EXHIBIT C

Mandatory Cost Proposal Worksheet

RFQ/P #46-005 Professional Public Auditing Services

State the total hours and hourly rate required by staff classification and the resulting all-inclusive maximum fee, including out of pocket and incidental costs. State the amount of professional services, in hours, allowed each year without additional cost to the County. A separate all-inclusive fee must be stated for each audit for each year. The all-inclusive fee will fixed and firm and shall stand as a not-to-exceed amount.

FIRM'S NAME: Bates, Carter & Co., LLP

Staff Classification	Hours		Hourly Rate	Total		
Partners	75	\$	335	\$	25,125	
Managers	165	\$	255	\$	42,075	
Supervisory Staff	285	\$	145	\$	41,325	
Other - Quality Review	15	\$	295	\$	4,425	
Other - Administrative	10	\$	95	\$	950	
Total for Services	550			\$	113,900	

Total All-Inclusive Cost:	Hours	Hourly I	Blended Rate	Total		
TOT / Preliminary Analytical Procedures	55	\$	250	\$	13,725	
Field Work	310	\$	199		61,680	
In Office Procedures	68	\$	229		15,560	
Report Preparation	50	\$	224		11,200	
Assistance with Annual Fillings*						
Single Audit	47	\$	173		8,125	
DCA RLGF	10	\$	186		1,860	
Landfill Assurance Report	10	\$	175		1,750	
GRAND TOTALS	550			\$	113,900	

^{*}Annual fillings include preparations of documentation for the following reports:

DCA RLGF

Landfill Assurance Report

Single Audit

Certification:

I certify that this proposal is made without prior understanding, agreement or connection with any corporation, firm or person submitting a bid for the same services and is in all respects fair and without collusion or fraud. I understand that collusive proposing is a violation of State and Federal Law and can result in fines, prison sentences and civil damages awards. I agree to abide by all conditions of the proposal and certify that I am authorized to sign this proposal for the Proposer.

PROPOSER: Bates, Carter & Co., LLP

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Authorized Signature

6, 2025

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TAX ID: 20-8004844

Managing Partner

5 YEAR PROFESSIONAL AUDITING SERVICES COST PROPOSAL RFQ/P #46-005

HALL COUNTY, GEORGIA

INITIAL PERIOD JUNE 30 2025, RENEWAL OPTIONS FOR 2026, 2027, 2028, and 2029 TOTAL ALL INCLUSIVE MAXIMUM PRICE

			OPTIONAL RENWAL PERIODS							
Professional Services	2	2025		2026		2027		2028		2029
Staff Classification										
Partners	\$	25,125	\$	25,125	\$	25,900	\$	25,900	\$	25,900
Managers		42,075		42,075	\$	43,400	\$	43,400	\$	43,400
Supervisory Staff		41,325		41,325	\$	42,600	\$	42,600	\$	42,600
Other - Quality Review		4,425		4,425	\$	4,600	\$	4,600	\$	4,600
Other - Administrative		950		950	\$	1,000	\$	1,000	. \$	1,000
Total for Services	\$ 1	13,900	\$	113,900	\$	117,500	\$	117,500	\$	117,500

Initial audit and Option year 1 remain constant, Option years 2 - 4 include a 3.16% increase.

CALCULATION OF TOTAL HOURS AND COSTS BY STAFF CLASSIFICATION AND BY AREA

	Rates	\$ 335	\$ 255	\$ 145	\$ 295	\$ <i>9</i> 5	
					Quality		
	Total Hours	Partner	Manager	Staff	Review	Admin	Total Cost
TOT / Preliminary Analytical Procedures	55	10	35	10			\$ 13,725
Field Work	310	40	83	187			61,680
In Office Procedures	68	15	15	30	8		15,560
Report Preparation	50	5	25	5	5	10	11,200
Assistance with Annual Fillings							
Single Audit	47	3	4	38	2		8,125
DCA RLGF	10	1	2	7			1,860
Landfill Assurance Report	10	1	1	8			1,750
	550	75	165	285	15	10	\$ 113,900

Note 1: It is BatesCarter's policy to not charge for short telephone calls, routine conversations, or basic discussions that do not require additional research. If a matter requires further follow-up, we will discuss a fee estimate with you before incurring significant time. Additionally, 20 hours of professional services will be provided without incurring additional costs.

Note 2: The above all-inclusive maximum price does not contemplate the implementation of any new auditing standards or reporting requirements. In such circumstances, both parties will agree to additional time and charges.