

LOUISIANA UNIFORM PUBLIC WORK BID FORM

TO: Jefferson Parish
Attn.: Purchasing Department
200 Derbigny St., Suite 4400
Gretna, Louisiana 70053

BID FOR: Jefferson Parish General Government Complex
Central Plant Air Cooled Chiller
960 First Street, Gretna, LA 70053
Proposal No. 50-00114003

(Owner to provide name of project and other identifying information)

The undersigned bidder hereby declares and represents that she/he; a) has carefully examined and understands the Bidding Documents, b) has not received, relied on, or based his bid on any verbal instructions contrary to the Bidding Documents or any addenda, c) has personally inspected and is familiar with the project site, and hereby proposes to provide all labor, materials, tools, appliances and facilities as required to perform, in a workmanlike manner, all work and services for the construction and completion of the referenced project, all in strict accordance with the Bidding Documents prepared by: Burgdahl & Graves AIA Architects and dated: 30 April 2015.
(Owner to provide name of entity preparing bidding documents.)

Bidders must acknowledge all addenda. The Bidder acknowledges receipt of the following ADDENDA: (Enter the number the Designer has assigned to each of the addenda that the Bidder is acknowledging) 1, 2, 3, 4

TOTAL BASE BID: For all work required by the Bidding Documents (including any and all unit prices designated "Base Bid" * but not alternates) the sum of:

Three hundred twenty-one thousand and no hundred Dollars (\$ 321,000.00)

ALTERNATES: For any and all work required by the Bidding Documents for Alternates including any and all unit prices designated as alternates in the unit price description.

Alternate No. 1 (Owner to provide description of alternate and state whether add or deduct) for the lump sum of:
N/A Dollars (\$)

Alternate No. 2 (Owner to provide description of alternate and state whether add or deduct) for the lump sum of:
N/A Dollars (\$)

Alternate No. 3 (Owner to provide description of alternate and state whether add or deduct) for the lump sum of:
N/A Dollars (\$)

NAME OF BIDDER: ARC Mechanical Contractors, Inc.
ADDRESS OF BIDDER: Post Office Box 6720
Slidell, Louisiana 70469-6720
LOUISIANA CONTRACTOR'S LICENSE NUMBER: 12344
NAME OF AUTHORIZED SIGNATORY OF BIDDER: Chester A. Cabirac
TITLE OF AUTHORIZED SIGNATORY OF BIDDER: President

SIGNATURE OF AUTHORIZED SIGNATORY OF BIDDER **: [Signature]
DATE: September 10, 2015

* The Unit Price Form shall be used if the contract includes unit prices. Otherwise it is not required and need not be included with the form. The number of unit prices that may be included is not limited and additional sheets may be included if needed.
** If someone other than a corporate officer signs for the Bidder/Contractor, a copy of a corporate resolution or other signature authorization shall be required for submission of bid. Failure to include a copy of the appropriate signature authorization, if required, may result in the rejection of the bid unless bidder has complied with La. R.S. 38:2212(B)5.

BID SECURITY in the form of a bid bond, certified check or cashier's check as prescribed by LA RS 38:2218.A is attached to and made a part of this bid.

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UNIT PRICES: This form shall be used for any and all work required by the Bidding Documents and described as unit prices. Amounts shall be stated in figures and only in figures.

DESCRIPTION:	<input type="checkbox"/> Base Bid or <input type="checkbox"/> Alt.# ____			
REF. NO.	QUANTITY:	UNIT OF MEASURE:	UNIT PRICE	UNIT PRICE EXTENSION (Quantity times Unit Price)
N/A				

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Wording for "DESCRIPTION" is to be provided by the Owner.
All quantities are estimated. The contractor will be paid based upon actual quantities as verified by the Owner.

CORPORATE RESOLUTION

EXCERPT FROM MINUTES OF MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF
ARC Mechanical Contractors
INCORPORATED.

AT THE MEETING OF DIRECTORS OF ARC Mechanical Contractors, Inc.
INCORPORATED, DULY NOTICED AND HELD ON September 10, 2015,
A QUORUM BEING THERE PRESENT, ON MOTION DULY MADE AND SECONDED. IT WAS:

RESOLVED. THAT Chester A. Cabirac, BE AND IS HEREBY APPOINTED, CONSTITUTED AND DESIGNATED AS AGENT AND ATTORNEY-IN-FACT OF THE CORPORATION WITH FULL POWER AND AUTHORITY TO ACT ON BEHALF OF THIS CORPORATION IN ALL NEGOTIATIONS, BIDDING, CONCERNS AND TRANSACTIONS WITH THE PARISH OF JEFFERSON OR ANY OF ITS AGENCIES, DEPARTMENTS, EMPLOYEES OR AGENTS, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO, THE EXECUTION OF ALL BIDS, PAPERS, DOCUMENTS, AFFIDAVITS, BONDS, SURETIES, CONTRACTS AND ACTS AND TO RECEIVE ALL PURCHASE ORDERS AND NOTICES ISSUED PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF ANY SUCH BID OR CONTRACT, THIS CORPORATION HEREBY RATIFYING, APPROVING, CONFIRMING, AND ACCEPTING EACH AND EVERY SUCH ACT PERFORMED BY SAID AGENT AND ATTORNEY-IN-FACT.

I HEREBY CERTIFY THE FOREGOING TO
BE A TRUE AND CORRECT COPY OF AN
EXCERPT OF THE MINUTES OF THE
ABOVE DATED MEETING OF THE
BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF SAID
CORPORATION, AND THE SAME HAS
NOT BEEN REVOKED OR RESCINDED.



Chester A. SECRETARY-TREASURER Cabirac

September 10, 2015

DATE

BID BOND

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS that we, the undersigned,

ARC MECHANICAL CONTRACTORS, INC.

as PRINCIPAL, AND
HARTFORD FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY

as SURETY, are held and firmly bound unto the Jefferson Parish Council, Jefferson Parish, Louisiana, as OWNER in the penal sum of:
FIVE PERCENT OF THE AMOUNT BID DOLLARS (\$ 5%)

for the payment of which, well and truly to be made, we hereby jointly and severally bid ourselves, successors and assigns.

The condition of the above obligation is such that whereas the Principal has submitted to the Parish of Jefferson, Louisiana a certain Bid, attached hereto and hereby made a part hereof to enter into a contract in writing, for the

JEFFERSON PARISH GENERAL GOVERNMENT COMPLEX, CENTRAL PLANT AIR COOLED CHILLER

in Jefferson Parish, Project No. _____, Proposal No. 50-00114003

NOW, THEREFORE,

- (a) If said Bid shall be rejected, or in the alternate,
- (b) If said Bid shall be accepted and the Principal shall execute and deliver a contract in the Form of Contract attached hereto (properly completed in accordance with said Bid) and shall furnish a bond for his faithful performance of said contract, and for the payment of all persons performing labor or furnishing materials in connection therewith, and shall in all other respects perform the agreement created by the acceptance of said Bid,

then this obligation shall be void, otherwise the same shall remain in force and effect; it being expressly understood and agreed that the liability of the Surety for any and all claims hereunder shall, in no event, exceed the penal amount for this obligation as herein stated.

The Surety, for value received, hereby stipulates and agrees that the obligations of said Surety and its bond shall be in no way impaired or affected by an extension of the time within the Owner MAY accept such Bid; and said Surety does hereby waive notice of any such extension.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the above bounded parties have executed this instrument under their several seals this 10TH day SEPTEMBER, 20 15, the name and corporate seal of each corporate party being hereto affixed and these presents signed by its undersigned representative, pursuant to authority of its governing body.

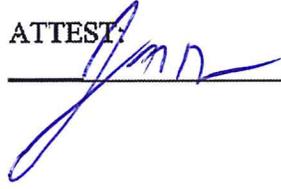
BID BOND (Continued)

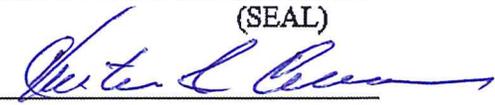
In Presence of:

(Individual Principal)

(Business Address, including Zip Code)

(Partnership)

ATTEST: 

(SEAL)
BY: 

ARC MECHANICAL CONTRACTORS, INC.

(Corporate Principal)

P.O. BOX 6720, SLIDELL, LA 70469

(Business Address, including Zip Code)

ATTEST:
SEE ATTACHED POWER OF ATTORNEY

BY: 

AFFIX CORPORATE SEAL
Chester A. Cabirac - President

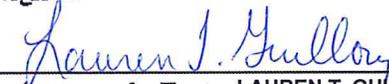
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(Corporate Surety)

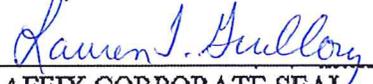
ONE HARTFORD PLAZA, HARTFORD, CT 06115

(Business Address, including Zip Code)

Countersigned:

BY: 

Attorney-in-Fact LAUREN T. GUILLORY

BY: 

AFFIX CORPORATE SEAL
LAUREN T. GUILLORY, ATTORNEY-IN-FACT

STATE OF LOUISIANA

POWER OF ATTORNEY

Direct Inquiries/Claims to:

THE HARTFORD

Bond T-4

One Hartford Plaza

Hartford, Connecticut 06155

call: 888-266-3488 or fax: 860-757-5835

KNOW ALL PERSONS BY THESE PRESENTS THAT:

Agency Code: 43-480815

- Hartford Fire Insurance Company**, a corporation duly organized under the laws of the State of Connecticut
- Hartford Casualty Insurance Company**, a corporation duly organized under the laws of the State of Indiana
- Hartford Accident and Indemnity Company**, a corporation duly organized under the laws of the State of Connecticut
- Hartford Underwriters Insurance Company**, a corporation duly organized under the laws of the State of Connecticut
- Twin City Fire Insurance Company**, a corporation duly organized under the laws of the State of Indiana
- Hartford Insurance Company of Illinois**, a corporation duly organized under the laws of the State of Illinois
- Hartford Insurance Company of the Midwest**, a corporation duly organized under the laws of the State of Indiana
- Hartford Insurance Company of the Southeast**, a corporation duly organized under the laws of the State of Florida

having their home office in Hartford, Connecticut (hereinafter collectively referred to as the "Companies") do hereby make, constitute and appoint, **up to the amount of Unlimited** :

Brian P. Bordlee, Charles F. Cowand, Anthony Currera, Michele M. Ellsworth, Alexander J. Ellsworth, Lauren T. Guillory, Ralph J. LeBlanc of METAIRIE, Louisiana

their true and lawful Attorney(s)-in-Fact, each in their separate capacity if more than one is named above, to sign its name as surety(ies) only as delineated above by , and to execute, seal and acknowledge any and all bonds, undertakings, contracts and other written instruments in the nature thereof, on behalf of the Companies in their business of guaranteeing the fidelity of persons, guaranteeing the performance of contracts and executing or guaranteeing bonds and undertakings required or permitted in any actions or proceedings allowed by law.

In Witness Whereof, and as authorized by a Resolution of the Board of Directors of the Companies on August 1, 2009, the Companies have caused these presents to be signed by its Vice President and its corporate seals to be hereto affixed, duly attested by its Assistant Secretary. Further, pursuant to Resolution of the Board of Directors of the Companies, the Companies hereby unambiguously affirm that they are and will be bound by any mechanically applied signatures applied to this Power of Attorney.



Wesley W. Cowling

Wesley W. Cowling, Assistant Secretary

M. Ross Fisher

M. Ross Fisher, Vice President

STATE OF CONNECTICUT }
COUNTY OF HARTFORD } ss. Hartford

On this 12th day of July, 2012, before me personally came M. Ross Fisher, to me known, who being by me duly sworn, did depose and say: that he resides in the County of Hartford, State of Connecticut; that he is the Vice President of the Companies, the corporations described in and which executed the above instrument; that he knows the seals of the said corporations; that the seals affixed to the said instrument are such corporate seals; that they were so affixed by authority of the Boards of Directors of said corporations and that he signed his name thereto by like authority.



CERTIFICATE

Kathleen T. Maynard

Kathleen T. Maynard
Notary Public

My Commission Expires July 31, 2016

I, the undersigned, Vice President of the Companies, DO HEREBY CERTIFY that the above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of the Power of Attorney executed by said Companies, which is still in full force effective as of September 10, 2015

Signed and sealed at the City of Hartford.



Gary W. Stumper

Gary W. Stumper, Vice President



Louisiana State Licensing Board for Contractors

Contractor Information

Business Name ARC MECHANICAL CONTRACTORS, INC. ✓
 Mailing Address P. O. Box 6720
 Slidell, LA 70469
 Phone Number (504) 508-8333
 Fax Number (985) 661-9169
 Email Address arcmechanical@bellsouth.net

Active Licenses

License Number 12344 ✓
 Type Commercial License
 Status LICENSED
 Effective 11/17/2014
 Expiration 11/16/2017
 First Issued 11/16/1978

License Number	86512
Type	Residential License
Status	LICENSED
Effective	01/02/2015
Expiration	01/01/2018
First Issued	01/01/2004

Classifications

Class	Qualifying Party	Parishes
✓ BUILDING CONSTRUCTION	Brett Patrick Cabirac	ALL
BUILDING CONSTRUCTION	Chester Andrew Cabirac	ALL
BUILDING CONSTRUCTION	James Michel Brocato	ALL
BUSINESS AND LAW	Chester Andrew Cabirac	ALL
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ELECTRICAL WORK (RESTRICTED-BIDDING ONLY)	Chester Andrew Cabirac	ALL
HEAVY CONSTRUCTION	Brett Patrick Cabirac	ALL
HIGHWAY, STREET AND BRIDGE CONSTRUCTION	Chester Andrew Cabirac	ALL
HIGHWAY, STREET AND BRIDGE CONSTRUCTION	James Michel Brocato	ALL
✓ MECHANICAL WORK (STATEWIDE)	Chester Andrew Cabirac	ALL
MUNICIPAL AND PUBLIC WORKS CONSTRUCTION	Brett Patrick Cabirac	ALL
MUNICIPAL AND PUBLIC WORKS CONSTRUCTION	Chester Andrew Cabirac	ALL
MUNICIPAL AND PUBLIC WORKS CONSTRUCTION	James Michel Brocato	ALL
RESIDENTIAL BUILDING CONTRACTOR	Chester Andrew Cabirac	ALL
SPECIALTY: INDUSTRIAL PIPING	Brett Patrick Cabirac	ALL
SPECIALTY: INSTALL REPAIR OR CLOSE UNDERGROUND STORAGE TANKS	Chester Andrew Cabirac	ALL

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CERTIFICATE OF LIABILITY INSURANCE

ARCME-1 OP ID: CY

DATE (MM/DD/YYYY)
08/20/2015

THIS CERTIFICATE IS ISSUED AS A MATTER OF INFORMATION ONLY AND CONFERS NO RIGHTS UPON THE CERTIFICATE HOLDER. THIS CERTIFICATE DOES NOT AFFIRMATIVELY OR NEGATIVELY AMEND, EXTEND OR ALTER THE COVERAGE AFFORDED BY THE POLICIES BELOW. THIS CERTIFICATE OF INSURANCE DOES NOT CONSTITUTE A CONTRACT BETWEEN THE ISSUING INSURER(S), AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE OR PRODUCER, AND THE CERTIFICATE HOLDER.

IMPORTANT: If the certificate holder is an ADDITIONAL INSURED, the policy(ies) must be endorsed. If SUBROGATION IS WAIVED, subject to the terms and conditions of the policy, certain policies may require an endorsement. A statement on this certificate does not confer rights to the certificate holder in lieu of such endorsement(s).

PRODUCER Stiel Insurance Services of New Orleans, Inc. 433 Metairie Road Suite #520 Metairie, LA 70005 Louis Martello	CONTACT NAME: Louis Martello PHONE (A/C, No, Ext): 504-832-5733 FAX (A/C, No): 504-831-3604 E-MAIL ADDRESS: lmartello@stielinsurance.com																				
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COVERAGES **CERTIFICATE NUMBER:** **REVISION NUMBER:**

THIS IS TO CERTIFY THAT THE POLICIES OF INSURANCE LISTED BELOW HAVE BEEN ISSUED TO THE INSURED NAMED ABOVE FOR THE POLICY PERIOD INDICATED. NOTWITHSTANDING ANY REQUIREMENT, TERM OR CONDITION OF ANY CONTRACT OR OTHER DOCUMENT WITH RESPECT TO WHICH THIS CERTIFICATE MAY BE ISSUED OR MAY PERTAIN, THE INSURANCE AFFORDED BY THE POLICIES DESCRIBED HEREIN IS SUBJECT TO ALL THE TERMS, EXCLUSIONS AND CONDITIONS OF SUCH POLICIES. LIMITS SHOWN MAY HAVE BEEN REDUCED BY PAID CLAIMS.

INSR LTR	TYPE OF INSURANCE	ADDL SUBR INSD WVD	POLICY NUMBER	POLICY EFF (MM/DD/YYYY)	POLICY EXP (MM/DD/YYYY)	LIMITS
A	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> COMMERCIAL GENERAL LIABILITY <input type="checkbox"/> CLAIMS-MADE <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OCCUR GEN'L AGGREGATE LIMIT APPLIES PER: <input type="checkbox"/> POLICY <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PROJE CT <input type="checkbox"/> LOC OTHER:		C1015152154	08/23/2015	08/23/2016	EACH OCCURRENCE \$ 1,000,000 DAMAGE TO RENTED PREMISES (Ea occurrence) \$ 100,000 MED EXP (Any one person) \$ 5,000 PERSONAL & ADV INJURY \$ 1,000,000 GENERAL AGGREGATE \$ 2,000,000 PRODUCTS - COMPIOP AGG \$ 2,000,000 \$
A	AUTOMOBILE LIABILITY <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ANY AUTO <input type="checkbox"/> ALL OWNED AUTOS <input type="checkbox"/> HIRED AUTOS <input type="checkbox"/> SCHEDULED AUTOS <input type="checkbox"/> NON-OWNED AUTOS		C2058039895	08/23/2015	08/23/2016	COMBINED SINGLE LIMIT (Ea accident) \$ 1,000,000 BODILY INJURY (Per person) \$ BODILY INJURY (Per accident) \$ PROPERTY DAMAGE (Per accident) \$ \$
B	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> UMBRELLA LIAB <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OCCUR <input type="checkbox"/> EXCESS LIAB <input type="checkbox"/> CLAIMS-MADE <input type="checkbox"/> DED <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> RETENTION \$ 10000		C2078422473	08/23/2015	08/23/2016	EACH OCCURRENCE \$ 5,000,000 AGGREGATE \$ 5,000,000 \$
C	WORKERS COMPENSATION AND EMPLOYERS' LIABILITY ANY PROPRIETOR/PARTNER/EXECUTIVE OFFICER/MEMBER EXCLUDED? (Mandatory in NH) If yes, describe under DESCRIPTION OF OPERATIONS below	Y/N N N/A	WC131456473 USL&H	08/23/2015	08/23/2016	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PER STATUTE <input type="checkbox"/> OTH-ER E.L. EACH ACCIDENT \$ 1,000,000 E.L. DISEASE - EA EMPLOYEE \$ 1,000,000 E.L. DISEASE - POLICY LIMIT \$ 1,000,000
A	Leased/Rented Eqpt		C1015152154	08/23/2015	08/23/2016	1000-Ded 80,000

DESCRIPTION OF OPERATIONS / LOCATIONS / VEHICLES (ACORD 101, Additional Remarks Schedule, may be attached if more space is required):

RE: Jefferson Parish Bid No. 50-102079
Back Flow Preventer Testing Service

CERTIFICATE HOLDER JEFFPAR Jefferson Parish Department of Purchasing 200 Derbigny St Ste 4400 Gretna, LA 70056	CANCELLATION SHOULD ANY OF THE ABOVE DESCRIBED POLICIES BE CANCELLED BEFORE THE EXPIRATION DATE THEREOF, NOTICE WILL BE DELIVERED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE POLICY PROVISIONS. AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE <i>Louis E Martello</i>
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Form W-9
(Rev. November 2005)
Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

**Request for Taxpayer
Identification Number and Certification**

Give form to the requester. Do not send to the IRS.

Name (as shown on your income tax return)
Business name, if different from above
ARC Mechanical Contractors, Inc.

Check appropriate box: Individual/Sole proprietor Corporation Partnership Other Exempt from backup withholding

Address (number, street, and apt. or suite no.)
Post Office Box 6720

City, state, and ZIP code
Slidell, Louisiana 70469

Requester's name and address (optional)

List account number(s) here (optional)

Part I Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN)

Enter your TIN in the appropriate box. The TIN provided must match the name given on Line 1 to avoid backup withholding. For individuals, this is your social security number (SSN). However, for a resident alien, sole proprietor, or disregarded entity, see the Part I instructions on page 3. For other entities, it is your employer identification number (EIN). If you do not have a number, see *How to get a TIN* on page 3.

Note. If the account is in more than one name, see the chart on page 4 for guidelines on whose number to enter.

Social security number
or
Employer identification number
7 2 0 8 4 1 2 6 6

Part II Certification

Under penalties of perjury, I certify that:

- The number shown on this form is my correct taxpayer identification number (or I am waiting for a number to be issued to me), and
- I am not subject to backup withholding because: (a) I am exempt from backup withholding, or (b) I have not been notified by the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) that I am subject to backup withholding as a result of a failure to report all interest or dividends, or (c) the IRS has notified me that I am no longer subject to backup withholding, and
- I am a U.S. person (including a U.S. resident alien).

Certification instructions. You must cross out item 2 above if you have been notified by the IRS that you are currently subject to backup withholding because you have failed to report all interest and dividends on your tax return. For real estate transactions, item 2 does not apply. For mortgage interest paid, acquisition or abandonment of secured property, cancellation of debt, contributions to an individual retirement arrangement (IRA), and generally, payments other than interest and dividends, you are not required to sign the Certification, but you must provide your correct TIN. (See the instructions on page 4.)

Sign Here: Signature of U.S. person *[Signature]* Date: 9/19/2007

Purpose of Form
A person who is required to file an information return with the IRS, must obtain your correct taxpayer identification number (TIN) to report, for example, income paid to you, real estate transactions, mortgage interest you paid, acquisition or abandonment of secured property, cancellation of debt, or contributions you made to an IRA.

U.S. person. Use Form W-9 only if you are a U.S. person (including a resident alien), to provide your correct TIN to the person requesting it (the requester) and, when applicable, to:

- Certify that the TIN you are giving is correct (or you are waiting for a number to be issued),
- Certify that you are not subject to backup withholding, or
- Claim exemption from backup withholding if you are a U.S. exempt payee.

In 3 above, if applicable, you are also certifying that as a U.S. person, your allocable share of any partnership income from a U.S. trade or business is not subject to the withholding tax on foreign partners' share of effectively connected income.

Note. If a requester gives you a form other than Form W-9 to request your TIN, you must use the requester's form if it is substantially similar to this Form W-9.

For federal tax purposes, you are considered a person if you are:

- An individual who is a citizen or resident of the United States,
 - A partnership, corporation, company, or association created or organized in the United States or under the laws of the United States, or
 - Any estate (other than a foreign estate) or trust. See Regulations sections 301.7701-6(a) and 7(a) for additional information.
- Special rules for partnerships.** Partnerships that conduct a trade or business in the United States are generally required to pay a withholding tax on any foreign partners' share of income from such business. Further, in certain cases where a Form W-9 has not been received, a partnership is required to presume that a partner is a foreign person, and pay the withholding tax. Therefore, if you are a U.S. person that is a partner in a partnership conducting a trade or business in the United States, provide Form W-9 to the partnership to establish your U.S. status and avoid withholding on your share of partnership income.
- The person who gives Form W-9 to the partnership for purposes of establishing its U.S. status and avoiding withholding on its allocable share of net income from the partnership conducting a trade or business in the United States is in the following cases:
- The U.S. owner of a disregarded entity and not the entity.