 1,000,000		
						DAMAGE TO RENTED PREMISES (Ea occurrence)	\$ 300,000		
						MED EXP (Any one person)	\$ 10,000		
						PERSONAL & ADV INJURY	\$ 1,000,000		
	GEN'L AGGREGATE LIMIT APPLIES PER: <input type="checkbox"/> POLICY <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PRO- JECT <input type="checkbox"/> LOC					GENERAL AGGREGATE	\$ 2,000,000		
	OTHER:					PRODUCTS - COMP/OP AGG	\$ 2,000,000		
A	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> AUTOMOBILE LIABILITY <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ANY AUTO <input type="checkbox"/> OWNED AUTOS ONLY <input type="checkbox"/> SCHEDULED AUTOS <input type="checkbox"/> HIRED AUTOS ONLY <input type="checkbox"/> NON-OWNED AUTOS ONLY		0887834	01/01/2026	01/01/2027	COMBINED SINGLE LIMIT (Ea accident)	\$ 1,000,000		
						BODILY INJURY (Per person)	\$		
						BODILY INJURY (Per accident)	\$		
						PROPERTY DAMAGE (Per accident)	\$		
							\$		
A	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> UMBRELLA LIAB <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OCCUR <input type="checkbox"/> EXCESS LIAB <input type="checkbox"/> CLAIMS-MADE		0887834	01/01/2026	01/01/2027	EACH OCCURRENCE	\$ 5,000,000		
						AGGREGATE	\$ 5,000,000		
							\$		
A	<input type="checkbox"/> WORKERS COMPENSATION AND EMPLOYERS' LIABILITY ANY PROPRIETOR/PARTNER/EXECUTIVE OFFICER/MEMBER EXCLUDED? (Mandatory in NH) If yes, describe under DESCRIPTION OF OPERATIONS below	Y / N <input type="checkbox"/> N	N / A	0887835	01/01/2026	01/01/2027	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PER STATUTE	OTH- ER	
							E.L. EACH ACCIDENT	\$ 1,000,000	
							E.L. DISEASE - EA EMPLOYEE	\$ 1,000,000	
							E.L. DISEASE - POLICY LIMIT	\$ 1,000,000	
A	ERRORS & OMISSIONS			0887834	01/01/2026	01/01/2027	EACH OCCURRENCE	\$ 1,000,000	
							AGGREGATE	\$ 1,000,000	

DESCRIPTION OF OPERATIONS / LOCATIONS / VEHICLES (ACORD 101, Additional Remarks Schedule, may be attached if more space is required)

Additional Insured as it relates to General Liability on a primary and non-contributory basis where required by written and signed contract solely for the operations performed by the named insured: Cook County. A waiver of subrogation applies to the General Liability in favor of the additional insured where required by written contract.

CERTIFICATE HOLDER

CANCELLATION

Cook County 118 N Clark St, Room 1018 Chicago IL 60602		SHOULD ANY OF THE ABOVE DESCRIBED POLICIES BE CANCELLED BEFORE THE EXPIRATION DATE THEREOF, NOTICE WILL BE DELIVERED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE POLICY PROVISIONS.
		AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE

Cook County
Office of the Chief Procurement Officer
Identification of Subcontractor/Supplier/Subconsultant Form

<input type="checkbox"/>	OCPO ONLY:
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Disqualification
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Check Complete

The Bidder/Proposer/Respondent ("the Contractor") will fully complete and execute and submit an Identification of Subcontractor/Supplier/Subconsultant Form ("ISF") with each Bid, Request for Proposal, and Request for Qualification. **The Contractor must complete the ISF for each Subcontractor, Supplier or Subconsultant which shall be used on the Contract.** In the event that there are any changes in the utilization of Subcontractors, Suppliers or Subconsultants, the Contractor must file an updated ISF.

Bid/RFP/RFQ No.: 2245-10053 A-2	Date: 11/19/2025
Total Bid or Proposal Amount: 489,376.98	Contract Title: Fire Extinguisher Inspections
Contractor: Dependable Fire Equipment, Inc.	Subcontractor/Supplier/ Subconsultant to be added or substitute: N/A
Authorized Contact for Contractor: Paul Zielinski	Authorized Contact for Subcontractor/Supplier/ Subconsultant: N/A
Email Address (Contractor): Paul@dependablefire.com	Email Address (Subcontractor): N/A
Company Address (Contractor): 100 Le Baron Street	Company Address (Subcontractor): N/A
City, State and Zip (Contractor): Waukegan, IL 60085	City, State and Zip (Subcontractor): N/A
Telephone and Fax (Contractor): 8476628400	Telephone and Fax (Subcontractor): N/A
Estimated Start and Completion Dates (Contractor):	Estimated Start and Completion Dates (Subcontractor): N/A

Note: Upon request, a copy of all written subcontractor agreements must be provided to the OCPO.

<u>Description of Services or Supplies</u>	<u>Total Price of Subcontract for Services or Supplies</u>
Recharge, inspect, and certify fire extinguishers	

The subcontract documents will incorporate all requirements of the Contract awarded to the Contractor as applicable. The subcontract will in no way hinder the Subcontractor/Supplier/Subconsultant from maintaining its progress on any other contract on which it is either a Subcontractor/Supplier/Subconsultant or principal contractor. This disclosure is made with the understanding that the Contractor is not under any circumstances relieved of its abilities and obligations, and is responsible for the organization, performance, and quality of work. **This form does not approve any proposed changes, revisions or modifications to the contract approved MBE/WBE Utilization Plan. Any changes to the contract's approved MBE/WBE/Utilization Plan must be submitted to the Office of the Contract Compliance.**

Dependable Fire Equipment, Inc.

Contractor

Paul Zielinski

Name

President

Title

Prime Contractor Signature

11/19/2025

Date



MEMORANDUM

TO: Raffi Sarrafian, Chief Procurement Officer
Office of the Chief Procurement Officer

FROM: Jeanetta Cardine
Jeanetta Cardine, Deputy Director
Compliance Center of Excellence
Center of Business Enterprise Development

Date: January 5, 2026

RE: Contract No. 2245-10053 **Amendment No. 2**
Fire Alarm, Testing Inspection, and Battery Replacement
Department of Facilities Management
Competitive BID – Goods and Services
Contractor: Dependable Fire Equipment
Original Contract Value: \$204,733.00
Original Contract Term: 36 Months with one (1), two-year renewal options
Original Contract Term: May 15, 2023, through May 14, 2026, with one (1), two-year renewal options.
Participation Goal: 0% MBE, 5% WBE

Amendment No. 2 increases the contract value by \$204,643.98, increasing the total contract amount to \$489,376.98 and extends the contract through May 14, 2028.

Original Contract Value:	\$204,733.00	
Increase Amount:	\$80,000.00	Amendment No. 1 (05/14/2023 through 05/14/2026)
Increase Amount	\$204,643.98	Amendment No. 2 (05/15/2026 through 05/14/2028)
New Contract Value:	\$489,376.98	

Dear Mr. Sarrafian

The Office of Contract Compliance is in receipt of the above-reference contract amendment and has reviewed it for compliance with the Minority- and Women- owned Business Enterprises (MBE/WBE) Ordinance.

After careful review, it has been determined this amendment is responsive to the Ordinance.



COOK COUNTY
OFFICE OF THE
Chief Procurement
Officer

The contract was originally solicited with recommended goals of 0% MBE goal and 5% WBE. The selected Contractor, Dependable Fire Equipment, requested, justified and received a 5% WBE waiver at time of award which results in the contract having 0% MBE and 0% WBE participation

Following the approval of a 5% WBE waiver for Amendment No. 2, the contract value increase will proceed with 0% MBE and 0% WBE participation remaining in effect.

Revised MBE/WBE forms were used in the determination of the responsiveness of this amendment.

JC/vl

CC: Amanda Kruse (OCPO)
Danuta Rusin (Department of Facilities Management)



MBE/WBE UTILIZATION PLAN - FORM 1

BIDDER/PROPOSER HEREBY STATES that all MBE/WBE firms included in this Plan are certified MBEs/WBEs by at least one of the entities listed in the General Conditions – Section 19.

I. BIDDER/PROPOSER MBE/WBE STATUS: (check the appropriate line)

Bidder/Proposer is a certified MBE or WBE firm. (If so, attach copy of current Letter of Certification)

Bidder/Proposer is a Joint Venture and one or more Joint Venture partners are certified MBEs or WBEs. (If so, attach copies of Letter(s) of Certification, a copy of Joint Venture Agreement clearly describing the role of the MBE/WBE firm(s) and its ownership interest in the Joint Venture and a completed Joint Venture Affidavit.)

Bidder/Proposer is not a certified MBE or WBE firm, nor a Joint Venture with MBE/WBE partners, but will utilize MBE and WBE firms either directly or indirectly in the performance of the Contract. (If so, complete Sections II below and the Letter(s) of Intent – Form 2).

II. Direct Participation of MBE/WBE Firms Indirect Participation of MBE/WBE Firms

NOTE: Where goals have not been achieved through direct participation, Bidder/Proposer shall include documentation outlining efforts to achieve Direct Participation at the time of Bid/Proposal submission. Indirect Participation will only be considered after all efforts to achieve Direct Participation have been exhausted. Only after written documentation of Good Faith Efforts is received will Indirect Participation be considered.

MBEs/WBEs that will perform as subcontractors/suppliers/consultants include the following:

MBE/WBE Firm: N/A

Address: _____

E-mail: _____

Contact Person: _____ Phone: _____

Dollar Amount Participation: \$ _____

Percent Amount of Participation: _____ %

*Letter of Intent attached?

Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>
Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>

*Current Letter of Certification attached?

No	<input type="checkbox"/>
No	<input type="checkbox"/>

MBE/WBE Firm: _____

Address: _____

E-mail: _____

Contact Person: _____ Phone: _____

Dollar Amount Participation: \$ _____

Percent Amount of Participation: _____ %

*Letter of Intent attached?

Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>
Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>

*Current Letter of Certification attached?

No	<input type="checkbox"/>
No	<input type="checkbox"/>

Attach additional sheets as needed.

* Letter(s) of Intent and current Letters of Certification must be submitted at the time of bid.



MBE/WBE LETTER OF INTENT - FORM 2

M/WBE Firm: _____

Certifying Agency: _____

Contact Person: _____

Certification Expiration Date: _____

Address: _____

Ethnicity: _____

City/State: _____ Zip: _____

Bid/Proposal/Contract #: _____

Phone: _____ Fax: _____

FEIN #: _____

Email: _____

Participation: Direct Indirect

Will the M/WBE firm be subcontracting any of the goods or services of this contract to another firm?

No Yes – Please attach explanation. Proposed Subcontractor(s): _____

The undersigned M/WBE is prepared to provide the following Commodities/Services for the above named Project/ Contract: (If more space is needed to fully describe M/WBE Firm's proposed scope of work and/or payment schedule, attach additional sheets)

Indicate the Dollar Amount, Percentage, and the Terms of Payment for the above-described Commodities/ Services:

THE UNDERSIGNED PARTIES AGREE that this Letter of Intent will become a binding Subcontract Agreement for the above work, conditioned upon (1) the Bidder/Proposer's receipt of a signed contract from the County of Cook; (2) Undersigned Subcontractor remaining compliant with all relevant credentials, codes, ordinances and statutes required by Contractor, Cook County, and the State to participate as a MBE/WBE firm for the above work. The Undersigned Parties do also certify that they did not affix their signatures to this document until all areas under Description of Service/ Supply and Fee/Cost were completed.

Signature (M/WBE)

Signature (Prime Bidder/Proposer)

Print Name

Print Name

Firm Name

Firm Name

Date

Date

Subscribed and sworn before me

Subscribed and sworn before me

this ____ day of _____, 20 ____.

this ____ day of _____, 20 ____.

Notary Public _____

Notary Public _____

SEAL

SEAL

PETITION FOR PARTIAL OR FULL WAIVER – FORM 3

Bidder/Proposer:

Dependable Fire Equipment, Inc.

Contract No./Title:

2245-10053 A-2

A. BIDDER/PROPOSER HEREBY REQUESTS:

FULL MBE WAIVER

PARTIAL MBE WAIVER

FULL WBE WAIVER

PARTIAL WBE WAIVER

FULL DBE WAIVER

PARTIAL DBE WAIVER

B. REASON FOR PARTIAL/FULL WAIVER REQUEST:

Bidder/Proposer shall check each item applicable to its overall reason for a waiver request. Additionally, supporting documentation shall be submitted with this request.

(1) Lack of sufficient qualified MBEs and/or WBEs capable of providing the goods or services required by the contract.

(2) The specifications and necessary requirements for performing the contract make it impossible or economically infeasible to divide the contract to enable the contractor to utilize MBEs and/or WBEs in accordance with the applicable participation.

(3) Price(s) quoted by potential MBEs and/or WBEs are above competitive levels and increase cost of doing business and would make acceptance of such MBE and/or WBE bid economically impracticable, taking into consideration the percentage of total contract price represented by such MBE and/or WBE bid.

(4) There are other relevant factors making it impossible or economically infeasible to utilize MBE and/or WBE firms.

GOOD FAITH EFFORT TRANSPARENCY REPORT

C. GOOD FAITH EFFORTS TO OBTAIN PARTICIPATION (attach sheets as necessary as Schedule 1) Bidder/Proposer shall explain and detail the following Good Faith Efforts undertook to meet Cook County's contract specific goals.

1. Please attach to this form a detailed list of any and all PCEs, stating the PCE certification (MBE and/or WBE as defined by the Cook County Municipal Code) and with whom from the contacted PCEs the Bidder/Proposer engaged, contacted, and/or communicated with in the County's Market Place;

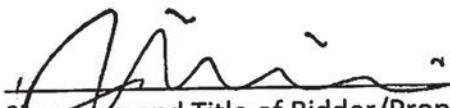
Timelines:

- a. When the Bidder/Proposer knew of the bid;
 - b. When the Bidder/Proposer contacted the PCE(s);
 - c. When the Bidder/Proposer formulated its bid and utilization plan; and
 - d. When was the bid request due date.

2. The number of timely attempts to contact PCEs providing the type of supplies, equipment, goods, and/or services required for the Procurement, including but not limited to;
 - a. Dates of each contact attempt for each contacted PCE;
 - b. Whom, if anyone, the Bidder/Proposer communicated and/or corresponded (including written, virtual, digital, electronic, and other feasible methods of communication);
 - c. The number of unsuccessful attempts to communicate or correspond with PCEs; and
 - d. Attach copies of all solicitations to contacted PCEs.
3. How the Bidder/Proposer proposed to divide the procurement requirements into small tasks and/or quantities into economically feasible units to promote PCE participation.
4. Whether and to what degree the requesting party will endeavor to maximize indirect participation.
5. Detailed explanation of use, if any, of the Center of Business Enterprise Development Compliance services and staff.
6. Detailed explanation of timely notification and usage of services and assistance provided by community, minority, and/or women business organizations.
7. Attach any other documentation relative to Good Faith Efforts in complying with MBE and WBE participation.

GOOD FAITH EFFORT TRANSPARENCY REPORT

By signing below, I affirm under penalty of perjury the information provided in the Petition for Full or Partial Waiver/Good Faith Effort Transparency Report is truthful, accurate, and complete, to the best of my knowledge and capacity. I agree any finding of false, fraudulent, and/or otherwise misleading information will automatically disqualify the request for a waiver and County's Center of Business Enterprise Development reserves the right to pursue additional actions and/or remedies against the requesting Bidder/Proposer.



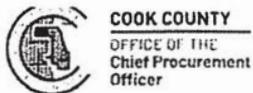
Signature and Title of Bidder/Proposer

President

Title

11/19/2025

Date



Cook County MBE/WBE Non-Construction Certification Reciprocal Affidavit

Firm Name NIA

Address _____ City _____

County _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone (____) _____ Email _____

I _____, _____
(Authorized Representative) (Print Title)

of _____ do hereby affirm:
(Name of Firm)

- 1) _____ is a Minority and/or Women Business Enterprise currently
(Name of Firm) certified by the City of Chicago as: [] Black- [] Hispanic- [] Asian- [] Woman-owned business.
- 2) With respect to _____, the personal net worth of the qualifying
(Name of Firm) (51%) individual(s) does not exceed \$2,767,082.23, excluding the individual's ownership interest in the M/WBE firm and the equity of the owner's primary residence, and otherwise meets the requirements of Chapter 34, Article IV of the Cook County Procurement Code. (As per Section 34-263 of the Cook County Procurement Code, an individual's personal net worth includes only his or her own Share of assets held jointly or as community/marital property with the individual's spouse.)
- 3) The average annual gross receipts of _____,
(Name of Firm) as derived from tax filings over the five most recent years, does not exceed the Small Business Size Standards published by the U.S. Small Business Administration found in Title 13, Code of Federal Regulations, Part 121. (<http://www.sba.gov/content/small-business-size-standards>)

Upon penalty of perjury, I _____ affirm that, to the best of my knowledge
(Authorized Representative)
and belief, the information herein is true and accurate.

Signature _____ Title _____ Date _____

Subscribed and sworn to before me this _____ day of _____ / _____
(Month) (Year)

Notary's Seal

(Notary's Signature)

My Commission Expires _____

PLEASE NOTE: This affidavit is good for a period of one year from the date of sworn signature. Any changes to your firm within that year may require a new form.

**COOK COUNTY
ECONOMIC DISCLOSURE STATEMENT
AND EXECUTION DOCUMENT
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SECTION 1
INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETION OF
ECONOMIC DISCLOSURE STATEMENT AND EXECUTION DOCUMENT

This Economic Disclosure Statement and Execution Document ("EDS") is to be completed and executed by every Bidder on a County contract, every Proposer responding to a Request for Proposals, and every Respondent responding to a Request for Qualifications, and others as required by the Chief Procurement Officer. The execution of the EDS shall serve as the execution of a contract awarded by the County. The Chief Procurement Officer reserves the right to request that the Bidder or Proposer, or Respondent provide an updated EDS on an annual basis.

Definitions. Terms used in this EDS and not otherwise defined herein shall have the meanings given to such terms in the Instructions to Bidders, General Conditions, Request for Proposals, Request for Qualifications, as applicable.

Affiliate means a person that directly or indirectly through one or more intermediaries, Controls is Controlled by, or is under common Control with the Person specified.

Applicant means a person who executes this EDS.

Bidder means any person who submits a Bid.

Code means the Code of Ordinances, Cook County, Illinois available on municode.com.

Contract shall include any written document to make Procurements by or on behalf of Cook County.

Contractor or Contracting Party means a person that enters into a Contract with the County.

Control means the unfettered authority to directly or indirectly manage governance, administration, work, and all other aspects of a business.

EDS means this complete Economic Disclosure Statement and Execution Document, including all sections listed in the Index and any attachments.

Joint Venture means an association of two or more Persons proposing to perform a for-profit business enterprise. Joint Ventures must have an agreement in writing specifying the terms and conditions of the relationship between the partners and their relationship and respective responsibility for the Contract

Lobby or lobbying means to, for compensation, attempt to influence a County official or County employee with respect to any County matter.

Lobbyist means any person who lobbies.

Person or Persons means any individual, corporation, partnership, Joint Venture, trust, association, Limited Liability Company, sole proprietorship or other legal entity.

Prohibited Acts means any of the actions or occurrences which form the basis for disqualification under the Code, or under the Certifications hereinafter set forth.

Proposal means a response to an RFP.

Proposer means a person submitting a Proposal.

Response means response to an RFQ.

Respondent means a person responding to an RFQ.

RFP means a Request for Proposals issued pursuant to this Procurement Code.

RFQ means a Request for Qualifications issued to obtain the qualifications of interested parties.

**INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETION OF
ECONOMIC DISCLOSURE STATEMENT AND EXECUTION DOCUMENT**

Section 1: Instructions. Section 1 sets forth the instructions for completing and executing this EDS.

Section 2: Certifications. Section 2 sets forth certifications that are required for contracting parties under the Code and other applicable laws. Execution of this EDS constitutes a warranty that all the statements and certifications contained, and all the facts stated, in the Certifications are true, correct and complete as of the date of execution.

Section 3: Economic and Other Disclosures Statement. Section 3 is the County's required Economic and Other Disclosures Statement form. Execution of this EDS constitutes a warranty that all the information provided in the EDS is true, correct and complete as of the date of execution, and binds the Applicant to the warranties, representations, agreements and acknowledgements contained therein.

Required Updates. The Applicant is required to keep all information provided in this EDS current and accurate. In the event of any change in the information provided, including but not limited to any change which would render inaccurate or incomplete any certification or statement made in this EDS, the Applicant shall supplement this EDS up to the time the County takes action, by filing an amended EDS or such other documentation as is required.

Additional Information. The County's Governmental Ethics and Campaign Financing Ordinances impose certain duties and obligations on persons or entities seeking County contracts, work, business, or transactions, and the Applicant is expected to comply fully with these ordinances. For further information please contact the Director of Ethics at (312) 603-4304 (69 W. Washington St. Suite 3040, Chicago, IL 60602) or visit the web-site at cookcountyl.gov/ethics-board-of.

Authorized Signers of Contract and EDS Execution Page. If the Applicant is a corporation, the President and Secretary must execute the EDS. In the event that this EDS is executed by someone other than the President, attach hereto a certified copy of that section of the Corporate By-Laws or other authorization by the Corporation, satisfactory to the County that permits the person to execute EDS for said corporation. If the corporation is not registered in the State of Illinois, a copy of the Certificate of Good Standing from the state of incorporation must be submitted with this Signature Page.

If the Applicant is a partnership or joint venture, all partners or joint venturers must execute the EDS, unless one partner or joint venture has been authorized to sign for the partnership or joint venture, in which case, the partnership agreement, resolution or evidence of such authority satisfactory to the Office of the Chief Procurement Officer must be submitted with this Signature Page.

If the Applicant is a member-managed LLC all members must execute the EDS, unless otherwise provided in the operating agreement, resolution or other corporate documents. If the Applicant is a manager-managed LLC, the manager(s) must execute the EDS. The Applicant must attach either a certified copy of the operating agreement, resolution or other authorization, satisfactory to the County, demonstrating such person has the authority to execute the EDS on behalf of the LLC. If the LLC is not registered in the State of Illinois, a copy of a current Certificate of Good Standing from the state of incorporation must be submitted with this Signature Page.

If the Applicant is a Sole Proprietorship, the sole proprietor must execute the EDS.

A "Partnership" "Joint Venture" or "Sole Proprietorship" operating under an Assumed Name must be registered with the Illinois county in which it is located, as provided in 805 ILCS 405 (2012), and documentation evidencing registration must be submitted with the EDS.

Effective October 1, 2016 all foreign corporations and LLCs must be registered with the Illinois Secretary of State's Office unless a statutory exemption applies to the applicant. Applicants who are exempt from registering must provide a written statement explaining why they are exempt from registering as a foreign entity with the Illinois Secretary of State's Office.

SECTION 2

CERTIFICATIONS

THE FOLLOWING CERTIFICATIONS ARE MADE PURSUANT TO STATE LAW AND THE CODE. THE APPLICANT IS CAUTIONED TO CAREFULLY READ THESE CERTIFICATIONS PRIOR TO SIGNING THE SIGNATURE PAGE. SIGNING THE SIGNATURE PAGE SHALL CONSTITUTE A WARRANTY BY THE APPLICANT THAT ALL THE STATEMENTS, CERTIFICATIONS AND INFORMATION SET FORTH WITHIN THESE CERTIFICATIONS ARE TRUE, COMPLETE AND CORRECT AS OF THE DATE THE SIGNATURE PAGE IS SIGNED. THE APPLICANT IS NOTIFIED THAT IF THE COUNTY LEARNS THAT ANY OF THE FOLLOWING CERTIFICATIONS WERE FALSELY MADE, THAT ANY CONTRACT ENTERED INTO WITH THE APPLICANT SHALL BE SUBJECT TO TERMINATION.

A. PERSONS AND ENTITIES SUBJECT TO DISQUALIFICATION

No person or business entity shall be awarded a contract or sub-contract, for a period of five (5) years from the date of conviction or entry of a plea or admission of guilt, civil or criminal, if that person or business entity:

- 1) Has been convicted of an act committed, within the State of Illinois, of bribery or attempting to bribe an officer or employee of a unit of state, federal or local government or school district in the State of Illinois in that officer's or employee's official capacity;
- 2) Has been convicted by federal, state or local government of an act of bid-rigging or attempting to rig bids as defined in the Sherman Anti-Trust Act and Clayton Act. Act. 15 U.S.C. Section 1 *et seq.*;
- 3) Has been convicted of bid-rigging or attempting to rig bids under the laws of federal, state or local government;
- 4) Has been convicted of an act committed, within the State, of price-fixing or attempting to fix prices as defined by the Sherman Anti-Trust Act and the Clayton Act. 15 U.S.C. Section 1, *et seq.*;
- 5) Has been convicted of price-fixing or attempting to fix prices under the laws the State;
- 6) Has been convicted of defrauding or attempting to defraud any unit of state or local government or school district within the State of Illinois;
- 7) Has made an admission of guilt of such conduct as set forth in subsections (1) through (6) above which admission is a matter of record, whether or not such person or business entity was subject to prosecution for the offense or offenses admitted to; or
- 8) Has entered a plea of *nolo contendere* to charge of bribery, price-fixing, bid-rigging, or fraud, as set forth in sub-paragraphs (1) through (6) above.

In the case of bribery or attempting to bribe, a business entity may not be awarded a contract if an official, agent or employee of such business entity committed the Prohibited Act on behalf of the business entity and pursuant to the direction or authorization of an officer, director or other responsible official of the business entity, and such Prohibited Act occurred within three years prior to the award of the contract. In addition, a business entity shall be disqualified if an owner, partner or shareholder controlling, directly or indirectly, 20% or more of the business entity, or an officer of the business entity has performed any Prohibited Act within five years prior to the award of the Contract.

THE APPLICANT HEREBY CERTIFIES THAT: The Applicant has read the provisions of Section A, Persons and Entities Subject to Disqualification, that the Applicant has not committed any Prohibited Act set forth in Section A, and that award of the Contract to the Applicant would not violate the provisions of such Section or of the Code.

B. BID-RIGGING OR BID ROTATING

THE APPLICANT HEREBY CERTIFIES THAT: *In accordance with 720 ILCS 5/33 E-11, neither the Applicant nor any Affiliated Entity is barred from award of this Contract as a result of a conviction for the violation of State laws prohibiting bid-rigging or bid rotating.*

C. DRUG FREE WORKPLACE ACT

THE APPLICANT HEREBY CERTIFIES THAT: The Applicant will provide a drug free workplace, as required by (30 ILCS 580/3).

D. DELINQUENCY IN PAYMENT OF TAXES

THE APPLICANT HEREBY CERTIFIES THAT: *The Applicant is not an owner or a party responsible for the payment of any tax or fee administered by Cook County, such as bar award of a contract or subcontract pursuant to the Code, Chapter 34, Section 34-171.*

E. HUMAN RIGHTS ORDINANCE

No person who is a party to a contract with Cook County ("County") shall engage in unlawful discrimination or sexual harassment against any individual in the terms or conditions of employment, credit, public accommodations, housing, or provision of County facilities, services or programs (Code Chapter 42, Section 42-30 *et seq.*).

F. ILLINOIS HUMAN RIGHTS ACT

THE APPLICANT HEREBY CERTIFIES THAT: *It is in compliance with the Illinois Human Rights Act (775 ILCS 5/2-105), and agrees to abide by the requirements of the Act as part of its contractual obligations.*

G. INSPECTOR GENERAL (COOK COUNTY CODE, CHAPTER 34, SECTION 34-174 and Section 34-250)

The Applicant has not willfully failed to cooperate in an investigation by the Cook County Independent Inspector General or to report to the Independent Inspector General any and all information concerning conduct which they know to involve corruption, or other criminal activity, by another county employee or official, which concerns his or her office of employment or County related transaction.

The Applicant has reported directly and without any undue delay any suspected or known fraudulent activity in the County's Procurement process to the Office of the Cook County Inspector General.

H. CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTIONS (COOK COUNTY CODE, CHAPTER 2, SECTION 2-585)

THE APPLICANT CERTIFIES THAT: It has read and shall comply with the Cook County's Ordinance concerning campaign contributions, which is codified at Chapter 2, Division 2, Subdivision II, Section 585, and can be read in its entirety at www.municode.com.

I. GIFT BAN, (COOK COUNTY CODE, CHAPTER 2, SECTION 2-574)

THE APPLICANT CERTIFIES THAT: It has read and shall comply with the Cook County's Ordinance concerning receiving and soliciting gifts and favors, which is codified at Chapter 2, Division 2, Subdivision II, Section 574, and can be read in its entirety at www.municode.com.

J. LIVING WAGE ORDINANCE PREFERENCE (COOK COUNTY CODE, CHAPTER 34, SECTION 34-160;

Unless expressly waived by the Cook County Board of Commissioners, the Code requires that a living wage must be paid to individuals employed by a Contractor which has a County Contract and by all subcontractors of such Contractor under a County Contract, throughout the duration of such County Contract. The amount of such living wage is annually by the Chief Financial Officer of the County, and shall be posted on the Chief Procurement Officer's website.

The term "Contract" as used in Section 4, I, of this EDS, specifically excludes contracts with the following:

- 1) Not-For Profit Organizations (defined as a corporation having tax exempt status under Section 501(C)(3) of the United State Internal Revenue Code and recognized under the Illinois State not-for -profit law);
- 2) Community Development Block Grants;
- 3) Cook County Works Department;
- 4) Sheriff's Work Alternative Program; and
- 5) Department of Correction inmates.

SECTION 3

REQUIRED DISCLOSURES

1. DISCLOSURE OF LOBBYIST CONTACTS

List all persons that have made lobbying contacts on your behalf with respect to this contract:

Name _____ Address _____

NA

2. LOCAL BUSINESS PREFERENCE STATEMENT (CODE, CHAPTER 34, SECTION 34-230)

Local business means a Person, including a foreign corporation authorized to transact business in Illinois, having a bona fide establishment located within the County at which it is transacting business on the date when a Bid is submitted to the County, and which employs the majority of its regular, full-time work force within the County. A Joint Venture shall constitute a Local Business if one or more Persons that qualify as a "Local Business" hold interests totaling over 50 percent in the Joint Venture, even if the Joint Venture does not, at the time of the Bid submittal, have such a bona fide establishment within the County.

a) Is Applicant a "Local Business" as defined above?

Yes: No:

b) If yes, list business addresses within Cook County:

c) Does Applicant employ the majority of its regular full-time workforce within Cook County?

Yes: No:

3. THE CHILD SUPPORT ENFORCEMENT ORDINANCE (CODE, CHAPTER 34, SECTION 34-172)

Every Applicant for a County Privilege shall be in full compliance with any child support order before such Applicant is entitled to receive or renew a County Privilege. When delinquent child support exists, the County shall not issue or renew any County Privilege, and may revoke any County Privilege.

All Applicants are required to review the Cook County Affidavit of Child Support Obligations attached to this EDS (EDS-5) and complete the Affidavit, based on the instructions in the Affidavit.

4. REAL ESTATE OWNERSHIP DISCLOSURES.

The Applicant must indicate by checking the appropriate provision below and providing all required information that either:

a) The following is a complete list of all real estate owned by the Applicant in Cook County:

None

PERMANENT INDEX NUMBER(S): _____

(ATTACH SHEET IF NECESSARY TO LIST ADDITIONAL INDEX NUMBERS)

OR:

b) The Applicant owns no real estate in Cook County.

5. EXCEPTIONS TO CERTIFICATIONS OR DISCLOSURES.

If the Applicant is unable to certify to any of the Certifications or any other statements contained in this EDS and not explained elsewhere in this EDS, the Applicant must explain below:

If the letters, "NA", the word "None" or "No Response" appears above, or if the space is left blank, it will be conclusively presumed that the Applicant certified to all Certifications and other statements contained in this EDS.

COOK COUNTY DISCLOSURE OF OWNERSHIP INTEREST STATEMENT

The Cook County Code of Ordinances (§2-610 *et seq.*) requires that any Applicant for any County Action must disclose information concerning ownership interests in the Applicant. This Disclosure of Ownership Interest Statement must be completed with all information current as of the date this Statement is signed. Furthermore, this Statement must be kept current, by filing an amended Statement, until such time as the County Board or County Agency shall take action on the application. The information contained in this Statement will be maintained in a database and made available for public viewing. **County reserves the right to request additional information to verify veracity of information contained in this statement.**

If you are asked to list names, but there are no applicable names to list, you must state NONE. An incomplete Statement will be returned and any action regarding this contract will be delayed. A failure to fully comply with the ordinance may result in the action taken by the County Board or County Agency being voided.

"Applicant" means any Entity or person making an application to the County for any County Action.

"County Action" means any action by a County Agency, a County Department, or the County Board regarding an ordinance or ordinance amendment, a County Board approval, or other County agency approval, with respect to contracts, leases, or sale or purchase of real estate.

"Person" "Entity" or "Legal Entity" means a sole proprietorship, corporation, partnership, association, business trust, estate, two or more persons having a joint or common interest, trustee of a land trust, other commercial or legal entity or any beneficiary or beneficiaries thereof.

This Disclosure of Ownership Interest Statement must be submitted by :

1. An Applicant for County Action and
2. A Person that holds stock or a beneficial interest in the Applicant and is listed on the Applicant's Statement (a "Holder") must file a Statement and complete #1 only under **Ownership Interest Declaration**.

Please print or type responses clearly and legibly. Add additional pages if needed, being careful to identify each portion of the form to which each additional page refers.

This Statement is being made by the Applicant or Stock/Beneficial Interest Holder

This Statement is an: Original Statement or Amended Statement

Identifying Information:

Name Dependable Fire Equipment

D/B/A: Dependable Fire Equipment FEIN # Only: 36-3794138

Street Address: 100 Le Baron Street

City: Waukegan State: IL Zip Code: 60085

Phone No.: 847-662-8400 Fax Number: _____ Email: Paul@dependablefire.com

Cook County Business Registration Number: N/A
(Sole Proprietor, Joint Venture Partnership)

Corporate File Number (if applicable): N/A

Form of Legal Entity:

Sole Proprietor Partnership Corporation Trustee of Land Trust

Business Trust Estate Association Joint Venture

Other (describe) _____

Ownership Interest Declaration:

1. List the name(s), address, and percent ownership of each Person having a legal or beneficial interest (including ownership) of more than five percent (5%) in the Applicant/Holder.

Name	Address	Percentage Interest in Applicant/Holder
Paul Zielinski	1224 Beverly Drive. Lake Villa, IL 60046	100 %

2. If the interest of any Person listed in (1) above is held as an agent or agents, or a nominee or nominees, list the name and address of the principal on whose behalf the interest is held.

Name of Agent/Nominee	Name of Principal	Principal's Address

3. Is the Applicant constructively controlled by another person or Legal Entity? [] Yes [] No

If yes, state the name, address and percentage of beneficial interest of such person, and the relationship under which such control is being or may be exercised.

Name	Address	Percentage of Beneficial Interest	Relationship

Corporate Officers, Members and Partners Information:

For all corporations, list the names, addresses, and terms for all corporate officers. For all limited liability companies, list the names, addresses for all members. For all partnerships and joint ventures, list the names, addresses, for each partner or joint venture.

Name	Address	Title (specify title of Office, or whether manager or partner/joint venture)	Term of Office
Paul Zielinski	1224 Beverly Drive. Lake Villa, IL 60046	President	

Declaration (check the applicable box):

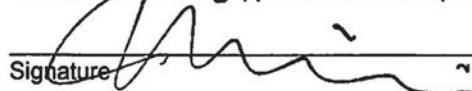
I state under oath that the Applicant has withheld no disclosure as to ownership interest in the Applicant nor reserved any information, data or plan as to the intended use or purpose for which the Applicant seeks County Board or other County Agency action.

I state under oath that the Holder has withheld no disclosure as to ownership interest nor reserved any information required to be disclosed.

COOK COUNTY DISCLOSURE OF OWNERSHIP INTEREST STATEMENT SIGNATURE PAGE

Paul Zielinski

Name of Authorized Applicant/Holder Representative (please print or type)



Paul@dependablefire.com

E-mail address

Subscribed to and sworn before me
this 19 day of November, 2025.



Notary Public Signature

President

Title

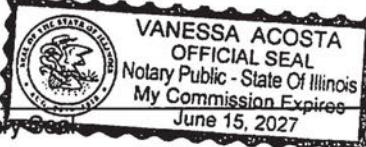
11/19/2025

Date

847-662-8400

Phone Number

My commission expires:



COOK COUNTY BOARD OF ETHICS
FAMILIAL RELATIONSHIP DISCLOSURE FORM

A. PERSON DOING OR SEEKING TO DO BUSINESS WITH THE COUNTY

Name of Person Doing Business with the County: Dependable Fire Equipment, Inc.

Address of Person Doing Business with the County: 100 Le Baron Street Waukegan, IL 60085

Phone number of Person Doing Business with the County: 847-662-8400

Email address of Person Doing Business with the County: paul@dependablefire.com

If Person Doing Business with the County is a Business Entity, provide the name, title and contact information for the individual completing this disclosure on behalf of the Person Doing Business with the County:

Paul Zielinki, President

B. DESCRIPTION OF BUSINESS WITH THE COUNTY

Append additional pages as needed and for each County lease, contract, purchase or sale sought and/or obtained during the calendar year of this disclosure (or the proceeding calendar year if disclosure is made on January 1), identify:

The lease number, contract number, purchase order number, request for proposal number and/or request for qualification number associated with the business you are doing or seeking to do with the County: 2245-10053 A-2

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The aggregate dollar value of the business you are doing or seeking to do with the County: \$ 489,376.98

The name, title and contact information for the County official(s) or employee(s) involved in negotiating the business you are doing or seeking to do with the County: Amanda Kruse

Amanda.kruse@coukcountyil.gov

The name, title and contact information for the County official(s) or employee(s) involved in managing the business you are doing or seeking to do with the County: Danuta Rusin

danuta.rusin2@cookcountyil.gov

C. DISCLOSURE OF FAMILIAL RELATIONSHIPS WITH COUNTY EMPLOYEES OR STATE, COUNTY OR MUNICIPAL ELECTED OFFICIALS

Check the box that applies and provide related information where needed

The Person Doing Business with the County is **an individual** and there is **no familial relationship** between this individual and any Cook County employee or any person holding elective office in the State of Illinois, Cook County, or any municipality within Cook County.

The Person Doing Business with the County is **a business entity** and there is **no familial relationship** between any member of this business entity's board of directors, officers, persons responsible for general administration of the business entity, agents authorized to execute documents on behalf of the business entity or employees directly engaged in contractual work with the County on behalf of the business entity, and any Cook County employee or any person holding elective office in the State of Illinois, Cook County, or any municipality within Cook County.

COOK COUNTY BOARD OF ETHICS
FAMILIAL RELATIONSHIP DISCLOSURE FORM

The Person Doing Business with the County is an individual and there is a familial relationship between this individual and at least one Cook County employee and/or a person or persons holding elective office in the State of Illinois, Cook County, and/or any municipality within Cook County. The familial relationships are as follows:

Name of Individual Doing Business with the County	Name of Related County Employee or State, County or Municipal Elected Official	Title and Position of Related County Employee or State, County or Municipal Elected Official	Nature of Familial Relationship*
N/A			
N/A			
N/A			

If more space is needed, attach an additional sheet following the above format.

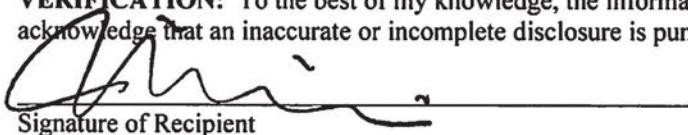
The Person Doing Business with the County is a business entity and there is a familial relationship between at least one member of this business entity's board of directors, officers, persons responsible for general administration of the business entity, agents authorized to execute documents on behalf of the business entity and/or employees directly engaged in contractual work with the County on behalf of the business entity, on the one hand, and at least one Cook County employee and/or a person holding elective office in the State of Illinois, Cook County, and/or any municipality within Cook County, on the other. The familial relationships are as follows:

Name of Member of Board of Director for Business Entity Doing Business with the County	Name of Related County Employee or State, County or Municipal Elected Official	Title and Position of Related County Employee or State, County or Municipal Elected Official	Nature of Familial Relationship*
N/A			
N/A			
N/A			
Name of Officer for Business Entity Doing Business with the County	Name of Related County Employee or State, County or Municipal Elected Official	Title and Position of Related County Employee or State, County or Municipal Elected Official	Nature of Familial Relationship*
N/A			
N/A			
N/A			

Name of Person Responsible for the General Administration of the Business Entity Doing Business with the County	Name of Related County Employee or State, County or Municipal Elected Official	Title and Position of Related County Employee or State, County or Municipal Elected Official	Nature of Familial Relationship*
N/A			
N/A			
N/A			
Name of Agent Authorized to Execute Documents for Business Entity Doing Business with the County	Name of Related County Employee or State, County or Municipal Elected Official	Title and Position of Related County Employee or State, County or Municipal Elected Official	Nature of Familial Relationship*
N/A			
N/A			
N/A			
Name of Employee of Business Entity Directly Engaged in Doing Business with the County	Name of Related County Employee or State, County or Municipal Elected Official	Title and Position of Related County Employee or State, County or Municipal Elected Official	Nature of Familial Relationship*
N/A			
N/A			
N/A			

If more space is needed, attach an additional sheet following the above format.

VERIFICATION: To the best of my knowledge, the information I have provided on this disclosure form is accurate and complete. I acknowledge that an inaccurate or incomplete disclosure is punishable by law, including but not limited to fines and debarment.


Signature of Recipient

11/19/2025

Date

SUBMIT COMPLETED FORM TO:

Cook County Board of Ethics
 69 West Washington Street, Suite 3040, Chicago, Illinois 60602
 Office (312) 603-4304 – Fax (312) 603-9988
 CookCounty.Ethics@cookcountyil.gov

* Spouse, domestic partner, civil union partner or parent, child, sibling, aunt, uncle, niece, nephew, grandparent or grandchild by blood, marriage (*i.e.* in laws and step relations) or adoption.

SECTION 4

COOK COUNTY AFFIDAVIT FOR WAGE THEFT ORDINANCE

Effective May 1, 2015, every Person, *Including Substantial Owners*, seeking a Contract with Cook County must comply with the Cook County Wage Theft Ordinance set forth in Chapter 34, Article IV, Section 179. Any Person/Substantial Owner, who fails to comply with Cook County Wage Theft Ordinance, may request that the Chief Procurement Officer grant a reduction or waiver in accordance with Section 34-179(d).

"Contract" means any written document to make Procurements by or on behalf of Cook County.

"Person" means any individual, corporation, partnership, Joint Venture, trust, association, limited liability company, sole proprietorship or other legal entity.

"Procurement" means obtaining supplies, equipment, goods, or services of any kind.

"Substantial Owner" means any person or persons who own or hold a twenty-five percent (25%) or more percentage of interest in any business entity seeking a County Privilege, including those shareholders, general or limited partners, beneficiaries and principals; except where a business entity is an individual or sole proprietorship, Substantial Owner means that individual or sole proprietor.

All Persons/Substantial Owners are required to complete this affidavit and comply with the Cook County Wage Theft Ordinance before any Contract is awarded. Signature of this form constitutes a certification the information provided below is correct and complete, and that the individual(s) signing this form has/have personal knowledge of such information. County reserves the right to request additional information to verify veracity of information contained in this Affidavit.

I. Contract Information:

Contract Number: 2245-10053 A-2

County Using Agency (requesting Procurement): Department of Facilities Management

II. Person/Substantial Owner Information:

Person (Corporate Entity Name): Dependable Fire Equipment, Inc.

Substantial Owner Complete Name: Paul Zielinski

FEIN#: 36-3794138

E-mail address: Paul@dependablefire.com

Street Address: 1224 Beverly Drive

City: Lake Villa State: IL Zip: 60046

III. Compliance with Wage Laws:

Within the past five years has the Person/Substantial Owner, in any judicial or administrative proceeding, been convicted of, entered a plea, made an admission of guilt or liability, or had an administrative finding made for committing a repeated or willful violation of any of the following laws:

- No *Illinois Wage Payment and Collection Act, 820 ILCS 115/1 et seq., YES or NO*
- No *Illinois Minimum Wage Act, 820 ILCS 105/1 et seq., YES or NO*
- No *Illinois Worker Adjustment and Retraining Notification Act, 820 ILCS 65/1 et seq., YES or NO*
- No *Employee Classification Act, 820 ILCS 185/1 et seq., YES or NO*
- No *Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938, 29 U.S.C. 201, et seq., YES or NO*
- No *Any comparable state statute or regulation of any state, which governs the payment of wages YES or NO*

If the Person/Substantial Owner answered "Yes" to any of the questions above, it is ineligible to enter into a Contract with Cook County, but can request a reduction or waiver under Section IV.

IV. Request for Waiver or Reduction

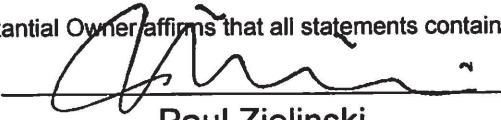
If Person/Substantial Owner answered "Yes" to any of the questions above, it may request a reduction or waiver in accordance with Section 34-179(d), provided that the request for reduction of waiver is made on the basis of one or more of the following actions that have taken place:

- No There has been a bona fide change in ownership or Control of the ineligible Person or Substantial Owner. YES or NO
- No Disciplinary action has been taken against the individual(s) responsible for the acts giving rise to the violation. YES or NO
- No Remedial action has been taken to prevent a recurrence of the acts giving rise to the disqualification or default. YES or NO
- No Other factors that the Person or Substantial Owner believe are relevant. YES or NO

The Person/Substantial Owner must submit documentation to support the basis of its request for a reduction or waiver. The Chief Procurement Officer reserves the right to make additional inquiries and request additional documentation.

V. Affirmation

The Person/Substantial Owner affirms that all statements contained in the Affidavit are true, accurate and complete.

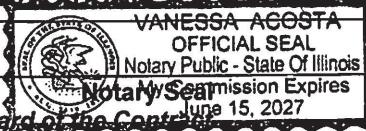
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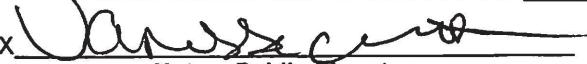
Date: 11/19/2025

Name of Person signing (Print): Paul Zielinski

Title: President

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 19 day of November 20 2025



Notary Public Signature 

Note: The above information is subject to verification prior to the award of the Contract.

SECTION 5

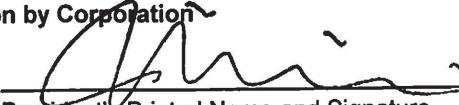
CONTRACT AND EDS EXECUTION PAGE

The Applicant hereby certifies and warrants that all of the statements, certifications and representations set forth in this EDS are true, complete and correct; that the Applicant is in full compliance and will continue to be in compliance throughout the term of the Contract or County Privilege issued to the Applicant with all the policies and requirements set forth in this EDS; and that all facts and information provided by the Applicant in this EDS are true, complete and correct. The Applicant agrees to inform the Chief Procurement Officer in writing if any of such statements, certifications, representations, facts or information becomes or is found to be untrue, incomplete or incorrect during the term of the Contract or County Privilege.

Execution by Corporation

Dependable Fire Equipment, Inc.

President's Printed Name and Signature


paul@dependablefire.com

Corporation's Name

847-662-8400

Telephone

Email

11/19/2025

Date

Execution by LLC

LLC Name

*Member/Manager Printed Name and Signature

Date

Telephone and Email

Execution by Partnership/Joint Venture

Partnership/Joint Venture Name

*Partner/Joint Venturer Printed Name and Signature

Date

Telephone and Email

Execution by Sole Proprietorship

Printed Name Signature

Assumed Name (if applicable)

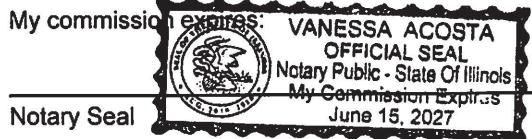
Date

Telephone and Email

Subscribed and sworn to before me this

11 day of November, 20 25.


Notary Public Signature



*If the operating agreement, partnership agreement or governing documents requiring execution by multiple members, managers, partners, or joint venturers, please complete and execute additional Contract and EDS Execution Pages.