



Request for Bid (RFB)

Boone County Purchasing
601 E. Walnut, Room 209
Columbia, MO 65201

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Bid Data

Bid Number: **20-18MAR03**

Commodity Title: **Street Name Signs Term and Supply**

DIRECT BID FORMAT OR SUBMISSION QUESTIONS TO THE PURCHASING DEPARTMENT

Bid Submission Address and Deadline

Day / Date: TUESDAY – March 18, 2003
Time: 1:25 P.M. (Bids received after this time will be returned unopened)
Location / Mail Address: **Boone County Purchasing Department
Boone County Johnson Building
601 E. Walnut, Room 209
Columbia, MO 65201**
Directions: The Johnson Building is located on the Northeast corner at 6th Street and Walnut Street. Enter the building from the East Side. Wheel chair accessible entrance is available on the West side of the building.

Bid Opening

Day / Date: TUESDAY – March 18, 2003
Time: 1:30 P.M. C.S.T.
Location / Address: **Boone County Johnson Building Conference Room
601 E. Walnut, Room 213
Columbia, MO 65201**

Bid Contents

- 1.0: **Introduction and General Conditions of Bidding**
- 2.0: **Primary Specifications**
- 3.0: **Response Presentation and Review**
- 4.0: **Response Form
Standard Terms and Conditions
“No Bid” Response Form
Attachments A, B, C**

1. **Introduction and General Conditions of Bidding**
- 1.1. **INVITATION** - The County of Boone, through its Purchasing Department, invites responses, which offer to provide the goods and/or services identified on the title page, and described in greater detail in Section 2.
- 1.2. **DEFINITIONS**
- 1.2.1. **County** - This term refers to the County of Boone, a duly organized public entity. It may also be used as a pronoun for various subsets of the County organization, including, as the context will indicate:
Purchasing - The Purchasing Department, including its Purchasing Director and staff.
Department(s) or Office(s) - The County Department(s) or Office(s) for which this Bid is prepared, and which will be the end user(s) of the goods and/or services sought.
Designee - The County employee(s) assigned as your primary contact(s) for interaction regarding Contract performance.
- 1.2.2. **Bidder / Contractor / Supplier** - These terms refer generally to businesses having some sort of relationship to or with Boone County. The term may apply differently to different classes of entities, as the context will indicate.
Bidder - Any business entity submitting a response to this Bid. Suppliers, which may be invited to respond, or which express interest in this bid, but which do not submit a response, have no obligations with respect to the bid requirements.
Contractor - The Bidder whose response to this bid is found by Purchasing to meet the best interests of the County. The Contractor will be selected for award, and will enter into a Contract for provision of the goods and/or services described in the Bid.
Supplier - All business(s) entities which may provide the subject goods and/or services.
- 1.2.3. **Bid** - This entire document, including attachments. A Bid may be used to solicit various kinds of information. The kind of information this Bid seeks is indicated by the title appearing at the top of the first page. A "Request for Bid" is used when the need is well defined. A "Request for Proposal" is used when the County will consider solutions, which may vary significantly from each other or from the County's initial expectations.
- 1.2.4. **Response** - The written, sealed document submitted according to the Bid instructions.
- 1.3. **BID CLARIFICATION** - Questions regarding this Bid should be directed in writing, preferably by fax or e-mail, to the Purchasing Department. Answers, citing the question asked but not identifying the questioner, will be distributed simultaneously to all known prospective Bidders. Note: Written requirements in the Bid or its Amendments are binding, but any oral communications between County and Bidder are not.
- 1.3.1. **Bidder Responsibility** - The Bidder is expected to be thoroughly familiar with all specifications and requirements of this Bid. Bidders' failure or omission to examine any relevant form, article, site or document will not relieve them from any obligation regarding this Bid. By submitting a Response, Bidder is presumed to concur with all terms, conditions and specifications of this Bid.
- 1.3.2. **Bid Amendment** - If it becomes evident that this Bid must be amended, the Purchasing Department will issue a formal written Amendment to all known prospective Bidders. If necessary, a new due date will be established.
- 1.4. **AWARD** - Award will be made to the Bidder(s) whose offer(s) provide the greatest value to the County from the standpoint of suitability to purpose, quality, service, previous experience, price, lifecycle cost, ability to deliver, or for any other reason deemed by Purchasing to be in the best interest of the County. Thus, the result will not be determined by price alone. The County will be seeking the least costly outcome that meets the County needs as interpreted by the County.
- 1.5. **CONTRACT EXECUTION** - This Bid and the Contractor's Response will be made part of any resultant Contract and will be incorporated in the Contract as set forth, verbatim.
- 1.5.1. **Precedence** - In the event of contradictions or conflicts between the provisions of the documents comprising this Contract, they will be resolved by giving precedence in the following order:
 - 1) the provisions of the Contract (as it may be amended);
 - 2) the provisions of the Bid;
 - 3) the provisions of the Bidder's Response.
- 1.6. **CONTRACT PERIOD** - Any Term and Supply Contract resulting from this Bid will have an initial term from date of award through one year with an additional two (2) one-year renewals unless canceled by either party commencing with execution of Contract (or on another mutually agreeable start date.)
- 1.7. **COMPLIANCE WITH STANDARD TERMS AND CONDITIONS** - Bidder agrees to be bound by the County's standard "boilerplate" terms and conditions for Contracts, a sample of which is attached to this Bid.

2. Primary Specifications

- 2.1. **ITEMS TO BE PROVIDED** - Street Name Signs term and supply contract.
- 2.1.1. **Quantity** - All sign orders shall be placed on a weekly and/or as needed basis. The County **does not** guarantee a minimum quantity per order. Boone County reserves the right to adjust or delete any and all ordered quantities and may at times request to make a change to the original description of the street name sign. The estimated quantities provided should not be construed as exact quantities to be ordered. The quantities specified herein are estimates only based on past usage and anticipated future requirements, and as such, do not constitute a guarantee on the part of the County.
- 2.1.2. **Contract Duration** - The contract shall be effective from the date of issuance through April 1, 2004. This contract is subject to renewal annual for two (2) additional one (1) year periods following expiration of the first contract period.
- 2.1.2.1. **Contract Extension** - The County Purchasing Director may exercise the option to extend the contract on a month to month basis for a maximum of 6 months from the date of termination if it is deemed to be in the best interest of Boone County.
- 2.1.2.2. **Contract Documents** – The successful bidder(s) shall be obligated to enter into a written contract with the County within 30 days of award on contract forms provided by the County. If bidders desire to contract under their own written agreement, any such proposed agreement shall be submitted in blank with their bid. County reserves the right to modify any proposed form agreement or withdraw its award to a successful bidder if any proposed agreement contains terms and conditions inconsistent with its bid or are unacceptable to county legal counsel.
- 2.2. **MINIMUM TECHNICAL REQUIREMENTS**
- 2.2.1. **Sign Blanks** – 10” and 13” Green Fiberglass FRP - 0.135” thickness sign blanks or alternate 13” aluminum sign blanks - .080” thickness sign blanks. The County’s preference is the green fiberglass but there may be circumstances that due to the size of sign required, aluminum would be necessary for strength and durability. Bidder will be asked to respond with a percentage increase over cost of fiberglass if aluminum is used as described above.
- 2.2.2. **Lettering** – Street name signs for all County maintained roads shall have reflective white lettering, engineering grade, on a green background.
- 2.2.2.1. Street name signs for all privately maintained roads shall have non-reflective black lettering on a reflective white background. An informational placard stating “Private Road” shall have non-reflective black lettering on a reflective white background. **See attachment A.** This item is identified in Section 4 as line item 4.7.15.
- 2.2.2.2. All numbers and letters shall conform to current industry standards for highway applications and also to specifications in the most current Manual for Uniform Traffic Control Devices (MUTCD). For local roads with a speed limit of 60 miles per hour or less, street name signs shall have six (6”) inch white reflective upper case-letters, set three quarter (3/4”) inches above the bottom of the sign. **See Attachment #.** For local roads with a speed limit of 60 miles per hour or greater, street name signs shall have nine (9”) inch white reflective upper case-letters, set three quarter (3/4”) inches above the bottom of the sign. **See Attachment #.**
- 2.2.2.3. Any supplementary lettering that indicates the type of street, such as Street, Lane, Circle, or Road, shall have a minimum height of three (3”) inches and shall be abbreviated as ST., LN, CIR, and RD. The street coordinates and directional letters (i.e. 2000 NE, 2000 SE, NW, etc.) shall be two (2”) inches in height and shall be three quarter (3/4”) inches above the top of the road name and a half (1/2”) inch from the top of the sign. The street coordinates and directional letters shall be in the upper right hand corner. Upper left and right corners if there are two (2) sets of street coordinates.
- 2.2.2.4. There is to be a minimum of five (5”) inches and a maximum of six (6”) inches between each word on multiple word roadway names.
- 2.2.2.5. Length of signs shall be determined by the amount of letters and numbers being placed on the sign blank and in compliance with this section of the bid.
- 2.2.2.6. Majority of signs will be ordered with Road Name and Street Coordinates printed on one side. There will be a limited number ordered that will require lettering on both sides of the sign. Corners to be rounded. **See Attachments.**

2. **Primary Specifications (cont.)**

- 2.2.3. **Product Substitution(s)/Deviations** – It is the bidder’s responsibility to submit a bid that meets all mandatory specifications stated within. Because of the complexity and number of required specifications, the bidder must compare their product bid with the required listed minimum specifications and identify any deviations. Failure to properly identify deviations may render the bidder’s proposal non-responsive and not capable of consideration for award.
- 2.3. **REQUIRED SAMPLE** - All bidders **are required** to provide samples of their product at the time of bid response. Samples shall include one six (6”) inch lettered sign and one nine (9”) lettered sign as described in section 2.2.2.2. of the above minimum required specifications and the drawings provided as an attachment to this bid. Exclusion of these samples could deem the bidders response as non-responsive. **NO** aluminum samples are required.
- 2.4. **DESIGNEE** - Boone County Public Works Department, 5551 Highway 63 So., Columbia, Missouri 65201.
- 2.5. **BID CLARIFICATION** - Any questions or clarifications concerning bid documents should be addressed to Marlene Ridgway, Buyer, 601 E. Walnut, Room 209, Columbia, Missouri 65201. Telephone: (573) 886-4392. Fax: (573) 886-4390 Email: mridgway@boonecountymo.org
- 2.5. **DELIVERY** - Boone County Public Works; 5551 Highway 63 South; Columbia, MO 65201.
- 2.5.1. **Delivery Terms** - FOB Destination. Preference will be given to vendors supplying signs within 10 business days from date of order.
- 2.5.2. **Method of Ordering** - Orders will be requested via a faxed request. The successful vendor will be required to confirm receipt of each request.

- 3. Response Presentation and Review**
- 3.1 **RESPONSE CONTENT** - In order to enable direct comparison of competing Responses, Bidder must submit Response in strict conformity to the requirements stated here. Failure to adhere to all requirements may result in Response being disqualified as non-responsive. All Responses must be submitted using the provided Response Sheet. Every question must be answered and if not applicable, the section must contain "N/A."
- 3.2 **SUBMITTAL OF RESPONSES** - Responses MUST be received by the date and time noted on the title page under "Bid Submission Information and Deadline". NO EXCEPTIONS. The County is not responsible for late or incorrect deliveries from the US Postal Service or any other mail carrier.
- 3.2.1. **Submittal Package** - Submit, to the location specified on the title page, **three (3) complete copies** of your Response in a single sealed envelope, clearly marked on the outside with your company name and return address, the bid number and the due date and time.
- 3.2.2. **Advice of Award** - If you wish to be advised of the outcome of this Bid, enclose with your Response a self-addressed stamped return envelope (size 10, first-class one-ounce postage) for our use in mailing a copy of the summary recap of the award. Notification will be by mail only, except to awarded Bidder.
- 3.2.3. The County's Bids, Bid Tabulations, and Bid Awards may be viewed on our web page at www.showmeboone.com. View information under *Purchasing*.
- 3.2.4. If you have obtained this bid document from our Web Page or from a source other than the Boone County Purchasing Department, please check with our office or web page prior to submitting your bid to ensure that you have a complete package. The Purchasing Department cannot be responsible for providing addenda if we do not have you on our vendor list for this bid.
- 3.3. **BID OPENING** - On the date and time and at the location specified on the title page under "Bid Opening", all Responses will be opened in public. Brief summary information from each will be read aloud.
- 3.3.1. **Removal from Vendor Database** - If any prospective Bidder currently in our Vendor Database to whom the Bid was sent elects not to submit a Response and fails to reply in writing stating reasons for not bidding, that Bidder's name may be removed from our database. Other reasons for removal include unwillingness or inability to show financial responsibility, reported poor performance, unsatisfactory service, or repeated inability to meet delivery requirements.
- 3.4. **RESPONSE CLARIFICATION** – The County reserves the right to request additional written or oral information from Bidders in order to obtain clarification of their Responses.
- 3.4.1. **Rejection or Correction of Responses** – The County reserves the right to reject any or all Responses. Minor irregularities or informalities in any Response which are immaterial or inconsequential in nature, and are neither affected by law nor at substantial variance with Bid conditions, may be waived at our discretion whenever it is determined to be in the County's best interest.
- 3.5. **EVALUATION PROCESS** – The County's sole purpose in the evaluation process is to determine from among the Responses received which one is best suited to meet the County's needs at the lowest possible cost. Any final analysis or weighted point score does not imply that one Bidder is superior to another, but simply that in our judgment the Contractor selected appears to offer the best overall solution for our current and anticipated needs at the lowest possible cost.
- 3.5.1. **Method of Evaluation** – The County will evaluate submitted Responses in relation to all aspects of this Bid.
- 3.5.2. **Acceptability** – The County reserves the sole right to determine whether goods and/or services offered are acceptable for our use.
- 3.5.3. **Endurance of Pricing** - Bidder's pricing must be held until award or 60 days, whichever comes first.
- 3.5.4. **Award**: Award will be made to the lowest, responsible bidder meeting specifications, who presents the product or service that is in the best interest of Boone County. Boone County reserves the right to award this bid on an item by item basis, or an "all or none" basis, whichever is in the best interest of the County.
- 3.5.5. Boone County reserves the right to reject all bids. Boone County reserves the right to waive informalities in bids.

4. **Response Form** - Submit **three (3) complete copies** of your Response in a single sealed envelope, **clearly marked on the outside, left corner** with your company name and return address, the proposal number and the due date and time.

- 4.1. Company Name: _____
- 4.2. Address: _____
- 4.3. City/Zip: _____
- 4.4. Phone Number: _____
- 4.5. Fax Number: _____
- 4.6. Federal Tax ID: _____

4.7. **Pricing**

	Size	Est Qty	Single Sided		Est Qty	Double Sided	
			Unit Price	Total Price		Unit Price	Total Price
4.7.1.	24" x 10"	80	\$ _____	\$ _____	10	\$ _____	\$ _____
4.7.2.	24" x 13"	20	\$ _____	\$ _____	3	\$ _____	\$ _____
4.7.3.	30" x 10"	140	\$ _____	\$ _____	15	\$ _____	\$ _____
4.7.4.	30" x 13"	35	\$ _____	\$ _____	5	\$ _____	\$ _____
4.7.5.	36" x 10"	90	\$ _____	\$ _____	15	\$ _____	\$ _____
4.7.6.	36" x 13"	20	\$ _____	\$ _____	5	\$ _____	\$ _____
4.7.7.	42" x 10"	115	\$ _____	\$ _____	15	\$ _____	\$ _____
4.7.8.	42" x 13"	30	\$ _____	\$ _____	5	\$ _____	\$ _____
4.7.9.	48" x 10"	150	\$ _____	\$ _____	20	\$ _____	\$ _____
4.7.10.	48" x 13"	35	\$ _____	\$ _____	5	\$ _____	\$ _____
4.7.11.	54" x 10"	12	\$ _____	\$ _____	10	\$ _____	\$ _____
4.7.12.	54" x 13"	3	\$ _____	\$ _____	3	\$ _____	\$ _____
4.7.13.	60" x 10"	12	\$ _____	\$ _____	10	\$ _____	\$ _____
4.7.14.	60" x 13"	3	\$ _____	\$ _____	3	\$ _____	\$ _____
4.7.15.	18" x 4"	12	\$ _____	\$ _____	N/A		
4.7.16.	Total Single Sided		\$ _____		Total Double Sided		\$ _____
4.7.17.	Grand total (Single and Double Sided)				\$ _____		

4.8. Percent increase for use of Aluminum instead of Fiberglass on any signs 13" in height (See Section 2.2.1.)
 _____%

4.9. Warranty period against fading, chipping or peeling: _____

4.10. Maximum Percentage Increase for _____% 2nd Year; _____ 3rd Year.

4.11. **Delivery After Receipt of Order:** _____

4.12. Will you honor the submitted prices for purchase by other entities in Boone County who participate in cooperative purchasing with Boone County, Missouri?

_____ Yes _____ No

4. *Response Form (cont.)*

4.13. The undersigned offers to furnish and deliver the articles or services as specified at the prices and terms stated and in strict accordance with all requirements contained in the Request for Bid, which has been read and understood, and all of which are made part of this order. By submission of this bid, the vendor certifies that they are in compliance with Section 34.353 and, if applicable, Section 34.359 ("Missouri Domestic Products Procurement Act") of the Revised Statutes of Missouri.

4.13.1. Authorized Representative (Sign By Hand):

4.13.2. Type or Print Signed Name:

4.13.3. Today's Date: _____



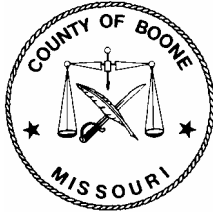
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Standard Terms and Conditions

Marlene Ridgway, Buyer

Phone: (573) 886-4392- Fax (573) 886-4390

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1. Responses shall include all charges for packing, delivery, installation, etc., (unless otherwise specified) to the Boone County Department identified in the Request for Bid.
 2. The Boone County Commission has the right to accept or reject any part or parts of all bids, to waive technicalities, and to accept the offer the County Commission considers the most advantageous to the County. Boone County reserves the right to award this bid on an item by item basis, or an "all or none" basis, whichever is in the best interest of the County.
 3. Bidders must use the bid forms provided for the purpose of submitting bids, must return the bid and bid sheets comprised in this bid, give the unit price, extended totals, and sign the bid. In the event of a discrepancy between a unit price and an extended line item price, the unit price shall govern.
 4. When products or materials of any particular producer or manufacturer are mentioned in our specifications, such products or materials are intended to be descriptive of type or quality and not restricted to those mentioned.
 5. Do not include Federal Excise Tax or Sales and Use Taxes in bid process, as law exempts the County from them.
 6. The delivery date shall be stated in definite terms, as it will be taken into consideration in awarding the bid.
 7. The County Commission reserves the right to cancel all or any part of orders if delivery is not made or work is not started as guaranteed. In case of delay, the Contractor must notify the Purchasing Department.
 8. In case of default by the Contractor, the County of Boone will procure the articles or services from other sources and hold the Bidder responsible for any excess cost occasioned thereby.
 9. Failure to deliver as guaranteed shall disqualify Bidder from future bidding.
 10. Prices must be as stated in units of quantity specified, and must be firm. Bids qualified by escalator clauses may not be considered unless specified in the bid specifications.
 11. No bid transmitted by fax machine will be accepted.
 12. The County of Boone, Missouri expressly denies responsibility for, or ownership of any item purchased until same is delivered to the County and is accepted by the County.



"No Bid" Response Form

Boone County Purchasing
601 E. Walnut, Room 209
Columbia, MO 65201

Marlene Ridgway, Buyer
(573) 886-4392- Fax: (573) 886-4390

"NO BID RESPONSE FORM"

**NOTE: COMPLETE AND RETURN THIS FORM ONLY IF YOU DO NOT WANT TO
SUBMIT A BID**

If you do not wish to respond to this bid request, but would like to remain on the Boone County vendor list **for this service/commodity**, please remove form and return to the Purchasing Department by mail or fax.

If you would like to FAX this "No Bid" Response Form to our office, the FAX number is (573) 886-4390.

Bid: 20-18MAR03 - Street Name Signs Term and Supply

Business Name: _____

Address: _____

Telephone: _____

Contact: _____

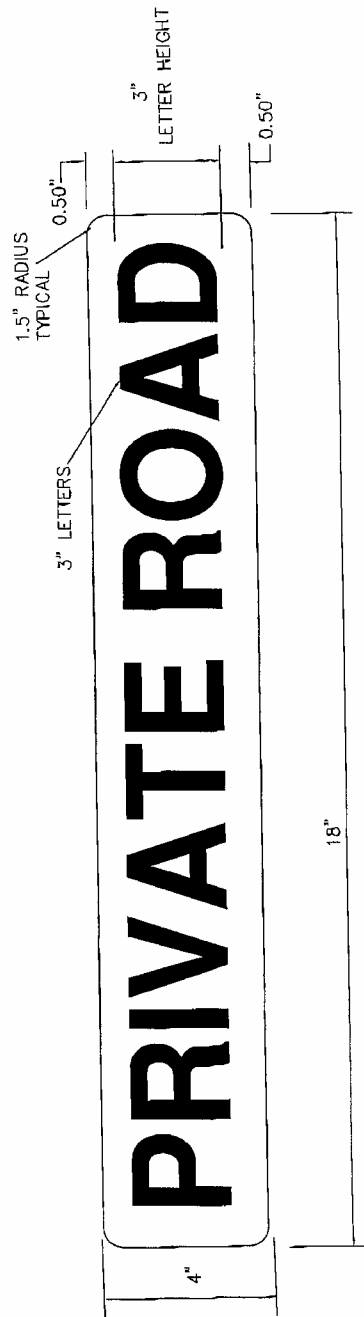
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Attachment A

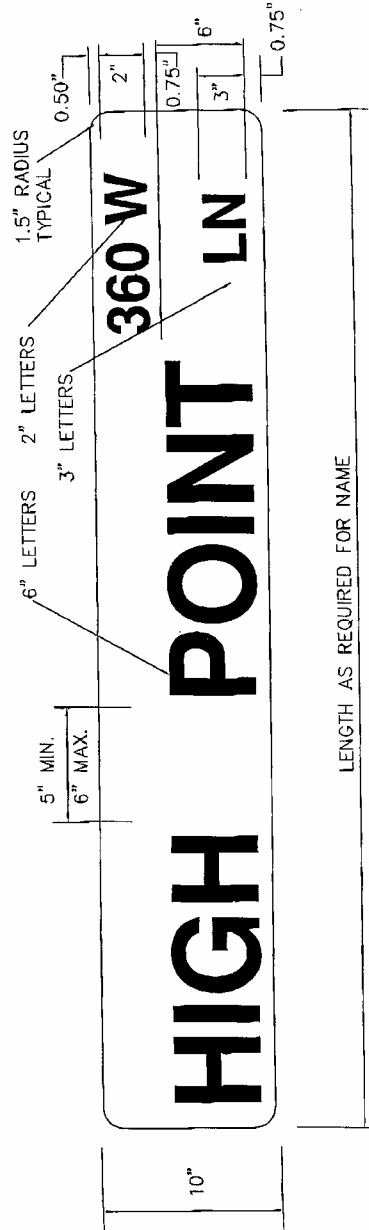
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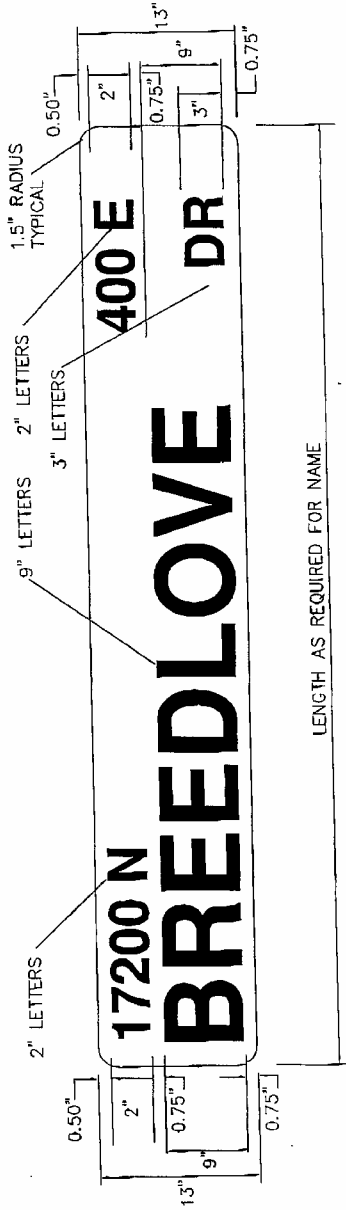
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