

PUBLIC NOTICE
Request for Qualifications (“RFQ”)

**Pro Bono Legal Services for
New Jersey Meadowlands Commission Business Accelerator**

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the New Jersey Meadowlands Commission (“NJMC”), as part of the recent launch of its New Jersey Meadowlands Commission Business Accelerator (“Business Accelerator”), is seeking Statements of Qualifications (“SOQ”) from law firms interested in providing pro bono legal services to Business Accelerator clients.

I. Background Information

The Business Accelerator, with its focus on the development and growth of early-stage companies creating green technologies and services, is part of the NJMC’s ongoing efforts to promote and implement environmentally sustainable practices and renewable energy technology. Furthermore, the Business Accelerator is a significant step towards the realization of Governor Corzine’s goal of creating green collar jobs in New Jersey, as set out in his Energy Master Plan.

The Business Accelerator provides affordable office space in a modern office building. The 12,000-square-foot facility, located at 160 Chubb Avenue in Lyndhurst, has room for more than 30 small and startup business and includes conference rooms, shared business equipment, a digital phone system, and high-speed wireless Internet connections. With the help of its partners, the Business Accelerator provides client services that might otherwise be unaffordable or inaccessible to start-up businesses.

Additionally, the Business Accelerator is part of the New Jersey Business Incubation Network, which supported nearly 600 entrepreneurial businesses throughout the state in 2007. Those entrepreneurial companies had combined revenues of \$200 million, employed 1,700 people, and attracted to New Jersey more than \$130 million in third-party funding, including private equity and federal grants.

II. Law Firm Qualifications

The NJMC seeks New Jersey law firms experienced in providing corporate and transactional legal services to small businesses. Specifically, firms should be able to provide legal services in the areas of corporate formation and organization, drafting and review of contracts, corporate finance, intellectual property, employment, and federal and state regulatory compliance. Firms should be capable of meeting with Business Accelerator clients regularly and responding to requests for legal services in a timely manner.

III. Content of SOQs

Interested law firms should submit SOQs that include the following information:

1. Contact person, firm name, address, phone number, fax number, and e-mail address.
2. The location and size of all of the firm's offices.
3. General history and background of the firm.
4. Overall staff size and composition of the firm. Identify staff and other personnel who will be assigned to represent Business Accelerator clients.
5. Provide a comprehensive statement of the services that your firm will provide to Business Accelerator clients including examples of relevant experience.
6. State whether you or your firm or any individuals within your firm represent any clients or interests that may create an actual or potential conflict in the performance of services for Business Accelerator clients.

IV. Additional Provisions

This RFQ does not commit the NJMC or the Business Accelerator to select a firm or evaluate responses. The NJMC will make no representation as to the quality of the attorneys or firms that submit SOQs. The NJMC will serve only as a depository for the SOQs, which will be kept on file at the NJMC and Business Accelerator offices. Submissions will be accepted on an on-going basis. The NJMC makes no representation regarding whether legal services provided to Business Accelerator clients will satisfy the requirements for exemption from the Judiciary's pro bono counsel assignment program.

SOQs should be addressed to:

Christine A. Sanz, Director of Legal Affairs
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Lyndhurst, New Jersey 07071

Go to <http://www.njmccaccelerator.com> for more information about the Business Accelerator. Go to <http://www.njmecadowlands.gov/public/notices.html> for this document.

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