

WASHINGTON STATE INVESTMENT BOARD

REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS AND QUOTATIONS (RFQQ) 16-01  
FOR  
PRE-QUALIFIED POOL OF AUDIT SERVICES PROVIDERS

MANDATORY MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS COMPLIANCE CERTIFICATE

**This certificate and necessary supplemental pages must be set forth as Section 3 of your response, the “Minimum Qualifications Compliance Certificate.”**

The undersigned hereby certifies that the firm submitting this response fulfills the minimum qualifications outlined below, as well as the other requirements set forth in this Request for Qualifications and Quotations.

*Mandatory Qualifications*

**Offerors for the Tax Service Provider Pool must satisfy *all* of the requirements as outlined below in order to be considered for the contract award:**

- A. Global Tax Consultant; firms with international presence or have a network of affiliation with local tax consultants. The extent of the presence or affiliation must cover all developed and emerging markets as defined by the Morgan Stanley Capital International index (MSCI). Coverage of frontier markets, as defined by MSCI, is highly desirable.
- B. Five (5) years of experience, with considerable background and expertise in servicing at a minimum three (3) tax exempt public pensions of similar size and complexity.
- C. Local Tax Consultant; firms with deep experience and knowledge of all the states and federal tax laws of the United States. In particular as the tax laws apply to incomes and gains distribution from private equity and real estate investments and Limited Liability Company structures.
- D. The Offeror should be prepared to accept the written contract as supplied by the WSIB.

The WSIB is an office of the government of the state of Washington and also is strictly obligated in its role as a fiduciary, thereby doubly constrained in its ability to alter or waive many contract components. In establishing a pool of contractors the WSIB will be unable to execute contracts that differ in areas of substance between one pool member and another. If a potential Offeror believes the firm cannot execute the contract provided as an attachment to this RFQQ with little or no changes, the Offeror should carefully weigh its decision to submit a proposal.

It is understood that failure to sign and return this statement and accompanying documentation with the response to the RFQQ will render the response invalid.

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Signature

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Title

Date