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COUNTY OF NASSAU
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS
Inter-Departmental Memo

TO: Contract File

FROM: Jane Houdek, Esq.
Designated DCCO

DATE: October 2, 2026

SUBJECT: Contract No: H10003-01CH
Disaster and Debris Monitoring Amendment 1
Thompson Consulting Services
Responsibility Determination Memorandum

DPW Summary Finding

It is the Department's opinion that based on the information known to the Department and summarized in this memorandum, that the vendor is a responsible contractor for the purpose of being awarded the above-referenced contract.

Prior to the award of a contract, New York State agencies and political subdivisions, are required to make a determination of responsibility of the proposed vendor. State Finance Law §163 (9) (f); Highway Law §38; Public Building Law §8; General Municipal Law §103. General Municipal Law §103 requires the County to award contracts to a "responsible bidder" but does not define that term. However, the State Finance Law, which is the analogous law for contracting by New York State agencies, defines responsible as: "financial ability, legal capacity, integrity and past performance of a business entity and as such terms have been interpreted relative to public procurements". NY CLS St. Fin §163 (1) (c). This standard is applied to procurements pursuant to NYGML §103. *Matter of AAA Caring & Rubbish Removal, Inc. v. Town of Southeast*, 17 N.Y. 3d 136 (2011)

The NY State Office of General Services employees the FLIP analysis -financial ability, legal capacity, integrity and past performance – to meet its obligation to make a responsibility determination.

Application of the FLIP test

As explained in this memorandum, the FLIP test, can be used to evaluate a vendor's responsibility.

1. Financial and Organizational Capacity
The Department has reviewed materials supplied by vendor as required by the bid documents and is satisfied that the vendor has met the financial and organizational capacity as required by the bid documents.
2. Legal Authority
Vendor has resolved the insurance lapse, a paid the fine as described herein. It will be removed from the debarred list within 10 days of October 1, 2026.
3. Integrity
Vendor possesses requisite business integrity-analysis of vendor information described in later portion of this memorandum.



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Based upon the vendor's prior performance on County contracts, as well as a check of vendor's reference, vendor is qualified to perform the work for the above-referenced contract.

Nassau County Procurement Policy Requirements

Similarly, the Nassau County Procurement Policy states that, "a vendor is deemed responsible to be awarded a contract when it has demonstrated that it has the integrity and capacity to perform the required services on behalf of the County." Nassau County Procurement Policy at Appendix E. Appendix E goes on to state that factors to consider in determining the responsibility of a vendor include: financial resources, organizational capacity, a satisfactory record of performance and a satisfactory record of business integrity - an analysis identical to the FLIP test.

For purposes of its consideration of responsibility, the County requires potential vendors to submit vendor disclosure forms. Those forms are used by the Department as a tool when conducting a vendor responsibility review with the intent of determining "if there exists any material adverse information impacting the vendor's capacity or integrity." Quoting Appendix E.

The following is quoted from Appendix E:

For adverse information to be considered a factor in a vendor responsibility review, the information must be found to be material. Not all adverse information may be material. Materiality is greater for more recent events than for less recent ones, and materiality is greater for events concerning services more closely related to those required by the County than services that are less so. An event is considered most material when it concerns services equivalent or similar to those required by the County, has occurred recently, occurred in close geographic proximity to the County, and involves one or more individuals or organizational departments that may be involved in the conduct of the County contract. Also relevant in this assessment is whether the event involves a relatively large or small amount of money, services or product; whether the event involves a threat to life, health, safety, or property, whether criminality or possible criminality is involved; and the quantity of adverse information. In addition, any adverse information discovered by a department, which should have been, but was not disclosed by the vendor on the appropriate disclosure form(s) may be considered material.

Examples of adverse information that may not be considered material include adverse social media posts or poor reviews of a company posted on the internet. In addition, adverse information that occurred and/or was resolved more than five years ago generally is not considered material, although once such information has been identified the department conducting the review should investigate whether any similar subsequent event(s) occurred that may be subject to further analysis or suggesting a concern regarding the vendor's corporate culture.

A finding of nonresponsibility has significant implications for the vendor, since subsequent to that determination the vendor must disclose it in future solicitation responses to public entities. Therefore, the finding must be based upon evidence of a sufficiently severe failure of capacity and/or integrity on the part of the vendor. Any adverse information which is not deemed to be sufficient for a finding of nonresponsibility must be demonstrated by the vendor to have been addressed sufficiently through implementation of corrective actions and/or plans to ensure that the adverse event(s) shall not impact or recur during the conduct of the County contract under consideration. Corrective actions that may be considered in this regard include, but are not limited to, termination of the employee(s) involved, introduction of new policies and procedures,

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employee trainings, reorganization of the vendor's structure, introduction of new internal or external monitors, payment of all fines, satisfactory resolution of the matter by the investigating entity, etc.

Application of the Materiality Evaluation to Determine Vendor Integrity

As described in this memorandum, the Nassau County Procurement Policy at Appendix E identifies factors that should be considered when determining if the adverse information available about a vendor rises to level of materiality (vendor responsibility determination is dependent upon material information).

Vendor Adverse Information

Please see attached pages of the Vendor questionnaire at page 2, question 13. The department is satisfied with the actions taken by the Vendor to resolve the lapse in its insurance coverage. Vendor is a responsible vendor for the performance of the scope of work in Contract H1003-01CH.



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- 9) Does this business have one or more affiliates, and/or is it a subsidiary of, or controlled by, any other business?
YES ☒ NO ☐ If yes, please provide details:

Thompson Consulting Services, LLC is a subsidiary of Thompson Holdings, Inc.

- 10) Has the proposer ever had a bond or surety cancelled or forfeited, or a contract with Nassau County or any other government entity terminated?

YES ☐ NO ☒ If yes, state the name of bonding agency, (if a bond), date, amount of bond and reason for such cancellation or forfeiture: or details regarding the termination (if a contract).

- 11) Has the proposer, during the past seven years, been declared bankrupt?

YES ☐ NO ☒ If yes, state date, court jurisdiction, amount of liabilities and amount of assets

- 12) In the past five years, has this business and/or any of its owners and/or officers and/or any affiliated business, been the subject of a criminal investigation and/or a civil anti-trust investigation by any federal, state or local prosecuting or investigative agency? And/or, in the past 5 years, have any owner and/or officer of any affiliated business been the subject of a criminal investigation and/or a civil anti-trust investigation by any federal, state or local prosecuting or investigative agency, where such investigation was related to activities performed at, for, or on behalf of an affiliated business.

YES ☐ NO ☒ If yes, provide details for each such investigation, an explanation of the circumstances and corrective action taken.

- 13) In the past 5 years, has this business and/or any of its owners and/or officers and/or any affiliated business been the subject of an investigation by any government agency, including but not limited to federal, state and local regulatory agencies? And/or, in the past 5 years, has any owner and/or officer of an affiliated business been the subject of an investigation by any government agency, including but not limited to federal, state and local regulatory agencies, for matters pertaining to that individual's position at or relationship to an affiliated business.

YES ☒ NO ☐ If yes, provide details for each such investigation, an explanation of the circumstances and corrective action taken.

Thompson Consulting Services, LLC (Thompson) was notified by Nassau County that Thompson was debarred by the New York Workers Compensation Board (WCB). After investigating the matter further, it was determined that a lapse of coverage may have occurred on the Disability and Paid Family Leave policy from 09/08/25 to 10/31/25. In the interest of time to satisfy contracting requirements, Thompson has paid the \$300.00 settlement amount with the WCB on 10/01/26 to clear the debarment with WCB. Thompson has been instructed the process could take ten (10) days for WCB to remove Thompson from the WCB debarment list.

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- 14) Has any current or former director, owner or officer or managerial employee of this business had, either before or during such person's employment, or since such employment if the charges pertained to events that allegedly occurred during the time of employment by the submitting business, and allegedly related to the conduct of that business:

a) Any felony charge pending?

YES ☐ NO ☒ If yes, provide details for each such investigation, an explanation of the circumstances and corrective action taken.

b) Any misdemeanor charge pending?

YES ☐ NO ☒ If yes, provide details for each such investigation, an explanation of the circumstances and corrective action