

The Judiciary State of Hawaii

Request for Proposals RFP J25166

ONLINE BAIL PAYMENT SYSTEM FOR DEFENDANTS IN THE CUSTODY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS AND REHABILITATION, STATE OF HAWAII

DIRECT QUESTIONS OR ISSUES RELATING TO THE ACCESSIBILTY OF THIS RFP (INCLUDING THE ATTACHMENTS AND EXHIBITS AND ANY OTHER DOCUMENT RELATED TO THIS RFP) AND REQUESTS FOR ACCOMMODATIONS FOR PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES IN CONNECTION WITH THIS RFP TO:

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REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL NO. J25166 FOR AN ONLINE BAIL PAYMENT SYSTEM FOR DEFENDANTS IN THE CUSTODY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS AND REHABILTATION, STATE OF HAWAII

RFP ADMINISTRATION INFORMATION

RFP Title	ONLINE BAIL PAYMENT SYSTEM FOR
	DEFENDANTS IN THE CUSTODY OF THE
	DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS AND
	REHABILITATION, STATE OF HAWAII
RFP Project Description (See Section Four)	
RFP Point of Contact: (See Contract	Buyer Name – Calvin Ung
Administrator)	Agency Name - Judiciary
	Buyer email – Calvin.J.Ung@courts.hawaii.gov
Submit proposals electronically via Hawaii	Electronic Submission
Electronic Procurement System (HlePRO):	hiepro.ehawaii.gov
(See Electronic Submission of Proposals)	
Deadline to Receive Questions:	10/7/2024 at 12:00 P.M. Hawaii Standard Time
(See Schedule and Significant Dates and	(HST)
Electronic Submission of Questions)	
Question & Answers:	All questions, including those about Terms and
(Sections Schedule and Significant Dates and	Conditions, must be submitted through HlePRO.
Electronic Submission of Questions)	Questions must be submitted by the question
	deadline date.
RFP Closing Date: (See Schedule and	10/28/2024
Significant Dates)	
RFP Closing Time: (See Schedule and Significant Dates)	12:00 P.M. Hawaii Standard Time (HST)
Initial Term of Contract and Renewals:	The contract shall commence date specified on
(See Period of Performance)	the Notice to Proceed and end on June 30, 2025.
	Upon mutual agreement, the contract may be
	extended or amended. Unless terminated, the
	contract may be extended, without re-soliciting,
	for not more than two (2) twelve-month period or
	any part thereof if mutually agreed upon in
	writing at least thirty (30) days prior to contract
	expiration. The Judiciary may terminate the
	contract at any time upon 30 calendar days' prior
	written notice. Upon mutual agreement, the
	contract may be extended or amended.

TAKE NOTE THE MANDATORY .75% (.0075) TRANSACTION FEE TO HAWAII INFORMATION CONSORTIUM, LLC DBA NIC HAWAII IS BASED ON SALES FOR AWARDS MADE IN HIEPRO. (DETAILED IN SECTION 2.2 ELECTRONIC PROCUREMENT AND SECTION 2.11 PAYMENT TO HAWAII INFORMATION CONSORTIUM, LLC DBA NIC HAWAII.)

SECTION ONE - INTRODUCTION AND SIGNIFICANT DATES

1.1 Introduction

The purpose of this Request for Proposal (RFP) is to solicit proposals from qualified entities to establish an online system that will enable the public to post cash bail for defendants in the custody of the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation, State of Hawaii, seven (7) days a week.

The successful Offeror will also be required to keep and maintain records of all payments received and cases for which payments were made.

The initial contract will be for a one (1) year period commencing on the date indicated on the Notice to Proceed, with options to renew for two (2) additional one (1) year periods upon mutual agreement of both parties.

1.2 **Schedule and Significant Dates**

Advertisement and Issue Date of RFP September 27, 2024

Deadline for Written Questions

through HIePRO October 7, 2024 12:00PM HST

Responses to Written Questions

through HIePRO October 10, 2024

PROPOSALS DUE October 28, 2024

12:00PM HST

Evaluation Period October 2024 – November 2024

Discussion with Priority-Listed Offerors,

if necessary November, 2024

Best and Final Offers due, if any N/A

November, 2024 Award

Contract Execution December, 2024

Contract Commencement/Notice to Proceed December 2024 – January 2025

END OF SECTION

SECTION TWO - SOLICITATION INFORMATION

2.1 GOVERNING LAWS AND REGULATIONS

This procurement is conducted by the Judiciary in accordance with the regulations and laws of the State of Hawaii. Venue for any administrative or judicial action relating to this procurement, evaluation, and award shall be in the State of Hawaii.

2.2 ELECTRONIC PROCUREMENT

The Judiciary has established the Hawaii State eProcurement (HlePRO) System to promote an open and transparent system for vendors to compete for state contracts electronically. Offerors interested in responding to this solicitation must be registered on HlePRO. Registration information is available at the State Procurement Office (SPO) website: https://hiepro.ehawaii.gov/welcome.html, select HlePRO Vendor Registration and then Vendor Registration Guide.

The Judiciary will use HlePRO to issue the RFP, receive Offers, and issue Addenda to the RFP. Addenda and the other information and materials shall be provided by the Judiciary through HlePRO, including additions or changes with respect to the dates in Schedule and Significant Dates. The Judiciary is not responsible for any delay or failure of any Offeror to receive any materials updated through the RFP Process on a timely basis.

As part of this procurement process, Offerors are informed that awards made for this solicitation, if any, shall be done through the HlePRO and shall, therefore, be subject to a mandatory .75% (.0075) transaction fee, not to exceed \$5,000 for the total contract term.

HlePRO Special Instructions. Offeror shall review all special instructions located in HlePRO. Offerors are responsible for ensuring that all necessary files are attached to their offer prior to the proposal deadline.

Offerors are advised that they should not wait until the last minute to submit their proposal on HlePRO. Offerors should allow ample time to review their submitted proposal, including attachments, prior to the proposal deadline.

2.3 RFP ADDENDA

Changes to this RFP including but not limited to contractual terms and procurement requirements shall only be changed through formal written addenda issued by the Judiciary.

The Judiciary accepts no responsibility for a prospective Offeror not receiving solicitation documents and/or revisions to the solicitation. It is the responsibility of the prospective Offeror to monitor the Hawaii State eProcurement System (HlePRO) to obtain RFP addenda or other information relating to the RFP.

2.4 QUESTIONS REGARDING RFP CONTENTS

If a Prospective Offeror believes that any provision of the RFP is unclear, potentially defective, or would prevent from providing a meaningful Offer, the Offeror shall submit questions regarding this solicitation through HIePRO on or before the deadline indicated in Schedule and Significant Dates. Each question shall identify the page, section number, paragraph, and line or sentence of such provision(s) of the RFP to which the question applies. The Judiciary will respond by the response date specified in Schedule and Significant Dates. The Judiciary may issue Addenda in response to written questions received regarding the RFP.

2.5 ELECTRONIC SUBMISSION OF QUESTIONS

All questions must be submitted through the Hawaii State eProcurement System (HlePRO). Questions must be submitted by the question deadline date and time shown in Schedule and Significant Dates. Answers will be given via the Hawaii State eProcurement System (HlePRO) site as noted in Schedule and Significant Dates.

Offerors are cautioned about including context in questions that may reveal the source of questions. The identity of potential Offerors will not be published with the answers, but the text of questions will be restated, to the extent possible, to exclude information identifying potential Offerors.

2.6 CANCELLATION OF PROCUREMENT AND PROPOSAL REJECTION

The Judiciary reserves the right to cancel this RFP and to reject any and all proposals in whole or in part and waive any defects when it is determined to be in the best interest of the Judiciary, pursuant to HAR §3-122-96 thru HAR §3-122-97.

2.7 FIRM OFFERS

Responses to this RFP, including proposed prices and/or fees will be considered firm for 90 days from the proposal due date.

2.8 RIGHT TO ACCEPT ALL OR PORTION OF PROPOSAL

Unless otherwise specified in the solicitation, the Judiciary may accept any item or combination of items as specified in the solicitation or of any proposal unless the Offeror expressly restricts an item or combination of items in its Proposal and conditions its response on receiving all items for which it provided a proposal. If the Offeror so restricts its Proposal, the Judiciary may consider the Offeror's restriction and evaluate whether the award on such basis will result in the best value to the Judiciary. The Judiciary may otherwise determine at its sole discretion that such restriction is non-responsive and renders the Offeror ineligible for further evaluation

2.9 OWNERSHIP OF DISPOSITION OF PROPOSALS AND OTHER MATERIALS SUBMITTED

All costs incurred by the Offeror in preparing or submitting a proposal shall be the Offeror's sole responsibility whether any award results from this RFP. The Judiciary shall not reimburse such costs. All proposals become the property of the State of Hawaii.

2.10 ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

The Offeror shall provide additional information regarding aspects of an Offeror's Proposal within five (5) business days of the Judiciary's request unless the Judiciary specifies another period. As noted, each Offeror shall submit only one Proposal. If an Offeror submits more than one Proposal, then the Judiciary reserves the right to reject and or dismiss the Offeror from the RFP Process.

2.11 PAYMENT TO HAWAII INFORMATION CONSORTIUM, LLC DBA NIC HAWAII

A mandatory .75% (.0075) transaction fee is charged to the awarded Contractor(s) based on the awarded amount. HlePRO is administered by Hawaii Information Consortium, LLC dba NIC Hawaii. NIC Hawaii shall invoice the awarded Contractor(s) directly for payment of transaction fees. Payment must be made to NIC Hawaii within thirty (30) days from receipt of invoice. NIC Hawaii is an intended third-party beneficiary of transaction fees, which are used to fund the operation, maintenance, and future enhancements of the HlePRO system.

END OF SECTION

SECTION THREE - BACKGROUND

Overview

The Hawai'i State Judiciary (Judiciary) is a unified court system divided into four circuits—First (Oahu), Second (Maui County), Third (Hawai'i County), and Fifth (Kaua'i). The Chief Justice of the Hawai'i Supreme Court serves as the administrative head of the Judiciary. The Administrative Director of the Courts assists the Chief Justice with the management of Judiciary operations.

The Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation (DCR) operates the corrections facilities in the State of Hawai'i. Corrections facilities are at the following locations:

Oahu

Oahu Community Correctional Center 2199 Kamehameha Hwy. Honolulu, HI 96819

Halawa High/Medium Security Facility 99-902 Moanalua Road Aiea, HI 96701

Waiawa Correctional Facility 94-560 Kamehameha Hwy. Waipahu, HI 96797

Women's Community Correctional Facility 42-7 Kalanianaole Hwy. Kailua, HI 96734

Maui

Maui Community Correctional Center 600 Waiale Dr. Wailuku, HI 96793

Hawaii Island

Hawaii Community Correctional Center 60 Punahele St. Hilo, HI 96720

Kauai

Kauai Community Correctional Center 3-5351 Kuhio Hwy. Lihue, HI 96766

In 2019, the Hawai'i State Legislature amended Hawaii Revised Statutes (HRS) § 804-7, Release after bail. Pursuant to HRS § 804-7, the Judiciary must establish and administer a statewide program that permits the posting of bail seven-days-a-week for defendants in the custody of DCR. The program shall be available to any defendant for whom a monetary amount of bail has been set by the police, other law enforcement agency, or the court.

The Judiciary seeks an online payment system that will allow payors to post cash bail for defendants in the custody of DCR, seven days a week, including holidays. Compensation for the Contractor shall be solely through service fees charged to the users.

END OF SECTION

SECTION FOUR – SCOPE OF WORK

4.1 SCOPE

The Contractor shall provide and operate a system that accepts online payment of bail, for defendants in the custody of DCR and for whom monetary bail has been set by the police, other law enforcement agency, or the court. The system must be operational seven days a week, including all holidays, during the hours from 7:45 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. The online payment system shall accept all major credit and debit cards.

4.2 CURRENT PROCESS FOR POSTING CASH BAIL

Currently, the Hawai'i County Police Department is the only government agency in the State of Hawai'i that accepts cash bail for defendants in the custody of DCR, seven days a week. In all other counties, bail that has been set by a court must be paid at the courthouse. Business hours for the State courts are 7:45 a.m. – 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding holidays.

When a payor comes to court to post cash bail for a defendant in the custody of DCR, Judiciary personnel check the court's case management system to determine in which cases bail has been ordered. Cash bail can only be received in the exact amount fixed by the court order. Payment may be in the form of cash, cashier's check, or money order. Once payment is received, the clerk provides a receipt, "Bail/Bond Receipt, Acknowledgment, and Notice to Appear (BBRA)" to the payor. An "Order Pertaining to Bail," confirming that bail was posted and the receipt number, is also issued by the court. The payor delivers the BBRA and Order Pertaining to Bail to DCR's correctional facility to obtain release of the defendant.

A defendant cannot be released if there are any additional outstanding warrants against the defendant. In general, Judiciary personnel will check the court's case management systems to determine whether a defendant has any outstanding warrants.

Additionally, if a defendant is charged in multiple cases and each case has a separate bail order, the defendant cannot be released unless bail is paid for all of the cases.

4.3 SYSTEM REQUIREMENTS

The Contractor must be capable of implementing an online bail payment system that accepts credit and debit cards from major financial institutions. The system must meet the requirements described below.

• The Contractor must establish a portal that will allow Judiciary staff to access and review defendants' bail information which will be entered by the Contractor, which includes the following items:

Defendant's name

Defendant's address
Defendant's date of birth
Last 4 digits of defendant's social security number
Arresting agency
State ID (SID) number, if applicable
Arrest report/Citation number
Charge
Bail amount
Court date and time

- Contractor's system must be able to recognize and keep track of individual defendants with bail orders issued in multiple cases.
- Contractor shall provide a user-friendly website that permits a payor to submit a request to pay bail based on the defendant's name. Other appropriate identifiers that can be entered by the payor may be added features.
- Contractor's system must be able to immediately notify DCR when a payor has submitted a request to pay bail for a defendant. With the exception of extraordinary cases, the system must be able to determine within one (1) hour of submission of the request whether a defendant is eligible to be released on bail. A defendant is not eligible for release on bail when: (a) there are outstanding warrants against the defendant, and/or (b) the defendant is subject to bail in multiple cases and the payor does not agree to pay bail for all of the cases.
- The system must be able to notify the payor via an email, and as an option a text message, whether the request for payment has been approved or denied. If the request is denied, an explanation must be provided to the payor.
- Contractor shall collaborate with the Judiciary and DCR to develop an efficient method of determining whether a defendant has outstanding warrants at the time a payor submits a request to pay bail for the defendant.
- When a request for payment is approved, the system must be able to validate that the correct amount of bail is collected. Additionally, the system must produce and transmit a printable receipt in the form of the BBRA to the payor, the Judiciary, and DCR within 24 hours or the next business day. A copy of the BBRA is attached as Exhibit "A."
- The system must be able to accommodate payment of bail for multiple cases in one transaction, and issue separate BBRA's for each case.
- The system must comply with Payment Card Industry Data Security Standards and other applicable data security standards.
- Contractor's website must comply with accessibility requirements. A telephone number shall be available every day from 7:45 am to 4:30 pm for payors to contact

the Contractor.

- All monies collected by the Contractor, except the collection fee for the Contractor's services, shall be deposited with the appropriate Fiscal Officer on a daily basis. The Contractor and Fiscal Officer may agree to electronic fund transfer from the Contractor to the appropriate Judiciary bank account.
- Once the bail is posted, it will be the discretion of the Court to determine how the bail is dispersed.

4.4 CONTRACTOR OPERATIONS AND GENERAL SERVICES

- Contractor shall provide a project team to work with Judiciary and DCR staff to understand the existing business processes and work flow to configure the system, and where necessary, reconfigure the work flow to accomplish the purpose of this RFP.
- Contractor shall provide training to Judiciary and DCR staff on the use of the system.
- Contractor shall provide ongoing technical and support services to the Judiciary.
 Contractor shall establish a help desk to respond to inquiries from the Judiciary and DCR.
- Contractor is responsible for maintaining the system and providing necessary upgrades and enhancements.
- Contractor shall secure all personal and confidential information, such as home addresses, birth dates, credit card numbers, obtained by the Contractor through its performance under the contract in accordance with State and federal laws. Contractor shall not use any personal or confidential information so obtained in any manner except as is necessary under this contract for the proper discharge of its obligations.
- Contractor shall have a minimum of seven (7) year's prior experience in providing online payment services.
- Contractor shall have and maintain insurance pursuant to the provisions of Section 5.8.6 of this RFP.
- As the source of compensation will solely be through user fees charge to payors, Contractor shall have sufficient financial capacity, working capital, and other financial technical and management resources to perform the services.
- Contractor shall abide by all applicable state and federal laws.
- Contractor shall maintain and make available for inspection, audit, and reproduction all records and data pertaining to bail payments received to authorized representatives of the Judiciary.

- Contractor shall have an automated system to facilitate the exchange of account placements, payment information, and status reports. Contractor shall provide daily access for on-line inquiry between the Judiciary and the Contractor.
- Contractor shall provide adequate computer back-up systems and procedures to accommodate equipment failure. The back-up systems must capture and preserve all data necessary to ensure accurate accounting of monies collected and to create all mandated reports.
- All computer programming, data analyses, and development for the interface(s) shall be mutually agreed to by the Contractor and the Judiciary.
- Contractor shall autogenerate financial reports for accepted bail. The reports shall contain the following information:

Defendant's name.

Case number.

Transaction date.

Receipt number.

Amount of bail posted.

- Contractor shall originate daily ACH payments to each of the courts in a single depository account by 3:00 p.m., Hawaii Standard Time.
- Contractor shall send an ACH confirmation report, along with the financial reports, to the contact persons designated by each court.

END OF SECTION

SECTION FIVE SPECIAL PROVISIONS

5.1 SCOPE

The Contractor shall provide and operate a system that accepts online payment of bail, for defendants in the custody of DCR and for whom monetary bail has been set by the police, other law enforcement agency, or the court. The system must be operational seven days a week, including all holidays, during the hours from 7:45 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. The online payment system shall accept all major credit and debit cards.

5.2 TERM OF CONTRACT

The tentative term of the contract will be awarded for an initial term of one (1) year.

Unless terminated, and subject to the availability of funds, the contract may be extended by the Judiciary for two (2) additional twelve-month periods or any part thereof without resoliciting and upon mutual agreement in writing at least thirty (30) days prior to expiration.

The Judiciary may terminate the contract at any time upon thirty (30) days prior written notice.

5.3 OFFER PREPARATION

All responses must be typewritten on the offer forms provided and on additional sheets required to provide detailed responses as stated in the Specifications and/or Special Provisions and must be in accordance with the terms and conditions stated herein. All costs associated with this offer preparation are the sole responsibility of the Offeror. Any offer stating terms and/or conditions contradictory to those included herein may be rejected without further consideration.

- <u>5.3.1</u> Offer Form. Offeror is requested to submit its offer using Offeror's exact legal name as registered with the Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs, if applicable. Failure to do so may delay proper execution of the contract.
- 5.3.2 <u>Hawaii General Excise Tax License</u>. In accordance with Section 103-53.3, Hawaii Revised Statutes, Offeror shall submit his current Hawaii General Excise Tax I.D. number in the space provided on the Offer Form.
- <u>5.3.3</u> Proposals must also contain a statement that the Offeror will comply with all of the provisions in this RFP.

- <u>5.3.4</u> Offeror must clearly demonstrate, in its proposal and through references, its customer service methodology.
- <u>5.3.5</u> <u>Proposal Guaranty</u>. A Proposal Guaranty is NOT required for this Request for Proposals.
- 5.3.6 <u>Tax Liability</u>. Work to be performed under this solicitation is a business activity taxable under Chapter 237, Hawaii Revised Statutes (H.R.S.), and vendors are advised that they are liable for applicable taxes. If, however, an Offeror is a person exempt by the H.R.S. from paying the GET and therefore not liable for the taxes on this solicitation, Offeror shall state its tax-exempt status and cite the H.R.S. chapter or section allowing the exemption.
- <u>5.3.7</u> <u>Subcontractors</u>. Offeror shall provide a list of any subcontractors who will be used to perform any portion of the services required herein. The list shall include each subcontractor's name, address, and contact person; a complete description of work to be subcontracted; and descriptive information concerning subcontractor's organization and abilities.

The Contractor shall not delegate any duties listed in this RFP to any subcontractor other than those listed in the RFP unless the Judiciary gives written approval. The Judiciary reserves the right to approve in advance all proposed subcontractors for this project and to require the Contractor to replace any subcontractor found to be unacceptable. The Contractor will be the sole point of contact with regard to all the contractual matters, including payment for any and all charges resulting from the contract, and will be responsible for all services whether or not the Contractor performs them.

- <u>5.3.8</u> <u>Cost Proposal</u>. Offeror shall provide on Offer Form, page OF-09 Fee Schedule proposal, Section 7.6, the fee charges. Offeror shall provide the methodology and calculations that result in the fee charges. These charges shall also apply to any extension(s) to the contract.
- 5.3.9 Failure to include these items in the Offeror's proposal may be cause for the proposal to be determined non-responsive and rejected.

5.4 WRITTEN INQUIRIES

All questions must be submitted through the Hawaii State eProcurement System (HlePRO). Questions must be submitted by the question deadline date and time shown in Schedule and Significant Dates. Answers will be given via the Hawaii State eProcurement System (HlePRO) site as noted in Schedule and Significant Dates.

Offerors are cautioned about including context in questions that may reveal the source of questions. The identity of potential Offerors will not be published with the answers, but the text of questions will be restated, to the extent possible, to exclude information identifying potential Offerors.

5.5 PRE-PROPOSAL CONFERENCE

Refer to Section 1.2, Schedule and Significant Dates if a Pre-Proposal conference will be conducted.

Attendance for this pre-proposal conference is optional.

Should a pre-proposal conference be conducted, applicants attending the pre-proposal conference should have their RFP packets with them. Impromptu questions will be permitted and spontaneous answers provided at the conference at the Judiciary's discretion. Verbal answers provided at the conference are only intended as general direction and may not represent the Judiciary's position. Formal official responses will be provided in writing. All questions must be submitted through the Hawaii State eProcurement System (HlePRO). Questions must be submitted by the question deadline date and time shown in Schedule and Significant Dates. Answers will be given via the Hawaii State eProcurement System (HlePRO) site as noted in Introduction and Significant Dates.

5.6 SUBMISSION OF OFFERS

Proposals shall be submitted and received electronically through HlePRO by the date and time listed in Schedule and Significant Dates. This electronically submitted offer shall be considered the original. Any offers received outside of the HlePRO, including faxed or emailed bids, shall not be accepted, or considered for award. Any offer received after the due date and time shall be rejected. (See Electronic Procurement for further information.) The maximum file size that HlePRO can accept is 100MB. Files larger than 100MB must be reduced into two or more files.

Submission of a proposal shall constitute an incontrovertible representation by the Offeror that the Offeror agrees to comply with every requirement of this RFP, and that the RFP documents are sufficient in scope and detail to indicate and convey a reasonable understanding of all terms and conditions of performance of the work

Prior to submitting a proposal, each Offeror must:

- a. Examine the solicitation documents thoroughly. Solicitation documents include this RFP, any attachments, and any other relevant documentation.
- b. Become familiar with State, local, and federal laws, ordinances, rules, and regulations that may in any manner affect cost, progress, or performance of the work specified herein.

5.7 ONLINE BAIL PAYMENT EXPERIENCE AND REFERENCES

- 5.7.1 Experience: Contractor shall have a minimum of seven (7) year's prior experience in providing online payment services.
- 5.7.2 References: Offeror shall provide the names, addresses, telephone numbers, and contact persons of five (5) companies, courts or government entities for which the Offeror has provided services similar to those being requested in the RFP. All work for these references must have been performed within the past two (2) years, preferably in the State of Hawaii. The Judiciary reserves the right to contact any and all of the listed companies to inquire about the Offeror's performance on those projects.

5.8 AWARD

5.8.1 Method of Award. Award, if any will be made to the responsive and responsible Offeror whose proposal is determined to be the most advantageous and of best value to the Judiciary based on the evaluation criteria.

The Judiciary reserves the right to reject any proposals and to waive any defects, when in the Judiciary's opinion, such rejection or waiver is in the best interest of the Judiciary.

- **5.8.2** <u>Performance Bond</u>. A performance bond is <u>not</u> required for this Request for Proposal.
- **5.8.3** Responsibility of Contractor. To be eligible for award, the apparent responsive low bidder recommended for contract award, if any, will be contacted to submit copies of the documents listed below to demonstrate compliance with the requirements of § 103D-310(c), HRS:
 - 1. Chapter 237, tax clearance;
 - 2. Chapter 383, unemployment insurance;
 - 3. Chapter 386, worker's compensation;
 - 4. Chapter 392, temporary disability insurance;
 - 5. Chapter 393, prepaid health care; and
 - 6. Chapter 103D-310(C), Certificate in Good Standing (COGS) for entities doing business in the State of Hawaii.

The Contractor may choose to use the Hawaii Compliance Express (HCE) which allows businesses to register online through a simple wizard interface at http://vendors.ehawaii.gov to acquire a "Certificate of Vendor Compliance". The HCE provides current compliance status as of the issuance date. In order to meet compliance, the certificate must indicate "COMPLIANT". This certificate shall be accepted for both contracting purposes and final payment. There is an annual fee to the Hawaii Information Consortium, LLC. If the Contractor chooses not to enroll in HCE, paper certificates are required.

- **5.8.4** <u>Timely Submission of all Certificates</u>. The above certificates should be applied for and submitted to the Judiciary upon award of contract. If a valid certificate is not submitted on a timely basis for award of a contract, an offer otherwise responsive and responsible may not receive the award.
- **5.8.5** <u>Final Payment Requirements</u>. Pursuant to HRS § 103-53, compliance documents through Hawaii Compliance Express or, submittal of tax clearance certificate will be required for final payment, if any.
- **5.8.6** <u>Insurance</u>. The CONTRACTOR shall at his own expense maintain insurance in full force and effect during the life of this contract. The policy or policies of insurance maintained by Contractor shall provide the following limits and coverage:
 - a) Commercial General Liability Insurance (occurrence form) of \$1,000,000.00 per occurrence and \$2,000,000.00 aggregate.
 - b) Automobile Insurance in the amount of \$1,000,000.00 bodily injury per person, \$1,000,000 bodily injury per accident, and \$1,000,000.00 property damage per accident.
 - c) Workers' Compensation and Employer's Liability. Part A Statutory. Part B, Employers Liability \$100,000.00 each accident/\$100,000.00 disease each employee/\$500,000.00 disease policy limit.
 - d) Professional Liability Insurance (Errors and Omission) in the minimum amount of \$1,000,000 per claim and \$2,000,000.00 annual aggregate.

The Contractor will immediately provide written notice to the contracting department or agency should any of the insurance policies evidenced on its Certificate of Insurance form be cancelled, limited in scope, or not renewed upon expiration. Furthermore, The Judiciary shall be added as an additional insured as respects to operations performed for The Judiciary, State of Hawaii, and it is agreed that any insurance maintained by The Judiciary, State of Hawaii will apply in excess of, and not contribute with, insurance provided by this policy.

Failure of the contractor to provide and keep in force such insurance shall be regarded as material default under this contract, entitling the Judiciary to exercise any or all of the remedies provided in this contract for a default of the contractor.

Prior to execution of the contract, the successful offeror shall provide proof of coverage of insurance requirements set forth under this section.

5.9 CONTRACT EXECUTION AND EXTENSION

5.9.1 Execution

Successful Offeror receiving award shall enter into a formal written contract. <u>No performance or payment bond is required for this contract.</u> Compliance documents or a HCE Certificate, as described in 5.8.3, must be submitted prior to execution of the contract. Upon execution of the contract, the Judiciary shall issue a Notice to Proceed, specifying the contract commencement date.

No work shall be undertaken by the Contractor prior to the commencement date specified on the Notice to Proceed. The Judiciary is not liable for any work, contract, costs, expenses, loss of profits, or any damages whatsoever incurred by the Contractor arising prior to the official starting date.

5.9.2 Extension

If option to extend for an additional period is mutually agreed upon, the Contractor shall be required to execute a supplement to the contract. Any contract extension must be executed by the Contractor no less than thirty (30) days prior to the scheduled date of termination, otherwise the contract must be re-solicited. All contract extensions are subject to the availability of funds.

At the time of the extension, the fee schedule for the extended period shall remain the same as the previous year's fee schedule or is negotiated as set forth in the Contract Price Adjustment provisions.

5.10 PERMITS, CERTIFICATES, AND LICENSES

The Contractor shall obtain and pay for all permits, certificates, and licenses required and necessary for the performance of the work specified herein, shall post all notices required by law, and shall comply with all laws, ordinances, and regulations bearing on the conduct of work specified.

5.11 INSPECTION AND MODIFICATION

All work provided by Contractor is subject to inspection, evaluation, and approval by the respective Judiciary Officers-in-Charge, to ensure that the work is progressing on schedule and complies with the contract requirements. If the Officer-in-Charge determines that corrections or modifications must be made to assure compliance with the contract, the Officer-in-Charge may direct the Contractor to make such changes. Contractor's failure to perform pursuant to the contract may cause the Judiciary to terminate the contract or exercise other remedies as set forth in the General Conditions.

During the contract period, the Officers-In-Charge are:

Ms. Dee Dee Letts

Ms. Hattie Embernate

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5.12 REMOVAL OF CONTRACTOR'S EMPLOYEES

The Judiciary shall have the right to request that Contractor's personnel be removed from all work on this project, and the Contractor shall comply with such request, effective immediately upon notification by the Judiciary. Any such request by the Judiciary shall include a written statement indicating why removal of personnel is warranted.

5.13 AMENDMENT

The contract may be amended by the Judiciary and the Contractor for the purpose of curing any ambiguity, or curing, correcting or supplementing any defective provision contained therein, or to clarifying matters or questions arising under the contract as may be deemed necessary, provided that any such changes or modifications shall be in writing and signed by an authorized officer, employee, or representative of Contractor and the Judiciary.

5.14 BACKGROUND CHECKS

All employees, agents, or representatives of an Offeror or Offeror's subcontractors who will be performing work on any phase of the contract arising out of this RFP are subject to a criminal history background check by the Judiciary.

5.15 CONFIDENTIALITY OF JUDICIARY INFORMATION

During the performance of services under the contract, the Offeror may gain access to and use Judiciary information, records, files, documents or reports, which shall all be considered extremely confidential and shall be handled accordingly. A violation by Offeror, its employees, contractors and agents shall be a material violation of the contract.

5.16 TERMINATION FOR CAUSE

The Judiciary may terminate the contract for cause for the following reasons. If the Contractor:

- 1. Fails to begin the work or services under the contract within or by the time specified.
- 2. Performs the work or services negligently or neglects or refuses to remove materials or to perform anew, such work or services that may be rejected as unacceptable.
- 3. Discontinues the prosecution of the work or services.
- 4. Otherwise breaches any term of the contract.
- 5. Becomes insolvent or is declared bankrupt or commits any act of bankruptcy or insolvency.
- 6. Makes an assignment for the benefit of creditors.
- 7. For any other cause whatsoever, fails to carry out the work or services in an acceptable manner, the Judiciary will give notice to the Contractor of such delay, neglect, or default. If the Contractor within a period of ten (10) days after the date of such notice, shall not proceed in accordance therewith, then the Judiciary will have full power and authorize, without violating the contract, to take the prosecution of the work or services out of the hands of the Contractor, and to use such methods are deemed necessary to complete the contract in an acceptable manner.

All costs and charges incurred by the Judiciary, together with the cost of completing the work or services under the contract, will be offset from any monies due or which would or might have become due to the Contractor had the Contractor completed the work under the contract. If such expense exceeds the sum which would have been payable under the contract, the Contractor shall be liable and shall pay to the Judiciary the amount of such excess within ten (10) days after demand therefore.

5.17 LIQUIDATED DAMAGES

Failure to complete delivery of any item in the contract within the time proposed will cause damage to the Judiciary. The amounts of said damages being difficult, if not impossible to ascertain, shall be estimated, agreed upon and fixed at the sum of FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$500.00) for each and every calendar day the Contractor delays in completing any item of the contract after the required date of said completion. The total sum due for such delay shall be deducted from any payments due or to become due to the Contractor.

5.18 CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTIONS BY STATE AND COUNTY CONTRACTORS

Contractors are hereby notified of the applicability of Section 11-205.5, H.R.S., which states that campaign contributions are prohibited from specified State or County government contractors during the term of the contract if the contractors are paid with funds appropriated by a legislative body.

5.19 INTERPRETATION OF PROVISIONS

Notwithstanding any other provisions, if there is any doubt as to the interpretation of any of the provisions of this agreement, the interpretation given and made by the Special Assistance to the Administrative Director with the approval of the Financial Services Director, or the interpretation made by the Financial Services Director, shall govern and control. In addition, the parties hereto agree that said Financial Services Director, shall have the sole power to decide and resolve matters which may come up in the future and which are not covered by this agreement.

5.20 CONFLICTS AND VARIATIONS

In the event of any conflict or variation between the provisions of this document entitled Special Provisions and the General Conditions, as referred to in Attachment 1, the provisions of the document entitled Special Provisions shall control.

5.21 CANCELLATION OF SOLICITATION AND REJECTION OF OFFERS

The solicitation maybe canceled, or the offers may be rejected, in whole or in part, when in the best interest of the Judiciary, as provided in Rules 3-122-95 through 3-122-97, Hawaii Administrative Rules.

END OF SECTION

SECTION SIX EVALUATION CRITERIA AND CONTRACTOR SELECTION

All proposals shall be evaluated by the Selection Committee using the following criteria and pursuant to Section 4.2 of the Procedural Requirements (Attachment A of the RFP). Best and final offers shall be allowed when applicable. The recommendation for contract award will be made to the responsible offeror whose proposal is determined in writing to provide the best value to the Judiciary, based on the criteria below.

An in-depth analysis and review of all offers will be based on the criteria below and their associated points. The total number of points used to score this proposal shall be <u>175</u>.

<u>POINTS</u> <u>CRITERIA</u>

Experience and Qualifications of the Offeror (Total Points: 30)

- Past record of performance for a minimum of seven (7) year's prior experience in providing online payment services with respect to effectiveness and quality of work.
- Past record of performance for a minimum of five (5) companies, courts or government entities for which the Offeror has provided services similar to those being requested in the RFP with respect to effectiveness and quality of work. All work for these references must have been performed within the past two (2) years, preferably in the State of Hawaii. The Judiciary reserves the right to contact any and all of the listed companies to inquire about the Offeror's performance on those projects.
- Qualifications and experience of staff. Capacity and capability of the Offeror to perform the
 work. Specialized experience and technical competence of the Offeror regarding the types
 of services required.
- Financial capacity, working capital, and other financial technical and management resources to perform the services

<u>System Requirements</u> (Total Points: 35)

The Judiciary will evaluate the Offeror's system requirements relevant to the proposal contract which shall include:

- Demonstrated capability of implementing an online bail payment system that accepts credit and debit cards from major financial institutions.
- Demonstrated capability to establish a portal that will allow Judiciary staff to enter defendants' bail information.

- Quality of Offeror's system to recognize and keep track of individual defendants with bail orders issued in multiple cases.
- Format of a user-friendly website that permits a payor to submit a request to pay bail based on the defendant's name. Capability for other appropriate identifiers to be entered by the payor as added features.
- Demonstrated capability of a system able to immediately notify DCR when a payor has submitted a request to pay bail for a defendant. With the exception of extraordinary cases, the system must be able to determine within one (1) hour of submission of the request whether a defendant is eligible to be released on bail. A defendant is not eligible for release on bail when: (a) there are outstanding warrants against the defendant, and/or (b) the defendant is subject to bail in multiple cases and the payor does not agree to pay bail for all of the cases.
- Demonstrated capability of a system able to notify the payor via an email, and as an option a text message, whether the request for payment has been approved or denied. If the request is denied, an explanation must be provided to the payor.
- Demonstrated capability to collaborate with the Judiciary and DCR to develop an efficient method of determining whether a defendant has outstanding warrants at the time a payor submits a request to pay bail for the defendant.
- Demonstrated capability when a request for payment is approved, the system is able to validate that the correct amount of bail is collected. Additionally, the system's capability to produce and transmit a printable receipt in the form of the BBRA to the payor, the Judiciary, and DCR. A copy of the BBRA is attached as Exhibit "A."
- Demonstrated capability of a system able to accommodate payment of bail for multiple cases in one transaction, and issue separate BBRA's for each case.
- Demonstrated capability of a system's ability to comply with Payment Card Industry Data Security Standards and other applicable data security standards.
- Demonstrated capability of Offeror's website's compliance with accessibility requirements. A telephone number shall be available every day from 7:45 am to 4:30 pm for payors to contact the Offeror.
- Demonstrated capability for all monies collected by the Offeror, except the collection fee for the Offeror's services, deposited with the appropriate Fiscal Officer on a daily basis.

Contractors Operations and General Services (Total Points: 75)

The Judiciary will evaluate the Offeror's system requirements relevant to the proposal contract which shall include:

• Ability to provide a project team to work with Judiciary and DCR staff to understand the

existing business processes and work flow to configure the system, and where necessary, reconfigure the work flow to accomplish the purpose of this RFP.

- Ability to provide training to Judiciary and DCR staff on the use of the system.
- Ability to provide ongoing technical and support services to the Judiciary. Offeror's capability to establish a help desk to respond to inquiries from the Judiciary and DCR.
- Offeror's ability to maintain the system and provide necessary upgrades and enhancements.
- Offeror's capability to secure all personal and confidential information, such as home addresses, birth dates, credit card numbers, obtained by the Offeror through its performance under the contract in accordance with State and federal laws.
- Offeror's ability to maintain and make available for inspection, audit, and reproduction
 all records and data pertaining to bail payments received to authorized representatives of
 the Judiciary.
- Offeror's capability to have an automated system to facilitate the exchange of account placements, payment information, and status reports. Offeror's capability to provide daily access for on-line inquiry between the Judiciary and the Contractor.
- Offeror's ability to provide adequate computer back-up systems and procedures to accommodate equipment failure. The back-up systems ability to capture and preserve all data necessary to ensure accurate accounting of monies collected and to create all mandated reports.
- Offeror's ability to autogenerate financial reports for accepted bail.
- Offeror's capability to originate daily ACH payments to each of the courts in a single depository account by specified time.
- Offeror's ability to send an ACH confirmation report, along with the financial reports, to the contact persons designated by each court.

Cost (Total Points: 15)

• Fees or costs associated with the online bail payment efforts to be added to the amount due and retained by the Offeror as its payment. The lowest fee/cost would garner the highest number of points.

MISCELLANEOUS (Total Points: 20)

• Insurance coverage for liability.

• Any other services provided by Offeror to benefit the Judiciary in the online bail payment system.

END OF SECTION

SECTION SEVEN - 7.1 OFFER FORM REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS NO. J25166

ONLINE BAIL PAYMENT SYSTEM FOR DEFENDANTS IN THE CUSTODY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS AND REHABILITATION, STATE OF **HAWAII**

	Offeror:	
		Honolulu, Hawaii
		, 2024
Financial Services Director The Judiciary, State of Hawai Kauikeaouli Hale 1111 Alakea Street, 6th Floor Honolulu, Hawaii 96813		
Dear Financial Services Direc	etor:	
Specifications and Special Proby reference made a part here perform the work specified houndersigned further understand offer is not in violation of Characteristics.	y read and understands the terms and covisions attached hereto, and in the Ger of and available upon request; and here erein, all in accordance with the true intends and agrees that by submitting this of apter 84, Hawaii Revised Statutes, concept the price(s) submitted was (were) independent of the price of the pric	heral Conditions dated October 2023 by submits the following offer to tent and meaning thereof. The ffer, 1) he/she is declaring his/her cerning prohibited State contracts,
The undersigned represents: (Check one only)	
☐ A Hawaii Business incor	porated or organized under the State of	f Hawaii; OR
Hawaii, but registered at the S Registration Division to do bu	hii business not incorporated or organize State of Hawaii Department of Commentainess in the State of Hawaii and has a performing under the contract.	rce and Consumer Affairs Business
State of incorporation:		
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Offeror is:			
☐ Sole Proprietor ☐ Other	☐ Partnership	☐ Corporation	☐ Joint Venture
Hawaii General Exc	cise Tax License I	.D. No:	
Business address:			
City, State, Zip Cod	e:		
Payment address (o	ther than street ad	ldress above):	
Date:			Respectfully submitted,
Phone No.:			(x)Authorized (Original) Signature
Fax No.:			Y I THIS (DI THE DE)
Email Address:			Name and Title (Please Type or Print)
			*
			* Exact Legal Name of Company (Offeror)

^{*} If Offeror is a "dba" or a "division" of a corporation, please furnish the exact legal name of the corporation under which the contract, if awarded, will be executed.

REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL J25166

7.2 – DESCRIPTION OF FIRM

Name of Company:
Contact Person for this Proposal:
Address:
Telephone No.:
FAX No.:
Email Address:
Offeror may either complete the following information on this form or provide the information as a separate attachment.
Company background:
Organization and staffing that will be assigned to this contract:
Previous work conducted by this firm:
OFFEROR:

7.3 – PROJECT PERSONNEL

Identify staff that will be assigned to this contract for the various services that are being requested (information can be completed on this form or used as part of your proposal packet). Attach additional pages as needed.

Name/Title:	
Years of Experience:	<u> </u>
Qualifications:	
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7.4 – OFFEROR'S SUBCONTRACTOR INFORMATION

	ed, provide the following information regarding each subcontractor; this information noted in the Proposal Letter. Attach additional pages as needed:
Subcontractor 1:	
Company Name:	
Address:	
Contact Person:	Phone No.:
Description of work to be sub	ocontracted:
	s organization, staffing and abilities: Statement of Qualification for all subcontractor's employees that may be
	OFFEROR:

Subcontractor 2:	
Company Name:	
Address:	
Contact Person:	Phone No.:
Description of work to l	subcontracted:
	tor's organization, staffing and abilities: the Statement of Qualification for all subcontractor's employees that may be
(Please use additional sl	ets is more subcontractors are to be used)
	OFFEROR:

7.5 – CLIENT REFERENCES

FAILURE TO COMPLETE ANY OF THE FOLLOWING ITEMS MAY RESULT IN THE DISQUALIFICATION OF THE SUBMITTED OFFER.

Names and addresses of companies, other than the Judiciary, for which the undersigned has furnished collection services that are similar in nature and/or volume to services specified in the attached specifications. Refer to References section of the enclosed offer.

Company/Agency Name & Contact	Address	Phone/Fax/email

7.6 – FEE SCHEDULE PROPOSAL

Offeror shall provide the fee schedule or costs associated with online bail payment efforts by the Contractor and which shall be retained by the Contractor as its payment. Please provide all calculations. Use an example of a collection in the amount of \$100.00. Illustrate what will be returned to the Judiciary and what will be retained by the Contractor.

7.7 – INSURANCE

Offeror shall provide the following information:

Commercial General L	iability Insurance
Name of Company:	
Policy Number:	
Policy Period:	
Coverage Amount:	
Contractor's License Nu	mber:
Automobile Insurance	
Name of Company:	
Policy Number:	
Policy Period:	
Coverage Amount:	
Contractor's License Nu	mber:
Professional Liability I	nsurance
Name of Company:	
Policy Number:	
Policy Period:	
Coverage Amount:	
Contractor's License Nur	mber: