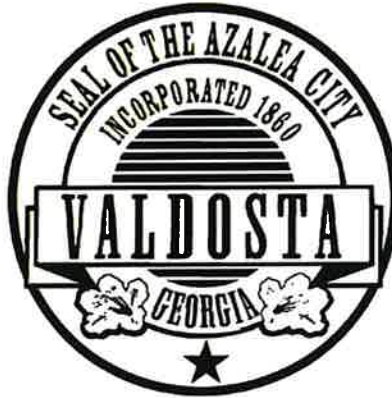


# INVITATION TO BID



## PURCHASING DEPARTMENT

P. O. BOX 1125

216 E. CENTRAL AVENUE

SECOND FLOOR

VALDOSTA, GEORGIA 31601

**BID # 40-26**

**FOR: City of Valdosta 95 Gallon Roll Out Container Annual Contract**

**BID OPENING DATE: May 19, 2026**

**TIME: 10:00 AM EST**

TERESA DAVIS GCPM, GCPCA  
PURCHASING AGENT

(229) 259-3521

## NOTICE TO DEALERS/VENDORS

1. Any prices bid by dealer/vendor on any items offered to the City of Valdosta shall be the price effective at the date of delivery.
2. No delivery date of "ASAP" (As Soon As Possible) shall be considered acceptable on items that have a maximum delivery date listed in the specifications.
3. The City of Valdosta reserves the right to accept alternate bids on any or all items where maximum delivery date, as listed in the specifications, is not met by dealer/vendor.
4. Signature below of authorized agent for dealer/vendor shall constitute recognition and acceptance of all conditions of the sale as listed above.
5. All shipping is to be FOB Valdosta, GA 31601 and included in total price unless otherwise stated in the bid document.
6. Please be aware that private and public mail carriers are not always reliable on next-day delivery in our area. Please assure your response is sent in plenty of time to reach us. As you know, late responses are not acceptable. If you utilize the US Postal Service and mail your response to the physical address, the chances are high it will be diverted to our post office box so allow extra time for delivery. Private carries will deliver to the physical address but include "Purchasing, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor" in your delivery address and be aware that although you pay overnight fees, overnight delivery is not always successful although you are told the delivery time will be met.

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Dealer/Vendor

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Authorized Agent

## GENERAL SPECIFICATIONS

It is the intent of these specifications to furnish the City of Valdosta with the following requisitioned equipment, according to the attached. It is clearly understood that the following are minimum specifications and are made in order to show the exact quality through specifications of the equipment proposed.

The City of Valdosta reserves the right to accept any or all bids or to choose the bid considered to be in their best interest.

The final decision of purchase will be made upon the award of the City of Valdosta Mayor and Council if the item or items total are greater than \$25,000.

### **Cooperative Procurement**

By signing this bid package, Vendor agrees it will permit piggyback purchases to this bid/contract for other government entities where governmental discounts apply such as city, county, local authorities, agencies, non-profits, boards of education, or other governmental agencies not listed offering the same prices, terms, and conditions offered to the City of Valdosta. Piggybacking shall only be available where competition was used to secure the contract and only for a period of 12 months following award date, or during renewals or extension periods of the contract. Also, the piggybacking will only be for the item(s) in the original bid/quote as they are specified with the exception of very minor changes. Changes such as engine size, pump size, different body style, etc. will not be allowed. This provision shall not apply to any contract where otherwise prohibited or mandated by state law.

**NO BID WILL BE CONSIDERED IF RECEIVED AFTER THE DATE AND TIME SPECIFIED.**

**Be sure to put the Bid Number on the outside of your return envelope.**

Please be aware that private and public mail carriers are not always reliable on next day delivery in our area. Please assure your response is sent in plenty of time to reach us. As you know, late responses are not acceptable. If you utilize the US Postal Service and mail your response to the physical address, the chances are high it will be diverted to our post office box so allow extra time for delivery. Private carries will deliver to the physical address but include "Purchasing, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor" in your delivery address and be aware that although you pay overnight fees, overnight delivery is not always successful although you are told the delivery time will be met.

## INSTRUCTIONS TO BIDDERS

1. Proposals must be made upon the form of the proposal attached hereto. They must be enclosed in a sealed plain envelope, with the bid number written on the outside and endorsed with the title of the proposal, and must be filed with the Purchasing Agent of the City of Valdosta, located at 216 E. Central Ave 2nd floor. In the event you choose to mail your proposal, it should be mailed to Teresa Davis, P.A., P.O. Box 1125, Valdosta, Ga. 31603.
2. No bidder will be allowed to withdraw his proposal for any reason whatsoever after the bids have been opened.
3. The specifications represent the minimum general size, weight, capacity and performance characteristics desired in the equipment to be purchased. These requirements are not intended to prevent obtaining fair prices or to eliminate competition, but to insure, if possible, that all bids submitted shall not be subject to correction or alteration after the bid has been filed, opened, and publicly read. In view of an unusual wide disparity in details of design and manufacture, complete descriptive literature and manufacturer specifications must be submitted on each type of equipment offered. The City of Valdosta reserves the right to evaluate any or all bids, particularly where there is a range in specifications. Special consideration will be given to the ready availability of repair parts and service.
4. Federal or State taxes are not applicable to Georgia Municipalities under the United States Code Title 26 and Georgia Exemption Certificate Number 3-465-686-300-1.
5. It is expressly understood by the bidder that written notice of the award or purchase order by the City of Valdosta will constitute an agreement and consummate the transaction and will serve together with the proposal, the advertisement, these instructions and the detailed specifications, as the entire form of contract between the parties.
6. The bidder agrees that the City of Valdosta reserves the right to reject any or all proposals, or to accept the part of the bid considered to be in the best interest of the City.
7. Specifications referred to minimum, therefore unless otherwise indicated by the bidder, the City will assume proposals meet or exceed all specifications.
8. The names of a certain brand, make or definite specifications are to demote quality standard of the article desired, but do not restrict bidders to be specific brand, make or manufacturer named; it is to set forth and convey to prospective bidders the general style, type, character and quality of the article desired.
9. The award of the contract will be made to the lowest responsible bidder taking into consideration quality performance and the time specified in the proposals for the performance of the contract. The City of Valdosta reserves the right to reject all bids as appears in its own best interest and to waive technicalities. In cases of a tie, the bid in the best interest of the City will be awarded.

NON-COLLUSION AFFIDAVIT

The following affidavit is to accompany the bid:

STATE OF \_\_\_\_\_

COUNTY OF \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Company Name, Address, City and State

Being of lawful age, being first duly sworn, on oath says that he/she is the agent authorized by the bidder to submit the attached bid. Affiant further states as bidder, that they have not been a party to any collusion among bidders in restraint of competition by agreement to bid at a fixed price or to refrain from bidding. Affiant also states as bidder, that they have not been a party to any collusion with any officer of the City of Valdosta or any of their employees as to quantity, quality or price in the prospective contract; and that discussions have not taken place between bidders and any office of the City of Valdosta or any of their employees concerning exchange of money or other things of value for special consideration in submitting a sealed bid for:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Firm Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Title

Subscribed and sworn to before me this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Notary Public



**GEORGIA SECURITY AND IMMIGRATION COMPLIANCE ACT AFFIDAVIT**

Contract No. and Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Contractor's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

**City of Valdosta Georgia  
Contractor Affidavit**

By executing this affidavit, the undersigned Contractor verifies its compliance with O.C.G.A. §13-10-91, stating affirmatively that the individual, firm, or corporation which is contracting with the City of Valdosta, Georgia has registered with and is participating in a federal work authorization program\*, in accordance with the applicability provisions and deadlines established in O.C.G.A. 13-10-91.

The undersigned further agrees that, should it employ or contract with any subcontractor(s) in connection with the physical performance of services pursuant to this contract with the City of Valdosta, Georgia, the Contractor will secure from subcontractor(s) similar verification of compliance with O.C.G.A. § 13-10-91 on the Subcontractor Affidavit provided in Rule 300-10-01-.08 or a substantially similar form. Contractor further agrees to maintain records of such compliance and provide a copy of each such verification to the City of Valdosta Georgia at the time the subcontractor(s) is retained to perform such service.

\_\_\_\_\_  
EEV / E-Verify TM User Identification Number

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date of Authorization

\_\_\_\_\_  
BY: Authorized Officer or Agent  
(Contractor Name)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Title of Authorized Officer or Agent of Contractor

\_\_\_\_\_  
Printed Name of Authorized Officer or Agent

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN  
BEFORE ME ON THIS THE  
\_\_\_\_ DAY OF \_\_\_\_\_, 2026

[NOTARY SEAL]

\_\_\_\_\_  
Notary Public  
My Commission Expires: \_\_\_\_\_

\*any of the electronic verification of work authorization programs operated by the United States Department of Homeland Security or any equivalent federal work authorization program operated by the United States Department of Homeland Security to verify information of newly hired employees, pursuant to the Immigration Reform and Contract Act of 1986 (IRCA), P. L. 99-603

## **SEMI-AUTOMATED REFUSE CONTAINERS AGREEMENT**

The City of Valdosta is accepting proposals for semi-automated refuse containers. Generally, the City will order 400-500 containers at a time, two or three times a year. The City reserves the right to order fewer than 400 if necessary. The City currently has a roll out container program in place and the new containers will be used as replacements and newly arrived residents.

MANDATORY A SAMPLE CART MUST BE MAILED TO 1017 Myrtle Street Valdosta, Ga. 31601. If you have already mailed a sample with the first bid you will not need to mail another.

Following are detailed specifications of the type of roll out container desired by the City. Bidders are requested to answer each question in the specification. Failure to do so can result in your bid being rejected if deemed necessary by the Purchasing Agent. Furthermore, the city reserves the right to verify each response given by each bidder. If the answer provided is found to be incorrect or misleading, the bid can be deemed non-responsive.

Bidders must submit a list of exceptions, if any, and if more space is needed, list the deviations on a separate page entitled "EXCEPTIONS" referencing the section and specification number on company letter-head. It is understood that the bidder's price shall include delivery for each roll out and figured into individual container pricing. The City will not pay any additional fuel or delivery surcharges at any time during the contract period. The City does not guarantee any quantities stated in this invitation to bid.

The successful bidder will agree to contract beginning after Mayor and Council approval (anticipated July 1, 2026 start date or as soon after as possible) and ending on June 30, 2027 (two-year period) in which the profit margin over resin cost will not increase. The City reserves the right to renew the contract for (4) four, additional (1) one-year periods if both parties are agreeable and profit and delivery margin above resin costs does not increase. The Invitation to Bid will be used as the binding contract document. The City reserves the right to cancel this contract with thirty days written notice for any reason the City deems necessary without approval from the successful contractor. If the contractor fails to perform under the terms and condition of this contract and the contract is cancelled, the contractor will be removed from the City of Valdosta bid list for a period of 10 years if deemed appropriate.

The proposed containers must meet all Federal, State, Local and any other issued guidelines that are pursuant to collection for solid waste handling equipment. Contractor shall follow standard practice and procedures acceptable within the field of solid waste handling in the construction, delivery, and performance of the refuse containers.

## AGREEMENT

It is the intent of these specifications to furnish the City of Valdosta with **Brand New Semi-Automated 95 Gallon Roll-Out Refuse Carts**. These are minimum specifications and all deviations should be marked. Please return the marked deviations along with your proposal to this office.

### GENERAL

#### Insurance and Indemnification

- 1) All insurance requirements apply to both the awarded contractor and all subcontractors. The City must be listed on all forms as an additional insured except for Workman's Compensation Policies. All insurance forms must be submitted with the signed bid document.
- 2) All coverage shall be with AM Best's rated A or better Insurance Companies only authorized to do business in the State of Georgia. As evidence of such authorization, the contractor shall submit with the insurance documents a copy of the Certificate of Authority for each named provider.
- 3) All insurance submitted by the awarded contractor is subject to approval by the City and must remain in full force for the duration of the contract. The contractor shall not take any action under this contract until such approval is given by the City.
- 4) No acceptance and/or approval of any insurance by the City shall be construed as relieving or excusing the Contractor or the contractor's surety from any liability or obligation imposed upon either or both of them by the provisions of this contract.
- 5) All insurance policies subject to cancellation, non-renewal, or material reduction in coverage shall be endorsed to provide written notice to the City no less than (30) thirty days prior. The phrases "endeavor to" and "...but failure to mail such notice shall impose no obligation or liability of any kind upon the insurer, its agents or representatives" are to be eliminated from the cancellation provision or standard ACORD certificates of insurance.
- 6) The contractor must disclose any policy or coverage with deductibles of \$5,000.00 or more.
- 7) The dollar amounts listed are *minimum* limits. These limits and all insurance requirements stated in this section are subject to any additions, deletions or revisions stated in the Detailed Specifications.
  - a) Commercial General Liability Insurance or its equivalent for bodily injury, personal injury and property damage including loss of use with the minimum limits of:
    - I. \$1,000,000 each occurrence
    - II. \$ 300,000 damage to property
    - III. \$1,000,000 personal and advertising injury
    - IV. \$1,000,000 general aggregate
    - V. \$1,000,000 products/completed operation

b) Business Auto Liability Insurance or its equivalent with a minimum limit of \$500,000 per person, per accident, property damage and includes coverage for all of the following:

- i Liability arising out of the ownership, maintenance or use of any auto
- ii Auto non-ownership and hired car coverage
- iii Uninsured/Underinsured motorist coverage at a limit no less than statutory limits

c) Excess/Umbrella Insurance or its equivalent with minimum limits of:

- i \$1,000,000 per occurrence
- ii \$1,000,000 aggregate for other than products/completed operations and auto liability
- iii \$1,000,000 products/completed operations aggregate

d) Workers Compensation Insurance or its equivalent with statutory benefits as required by any state or Federal law:

- i \$500,000 each accident for bodily injury by accident
- ii \$500,000 each employee for bodily injury by disease
- iii \$500,000 policy limit for bodily injury by disease

8) Bidder shall indemnify and hold harmless the City, the Mayor, Council, all employees and professionals under contract harmless from and against all claims, suits or actions, and damages or costs of every name and description to which the City may be subjected or put by reason of injury to the person or property of another, or the property of the City, resulting from negligent acts or omissions on the part of the contractor, the contractor's agents, servants or subcontractors in the delivery of goods and services, or in the performance of the work under this contract.

**MATERIAL**

- 1) The containers and plastic container components shall be made using hot compounding and only injection molded process. Must be UV stabilized \_\_\_\_\_  
for maximum protection no less than .5%
  
- 2) The container must be manufactured from virgin high density polyethylene plastic that is 100% recyclable after the useful life has occurred. \_\_\_\_\_
  
- 3) Bidder **shall** include an agreement to buy back resin at the end of the useful life of the container as well as any other existing containers at current market value. Please include program information with pricing. \_\_\_\_\_

## CONTAINER

- 1) The container wall thickness of the body must not be less than 0.150 inches throughout the body of the container. \_\_\_\_\_
- 2) The minimum wall thickness of the critical wear points of the container shall be 0.110 inches and meet ANSI Z.245.30 and Z.245.60 \_\_\_\_\_
- 3) The container shall have a minimum capacity of 95 gallons and shall be no more than 100 gallons. \_\_\_\_\_
- 4) The interior surface shall be smooth and free of pockets, recesses or intrusions which could trap debris or obstruct the discharge of refuse. \_\_\_\_\_
- 5) The unassembled resin weight of the container shall be no more than (31) thirty-one pounds and the assembled weight no more than (40) forty pounds, please specify. There shall be a minimum ½” solid molded edge around the perimeter of the container bottom to protect the container against abrasions. Add-on pads that require attention or replacement will not be acceptable. \_\_\_\_\_
- 6) The container shall be equipped with inserted lift bars. Integrally molded lift bars will not be acceptable. \_\_\_\_\_
- 7) The assembled container dimensions shall be as follows. Specify:  
Overall Height max. of (45) forty-five inches  
Overall Width max. of (30) thirty inches  
Overall Length max. (deep) of (34)-(34.25)  
inches Wheel Diameter shall be (10) ten-inch  
plastic Cart shall be Code 2 100% recyclable  
\_\_\_\_\_
- 8) The container shall be capable of accommodating a minimum load of 325 pounds excluding the weight of the container. \_\_\_\_\_
- 9) The container shall be designed to be dumped by both semi-automated and fully-automated truck systems. \_\_\_\_\_
- 10) The container must be stable and self-balancing when in the upright position either loaded or empty. \_\_\_\_\_
- 11) The empty container shall remain upright when the lids is opened or released from an upright position. \_\_\_\_\_
- 12) The body of the container shall have a 1/2” min. we will accept ¼ if durable material molded-in wear strips to withstand abrasion and wear associated with street contact during moving and lifting. Add-on wear pads or abrasion strips that are concaved at the inside bottom of the container are not acceptable. \_\_\_\_\_

**LIDS**

- 1) The container lid shall be manufactured in the same manner and from the same material as the container body and shall be of such configuration that it one piece and will not warp, bend, slump or distort to such an extent that it no longer fits the container properly or becomes otherwise unserviceable and minimum of 0.0110. thickness. 

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- 2) (2) Two oblique handles on the front corners for easy opening. Lids that must be opened manually by grasping the edge of lid are unacceptable. Bolted on lid hinges are unacceptable. 

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- 3) The lid shall open to at least 270 degrees. 

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- 4) No lid latches will be accepted. Lid will be held closed by its weight only. 

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**LIFT BARS**

- 1) Lower lift bar attachment must locked inserted bars. Integrally molded lift bars are not acceptable. 

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- 2) Lower lift bar height shall be no more than 18 5/8” from level ground to top of bar and 17 7/8” to bottom of bar. A sample container must be provided at no cost before award is made and all specifications are met to assure your container will operate with our tippers. We currently have multiple container brands in use and are maxed out on tipper adjustment. **Do not** send any containers unless you are contacted after the bid opening. You will not be awarded if your container does not operate within our current tipper adjustments. 

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**WHEELS & AXLE**

- 1) The wheel shall be a minimum of (10) ten inches and constructed of blow-molded plastic. 

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- 2) The wheels shall be mounted within the body of the refuse container. 

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- 3) The axle shall be a minimum of 3/4 will accept 5/8 also inch solid steel and plated to prevent rust corrosion. 

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**GENERAL**

- 1) The City of Valdosta emblem and sequential serial numbers shall be hot stamped on the cart body using a numbering system of the City's choosing. All hot stamping shall be visible from a distance. The start number will be provided when an actual order is placed. \_\_\_\_\_
- 2) The containers shall be compatible with the current cart dumper(s) being used both Automated Side Loader (ASL) and rear load. \_\_\_\_\_
- 3) Bidders are to provide the total count of individual parts that combine to make up the container being offered in this proposal. \_\_\_\_\_
- 4) Shall include a price listing for each replacement parts and these prices will remain fixed for the duration of this contract. \_\_\_\_\_
- 5) Containers are to be supplied with insert bars, lids and front lower bar completely assembled. \_\_\_\_\_
- 6) The City will only install the wheels and axle upon delivery. \_\_\_\_\_
- 7) Unit prices quoted shall include delivery to the City of Valdosta, Valdosta, GA 31601. \_\_\_\_\_
- 8) Prices should be for a full truckload of 400-500 containers or more but we the City reserves the right to order in smaller quantities. \_\_\_\_\_
- 9) Please state the lead time needed to fill orders placed by the City. \_\_\_\_\_
- 10) Please include literature on the container you are bidding. \_\_\_\_\_
- 11) Color of container to be green as to match existing containers with white lettering. \_\_\_\_\_
- 12) Deliveries shall be made Monday through Friday excluding City observed holidays between the hours of 8:00 AM EST and 11:00 AM EST unless permission has been granted prior to delivery date. \_\_\_\_\_
- 13) Cart must be manufacturer's latest design. Incompatibility with previous version parts (lids, wheel, bars, axles, etc.) must be identified. \_\_\_\_\_
- 14) Subcontracting of any portion of this purchase is absolutely forbidden without first obtaining prior written consent from the City purchasing agent. \_\_\_\_\_
- 15) City staff will not be responsible for unloading new containers as they have other duty assignments. \_\_\_\_\_

**STABILITY**

- 1) The containers, when empty, shall be stable and not blown over in winds from any direction up to (35) thirty-five mph. The lid has to remain close in wind up to (25) twenty-five mph. Certified wind tunnel testing must be provided with bid. \_\_\_\_\_
- 2) The container (whether empty or full) shall remain in the upright position when the lid is thrown open. \_\_\_\_\_

**RETURNS**

- 1) All costs and arrangements for making returns will be the responsibility of the contractor. \_\_\_\_\_
- 2) All returns and recycling must be picked up within one week of notification. \_\_\_\_\_
- 3) Pick up slips are required for all returns and must be signed by an authorized City employee. A copy of the signed slip must be retained by the City. \_\_\_\_\_

**WARRANTY**

- 1) The container lid, wheels, axle and all necessary hardware shall be covered by a (10) ten year warranty. Any component part that fails in materials or workmanship to perform as originally designed, shall be replaced at no cost to the City. \_\_\_\_\_
- 2) Bidder agrees that the warranty will remain in effect up to (10) ten years even if bidders company no longer holds the current contract. \_\_\_\_\_
- 3) All labor and/or services provided warranty for no less than (90) ninety days. \_\_\_\_\_

**RESIN PRICING INCREASE/DECREASE AGREEMENT**

The contract pricing resulting from this "Invitation to Bid" shall be binding for 1 yr. from the date of the award of the contract, and shall be reviewed each year thereafter throughout the term and conditions of said contract. Should the market price of resin increase or decrease from the initial unit price. The actual cost of resin must be provided on documentation from the resin provider each time an order is placed. We may also have the right to ask for resin cost proof at time of renewal if there is an increase for the City.

Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

**Termination for Convenience (Buyer's Right):**

The City of Valdosta reserves the right to terminate their contract, in whole or in part, at any time for its convience by providing (30) thirty Days' written notice to the Contractor. Upon such termination, the Contractor shall immediately stop all work and cease placing orders. The Contractor shall be entitled to receive payment for all goods delivered or services satisfactorily performed up to the date of termination but shall not be entitled to loss of profits or consequential damages for the uncompleted portion of the contract.

**Non- Exclusivity Clause:**

The City of Valdosta acknowledges that this contract is non-exclusive. The City reserves the right to engage other contractors to perform services similar to or the same as those described herein, or to perform such services with its own personal, at its sole discretion and at any time it deems such action to be for the benefit of the City. This Contract does not guarantee the assignment of any specific work or volume of services to the Contractor.

IN WITNESS WHERE OF, the parties have executed this Agreement as of the dates first written above.

CITY OF VALDOSTA

By: \_\_\_\_\_ (Authorized Signature)  
Title: \_\_\_\_\_

CONTRACTOR

By: \_\_\_\_\_ (Authorized Signature)  
Printed Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Title: \_\_\_\_\_

**REFERENCES**

Please submit a list of at least 5 current municipalities that you are currently servicing

<b>Municipality</b>	<b>Contact</b>	<b>Phone</b>	<b>Email</b>	<b>Annual Vol.</b>
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**PLEASE USE THIS SPACE TO DESCRIBE YOUR RECYCLING PROGRAM AND  
INCLUDE DOCUMENTATION WITH PRICING**

If your company offers a buyback program, please include all information with your proposal.

**CONFIDENTIAL  
PROPOSAL**

We/I have examined the specifications and agree to furnish the City of Valdosta with the equipment/services accordingly. Any deviations from the specifications will be marked exception on the bid sheet. Please do not enter (see attached) or you will be disqualified you must enter a price.

The dollar amount added to the resin cost to arrive at the bid price will be constant throughout the duration of this contract and include any and all cost associated up to the delivery to the City.

**CART PRICE FOB VALDOSTA GA**

\$ \_\_\_\_\_ Each

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

Company Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Remit Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Printed Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Delivery \_\_\_\_\_ Days After Order

Order Information Contact With Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Is your company currently on any State or Federal Debarment list? Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_

Will your company accept a credit card for payment? Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_

E-Verfiy Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Include a copy in package

Include a W-9 in package.