



The State of New Mexico
General Services Department, State Purchasing Division

In conjunction with



Request for Proposals

New Mexico Solicitation Number 20-00000-22-00051

**NASPO ValuePoint Master Agreement for
On-Line Auction Services**

May 5, 2022

ELECTRONIC PROPOSAL SUBMISSION ONLY

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RFP Administrative Information

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| RFP Title: | On-Line Auction Services |
| RFP Project Description: (See Section 1.1) | The State of New Mexico in conjunction with NASPO ValuePoint, is seeking Contractor(s) to provide an on-line auction service that will provide a detailed audit record of all activity and provide an on-line auctioning capability for bidding to extend multiple days. |
| RFP Lead: (See Section 1.2) | Vanessa LeBlanc General Services Department, State Purchasing Division 1100 St. Francis Drive Santa Fe, NM 87505 Vanessa.LeBlanc@state.nm.us (505) 629-9525 |
| Submit electronically via eProNM: (See Section 2.6) | Electronic Submission https://bids.sciquest.com/apps/Router/PublicEvent?CustomerOrg=StateOfNewMexico |
| Pre-Proposal Conference: Pre-Proposal Conference Location: (See Section 2.3) | May 12, 2022 9:30 am, MST https://teams.microsoft.com/l/meetup-join/19%3aPrGK55wyxiTuzp_zXORxr4CXC4Sui7xaH-zC6SQJ9KE1%40thread.tacv2/1641403012297?context=%7b%22Tid%22%3a%2271970842-b50a-47dd-af23-f54175b61dfc%22%2c%22Oid%22%3a%22ec1c0fca-fb32-4719-8e85-3f2d53395504%22%7d |
| Deadline To Receive Questions: (See Sections 1.3 and 2.1) | May 19, 2022 |
| Question & Answers: (See Section 2.1) | All questions, including those about Terms and Conditions, must be submitted through eProNM . Question must be submitted by the question deadline date |
| RFP Closing Date: (See Section 1.3) | June 21, 2022 |
| RFP Closing Time: (See Section 1.3) | 3:00 PM MST |
| Initial Term of Contract and Renewals: (See Attachment A, Section 3) | The initial term of the Contract will be two (2) years with the option, upon mutual written agreement, for four (4) additional renewal periods of two (2) years each. The State reserves the right to implement renewal periods of other duration if the State finds it advantageous to do so. In no way shall this agreement exceed ten (10) years. Upon mutual agreement, the contract may be extended or amended. |
| TAKE NOTE OF THE 0.25% NASPO VALUEPOINT ADMINISTRATIVE FEE DETAILED IN SECTION 5.2.1 OF THE NASPO VALUEPOINT STANDARD TERMS AND CONDITIONS, WHICH MUST BE INCORPORATED INTO YOUR BASE PRICE. OTHER STATES MAY NEGOTIATE ADDITIONAL ADMINISTRATIVE FEES IN THEIR PARTICIPATING ADDENDA FOLLOWING AWARD OF A MASTER AGREEMENT. | |

REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

Online Auction Services

Solicitation # 20-00000-22-00051

Section 1: NASPO ValuePoint Solicitation - General Information

1.1. Purpose

The State of New Mexico, General Services Department, State Purchasing Division (Lead State) is requesting proposals for Online Auction Services in furtherance of the NASPO ValuePoint Cooperative Purchasing Program. The purpose of this Request for Proposal (RFP) is to establish Master Agreements with qualified Offerors to provide an on-line auction service that will provide a detailed audit record of all activity and provide an on-line auctioning capability for bidding to extend multiple days. The desired solution is for an approach encompassing one of three tiers, or any combination of the three tiers, that will comprise both the vendor's product (the on-line auction system) as well as the vendor's services in either a simple use of an Offeror's website as a marketing tool, a publicizing tool by a Purchasing Entity (Tier One), a website and accounting operation (Tier Two), or a full turnkey operation (Tier Three) for all Participating States. Offerors may submit proposals on any of the three tiers or any combination of the three tiers at their discretion. Each offer must be submitted in regard to each tier. That is, if an Offeror wishes to submit a proposal on all three tiers, technical and cost specifications for each tier must be submitted separately in the Offeror's proposal. The objective of this RFP is to obtain best value (preferably a low cost or no cost to the Participating Entity), and in some cases achieve more favorable pricing than is obtainable by an individual state or local government entity because of the collective volume of potential purchases by numerous state and local government entities. The Master Agreement(s) resulting from this procurement may be used by state governments (including departments, agencies, institutions), institutions of higher education, political subdivisions (i.e., colleges, school districts, counties, cities, etc.), the District of Columbia, territories of the United States, and other eligible entities subject to approval of the state chief procurement official and compliance with local statutory and regulatory provisions. The resulting Master Agreements will enable eligible entities to liquidate property including, but not limited to, vehicles, equipment, real estate, confiscated property, miscellaneous assets, and any other property, real or personal, that a Participating Entity has authority to sell. The initial term of the Master Agreements shall be 2 years with renewal provisions as outlined in Section 3 of the NASPO ValuePoint Master Terms and conditions (Attachment A).

It is anticipated that this RFP may result in Master Agreement awards to multiple contractors, in the Lead State's discretion.

This RFP is designed to provide interested Offerors with sufficient information to submit proposals meeting minimum requirements but is not intended to limit a proposal's content or exclude any relevant or essential data. Offerors are encouraged to expand upon the specifications to add service and value consistent with state requirements.

This will be a replacement for expiring Master Agreements for the State of New Mexico and NASPO ValuePoint.

1.2. Lead State, Solicitation Number and Lead State Contract Administrator

The State of New Mexico General Services Department, State Purchasing Division is the Lead State and issuing office for this document and all subsequent addenda relating to it. The reference number for the transaction is Solicitation # 20-00000-21-00051. This number must be referred to on all proposals, correspondence, and documentation relating to the RFP.

The Lead State Contract Administrator identified below is the Single Point of Contact during this procurement process. Offerors and interested persons shall direct to the Lead State Contract Administrator all questions concerning the procurement process, technical requirements of this RFP, contractual requirements, requests for brand approval, changes, clarifications, the award process, and any other questions that may arise related to this solicitation and the resulting Master Agreement. The Lead State Contract Administrator designated by the State of New Mexico, General Services Department, State Purchasing Division is:

Vanessa LeBlanc, IT Procurement Specialist
State of New Mexico General Services Department, State Purchasing Division
1100 St. Francis Drive
Santa Fe, NM 87505
Vanessa.LeBlanc@state.nm.us
(505) 629-9525

A Procurement Library has been established. Offerors are encouraged to review the material contained in the Procurement Library by selecting the link provided in the electronic version of this document through your own internet connection. The library contains information listed below:

- Electronic version of RFP, Questions & Answers, RFP Amendments, etc.
- [Active Procurements | NM GSD \(state.nm.us\)](#)

NASPO ValuePoint Website: Solicitation Information - [NASPO ValuePoint](#)

1.3 Schedule of Events

This section of the RFP contains the schedule of events, the descriptions of each event, and the conditions governing this procurement.

The Procurement Manager will make every effort to adhere to the following schedule:

| Action | Responsible Party | Due Dates |
|---|---------------------------|----------------------|
| 1. Issue RFP | SPD | May 5, 2022 |
| 2. Acknowledgement of Receipt Form | Potential Offerors | May 12, 2022 |
| 3. Pre-Proposal Conference | SPD | May 12, 2022 |
| 4. Deadline to submit Written Questions | Potential Offerors | May 19, 2022 |
| 5. Response to Written Questions | Procurement Manager | May 26, 2022 |
| 6. Submission of Proposal | Potential Offerors | June 21, 2022 |

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| 7. * Oral Presentation(s) | Finalist Offerors | July 6, 2022 |
| 8.* Contract Awards | Agency/ Finalist Offerors | July 26, 2022 |
| 9.* Protest Deadline | SPD | +15 days |

* Dates indicated in Events 7 thru 9 are estimates only, and may be subject to change without necessitating an amendment to the RFP.

All times are Mountain time unless indicated otherwise.

Explanation of Schedule of Events

1. Issuance of RFP

This RFP is being issued by the New Mexico General Services Department/State Purchasing Division in conjunction with NASPO ValuePoint Cooperative Purchasing Program (NASPO ValuePoint) on the date listed above in the Schedule of Events.

2. Acknowledgement of Receipt Form

Potential Offerors may e-mail the Acknowledgement of Receipt Form (APPENDIX A), to the Lead State Contract Administrator at Vanessa.LeBlanc@state.nm.us, to have their organization placed on the procurement Distribution List. The form must be returned to the Lead State Contract Administrator by 3:00 pm MST/ MDT on the date indicated in Section 1.3 Schedule of Events.

The procurement distribution list will be used for the distribution of written responses to questions, and/or any amendments to the RFP. Failure to return the Acknowledgement of Receipt Form does not prohibit potential Offerors from submitting a response to this RFP. However, by not returning the Acknowledgement of Receipt Form, the potential Offeror's representative shall not be included on the distribution list and will be solely responsible for obtaining from the Procurement Library responses to written questions and any amendments to the RFP.

3. Pre-Proposal Conference

A pre-proposal conference will be held as indicated in Section 1.3, Schedule of Events, beginning at **9:30 am** MST/MDT via https://teams.microsoft.com/l/meetup-join/19%3aPrGK55wyxiTuzp_zXORxr4CXC4Sui7xaH-zC6SQJ9KE1%40thread.tacv2/1641403012297?context=%7b%22Tid%22%3a%2271970842-b50a-47dd-af23-f54175b61dfc%22%2c%22Oid%22%3a%22ec1c0fca-fb32-4719-8e85-3f2d53395504%22%7d

Potential Offeror(s) are encouraged to submit written questions in advance of the conference to the Lead State Contract Administrator (see Section 1.2). The identity of the organization submitting the question(s) will not be revealed. Additional written questions may be submitted at the conference. All questions answered during the Pre-Proposal Conference will be considered **unofficial** until they are posted in writing. All written questions will be addressed in writing on the date listed in Section 1.3, Sequence of Events. A public log will be kept of the names of potential Offeror(s) that attended the pre-proposal conference.

Attendance at the pre-proposal conference is highly recommended, but not a prerequisite for submission of a proposal.

4. Deadline to Submit Written Questions

Potential Offerors may submit written questions to the Lead State Contract Administrator as to the intent or clarity of this RFP until <Insert time> MST/MDT as indicated in Section 1.3, Schedule of Events. All written questions must be addressed to the Lead State Contract Administrator as declared in Section 1.2. Questions shall be clearly labeled and shall cite the Section(s) in the RFP or other document which form the basis of the question.

5. Response to Written Questions

Written responses to the written questions will be provided via e-mail, on or before the date indicated in Section 1.3, Schedule of Events, to all potential Offerors who timely submitted an Acknowledgement of Receipt Form (APPENDIX A).

An electronic version of the Questions and Answers will be posted to:

<https://www.generalservices.state.nm.us/statepurchasing/active-procurements.aspx>

6. Submission of Proposal

Proposals must be submitted electronically through SPD's eProNM electronic procurement system. Refer to Section 2.6 for instructions. Proposals submitted by facsimile, or other electronic means other than through the SPD electronic e-procurement system, will not be accepted.

7. Oral Presentations

Finalist Offerors may be required to conduct an oral presentation at a venue to be determined as per schedule Section 1.3., Schedule of Events, or as soon as possible thereafter. If oral presentations are held, Finalist Offerors may be required to make their presentations through electronic means (GoToMeeting, Zoom, etc). The Agency will provide Finalist Offerors with applicable details. Whether or not Oral Presentations will be held is at the discretion of the Sourcing Team and SPD.

8. Contract Award

Upon receipt of the signed contractual agreement, the Agency Procurement office will award as per Section 1.3 Schedule of Events, or as soon as possible thereafter. The award is subject to appropriate approvals.

9. Protest Deadline

Any protest by an Offeror must be timely submitted and in conformance with §13-1-172, NMSA 1978 and applicable procurement regulations. As a Protest Manager has been named in this Request for Proposals, pursuant to §13-1-172, NMSA 1978 and 1.4.1.82 NMAC, ONLY protests delivered directly to the Protest Manager in writing and in a timely fashion will be considered to have been submitted properly and in accordance with statute, rule and this Request for Proposals. The 15 calendar day protest period shall begin on the day following the notice of award of contract(s) and will end at 5:00 pm MST/MDT on the 15th day. Protests must be written and must include the name and address of the protestor and the request for proposal number. It must also contain a

statement of the grounds for protest including appropriate supporting exhibits and it must specify the ruling requested by the protesting party. The protest must be delivered to:

Mark Hayden, State Purchasing Agent

Mark.Hayden@state.nm.us

PROTESTS RECEIVED AFTER THE DEADLINE WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.

1.4. Definitions

The following definitions apply to this solicitation. Attachment A also contains definitions of terms used in this solicitation and the NASPO ValuePoint Master Agreement terms and conditions.

“Agency” means the State Purchasing Division of the General Services Department or that State Agency sponsoring the Procurement action.

“Award” means the Final Execution of the contract document resulting from this Request for Proposals.

“Business Hours” means 8:00 AM thru 5:00 PM Mountain Standard or Mountain Daylight Time, whichever is in effect on the date given.

“Close of Business” means 5:00 PM Mountain Standard or Daylight Time, whichever is in effect on the date given.

“Confidential Information” means confidential financial information concerning Offeror’s organization and data that qualifies as a trade secret in accordance with the Uniform Trade Secrets Act §§57-3-A-1 through 57-3A-7, NMSA 1978,. See also NMAC 1.4.1.45. The following items may not be labelled as Confidential Information: Offeror’s submitted Cost response, Staff/Personnel Resumes/Bios (excluding personal information such as personal telephone numbers and/or home addresses), and other submitted data that is not confidential financial information or that qualifies under the Uniform Trade Secrets Act.

"Contract" means any agreement for the procurement of items of tangible personal property, services or construction.

"Contractor" means a party to this Master Agreement, whether a person or entity, that delivers goods or performs services under the terms set forth in this Master Agreement.

"Determination" means the written documentation of a decision of a Procurement Manager including findings of fact required to support a decision. A Determination becomes part of the procurement file to which it pertains.

"Desirable" – the terms "may", "can", "should", "preferably", or "prefers" identify a desirable or discretionary item or factor

“Electronic Submission” means a successful submittal of Offeror’s proposal in the eProNM system, in such cases where eProNM submissions are accepted.

“Electronic Version/Copy” means a digital form consisting of text, images or both readable on computers or other electronic devices that includes all content that the Original and Hard Copy proposals contain. The digital form may be submitted using a compact disc (CD) or USB flash drive. The Electronic Version/Copy can NOT be emailed.

“Final Execution” means that the last required signature on the documents needed to make the agreement binding upon all parties has been obtained.

“Finalist” means an Offeror who meets all the mandatory specifications of this Request for Proposals and whose score on evaluation factors is sufficiently high to merit further consideration by the Sourcing Team.

“Hourly Rate” means the proposed fully loaded maximum hourly rates that include travel, per diem, fringe benefits and any overhead costs for contractor personnel, as well as subcontractor personnel if appropriate.

“IT” means Information Technology.

“Lead State” means the State of New Mexico, centrally administering this cooperative procurement, evaluation, and any resulting Master Agreement(s), who is a party to this Master Agreement.

“Mandatory” – the terms "must", "shall", "will", "is required", or "are required", identify a mandatory item or factor. Failure to meet a mandatory item or factor will result in the rejection of the Offeror’s proposal as non-responsive to this Request for Proposals.

“Minor Technical Irregularities” means anything in the proposal that does not affect the price, quality, and quantity or any other mandatory requirement.

“Multiple Source Award” means an award of an indefinite quantity contract for one or more similar services, items of tangible personal property or construction to more than one Offeror.

“Offeror” means the company or firm who submits a proposal in response to this Request for Proposal.

“Procurement Manager” or “Procurement Officer” means any person or designee authorized by a state agency or local public body to enter into or administer contracts and make written determinations with respect thereto.

“Procuring Agency” means all State of New Mexico agencies, commissions, institutions, political subdivisions, and local public bodies allowed by law, as well as a Purchasing Entity as defined in Attachment A, 1.3.

“Project” means a temporary process undertaken to solve a well-defined goal or objective with clearly defined start and end times, a set of clearly defined tasks, and a budget. The Project terminates once the project scope is achieved and project acceptance is given by the project executive sponsor.

“Proposal” means the official written response submitted by an Offeror in response to this

Request for Proposal.

“Proposer” has the same meaning as Offeror.

“Redacted” means a version/copy of the Offeror’s proposal with the information considered proprietary or confidential (as defined by §§57-3A-1 to 57-3A-7, NMSA 1978 and NMAC 1.4.1.45 and summarized herein and outlined in Section 2.9 of this RFP) blacked-out BUT NOT omitted or removed.

“Request for Proposals” or “RFP” means the entire solicitation document, including all parts, sections, exhibits, attachments, and addenda.

“Responsible Offeror” means an Offeror who submits a Responsive Proposal and who has furnished, when required, information and data to prove that the Offeror’s financial resources, production or service facilities, personnel, service reputation and experience are adequate to make satisfactory delivery of the services, or items of tangible personal property described in the Proposal.

“Responsive Proposal” means a proposal which conforms in all material respects to the requirements set forth in the Request for Proposals. Material respects of a request for proposals include, but are not limited to price, quality, quantity, or delivery requirements.

“Sourcing Team” means a body appointed to perform the evaluation of Offerors’ proposals.

“Sourcing Team Report” means a report prepared by the Procurement Manager and the Sourcing Team for contract award. It will contain written determinations resulting from the procurement.

“SPD” means the State Purchasing Division of the New Mexico State General Services Department.

“Staff” means any individual who is a full-time, part-time, or an independently contracted employee with the Offerors’ company.

“State Agency” means any department, commission, council, board, committee, institution, legislative body, agency, government corporation, educational institution or official of the executive, legislative or judicial branch of the government of a Participating State, unless otherwise specified in a Participating Addendum.

“State Purchasing Agent” means the director of the Purchasing Division of the General Services Department of the State of New Mexico.

“Statement of Concurrence” means an affirmative statement from the Offeror to the required specification agreeing to comply and concur with the stated requirement(s). This statement shall be included in Offeror’s proposal. (E.g. “We concur,” “Understands and Complies,” “Comply,” “Will Comply if Applicable,” etc.)

“Unredacted” means a version/copy of the proposal containing all complete information; including any that the Offeror would otherwise consider confidential, such copy for use only for

the purposes of evaluation.

“**Written**” means typewritten on standard 8 ½ x 11 inch paper. Larger paper is permissible for charts, spreadsheets, etc.

1.5. NASPO ValuePoint Background Information

NASPO ValuePoint is a division of the National Association of State Procurement Officials (“NASPO”), a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization. NASPO ValuePoint facilitates administration of the NASPO cooperative group contracting consortium of state chief procurement officials for the benefit of state departments, institutions, agencies, and political subdivisions and other eligible entities (i.e., colleges, school districts, counties, cities, some nonprofit organizations, etc.) for all states, the District of Columbia, and territories of the United States. NASPO ValuePoint is identified in the Master Agreement as the recipient of reports and may perform contract administration functions relating to collecting and receiving reports, as well as other contract administration functions as assigned by the Lead State.

1.6. Participating States

In addition to the Lead State conducting this solicitation, the following Participating States have requested to be named in this RFP as potential users of the resulting Master Agreement: Alaska, California, Connecticut, Florida, Iowa, Maine, Maryland, Missouri, Montana, North Dakota, South Dakota, Utah, and West Virginia. Other entities may become Participating Entities after award of the Master Agreement. Some States may have included special or unique terms and conditions for their state, which are being provided as a courtesy to proposers to indicate which additional terms and conditions may be incorporated into the state Participating Addendum after award of the Master Agreement. The Lead State will not address questions or concerns or negotiate other States’ terms and conditions. The Participating States shall negotiate these terms and conditions directly with the supplier. State-specific terms and conditions are included in Attachments D-Y.

1.7. Anticipated Usage/Historical Usage

During the term of the current Online Auction Services portfolio, twenty (20) states have participated resulting in reported expenditures exceeding fourteen (14) million dollars. Annual spend has increased from \$10,898 in 2014 to \$4,954,204 in 2021.

| Year | Spend |
|--------------|---------------------|
| 2014 | \$10,898 |
| 2015 | \$180,013 |
| 2016 | \$867,179 |
| 2017 | \$1,791,510 |
| 2018 | \$2,342,176 |
| 2019 | \$2,542,399 |
| 2020 | \$2,800,777 |
| 2021 | \$4,954,204 |
| Total | \$15,489,156 |

Section 2: Solicitation Requirements, Information and Instructions to Offerors

2.1 Cancellation of Procurement

This RFP may be canceled at any time prior to award of the Master Agreement(s) if the Lead State determines such action to be in the collective best interests of Participating States.

2.2 Governing Laws and Regulations

This procurement is conducted by the Lead State New Mexico General Services Department, State Purchasing Division, in accordance with the Lead State Procurement Code.

This procurement shall be governed by the regulations and laws of the Lead State. Venue for any administrative or judicial action relating to this procurement, evaluation, and award shall be in New Mexico. The provisions governing choice of law and venue for issues arising after award and during contract performance are specified in section 13.12 of the NASPO ValuePoint Master Agreement Terms and Conditions in Attachment A.

2.3 Firm Offers

Responses to this RFP, including proposed costs, will be considered firm for 180 days after the proposal due date.

2.4 Right to Accept All or Portion of Proposal

Unless otherwise specified in the solicitation, the Lead State may accept any item or combination of items as specified in the solicitation or of any proposal unless the Offeror expressly restricts an item or combination of items in its Proposal and conditions its response on receiving all items for which it provided a proposal. In the event that the Offeror so restricts its Proposal, the Lead State may consider the Offeror's restriction and evaluate whether the award on such basis will result in the best value to the Lead State and the NASPO ValuePoint Cooperative Purchasing Program. The Lead State may otherwise determine at its sole discretion that such restriction is non-responsive and renders the Offeror ineligible for further evaluation.

2.5 Proposal Content and Format Requirements

Proposals must be detailed and concise. Each Proposal must be labeled and organized in a manner that is congruent with the requirements and terminology used in this RFP and must include a point-by-point response, structured in form and reference to the RFP, addressing all requirements and the Scope of Work elements.

2.6 Proposal Submission Instructions

At this time, only electronic proposal submission is allowed. Do not submit hard copies until further notice.

ALL PROPOSALS MUST BE RECEIVED BY THE PROCUREMENT MANAGER OR DESIGNEE NO LATER THAN 3:00 PM MST/MDT ON THE DATE INDICATED IN SECTION 1.3, SEQUENCE OF EVENTS. NO LATE PROPOSAL WILL BE ACCEPTED.

The date and time of receipt will be recorded on each proposal. Proposals will be time-stamped in the system when the Offeror clicks “OK” after “Review and Submit.” Such electronic submissions will be considered sealed in accordance with statute.

It is the Offeror’s responsibility to ensure all documents are completely uploaded and submitted electronically via the eProNM system by the deadline set forth in this RFP. The eProNM system will automatically cease uploading data at the date and time of the deadline. Please ensure that you, as the Offeror, allow adequate time for large uploads and to fully complete your submittal by the deadline. A submission that is not both: (1) fully complete; and (2) received, via the eProNM system by the deadline, will be deemed late. Further, a submission that is not fully complete and received via the eProNM system by the deadline because the response was captured, blocked, filtered, quarantined or otherwise prevented from reaching the proper destination server by any anti-virus or other security software will be deemed late. In accordance with statute and rule, LATE PROPOSALS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.

Proposals must be submitted electronically through SPD’s eProNM electronic procurement system. Proposals submitted by facsimile, or other electronic means other than through the SPD electronic e-procurement system, will not be accepted.

The ELECTRONIC proposal submission must be fully uploaded in SPD’s eProNM system by the submission deadline in Section 1.3.

Proposals in response to this RFP must be submitted through State Purchasing’s electronic procurement system ONLY:

<https://bids.scquest.com/apps/Router/PublicEvent?CustomerOrg=StateOfNewMexico>

A log will be kept of the names of all Offeror organizations that submitted proposals. Pursuant to §13-1-116, NMSA 1978, the contents of proposals shall not be disclosed to competing potential Offerors during the negotiation process. The negotiation process is deemed to be in effect until the contract is awarded pursuant to this Request for Proposals. Awarded in this context means the final required state agency signature on the contract(s) resulting from the procurement has been obtained.

The Offeror need only submit one single electronic copy of each portion of its proposal (Technical and Cost) as outlined below. *EXCEPTION: Single electronic files that exceed 50mb may be submitted as multiple uploads, which must be the least number of uploads necessary to fall under the 50mb limit. Separate the proposals as described below into separate electronic files for submission.*

Proposals must be submitted in the manner outlined below. Technical and Cost portions of Offerors proposal must be submitted in separate uploads as indicated below in this section, and must be prominently identified as “Technical Proposal,” or “Cost Proposal,” on the front page of each upload

a) Technical Proposals – One (1) ELECTRONIC upload must be organized in accordance with Section 2.7 Response Format. All information for the Technical Proposal must be combined into a single file/document for uploading. *EXCEPTION: Single electronic files that exceed 50mb may be submitted as multiple uploads, which must be the least number of uploads necessary to fall under the 50mb limit.* The Technical Proposals **SHALL NOT** contain any cost information.

1. Confidential Information: If Offeror's proposal contains Confidential Information, as defined in Section 1.4, Offeror must submit two (2) separate ELECTRONIC technical files:
 - One (1) ELECTRONIC version of the requisite proposals identified above as unredacted (def. Section 1.4) versions for evaluation purposes; and
 - One (1) redacted (def. Section 1.4) ELECTRONIC version for the public file, in order to facilitate eventual public inspection of the non-confidential version of Offeror's proposal. Redacted versions must be clearly marked as "REDACTED" or "CONFIDENTIAL" on the first page of the electronic file;

b) Cost Proposals – One (1) ELECTRONIC upload of the proposal containing **ONLY** the Cost Proposal. All information for the cost proposal must be combined into a single file/document for uploading. *EXCEPTION: Single electronic files that exceed 50mb may be submitted as multiple uploads, which must be the least number of uploads necessary to fall under the 50mb limit.*

For technical support issues contact (505) 827-0467 or (505) 827-0472.

Any proposal that does not adhere to the requirements of this Section and Section 2.7 Required Format may be deemed non-responsive and rejected on that basis.

2.7 Required Format

All Proposals must be submitted in the following format. Detailed information on submitting each of these sections is contained in later sections of this RFP.

Organization of files/envelopes for electronic copy proposals:

1. Proposal Content and Organization

Direct reference to pre-prepared or promotional material may be used if referenced and clearly marked. Promotional material must be minimal. The proposal must be organized and indexed in the following format and must contain, at a minimum, all listed items in the sequence indicated.

Technical Proposal – DO NOT INCLUDE ANY COST INFORMATION IN THE TECHNICAL PROPOSAL.

- A. Signed Letter of Transmittal
- B. Signed Campaign Contribution Form
- C. Table of Contents
- D. Proposal Summary (Optional)
- E. Response to Terms and Conditions
- F. Offeror's Additional Terms and Conditions
- G. Response to Specifications (except Cost information which shall be included **ONLY** in Cost Proposal/Envelope 2)
 1. Minimum Requirements
 2. Ability to Meet Scope of Work
 3. References
- H. Other Supporting Material (if applicable)

Cost Proposal:

1. Completed Cost Response Form (Attachment C)

Within each section of the proposal, Offerors should address the items in the order indicated above. All forms provided in this RFP must be thoroughly completed and included in the appropriate section of the proposal. Any and all discussion of proposed costs, rates or expenses must occur **ONLY** in the Cost Proposal.

A Proposal Summary may be included in Offeror's Technical Proposal, to provide the Sourcing Team with an overview of the proposal; however, this material will not be used in the evaluation process unless specifically referenced from other portions of the Offeror's proposal. **DO NOT INCLUDE COST INFORMATION IN THE PROPOSAL SUMMARY.**

If the Offeror is submitting Confidential Information, the Offeror must not password protect this information.

2.8 Ownership or Disposition of Proposals and other Materials submit

All documents submitted in response to the RFP shall become property of the State of New Mexico. If the RFP is cancelled, all responses received shall be destroyed by the Agency or SPD unless the Offeror either picks up, or arranges for pick-up, the materials within three (3) business days of notification of the cancellation. Offeror is responsible for all costs involved in return mailing/shipping of proposals.

2.9 Confidential or Proprietary Information

Any confidential information provided to, or developed by, the Contractor in the performance of the Master Agreement resulting from this RFP shall be kept confidential and shall not be made available to any individual or organization by the Contractor without the prior written approval of the Agency.

The Contractor(s) agrees to protect the confidentiality of all confidential information and not to publish or disclose such information to any third party without the Procuring Agency's written permission.

Confidential Information

Proposers should be aware that marking any portion of a Proposal as “confidential”, “proprietary” or “trade secret” may exclude it from evaluation or consideration for award.

In the event that a limited amount of confidential and proprietary information is deemed necessary by the Offeror to respond to solicitation, any such information must be included in a separate section of the Offeror's proposal response clearly marked as “CONFIDENTIAL AND PROPRIETARY INFORMATION”. Do not incorporate confidential and proprietary information throughout the proposal response. Rather, provide a reference in the proposal response directing the reader to the CONFIDENTIAL AND PROPRIETARY INFORMATION section. Elements of the proposal that define the contractual requirements, such as approaches to the statement of work, prices, and schedule, may not be marked as confidential and proprietary. Proposals not complying with these instructions for identification and segregation of confidential and proprietary information may be rejected.

Information included in the CONFIDENTIAL AND PROPRIETARY INFORMATION section of an Offeror's proposal is not automatically accepted and protected. All information identified in the CONFIDENTIAL AND PROPRIETARY INFORMATION section will be subject to

review by the Lead State in accordance with the procedures prescribed by the Lead State's open records statute, freedom of information act, or similar law.

Redacted Proposal Response

In the event that an Offeror includes a CONFIDENTIAL AND PROPRIETARY INFORMATION section in their proposal response, an electronic redacted copy of the Offeror's proposal (as accepted) must be submitted with the final proposal (e.g. a best and final offer) or as otherwise directed by the Lead State. Offeror acknowledges that the redacted copy of their proposal response will be made public.

2.10 Offeror Exceptions to Terms and Conditions

The Lead State discourages exceptions to contract terms and conditions in the RFP, attached Participating State terms and conditions (if any), and the NASPO ValuePoint Master Agreement Terms and Conditions. Exceptions may cause a proposal to be rejected as nonresponsive when, in the sole judgment of the Lead State (and its Sourcing Team), the proposal appears to be conditioned on the exception or correction of what is deemed to be a deficiency or unacceptable exception and would require a substantial proposal rewrite to correct.

Offerors should identify or seek to clarify any problems with contract language or any other document contained within this RFP through their written inquiries about the RFP using the process in Section 2.1.

Moreover, Offerors are cautioned that award may be made on receipt of initial proposals without clarification or an opportunity for discussion, and the nature of any Offeror exceptions to the terms and conditions will be evaluated. Further, the nature of exceptions will be considered in the competitive range determination if one is conducted. In the sole discretion of the Lead State, exceptions may be evaluated to determine: the extent to which the alternative language or approach poses unreasonable, additional risk to the state; is judged to inhibit achieving the objectives of the RFP; or whose ambiguity makes evaluation difficult and a fair resolution (available to all Offerors) impractical given the timeframe for the RFP. Exceptions may result in a Proposal being rejected as nonresponsive and the Lead State is under no obligation to consider exceptions.

2.11 Certification of Non-Debarment

The Offeror certifies that neither the Offeror nor its principals are presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this transaction (Master Agreement) by any governmental department or agency. If the Offeror cannot certify this statement, attach a written explanation for review by the Lead State.

Section 3: Evaluation and Award

3.1 Right to Waive Minor Irregularities

The Lead State in its sole discretion reserves the right to waive minor irregularities in the Proposal, which include but are not limited to corrections of deficiencies or clarification of ambiguities that

in the judgment of the Lead State do not require a comprehensive proposal rewrite. The Lead State also reserves the right in its sole discretion to waive certain mandatory requirements provided that all of the otherwise responsive proposals fail to meet the same mandatory requirements and the failure to do so does not materially affect the procurement.

3.2 Discussions with Offerors – Oral Presentations

In the initial phase of the evaluation process, the Lead State will review all proposals timely received. Unacceptable proposals (non-responsive proposals not conforming to RFP requirements) will be eliminated from further consideration.

The Lead State reserves the right to award on receipt of initial proposals without an opportunity for discussion or proposal revision, so Offerors are encouraged to submit their most favorable proposal at the time established for receipt of proposals. Offerors shall be accorded fair and equal treatment with respect to any opportunity for discussion and/or written revisions of proposals. In conducting discussions, there shall be no disclosure of any information derived from proposals submitted by competing Offerors.

3.3 Award of Master Agreement(s)

Award shall be made to the Offeror(s) whose proposal is the most advantageous to the State of New Mexico and NASPO ValuePoint, taking into consideration price and the other evaluation factors set forth in this Request for Proposal. Offerors within a competitive range to be established through the determination of natural break for each tier in the scoring of the evaluation factors may be considered for award.

3.4 Evaluation Process

Phase 1: Technical Proposal Pass/Fail items

In the initial phase of the evaluation process, the Lead State will review all proposals timely received. Unacceptable proposals (non-responsive proposals not conforming to RFP requirements below) will be eliminated from further consideration.

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| 1. Letter of Transmittal | Pass/Fail |
| 2. Campaign Contribution Disclosure Form | Pass/Fail |
| 3. Mandatory Technical Specifications Offeror must have been in business for a minimum of five years providing on-line auction services, with at least two years working with government agencies. | Pass/Fail |
| 4. Offeror has affirmatively stated that Offeror is capable of processing multiple accounts within a Purchasing Entity (requirement for Tiers Two and Three Only) | Pass/Fail |
| 5. Offeror has affirmatively stated that Offeror can accept electronic payments (including P-Cards) (requirement for Tiers Two and Three only) | Pass/Fail |
| 6. All Offerors must include a single point of contact in their Proposal. This single point of contact shall be the primary person the Lead State may contact in regard to the resulting Master Agreement. | Pass/Fail |

Phase 2: Technical Proposal Evaluation

Acceptable and potentially acceptable proposals will be evaluated against the proposal evaluation criteria. Each Tier will be evaluated and scored separately.

Proposals will be evaluated against the following weighted evaluation criteria, an Offeror must receive, at minimum, **50% of the total available points in order to be considered for award:**

a. Ability to Meet Scope of Work (Attachment B)/Technical Requirements

Offerors shall provide a written narrative explaining how Offeror shall meet the requirements for each Tier they will be proposing (requirements listed in Attachment B: Scope of Work)

Tier One = **700** Total Points

Tier Two = **140** Total Points

Tier Three = **350** Total Points

Phase 3: Cost Proposal Evaluation:

Cost is **30%** of the total possible points available in each Tier.

Evaluation Criteria

Possible Points

Total Possible Points Tier One:

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| Tier One Response | |
| References* | 50 |
| Use of Website Only* | 150 |
| Training* | 70 |
| Customer Support* | 70 |
| Security and Fraud Control* | 110 |
| Operational Reliability* | 110 |
| Marketing* | 30 |
| Reporting* | 110 |
| Tier One Total | 700 |
| Cost | 300 |
| Total: | 1,000 |

Total Possible Points Tier Two:

| | |
|--------------------------------|--------------|
| Tier One Response | 700 |
| Tier Two Response | |
| Accounting* | 70 |
| Revenue Collection & Payments* | 70 |
| Tier Two Total | 140 |
| Cost | 360 |
| Total: | 1,200 |

Total Possible Points Tier Three:

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|--------------------------|------------|
| Tier One Response | 700 |
| Tier Two Response | 140 |
| Tier Three | |
| Full Service* | 250 |

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| Consulting Services* | 50 |
| Site Visit* | 50 |
| Tier Three Total | 350 |
| Cost | 510 |
| Total: | 1,700 |

*See Attachment B for details

Evaluation of Cost Proposals:

Offerors shall list their Percentage Fee as well as all other associated costs (value added services or additional fees, etc) they intend to place upon the Lead State or other Purchasing Entity in the Offeror's Cost Proposal (see Attachment C). The other associated costs will not be used in the evaluation of cost, but must be included in the Offeror's cost proposal.

The percentage fees (items 1 & 2) within the proposed Tier will be averaged for each Offeror. The lowest responsive offeror will receive the maximum available points. The average percentage fee will then be used in the following formula to award cost points to the other responsive offerors:

Lowest Responsive Percentage Fees (Averaged)
 ----- X Cost Points Available
 This Offeror's Percentage Fees (Averaged)

3.5 Notice of Intent to Award

After a final selection(s) is made, the Lead State will issue an intent-to-award announcement on its electronic procurement system. Proposal files are public records and available for review at the offices of the Lead State by appointment.

3.6 Protest

See Section 1.3 Schedule of Events.

3.7 Post Award Formalization of the Master Agreement

The Lead State reserves the right during contract negotiation of the Master Agreement to adjust terms and conditions that would not (in the Lead State's judgment) have a material effect on price, schedule, scope of work, or risk to the Lead State and Participating States, with materiality defined in terms of the effect on the evaluation and award. The Lead State reserves the right to accept contract or pricing changes that are more favorable to the Lead State and Participating States.

If no Master Agreement is reached with the apparent awardee(s), the Lead State may negotiate with other Offerors or elect to make no award under this RFP.

Section 4: Administrative and Technical Response Requirements

4.1 Mandatory Minimum Administrative Proposal Requirements (Technical Proposal Pass/Fail items)

This section contains the minimum requirements that must be met to be considered for the

evaluation phase. All the items described in this section are non-negotiable. All Offerors must submit a statement of concurrence and demonstrate ability to satisfy these requirements in the proposal submitted for consideration.

- a) **Minimum Experience**
Offeror must have been in business for a minimum of five years providing on-line auction services, with at least two years working with government agencies.
- b) **System Ability**
Offers must submit a statement of concurrence confirming the online auction system's ability to enable eligible entities to liquidate property including, but not limited to, vehicles, equipment, real estate, confiscated property, miscellaneous assets, and any other property, real or personal, that a Participating Entity has authority to sell.
- c) **Licensing Requirements**
Offerors must be in full compliance with all licensing requirements in the Lead State. Specific states or other authorized Participating Entities may have additional licensing and/or certification requirements that would be addressed in Participating Addenda.
- d) **Multi- Accounts within a Purchasing Entity**
Participating Entities may have different Purchasing Entities utilizing the goods and/or services provided by Offeror(s). Therefore, Offeror(s) proposing Tiers Two and Three must be able to process multiple individual accounts and unique users within a Participating Entity. Individual Participating Entities shall set forth in their Participating Addenda the methodologies that Purchasing Entity desires to be used for the delivery of payments/fees/etc. from the Contractor for those items auctioned.
- e) **Payment Types**
Offeror must possess the capability to accept electronic payments/P-Cards for Tiers 2 and 3. No additional transaction fees will apply to this Master Agreement. Offeror must thoroughly explain all forms of electronic payment that may be accepted.
- f) **Single Point of Contact.** All Offerors must include a single point of contact in their Proposal. This single point of contact shall be the primary person the Lead State may contact in regard to the resulting Master Agreement.
- g) **Other Certifications or documentation**
 - 1. Acknowledgement of Receipt Form
Offeror must submit the Acknowledge of Receipt Form no later than the time and date indicated on the Schedule of Events. Failing to submit this form is not grounds for rejection but will result in the Offeror not being put on the distribution list.
 - 2. Letter of Transmittal
The Offeror's proposal must be accompanied by the Letter of Transmittal Form located in APPENDIX B. The form must be completed and must be signed by the person authorized to obligate the company. Failure to respond to ALL items, as indicated in APPENDIX B and to return a signed, unaltered form will result in Offeror's disqualification.

Offeror's proposal must be accompanied by an unaltered Letter of Transmittal Form (APPENDIX B), which must be completed and signed by the individual authorized to contractually obligate the company, identified in #2 below. DO NOT LEAVE ANY OF THE ITEMS ON THE FORM BLANK (N/A, None, Does not apply, etc. are acceptable responses).

The Letter of Transmittal MUST:

1. Identify the submitting business entity (its Name, Mailing Address and Phone Number);
2. Identify the Name, Title, Telephone, and E-mail address of the person authorized by the Offeror's organization to (A) contractually obligate the business entity providing the Offer, (B) negotiate a contract on behalf of the organization; and/or (C) provide clarifications or answer questions regarding the Offeror's proposal content (A response to B and/or C is only required if the responses differs from the individual identified in A);
3. Identify sub-contractors, if any, anticipated to be utilized in the performance of any resultant contract award;
4. Describe any relationship with any other entity (such as State Agency, reseller, etc., that is not a sub-contractor identified in #3), if any, which will be used in the performance of this awarded contract; and
5. Be signed and dated by the person identified in #2 above; attesting to the veracity of the information provided, and acknowledging (a) the organization's acceptance of the Conditions Governing the Procurement stated in Section 4.30, (b) the organizations acceptance of the Evaluation Process, and (c) receipt of any and all amendments to the RFP.

Failure to respond to ALL items as indicated above, will result in Offeror's disqualification.

3. Campaign Contribution Disclosure Form

The Offeror must complete an unaltered Campaign Contribution Disclosure Form and submit a signed copy with the Offeror's proposal. This must be accomplished whether or not an applicable contribution has been made. (See APPENDIX C).

Failure to complete and return the signed, unaltered form will result in Offeror's disqualification.

4.2 Master Agreement Terms and Conditions

The Master Agreement(s) resulting from this RFP will constitute the final agreement except for negotiated terms and conditions specific to a Participating Entity's Participating Addendum.

The Master Agreement will include, but not be limited to, the NASPO ValuePoint Master Agreement Standard Terms and Conditions in Attachment A and Lead State specific terms and conditions required to execute a master agreement, the scope of work (Attachment B) and selected portions of the Offeror's Proposal.

4.3 Lead State Terms and Conditions

Refer to Attachment D for the Lead State Special Terms and Conditions that apply to this solicitation.

4.4 Participating State Terms and Conditions

For informational purposes only, some Participating State specific Terms and Conditions are provided in Attachments to this solicitation and will be negotiated with other Participating States after award of the Master Agreement. Each State reserves the right to negotiate additional terms and conditions in its Participating Addendum.

4.5 Technical Requirements

This section contains technical requirements pertaining to the Online Auction Services. Other sections of this RFP contain additional requirements that must be met to be considered responsive. Offeror must identify in their Proposal how their company meets (or exceeds) all requirements listed in Section 4 of this RFP solicitation.

4.5.1 Scope of Work

- a. Offeror shall demonstrate in their Proposal how they meet or exceed the requirements of each section of the Scope of Work in Attachment B. Offeror shall show each requirement and their response in their Proposal.

Section 5: Price and Cost Proposal

The Cost Proposals will be evaluated independent of the technical evaluation. Cost proposals must be submitted to the Lead State as a separate document in the Offerors' Proposals. **Do not embed cost proposal in the technical proposal response.**

Offeror shall provide detailed costs for all costs associated with the responsibilities and related services, per Attachment C.

Cost for the NASPO ValuePoint Master Agreements shall be based on the following:

- a. Offeror must submit cost, prices and rates as required by Attachment C, Cost Sheets. Prices and Percentage rates shall include all anticipated charges, including but not limited to, freight and delivery, cost of materials and product, travel expenses, transaction fees, overhead, profits, and other costs or expenses incidental to the Offeror's performance.
- b. The Lead State is exempt from federal excise taxes and no payment will be made for any taxes levied on the Offeror's or any subcontractor's employee's wages. The Lead State will pay for any applicable Lead State or local sales or use taxes on the products provided or the services rendered. If required by Lead State, taxes shall be included as a separate line item on a Offeror's invoice. The tax rules with respect to other Participating Entities may vary and are expected to be addressed in the Participating Addenda.

5.1 Price and Rate Guarantee Period

All prices and rates offered shall be guaranteed for the initial term of the Master Agreement. Any request for price or rate adjustment following the initial Master Agreement term is detailed in Section 5.1.2 of the NASPO ValuePoint Master Agreement Terms and Conditions.

Section 6: General Requirements



Attachment A: NASPO ValuePoint Master Agreement Terms and Conditions

I. Definitions

- 1.1 Acceptance** means acceptance of goods and services as set forth in Section VIII of this Master Agreement.
- 1.2 Embedded Software** means one or more software applications which permanently reside on a computing device.
- 1.3 Intellectual Property** means any and all patents, copyrights, service marks, trademarks, trade secrets, trade names, patentable inventions, or other similar proprietary rights, in tangible or intangible form, and all rights, title, and interest therein.
- 1.4 Master Agreement** means the underlying agreement executed by and between the Lead State, acting in cooperation with NASPO ValuePoint, and the Contractor, as now or hereafter amended.
- 1.5 Order or Purchase Order** means any purchase order, sales order, contract or other document used by a Purchasing Entity to order the Products.
- 1.6 Participating Addendum** means a bilateral agreement executed by a Contractor and a Participating Entity incorporating this Master Agreement and any additional Participating Entity-specific language or other requirements (*e.g.*, ordering procedures specific to the Participating Entity, entity-specific terms and conditions, etc.).
- 1.7 Participating Entity** means a state (as well as the District of Columbia and US territories), city, county, district, other political subdivision of a State, or a nonprofit organization under the laws of some states properly authorized to enter into a Participating Addendum, that has executed a Participating Addendum.
- 1.8 Participating State** means a state that has executed a Participating Addendum or has indicated an intent to execute a Participating Addendum.
- 1.9 Product or Products and Services** means any equipment, software (including embedded software), documentation, service, or other deliverable supplied or created by the Contractor pursuant to this Master Agreement. The term Product includes goods and services.
- 1.10 Purchasing Entity** means a state (as well as the District of Columbia and US territories), city, county, district, other political subdivision of a State, or a nonprofit organization under the laws of some states if authorized by a Participating Addendum, that issues a Purchase Order against the Master Agreement and becomes financially committed to the purchase.

II. Order of Precedence

- 2.1 **Order.** Any Order placed under this Master Agreement will consist of the following documents:
 - 2.1.1 A Participating Entity's Participating Addendum ("PA");
 - 2.1.2 NASPO ValuePoint Master Agreement, including all attachments thereto;
 - 2.1.3 A Purchase Order or Scope of Work/Specifications issued against the Master Agreement;
 - 2.1.4 The Solicitation or, if separately executed after award, the Lead State's bilateral agreement that integrates applicable provisions;
 - 2.1.5 Contractor's response to the Solicitation, as revised (if permitted) and accepted by the Lead State.
- 2.2 **Conflict.** These documents will be read to be consistent and complementary. Any conflict among these documents will be resolved by giving priority to these documents in the order listed above. Contractor terms and conditions that apply to this Master Agreement are only those that are expressly accepted by the Lead State and must be in writing and attached to this Master Agreement as an Exhibit or Attachment.
- 2.3 **Participating Addenda.** Participating Addenda will not be construed to diminish, modify, or otherwise derogate any provisions in this Master Agreement between the Lead State and Contractor. Participating Addenda will not include a term of agreement that exceeds the term of the Master Agreement.

III. Participants and Scope

- 3.1 **Requirement for a Participating Addendum.** Contractor may not deliver Products under this Master Agreement until a Participating Addendum acceptable to the Participating Entity and Contractor is executed.
- 3.2 **Applicability of Master Agreement.** NASPO ValuePoint Master Agreement Terms and Conditions are applicable to any Order by a Participating Entity (and other Purchasing Entities covered by their Participating Addendum), except to the extent altered, modified, supplemented or amended by a Participating Addendum, subject to Section II. For the purposes of illustration and not limitation, this authority may apply to unique delivery and invoicing requirements, confidentiality requirements, defaults on Orders, governing law and venue relating to Orders by a Participating Entity, indemnification, and insurance requirements. Statutory or constitutional requirements relating to availability of funds may require specific language in some Participating Addenda in order to comply with applicable law. The expectation is that these alterations, modifications, supplements, or amendments will be addressed in the Participating Addendum or, with the consent of the Purchasing Entity and Contractor, may be included in the ordering document (*e.g.*, purchase order or contract) used by the Purchasing Entity to place the Order.
- 3.3 **Authorized Use.** Use of specific NASPO ValuePoint Master Agreements by state agencies, political subdivisions and other Participating Entities is subject to applicable state law and the approval of the respective State Chief Procurement

Official. Issues of interpretation and eligibility for participation are solely within the authority of the respective State Chief Procurement Official.

- 3.4 Obligated Entities.** Obligations under this Master Agreement are limited to those Participating Entities who have signed a Participating Addendum and Purchasing Entities within the scope of those Participating Addenda. States or other entities permitted to participate may use an informal competitive process to determine which Master Agreements to participate in through execution of a Participating Addendum. Participating Entities incur no financial obligations on behalf of other Purchasing Entities.
- 3.5 Notice of Participating Addendum.** Contractor shall email a fully executed PDF copy of each Participating Addendum to pa@naspovaluepoint.org to support documentation of participation and posting in appropriate databases.
- 3.6 Eligibility for a Participating Addendum.** Eligible entities who are not states may under some circumstances sign their own Participating Addendum, subject to the consent of the Chief Procurement Official of the state where the entity is located. Coordinate requests for such participation through NASPO ValuePoint. Any permission to participate through execution of a Participating Addendum is not a determination that procurement authority exists; the entity must ensure that they have the requisite procurement authority to execute a Participating Addendum.
- 3.7 Individual Customers.** Except as may otherwise be agreed to by the Purchasing Entity and Contractor, each Purchasing Entity shall follow the terms and conditions of the Master Agreement and applicable Participating Addendum and will have the same rights and responsibilities for their purchases as the Lead State has in the Master Agreement and as the Participating Entity has in the Participating Addendum, including but not limited to any indemnity or right to recover any costs as such right is defined in the Master Agreement and applicable Participating Addendum for their purchases. Each Purchasing Entity will be responsible for its own charges, fees, and liabilities. The Contractor will apply the charges and invoice each Purchasing Entity individually.
- 3.8 Release of Information.** Throughout the duration of this Master Agreement, Contractor must secure from the Lead State prior approval for the release of information that pertains to the potential work or activities covered by the Master Agreement. This limitation does not preclude publication about the award of the Master Agreement or marketing activities consistent with any proposed and accepted marketing plan.
- 3.9 No Representations.** The Contractor shall not make any representations of NASPO ValuePoint, the Lead State, any Participating Entity, or any Purchasing Entity's opinion or position as to the quality or effectiveness of the services that are the subject of this Master Agreement without prior written consent.

IV. NASPO ValuePoint Provisions

- 4.1 Applicability.** NASPO ValuePoint is not a party to the Master Agreement. The terms set forth in Section V are for the benefit of NASPO ValuePoint as a third-party beneficiary of this Master Agreement.

4.2 Administrative Fees

- 4.2.1 NASPO ValuePoint Fee.** Contractor shall pay to NASPO ValuePoint, or its assignee, a NASPO ValuePoint Administrative Fee of one-quarter of one percent (0.25% or 0.0025) no later than sixty (60) days following the end of each calendar quarter. The NASPO ValuePoint Administrative Fee must be submitted quarterly and is based on all sales of products and services under the Master Agreement (less any charges for taxes or shipping) and other revenues including commission fees charged. The NASPO ValuePoint Administrative Fee is not negotiable. This fee is to be included as part of the pricing submitted with a vendor's response to the Lead State's solicitation.
- 4.2.2 State Imposed Fees.** Some states may require an additional fee be paid directly to the state on purchases made by Purchasing Entities within that state. For all such requests, the fee rate or amount, payment method and schedule for such reports and payments will be incorporated into the applicable Participating Addendum. Unless agreed to in writing by the state, Contractor may not adjust the Master Agreement pricing to include the state fee for purchases made by Purchasing Entities within the jurisdiction of the state. No such agreement will affect the NASPO ValuePoint Administrative Fee percentage or the prices paid by Purchasing Entities outside the jurisdiction of the state requesting the additional fee.

4.3 NASPO ValuePoint Summary and Detailed Usage Reports

- 4.3.1 Summary Sales Data.** The Contractor shall submit quarterly sales reports directly to NASPO ValuePoint using the NASPO ValuePoint Quarterly Sales/Administrative Fee Reporting Tool found at <http://calculator.naspovaluepoint.org>. All sales of products or services under this Master Agreement must be reported as cumulative totals by state, including all revenues collected through commission fees charged. Contractor must submit a report for each quarter, including quarters during which a Contractor has no sales or other revenues, in which case this will be indicated in the Reporting Tool. Reports must be submitted no later than thirty (30) days following the end of the calendar quarter (as specified in the reporting tool).
- 4.3.2 Detailed Sales Data.** Contractor shall also report detailed sales and commission revenue data by: (1) Customer Name; (2) State; (3) Customer Number; (4) Customer Type, *e.g.* local government, higher education, K12, non-profit; (5) Purchasing Entity bill-to locations; (6) Transaction Type (*e.g.* Sales Order, Credit, Return, Upgrade, Other (Formerly called Order Type)); (7) Invoice/Order Number; (8) Invoice Date; (9) Customer Purchase Order #; (10) Customer Purchase Order date; (11) UNSPSC Commodity Code; (12) Product/Service; (13) Auction Fee. The report must be submitted in any form required by the solicitation. Reports are due on a quarterly basis and must be received by NASPO ValuePoint no later than thirty (30) days after the end of the reporting period. Reports must be delivered to NASPO ValuePoint electronically through a designated portal or other method as determined by NASPO ValuePoint.

Detailed sales data reports must include sales information for all sales/revenues under Participating Addenda executed under this Master Agreement.

4.3.3 Executive Summary. Contractor shall, upon request, provide NASPO ValuePoint with an executive summary that includes, at a minimum, a list of states with an active Participating Addendum, states that Contractor is in negotiations with, and any Participating Addendum roll out or implementation activities and issues. NASPO ValuePoint and Contractor will determine the format and content of the executive summary.

4.3.4 Use of Data. Timely submission of these reports is a material requirement of the Master Agreement. The recipient of the reports will have exclusive ownership of the media containing the reports. NASPO ValuePoint shall have a perpetual, irrevocable, non-exclusive, royalty free, transferable right to display, modify, copy, and otherwise use reports, data and information provided under this section.

4.4 NASPO ValuePoint Cooperative Program Marketing, Training, and Performance Review

4.4.1 Staff Education. Contractor shall work cooperatively with NASPO ValuePoint personnel. Contractor shall present plans to NASPO ValuePoint for the education of Contractor's contract administrator(s) and sales/marketing workforce regarding the Master Agreement contract, including the competitive nature of NASPO ValuePoint procurements, the master agreement and participating addendum process, and the manner in which eligible entities can participate in the Master Agreement.

4.4.2 Onboarding Plan. Upon request by NASPO ValuePoint, Contractor shall, as Participating Addendums are executed, provide plans to launch the program for the Participating Entity. Plans will include time frames to launch the agreement and confirmation that the Contractor's website has been updated to properly reflect the scope and terms of the Master Agreement as available to the Participating Entity and eligible Purchasing Entities.

4.4.3 Annual Contract Performance Review. Contractor shall participate in an annual contract performance review with the Lead State and NASPO ValuePoint, which may at the discretion of the Lead State be held in person and which may include a discussion of marketing action plans, target strategies, marketing materials, Contractor reporting, and timeliness of payment of administration fees.

4.4.4 Use of NASPO ValuePoint Logo. The NASPO ValuePoint logos may not be used by Contractor in sales and marketing until a separate logo use agreement is executed with NASPO ValuePoint.

4.4.5 Most Favored Customer. Contractor shall, within thirty (30) days of their effective date, to notify the Lead State and NASPO ValuePoint of any contractual most-favored-customer provisions in third-party contracts or agreements that may affect the promotion of this Master Agreements or whose terms provide for adjustments to future rates or pricing based on

rates, pricing in, or Orders from this Master Agreement. Upon request of the Lead State or NASPO ValuePoint, Contractor shall provide a copy of any such provisions.

- 4.5 Cancellation.** In consultation with NASPO ValuePoint, the Lead State may, in its discretion, cancel the Master Agreement or not exercise an option to renew when utilization of Contractor's Master Agreement does not warrant further administration of the Master Agreement. The Lead State may also exercise its right to not renew the Master Agreement if vendor fails to record or report revenue for three consecutive quarters, upon 60-calendar day written notice to the Contractor. Cancellation based on nonuse or under-utilization will not occur sooner than [two years] after execution of the Master Agreement. This subsection does not limit the discretionary right of either the Lead State or Contractor to cancel the Master Agreement or terminate for default subject to the terms herein. This subsection also does not limit any right of the Lead State to cancel the Master Agreement under applicable laws.
- 4.6 Canadian Participation.** Subject to the approval of Contractor, any Canadian provincial government or provincially funded entity in Alberta, British Columbia, Manitoba, New Brunswick, Newfoundland and Labrador, Nova Scotia, Ontario, Prince Edward Island, Quebec, or Saskatchewan, and territorial government or territorial government funded entity in the Northwest Territories, Nunavut, or Yukon, including municipalities, universities, community colleges, school boards, health authorities, housing authorities, agencies, boards, commissions, and crown corporations, may be eligible to use Contractor's Master Agreement.
- 4.7 Additional Agreement with NASPO.** Upon request by NASPO ValuePoint, awarded Contractor shall enter into a direct contractual relationship with NASPO ValuePoint related to Contractor's obligations to NASPO ValuePoint under the terms of the Master Agreement, the terms of which shall be the same or similar (and not less favorable) than the terms set forth in the Master Agreement.

V. Pricing & Payment

- 5.1 Pricing.** The prices contained in this Master Agreement or offered under this Master Agreement represent the not-to-exceed price to any Purchasing Entity.
- 5.1.1** All prices and rates must be guaranteed for the initial term of the Master Agreement.
- 5.1.2** Following the initial term of the Master Agreement, any request for a price or rate adjustment must be for an equal guarantee period and must be made at least 90 days prior to the effective date.
- 5.1.3** Requests for a price or rate adjustment must include sufficient documentation supporting the request. Any adjustment or amendment to the Master Agreement will not be effective unless approved in writing by the Lead State.
- 5.1.4** No retroactive adjustments to prices or rates will be allowed.
- 5.2 Payment.** Unless otherwise agreed upon in a Participating Addendum or Order, Payment after Acceptance will be made within thirty (30) days following the date the entire order is delivered or the date a correct invoice is received, whichever is

later. After 45 days the Contractor may assess overdue account charges up to a maximum rate of one percent per month on the outstanding balance, unless a different late payment amount is specified in a Participating Addendum or Order, or otherwise prescribed by applicable law. Payments will be remitted in the manner specified in the Participating Addendum or Order. Payments may be made via a purchasing card with no additional charge.

VI. Ordering

- 6.1 Order Numbers.** Master Agreement order and purchase order numbers must be clearly shown on all acknowledgments, invoices, and correspondence.
- 6.2 Quotes.** Purchasing Entities may define entity-specific or project-specific requirements and informally compete the requirement among companies having a Master Agreement on an “as needed” basis. This procedure may also be used when requirements are aggregated, or other firm commitments may be made to achieve reductions in pricing. This procedure may be modified in Participating Addenda and adapted to the Purchasing Entity’s rules and policies. The Purchasing Entity may in its sole discretion determine which Master Agreement Contractors should be solicited for a quote. The Purchasing Entity may select the quote that it considers most advantageous, cost, and other factors considered.
- 6.3 Applicable Rules.** Each Purchasing Entity will identify and utilize its own appropriate purchasing procedure and documentation. Contractor is expected to become familiar with the Purchasing Entities’ rules, policies, and procedures regarding the ordering of supplies and/or services contemplated by this Master Agreement.
- 6.4 Required Documentation.** Contractor shall not begin work without a valid Purchase Order or other appropriate commitment document under the law of the Purchasing Entity.
- 6.5 Term of Purchase.** Orders may be placed consistent with the terms of this Master Agreement and applicable Participating Addendum during the term of the Master Agreement and Participating Addendum.
 - 6.5.1** Orders must be placed pursuant to this Master Agreement prior to the termination date thereof but may have a delivery date or performance period up to 120 days past the then-current termination date of this Master Agreement.
 - 6.5.2** Notwithstanding the previous, Orders must also comply with the terms of the applicable Participating Addendum, which may further restrict the period during which Orders may be placed or delivered.
 - 6.5.3** Financial obligations of Purchasing Entities payable after the current applicable fiscal year are contingent upon agency funds for that purpose being appropriated, budgeted, and otherwise made available.
 - 6.5.4** Notwithstanding the expiration, cancellation, or termination of this Master Agreement, Contractor shall perform in accordance with the terms of any Orders then outstanding at the time of such expiration or termination. Contractor shall not honor any Orders placed after the expiration,

cancellation, or termination of this Master Agreement, or in any manner inconsistent with this Master Agreement's terms.

6.5.5 Orders for any separate indefinite quantity, task order, or other form of indefinite delivery order arrangement priced against this Master Agreement may not be placed after the expiration or termination of this Master Agreement, notwithstanding the term of any such indefinite delivery order agreement.

6.6 Order Form Requirements. All Orders pursuant to this Master Agreement, at a minimum, must include:

6.6.1 The services or supplies being delivered;

6.6.2 A billing address;

6.6.3 Purchasing Entity contact information;

6.6.4 Pricing consistent with this Master Agreement and applicable Participating Addendum and as may be adjusted by agreement of the Purchasing Entity and Contractor;

6.6.5 A not-to-exceed total for the Products or Services being ordered; and

6.6.6 The Master Agreement number or the applicable Participating Addendum number, provided the Participating Addendum references the Master Agreement number.

6.7 Communication. All communications concerning administration of Orders placed must be furnished solely to the authorized purchasing agent within the Purchasing Entity's purchasing office, or to such other individual identified in writing in the Order.

6.8 Contract Provisions for Orders Utilizing Federal Funds. Pursuant to Appendix II to 2 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Part 200, Contract Provisions for Non-Federal Entity Contracts Under Federal Awards, Orders funded with federal funds may have additional contractual requirements or certifications that must be satisfied at the time the Order is placed or upon delivery. These federal requirements may be proposed by Participating Entities in Participating Addenda and Purchasing Entities for incorporation in Orders placed under this Master Agreement.

VII. Reserved

VIII. Inspection and Acceptance

8.1 Laws and Regulations. Any and all Products offered and furnished must comply fully with all applicable Federal, State, and local laws and regulations.

8.2 Applicability. Unless otherwise specified in the Master Agreement, Participating Addendum, or ordering document, the terms of this Section will apply. This section is not intended to limit rights and remedies under the applicable commercial code.

- 8.3 Inspection.** All Products are subject to inspection at reasonable times and places before Acceptance. Contractor shall provide right of access to the Lead State, or to any other authorized agent or official of the Lead State or other Participating or Purchasing Entity, at reasonable times, to monitor and evaluate performance, compliance, and/or quality assurance requirements under this Master Agreement.
- 8.3.1** Products that do not meet specifications may be rejected. Failure to reject upon receipt, however, does not relieve the contractor of liability for material (nonconformity that substantially impairs value) latent or hidden defects subsequently revealed when goods are put to use.
- 8.3.2** Acceptance of such goods may be revoked in accordance with the provisions of the applicable commercial code, and the Contractor is liable for any resulting expense incurred by the Purchasing Entity related to the preparation and shipping of Product rejected and returned, or for which Acceptance is revoked.
- 8.4 Failure to Conform.** If any services do not conform to contract requirements, the Purchasing Entity may require the Contractor to perform the services again in conformity with contract requirements, at no increase in Order amount. When defects cannot be corrected by re-performance, the Purchasing Entity may require the Contractor to take necessary action to ensure that future performance conforms to contract requirements and reduce the contract price to reflect the reduced value of services performed.
- 8.5 Acceptance Testing.** Purchasing Entity may establish a process, in keeping with industry standards, to ascertain whether the Product meets the standard of performance or specifications prior to Acceptance by the Purchasing Entity.
- 8.5.1** The Acceptance Testing period will be thirty (30) calendar days, unless otherwise specified, starting from the day after the Product is delivered or, if installed by Contractor, the day after the Product is installed and Contractor certifies that the Product is ready for Acceptance Testing.
- 8.5.2** If the Product does not meet the standard of performance or specifications during the initial period of Acceptance Testing, Purchasing Entity may, at its discretion, continue Acceptance Testing on a day-to-day basis until the standard of performance is met.
- 8.5.3** Upon rejection, the Contractor will have fifteen (15) calendar days to cure. If after the cure period, the Product still has not met the standard of performance or specifications, the Purchasing Entity may, at its option: (a) declare Contractor to be in breach and terminate the Order; (b) demand replacement Product from Contractor at no additional cost to Purchasing Entity; or, (c) continue the cure period for an additional time period agreed upon by the Purchasing Entity and the Contractor.
- 8.5.4** No Product will be deemed Accepted and no charges will be paid until the standard of performance or specification is met.

IX. Warranty

- 9.1 Applicability.** Unless otherwise specified in the Master Agreement, Participating Addendum, or ordering document, the terms of this Section will apply.

- 9.2 Warranty.** The Contractor warrants for a period of one year from the date of Acceptance that: (a) the Product performs according to all specific claims that the Contractor made in its response to the solicitation, (b) the Product is suitable for the ordinary purposes for which such Product is used, (c) the Product is suitable for any special purposes identified in the solicitation or for which the Purchasing Entity has relied on the Contractor's skill or judgment, (d) the Product is designed and manufactured in a commercially reasonable manner, and (e) the Product is free of defects.
- 9.3 Breach of Warranty.** Upon breach of the warranty set forth above, the Contractor will repair or replace (at no charge to the Purchasing Entity) the Product whose nonconformance is discovered and made known to the Contractor. If the repaired and/or replaced Product proves to be inadequate, or fails of its essential purpose, the Contractor will refund the full amount of any payments that have been made.
- 9.4 Rights Reserved.** The rights and remedies of the parties under this warranty are in addition to any other rights and remedies of the parties provided by law or equity, including, without limitation, actual damages, and, as applicable and awarded under the law, to a prevailing party, reasonable attorneys' fees and costs.
- 9.5 Warranty Period Start Date.** The warranty period will begin upon Acceptance, as set forth in Section VIII.

X. Product Title

- 10.1 Conveyance of Title.** Upon Acceptance by the Purchasing Entity, Contractor shall convey to Purchasing Entity title to the Product free and clear of all liens, encumbrances, or other security interests.
- 10.2 Embedded Software.** Transfer of title to the Product must include an irrevocable and perpetual license to use any Embedded Software in the Product. If Purchasing Entity subsequently transfers title of the Product to another entity, Purchasing Entity shall have the right to transfer the license to use the Embedded Software with the transfer of Product title. A subsequent transfer of this software license will be at no additional cost or charge to either Purchasing Entity or Purchasing Entity's transferee.
- 10.3 License of Pre-Existing Intellectual Property.** Contractor grants to the Purchasing Entity a nonexclusive, perpetual, royalty-free, irrevocable, license to use, publish, translate, reproduce, transfer with any sale of tangible media or Product, perform, display, and dispose of the Intellectual Property, and its derivatives, used or delivered under this Master Agreement, but not created under it ("Pre-existing Intellectual Property"). The Contractor shall be responsible for ensuring that this license is consistent with any third-party rights in the Pre-existing Intellectual Property.

XI. Indemnification

- 11.1 General Indemnification.** The Contractor shall defend, indemnify and hold harmless NASPO, NASPO ValuePoint, the Lead State, Participating Entities, and Purchasing Entities, along with their officers and employees, from and against third-party claims, damages or causes of action including reasonable attorneys' fees and related costs for any death, injury, or damage to tangible property arising

from any act, error, or omission of the Contractor, its employees or subcontractors or volunteers, at any tier, relating to performance under this Master Agreement.

11.2 Intellectual Property Indemnification. The Contractor shall defend, indemnify and hold harmless NASPO, NASPO ValuePoint, the Lead State, Participating Entities, Purchasing Entities, along with their officers and employees ("Indemnified Party"), from and against claims, damages or causes of action including reasonable attorneys' fees and related costs arising out of the claim that the Product or its use infringes Intellectual Property rights of another person or entity ("Intellectual Property Claim").

11.2.1 The Contractor's obligations under this section will not extend to any combination of the Product with any other product, system or method, unless the Product, system or method is:

11.2.1.1 provided by the Contractor or the Contractor's subsidiaries or affiliates;

11.2.1.2 specified by the Contractor to work with the Product;

11.2.1.3 reasonably required to use the Product in its intended manner, and the infringement could not have been avoided by substituting another reasonably available product, system or method capable of performing the same function; or

11.2.1.4 reasonably expected to be used in combination with the Product.

11.2.2 The Indemnified Party shall notify the Contractor within a reasonable time after receiving notice of an Intellectual Property Claim. Even if the Indemnified Party fails to provide reasonable notice, the Contractor shall not be relieved from its obligations unless the Contractor can demonstrate that it was prejudiced in defending the Intellectual Property Claim resulting in increased expenses or loss to the Contractor. If the Contractor promptly and reasonably investigates and defends any Intellectual Property Claim, it shall have control over the defense and settlement of the Intellectual Property Claim. However, the Indemnified Party must consent in writing for any money damages or obligations for which it may be responsible.

11.2.3 The Indemnified Party shall furnish, at the Contractor's reasonable request and expense, information and assistance necessary for such defense. If the Contractor fails to vigorously pursue the defense or settlement of the Intellectual Property Claim, the Indemnified Party may assume the defense or settlement of the Intellectual Property Claim and the Contractor shall be liable for all costs and expenses, including reasonable attorneys' fees and related costs, incurred by the Indemnified Party in the pursuit of the Intellectual Property Claim.

11.2.4 Unless otherwise set forth herein, Section 12.2 is not subject to any limitations of liability in this Master Agreement or in any other document executed in conjunction with this Master Agreement.

XII. Insurance

- 12.1 Term.** Contractor shall, during the term of this Master Agreement, maintain in full force and effect, the insurance described in this section. A Participating Entity may negotiate alternative Insurance requirements in their Participating Addendum.
- 12.2 Class.** Contractor shall acquire such insurance from an insurance carrier or carriers licensed to conduct business in each Participating Entity's state and having a rating of A-, Class VII or better, in the most recently published edition of A.M. Best's Insurance Reports. Failure to buy and maintain the required insurance may result in this Master Agreement's termination or, at a Participating Entity's option, result in termination of its Participating Addendum.
- 12.3 Coverage.** Coverage must be written on an occurrence basis. The minimum acceptable limits will be as indicated below:
- 12.3.1** Contractor shall maintain Commercial General Liability insurance covering premises operations, independent contractors, products and completed operations, blanket contractual liability, personal injury (including death), advertising liability, and property damage, with a limit of not less than \$1 million per occurrence and \$2 million general aggregate;
- 12.3.2** Contractor must comply with any applicable State Workers Compensation or Employers Liability Insurance requirements.
- 12.4 Notice of Cancellation.** Contractor shall pay premiums on all insurance policies. Contractor shall provide notice to a Participating Entity who is a state within five (5) business days after Contractor is first aware of expiration, cancellation or nonrenewal of such policy or is first aware that cancellation is threatened or expiration, nonrenewal or expiration otherwise may occur.
- 12.5 Notice of Endorsement.** Prior to commencement of performance, Contractor shall provide to the Lead State a written endorsement to the Contractor's general liability insurance policy or other documentary evidence acceptable to the Lead State that (1) provides that written notice of cancellation will be delivered in accordance with the policy provisions, and (2) provides that the Contractor's liability insurance policy will be primary, with any liability insurance of any Participating State as secondary and noncontributory.
- 12.6 Participating Entities.** Contractor shall provide to Participating States and Participating Entities the same insurance obligations and documentation as those specified in Section XIII, except the endorsement is provided to the applicable Participating State or Participating Entity.
- 12.7 Furnishing of Certificates.** Contractor shall furnish to the Lead State copies of certificates of all required insurance in a form sufficient to show required coverage within thirty (30) calendar days of the execution of this Master Agreement and prior to performing any work. Copies of renewal certificates of all required insurance will be furnished within thirty (30) days after any renewal date to the applicable state Participating Entity. Failure to provide evidence of coverage may, at the sole option of the Lead State, or any Participating Entity,

result in this Master Agreement's termination or the termination of any Participating Addendum.

- 12.8 Disclaimer.** Insurance coverage and limits will not limit Contractor's liability and obligations under this Master Agreement, any Participating Addendum, or any Purchase Order.

XIII. General Provisions

13.1 Records Administration and Audit

- 13.1.1** The Contractor shall maintain books, records, documents, and other evidence pertaining to this Master Agreement and Orders placed by Purchasing Entities under it to the extent and in such detail as will adequately reflect performance and administration of payments and fees. Contractor shall permit the Lead State, a Participating Entity, a Purchasing Entity, the federal government (including its grant awarding entities and the U.S. Comptroller General), and any other duly authorized agent of a governmental agency, to audit, inspect, examine, copy and/or transcribe Contractor's books, documents, papers and records directly pertinent to this Master Agreement or orders placed by a Purchasing Entity under it for the purpose of making audits, examinations, excerpts, and transcriptions. This right will survive for a period of six (6) years following termination of this Agreement or final payment for any order placed by a Purchasing Entity against this Master Agreement, whichever is later, or such longer period as is required by the Purchasing Entity's state statutes, to assure compliance with the terms hereof or to evaluate performance hereunder.
- 13.1.2** Without limiting any other remedy available to any governmental entity, the Contractor shall reimburse the applicable Lead State, Participating Entity, or Purchasing Entity for any overpayments inconsistent with the terms of the Master Agreement or Orders or underpayment of fees found as a result of the examination of the Contractor's records.
- 13.1.3** The rights and obligations herein exist in addition to any quality assurance obligation in the Master Agreement that requires the Contractor to self-audit contract obligations and that permits the Lead State to review compliance with those obligations.

13.2 Confidentiality, Non-Disclosure, and Injunctive Relief

- 13.2.1 Confidentiality.** Contractor acknowledges that it and its employees or agents may, in the course of providing a Product under this Master Agreement, be exposed to or acquire information that is confidential to Purchasing Entity or Purchasing Entity's clients.
- 13.2.1.1** Any and all information of any form that is marked as confidential or would by its nature be deemed confidential obtained by Contractor or its employees or agents in the performance of this Master Agreement, including but not

necessarily limited to (1) any Purchasing Entity's records, (2) personnel records, and (3) information concerning individuals, is confidential information of Purchasing Entity ("Confidential Information").

13.2.1.2 Any reports or other documents or items (including software) that result from the use of the Confidential Information by Contractor shall be treated in the same manner as the Confidential Information.

13.2.1.3 Confidential Information does not include information that (1) is or becomes (other than by disclosure by Contractor) publicly known; (2) is furnished by Purchasing Entity to others without restrictions similar to those imposed by this Master Agreement; (3) is rightfully in Contractor's possession without the obligation of nondisclosure prior to the time of its disclosure under this Master Agreement; (4) is obtained from a source other than Purchasing Entity without the obligation of confidentiality, (5) is disclosed with the written consent of Purchasing Entity; or (6) is independently developed by employees, agents or subcontractors of Contractor who can be shown to have had no access to the Confidential Information.

13.2.2 Non-Disclosure. Contractor shall hold Confidential Information in confidence, using at least the industry standard of confidentiality, and shall not copy, reproduce, sell, assign, license, market, transfer or otherwise dispose of, give, or disclose Confidential Information to third parties or use Confidential Information for any purposes whatsoever other than what is necessary to the performance of Orders placed under this Master Agreement.

13.2.2.1 Contractor shall advise each of its employees and agents of their obligations to keep Confidential Information confidential. Contractor shall use commercially reasonable efforts to assist Purchasing Entity in identifying and preventing any unauthorized use or disclosure of any Confidential Information.

13.2.2.2 Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, Contractor shall advise Purchasing Entity, applicable Participating Entity, and the Lead State immediately if Contractor learns or has reason to believe that any person who has had access to Confidential Information has violated or intends to violate the terms of this Master Agreement, and Contractor shall at its expense cooperate with Purchasing Entity in seeking injunctive or other equitable relief in the name of Purchasing Entity or Contractor against any such person.

13.2.2.3 Except as directed by Purchasing Entity, Contractor will not at any time during or after the term of this Master Agreement disclose, directly or indirectly, any Confidential

Information to any person, except in accordance with this Master Agreement, and that upon termination of this Master Agreement or at Purchasing Entity's request, Contractor shall turn over to Purchasing Entity all documents, papers, and other matter in Contractor's possession that embody Confidential Information.

13.2.2.4 Notwithstanding the foregoing, Contractor may keep one copy of such Confidential Information necessary for quality assurance, audits, and evidence of the performance of this Master Agreement.

13.2.3 Injunctive Relief. Contractor acknowledges that Contractor's breach of Section 14.2 would cause irreparable injury to the Purchasing Entity that cannot be inadequately compensated in monetary damages. Accordingly, Purchasing Entity may seek and obtain injunctive relief against the breach or threatened breach of the foregoing undertakings, in addition to any other legal remedies that may be available. Contractor acknowledges and agrees that the covenants contained herein are necessary for the protection of the legitimate business interests of Purchasing Entity and are reasonable in scope and content.

13.2.4 Purchasing Entity Law. These provisions will be applicable only to extent they are not in conflict with the applicable public disclosure laws of any Purchasing Entity.

13.2.5 NASPO ValuePoint. The rights granted to Purchasing Entities and Contractor's obligations under this section will also extend to NASPO ValuePoint's Confidential Information, including but not limited to Participating Addenda, Orders or transaction data relating to Orders under this Master Agreement that identify the entity/customer, Order dates, line-item descriptions and volumes, and prices/rates. This provision does not apply to disclosure to the Lead State, a Participating State, or any governmental entity exercising an audit, inspection, or examination pursuant to this Master Agreement. To the extent permitted by law, Contractor shall notify the Lead State of the identify of any entity seeking access to the Confidential Information described in this subsection.

13.2.6 Public Information. This Master Agreement and all related documents are subject to disclosure pursuant to the Lead State's public information laws.

13.3 Assignment/Subcontracts

13.3.1 Contractor shall not assign, sell, transfer, subcontract or sublet rights, or delegate responsibilities under this Master Agreement, in whole or in part, without the prior written approval of the Lead State.

13.3.2 The Lead State reserves the right to assign any rights or duties, including written assignment of contract administration duties, to NASPO ValuePoint and other third parties.

- 13.4 Changes in Contractor Representation.** The Contractor must, within ten (10) calendar days, notify the Lead State in writing of any changes in the Contractor's key administrative personnel managing the Master Agreement. The Lead State reserves the right to approve or reject changes in key personnel, as identified in the Contractor's proposal. The Contractor shall propose replacement key personnel having substantially equal or better education, training, and experience as was possessed by the key person proposed and evaluated in the Contractor's proposal.
- 13.5 Independent Contractor.** Contractor is an independent contractor. Contractor has no authorization, express or implied, to bind the Lead State, Participating States, other Participating Entities, or Purchasing Entities to any agreements, settlements, liability or understanding whatsoever, and shall not to hold itself out as agent except as expressly set forth herein or as expressly set forth in an applicable Participating Addendum or Order.
- 13.6 Cancellation.** Unless otherwise set forth herein, this Master Agreement may be canceled by either party upon sixty (60) days' written notice prior to the effective date of the cancellation. Further, any Participating Entity may cancel its participation upon thirty (30) days' written notice, unless otherwise limited or stated in the Participating Addendum. Cancellation may be in whole or in part. Any cancellation under this provision will not affect the rights and obligations attending Orders outstanding at the time of cancellation, including any right of a Purchasing Entity to indemnification by the Contractor, rights of payment for Products delivered and accepted, rights attending any warranty or default in performance in association with any Order, and requirements for records administration and audit. Cancellation of the Master Agreement due to Contractor default may be immediate.
- 13.7 Force Majeure.** Neither party to this Master Agreement shall be held responsible for delay or default caused by fire, riot, unusually severe weather, other acts of God, or acts of war which are beyond that party's reasonable control. The Lead State may terminate this Master Agreement upon determining such delay or default will reasonably prevent successful performance of the Master Agreement.
- 13.8 Defaults and Remedies**
- 13.8.1** The occurrence of any of the following events will be an event of default under this Master Agreement:
- 13.8.1.1** Nonperformance of contractual requirements;
 - 13.8.1.2** A material breach of any term or condition of this Master Agreement;
 - 13.8.1.3** Any certification, representation or warranty by Contractor in response to the solicitation or in this Master Agreement that proves to be untrue or materially misleading;
 - 13.8.1.4** Institution of proceedings under any bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization or similar law, by or against Contractor, or the appointment of a receiver or similar officer for Contractor or any of its property, which is not

vacated or fully stayed within thirty (30) calendar days after the institution or occurrence thereof; or

13.8.1.5 Any default specified in another section of this Master Agreement.

13.8.2 Upon the occurrence of an event of default, the Lead State shall issue a written notice of default, identifying the nature of the default, and providing a period of fifteen (15) calendar days in which Contractor shall have an opportunity to cure the default. The Lead State shall not be required to provide advance written notice or a cure period and may immediately terminate this Master Agreement in whole or in part if the Lead State, in its sole discretion, determines that it is reasonably necessary to preserve public safety or prevent immediate public crisis. Time allowed for cure will not diminish or eliminate Contractor's liability for damages, including liquidated damages to the extent provided for under this Master Agreement.

13.8.3 If Contractor is afforded an opportunity to cure and fails to cure the default within the period specified in the written notice of default, Contractor shall be in breach of its obligations under this Master Agreement and the Lead State shall have the right to exercise any or all of the following remedies:

13.8.3.1 Any remedy provided by law;

13.8.3.2 Termination of this Master Agreement and any related Contracts or portions thereof;

13.8.3.3 Assessment of liquidated damages as provided in this Master Agreement;

13.8.3.4 Suspension of Contractor from being able to respond to future bid solicitations;

13.8.3.5 Suspension of Contractor's performance; and

13.8.3.6 Withholding of payment until the default is remedied.

13.8.4 Unless otherwise specified in the Participating Addendum, in the event of a default under a Participating Addendum, a Participating Entity shall provide a written notice of default as described in this section and shall have all of the rights and remedies under this paragraph regarding its participation in the Master Agreement, in addition to those set forth in its Participating Addendum. Unless otherwise specified in an Order, a Purchasing Entity shall provide written notice of default as described in this section and have all of the rights and remedies under this paragraph and any applicable Participating Addendum with respect to an Order placed by the Purchasing Entity. Nothing in these Master Agreement Terms and Conditions will be construed to limit the rights and remedies available to a Purchasing Entity under the applicable commercial code.

13.9 Waiver of Breach. Failure of the Lead State, Participating Entity, or Purchasing Entity to declare a default or enforce any rights and remedies will not operate as a

waiver under this Master Agreement, any Participating Addendum, or any Purchase Order. Any waiver by the Lead State, Participating Entity, or Purchasing Entity must be in writing. Waiver by the Lead State or Participating Entity of any default, right or remedy under this Master Agreement or Participating Addendum, or by Purchasing Entity with respect to any Purchase Order, or breach of any terms or requirements of this Master Agreement, a Participating Addendum, or Purchase Order will not be construed or operate as a waiver of any subsequent default or breach of such term or requirement, or of any other term or requirement under this Master Agreement, any Participating Addendum, or any Purchase Order.

13.10 Debarment. The Contractor certifies that neither it nor its principals are presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in public procurement or contracting by any governmental department or agency. This certification represents a recurring certification made at the time any Order is placed under this Master Agreement. If the Contractor cannot certify this statement, attach a written explanation for review by the Lead State.

13.11 No Waiver of Sovereign Immunity

13.11.1 In no event will this Master Agreement, any Participating Addendum or any contract or any Purchase Order issued thereunder, or any act of the Lead State, a Participating Entity, or a Purchasing Entity be a waiver of any form of defense or immunity, whether sovereign immunity, governmental immunity, immunity based on the Eleventh Amendment to the Constitution of the United States or otherwise, from any claim or from the jurisdiction of any court.

13.11.2 This section applies to a claim brought against the Participating Entities who are states only to the extent Congress has appropriately abrogated the state's sovereign immunity and is not consent by the state to be sued in federal court. This section is also not a waiver by the state of any form of immunity, including but not limited to sovereign immunity and immunity based on the Eleventh Amendment to the Constitution of the United States.

13.12 Governing Law and Venue

13.12.1 The procurement, evaluation, and award of the Master Agreement will be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the Lead State sponsoring and administering the procurement. The construction and effect of the Master Agreement after award will be governed by the law of the state serving as Lead State. The construction and effect of any Participating Addendum or Order against the Master Agreement will be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the Participating Entity's or Purchasing Entity's state.

13.12.2 Unless otherwise specified in the RFP, the venue for any protest, claim, dispute or action relating to the procurement, evaluation, and award is in the state serving as Lead State. Venue for any claim, dispute or action concerning the terms of the Master Agreement will be in the state serving as Lead State. Venue for any claim, dispute, or

action concerning any Order placed against the Master Agreement or the effect of a Participating Addendum will be in the Purchasing Entity's state.

13.12.3 If a claim is brought in a federal forum, then it must be brought and adjudicated solely and exclusively within the United States District Court for (in decreasing order of priority): the Lead State for claims relating to the procurement, evaluation, award, or contract performance or administration if the Lead State is a party; a Participating State if a named party; the state where the Participating Entity or Purchasing Entity is located if either is a named party.

13.13 Assignment of Antitrust Rights. Contractor irrevocably assigns to a Participating Entity who is a state any claim for relief or cause of action which the Contractor now has or which may accrue to the Contractor in the future by reason of any violation of state or federal antitrust laws (15 U.S.C. § 1-15 or a Participating Entity's state antitrust provisions), as now in effect and as may be amended from time to time, in connection with any goods or services provided in that state for the purpose of carrying out the Contractor's obligations under this Master Agreement or Participating Addendum, including, at the Participating Entity's option, the right to control any such litigation on such claim for relief or cause of action.

Attachment B: Scope of Work

Offerors must identify in their response how their company meets (or exceeds) all requirements listed below.

1. OBJECTIVE

The successful Offeror shall provide an on-line auction system which will meet the requirements of at least one of the three Tiers outlined in this solicitation.

2. AUCTION SERVICES

MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS:

This section contains the minimum requirements that must be met to be considered for the evaluation phase. All the items described in this section are non-negotiable. All Offerors must submit a statement of concurrence and demonstrate ability to satisfy these requirements in the proposal submitted for consideration.

- a) Minimum Experience
Offeror must have been in business for a minimum of five years providing on-line auction services, with at least two years working with government agencies.
- b) System Ability
Offers must submit a statement of concurrence confirming the online auction system's ability to enable eligible entities to liquidate property including, but not limited to, vehicles, equipment, real estate, confiscated property, miscellaneous assets, and any other property, real or personal, that a Participating Entity has authority to sell.
- c) Licensing Requirements
Offerors must be in full compliance with all licensing requirements in the Lead State. Specific states or other authorized Participating Entities may have additional licensing and/or certification requirements that would be addressed in Participating Addenda.
- d) Multi- Accounts within a Purchasing Entity
Participating Entities may have different Purchasing Entities utilizing the goods and/or services provided by Offeror(s). Therefore, Offeror(s) proposing Tiers Two and Three must be able to process multiple individual accounts and unique users within a Participating Entity. Individual Participating Entities shall set forth in their Participating Addenda the methodologies that Purchasing Entity desires to be used for the delivery of payments/fees/etc. from the Contractor for those items auctioned.
- e) Payment Types
Offeror must possess the capability to accept electronic payments/P-Cards for Tiers 2 and 3. No additional transaction fees will apply to this Master Agreement. Offeror must thoroughly explain all forms of electronic payment that may be accepted.
- f) Single Point of Contact. All Offerors must include a single point of contact in their Proposal. This single point of contact shall be the primary person the Lead State may contact in regard to the resulting Master Agreement.
- g) The Offerors must submit, upon request, copies of financial statements prepared and compiled by a CPA for the past two (2) years or audited financial statements for the past two (2) years. The financial statements include the balance sheet, income statement, statement of changes in net worth and statement of cash flow.
- h) Other Certifications or documentation

1. Acknowledgement of Receipt Form

Offeror must submit the Acknowledge of Receipt Form no later than the time and date indicated on the Schedule of Events. Failing to submit this form is not grounds for rejection but will result in the Offeror not being placed on the RFP distribution list.

2. Letter of Transmittal

The Offeror's proposal must be accompanied by the Letter of Transmittal Form located in APPENDIX B. The form must be completed and must be signed by the person authorized to obligate the company. Failure to respond to ALL items, as indicated in APPENDIX B and to return a signed, unaltered form will result in Offeror's disqualification.

Offeror's proposal must be accompanied by an unaltered Letter of Transmittal Form (APPENDIX B), which must be completed and signed by the individual authorized to contractually obligate the company, identified in #2 below. DO NOT LEAVE ANY OF THE ITEMS ON THE FORM BLANK (N/A, None, Does not apply, etc. are acceptable responses).

The Letter of Transmittal MUST:

1. Identify the submitting business entity (its Name, Mailing Address and Phone Number);
2. Identify the Name, Title, Telephone, and E-mail address of the person authorized by the Offeror's organization to (A) contractually obligate the business entity providing the Offer, (B) negotiate a contract on behalf of the organization; and/or (C) provide clarifications or answer questions regarding the Offeror's proposal content (A response to B and/or C is only required if the responses differs from the individual identified in A);
3. Identify sub-contractors, if any, anticipated to be utilized in the performance of any resultant contract award;
4. Describe any relationship with any other entity (such as State Agency, reseller, etc., that is not a sub-contractor identified in #3), if any, which will be used in the performance of this awarded contract; and
5. Be signed and dated by the person identified in #2 above; attesting to the veracity of the information provided, and acknowledging (a) the organization's acceptance of the Conditions Governing the Procurement stated in Section 4.30, (b) the organizations acceptance of the Evaluation Process, and (c) receipt of any and all amendments to the RFP.

Failure to respond to ALL items as indicated above, will result in Offeror's disqualification.

3. Campaign Contribution Disclosure Form

The Offeror must complete an unaltered Campaign Contribution Disclosure Form and submit a signed copy with the Offeror's proposal. This must be accomplished whether or not an applicable contribution has been made. (See APPENDIX C).

Failure to complete and return the signed, unaltered form will result in Offeror's disqualification.

TECHNICAL REQUIREMENTS

Generally:

A. This Request for Proposals may be used by different Participating Entities for different levels of services as described below in the three-tiered approach. Tier One would encompass solely the use of the Offeror's website as a marketing, publicizing tool. Tier Two would encompass use of an Offeror's website and accounting operation. Tier Three would be for a full turnkey operation.

B. Offerors may submit proposals on only Tier One, or on Tier(s) Two and Three as well. Proposals for Tier Two must include a proposal for Tier One, and a Tier Three proposal must include proposals on all three Tiers. Technical and cost specifications for each tier must be submitted separately in the Offeror's proposal.

TIER ONE: USE OF WEBSITE ONLY

Offerors shall provide a written narrative explaining how Offeror shall meet the requirements stated in the following items:

Organizational Reference Questionnaire (50 points)

Offeror must provide a list of a minimum of three (3) external references from similar projects/programs performed for private, state, or large local government clients within the last three (3) years.

Offeror shall include the following Business Reference information as part of its proposals:

1. Client name;
2. Project description;
3. Project dates (starting and ending);
4. Technical environment (i.e., Software applications, Internet capabilities, Data communications, Network, Hardware);
5. Staff assigned to reference engagement that will be designated for work per this RFP; and
6. Client project manager name, telephone number, fax number and e-mail address.

Offeror is required to submit APPENDIX D, Organizational Reference Questionnaire ("Questionnaire"), to the business references it lists. The business references must submit the Questionnaire directly to the designee identified in APPENDIX D. The business references must not return the completed Questionnaire to the Offeror. It is the Offeror's responsibility to ensure the completed forms are submitted on or before the date indicated in Section 1.3, Schedule of Events, for inclusion in the evaluation process.

Submission of fewer than three (3) complete Organizational References may adversely affect the Offeror's score in the evaluation process. Offerors are encouraged to specifically request that their Organizational References provide detailed comments.

USE OF WEBSITE ONLY (150 points)

1. The Contractor shall supply a fully functional, customizable and secure web-based auction software service for the purpose of reallocating and/or selling the State's surplus property.
2. The Contractor will provide and absorb all cost of a secure hosting facility to operate the web-based "Software as a Service" (SaaS) application for an online auction system and allow the Lead State or other Purchasing Entity full access to the account. The Lead State or other Purchasing Entity will not be required to install any additional computer hardware or

software at their location. The only requirements will be that the Lead State or other Purchasing Entity have an internet connection via a common web browser and a digital camera. The auction service shall not interact with any Lead State or other Purchasing Entity computer hardware, software or data base systems other than accessing its account through a common web browser. Offeror must submit a statement of concurrence with this requirement.

3. All hardware, software and servers needed to operate the online auction service will be provided by the Contractor. The Contractor must give the Lead State and Purchasing Entity full access to their assigned online auction account and the Lead State or other Purchasing Entity must be allowed to load their auction items via a common internet browser. In the alternative, the Offeror must be able to create the listing in a timely fashion (especially for Tier Three, but Purchasing Entities in other Tiers may wish to leverage this service as well.) The system should be available to the Lead State or other Purchasing Entity 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. Items the Lead State or other Purchasing Entity wishes to sell can be loaded at any time that best suits the schedule of the Lead State or other Purchasing Entity. Offeror must submit a statement of concurrence with this requirement.
4. All maintenance and upgrades to the hardware and software that the Contractor provides over the term of the contract shall be made at no cost to the Lead State or other Participating Entity. Offeror must submit a statement of concurrence with this requirement.
5. The Contractor will supply all operating software and applications needed for the auction site to function. Offeror must submit a statement of concurrence with this requirement.
6. All connectivity to the internet shall be accessible through industry standard internet connections, web browsers and email. The system must allow access from Windows based systems. Offeror must submit a statement of concurrence with this requirement.
7. Contractor shall provide the Purchasing Entity the ability to create users with varying levels of access permission(s).
8. Please provide a written narrative explaining how you will meet the requirements stated in items a. through x. below.

The Contractor software service shall provide the ability for the following:

- a. The ability to create listings, determine category, select duration, input a description and upload photos of assets;
- b. Provide the auction-bidder/buyer the ability to register, log-in, view photographs, descriptions and technical specifications of items being bid on during the auction process;
- c. Provide real time information regarding participating auction bidder/buyer during the auction and once the auction has closed;
- d. Provide the Purchasing Entity with the ability to revise existing listings, copy existing listing for creation of new listing and the ability to retract or end listings;
- e. Provide an option/platform for automated email notices based on templates provided by the Purchasing Entity to be generated by the system at the end or closing of auctions. These automated email notices should only be accessed by specific administrative roles and the specific template should be selectable at the time of auction closing;
- f. Auction multiple line items per lot;
- g. Auction one asset per listing;
- h. Add or remove the sales tax for the winning bids;
- i. List specific times for public viewing and different times for pick-up;
- j. List multiple locations and complete descriptions including terms of sale;
- k. List multiple starting and ending times;
- l. Embed "You Tube" video or other video images into auction listings;
- m. Provide auction detail and summary data to the Client Agency;

- n. Provide detailed reporting and records in both paper and electronic format;
 - o. Set reserve and minimum bid amounts for asset to be sold;
 - p. Block or otherwise decline auction-bidders/buyers who have defaulted on previous bids;
 - q. Offer asset to the next highest auction bidder/buyer if an auction-bidder/buyer defaults;
 - r. Auction-bidder/buyer to estimate shipping charges so that they can bid more efficiently knowing in advance the shipping expenses;
 - s. Provide private auction functionality to allow the Purchasing Entity to sell assets to a select group of pre-qualified/screened auction-bidder/buyers;
 - t. Track payment and payment collection;
 - u. Provide an audit trail of all surplus asset sales and transactions processed through the Contractor's website to the Purchasing Entity;
 - v. Host software and provide technology upgrades as they become available and;
 - w. Provide notification of sales, transactions, and revenues to the Purchasing Entity and or State Agency;
 - x. Please describe any applicable value added features of your software
9. Contractor shall provide all support, including email and telephone support needed to operate the auction site. Live, 24/7 support via online chat, email or toll-free phone. Offeror must submit a statement of concurrence with this requirement.
 10. The system should allow the Lead State or other Purchasing Entity to post their own Terms and Conditions for each asset offered for sale and also provide a quick link to the Lead State or other Purchasing Entity Terms and Conditions. The systems must also provide a section for posting special instructions such as when payment should be made, etc. Offeror must submit a statement of concurrence with this requirement.
 11. Contractor shall provide all security systems, anti-virus and firewalls capable of preventing the hacking of any auction information from the auction servers, capable of preventing the assimilation or distribution of viruses and other programs and capable of preventing any bidder from learning the identity of any other bidder. Offeror must submit a written narrative explaining how the Offeror shall meet this requirement. The information supplied in this narrative will be scored.
 12. Contractor shall provide contingency plans to backup information and recover information. The Contractor shall have a disaster recovery plan that covers internet failure, electricity failure or systems failures.
 13. The Contractor's system should allow the Lead State or other Purchasing Entity to charge freight costs if the bidder is unable to pick up the winning bid items. Offeror must submit a statement of concurrence with this requirement.
 14. The Contractor's systems must be capable of withdrawing and cancelling an auction without penalty. The Contractor shall describe its system of notifying bidders if an auction has been withdrawn and cancelled.
 15. Offerors shall state the relevant experience of the company and person(s) who will be actively engaged in providing services to the Lead State or other Participating Entity. Offerors shall indicate for whom the service was performed, dates of service, and contact information.

- a. Management Summary – Offerors must outline their History/Experience performing internet auctions including length of time in business, etc. Offerors must describe individual staff responsibilities with lines of authority and how staff shall interface with Lead State or other Purchasing Entity staff. Offerors must illustrate the hours dedicated to meet the requirements and items described in the scope of services, including resumes and qualifications of Key Personnel assigned to service the Lead State or other Participating Entities.
16. Understanding of the problem and technical approach.
 - a. Offerors shall describe their Scope of Services with an explanation of technical approaches and a detailed outline of the proposed program for executing the requirements of the RFP’s technical scope and for achieving project objectives, including the range(s) of time between notice being given by the Lead State or a Purchasing Entity and the posting of the item on Offeror’s website.
 - b. Offerors should demonstrate an awareness of the difficulties in the completion of this undertaking, and a plan for surmounting them. Special attention should be given to methodological issues that will be encountered in such a project.
17. Treatment of the Issues:

In this section, the Offeror may also comment, if deemed appropriate, on any aspect of the Request for Proposal including suggestions on possible alternative approaches to the coverage, definition, development, and organization of the issues presented in the “Minimum Requirements”. This response is at the discretion of the Offeror and will not be scored but used for informational purposes by the committee.
18. Client Base:

Offerors shall provide current information regarding their established database of bidders and sellers in the Participating Entity’s requested area, as well as nationally. Information shall include total number of bidders and auctions, breakdown of bidders with blocks or negative reputations, total number of bidders who have won auctions for the last five (5) years. Additionally, Offerors shall provide all above data broken down by commodity and region as well as sold auction breakdown by final price.
19. Professional Affiliations:

Offerors shall provide information on any and all associations or professional organizations with which they are affiliated.
20. Licensure and Insurance
Offeror must be properly licensed and insured. Offerors shall provide proof of required licensing, as applicable, in Lead State or other Participating Entity, including all applicable licensure and bonding for the proposed services at the time of contracting.

TRAINING: (70 points)

Offerors shall provide a written narrative explaining how Offeror shall meet the requirements stated in items 21 through 28 below:

21. The Contractor shall provide on-site and/or online training to the Purchasing Entity users of the system at no cost, and shall work with members of the Client Agency's Information Technology group to ensure adequate testing and functionality with the State's websites. Offeror must submit a statement of concurrence with this requirement.
22. The Contractor shall provide the Purchasing Entity end user training in a group type forum via an online presentation and training program. Users shall be able to interact and voice questions during the presentation, and on certain occasions video conferencing tools may be implemented. Offeror must submit a statement of concurrence with this requirement.
23. The Contractor shall coordinate and provide on-site training and/or seminars on an as needed basis throughout the term of the contract period. Offeror must submit a statement of concurrence with this requirement.
24. The Contractor shall provide user manuals and other written support documentation as requested from the Client Agency. There shall be no limit on the number or location of on-site user training. Offeror must submit a statement of concurrence with this requirement.
25. The Contractor shall provide the Purchasing Entity with 24/7 administrative access to their accounts including: current and held auctions completed and cancelled listings, bidder/buyer information, and a comprehensive reporting suite of common activity reports. Offeror must submit a statement of concurrence with this requirement.
26. Explain specific methodology to be used for start-up support to ensure initial agency data is uploaded properly for proper use and management of auctions including but not limited to user access rights and restrictions (including authorization workflows), and buyer and buyer-groups rights and restrictions (if applicable).
27. Explain your online training environment to facilitate training new user through hands-on tutorials. Please include the names and types of courses with brief descriptions, the number of courses provided, and the length of each course.
28. Explain your regular and ad-hoc training, instruction, and documentation to the Lead State or other Purchasing Entity jurisdictions and to potential buyers on using online auctions services. Please give details about the type of training that will be provided with the service, including technical support and training materials for each type of user (i.e., procuring entity or buyer).

CUSTOMER SUPPORT: (70 points)

Offerors shall provide a written narrative explaining how Offeror shall meet the requirements stated in items 29 and 30 below:

29. Offerors shall indicate their level of support (days of the week, times of the day) as differentiated from consultation, via online chat, email or toll-free phone.
30. Offerors shall indicate how the frequently asked questions section of Offeror's website is handled, how questions are added, information/questions updated, etc. Please include a listing of current FAQs from Offeror's website.

SECURITY AND FRAUD CONTROL: (110 points)

Offerors shall provide a written narrative explaining how Offeror shall meet the requirements stated in items 31 through 33 below:

31. Provide verifiable receipts for buyer upon payment (buyer's certificate). Please provide the specifics of Offeror's process for issuing buyer's certificates. Sample documents should be attached to the proposal.
32. Provide company policy and/or system restriction on buyer's use of bidding agents. Provide COMPLETE fraud detection/prevention details.
33. Describe security services and support (physical and system) specific to the Auction System proposed for this RFP. Include privacy protection available to buyers and sellers. Physical security pertains to any servers, staff and facilities that support the Offerors' operations.
34. Provide proof or certification of compliance with Payment Card Industry (PCI) Data Security Standard (DSS). PCI DSS is an information security standard for organizations that handle branded credit cards from the major card schemes. The PCI standard is mandated by the card brands and administered by the Payment Card Industry Security Standards Council.

OPERATIONAL RELIABILITY: (110 points)

Offerors shall provide a written narrative explaining how Offeror shall meet the requirements stated in items 34 through 37 below:

35. Describe any software upgrade capability including frequency of new version releases and whether upgrades would be available to customers, including cost model for the upgrades, etc. Also provide information on EULAs for the proposed software.
36. Provide system uptime percentage, as well as expected downtime maintenance schedule.
37. Provide method of system monitoring to ensure optimal performance.
38. Offer system backup and plan to support auction if system is unavailable. A description should be included with the Proposal.

MARKETING (30 points)

Offerors shall provide a written narrative explaining how Offeror shall meet the requirements stated in items 38 through 40 below:

39. Provide a description of Offeror's regular marketing services employed to improve revenue.
40. Provide any marketing plan (include commodity breakdowns, advertising tools/outlets, estimated costs, if applicable).
41. Provide samples of past marketing efforts that have proven successful with details on that success (improvements in sales, prices, etc.).

REPORTING (110 points)

Offerors shall provide a written narrative explaining how Offeror shall meet the requirements stated in item 41 below:

42. Provide samples of on-line reporting for Participating Entities. Provide an affirmative statement that such reports are capable of being customized for use by Participating Entities in accordance with their requirements and needs.

TIER TWO: USE OF WEBSITE AND ACCOUNTING

Offerors shall provide a written narrative explaining how Offeror shall meet the requirements stated in the following items (please note that Offerors must fully respond to all specifications listed under Tier One as well as the following if Offeror wishes to propose on Tier Two):

ACCOUNTING (70 points)

The successful Offeror shall provide a complete accounting of items from pick up to final sale or disposition. Please provide samples of reports of such accounting of items. The successful Offeror shall be fully responsible for the collection of monies and reimbursement to the Participating Entity. The successful Offeror shall collect and process all taxes due.

The successful Offeror shall keep records of all financial matters pertaining to the sales in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. The financial records must be made available to representatives of the Lead State or other Purchasing Entity or any other governmental agency with jurisdiction to audit. The records must be maintained for a period of six (6) years after the term of the Master Agreement. A statement of concurrence is required for this item.

REVENUE COLLECTION AND PAYMENTS (70 points)

Offerors shall provide a written narrative explaining how Offeror shall meet the requirements stated in items 1 and 2 below:

1. Provide information regarding revenue collection. Offerors shall discuss fees for each method of payment. Proposals shall indicate the process for each type of transaction, including any transactional threshold limitations, and fraud/credit card charge-back liability.
2. Payment remittance to the Lead State or other Participating Entity. Detail the process of transmitting payments to the Lead State or other Participating Entity.

TIER THREE: COMPLETE TURNKEY OPERATION

Offerors shall provide a written narrative explaining how Offeror shall meet the requirements stated in the following items (please note that Offerors must fully respond to all specifications listed under Tier One and Tier Two as well as the following if Offeror wishes to propose on Tier Three):

FULL SERVICE (250 points)

Offeror shall post photos and details of items on the website. Offeror shall perform all work in auctioning, transporting and administration of the property. Further, Offeror shall collect the funds and reimburse Purchasing Entity for the sale upon Offeror's receipt of funds for the sale. Purchasing Entity further desires Offeror to supply a report regarding all property sold by Purchasing Entity at the same time as funds are transferred to the Participating Entity. Offeror must submit samples of such reports. Offeror shall describe in detail how Offeror will perform all the tasks listed in this requirement. Transporting and Administration may be defined as follows: transporting includes receiving the property from the office at which it is located and delivering it to the end purchaser in whatever form is required by the property (this could mean mailing, personal delivery, etc.); administration includes taking care of the property so that it is sold in the same condition in which it was received by the Contractor as well as ensuring that any licenses or other required documentation is performed in a timely manner. Further,

Administration would include any warehousing and storage of property between the time it is received by the Contractor and the time it is delivered and accepted by the end purchaser.

CONSULTING SERVICES: (50 points)

The successful Offeror's staff must be available for consultation (such as providing advice on how better to use Offeror's services for better results, increased sales, etc.) as differentiated from maintenance and support (see Tier One, Customer Support) with Lead State or other Purchasing Entity staff on an as-needed basis between 8:00 AM and 5:00 PM in the prevailing time zone of the Participating Entity, Monday through Friday. Offeror must submit a detailed narrative regarding how Offeror will perform this requirement.

SITE VISIT: (50 points)

The Lead State or other Participating Entity, upon request, can coordinate with the Offeror for a site visit to their location to include IT, Administration, Accounting, Warehouse and Storage. Offeror must submit a statement of concurrence that Offeror is able and willing to perform this function.

Attachment C: Cost Sheets

TIER ONE: Use of an Offeror's website as a marketing and/or publicizing tool by a Purchasing Entity
Participating Entity will post photos and details of the property on the website and perform all work in auctioning, transporting and administration of the property, including handling of any related titles and funds.

| Item | Description of Commodity and/or Services | Percentage Fee to Buyer | Percentage Fee to Seller |
|------|---|-------------------------|--------------------------|
| 1. | Online Auction Fee | % | % |
| 2. | Please list any percentage fees that are different from the percentage fee listed above or percentage fees that are specific to an auction category (example: vehicles, heavy equipment, real estate) and/or any additional percentage Fees (charged to either Buyer or Seller) | | |
| 2a. | | % | % |
| 2b. | | % | % |
| 2c. | | % | % |
| 2d. | | % | % |
| 2e. | | % | % |
| 2f. | | % | % |

TIER ONE

| | | Unit of Measure | Total Cost/% (if applicable) |
|-----|--|-----------------|------------------------------|
| 3. | Value Added Services: (Any services not specified above. If the price for these services is included in above charges, mark Total Cost field, INCL.) | | |
| 3a. | | | \$ |
| 3b. | | | \$ |
| 3c. | | | \$ |
| 3d. | | | \$ |
| 3e. | | | \$ |

TIER TWO: Use of an Offeror's website and accounting operation by a Purchasing Entity

Participating Entity will post photos and details of the property on the website and perform all work in auctioning, transporting and administration of the property, including handling of any related titles and funds.

| Item | Description of Commodity and/or Services | Percentage Fee to Buyer | Percentage Fee to Seller |
|------|--|-------------------------|--------------------------|
|------|--|-------------------------|--------------------------|

| | | | |
|----|--------------------|---|---|
| 1. | Online Auction Fee | % | % |
|----|--------------------|---|---|

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|-----|---|---|---|
| 2. | Please list any percentage fees that are different from the percentage fee listed above or percentage fees that are specific to an auction category (example: vehicles, heavy equipment, real estate) and/or any additional percentage Fees (charged to either Buyer or Seller) | | |
| 2a. | | % | % |
| 2b. | | % | % |
| 2c. | | % | % |
| 2d. | | % | % |
| 2e. | | % | % |
| 2f. | | % | % |

TIER TWO

| | | Unit of Measure | Total Cost/% (if applicable) |
|-----|--|-----------------|------------------------------|
| 3. | Value Added Services: (Any services not specified above. If the price for these services is included in above charges, mark Total Cost field, INCL.) | | |
| 3a. | | | \$ |
| 3b. | | | \$ |
| 3c. | | | \$ |
| 3d. | | | \$ |
| 3e. | | | \$ |

TIER THREE: A full turnkey operation for Purchasing Entity

Participating Entity will post photos and details of the property on the website and perform all work in auctioning, transporting and administration of the property, including handling of any related titles and funds.

| Item | Description of Commodity and/or Services | Percentage Fee to Buyer | Percentage Fee to Seller |
|------|--|-------------------------|--------------------------|
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|----|--------------------|---|---|
| 1. | Online Auction Fee | % | % |
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|-----|---|---|---|
| 2. | Please list any percentage fees that are different from the percentage fee listed above or percentage fees that are specific to an auction category (example: vehicles, heavy equipment, real estate) and/or any additional percentage Fees (charged to either Buyer or Seller) | | |
| 2a. | | % | % |
| 2b. | | % | % |
| 2c. | | % | % |
| 2d. | | % | % |
| 2e. | | % | % |
| 2f. | | % | % |

TIER THREE

| | | Unit of Measure | Total Cost/% (if applicable) |
|-----|--|-----------------|------------------------------|
| 3. | Value Added Services: (Any services not specified above. If the price for these services is included in above charges, mark Total Cost field, INCL.) | | |
| 3a. | | | \$ |
| 3b. | | | \$ |
| 3c. | | | \$ |
| 3d. | | | \$ |
| 3e. | | | \$ |

Attachments D-Y: Lead State and Additional Participating States' Terms and Conditions

Some States listed in Section 1.6 may have included special or unique terms and conditions for their state, which are being provided as a courtesy to proposers to indicate which additional terms and conditions may be incorporated into the state Participating Addendum after award of the Master Agreement. The Lead State will not address questions or concerns or negotiate other States' terms and conditions. The Participating States shall negotiate these terms and conditions directly with the supplier. State-specific terms and conditions are included in Attachments D-I.

ATTACHMENT D:

State of New Mexico Terms & Conditions

1. Taxes:

The Contractor shall be reimbursed by the Participating State for applicable New Mexico gross receipts taxes, excluding interest or penalties assessed on the Contractor by any authority. **PLEASE NOTE NO PROPERTY TAX WILL BE PAID TO THE CONTRACTOR BY THE PARTICIPATING STATE.** The payment of taxes for any money received under this Agreement shall be the Contractor's sole responsibility and should be reported under the Contractor's Federal and State tax identification number(s).

Contractor and any and all subcontractors shall pay all Federal, state and local taxes applicable to its operation and any persons employed by the Contractor. Contractor shall require all subcontractors to hold the Participating State harmless from any responsibility for taxes, damages and interest, if applicable, contributions required under Federal and/or state and local laws and regulations and any other costs, including transaction privilege taxes, unemployment compensation insurance, Social Security and Worker's Compensation.

2. Retainage:

Reserved

3. Performance Bond:

Reserved

4. Term:

THIS AGREEMENT SHALL NOT BECOME EFFECTIVE UNTIL APPROVED IN WRITING BY THE NEW MEXICO STATE PURCHASING AGENT, IF REQUIRED. This Agreement shall begin on a date approved by the New Mexico State Purchasing Agent, if the New Mexico State Purchasing Agent has signed this Agreement, and end on **XXXX**. The Participating State reserves the right to renew the contract on an annual basis by mutual Agreement not to exceed a total of 10 years in accordance with NMSA 1978 §13-1-150.

5. Termination:

A. Grounds. The Participating State may terminate this Agreement for convenience or cause. The Contractor may only terminate this Agreement based upon the Participating State's uncured, material breach of this Agreement.

B. Notice; Participating State Opportunity to Cure.

1. Except as otherwise provided in sub-paragraph A of this Clause and the Appropriations Clause of this Agreement, the Participating State shall give Contractor written notice of termination at least thirty (30) days prior to the intended date of termination.
2. Contractor shall give Participating State written notice of termination at least thirty (30) days prior to the intended date of termination, which notice shall (i) identify all the Participating State's material breaches of this Agreement upon which the termination is based and (ii) state what the Participating State must do to cure such material

breaches. Contractor's notice of termination shall only be effective (i) if the Participating State does not cure all material breaches within the thirty (30) day notice period or (ii) in the case of material breaches that cannot be cured within thirty (30) days, the Participating State does not, within the thirty (30) day notice period, notify the Contractor of its intent to cure and begin with due diligence to cure the material breach.

3. Notwithstanding the foregoing, this Agreement may be terminated immediately upon written notice to the Contractor (i) if the Contractor becomes unable to provide the Goods or perform the Services contracted for, as determined by the Participating State; (ii) if, during the term of this Agreement, the Contractor is suspended or debarred by the New Mexico State Purchasing Agent; or (iii) the Agreement is terminated pursuant to the Appropriations Clause of this Agreement.

C. Liability. Except as otherwise expressly allowed or provided under this Agreement, the Participating State's sole liability upon termination shall be to pay for acceptable work performed prior to the Contractor's receipt or issuance of a notice of termination; provided, however, that a notice of termination shall not nullify or otherwise affect either Party's liability for pre-termination defaults under or breaches of this Agreement. The Contractor shall submit an invoice for such work within thirty (30) days of receiving or sending the notice of termination. THIS PROVISION IS NOT EXCLUSIVE AND DOES NOT WAIVE THE PARTICIPATING STATE'S OTHER LEGAL RIGHTS AND REMEDIES CAUSED BY THE CONTRACTOR'S DEFAULT/BREACH OF THIS AGREEMENT.

6. Appropriations:

The terms of this Agreement are contingent upon sufficient appropriations and authorization being made by the Legislature of New Mexico for the performance of this Agreement. If sufficient appropriations and authorization are not made by the Legislature, this Agreement shall terminate immediately upon written notice being given by the Participating State to the Contractor. The Participating State's decision as to whether sufficient appropriations are available shall be accepted by the Contractor and shall be final. If the Participating State proposes an amendment to the Agreement to unilaterally reduce funding, the Contractor shall have the option to terminate the Agreement or to agree to the reduced funding, within thirty (30) days of receipt of the proposed amendment.

7. Status of Contractor:

The Contractor and its agents and employees are independent contractors providing Goods and/or performing professional or general services for the Participating State and are not employees of the State of New Mexico. The Contractor and its agents and employees shall not accrue leave, retirement, insurance, bonding, use of state vehicles, or any other benefits afforded to employees of the State of New Mexico as a result of this Agreement. The Contractor acknowledges that all sums received hereunder are reportable by the Contractor for tax purposes, including without limitation, self-employment and business income tax. The Contractor agrees not to purport to bind the State of New Mexico unless the Contractor has express written authority to do so, and then only within the strict limits of that authority.

8. Conflict of Interest; Governmental Conduct Act:

A. The Contractor represents and warrants that it presently has no interest and, during the term of this Agreement, shall not acquire any interest, direct or indirect, which would conflict in any manner or degree with the performance or services required under the Agreement.

B. The Contractor further represents and warrants that it has complied with, and, during the term of this Agreement, will continue to comply with, and that this Agreement complies with all applicable provisions of the Governmental Conduct Act, Chapter 10, Article 16 NMSA 1978. Without in any way limiting the generality of the foregoing, the Contractor specifically represents and warrants that:

1) in accordance with NMSA 1978, § 10-16-4.3, the Contractor does not employ, has not employed, and will not employ during the term of this Agreement any Procuring Agency employee while such employee was or is employed by the Procuring Agency and participating directly or indirectly in the Procuring Agency's contracting process;

2) this Agreement complies with NMSA 1978, § 10-16-7(A) because (i) the Contractor is not a public officer or employee of the State; (ii) the Contractor is not a member of the family of a public officer or employee of the State; (iii) the Contractor is not a business in which a public officer or employee or the family of a public officer or employee has a substantial interest; or (iv) if the Contractor is a public officer or employee of the State, a member of the family of a public officer or employee of the State, or a business in which a public officer or employee of the State or the family of a public officer or employee of the State has a substantial interest, public notice was given as required by NMSA 1978, § 10-16-7(A) and this Agreement was awarded pursuant to a competitive process;

3) in accordance with NMSA 1978, § 10-16-8(A), (i) the Contractor is not, and has not been represented by, a person who has been a public officer or employee of the State within the preceding year and whose official act directly resulted in this Agreement and (ii) the Contractor is not, and has not been assisted in any way regarding this transaction by, a former public officer or employee of the State whose official act, while in State employment, directly resulted in the Procuring Agency's making this Agreement;

4) this Agreement complies with NMSA 1978, § 10-16-9(A) because (i) the Contractor is not a legislator; (ii) the Contractor is not a member of a legislator's family; (iii) the Contractor is not a business in which a legislator or a legislator's family has a substantial interest; or (iv) if the Contractor is a legislator, a member of a legislator's family, or a business in which a legislator or a legislator's family has a substantial interest, disclosure has been made as required by NMSA 1978, § 10-16-7(A), this Agreement is not a sole source or small purchase contract, and this Agreement was awarded in accordance with the provisions of the Procurement Code;

5) in accordance with NMSA 1978, § 10-16-13, the Contractor has not directly participated in the preparation of specifications, qualifications or evaluation criteria for this Agreement or any procurement related to this Agreement; and

6) in accordance with NMSA 1978, § 10-16-3 and § 10-16-13.3, the Contractor has not contributed, and during the term of this Agreement shall not contribute, anything of value to a public officer or employee of the Procuring Agency.

C. Contractor's representations and warranties in paragraphs A and B of this Clause are material representations of fact upon which the Procuring Agency relied when this Agreement was entered into by the parties. Contractor shall provide immediate written notice to the Procuring Agency if, at any time during the term of this Agreement, Contractor learns that Contractor's representations and warranties in paragraphs A and B of this Clause were erroneous on the effective date of this Agreement or have become erroneous by reason of new or changed circumstances. If it is later determined that Contractor's representations and warranties in paragraphs A and B of this Clause were erroneous on the effective date of this Agreement or have become erroneous by reason of new or changed circumstances, in addition to other remedies available to the Procuring Agency and notwithstanding anything in the Agreement to the contrary, the Procuring Agency may immediately terminate the Agreement.

D. All terms defined in the Governmental Conduct Act have the same meaning in this Agreement.

9. **Amendment.**

A. This Agreement shall not be altered, changed or amended except by instrument in writing executed by the parties hereto and all other required signatories.

B. If the Procuring Agency proposes an amendment to the Agreement to unilaterally reduce funding due to budget or other considerations, the Contractor shall, within thirty (30) days of receipt of the proposed Amendment, have the option to terminate the Agreement, pursuant to the termination provisions as set forth in the Terminations Clause of this Agreement, or to agree to the reduced funding.

10. **Merger.**

This Agreement incorporates all the Agreements, covenants and understandings between the parties hereto concerning the subject matter hereof, and all such covenants, Agreements and understandings have been merged into this written Agreement. No prior Agreement or understanding, oral or otherwise, of the parties or their agents shall be valid or enforceable unless embodied in this Agreement.

11. **Penalties for violation of law.**

The Procurement Code, NMSA 1978 §§ 13-1-28 through 13-1-199, imposes civil and criminal penalties for violation of the statute. In addition, the New Mexico criminal statutes impose felony penalties for illegal acts, including bribes, gratuities and kickbacks.

12. **Equal Opportunity Compliance.**

The Contractor agrees to abide by all federal and state laws and rules and regulations, and executive orders of the Governor of the State of New Mexico, pertaining to equal employment opportunity. In accordance with all such laws of the State of New Mexico, the Contractor assures

that no person in the United States shall, on the grounds of race, religion, color, national origin, ancestry, sex, age, physical or mental handicap, or serious medical condition, spousal affiliation, sexual orientation or gender identity, be excluded from employment with or participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be otherwise subjected to discrimination under any program or activity performed under this Agreement. If Contractor is found not to be in compliance with these requirements during the life of this Agreement, Contractor agrees to take appropriate steps to correct these deficiencies.

13. **Workers Compensation.**

The Contractor agrees to comply with state laws and rules applicable to workers compensation benefits for its employees. If the Contractor fails to comply with the Workers Compensation Act and applicable rules when required to do so, this Agreement may be terminated by the Procuring Agency.

14. **Applicable Law.**

The laws of the State of New Mexico shall govern this Agreement, without giving effect to its choice of law provisions. Venue shall be proper only in a New Mexico court of competent jurisdiction in accordance with NMSA 1978, § 38-3-1 (G). By execution of this Agreement, Contractor acknowledges and agrees to the jurisdiction of the courts of the State of New Mexico over any and all lawsuits arising under or out of any term of this Agreement.

15. **Records and Financial Audit.**

The Contractor shall maintain detailed time and expenditure records that indicate the date, time, nature and cost of services rendered during the Agreement's term and effect and retain them for a period of three (3) years from the date of final payment under this Agreement. The records shall be subject to inspection by the Procuring Agency, the Department of Finance and Administration and the State Auditor. The Procuring Agency shall have the right to audit billings both before and after payment. Payment under this Agreement shall not foreclose the right of the Procuring Agency to recover excessive or illegal payments

16. **Invalid Term or Condition.**

If any term or condition of this Agreement shall be held invalid or unenforceable, the remainder of this Agreement shall not be affected and shall be valid and enforceable.

17. **Enforcement of Agreement**

A party's failure to require strict performance of any provision of this Agreement shall not waive or diminish that party's right thereafter to demand strict compliance with that or any other provision. No waiver by a party of any of its rights under this Agreement shall be effective unless express and in writing, and no effective waiver by a party of any of its rights shall be effective to waive any other rights.

18. **Non-Collusion**

In signing this Agreement, the Contractor certifies the Contractor has not, either directly or indirectly, entered into action in restraint of free competitive bidding in connection with this offer submitted to the State Purchasing Agent or agency or entity.

19. **Notices.**

Any notice required to be given to either party by this Agreement shall be in writing and shall be delivered in person, by courier service or by U.S. mail, either first class or certified, return receipt requested, postage prepaid, as follows:

To the Procuring Agency:

[insert name, address and email].

To the Contractor:

[insert name, address and email].

20. **Succession**

This Agreement shall extend to and be binding upon the successors and assigns of the parties.

21. **Headings**

Any and all headings herein are inserted only for convenience and ease of reference and are not to be considered in the construction or interpretation of any provision of this Agreement. Numbered or lettered provisions, sections and subsections contained herein, refer only to provisions, sections and subsections of this Agreement unless otherwise expressly stated.

22. **Default/Breach.**

In case of Default and/or Breach by the Contractor, for any reason whatsoever, the Procuring Agency and the State of New Mexico may procure the goods or Services from another source and hold the Contractor responsible for any resulting excess costs and/or damages, including but not limited to, direct damages, indirect damages, consequential damages, special damages and the Procuring Agency and the State of New Mexico may also seek all other remedies under the terms of this Agreement and under law or equity.

23. **Equitable Remedies.**

Contractor acknowledges that its failure to comply with any provision of this Agreement will cause the Procuring Agency irrevocable harm and that a remedy at law for such a failure

would be an inadequate remedy for the Procuring Agency, and the Contractor consents to the Procuring Agency's obtaining from a court of competent jurisdiction, specific performance, or injunction, or any other equitable relief in order to enforce such compliance. Procuring Agency's rights to obtain equitable relief pursuant to this Agreement shall be in addition to, and not in lieu of, any other remedy that Procuring Agency may have under applicable law, including, but not limited to, monetary damages.

24. **New Mexico Employees Health Coverage.**

A. If Contractor has, or grows to, six (6) or more employees who work, or who are expected to work, an average of at least 20 hours per week over a six (6) month period during the term of this Agreement, Contractor certifies, by signing this agreement, to have in place, and agree to maintain for the term of the Agreement, health insurance for those employees and offer that health insurance to those employees if the expected annual value in the aggregate of any and all contracts between Contractor and the State exceed \$250,000 dollars.

B. Contractor agrees to maintain a record of the number of employees who have (a) accepted health insurance; (b) declined health insurance due to other health insurance coverage already in place; or (c) declined health insurance for other reasons. These records are subject to review and audit by a representative of the state.

C. Contractor agrees to advise all employees of the availability of State publicly financed health care coverage programs by providing each employee with, as a minimum, the following web site link to additional information: <https://bewellnm.com>.

25. **Indemnification.**

The Contractor shall defend, indemnify and hold harmless the Procuring Agency and the State of New Mexico from all actions, proceeding, claims, demands, costs, damages, attorneys' fees and all other liabilities and expenses of any kind from any source which may arise out of the performance of this Agreement, caused by the negligent act or failure to act of the Contractor, its officers, employees, servants, subcontractors or agents, resulting in injury or damage to persons or property during the time when the Contractor or any officer, agent, employee, servant or subcontractor thereof has or is performing services pursuant to this Agreement. In the event that any action, suit or proceeding related to the services performed by the Contractor or any officer, agent, employee, servant or subcontractor under this Agreement is brought against the Contractor, the Contractor shall, as soon as practicable but no later than two (2) days after it receives notice thereof, notify the legal counsel of the Procuring Agency and the Risk Management Division of the New Mexico General Services Department by certified mail.

26. **Default and Force Majeure.**

The State reserves the right to cancel all or any part of any orders placed under this Agreement without cost to the State, if the Contractor fails to meet the provisions of this

Agreement and, except as otherwise provided herein, to hold the Contractor liable for any excess cost occasioned by the State due to the Contractor's default. The Contractor shall not be liable for any excess costs if failure to perform the order arises out of causes beyond the control and without the fault or negligence of the Contractor; such causes include, but are not restricted to, acts of God or the public enemy, acts of the State or Federal Government, fires, floods, epidemics, quarantine restrictions, strikes, freight embargoes, unusually severe weather and defaults of subcontractors due to any of the above, unless the State shall determine that the supplies or services to be furnished by the subcontractor were obtainable from other sources in sufficient time to permit the Contractor to meet the required delivery scheduled. The rights and remedies of the State provided in this Clause shall not be exclusive and are in addition to any other rights now being provided by law or under this Agreement.

27. **Assignment.**

The Contractor shall not assign or transfer any interest in this Agreement or assign any claims for money due or to become due under this Agreement without the prior written approval of the Procuring Agency.

28. **Subcontracting.**

The Contractor shall not subcontract any portion of the services to be performed under this Agreement without the prior written approval of the Procuring Agency. No such subcontract shall relieve the primary Contractor from its obligations and liabilities under this Agreement, nor shall any subcontract obligate direct payment from the Procuring Agency.

29. **Inspection of Plant.**

The State Purchasing Agent or agency or entity that is a party to this Agreement may inspect, at any reasonable time during Contractor's regular business hours and upon prior written notice, the Contractor's plant or place of business, or any subcontractor's plant or place of business, which is related to the performance of this Agreement.

30. **Commercial Warranty.**

The Contractor agrees that the tangible personal property or services furnished under this Agreement shall be covered by the most favorable commercial warranties the Contractor gives to any customer for such tangible personal property or services, and that the rights and remedies provided herein shall extend to the State and are in addition to and do not limit any rights afforded to the State by any other Clause of this Agreement or order. Contractor agrees not to disclaim warranties of fitness for a particular purpose or merchantability.

31. **Condition of Proposed Items.**

Where tangible personal property is a part of this Agreement, all proposed items are to be NEW and of most current production, unless otherwise specified.

32. **Release.**

Final payment of the amounts due under this Agreement shall operate as a release of the Procuring Agency, its officers and employees, and the State of New Mexico from all liabilities, claims and obligations whatsoever arising from or under this Agreement.

33. **Confidentiality.**

Any Confidential Information provided to the Contractor by the Procuring Agency or, developed by the Contractor based on information provided by the Procuring Agency in the performance of this Agreement shall be kept confidential and shall not be made available to any individual or organization by the Contractor without the prior written approval of the Procuring Agency. Upon termination of this Agreement, Contractor shall deliver all Confidential Information in its possession to the Procuring Agency within thirty (30) Business Days of such termination. Contractor acknowledges that failure to deliver such Confidential Information to the Procuring Agency will result in direct, special and incidental damages.

34. **Contractor Personnel.**

- A. **Key Personnel.** Contractor's key personnel shall not be diverted from this Agreement without the prior written approval of the Procuring Agency. Key personnel are those individuals considered by the Procuring Agency to be mandatory to the work to be performed under this Agreement. Key personnel shall be:

[Insert Contractor Staff Name(s)]

- B. **Personnel Changes.** Replacement of any personnel shall be made with personnel of equal ability, experience, and qualification and shall be approved by the Procuring Agency. For all personnel, the Procuring Agency reserves the right to require submission of their resumes prior to approval. If the number of Contractor's personnel assigned to the Project is reduced for any reason, Contractor shall, within ten (10) Business Days of the reduction, replace with the same or greater number of personnel with equal ability, experience, and qualifications, subject to Procuring Agency approval. The Procuring Agency, in its sole discretion, may approve additional time beyond the ten (10) Business Days for replacement of personnel. The Contractor shall include status reports of its efforts and progress in finding replacements and the effect of the absence of the personnel on the progress of the Project. The Contractor shall also make interim arrangements to assure that the Project progress is not affected by the loss of personnel. The Procuring Agency reserves the right to require a change in Contractor's personnel if the assigned personnel are not, in the sole opinion of the Procuring Agency, meeting the Procuring Agency's expectations.

35. **Incorporation by Reference and Precedence.**

If this Agreement has been procured pursuant to a request for proposals, this Agreement is derived from (1) the request for proposal, (including any written clarifications to the request

for proposals and any agency response to questions); (2) the Contractor's best and final offer; and (3) the Contractor's response to the request for proposals.

In the event of a dispute under this Agreement, applicable documents will be referred to for the purpose of clarification or for additional detail in the following order of precedence: (1) amendments to the Agreement in reverse chronological order; (2) the Agreement, including the scope of work and all terms and conditions thereof; (3) the request for proposals, including attachments thereto and written responses to questions and written clarifications; (4) the Contractor's best and final offer if such has been made and accepted by the SPA or Procuring Agency or entity; and (5) the Contractor's response to the request for proposals.

36. **Inspection.**

If this Agreement is for the purchase of tangible personal property (goods), final inspection and acceptance shall be made at Destination. Tangible personal property rejected at Destination for non-conformance to specifications shall be removed at Contractor's risk and expense promptly after notice of rejection and shall not be allowable as billable items for payment.

37. **Inspection of Services.**

If this Agreement is for the purchase of services, the following terms shall apply.

A. Services, as used in this Clause, include services performed, workmanship, and material furnished or utilized in the performance of services.

B. The Contractor shall provide and maintain an inspection system acceptable to the State Purchasing Agent or other party to this Agreement covering the services under this Agreement. Complete records of all inspection work performed by the Contractor shall be maintained and made available to the State Purchasing Agent or other party to this Agreement during the term of performance of this Agreement and for as long thereafter as the Agreement requires.

C. The State Purchasing Agent or other party to this Agreement has the right to inspect and test all services contemplated under this Agreement to the extent practicable at all times and places during the term of the Agreement. The State Purchasing Agent or other party to this Agreement shall perform inspections and tests in a manner that will not unduly delay or interfere with Contractor's performance.

D. If the State Purchasing Agent or other party to this Agreement performs inspections or tests on the premises of the Contractor or a subcontractor, the Contractor shall furnish, and shall require subcontractors to furnish, at no increase in Agreement price, all reasonable facilities and assistance for the safe and convenient performance of such inspections or tests.

E. If any part of the services do not conform with the requirements of this Agreement, the State Purchasing Agent or other party to this Agreement may require the Contractor to re-perform the services in conformity with the requirements of this Agreement at no increase in Agreement amount. When the defects in services cannot be corrected by re-performance, the State Purchasing Agent or other party to this Agreement may:

(1) require the Contractor to take necessary action(s) to ensure that future

performance conforms to the requirements of this Agreement; and

(2) reduce the Agreement price to reflect the reduced value of the services performed.

F. If the Contractor fails to promptly re-perform the services or to take the necessary action(s) to ensure future performance in conformity with the requirements of this Agreement, the State Purchasing Agent or other party to this Agreement may:

(1) by Agreement or otherwise, perform the services and charge to the Contractor any cost incurred by the State Purchasing Agent or other party to this Agreement that is directly related to the performance of such service; or

(2) terminate the Agreement for default.

THE PROVISIONS OF THIS CLAUSE ARE NOT EXCLUSIVE AND DO NOT WAIVE THE STATE PARTIES' TO THIS AGREEMENT OTHER LEGAL RIGHTS AND REMEDIES CAUSED BY THE CONTRACTOR'S DEFAULT/BREACH OF THIS AGREEMENT.

38. **Insurance.**

If the services contemplated under this Agreement will be performed on or in State facilities or property, Contractor shall maintain in force during the entire term of this Agreement, the following insurance coverage(s), naming the State of New Mexico, General Services Department or other party to this Agreement as additional insured.

A. Workers Compensation (including accident and disease coverage) at the statutory limit. Employers liability: \$100,000.

B. Comprehensive general liability (including endorsements providing broad form property damage, personal injury coverage and contractual assumption of liability for all liability the Contractor has assumed under this Agreement). Limits shall not be less than the following:

- a. Bodily injury: \$1,000,000 per person /\$1,000,000 per occurrence.
- b. Property damage or combined single limit coverage: \$1,000,000.
- c. Automobile liability (including non-owned automobile coverage): \$1,000,000.
- d. Umbrella: \$1,000,000.

C. Contractor shall maintain the above insurance for the term of this Agreement and name the State of New Mexico, General Services Department or other party to this Agreement as an additional insured and provide for 30 days cancellation notice on any Certificate of Insurance form furnished by Contractor. Such certificate shall also specifically state the coverage provided under the policy is primary over any other valid and collectible insurance and provide a waiver of subrogation.

ATTACHMENT E: State of Connecticut Terms & Conditions

The parties agree that the following provisions of this Participating Addendum shall apply to any action, purchase or purchase order issued by the State or any of its Participating Entities.

6.1 Definitions

The following definitions apply to this Participating Addendum:

a. **Claims**

All actions, suits, claims, demands, investigations, and proceedings of any kind, open, pending, or threatened, whether mature, un-matured, contingent, known or unknown, at law or in equity in any forum.

b. **Client Agency**

Any department, commission, board, bureau, agency, institution, public authority, office, council, association, instrumentality or political subdivision of the State of Connecticut, non-profit organization organized in this State and any entity identified in Conn. Gen. Stat. Sec. 4a-53, as applicable, who is authorized and chooses to make purchases under, and pursuant to the terms of this Contract.

c. **Confidential Information**

Any name, number or other information that may be used, alone or in conjunction with any other information, to identify a specific individual including, but not limited to, such individual's name, date of birth, mother's maiden name, motor vehicle operator's license number and residential address, Social Security number, employee identification number, employer or taxpayer identification number, alien registration number, government passport number, health insurance identification number, demand deposit account number, savings account number, credit card number, debit card number or unique biometric data such as fingerprint, voice print, retina or iris image, or other unique physical representation. Without limiting the foregoing, Confidential Information shall also include any information that DAS classifies as "confidential" or "restricted." Confidential Information shall not include information that may be lawfully obtained from publicly available sources or from federal, state, or local government records which are lawfully made available to the general public.

d. **Confidential Information Breach**

Generally, an instance where an unauthorized person or entity accesses Confidential Information in any manner, including but not limited to the following occurrences: (1) any Confidential Information that is not encrypted or protected is misplaced, lost, stolen or in any way compromised; (2) one or more third parties have had access to or taken control or possession of any Confidential Information that is not encrypted or protected without prior written authorization from the State; (3) the unauthorized acquisition of encrypted or protected Confidential Information together with the confidential process or key that is capable of compromising the integrity of the Confidential Information; or (4) if there is a substantial risk of identity theft or fraud to the Client Agency, the Contractor, or State.

e. **Contract**

Master Agreement and this Participating Addendum.

f. **Contractor**

The person or entity who executes the Contract.

g. **Contractor Parties**

Contractor's members, principals, directors, officers, shareholders, partners, managers, representatives, agents, servants, consultants, employees or any one of them or any other person or entity with whom the Contractor is in privity or with whom Contractor contracts to Perform under this Contract in any capacity.

h. **Deliverable**

Each and Good and Service.

i. **Goods**

All things which are movable, including, but not limited to, supplies, materials, equipment, hardware, software, specially manufactured things, a component incorporated into another thing and things that are attached to real property and that may be severed from the real property without material harm to the things.

j. **Perform**

All acts and things of the Contractor and Contractor Parties, severally and collectively, that are necessary or appropriate to fulfill or accomplish this Contract fully, including the Deliverables and all other Contract obligations. The work "Perform" includes all parts of speech.

k. **Records**

All working papers and such other information and materials furnished or prepared by the Contractor in Performing including but not limited to, documents, data, plans, books, computations, drawings, specifications, notes, reports, records, estimates, summaries, memoranda and correspondence, kept or stored in any form.

l. **Services**

The labor or work, necessary or appropriate for the Contractor to Perform.

m. **Statement of Work ("SOW")**

Statement issued in connection with a Purchase Order for a Deliverable available under this Contract which sets forth all work and payment requirements for Contractor's Performance in connection with said Purchase Order.

n. **Term**

The original term of this Contract plus any extensions exercised under this Contract.

o. **Termination**

An end to this Contract prior to the end of its Term.

p. **Title**

All ownership, title, licenses, rights and interest, including, but not limited to, perpetual use, of and to the Deliverable.

6.2 **Whistleblower Provision**

This Contract may be subject to the provisions of Section 4-61dd of the Connecticut General Statutes. In accordance with this statute, if an officer, employee or appointing authority of the Contractor takes or threatens to take any personnel action against any employee of the Contractor

in retaliation for such employee's disclosure of information to any employee of the contracting state or quasi-public agency or the Auditors of Public Accounts or the Attorney General under the provisions of such statute, Contractor shall be liable for a civil penalty of not more than five thousand dollars for each offense, up to a maximum of twenty percent of the value of this Contract. Each violation shall be a separate and distinct offense and in the case of a continuing violation, each calendar day's continuance of the violation shall be deemed to be a separate and distinct offense. The State may request that the Attorney General bring a civil action in the Superior Court for the Judicial District of Hartford to seek imposition and recovery of such civil penalty. In accordance with such statute, each large state contractor, as defined in the statute, shall post a notice of the provisions of the statute relating to large state contractors in a conspicuous place which is readily available for viewing by the employees of the Contractor.

6.3 Forum and Choice of Law

The parties deem this Contract to have been made in the City of Hartford, State of Connecticut. Both parties agree that it is fair and reasonable for the validity and construction of this Contract to be, and it shall be, governed by the laws and court decisions of the State of Connecticut, without giving effect to its principles of conflicts of laws. To the extent that any immunities provided by Federal law or the laws of the State of Connecticut do not bar an action against the State, and to the extent that these courts are courts of competent jurisdiction, for the purpose of venue, the complaint shall be made returnable to the Judicial District of Hartford only or shall be brought in the United States District Court for the District of Connecticut only, and shall not be transferred to any other court, provided, however, that nothing here constitutes a waiver or compromise of the sovereign immunity of the State of Connecticut. The Contractor waives any objection which it may now have or will have to the laying of venue of any Claims in any forum and further irrevocably submits to such jurisdiction in any suit, action or proceeding.

6.4 Sovereign Immunity

The parties acknowledge and agree that nothing in this Contract shall be construed as a modification, compromise or waiver by the State of any rights or defenses of any immunities provided by federal law or the laws of the State of Connecticut to the State or any of its officers and employees, which they may have had, now have or will have with respect to all matters arising out of this Contract. To the extent that this Section conflicts with any other Section, this Section shall govern.

6.5 Summary of State Ethics Laws

Pursuant to the requirements of section 1-101qq of the Connecticut General Statutes (a) the State has provided to the Contractor the summary of State ethics laws developed by the State Ethics Commission pursuant to section 1-81b of the Connecticut General Statutes, which summary is incorporated by reference into and made a part of this Contract as if the summary had been fully set forth in this Contract; (b) the Contractor represents that the chief executive officer or authorized signatory of the Contract and all key employees of such officer or signatory have read and understood the summary and agree to comply with the provisions of state ethics law; (c) prior to entering into a contract with any subcontractors or consultants, the Contractor shall provide the summary to all subcontractors and consultants and each such contract entered into with a subcontractor or consultant on or after July 1, 2021, shall include a representation that each subcontractor or consultant and the key employees of such subcontractor or consultant have read and understood the summary and agree to comply with the provisions of state ethics law; (d) failure to include such representations in such contracts with subcontractors or consultants shall be cause for Termination of the Contract; and (e) each contract with such contractor, subcontractor or consultant shall incorporate such summary by reference as a part of the contract terms.

6.6 Campaign Contribution Restriction

For all State contracts, defined in section 9-612 of the Connecticut General Statutes as having a value in a calendar year of \$50,000 or more, or a combination or series of such agreements or contracts having a value of \$100,000 or more, the authorized signatory to this Contract represents that they have received the State Elections Enforcement Commission's notice advising state contractors of state campaign contribution and solicitation prohibitions, and will inform its principals of the contents of the notice.

6.7 Executive Orders and Other Enactments

- a. All references in this Contract to any Federal, State, or local law, statute, public or special act, executive order, ordinance, regulation or code (collectively, "Enactments") shall mean Enactments that apply to the Contract at any time during its term, or that may be made applicable to the Contract during its term. This Contract shall always be read and interpreted in accordance with the latest applicable wording and requirements of the Enactments. At the Contractor's request, the Client Agency shall provide a copy of these Enactments to the Contractor. Unless otherwise provided by Enactments, the Contractor is not relieved of its obligation to perform under this Contract if it chooses to contest the applicability of the Enactments or the Client Agency's authority to require compliance with the Enactments.
- b. This Contract is subject to the provisions of Executive Order No. Three of Governor Thomas J. Meskill, promulgated June 16, 1971, concerning labor employment practices, Executive Order No. Seventeen of Governor Thomas J. Meskill, promulgated February 15, 1973, concerning the listing of employment openings and Executive Order No. Sixteen of Governor John G. Rowland promulgated August 4, 1999, concerning violence in the workplace, all of which are incorporated into and are made a part of this Contract as if they had been fully set forth in it.
- c. This Contract may be subject to (1) Executive Order No. 14 of Governor M. Jodi Rell, promulgated April 17, 2006, concerning procurement of cleaning products and services; (2) Executive Order No. 61 of Governor Dannel P. Malloy promulgated December 13, 2017 concerning the Policy for the Management of State Information Technology Projects, as issued by the Office of Policy and Management, Policy ID IT-SDLC-17-04; and (3) Executive Order Nos. 13F and 13G of Governor Ned Lamont, promulgated September 3, 2021 and September 10, 2021, respectively, concerning protection of public health and safety during COVID-19 pandemic, as extended by Executive Order No. 14A of Governor Ned Lamont, promulgated September 30, 2021. If any of the Executive Orders referenced in this subsection is applicable, it is deemed to be incorporated into and made a part of this Contract as if fully set forth in it.

6.8 Nondiscrimination

- a. For purposes of this Section, the following terms are defined as follows:
 1. "Commission" means the Commission on Human Rights and Opportunities;
 2. "Contract" and "contract" include any extension or modification of this Contract;
 3. "Contractor" and "contractor" include any successors or assigns of the Contractor or contractor;"
 4. "Gender identity or expression" means a person's gender-related identity, appearance or behavior, whether or not that gender related identity, appearance or

behavior is different from that traditionally associated with the person's physiology or assigned sex at birth, which gender-related identity can be shown by providing evidence including, but not limited to, medical history, care or treatment of the gender-related identity, consistent and uniform assertion of the gender related identity or any other evidence that the gender-related identity is sincerely held, part of a person's core identity or not being asserted for an improper purpose;

5. "good faith" means that degree of diligence which a reasonable person would exercise in the performance of legal duties and obligations;
 6. "good faith efforts" shall include, but not be limited to, those reasonable initial efforts necessary to comply with statutory or regulatory requirements and additional or substituted efforts when it is determined that such initial efforts will not be sufficient to comply with such requirements;
 7. "marital status" means being single, married as recognized by the state of Connecticut, widowed, separated or divorced;
 8. "mental disability" means one or more mental disorders, as defined in the most recent edition of the American Psychiatric Association's "Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders", or a record of or regarding a person as having one or more such disorders;
 9. "minority business enterprise" means any small contractor or supplier of materials fifty-one percent or more of the capital stock, if any, or assets of which is owned by a person or persons: (1) who are active in the daily affairs of the enterprise, (2) who have the power to direct the management and policies of the enterprise, and (3) who are members of a minority, as such term is defined in subsection (a) of Connecticut General Statutes § 32-9n; and
 10. "public works contract" means any agreement between any individual, firm or corporation and the State or any political subdivision of the State other than a municipality for construction, rehabilitation, conversion, extension, demolition or repair of a public building, highway or other changes or improvements in real property, or which is financed in whole or in part by the State, including, but not limited to, matching expenditures, grants, loans, insurance or guarantees.
- b. For purposes of this Section, the terms "Contract" and "contract" do not include a contract where each contractor is (1) a political subdivision of the State, including, but not limited to, a municipality, unless the contract is a municipal public works contract or quasi-public agency project contract, (2) any other state, including but not limited to any federally recognized Indian tribal governments, as defined in C.G.S. § 1-267, (3) the federal government, (4) a foreign government, or (5) an agency of a subdivision, state or government described in the immediately preceding enumerated items (1), (2), (3), or (4).
1. The Contractor agrees and warrants that in the Performance of this Contract such Contractor will not discriminate or permit discrimination against any person or group of persons on the grounds of race, color, religious creed, age, marital status, national origin, ancestry, sex, gender identity or expression, status of a veteran, intellectual disability, mental disability or physical disability, including, but not limited to, blindness, unless it is shown by such Contractor that such disability prevents performance of the work involved, in any manner prohibited by the laws of

the United States or of the State of Connecticut; and the Contractor further agrees to take affirmative action to ensure that applicants with job-related qualifications are employed and that employees are treated when employed without regard to their race, color, religious creed, age, marital status, national origin, ancestry, sex, gender identity or expression, status of a veteran, intellectual disability, mental disability or physical disability, including, but not limited to, blindness, unless it is shown by the Contractor that such disability prevents performance of the work involved;

2. the Contractor agrees, in all solicitations or advertisements for employees placed by or on behalf of the Contractor, to state that it is an "affirmative action equal opportunity employer" in accordance with regulations adopted by the Commission;
 3. the Contractor agrees to provide each labor union or representative of workers with which the Contractor has a collective bargaining Agreement or other contract or understanding and each vendor with which the Contractor has a contract or understanding, a notice to be provided by the Commission, advising the labor union or workers' representative of the Contractor's commitments under this Section and to post copies of the notice in conspicuous places available to employees and applicants for employment;
 4. the Contractor agrees to comply with each provision of this Section and Connecticut General Statutes §§ 46a-68e and 46a- 68f and with each regulation or relevant order issued by said Commission pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes §§ 46a-56, 46a-68e and 46a-68f; and
 5. the Contractor agrees to provide the Commission on Human Rights and Opportunities with such information requested by the Commission, and permit access to pertinent books, records and accounts, concerning the employment practices and procedures of the Contractor as relate to the provisions of this Section and Connecticut General Statutes § 46a-56. If the contract is a public works contract, the Contractor agrees and warrants that he will make good faith efforts to employ minority business enterprises as subcontractors and suppliers of materials on such public works projects.
- c. Determination of the Contractor's good faith efforts shall include, but shall not be limited to, the following factors: The Contractor's employment and subcontracting policies, patterns and practices; affirmative advertising, recruitment and training; technical assistance activities and such other reasonable activities or efforts as the Commission may prescribe that are designed to ensure the participation of minority business enterprises in public works projects.
 - d. The Contractor shall develop and maintain adequate documentation, in a manner prescribed by the Commission, of its good faith efforts.
 - e. The Contractor shall include the provisions of subsection (b) of this Section in every subcontract or purchase order entered into in order to fulfill any obligation of a contract with the State and such provisions shall be binding on a subcontractor, vendor or manufacturer unless exempted by regulations or orders of the Commission. The Contractor shall take such action with respect to any such subcontract or purchase order as the Commission may direct as a means of enforcing such provisions including sanctions for noncompliance in accordance with Connecticut General Statutes §46a-56;

provided if such Contractor becomes involved in, or is threatened with, litigation with a subcontractor or vendor as a result of such direction by the Commission, the Contractor may request the State of Connecticut to enter into any such litigation or negotiation prior thereto to protect the interests of the State and the State may so enter.

- f. The Contractor agrees to comply with the regulations referred to in this Section as they exist on the date of this Contract and as they may be adopted or amended from time to time during the Term of this Contract and any amendments thereto.
- g.
 - 1. The Contractor agrees and warrants that in the Performance of this Contract such Contractor will not discriminate or permit discrimination against any person or group of persons on the grounds of sexual orientation, in any manner prohibited by the laws of the United States or the State of Connecticut, and that employees are treated when employed without regard to their sexual orientation;
 - 2. the Contractor agrees to provide each labor union or representative of workers with which such Contractor has a collective bargaining Contract or other contract or understanding and each vendor with which such Contractor has a contract or understanding, a notice to be provided by the Commission on Human Rights and Opportunities advising the labor union or workers' representative of the Contractor's commitments under this Section, and to post copies of the notice in conspicuous places available to employees and applicants for employment;
 - 3. the Contractor agrees to comply with each provision of this Section and with each regulation or relevant order issued by said Commission pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes §46a-56; and
 - 4. the Contractor agrees to provide the Commission on Human Rights and Opportunities with such information requested by the Commission, and permit access to pertinent books, records and accounts, concerning the employment practices and procedures of the Contractor which relate to the provisions of this Section and Connecticut General Statutes §46a-56.
- h. The Contractor shall include the provisions of the foregoing paragraph in every subcontract or purchase order entered into in order to fulfill any obligation of a contract with the State and such provisions shall be binding on a subcontractor, vendor or manufacturer unless exempted by regulations or orders of the Commission. The Contractor shall take such action with respect to any such subcontract or purchase order as the Commission may direct as a means of enforcing such provisions including sanctions for noncompliance in accordance with Connecticut General Statutes § 46a-56; provided, if such Contractor becomes involved in, or is threatened with, litigation with a subcontractor or vendor as a result of such direction by the Commission, the Contractor may request the State of Connecticut to enter into any such litigation or negotiation prior thereto to protect the interests of the State and the State may so enter.
- i. Pursuant to subsection (c) of section 4a-60 and subsection (b) of section 4a-60a of the Connecticut General Statutes, the Contractor, for itself and its authorized signatory of this Contract, affirms that it understands the obligations of this section and that it will maintain a policy for the duration of the Contract to assure that the Contract will be performed in compliance with the nondiscrimination requirements

of such sections. The Contractor and its authorized signatory of this Contract demonstrate their understanding of this obligation by either (A) having provided an affirmative response in the required online bid or response to a proposal question which asks if the contractor understands its obligations under such sections, or (B) initialing this nondiscrimination affirmation in the following box: c

6.9 Indemnification

- a. Contractor shall indemnify, defend and hold harmless the State and its officers, representatives, agents, servants, employees, successors and assigns from and against any and all (1) Claims arising, directly or indirectly, in connection with this Contract for the acts of commission or omission (collectively, the "Acts") of the Contractor or Contractor Parties; and (2) liabilities, damages, losses, costs and expenses, including but not limited to, attorneys' and other professionals' fees, arising, directly or indirectly, in connection with Claims, Acts or this Contract. Contractor shall use counsel reasonably acceptable to the State in carrying out its obligations under this Section. Contractor's obligations under this Section to indemnify, defend and hold harmless against Claims includes Claims concerning confidentiality of any part of or all of the Contractor's bid, proposal or any Records, any intellectual property rights, other proprietary rights of any person or entity, copyrighted or non-copyrighted compositions, secret processes, patented or unpatented inventions, articles or appliances furnished or used in the Performance.
- b. Contractor shall not be responsible for indemnifying, defending or holding the State harmless from any liability arising due to the negligence of the State or any third party acting under the direct control or supervision of the State.
- c. Contractor shall reimburse the State for any and all damages to the real or personal property of the State caused by the Acts of Contractor or any Contractor Parties. The State shall give Contractor reasonable notice of any such Claims.
- d. Contractor's duties under this Section shall remain fully in effect and binding in accordance with the terms of this Contract, without being lessened or compromised in any way, even where the Contractor is alleged or is found to have merely contributed in part to the Acts giving rise to the Claims or where the State is alleged or is found to have contributed to the Acts giving rise to the Claims or both.
- e. Contractor shall carry and maintain at all times during the Term of this Contract, and during the time that any provisions survive the Term of this Contract, sufficient commercial general liability insurance to satisfy its obligations under this Contract. Contractor shall name the State as an additional insured on the policy and shall provide a copy of the policy to DAS prior to the Effective Date of this Contract. Contractor shall not begin Performance until the delivery of the policy to DAS. The State shall be entitled to recover under the insurance policy even if a body of competent jurisdiction determines that the Client Agency or the State was contributorily negligent.
- f. This Section shall survive the Termination of this Contract and shall not be limited by reason of any insurance coverage.

6.10 Tangible Personal Property

- a. Contractor on its behalf and on behalf of its Affiliates, as defined below, shall comply with the provisions of Conn. Gen. Stat. §12-411b, as follows:
 1. For the Term, Contractor and its Affiliates shall collect and remit to the State of Connecticut, Department of Revenue Services, any Connecticut use tax due under the provisions of Chapter 219 of the Connecticut General Statutes for items of tangible personal property sold by the Contractor or by any of its Affiliates in the same manner as if the Contractor and such Affiliates were engaged in the business of selling tangible personal property for use in Connecticut and had sufficient nexus with the State under the provisions of Chapter 219 to be required to collect Connecticut use tax;
 2. A customer's payment of a use tax to the Contractor or its Affiliates relieves the customer of liability for the use tax;
 3. Contractor and its Affiliates shall remit all use taxes they collect from customers on or before the due date specified in this Contract if any, which may not be later than the last day of the month next succeeding the end of a calendar quarter or other tax collection period during which the tax was collected;
 4. Contractor and its Affiliates are not liable for use tax billed by them but not paid to them by a customer; and
 5. Any Contractor or Affiliate who fails to remit use taxes collected on behalf of its customers by the due date specified in this Contract shall be subject to the interest and penalties provided for persons required to collect sales tax under Chapter 219 of the general statutes.
- b. For purposes of this Section of this Contract, the word "Affiliate" means any person, as defined in Section 12-1 of the general statutes, that controls is controlled by, or is under common control with another person. A person controls another person if the person owns, directly or indirectly, more than ten per cent of the voting securities of the other person. The term "voting security" means a security that confers upon the holder the right to vote for the election of members of the board of directors or similar governing body of the business, or that is convertible into, or entitles the holder to receive, upon its exercise, a security that confers such a right to vote. "Voting security" includes a general partnership interest.
- c. Contractor represents and warrants that each of its Affiliates has vested in the Contractor plenary authority to so bind the Affiliates in any agreement with the State of Connecticut. Contractor on its own behalf and on behalf of its Affiliates shall also provide, no later than 30 days after receiving a request by the State's contracting authority, such information as the State may require to ensure, in the State's sole determination, compliance with the provisions of Chapter 219 of the Connecticut General Statutes, including, but not limited to, §12-411b.

6.11 Audit and Inspection of Plants, Places of Business and Records

- a. The State and its agents, including, but not limited to, the Connecticut Auditors of Public Accounts, Attorney General and State's Attorney and their respective agents, may, at

reasonable hours, inspect and examine all of the parts of the Contractor's and Contractor Parties' plants and places of business which, in any way, are related to, or involved in, the Performance of this Contract.

- b. Contractor shall maintain, and shall require each Contractor Party to maintain, accurate and complete Records. Contractor shall make all of its and the Contractor Parties' Records available at all reasonable hours for audit and inspection by the State and its agents.
- c. The State shall make all requests for any audit or inspection in writing and shall provide the Contractor with at least twenty- four (24) hours' notice prior to the requested audit and inspection date. If the State suspects fraud or other abuse, or in the event of an emergency, the State is not obligated to provide any prior notice.
- d. Contractor will pay for all costs and expenses of any audit or inspection which reveals information that, in the sole determination of the State, is sufficient to constitute a Breach by the Contractor under this Contract. The Contractor will remit full payment to the State for such audit or inspection no later than 30 days after receiving an invoice from the State. If the State does not receive payment within such time, the State may setoff the amount from any moneys which the State would otherwise be obligated to pay the Contractor in accordance with this Contract.
- e. Contractor shall keep and preserve or cause to be kept and preserved all of its and Contractor Parties' Records until three (3) years after the latter of (1) final payment under this Contract, or (2) the expiration or earlier termination of this Contract, as the same may be modified for any reason. The State may request an audit or inspection at any time during this period. If any Claim or audit is started before the expiration of this period, the Contractor shall retain or cause to be retained all Records until all Claims or audit findings have been resolved.
- f. Contractor shall cooperate fully with the State and its agents in connection with an audit or inspection. Following any audit or inspection, the State may conduct and the Contractor shall cooperate with an exit conference.
- g. Contractor shall incorporate this entire Section verbatim into any contract or other agreement that it enters into with any Contractor Party.

6.12 Protection of Confidential Information

- a. Contractor and Contractor Parties have a duty to and shall, at their own expense, protect from a Confidential Information Breach any and all Confidential Information which they come to possess or control, wherever and however stored or maintained, in a commercially reasonable manner in accordance with the highest current industry standards and best practices, as they may be amended from time to time.
- b. Contractor and all Contractor Parties shall develop, implement and maintain a comprehensive written information security policy for the protection of Confidential Information that meets or exceeds current industry standards and best practices as they may be amended from time to time. The safeguards contained in the written information security policy must meet or exceed the standards for the protection of Confidential Information, and information of a similar character, as set forth in all applicable federal and State law and in written policy of the Client Agency or DAS concerning the

confidentiality of Confidential Information. Such data-security program shall include, but not be limited to, the following:

1. A security policy for employees related to the storage, access and transportation of data containing Confidential Information;
 2. Reasonable restrictions on access to records containing Confidential Information, including access to any locked storage where such records are kept and an auditable electronic system of logging and tracking the viewing, accessing or both of Confidential Information;
 3. A process for reviewing policies and security measures at least annually;
 4. Creating secure access controls to Confidential Information, including but not limited to passwords; and
 5. Encrypting of Confidential Information that is stored on laptops, portable devices and storage media or that is being transmitted electronically.
- c. Contractor and Contractor Parties shall notify DAS, the Client Agency and the Connecticut Office of the Attorney General as soon as practical, but no later than the next Business Day, after they become aware of or suspect that any Confidential Information which Contractor or Contractor Parties have come to possess or control has been subject to a Confidential Information Breach. If a Confidential Information Breach has occurred which, in the sole opinion of the Client Agency after consultation with the Attorney General, constitutes a breach of security as defined in Connecticut General Statutes, § 36a- 701b, or otherwise (Breach), the Contractor shall, within three (3) Business Days after the notification, present a credit monitoring and protection plan to the Commissioner of DAS, the Client Agency, and the Connecticut Office of the Attorney General, for review and approval. Such credit monitoring and protection plan shall be made available by the Contractor at its own cost and expense to all individuals affected by the Confidential Information Breach. Such credit monitoring or protection plan shall include, but is not limited to reimbursement for the cost of placing and lifting one (1) security freeze per credit file pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes § 36a-701a. Such credit monitoring or protection plans shall be approved by the State in accordance with this Section and shall cover a length of time commensurate with the circumstances of the Breach. Neither Contractor's nor any Contractor Party's costs and expenses for the credit monitoring and protection plan shall be recoverable from DAS, the Client Agency, or any State of Connecticut entity or any affected individuals and shall be outside of any liability cap or limitation contained in this Contract.
- d. Contractor shall incorporate the requirements of this Section in all subcontracts requiring each Contractor Party to safeguard Confidential Information in the same manner as provided for in this Section.
- e. Nothing in this Section shall supersede in any manner Contractor's or Contractor Party's obligations pursuant to the provisions of this Contract concerning the obligations of the Contractor to the Client Agency or DAS.

6.13 Audit Requirements for Recipients of State Financial Assistance

For purposes of this paragraph, the word "contractor" shall be deemed to mean "nonstate entity," as that term is defined in Section 4-230 of the Connecticut General Statutes. The Contractor shall provide for an annual financial audit acceptable to the Client Agency for any expenditure of state awarded funds made by the Contractor. Such audit shall include management letters and audit recommendations. The State Auditors of Public Accounts shall have access to all records and accounts for the fiscal year(s) in which the award was made. The Contractor will comply with federal and state single audit standards as applicable.

6.14 Lead State Terms that shall not apply to Connecticut.

The parties hereby agree that any provision in the Standard Terms and Conditions of the NASPO ValuePoint, the State of New Mexico's negotiated terms and conditions or the Master Agreement between NASPO ValuePoint and «Contractor Name» and any of its Exhibits, shall not apply to Connecticut or any of the participating entities from Connecticut if the provision violates sovereign immunity or conflicts with this Participating Addendum. Further the parties agree that in any instance where a provision requires the State to indemnify the Contractor or that the parties are bound by binding arbitration that constitutes a violation of sovereign immunity, and therefore is not applicable.

6.15 Reserved

6.16 DAS Approval of Subcontractors

In accordance with Conn. Gen. Stat. § 4d-32, (a) Contractor shall not award a subcontract for work under this Contract without having first obtained the written approval of the Commissioner of Administrative Services or a designee, of (1) the selection of the subcontractor, and (2) the disclosure of the provisions of the subcontract and (b) Chief Information Officer of the Department of Administrative Services or their designee of the selection of the subcontractor and of the provisions of the subcontract. Contractor shall deliver a copy Contractor shall file a copy of each executed subcontract or amendment to the subcontract with the Commissioner of Administrative Services, of each executed subcontract or amendment to the subcontract to the Chief Information Officer, who shall maintain the subcontract or amendment as a public record, as defined in Conn. Gen. Stat. § 1-200.

6.17 Ownership Rights and Integrity of Public Records

In accordance with Conn. Gen. Stat. § 4d-34, (a) neither Contractor nor Contractor Parties shall have any Title in or to (1) any public records which the Contractor or Contractor Parties possess, modify or create pursuant to a contract, subcontract or amendment to a contract or subcontract, or (2) any modifications by such contractor, subcontractor, employee or agent to such public records; (b) neither Contractor nor Contractor Parties shall impair the integrity of any public records which they possess or create; and (c) public records which Contractor or Contractor Parties possess, modify or create pursuant to this Contract or other contract, subcontract or amendment to a contract or subcontract shall at all times and for all purposes remain the property of the State. For purposes of this Section,

“public records” shall have the meaning set forth in Conn. Gen. Stat. § 4-33, as it may be modified from time to time.

6.18 Application of FOIA to Public Records Provided to Contractor

In accordance with Conn. Gen. Stat. § 4d-35, any public record which a state agency provides to Contractor or Contractor Parties shall remain a public record for the purposes of subsection (a) of Conn. Gen. Stat. § 1-210 and as to such public records, the State, Contractor and Contractor Parties shall have a joint and several obligation to comply with the obligations of the state agency under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), as defined in Conn. Gen. Stat. § 1-200, provided that the determination of whether or not to disclose a particular record or type of record shall be made by such state agency.

6.19 Nondisclosure of Public Records

In accordance with Conn. Gen. Stat. § 4d-36, neither Contractor nor Contractor Parties shall disclose to the public any public records (a) which they possess, modify or create pursuant to this Contract or any contract, subcontract or amendment to a contract or subcontract and (b) that a state agency (1) is prohibited from disclosing pursuant to state or federal law in all cases, (2) may disclose pursuant to state or federal law only to certain entities or individuals or under certain conditions or (3) may withhold from disclosure pursuant to state or federal law. This provision shall not be construed to prohibit the Contractor from disclosing such public records to any Contractor Parties to carry out the purposes of its subcontract. For purposes of this section, “public records” shall have the meaning set forth in Conn. Gen. Stat. § 1-200, as it may be modified from time to time.

6.20 Profiting from Public Records

In accordance with Conn. Gen. Stat. § 4d-37, neither Contractor nor Contractor Parties shall sell, market or otherwise profit from the disclosure or use of any public records which are in their possession pursuant to this Contract or any contract, subcontract or amendment to a contract or subcontract, except as authorized in this Contract. For purposes of this Section, “public records” shall have the meaning set forth in Conn. Gen. Stat. § 1-200, as it may be modified from time to time.

6.21 Contractor’s Obligation to Notify DAS Concerning Public Records

In accordance with Conn. Gen. Stat. § 4d-38, if the Contractor or Contractor Parties learn of any violation of the provisions of Conn. Gen. Stat. §§ 4d-36 or 4d-37 they shall, no later than seven calendar days after learning of such violation, notify the Chief Information Officer of such violation.

6.22 General Assembly Access to Records

In accordance with Conn. Gen. Stat. § 4d-40, the Joint Committee on Legislative Management and each nonpartisan office of the General Assembly shall continue to have access to DAS records that is not less than the access that said committee and such offices have on July 1, 1997.

6.23 Continuity of Systems

- a. This Section is intended to comply with Conn. Gen. Stat. §4d-44. Nothing in this Section shall be construed to prevent Contractor from being paid for its Performance that is provided in accordance with this Contract.
- b. Contractor acknowledges that the Deliverables, the Systems and associated Services are important to the function of State government and that they must continue without interruption. Pursuant to Conn. Gen. Stat. §4d-44, if the work under this Contract, any subcontract, or amendment to either, is transferred back to the State or to another contractor at any time for any reason, then Contractor shall cooperate fully with the State, and do and Perform all acts and things that DAS deems to be necessary or appropriate, to ensure continuity of the Client Agency information system and telecommunication system facilities, equipment and Services so that there is no disruption or interruption in Performance as required or permitted in this Contract. Contractor shall not enter into any subcontract for any part of the Performance under this Contract without approval of such subcontract by DAS, as required by Conn. Gen. Stat. §4d-32 and without such subcontract including a provision that obligates the subcontractor to comply fully with Conn. Gen. Stat. §4d-44 as if the subcontractor were in fact the Contractor. Contractor shall make a full and complete disclosure of and delivery to DAS or its representatives of all Records and “Public Records,” as that term is defined in Conn. Gen. Stat. §4d-33 in whatever form they exist or are stored and maintained and wherever located, directly or indirectly concerning this Contract.
- c. The parties shall follow the below applicable and respective procedures in order to ensure the orderly transfer to the State:
 1. Facilities and Equipment:

Unless a shorter period is necessary or appropriate to ensure compliance with Conn. Gen. Stat. §4d-44 , in which case that shorter period shall apply, Contractor shall deliver to the State, F.O.B. Hartford, Connecticut or other State location which the State identifies, all Deliverables, Systems, facilities and equipment related to or arising out of this Contract, subcontract or amendment, (other than any of the Deliverables, Systems, facilities or equipment in which Contractor has title under this Contract) no later than ten (10) days from the date that the work under this Contract is transferred back to the Client Agency or to another contractor for any reason. Contractor shall deliver the Deliverables, Systems, facilities or equipment to the State, during the State’s business hours, in good working order and in appropriately protective packaging to ensure delivery without damage. Concurrent with this delivery, Contractor shall also deliver all related operation manuals and other Documentation in whatever form they exist and a list of all related passwords and security codes;
 2. Software Deliverables created or modified pursuant to this Contract, subcontract or amendment: Unless a shorter period is necessary or appropriate to ensure compliance with Conn. Gen. Stat. §4d-44, in which case that shorter period shall apply, Contractor shall deliver to the State, F.O.B. Hartford, Connecticut or other location which the Client Agency identifies, all Deliverables, Materials and Systems, no later than 10 days from the date that the work under the SOW or this Contract is transferred back to the State or to another contractor for any reason. Contractor shall deliver such Deliverables, Materials and Systems to the Client Agency, during the

Client Agency's Business Hours, in good working order, and if the Client Agency's equipment shall be delivered, in appropriately protective packaging to ensure delivery without damage. Concurrent with this delivery, Contractor shall also deliver all Deliverable-related operation manuals and other Documentation in whatever form they exist, if delivery of such manuals and documentation is required by this Contract or the SOW for such Deliverable, and a list of all Deliverable passwords and security codes; and

3. Public Records, as defined in Conn. Gen. Stat. §4d-33, which Contractor or Contractor Parties possess or create pursuant to this Contract, subcontract or amendment: Unless a shorter period is necessary or appropriate to ensure compliance with Conn. Gen. Stat. §4d-44, in which case that shorter period shall apply, Contractor shall deliver to the Client Agency, F.O.B. Hartford, Connecticut or other State location which Client Agency identifies, all Public Records created or modified pursuant to this Contract, any SOW, subcontract or amendment and requested in writing by the Client Agency (provided that Contractor may redact confidential information of Contractor, its personnel or third parties to the extent permitted by applicable law) no later than the latter of (1) the time specified in the section in this Contract concerning Termination for the return of Public Records and (2) ten (10) days from the date that the work under the Contract or SOW is transferred back to the Client Agency or to another contractor for any reason. Contractor shall deliver to the Client Agency during the Client Agency's Business Hours those Public Records in electronic, magnetic or other intangible form in a non-proprietary format, such as, but not limited to, ASCII or TXT. Contractor shall deliver to the Client Agency, during the Client Agency's business hours, those Public Records and a list of all applicable passwords and security codes, all in appropriately protective packaging to ensure delivery without damage.
- d. If Contractor employs former State employees, Contractor shall facilitate the exercising of any reemployment rights that such State employees may have with the State, including, but not limited to, affording them all reasonable opportunities during the workday to interview for State jobs. Contractor shall include language similar to this Section in all of its contracts with its subcontractors and applicable Contractor Parties so that they are similarly obligated.

6.24 Data: Access and Ownership

- a. Access to Contract and State Data.

The Contractor shall provide to the Client Agency access to any data, as defined in Conn. Gen Stat. Sec. 4e-1, concerning the Contract and the Client Agency that are in the possession or control of the Contractor upon demand and shall provide the data to the Client Agency in a format prescribed by the Client Agency and the State Auditors of Public Accounts at no additional cost.

- b. Ownership of Data

1. All ownership, title, licenses, proprietary rights and interest (including, but not limited to, perpetual use) (for purposes of this Ownership of Data Section, collectively, "Title") of and to any and all data as defined in section 4e-1 of the Connecticut General Statutes,

("Data") that is uploaded, collected, stored, held, hosted, located or utilized by the Client Agency or Contractor and Contractor Parties directly or indirectly in connection with this Contract at all times is and will always remain vested in the State. At no time will Contractor have Title to such Data, wherever located.

2. At no cost to the State the Contractor and Contractor Parties shall, no later than fifteen (15) days after (i) receiving a written request from the Client Agency or (ii) Termination for any reason, deliver and transfer possession to the Client Agency all of the Data, in a format acceptable to the State.
3. At no cost to the State, the Contractor and Contractor Parties shall, no later than fifteen (15) days, unless otherwise mutually agreed to in writing by the Parties, after (i) receiving a written request from the Client Agency, (ii) receiving final payment from the Client Agency, or (iii) Termination for any reason, over-write and securely delete all of the Data, such that the Data will be expunged in a manner to make retrieval of the Data impossible.
4. The Contractor's failure to deliver and transfer possession of the Data to a duly authorized agent of the Client Agency shall constitute, without more, a de facto breach of this Contract. Consequently, the Contractor shall indemnify and hold harmless the Client Agency and the State, as appropriate, for any and all damages, costs and expenses associated directly or indirectly with such failure. The damages, costs and expenses shall include, but not be limited to, those resulting from any corresponding contracting for credit or identity protection services, or both, and from any subsequent non-State use of any Data. If Contractor Parties will Perform for any purpose under this paragraph, the Contractor represents and warrants that it shall cause each of the Contractor Parties to so Perform and that each has vested in the Contractor plenary authority to cause the Contractor Parties to Perform. For purposes of this Ownership of Data Section, "Perform" shall include, but not be limited to, the obligations relating to the sale, transfer of Title, removal and transfer of possession of the Data and indemnifying and holding harmless the Client Agency and the State. The Contractor on its own behalf and on behalf of the Contractor Parties shall also provide, no later than 30 days after receiving a request by the Client Agency, such information as the Client Agency may identify to ensure, in the Client Agency's sole discretion, compliance with the provisions of this Ownership of Data Section. This Ownership of Data Section survives Termination.

6.25 P-Card (Purchasing Credit Card)

Purchases may be made using the State of Connecticut Purchasing Card Program ("P-Card Program or P-Card") in accordance with sections 4-98(c) and 42-133ff(a) of the Connecticut General Statutes.

Contractor shall be equipped to receive orders issued by the Participating Entity using the P-Card Program. The Contractor shall be responsible for the credit card user-handling fee associated with P-Card Program purchases. The Contractor shall charge to the P-Card only upon acceptance of Goods delivered to the Participating Entity or rendering of Services.

The Contractor shall capture and provide to its merchant bank, Level 3 reporting at the line item level for all orders placed by MasterCard.

Questions regarding the state of Connecticut P-Card Program may be directed to the Procurement Card Program Administrator at DAS.PCardAdmin@ct.gov.

6.26 Reserved.

6.27 Iran Energy Investment Certification

- a. Pursuant to section 4-252a of the Connecticut General Statutes, the Contractor certifies that it has not made a direct investment of twenty million dollars or more in the energy sector of Iran on or after October 1, 2013, as described in Section 202 of the Comprehensive Iran Sanctions, Accountability and Divestment Act of 2010, and has not increased or renewed such investment on or after said date.
- b. If the Contractor makes a good faith effort to determine whether it has made an investment described in subsection (a) of this section, it shall not be subject to the penalties of false statement pursuant to section 4-252a of the Connecticut General Statutes. A "good faith effort" for purposes of this subsection includes a determination that the Contractor is not on the list of persons who engage in certain investment activities in Iran created by the Department of General Services of the State of California pursuant to Division 2, Chapter 2.7 of the California Public Contract Code. Nothing in this subsection shall be construed to impair the ability of the State agency or quasi-public agency to pursue a breach of contract action for any violation of the provisions of the Contract.

6.28 Large State Contract Representation for Contractor

Pursuant to section 4-252 of the Connecticut General Statutes and Acting Governor Susan Bysiewicz Executive Order No. 21-2, promulgated July 1, 2021, the Contractor, for itself and on behalf of all of its principals or key personnel who submitted a bid or proposal, represents:

- a. That no gifts were made by (A) the Contractor, (B) any principals and key personnel of the Contractor, who participate substantially in preparing bids, proposals or negotiating State contracts, or (C) any agent of the Contractor or principals and key personnel, who participates substantially in preparing bids, proposals or negotiating State contracts, to (i) any public official or State employee of the State agency or quasi- public agency soliciting bids or proposals for State contracts, who participates substantially in the preparation of bid solicitations or requests for proposals for State contracts or the negotiation or award of State contracts, or (ii) any public official or State employee of any other State agency, who has supervisory or appointing authority over such State agency or quasi-public agency;
- b. That no such principals and key personnel of the Contractor, or agent of the Contractor or of such principals and key personnel, knows of any action by the

Contractor to circumvent such prohibition on gifts by providing for any other principals and key personnel, official, employee or agent of the Contractor to provide a gift to any such public official or State employee; and

- c. That the Contractor is submitting bids or proposals without fraud or collusion with any person.

6.29 Large State Contract Representation for Official or Employee of State Agency

Pursuant to section 4-252 of the Connecticut General Statutes and Acting Governor Susan Bysiewicz Executive Order No. 21-2, promulgated July 1, 2021, the State agency official or employee represents that the selection of the most qualified or highest ranked person, firm or corporation was not the result of collusion, the giving of a gift or the promise of a gift, compensation, fraud or inappropriate influence from any person.

6.30 Consulting Agreements Representation

Pursuant to section 4a-81 of the Connecticut General Statutes, the Contractor makes the representations set forth in Exhibit A, Consulting Agreements Representation.

6.31 Representations and Warranties Regarding Motor Vehicles

If in the course of Performance or in any other way related to this Contract the Contractor at any time uses or operates “motor vehicles,” as that term is defined by Conn. Gen. Stat. §14-1 (including, but not limited to such services as snow plowing, sanding, hauling or delivery of materials, freight or merchandise, or the transportation of passengers), the Contractor, represents and warrants for itself and the Contractor Parties, that:

- a. it is the owner of record or lessee of record of each such motor vehicle used in the Performance of this Contract, and each such motor vehicle is duly registered with the Connecticut Department of Motor Vehicles (“ConnDMV”) in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 246 of the Connecticut General Statutes. Each such registration shall be in valid status, and shall not be expired, suspended or revoked by ConnDMV, for any reason or cause. If such motor vehicle is not registered with ConnDMV, then it shall be duly registered with another state or commonwealth in accordance with such other state’s or commonwealth’s applicable statutes. Each such registration shall be in valid status, and shall not be expired, suspended or revoked by such other state or commonwealth for any reason or cause.
- b. each such motor vehicle shall be fully insured in accordance with the provisions of Sections 14-12b, 14-112 and 38a-371 of the Connecticut General Statutes, as amended, in the amounts required by the said sections or in such higher amounts as have been specified by ConnDMV as a condition for the award of this Contract, or in accordance with all substantially similar provisions imposed by the law of the jurisdiction where the motor vehicle is registered.
- c. each Contractor Party who uses or operates a motor vehicle at any time in the Performance of this Contract shall have and maintain a motor vehicle operator’s license or commercial driver’s license of the appropriate class for the motor vehicle being used or operated. Each such license shall bear the endorsement or endorsements required by the provisions of

Section 14-36a of the Connecticut General Statutes, as amended, to operate such motor vehicle, or required by substantially similar provisions imposed by the law of another jurisdiction in which the operator is licensed to operate such motor vehicle. The license shall be in valid status, and shall not be expired, suspended or revoked by ConnDMV or such other jurisdiction for any reason or cause.

- d. each motor vehicle shall be in full compliance with all of the terms and conditions of all provisions of the Connecticut General Statutes and regulations, or those of the jurisdiction where the motor vehicle is registered, pertaining to the mechanical condition, equipment, marking and operation of motor vehicles of such type, class and weight, including, but not limited to, requirements for intrastate carriers with motor vehicles having a gross vehicle weight rating or gross combination weight rating or gross vehicle weight or gross combination weight of 18,001 pounds or more or interstate carriers with motor vehicles having a gross vehicle weight rating or gross combination weight rating or gross vehicle weight or gross combination weight of 10,001 pounds or more otherwise described by the provisions of Conn. Gen. Stat. § 14-163c(a) and all applicable provisions of the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Regulations, as set forth in Title 49, Parts 382 to 399, inclusive, of the Code of Federal Regulations. If the Contractor is a "motor carrier," as that term is defined in section 49 CFR Part 390, and the Contractor is subject to an order issued by the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration that prohibits such Contractor from operating or allowing the operation of a motor vehicle, then the Contractor shall comply fully with such order. In addition, if a motor vehicle or its operator is declared out of service pursuant to Conn. Gen. Stat. § 14-163c(d)(4), then the Contractor shall not operate or allow the operation of that motor vehicle and shall not allow the operator to operate a motor vehicle while the respective subject out-of-service order is in effect.

6.32 Partnering Efforts with DAS Supplier Diversity Program

Contractor shall partner with the DAS Supplier Diversity program and Client Agency in identifying subcontracting opportunities for certified Small Business Enterprises (SBE) and Minority Business Enterprises (MBE) (collectively known as SBE/MBE Contractors).

6.33 Risk of Loss and Insurance

The State shall not be liable to Contractor for any risk of Deliverable loss or damage while Deliverables are in transit, or while in the Client Agency's possession, except when such loss or damage is due directly to the Client Agency's negligence or intentional misconduct. Nothing in this Section is intended nor shall it be construed, in any manner, as waiving or compromising the sovereign immunity of the State.

The insurance required by this Section shall be written on an occurrence basis as opposed to a "claims made" basis and shall be on such forms, and contain such endorsements and terms, as shall be acceptable to DAS.

Before commencing Performance, the Contractor shall obtain and maintain at its own cost and expense for the Term of this Contract, the insurance described below. Contractor shall assume any and all deductibles in the described insurance policies. The Contractor's insurers shall have no right of recovery or subrogation against the State and the described Contractor's insurance shall be primary coverage. Any failure to comply with the claim reporting provisions of the policy shall not affect coverage provided to

the State.

a. Commercial General Liability

Throughout the Term and during the time that any provisions survive the Term, Contractor shall maintain, at Contractor's sole cost and expense, a policy or policies of commercial general liability insurance, including contractual liability coverage, in an amount not less than

\$1,000,000 for all damages arising out of bodily injuries to, or death of, all persons and injuries to or destruction of property, in any one accident or occurrence, and, subject to that limit per accident, a total (or aggregate) limit of \$2,000,000 per occurrence for all damages arising out of bodily injuries to, or death of, all persons and injuries to or destruction of property per policy period. The Contractor shall cause the State and its officers, agents, and employees to be named as an additional insured on the policy and shall provide (1) a certificate of insurance (2) the declaration page and (3) the additional insured endorsement to the policy to DAS all in an electronic format acceptable to DAS prior to the Effective Date evidencing such coverage. The Contractor shall not begin Performance until the delivery of these 3 documents to DAS. Contractor shall provide an annual electronic update of the 3 documents to DAS on or before each anniversary of the Effective Date during the Term. The State shall be entitled to recover under the insurance policy even if a body of competent jurisdiction determines that the State is contributorily negligent.

b. Automobile Liability

\$1,000,000 combined single limit per accident for bodily injury and property damage. Coverage extends to owned, hired and non-owned automobiles. If the Contractor does not own an automobile, but one is used in the execution of this Contract, then only hired and non-owned coverage is required. If a vehicle is not used in the execution of this Contract, then automobile coverage is not required.

c. Workers' Compensation and Employer's Liability

Contractor shall maintain Worker's Compensation and Employer's Liability insurance in compliance with the laws of the state of Connecticut, which coverage shall include Employer's Liability coverage with minimum limits of \$100,000 for each accident, \$500,000 for disease, and \$100,000 for each employee, per policy period.

d. Excess / Umbrella Liability

Excess/umbrella liability insurance may be included to meet minimum requirements. Umbrella coverage must indicate the existing underlying insurance coverage.

ATTACHMENT F: State of Montana Terms & Conditions

The following changes are modifying or supplementing the Master Agreement terms and conditions. The Master Agreement and the Participating Addendum together are referred to herein as the “Contract.”

State of Montana Terms and Conditions

ACCESS AND RETENTION OF RECORDS: Contractor agrees to provide the Participating Entity, Legislative Auditor, or their authorized agents, access to any records necessary to determine contract compliance. (Section 18-1-118, MCA). Contractor agrees to create and retain records supporting the services rendered or supplies delivered for a period of eight years after either the completion date of the Contract or the conclusion of any claim, litigation, or exception relating to the Contract taken by the Participating Entity or third party.

ASSIGNMENT, TRANSFER AND SUBCONTRACTING: Contractor shall not assign, transfer or subcontract any portion of the Contract without the express written consent of the Participating Entity. (Section 18-4-141, MCA.)

COMPLIANCE WITH LAWS: Contractor shall, in performance of work under this Contract, fully comply with all applicable federal, state, or local laws, rules, regulations, and executive orders including but not limited to, the Montana Human Rights Act, the Equal Pay Act of 1963, the Civil Rights Act of 1964, the Age Discrimination Act of 1975, the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973. Contractor is the employer for the purpose of providing healthcare benefits and paying any applicable penalties, fees and taxes under the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act [P.L. 111-148, 124 Stat. 119]. Any subletting or subcontracting by Contractor subjects subcontractors to the same provisions. In accordance with 49-3-207, MCA, and Executive Order No. 04-2016 Contractor agrees that the hiring of persons to perform this Contract will be made on the basis of merit and qualifications and there will be no discrimination based on race, color, sex, pregnancy, childbirth or medical conditions related to pregnancy or childbirth, political or religious affiliation or ideas, culture, creed, social origin or condition, genetic information, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, national origin, ancestry, age, disability, military service or veteran status, or marital status by the persons performing this Contract.

DEFENSE, INDEMNIFICATION /HOLD HARMLESS: Contractor shall defend, indemnify and hold harmless the State of Montana and the contracting agency hereunder and their elected and appointed officials, agents, and employees, while acting within the scope of their duties as such, from and against all claims, demands, causes of action, liabilities, damages, judgments, expenses or fees, including the reasonable cost of defense thereof and attorney fees, arising or awarded in favor of Contractor's or its subcontractor's employees or agents or third parties for bodily or personal injuries, death, damage to property, or financial or other loss resulting or allegedly resulting in whole or part from (i) the services performed or products provided or (ii) other acts or omissions of Contractor and/or its agents, employees, representatives, assigns, subcontractors, except the sole negligence of Participating Entity or the contracting agency.

REDUCTION OF FUNDING: Participating Entity must by law terminate this Contract if funds are not appropriated or otherwise made available to support the Participating Entity's or contracting agency's continuation of performance of this Contract in a subsequent fiscal period. (18-4-313(4), MCA) If state or federal government funds are not appropriated or otherwise made available through the state budgeting process to support continued performance of this Contract (whether at an initial contract payment level or any contract increases to that initial level) in subsequent fiscal periods, Participating Entity shall terminate this Contract as required by law. Participating Entity shall provide Contractor the date Participating Entity's termination shall take effect. Participating Entity shall not be liable to Contractor for any payment that would have been payable had the Contract not been terminated under this provision. As stated above, Participating Entity shall be liable to Contractor only for the payment, or prorated portion of that payment, owed to Contractor up to the date Participating Entity's termination takes effect. This is Contractor's sole remedy. Participating Entity shall not be liable to Contractor for any other payments or damages arising from termination under this section, including but not limited to general, special, or consequential damages such as lost profits or revenues.

CHOICE OF LAW AND VENUE: Montana law governs this Contract. The parties agree that any litigation concerning this bid, proposal, or this Contract must be brought in the First Judicial District in and for the County of Lewis and Clark, State of Montana, and each party shall pay its own costs and attorney fees, except as provided in Defense, Indemnification/Hold Harmless.

TAX EXEMPTION: Participating Entity is exempt from Federal Excise Taxes (#81-0302402) except as otherwise provided in the federal Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act [P.L. 111-148, 124 Stat. 119].

STATE OF MONTANA ADMINISTRATIVE FEE: The Participating Entity assesses an Administrative Fee of one and one-half percent (1.50%) for all net sales (sales less credits and returns) made under this PA. The prices paid to Contractor must include the 1.5% Administrative Fee. The Contractor shall remit this Administrative Fee concurrent with the Required Usage Reporting described below. The Administrative Fee must be submitted by ACH along with email notification to the State of Montana Contracts Officer. This Administrative Fee is effective upon execution of this Participating Addendum.

REQUIRED REPORTING: Contractor shall submit quarterly reports to the Contracts Officer (CO) assigned by the Participating Entity to manage this contract. Contractor shall provide CO with an electronic usage report (Excel), which must list the following information at the minimum: purchasing entity; description of items purchased; date of purchase; contract price; and the extended price for each transaction. These reports are due no more than 30 days after the end of the quarter.

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| First Quarter: | July 1 through September 30 |
| Second Quarter: | October 1 through December 31 |
| Third Quarter: | January 1 through March 31 |
| Fourth Quarter: | April 1 through June 30 |

DELIVERY: Weekends and holidays excepted, deliveries shall be F.O.B. DESTINATION, to

the location shown below. The term "F.O.B. destination" as used in this clause, means free of expense to the Participating Entity or contracting agency and delivered to the location specified. The Contractor shall:

- Pack and mark the shipment to comply with specifications; or if the specifications do not contain specific packing or marking instructions, pack and mark the shipment in accordance with prevailing commercial practices and in such a manner as to ensure delivery in good condition and as required by this IFB;
- Prepare and distribute commercial bills of lading and Material Safety Data Sheets (MSDS) as appropriate;
- Deliver the shipment in good order and condition to the point of delivery specified in the IFB;
- Be responsible for any loss of and/or damage to the goods occurring before receipt of the shipment by the Participating Entity or contracting agency at the delivery point specified in the IFB;
- Furnish a delivery schedule and designate the mode of delivering carrier; and
- Pay and bear all charges to the specified points of delivery.

Federal Terms and Conditions (Non-Construction)

1. NONDISCRIMINATION

The Contractor agrees that no person shall be denied benefits of, or otherwise be subjected to discrimination in connection with the Contractor's performance under this contract, on the ground of race, religion, color, national origin, sex or handicap. Accordingly, and to the extent applicable, the Contractor agrees to comply with the following:

a. On the basis of race, color or national origin, in Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (42 U.S.C. Section 2000d et seq.) as implemented by DoD regulations at 32 CFR part 195.

b. On the basis of race, color, religion, sex, or national origin, in Executive Order 11246 {3 CFR, 1964-1965 Comp. pg. 339}, as implemented by Department of Labor regulations at 41 CFR part 60.

c. On the basis of sex or blindness, in Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972 (20 U.S.C. 1681, et seq.), as implemented by DoD regulations at 32 CFR part 196.

d. On the basis of age, in The Age Discrimination Act of 1975 (42 U.S.C. Section 6101 et seq.), as implemented by Department of Health and Human Services regulations at 45 CFR part 90.

e. On the basis of handicap, in Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (29 U.S.C. 794), as implemented by Department of Justice regulations at 28 CFR part 41 and DoD regulations at 32 CFR part 56.

2. LOBBYING

a. The Contractor agrees that it will not expend any funds appropriated by Congress to pay any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, or a Member of Congress in connection with any of the following covered Federal actions: the awarding of any Federal contract; the making of any Federal grant; the making of any Federal loan; the entering into of any cooperative agreement; and, the extension, continuation, renewal,

amendment, or modification of any Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement.

b. The Final Rule, New Restrictions on Lobbying, issued by the Office of Management and Budget and the Department of Defense (32 CFR Part 28) to implement the provisions of Section 319 of Public Law 101-121 (31 U.S.C. Section 1352) is incorporated by reference and the State agrees to comply with all the provisions thereof, including any amendments to the Interim Final Rule that may hereafter be issued.

3. DRUG FREE WORK PLACE

The Contractor agrees to comply with the requirements regarding drug-free workplace requirements in Subpart B of 32 CFR part 26, which implements sec. 5151-5160 of the Drug-Free Workplace Act of 1988 (Public Law 100-690, Title V, Subtitle D; 41 U.S.C. 701, et seq.).

4. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

a. The Contractor agrees that its performance under this contract shall comply with:

- (1) The requirements of Section 114 of the Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C. Section 7414);
- (2) Section 308 of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (33 U.S.C. Section 1318), that relates generally to inspection, monitoring, entry reports, and information, and with all regulations and guidelines issued thereunder;
- (3) The Resources Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA);
- (4) The Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liabilities Act (CERCLA);
- (5) The National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA);
- (6) The Solid Waste Disposal Act (SWDA);
- (7) The applicable provisions of the Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C. 7401, et seq.) and Clean Water Act (33 U.S.C. 1251, et seq.), as implemented by Executive Order 11738 and Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) rules at 40 CFR Part 31;
- (8) To identify any impact this contract may have on the quality of the human environment and provide help as needed to comply with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA, at 42 U.S.C. 4321, et seq.) and any applicable federal, state or local environmental regulation.

b. In accordance with the EPA rules, the parties further agree that the Contractor shall also identify to the state any impact this contract may have on:

- (1) The quality of the human environment, and provide help the agency may need to comply with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA, at 42 U.S.C 4321, et seq.) and to prepare Environment Impact Statements or other required environmental documentation. In such cases, the recipient agrees to take no action that will have an adverse environmental impact (e.g., physical disturbance of a site such as breaking of ground) until the agency provides written notification of compliance with the environmental impact analysis process.
- (2) Flood-prone areas, and provide help the agency may need to comply with the National Flood Insurance Act of 1968 and Flood Disaster Protection Act of 1973 (42 U.S.C. 4001, et seq.), which require flood insurance, when available, for federally assisted construction or acquisition in flood-prone areas.
- (3) Coastal zones, and provide help the agency may need to comply with the Coastal Zone Management Act of 1972 (16 U.S.C. 1451, et seq.), concerning protection of U.S. coastal resources.
- (4) Coastal barriers, and provide help the agency may need to comply with the Coastal Barriers

Resource Act (16 U.S.C. 3501 et seq.), concerning preservation of barrier resources.

(5) Any existing or proposed component of the National Wild and Scenic Rivers System, and provide help the agency may need to comply with the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act of 1968 (16 U.S.C. 1271 et seq.).

Underground sources of drinking water in areas that have an aquifer that is the sole or principal drinking water source, and provide help the agency may need to comply with the Safe Drinking Water Act (42 U.S.C 300H-3).

(6) Underground sources of drinking water in areas that have an aquifer that is the sole or principal drinking work source, and provide help the agency may need to comply with the Safe Drinking Water Act (42 U.S.C 300H-3)

5. USE OF UNITED STATES FLAG VESSELS

a. The Contactor agrees that travel under this contract shall use U.S.-flag air carriers (air carriers holding certificates under 49 U.S.C. 41102) for international air transportation of people and property to the extent that such service is available, in accordance with the International Air Transportation Fair Competitive Practices Act of 1974 (49 U.S.C. 40118) and the inter-operative guidelines issued by the Comptroller General of the United States in the March 31, 1981, amendment to Comptroller General Decision B138942.

b. The Contactor agrees that it will comply with the Cargo Preference Act of 1954 (46 U.S.C. 1241), as implemented by Department of Transportation regulation at 46 CFR 381.7, and 46 CFR 381.7(b).

6. DEBARMENT AND SUSPENSION

a. The Contractor shall not make any award or permit any award (sub-contract or contract) at any tier to any party which is debarred or suspended or is otherwise excluded from or ineligible for participation in Federal assistance programs under Executive Order 12549, "Debarment and Suspension.

b. The Contractor agrees to comply with the requirements regarding debarment and suspension in Subpart C of the OMB guidance in 2 CFR part 180, as implemented by the DoD in 2 CFR part 1125. The Contractor shall comply with 2 CFR Part 1125 by checking the Excluded Parties List System (EPLS) at www.sam.gov to verify Contractor eligibility to receive contracts and subcontracts resulting from this Agreement. The Contractor shall not solicit offers from, nor award contracts to Contractors listed in EPLS. This verification shall be documented in the Contractor's contract files, and shall be subject to audit by federal/State audit agencies

The Contractor agrees to communicate the requirement to comply with Subpart C to persons at the next lower tier with whom the Contractor enters into transactions that are "covered transactions" under Subpart B of 2 CFR part 180 and the DoD implementation in 2 CFR part 1125.

7. BUY AMERICAN ACT

The Contractor agrees that it will not expend any funds appropriated by Congress without complying with The Buy American Act (41 U.S.C. 10a et seq). The Buy American Act gives preference to domestic end products and domestic construction material. In addition, the Memorandum of Understanding between the United States of America and the European Economic Community on Government Procurement, and the North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA), provide that EEC and NAFTA end products and construction materials

are exempted from application of the Buy American Act.

8. UNIFORM RELOCATION ASSISTANCE AND REAL PROPERTY POLICES

The Contractor agrees that it will comply with CFR 49 part 24, which implements the provisions of the Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act of 1970 (42 U.S.C. § 4601 et seq.) and provides for fair and equitable treatment of persons displaced by federally assisted programs or persons whose property is acquired as a result of such programs.

9. COPELAND "ANTI-KICKBACK" ACT

The Contractor agrees that it will comply with the Copeland "Anti Kickback" Act (18 U.S.C. 874) as supplemented in Department of Labor regulations (29 CFR Part 3). As applied to this contract, the Copeland "Anti Kickback" Act makes it unlawful to induce, by force, intimidation, threat or procuring dismissal from employment, or otherwise, any person employed in the construction or repair of public buildings or public works, financed in whole or in part by the United States, to give up any part of the compensation to which that person is entitled under a contract of employment.

10. CONTRACT WORK HOURS AND SAFETY STANDARDS

The Contractor agrees that it will comply with Sections 103 and 107 of the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act.(40 U.S.C. 327 330) as supplemented by Department of Labor regulations (29 CFR Part 5). As applied to this agreement, the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act specifies that no laborer or mechanic doing any part of the work contemplated by this agreement shall be required or permitted to work more than 40 hours in any workweek unless paid for all additional hours at not less than 1 1/2 times the basic rate of pay.

11. RIGHTS TO INVENTIONS MADE UNDER A CONTRACT OR AGREEMENT

Any discovery or invention that arises during the course of the contract shall be reported to the non-Federal entity. Contractor must comply with the requirements of 37 CFR Part 401, "Rights to Inventions Made by Nonprofit Organizations and Small Business Firms Under Government Grants, Contracts and Cooperative Agreements," and any implementing regulations issued by the awarding agency.

12. CLEAN AIR ACT (42 U.S.C. 7401-7671Q.) AND THE FEDERAL WATER POLLUTION CONTROL ACT (33 U.S.C. 1251-1387), AS AMENDED

Any Contract or subcontract in excess of \$150,000 must comply with all applicable standards, orders or regulations issued pursuant to the Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C. 7401-7671q) and the Federal Water Pollution Control Act as amended (33 U.S.C. 1251-1387). Violations must be reported to the State who in turn will report to the Federal awarding agency and the Regional Office of the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

13. BYRD ANTI-LOBBYING AMENDMENT (31 U.S.C. 1352)

Contractors that bid for an award exceeding \$100,000 must file the required certification. Each tier certifies to the tier above that it will not and has not used Federal appropriated funds to pay any person or organization for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a member of Congress, officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a

member of Congress in connection with obtaining any Federal contract, grant or any other award covered by 31 U.S.C. 1352. Each tier must also disclose any lobbying with non-Federal funds that takes place in connection with obtaining any Federal award. Such disclosures are forwarded from tier to tier up to the non-Federal award.

14. PROCUREMENT OF RECOVERED MATERIALS

Contractors must comply with section 6002 of the Solid Waste Disposal Act, as amended by the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act. The requirements of Section 6002 include procuring only items designated in guidelines of the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) at 40 CFR part 247 that contain the highest percentage of recovered materials practicable, consistent with maintaining a satisfactory level of competition, where the purchase price of the item exceeds \$10,000 or the value of the quantity acquired during the preceding fiscal year exceeded \$10,000; procuring solid waste management services in a manner that maximizes energy and resource recovery; and establishing an affirmative procurement program for procurement of recovered materials identified in the EPA guidelines.

15. PROHIBITION ON CERTAIN TELECOMMUNICATIONS AND VIDEO SURVEILLANCE SERVICES OR EQUIPMENT

The Contractor agrees it will not provide or use covered telecommunications equipment or services in the performance of this contract in compliance with 2 CFR 200.216. Covered telecommunications equipment or services has the meaning provided in Public Law 115-232, section 889.

Attachment G: State of Utah Terms & Conditions

ATTACHMENT A: STANDARD TERMS AND CONDITIONS FOR SERVICES STATE OF UTAH COOPERATIVE CONTRACT

This is a State of Utah Cooperative Contract (“State Cooperative Contract”) for services (including professional services), meaning the furnishing of labor, time, or effort by a contractor. This State Cooperative Contract is the result of a cooperative procurement for the benefit of Eligible Users and may be used by Eligible Users without the Eligible Users signing a participating addendum.

1. **DEFINITIONS:** The following terms shall have the meanings set forth below:
 - a) “Confidential Information” means information that is deemed as confidential under applicable state and federal laws, including personal information. The Eligible Users shall have the right to identify, during and after this Contract, additional types of categories of information that must be kept confidential under federal and state laws by Contractor.
 - b) “Contract” means either: (i) the Contract Signature Page(s), including all referenced attachments and documents incorporated by reference, or (ii) the Solicitation and the Proposal when accepted and signed by the Division. The format of the Contract, as described in the prior sentence, will be at the sole option of the Division. Additionally, the term “Contract” may include any purchase orders issued by the Division that result from this Contract.
 - c) “Contract Signature Page(s)” means the State of Utah cover page(s) that the Division and Contractor sign.
 - d) “Contractor” means the individual or entity delivering the Services identified in this Contract. The term “Contractor” shall include Contractor’s agents, officers, employees, and partners.
 - e) “Custom Deliverable” means the Work Product that Contractor is required to deliver to the Eligible User under this Contract.
 - f) “Division” means the State of Utah Division of Purchasing.
 - g) “Eligible User(s)” means those authorized to use State Cooperative Contracts and includes the State of Utah’s government departments, institutions, agencies, political subdivisions (e.g., colleges, school districts, counties, cities, etc.), and, as applicable, nonprofit organizations, agencies of the federal government, or any other entity authorized by the laws of the State of Utah to participate in State Cooperative Contracts.
 - h) “End User Agreement” means any agreement that Eligible Users are required to sign in order to participate in this Contract including an end user agreement, customer agreement, memorandum of understanding, statement of work, lease agreement, service level agreement, or any other named separate agreement.
 - i) “Services” means the furnishing of labor, time, or effort by Contractor pursuant to this Contract. Services shall include, but are not limited to, all of the deliverable(s) and Custom Deliverable that result from Contractor performing the Services pursuant to this Contract. Services include those professional services identified in Section 63G-6a-103 of the Utah Procurement Code.
 - j) “Proposal” means Contractor’s response to the Division’s Solicitation.
 - k) “Solicitation” means the documents used by the Division to obtain Contractor’s Proposal.
 - l) “State of Utah” means the State of Utah, in its entirety, including its institutions, agencies, departments, divisions, authorities, instrumentalities, boards, commissions, elected or appointed officers, employees, agents, and authorized volunteers.
 - m) “Subcontractors” means subcontractors or subconsultants at any tier that are under the direct or indirect control or responsibility of the Contractor, and includes all independent contractors, agents,

employees, authorized resellers, or anyone else for whom the Contractor may be liable at any tier, including a person or entity that is, or will be, providing or performing an essential aspect of this Contract, including Contractor's manufacturers, distributors, and suppliers.

n) "Work Product" means every invention, modification, discovery, design, development, customization, configuration, improvement, process, software program, work of authorship, documentation, formula, datum, technique, know how, secret, or intellectual property right whatsoever or any interest therein (whether patentable or not patentable or registerable under copyright or similar statutes or subject to analogous protection) that is specifically made, conceived, discovered, or reduced to practice by Contractor or Contractor's Subcontractors (either alone or with others) pursuant to this Contract. Work Product shall be considered a work made for hire under federal, state, and local laws; and all interest and title shall be transferred to and owned by the Eligible User. Notwithstanding anything in the immediately preceding sentence to the contrary, Work Product does not include any Eligible User intellectual property, Contractor's intellectual property (that it owned or licensed prior to this Contract) or Third Party intellectual property.

2. GOVERNING LAW AND VENUE: This Contract shall be governed by the laws, rules, and regulations of the State of Utah. Any action or proceeding arising from this Contract shall be brought in a court of competent jurisdiction in the State of Utah. Venue shall be in Salt Lake City, in the Third Judicial District Court for Salt Lake County.

3. LAWS AND REGULATIONS: At all times during this Contract, Contractor and all Procurement Items delivered and/or performed under this Contract will comply with all applicable federal and state constitutions, laws, rules, codes, orders, and regulations, including applicable licensure and certification requirements. If this Contract is funded by federal funds, either in whole or in part, then any federal regulation related to the federal funding, including CFR Appendix II to Part 200, will supersede this Attachment A.

4. RECORDS ADMINISTRATION: Contractor shall maintain or supervise the maintenance of all records necessary to properly account for Contractor's performance and the payments made by Eligible Users to Contractor under this Contract. These records shall be retained by Contractor for at least six (6) years after final payment, or until all audits initiated within the six (6) years have been completed, whichever is later. Contractor agrees to allow, at no additional cost, State of Utah auditors, federal auditors, Eligible Users or any firm identified by the Division, access to all such records. Contractor must refund to the Division any overcharges brought to Contractor's attention by the Division or the Division's auditor and Contractor is not permitted to offset identified overcharges by alleged undercharges to Eligible Users.

5. CERTIFY REGISTRATION AND USE OF EMPLOYMENT "STATUS VERIFICATION SYSTEM": This "Status Verification System" requirement, also referred to as "E-Verify", only applies to contracts issued through a Request for Proposal process and to sole sources that are included within a Request for Proposal.

1. Contractor certifies as to its own entity, under penalty of perjury, that Contractor has registered and is participating in the Status Verification System to verify the work eligibility status of Contractor's new employees that are employed in the State of Utah in accordance with applicable immigration laws.

2. Contractor shall require that each of its Subcontractors certify by affidavit, as to their own entity, under penalty of perjury, that each Subcontractor has registered and is participating in the Status Verification System to verify the work eligibility status of Subcontractor's new employees that are employed in the State of Utah in accordance with applicable immigration laws.

3. Contractor's failure to comply with this section will be considered a material breach of this Contract.

6. **CONFLICT OF INTEREST:** Contractor represents that none of its officers or employees are officers or employees of the Division or of the State of Utah, unless disclosure has been made to the Division.
7. **INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR:** Contractor and Subcontractors, in the performance of this Contract, shall act in an independent capacity and not as officers, employees, or agents of the State Entity or the State of Utah.
8. **INDEMNITY:** Contractor shall be fully liable for the actions of its agents, employees, officers, partners, and Subcontractors, and shall fully indemnify, defend, and save harmless the Division, Eligible Users, and the State of Utah from all claims, losses, suits, actions, damages, and costs of every name and description arising out of Contractor's performance of this Contract to the extent caused by any intentional wrongful act or negligence of Contractor, its agents, employees, officers, partners, or Subcontractors, without limitation; provided, however, that the Contractor shall not indemnify for that portion of any claim, loss, or damage arising hereunder due to the fault of the Division, Eligible Users, or the State of Utah. The parties agree that if there are any limitations of the Contractor's liability, including a limitation of liability clause for anyone for whom the Contractor is responsible, such limitations of liability will not apply to injuries to persons, including death, or to damages to property.
9. **EMPLOYMENT PRACTICES:** Contractor agrees to abide by the following employment laws: (i) Title VI and VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (42 U.S.C. 2000e), which prohibits discrimination against any employee or applicant for employment or any applicant or recipient of services, on the basis of race, religion, color, or national origin; (ii) Executive Order No. 11246, as amended, which prohibits discrimination on the basis of sex; (iii) 45 CFR 90, which prohibits discrimination on the basis of age; (iv) Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, or the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, which prohibits discrimination on the basis of disabilities; and (v) Utah's Executive Order 2019-1, dated February 5, 2019, which prohibits unlawful harassment in the workplace. Contractor further agrees to abide by any other laws, regulations, or orders that prohibit the discrimination of any kind by any of Contractor's employees.
10. **AMENDMENTS:** This Contract may only be amended by the mutual written agreement of the parties, provided that the amendment is within the Scope of Work of this Contract and is within the scope/purpose of the original solicitation for which this Contract was derived. The amendment will be attached and made part of this Contract. Automatic renewals will not apply to this Contract, even if listed elsewhere in this Contract.
11. **DEBARMENT:** Contractor certifies that it is not presently nor has ever been debarred, suspended, or proposed for debarment by any governmental department or agency, whether international, national, state, or local. Contractor must notify the State Entity within thirty (30) days if debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in any contract by any governmental entity during this Contract.
12. **TERMINATION:** This Contract may be terminated, with cause by either party, in advance of the specified expiration date, upon written notice given by the other party. The party in violation will be given ten (10) days after written notification to correct and cease the violations, after which this Contract may be terminated for cause immediately and subject to the remedies below. This Contract may also be terminated without cause (for convenience), in advance of the specified expiration date, by the Division, upon thirty (30) days written termination notice being given to the Contractor. The Division and the Contractor may terminate this Contract, in whole or in part, at any time, by mutual agreement in writing. On termination of this Contract, all accounts and payments will be processed according to the financial arrangements set forth herein for Services properly performed prior to date of termination.

Contractor shall be compensated for the Services properly performed under this Contract up to the effective date of the notice of termination. Contractor agrees that in the event of such termination for cause or without cause, Contractor's sole remedy and monetary recovery from the State Entity or the State of Utah is limited to full payment for all Services properly performed as authorized under this Contract up to the date of termination as well as any reasonable monies owed as a result of Contractor having to terminate other contracts necessarily and appropriately entered into by Contractor pursuant to this Contract. In no event shall the State Entity be liable to the Contractor for compensation for any services neither requested by the State nor satisfactorily performed by the Contractor. In no event shall the State Entity's exercise of its right to terminate this Contract for convenience relieve the Contractor of any liability to the State Entity for any damages or claims arising under this Contract.

13. NONAPPROPRIATION OF FUNDS, REDUCTION OF FUNDS, OR CHANGES IN LAW: Upon thirty (30) days written notice delivered to the Contractor, this Contract may be terminated in whole or in part at the sole discretion of the Division, if the Division reasonably determines that: (i) a change in Federal or State legislation or applicable laws materially affects the ability of either party to perform under the terms of this Contract; or (ii) that a change in available funds affects the Divisions or the Eligible User's ability to pay Contractor. A change of available funds as used in this paragraph includes, but is not limited to, a change in Federal or State funding, whether as a result of a legislative act or by order of the President or the Governor.

If a written notice is delivered, the Eligible User will reimburse Contractor for the Services properly performed until the effective date of said notice. The Division, the Eligible User, and the State of Utah will not be liable for any performance, commitments, penalties, or liquidated damages that accrue after the effective date of said written notice.

14. SALES TAX EXEMPTION: The Services under this Contract will be paid for from the Eligible User's funds and may be used in the exercise of the Eligible User's essential functions. Upon request, the Eligible User will provide Contractor with its sales tax exemption number. It is Contractor's responsibility to request the Eligible User's sales tax exemption number. It also is Contractor's sole responsibility to ascertain whether any tax deduction or benefits apply to any aspect of this Contract.

15. CONTRACTOR'S INSURANCE RESPONSIBILITY. The Contractor shall maintain the following insurance coverage:

a. Workers' compensation insurance during the term of this Contract for all its employees and any Subcontractor employees related to this Contract. Workers' compensation insurance shall cover full liability under the workers' compensation laws of the jurisdiction in which the work is performed at the statutory limits required by said jurisdiction.

b. Commercial general liability [CGL] insurance from an insurance company authorized to do business in the State of Utah. The limits of the CGL insurance policy will be no less than one million dollars (\$1,000,000.00) per person per occurrence and three million dollars (\$3,000,000.00) aggregate.

c. Commercial automobile liability [CAL] insurance from an insurance company authorized to do business in the State of Utah. The CAL insurance policy must cover bodily injury and property damage liability and be applicable to all vehicles used in your performance of Services under this Agreement whether owned, non-owned, leased, or hired. The minimum liability limit must be \$1 million per occurrence, combined single limit. The CAL insurance policy is required if Contractor will use a vehicle in the performance of this Contract.

d. Other insurance policies required in the Solicitation.

Certificate of Insurance, showing up-to-date coverage, shall be on file with the State before the Contract may commence.

The State reserves the right to require higher or lower insurance limits where warranted. Failure to

provide proof of insurance as required will be deemed a material breach of this Contract. Contractor's failure to maintain this insurance requirement for the term of this Contract will be grounds for immediate termination of this Contract.

16. RESERVED.

17. END USER AGREEMENT: If Eligible Users are required by Contractor to sign an End User Agreement before participating in this Contract, then a copy of the End User Agreement must be attached to this Contract. The term of the End User Agreement shall not exceed the term of this Contract, and the End User Agreement will automatically terminate upon the completion or termination of this Contract. An End User Agreement must reference this Contract, and may not be amended or changed unless approved in writing by the Division. Eligible Users will not be responsible or obligated for any early termination fees if the End User Agreement terminates as a result of completion or termination of this Contract.

18. LARGE VOLUME DISCOUNT PRICING: Eligible Users may seek to obtain additional volume discount pricing for large orders provided Contractor is willing to offer additional discounts for large volume orders. No amendment to this Contract is necessary for Contractor to offer discount pricing to an Eligible User for large volume purchases.

19. ELIGIBLE USER PARTICIPATION: Participation under this Contract by Eligible Users is voluntarily determined by each Eligible User. Contractor agrees to supply each Eligible User with Services based upon the same terms, conditions and prices of this Contract.

20. INDIVIDUAL CUSTOMERS: Each Eligible User that purchases Services from this Contract will be treated as if they were individual customers. Each Eligible User will be responsible to follow the terms and conditions of this Contract. Contractor agrees that each Eligible User will be responsible for their own charges, fees, and liabilities. Contractor shall apply the charges to each Eligible User individually. The Division is not responsible for any unpaid invoice.

21. QUANTITY ESTIMATES: The Division does not guarantee any purchase amount under this Contract. Estimated quantities are for Solicitation purposes only and are not to be construed as a guarantee.

22. PUBLIC INFORMATION: Contractor agrees that this Contract, related purchase orders, related pricing documents, and invoices will be public documents, and may be available for public and private distribution in accordance with the State of Utah's Government Records Access and Management Act (GRAMA). Contractor gives the Division, the Eligible Users, and the State of Utah express permission to make copies of this Contract, related purchase orders, related pricing documents, and invoices in accordance with GRAMA. Except for sections identified in writing and expressly approved by the Division, Contractor also agrees that the Contractor's Proposal to the Solicitation will be a public document, and copies may be given to the public as permitted under GRAMA. The Division, Eligible Users, and the State of Utah are not obligated to inform Contractor of any GRAMA requests for disclosure of this Contract, related purchase orders, related pricing documents, and invoices.

23. DELIVERY: Time is of the essence for all deliveries made under this Contract. All deliveries under this Contract will be F.O.B. destination with all transportation and handling charges paid for by Contractor. Responsibility and liability for loss or damage will remain with Contractor until final inspection and acceptance, when responsibility will pass to the Eligible User, except as to latent defects or fraud. Contractor's failure to provide the Services by the required delivery date is deemed a material breach of this Contract. Contractor shall be responsible for the customary industry standard in packing and shipping any goods relating to these Services.

24. REPORTS AND FEES:

1. Administrative Fee: Contractor agrees to provide a quarterly administrative fee to the State in

the form of a check, EFT or online payment through the Division's Automated Vendor Usage Management System. Checks will be payable to the "State of Utah Division of Purchasing" and will be sent to State of Utah, Division of Purchasing, Attn: Cooperative Contracts, PO Box 141061, Salt Lake City, UT 84114-1061. The Administrative Fee will be the amount listed in the Solicitation and will apply to all purchases (net of any returns, credits, or adjustments) made under this Contract.

2. Quarterly Reports: Contractor agrees to provide a quarterly utilization report, reflecting net sales to the State during the associated fee period. The report will show the dollar volume of purchases by each Eligible User. The quarterly report will be provided in secure electronic format through the Division's Automated Vendor Usage Management System found at: <https://statecontracts.utah.gov/Vendor>.

3. Report Schedule: Quarterly utilization reports shall be made in accordance with the following schedule:

| Period End | Reports Due |
|--------------|-------------|
| March 31 | April 30 |
| June 30 | July 31 |
| September 30 | October 31 |
| December 31 | January 31 |

4. Fee Payment: After the Division receives the quarterly utilization report, it will send Contractor an invoice for the total quarterly administrative fee owed to the Division. Contractor shall pay the quarterly administrative fee within thirty (30) days from receipt of invoice.

5. Timely Reports and Fees: If the quarterly administrative fee is not paid by thirty (30) days of receipt of invoice or quarterly utilization reports are not received by the report due date, then Contractor will be in material breach of this Contract.

25. ORDERING: Orders will be placed by the Eligible User directly with Contractor. All orders will be shipped promptly in accordance with the terms of this Contract.

26. ACCEPTANCE AND REJECTION: The Eligible User shall have thirty (30) days after delivery of the Services to perform an inspection of the Services to determine whether the Services conform to the standards specified in the Solicitation and this Contract prior to acceptance of the Services by the Eligible User.

If Contractor delivers nonconforming Services, the State Entity may, at its option and at Contractor's expense: (i) return any deliverable related to the Services for a full refund; (ii) require Contractor to promptly correct or reperform the nonconforming Services subject to the terms of this Contract; or (iii) obtain replacement Services from another source, subject to Contractor being responsible for any cover costs.

27. INVOICING: Contractor will submit invoices within thirty (30) days after the delivery date of the Service(s) to the Eligible User. The contract number shall be listed on all invoices, freight tickets, and correspondence relating to this Contract. The prices paid by the Eligible User will be those prices listed in this Contract, unless Contractor offers a discount at the time of the invoice. It is Contractor's obligation to provide correct and accurate invoicing. The Eligible User has the right to adjust or return any invoice reflecting incorrect pricing.

28. PAYMENT: Payments are to be made within thirty (30) days after a correct invoice is received. All payments to Contractor will be remitted by mail, electronic funds transfer, or by a Purchasing Card (major credit card). If payment has not been made after sixty (60) days from the date a correct invoice is received by the Eligible User, then interest may be added by Contractor as prescribed in the Utah Prompt Payment Act. The acceptance by Contractor of final payment, without a written protest filed with the Eligible User within ten (10) business days of receipt of final payment, shall release the

Division, the Eligible User, and the State of Utah from all claims and all liability to the Contractor. The Eligible User's payment for the Services shall not be deemed an acceptance of the Services and is without prejudice to any and all claims that the Division, Eligible User, or the State of Utah may have against Contractor. The State of Utah, the Division, and the Eligible User will not allow the Contractor to charge end users electronic payment fees of any kind.

29. **TIME IS OF THE ESSENCE:** Services shall be completed by any applicable deadline stated in this Contract. For all Services, time is of the essence. Contractor shall be liable for all reasonable damages to the Eligible User and the State of Utah, and anyone for whom the State of Utah may be liable, as a result of Contractor's failure to timely perform the Services required under this Contract.

30. **CHANGES IN SCOPE:** Any changes in the scope of the Services to be performed under this Contract shall be in the form of a written amendment to this Contract, mutually agreed to and signed by both parties, specifying any such changes, fee adjustments, any adjustment in time of performance, or any other significant factors arising from the changes in the scope of Services.

31. **PERFORMANCE EVALUATION:** The Eligible User may conduct a performance evaluation of Contractor's Services, including Contractor's Subcontractors, if any. Results of any evaluation may be made available to the Contractor upon Contractor's request.

32. **STANDARD OF CARE:** The Services of Contractor and its Subcontractors shall be performed in accordance with the standard of care exercised by licensed members of their respective professions having substantial experience providing similar services which similarities include the type, magnitude, and complexity of the Services that are the subject of this Contract. Contractor shall be liable to the Eligible User and the State of Utah for claims, liabilities, additional burdens, penalties, damages, or third party claims (e.g., another Contractor's claim against the State of Utah), to the extent caused by wrongful acts, errors, or omissions that do not meet this standard of care.

33. **REVIEWS:** The Division and Eligible Users reserve the right to perform plan checks, plan reviews, other reviews, and/or comment upon the Services of Contractor. Such reviews do not waive the requirement of Contractor to meet all of the terms and conditions of this Contract.

34. **INDEMNIFICATION RELATING TO INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY:** Contractor will indemnify and hold the Division, the Eligible User, and the State of Utah harmless from and against any and all damages, expenses (including reasonable attorneys' fees), claims, judgments, liabilities, and costs in any action or claim brought against the Division, the Eligible User, or the State of Utah for infringement of a third party's copyright, trademark, trade secret, or other proprietary right. The parties agree that if there are any limitations of Contractor's liability, such limitations of liability will not apply to this section.

35. **OWNERSHIP IN INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY:** The Division, the Eligible User, and Contractor agree that each has no right, title, or interest, proprietary or otherwise, in the intellectual property owned or licensed by the other, unless otherwise agreed upon by the parties in writing. All Services, documents, records, programs, data, articles, memoranda, and other materials not developed or licensed by Contractor prior to the execution of this Contract, but specifically manufactured under this Contract, shall be considered work made for hire, and Contractor shall transfer any ownership claim to the Eligible User.

36. **OWNERSHIP IN CUSTOM DELIVERABLES:** In the event that Contractor provides Custom Deliverables to the Eligible User, pursuant to this Contract, Contractor grants the ownership in Custom Deliverables, which have been developed and delivered by Contractor exclusively for the Eligible User and are specifically within the framework of fulfilling Contractor's contractual obligations under this contract. Custom Deliverables shall be deemed work made for hire, such that all intellectual property rights, title and interest in the Custom Deliverables shall pass to the Eligible User, to the extent that the

Custom Deliverables are not recognized as work made for hire, Contractor hereby assigns to the Eligible User any and all copyrights in and to the Custom Deliverables, subject to the following:

1. Contractor has received payment for the Custom Deliverables,
2. Each party will retain all rights to patents, utility models, mask works, copyrights, trademarks, trade secrets, and any other form of protection afforded by law to inventions, models, designs, technical information, and applications (“Intellectual Property Rights”) that it owned or controlled prior to the effective date of this contract or that it develops or acquires from activities independent of the services performed under this contract (“Background IP”), and
3. Contractor will retain all right, title, and interest in and to all Intellectual Property Rights in or related to the services, or tangible components thereof, including but not limited to (a) all know-how, intellectual property, methodologies, processes, technologies, algorithms, software, or development tools used in performing the Services (collectively, the “Utilities”), and (b) such ideas, concepts, know-how, processes and reusable reports, designs, charts, plans, specifications, documentation, forms, templates, or output which are supplied or otherwise used by or on behalf of Contractor in the course of performing the Services or creating the Custom Deliverables, other than portions that specifically incorporate proprietary or Confidential Information or Custom Deliverables of the Eligible User (collectively, the “Residual IP”), even if embedded in the Custom Deliverables.
4. Custom Deliverables, not including Contractor’s Intellectual Property Rights, Background IP, and Residual IP, may not be marketed or distributed without written approval by the Eligible User.

Contractor agrees to grant to the Eligible User a perpetual, irrevocable, royalty-free license to use Contractor’s Background IP, Utilities, and Residual IP, as defined above, solely for the Eligible User and the State of Utah to use the Custom Deliverables. The Eligible User reserves a royalty-free, nonexclusive, and irrevocable license to reproduce, publish, or otherwise use and to authorize others to use, for the Eligible User’s and the State of Utah’s internal purposes, such Custom Deliverables. For the Goods delivered that consist of Contractor’s scripts and code and are not considered Custom Deliverables or Work Product, for any reason whatsoever, Contractor grants the Eligible User a non-exclusive, non-transferable, irrevocable, perpetual right to use, copy, and create derivative works from such, without the right to sublicense, for the Eligible User’s and the State of Utah’s internal business operation under this Contract. The Eligible User and the State of Utah may not participate in the transfer or sale of, create derivative works from, or in any way exploit Contractor’s Intellectual Property Rights, in whole or in part.

37. ASSIGNMENT: Contractor may not assign, sell, transfer, subcontract or sublet rights, or delegate any right or obligation under this Contract, in whole or in part, without the prior written approval of the Division.

38. DEFAULT AND REMEDIES: Any of the following events will constitute cause for the Division to declare Contractor in default of this Contract: (i) Contractor’s non-performance of its contractual requirements and obligations under this Contract; or (ii) Contractor’s material breach of any term or condition of this Contract. The Division may issue a written notice of default providing a ten (10) day period in which Contractor will have an opportunity to cure. Time allowed for cure will not diminish or eliminate Contractor's liability for damages. If the default remains after Contractor has been provided the opportunity to cure, the Division may do one or more of the following: (i) exercise any remedy provided by law or equity; (ii) terminate this Contract; (iii) impose liquidated damages, if liquidated damages are listed in this Contract; (iv) debar/suspend Contractor from receiving future contracts from the Division or the State of Utah; or (v) demand a full refund of any payment that an Eligible User has made to Contractor under this Contract for Services that do not conform to this

Contract.

39. **FORCE MAJEURE:** Neither party to this Contract will be held responsible for delay or default caused by fire, riot, act of God, and/or war which is beyond that party's reasonable control. The Division may terminate this Contract after determining such delay will prevent successful performance of this Contract.

40. **CONFIDENTIALITY:** If Confidential Information is disclosed to Contractor, Contractor shall: (i) advise its agents, officers, employees, partners, and Subcontractors of the obligations set forth in this Contract; (ii) keep all Confidential Information strictly confidential; and (iii) not disclose any Confidential Information received by it to any third parties. Contractor will promptly notify the Division and the relevant Eligible User of any potential or actual misuse or misappropriation of Confidential Information.

Contractor shall be responsible for any breach of this duty of confidentiality, including any required remedies and/or notifications under applicable law. Contractor shall indemnify, hold harmless, and defend the Division, the Eligible User, and the State of Utah, including anyone for whom the Division, the Eligible User, or the State of Utah is liable, from claims related to a breach of this duty of confidentiality, including any notification requirements, by Contractor or anyone for whom the Contractor is liable.

Upon termination or expiration of this Contract, Contractor will return all copies of Confidential Information to the Eligible User or certify in writing, that the Confidential Information has been destroyed. This duty of confidentiality shall be ongoing and survive the termination or expiration of this Contract.

41. **PUBLICITY:** Contractor shall submit to the Eligible User for written approval all advertising and publicity matters relating to this Contract. It is within the Eligible User's sole discretion whether to provide approval, which must be done in writing.

42. **CONTRACT INFORMATION:** During the duration of this Contract, the State of Utah Division of Purchasing is required to make available contact information of Contractor to the State of Utah Department of Workforce Services. The State of Utah Department of Workforce Services may contact Contractor during the duration of this Contract to inquire about Contractor's job vacancies.

43. **PROCUREMENT ETHICS:** Contractor understands that a person who is interested in any way in the sale of any supplies, services, construction, or insurance to the State of Utah is violating the law if the person gives or offers to give any compensation, gratuity, contribution, loan, reward, or any promise thereof to any person acting as a procurement officer on behalf of the State of Utah, or to any person in any official capacity who participates in the procurement of such supplies, services, construction, or insurance, whether it is given for their own use or for the use or benefit of any other person or organization.

44. **WAIVER:** A waiver of any right, power, or privilege shall not be construed as a waiver of any subsequent right, power, or privilege.

45. **ATTORNEY'S FEES:** In the event of any judicial action to enforce rights under this Contract, the prevailing party shall be entitled its costs and expenses, including reasonable attorney's fees, incurred in connection with such action.

46. **DISPUTE RESOLUTION:** Prior to either party filing a judicial proceeding, the parties agree to participate in the mediation of any dispute. The Division, after consultation with the Eligible User and Contractor, may appoint an expert or panel of experts to assist in the resolution of a dispute. If the Division appoints such an expert or panel, the Eligible User and Contractor agree to cooperate in good faith in providing information and documents to the expert or panel in an effort to resolve the dispute.

47. **ORDER OF PRECEDENCE:** In the event of any conflict in the terms and conditions in this

Contract, the order of precedence shall be: (i) this Attachment A; (ii) Contract Signature Page(s); (iii) the State of Utah's additional terms and conditions, if any; (iv) any other attachment listed on the Contract Signature Page(s); (v) Contractor's terms and conditions that are attached to this Contract, if any; and (vi) Contractor's attachments, if any. Any provision attempting to limit the liability of Contractor or limit the rights of the Division, Eligible Users, or the State of Utah must be in writing and attached to this Contract or it is rendered null and void. Contractor's terms and conditions on its Sales Orders, Invoices, website, etc., will not apply to this Contract.

48. SURVIVAL OF TERMS: Termination or expiration of this Contract shall not extinguish or prejudice the Division's or the Eligible User's right to enforce this Contract with respect to any default of this Contract or defect in the Services that has not been cured.

49. SEVERABILITY: The invalidity or unenforceability of any provision, term, or condition of this Contract shall not affect the validity or enforceability of any other provision, term, or condition of this Contract, which shall remain in full force and effect.

50. ENTIRE AGREEMENT: This Contract constitutes the entire agreement between the parties and supersedes any and all other prior and contemporaneous agreements and understandings between the parties, whether oral or written.

51. ANTI-BOYCOTT ISRAEL: In accordance with Utah Statute 63G-27-101, Contractor certifies that it is not currently engaged in a boycott of the State of Israel and agrees not to engage in a boycott of the State of Israel for the duration of the contract.

(Revision Date: 15 April 2021)

Attachment H: State of Maryland Terms & Conditions

Title 21

STATE PROCUREMENT REGULATIONS

Subtitle 07 CONTRACT TERMS AND CONDITIONS

Chapter 01 Mandatory Contract Provisions - All Contracts (except as provided under COMAR 21.05.07, 21.07.02, and 21.07.03)

Authority: Election Law Article, §§14-101-14-108; General Provisions Article, §§5-101 and 5-503; State Finance and Procurement Article, §§12-101, 13-211, 13-217-13-219, 13-221-13-223, 13-317, 16-202, 17-401, 17-402, and 19-114;
Annotated Code of Maryland; Chs. 588, 589, and 630, Acts of 2017

.01 Parties to the Contract.

Mandatory provision for all contracts.

.02 Scope of Contract.

Mandatory provision for all contracts. This provision shall reflect the unilateral right of the State to order in writing changes in the work within the scope of the contract.

.03 Compensation and Method of Payment.

Mandatory provision for all contracts. The contractor's taxpayer identification number consisting of the Social Security number for individuals and sole proprietors and the federal employer identification number for all other types of organizations shall be indicated in this clause.

.04 Contract Modifications.

Mandatory provision for all contracts.

.05 Non-Hiring of Officials and Employees.

Mandatory provision for all contracts: "No official or employee of the State of Maryland, as defined under General Provisions Article, §5-101, Annotated Code of Maryland, whose duties as such official or employee include matters relating to or affecting the subject matter of this contract, shall during the pendency and term of this contract and while serving as an official or employee of the State become or be an employee of the contractor or any entity that is a subcontractor on this contract."

.06 Disputes.

Mandatory provision for all contracts. One of the following clauses is preferred:

A. Alternate Disputes Clause (short form). "This contract shall be subject to the provisions of State Finance and Procurement Article, Title 15, Subtitle 2, Annotated Code of Maryland, and COMAR 21.10 (Administrative and Civil Remedies). Pending resolution of a claim, the Contractor shall proceed diligently with the performance of the contract in accordance with the procurement officer's decision."

B. Alternate Disputes Clause (long form).

"(1) This contract is subject to the provisions of State Finance and Procurement Article, Title 15, Subtitle 2, Annotated Code of Maryland and COMAR 21.10 (Administrative and Civil Remedies).

(2) Except as otherwise may be provided by law, all disputes arising under or as a result of a breach of this contract that are not disposed of by mutual agreement shall be resolved in accordance with this clause.

(3) As used herein, "claim" means a written demand or assertion by one of the parties seeking, as a legal right, the payment of money, adjustment or interpretation of contract terms, or

other relief, arising under or relating to this contract. A voucher, invoice, or request for payment that is not in dispute when submitted is not a claim under this clause. However, if the submission subsequently is not acted upon in a reasonable time, or is disputed as to liability or amount, it may be converted to a claim for the purpose of this clause.

(4) A claim shall be made in writing and submitted to the procurement officer for decision in consultation with the Office of the Attorney General.

(5) When a claim cannot be resolved by mutual agreement, the contractor shall submit a written request for final decision to the procurement officer. The written request shall set forth all the facts surrounding the controversy.

(6) The contractor, at the discretion of the procurement officer, may be afforded an opportunity to be heard and to offer evidence in support of his claim.

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(7) The procurement officer shall render a written decision on all claims within 180 days of receipt of the contractor's written claim, unless the procurement officer determines that a longer period is necessary to resolve the claim. If a decision is not issued within 180 days, the procurement officer shall notify the contractor of the time within which a decision shall be rendered and the reasons for such time extension. The decision shall be furnished to the contractor, by certified mail, return receipt requested, or by any other method that provides evidence of receipt. The procurement officer's decision shall be deemed the final action of the State.

(8) The procurement officer's decision shall be final and conclusive unless the contractor mails or otherwise files a written appeal with the Maryland State Board of Contract Appeals within 30 days of receipt of the decision.

(9) Pending resolution of a claim, the contractor shall proceed diligently with the performance of the contract in accordance with the procurement officer's decision."

.07 Maryland Law Prevails.

Mandatory provision for all contracts unless otherwise authorized by the Board of Public Works.

.08 Nondiscrimination in Employment.

Mandatory provision for all contracts. The following clause is preferred:

"The Contractor agrees:(a) not to discriminate in any manner against an employee or applicant for employment because of race, color, religion, creed, age, sex, sexual orientation, gender identification, marital status, national origin, ancestry genetic information or any otherwise unlawful use of characteristics, or disability of a qualified individual with a disability unrelated in nature and extent so as to reasonably preclude the performance of the employment, or the individual's refusal to submit to a genetic test or make available the results of a genetic test; (b) to include a provision similar to that contained in subsection(a), above, in any underlying subcontract except a subcontract for standard commercial supplies or raw materials; and (c) to post and to cause subcontractors to post in conspicuous places available to employees and applicants for employment, notices setting forth the substance of this clause."

.09 Contingent Fee Prohibition.

Mandatory provision for all contracts:

"The contractor, architect, or engineer (as applicable) warrants that it has not employed or

retained any person, partnership, corporation, or other entity, other than a bona fide employee or agent working for the contractor, architect, or engineer, to solicit or secure this agreement, and that it has not paid or agreed to pay any person, partnership, corporation, or other entity, other than a bona fide employee or agent, any fee or any other consideration contingent on the making of this agreement."

.10 Multi-Year Contracts Contingent Upon Appropriations.

Mandatory provision for all contracts and contract modifications to be effective in more than one fiscal year:

"If the General Assembly fails to appropriate funds or if funds are not otherwise made available for continued performance for any fiscal period of this Contract succeeding the first fiscal period, this Contract shall be cancelled automatically as of the beginning of the fiscal year for which funds were not appropriated or otherwise made available; provided, however, that this will not affect either the State's rights or the Contractor's rights under any termination clause in this Contract. The effect of termination of the Contract hereunder will be to discharge both the Contractor and the State from future performance of the Contract, but not from their rights and obligations existing at the time of termination. The Contractor shall be reimbursed for the reasonable value of any non-recurring costs incurred but not amortized in the price of the Contract. The State shall notify the Contractor as soon as it has knowledge that funds may not be available for the continuation of this Contract for each succeeding fiscal period beyond the first."

.11 Termination for Default.

Mandatory provision for all contracts. One of the following clauses is preferred:

A. Alternate Clause - Termination for Default (short form).

"If the Contractor fails to fulfill its obligation under this contract properly and on time, or otherwise violates any provision of the contract, the State may terminate the contract by written notice to the Contractor. The notice shall specify the acts or omissions relied upon as cause for termination. All finished or unfinished work provided by the Contractor shall, at the State's option, become the State's property. The State shall pay the Contractor fair and equitable compensation for satisfactory

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performance prior to receipt of notice of termination, less the amount of damages caused by Contractor's breach. If the damages are more than the compensation payable to the Contractor, the Contractor will remain liable after termination and the State can affirmatively collect damages. Termination hereunder, including the determination of the rights and obligations of the parties, shall be governed by the provisions of COMAR 21.07.01.11B."

B. Alternate Clause - Termination for Default (long form).

"(1) The State may, subject to the provisions of paragraph (3) of this regulation, by written notice of default to the Contractor, terminate the whole or any part of this contract in any one of the following circumstances:(a) If the Contractor fails to perform within the time specified herein or any extension thereof; or (b) If the Contractor fails to perform any of the other provisions of this contract, or so fails to make progress as to endanger performance of this contract in accordance with its terms, and in either of these two circumstances does not cure such failure within a period of 10 days (or such longer period as the procurement officer may authorize in writing) after

receipt of notice from the procurement officer specifying such failure.

"(2) In the event the State terminates this contract in whole or in part as provided in paragraph(1) of this clause, the State may procure substitute performance upon terms and in whatever manner the procurement officer may deem appropriate, and the Contractor shall be liable to the State for any excess costs for substitute performance; provided, that the Contractor shall continue the performance of this contract to the extent not terminated under the provisions of this clause.

"(3) Except with respect to defaults of subcontractors, the Contractor shall not be liable for any excess costs if the failure to perform the contract arises out of causes beyond the control and without the fault or negligence of the Contractor. Such causes may include, but are not restricted to, acts of God or of the public enemy, acts of the State in either its sovereign or contractual capacity, fires, floods, epidemics, quarantine restrictions, strikes, freight embargoes, and unusually severe weather; but in every case the failure to perform shall be beyond the control and without the fault or negligence of the Contractor. If the failure to perform is caused by the default of a subcontractor, and if the default arises out of causes beyond the control of both the Contractor and subcontractor, and without the fault or negligence of either of them, the Contractor shall not be liable for any excess costs for failure to perform unless substitute performance for the subcontractor was obtainable from another source in sufficient time to permit the Contractor to meet the performance schedule.

"(4) If, after notice of termination of this contract under the provisions of this clause, it is determined for any reason that the Contractor was not in default under the provisions of this clause, or that the default was excusable under the provisions of this clause, the rights and obligations of the parties shall, if the contract contains a clause providing for termination for convenience of the State, be the same as if the notice of termination had been issued pursuant to such clause. If, after notice of termination of this contract under the provisions of this clause, it is determined for any reason that the Contractor was not in default under the provisions of this clause, and if this contract does not contain a clause providing for termination for convenience of the State, the contract shall be equitably adjusted to compensate for such termination and the contract modified accordingly; failure to agree to any such adjustment shall be a dispute concerning a question of fact within the meaning of the clause of this contract entitled "Disputes."

"(5) If this contract is terminated as provided in paragraph(1) of this clause, the State, in addition to any other rights provided in this clause, may require the Contractor to transfer title and deliver to the State, in the manner, at the times, and to the extent, if any, directed by the procurement officer,(a) the fabricated or unfabricated parts, work in progress, completed work, supplies, and other material produced as a part of, or acquired in connection with the performance of, the work terminated by the Notice of Termination, and (b) the completed or partially completed plans, drawings, information, and other property which, if the contract had been completed, would have been required to be furnished to the State; and the Contractor shall, upon direction of the procurement officer, protect and preserve property in the possession of the Contractor in which the State has an interest. Payment for completed supplies delivered to and accepted by the State shall be at the contract price. Payment for manufacturing materials delivered to and accepted by the State and for the protection and preservation of property shall be in an amount agreed upon by the Contractor and procurement officer; failure to agree to such amount shall be a dispute concerning a question of fact within the meaning of the clause of this contract entitled "Disputes." The State may withhold from amounts otherwise due the Contractor hereunder such sum as the procurement officer determines to be necessary to protect the State against loss

because of outstanding liens or claims of former lien holders.

"(6) The rights and remedies of the State provided in this clause shall not be exclusive and are in addition to any other rights and remedies provided by law or under this contract.

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"(7) As used in paragraph (3) of this clause, the terms, "subcontractor" and "subcontractors" mean subcontractor(s) at any tier."

.12 Termination for Convenience.

A. Except as provided in §B of this regulation, mandatory provision for all contracts. One of the following clauses is preferred:

(1) Alternate Clause - Termination for Convenience (short form).

"The performance of work under this contract may be terminated by the State in accordance with this clause in whole, or from time to time in part, whenever the State shall determine that such termination is in the best interest of the State. The State will pay all reasonable costs associated with this contract that the Contractor has incurred up to the date of termination and all reasonable costs associated with termination of the Contract. However, the Contractor shall not be reimbursed for any anticipatory profits that have not been earned up to the date of termination. Termination hereunder, including the determination of the rights and obligations of the parties, shall be governed by the provisions of COMAR 21.07.01.12A(2)."

(2) Alternate Clause - Termination for Convenience (long form).

"(1) The performance of work under this contract may be terminated by the State in accordance with this clause in whole, or from time to time in part, whenever the State shall determine that such termination is in the best interest of the State. Any such termination shall be effected by delivery to the Contractor of a Notice of Termination specifying the extent to which performance of work is terminated and the time when such termination becomes effective.

"(2) After receipt of a Notice of Termination, and except as otherwise directed by the procurement officer, the Contractor shall:

(a) stop work as specified in the Notice of Termination;

(b) place no further orders or subcontracts for materials, services or facilities, except as may be necessary for completion

of the portion of the work under the contract as is not terminated;

(c) terminate all orders and subcontracts to the extent that they relate to the performance of work terminated by the Notice of Termination;

(d) assign to the State, in the manner, at times, and to the extent directed by the procurement officer, all of the right, title, and interest of the Contractor under the orders and subcontracts so terminated, in which case the State shall have the right, in its discretion, to settle or pay any or all claims arising out of the termination of such orders and subcontracts;

(e) settle all outstanding liabilities and all claims arising out of such termination of orders and subcontracts, with the approval or ratification of the procurement officer, to the extent he may require, which approval or ratification shall be final for all the purposes of this clause;

- (f) transfer title and deliver to the State, in the manner, at the times, and to the extent, if any, directed by the procurement officer, (i) the fabricated or unfabricated parts, work in process, completed work, supplies, and other material produced as a part of, or acquired in connection with the performance of, the work terminated by the Notice of Termination, and (ii) the completed or partially completed plans, drawings, information, and other property which, if the contract had been completed, would have been required to be furnished to the State;
- (g) use its best efforts to sell, in the manner, at the times, to the extent, and at the price or prices directed or authorized by the procurement officer, any property of the types referred to in (f) above; provided, however, that the Contractor (i) may not be required to extend credit to any purchaser, and (ii) may acquire any such property under the conditions prescribed by and at a price or prices approved by the procurement officer; and provided further that the proceeds of any such transfer or disposition shall be applied in reduction of any payments to be made by the State to the Contractor under this contract or shall otherwise be credited to the price or cost of the work covered by this contract or paid in such other manner as the procurement officer may direct;
- (h) complete performance of such part of the work as shall not have been terminated by the Notice of Termination; and
- (i) take any action that may be necessary, or as the procurement officer may direct, for the protection and preservation of the property related to this contract which is in the possession of the Contractor and in which the State has or may acquire an interest.

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The Contractor shall submit to the procurement officer a list, certified as to quantity and quality, of any or all items of termination inventory not previously disposed of, exclusive of items the disposition of which has been directed or authorized by the procurement officer, and may request the State to remove them or enter into a storage agreement covering them. Not later than fifteen (15) days thereafter, the State shall accept title to these items and remove them or enter into a storage agreement covering the same; provided, that the list submitted shall be subject to verification by the procurement officer upon removal of the items, or if the items are stored, within forty-five (45) days from the date of submission of the list, and any necessary adjustment to correct the list as submitted shall be made before final settlement.

"(3) After receipt of a Notice of Termination, the Contractor shall submit to the procurement officer his termination claim, in the form and with certification prescribed by the procurement officer. This claim shall be submitted promptly but in no event later than one(1) year from the effective date of termination, unless one or more extensions in writing are granted by the procurement officer, upon request of the Contractor made in writing within the one-year period or authorized extension thereof. However, if the procurement officer determines that the facts justify such action, he may receive and act upon any such termination claim at any time after the one-year period or any extension thereof. Upon failure of the Contractor to submit his termination claim within the time allowed, the procurement officer may determine the claim at any time after the one-year period or any extension thereof. Upon failure of the Contractor to submit his termination claim within the time allowed, the procurement officer may determine, on

the basis of information available to him, the amount, if any, due to the Contractor by reason of the termination and shall thereupon pay to the Contractor the amount so determined.

"(4) Subject to the provisions of paragraph (3), the Contractor and the procurement officer may agree upon the whole or any part of the amount or amounts to be paid to the Contractor by reason of the total or partial termination of work pursuant to this clause, which amount or amounts may include a reasonable allowance for profit on work done; provided, that such agreed amount or amounts, exclusive of settlement costs, shall not exceed the total contract price as reduced by the amount of payments otherwise made and as further reduced by the contract price of work not terminated. The contract shall be amended accordingly, and the Contractor shall be paid the agreed amount. Nothing in paragraph (5) of this clause, prescribing the amount to be paid to the Contractor in the event of failure of the Contractor and the procurement officer to agree upon the whole amount to be paid to the Contractor by reason of the termination of work pursuant to this clause, shall be deemed to limit, restrict, or otherwise determine or affect the amount or amounts that may be agreed upon to be paid to the Contractor pursuant to this paragraph.

"(5) In the event of the failure of the Contractor and the procurement officer to agree as provided in paragraph (4) upon the whole amount to be paid to the Contractor by reason of the termination of work pursuant to this clause, the procurement officer shall pay to the Contractor the amounts determined by the procurement officer as follows, but without duplication of any amounts agreed upon in accordance with paragraph (4):

(a) for completed supplies or services accepted by the State (or sold or acquired as provided in paragraph (2)(g) above) and for which payment has not theretofore been made, a sum equivalent to the aggregate price for the supplies or services computed in accordance with the price or prices specified in the contract, appropriately adjusted for any saving of freight or other charges;

(b) the total of:

(i) the costs incurred in the performance of the work terminated, including initial costs and preparatory expense allocable thereto, but exclusive of any costs attributable to supplies or services paid or to be paid for under paragraph (5)(a) hereof;

(ii) the cost of settling and paying claims arising out of the termination of work under subcontracts or orders, as provided in paragraph (2)(e) above, which are properly chargeable to the terminated portion of the contract (exclusive of amounts paid or payable on account of supplies or materials delivered or services furnished by subcontractors or vendors before the effective date of the Notice of Termination, which amounts shall be included in the costs payable under(i) above); and

(iii) a sum, as profit on(i) above, determined by the procurement officer to be fair and reasonable; provided, however, that if it appears that the contractor would have sustained a loss on the entire contract had it been completed, no profit shall be included or allowed under this subdivision (iii) and an appropriate adjustment shall be made reducing the amount of the settlement to reflect the indicated rate of loss; and

(c) the reasonable cost of settlement accounting, legal, clerical, and other expenses reasonably necessary for the preparation of settlement claims and supporting data with respect to the terminated portion of the contract and for the termination

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and settlement of subcontracts thereunder, together with reasonable storage, transportation, and other costs incurred in connection with the protection or disposition of property allocable to this contract.

The total sum to be paid to the Contractor under(a) and (b) of this paragraph shall not exceed the total contract price as reduced by the amount of payments otherwise made and as further reduced by the contract price of work not terminated. Except for normal spoilage, and except to the extent that the State shall have otherwise expressly assumed the risk of loss, there shall be excluded from the amounts payable to the Contractor as provided in (5)(a) and (b)(i) above, the fair value, as determined by the procurement officer, of property that is destroyed, lost, stolen, or damaged so as to become undeliverable to the State or to a buyer pursuant to paragraph (2)(g).

"(6) Costs claimed, agreed to, or determined pursuant to (3), (4), (5) and (11) hereof shall be in accordance with COMAR

21.09 (Contract Cost Principles and Procedures) as in effect on the date of this contract.

"(7) The Contractor shall have the right of appeal, under the clause of this contract entitled "Disputes," from any determination made by the procurement officer under paragraph (3), (5), or (9) hereof, except that if the Contractor has failed to submit his claim within the time provided in paragraph (3) or (9) hereof, and has failed to request extension of the time, he shall have no right of appeal. In any case where the procurement officer has made a determination of the amount due under paragraph (3), (5), or (9) hereof, the State shall pay to the Contractor the following:(a) if there is no right of appeal hereunder or if no timely appeal has been taken, the amount so determined by the procurement officer, or (b) if an appeal has been taken, the amount finally determined on such appeal.

"(8) In arriving at the amount due the Contractor under this clause there shall be deducted(a) all unliquidated advance or other payments on account theretofore made to the Contractor, applicable to the terminated portion of this contract, (b) any claim which the State may have against the Contractor in connection with this contract, and (c) the agreed price for, or the proceeds of sale of, any materials, supplies, or other things acquired by the Contractor or sold, pursuant to the provisions of this clause, and not otherwise recovered by or credited to the State.

"(9) If the termination hereunder be partial, the Contractor may file with the procurement officer a claim for an equitable adjustment of the price or prices specified in the contract relating to the continued portion of the contract (the portion not terminated by the Notice of Termination), and such equitable adjustment as may be agreed upon shall be made in such price or prices. Any claim by the Contractor for an equitable adjustment under this clause shall be asserted within ninety (90) days from the effective date of the termination notice, unless an extension is granted in writing by the procurement officer.

"(10) The State may from time to time, under such terms and conditions as it may prescribe, make partial payments and payments on account against costs incurred by the Contractor in connection with the terminated portion of this contract whenever in the opinion of the procurement officer the aggregate of such payments shall be within the amount to which the Contractor shall be entitled hereunder. If the total of such payments is in excess of the amount finally agreed or determined to be due under this clause, such excess shall be payable by the Contractor to the State upon demand, together with interest computed at the prime rate established by the State Treasurer for the period from the date such excess payment is received by the Contractor to the date on which such excess is repaid to the State; provided, however, that

no interest shall be charged with respect to any such excess payment attributable to a reduction in the Contractor's claim by reason of retention or other disposition of termination inventory until ten days after the date of such retention or disposition, or a later date as determined by the procurement officer by reason of the circumstances.

"(11) Unless otherwise provided for in this contract, or by applicable statute, the Contractor shall-from the effective date of termination until the expiration of three years after final settlement under this contract-preserve and make available to the State at all reasonable times at the office of the Contractor but without direct charge to the State, all his books, records, documents and other evidence bearing on the costs and expenses of the Contractor under this contract and relating to the work terminated hereunder, or, to the extent approved by the procurement officer, reproductions thereof."

B. Leases of Real Property.

(1) Inclusion of a termination for convenience clause in a real property lease is discretionary with the Board of Public Works, upon recommendation of the Secretary of General Services.

(2) In recommending the exclusion of a termination for convenience clause in a real property lease, the Secretary shall consider such factors as:

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(a) The practicality of including the termination for convenience clause in a lease of real property located in another state or overseas when the demand for property of a particular type or in some particular geographic location is extremely intense, or when the contents of a lease are established by a foreign government and are effectively non-negotiable, or both;

(b) The perception of some landlords that the termination for convenience clause permits the State to unilaterally convert a fixed term lease to a day-to-day lease; or

(c) The prospects that some lending institutions may reject loan requests from landlords owning property that the State might wish to lease but that must be first upgraded at the owner's expense to meet State User Agency Requirements.

.13 Delays and Extensions of Time.

Mandatory provision for all contracts. It shall be in substantially the same form as follows:

"Delays and Extensions of Time"

"The Contractor agrees to prosecute the work continuously and diligently and no charges or claims for damages shall be made by it for any delays or hindrances from any cause whatsoever during the progress of any portion of the work specified in this Contract.

"Time extensions will be granted only for excusable delays that arise from unforeseeable causes beyond the control and without the fault or negligence of the Contractor, including but not restricted to, acts of God, acts of the public enemy, acts of the State in either its sovereign or contractual capacity, acts of another Contractor in the performance of a contract with the State, fires, floods, epidemics, quarantine restrictions, strikes, freight embargoes, or delays of subcontractors or suppliers arising from unforeseeable causes beyond the control and without the fault or negligence of either the Contractor or the subcontractors or suppliers."

.14 Liquidated Damages.

Mandatory provision for:

A. All contracts with certified MBE participation goals in accordance with COMAR 21.11.03.10E; and

B. Any other contracts deemed appropriate by the procurement officer in consultation with the Office of the Attorney General.

.15 Variations in Estimated Quantities.

Mandatory provision for all contracts that contain estimated quantity items.

.16 Suspension of Work.

Mandatory provision for all contracts. It shall be in substantially the same form as follows:

"The procurement officer unilaterally may order the Contractor in writing to suspend, delay, or interrupt all or any part of the work for such period of time as he may determine to be appropriate for the convenience of the State."

.17 Pre-existing Regulations.

Mandatory provision for all contracts. It shall be in substantially the same form as follows:

"In accordance with the provisions of §11-206 of the State Finance and Procurement Article, Annotated Code of Maryland, the regulations set forth in Title 21 of the Code of Maryland Regulations (COMAR Title 21) in effect on the date of execution of this Contract are applicable to this Contract."

.18 Payment of State Obligations.

Mandatory provision for all contracts. The following clause is preferred:

"Unless a payment is unauthorized, deferred, delayed, or set-off under COMAR 21.02.07,

Payments to the Contractor pursuant to this Contract shall be made no later than 30 days after the State's receipt of a proper invoice from the Contractor.

The Contractor may be eligible to receive late payment interest at the rate of 9% per annum if:

(1) The Contractor submits an invoice for the late payment interest within thirty days after the date of the State's payment of the amount on which the interest accrued; and

(2) A contract claim has not been filed under State Finance and Procurement Article, Title 15, Subtitle 2, Annotated Code of Maryland.

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The State is not liable for interest:

(1) Accruing more than one year after the 31st day after the agency receives the proper invoice; or

(2) On any amount representing unpaid interest. Charges for late payment of invoices are authorized only as prescribed by Title 15, Subtitle 1, of the State Finance and Procurement Article, Annotated Code of Maryland, or by the Public Service Commission of Maryland with respect to regulated public utilities, as applicable."

.19 Financial Disclosure.

Mandatory provision for all contracts:

"The Contractor shall comply with the provisions of State Finance and Procurement Article §13-221, Annotated Code of Maryland. That section requires a business to file with the Secretary of State of Maryland certain specified information, including disclosure of beneficial ownership of the business, within 30 days of the date the aggregate value of any contracts, leases, or other agreements that the business enters into with the State of Maryland or its agencies during a

calendar year reaches \$200,000."

.20 Political Contribution Disclosure.

Mandatory provision for all contracts:

"The Contractor shall comply with Election Law Article, Title 14, Annotated Code of Maryland, which requires that every person that enters into a procurement contract with the State, a county, or a municipal corporation, or other political subdivision of the State, during a calendar year in which the person receives a contract with a governmental entity in the amount of \$200,000 or more, shall file with the State Board of Elections statements disclosing:(a) any contributions made during the reporting period to a candidate for elective office in any primary or general election; and (b) the name of each candidate to whom one or more contribution in a cumulative amount of \$500 or more were made during the reporting period. The statement shall be filed with the State Board of Elections:(a) before execution of a contract by the State, a county, a municipal corporation, or other political subdivision of the State, and shall cover the 24 months prior to when a contract was awarded; and (b) if the contribution is made after the execution of a contract, then twice a year, throughout the contract term, on or before:(i) May 31, to cover the six (6) month period ending April 30; and (ii) November 30, to cover the six (6) month period ending October 31. Additional information is available on the State Board of Election website: http://www.elections.state.md.us/campaign_finance/index.html."

.21 Retention of Records.

Mandatory provision for all contracts. The following clause is preferred:

"The Contractor shall retain and maintain all records and documents relating to this Contract for three years after final payment by the State hereunder or any applicable statute of limitations, whichever is longer, and shall make them available for inspection and audit by authorized representatives of the State, including the procurement officer or designee, at all reasonable times."

.22 Compliance with Laws.

Mandatory provision for all contracts. The following clause is preferred:

"The Contractor hereby represents and warrants that:

"A. It is qualified to do business in the State of Maryland and that it will take such action as, from time to time hereafter, may be necessary to remain so qualified;

"B. It is not in arrears with respect to the payment of any monies due and owing the State of Maryland, or any department or unit thereof, including but not limited to the payment of taxes and employee benefits, and that it shall not become so in arrears during the term of this Contract;

"C. It shall comply with all federal, State, and local laws, regulations, and ordinances applicable to its activities and obligations under this Contract; and

"D. It shall obtain, at its expense, all licenses, permits, insurance, and governmental approvals, if any, necessary to the performance of its obligations under this Contract."

.23 Cost and Price Certification.

Mandatory provision for all contracts and contract modifications (excluding real property leases and architectural services or engineering services contracts (see Regulation .24)) if the contract or modification exceeds \$100,000 or a smaller amount

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determined by the procurement officer under State Finance and Procurement Article, §13-220.

The language shall be in substantially the same form as follows:

"Cost and Price Certification"

"A. The Contractor by submitting cost or price information certifies that, to the best of its knowledge, the information submitted is accurate, complete, and current as of a mutually determined specified date prior to the conclusion of any price discussions or negotiations for:

"(1) A negotiated contract, if the total contract price is expected to exceed \$100,000, or a smaller amount set by the procurement officer; or

"(2) A change order or contract modification, expected to exceed \$100,000, or a smaller amount set by the procurement officer.

"B. The price under this Contract and any change order or modification hereunder, including profit or fee, shall be adjusted to exclude any significant price increases occurring because the Contractor furnished cost or price information which, as of the date agreed upon between the parties, was inaccurate, incomplete, or not current."

.24 Truth-In-Negotiation Certification.

Mandatory provision for architectural services or engineering services contracts exceeding \$100,000. It shall be in substantially the same form as follows:

"Truth-In-Negotiation Certification"

"The Contractor by submitting cost or price information, including wage rates or other factual unit costs, certifies to the best of its knowledge, information and belief, that:

"A. The wage rates and other factual unit costs supporting the firm's compensation, as set forth in the proposal, are accurate, complete and current as of the contract date;

"B. If any of the items of compensation were increased due to the furnishing of inaccurate, incomplete or noncurrent wage rates or other units of costs, the State is entitled to an adjustment in all appropriate items of compensation, including profit or fee, to exclude any significant sum by which the price was increased because of the defective data. The State's right to adjustment includes the right to a price adjustment for defects in costs or pricing data submitted by a prospective or actual subcontractor; and

"C. If additions are made to the original price of the contract, such additions may be adjusted to exclude any significant sums where it is determined the price has been increased due to inaccurate, incomplete or noncurrent wage rates and other factual costs."

.25 Contract Affidavit.

Mandatory contract addendum. The contract addendum shall be in substantially the same form as follows and submitted upon initial award and each renewal thereafter:

A. AUTHORITY

I HEREBY AFFIRM THAT:

I, (print name) possess the legal authority to make this Affidavit.

B. CERTIFICATION OF REGISTRATION OR QUALIFICATION WITH THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF ASSESSMENTS AND TAXATION

I FURTHER AFFIRM THAT:

The business named above is a (check applicable items):

- (1) Corporation - domestic or foreign;
- (2) Limited Liability Company - domestic or foreign;
- (3) Partnership - domestic or foreign;
- (4) Statutory Trust - domestic or foreign;

(5) Sole Proprietorship
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and is registered or qualified as required under Maryland Law.

I further affirm that the above business is in good standing both in Maryland and (IF APPLICABLE) in the jurisdiction where it is presently organized, and has filed all of its annual reports, together with filing fees, with the Maryland State Department of Assessments and Taxation. The name and address of its resident agent (IF APPLICABLE) filed with the State Department of Assessments and Taxation is:

Name and Department ID

Number: Address:

and that if it does business under a trade name, it has filed a certificate with the State Department of Assessments and Taxation that correctly identifies that true name and address of the principal or owner as:

Name and Department ID Number: Address:

C. FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE AFFIRMATION I FURTHER AFFIRM THAT:

I am aware of, and the above business will comply with, the provisions of State Finance and Procurement Article, §13-221, Annotated Code of Maryland, which require the business to file with the Secretary of State of Maryland certain specified information, including disclosure of beneficial ownership of the business, within 30 days of the date the aggregate value of any contracts, leases, or other agreements that the business enters into with the State of Maryland or its agencies during a calendar year reaches \$200,000.

D. POLITICAL CONTRIBUTION DISCLOSURE AFFIRMATION I FURTHER AFFIRM THAT:

I am aware of, and the above business will comply with, Election Law Article, Title 14, Annotated Code of Maryland, which requires that every person that enters into a procurement contract with the State, a county, a municipal corporation, or other political subdivision of the State, during a calendar year in which the person receives a contract with a governmental entity in the amount of \$200,000 or more shall file with the State Board of Elections statements disclosing:(a) any contributions made during the reporting period to a candidate for elective office in any primary or general election; and (b) the name of each candidate to whom one or more contributions in a cumulative amount of \$500 or more were made during the reporting period. The statement shall be filed with the State Board of Elections:(a) before execution of a contract by the State, a county, a municipal corporation, or other political subdivision of the State, and shall cover the 24 months prior to when a contract was awarded; and (b) if the contribution is made after the execution of a contract, then twice a year, throughout the contract term, on:(i) May 31, to cover the six (6) month period ending April 30; and (ii) November 30, to cover the six (6) month period ending October 31.

E. DRUG AND ALCOHOL FREE WORKPLACE

(Applicable to all contracts unless the contract is for a law enforcement agency and the agency head or the agency head's designee has determined that application of COMAR 21.11.08 and this certification would be inappropriate in connection with the law enforcement agency's undercover operations.)

I CERTIFY THAT:

- (1) Terms defined in COMAR 21.11.08 shall have the same meanings when used in this certification.
- (2) By submission of its bid or offer, the business, if other than an individual, certifies and agrees that, with respect to its employees to be employed under a contract resulting from this solicitation, the business shall:
 - (a) Maintain a workplace free of drug and alcohol abuse during the term of the contract;
 - (b) Publish a statement notifying its employees that the unlawful manufacture, distribution, dispensing, possession, or use of drugs, and the abuse of drugs or alcohol is prohibited in the business' workplace and specifying the actions that will be taken against employees for violation of these prohibitions;
 - (c) Prohibit its employees from working under the influence of drugs or alcohol;

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- (d) Not hire or assign to work on the contract anyone who the business knows, or in the exercise of due diligence should know, currently abuses drugs or alcohol and is not actively engaged in a bona fide drug or alcohol abuse assistance or rehabilitation program;
- (e) Promptly inform the appropriate law enforcement agency of every drug-related crime that occurs in its workplace if the business has observed the violation or otherwise has reliable information that a violation has occurred;
- (f) Establish drug and alcohol abuse awareness programs to inform its employees about:
 - (i) The dangers of drug and alcohol abuse in the workplace;
 - (ii) The business's policy of maintaining a drug and alcohol free workplace;
 - (iii) Any available drug and alcohol counseling, rehabilitation, and employee assistance programs; and
- (iv) The penalties that may be imposed upon employees who abuse drugs and alcohol in the workplace;
- (g) Provide all employees engaged in the performance of the contract with a copy of the statement required by §E(2)(b), of this regulation;
- (h) Notify its employees in the statement required by §E(2)(b), of this regulation, that as a condition of continued employment on the contract, the employee shall:
 - (i) Abide by the terms of the statement; and
 - (ii) Notify the employer of any criminal drug or alcohol abuse conviction for an offense occurring in the workplace not later than 5 days after a conviction;
- (i) Notify the procurement officer within 10 days after receiving notice under §E(2)(h)(ii), of this regulation, or otherwise receiving actual notice of a conviction;
- (j) Within 30 days after receiving notice under §E(2)(h)(ii), of this regulation, or otherwise receiving actual notice of a conviction, impose either of the following sanctions or remedial measures on any employee who is convicted of a drug or alcohol abuse offense occurring in the workplace:
 - (i) Take appropriate personnel action against an employee, up to and including termination;or

- (ii) Require an employee to satisfactorily participate in a bona fide drug or alcohol abuse assistance or rehabilitation program;
and
- (k) Make a good faith effort to maintain a drug and alcohol free workplace through implementation of §E(2)(a)-(j), of this regulation.
- (3) If the business is an individual, the individual shall certify and agree as set forth in §E(4), of this regulation, that the individual shall not engage in the unlawful manufacture, distribution, dispensing, possession, or use of drugs or the abuse of drugs or alcohol in the performance of the contract.
- (4) I acknowledge and agree that:
 - (a) The award of the contract is conditional upon compliance with COMAR 21.11.08 and this certification;
 - (b) The violation of the provisions of COMAR 21.11.08 or this certification shall be cause to suspend payments under, or terminate the contract for default under COMAR 21.07.01.11 or 21.07.03.15, as applicable; and
 - (c) The violation of the provisions of COMAR 21.11.08 or this certification in connection with the contract may, in the exercise of the discretion of the Board of Public Works, result in suspension and debarment of the business under COMAR 21.08.03.

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F. CERTAIN AFFIRMATIONS VALID I FURTHER AFFIRM THAT:

To the best of my knowledge, information, and belief, each of the affirmations, certifications, or acknowledgements contained in that certain Bid/Proposal Affidavit dated , 20 , and executed by me for the purpose of obtaining the contract to which this Exhibit is attached remains true and correct in all respects as if made as of the date of this Contract Affidavit and as if fully set forth herein.

I DO SOLEMNLY DECLARE AND AFFIRM UNDER THE PENALTIES OF PER URY THAT THE CONTENTS OF THIS AFFIDAVIT ARE TRUE AND CORRECT TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE, INFORMATION, AND BELIEF.

Date:

By: (printed name of Authorized Representative and affiant)
(signature of Authorized Representative and affiant)

.26 Commercial Nondiscrimination Clause.

A. The following provision is mandatory for all State contracts and subcontracts: "As a condition of entering into this Agreement, Contractor represents and warrants that it will comply with the State's Commercial Nondiscrimination Policy, as described under Title 19 of the State Finance and Procurement Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland. As part of such compliance, Contractor may not discriminate on the basis of race, color, religion, ancestry, national origin, sex, age, marital status, sexual orientation, sexual identity, genetic information or an individual's refusal to submit to a genetic test or make available the results of a genetic test or on the basis of disability, or other unlawful forms of discrimination in the solicitation, selection,

hiring, or commercial treatment of subcontractors, vendors, suppliers, or commercial customers, nor shall Contractor retaliate against any person for reporting instances of such discrimination. Contractor shall provide equal opportunity for subcontractors, vendors, and suppliers to participate in all of its public sector and private sector subcontracting and supply opportunities, provided that this clause does not prohibit or limit lawful efforts to remedy the effects of marketplace discrimination that have occurred or are occurring in the marketplace. Contractor understands that a material violation of this clause shall be considered a material breach of this Agreement and may result in termination of this Agreement, disqualification of Contractor from participating in State contracts, or other sanctions. This clause is not enforceable by or for the benefit of, and creates no obligation to, any third party.

B. The following provision is mandatory for all State contracts: "As a condition of entering into this Agreement, upon the request of the Commission on Civil Rights, and only after the filing of a complaint against Contractor under Title 19 of the State Finance and Procurement Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland, as amended from time to time, Contractor agrees to provide within 60 days after the request a complete list of the names of all subcontractors, vendors, and suppliers that Contractor has used in the past 4 years on any of its contracts that were undertaken within the State of Maryland, including the total dollar amount paid by Contractor on each subcontract or supply contract. Contractor further agrees to cooperate in any investigation conducted by the State pursuant to the State's Commercial Nondiscrimination Policy as set forth under Title 19 of the State Finance and Procurement Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland, and to provide any documents relevant to any investigation that are requested by the State. Contractor understands that violation of this clause is a material breach of this Agreement and may result in contract termination, disqualification by the State from participating in State contracts, and other sanctions."

.27 Performance and Payment Bonds.

This regulation is added as a separate pdf form within this chapter.

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.27 Performance and Payment Bonds.

Mandatory provision for contracts exceeding \$100,000 with surety bond requirements:

A. Performance Bond. The required performance bond shall be in the form specified as follows: PERFORMANCE BOND

Principal Business Address of Principal

Surety Obligor

a corporation of the State of STATE OF MARYLAND and authorized to do business in the State of Maryland

Penal Sum of Bond (express in words and figures)

Description of Contract

Contract Number:

Date of Contract , 20

Date Bond Executed , 20

KNOW ALL BY THESE PRESENTS, That we, the Principal named above and Surety named above, are held and firmly bound unto the Obligee named above in the Penal Sum of this Performance Bond stated above, for the payment of which Penal Sum we bind ourselves, our heirs, executors, administrators, personal representatives, successors, and assigns, jointly and severally, firmly by these presents. However, where Surety is composed of corporations acting as co-sureties, we the co-sureties, bind ourselves, our successors and assigns, in such Penal Sum jointly and severally as well as severally only for the purpose of allowing a joint action or actions against any or all of us, and for all other purposes each co-surety binds itself, jointly and severally with the Principal, for the payment of such sum as appears above its name below, but if no limit of liability is indicated, the limit of such liability shall be the full amount of the Penal Sum.

WHEREAS, Principal has entered into or will enter into a contract with the State of Maryland, by and through the Administration named above acting for the State of Maryland, which contract is described and dated as shown above, and incorporated herein by reference. The contract and all items incorporated into the contract, together with any and all changes, extensions of time, alterations, modifications, or additions to the contract or to the work to be performed thereunder or to the Plans, Specifications, and Special Provisions, or any of them, or to any other items incorporated into the contract shall hereinafter be referred as "the Contract."

WHEREAS, it is one of the conditions precedent to the final award of the Contract that these presents be executed.

NOW, THEREFORE, during the original term of said Contract, during any extensions thereto that may be granted by the Administration, and during the guarantee and warranty period, if any, required under the Contract, unless otherwise stated therein, this Performance Bond shall remain in full force and effect unless and until the following terms and conditions are met:

1. Principal shall well and truly perform the Contract; and
2. Principal and Surety shall comply with the terms and conditions in this Performance Bond.

Whenever Principal shall be declared by the Administration to be in default under the Contract, the Surety may, within 15 days after notice of default from the Administration, notify the Administration of its election to either promptly proceed to remedy the default or promptly proceed to complete the contract in accordance with and subject to its terms and conditions. In the event the Surety does not elect to exercise either of the above stated options, then the Administration thereupon shall have the remaining contract work completed, Surety to remain liable hereunder for all expenses of completion up to but not exceeding the penal sum stated above.

The Surety hereby stipulates and agrees that no change, extension of time, alteration or addition to the terms of the Contract or to the work to be performed thereunder or the Specifications accompanying the same shall in any way affect its obligation on this Performance Bond, and it does hereby waive notice of any such change, extension of time, alteration or addition to the terms of the Contract or to the work or to the Specifications.

This Performance Bond shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of Maryland and any reference herein to Principal or Surety in the singular shall include all entities in the plural who or which are signatories under the Principal or Surety heading below.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, Principal and Surety have set their hands and seals to this Performance Bond. If any individual is a signatory under the Principal heading below, then each

such individual has signed below on his or her own behalf, has set forth below the name of the firm, if any, in whose name he or she is doing business, and has set forth below his or her title as a sole proprietor. If any partnership or joint venture is a signatory under the Principal heading below, then all members of each such partnership or joint venture have signed below, each member has set forth below the name of the partnership or joint venture, and each member has set forth below his or her title as a general partner, limited partner, or member of joint venture, whichever is applicable. If any corporation is a signatory under the Principal or Surety heading below, then each such corporation has caused the following: the corporation's name to be set forth below, a duly authorized representative of the corporation to affix below the

corporation's seal and to attach hereto a notarized corporate resolution of power of attorney authorizing such action, and each such duly authorized representative to sign below and set forth below his or her title as a representative of the corporation. If any individual acts as a witness to any signature below, then each such individual has signed below and has set forth below his or her title as a witness. All of the above has been done as of the Date of Bond shown above.

In Presence of: Individual Principal

Witness:

as to (SEAL)

In Presence of: Co-Partnership Principal

Witness:

(SEAL)

(Name of Co-Partnership)

as to By: (SEAL)

as to (SEAL)

as to (SEAL)

Corporate Principal

Attest: (Name of Corporation)

AFFIX

as to By: CORPORATE Corporate Secretary President SEAL

(Corporate Surety)

Attest: (SEAL) By: (SEAL)

Title Signature

Bonding Agent's Name:

(Business Address of Surety)

Agent's Address

Approved as to legal form and sufficiency this

day of 20

Asst. Attorney General

B. Payment Bond. The required payment bond shall be in the form specified as follows:

PAYMENT BOND

| Principal Surety Obligee | Business Address of Principal |
|-----------------------------|-------------------------------|
| | |

a corporation of the State of STATE OF MARYLAND and authorized to do business in the State of Maryland

| Penal Sum of Bond (express in words and figures) | Description of Contract |
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Contract Number:

Date of Contract
, 20

Date Bond Executed
 , 20

KNOW ALL BY THESE PRESENTS, That we, the Principal named above and Surety named above, being authorized to do business in Maryland, and having business address as shown above, are held and firmly bound unto the Obligee named above, for the use and benefit of claimants as hereinafter defined, in the Penal Sum of this Payment Bond stated above, for the payment of which Penal Sum we bind ourselves, our heirs, executors, administrators, personal representatives, successors, and assigns, jointly and severally, firmly by these co-sureties, bind ourselves, our successors and assigns, in such Penal Sum jointly and severally as well as severally only for the purpose of allowing a joint action or actions against any or all of us, and for all other

purposes each co-surety binds itself, jointly and severally with the Principal, for the payment of such sum as appears above its name below, but if no limit of liability is indicated, the limit of such liability shall be the full amount of the Penal Sum.

WHEREAS, Principal has entered into or will enter into a contract with the State, by and through the Administration named above acting for the State of Maryland, which contract is described and dated as shown above, and incorporated herein by reference. The contract and all items incorporated into the contract, together with any and all changes, extensions of time, alterations, modifications, or additions to the contract or to the work to be performed thereunder or to the Plans, Specifications, and Special Provisions, or any of them, or to any other items incorporated into the contract shall hereinafter be referred to as the "Contract".

WHEREAS, it is one of the conditions precedent to the final award of the Contract that these presents be executed.

NOW THEREFORE, the condition of this obligation is such that if the Principal shall promptly make payment to all claimants as hereinafter defined, for all labor and materials furnished, supplied and reasonably required for use in the performance of the Contract, then this obligation shall be null and void; otherwise it shall remain in full force and effect, subject to the following conditions:

1. A claimant is defined to be any and all of those persons supplying services or materials (including lessors of equipment to the extent of the fair market value thereof) to the Principal or

its subcontractors and subcontractors in the prosecution of the work provided for in the Contract.

2. The above named Principal and Surety hereby jointly and severally agree with the Obligee that every claimant as herein defined, may sue on this Bond for the use of such claimant and prosecute the suit to final judgment for such sum or sums as may be justly due claimant and have execution thereon. The Obligee shall not be liable for the payment of any costs or expenses of any such suit.

The Surety hereby stipulates and agrees that no change, extension of time, alteration or addition to the terms of the Contract or to the work to be performed thereunder or the Specifications accompanying the same shall in any way affect its obligation on this Payment Bond, and it does hereby waive notice of any such change, extension of time, alteration or addition to the terms of the Contract or to the work or to the Specifications.

This Payment Bond shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of Maryland and any reference herein to Principal or Surety in the singular shall include all entities in the plural who or which are signatories under the Principal or Surety heading below. IN WITNESS WHEREOF, Principal and Surety have set their hands and seals to this Payment Bond. If any individual is a signatory under the Principal heading below, then each such individual has signed below on his or her own behalf, has set forth below the name of the firm, if any, in whose name he or she is doing business, and has set forth below his or her title as a sole proprietor. If any partnership or joint venture is a signatory under the Principal heading below, then all members of each such partnership or joint venture have signed below, each member has set forth below the name of the partnership or joint venture, and each member has set forth below his or her title as a general partner, limited partner, or member of joint venture, whichever is applicable. If any corporation is a signatory under the Principal or Surety heading below, then each such corporation has caused the following: the corporation's name to be set forth below, a duly authorized representative of the corporation to affix below the corporation's seal and to attach hereto a notarized corporate resolution of power of attorney authorizing such action, and each such duly authorized representative to sign below and set forth below his or her title as a representative of the corporation. If any individual acts as a witness to any signature below, then each such individual has signed below and has set forth below his or her title as a witness. All of the above has been done as of the Date of Bond shown above.

In Presence of: Individual Principal

Witness:

as to (SEAL)

In Presence of: Co-Partnership Principal

Witness: (SEAL) (Name of Co-Partnership)

as to By: (SEAL)

as to (SEAL)

as to (SEAL)

Corporate Principal

Attest: (Name of Corporation)

AFFIX

By: CORPORATE Corporate Secretary President SEAL

(Corporate Surety)

Attest: (SEAL) By: (SEAL)

Title Signature

Bonding Agent's Name:

(Business Address of Surety)

Agent's Address

Approved as to legal form and sufficiency this
day of 20

Asst. Attorney General

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.28 Performance and Payment Bonds - Multiyear Annual and Renewable.

This regulation is added as a separate pdf form within this chapter.

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.28 Performance and Payment Bonds-Multiyear Annual and Renewable.

Optional forms for multiyear contracts exceeding \$100,000 with annual and renewable surety bonds:

A. Performance Bond. The required performance bond shall be in the form specified as follows: ANNUAL PERFORMANCE BOND - RENEWABLE FOR MULTIYEAR AWARDS

Principal Business Address of Principal

Surety Obligee

a corporation of the State of STATE OF MARYLAND and authorized to do business in the State of Maryland

Penal Sum of Bond (express in words and figures)

Date Bond Executed , 20

Initial Term Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 20

KNOW ALL BY THESE PRESENTS, That we, the Principal named above and Surety named above, are held and firmly bound unto the Obligee named above in the Penal Sum of this Performance Bond stated above, for the payment of which Penal Sum we bind ourselves, our heirs, executors, administrators, personal representatives, successors, and assigns, jointly and

severally, firmly by these presents. However, where Surety is composed of corporations acting as co-sureties, we the co-sureties, bind ourselves, our successors and assigns, in such Penal Sum jointly and severally as well as severally only for the purpose of allowing a joint action or actions against any or all of us, and for all other purposes each co-surety binds itself, jointly and severally with the Principal, for the payment of such sum as appears above its name below, but if no limit of liability is indicated, the limit of such liability shall be the full amount of the Penal Sum.

WHEREAS, Principal has entered into or will enter into a multiyear contract with the State, by and through the Administration named above acting for the State of Maryland, which contract is described above, and incorporated herein by reference. The contract and all items incorporated into the contract, together with any and all changes, extensions of time, alterations, modifications, or additions to the contract or to the work to be performed thereunder or to the Plans, Specifications, and Special Provisions, or any of them, or to any other items incorporated into the contract shall hereinafter be referred to as the "Contract".

The term of this Bond is for the period beginning on the date the bond is executed and ending on the indicated Initial Term Fiscal Year Ending Date (the "Initial Term"). If requested by the Principal, the Initial Term may be extended, solely at the option of the Surety, for additional one (1) year periods (each a "Renewal Term"), ending on the subsequent Fiscal Year ending date. This Bond shall expire at the end of the Initial Term or, if extended, at the end of the final Renewal Term. Provided that at any time should the surety elect not to extend the bond for a Renewal Term, it must so inform the Obligee in writing prior to ninety (90) days before the expiry of the existing Initial Term or final Renewal Term. If the surety does not so inform the Obligee of its intention not to extend the bond as stated herein, the bond will automatically be deemed extended for an additional Renewal Term.

WHEREAS, it is one of the conditions precedent to the final award of the Contract that these presents be executed.

NOW, THEREFORE, during the initial term of said Contract, any renewal term, and during any extensions thereto that may be granted by the Administration, and during the guarantee and warranty period, if any, required under the Contract, unless otherwise stated therein, this Performance Bond shall remain in full force and effect unless and until the following terms and conditions are met:

1. Principal shall well and truly perform the Contract; and
2. Principal and Surety shall comply with the terms and conditions in this Performance Bond.

Whenever Principal shall be declared by the Administration to be in default under the Contract, the Surety may, within 15 days after notice of default from the Administration, notify the Administration of its election to either promptly proceed to remedy the default or promptly proceed to complete the contract in accordance with and subject to its terms and conditions. In the event the Surety does not elect to exercise either of the above stated options, then the Administration thereupon shall have the remaining contract work completed, Surety to remain liable hereunder for all expenses of completion up to but not exceeding the penal sum stated above.

The Surety hereby stipulates and agrees that no change, extension of time, alteration or addition to the terms of the Contract or to the work to be performed thereunder or the Specifications accompanying the same shall in any way affect its obligation on this Performance Bond, and it does hereby waive notice of any such change, extension of time, alteration or addition to the

terms of the Contract or to the work or to the Specifications.

This Performance Bond shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of Maryland and any reference herein to Principal or Surety in the singular shall include all entities in the plural who or which are signatories under the Principal or Surety heading below. IN WITNESS WHEREOF, Principal and Surety have set their hands and seals to this Performance Bond. If any individual is a signatory under the Principal heading below, then each such individual has signed below on his or her own behalf, has set forth below the name of the firm, if any, in whose name he or she is doing business, and has set forth below his or her title as a sole proprietor. If any partnership or joint venture is a signatory under the Principal heading below, then all members of each such partnership or joint venture have signed below, each member has set forth below the name of the partnership or joint venture, and each member has set forth below his or her title as a general partner, limited partner, or member of joint venture, whichever is applicable. If any corporation is a signatory under the Principal or Surety heading below, then each such corporation has caused the following: the corporation's name to be set forth below, a duly authorized representative of the corporation to affix below the corporation's seal and to attach hereto a notarized corporate resolution of power of attorney authorizing such action, and each such duly authorized representative to sign below and set forth below his or her title as a representative of the corporation. If any individual acts as a witness to any signature below, then each such individual has signed below and has set forth below his or her title as a witness. All of the above has been done as of the Date of Bond shown above.

In Presence of: Individual Principal

Witness:

as to (SEAL)

In Presence of: Co-Partnership Principal

Witness:

(SEAL)

(Name of Co-Partnership)

as to By: (SEAL)

as to (SEAL)

as to (SEAL)

Corporate Principal

Attest: (Name of Corporation)

AFFIX

as to By: CORPORATE Corporate Secretary President SEAL

(Corporate Surety)

Attest: (SEAL) By: (SEAL)

Title Signature

Bonding Agent's Name:

(Business Address of Surety)

Agent's Address

Approved as to legal form and sufficiency this
day of 20
Asst. Attorney General

B. Payment Bond. The required payment bond shall be in the form specified as follows:
ANNUAL PAYMENT BOND - RENEWABLE FOR MULTIYEAR AWARDS

Principal Business Address of Principal
Surety Obligee
a corporation of the State of STATE OF MARYLAND and authorized to do business in the
State of Maryland

Penal Sum of Bond (express in words and figures)

Date Bond Executed
, 20 Initial Term Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 20

KNOW ALL BY THESE PRESENTS, That we, the Principal named above and Surety named above, being authorized to do business in Maryland, and having business address as shown above, are held and firmly bound unto the Obligee named above, for the use and benefit of claimants as hereinafter defined, in the Penal Sum of this Payment Bond stated above, for the payment of which Penal Sum we bind ourselves, our heirs, executors, administrators, personal representatives, successors, and assigns, jointly and severally, firmly by these co-sureties, bind ourselves, our successors and assigns, in such Penal Sum jointly and severally as well as severally only for the purpose of allowing a joint action or actions against any or all of us, and for all other purposes each co-surety binds itself, jointly and severally with the Principal, for the payment of such sum as appears above its name below, but if no limit of liability is indicated, the limit of such liability shall be the full amount of the Penal Sum.

WHEREAS, Principal has entered into or will enter into a multiyear contract with the State, by and through the Administration named above acting for the State of Maryland, which contract is described above, and incorporated herein by reference. The contract and all items incorporated into the contract, together with any and all changes, extensions of time, alterations, modifications, or additions to the contract or to the work to be performed thereunder or to the Plans, Specifications, and Special Provisions, or any of them, or to any other items incorporated into the contract shall hereinafter be referred to as the "Contract".

The term of this Bond is for the period beginning on the date the bond is executed and ending on the indicated Initial Term Fiscal Year Ending Date (the "Initial Term"). If requested by the Principal, the Initial Term may be extended, solely at the option of the Surety, for additional one (1) year periods (each a "Renewal Term"), ending on the subsequent Fiscal Year ending date. This Bond shall expire at the end of the Initial Term or, if extended, at the end of the final Renewal Term. Provided that at any time should the surety elect not to extend the bond for a Renewal Term, it must so inform the Obligee in writing prior to ninety (90) days before the expiry of the existing Initial Term or final Renewal Term. If the surety does not so inform the Obligee of its intention not to extend the bond as stated herein, the bond will automatically be deemed extended for an additional Renewal Term.

WHEREAS, it is one of the conditions precedent to the final award of the Contract that these presents be executed.

NOW THEREFORE, the condition of this obligation is such that if the Principal shall promptly make payment to all claimants as hereinafter defined, for all labor and materials furnished, supplied and reasonably required for use in the performance of the Contract, then this obligation shall be null and void; otherwise it shall remain in full force and effect, subject to the following conditions:

1. A claimant is defined to be any and all of those persons supplying services or materials (including lessors of equipment to the extent of the fair market value thereof) to the Principal or its subcontractors and subcontractors in the prosecution of the work provided for in the Contract.
2. The above named Principal and Surety hereby jointly and severally agree with the Obligees that every claimant as herein defined, may sue on this Bond for the use of such claimant and prosecute the suit to final judgment for such sum or sums as may be justly due claimant and have execution thereon. The Obligees shall not be liable for the payment of any costs or expenses of any such suit.

The Surety hereby stipulates and agrees that no change, extension of time, alteration or addition to the terms of a Contract or to the work to be performed thereunder or the Specifications accompanying the same shall in any way affect its obligation on this Payment Bond, and it does hereby waive notice of any such change, extension of time, alteration or addition to the terms of a Contract or to the work or to the Specifications.

This Payment Bond shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of Maryland and any reference herein to Principal or Surety in the singular shall include all entities in the plural who or which are signatories under the Principal or Surety heading below. IN WITNESS WHEREOF, Principal and Surety have set their hands and seals to this Payment Bond. If any individual is a signatory under the Principal heading below, then each such individual has signed below on his or her own behalf, has set forth below the name of the firm, if any, in whose name he or she is doing business, and has set forth below his or her title as a sole proprietor. If any partnership or joint venture is a signatory under the Principal heading below, then all members of each such partnership or joint venture have signed below, each member has set forth below the name of the partnership or joint venture, and

each member has set forth below his or her title as a general partner, limited partner, or member of joint venture, whichever is applicable. If any corporation is a signatory under the Principal or Surety heading below, then each such corporation has caused the following: the corporation's name to be set forth below, a duly authorized representative of the corporation to affix below the corporation's seal and to attach hereto a notarized corporate resolution of power of attorney authorizing such action, and each such duly authorized representative to sign below and set forth below his or her title as a representative of the corporation. If any individual acts as a witness to any signature below, then each such individual has signed below and has set forth below his or her title as a witness. All of the above has been done as of the Date of Bond shown above.

In Presence of: Individual Principal

Witness:

as to

(SEAL)

In Presence of: Co-Partnership Principal

Witness: (SEAL) (Name of Co-Partnership)
as to By: (SEAL)
as to (SEAL)
as to (SEAL)

Corporate Principal

Attest: (Name of Corporation)

AFFIX

By: CORPORATE Corporate Secretary President SEAL

(Corporate Surety)

Attest: (SEAL) By: (SEAL)
Title Signature

Bonding Agent's Name:

(Business Address of Surety)

Agent's Address

Approved as to legal form and sufficiency this
day of 20
Asst. Attorney General

STATE PROCUREMENT REGULATIONS

21.07.01.28

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Effective as of July 15, 2019

Maryland State Admin Fee: Estimated at 1%, but any fee will be determined at such time Maryland may elect to negotiate any Participating Addendum.

Attachment I: Model Master Agreement (if used)



**State of New Mexico
General Services Department
State Purchasing Division**

Agreement Cover Page

Awarded Vendor:

Email: _____

Telephone No.: _____

Agreement Number: _____

Payment Terms: **Net 30**

F.O.B.: **Destination**

Delivery: _____

Ship To:
As Requested

Procurement Specialist: **Vanessa LeBlanc**

Telephone No.: **(505) 629-9525**

Email: **Vanessa.LeBlanc@state.nm.us**

Invoice:
As Requested

**For questions regarding this agreement please contact:
Vanessa LeBlanc (505) 629-9525**

Title: Online Auction Services

Term:

The attached Agreement is made subject to the “terms and conditions” as indicated.

New Mexico General Services Department

- G. “RFP” means Request for Proposals as defined in statute and rule.
- H. “We,” “us” or “our” refers to the State of New Mexico, agencies, commissions, institutions, political sub-divisions and local public bodies allowed by law to participate in the Agreement and whose accounts are created under this Agreement.
- I. “You” and “your” refers to **(Contractor Name)**.

2. **Scope of Work.**

The Contractor shall perform the work as outlined in Exhibit A, attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference.

3. **Compensation.**

- A. **Compensation Schedule.** The Procuring Agency shall pay to the Contractor based upon fixed prices for each Deliverable, per the schedule outlined in Exhibit A, less retainage, if any, as identified in paragraph D of this Clause.

- C. **Taxes.** Not Applicable as the Agreement is between two public entities.

- D. **Retainage.**

Not Applicable – The Parties agree there is no retainage.

- E. **Performance Bond.**

Not Applicable. The Parties agree there is no Performance Bond.

4. **Term.**

THIS AGREEMENT SHALL NOT BECOME EFFECTIVE UNTIL APPROVED BY THE FINAL REQUIRED SIGNATORY. This Agreement shall begin on the date approved by the Final Required Signatory and shall end on **(DATE)** unless terminated pursuant to this Agreement’s Termination Clause or Appropriations Clause. The Procuring Agency reserves the right to renew the Agreement through a written amendment signed by all required signatories and in accordance with the term of the request for proposals, if this contract was based on a request for proposals.

5. **Termination**

- A. **Grounds.** The Procuring Agency may terminate this Agreement for convenience or cause. The Contractor may only terminate this Agreement based upon the Procuring Agency’s uncured, material breach of this Agreement.

- B. **Notice; Procuring Agency Opportunity to Cure.**

1. Except as otherwise provided in sub-paragraph A of this Clause and the Appropriations Clause of this Agreement, the Procuring Agency shall give Contractor written notice of termination at least thirty (30) days prior to the intended date of termination.

2. Contractor shall give Procuring Agency written notice of termination at least thirty (30) days prior to the intended date of termination, which notice shall (i) identify all the Procuring Agency's material breaches of this Agreement upon which the termination is based and (ii) state what the Procuring Agency must do to cure such material breaches. Contractor's notice of termination shall only be effective (i) if the Procuring Agency does not cure all material breaches within the thirty (30) day notice period or (ii) in the case of material breaches that cannot be cured within thirty (30) days, the Procuring Agency does not, within the thirty (30) day notice period, notify the Contractor of its intent to cure and begin with due diligence to cure the material breach.

3. Notwithstanding the foregoing, this Agreement may be terminated immediately upon written notice to the Contractor (i) if the Contractor becomes unable to perform the services contracted for, as determined by the Procuring Agency; (ii) if, during the term of this Agreement, the Contractor is suspended or debarred by the State Purchasing Agent; or (iii) the Agreement is terminated pursuant to the Appropriations Clause of this Agreement.

C. Liability. Except as otherwise expressly allowed or provided under this Agreement, the Procuring Agency's sole liability upon termination shall be to pay for acceptable work performed prior to the Contractor's receipt or issuance of a notice of termination; provided, however, that a notice of termination shall not nullify or otherwise affect either party's liability for pre-termination defaults under or breaches of this Agreement. The Contractor shall submit an invoice for such work within thirty (30) days of receiving or sending the notice of termination. THIS PROVISION IS NOT EXCLUSIVE AND DOES NOT WAIVE THE PROCURING AGENCY'S OTHER LEGAL RIGHTS AND REMEDIES CAUSED BY THE CONTRACTOR'S DEFAULT/BREACH OF THIS AGREEMENT.

6. Appropriations.

The terms of this Agreement are contingent upon sufficient appropriations and authorization being made by the Legislature of New Mexico for the performance of this Agreement. If sufficient appropriations and authorization are not made by the Legislature, this Agreement shall terminate immediately upon written notice being given by the Procuring Agency to the Contractor. The Procuring Agency's decision as to whether sufficient appropriations are available shall be accepted by the Contractor and shall be final. If the Procuring Agency proposes an amendment to the Agreement to unilaterally reduce funding, the Contractor shall have the option to terminate the Agreement or to agree to the reduced funding, within thirty (30) days of receipt of the proposed amendment.

7. Status of Contractor.

The Contractor and its agents and employees are independent contractors performing professional or general services for the Procuring Agency and are not employees of the State of New Mexico. The Contractor and its agents and employees shall not accrue leave, retirement, insurance, bonding, use of state vehicles, or any other benefits afforded to employees of the State of New Mexico as a result of this Agreement. The Contractor acknowledges that all sums received hereunder are reportable by the Contractor for tax purposes, including without limitation, self-employment and business income tax. The Contractor agrees not to purport to bind the State of

New Mexico unless the Contractor has express written authority to do so, and then only within the strict limits of that authority.

8. **Conflict of Interest; Governmental Conduct Act.**

A. The Contractor represents and warrants that it presently has no interest and, during the term of this Agreement, shall not acquire any interest, direct or indirect, which would conflict in any manner or degree with the performance or services required under the Agreement.

B. The Contractor further represents and warrants that it has complied with, and, during the term of this Agreement, will continue to comply with, and that this Agreement complies with all applicable provisions of the Governmental Conduct Act, Chapter 10, Article 16 NMSA 1978. Without in any way limiting the generality of the foregoing, the Contractor specifically represents and warrants that:

1) in accordance with NMSA 1978, § 10-16-4.3, the Contractor does not employ, has not employed, and will not employ during the term of this Agreement any Procuring Agency employee while such employee was or is employed by the Procuring Agency and participating directly or indirectly in the Procuring Agency's contracting process;

2) this Agreement complies with NMSA 1978, § 10-16-7(A) because (i) the Contractor is not a public officer or employee of the State; (ii) the Contractor is not a member of the family of a public officer or employee of the State; (iii) the Contractor is not a business in which a public officer or employee or the family of a public officer or employee has a substantial interest; or (iv) if the Contractor is a public officer or employee of the State, a member of the family of a public officer or employee of the State, or a business in which a public officer or employee of the State or the family of a public officer or employee of the State has a substantial interest, public notice was given as required by NMSA 1978, § 10-16-7(A) and this Agreement was awarded pursuant to a competitive process;

3) in accordance with NMSA 1978, § 10-16-8(A), (i) the Contractor is not, and has not been represented by, a person who has been a public officer or employee of the State within the preceding year and whose official act directly resulted in this Agreement and (ii) the Contractor is not, and has not been assisted in any way regarding this transaction by, a former public officer or employee of the State whose official act, while in State employment, directly resulted in the Procuring Agency's making this Agreement;

4) this Agreement complies with NMSA 1978, § 10-16-9(A) because (i) the Contractor is not a legislator; (ii) the Contractor is not a member of a legislator's family; (iii) the Contractor is not a business in which a legislator or a legislator's family has a substantial interest; or (iv) if the Contractor is a legislator, a member of a legislator's family, or a business in which a legislator or a legislator's family has a substantial interest, disclosure has been made as required by NMSA 1978, § 10-16-7(A), this Agreement is not a sole source or small purchase contract, and this Agreement was awarded in accordance with the provisions of the Procurement Code;

5) in accordance with NMSA 1978, § 10-16-13, the Contractor has not directly participated in the preparation of specifications, qualifications or evaluation criteria for this Agreement or any procurement related to this Agreement; and

6) in accordance with NMSA 1978, § 10-16-3 and § 10-16-13.3, the Contractor has not contributed, and during the term of this Agreement shall not contribute, anything of value to a public officer or employee of the Procuring Agency.

C. Contractor's representations and warranties in paragraphs A and B of this Clause are material representations of fact upon which the Procuring Agency relied when this Agreement was entered into by the parties. Contractor shall provide immediate written notice to the Procuring Agency if, at any time during the term of this Agreement, Contractor learns that Contractor's representations and warranties in paragraphs A and B of this Clause were erroneous on the effective date of this Agreement or have become erroneous by reason of new or changed circumstances. If it is later determined that Contractor's representations and warranties in paragraphs A and B of this Clause were erroneous on the effective date of this Agreement or have become erroneous by reason of new or changed circumstances, in addition to other remedies available to the Procuring Agency and notwithstanding anything in the Agreement to the contrary, the Procuring Agency may immediately terminate the Agreement.

D. All terms defined in the Governmental Conduct Act have the same meaning in this Agreement.

9. **Amendment.**

A. This Agreement shall not be altered, changed or amended except by instrument in writing executed by the parties hereto and all other required signatories.

10. **Merger.**

This Agreement incorporates all the Agreements, covenants and understandings between the parties hereto concerning the subject matter hereof, and all such covenants, Agreements and understandings have been merged into this written Agreement. No prior Agreement or understanding, oral or otherwise, of the parties or their agents shall be valid or enforceable unless embodied in this Agreement.

11. **Penalties for violation of law.**

The Procurement Code, NMSA 1978 §§ 13-1-28 through 13-1-199, imposes civil and criminal penalties for violation of the statute. In addition, the New Mexico criminal statutes impose felony penalties for illegal acts, including bribes, gratuities and kickbacks.

12. **Equal Opportunity Compliance.**

The Contractor agrees to abide by all federal and state laws and rules and regulations, and executive orders of the Governor of the State of New Mexico, pertaining to equal employment opportunity. In accordance with all such laws of the State of New Mexico, the Contractor assures that no person in the United States shall, on the grounds of race, religion, color, national origin, ancestry, sex, age, physical or mental handicap, or serious medical condition, spousal affiliation, sexual orientation or gender identity, be excluded from employment with or participation in, be

denied the benefits of, or be otherwise subjected to discrimination under any program or activity performed under this Agreement. If Contractor is found not to be in compliance with these requirements during the life of this Agreement, Contractor agrees to take appropriate steps to correct these deficiencies.

13. **Workers Compensation.**

The Contractor agrees to comply with state laws and rules applicable to workers compensation benefits for its employees. If the Contractor fails to comply with the Workers Compensation Act and applicable rules when required to do so, this Agreement may be terminated by the Procuring Agency.

14. **Applicable Law.**

The laws of the State of New Mexico shall govern this Agreement, without giving effect to its choice of law provisions. Venue shall be proper only in a New Mexico court of competent jurisdiction in accordance with NMSA 1978, § 38-3-1 (G). By execution of this Agreement, Contractor acknowledges and agrees to the jurisdiction of the courts of the State of New Mexico over any and all lawsuits arising under or out of any term of this Agreement. The construction and effect of any Participating Addendum or Order against this Agreement will be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the Participating Entity's or Purchasing Entity's state.

15. **Records and Financial Audit.**

The Contractor shall maintain detailed time and expenditure records that indicate the date, time, nature and cost of services rendered during the Agreement's term and effect and retain them for a period of three (3) years from the date of final payment under this Agreement. The records shall be subject to inspection by the Procuring Agency, the Department of Finance and Administration and the State Auditor. The Procuring Agency shall have the right to audit billings both before and after payment. Payment under this Agreement shall not foreclose the right of the Procuring Agency to recover excessive or illegal payments

16. **Invalid Term or Condition.**

If any term or condition of this Agreement shall be held invalid or unenforceable, the remainder of this Agreement shall not be affected and shall be valid and enforceable.

17. **Enforcement of Agreement**

A party's failure to require strict performance of any provision of this Agreement shall not waive or diminish that party's right thereafter to demand strict compliance with that or any other provision. No waiver by a party of any of its rights under this Agreement shall be effective unless express and in writing, and no effective waiver by a party of any of its rights shall be effective to waive any other rights.

18. **Non-Collusion**

In signing this Agreement, the Contractor certifies the Contractor has not, either directly or indirectly, entered into action in restraint of free competitive bidding in connection with this offer submitted to the State Purchasing Agent or agency or entity.

19. **Notices.**

Any notice required to be given to either party by this Agreement shall be in writing and shall be delivered in person, by courier service or by U.S. mail, either first class or certified, return receipt requested, postage prepaid, as follows:

To the Procuring Agency:

New Mexico General Services Department

State Purchasing Division

1100 St. Francis Drive

To the Contractor:

[insert name, address and email].

20. **Succession**

This Agreement shall extend to and be binding upon the successors and assigns of the parties.

21. **Headings**

Any and all headings herein are inserted only for convenience and ease of reference and are not to be considered in the construction or interpretation of any provision of this Agreement. Numbered or lettered provisions, sections and subsections contained herein, refer only to provisions, sections and subsections of this Agreement unless otherwise expressly stated.

22. **Default/Breach.**

In case of Default and/or Breach by the Contractor, for any reason whatsoever, the Procuring Agency and the State of New Mexico may procure the goods or Services from another source and hold the Contractor responsible for any resulting excess costs and/or damages, including but not limited to, direct damages, indirect damages, consequential damages, special damages and the Procuring Agency and the State of New Mexico may also seek all other remedies under the terms of this Agreement and under law or equity.

23. **Equitable Remedies.**

Contractor acknowledges that its failure to comply with any provision of this Agreement will cause the Procuring Agency irrevocable harm and that a remedy at law for such a failure would be an inadequate remedy for the Procuring Agency, and the Contractor consents to the Procuring Agency's obtaining from a court of competent jurisdiction, specific performance, or injunction, or any other equitable relief in order to enforce such compliance. Procuring Agency's rights to obtain equitable relief pursuant to this Agreement shall be in addition to, and not in lieu of, any other remedy that Procuring Agency may have under applicable law, including, but not limited to, monetary damages.

24. **Indemnification.**

The Contractor shall defend, indemnify and hold harmless the Procuring Agency and the State of New Mexico from all actions, proceeding, claims, demands, costs, damages, attorneys' fees and all other liabilities and expenses of any kind from any source which may arise out of the performance of this Agreement, caused by the negligent act or failure to act of the Contractor, its officers, employees, servants, subcontractors or agents, resulting in injury or damage to persons or property during the time when the Contractor or any officer, agent, employee, servant or subcontractor thereof has or is performing services pursuant to this Agreement. In the event that any action, suit or proceeding related to the services performed by the Contractor or any officer, agent, employee, servant or subcontractor under this Agreement is brought against the Contractor, the Contractor shall, as soon as practicable but no later than two (2) days after it receives notice thereof, notify the legal counsel of the Procuring Agency and the Risk Management Division of the New Mexico General Services Department by certified mail.

25. **Default and Force Majeure.**

The State reserves the right to cancel all or any part of any orders placed under this Agreement without cost to the State, if the Contractor fails to meet the provisions of this Agreement and, except as otherwise provided herein, to hold the Contractor liable for any excess cost occasioned by the State due to the Contractor's default. The Contractor shall not be liable for any excess costs if failure to perform the order arises out of causes beyond the control and without the fault or negligence of the Contractor; such causes include, but are not restricted to, acts of God or the public enemy, acts of the State or Federal Government, fires, floods, epidemics, quarantine restrictions, strikes, freight embargoes, unusually severe weather and defaults of subcontractors due to any of the above, unless the State shall determine that the supplies or services to be furnished by the subcontractor were obtainable from other sources in sufficient time to permit the Contractor to meet the required delivery scheduled. The rights and remedies of the State provided in this Clause shall not be exclusive and are in addition to any other rights now being provided by law or under this Agreement.

26. **Assignment.**

The Contractor shall not assign or transfer any interest in this Agreement or assign any claims for money due or to become due under this Agreement without the prior written approval of the Procuring Agency.

27. **Subcontracting.**

The Contractor shall not subcontract any portion of the services to be performed under this Agreement without the prior written approval of the Procuring Agency. No such subcontract shall relieve the primary Contractor from its obligations and liabilities under this Agreement, nor shall any subcontract obligate direct payment from the Procuring Agency.

28. **Inspection of Plant.**

The State Purchasing Agent or agency or entity that is a party to this Agreement may inspect, at any reasonable time during Contractor's regular business hours and upon prior written notice, the Contractor's plant or place of business, or any subcontractor's plant or place of business, which is related to the performance of this Agreement.

29. **Commercial Warranty.**

The Contractor agrees that the tangible personal property or services furnished under this Agreement shall be covered by the most favorable commercial warranties the Contractor gives to any customer for such tangible personal property or services, and that the rights and remedies provided herein shall extend to the State and are in addition to and do not limit any rights afforded to the State by any other Clause of this Agreement or order. Contractor agrees not to disclaim warranties of fitness for a particular purpose or merchantability.

30. **Condition of Proposed Items.**

Where tangible personal property is a part of this Agreement, all proposed items are to be NEW and of most current production, unless otherwise specified.

31. **Release.**

Final payment of the amounts due under this Agreement shall operate as a release of the Procuring Agency, its officers and employees, and the State of New Mexico from all liabilities, claims and obligations whatsoever arising from or under this Agreement.

32. **Confidentiality.**

Any Confidential Information provided to the Contractor by the Procuring Agency or, developed by the Contractor based on information provided by the Procuring Agency in the performance of this Agreement shall be kept confidential and shall not be made available to any individual or organization by the Contractor without the prior written approval of the Procuring Agency. Upon termination of this Agreement, Contractor shall deliver all Confidential Information in its possession to the Procuring Agency within thirty (30) Business Days of such termination. Contractor acknowledges that failure to deliver such Confidential Information to the Procuring Agency will result in direct, special and incidental damages.

33. **Contractor Personnel.**

- A. **Key Personnel.** Contractor's key personnel shall not be diverted from this Agreement without the prior written approval of the Procuring Agency. Key personnel are those individuals considered by the Procuring Agency to be mandatory to the work to be performed under this Agreement. Key personnel shall be:
[Insert Contractor Staff Name(s)]
- B. **Personnel Changes.** Replacement of any personnel shall be made with personnel of equal ability, experience, and qualification and shall be approved by the Procuring Agency. For all personnel, the Procuring Agency reserves the right to require submission of their resumes prior to approval. If the number of Contractor's personnel assigned to the Project is reduced for any reason, Contractor shall, within ten (10) Business Days of the reduction, replace with the same or greater number of personnel with equal ability, experience, and qualifications, subject to Procuring Agency approval. The Procuring Agency, in its sole discretion, may approve additional time beyond the ten (10) Business Days for replacement of personnel. The Contractor shall include status reports of its efforts and progress in finding replacements and the effect of the absence of the personnel on the progress of the Project. The Contractor shall also make interim arrangements to assure that the Project progress is not affected by the loss of personnel. The Procuring Agency reserves the right to require a change in Contractor's personnel if the assigned personnel are not, in the sole opinion of the Procuring Agency, meeting the Procuring Agency's expectations.

34. **Incorporation by Reference and Precedence.**

If this Agreement has been procured pursuant to a request for proposals, this Agreement is derived from (1) the request for proposal, (including any written clarifications to the request for proposals and any agency response to questions); (2) the Contractor's best and final offer; and (3) the Contractor's response to the request for proposals.

In the event of a dispute under this Agreement, applicable documents will be referred to for the purpose of clarification or for additional detail in the following order of precedence: (1) amendments to the Agreement in reverse chronological order; (2) the Agreement, including the scope of work and all terms and conditions thereof; (3) the request for proposals, including attachments thereto and written responses to questions and written clarifications; (4) the Contractor's best and final offer if such has been made and accepted by the SPA or Procuring Agency or entity; and (5) the Contractor's response to the request for proposals.

35. **Inspection.**

If this Agreement is for the purchase of tangible personal property (goods), final inspection and acceptance shall be made at Destination. Tangible personal property rejected at Destination for non-conformance to specifications shall be removed at Contractor's risk and expense promptly after notice of rejection and shall not be allowable as billable items for payment.

36. **Inspection of Services.**

If this Agreement is for the purchase of services, the following terms shall apply.

G. Services, as used in this Clause, include services performed, workmanship, and material furnished or utilized in the performance of services.

H. The Contractor shall provide and maintain an inspection system acceptable to the State Purchasing Agent or other party to this Agreement covering the services under this Agreement. Complete records of all inspection work performed by the Contractor shall be maintained and made available to the State Purchasing Agent or other party to this Agreement during the term of performance of this Agreement and for as long thereafter as the Agreement requires.

I. The State Purchasing Agent or other party to this Agreement has the right to inspect and test all services contemplated under this Agreement to the extent practicable at all times and places during the term of the Agreement. The State Purchasing Agent or other party to this Agreement shall perform inspections and tests in a manner that will not unduly delay or interfere with Contractor's performance.

J. If the State Purchasing Agent or other party to this Agreement performs inspections or tests on the premises of the Contractor or a subcontractor, the Contractor shall furnish, and shall require subcontractors to furnish, at no increase in Agreement price, all reasonable facilities and assistance for the safe and convenient performance of such inspections or tests.

K. If any part of the services do not conform with the requirements of this Agreement, the State Purchasing Agent or other party to this Agreement may require the Contractor to re-perform the services in conformity with the requirements of this Agreement at no increase in Agreement amount. When the defects in services cannot be corrected by re-performance, the State Purchasing Agent or other party to this Agreement may:

(3) require the Contractor to take necessary action(s) to ensure that future performance conforms to the requirements of this Agreement; and

(4) reduce the Agreement price to reflect the reduced value of the services performed.

L. If the Contractor fails to promptly re-perform the services or to take the necessary action(s) to ensure future performance in conformity with the requirements of this Agreement, the State Purchasing Agent or other party to this Agreement may:

(3) by Agreement or otherwise, perform the services and charge to the Contractor any cost incurred by the State Purchasing Agent or other party to this Agreement that is directly related to the performance of such service; or

(4) terminate the Agreement for default.

THE PROVISIONS OF THIS CLAUSE ARE NOT EXCLUSIVE AND DO NOT WAIVE THE STATE PARTIES' TO THIS AGREEMENT OTHER LEGAL RIGHTS AND REMEDIES CAUSED BY THE CONTRACTOR'S DEFAULT/BREACH OF THIS AGREEMENT.

37. **Insurance.**

If the services contemplated under this Agreement will be performed on or in State facilities or property, Contractor shall maintain in force during the entire term of this Agreement,

the following insurance coverage(s), naming the State of New Mexico, General Services Department or other party to this Agreement as additional insured.

D. Workers Compensation (including accident and disease coverage) at the statutory limit. Employers liability: \$100,000.

E. Comprehensive general liability (including endorsements providing broad form property damage, personal injury coverage and contractual assumption of liability for all liability the Contractor has assumed under this Agreement). Limits shall not be less than the following:

- a. Bodily injury: \$1,000,000 per person /\$1,000,000 per occurrence.
- b. Property damage or combined single limit coverage: \$1,000,000.
- c. Automobile liability (including non-owned automobile coverage): \$1,000,000.
- d. Umbrella: \$1,000,000.

F. Contractor shall maintain the above insurance for the term of this Agreement and name the State of New Mexico, General Services Department or other party to this Agreement as an additional insured and provide for 30 days cancellation notice on any Certificate of Insurance form furnished by Contractor. Such certificate shall also specifically state the coverage provided under the policy is primary over any other valid and collectible insurance and provide a waiver of subrogation.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties hereby execute this Agreement, which will take effect on the last signature date of the required approval authorities below. Each of the signatories, below, may execute this Agreement by hard copy original, facsimile, digital or electronic signature, any of which shall be deemed to be a true and original signature hereunder.

By: _____ Date: _____
[Insert Procuring Agency Cabinet Secretary Name], Cabinet Secretary
[Insert Agency Name]

By: _____ Date: _____
[Insert Contractor Name, Title]
[Company Name]

Approved for legal sufficiency:

By: _____ Date: _____
[Insert Procuring Agency General Counsel Name], General Counsel
[Insert Procuring Agency Name]

The records of the Taxation and Revenue Department reflect that the Contractor is registered with the Taxation and Revenue Department of the State to pay gross receipts and compensating taxes:

CRS ID Number: _____

NOTE: Taxation and Revenue is only verifying the registration and will not confirm or deny taxability statements contained in this contract.

By:
Taxation & Revenue Department

Date:

This Agreement has been approved by the State Purchasing Agent:

By:
Purchasing Agent
State of New Mexico

Date:

****PLEASE NOTE, AWARDEE SCOPE OF WORK WILL BE ATTACHED AS EXHIBIT A****

APPENDIX A
REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL
Online Auction Services
20-00000-22-00051
ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF RECEIPT FORM

This Acknowledgement of Receipt Form should be signed and submitted no later than May 12, 2022 no later than 5:00pm MST. Only potential Offerors who elect to return this form will receive copies of all submitted questions and the written responses to those questions, as well as any RFP amendments, if any are issued.

In acknowledgement of receipt of this Request for Proposal, the undersigned agrees that he or she has received a complete copy of the RFP, beginning with the title page, and ending with Appendix D.

The name and address below will be used for all correspondence related to the Request for Proposal.

ORGANIZATION: _____

CONTACT NAME: _____

TITLE: _____ PHONE NO.: _____

E-MAIL: _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP CODE: _____

Submit Acknowledgement of Receipt Form to:
To: Vanessa LeBlanc
E-mail: Vanessa.LeBlanc@state.nm.us
Subject Line: Online Auction Services 20-00000-22-00051

APPENDIX B

Letter of Transmittal Form

ITEMS #1 to #4 EACH MUST BE COMPLETED IN FULL (pursuant to Section 2 Attachment B: Scope of Work).
DO NOT LEAVE ANY ITEM BLANK! (N/A, None, Does not apply, etc. are acceptable responses.)

RFP#: 20-00000-22-00051 Online Auction Services

1. Identify the following information for the submitting organization:

| | |
|------------------------|--|
| Offeror Name | |
| Mailing Address | |
| Telephone | |
| FED ID# | |
| NM CRS# | |

2. Identify the individual(s) authorized by the organization to (A) contractually obligate, (B) negotiate, and/or (C) clarify/respond to queries on behalf of this Offeror:

| | A Contractually Obligate | B Negotiate* | C Clarify/Respond to Queries* |
|------------------|---|-------------------------------|--|
| Name | | | |
| Title | | | |
| E-mail | | | |
| Telephone | | | |

* If the individual identified in Column A also performs the functions identified in Columns B & C, then no response is required for those Columns. If separate individuals perform the functions in Columns B and/or C, they must be identified.

3. Use of subcontractors (Select one):

☐ No subcontractors will be used in the performance of any resultant contract, OR
☐ The following subcontractors will be used in the performance of any resultant contract:

(Attach extra sheets, as needed)

4. Describe any relationship with any entity (such as a State Agency, reseller, etc. that is not a subcontractor listed in #3 above), if any, which will be used in the performance of any resultant contract. (N/A, None, Does not apply, etc. are acceptable responses to this item.)

(Attach extra sheets, as needed)

By signing the form below, the Authorized Signatory attests to the accuracy and veracity of the information provided on this form, and explicitly acknowledges the following:

- On behalf of the submitting-organization identified in item #1, above, I accept the Conditions Governing the Procurement, as required in Section 6. of this RFP;
- I concur that submission of our proposal constitutes acceptance of the Evaluation Process contained in Section 3.4 of this RFP; and
- I acknowledge receipt of any and all amendments to this RFP, if any.

_____, 20_____
Authorized Signature and Date
(Must be signed by the individual identified in item #2.A, above.)

APPENDIX C

CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTION DISCLOSURE FORM

Pursuant to the Procurement Code, Sections 13-1-28, et seq., NMSA 1978 and NMSA 1978, § 13-1-191.1 (2006), as amended by Laws of 2007, Chapter 234, a prospective contractor subject to this section shall disclose all campaign contributions given by the prospective contractor or a family member or representative of the prospective contractor to an applicable public official of the state or a local public body during the two years prior to the date on which a proposal is submitted or, in the case of a sole source or small purchase contract, the two years prior to the date on which the contractor signs the contract, if the aggregate total of contributions given by the prospective contractor or a family member or representative of the prospective contractor to the public official exceeds two hundred fifty dollars (\$250) over the two-year period. A prospective contractor submitting a disclosure statement pursuant to this section who has not contributed to an applicable public official, whose family members have not contributed to an applicable public official or whose representatives have not contributed to an applicable public official shall make a statement that no contribution was made.

A prospective contractor or a family member or representative of the prospective contractor shall not give a campaign contribution or other thing of value to an applicable public official or the applicable public official's employees during the pendency of the procurement process or during the pendency of negotiations for a sole source or small purchase contract.

Furthermore, a solicitation or proposed award for a proposed contract may be canceled pursuant to Section [13-1-181](#) NMSA 1978 or a contract that is executed may be ratified or terminated pursuant to Section [13-1-182](#) NMSA 1978 if a prospective contractor fails to submit a fully completed disclosure statement pursuant to this section; or a prospective contractor or family member or representative of the prospective contractor gives a campaign contribution or other thing of value to an applicable public official or the applicable public official's employees during the pendency of the procurement process.

The state agency or local public body that procures the services or items of tangible personal property shall indicate on the form the name or names of every applicable public official, if any, for which disclosure is required by a prospective contractor.

THIS FORM MUST BE INCLUDED IN THE REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS AND MUST BE FILED BY ANY PROSPECTIVE CONTRACTOR WHETHER OR NOT THEY, THEIR FAMILY MEMBER, OR THEIR REPRESENTATIVE HAS MADE ANY CONTRIBUTIONS SUBJECT TO DISCLOSURE.

The following definitions apply:

“Applicable public official” means a person elected to an office or a person appointed to complete a term of an elected office, who has the authority to award or influence the award of the contract for which the prospective contractor is submitting a competitive sealed proposal or who has the authority to negotiate a sole source or small purchase contract that may be awarded without submission of a sealed competitive proposal.

“Campaign Contribution” means a gift, subscription, loan, advance or deposit of money or other thing of value, including the estimated value of an in-kind contribution, that is made to or received by an applicable public official or any person authorized to raise, collect or expend contributions on that official's behalf for the purpose of electing the official to statewide or local office. “Campaign Contribution” includes the

payment of a debt incurred in an election campaign, but does not include the value of services provided without compensation or unreimbursed travel or other personal expenses of individuals who volunteer a portion or all of their time on behalf of a candidate or political committee, nor does it include the administrative or solicitation expenses of a political committee that are paid by an organization that sponsors the committee.

“**Family member**” means a spouse, father, mother, child, father-in-law, mother-in-law, daughter-in-law or son-in-law of (a) a prospective contractor, if the prospective contractor is a natural person; or (b) an owner of a prospective contractor;

“**Pendency of the procurement process**” means the time period commencing with the public notice of the request for proposals and ending with the award of the contract or the cancellation of the request for proposals.

“**Prospective contractor**” means a person or business that is subject to the competitive sealed proposal process set forth in the Procurement Code [Sections [13-1-28](#) through [13-1-199](#) NMSA 1978] or is not required to submit a competitive sealed proposal because that person or business qualifies for a sole source or small purchase contract.

“**Representative of a prospective contractor**” means an officer or director of a corporation, a member or manager of a limited liability corporation, a partner of a partnership or a trustee of a trust of the prospective contractor.

Name(s) of Applicable Public Official(s) if any: Governor of New Mexico

DISCLOSURE OF CONTRIBUTIONS BY PROSPECTIVE CONTRACTOR:

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| Contribution Made By: | _____ |
| Relation to Prospective Contractor: | _____ |
| Date Contribution(s) Made: | _____ _____ |
| Amount(s) of Contribution(s) | _____ _____ |
| Nature of Contribution(s) | _____ _____ |
| Purpose of Contribution(s) | _____ _____ |

(Attach extra pages if necessary)

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| _____ Signature | _____ Date |
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Title (position)

--OR--

NO CONTRIBUTIONS IN THE AGGREGATE TOTAL OVER TWO HUNDRED FIFTY DOLLARS (\$250) WERE MADE to an applicable public official by me, a family member or representative.

Signature

Date

Title (Position)

APPENDIX D

ORGANIZATIONAL REFERENCE QUESTIONNAIRE

The State of New Mexico, as a part of the RFP process, requires Offerors to list a minimum of three (3) organizational references in their proposals. The purpose of these references is to document Offeror's experience relevant to Attachment B, Scope of Work in an effort to evaluate Offeror's ability to provide goods and/or services, performance under similar contracts, and ability to provide knowledgeable and experienced staffing.

Offeror is required to send the following Organizational Reference Questionnaire to each business reference listed in its proposal. The business reference, if it chooses to respond, is required to submit its response to the Organizational Reference Questionnaire directly to: Vanessa.LeBlanc@state.nm.us by June 21, 2022 no later than 3:00pm MST/MDT for inclusion in the evaluation process. The Questionnaire and information provided will become a part of the submitted proposal. Businesses/Organizations providing references may be contacted for validation of content provided therein.

RFP # Online Auction Services 20-00000-22-00051
ORGANIZATIONAL REFERENCE QUESTIONNAIRE
FOR:

(Name of Offeror)

This form is being submitted to your company for completion as a reference for the organization listed above. This Questionnaire is to be submitted to the State of New Mexico, General Services Department, State Purchasing Division via e-mail at:

Name: Vanessa LeBlanc
Email: Vanessa.LeBlanc@state.nm.us

Forms must be submitted no later than 3:00pm MST June 21, 2022, and **must not** be returned to the organization requesting the reference. References are **strongly encouraged** to provide comments in response to organizational ratings.

For questions or concerns regarding this form, please contact the State of New Mexico **Procurement Manager** at Vanessa.LeBlanc@state.nm.us. When contacting the Procurement Manager, include the Request for Proposal number provided at the top of this page.

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|---|--------------------------|
| Organization providing reference | |
| Contact name and title/position | |
| Contact telephone number(s) | |
| Contact e-mail address | |
| Project description | |
| Project dates (start and end dates) | |
| Technical environment for the project for which you're providing a reference | Online Auction Services: |

QUESTIONS:

1. In what capacity have you worked with this vendor in the past?

COMMENTS:

2. How would you rate this firm's knowledge and expertise?

____ (3 = Excellent; 2 = Satisfactory; 1 = Unsatisfactory; 0 = Unacceptable)

COMMENTS:

3. How would you rate the vendor's flexibility relative to changes in the project scope and timelines?

____ (3 = Excellent; 2 = Satisfactory; 1 = Unsatisfactory; 0 = Unacceptable)

COMMENTS:

4. What is your level of satisfaction with hard-copy materials produced by the vendor?

____ (3 = Excellent; 2 = Satisfactory; 1 = Unsatisfactory; 0 = Unacceptable, N/A = Not applicable)

COMMENTS:

5. How would you rate the dynamics/interaction between vendor personnel and your staff?

_____ (3 = Excellent; 2 = Satisfactory; 1 = Unsatisfactory; 0 = Unacceptable)

COMMENTS:

6. Who are/were the vendor's principal representatives involved in your project and how would you rate them individually? Would you, please, comment on the skills, knowledge, behaviors or other factors on which you based the rating?

_____ (3 = Excellent; 2 = Satisfactory; 1 = Unsatisfactory; 0 = Unacceptable)

Name: _____ Rating: _____

Name: _____ Rating: _____

Name: _____ Rating: _____

Name: _____ Rating: _____

COMMENTS:

7. How satisfied are/were you with the products developed by the vendor?

_____ (3 = Excellent; 2 = Satisfactory; 1 = Unsatisfactory; 0 = Unacceptable, N/A = Not applicable)

COMMENTS:

8. With which aspect(s) of this vendor's services are/were you most satisfied?

COMMENTS:

9. With which aspect(s) of this vendor's services are/were you least satisfied?

COMMENTS:

10. Would you recommend this vendor's services to your organization again?

COMMENTS:



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AMENDMENT NO. ONE

**NASPO ValuePoint Master Agreement for
On-Line Auction Services**

May 5, 2022

ELECTRONIC PROPOSAL SUBMISSION ONLY

Request for Proposals Number 20-00000-22-00051 is amended s described herein:

CHANGE ON PAGE 7

4. Deadline to Submit Written Questions

Time added to deadline for submission of Questions

Potential Offerors may submit written questions to the Lead State Contract Administrator as to the intent or clarity of this RFP until **5:00pm** MST/MDT as indicated in Section 1.3, Schedule of Events. All written questions must be addressed to the Lead State Contract Administrator as declared in Section 1.2. Questions shall be clearly labeled and shall cite the Section(s) in the RFP or other document which form the basis of the question.

CHANGE ON PAGE 28

Section 30. Sales Reporting Crosswalks language has been added to the RFP

30. Sales Reporting Crosswalks

Prior to execution of a Master Agreement resulting from this RFP, Offerors selected for award shall, upon request by NASPO ValuePoint, provide to NASPO ValuePoint tables of customer and Product information and specific attributes thereof for the purpose of standardizing and analyzing Sales Data to be reported by Contractors in accordance with the terms of the Master Agreement (“Crosswalk”).

Customer Crosswalks must include a list of existing and potential Purchasing Entities and identify for each the appropriate customer type as defined by NASPO ValuePoint. Product Crosswalks must include Contractor’s part number or SKU for each Product in Offeror’s catalog and identify for each the appropriate Master Agreement category (and subcategory, if applicable), manufacturer part number, product description, eight-digit UNSPSC Class Level commodity code, and (if applicable) EPEAT value and Energy Star rating.

A sample crosswalk is included in this RFP as Attachment J. Crosswalk requirements and fields may be updated by NASPO ValuePoint with reasonable notice to Contractors and without amendment to the Master Agreement. Contractors shall work in good faith with NASPO ValuePoint to keep Crosswalks updated as Contractors’ customer lists and product catalogs change.

CHANGES ON PAGE 33

The following language was added to Section 4.3.1:

4.3.1 Summary Sales Data. The Contractor shall submit quarterly sales reports directly to NASPO ValuePoint using the NASPO ValuePoint Quarterly Sales/Administrative Fee Reporting Tool found at <http://calculator.naspovaluepoint.org> **or other method provided by NASPO ValuePoint**. All sales of products or services under this Master Agreement must be reported as cumulative totals by state, including all revenues collected through commission fees charged. Contractor must submit a report for each quarter, including quarters during which a Contractor has no sales or other revenues, in which case this will be indicated in the Reporting Tool. Reports must be submitted no later than thirty (30) days following the end of the calendar quarter (as specified in the reporting tool).

Section 4.3.2 has been revised to the following:

4.3.2 Detailed Sales Data. Contractor shall also report detailed sales and commission revenue data **by completing and submitting the reporting template attached to the RFP as Attachment K or as otherwise required by NASPO ValuePoint**. Reports are due on a quarterly basis and must be received by NASPO ValuePoint no later than thirty (30) days after the end of the reporting period. Reports must be delivered to NASPO ValuePoint electronically through a designated portal or other method as determined by NASPO ValuePoint. Detailed sales data reports must include sales information for all sales/revenues under Participating Addenda executed under this Master Agreement.

CHANGE ON PAGE 62

Attachment Header Corrected: Attachments D- **H**: Lead State and Additional Participating States' Terms and Conditions

Attachment J: Online Auction Services Crosswalk Template has been added to the RFP on page 147

Attachment K: Online Auction Services Detailed Sales Reporting Template has been added to the RFP on page 148

Please see Revised RFP in its entirety, with additions/modifications noted in red



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AMENDMENT NO. TWO

**NASPO ValuePoint Master Agreement for
On-Line Auction Services**

May 5, 2022

ELECTRONIC PROPOSAL SUBMISSION ONLY

Request for Proposals Number 20-00000-22-00051 is amended s described herein:

Page 20:

Section 4.1 c) Licensing Requirements revised to the following:

c) Licensing Requirements

~~If awarded,~~ Offerors must ~~agree to~~ be in full compliance with all licensing ~~and permitting~~ requirements ~~in the Lead State~~ for the ~~Participating Entity~~. Specific states or other authorized Participating Entities may have additional licensing and/or certification requirements that would be addressed in Participating Addenda.

Page 23

Section 6.4 Subcontractors\Consent revised to the following:

4. Subcontractors/Consent

~~The use of subcontractors is not allowed.~~ The prime contractor shall be wholly responsible for the entire performance of the contractual agreement whether or not subcontractors are used. Additionally, the prime contractor must receive approval, in writing, from the agency awarding any resultant contract, before any subcontractor is used during the term of this agreement.