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STATE OF MTNUESOTA
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On this 29th, day of May A.D., 1925 , persona11y
 who beling by me duly sworn, did depose and say; thet the yis are President and Secratary of Western Display and Manufacturing Company the corporation described in and whioh executed the foregoing instrument, that the seal affixed to said instrument is the corporate seal of said corporation, that said instrument was signed and sealed in behalt of sad rorporetion by authority of its Board of Directors
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NATTONAL SURETY COMPANY ACKNOWLEDGEMENT.

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On this__29th_day of__May_, A.D. 1925, personaliy eppeared berore me_Io Ao Grosn _to me personally known who being by me duly sworn, did depose and say; that he is Attorney-in-fact DF the NATIONAL SURETY COMPANY, the corporation dem soribed in and which executed the foregoing instrument, that seal affixed to said instrument is the coroporate seal of said corporation, thet said instrument was signed and sealed in behaif or said corporation by authority of its Board of Direotors, and paid_ I. A. Groan acknowledged said instrument to be the free sct and deed of said corporation.
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MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT, made and entered into this nineteenth day of May, 1925, by and between the Western Display and Manufacturing Company, a corporation hereinafter leferred to as the company, and the state of Minnesota, hereinafter referred to as the state, witnesseth, that

WHEREAS, pursuant to the provisions of statute applicable thereto, the secretary of state has duly advertised for bids for the manufacture and delivery to the state of the certain motor vehicle registration plates in accordance with specifications therefor referred to in said advertisement, and pursuant to such advertisement the company submitted its bid for the manufacture and delivery of such plates, which bid has been accepted by the state printing commission, hereinafter referred to as the commission.

NON, THEREFORE, it is mutually agreed between the parties hereto as follows:

The company agrees to manufacture, furnish and deliver to the state, at the automobile department in the state capitol in St. Paul, Minnesota, all of the motor vehicle license plates called for by the attached specifications, at the prices and In accordance with the bid submitted by the company for plates made of 24 U.S. gauge steel and enclosed in envelope referred to as sample \# 1 and approved by the commission, which bid is hereto annexed and made a part of this memorandum.

It is agreed that all the motor vehicle nurnber plates shall be made of twenty-four U.S. gauge standard black steel. It is also expressly agreed that one dip coat of enamel besides that which makes the letters shall be used on all plates, and that all plates shall be fully equal to the sample submitted.

The color of the "A", "B", "C" and motorcycle plates shall be black background with white letters. The color of the "S", "T". " XI ", " X ", and " Z " plates shall be emerald green background with lemon yellow letters. The color of the dealer's plates shall be yellow background with black letters. The color of the tax exempt plates shall be granite background with lemon yellow letters. All
colors shall be in shades approved by the Comnission upon samples of plates presented.

The envelopes shall be of the design like the sample on file In the office of the secretary of state and shall bear the printed matter called for by the Secretary of State. The quality of paper in the envelopes shall be fully equal to the sample on file in the Secretary of State's office, and the envelopes containing the plates shall be packed in the cartons with the flap of the window envelope turned down so as to expose the gummed edge.

It is further understood and agreed that all materials and workmanship shall be first-class and fully equal to samples submitted with the bid, and the commission, or its representative, at any and all times shall have the right and privilege of access to the company's plant for the purpose of observing the manufacture and ascertaining to its own satisfaction that the plates are being manufactured in strict compliance with the requirements of the speciffcations, and shall have the right to reject any material being used in the construction thereof which does not conform strictiy to the requirements of such specifications, and shall have the right to reject any manufactured article which by reason of defective workmanship or otherwise does not in all respects comply with said specifications.

It is agreed, as recited in the specifications, that the time is of the essence of the contract for the manufacture and delivery of these plates, and if the company shall fail to make delivery of any specified quantity of plates within the time required by the specifications the state will be deemed to be damaged by such failure of delivery and the amount of such damage is fixed and agreed upon in advance as liquidated damages and not as a penalty, and a deduction will be made from the contract price accordingly; that is to say, for each day's delay, Sundays and holidays excepted, until such satisfactory delivery shall have been made of the plates hereln contracted for, at the rate of one-fifth of one per cent of the contract price of such plates, delivery of which is so delayed but not to exceed in all ten per cent thereof, subject, however, to the


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301 Chestnut Street Str．PAUL，MinN． May 18． 1925.
Hon．位ke Holm，Registrar of Motor Vehicles， St．Paul，Minn。
Dear Sir：－

Below find quotations covering Motor Vehicle Hicense Plates for your 1926 term，and as per your speaifications：
$24 \mathrm{U}_{0} \mathrm{~S}$ ．GAUGE STHEL
One coat enamel
Dealers Plates，at per pair ．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．$\$ . / 53$
Motorcycle Plates，at each $00.0 \ldots \ldots . . .0 .075$
Series＂I＂Truck Plates，at per pair ．．．．．．．事．／53
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Series＂Y＂Truck Plates，at per pair ．．．．．．．． 1 ．$/ \sqrt{ } 3$
Series＂Z＂Trailer Plates，at each ．．．．．．．．．$\%$ ．Of／
Series＂C＂Bus Plates，at per pair $\ldots \ldots . .$.
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Series＂A＂Plates，at per pair ．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．$/ 53$
Series＂B＂Plates，at per pair ．．．．．．．．．．．．．$\$ / 5$
For one additional coat of enamel，add per
thousond plates，$\$ 8.00$ ．

WESTERN DISPLAY \& MFG. CO. -2. May 18, 1925. ST, PAUL, MINN.

Hon. Hike Holm, Registrar of Motor Vehicles, St. Paul, Hinn.
$22 U . S$. GAUGE SIMEI
One coat enamel
Dealers plates, at per pais ........................ 64

Series "T" Truck Plates, at per pair.......... $/ 64$
Series "S" Truck Plates, at per pair ....... $\$, / 64$
Series "X" Truck Plates, at per pair.........
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Series "A" Plates, at per pair................ $1 / 64$
Series "b" plates, at per pair ................ 164
For one additional coat of enamel, add per thousand plates, $\$ 8.00$.

The above prices provide for any combination of two colors.

Envelope \#l will be provided if 24 gauge plates are used and envelope it if 22 gauge plates are used.
our plant is located in St. Paul and our capacity is approximately 9,000 pairs of plates per day.

If the finish is to be in one coat the plates are to be dipped.

If an additional coat is ordered this will be applied by the spray process on the face.

24U. S. standard gauge steel weighs per square foot 16 ounces.

May 18, 1925.

Hon. Hike Holm, Registrar of Motor Vehicles, St. Paul, Minn.

22 U. S. standard gauge steel weighs per square foot 20 ounces.

To these weights must be added from 1 to 2 ounces for envelopes and enamels, the exact weight depending on the number of coats, the weight of envelope, and the dimensions of the plate.

Attached please rind certified check in the sum of \$1. 000000 .

Samples are furnished herewith o
Very truly yours,
WESTERN DISPLAY \& MFG. CO.,


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Enc. check Samples

## MOTOR VEHICLE NUMBER PLATES

In accordance with the requirements of section 2704 General Statutes 1923, notice is hereby given that sealed proposals will be received by the undersigned registrar of motor vehicles of the state of Minnesota for the furnishing of motor vehicle number plates for the use of the state in carrying out during the year 1926 the provisions of the laws relating to the registration and taxation of motor vehicles. All proposals must be directer to the undersigned and deposited with him at the office of the Secretary of State in the Capitol at the City of Saint Paul prior to the hour of 10 ol clock in the morning of the nineteenth day of May 1925, at which time proposals will be opened and the contract awarded by the state printing commission to the lowest and best bidder therefor, peserving the right to reject any and all bids submitted.

There will be required approximately 525,000 pairs of plates. The exact number cannot be given, and bicders will specify a price per plate delivered.

Full specifications of the quality of materials, the size, enameling, stamping and other details, showing also the approximate number of plates of each class required, statement of time and place of delivery, and other details are on file in the office of the Secretary of State and may be examined there, or a copy thereof will be furnished upon application to that officer.

Each proposal must be accompanied by a certified check upon a state or national bank in the amount of one thousand dollars, or such less amount as is equal to 10 per cent of the bid, payable to the state treasurer, the amount of such check to be forfeited to the state in case the successiul
, bidder fails to enter into a contract and furnish bond within ten days after the award of the contract.

The successful bidder will be required to enter into a contract with the state for the manufacture and delivery of such plates, the form of such contract to be approved by the attorney general, and will be required to give a vond to the state with approved corporate surety in the amount of the contract price, conditioned upon the faithful performance of the contract.

Dated at St. Paul, uinnesota, April 28, 1925
MaE HOLA
hegistrar of Motor Vehioles

## SPBCIFIChTIONS FOK ROTOF VEHICLE NUABEF FLATES

MATERIASS AND HOKKANSHIP- Proposals shall be submitted for 22 and for 24 U.S. gauge standard olack steel and shall be submitted for one and for two or more coats of enamel, dipped or sprayed, and such baking and othe finishing that the contractor will guarantee the plates to meet the conditions required herein and all materials must be such that they will withstand the various physicel and chenical tests usuallv required, and as ordered by the commission. The plates shall ve guaranteed to withstand hard usage and the elements for a term of one vear, and each oidcier will be required to submit with his bid samples of unfinished material to be usec and also made up sample plates, and will be required to state in detall the character of the naterial, gavge of netal, number of coats of enamel, the process of manufacture, and the mailing weight of the finished plates.

All materials and workmanship of plates furnished under the contract shell be first-class and fully equal to samples suomitted with bid and shall be in every particular in strict accordance with these specifications.

All plates are to be embossed (raised of outlined). Edges are to be beaded or reinforced and corners rounded, and there must be a naried contrast between the numerals and the background of the plate.

GLIEEAL DHSICN - HII numerals except "1" of the number on the plate shall be $1 \frac{1}{2}$ inches wide. All numerals of the nunber on the plate shall be 4 inches high and of a half inch stroke. Between the thousandths and hundreths digits of the numoer except in case of four figure numoers there shall be a dash ( - ) $\frac{x}{2}$ inch square. Between each figurecof the number and between the aforenentioned dash ance the figure on each side of it, there shall be a balf inch space, neasurec betwee. the nearest points of adjacent figures. At the left end of the plate thete shall be a series letter 2 inches high and $1 \frac{1}{5}$ incles wide of a $3 / 8$ of an inch stroke, set $\frac{7}{4}$ of an inch from the top margin of plate and at least $\frac{t}{4}$ of an inch from the first numeral to the right. At left end of the plate there shall
be the number " 26 " in figures 1 inch high, set $\frac{1}{2}$ inch above the lower margin of the plate and proportionately spaced to occupy the space below the series letter. At the right end of the plate there shall be the abbreviation "MI N N" with letters arrangec in a vertical colum reading from the top down, each letter being $13 / 16$ of an inch high and spaced so as to leave a $\frac{1}{2}$ inch space from the margin of the plate above, below and to the right and from the nearest numeral on the left. At the right end half an inch from the margin of the plate there shall be two holes, the vertical distance between which shall be 4 inches from center to center. At the left end of the plate there shall oe two holes, located $\frac{1}{2}$ inch from the end of the plate and 4 inches apart, measured vertically from center to center. Each of the 4 holes shall be $\frac{1}{4}$ of an inch in diameter. Half an inch below upper edge and proportionately spaced from ends of plate shall be two slots in no case more than 9 inches apart measured from center to center, $\frac{1}{4}$ of an inch wide and $1 \frac{1}{4}$ of an inch long running horizonta11y.

DESIGN OF MOTORCYCLE PLATES - The motorcycle plates shall be 3 inches wide and $7 \frac{3}{4}$ inches long. At the left end of the plate shall be the abbreviation "MIN N" in letters arranged in a vertical column approximately 2 inches high reading from the top down; at the right end of the plate shall be the number " 26 ", the digits arranged in a vertical column approximately 2 inches high, the " 2 " above the " 6 ". The number of the plate shall be in figures aporoximately 2 inches high, arranged to read horizontally and to occupy the space between the aforesaid "NIN N" and the "26". There shall be $1 / 8$ of an inch hole at each of the four comers of the plate just inside the raised edge. Slightly below the upper edge and proportionately spacod from the ends of the plate, shall be 2 slots $\frac{1}{4}$ of an inch wide and $1 \frac{1}{4}$ inches long, running horizontally.

DESIGN OF DEALERS PLATE - The design of the dealers plates shall be the sane as that of the autonobile and truck plates in every particular except that in the space at the left end there shall be the number " 1926 " in figures $13 / 16$ of an inch high, arranged vertically to read from the top down, and proportionately spaced. Before the
first figure of tho license number of dealers plates there shell also be the letter "D" 4 inchos high, $1 \frac{1}{2}$ inches wide and of a $\frac{1}{2}$ inch stroke.

DESIGN FOK DUPLICATE TLATES - The design of duplicate plates shall be the same as that of the originals in each class in every particular except that the numerals shall be only 3 inches high, permitting the word "DUILICLTE" to appear across the plate lengthwise above the numerals in characters $\frac{4}{4}$ of an inch high. DESIGN OF TEX EXEMPT PLATES - The design of the tax exempt plate shall be substantially the same as that for automobile plates except that at the left end there shall be no serial letter or numeral, and the numerals shall be three inchos high permitting the words "TAX EXEAPT - 24-26" to appear across the plate lengthwise above the numerals in characters three-fourths inches high. PACKING - AIl automobile and truck plates shall be peckec in pairs together with proper packing, onc pair of plates in cach envelope. Envelopes shall be packed in cartons for delivery in numerical opder. Envelopos shall be printod as directec br tho secretary of state, and shall be numbered or stenciled with the same number as the plates contained in said envelope. Envelopes shall bo of the so-called two In one type and must be approved oy the commission. Motorctele and trailer plates shall be pecsod in the same manner except that one plate only shall be enclosec in each envelope.

The contractor will bc roquired to protect tho state against all claims for patent infringenent including indomnity for all exponsos incurred in rasisting all claims of such patent right. COLOF - The colors of tho plates shall be as diroctod by the Commission.

DIMENSIONS - The Automovile (suries $h, B$ ) truck (sorios $S, T, X, Y$ ) bus (series C) trailer (series Z) and dealeis number platos shall be in sizes as follows:

For 1 or 2 numerals $5 \frac{2}{2}$ inches wide and $8 \frac{2}{2}$ inches long
For $\quad 3$ numerals $5 \frac{1}{2}$ inches wide and 10 inches long
For $\quad 4$ numorals $5 \frac{1}{2}$ inches wide and 12 inches long
For 5 numerals $5 \frac{1}{2}$ inches wide and 15 inches long

For $\quad 6$ numersis $5 \frac{1}{2}$ inches wide and 16 inchos long
In pessing on the bids submitted not only the cost in money will bo considerod, but also tho durability, workmanship, and genorel eppearance of the plates, as well es the ability of the bidder to perform his agreomonts promptly and faithfully if awarded tho contract.

QUANTITIES ANL DELIVNKES - Thore will be required:
3,000 daciors plates divided into approximataly 1,800 sets of plates, each set to be numbered consecutively as required, for oxample, $D 1-1,11-2, D 1-3$ for the first set; $D 2-1, D 2-2, D 2-3$ for the socond set and so on, the first number being the same on each pair in each doalers set, dofinite ordur as to number of plates In each set to be given b registrar before nonufacturo of dealers platos begins.

3,000 single motoreyclo plates to bo numbered consecutively from 1 to 3,000 .

7,500 prirs series "T" truck pletes numoerod consocutivel* from 1 to 7,500 .

1,000 pairs series ${ }^{\prime \prime} S^{\prime \prime}$ truck platos numberod consucutivoly from 1 to 1,000 .

20,000 pairs series " $X$ " truck pletes numbored consecutively from 1 to 20,000 .

2,000 pairs serius "Y" truck plates numbered consocutivoly
from 1 to 2,000 .
1,400 single serios "z" trilor plates numbored consocutive1 y from 1 to 1,400 .

500 pairs of serics "c" bus pletes numburod consocutivaly from 1 to 500 .

200 puirs tex oxompt motor vehicle plates numbured consecutivoly from 2501 to 2700 . 50 trx exempt motorcycle platos to be numbered consecutivoly from 201 to 250 , efsign of tox oxompt motorcrele plate to be furnished by registrar.

1,000 pairs of serios "A" duplicete plotos numberod consecutivoly from 1 to 1,000 . I, 000 pars of surius " $B$ " duplicrte plates numbered consacutively from 1 to 1,000 . 150 pairs of surios " T "
duplicate plates numbered consecutively from 1 to 150. 150 peirs of sorias " $K^{\prime}$ duplicate plates numoered consucutively from 1 to 150. 50 pairs of motorevele duplicato platos numbered consecutively from 1 to 50. 10 pairs of series " $Z$ " duplicate plates numbered consecutively from 1 to 10 . 25 pairs of series " $C$ " duplicate platos numbered consecutivelv from 1 to 25 . 25 pairs of sorios " $\mathrm{Y}^{\prime}$ duplicate plates numbered consecutively from 1 to 25.

All of the above must be dolivered on or before November 1 , 1925.

Thore will be required:
200,000 pairs of series "A" automobile plates numbered consocutively from 1 to 200,000 .

200,000 pairs of series "E" automooile plates numbered consccutively from 1 to 200,000 .

One-holf of scries "A" and one-half of series "B" shall be delivered not later than Novemoer 1, 1925 , and the remainder of series "A" and sories "E" not later than Novemper 15, 1925. All dolivers shall oe made freight peid at the State Capitol at St. Paul, Minnesota, as directed by the Registrar and arrangec in numerical order,

The Rogistrer shall have the right to orcer additional quantitios of any of the above classes of plates at such times and in such quantities as he may require for use during the term of the contract, and the additional plates so required must be supplied and dcliverod from timo to time after January I, 1926 as required upon ten days notice.

Every bidder will be required to state in his proposal thet he is the owner or lessee of a suitable nanufacturing plant equipped with suitable nachinery for the menufacture and production of such plates, and capsible of turning out at least 5,000 pairs of plates por day, giving the name and plece of locstion of such plant, or in casu the bidder is not a menufecturer of such plates, he must state in his proposal the the has entered into a contrace with a manfecturor who is the ownor or lessoe of a plant of similar capacity, giving the nemu, placo, and capacity of such plant, to furnish and
delivor upon his order tho numbr of plates reguirod oy those snecifications, and must unclose with snd submit as a part of his proposel the stetomnt of such manufacturer to tho offect thet he hes ontored into such contiect with the biddor and thet in the vent tho contract is awarded to such bidder, the manufacturer will doliver uon his order the requirod nimbor of plates in accordance with thoso specificctions in fulfillmont of the contract so to be ontered into.

The commission roservos the right vefovo ararding the contract to visit the factory in which it is proposed to manufacture the plates herein requirod and investigate the facilitios and oquipment of such plant and to reject such bid unless satisfiod that the bidder will be able promptly to comply with the tems of the proposed contract, and the right is resorved generelly to tho commission to reject iny and sill bids.

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Spocifications signod
April 28, 1925
Mike Holm,
Registrar of Motor Vehicles

