New Jersey Department of the Treasury Office of the State Comptroller

REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL: FORENSIC AUDIT, FORENSIC ACCOUNTING, AND FINANCIAL INVESTIGATIVE SERVICES FOR MEDICAID-FUNDED FACILITIES INCLUDING NURSING HOMES. RFP# 03-24

<u>1.0</u> INFORMATION FOR BIDDERS

Question and Answer Period:

Bidders may submit questions regarding the RFP to <u>bids@osc.nj.gov</u> by 12 p.m. ET on March 8, 2024.

Proposal Due Date:

Bidders must submit proposals to <u>bids@osc.nj.gov</u> by 12 p.m. ET on March 19, 2024. Proposals received after 12 p.m. ET on March 19, 2024, will not be opened.

Proposal Opening:

Proposals will be opened directly following the Proposal due date and time above.

<u>1.1</u> <u>PURPOSE AND INTENT</u>

The purpose of this RFP is to solicit Proposals from qualified Bidders to provide forensic audit, forensic accounting, and financial investigative services to the Office of the State Comptroller (OSC) in relation to its oversight of New Jersey nursing homes and other facilities that participate in the Medicaid program. Through this RFP, OSC seeks proposals to assist with OSC's oversight of nursing homes and other facilities in the Medicaid program by evaluating compliance with regulations on patient care ratios, detecting fraud, waste, and abuse, and preparing findings that may be used as part of an investigation, report, or other OSC action.

Established in 2007 as an independent state agency, OSC has a statutory duty to ensure efficiency, transparency, and accountability in state government by providing oversight of New Jersey's Executive Branch. In addition, OSC is empowered by state law to prevent, detect, and investigate fraud, waste, and abuse in the state's Medicaid program.

This RFP requests Proposals for forensic audit services. This RFP is issued by OSC pursuant to N.J.S.A. 30:4D-59(b) which authorizes OSC to retain professionals it deems necessary to independently perform its oversight functions.

OSC intends to award up to three (3) Contracts to the responsible Bidders whose Proposals conforming to this RFP are most advantageous to OSC, price and other factors considered. Contract will commence upon award by OSC and shall terminate no later than two (2) years from award of Contract, unless extended by OSC, at its sole option, for up to two (2) additional one (1) year periods for additional or follow-up consulting services.

This is a task order request contract. For all work under the Contract, Task Order Requests (TORs) will be provided to the Contractor.

The State of New Jersey Standard Terms and Conditions and the Waivered Contracts/Delegated Purchase Authority Supplement to the State of New Jersey Standard Terms and Conditions shall be a part of the Contract awarded as a result of this RFP. These terms are in addition to the terms and conditions set forth in this RFP and should be read in conjunction with them unless the RFP specifically indicates otherwise. See Attachment B.

<u>1.2</u> EXCEPTIONS TO THE TERMS OF THE RFP

Any exceptions to the terms of this RFP, including, but not limited to, the State of New Jersey Standard Terms and Conditions and the Waivered Contracts/Delegated Purchase Authority Supplement to the State of New Jersey Standard Terms and Conditions, must be posed during the Question and Answer period and shall contain Bidder's suggested changes and the reason(s) for the suggested changes. Any exceptions submitted with the Proposal may render the Proposal non-responsive and subject to rejection by OSC.

<u>1.3</u> BACKGROUND

Established in 2008 as an independent state agency, OSC is dedicated to enhancing efficiency, transparency, and accountability in New Jersey government by providing oversight. OSC is tasked with examining all aspects of government expenditures, including reviewing public contracts, auditing finances, and evaluating the performance of programs. OSC reviews contracts and conducts audits and investigations of the executive branch of state government, including state agencies, independent state authorities, bistate agencies and commissions, state colleges and universities, and local government entities.

OSC's powers and responsibilities arise from three primary sources: first, the statute creating the New Jersey Office of the Inspector General, N.J.S.A. 52:15B-1 to 52:15B-16; second, the Medicaid Program Integrity and Protection Act, N.J.S.A. 30:4D-53 to 30:4D-64, which created the Office of Medicaid Inspector General; and third, the law that created OSC itself, N.J.S.A. 52:15C-1 to 52:15C-24. In 2005, the Office of the Inspector General was created to investigate allegations of waste, fraud, and abuse in the expenditure of public funds, promote efficiency, and identify cost savings, and detect and prevent misconduct at all levels of government. N.J.S.A. 52:15B-1. In 2007, the Office of the Medicaid Inspector General was created to prevent, detect, and investigate waste, fraud, and abuse in the Medicaid program. N.J.S.A. 30:4D-54. Also in 2007, the Legislature established OSC because it found the rapid growth of state and local government agencies and authorities outpaced the State's ability to "subject governmental financial activities to uniform, meaningful, and systematic public scrutiny." N.J.S.A. 52:15C-1. One of the goals of OSC is to "increas[e] public trust and confidence that every tax dollar collected by government" including "units of local government" "is spent wisely and well." N.J.S.A. 52:15C-1.

In 2010, the Legislature consolidated the three agencies into the Office of State Comptroller. The powers, functions, and duties of the Office of the Inspector General and the Office of the Medicaid Inspector General were transferred to the Office of State Comptroller to be exercised by the State

Comptroller. N.J.S.A. 52:15C-20. In order to fulfill its watchdog role and provide the oversight necessary to effectuate its mandate, OSC has broad statutory powers and duties, including to conduct routine, periodic, and random audits of executive branch agencies, N.J.S.A. 52:15C-8, to review government contracts, N.J.S.A. 52:15C-10, and to conduct investigations into fraud, waste, abuse, or mismanagement of state funds, N.J.S.A. 52:15B-7 and B-8.

As successor to the Office of the Medicaid Inspector General, OSC's Medicaid Fraud Division (MFD) works to protect the efficiency and integrity of New Jersey's Medicaid program in New Jersey by investigating and auditing healthcare providers who bill the Medicaid program, in addition to beneficiaries and the managed care organizations (MCOs) that coordinate the provision of an individual's health care needs. Through these efforts, MFD detects fraud, waste, and abuse, and seeks to ensure that providers properly deliver care to Medicaid beneficiaries. Through civil and administrative enforcement actions, MFD recovers tens of millions of dollars annually for taxpayers and, when necessary, disqualifies providers from participating in the Medicaid program. In fiscal year 2023, MFD recovered or aided in the recovery of more than \$117 million in taxpayer funds.

As a part of this work, MFD regularly audits and investigates nursing homes, also known as skilled nursing facilities and long term care facilities, which receive Medicaid funds. See, e.g., Office of the State Comptroller, Medicaid Fraud Division Report, New Jersey Medicaid Continues to Fund Ouality Nursing Home Residents Poor Care for (Mar. 31. 2023), https://www.nj.gov/comptroller/news/docs/ltcs final 20230331.pdf. In fiscal year 2023, the Legislature budgeted more than \$17.96 billion in state and federal funds for New Jersey's Medicaid program. In 2022, New Jersey's Medicaid program paid \$1.72 billion to nursing homes.

2.0 **DEFINITIONS**

Addendum – Written clarification(s) or revision(s) to this RFP issued by OSC. Addenda, if any, will be issued by OSC prior to Proposal opening.

All-Inclusive Hourly Rate – An hourly rate comprised of all direct and indirect costs including, but not limited to: labor costs, overhead, fee or profit, clerical support, travel expenses, per diem, software, safety equipment, materials, supplies, managerial support, and all documents, forms, and reproductions thereof. This rate also includes portal-to-portal expenses as well as per diem expenses such as food.

Bidder – An entity, joint venture, or individual submitting a Proposal in response to this RFP.

Contract – A Contract consists of the State of New Jersey Standard Terms and Conditions, the Waivered Contracts/Delegated Purchase Authority Supplement to the State of New Jersey Standard Terms and Conditions, this RFP, the Proposal submitted by Bidder as accepted by OSC, the notice of award, any Best and Final Offer, any subsequent written document memorializing the agreement, any modifications to any of these documents approved by OSC and any attachments, addenda to the RFP or other supporting documents, or post-award documents including amendments agreed to by OSC and Contractor, in writing.

Contractor - The Bidder awarded a Contract in response to this RFP.

May – Denotes that which is permissible or recommended, not mandatory.

Must – Denotes that which is a mandatory requirement.

Office of the State Comptroller (OSC) – Independent state agency, established in 2008 pursuant to N.J.S.A. 52:15C-1 to -24, to promote the integrity and transparency of government operations by reviewing government contracts and conducting independent audits of government entities and programs throughout New Jersey, investigating mismanagement of public funds, and improving the efficiency and integrity of the Medicaid Program.

Patient Care Ratio (**PCR**) – The percentage of a facility's Medicaid revenue expended on resident care, services, and support.

Patient Care Ratio Requirements (PCR Requirements) – The requirements for defined nursing facilities to report information concerning certain reviews and the use of those revenues for the care of residents as set forth in N.J.A.C. 10:49A.

Proposal – Bidder's timely response to the RFP including, but not limited to, technical and price Proposals, and any licenses, forms, certifications, or other documentation required by the RFP.

Request for Proposal (RFP) – The series of documents that establish the bidding requirements and solicits Proposals to meet the needs of OSC as set forth herein, including the RFP, the State of New Jersey Standard Terms and Conditions, the Waivered Contracts/Delegated Purchase Authority Supplement to the State of New Jersey Standard Terms and Conditions, Price Schedule, attachments, and any Addenda.

Shall – Denotes that which is a mandatory requirement.

Should – Denotes that which is permissible or recommended, not mandatory.

Task Order – Issued for the performance of tasks and services as a result of a TOR.

Task Order Request (TOR) - A description issued by OSC of the individual task/service for which proposals and quotes will be solicited.

<u>3.0</u> SCOPE OF WORK

3.1 PROJECT OVERVIEW

In relation to its oversight of Medicaid-funded nursing homes, other Medicaid-funded facilities, and related parties, OSC is seeking to retain up to three (3) qualified firms, joint ventures, or individuals to provide forensic audit and related services, such as:

 Conducting forensic audits/reviews, forensic accounting, and financial investigations of Medicaid-funded nursing homes, other Medicaid-funded facilities, and related parties to identify fraud, waste, abuse, and financial impropriety.

- Detecting instances of improper siphoning of Medicaid funds through related party arrangements, including but not limited to affiliated companies or individuals, by examining financial records and transactions.
- Utilizing forensic accounting techniques to trace fund flows or "follow the money," identify fraudulent schemes, and quantify losses incurred to the Medicaid program through fraud or financial misconduct.
- Analyzing data collected by OSC to identify patterns, anomalies, and discrepancies indicative of potential fraud, waste, and abuse, including violations of PCR Requirements.
- Utilizing financial investigative software and data mining technology to extract, organize, and analyze large datasets from Medicaid claims, billing records, and financial transactions.
- Reviewing nursing home PCR reporting to evaluate compliance with PCR Requirements and identifying any violations or discrepancies.
- Conducting a comprehensive review and analysis of documentation, including financial records, contracts, agreements, and operational policies and procedures of Medicaidfunded nursing homes, other Medicaid-funded facilities, and related parties.
- Providing written analysis of findings that may be used by OSC as part of a report, recovery action, administrative sanction, or other action and for which the Contractor may be called upon to testify in support of the Contractor's work product.

To fulfill these tasks, Contractor may review, without limitation, publicly available data and information, documents and other information obtained through OSC, historical data, qualitative and quantitative assessments, and financial records, including receipts, disbursements, contracts, leases, investments, and other pertinent documents related to the financial activities of Medicaid-funded nursing homes, other Medicaid-funded facilities, and related parties. All requests for information from the Contractor to third parties, such as Medicaid-funded nursing homes and related entities, shall be coordinated through OSC's internal personnel.

3.2 GENERAL REQUIREMENTS

Contractor shall supply the staff, resources, and expertise necessary to provide all of the services identified in the Scope of Work.

Contractor shall be responsible for the coordination, documentation, deliverables management, and facilitation of assessment activities. Contractor must establish standards and project controls to closely monitor and allow for proactive identification and resolution of issues. OSC expects that the majority, if not all, of the work required to complete this assessment, including status meetings, can be conducted remotely; however, if necessary, Contractor may be required to perform tasks or

meet with OSC staff at OSC's office or the offices of other government agencies or visit a Medicaid-funded facility during normal work hours based on a mutually agreed-upon schedule. Contractor shall provide OSC staff access to all tools, databases, and systems it is using to manage the Contract and enable OSC to remain informed regarding the progress of the work. OSC will be responsible for obtaining the materials necessary for performing the work from Medicaid providers.

3.3 CONTRACT ACTIVITIES AND DELIVERABLES

3.3.1 PROJECT KICK-OFF MEETING

Within ten (10) days of Contract award, Contractor shall attend an in-person or virtual Contract kick-off meeting with OSC.

3.3.2 TASK ORDER REQUESTS

For all assignments relating to the Scope of Work, TORs shall be provided to the Contractor(s) who shall provide responses and pricing to OSC. Contractor submissions shall be evaluated and awarded based on price and other factors. The TOR process and procedure follows.

During the term of the Contract, OSC shall issue TORs, in substantially the same form of Attachment D, to the Contractor(s). All TORs shall contain a detailed scope of work that includes specific work and services to be provided, performance milestones, timelines and deadlines, standards, and deliverables.

The Contractor(s) receiving a TOR for any proposed Task Order shall to respond to each TOR describing its strategy for completing the requested services by submission of the TOR Contractor Response form (Attachment E). As a part of its response, Contractor shall include a draft project timeline, inclusive of task-based milestones and proposed cost estimate with hourly rates not greater than the All-Inclusive Hourly Rates submitted in response to this RFP. If the Contractor is notified to proceed with the TOR, the Contractor shall maintain the project timeline in an electronic format and location that is accessible to OSC and the Contractor shall update the timeline as work is completed and milestones are achieved.

Subsequent to the receipt of the TOR and prior to the submission of the TOR Contractor Response form, the Contractor must review the TOR to determine that no conflict of interest exists for the services, then return a signed TOR – Conflict of Interest Certification Statement, (Attachment F), to OSC within one (1) to three (3) business days of receipt.

If no conflict exists, the Contractor must return a completed TOR Contractor Response Form to OSC within five (5) business days. The TOR Contractor Response Form shall include a cost estimate in accordance with the Contractor's Price Schedule submitted in response to this RFP. OSC shall then either accept the Contractor's TOR proposal, or respond to further negotiate the cost, scope of services, and time needed to complete the task/project.

Prior to finalizing any TOR under this contract, OSC shall determine whether the intended

Contractor has any potential conflicts with the engagement. In the event that there is a conflict with any Contractor, the task order may, in OSC's sole discretion, be provided to another Contractor if available.

OSC is under no obligation to retain the Contractor for any TOR-based Services. There is no guaranteed minimum number of requests OSC may issue throughout the term of the Contract and any extensions thereto.

No work set forth in the TOR may begin until OSC issues a written notice to proceed to the Contractor.

During a Contractor's work on any TOR, Contractor shall provide weekly email status updates to OSC and participate in monthly status meetings with OSC. Contractor shall be available to participate in other status meetings requested by OSC during the Contract.

3.4 PROJECT DOCUMENTATION

Contractor shall organize, index, and maintain all project documentation for future use by OSC and deliver such documentation to OSC prior to expiration of the Contract.

3.5 EMERGENT ISSUES

Contractor shall promptly notify the OSC Contract Manager of any emergent risks or issues discovered during the term of the Contract. The OSC Contract Manager will be identified after Contract award.

3.6 PRIVACY AND SECURITY REQUIREMENTS

All data and information that Contractor receives or otherwise has access to pursuant to this Contract shall be classified confidential and secured as as such. defined by the Statewide Information Security as Manual (SISM), https://www.tech.nj.gov/it/docs/ps/NJ_Statewide_Information_Sec urity_Manual.pdf. Contractor shall be responsible for ensuring compliance with state requirements related to information and data security and the appropriate storage and transmission of confidential data and information. Such requirements are located in the New Jersey Statewide Information Security Manual (SISM), available at: https://www.nj.gov/it/docs/ps/NJ_ Statewide _Information_Security_Manual.pdf. Due to the confidential nature of OSC audits, investigations, and other projects, Contractor shall be required to execute a Form of Confidentiality and Non-Disclosure Agreement prior to commencing work under this Contract, the substantial form of which is at Attachment C. Any breach of this duty of confidentiality will be prosecuted to the fullest extent of the law.

<u>3.7</u> BILLING

Contractor shall submit invoices to OSC on a monthly basis with supporting documentation evidencing that the work or goods for which payment is sought has been satisfactorily completed or delivered. When applicable, the invoice should reference the RFP Price Schedule line number from Contractor's Proposal.

All services provided shall be billed on an hourly rate based on the awarded All-Inclusive Hourly Rates.

4.0 PROPOSAL PREPARATION AND SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS

The Proposal submission shall include the items and information identified in Sections 4.1 through 4.3 below.

4.1 TECHNICAL PROPOSAL

In this section, Bidder shall describe its approach and plans for accomplishing the work outlined in the Scope of Work, Section 3.0. Bidder must set forth its understanding of the requirements of this RFP and its approach to complete the Contract successfully. Bidder should include the level of detail it determines necessary to assist OSC in its review of the Proposal. Bidder's Proposal should incorporate a nationally recognized audit standard such as the AICPA or GAO Government Auditing Standards, 2018 Revision.

4.1.1 BIDDER CERTIFICATIONS AND LICENSURE

At the time of Proposal submission, Bidder shall present all licenses and certifications of proposed personnel that are relevant to the Scope of Work. Such information will be used in the evaluation of qualifications of a Bidder.

4.1.2 MANAGEMENT OVERVIEW

Bidder shall set forth its overall technical approach and plans to meet the requirements of the Scope of Work in a narrative format. This narrative should demonstrate to OSC that Bidder understands the objectives that the Scope of Work is intended to meet, the nature of the required work, and the level of effort necessary to complete the services identified in Section 3 above successfully.

Mere reiterations of Scope of Work are strongly discouraged, as they do not provide insight into Bidder's approach to complete the services identified. Bidder's response to this section should be designed to demonstrate to OSC that Bidder's detailed plans and approach proposed to complete the Scope of Work are realistic, attainable, and appropriate, and that the Proposal will lead to successful project completion.

4.1.3 CONTRACT MANAGEMENT

Bidder shall describe its specific plans to manage, control, and supervise the Contract to ensure satisfactory completion according to the required Project Timeline. The plans should include Bidder's approach to communicate with OSC including, but not limited to, status meetings, and the required reporting identified herein.

4.1.4 ORGANIZATIONAL SUPPORT & EXPERIENCE

Bidder shall include information relating to its organization, personnel, and experience. Information should include, but need not be limited to, references, together with contact names and telephone numbers, evidencing Bidder's qualifications and capabilities to perform the services.

4.1.5 LOCATION

Bidder shall include the address of Bidder's office where responsibility for managing the Contract will take place.

In the event that a Bidder does not include this information, OSC reserves the right to request said items. Upon request, the Bidder must provide the required information within one (1) business day of the original request.

4.1.6 ORGANIZATION CHARTS

Bidder shall include a project organization chart, with names showing management, supervisory, and other key personnel (including subcontractor management, supervisory, or other key personnel) to be assigned to the project.

<u>4.1.7</u> <u>RESUMES</u>

Bidder shall submit detailed resumes for all management, supervisory, and key personnel to be assigned to the Contract. Resumes should emphasize relevant qualifications, professional credentials/licenses, and experience of these individuals in successfully completing contracts of a similar size and scope to those required by this Contract. Resumes should include the following:

- (1) The individual's previous experience in completing each similar contract;
- (2) Beginning and ending dates for each similar contract;
- (3) A description of the contract demonstrating how the individual's work on the completed contract relates to the individual's ability to contribute to successfully providing the services required by this RFP; and
- (4) With respect to each similar contract, the name and address of each reference together with a person to contact for a reference check and a telephone number.

Bidder should provide detailed resumes for each Subcontractor's management, supervisory, and other key personnel that demonstrate knowledge, ability, and experience relevant to that part of the work which the subcontractor is designated to perform.

4.1.8 EXPERIENCE WITH PROJECTS OF SIMILAR SIZE AND SCOPE

Bidder shall provide a comprehensive listing of contracts or projects it has successfully completed that are similar in size and scope to the work required by this RFP. A description of all such contracts should be included and should show how such contracts relate to the ability of the firm to complete the services required by this RFP, particularly the ability to identify, analyze, and prepare reports detailing fraud, waste, and abuse of public funds. Bidder is encouraged to provide examples of successfully completed contracts involving the healthcare industry, Medicaid-funded facilities, and/or the Medicaid program. For each such contract listed, Bidder should provide two (2) names and telephone numbers of individuals for the contracting party. Beginning and ending dates should also be given for each contract.

Bidder should provide documented experience to demonstrate that each subcontractor has successfully performed work on contracts of a similar size and scope. Bidder must provide a detailed description of services to be provided by each subcontractor.

Bidder must provide details of any negative actions taken by other contracting entities against them in the course of performing these projects including, but not limited to, receipt of letters of potential default, default, cure notices, termination of services for cause, or other similar notifications/processes. Additionally, Bidder should provide details, including any negative audits, reports, or findings by any governmental agency for which Bidder is/was the contractor on any contracts of similar size and scope. In the event a Bidder neglects to include this information in the Proposal, Bidder's omission of necessary disclosure information may be cause for rejection of the Proposal by OSC.

4.2 PRICE SCHEDULE

Bidder must submit its pricing using the format set forth on the Price Schedule (Attachment A). Bidders are not permitted to alter or change the provided Price Schedule format/category designations. Any additional or supplemented versions of the OSC-supplied Price Schedule shall not be accepted and shall result in the Bidder's Proposal bring deemed non-responsive.

If Bidder will supply an item on a price line free of charge, Bidder must indicate "No Charge" on the OSC-supplied Price Schedule. The use of any other identifier may result in Bidder's Proposal being deemed non-responsive. Bidder shall not indicate fees/charges other than those included on the Price Schedule. If Bidder intends to assess additional fees it should address this by submitting an inquiry during the Question and Answer period for this RFP.

Each Bidder shall segment its professional skill classifications into the personnel classifications noted on the Price Schedule. If the title differs in Bidder's organization, that title should be listed in parenthesis after the particular category. It is not necessary for a Bidder's firm to possess all categories of professional skill classifications.

Hourly rates, per the Price Schedule, shall be used for any additional work that might be required during the contract time frame, not specified in the original Scope of Work. No additional fees shall be paid by the State, unless there is a mutually agreed upon change to the Scope of Work

reduced to writing. Any extensions of the Contract term shall be paid on an hourly basis according to the approved pricing of the original Contract term.

Bidder's submitted Price Schedule shall be evaluated pursuant to Section 5.7.

4.3 POTENTIAL CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

Bidder shall identify any potential conflicts of interest regarding the delivery of services under this RFP. If potential conflicts are identified, Bidder shall provide OSC with its conflict of interest policy and measures that can be implemented to mitigate any such conflicts.

Contractor shall have a continuing obligation to disclose any potential conflicts of interest in its task order responses. OSC, in its sole discretion, shall determine whether a conflict exists and the individual(s) involved are to be immediately removed. Contract is required to identify any potential conflicts of interest relating to any TOR prior to their response to said TOR.

5.0 PROPOSAL EVALUATION

5.1 RIGHT OF REJECTION/CANCELLATION

OSC shall have the right to reject all Proposals or cancel this RFP at any time in its sole discretion. OSC shall also have the right to waive non-material deviations in a Proposal; however, Proposals that contain material deviations from or exceptions to the terms of the RFP shall be rejected.

5.2 PROPOSAL EVALUATION COMMITTEE

Proposals may be evaluated by an Evaluation Committee composed of OSC staff. The Evaluation Committee may also seek the expertise of outside consultants in an advisory role, as appropriate.

5.3 <u>CLARIFICATION OF PROPOSAL/ RIGHT TO REQUEST FURTHER</u> <u>INFORMATION</u>

After Proposals are reviewed, one, some, or all of Bidders may be asked to clarify certain aspects of their Proposals. A request for clarification may be made in order to resolve minor ambiguities, irregularities, informalities, or clerical errors. Clarifications may not correct any deficiencies or material omissions, or revise or modify the Proposal.

5.4 NEGOTIATION

After proposals are received, OSC shall have the right to enter into negotiations with one or more Bidders.

5.5 BEST AND FINAL OFFER

OSC shall have the right to request Best and Final Offers (BAFOs) from one or more Bidders. Any BAFO that does not result in more advantageous pricing to OSC will not be considered, and OSC

will evaluate Bidder's lowest previously submitted pricing.

5.6 CONTACT WITH OSC

After the submission of Proposals, contact with OSC is not permitted unless requested by OSC.

5.7 EVALUATION CRITERIA

The following evaluation criteria, not necessarily listed in order of significance, will be used to evaluate Proposals received in response to this RFP.

5.7.1 EVALUATION CRITERIA

Each criterion will be scored, and each score multiplied by a predetermined weight to develop the Evaluation Score.

- A. Personnel: The qualifications and experience of the management, supervisory, and key personnel assigned to the Contract, including the candidates recommended for each of the positions/roles required;
- B. Experience of Bidder: Bidder's documented experience in successfully completing contracts of a similar size and scope in relation to the work required by this RFP;
- C. Ability of Bidder to complete the Scope of Work based on its Technical Proposal: Bidder's demonstration in the Proposal that Bidder understands the requirements of the Scope of Work and presents an approach that would permit successful performance of the technical requirements of the Contract; and
- D. Price.

5.8 CONTRACT AWARD

Contract will be awarded to the responsible Bidder whose Proposal conforming to this RFP is most advantageous to OSC, price and other factors considered.

5.9 CONTRACT TERM AND EXTENSION OPTION

The Contract base term shall be for a period of two (2) years. At the sole option of OSC, the Contract may be extended for up to two (2) additional one (1) year periods at the rates in effect under the base term of the Contract.

5.10 PROTEST PROCEDURES

Any Bidder wishing to challenge an award of Contract must file a written protest within three (3) business days following issuance of a Notice of Intent to Award by OSC. OSC will issue a final agency decision on the merits of the protest.

6.0 **REQUIRED FORMS**

6.1 REQUIRED FORMS, REGISTRATIONS, AND CERTIFICATIONS

Following the RFP is a Bidder's Checklist to aid and assist in completing the required forms for this RFP. See Attachment B for the forms and documentation to be submitted in accordance with Sections 6.2 through 6.11, and as set forth below.

Attachment B:

- (1) The following forms are <u>required</u> with the Proposal submission and failure to submit the below forms shall result in rejection of a Proposal:
 - a. Ownership Disclosure Form; and
 - b. State of New Jersey Standard Terms and Conditions and the Waivered Contracts/Delegated Purchase Authority Supplement to the State of New Jersey Standard Terms and Conditions (signed by Bidder).
- (2) The following forms are requested with the Proposal submission, but required prior to Contract award:
 - a. Offer and Acceptance Page;
 - b. Disclosure of Investigations and Other Actions Involving Bidder Form;
 - c. Source Disclosure;
 - d. Disclosure of Investment Activities in Iran;
 - e. Certification of Non-Involvement in Prohibited Activities in Russia/Belarus;
 - f. MacBride Principles Form;
 - g. Chapter 51 Political Contribution Disclosure (Pay to Play forms); and
 - h. Business Registration Certificate.
- (3) The following forms and/or certificates are required after notification of award:
 - a. Affirmative Action Compliance; and
 - b. Insurance Certificates.

Bidders are under a continuing obligation to report updates to the information contained in its

required forms.

Unless otherwise specified, forms must contain an original, physical or electronic signature.

6.2 OWNERSHIP DISCLOSURE FORM

Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 52:25-24.2, in the event Bidder is a corporation, partnership or limited liability company, Bidder must complete an Ownership Disclosure Form.

A current completed Ownership Disclosure Form must be received prior to or accompany the submitted Proposal. A Bidder's failure to submit the completed and signed form with its Proposal will result in the rejection of the Proposal as non-responsive and preclude the award of a Contract to said Bidder unless the Division of Purchase and Property has on file a signed and accurate Ownership Disclosure Form dated and received no more than six (6) months prior to the Proposal submission deadline for this procurement. If any ownership change has occurred within the last six (6) months, a new Ownership Disclosure Form must be completed, signed, and submitted with the Proposal.

In the alternative, to comply with this section, a Bidder with any direct or indirect parent entity that is publicly traded may submit the name and address of each publicly traded entity and the name and address of each person that holds a 10 percent or greater beneficial interest in the publicly traded entity as of the last annual filing with the federal Securities and Exchange Commission or the foreign equivalent, and, if there is any person that holds a 10 percent or greater beneficial interest, also shall submit links to the websites containing the last annual filings with the federal Securities and Exchange numbers of the filings that contain the information on each person that holds a 10 percent or greater beneficial interest. N.J.S.A. 52:25-24.2.

6.3 DISCLOSURE OF INVESTIGATIONS AND OTHER ACTIONS INVOLVING BIDDER FORM

Bidder should submit the Disclosure of Investigations and Other Actions Involving Bidder Form with its Proposal to provide a detailed description of any investigation, litigation, including administrative complaints or other administrative proceedings (including disciplinary action by a state bar), involving any public sector clients during the past five (5) years, including the nature and status of the investigation, and, for any litigation, the caption of the action, a brief description of the action, the date of inception, current status, and, if applicable, disposition. If a Bidder does not submit the form with the Proposal, Bidder must comply within seven (7) business days of OSC's request or OSC may deem the Proposal non-responsive.

6.4 SOURCE DISCLOSURE

Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 52:34-13.2, prior to an award of a contract, Bidder is required to submit a completed Source Disclosure Form. Bidder's inclusion of the completed Source Disclosure Form with the Proposal is requested and advised.

6.5 AFFIRMATIVE ACTION

Contractor must submit a copy of a New Jersey Certificate of Employee Information Report, or a copy of Federal Letter of Approval verifying it is operating under a federally approved or sanctioned Affirmative Action program prior to contract signing. Awarded Contractors not in possession of either a New Jersey Certificate of Employee Information Report or a Federal Letter of Approval must complete the Affirmative Action Employee Information Report (AA-302) located on the web at <u>https://www.state.nj.us/treasury/purchase/forms.shtml</u>.

6.6 INSURANCE CERTIFICATES

Contractor shall provide the State with current certificates of insurance for all coverages required by the terms of this Contract naming the State as an Additional Insured. See Section 4.2 of the New Jersey Standard State Terms and Conditions accompanying this RFP.

6.7 DISCLOSURE OF INVESTMENT ACTIVITIES IN IRAN

Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 52:32-58, Bidder should submit with its Proposal the Disclosure of Investment Activities in Iran form to certify that neither Bidder, nor one (1) of its parents, subsidiaries, and/or affiliates (as defined in N.J.S.A. 52:32-56(e)(3)), is listed on the Department of the Treasury's List of Persons or Entities Engaging in Prohibited Investment Activities in Iran and that neither Bidder, nor one (1) of its parents, subsidiaries, and/or affiliates, is involved in any of the investment activities set forth in N.J.S.A. 52:32-56(f). If Bidder is unable to so certify, Bidder shall provide a detailed and precise description of such activities as directed on the form. If a Bidder does not submit the form with its Proposal, the Bidder must comply within seven (7) business days of OSC's request or OSC may deem the Proposal non-responsive.

6.8 BUSINESS REGISTRATION

Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 52:32-44, OSC is prohibited from entering into a contract with an entity unless Bidder, and each named subcontractor, has a valid Business Registration Certificate on file with the Division of Revenue and Enterprise Services within the Department of the Treasury.

Prior to contract award or authorization, Contractor shall provide OSC with its proof of business registration and that of any named subcontractor(s).

Subcontractors named in a bid or other proposal shall provide proof of business registration to Bidder, who in turn, shall provide it to OSC prior to the time a contract, purchase order, or other contracting document is awarded or authorized.

During the course of contract performance:

- (1) Contractor shall not enter into a contract with a subcontractor unless the subcontractor first provides Contractor with a valid proof of business registration.
- (2) Contractor shall maintain and submit to the DOH a list of subcontractors and their

addresses that may be updated from time to time.

(3) Contractor and any subcontractor providing goods or performing services under the contract, and each of their affiliates, shall collect and remit to the Director of the Division of Taxation in the Department of the Treasury the use tax due pursuant to the Sales and Use Tax Act, N.J.S.A. 54:32B-1 to -29, on all sales of tangible personal property delivered into the state. Any questions in this regard can be directed to the Division of Taxation at (609)292-6400. Form NJ-REG can be filed online at http://www.state.nj.us/treasury/revenue/busregcert.shtml.

Before final payment is made under the Contract, Contractor shall submit to OSC a complete and accurate list of all subcontractors used and their addresses.

Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 54:49-4.1, a business organization that fails to provide a copy of a business registration as required, or that provides false business registration information, shall be liable for a penalty of \$25 for each day of violation, not to exceed \$50,000, for each proof of business registration not properly provided under a contract with OSC.

6.9 PAY TO PLAY PROHIBITIONS

- A. New Jersey law insulates the negotiation and award of state contracts from political contributions that pose a risk of improper influence, purchase of access or the appearance thereof. The Campaign Contributions and Expenditure Reporting Act, P.L.2005, c.51, as amended by the Elections Transparency Act, P.L.2023, c.30, codified at N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.13 to 20.25 (Chapter 51), and Executive Order 333 (2023). OSC has determined that Contract award as a result of this RFP shall be considered non-fair and open and therefore subject to the political contribution disclosure required by Chapter 51 and Executive Order 333.
- B. For Contracts Awarded to a Non-Fair and Open Process

Pursuant to Chapter 51 and Executive Order 333 (2023), OSC shall not enter into a Contract to procure services or any material, supplies or equipment, or to acquire, sell, or lease any land or building from any Business Entity, where the value of the transaction exceeds \$17,500, if that Business Entity has solicited or made any contribution of money, or pledge of contribution, including in-kind contributions, to a Continuing Political Committee or to a candidate committee and/or election fund of any candidate for or holder of the public office of Governor or Lieutenant Governor during certain specified time periods. It shall be a breach of the terms of the contract for the Business Entity to:

- (1) Make or solicit a contribution in violation of the statute;
- (2) Knowingly conceal or misrepresent a contribution given or received;
- (3) Make or solicit contributions through intermediaries for the purpose of concealing or misrepresenting the source of the contribution;

- (4) Make or solicit any contribution on the condition or with the agreement that it will be contributed to a campaign committee or any candidate of holder of the public office of Governor or Lieutenant Governor;
- (5) Engage or employ a lobbyist or consultant with the intent or understanding that such lobbyist or consultant would make or solicit any contribution, which if made or solicited by the business entity itself, would subject that entity to the restrictions of the Legislation;
- (6) Fund contributions made by third parties, including consultants, attorneys, family members, and employees;
- (7) Engage in any exchange of contributions to circumvent the intent of the Legislation; or
- (8) Directly or indirectly through or by any other person or means, do any act which would subject that entity to the restrictions of the Legislation.

Further, Contractor is required, on a continuing basis, to report any contributions it makes during the term of the Contract, and any extension(s) thereof, at the time any such contribution is made.

- C. A "Continuing Political Committee" means any political organization (a) organized under section 527 of the Internal Revenue Code; and (b) consisting of any group of two or more persons acting jointly, or any corporation, partnership, or any other incorporated or unincorporated association, including a political club, political action committee, civic association or other organization, which in any calendar year contributes or expects to contribute at least \$5,500 to the aid or promotion of the candidacy of an individual, or of the candidacies of individuals, for elective public office, or the passage or defeat of a public question or public questions, and which may be expected to make contributions toward such aid or promotion or passage or defeat during a subsequent election, provided that the group, corporation, partnership, association or other organization has been determined to be a Continuing Political Committee by the New Jersey Election Law Enforcement Commission under N.J.S.A.19:44A-8. A Continuing Political Committee," or an "independent expenditure committee," as defined in N.J.S.A. 19:44A-3.
- Prior to awarding any Contract or agreement to any Business Entity pursuant to a non-fair and D. open process, the Business Entity proposed as the intended Contractor of the Contract shall submit the Two-Year Chapter 51 /Executive Order 333 Vendor Certification and Disclosure of Political Contributions for Non-Fair and Open Contracts, certifying either that no contributions to a Continuing Political Committee or to a candidate committee or election fund of a gubernatorial candidate have been made by the Business Entity and reporting all qualifying contributions made by the Business Entity or any person or entity whose contributions are attributable to the Business Entity. The required form and instructions, available for review the Division's website on at

file:///C:/Users/fscgear/Downloads/Chapter%2051-EO%20333Form.pdf.

6.10 <u>CERTIFICATION OF NON-INVOLVEMENT IN PROHIBITED ACTIVITIES IN</u> <u>RUSSIA/BELARUS</u>

Bidder should submit the Certification of Non-Involvement in Prohibited Activities in Russia or Belarus pursuant to N.J.S.A. 52:32-60.1 with its Proposal. Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 52:32-60.1, a person or entity seeking to enter into or renew a contract for the provision of goods or services shall certify that it is not engaging in prohibited activities in Russia or Belarus as defined by N.J.S.A. 52:32-60.1. If Bidder does not submit the form with its Proposal, Bidder must comply within seven (7) Business Days of OSC's request or OSC may deem the Proposal non-responsive.

6.11 MACBRIDE PRINCIPLES FORM

Bidder should submit the MacBride Principles Form with its Proposal. Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 52:34-12.2, a Bidder is required to certify that it either has no ongoing business activities in Northern Ireland and does not maintain a physical presence therein or that it will take lawful steps in good faith to conduct any business operations it has in Northern Ireland in accordance with the MacBride principles of nondiscrimination in employment as set forth in N.J.S.A. 52:18A-89.5 and in conformance with the United Kingdom's Fair Employment (Northern Ireland) Act of 1989, and permit independent monitoring of their compliance with those principles. If a Bidder does not submit the form with the Proposal, Bidder must comply within seven (7) Business Days of OSC's request or OSC may deem the Proposal non-responsive.

6.12 OFFER AND ACCEPTANCE PAGE

Bidder should complete and submit the Offer and Acceptance Page with its Proposal. The Offer and Acceptance Page must be signed by an authorized representative of Bidder. If Bidder does not submit the form with its Proposal, Bidder must comply within seven (7) business days of OSC's request or OSC may deem the Proposal non-responsive.

Successful Bidder(s) must register with NJSTART as a Contractor for the State of NJ. <u>www.njstart.gov.</u>

7.0 ADDITIONAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS

7.1 OWNERSHIP OF MATERIAL

All data, technical information, materials gathered, originated, developed, prepared, used or obtained in the performance of this Contract, including but not limited to analyses, documentation and print-outs, notes and memoranda, written procedures and documents, regardless of the state of completion, which are prepared for or are a result of the services required under this Contract shall be and remain the property of OSC and shall be delivered to the State of New Jersey upon thirty (30) days' notice by OSC.

7.2 SUBCONTRACTING OR ASSIGNMENT

- A. Subcontracting: Contractor may not subcontract other than as identified in the Proposal without the prior written consent of OSC. Such consent, if given, shall not relieve Contractor of any of its responsibilities under the Contract, nor shall it create privity of contract between OSC and any subcontractor. If Contractor uses a subcontractor to fulfill any of its obligations, Contractor shall be solely responsible for the subcontractor's: performance; compliance with all terms and conditions of the Contract; and compliance with all applicable laws.
- B. Assignment: Contractor may not assign its responsibilities under the contract, in whole or in part, without the prior written consent of OSC.

7.3 CLAIMS AND REMEDIES

Any claims asserted against OSC by Contractor shall to the New Jersey Contractual Liability Act, N.J.S.A. 59:13-1 to -10, and the New Jersey Tort Claims Act, N.J.S.A. 59:1-1 to 59:12-3.

7.4 NEWS RELEASES AND ADVERTISING

Contractor shall not issue news releases pertaining to any aspect of the services being provided under this Contract without the prior written consent of OSC. Contractor shall not use the State's name, logos, images, or any data or results arising from this Contract as a part of any commercial advertising without first obtaining the prior written consent of OSC.

7.5 SECURITY AND DATA BREACH NOTIFICATION

Contractor shall comply with all applicable laws regarding data breach notification, including those in both the State of New Jersey Standard Terms and Conditions and the Waivered Contracts/Delegated Purchase Authority Supplement to the State of New Jersey Standard Terms and Conditions. In the event of a breach of Contractor's security obligations, Contractor agrees to:

- (1) Notify the OSC Contract Manager by telephone and email of such event immediately upon discovery; and
- (2) Assume responsibility for all notifications of the event pursuant to applicable law.

7.6 END OF CONTRACT DATA HANDLING

Upon termination of this Contract or at the written direction of OSC, Contractor shall return all data and information to OSC in Contractor's possession as a result of this Contract, including any digital or physical files, physical hard drives or other media storage devices, and any access information and credentials in accordance with the requirements of the Statewide Information Security Manual (SISM), https://www.tech.nj.gov/it/docs/ps/NJ_Statewide_Information_Security_Manual.pdf. In addition within seven (7) days upon receipt of written direction from OSC, Contractor shall erase, destroy, and render unrecoverable all data and information specified by OSC in accordance with the SISM.

CHECKLIST FOR BIDDERS

This is a Bidder's Checklist to aid and assist in completing the required forms for this RFP.

Attachment A:

- (1) The following is required with the Proposal Submission and failure to submit the below forms shall result in rejection of a Proposal:
 - a. OSC Supplied Price Sheet.

Attachment B:

- 1. The following forms are required with the Proposal submission and failure to submit the below forms shall result in rejection of a Proposal:
 - a. Ownership Disclosure Form; and
 - b. State of New Jersey Standard Terms and Conditions and the Waivered Contracts/Delegated Purchase Authority Supplement to the State of New Jersey Standard Terms and Conditions (signed by Bidder).
- 2. The following forms or documentation are requested with the Proposal submission, but required prior to Contract award:
 - a. Offer and Acceptance Page;
 - b. Disclosure of Investigations and Other Actions Involving the Bidder Form;
 - c. Source Disclosure;
 - d. Disclosure of Investment Activities in Iran;
 - e. Certification of Non-Involvement in Prohibited Activities in Russia/Belarus;
 - f. MacBride Principles Form;
 - g. Chapter 51 Political Contribution Disclosure (Pay to Play forms); and
 - h. Business Registration Certificate.
- 3. The following forms and/or certificates are required after notification of award:
 - a. Affirmative Action Compliance submit one of the following:

- i. New Jersey Certificate of Employee Information Report;
- ii. Federal Letter of Approval verifying a Federally approve or sanctioned affirmative action program (Dated within one year of Proposal Submission); or
- iii. Affirmative Action Employee Information Report (AA-302).
- b. Insurance Certificates



Attachment A: Price Schedule

STATE OF NEW JERSEY OFFICE OF THE STATE COMPTROLLER 20 WEST STATE STREET P.O. BOX 024 TRENTON, NEW JERSEY 08625

OSC RFP #03-24 RPF Title: Forensic Audit, Forensic Accounting, and Financial Investigative Services for Medicaid-Funded Facilities Including Nursing Homes

Bidder:

Date:

Line #	Personnel	All-Inclusive Hourly Rate
1	Subject Matter Expert	
2	Fellow/Manager/Associate	
3	Research Assistant	
4	Administrative Support	
5	(Optional additional personnel)	

Refer to RFP Section 3.0 (Scope of Work) for task requirements and deliverables and Section 4.3 (Price Schedule) for additional information regarding this Price Schedule.

1) Subject Matter Expert	An individual who has extensive research and subject matter expertise, and the ability to manage the project described in the Request for Proposal. This individual would organize, direct, and manage all activities covered by this Contract and is charged with overall management. This individual will also be responsible for the overall quality of the work product, meeting deadlines, and providing all requested deliverables.
2) Fellow/Manager/Associate	Individuals reporting directly to the Subject Matter Expert and acting as a liaison to all other project staff. Individuals should possess knowledge and experience in developing the strategy and vision for the project, and, in consultation with the Professor/Research Scholar, manage to the team towards the successful completion of the project.
3) Research Assistant	A supervised individual who will support the program/project in the preparation of deliverables, internal reports, briefings, and other requirements.
4) Administrative Support Staff	Individuals performing office support functions such as clerical tasks, data entry, and document preparation.

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ATTACHMENT B

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OWNERSHIP DISCLOSURE FORM



OWNERSHIP DISCLOSURE FORM

STATE OF NEW JERSEY OFFICE OF THE STATE COMPTROLLER 20 WEST STATE STREET, P.O. BOX 024 TRENTON, NEW JERSEY 08625

VENDOR NAME:

PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 52:25-24.2, ALL PARTIES ENTERING INTO A CONTRACT WITH THE STATE ARE REQUIRED TO PROVIDE A STATEMENT OF OWNERSHIP. Please answer all questions and complete the information requested.

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^{*} Attach additional sheets if necessary

Office of the State Comptroller

THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY STANDARD TERMS AND CONDITIONS AND THE WAIVERED CONTRACTS/DELEGATED PURCHASING AUTHORITY SUPPLEMENT TO THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY STANDARD TERMS AND CONDITIONS

State of New Jersey Standard Terms and Conditions

(Revised February 8, 2024)



And

Waivered Contracts/Delegated Purchase Authority Supplement to the State of New Jersey Standard Terms and Conditions

(Revised January 11, 2022)

STATE OF NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY - DIVISION OF PURCHASE AND PROPERTY 33 WEST STATE STREET, P.O. BOX 230 TRENTON, NEW JERSEY 08625-0230

1.0 STANDARD TERMS AND CONDITIONS APPLICABLE TO THE CONTRACT

The following terms and conditions shall apply to all contracts or purchase agreements made with the State of New Jersey. The State's terms and conditions shall prevail over any conflicts set forth in a Contractor's Quote or Proposal.

2.0 STATE LAW REQUIRING MANDATORY COMPLIANCE BY ALL CONTRACTORS

The statutes, laws, regulations or codes cited herein are available for review at the <u>New Jersey State Library</u>, 185 West State Street, Trenton, New Jersey 08625.

2.1 BUSINESS REGISTRATION

Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 52:32-44, the State is prohibited from entering into a contract with an entity unless the Contractor and each subcontractor named in the proposal have a valid Business Registration Certificate on file with the Division of Revenue and Enterprise Services. A subcontractor named in a bid or other proposal shall provide a copy of its business registration to the Contractor who shall provide it to the State.

The contractor shall maintain and submit to the State a list of subcontractors and their addresses that may be updated from time to time with the prior written consent of the Director of the Division of Purchase and Property (Director) during the course of contract performance. The contractor shall submit to the State a complete and accurate list of all subcontractors used and their addresses before final payment is made under the contract.

Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 54:49-4.1, a business organization that fails to provide a copy of a business registration, or that provides false business registration information, shall be liable for a penalty of \$25 for each day of violation, not to exceed \$50,000 for each business registration copy not properly provided under a contract with a contracting agency.

The contractor and any subcontractor providing goods or performing services under the contract, and each of their affiliates, shall, during the term of the contract, collect and remit to the Director of the Division of Taxation in the Department of the Treasury, the Use Tax due pursuant to the "Sales and Use Tax Act, P.L.1966, c.30 (N.J.S.A. 54:32B-1 et seq.) on all sales of tangible personal property delivered into the State. Any questions in this regard can be directed to the Division of Revenue at (609) 292-1730. Form NJ-REG can be filed online at http://www.state.nj.us/treasury/revenue/busregcert.shtml.

2.2 OWNERSHIP DISCLOSURE

Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 52:25-24.2, in the event the Contractor is a corporation, partnership or limited liability company, the Contractor must complete an Ownership Disclosure Form.

A current completed Ownership Disclosure Form must be received prior to or accompany the submitted Quote. A Contractor's failure to submit the completed and signed form prior to or with its Quote will result in the Contractor being ineligible for a Contract award, unless the Division of Purchase and Property (Division) has on file a signed and accurate Ownership Disclosure Form dated and received no more than six (6) months prior to the Quote submission deadline for this procurement. If any ownership change has occurred within the last six (6) months, a new Ownership Disclosure Form must be completed, signed and submitted with the Quote.

In the alternative, a Contractor with any direct or indirect parent entity which is publicly traded may submit the name and address of each publicly traded entity and the name and address of each person that holds a 10 percent or greater beneficial interest in the publicly traded entity as of the last annual filing with the federal Securities and Exchange Commission or the foreign equivalent, and, if there is any person that holds a 10 percent or greater beneficial interest, also shall submit links to the websites containing the last annual filings with the federal Securities and Exchange Commission or the foreign equivalent and the relevant page numbers of the filings that contain the information on each person that holds a 10 percent or greater beneficial interest. N.J.S.A. 52:25-24.2.

2.3 DISCLOSURE OF INVESTMENT ACTIVITIES IN IRAN

Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 52:32-58, the Contractor must utilize this Disclosure of Investment Activities in Iran form to certify that neither the Contractor, nor one (1) of its parents, subsidiaries, and/or affiliates (as defined in N.J.S.A. 52:32-56(e)(3)), is listed on the Department of the Treasury's List of Persons or Entities Engaging in Prohibited Investment Activities in Iran and that neither the Contractor, nor one (1) of its parents, subsidiaries, and/or affiliates, is involved in any of the investment activities set forth in N.J.S.A. 52:32-56(f). If the Contractor is unable to so certify, the Contractor shall provide a detailed and precise description of such activities as directed on the form. A Contractor's failure to submit the completed and signed form will preclude the award of a Contract to said Contractor.

2.4 ANTI-DISCRIMINATION

All parties to any contract with the State agree not to discriminate in employment and agree to abide by all anti-discrimination laws including those contained within N.J.S.A. 10:2-1 through N.J.S.A. 10:2-4, N.J.S.A. 10:5-1 et seq. and N.J.S.A. 10:5-31 through 10:5-38, and all rules and regulations issued thereunder are hereby incorporated by reference. The agreement to abide by the provisions of N.J.S.A. 10:5-31 through 10:5-38 include those provisions indicated for Goods, Professional Service and General Service Contracts (Exhibit A, attached) and Constructions Contracts (Exhibit B and Exhibit C - Executive Order 151 Requirements) as appropriate.

The contractor or subcontractor, where applicable, agrees to comply with any regulations promulgated by the Treasurer pursuant to N.J.S.A. 10:5-31 et seq., as amended and supplemented from time to time.

2.5 AFFIRMATIVE ACTION

In accordance with N.J.A.C. 17:27-1.1, prior to award, the Contractor and subcontractor must submit a copy of a New Jersey Certificate of Employee Information Report, or a copy of Federal Letter of Approval verifying it is operating under a federally approved or sanctioned Affirmative Action program. Contractors or subcontractors not in possession of either a New Jersey Certificate of Employee Information Report or a Federal Letter of Approval must complete the Affirmative Action Employee Information Report (AA-302) located on the web at https://www.state.nj.us/treasury/contract_compliance/.

2.6 AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT

The contractor must comply with all provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), P.L 101-336, in accordance with 42 U.S.C. 12101, et seq.

2.7 MACBRIDE PRINCIPLES

The Contractor must certify pursuant to N.J.S.A. 52:34-12.2 that it either has no ongoing business activities in Northern Ireland and does not maintain a physical presence therein or that it will take lawful steps in good faith to conduct any business operations it has in Northern Ireland in accordance with the MacBride principles of nondiscrimination in employment as set forth in N.J.S.A. 52:18A-89.5 and in conformance with the United Kingdom's Fair Employment (Northern Ireland) Act of 1989, and permit independent monitoring of their compliance with those principles.

2.8 PAY TO PLAY PROHIBITIONS

New Jersey law insulates the negotiation and award of State contracts from political contributions that pose a risk of improper influence, purchase of access or the appearance thereof. P.L.2005, c.51, as amended by the Elections Transparency Act, P.L.2023, c.30, codified at N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.13 to 20.25 ("Chapter 51") and Executive Order 333 (2023).

Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.13 et seq. (P.L.2005, c.51, rev. P.L.2023, c.30), a "fair and open process" means, at a minimum, that the contract shall be: publicly advertised in newspapers or on the Internet website maintained by the public entity in sufficient time to give notice in advance of the contract; awarded under a process that provides for public solicitation of proposals or qualifications and awarded and disclosed under awarded. A contract awarded under a process that includes public bidding or competitive contracting pursuant to State contracts law shall constitute a fair and open process. N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.23. The agency conducting the procurement will need to determine whether the procurement meets the Election Transparency Act definition of a "fair and open process" and instruct vendors on the applicability of Chapter 51.

A. For Contracts Awarded Pursuant to a Fair and Open Process

Pursuant to P.L.2005, c.51, as amended by the Elections Transparency Act, P.L.2023, c.30, codified at N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.13 to 20.25 ("Chapter 51"), and Executive Order No. 333 (2023), contracts awarded pursuant to a fair and open process do not require a certification or disclosure of any solicitation or contribution of money, or pledge of contribution, including in-kind contributions.

B. For Contracts Awarded Pursuant to a Non-Fair and Open Process

Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.13 et seq. (P.L.2005, c.51, rev. P.L.2023, c.30), and Executive Order 333 (2023), the State shall not enter into a Contract to procure services or any material, supplies or equipment, or to acquire, sell, or lease any land or building from any Business Entity, where the value of the transaction exceeds \$17,500, if that Business Entity has solicited or made any contribution of money, or pledge of contribution, including in-kind contributions, to a Continuing Political Committee or to a candidate committee and/or election fund of any candidate for or holder of the public office of Governor or Lieutenant Governor during certain specified time periods. It shall be a breach of the terms of the contract for the Business Entity to:

- (1) Make or solicit a contribution in violation of the statute;
- (2) Knowingly conceal or misrepresent a contribution given or received;
- (3) Make or solicit contributions through intermediaries for the purpose of concealing or misrepresenting the source of the contribution;
- (4) Make or solicit any contribution on the condition or with the agreement that it will be contributed to a campaign committee or any candidate of holder of the public office of Governor or Lieutenant Governor;
- (5) Engage or employ a lobbyist or consultant with the intent or understanding that such lobbyist or consultant would make or solicit any contribution, which if made or solicited by the business entity itself, would subject that entity to the restrictions of the Legislation;
- (6) Fund contributions made by third parties, including consultants, attorneys, family members, and employees;

- (7) Engage in any exchange of contributions to circumvent the intent of the Legislation; or
- (8) Directly or indirectly through or by any other person or means, do any act which would subject that entity to the restrictions of the Legislation.

Further, the Contractor is required, on a continuing basis, to report any contributions it makes during the term of the Contract, and any extension(s) thereof, at the time any such contribution is made.

A "Continuing Political Committee" means any political organization (a) organized under section 527 of the Internal Revenue Code; and (b) consisting of any group of two or more persons acting jointly, or any corporation, partnership, or any other incorporated or unincorporated association, including a political club, political action committee, civic association or other organization, which in any calendar year contributes or expects to contribute at least \$5,500 to the aid or promotion of the candidacy of an individual, or of the candidacies of individuals, for elective public office, or the passage or defeat of a public question or public questions, and which may be expected to make contributions toward such aid or promotion or passage or defeat during a subsequent election, provided that the group, corporation, partnership, association or other organization has been determined to be a Continuing Political Committee by the New Jersey Election Law Enforcement Commission under N.J.S.A.19:44A-8. A Continuing Political Committee," a "legislative leadership committee," or an "independent expenditure committee," as defined in N.J.S.A. 19:44A-3.

Prior to awarding any Contract or agreement to any Business Entity pursuant to a non-fair and open process, the Business Entity proposed as the intended Contractor of the Contract shall submit the Two-Year Chapter 51 /Executive Order 333 Vendor Certification and Disclosure of Political Contributions for Non-Fair and Open Contracts, certifying either that no contributions to a Continuing Political Committee or to a candidate committee or election fund of a gubernatorial candidate have been made by the Business Entity and reporting all qualifying contributions made by the Business Entity or any person or entity whose contributions are attributable to the Business Entity. The required form and instructions, available for review on the Division's website at http://www.state.nj.us/treasury/purchase/forms/eo134/Chapter51.pdf.

2.9 POLITICAL CONTRIBUTION DISCLOSURE

The contractor is advised of its responsibility to file an annual disclosure statement on political contributions with the New Jersey Election Law Enforcement Commission (ELEC), pursuant to N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.27 (P.L.2005, c.271, rev. P.L.2023, c.30) if in a calendar year the contractor receives one or more contracts valued at \$50,000.00 or more. It is the contractor's responsibility to determine if filing is necessary. Failure to file can result in the imposition of penalties by ELEC. Additional information about this requirement is available from ELEC by calling 1(888)313-3532 or on the internet at http://www.elec.state.nj.us/.

2.10 STANDARDS PROHIBITING CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

The following prohibitions on contractor activities shall apply to all contracts or purchase agreements made with the State of New Jersey, pursuant to Executive Order No. 189 (1988).

- A. No vendor shall pay, offer to pay, or agree to pay, either directly or indirectly, any fee, commission, compensation, gift, gratuity, or other thing of value of any kind to any State officer or employee or special State officer or employee, as defined by N.J.S.A. 52:13D-13b. and e., in the Department of the Treasury or any other agency with which such vendor transacts or offers or proposes to transact business, or to any member of the immediate family, as defined by N.J.S.A. 52:13D-13i., of any such officer or employee, or partnership, firm or corporation with which they are employed or associated, or in which such officer or employee has an interest within the meaning of N.J.S.A. 52:13D-13g;
- B. The solicitation of any fee, commission, compensation, gift, gratuity or other thing of value by any State officer or employee or special State officer or employee from any State vendor shall be reported in writing forthwith by the vendor to the New Jersey Office of the Attorney General and the Executive Commission on Ethical Standards, now known as the State Ethics Commission;
- C. No vendor may, directly or indirectly, undertake any private business, commercial or entrepreneurial relationship with, whether or not pursuant to employment, contract or other agreement, express or implied, or sell any interest in such vendor to, any State officer or employee or special State officer or employee having any duties or responsibilities in connection with the purchase, acquisition or sale of any property or services by or to any State agency or any instrumentality thereof, or with any person, firm or entity with which he/she is employed or associated or in which he/she has an interest within the meaning of N.J.S.A. 52:13D-13g. Any relationships subject to this provision shall be reported in writing forthwith to the Executive Commission on Ethical Standards, now known as the State Ethics Commission, which may grant a waiver of this restriction upon application of the State officer or employee or special State officer or employee upon a finding that the present or proposed relationship does not present the potential, actuality or appearance of a conflict of interest;
- D. No vendor shall influence, or attempt to influence or cause to be influenced, any State officer or employee or special State officer or employee in his/her official capacity in any manner which might tend to impair the objectivity or independence of judgment of said officer or employee;
- E. No vendor shall cause or influence, or attempt to cause or influence, any State officer or employee or special State officer or employee to use, or attempt to use, his/her official position to secure unwarranted privileges or advantages for the vendor or any other person; and
- F. The provisions cited above in paragraphs 2.8A through 2.8E shall not be construed to prohibit a State officer or employee or Special State officer or employee from receiving gifts from or contracting with vendors under the same terms and conditions as are offered or

made available to members of the general public subject to any guidelines the Executive Commission on Ethical Standards, now known as the State Ethics Commission may promulgate under paragraph 3c of Executive Order No. 189.

2.11 NEW JERSEY BUSINESS ETHICS GUIDE CERTIFICATION

The Treasurer has established a business ethics guide to be followed by a Contractor in dealings with the State. The guide can be found at: https://www.nj.gov/treasury/purchase/pdf/BusinessEthicsGuide.pdf.

2.12 NOTICE TO ALL CONTRACTORS SET-OFF FOR STATE TAX NOTICE

Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 54:49-19, effective January 1, 1996, and notwithstanding any provision of the law to the contrary, whenever any taxpayer, partnership or S corporation under contract to provide goods or services or construction projects to the State of New Jersey or its agencies or instrumentalities, including the legislative and judicial branches of State government, is entitled to payment for those goods or services at the same time a taxpayer, partner or shareholder of that entity is indebted for any State tax, the Director of the Division of Taxation shall seek to set off that taxpayer's or shareholder's share of the payment due the taxpayer, partnership, or S corporation. The amount set off shall not allow for the deduction of any expenses or other deductions which might be attributable to the taxpayer, partner or shareholder subject to set-off under this act.

The Director of the Division of Taxation shall give notice to the set-off to the taxpayer and provide an opportunity for a hearing within 30 days of such notice under the procedures for protests established under R.S. 54:49-18. No requests for conference, protest, or subsequent appeal to the Tax Court from any protest under this section shall stay the collection of the indebtedness. Interest that may be payable by the State, pursuant to P.L.1987, c.184 (c.52:32-32 et seq.), to the taxpayer shall be stayed.

2.13 COMPLIANCE - LAWS

The contractor must comply with all local, State and Federal laws, rules and regulations applicable to this contract and to the goods delivered and/or services performed hereunder.

2.14 COMPLIANCE - STATE LAWS

It is agreed and understood that any contracts and/or orders placed as a result of [this proposal] shall be governed and construed and the rights and obligations of the parties hereto shall be determined in accordance with the laws of the State of New Jersey.

2.15 WARRANTY OF NO SOLICITATION ON COMMISSION OR CONTINGENT FEE BASIS

The contractor warrants that no person or selling agency has been employed or retained to solicit or secure the contract upon an agreement or understanding for a commission, percentage, brokerage or contingent fee, except bona fide employees or bona fide established commercial or selling agencies maintained by the contractor for the purpose of securing business. If a breach or violation of this section occurs, the State shall have the right to terminate the contract without liability or in its discretion to deduct from the contract price or consideration the full amount of such commission, percentage, brokerage or contingent fee.

2.16 DISCLOSURE OF INVESTIGATIONS AND OTHER ACTIONS

The Contractor should submit the Disclosure of Investigations and Other Actions Form which provides a detailed description of any investigation, litigation, including administrative complaints or other administrative proceedings, involving any public sector clients during the past five (5) years, including the nature and status of the investigation, and, for any litigation, the caption of the action, a brief description of the action, the date of inception, current status, and, if applicable, disposition. If a Contractor does not submit the form with the Quote, the Contractor must comply within seven (7) business days of the State's request or the State may deem the Quote non-responsive.

2.17 DISCLOSURE OF PROHIBITED ACTIVITIES WITH RUSSIA OR BELARUS

Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 52:32-60.1 et seq. (P.L.2022, c.3), a person or entity seeking to enter into or renew a contract for the provision of goods or services shall certify that it is not identified on the list of persons or entities engaging in prohibited activities in Russia or Belarus. Consistent with the federal law, the list of persons and entities engaging in prohibited activities in Russia or Belarus shall consist of all persons and entities appearing on the list of Specially Designated Nationals and Blocked Persons promulgated by the Office of Foreign Assets Control (OFAC) on account of activity relating to Russia or Belarus.

3.0 <u>STATE LAW REQUIRING MANDATORY COMPLIANCE BY CONTRACTORS UNDER CIRCUMSTANCES SET FORTH IN LAW OR BASED</u> ON THE TYPE OF CONTRACT

3.1 COMPLIANCE - CODES

The contractor must comply with New Jersey Uniform Construction Code and the latest National Electrical Code 70®, B.O.C.A. Basic Building code, Occupational Safety and Health Administration and all applicable codes for this requirement. The contractor shall be responsible for securing and paying all necessary permits, where applicable.

3.2 PREVAILING WAGE ACT

The New Jersey Prevailing Wage Act, N.J.S.A. 34: 11-56.25 <u>et seq.</u> is hereby made part of every contract entered into on behalf of the State of New Jersey through the Division of Purchase and Property, except those contracts which are not within the contemplation of the Act. The Contractor's signature on [the proposal] is his/her guarantee that neither he/she nor any subcontractors he/she might employ to perform the work covered by [the proposal] has been suspended or debarred by the Commissioner, Department of Labor and Workforce Development for violation of the provisions of the Prevailing Wage Act and/or the Public Works Contractor Registration Acts; the Contractor's signature on the proposal is also his/her guarantee that he/she might employ to perform the work covered by [the proposal] shall comply with

the provisions of the Prevailing Wage and Public Works Contractor Registration Acts, where required.

3.3 PUBLIC WORKS CONTRACTOR REGISTRATION ACT

The New Jersey Public Works Contractor Registration Act requires all contractors, subcontractors and lower tier subcontractor(s) who engage in any contract for public work as defined in N.J.S.A. 34:11-56.26 be first registered with the New Jersey Department of Labor and Workforce Development pursuant to N.J.S.A. 34:11-56.51. Any questions regarding the registration process should be directed to the Division of Wage and Hour Compliance.

3.4 PUBLIC WORKS CONTRACT - ADDITIONAL AFFIRMATIVE ACTION REQUIREMENTS

- N.J.S.A. 10:2-1 requires that during the performance of this contract, the contractor must agree as follows:
 - A. In the hiring of persons for the performance of work under this contract or any subcontract hereunder, or for the procurement, manufacture, assembling or furnishing of any such materials, equipment, supplies or services to be acquired under this contract, no contractor, nor any person acting on behalf of such contractor or subcontractor, shall, by reason of race, creed, color, national origin, ancestry, marital status, gender identity or expression, affectional or sexual orientation or sex, discriminate against any person who is qualified and available to perform the work to which the employment relates;
 - B. No contractor, subcontractor, nor any person on his/her behalf shall, in any manner, discriminate against or intimidate any employee engaged in the performance of work under this contract or any subcontract hereunder, or engaged in the procurement, manufacture, assembling or furnishing of any such materials, equipment, supplies or services to be acquired under such contract, on account of race, creed, color, national origin, ancestry, marital status, gender identity or expression, affectional or sexual orientation or sex;
 - C. There may be deducted from the amount payable to the contractor by the contracting public agency, under this contract, a penalty of \$50.00 for each person for each calendar day during which such person is discriminated against or intimidated in violation of the provisions of the contract; and
 - D. This contract may be canceled or terminated by the contracting public agency, and all money due or to become due hereunder may be forfeited, for any violation of this section of the contract occurring after notice to the contractor from the contracting public agency of any prior violation of this section of the contract.

N.J.S.A. 10:5-33 and N.J.A.C. 17:27-3.5 require that during the performance of this contract, the contractor must agree as follows:

- A. The contractor or subcontractor, where applicable, will not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of age, race, creed, color, national origin, ancestry, marital status, affectional or sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, disability, nationality or sex. Except with respect to affectional or sexual orientation and gender identity or expression, the contractor will take affirmative action to ensure that such applicants are recruited and employed, and that employees are treated during employment, without regard to their age, race, creed, color, national origin, ancestry, marital status, affectional or sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, disability, nationality or sex. Such action shall include, but not be limited to the following: employment, upgrading, demotion, or transfer; recruitment or recruitment advertising; layoff or termination; rates of pay or other forms of compensation; and selection for training, including apprenticeship. The contractor agrees to post in conspicuous places, available to employees and applicants for employment, notices to be provided by the contracting officer setting forth the provisions of this nondiscrimination clause;
- B. The contractor or subcontractor, where applicable will, in all solicitations or advertisements for employees placed by or on behalf of the contractor, state that all qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to age, race, creed, color, national origin, ancestry, marital status, affectional or sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, disability, nationality or sex;
- C. The contractor or subcontractor where applicable, will send to each labor union or representative of workers with which it has a collective bargaining agreement or other contract or understanding, a notice, to be provided by the agency contracting officer, advising the labor union or workers' representative of the contractor's commitments under this act and shall post copies of the notice in conspicuous places available to employees and applicants for employment, N.J.A.C. 17:27-3.7 requires all contractors and subcontractors, if any, to further agree as follows:
 - 1. The contractor or subcontractor agrees to make good faith efforts to meet targeted county employment goals established in accordance with N.J.A.C. 17:27-5.2;
 - 2. The contractor or subcontractor agrees to inform in writing its appropriate recruitment agencies including, but not limited to, employment agencies, placement bureaus, colleges, universities, and labor unions, that it does not discriminate on the basis of age, race, creed, color, national origin, ancestry, marital status, affectional or sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, disability, nationality or sex, and that it will discontinue the use of any recruitment agency which engages in direct or indirect discriminatory practices;
 - The contractor or subcontractor agrees to revise any of its testing procedures, if necessary, to assure that all personnel testing conforms with the principles of job-related testing, as established by the statutes and court decisions of the State of New Jersey and as established by applicable Federal law and applicable Federal court decisions; and
 - 4. In conforming with the targeted employment goals, the contractor or subcontractor agrees to review all procedures relating to transfer, upgrading, downgrading and layoff to ensure that all such actions are taken without regard to age, race, creed, color, national origin, ancestry, marital status, affectional or sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, disability, nationality or sex, consistent with the statutes and court decisions of the State of New Jersey, and applicable Federal law and applicable Federal court decisions.

3.5 BUILDING SERVICE

Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 34:11-56.58 et seq., in any contract for building services, as defined in N.J.S.A. 34:11-56.59, the employees of the contractor

or subcontractors shall be paid prevailing wage for building services rates, as defined in N.J.S.A. 34:11.56.59. The prevailing wage shall be adjusted annually during the term of the contract.

3.6 THE WORKER AND COMMUNITY RIGHT TO KNOW ACT

The provisions of N.J.S.A. 34:5A-1 et seq. which require the labeling of all containers of hazardous substances are applicable to this contract. Therefore, all goods offered for purchase to the State must be labeled by the contractor in compliance with the provisions of the statute.

3.7 SERVICE PERFORMANCE WITHIN U.S.

Under N.J.S.A. 52:34-13.2, all contracts primarily for services awarded by the Director shall be performed within the United States, except when the Director certifies in writing a finding that a required service cannot be provided by a contractor or subcontractor within the United States and the certification is approved by the State Treasurer.

A shift to performance of services outside the United States during the term of the contract shall be deemed a breach of contract. If, during the term of the contract, the contractor or subcontractor, proceeds to shift the performance of any of the services outside the United States, the contractor shall be deemed to be in breach of its contract, which contract shall be subject to termination for cause pursuant to Section 5.7(b) (1) of the Standard Terms and Conditions, unless previously approved by the Director and the Treasurer.

3.8 BUY AMERICAN

Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 52:32-1, if manufactured items or farm products will be provided under this contract to be used in a public work, they shall be manufactured or produced in the United States, whenever available, and the contractor shall be required to so certify.

3.9 DOMESTIC MATERIALS

Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 52:33-2 et seq., if the contract is for the construction, alteration or repair of any public work, the contractor and all subcontractors shall use only domestic materials in the performance of the work unless otherwise noted in the specifications.

3.10 DIANE B. ALLEN EQUAL PAY ACT

Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 34:11-56.14 and N.J.A.C. 12:10-1.1 et seq., a contractor performing "qualifying services" or "public work" to the State or any agency or instrumentality of the State shall provide the Commissioner of Labor and Workforce Development a report regarding the compensation and hours worked by employees categorized by gender, race, ethnicity, and job category. For more information and report templates see https://ni.gov/labor/equalpay/equalpay.html.

3.11 EMPLOYEE MISCLASSIFICATION

In accordance with <u>Governor Murphy's Executive Order #25</u> and the <u>Task Force's July 2019 Report</u>, employers are required to properly classify their employees. Workers are presumed to be employees and not independent contractors, unless the employer can demonstrate all three factors of the "ABC Test" below:

- A. Such individual has been and will continue to be free from control or direction of the performance of such service, but under his or her contract of service and in fact; and
- B. Such service is either outside the usual course of business for which such service is performed, or that such service is performed outside of all places of business of the enterprise for which such service is performed; and
- C. Such individual is customarily engaged in an independently established trade, occupation, profession or business.

This test has been adopted by New Jersey under its Wage & Hour, Wage Payment and Unemployment Insurance Laws to determine whether a worker is properly classified. Under N.J.S.A. 34:1A-1.17-1.19, the Department of Labor and Workforce Development has the authority to investigate potential violations of these laws and issue penalties and stop work order to employers found to be in violation of the laws.

3.12 CYBERSECURITY INCIDENT REPORTING REQUIREMENT

Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 52:17B-193.2 <u>et seq.</u> (P.L.2023, c.19), Contractors that have access to, or host the State's network(s), system(s), application(s), or information shall report Cybersecurity Incidents to the New Jersey Office of Homeland Security and Preparedness (NJ OHSP) at <u>https://www.cyber.nj.gov/report/</u> within 72 hours of when the Contractor reasonably believes that a Cybersecurity Incident has occurred.

Consistent with N.J.S.A. 52:17B-193.2, "Cybersecurity Incident" means a malicious or suspicious event occurring on or conducted through a computer network that jeopardizes the integrity, confidentiality, or availability of an information system or the information the system processes, stores, or transmits.

Consistent with N.J.S.A. 52:17B-193.3(f), any Cybersecurity Incident notification submitted to the NJ OHSP shall be deemed confidential, nonpublic, and not subject to the provisions of P.L.1963, c.73 (C.47:1A-1 et seq.), commonly known as the New Jersey Open Public Records Act, as amended and supplemented, and may not be discoverable in any civil or criminal action or subject to subpoena, unless the subpoena is issued by the New Jersey State Legislature and deemed necessary for the purposes of legislative oversight.

This reporting required by N.J.S.A. 52:17B-193.2 et seq. (P.L.2023, c.19) to NJ OHSP is in addition to the Contractor's responsibility to report Security Incidents as may be set forth in Contract Scope of Work or the Waivered Contracts Supplement to the State of New Jersey Terms and Conditions. If the Waivered Contracts Supplement is not made part of the contract and a notification period is not specified in the Contract Scope of Work, the Contractor shall give notice of the Cybersecurity Incident to the Using Agency as soon as practicable, but no less than one business day, after the Contractor reasonably believes that a Cyber Security Incident has occurred.

4.0 INDEMNIFICATION AND INSURANCE

4.1 INDEMNIFICATION

The contractor's liability to the State and its employees in third party suits shall be as follows:

- A. Indemnification for Third Party Claims The contractor shall assume all risk of and responsibility for, and agrees to indemnify, defend, and save harmless the State of New Jersey and its employees from and against any and all claims, demands, suits, actions, recoveries, judgments and costs and expenses in connection therewith which shall arise from or result directly or indirectly from the work and/or materials supplied under this contract, including liability of any nature or kind for or on account of the use of any copyrighted or uncopyrighted composition, secret process, patented or unpatented invention, article or appliance furnished or used in the performance of this contract;
- B. The contractor's indemnification and liability under subsection (A) is not limited by, but is in addition to the insurance obligations contained in Section 4.2 of these Terms and Conditions; and
- C. In the event of a patent and copyright claim or suit, the contractor, at its option, may: (1) procure for the State of New Jersey the legal right to continue the use of the product; (2) replace or modify the product to provide a non-infringing product that is the functional equivalent; or (3) refund the purchase price less a reasonable allowance for use that is agreed to by both parties.

4.2 INSURANCE

The contractor shall secure and maintain in force for the term of the contract insurance as provided herein. All required insurance shall be provided by insurance companies with an A-VIII or better rating by A.M. Best & Company. All policies must be endorsed to provide 30 days' written notice of cancellation or material change to the State of New Jersey at the address shown below. If the contractor's insurer cannot provide 30 days written notice, then it will become the obligation of the contractor to provide the same. The contractor shall provide the State with current certificates of insurance for all coverages and renewals thereof. Renewal certificates shall be provided within 30 days of the expiration of the insurance. The contractor shall not begin to provide services or goods to the State until evidence of the required insurance is provided. The certificates of insurance shall indicate the contract number or purchase order number and title of the contract in the Description of Operations box and shall list the State of New Jersey, Department of the Treasury, Division of Purchase & Property, Contract Compliance & Audit Unit, P.O. Box 236, Trenton, New Jersey 08625 in the Certificate Holder box. The certificates and any notice of cancelation shall be emailed to the State at: ccau.certificate@treas.nj.gov

The insurance to be provided by the contractor shall be as follows:

- A. Occurrence Form Commercial General Liability Insurance or its equivalent: The minimum limit of liability shall be \$1,000,000 per occurrence as a combined single limit for bodily injury and property damage. The above required Commercial General Liability Insurance policy or its equivalent shall name the State, its officers, and employees as "Additional Insureds" and include the blanket additional insured endorsement or its equivalent. The coverage to be provided under these policies shall be at least as broad as that provided by the standard basic Commercial General Liability Insurance occurrence coverage forms or its equivalent currently in use in the State of New Jersey, which shall not be circumscribed by any endorsement limiting the breadth of coverage;
- B. Automobile Liability Insurance which shall be written to cover any automobile used by the insured. Limits of liability for bodily injury and property damage shall not be less than \$1,000,000 per occurrence as a combined single limit. The State must be named as an "Additional Insured" and a blanket additional insured endorsement or its equivalent must be provided when the services being procured involve vehicle use on the State's behalf or on State controlled property;
- C. Worker's Compensation Insurance applicable to the laws of the State of New Jersey and Employers Liability Insurance with limits not less than:
 - 1. \$1,000,000 BODILY INJURY, EACH OCCURRENCE;
 - 2. \$1,000,000 DISEASE EACH EMPLOYEE; and
 - 3. \$1,000,000 DISEASE AGGREGATE LIMIT.

This \$1,000,000 amount may be raised when deemed necessary by the Director;

In the case of a contract entered into pursuant to N.J.S.A. 52:32-17 et seq., (small business set asides) the minimum amount of insurance coverage in subsections A, B, and B. above may be amended for certain commodities when deemed in the best interests of the State by the Director.

5.0 TERMS GOVERNING ALL CONTRACTS

5.1 CONTRACTOR IS INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR

The contractor's status shall be that of any independent contractor and not as an employee of the State.

5.2 FORCE MAJEURE

Neither party will be liable to the other for any delay or inability to perform its obligations if such delay or inability arises from any act of God, fire,

natural disaster, act of war (declared or undeclared), act of terrorism (domestic or international), riot, civil disturbance, pandemic or other public health crisis (arising during the term of the contract) In the event of such a delay or inability to perform, the time for performance will be extended by an amount reasonable under the specific circumstances and mutually agreed-upon date sufficient to allow Vendor to perform the work delayed by the force majeure.

5.3 CONTRACT TERM AND EXTENSION OPTION

If, in the opinion of the Director, it is in the best interest of the State to extend a contract, the contractor shall be so notified of the Director's Intent at least 30 days prior to the expiration date of the existing contract. The contractor shall have 15 calendar days to respond to the Director's request to extend the term and period of performance of the contract. If the contractor agrees to the extension, all terms and conditions of the original contract shall apply unless more favorable terms for the State have been negotiated.

5.4 STATE'S OPTION TO REDUCE SCOPE OF WORK

The State has the option, in its sole discretion, to reduce the scope of work for any deliverable, task or subtask called for under this contract. In such an event, the Director shall provide to the contractor advance written notice of the change in scope of work and what the Director believes should be the corresponding adjusted contract price. Within five (5) business days of receipt of such written notice, if either is applicable:

- A. If the contractor does not agree with the Director's proposed adjusted contract price, the contractor shall submit to the Director any additional information that the contractor believes impacts the adjusted contract price with a request that the Director reconsider the proposed adjusted contract price. The parties shall negotiate the adjusted contract price. If the parties are unable to agree on an adjusted contract price, the Director shall make a prompt decision taking all such information into account, and shall notify the contractor of the final adjusted contract price; and
- B. If the contractor has undertaken any work effort toward a deliverable, task or subtask that is being changed or eliminated such that it would not be compensated under the adjusted contract, the contractor shall be compensated for such work effort according to the applicable portions of its price schedule and the contractor shall submit to the Director an itemization of the work effort already completed by deliverable, task or subtask within the scope of work, and any additional information the Director may request. The Director shall make a prompt decision taking all such information into account, and shall notify the contractor of the compensation to be paid for such work effort.

Any changes or modifications to the terms of this Contract shall be valid only when they have been reduced to writing and signed by the Contractor and the Director.

5.5 CHANGE IN LAW

If, after award, a change in applicable law or regulation occurs which affects the Contract, the parties may amend the Contract, whether including new work required by the change in law or to eliminate work no longer required by the change in law along with a commensurate price change. The parties shall negotiate the terms of the change in good faith, however if agreement is not possible after reasonable efforts, the Director shall make a prompt decision taking all relevant information into account, and shall notify the Contractor of the final adjusted scope of work and contract price.

5.6 SUSPENSION OF WORK

The State may, for valid reason, issue a stop order directing the contractor to suspend work under the contract for a specific time. The contractor shall be paid for goods ordered, goods delivered, or services requested and performed until the effective date of the stop order. The contractor shall resume work upon the date specified in the stop order, or upon such other date as the State Contract Manager may thereafter direct in writing. The period of suspension shall be deemed added to the contractor's approved schedule of performance.

5.7 TERMINATION OF CONTRACT

A. For Convenience:

Notwithstanding any provision or language in this contract to the contrary, the Director may terminate this contract at any time, in whole or in part, for the convenience of the State, upon no less than 30 days written notice to the contractor;

- B. For Cause:
 - 1. Where a contractor fails to perform or comply with a contract or a portion thereof, and/or fails to comply with the complaints procedure in N.J.A.C. 17:12-4.2 et seq., the Director may terminate the contract, in whole or in part, upon ten (10) days' notice to the contractor with an opportunity to respond; and
 - 2. Where in the reasonable opinion of the Director, a contractor continues to perform a contract poorly as demonstrated by e.g., formal complaints, late delivery, poor performance of service, short-shipping, so that the Director is required to use the complaints procedure in N.J.A.C. 17:12-4.2 et seq., and there has been a failure on the part of the contractor to make progress towards ameliorating the issue(s) or problem(s) set forth in the complaint, the Director may terminate the contract, in whole or in part, upon ten (10) days' notice to the contractor with an opportunity to respond.
- C. In cases of emergency the Director may shorten the time periods of notification and may dispense with an opportunity to respond; and
- D. In the event of termination under this section, the contractor shall be compensated for work performed in accordance with the contract, up to the date of termination. Such compensation may be subject to adjustments.

5.8 SUBCONTRACTING

The Contractor may not subcontract other than as identified in the contractor's proposal without the prior written consent of the Director. Such

consent, if granted in part, shall not relieve the contractor of any of his/her responsibilities under the contract, nor shall it create privity of contract between the State and any subcontractor. If the contractor uses a subcontractor to fulfill any of its obligations, the contractor shall be responsible for the subcontractor's: (a) performance; (b) compliance with all of the terms and conditions of the contract; and (c) compliance with the requirements of all applicable laws. Nothing contained in any of the contract documents, shall be construed as creating any contractual relationship between any subcontractor and the State.

5.9 RESERVED

5.10 MERGERS, ACQUISITIONS AND ASSIGNMENTS

If, during the term of this contract, the contractor shall merge with or be acquired by another firm, the contractor shall give notice to the Director as soon as practicable and in no event longer than 30 days after said merger or acquisition. The contractor shall provide such documents as may be requested by the Director, which may include but need not be limited to the following: corporate resolutions prepared by the awarded contractor and new entity ratifying acceptance of the original contract, terms, conditions and prices; updated information including ownership disclosure and Federal Employer Identification Number. The documents must be submitted within 30 days of the request. Failure to do so may result in termination of the contract for cause.

If, at any time during the term of the contract, the contractor's partnership, limited liability company, limited liability partnership, professional corporation, or corporation shall dissolve, the Director must be so notified. All responsible parties of the dissolved business entity must submit to the Director in writing, the names of the parties proposed to perform the contract, and the names of the parties to whom payment should be made. No payment shall be made until all parties to the dissolved business entity submit the required documents to the Director.

The contractor may not assign its responsibilities under the contract, in whole or in part, without the prior written consent of the Director.

5.11 PERFORMANCE GUARANTEE OF CONTRACTOR

The contractor hereby certifies that:

- A. The equipment offered is standard new equipment, and is the manufacturer's latest model in production, with parts regularly used for the type of equipment offered; that such parts are all in production and not likely to be discontinued; and that no attachment or part has been substituted or applied contrary to manufacturer's recommendations and standard practice;
- B. All equipment supplied to the State and operated by electrical current is UL listed where applicable;
- C. All new machines are to be guaranteed as fully operational for the period stated in the contract from time of written acceptance by the State. The contractor shall render prompt service without charge, regardless of geographic location;
- D. Sufficient quantities of parts necessary for proper service to equipment shall be maintained at distribution points and service headquarters;
- E. Trained mechanics are regularly employed to make necessary repairs to equipment in the territory from which the service request might emanate within a 48-hour period or within the time accepted as industry practice;
- F. During the warranty period the contractor shall replace immediately any material which is rejected for failure to meet the requirements of the contract; and
- G. All services rendered to the State shall be performed in strict and full accordance with the specifications stated in the contract. The contract shall not be considered complete until final approval by the State's using agency is rendered.

5.12 DELIVERY REQUIREMENTS

- A. Deliveries shall be made at such time and in such quantities as ordered in strict accordance with conditions contained in the contract;
- B. The contractor shall be responsible for the delivery of material in first class condition to the State's using agency or the purchaser under this contract and in accordance with good commercial practice;
- C. Items delivered must be strictly in accordance with the contract; and
- D. In the event delivery of goods or services is not made within the number of days stipulated or under the schedule defined in the contract, the using agency shall be authorized to obtain the material or service from any available source, the difference in price, if any, to be paid by the contractor.

5.13 APPLICABLE LAW AND JURISDICTION

This contract and any and all litigation arising therefrom or related thereto shall be governed by the applicable laws, regulations and rules of evidence of the State of New Jersey without reference to conflict of laws principles and shall be filed in the appropriate Division of the New Jersey Superior Court.

5.14 CONTRACT AMENDMENT

Except as provided herein, the contract may only be amended by written agreement of the State and the contractor.

5.15 MAINTENANCE OF RECORDS AND AUDITS

- A. Pursuant to N.J.A.C. 17:44-2.2, the contractor shall maintain all documentation related to products, transactions or services under this contract for a period of five (5) years from the date of final payment. Such records shall be made available to the New Jersey Office of the State Comptroller upon request.
- B. The State may request, receive, review, and audit copies of any and all records and documents related to a State contract at any time. The Contractor shall make a good faith effort to cooperate with the request and upon receipt of the request, the Contractor shall promptly provide

the requested records and documents free of charge in the time, place, and manner specified. Failure of the contractor to comply with the request or the audit may be used by the State to establish contract non-compliance, to take any action, or seek any remedy available under the contract, at law, or in equity.

5.16 ASSIGNMENT OF ANTITRUST CLAIM(S)

The contractor recognizes that in actual economic practice, overcharges resulting from antitrust violations are in fact usually borne by the ultimate purchaser. Therefore, and as consideration for executing this contract, the contractor, acting herein by and through its duly authorized agent, hereby conveys, sells, assigns, and transfers to the State of New Jersey, for itself and on behalf of its political subdivisions and public agencies, all right, title and interest to all claims and causes of action it may now or hereafter acquire under the antitrust laws of the United States or the State of New Jersey, relating to the particular goods and services purchased or acquired by the State of New Jersey or any of its political subdivisions or public agencies pursuant to this contract.

In connection with this assignment, the following are the express obligations of the contractor:

- A. It shall take no action that will in any way diminish the value of the rights conveyed or assigned hereunder;
- B. It shall advise the Attorney General of New Jersey:
 - 1. In advance of its intention to commence any action on its own behalf regarding any such claim or cause(s) of action; and
 - 2. Immediately upon becoming aware of the fact that an action has been commenced on its behalf by some other person(s) of the pendency of such action.
- C. It shall notify the defendants in any antitrust suit of the within assignment at the earliest practicable opportunity after the contractor has initiated an action on its own behalf or becomes aware that such an action has been filed on its behalf by another person. A copy of such notice shall be sent to the Attorney General of New Jersey; and
- D. It is understood and agreed that in the event any payment under any such claim or cause of action is made to the contractor, it shall promptly pay over to the State of New Jersey the allotted share thereof, if any, assigned to the State hereunder.

5.17 NEWS RELEASES

The Contractor is not permitted to issue news releases pertaining to any aspect of the services being provided under this Contract without the prior written consent of the Director.

5.18 ADVERTISING

The Contractor shall not use the State's name, seal, or logos as a part of any commercial advertising without first obtaining the prior written consent of the New Jersey Secretary of State. The Contractor shall not use a Department or Using Agency's name, seal, logos, images, or any data or results arising from this Contract as a part of any commercial advertising without first obtaining the prior written consent of the Department.

5.19 ORGAN DONATION

As required by N.J.S.A. 52:32-33.1, the State encourages the contractor to disseminate information relative to organ donation and to notify its employees, through information and materials or through an organ and tissue awareness program, of organ donation options. The information provided to employees should be prepared in collaboration with the organ procurement organizations designated pursuant to 42 <u>U.S.C.</u> 1320b-8 to serve in this State.

5.20 LICENSES AND PERMITS

The Contractor shall obtain and maintain in full force and effect all required licenses, permits, and authorizations necessary to perform this Contract. Notwithstanding the requirements of the Bid Solicitation, the Contractor shall supply the State Contract Manager with evidence of all such licenses, permits and authorizations. This evidence shall be submitted subsequent to this Contract award. All costs associated with any such licenses, permits, and authorizations must be considered by the Contractor in its Quote.

5.21 CLAIMS AND REMEDIES

- A. All claims asserted against the State by the Contractor shall be subject to the New Jersey Tort Claims Act, N.J.S.A. 59:1-1, et seq., and/or the New Jersey Contractual Liability Act, N.J.S.A. 59:13-1, et seq.
- B. Nothing in this Contract shall be construed to be a waiver by the State of any warranty, expressed or implied, of any remedy at law or equity, except as specifically and expressly stated in a writing executed by the Director.
- C. In the event that the Contractor fails to comply with any material Contract requirements, the Director may take steps to terminate this Contract in accordance with the SSTC, authorize the delivery of Contract items by any available means, with the difference between the price paid and the defaulting Contractor's price either being deducted from any monies due the defaulting Contractor or being an obligation owed the State by the defaulting Contractor, as provided for in the State administrative code, or take any other action or seek any other remedies available at law or in equity.

5.22 ACCESSIBILITY COMPLIANCE

The Contractor acknowledges that the State may be required to comply with the accessibility standards of Section 508 of the Rehabilitation Act, 29 U.S.C. §794. The Contractor agrees that any information that it provides to the State in the form of a Voluntary Product Accessibility Template (VPAT) about the accessibility of the Software is accurate to a commercially reasonable standard and the Contractor agrees to provide the State with technical information available to support such VPAT documentation in the event that the State relied on any of Contractor's VPAT information to comply with the accessibility standards of Section 508 of the Rehabilitation Act, 29 U.S.C. §794. In addition, Contractor shall defend any claims

against the State that the Software does not meet the accessibility standards set forth in the VPAT provided by Provider in order to comply with the accessibility standards of Section 508 of the Rehabilitation Act, 29 U.S.C. §794 and will indemnify the State with regard to any claim made against the State with regard to any judgment or settlement resulting from those claims to the extent the Provider's Software provided under this Contract was not accessible in the same manner as or to the degree set forth in the Contractor's statements or information about accessibility as set forth in the then-current version of an applicable VPAT.

5.23 CONFIDENTIALITY

- A. The obligations of the State under this provision are subject to the New Jersey Open Public Records Act ("OPRA"), N.J.S.A. 47:1A-1 et seq., the New Jersey common law right to know, and any other lawful document request or subpoena;
- B. By virtue of this Contract, the parties may have access to information that is confidential to one another. The parties agree to disclose to each other only information that is required for the performance of their obligations under this Contract. Contractor's Confidential Information, to the extent not expressly prohibited by law, shall consist of all information clearly identified as confidential at the time of disclosure Vendor Intellectual Property ("Contractor Confidential Information"). Notwithstanding the previous sentence, the terms and pricing of this Contract are subject to disclosure under OPRA, the common law right to know, and any other lawful document request or subpoena;
- C. The State's Confidential Information shall consist of all information or data contained in documents supplied by the State, any information or data gathered by the Contractor in fulfillment of the Contract and any analysis thereof (whether in fulfillment of the Contract or not);
- D. A party's Confidential Information shall not include information that: (a) is or becomes a part of the public domain through no act or omission of the other party, except that if the information is personally identifying to a person or entity regardless of whether it has become part of the public domain through other means, the other party must maintain full efforts under the Contract to keep it confidential; (b) was in the other party's lawful possession prior to the disclosure and had not been obtained by the other party either directly or indirectly from the disclosing party; (c) is lawfully disclosed to the other party by a third party without restriction on the disclosure; or (d) is independently developed by the other party;
- E. The State agrees to hold Contractor's Confidential Information in confidence, using at least the same degree of care used to protect its own Confidential Information;
- F. In the event that the State receives a request for Contractor Confidential Information related to this Contract pursuant to a court order, subpoena, or other operation of law, the State agrees, if permitted by law, to provide Contractor with as much notice, in writing, as is reasonably practicable and the State's intended response to such order of law. Contractor shall take any action it deems appropriate to protect its documents and/or information;
- G. In addition, in the event Contractor receives a request for State Confidential Information pursuant to a court order, subpoena, or other operation of law, Contractor shall, if permitted by law, provide the State with as much notice, in writing, as is reasonably practicable and Contractor's intended response to such order of law. The State shall take any action it deems appropriate to protect its documents and/or information; and
- H. Notwithstanding the requirements of nondisclosure described in this Section, either party may release the other party's Confidential Information:
 - (i) if directed to do so by a court or arbitrator of competent jurisdiction; or
 - (ii) pursuant to a lawfully issued subpoena or other lawful document request:
 - (a) in the case of the State, if the State determines the documents or information are subject to disclosure and Contractor does not exercise its rights as described in Section 5.23(F), or if Contractor is unsuccessful in defending its rights as described in Section 5.23(F); or
 - (b) in the case of Contractor, if Contractor determines the documents or information are subject to disclosure and the State does not exercise its rights described in Section 5.23(G), or if the State is unsuccessful in defending its rights as described in Section 5.23(G).

6.0 TERMS RELATING TO PRICE AND PAYMENT

6.1 PRICE FLUCTUATION DURING CONTRACT

Unless otherwise agreed to in writing by the State, all prices quoted shall be firm through issuance of contract or purchase order and shall not be subject to increase during the period of the contract. In the event of a manufacturer's or contractor's price decrease during the contract period, the State shall receive the full benefit of such price reduction on any undelivered purchase order and on any subsequent order placed during the contract period. The Director must be notified, in writing, of any price reduction within five (5) days of the effective date. Failure to report price reductions may result in cancellation of contract for cause, pursuant to provision 5.7(b)1.

In an exceptional situation the State may consider a price adjustment. Requests for price adjustments must include justification and documentation.

6.2 TAX CHARGES

The State of New Jersey is exempt from State sales or use taxes and Federal excise taxes. Therefore, price quotations must not include such taxes. The State's Federal Excise Tax Exemption number is 22-75-0050K.

6.3 PAYMENT TO VENDORS

A. The using agency(ies) is (are) authorized to order and the contractor is authorized to ship only those items covered by the contract

resulting from the RFP. If a review of orders placed by the using agency(ies) reveals that goods and/or services other than that covered by the contract have been ordered and delivered, such delivery shall be a violation of the terms of the contract and may be considered by the Director as a basis to terminate the contract and/or not award the contractor a subsequent contract. The Director may take such steps as are necessary to have the items returned by the agency, regardless of the time between the date of delivery and discovery of the violation. In such event, the contractor shall reimburse the State the full purchase price;

- B. The contractor must submit invoices to the using agency with supporting documentation evidencing that work or goods for which payment is sought has been satisfactorily completed or delivered. For commodity contracts, the invoice, together with the Bill of Lading, and/or other documentation to confirm shipment and receipt of contracted goods must be received by the using agency prior to payment. For contracts featuring services, invoices must reference the tasks or subtasks detailed in the Scope of Work and must be in strict accordance with the firm, fixed prices submitted for each task or subtask. When applicable, invoices should reference the appropriate task or subtask or price line number from the contractor's proposal. All invoices must be approved by the State Contract Manager or using agency before payment will be authorized;
- C. In all time and materials contracts, the State Contract Manager or designee shall monitor and approve the hours of work and the work accomplished by contractor and shall document both the work and the approval. Payment shall not be made without such documentation. A form of timekeeping record that should be adapted as appropriate for the Scope of Work being performed can be found at www.nj.gov/treasury/purchase/forms/Vendor Timesheet.xls; and
- D. The contractor shall provide, on a monthly and cumulative basis, a breakdown in accordance with the budget submitted, of all monies paid to any small business, minority or woman-owned subcontractor(s). This breakdown shall be sent to the Office of Diversity and Inclusion.
- E. The Contractor shall have sole responsibility for all payments due any Subcontractor

6.4 OPTIONAL PAYMENT METHOD: P-CARD

The State offers contractors the opportunity to be paid through the MasterCard procurement card (p-card). A contractor's acceptance and a State agency's use of the p-card are optional. P-card transactions do not require the submission of a contractor invoice; purchasing transactions using the p-card will usually result in payment to a contractor in three (3) days. A contractor should take note that there will be a transaction-processing fee for each p-card transaction. To participate, a contractor must be capable of accepting the MasterCard. Additional information can be obtained from banks or merchant service companies.

6.5 NEW JERSEY PROMPT PAYMENT ACT

The New Jersey Prompt Payment Act, N.J.S.A. 52:32-32 <u>et seq.</u>, requires state agencies to pay for goods and services within 60 days of the agency's receipt of a properly executed State Payment Voucher or within 60 days of receipt and acceptance of goods and services, whichever is later. Properly executed performance security, when required, must be received by the State prior to processing any payments for goods and services accepted by state agencies. Interest will be paid on delinquent accounts at a rate established by the State Treasurer. Interest shall not be paid until it exceeds \$5.00 per properly executed invoice. Cash discounts and other payment terms included as part of the original agreement are not affected by the Prompt Payment Act.

6.6 AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS

The State's obligation to make payment under this contract is contingent upon the availability of appropriated funds and receipt of revenues from which payment for contract purposes can be made. No legal liability on the part of the State for payment of any money shall arise unless and until funds are appropriated each fiscal year to the using agency by the State Legislature and made available through receipt of revenue.

7.0 TERMS RELATING TO ALL CONTRACTS FUNDED, IN WHOLE OR IN PART, BY FEDERAL FUNDS

The provisions set forth in this Section of the Standard Terms and Conditions apply to all contracts funded, in whole or in part, by Federal funds as required by 2 CFR 200.317.

7.1 CONTRACTING WITH SMALL AND MINORITY BUSINESSES, WOMEN'S BUSINESS ENTERPRISES, AND LABOR SURPLUS AREA FIRMS.

Pursuant to 2 CFR 200.321, the State must take all necessary affirmative steps to assure that minority businesses, women's business enterprises, and labor surplus area firms are used when possible. Accordingly, if subawards are to be made the Contractor shall:

- (1) Include qualified small and minority businesses and women's business enterprises on solicitation lists;
- (2) Assure that small and minority businesses, and women's business enterprises are solicited whenever they are potential sources;
- (3) Divide total requirements, when economically feasible, into smaller tasks or quantities to permit maximum participation by small and minority businesses, and women's business enterprises;
- (4) Establish delivery schedules, where the requirement permits, which encourage participation by small and minority businesses, and women's business enterprises; and,
- (5) Use the services and assistance, as appropriate, of such organizations as the Small Business Administration and the Minority Business Development Agency of the Department of Commerce.

7.2 DOMESTIC PREFERENCE FOR PROCUREMENTS

Pursuant to 2 CFR 200.322, where appropriate, the State has a preference for the purchase, acquisition, or use of goods, products, or materials produced in the United States (including but not limited to iron, aluminum, steel, cement, and other manufactured products). If subawards are to be made the Contractor shall include a preference for the purchase, acquisition, or use of goods, products, or materials produced in the United

States (including but not limited to iron, aluminum, steel, cement, and other manufactured products). For purposes of this section:

- (1) "Produced in the United States" means, for iron and steel products, that all manufacturing processes, from the initial melting stage through the application of coatings, occurred in the United States.
- (2) "Manufactured products" means items and construction materials composed in whole or in part of nonferrous metals such as aluminum; plastics and polymer-based products such as polyvinyl chloride pipe; aggregates such as concrete; glass, including optical fiber; and lumber.

7.3 PROCUREMENT OF RECOVERED MATERIALS

Where applicable, in the performance of contract, pursuant to 2 CFR 200.323, the contractor 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.

To the extent that the scope of work or specifications in the contract requires the contractor to provide recovered materials the scope of work or specifications are modified to require that as follows.

- i. In the performance of this contract, the Contractor shall make maximum use of products containing recovered materials that are EPAdesignated items unless the product cannot be acquired—
 - 1. Competitively within a timeframe providing for compliance with the contract performance schedule;
 - 2. Meeting contract performance requirements; or
 - 3. At a reasonable price.
- ii. Information about this requirement, along with the list of EPA- designated items, is available at EPA's Comprehensive Procurement Guidelines web site, https://www.epa.gov/smm/comprehensive-procurement-guideline-cpg-program.
- iii. The Contractor also agrees to comply with all other applicable requirements of Section 6002 of the Solid Waste Disposal Act."

7.4 EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

Except as otherwise provided under 41 CFR Part 60, all contracts that meet the definition of "federally assisted construction contract" in 41 CFR Part 60-1.3 must include the equal opportunity clause provided under 41 CFR 60-1.4(b), in accordance with Executive Order 11246, "Equal Employment Opportunity" (30 FR 12319, 12935, 3 CFR Part, 1964-1965 Comp., p. 339), as amended by Executive Order 11375, "Amending Executive Order 11246 Relating to Equal Employment Opportunity," and implementing regulations at 41 CFR part 60, "Office of Federal Contract Compliance Programs, Equal Employment Opportunity, Department of Labor." See, 2 CFR Part 200, Appendix II, para. C.

During the performance of this contract, the contractor agrees as follows:

(1) The contractor will not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, or national origin. The contractor will take affirmative action to ensure that applicants are employed, and that employees are treated during employment without regard to their race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, or national origin. Such action shall include, but not be limited to the following:

Employment, upgrading, demotion, or transfer; recruitment or recruitment advertising; layoff or termination; rates of pay or other forms of compensation; and selection for training, including apprenticeship. The contractor agrees to post in conspicuous places, available to employees and applicants for employment, notices to be provided setting forth the provisions of this nondiscrimination clause.

- (2) The contractor will, in all solicitations or advertisements for employees placed by or on behalf of the contractor, state that all qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, or national origin.
- (3) The contractor will not discharge or in any other manner discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because such employee or applicant has inquired about, discussed, or disclosed the compensation of the employee or applicant or another employee or applicant. This provision shall not apply to instances in which an employee who has access to the compensation information of other employees or applicants as a part of such employee's essential job functions discloses the compensation of such other employees or applicants to individuals who do not otherwise have access to such information, unless such disclosure is in response to a formal complaint or charge, in furtherance of an investigation, proceeding, hearing, or action, including an investigation conducted by the employer, or is consistent with the contractor's legal duty to furnish information.
- (4) The contractor will send to each labor union or representative of workers with which he/she has a collective bargaining agreement or other contract or understanding, a notice to be provided advising the said labor union or workers' representatives of the contractor's commitments under this section, and shall post copies of the notice in conspicuous places available to employees and applicants for employment.
- (5) The contractor will comply with all provisions of Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, and of the rules, regulations, and relevant orders of the Secretary of Labor.
- (6) The contractor will furnish all information and reports required by Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, and by rules, regulations, and orders of the Secretary of Labor, or pursuant thereto, and will permit access to his/her books, records, and accounts by the administering agency and the Secretary of Labor for purposes of investigation to ascertain compliance with such rules,

regulations, and orders.

- (7) In the event of the contractor's noncompliance with the nondiscrimination clauses of this contract or with any of the said rules, regulations, or orders, this contract may be canceled, terminated, or suspended in whole or in part and the contractor may be declared ineligible for further Government contracts or federally assisted construction contracts in accordance with procedures authorized in Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, and such other sanctions may be imposed and remedies invoked as provided in Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, or by rule, regulation, or order of the Secretary of Labor, or as otherwise provided by law.
- (8) The contractor will include the portion of the sentence immediately preceding paragraph (1) and the provisions of paragraphs (1) through (8) in every subcontract or purchase order unless exempted by rules, regulations, or orders of the Secretary of Labor issued pursuant to section 204 of Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, so that such provisions will be binding upon each subcontractor or vendor. The contractor will take such action with respect to any subcontract or purchase order as the administering agency may direct as a means of enforcing such provisions, including sanctions for noncompliance:

Provided, however, that in the event a contractor becomes involved in, or is threatened with, litigation with a subcontractor or vendor as a result of such direction by the administering agency, the contractor may request the United States to enter into such litigation to protect the interests of the United States.

The applicant further agrees that it will be bound by the above equal opportunity clause with respect to its own employment practices when it participates in federally assisted construction work: Provided, That if the applicant so participating is a State or local government, the above equal opportunity clause is not applicable to any agency, instrumentality or subdivision of such government which does not participate in work on or under the contract.

The applicant agrees that it will assist and cooperate actively with the administering agency and the Secretary of Labor in obtaining the compliance of contractors and subcontractors with the equal opportunity clause and the rules, regulations, and relevant orders of the Secretary of Labor, that it will furnish the administering agency and the Secretary of Labor such information as they may require for the supervision of such compliance, and that it will otherwise assist the administering agency in the discharge of the agency's primary responsibility for securing compliance.

The applicant further agrees that it will refrain from entering into any contract or contract modification subject to Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, with a contractor debarred from, or who has not demonstrated eligibility for, Government contracts and federally assisted construction contracts pursuant to the Executive Order and will carry out such sanctions and penalties for violation of the equal opportunity clause as may be imposed upon contractors and subcontractors by the administering agency or the Secretary of Labor pursuant to Part II, Subpart D of the Executive Order. In addition, the applicant agrees that if it fails or refuses to comply with these undertakings, the administering agency may take any or all of the following actions: Cancel, terminate, or suspend in whole or in part this grant (contract, loan, insurance, guarantee); refrain from extending any further assistance to the applicant under the program with respect to which the failure or refund occurred until satisfactory assurance of future compliance has been received from such applicant; and refer the case to the Department of Justice for appropriate legal proceedings.

7.5 DAVIS-BACON ACT, 40 U.S.C. 3141-3148, AS AMENDED

When required by Federal program legislation, all prime construction contracts in excess of \$ 2,000 shall be done in compliance with the Davis-Bacon Act (40 U.S.C. 3141- 3144, and 3146-3148) and the requirements of 29 C.F.R. pt. 5 as may be applicable. The contractor shall comply with 40 U.S.C. 3141-3144, and 3146-3148 and the requirements of 29 C.F.R. pt. 5 as applicable. Contractors are required to pay wages to laborers and mechanics at a rate not less than the prevailing wages specified in a wage determination made by the Secretary of Labor. Additionally, contractors are required to pay wages not less than once a week.

7.6 COPELAND ANTI-KICK-BACK ACT

Where applicable, the Contractor must comply with Copeland "Anti-Kickback" Act (40 U.S.C. 3145), as supplemented by Department of Labor regulations (29 CFR Part 3, "Contractors and Subcontractors on Public Building or Public Work Financed in Whole or in Part by Loans or Grants from the United States").

- a. Contractor. The Contractor shall comply with 18 U.S.C. § 874, 40 U.S.C. § 3145, and the requirements of 29 C.F.R. pt. 3 as may be applicable, which are incorporated by reference into the OGS centralized contract.
- b. Subcontracts. The Contractor or subcontractor shall insert in any subcontracts the clause above and such other clauses as FEMA may by appropriate instructions require, and also a clause requiring the subcontractors to include these clauses in any lower tier subcontracts. The prime contractor shall be responsible for the compliance by any subcontractor or lower tier subcontractor with all of these contract clauses.
- c. Breach. A breach of the clauses above may be grounds for termination of the OGS centralized contract, and for debarment as a Contractor and subcontractor as provided in 29 C.F.R. § 5.12.

7.7 CONTRACT WORK HOURS AND SAFETY STANDARDS ACT, 40 U.S.C. 3701-3708

Where applicable, all contracts awarded by the non-Federal entity in excess of \$ 100,000 that involve the employment of mechanics or laborers must comply with 40 U.S.C. 3702 and 3704, as supplemented by Department of Labor regulations (29 CFR Part 5).

(1) Overtime requirements. No contractor or subcontractor contracting for any part of the contract work which may require or involve the employment of laborers or mechanics shall require or permit any such laborer or mechanic in any workweek in which he or she is employed on such work to work in excess of forty hours in such workweek unless such laborer or mechanic receives compensation at a rate not less than one and one-half times the basic rate of pay for all hours worked in excess of forty hours in such workweek.

- (2) Violation; liability for unpaid wages; liquidated damages. In the event of any violation of the clause set forth in paragraph (b)(1) of this section the contractor and any subcontractor responsible therefor shall be liable for the unpaid wages. In addition, such contractor and subcontractor shall be liable to the United States (in the case of work done under contract for the District of Columbia or a territory, to such District or to such territory), for liquidated damages. Such liquidated damages shall be computed with respect to each individual laborer or mechanic, including watchmen and guards, employed in violation of the clause set forth in paragraph (b)(1) of this section, in the sum of \$27 for each calendar day on which such individual was required or permitted to work in excess of the standard workweek of forty hours without payment of the overtime wages required by the clause set forth in paragraph (b)(1) of this section.
- (3) Withholding for unpaid wages and liquidated damages. The unauthorized user shall upon its own action or upon written request of an authorized representative of the Department of Labor withhold or cause to be withheld, from any moneys payable on account of work performed by the contractor or subcontractor under any such contract or any other Federal contract with the same prime contractor, or any other federally-assisted contract subject to the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act, which is held by the same prime contractor, such sums as may be determined to be necessary to satisfy any liabilities of such contractor or subcontractor for unpaid wages and liquidated damages as provided in the clause set forth in paragraph (b)(2) of this section.
- (4) Subcontracts. The contractor or subcontractor shall insert in any subcontracts the clauses set forth in paragraph (b)(1) through (4) of this section and also a clause requiring the subcontractors to include these clauses in any lower tier subcontracts. The prime contractor shall be responsible for compliance by any subcontractor or lower tier subcontractor with the clauses set forth in paragraphs (b)(1) through (4) of this section.

7.8 RIGHTS TO INVENTIONS MADE UNDER A CONTRACT OR AGREEMENT

If the Federal award meets the definition of "funding agreement" under 37 CFR § 401.2 (a) and the recipient or subrecipient wishes to enter into a contract with a small business firm or nonprofit organization regarding the substitution of parties, assignment or performance of experimental, developmental, or research work under that "funding agreement," the recipient or subrecipient 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.

7.9 CLEAN AIR ACT, 42 U.S.C. 7401-7671Q, AND THE FEDERAL WATER POLLUTION CONTROL ACT, 33 U.S.C. 1251-1387, AS AMENDED Where applicable, Contract and subgrants of amounts in excess of \$150,000, must comply with the following:

Clean Air Act

- 7.9.1.1 The contractor agrees to comply with all applicable standards, orders or regulations issued pursuant to the Clean Air Act, as amended, 42 U.S.C. § 7401 et seq.
- 7.9.1.2 The contractor agrees to report each violation to the Division of Purchase and Property and understands and agrees that the Division of Purchase and Property will, in turn, report each violation as required to assure notification to the Federal Emergency Management Agency, and the appropriate Environmental Protection Agency Regional Office.
- 7.9.1.3 The contractor agrees to include these requirements in each subcontract exceeding \$150,000 financed in whole or in part with Federal assistance provided by FEMA.

Federal Water Pollution Control Act

- 1. The contractor agrees to comply with all applicable standards, orders, or regulations issued pursuant to the Federal Water Pollution Control Act, as amended, 33 U.S.C. 1251 et seq.
- 2. The contractor agrees to report each violation to the Division of Purchase and Property and understands and agrees that the Division of Purchase and Property will, in turn, report each violation as required to assure notification to the Federal Emergency Management Agency, and the appropriate Environmental Protection Agency Regional Office.
- 3. The contractor agrees to include these requirements in each subcontract exceeding \$150,000 financed in whole or in part with Federal assistance provided by FEMA.

7.10 DEBARMENT AND SUSPENSION (EXECUTIVE ORDERS 12549 AND 12689)_

- (1) This contract is a covered transaction for purposes of 2 C.F.R. pt. 180 and 2 C.F.R. pt. 3000. As such, the contractor is required to verify that none of the contractor's principals (defined at 2 C.F.R. § 180.995) or its affiliates (defined at 2 C.F.R. § 180.905) are excluded (defined at 2 C.F.R. § 180.940) or disqualified (defined at 2 C.F.R. § 180.935).
- (2) The contractor must comply with 2 C.F.R. pt. 180, subpart C and 2 C.F.R. pt. 3000, subpart C, and must include a requirement to comply with these regulations in any lower tier covered transaction it enters into.
- (3) This certification is a material representation of fact relied upon by the State or authorized user. If it is later determined that the contractor did not comply with 2 C.F.R. pt. 180, subpart C and 2 C.F.R. pt. 3000, subpart C, in addition to remedies available to the State or authorized user, the Federal Government may pursue available remedies, including but not limited to suspension and/or debarment.
- (4) The bidder or proposer agrees to comply with the requirements of 2 C.F.R. pt. 180, subpart C and 2 C.F.R. pt. 3000, subpart C while this offer is valid and throughout the period of any contract that may arise from this offer. The bidder or proposer further agrees to include a provision requiring such compliance in its lower tier covered transactions.

7.11 BYRD ANTI-LOBBYING AMENDMENT, 31 U.S.C. 1352

Contractors that apply or 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. Such disclosures are forwarded from tier to tier up to the recipient who in turn will forward the certification(s) to the awarding agency.

7.12 PROHIBITION ON CERTAIN TELECOMMUNICATIONS AND VIDEO SURVEILLANCE SERVICES OR EQUIPMENT

- (a) Recipients and subrecipients are prohibited from obligating or expending loan or grant funds to:
 - (1) Procure or obtain;
 - (2) Extend or renew a contract to procure or obtain; or
 - (3) Enter into a contract (or extend or renew a contract) to procure or obtain equipment, services, or systems that uses covered telecommunications equipment or services as a substantial or essential component of any system, or as critical technology as part of any system. As described in *Public Law 115–232*, section 889, covered telecommunications equipment is telecommunications equipment produced by Huawei Technologies Company or ZTE Corporation (or any subsidiary or affiliate of such entities).
 - (i) For the purpose of public safety, security of government facilities, physical security surveillance of critical infrastructure, and other national security purposes, video surveillance and telecommunications equipment produced by Hytera Communications Corporation, Hangzhou Hikvision Digital Technology Company, or Dahua Technology Company (or any subsidiary or affiliate of such entities).
 - (ii) Telecommunications or video surveillance services provided by such entities or using such equipment.
 - (iii) Telecommunications or video surveillance equipment or services produced or provided by an entity that the Secretary of Defense, in consultation with the Director of the National Intelligence or the Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, reasonably believes to be an entity owned or controlled by, or otherwise connected to, the government of a covered foreign country.

EXHIBIT A - GOODS, GENERAL SERVICE AND PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACTS

MANDATORY EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY LANGUAGE N.J.S.A. 10:5-31 <u>et seq.</u> (P.L.1975, c.127) N.J.A.C. 17:27 <u>et seq.</u>

During the performance of this contract, the contractor agrees as follows:

The contractor or subcontractor, where applicable, will not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of age, race, creed, color, national origin, ancestry, marital status, affectional or sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, disability, nationality or sex. Except with respect to affectional or sexual orientation and gender identity or expression, the contractor will ensure that equal employment opportunity is afforded to such applicants in recruitment and employment, and that employees are treated during employment, without regard to their age, race, creed, color, national origin, ancestry, marital status, affectional or sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, disability, nationality or sex. Such equal employment opportunity shall include, but not be limited to the following: employment, upgrading, demotion, or transfer; recruitment or recruitment advertising; layoff or termination; rates of pay or other forms of compensation; and selection for training, including apprenticeship. The contractor agrees to post in conspicuous places, available to employees and applicants for employment, notices to be provided by the Public Agency Compliance Officer setting forth provisions of this nondiscrimination clause.

The contractor or subcontractor, where applicable will, in all solicitations or advertisements for employees placed by or on behalf of the contractor, state that all qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to age, race, creed, color, national origin, ancestry, marital status, affectional or sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, disability, nationality or sex.

The contractor or subcontractor will send to each labor union, with which it has a collective bargaining agreement, a notice, to be provided by the agency contracting officer, advising the labor union of the contractor's commitments under this chapter and shall post copies of the notice in conspicuous places available to employees and applicants for employment.

The contractor or subcontractor, where applicable, agrees to comply with any regulations promulgated by the Treasurer pursuant to N.J.S.A. 10:5-31 et seq., as amended and supplemented from time to time and the Americans with Disabilities Act.

The contractor or subcontractor agrees to make good faith efforts to meet targeted county employment goals established in accordance with N.J.A.C. 17:27-5.2.

The contractor or subcontractor agrees to inform in writing its appropriate recruitment agencies including, but not limited to, employment agencies, placement bureaus, colleges, universities, and labor unions, that it does not discriminate on the basis of age, race, creed, color, national origin, ancestry, marital status, affectional or sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, disability, nationality or sex, and that it will discontinue the use of any recruitment agency which engages in direct or indirect discriminatory practices.

The contractor or subcontractor agrees to revise any of its testing procedures, if necessary, to assure that all personnel testing conforms with the principles of job related testing, as established by the statutes and court decisions of the State of New Jersey and as established by applicable Federal law and applicable Federal court decisions.

In conforming with the targeted employment goals, the contractor or subcontractor agrees to review all procedures relating to transfer, upgrading, downgrading and layoff to ensure that all such actions are taken without regard to age, race, creed, color, national origin, ancestry, marital status, affectional or sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, disability, nationality or sex, consistent with the statutes and court decisions of the State of New Jersey, and applicable Federal law and applicable Federal court decisions.

The contractor shall submit to the public agency, after notification of award but prior to execution of a goods and services contract, one of the following three documents:

- Letter of Federal Affirmative Action Plan Approval;
- Certificate of Employee Information Report; or
- Employee Information Report Form AA302 (electronically provided by the Division and distributed to the public agency through the Division's website at http://www.state.nj.us/treasury/contract_compliance).

The contractor and its subcontractors shall furnish such reports or other documents to the Division of Purchase an Property, CCAU, EEO Monitoring Program as may be requested by the office from time to time in order to carry out the purposes of these regulations, and public agencies shall furnish such information as may be requested by the Division of Purchase an Property, CCAU, EEO Monitoring Program for conducting a compliance investigation pursuant to N.J.A.C. 17:27-1 et seq.

EXHIBIT B - CONSTRUCTION CONTRACTS

MANDATORY EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY LANGUAGE N.J.S.A. 10:5-31 <u>et seq.</u> (P.L.1975, c.127) N.J.S.A. 10:5-39 <u>et seq.</u> (P.L.1983, c.197) N.J.A.C. 17:27-1.1 <u>et seq.</u>

During the performance of this contract, the contractor agrees as follows:

The contractor or subcontractor, where applicable, will not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of age, race, creed, color, national origin, ancestry, marital status, affectional or sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, disability, nationality or sex. Except with respect to affectional or sexual orientation and gender identity or expression, the contractor will ensure that equal employment opportunity is afforded to such applicants in recruitment and employment, and that employees are treated during employment, without regard to their age, race, creed, color, national origin, ancestry, marital status, affectional or sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, disability, nationality or sex. Such equal employment opportunity shall include, but not be limited to the following: employment, up grading, demotion, or transfer; recruitment or recruitment advertising; layoff or termination; rates of pay or other forms of compensation; and selection for training, including apprenticeship. The contractor agrees to post in conspicuous places, available to employees and applicants for employment, notices to be provided by the Public Agency Compliance Officer setting forth provisions of this nondiscrimination clause.

The contractor or subcontractor, where applicable will, in all solicitations or advertisements for employees placed by or on behalf of the contractor, state that all qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to age, race, creed, color, national origin, ancestry, marital status, affectional or sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, disability, nationality or sex.

N.J.S.A. 10:5-39 et seq. requires contractors, subcontractors, and permitted assignees performing construction, alteration, or repair of any building or public work in excess of \$250,000 to guarantee equal employment opportunity to veterans.

The contractor or subcontractor will send to each labor union, with which it has a collective bargaining agreement, a notice, to be provided by the agency contracting officer, advising the labor union or workers' representative of the contractor's commitments under this act and shall post copies of the notice in conspicuous places available to employees and applicants for employment.

The contractor or subcontractor, where applicable, agrees to comply with any regulations promulgated by the Treasurer, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 10:5-31 et seq., as amended and supplemented from time to time and the Americans with Disabilities Act.

When hiring or scheduling workers in each construction trade, the contractor or subcontractor agrees to make good faith efforts to employ minority and women workers in each construction trade consistent with the targeted employment goal prescribed by N.J.A.C. 17:27-7.2; provided, however, that the Dept. of LWD, Construction EEO Monitoring Program may, in its discretion, exempt a contractor or subcontractor from compliance with the good faith procedures prescribed by the following provisions, A, B and C, as long as the Dept. of LWD, Construction EEO Monitoring Program is satisfied that the contractor or subcontractor is employing workers provided by a union which provides evidence, in accordance with standards prescribed by the Dept. of LWD, Construction EEO Monitoring Program, that its percentage of active "card carrying" members who are minority and women workers is equal to or greater than the targeted employment goal established in accordance with N.J.A.C. 17:27-7.2. The contractor or subcontractor agrees that a good faith effort shall include compliance with the following procedures:

- (A) If the contractor or subcontractor has a referral agreement or arrangement with a union for a construction trade, the contractor or subcontractor shall, within three business days of the contract award, seek assurances from the union that it will cooperate with the contractor or subcontractor as it fulfills its affirmative action obligations under this contract and in accordance with the rules promulgated by the Treasurer pursuant to N.J.S.A. 10:5-31 et. seq., as supplemented and amended from time to time and the Americans with Disabilities Act. If the contractor or subcontractor is unable to obtain said assurances from the construction trade union at least five business days prior to the commencement of construction work, the contractor or subcontractor's or subcontractor's prior experience with a construction trade union, regardless of whether the union has provided said assurances, indicates a significant possibility that the trade union will not refer sufficient minority and women workers consistent with affording equal employment opportunities as specified in this chapter, the contractor or subcontractor agrees to be prepared to provide such opportunities to minority and women workers directly, consistent with affording equal employment opportunities as specified in this chapter, the contractor or subcontractor agrees to be prepared to provide such opportunities to minority and women workers directly, consistent with affording equal employment (B) below; and the contractor or subcontractor agrees to take said action immediately if it determines that the union is not referring minority and women workers consistent with the equal employment opportunity goals set forth in this chapter.
- (B) If good faith efforts to meet targeted employment goals have not or cannot be met for each construction trade by adhering to the procedures of (A) above, or if the contractor does not have a referral agreement or arrangement with a union for a construction trade, the contractor or subcontractor agrees to take the following actions:
 - To notify the public agency compliance officer, the Dept. of LWD, Construction EEO Monitoring Program, and minority and women referral organizations listed by the Division pursuant to N.J.A.C. 17:27-5.3, of its workforce needs, and request referral of minority and women workers;

- (2) To notify any minority and women workers who have been listed with it as awaiting available vacancies;
- (3) Prior to commencement of work, to request that the local construction trade union refer minority and women workers to fill job openings, provided the contractor or subcontractor has a referral agreement or arrangement with a union for the construction trade;
- (4) To leave standing requests for additional referral to minority and women workers with the local construction trade union, provided the contractor or subcontractor has a referral agreement or arrangement with a union for the construction trade, the State Training and Employment Service and other approved referral sources in the area;
- (5) If it is necessary to lay off some of the workers in a given trade on the construction site, layoffs shall be conducted in compliance with the equal employment opportunity and non- discrimination standards set forth in this regulation, as well as with applicable Federal and State court decisions;
- (6) To adhere to the following procedure when minority and women workers apply or are referred to the contractor or subcontractor:
 - (i) The contactor or subcontractor shall interview the referred minority or women worker.
 - (ii) If said individuals have never previously received any document or certification signifying a level of qualification lower than that required in order to perform the work of the construction trade, the contractor or subcontractor shall in good faith determine the qualifications of such individuals. The contractor or subcontractor shall hire or schedule those individuals who satisfy appropriate qualification standards in conformity with the equal employment opportunity and non-discrimination principles set forth in this chapter. However, a contractor or subcontractor shall determine that the individual at least possesses the requisite skills, and experience recognized by a union, apprentice program or a referral agency, provided the referral agency is acceptable to the Dept. of LWD, Construction EEO Monitoring Program. If necessary, the contractor or subcontractor shall hire or schedule minority and women workers who qualify as trainees pursuant to these rules. All of the requirements, however, are limited by the provisions of (C) below.
 - (iii) The name of any interested women or minority individual shall be maintained on a waiting list, and shall be considered for employment as described in (i) above, whenever vacancies occur. At the request of the Dept. of LWD, Construction EEO Monitoring Program, the contractor or subcontractor shall provide evidence of its good faith efforts to employ women and minorities from the list to fill vacancies.
 - (iv) If, for any reason, said contractor or subcontractor determines that a minority individual or a woman is not qualified or if the individual qualifies as an advanced trainee or apprentice, the contractor or subcontractor shall inform the individual in writing of the reasons for the determination, maintain a copy of the determination in its files, and send a copy to the public agency compliance officer and to the Dept. of LWD, Construction EEO Monitoring Program.
- (7) To keep a complete and accurate record of all requests made for the referral of workers in any trade covered by the contract, on forms made available by the Dept. of LWD, Construction EEO Monitoring Program and submitted promptly to the Dept. of LWD, Construction EEO Monitoring Program upon request.
- (C) The contractor or subcontractor agrees that nothing contained in (B) above shall preclude the contractor or subcontractor from complying with the union hiring hall or apprenticeship policies in any applicable collective bargaining agreement or union hiring hall arrangement, and, where required by custom or agreement, it shall send journeymen and trainees to the union for referral, or to the apprenticeship program for admission, pursuant to such agreement or arrangement. However, where the practices of a union or apprenticeship program will result in the exclusion of minorities and women or the failure to refer minorities and women consistent with the targeted county employment goal, the contractor or subcontractor shall consider for employment persons referred pursuant to (B) above without regard to such agreement or arrangement; provided further, however, that the contractor or subcontractor shall not be required to employ women and minority advanced trainees and trainees in numbers which result in the employment of advanced trainees and trainees as a percentage of the total workforce for the construction trade, which percentage significantly exceeds the apprentice to journey worker ratio specified in the applicable collective bargaining agreement, or in the absence of a collective bargaining agreement, exceeds the ratio established by practice in the area for said construction trade. Also, the contractor or subcontractor agrees that, in implementing the procedures of (B) above, it shall, where applicable, employ minority and women workers residing within the geographical jurisdiction of the union.

After notification of award, but prior to signing a construction contract, the contractor shall submit to the public agency compliance officer and the Dept. of LWD, Construction EEO Monitoring Program an initial project workforce report (Form AA-201) electronically provided to the public agency by the Dept. of LWD, Construction EEO Monitoring Program, through its website, for distribution to and completion by the contractor, in accordance with N.J.A.C. 17:27-7.

The contractor also agrees to submit a copy of the Monthly Project Workforce Report once a month thereafter for the duration of this contract to the Dept. of LWD, Construction EEO Monitoring Program and to the public agency compliance officer.

The contractor agrees to cooperate with the public agency in the payment of budgeted funds, as is necessary, for on the job and/or off the job programs for outreach and training of minorities and women.

(D) The contractor and its subcontractors shall furnish such reports or other documents to the Dept. of LWD, Construction EEO Monitoring Program as may be requested by the Dept. of LWD, Construction EEO Monitoring Program from time to time in order to carry out the purposes of these regulations, and public agencies shall furnish such information as may be requested by the Dept. of LWD, Construction EEO Monitoring Program for conducting a compliance investigation pursuant to N.J.A.C. 17:27-1.1 et seq.

EXHIBIT C - EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 151 REQUIREMENTS

It is the policy of the Division of Purchase and Property that its contracts should create a workforce that reflects the diversity of the State of New Jersey. Therefore, contractors engaged by the Division of Purchase and Property to perform under a construction contract shall put forth a good faith effort to engage in recruitment and employment practices that further the goal of fostering equal opportunities to minorities and women.

The contractor must demonstrate to the Division of Purchase and Property's satisfaction that a good faith effort was made to ensure that minorities and women have been afforded equal opportunity to gain employment under the Division of Purchase and Property's contract with the contractor. Payment may be withheld from a contractor's contract for failure to comply with these provisions.

Evidence of a "good faith effort" includes, but is not limited to:

- 1. The Contractor shall recruit prospective employees through the State Job bank website, managed by the Department of Labor and Workforce Development, available online at https://newjersey.usnlx.com/;
- 2. The Contractor shall keep specific records of its efforts, including records of all individuals interviewed and hired, including the specific numbers of minorities and women;
- The Contractor shall actively solicit and shall provide the Division of Purchase and Property with proof of solicitations for employment, including but not limited to advertisements in general circulation media, professional service publications and electronic media; and
- 4. The Contractor shall provide evidence of efforts described at 2 above to the Division of Purchase and Property no less frequently than once every 12 months.
- 5. The Contractor shall comply with the requirements set forth at N.J.A.C. 17:27.

This language is in addition to and does not replace good faith efforts requirements for construction contracts required by N.J.A.C. 17:27-3.6, 3.7 and 3.8, also known as Exhibit B.

This Supplement to the above State of New Jersey Standard Terms and Conditions ("Supplement") shall apply to all contracts or purchase agreements made with the State of New Jersey ("State") pursuant to a State Using Agency's Delegated Purchase Authority ("DPA") or under N.J.S.A. 52:34-9 or -10 ("Waivered Contracts"). The terms in this Supplement are in addition to, or modify the State of New Jersey Standard Terms and Conditions (SSTCs) as applicable and noted below.

I. <u>ADDITIONS TO THE STANDARD TERMS AND CONDITIONS FOR ALL WAIVERED AND DELEGATED PURCHASE AUTHORITY</u> <u>CONTRACTS</u>

A. ORDER OF PRECEDENCE

The "Contract" shall consist of the following documents: (1) this Supplement; (2) the State of New Jersey Standard Terms and Conditions; (3) the agency's scope of work; and, (4) the Contractor's proposal including any attachments or documents incorporated by reference. In the event of a conflict in the terms and conditions among the documents comprising this Contract, the order of precedence, for purposes of interpretation thereof, listed from highest ranking to lowest ranking as noted above.

B. NO ARBITRATION

Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in Contractor's Standard Form Agreement ("SFA") or Scope of Work ("SOW"), the State does not agree to binding arbitration.

C. NO AUTO-RENEWAL

Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in Contractor's SFA or SOW, the State does not agree to auto-renewal of any services, standard software maintenance, technical support or service fees.

II. ADDITIONS TO THE STANDARD TERMS AND CONDITIONS FOR WAIVERED CONTRACTS, AS APPLICABLE

A. STATE'S RIGHT TO INSPECT CONTRACTOR'S FACILITIES

The State reserves the right to inspect the contractor's establishment before making an award, for the purposes of ascertaining whether the contractor has the necessary facilities for performing the Contract. The State may also consult with clients of the contractor to assist the State in making a contract award that is most advantageous to the State.

B. STATE'S RIGHT TO REQUEST FURTHER INFORMATION

The Director reserves the right to request all information which may assist him or her in making a contract award, including factors necessary to evaluate the contractor's financial capabilities to perform the Contract. Further, the Director reserves the right to request a contractor to explain, in detail, how the proposal price was determined.

C. DELIVERY TIME AND COSTS

Unless otherwise noted elsewhere in the scope of work, all delivery times are 30 calendar days after receipt of order (ARO) and prices for items in proposals shall be submitted Freight On Board (F.O.B.) Destination (30 calendar days ARO/F.O.B.). The contractor shall assume all costs, liability and responsibility for the delivery of merchandise in good condition to the State's Using Agency or designated purchaser. Thirty calendar days ARO/F.O.B. does not cover "spotting" but does include delivery on the receiving platform of the Using Agency at any destination in the State of New Jersey unless otherwise specified. No additional charges will be allowed for any additional transportation costs resulting from partial shipments made at the contractor's convenience when a single shipment is ordered. The weights and measures of the State's Using Agency receiving the shipment shall govern.

D. COLLECT ON DELIVERY (C.O.D) TERMS

C.O.D. terms will not be accepted.

E. CASH DISCOUNTS

The contractor is encouraged to offer cash discounts based on expedited payment by the State. The State will make efforts to take advantage of discounts. Should the contractor choose to offer cash discounts the following shall apply:

- Discount periods shall be calculated starting from the next business day after the Using Agency has accepted the goods or services, received a properly signed and executed invoice and, when required, a properly executed performance security, whichever is latest; and
- 2. The date on the check issued by the State in payment of that invoice shall be deemed the date of the State's response to that invoice.

F. PERFORMANCE SECURITY

If performance security is required, such security must be submitted with the bid in the amount listed in the scope of work. N.J.A.C. 17:12-2.5. Acceptable forms of performance security are as follows:

- 1. A properly executed individual or annual performance bond issued by an insurance or security company authorized to do business in the State of New Jersey,
- 2. A certified or cashier's check drawn to the order of "Treasurer, State of New Jersey," or
- 3. An irrevocable letter of credit issued by a federally insured financial institution and naming "Treasurer, State of New Jersey," as beneficiary.

The Performance Security must be submitted to the State within 30 days of the effective date of the Contract award and cover the period of the Contract and any extensions thereof. Failure to submit performance security may result in cancellation of the Contract for cause and nonpayment for work performed.

Although the performance bond is required for the full term of the Contract, the Director recognizes that the industry practice of sureties is to issue a one (1) year performance bond for goods and services contracts. Thus, the contractor is permitted to submit a one (1) year performance bond for the amount required under the Contract and, on each succeeding anniversary date of the Contract, provide a continuation or renewal certificate to evidence that the bond is in effect for the next year of the Contract. This procedure will remain in place for each year of the Contract thereafter until the termination of the Contract. Failure to provide such proof on the anniversary date of the Contract shall result in suspension of the Contract, and possibly, termination of the Contract.

For performance bonds based on a percentage of the total estimated Contract price. On each anniversary of the effective date of the Contract, the amount of the required performance bond, unless otherwise noted, is calculated by applying the established RFQ performance bond percentage to the outstanding balance of the estimated amount of the Contract price to be paid to the contractor.

In the event that the Contract price is increased by a Contract Amendment, the contractor may be required to provide, within 30 calendar days of the effective date of the Contract Amendment, performance bond coverage for the increase in Contract price. The required increase in the performance bond amount is calculated by applying the established bond percentage set forth above to the increase in Contract price. Failure to provide such proof to the Director of this required coverage may result in the suspension of payment to the contractor until such time the contractor complies with this requirement.

G. RETAINAGE

If retainage is required on the Contract as stated in the scope of work, the state and/or agency will retain the stated percentage or retainage from each invoice. Payment of retainage will be authorized after satisfactory completion and submission of all services, deliverables or work products by the contractor and acceptance by the agency of all services, deliverables or work products required by the Contract.

For ongoing contracts, the agency will retain the stated percentage of each invoice submitted. At the end of the three (3) month period after payment of each invoice, the agency will review the contractor's performance and if performance has been satisfactory, the agency will release the retainage for the preceding three (3) month period. Following the expiration of the Contract, retained fees will be released to the contractor after certification by the agency's project manager, if any, that all services have been satisfactorily performed.

H. AUDIT NOTICE AND DISPUTE RESOLUTION

To the extent the contractor's proposal or Standard Form Agreement permits the contractor to conduct periodic audits of the State's usage of the Contractor Intellectual Property provided thereunder, such provision is amended to include the following audit notice and dispute resolution process:

- AUDIT NOTICE Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in the contractor's proposal or Standard Form Agreement, in the event that the contractor seeks to exercise a right in its proposal or Standard Form Agreement to audit the State's use of Contractor Intellectual Property, the contractor shall deliver simultaneous written notice, no less than thirty days in advance of the audit start date (unless the contractor's notice provides a longer notice period), to the: Agency requesting the waiver contract.
- 2. The notice shall reference the specific audit provision(s) in the contractor's proposal or Standard Form Agreement being exercised and include copies of same, specify the means by which the contractor will conduct the audit, and shall require the audit to be conducted in accordance with generally accepted standards in the field of such audits.
- 3. AUDIT DISPUTE RESOLUTION -- If the State, in good faith, provides the contractor with written notice of an alleged error in the amount of underpaid fees due the contractor as a result of an audit (the "dispute"), then the parties will endeavor to resolve the dispute in accordance with this paragraph. Each party will appoint a Vice President, Assistant Director, or the equivalent (hereinafter referred to as "Representative") to discuss the dispute and no formal proceedings for the judicial resolution of such dispute, except for the seeking of equitable relief or those required to avoid non-compliance with the New Jersey Contractual Liability Act, <u>N.J.S.A.</u> 59:13-1 <u>et seq.</u>, may begin until either such Representative concludes, after a good faith effort to resolve the dispute, that resolution through continued discussion is unlikely. In addition, the parties shall refrain from exercising any termination right related to the dispute being considered under this paragraph and shall continue to perform their respective obligations under the Contract while they endeavor to resolve the dispute under this paragraph.
- 4. STATE NOT LIABLE FOR AUDIT COSTS -- Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in the contractor's proposal or Standard Form Agreement, the State will not reimburse the contractor for any costs related to an audit.
- NO AUDIT RIGHT CREATED -- In the event that the contractor's proposal or Standard Form Agreement does not permit audits of the State's usage of Contractor Intellectual Property, Section 5.19 of this Supplement shall not be interpreted to provide such an audit right.

III. ADDITIONS TO THE STANDARD TERMS AND CONDITIONS FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACTS, AS APPLICABLE

A. INSURANCE FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACTS Section 4.2 Insurance of the SSTC is supplemented with the following:

Professional Liability Insurance

The Contractor shall carry Errors and Omissions, Professional Liability Insurance, and/or Professional Liability Malpractice Insurance sufficient to protect the Contractor from any liability arising out the professional obligations performed pursuant to the requirements of this Contract. The insurance shall be in the amount of not less than \$1,000,000 and in such policy forms as shall be approved by the State. If the Contractor has claims-made coverage and subsequently changes carriers during the term of this Contract, it shall obtain from its new Errors and Omissions, Professional Liability Insurance, and/or Professional Malpractice Insurance carrier an endorsement for retroactive coverage.

B. LIMITATION OF LIABILITY FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACTS

Section 4.0 Indemnification and Insurance of the SSTC is supplemented with the following:

4.3 LIMITATION OF LIABILITY

The Contractor's liability to the State for actual, direct damages resulting from the Contractor's performance or non-performance of, or in any manner related to this Contract, for any and all claims, shall be limited in the aggregate to 200% of the total value of this Contract. This limitation of liability shall not apply to the following:

- A. The Contractor's obligation to indemnify the State of New Jersey and its employees from and against any claim, demand, loss, damage, or expense relating to bodily injury or the death of any person or damage to real property or tangible personal property, incurred from the work or materials supplied by the Contractor under this Contract caused by negligence or willful misconduct of the Contractor;
- B. The Contractor's breach of its obligations of confidentiality; and
- C. The Contractor's liability with respect to copyright indemnification.

The Contractor's indemnification obligation is not limited by but is in addition to the insurance obligations.

The Contractor shall not be liable for special, consequential, or incidental damages.

IV. ADDITIONS TO THE STANDARD TERMS AND CONDITIONS FOR ALL INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY CONTRACTS, AS APPLICABLE

A. DEFINITIONS

The following definitions shall apply to information technology contracts:

- 1. The term "Acceptance" means the written confirmation by an Agency that the contractor has completed a Deliverable according to the specified requirements.
- 2. As defined by <u>N.J.S.A.</u> 56:8-161, the term "Breach of Security" means unauthorized access to electronic files, media, or data containing Personal Data that compromises the security, confidentiality, or integrity of Personal Data when access to the Personal Data has not been secured by encryption or by any other method or technology that renders the Personal Data unreadable or unusable. Good faith acquisition of Personal Data by an employee or agent of the Provider for a legitimate business purpose is not a Breach of Security, provided that the Personal Data is not used for a purposes unrelated to the business or subject to further unauthorized disclosure.
- 3. The term "Contractor Intellectual Property" means any intellectual property that is owned by the contractor and contained in or necessary for the use of the Deliverables or which the contractor makes available for the State to use as part of the work under the Contract. Contractor Intellectual Property includes COTS or Customized Software owned by the contractor, the contractor's technical documentation, and derivative works and compilations of any Contractor Intellectual Property.
- 4. The term Commercial Off the Shelf Software ("COTS") means Software provided by the contractor that is intended for general use.
- 5. The term "Custom Software" means Software and Work Product that is developed by the contractor at the request of the Agency to meet the specific requirements of the Agency and is intended for its use.
- 6. The term "Customized Software" means COTS that is adapted by the contractor to meet specific requirements of the Agency that differ from the standard requirements of the base product.
- 7. The term "Deliverable" means the goods, products, Services and Work Product that the contractor is required to deliver to the State under the Contract;
- 8. The term "End User" means the user of the Provider's solution.
- 9. The terms "goods" and "products" shall be deemed to include, without limitation, Software and Hardware.
- 10. The term "Hardware" shall be deemed to include computer equipment and any Software provided with the Hardware that is necessary for the Hardware to operate.
- 11. The term "Information Technology Contract" shall mean, notwithstanding any definition in New Jersey Statutes, a Contract for one or more of the following: Hardware, Software, Services, telecommunication goods and services, and all related goods.
- 12. The term "Mobile Device" means any device used by Provider that can move or transmit data, including but not limited to laptops, hard drives, and flash drives.
- 13. The term "Non-Public Data" means data, other than Personal Data, that is not subject to distribution to the public as public information. Non-Public Data is data that is identified by the State as non-public information or otherwise deemed to be sensitive and confidential by the State because it contains information that is exempt by statute, ordinance or administrative rule from access by the general public as public information.
- 14. The term "Personal Data" means:
 - a. "Personal Information" as defined in N.J.S.A. 56:8-161, means an individual's first name or first initial and last name linked with any one or more of the following data elements: (1) Social Security number, (2) driver's license number or State identification

card number or (3) account number or credit or debit card number, in combination with any required security code, access code, or password that would permit access to an individual's financial account. Dissociated data that, if linked would constitute Personal Information is Personal Information if the means to link the dissociated were accessed in connection with access to the dissociated data. Personal Information shall not include publicly available information that is lawfully made available to the general public from federal, state or local government records, or widely distributed media.

- b. data, either alone or in combination with other data, that includes information relating to an individual that identifies the person or entity by name, identifying number, mark or description that can be readily associated with a particular individual and which is not a public record, including but not limited to, Personally Identifiable Information (PII); government-issued identification numbers (e.g., Social Security, driver's license, passport); Protected Health Information (PHI) as that term is defined in the regulations adopted pursuant to the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996, P.L. No. 104-191 (1996) and found in 45 CFR Parts 160 to 164 and defined below; and Education Records, as that term is defined in the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA), 20 U.S.C. § 1232g.
- 15. The term "Personally Identifiable Information" or "PII," as defined by the U.S. Department of Commerce, National Institute of Standards and Technology, means any information about an individual maintained by an agency, including (1) any information that can be used to distinguish or trace an individual's identity, such as name, social security number, date and place of birth, mother's maiden name, or biometric records; and (2) any other information that is linked or linkable to an individual, such as medical, educational, financial, and employment information,
- 16. The term "Protected Health Information" or "PHI," has the same meaning as the term is defined in the regulations adopted pursuant to the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996, P.L. No. 104-191 (1996) and found in 45 CFR Parts 160 to 164 means Individually Identifiable Health Information (as defined below) transmitted by electronic media, maintained in electronic media, or transmitted or maintained in any other form or medium. PHI excludes education records covered by the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA), as amended, 20 <u>U.S.C.</u> 1232g, records described at 20 <u>U.S.C.</u> 1232g(a)(4)(B)(iv) and employment records held by a covered entity in its role as employer. The term "Individually Identifiable Health Information" has the same meaning as the term is defined in the regulations adopted pursuant to the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996, P.L. No. 104-191 (1996) and found in 45 CFR Parts 160 to 164 and means information that is a subset of Protected Health Information, including demographic information collected from an individual, and (1) is created or received by a health care provider, health plan, employer or health care clearinghouse; and (2) relates to the past, present or future physical or mental health or condition of an individual; the provision of health care to an individual; or the past, present or future payment for the provision of health care to an individual; or the past, present or future payment for the provision of health care to an individual; or (b) with respect to which there is a reasonable basis to believe the information can be used to identify the individual.
- 17. The term "Recovery Time Objective" or "RTO," means the maximum tolerable length of time that the Provider's solution may be unavailable after a failure or disaster occurs.
- 18. The term "Security Incident" means the potential access by non-authorized person(s) to Personal Data or Non-Public Data that the Provider believes could reasonably result in the use, disclosure, or access or theft of State's unencrypted Personal Data or Non-Public Data within the possession or control of the Provider. A Security Incident may or may not turn into a Breach of Security.
- The term "Service Level Agreement" or "SLA," means the document that is part of the Provider's SFA that typically includes (1) the technical service level performance promises, (i.e. metrics for performance and intervals for measure), (2) description of service quality, (3) identification of roles and responsibilities, (4) security responsibilities and notice requirements, (5) how disputes are discovered and addressed, and (6) any remedies for performance failures.
- 20. The terms "Services" shall be deemed to include, without limitation (i) Information Technology ("IT") professional services; (ii) Software and Hardware-related services, including without limitation, installation, configuration, and training and (iii) Software and Hardware maintenance and support and/or Software and Hardware technical support services.
- 21. The term "Software" means, without limitation, computer programs, source codes, routines, or subroutines supplied by the contractor, including operating software, programming aids, application programs, application programming interfaces and software products, and includes COTS, Customized Software and Custom Software, unless the context indicates otherwise.
- 22. The term "State Data" means all data and metadata created or in any way originating with the State, and all data that is the output of computer processing of or other electronic manipulation of any data that was created by or in any way originated with the State, whether such data or output is stored on the State's hardware, the Provider's hardware or exists in any system owned, maintained or otherwise controlled by the State or by the Provider. State Data includes Personal Data and Non-Public Data.
- 23. The term "State Intellectual Property" means any intellectual property that is owned by the State. State Intellectual Property includes any derivative works and compilations of any State Intellectual Property.
- 24. The term "Third Party Intellectual Property" means any intellectual property owned by parties other than the State or the contractor and contained in or necessary for the use of the Deliverables. Third Party Intellectual Property includes COTS owned by Third Parties, and derivative works and compilations of any Third Party Intellectual Property.
- 25. The term "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 the contractor or the contractor's subcontractors or a third party engaged by the contractor or its subcontractor pursuant to the Contract. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in the preceding sentence, Work Product does not include State Intellectual Property, Contractor Intellectual Property or Third Party Intellectual Property.

B. INDEMNIFICATION FOR STANDARD TECHNOLOGY CONTRACTS

Section 4.1 Indemnification of the SSTC is deleted in its entirety and replaced with the following:

4.1 INDEMNIFICATION

The Contractor's liability to the State and its employees in third party suits shall be as follows:

- A. The Contractor shall assume all risk of and responsibility for, and agrees to indemnify, defend, and save harmless the State and its officers, agents, servants and employees, from and against any and all third party claims, demands, suits, actions, recoveries, judgments and costs and expenses in connection therewith:
 - 1. For or on account of the loss of life, property or injury or damage to the person, body or property of any person or persons whatsoever, which shall arise from or result directly or indirectly from the work and/or products supplied under this Contract or the order; and
 - 2. For or on account of the use of any patent, copyright, trademark, trade secret or other proprietary right of any copyrighted or uncopyrighted composition, secret process, patented or unpatented invention, article or appliance ("Intellectual Property Rights") furnished or used in the performance of this Contract; and
 - 3. The Contractor's indemnification and liability under subsection (A) is not limited by, but is in addition to the insurance obligations.
- B. In the event of a claim or suit involving third-party Intellectual Property Rights, the Contractor, at its option, may:
 - 1. procure for the State the legal right to continue the use of the product;
 - 2. replace or modify the product to provide a non-infringing product that is the functional equivalent; or
 - 3. in the event that the Contractor cannot do (1) or (2) refund the purchase price less a reasonable allowance for use that is agreed to by both parties.
- C. The State will:
 - 1. promptly notify Contractor in writing of the claim or suit;
 - 2. give Contractor shall have control of the defense and settlement of any claim that is subject to Section 4.1(a); provided; however, that the State must approve any settlement of the alleged claim, which approval shall not be unreasonably withheld. The State may observe the proceedings relating to the alleged claim and confer with the Contractor at its expense.
- D. Notwithstanding the foregoing, Contractor has no obligation or liability for any claim or suit concerning third-party Intellectual Property Rights arising from:
 - 1. the State's unauthorized combination, operation, or use of a product supplied under this Contract with any product, device, or Software not supplied by Contractor;
 - 2. the State's unauthorized alteration or modification of any product supplied under this Contract;
 - 3. the Contractor's compliance with the State's designs, specifications, requests, or instructions, provided that if the State provides Contractor with such designs, specifications, requests, or instructions, Contractor reviews same and advises that such designs, specifications, requests or instructions present potential issues of patent or copyright infringement and the State nonetheless directs the Contractor to proceed with one (1) or more designs, specifications, requests or instructions that present potential issues of patent or copyright infringement; or
 - 4. the State's failure to promptly implement a required update or modification to the product provided by Contractor after the Contractor has given written notice to the State of a need for such an update or modification.
- E. Contractor will be relieved of its responsibilities under Subsection 4.1(a)(i) and (ii) for any claims made by an unaffiliated third party that arise solely from the actions or omissions of the State, its officers, employees or agents.
- F. Subject to the New Jersey Tort Claims Act (N.J.S.A. 59:1-1 et seq.), the New Jersey Contractual Liability Act (N.J.S.A. 59:13-1 et seq.) and the appropriation and availability of funds, the State will be responsible for any cost or damage arising out of actions or inactions of the State, its employees or agents under Subsection 4.1(a)(i) and (ii) which results in an unaffiliated third party claim. This is Contractor's exclusive remedy for these claims;
- G. This section states the entire obligation of Contractor and its suppliers, and the exclusive remedy of the State, in respect of any infringement or alleged infringement of any Intellectual Property Rights. This indemnity obligation and remedy are given to the State solely for its benefit and in lieu of, and Contractor disclaims, all warranties, conditions and other terms of non-infringement or title with respect to any product; and
- H. Furthermore, neither Contractor nor any attorney engaged by Contractor shall defend the claim in the name of the State of New Jersey or any Authorized Purchaser, nor purport to act as legal representative of the State of New Jersey or any Authorized Purchaser, without having provided notice to the Director of the Division of Law in the Department of Law and Public Safety and to the Director of the Division of Purchase and Property. The State of New Jersey may, at its election and expense, assume its own defense and settlement; and
- I. The State of New Jersey will not indemnify, defend, pay or reimburse for claims or take similar actions on behalf of the Contractor.

C. INSURANCE FOR STANDARD TECHNOLOGY CONTRACTS

Section 4.2 Insurance of the SSTC is supplemented with the following:

Professional Liability Insurance

The Contractor shall carry Errors and Omissions, Professional Liability Insurance, and/or Professional Liability Malpractice Insurance sufficient to protect the Contractor from any liability arising out the professional obligations performed pursuant to the requirements of this Contract. The insurance shall be in the amount of not less than \$1,000,000 and in such policy forms as shall be approved by the State. If the Contractor has claims-made coverage and subsequently changes carriers during the term of this Contract, it shall obtain from its new

Errors and Omissions, Professional Liability Insurance, and/or Professional Malpractice Insurance carrier an endorsement for retroactive coverage.

D. LIMITATION OF LIABILITY FOR STANDARD TECHNOLOGY CONTRACTS

Section 4.0 Indemnification and Insurance of the SSTC is supplemented with the following:

4.3 LIMITATION OF LIABILITY

The Contractor's liability to the State for actual, direct damages resulting from the Contractor's performance or non-performance of, or in any manner related to this Contract, for any and all claims, shall be limited in the aggregate to 200% of the total value of this Contract. This limitation of liability shall not apply to the following:

- A. The Contractor's obligation to indemnify the State of New Jersey and its employees from and against any claim, demand, loss, damage, or expense relating to bodily injury or the death of any person or damage to real property or tangible personal property, incurred from the work or materials supplied by the Contractor under this Contract caused by negligence or willful misconduct of the Contractor;
- B. The Contractor's breach of its obligations of confidentiality; and
- C. The Contractor's liability with respect to copyright indemnification.
- The Contractor's indemnification obligation is not limited by but is in addition to the insurance obligations. The Contractor shall not be liable for special, consequential, or incidental damages.

E. PERFORMANCE GUARANTEE OF THE CONTRACTOR

Section 5.11 Performance Guarantee of the Contractor of the SSTC is supplemented with the following:

- 1. COTS and Customized Software
 - a. Unless the Contractor Standard Form Agreement provides greater coverage as determined by the State, in its sole discretion, the contractor warrants that COTS and Customized Software products licensed to the State shall operate in all material respects as described in the Solicitation and/or contractor technical documentation for ninety (90) days after Acceptance. The State shall notify the contractor of any COTS or Customized Software product deficiency within ninety (90) days after Acceptance. For a Contract requiring the delivery of COTS or Customized Software and Custom Software, a notice within one hundred eighty (180) days that describes a deficiency in functional terms without specifying whether the deficiency is with COTS, Customized Software or Custom Software shall be deemed a notice that triggers the warranty provisions in both Section 5.11(a) and 5.11(b) of this Supplement.
 - b. Except for the portion of the contractor's COTS or Customized Software product that intentionally contains one or more of the following for the purpose of anti-virus protection, the contractor warrants that, at the time of delivery and installation of the COTS or Customized Software provided pursuant to the Contract, its product shall be free of what are commonly defined as viruses, backdoors, worms, spyware, malware and other malicious code that will hamper performance of the COTS or Customized Software from performing as required under the Contract.
 - c. In the event of any breach of this warranty, the contractor shall correct the product errors that caused the breach of warranty, or if the contractor cannot substantially correct such breach in a commercially reasonable manner, the State may end its usage and recover the fees paid to the contractor for the license and any unused, prepaid, technical support fees paid. Under no circumstances does this warranty provision limit the contractor's obligation in the event of a breach of confidentiality.
 - d. The contractor does not warrant that COTS or Customized Software is error-free or that it will operate uninterrupted.
- 2. Custom Software
 - a. Unless the Contractor Standard Form Agreement provides greater coverage, as determined by the State, in its sole discretion, the contractor warrants that Custom Software Deliverables shall operate in all material respects as described in the applicable specification documentation for one hundred and eighty (180) days after Acceptance. The State shall notify the contractor of any Custom Software deficiency within one hundred and eighty (180) days after Acceptance of the Custom Software Deliverable (the "Notice Period"). Where the contractor is providing multiple Custom Software Deliverables over the term of the Contract, the Notice Period shall begin to run after the Acceptance of the final Custom Software Deliverable under the Contract. At that time, the State may assert defect claims relating to any and all of the Custom Software Deliverables provided under the Contract; however, the State may also assert claims earlier, in its discretion, without waiving the Notice Period.
 - b. For a Contract requiring the delivery of COTS or Customized Software and Custom Software, a notice within one hundred eighty (180) days that describes a deficiency in functional terms without specifying whether the deficiency is with COTS, Customized Software or Custom Software shall be deemed a notice that triggers the warranty provisions in both Section 5.11(a) and 5.11(b) of this Supplement.
 - c. The contractor warrants that, at the time of Acceptance of the Custom Software Deliverable provided pursuant to the Contract, its product shall be free of what are commonly defined as viruses, backdoors, worms, spyware, malware and other malicious code that will hamper performance of the Custom Software, collect unlawful personally identifiable information on users, or prevent the Custom Software from performing as required under the Contract. Under no circumstances does this warranty provision limit the contractor's obligation in the event of a breach of confidentiality.
 - d. In the event of any breach of this warranty, the contractor shall correct the Custom Software errors that caused the breach of warranty, or if the contractor cannot substantially correct such breach in a commercially reasonable manner, the State may

recover a portion of the fees paid to the contractor for the Custom Software with the uncorrected defect or in the event that the Custom Software is still deemed, by the State in its sole discretion, to be usable by the State even with the uncorrected defect, the State may recover a portion of the fees paid to the contractor for the Custom Software (up to the total amount of such charges for such Custom Software) to reflect any reduction in the value of the Custom Software Deliverable as a result of the uncorrected defect. Under no circumstances does this warranty provision limit the contractor's obligations in the event of a breach of confidentiality.

e. The contractor does not warrant that Custom Software is error-free or that it will operate uninterrupted.

3. IT Services

- a. Unless the Contractor Standard Form Agreement provides greater coverage, as determined by the State, in its sole discretion, the contractor warrants that all Services will be provided in a professional manner consistent with industry standards. The State shall notify the contractor of any Services warranty deficiencies within ninety (90) days from performance of the deficient Services.
- b. In the event of any breach of this warranty, the contractor shall re-perform the deficient Services, or if the contractor cannot substantially correct a breach in a commercially reasonable manner, the State may end the relevant Services and recover the fees paid to the contractor for the deficient Services.

4. Hardware

- a. Unless the Contractor Standard Form Agreement provides greater coverage, as determined by the State, in its sole discretion, the contractor warrants that the equipment offered is standard new equipment, and is the manufacturer's latest model in production, with parts regularly used for the type of equipment offered; that such parts are all in production and not likely to be discontinued; and that no attachment or part has been substituted or applied contrary to manufacturer's recommendations and standard practice.
- b. The contractor warrants that all equipment supplied to the State and operated by electrical current is UL listed where applicable.
- c. The contractor warrants that all new machines are to be guaranteed as fully operational for one (1) year from time of Acceptance by the State. For the avoidance of doubt, Acceptance with respect to Hardware in this subsection (d) shall occur no later than sixty (60) days after delivery, as evidenced by a signed delivery receipt. The contractor shall render prompt service without charge, regardless of geographic location.
- d. The contractor warrants that sufficient quantities of parts necessary for proper service to equipment shall be maintained at distribution points and service headquarters.
- e. The contractor warrants that trained mechanics are regularly employed to make necessary repairs to equipment in the territory from which the service request might emanate within a 48-hour period or within the time accepted as industry practice.
- f. The contractor warrants that all Software included with the Hardware shall perform substantially in accordance with specifications, for one (1) year from the time of Acceptance. The contractor warrants that Software media will be free from material defects in materials and workmanship for a period of one (1) year from the date of Acceptance.
- g. In the event of any breach of this warranty, the contractor shall promptly repair, replace or refund the purchase price of product rejected for failure to conform with the contractor's product specifications.
- 5. THE WARRANTIES SET FORTH HEREIN ARE EXCLUSIVE AND IN LIEU OF ALL OTHER WARRANTIES, WHETHER EXPRESS OR IMPLIED, AND THE CONTRACTOR EXPRESSLY DISCLAIMS ALL OTHER WARRANTIES, INCLUDING ANY IMPLIED WARRANTIES OF MERCHANTABILITY, OR FITNESS FOR A PARTICULAR PURPOSE.

V. <u>ADDITIONS TO THE STANDARD TERMS AND CONDITIONS FOR ALL INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY CONTRACTS WHICH INCLUDE</u> SOFTWARE AS A SERVICE (SAAS)/CLOUD SOLUTION, AS APPLICABLE

A. ADDITIONAL TERMS FOR A CONTRACTOR'S DATA PROTECTION OBLIGATIONS

 Data Ownership: The State will own all right, title and interest in its State Data that is related to the services provided by this contract. The Provider shall not use or access State user accounts or State Data, except (i) in the course of data center operations, (ii) in response to service or technical issues, (iii) as required by the express terms of this contract, or (iv) at the State's written request.

Provider shall not collect, access, or use State Data except as strictly necessary to provide its solution to the State. No information regarding the State's use of the solution may be disclosed, provided, rented or sold to any third party for any reason unless required by law or regulation or by an order of a court of competent jurisdiction. This obligation shall survive and extend beyond the term of this contract.

- 2. Data Protection: Protection of personal privacy and data shall be an integral part of the business activities of the Provider to ensure that there is no inappropriate or unauthorized use of State Data at any time. To this end, the Provider shall safeguard the confidentiality, integrity, and availability of State Data and comply with the following conditions:
 - a. The Provider shall implement and maintain appropriate administrative, technical and organizational security measures to safeguard against unauthorized access, disclosure or theft of Personal Data and Non-Public Data. Such security measures shall be in accordance with recognized good industry practice and not less stringent than the measures the Provider applies to its own Personal Data and Non-Public Data of similar kind.
 - b. All Personal Data shall be encrypted at rest and in transit with controlled access. Provider is responsible for encryption of the Personal Data. The level of protection and encryption for all Personal Data shall be identified and made a part of this contract.

- c. Provider shall encrypt all Non-Public Data at rest and in transit. The level of protection and encryption for all Non-Public Data shall be identified and made a part of this contract.
- d. Personal Data shall not be stored on Mobile Devices. Where Mobile Devices are required for Provider to accomplish the work, the Provider shall ensure the Mobile Device is hard drive encrypted consistent with validated cryptography standards as referenced in FIPS 140-2, Security Requirements for Cryptographic Modules for all Personal Data.
- e. At no time shall any data or processes, which either belongs to or are intended for the use of State or its officers, agents, or employees, be copied, disclosed, or retained by the Provider or any party related to the Provider for subsequent use in any capacity that does not include the State.
- 3. Data Location: Provider shall provide its services to State and its End Users solely from data centers in the U.S. Storage of State Data at rest shall be located solely in data centers in the U.S. Provider shall not allow its personnel or contractors to store State Data on Mobile Devices, including personal computers, except for devices that are used and kept within the physical structure of its U.S. data centers. Provider shall permit its personnel and contractors to access State Data remotely only as required to provide technical support or upon prior notice and approval. The Provider may provide technical user support on a seven-day by 24-hour basis, unless otherwise prohibited in this contract.
- 4. Security Incident and Breach of Security Responsibilities.
 - a. Security Incident Reporting Requirements: Once Provider reasonably determines that a Security Incident occurred, the Provider shall report a Security Incident to the appropriate State identified contact within 24 hours by the agreed upon method as defined in the contract. Provider will provide the State regular updates and all available relevant information including a description of the incident and those measures taken by Provider in response to the Security Incident.
 - b. Breach of Security Reporting Requirements: If the Provider confirms or reasonably believes that there has been a Breach of Security, the Provider shall (1) immediately notify the appropriate State identified contact by the agreed upon method within 24 hours, unless a shorter time is required by applicable law, (2) take commercially reasonable measures to address and investigate the Breach of Security in a timely manner and (3) cooperate with the State as reasonably requested by the State and/or law enforcement to investigate and resolve the Breach of Security. Provider will provide the State regular updates and all available information to assist the State with notification to law enforcement and third parties as required by applicable law, including a description of the Breach of Security and those measures taken by Provider in response to the Breach of Security.
 - c. Incident Response: When commercially reasonable to do so, Provider may communicate with outside parties regarding a Security Incident, which may include contacting law enforcement, fielding media inquiries (subject to preapproval by the State if Provider specifically identifies the State or State Data), and seeking external expertise as mutually agreed at the time, defined by law, or contained in the SLA. Discussing Security Incidents with the State should be handled on an urgent as needed basis, as part of Provider communication and mitigation processes as mutually agreed at the time, defined by law, or contained in the SLA.
 - d. Following a Security Incident or Breach of Security, Provider shall promptly implement necessary remedial measures, if necessary, and document responsive actions taken related to the Security Incident or Breach of Security, including any postincident review of events and actions taken to make changes in business practices in providing the services, if necessary.
- 5. Termination and Suspension of Service:
 - a. In the event of termination of the contract, the Provider shall implement an orderly return of State Data in a mutually agreeable format and the subsequent secure disposal of State Data remaining in Provider's possession.
 - b. Suspension of services: During any period of suspension, the Provider shall not take any action to intentionally erase any State Data.
 - c. Unless otherwise stipulated, in the event of termination of any services, SLA, or this contract in its entirety, the Provider shall not take any action to intentionally erase any State Data for a period of:
 - 1) 10 business days after the effective date of termination, if the termination is in accordance with the expiration of the defined contract term;
 - 2) 30 business days after the effective date of termination, if the termination is for convenience; or
 - 3) 60 business days after the effective date of termination, if the termination is for cause.

After such period, the Provider shall have no obligation to maintain or provide any State Data and shall thereafter, unless legally prohibited, delete all State Data in its systems or otherwise in its possession or under its control in accordance with subsection (e) below.

- d. Post-Termination Assistance: The State shall be entitled to any post-termination assistance with respect to the services unless a unique data retrieval arrangement has been established as part of the contract.
- e. Secure Data Disposal: When requested by the State, the provider shall destroy all requested data in all of its forms, including but not limited to: disk, CD/DVD, backup tape, and paper. Data shall be permanently deleted and shall not be recoverable, according to National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) approved methods and certificates of destruction shall be provided to the State.

- 6. Background Checks: The Provider shall conduct criminal background checks and not utilize any staff, including sub-contractors, to fulfill the obligations of the contract who has been convicted of any crime of dishonesty, including but not limited to criminal fraud, or otherwise convicted of any felony or any misdemeanor offense for which incarceration for up to 1 year is an authorized penalty. The Provider shall promote and maintain an awareness of the importance of securing the State's Data among the Provider's employees and agents.
- 7. Access to security logs and other reports: The Provider shall provide logs and reports to the State in a format as specified in the contract and agreed to by both the Provider and the State. Reports shall include latency statistics, user access, user access IP address, user access history and security logs for all State Data related to this contract, including but not limited to data, file management, transactions, or tools used to provide, manage, secure, or analyze the State's Data. The Provider shall maintain the reports and logs for the contract term and for two (2) years after the conclusion of the term, and shall provide them to the State in the course of a State audit or upon written request from the State.
- 8. Service Level Audit: The Provider shall allow the State to audit conformance to the contract terms. The State may perform this audit or contract with a third party at its discretion, at the State's expense.
- 9. Data Center Audit: The Provider shall have an independent third party audit of its data center(s) performed at least annually at their own expense, and provide the audit report to the State upon request.
- 10. Change Control and Advance Notice: The Provider shall give advance notice to the State of any upgrades (e.g. major upgrades, minor upgrades, system changes) that may impact service availability and performance. Said notice shall be provided at least thirty days in advance of the upgrade, unless otherwise agreed in the SLA.
- 11. Security: The Provider shall disclose its non-proprietary security processes and technical limitations to the State by completing the State's Security Controls Checklist or equivalent system security document, available upon request from the Office of Information Technology, as updated from time to time, such that adequate protection and flexibility can be attained between the State and the Provider.
- 12. Non-disclosure and Separation of Duties: The Provider shall enforce separation of job duties, require commercially reasonable nondisclosure agreements, and limit staff knowledge of State Data to that which is absolutely needed to perform job duties.
- 13. Import and Export of Data: The State shall have the ability to import or export data in piecemeal or in entirety at its discretion without interference from the Provider. This includes the ability for the State to import or export data to/from other Providers.
- 14. Responsibilities and Uptime Guarantee: The Provider shall be responsible for the acquisition and operation of all hardware, software, and network support related to the services being provided. The technical and professional activities required for establishing, managing, and maintaining the environment are the responsibilities of the Provider. The system shall be available 24 hours per day, 365 days per year (with agreed-upon maintenance downtime), and Provider shall provide service to the State as defined in the Service Level Agreement.
- 15. Right to Remove Individuals: The State shall have the right at any time to require that the Provider remove from interaction with the State any Provider representative who the State believes is detrimental to its working relationship with the Provider. The State will provide the Provider with notice of its determination, and the reasons it requests the removal. If the State signifies that a potential security violation exists with respect to the request, the Provider shall immediately remove such individual. The Provider shall not assign the person to any aspect of the contract or future work orders without the State's consent.

Business Continuity and Disaster Recovery: The Provider shall provide a business continuity and disaster recovery plan upon request and ensure that the State's Recovery Time Objective (RTO) is met. The RTO shall be defined in the SLA.

B. INDEMNIFICATION FOR SAAS

Section 4.1 Indemnification of the SSTC is deleted in its entirety and replaced with the following;

4.1 INDEMNIFICATION

- A. CONTRACTOR RESPONSIBILITIES The Contractor's liability to the State and its employees in third party suits shall be as follows:
 - 1. The Contractor shall indemnify, defend, and save harmless the State and its officers, agents, servants and employees, from and against any and all third party claims, demands, suits, actions, recoveries, judgments and costs and expenses in connection therewith:
 - i. For or on account of the loss of life, tangible property (not including lost or damaged data) or injury or damage to the person, body or property (not including lost or damaged data) of any person or persons whatsoever, which shall arise from or result directly or indirectly from the work and/or products supplied under this Contract; and
 - ii. For or on account of the use of any patent, copyright, trademark, trade secret or other proprietary right of any copyrighted or uncopyrighted composition, secret process, patented or unpatented invention, article or appliance

("Intellectual Property Rights") furnished or used in the performance of the contract; and

- iii. For or on account of a Breach of Security resulting from Contractor's breach of its obligation to encrypt Personal Data or otherwise prevent its release or misuse; and
- iv. The Contractor's indemnification and liability under Section 4.1(A)(1) is not limited by, but is in addition to the insurance obligations contained in Section 4.2 of the State Standard Terms and Conditions.
- 2. In the event of a claim or suit involving third-party Intellectual Property Rights, the Contractor, at its option, may: (1) procure for the State the legal right to continue the use of the product; (2) replace or modify the product to provide a non-infringing product that is the functional equivalent; or (3) refund the purchase price less a reasonable allowance for use that is agreed to by both parties. The State will: (1) promptly notify Contractor in writing of the claim or suit; (2) Contractor shall have control of the defense and settlement of any claim that is subject to Section 4.1(A)(1); provided, however, that the State must approve any settlement of the alleged claim, which approval shall not be unreasonably withheld. The State may observe the proceedings relating to the alleged claim and confer with the Contractor at its expense. Furthermore, neither Contractor nor any attorney engaged by Contractor shall defend the claim in the name of the State of New Jersey, nor purport to act as legal representative of the State of New Jersey, without having provided notice to the Director of the Division of Law in the Department of Law and Public Safety and to the Director of DPP. The State of New Jersey may, at its election and expense, assume its own defense and settlement.
- 3. Notwithstanding the foregoing, Contractor has no obligation or liability for any claim or suit concerning third-party Intellectual Property Rights arising from: (1) the State's unauthorized combination, operation, or use of a product supplied under this contract with any product, device, or software not supplied by Contractor; (2) the State's unauthorized alteration or modification of any product supplied under this contract; (3) the Contractor's compliance with the State's designs, specifications, requests, or instructions, provided that if the State provides Contractor with such designs, specifications, requests, or instructions, contractor shall review same and advise if such designs, specifications, requests or instructions present potential issues of patent or copyright infringement and the State nonetheless directs the Contractor to proceed with one or more designs, specifications, requests or instructions that present potential issues of patent or copyright infringement; or (4) the State's failure to promptly implement a required update, use a new version of the product, or to make a change or modification to the product if requested in writing by Contractor.
- 4. Contractor will be relieved of its responsibilities under Subsection 4.1(A)(1)(i), (ii), and (iii) for any claims made by an unaffiliated third party that arise solely from the actions or omissions of the State, its officers, employees or agents.
- 5. This section states the entire obligation of Contractor and the exclusive remedy of the State, in respect of any infringement or alleged infringement of any Intellectual Property Rights. This indemnity obligation and remedy are given to the State solely for its benefit and in lieu of, and Contractor disclaims, all warranties, conditions and other terms of non-infringement or title with respect to any product.
- 6. The provisions of this indemnification clause shall in no way limit the Contractor's obligations assumed in the Contract, nor shall they be construed to relieve the Contractor from any liability, nor preclude the State from taking any other actions available to it under any other provisions of the contract or otherwise at law or equity.
- 7. The Contractor agrees that any approval by the State of the work performed and/or reports, plans or specifications provided by the Contractor shall not operate to limit the obligations of the Contractor assumed in the Contract.
- The State of New Jersey will not indemnify, defend or hold harmless the Contractor. The State will not pay or reimburse for claims absent compliance with Section 4.1(B) below and a determination by the State to pay the claim or a final order of a court of competent jurisdiction.
- B. STATE RESPONSIBILITIES Subject to the New Jersey Tort Claims Act (<u>N.J.S.A.</u> 59:1-1 et seq.), the New Jersey Contractual Liability Act (<u>N.J.S.A.</u> 59:13-1 et seq.) and the appropriation and availability of funds, the State will be responsible for any cost or damage arising out of actions or inactions of the State, its employees or agents under Section 4.1(A)(1)(i), (ii), and (iii) which results in an unaffiliated third party claim. This is Contractor's exclusive remedy for these claims.

B. INSURANCE FOR SAAS

Section 4.2 Insurance of the SSTC is supplemented with the following:

1. Professional Liability Insurance

The Contractor shall carry Errors and Omissions, Professional Liability Insurance, and/or Professional Liability Malpractice Insurance sufficient to protect the Contractor from any liability arising out the professional obligations performed pursuant to the requirements of this Contract. The insurance shall be in the amount of not less than \$1,000,000 and in such policy forms as shall be approved by the State. If the Contractor has claims-made coverage and subsequently changes carriers during the term of this Contract, it shall obtain from its new Errors and Omissions, Professional Liability Insurance, and/or Professional Malpractice Insurance carrier an endorsement for retroactive coverage.

2. Cyber Breach Insurance

The Contractor shall carry Cyber Breach Insurance in sufficient to protect the Contractor from any liability arising out of its performance pursuant to the requirements of this Contract. The insurance shall be in an amount of not less than \$2,000,000 in such policy forms as shall be approved by the State. The insurance shall at a minimum cover the following: Data loss, ransomware and similar breaches to computers, servers and software; Protection against third-party claims; cost of notifying affected parties; cost of providing credit monitoring to affected parties; forensics; cost of public relations consultants; regulatory compliance costs; costs to pursue indemnity rights; costs to Data Breach and Credit Monitoring Services analyze the insured's legal response obligations; costs of defending

lawsuits; judgments and settlements; regulatory response costs; costs of responding to regulatory investigations; and costs of settling regulatory claims.

C. LIMITATION OF LIABILITY FOR SAAS

Section 4.0 Indemnification and Insurance of the SSTC is supplemented with the following:

4.3 LIMITATION OF LIABILITY

- A. The Contractor's liability for actual, direct damages resulting from the Contractor's performance or non-performance of, or in any manner related to, the Contract for any and all third party claims, shall be limited in the aggregate to 200% of the fees paid by the State during the previous twelve months to Contractor for the products or services giving rise to such damages. Notwithstanding the preceding sentence, in no event shall the limit of liability be less than \$1,000,000. This limitation of liability shall not apply to the following:
 - i. The Contractor's indemnification obligations as described in Section 4.1; and
 - ii. The Contractor's breach of its obligations of confidentiality described in this Bid Solicitation.
- A. Notwithstanding the foregoing exclusions, where a Breach of Security is a direct result of Contractor's breach of its contractual obligation to encrypt Personal Data pursuant to this Bid Solicitation or otherwise prevent its release as reasonably determined by the State, the Contractor shall bear the costs associated with (1) the investigation and resolution of the Breach of Security; (2) notifications to individuals, regulators, or others required by federal and state laws or as otherwise agreed to; (3) a credit monitoring service required by state or federal law or as otherwise agreed to; (4) a website or a toll-free number and call center for affected individuals required by federal and state laws all not to exceed the average per record, per person cost calculated for data breaches in the United States in the most recent Cost of Data Breach Study: Global Analysis published by the Ponemon Institute for the public sector at the time of the Breach of Security; and (5) completing all corrective actions as reasonably determined by Contractor based on root cause of the Breach of Security.
- B. The Contractor shall not be liable for punitive, special, indirect, incidental, or consequential damages.

State of New Jersey Standard Terms and Conditions and Waivered Contracts/Delegated Purchase Authority Supplement to the State of New Jersey Standard Terms and Conditions (Revised February 8, 2024)

I HEREBY ACCEPT THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THIS CONTRACT

Signature

Date

Print Name and Title

Print Name of Contractor

Office of the State Comptroller

OFFER AND ACCEPTANCE PAGE



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Risk Assessment and Oversight Plan Related to the RFP Title Gateway Development Commission

RFP No. #02-24

Contract Term RFP Section 5.9

TO THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY:

The Undersigned hereby offers and agrees to furnish the good, products, or services in compliance with all terms of this Contract.

Bidder	 Authorized Signature	
Address	Printed Name	
City, State, Zip Code	Title	
Phone Number Fax	Email Address	
Number	FEIN	
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Pursuant to P.L. 2017, c. 95, please indicate whether the Bidder self-identifies as any of the following as defined in N.J.S.A. 52:32-19:

Minority-Owned Business	Women-Owned Business	Small Business	Not Applicable
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For set-aside contracts only, a Bidder must be registered with the N.J. Division of Revenue and Enterprise Services, Small Business Registration and M/WBE Certification Services Unit. Please refer to N.J.A.C. 17:13-3.1 & 17:13-3.2 for additional information.

By signing and submitting this Offer, the Bidder certifies and confirms that:

- 1. The Bidder has read, understands, and agrees to all terms, conditions, and specifications set forth in the RFP, the State of New Jersey Standard Terms and Conditions, and the Waivered Contracts Supplement to the State of New Jersey Standard Terms and Conditions;
- 2. The Bidder's failure to meet any of the terms and conditions of the Contract as defined in the RFP shall constitute a breach and may result in suspension or debarment from further State bidding;
- 3. A defaulting Contractor may also be liable, at the option of the State, for the difference between the Contract price and the price bid by an alternate Bidder of the goods or services in addition to other remedies available; and
- 4. By signing and submitting this Offer, the Bidder consents to receipt of any and all documents related to this RFP and the resulting Contract by electronic medium.

THIS FORM SHALL BE SIGNED, COMPLETED, AND INCLUDED WITH THE BIDDER'S PROPOSAL

	ADDITIONAL BIDDER REQUIREME	INTS	
Bid Security Amount Performance Security Amount		Payment Security Amount Retainage Percentage	

ACCEPTANCE OF OFFER (For State Use Only)

The Offer above is hereby accepted and now constitutes a Contract with the State of New Jersey. The Contractor is now bound to sell the goods, products, or services listed by the attached Contract as defined by Section 3.0 of the RFP. The Contractor shall not commence any work or provide any good, product, or service under this Contract until the Contractor complies with all requirements set forth in the RFP and receives written notice to proceed.

Contract Number Contract Award Date

Contract Effective Date

State of New Jersey Authorized Signature

STATE OF NEW JERSEY OFFICE OF THE STATE COMPTROLLER 20 WEST STATE STREET P.O. BOX 024 TRENTON, NEW JERSEY 08625 **Office of the State Comptroller**

DISCLOSURE OF INVESTIGATIONS AND OTHER ACTIONS INVOLVING THE BIDDER FORM

DISCLOSURE OF INVESTIGATIONS AND OTHER ACTIONS INVOLVING BIDDER FORM



STATE OF NEW JERSEY OFFICE OF THE STATE COMPTROLLER 20 WEST STATE STREET, P.O. BOX 024 TRENTON, NEW JERSEY 08625

BID SOLICITATION # AND TITLE:

VENDOR NAME:

PART 1 PLEASE LIST ALL OFFICERS/DIRECTORS OF THE VENDOR BELOW.

NAME			
TITLE			
ADDRESS			
ADDRESS			
CITY	STATE	ZIP	

NAME			
TITLE			
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CITY	STATE	ZIP	

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CITY	STATE	7IP	

NAME			
TITLE			
ADDRESS			
ADDRESS			
CITY	STATE	ZIP	
*Attach Additio	onal Sheets If Necessary.		

PART 2

PLEASE REFER TO THE PERSONS LISTED ABOVE AND/OR THE PERSONS AND/OR ENTITIES LISTED ON THE OWNERSHIP DISCLOSURE FORM WHEN ANSWERING THESE QUESTIONS.

- 1 Has any person or entity listed on this form or its attachments ever been arrested, charged, indicted, or convicted in a criminal or disorderly persons matter by the State of New Jersev (or political subdivision thereof), or by any other state or the U.S. Government?
- 2. Has any person or entity listed on this form or its attachments ever been suspended, debarred or otherwise declared ineligible by any government agency from bidding or contracting to provide services, labor, materials or supplies?
- 3. Are there currently any pending criminal matters or debarment proceedings in which the firm and/or its officers and/or managers are involved?
- Has any person or entity listed on this form or its attachments been denied any license, permit or similar authorization required to engage in the work applied 4. for herein, or has any such license, permit or similar authorization been revoked by any agency of federal, state or local government?
- 5. Has any person or entity listed on this form or its attachments been involved as an adverse party to a public sector client in any civil litigation or administrative proceeding in the past five (5) years?

IF ANY OF THE ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS 1-5 ARE "YES", PLEASE PROVIDE THE REQUESTED INFORMATION IN PART 3. IF ALL OF THE ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS 1-5 ARE "NO", NO FURTHER ACTION IS NEEDED; PLEASE SIGN AND DATE THE FORM.

PART 3

DESCRIPTION OF THE INVESTIGATION OR LITIGATION, ETC.

If you answered "YES" to any of questions 1 - 5 above, you must provide a detailed description of any investigation or litigation, including, but not limited to, administrative complaints or other administrative proceedings involving public sector clients during the past five (5) years. The description must include the nature and status of the investigation, and for any litigation, the caption and a brief description of the action, the date of inception, current status, and if applicable, the disposition.

PERSON OR ENTITY NAME		
CONTACT NAME	PHONE NUMBER	
CASE CAPTION		
INCEPTION OF THE INVESTIGATION	CURRENT STATUS	
SUMMARY OF INVESTIGATION		

*Attach Additional Sheets If Necessary

CERTIFICATION

I, the undersigned, certify that I am authorized to execute this certification on behalf of the Vendor, that the foregoing information and any attachments hereto, to the best of my knowledge are true and complete. I acknowledge that the State of New Jersey is relying on the information contained herein, and that the Vendor is under a continuing obligation from the date of this certification through the completion of any contract(s) with the State to notify the State in writing of any changes to the information contained herein; that I am aware that it is a criminal offense to make a false statement or misrepresentation in this certification. If I do so, I may be subject to criminal prosecution under the law, and it will constitute a material breach of my contract(s) with the State, permitting the State to declare any contract(s) resulting from this certification void and unenforceable.

Signature

Office of the State Comptroller

SOURCE DISCLOSURE



SOURCE DISCLOSURE FORM STATE OF NEW JERSEY OFFICE OF THE STATE COMPTROLLER

20 WEST STATE STREET, P.O. BOX 024 TRENTON, NEW JERSEY 08625

BID SOLICITATION # AND TITLE:

VENDOR NAME:

The Vendor/Bidder submits this Form in response to a Bid Solicitation issued by the State of New Jersey, Department of the Treasury, Division of Purchase and Property, in accordance with the requirements of N.J.S.A. 52:34-13.2.

<u> PART 1</u>

All services will be performed by the Contractor and Subcontractors in the United States. Skip Part 2.

Services will be performed by the Contractor and/or Subcontractors outside of the United States. Complete Part 2.

<u>PART 2</u>

Where services will be performed outside of the United States, please list every country where services will be performed by the Contractor and all Subcontractors. If any of the services cannot be performed within the United States, the Contractor shall state, with specificity, the reasons why the services cannot be performed in the United States. The Director of the Division of Purchase and Property will review this justification and if deemed sufficient, the Director may seek the Treasurer's approval.

Name of Contractor / Sub-contractor	Performance Location by Country	Description of Service(s) to be Performed Outside of the United States *	Reason Why the Service(s) Cannot be Performed in the United States *

*Attach additional sheets if necessary to describe which service(s), if any, will be performed outside of the U.S. and the reason(s) why the service(s) cannot be performed in the U.S.

Any changes to the information set forth in this Form during the term of any Contract awarded under the referenced Bid Solicitation or extension thereof shall be immediately reported by the Contractor to the Director of the Division of Purchase and Property. If during the term of the Contract, the Contractor shifts the location of services outside the United States, without a prior written determination by the Director, the Contractor shall be deemed in breach of Contract, and the Contract will be subject to termination for cause pursuant to the State of New Jersey Standard Terms and Conditions.

CERTIFICATION

I, the undersigned, certify that I am authorized to execute this certification on behalf of the Vendor, that the foregoing information and any attachments hereto, to the best of my knowledge are true and complete. I acknowledge that the State of New Jersey is relying on the information contained herein, and that the Vendor is under a continuing obligation from the date of this certification through the completion of any contract(s) with the State to notify the State in writing of any changes to the information contained herein; that I am aware that it is a criminal offense to make a false statement or misrepresentation in this certification. If I do so, I may be subject to criminal prosecution under the law, and it will constitute a material breach of my contract(s) with the State to declare any contract(s) resulting from this certification void and unenforceable.

Signature

Date

Print Name and Title

Office of the State Comptroller

DISCLOSURE OF INVESTMENT ACTIVITIES IN IRAN



DISCLOSURE OF INVESTMENT ACTIVITIES IN IRAN FORM

STATE OF NEW JERSEY OFFICE OF THE STATE COMPTROLLER 20 WEST STATE STREET, P.O. BOX 024 TRENTON, NEW JERSEY 08625

BID SOLICITATION # AND TITLE:

VENDOR NAME:

Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 52:32-57, et seq. (P.L. 2012, c.25 and P.L. 2021, c.4) any person or entity that submits a bid or proposal or otherwise proposes to enter into or renew a contract must certify that neither the person nor entity, nor any of its parents, subsidiaries, or affiliates, is identified on the New Jersey Department of the Treasury's Chapter 25 List as a person or entity engaged in investment activities in Iran. The Chapter 25 list is found on the Division's website at https://www.state.nj.us/treasury/purchase/pdf/Chapter25List.pdf. Vendors/Bidders must review this list prior to completing the below certification. If the Director of the Division of Purchase and Property finds a person or entity to be in violation of the law, s/he shall take action as may be appropriate and provided by law, rule or contract, including but not limited to, imposing sanctions, seeking compliance, recovering damages, declaring the party in default and seeking debarment or suspension of the party.

CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX

I certify, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 52:32-57, et seq. (P.L. 2012, c.25 and P.L. 2021, c.4), that neither the Vendor/Bidder listed above nor any of its parents, subsidiaries, or affiliates is listed on the New Jersey Department of the Treasury's Chapter 25 List of entities determined to be engaged in prohibited activities in Iran.

OR

I am unable to certify as above because the Vendor/Bidder and/or one or more of its parents, subsidiaries, or affiliates is listed on the New Jersey Department of the Treasury's Chapter 25 List. I will provide a detailed, accurate and precise description of the activities of the Vendor/Bidder, or one of its parents, subsidiaries or affiliates, has engaged in regarding investment activities in Iran by completing the information requested below.

Entity Engaged in Investment Activities Relationship to Vendor/ Bidder		
Description of Activities		
Duration of Engagement		
Anticipated Cessation Date		
*Attach Additional Sheets If Necessary.		

CERTIFICATION

I, the undersigned, certify that I am authorized to execute this certification on behalf of the Vendor, that the foregoing information and any attachments hereto, to the best of my knowledge are true and complete. I acknowledge that the State of New Jersey is relying on the information contained herein, and that the Vendor is under a continuing obligation from the date of this certification through the completion of any contract(s) with the State to notify the State in writing of any changes to the information contained herein; that I am aware that it is a criminal offense to make a false statement or misrepresentation in this certification. If I do so, I may be subject to criminal prosecution under the law, and it will constitute a material breach of my contract(s) with the State to declare any contract(s) resulting from this certification void and unenforceable.

Signature

Date

Print Name and Title

Office of the State Comptroller

CERTIFICATION OF NON-INVOLVEMENT IN PROHIBITED ACTIVITIES IN RUSSIA/BELARUS



CERTIFICATION OF NON-INVOLVEMENT IN PROHIBITED ACTIVITIES IN RUSSIA OR BELARUS

Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 52:32-60.1, et seq. (L. 2022, c. 3) any person or entity (hereinafter "Vendori") that seeks to enter into or renew a contract with a State agency for the provision of goods or services, or the purchase of bonds or other obligations, must complete the certification below indicating whether or not the Vendor is identified on the Office of Foreian Assets Control (OFAC) Specially Designated Nationals and Blocked Persons list. available here. https://sanctionssearch.ofac.treas.gov/. If the Department of the Treasury finds that a Vendor has made a certification in violation of the law, it shall take any action as may be appropriate and provided by law, rule or contract, including but not limited to, imposing sanctions, seeking compliance, recovering damages, declaring the party in default and seeking debarment or suspension of the party.

I, the undersigned, certify that I have read the definition of "Vendor" below, and have reviewed the Office of Foreign Assets Control (OFAC) Specially Designated Nationals and Blocked Persons list, and having done so certify:

(Check the Appropriate Box)

A. That the Vendor is not identified on the <u>OFAC Specially Designated Nationals and Blocked Persons list on</u> <u>account of activity related to Russia and/or Belarus</u>.

OR

B. That I am unable to certify as to "A" above, because the Vendor is identified on the <u>OFAC Specially</u> <u>Designated Nationals and Blocked Persons list on account of activity related to Russia and/or Belarus</u>.

OR

C. That I am unable to certify as to "A" above, because the Vendor is identified on the <u>OFAC Specially</u> and/or Belarus consistent with federal law, regulation, license or exemption. A detailed description of how the Vendor's activity related to Russia and/or Belarus is consistent with federal law is set forth below.

(Attach Additional Sheets If Necessary.)

Signature of Vendor's Authorized Representative	Date	
Print Name and Title of Vendor's Authorized Representative	Vendor's FEIN	
Vendor's Name	Vendor's Phone Number	
Vendor's Address (Street Address)	Vendor's Fax Number	
Vendor's Address (City/State/Zip Code)	Vendor's Email Address	

ⁱ Vendor means: (1) A natural person, corporation, company, limited partnership, limited liability partnership, limited liability company, business association, sole proprietorship, joint venture, partnership, society, trust, or any other nongovernmental entity, organization, or group; (2) Any governmental entity or instrumentality of a government, including a multilateral development institution, as defined in Section 1701(c)(3) of the International Financial Institutions Act, 22 U.S.C. 262r(c)(3); or (3) Any parent, successor, subunit, direct or indirect subsidiary, or any entity under common ownership or control with, any entity described in paragraph (1) or (2).

Office of the State Comptroller

MACBRIDE PRINCIPLES FORM



MACBRIDE PRINCIPLES FORM

STATE OF NEW JERSEY OFFICE OF THE STATE COMPTROLLER 20 WEST STATE STREET, P.O. BOX 024 TRENTON, NEW JERSEY 08625

BID SOLICITATION # AND TITLE:

VENDOR NAME:

Pursuant to Public Law 1995, c. 134, a responsible Vendor/Bidder is required to provide a certification in compliance with the MacBride Principles and Northern Ireland Act of 1989. Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 52:34-12.2, Vendor/Bidder must complete the certification below by checking one of the two options listed below and signing where indicated. If a Vendor/Bidder that would otherwise be awarded a purchase, contract or agreement does not complete the certification, then the Director may determine, in accordance with applicable law and rules, that it is in the best interest of the State to award the purchase, contract or agreement to another Vendor/ Bidder that has completed the certification and has submitted a bid within five (5) percent of the most advantageous bid. If the Director finds contractors to be in violation of the principles that are the subject of this law, he/she shall take such action as may be appropriate and provided by law, rule or contract, including but not limited to, imposing sanctions, seeking compliance, recovering damages, declaring the party in default and seeking debarment or suspension of the party.

I, the undersigned, on behalf the Vendor/Bidder, certify pursuant to N.J.S.A. 52:34-12.2 that:

CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX

The Vendor/Bidder has no business operations in Northern Ireland; or

OR

The Vendor/Bidder will take lawful steps in good faith to conduct any business operations it has in Northern Ireland in accordance with the MacBride principles of nondiscrimination in employment as set forth in section 2 of P.L. 1987, c. 177 (N.J.S.A. 52:18A-89.5) and in conformance with the United Kingdom's Fair Employment (Northern Ireland) Act of 1989, and permit independent monitoring of its compliance with those principles.

CERTIFICATION

I, the undersigned, certify that I am authorized to execute this certification on behalf of the Vendor, that the foregoing information and any attachments hereto, to the best of my knowledge are true and complete. I acknowledge that the State of New Jersey is relying on the information contained herein, and that the Vendor is under a continuing obligation from the date of this certification through the completion of any contract(s) with the State to notify the State in writing of any changes to the information contained herein; that I am aware that it is a criminal offense to make a false statement or misrepresentation in this certification. If I do so, I may be subject to criminal prosecution under the law, and it will constitute a material breach of my contract(s) with the State to declare any contract(s) resulting from this certification void and unenforceable.

Signature

Date

Print Name and Title

Office of the State Comptroller

CHAPTER 51 POLITICAL CONTRIBUTION DISCLOSURE (PAY TO PLAY FORMS)

INFORMATION AND INSTRUCTIONS For Completing the "Two-Year Chapter 51/Executive Order 333 Vendor Certification and Disclosure of Political Contributions for Non-Fair and Open Contracts" Form

Background Information

New Jersey law insulates the negotiation and award of State contracts from political contributions that posed a risk of improper influence, purchase of access or the appearance thereof. P.L.2005, c.51, as amended by the Elections Transparency Act, P.L.2023, c.30, codified at N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.13 to 20.25 ("Chapter 51") and Executive Order No. 333 (2023).

For Contracts Awarded Pursuant to a Fair and Open Process

Pursuant to P.L.2005, c.51, as amended by the Elections Transparency Act, P.L.2023, c.30, codified at N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.13 to 20.25 ("Chapter 51"), and Executive Order No. 333 (2023), contracts awarded pursuant to a fair and open process do <u>not</u> require a certification or disclosure of any solicitation or contribution of money, or pledge of contribution, including in-kind contributions.

For Contracts Awarded Pursuant to a Non-Fair and Open Process

Pursuant to P.L.2005, c.51, as amended by the Elections Transparency Act, P.L.2023, c.30, codified at N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.13 to 20.25 ("Chapter 51"), and Executive Order No. 333 (2023), the State shall not enter into a Contract to procure services or any material, supplies or equipment, or to acquire, sell, or lease any land or building from any Business Entity, where the value of the transaction exceeds \$17,500, if that Business Entity has solicited or made any contribution of money, or pledge of contribution, including in-kind contributions, to a Continuing Political Committee or to a candidate committee and/or election fund of any candidate for or holder of the public office of Governor during certain specified time periods.

Definitions:

A "fair and open process" means, at a minimum, that the contract shall be: publicly advertised in newspapers or on the Internet website maintained by the public entity in sufficient time to give notice in advance of the contract; awarded under a process that provides for public solicitation of proposals or qualifications and awarded and disclosed under criteria established in writing by the public entity prior to the solicitation of proposals or qualifications; and publicly opened and announced when awarded. A contract awarded under a process that includes public bidding or competitive contracting pursuant to State contracts law shall constitute a fair and open process. N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.23 (P.L.2005, c.51, rev. P.L.2023, c.30).

A "Continuing Political Committee" means any political organization (a) organized under section 527 of the Internal Revenue Code; and (b) consisting of any group of two or more persons acting jointly, or any corporation, partnership, or any other incorporated or unincorporated association, including a political club, political action committee, civic association or other organization, which in any calendar year contributes or expects to contribute at least \$5,500 to the aid or promotion of the candidacy of an individual, or of the candidacies of individuals, for elective public office, or the passage or defeat of a public question or public questions, and which may be expected to make contributions toward such aid or promotion or passage or defeat during a subsequent election, provided that the group, corporation, partnership, association or other organization has been determined to be a continuing political committee by the New Jersey Election Law Enforcement Commission under N.J.S.A.19:44A-8(b)(8). A Continuing Political Committee does not include a "political party committee," a "legislative leadership committee," or an "independent expenditure committee," as defined in N.J.S.A. 19:44A-3.

Two-Year Certification Process

Upon approval by the State Chapter 51 Review Unit, the Certification and Disclosure of Political Contributions form **for Non-Fair and Open Contracts** is valid for a two (2) year period. Thus, if a Business Entity and/or vendor receives approval on January 1, 2022, the certification expiration date would be December 31, 2023. Any change in the Business Entity's ownership status and/or political contributions during the two-year period will require the submission of new Chapter 51 forms to the contracting State Agency. **Please note that it is the Business Entity's responsibility to file new forms with the State should these changes occur**.

State Agency Instructions

Prior to the awarding of a contract, the State Agency should first use NJSTART (<u>https://www.njstart.gov/bso/</u>) to check the status of a Business Entity's Chapter 51 certification before contacting the Review Unit's mailbox at <u>CD134@treas.nj.gov</u>. If the State Agency does not find any Chapter 51 Certification information in NJSTART and/or the Business Entity is not registered in NJSTART, then the State Agency should send an e-mail to <u>CD134@treas.nj.gov</u> to verify the certification status of the Business Entity. If the response is that the Business Entity is NOT within an approved two-year period, then forms must be obtained from the Business Entity and forwarded for review. If the response is that the Business Entity is within an approved two-year period, then the response so stating should be placed with the bid/contract documentation for the subject project.

Instructions for Completing the Form

"For State Use Only" box

This box/section should **only** be filled out by the contracting State agency.

The contracting State agency must check the box indicating whether this is a fair and open contract. Please note that if the answer is **YES**, the <u>Chapter 51 form is not required</u> and should not be submitted as per the Elections Transparency Act, P.L.2023, c.30, codified at N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.13 to 20.25 ("Chapter 51") and Executive Order No. 333 (2023).

NOTE: Parts 1, 2 and 3 of the form should be filled out the Business Entity.

Part 1: BUSINESS ENTITY INFORMATION

Business Name - Enter the full legal name of the Business Entity, including trade name if applicable.

Address, City, State, Zip and Phone Number – Enter the Business Entity's street address, city, state, zip code and telephone number.

Vendor Email - Enter the Business Entity's primary email address.

Vendor FEIN – Please enter the Business Entity's Federal Employment Identification Number.

Business Type – Check the appropriate box that represents the Business Entity's type of business formation.

Listing of officers, shareholders, partners or members – Based on the box checked for the business type, provide the corresponding information. (A complete list must be provided.)

Part 2: DISCLOSURE OF CONTRIBUTIONS

Read the two (2) types of political contributions that require disclosure and, if applicable, provide the recipient's information.

Name of Recipient - Enter the full legal name of the recipient.

Address of Recipient - Enter the recipient's street address.

Date of Contribution – Indicate the date the contribution was given.

Amount of Contribution – Enter the dollar amount of the contribution.

Type of Contribution – Select the type of contribution from the examples given.

Contributor's Name – Enter the full name of the contributor.

Relationship of the Contributor to the Vendor – Indicate the relationship of the contributor to the Business Entity. (e.g., officer or shareholder of the company, partner, member, parent company of the vendor, subsidiary of the vendor, etc.)

NOTE: If form is being completed electronically, click "Add a Contribution" to enter additional contributions. Otherwise, please attach additional pages as necessary.

Check the box under the recipient information within Part 2 if no reportable contributions have been solicited or made by the Business Entity. **This box** <u>must</u> be checked if there are no contributions to report.

Part 3: CERTIFICATION

Check Box A if the representative completing the Certification and Disclosure form is doing so on behalf of the Business Entity <u>and all</u> individuals and/or entities whose contributions are attributable to the Business Entity. <u>No</u> additional Certification and Disclosure forms are required if BOX A is checked.

Check Box B if the representative completing the Certification and Disclosure form is doing so on behalf of the Business Entity <u>and all</u> individuals and/or entities whose contributions are attributable to the Business Entity <u>with the exception</u> of those individuals and/or entities that submit their own separate form. For example, the representative is not signing on behalf of the vice president of a corporation, but all others. The vice president completes a separate Certification and Disclosure form. Additional Certification and Disclosure forms are required from those individuals and/or entities that the representative is not signing on behalf of and are included with the business entity's submittal.

Check Box C if the representative completing the Certification and Disclosure form is doing so on behalf of the Business Entity only. Additional Certification and Disclosure forms are required from all individuals and/or entities whose contributions are attributable to the Business Entity and must be included with the Business Entity submittal.

Check Box D when a sole proprietor is completing the Certification and Disclosure form or when an individual or entity whose contributions are attributable to the Business Entity is completing a separate Certification and Disclosure form.

Read the five statements of certification prior to signing.

The representative authorized to complete the Certification and Disclosure form must sign and print her/his name, title or position and enter the date.

State Agency Procedure for Submitting Form(s)

The State Agency should submit the completed and signed Two-Year Vendor Certification and Disclosure forms either electronically to: <u>cd134@treas.nj.gov</u> or regular mail at: Chapter 51 Review Unit, P.O. Box 230, 33 West State Street, Trenton, NJ 08625-0230. Original forms should remain with the State Agency and copies should be sent to the Chapter 51 Review Unit.

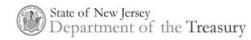
Business Entity Procedure for Submitting Form(s)

- The Business Entity should return this form to the contracting State Agency.
- The Business Entity should also submit the Certification and Disclosure form directly to the Chapter 51 review Unit only when:
- The Business Entity is approaching its two-year certification expiration date and is seeking certification renewal;
- The Business Entity had a change in its ownership structure; OR
- The Business Entity made any contributions during the period in which its last two-year certification was in effect, or during the term of a contract with a State Agency.

Questions & Information

Questions regarding Public Law 2005, Chapter 51 (N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.13) as amended by the Elections Transparency Act, P.L.2023, c.30, codified at N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.13 to 20.25 ("Chapter 51") and Executive Order No. 333 (2023) or may be submitted electronically through the Division of Purchase and Property website at: <u>https://www.state.nj.us/treas/purchase/eo333questions.shtml</u>.

Reference materials and forms are posted on the Political Contributions Compliance website at: <u>https://www.state.nj.us/</u> treasury/purchase/execorder333.shtml.



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	FOR STATE	USE ONLY	
Solicitation, RFP, or Contract No		Awar	d Amount
Is the contract being awarded pursuant	to a "fair and ope	n process" pur	suant to P.L.2023, c.30? Yes \Box No \Box
Description of Services			
State Agency Name	Contac	t Person	
Phone Number	Contac	t Email	
Check if the Contract / Agreement is Bei	ng Funded Using FH	IWA Funds	
Part 1: Business Entity Information			Please check if requesting recertification \Box
Full Legal Business Name	Including trade na	me if applicabl	e)
Address	-		
City	State	Zip	Phone
Vendor Email	Vendor FEIN (S	SS# if sole prop	prietor/natural person)
 Professional Corporation: LIST ALL OFFIG Partnership: LIST ALL PARTNERS with ar Limited Liability Company: LIST ALL MEN Sole Proprietor Note: "Officers" means President, Vice President, Vice President Also Note: "N/A will not be accepted as a variable 	CERS <u>and</u> ALL SHARI by equity interest 1BERS with any equi lent with senior man tion, or any person r lid response. Where	EHOLDERS "sole ty interest agement respon outinely perform applicable, indica	sibility, Secretary, Treasurer, Chief Executive ing such functions for a corporation. ate "None."
All Officers of a Corporation or F	•C		reater shareholders of a corporation or <u>all</u> shareholders of a PC
All Equity partners of a Partner	ship		All Equity members of a LLC
If you need additional space for listing of Offi	cers, Shareholders,	Partners or Mem	bers, please attach separate page.

Part 2: Disclosure of Contributions by the Business Entity or any person or entity whose contributions are attributable to the Business Entity.

1. Report below all contributions solicited or made during the 4 years immediately preceding the commencement of negotiations or submission of a proposal to any:

Political organization organized under Section 527 of the Internal Revenue Code and which also meets the definition of a continuing political committee as defined in N.J.S.A. 19:44A-3(n).

2. Report below all contributions solicited or made during the 5 ½ years immediately preceding the commencement of negotiations or submission of a proposal to any:

Candidate Committee for or Election Fund of any Gubernatorial candidate.

Full Legal Name of Recipient			
Address of Recipient			
Date of Contribution Amount of Contribution			
Type of Contribution (i.e. currency, check, loan, in-kind)			
Contributor Name			
Relationship of Contributor to the Vendor If this form is not being completed electronically, please attach additional contributions on separate page. Remove Contribution Click the "Add a Contribution" tab to enter additional contributions.			
Full Legal Name of Recipient			
Address of Recipient			
Date of Contribution Amount of Contribution			
Type of Contribution (i.e. currency, check, loan, in-kind)			
Contributor Name			
Relationship of Contributor to the Vendor	-		
Remove Contribution Click the "Add a Contribution" tab to enter additional contributions.			
Add a Contribution			

Check this box only if no political contributions have been solicited or made by the business entity or any person or entity whose contributions are attributable to the business entity.

Part 3: Certification (Check one box only)

- (A) I am certifying on behalf of the business entity <u>and all</u> individuals and/or entities whose contributions are attributable to the business entity as listed on Page 1 under **Part 1: Vendor Information**.
- (B) I am certifying on behalf of the business entity <u>and all</u> individuals and/or entities whose contributions are attributable to the business entity as listed on Page 1 under <u>Part 1: Vendor Information</u>, except for the individuals and/or entities who are submitting separate Certification and Disclosure forms which are included with this submittal.
- (C) I am certifying on behalf of the business entity only; any remaining persons or entities whose contributions are attributable to the business entity (as listed on Page 1) have completed separate Certification and Disclosure forms which are included with this submittal.
- (D) \Box I am certifying as an individual or entity whose contributions are attributable to the business entity.

I hereby certify as follows:

- 1. I have read the Information and Instructions accompanying this form prior to completing the certification on behalf of the business entity.
- 2. All reportable contributions made by or attributable to the business entity have been listed above.

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3. The business entity has not knowingly solicited or made any contribution of money, pledge of contribution, including in-kind contributions, that would bar the award of a contract to the business entity unless otherwise disclosed above:

a) Within the 18 months immediately preceding the commencement of negotiations or submission of a proposal for the contract or agreement to a candidate committee or election fund of any candidate for the public office of Governor or election fund of holder of public office of Governor.

b) During the term of office of the current Governor to a candidate committee or election fund of a holder of the public office of Governor.

c) Within the 18 months immediately preceding the last day of the sitting Governor's first term of office to a candidate committee or election fund of the incumbent Governor.

4. During the term During the term of the contract/agreement the business entity has a continuing responsibility to report, by submitting a new Certification and Disclosure form, any contribution it solicits or makes to any candidate committee or election fund of any candidate or holder of the public office of Governor.

The business entity further acknowledges that contributions solicited or made during the term of the contract/agreement may be determined to be a material breach of the contract/agreement.

5. During the two-year certification period the business entity will report any changes in its ownership structure (including the appointment of an officer within a corporation) by submitting a new Certification and Disclosure form indicating the new owner(s) and reporting said owner(s) contributions.

I certify that the foregoing statements in Parts 1, 2 and 3 are true. I am aware that if any of the statements are willfully false, I may be subject to punishment.

Signed Name	Print Name
Title/Position	Date

Procedure for Submitting Form(s)

The contracting State Agency should submit this form to the Chapter 51 Review Unit when it has been required as part of a contracting process. The contracting State Agency should submit a copy of the completed and signed form(s), to the Chapter 51 Unit and retain the original for their records.

The Business Entity should return this form to the contracting State Agency. The Business Entity can submit this form directly to the Chapter 51 Review Unit <u>only</u> when it:

- Is approaching its two-year certification expiration date and wishes to renew certification;
- Had a change in ownership structure; OR
- Made any contributions during the period in which its last two-year certification was in effect, or during the term of a contract with a State Agency.

Forms should be submitted either electronically to: cd134@treas.nj.gov, or regular mail at: Chapter 51 Review Unit, P.O. Box 230, 33 West State Street, Trenton, NJ 08625.

Attachment C

Form of Confidentiality and Non-Disclosure Agreement

OSC RFP: Forensic Audit, Forensic Accounting, and Financial Investigative Services for Medicaid-Funded Facilities Including Nursing Homes

THIS FORM OF CONFIDENTIALITY and NON-DISCLOSURE AGREEMENT ("Agreement") is effective as of the date executed by the Contractor, identified below, and is by and between the State of New Jersey, Office of the State Comptroller ("OSC") whose offices are located at 20 West State Street, Trenton, New Jersey 08608, and the Contractor, its employees, agents, contractors, and legal representatives (hereinafter referred to as the "Contractor");

WHEREAS, the Contractor has submitted Proposal in response to OSC's Request for Proposals ("RFP"); and

WHEREAS, the RFP entails substantial work with data and other information of a confidential nature ("Data") which may include non-public data, personal data, and personally identifiable information (PII) as defined by the Statewide Information Security Manual (SISM), https://www.tech.nj.gov/it/docs/ps/NJ_Statewide_Information_Security_Manual.pdf, work product not subject to the Open Public Records Act ("OPRA"), and other data and information deemed confidential;

WHEREAS, OSC wishes to release to Contractor Data so that the Contractor may provide the services as described in the Contract; and

WHEREAS, Contractor due to the confidential nature of OSC's audits, investigations and projects, recognizes that the any Data disclosed shall be held in confidence and remains the property of OSC.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual promises and covenants contained herein, the Contractor and OSC do hereby agree as follows:

- 1. OSC shall provide the Contractor with the Data;
- 2. The Data shall be considered confidential information, and shall be subject to all terms, conditions, and restrictions described in *RFP Section 3.7 Privacy and Security Requirements*;
- 3. The Data is the property of OSC, and the Contractor shall hold the Data, and any derivative information thereof, in confidence and shall use the Data expressly and solely for fulfilling its obligations under the Contract;
- 4. Contractor shall use the Data only for the purpose described in Paragraph 3 of this Confidentiality and Non-Disclosure Agreement;
- 5. Contractor shall not use the Data or any derivative information for any purpose other than that described in Paragraph 3 of this Confidentiality and Non-Disclosure Agreement;
- 6. Contractor shall not share, transmit, exchange, reproduce, distribute, repurpose, or disclose the Data, or any information identified therein, to any person, entity, database, or application that retains the information for machine learning purposes, without prior written approval from OSC;
- 7. Contractor agrees to hold OSC and its representatives, and agents harmless from any and all claims, including claims for attorneys' fees and costs, charges, actions, causes of action, demands, settlements,

judgments, costs, penalties, expenses, damages, and liabilities of any kind or character, in law or equity, suspected or unsuspected, past or present, arising from or in connection with Contractor's breach of any provision of this Agreement;

- 8. In the event that the Contractor receives a lawfully issued subpoena or other lawful requirement for the Data to be released, the Contractor shall notify OSC immediately at the address listed above, and by email to the OSC Contract Manager;
- 9. This Agreement shall be governed by the applicable laws, regulations and rules of evidence of the State of New Jersey without reference to conflict of laws principles and any legal action regarding this Agreement shall be filed in the appropriate Division of the New Jersey Superior Court; and
- 10. This Agreement is in addition to any other terms, conditions, or restrictions between the State and the Contractor with respect to the treatment of confidential information including, but not limited to, *the State of New Jersey Standard Terms and Conditions, Section 5.23 Confidentiality* (Revised June 21, 2023), the *Waivered Contracts Supplement to the State of New Jersey Standard Terms and Conditions* (Revised January 11, 2022), and shall have no effect on the other components of the Contractor's submitted Proposal or the terms and conditions of the RFP.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the State and Contractor have executed this Agreement, effective as of the date signed below by the Contractor.

Office of the State Comptroller

By:

FOR THE CONTRACTOR

Signature of Contractor's Authorized Representative

Print Name and Title of Contractor's Authorized Representative

Contractor's Name

Contractor's Address (Street Address)

Contractor's Address (City/State/Zip Code)

Date

NEW JERSEY OFFICE OF THE STATE COMPTROLLER

TASK ORDER REQUEST

OSC RFP #03-24: Forensic Audit, Forensic Accounting, and Financial Investigative Services for Medicaid-Funded Facilities Including Nursing Homes

CONTRACTOR NAME		
PROJECT TITLE		
DATE		
PROJECT SUMMARY		
DATE NEEDED		
OSC CONTACT (Name, Title, Address, E-mail & Telephone Number)		
 Cost Submission: Please provide a cost estimate for the above referenced project, in accordance with the Fee Schedule submitted for OSC RFP #03-24: Forensic Audit, Forensic Accounting, and Financial Investigative Services for Medicaid-Funded Facilities Including Nursing Homes. By providing a cost estimate, the Contractor is certifying that there is no Conflict of Interest with the subject request. Within five (5) business days of confirmation of receipt of the TOR Request, the Contractor shall e-mail OSC a TOR Contractor Response Form provided by OSC. Each estimate must include a Not-to-Exceed amount and statement as such. WRITTEN NOTICE TO PROCEED MUST BE PROVIDED BY OSC BEFORE WORK ON THIS PROJECT MAY BEGIN. 		
PROJECT DESCRIPTION	N	
* THIS SECTION SHALL BE COMPLETED BY OSC AND ISSUED SEPARATELY FOR EACH ENGAGEMENT AS DETAILED IN OSC RFP #03-24 *		

ADDITIONAL PARTIES TO RELY ON THE RESPONSE

ATTACHMENT E

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TASK ORDER REQUEST – CONTRACTOR RESPONSE FORM

OSC RFP #03-24: Forensic Audit, Forensic Accounting, and Financial Investigative Services for Medicaid-Funded Facilities Including Nursing Homes

TASK ORDER REQUEST #_____

The undersigned, having familiarized himself/herself with the conditions affecting the cost of the work and with OSC's Contract documents agrees to furnish all mobilization, insurances, labor, materials and services, and perform all work as described in the Contract documents, per the rates included in the Fee Schedule. The Contractor is responsible for verifying and estimating all quantities for providing the prices.

CONTRACTOR NAME			
PROJECT SUMMARY			
STANDARDIZED POSITIONS/TITLES	HOURLY RATES	NUMBER OF HOURS	PRICE
Senior Executive / Manager			
Mid-Level Manager			
Low-level (or similar title)			
Administrative/Support Staff			
		TOTAL PRICE	

Contractor agrees as follows:

Project completion shall be consistent with the dates outlined on the Task Order Request. Scheduling of all work shall be coordinated with OSC.

Consultant represents that there is no conflict of interest in the performance of this Task Order Request.

Respectfully submitted,

Contractor Name

By: _____

Title: _____

Date:_____

ATTACHMENT F

NEW JERSEY OFFICE OF THE STATE COMPTROLLER

TASK ORDER REQUEST – CONFLICT OF INTEREST CERTIFICATION STATEMENT

OSC RFP #03-24: Forensic Audit, Forensic Accounting, and Financial Investigative Services for Medicaid-Funded Facilities Including Nursing Homes

I hereby certify that I am an authorized representative of the Contractor and can provide this Conflict of Interest Certification Statement on the Contractor's behalf.

I hereby certify and attest that to the best of my knowledge that the Contractor does not have a direct, familial, personal or monetary interest in the business entity, business site or project indicated below; nor does the Contractor or any employee, agent and/or representative of the Contractor currently have or have had any previous or existing personal or professional relationships with, interaction with, or done business with the project-specific business, site and/or with the current or previous owner(s). Further, neither Contractor nor any employee, agent and/or representative of the Contractor is now or has been employed by, or is a principal of, or is affiliated with the respective business, business sites, owner(s) or project involved with the Task Order Request (TOR) named below, in any manner.

To the best of my knowledge, neither the Contractor or any employee, agent or representative of the Contractor hold any ownership interest in the respective Task Order Request businesses or business sites which are the subject of the work to be performed, nor does Contractor under contract (other than the OSC Contract) to perform work or services, including representation for the same businesses or business sites referenced in the Task Order Request for the work to be performed.

During the performance of the work for the Task Order Request, should a conflict of interest arise, whether real or perceived, Contractor will immediately notify the New Jersey Office of the State Comptroller's Designated Contract Manager of the conflict and await OSC's review and decision regarding Contractor's further participation.

I understand that, should a conflict exist, whether real or perceived, in the sole discretion of OSC, Contractor shall immediately recuse itself from the work to be performed. In the event Contractor declines to complete and execute this Conflict of Interest Statement, Contractor understands that it will be removed from the work.

TASK ORDER REQUEST DETAILS:

RFP No.:_____

RFP Title:

□ Contractor hereby certifies and attests that, to the best of my knowledge, there is no conflict of interest, as indicated above, that would affect Contractor's ability to accurately, effectively, and impartially perform the work required on the specific Task Order Request.

□ Contractor hereby recuses itself from participating in the performance of any work required on the specific Task Order Requestfor the following reasons:

Contractor Employee Name:_____

Signature:	
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Title:		

Contractor Contract Manager Name:

Signature:	

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Date:	