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Open to Cooperative Purchasing

Bid Solicitation No. Blanket P.O. Term

Bid Solicitation Title T2867 - Warehousing and Emergency Ops: Services and Logistics 20DPP00476 See Bid Solicitation Section 5.2

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 Master Bl	lanket
Purchase Order (Blanket P.O.) as defined in Section 2.0 of the Bid Solicitation.	

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Vendor (Bidder)	Allmodes Transport, Inc. d/b/a/ AMS Logistics	Authorized Signature	Carl A Sambus
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Minority-Owner	. 95, please indicate whether the Vendor {Bidder d Business	Sma th the N.J. Division of Rev	Il Business
 y signing and submitting this Offer, the Vendor {Bidder} certifies and confirms that: The Vendor {Bidder} has read, understands, and agrees to all terms, conditions, and specifications set forth in the State of New Jersey Standard Terms and Conditions and the provisions set forth in the Bid Solicitation Section 4.4.1.1.1 (MacBride Principles Certification), Section 4.4.1.1.2 (Non-Collusion), and Section 4.4.1.1.3 (New Jersey Business Ethics Guide Certification); The Vendor's {Bidder's} failure to meet any of the terms and conditions of the Blanket P.O. as defined in the Bid Solicitation shall constitute a breach and may result in suspension or debarment from further State bidding; A defaulting Vendor {Contractor} may also be liable, at the option of the State, for the difference between the Blanket P.O. price and the price bid by an alternate Vendor {Bidder} of the goods or services in addition to other remedies available; and By signing and submitting this Offer, the Vendor {Bidder} consents to receipt of any and all documents related to this Bid Solicitation and the resulting Blanket P.O. by electronic medium. THIS FORM SHOULD BE SIGNED, COMPLETED AND INCLUDED WITH THE VENDOR'S {BIDDER'S} QUOTE 			
Bid Security A	ADDITIONAL VENDOR {E	Payment	Security Amount e Percentage

ACCEPTANCE OF OFFER (For State Use Only)

The Offer above is hereby accepted and now constitutes a Blanket P.O. {Contract} with the State of New Jersey. The Vendor {Contractor} is now bound to sell the goods, products, or services listed by the attached Blanket P.O. {Contract} as defined by Section 2.0 of the Bid Solicitation. The Vendor (Contractor) shall not commence any work or provide any good, product, or service under this Blanket P.O. {Contract} until the Vendor {Contractor} complies with all requirements set forth in the Bid Solicitation and receives written notice to proceed.

Blanket P.O. Number	22-GNSV1-28415		
Blanket P.O. Award Date	10/19/22	Blanket P.O. Effective Date	11/1/22
	DocuSign	ned by:	

State of New Jersey Authorized Signature

October 27, 2022



Bid Solicitation # 20DPP00476

For: T2867 – Warehousing and Emergency Ops: Services and Logistics

Event	Date	Time
Vendor's {Bidder's} Electronic Question Due Date (Refer to Bid Solicitation Section 1.3.1 for more information.)	11/5/21	2:00 PM
Optional Pre-Quote Submission Conference (Refer to Bid Solicitation Section 1.3.5 for more information.)	10/21/21	10:30 AM
Mandatory/Optional Site Visit (Refer to Bid Solicitation Section 1.3.4 for more information.)	N/A	N/A
Quote Submission Date (Refer to Bid Solicitation Section 1.3.2 for more information.)	12/21/21	2:00 PM

Dates are subject to change. All times contained in the Bid Solicitation refer to Eastern Time. All changes will be reflected in Bid Amendments to the Bid Solicitation posted on www.njstart.gov.

Status
☐ Not Applicable
☐ Entire Blanket P.O.
Partial Blanket P.O.

Bid Solicitation Issued By:

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Division of Purchase and Property
Trenton, New Jersey 08625-0230

Using Agency/Agencies:

State of New Jersey Office of Homeland Security and Preparedness Office of Emergency Management Department of Human Services

Date: 11/22/2021

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1.0 INFORMATION FOR VENDORS (BIDDERS)

NOTICE: This Bid Solicitation is part of the *NJSTART* Procurement Program. *The Vendor {Bidder} is advised to thoroughly read all sections, as many have been revised, and follow all instructions contained in this Bid Solicitation, including the instructions on the Bid Solicitation's Offer and Acceptance Page and read through all Quick Reference Guides (QRGs) located on the <u>NJSTART Vendor Support Page</u>, before preparing and submitting its Quote.*

1.1 PURPOSE AND INTENT

This Bid Solicitation is issued by the Procurement Bureau, Division of Purchase and Property (Division), Department of the Treasury on behalf of the Office of Homeland Security and Preparedness (OHSP) in cooperation with the State Police Office of Emergency Management (OEM), and the Department of Human Services (DHS). The purpose of this Bid Solicitation is to solicit Quotes for warehouse and logistics services to support the State's Emergency Operations Plans (SEOPs).

The intent of this Bid Solicitation is to award a Master Blanket Purchase Order (Blanket P.O.) to that responsible Vendor {Bidder} whose Quote, conforming to this Bid Solicitation is most advantageous to the State, price and other factors considered. The State may award any and all price lines. The State, however, reserves the right to separately procure individual requirements that are the subject of the Blanket P.O. during the Blanket P.O. term, when deemed by the Director of the Division of Purchase and Property (Director) to be in the State's best interest.

Quotes will be evaluated in accordance with Bid Solicitation Section 6.0, Quote Evaluation.

A Blanket P.O. award will be made with reasonable promptness by written notice to that responsible Vendor {Bidder}, who's Quote, conforming to this Bid Solicitation, is most advantageous to the State, price, and other factors considered. Any or all Quotes may be rejected when the State Treasurer or the Director determines that it is in the public interest to do so.

The Division intends to award one (1) Blanket P.O. to a Vendor {Contractor} to provide warehousing services and utilize a computerized inventory management system, as well as to provide logistics services for the transportation of commodities to and from State stockpiles and locations.

The State of NJ Standard Terms and Conditions (SSTCs) accompanying this Bid Solicitation will apply to all Blanket P.O.s made with the State of New Jersey. These terms are in addition to the terms and conditions set forth in this Bid Solicitation and should be read in conjunction with them unless the Bid Solicitation specifically indicates otherwise.

1.2 BACKGROUND

This is a reprocurement of the services under **T2867 – Warehousing Emergency Ops: Services & Logistics**, presently due to expire on **April 30, 2022.** Vendors {Bidders} interested in the current Blanket P.O. specifications and pricing information may review the current Blanket P.O. T2867 at www.njstart.gov by following these steps:

Go to: www.njstart.gov

Select "Contract & Bid Search" Select "Contracts/Blankets"

Under "Contract/Blanket Description" type in "T2867", Click "Find It"

The current Blanket P.O.s will appear under "Results".

Vendors {Bidders} are cautioned that this new Bid Solicitation addresses current requirements. Vendors {Bidders} should not rely upon or use data from the prior Blanket P.O.

1.3 KEY EVENTS

1.3.1 ELECTRONIC QUESTION AND ANSWER PERIOD

The Division will electronically accept questions and inquiries from all potential Vendors {Bidders} via the "Q&A" Tab of the Bid Solicitation in *NJSTART*.

- A. Questions should be directly tied to the Bid Solicitation and asked in consecutive order, from beginning to end, following the organization of the Bid Solicitation; and
- B. Each question should begin by referencing the Bid Solicitation page number and section number to which it relates.

Vendors {Bidders} may refer to the QRG "Submit a Quote" for additional instruction. QRGs are located on the NJSTART Vendor Support Page.

A Vendor {Bidder} shall not contact the Using Agency and/or the Procurement Specialist directly, in person, by telephone or by email, concerning this Bid Solicitation, prior to the final award of the Blanket P.O.

The cut-off date for electronic questions and inquiries relating to this Bid Solicitation is indicated on the Bid Solicitation cover sheet. In the event that questions are posed by Vendors {Bidders}, answers to such questions will be issued by Bid Amendment. Any Bid Amendment to this Bid Solicitation will become part of this Bid Solicitation and part of any Blanket P.O. awarded as a result of this Bid Solicitation. Bid Amendments {Addenda} to this Bid Solicitation, if any, will be posted as a File Attachment on the "Summary" page of the Bid Solicitation in *NJSTART* after the cut-off date. (See Bid Solicitation Section 1.4.1 for further information.)

1.3.1.1 EXCEPTIONS TO THE STATE OF NJ STANDARD TERMS AND CONDITIONS (SSTC)

Questions regarding the State of New Jersey Standard Terms and Conditions (SSTC) and exceptions to mandatory requirements must be posed during this Electronic Question and Answer period and shall contain the Vendor's {Bidder's} suggested changes and the reason(s) for the suggested changes.

1.3.2 SUBMISSION OF QUOTES

In order to be considered for award, the Quote must be received by the Procurement Bureau of the Division at the appropriate location by the required time.

Vendors {Bidders} shall submit a Quote electronically through *NJSTART*.

THE DATE AND TIME OF THE QUOTE OPENING ARE INDICATED ON THE BID SOLICITATION COVER SHEET AND ON THE "SUMMARY" TAB OF THE BID SOLICITATION WEBPAGE WITHIN NJSTART.

QUOTES WILL BE PUBLICLY OPENED AND ANNOUNCED BY TELEPHONE CONFERENCE ON THE DATE AND TIME OF THE QUOTE OPENING.

(DIAL-IN PHONE NUMBER: 888-204-5984 / ACCESS CODE: 2602305).

IF THE QUOTE OPENING DEADLINE HAS BEEN REVISED, THE NEW QUOTE OPENING DEADLINE SHALL BE SHOWN ON THE POSTED BID AMENDMENT AND ON THE "SUMMARY" TAB OF THE BID SOLICITATION WEBPAGE WITHIN NJSTART.

QUOTES NOT RECEIVED PRIOR TO THE QUOTE OPENING DEADLINE SHALL BE REJECTED.

1.3.3 VENDOR (BIDDER) SUPPORT

Vendors {Bidders} are strongly encouraged to visit the <u>NJSTART Vendor Support Page</u>, which contains Quick Reference Guides (QRGs), supporting videos, a glossary of *NJSTART* terms, and helpdesk contact information.

The Vendor {Bidder} should utilize the QRGs before attempting to submit its Quote using the *NJSTART* process. It is the Vendor's {Bidder's} responsibility to ensure that the *NJSTART* Quote and attachments have been properly submitted.

Inquiries concerning the use of NJSTART may be directed to njstart@treas.nj.gov.

The Division will not respond to substantive questions related to the Bid Solicitation or any other Blanket P.O. via this email address. For inquiries related to substantive questions refer to Section 1.3.1 (Electronic Question and Answer Period).

1.3.4 MANDATORY/OPTIONAL SITE VISIT

Not applicable to this procurement.

1.3.5 OPTIONAL PRE-QUOTE CONFERENCE

The date and time of the Optional Pre-Quote Conference is indicated on the Bid Solicitation cover sheet. The Optional Pre-Quote Conference will be conducted via telephone conference.

Attendees may attend the Optional Pre-Quote Conference with the following call-in details:

Dial-in Number: (888) 204-5984 Access code: 2602305

An attendee may represent only one (1) potential bidding entity.

The Optional Pre-Quote Conference may be recorded.

The purpose of the Optional Pre-Quote Conference is to provide a structured and formal opportunity for the State to accept questions from Vendors {Bidders} regarding this Bid Solicitation. In the event that questions are posed by Vendors {Bidders}, answers to such questions will be issued by Bid Amendment. Any Bid Amendment to this Bid Solicitation will become part of this Bid Solicitation and part of any Blanket P.O. awarded as a result of this Bid Solicitation.

1.3.6 PRE-QUOTE DOCUMENT REVIEW

Not applicable to this procurement.

1.4 ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

1.4.1 BID AMENDMENTS: REVISIONS TO THIS BID SOLICITATION

In the event that it becomes necessary to clarify or revise this Bid Solicitation, such clarification or revision will be by Bid Amendment. Any Bid Amendment to this Bid Solicitation will become part of this Bid Solicitation and part of any Blanket P.O. awarded as a result of this Bid Solicitation.

There are no designated dates for release of Bid Amendments. Those Vendors {Bidders} who are on the bid holder list either through commodity code registration in *NJSTART* or by acknowledging the bid in *NJSTART* should receive notification of any Bid Amendment(s). If a Vendor {Bidder} is not on the bid holder list to receive notifications related to a Bid Solicitation, Bid Amendments are still viewable on the "Summary" page of the Bid Solicitation in *NJSTART*.

BID AMENDMENTS WILL BE ISSUED AS FILE ATTACHMENTS, AND ARE VIEWABLE ON THE "SUMMARY" PAGE OF THE BID SOLICITATION IN *NJSTART*. Vendors {Bidders} may refer to the QRG "Submit a Quote" for additional instructions. QRGs are located on the <u>NJSTART</u> Vendor Support Page.

It is the sole responsibility of the Vendor {Bidder} to be knowledgeable of all Bid Amendments related to this procurement. An interested Vendor {Bidder} should check the *NJSTART* "Open Bids" Tab on a daily basis to ensure review of the most updated information.

1.4.2 VENDOR (BIDDER) RESPONSIBILITY

The Vendor {Bidder} assumes sole responsibility for the complete effort required in submitting a Quote in response to this Bid Solicitation. No special consideration will be given after Quotes are opened because of a Vendor's {Bidder's} failure to be knowledgeable as to all of the requirements of this Bid Solicitation.

1.4.3 COST LIABILITY

The State assumes no responsibility and bears no liability for costs incurred by a Vendor {Bidder} in the preparation and submittal of a Quote in response to this Bid Solicitation.

1.4.4 CONTENTS OF QUOTE

Quotes can be released to the public pursuant to N.J.A.C. 17:12-1.2(b) and (c), or under the New Jersey Open Public Records Act (OPRA), N.J.S.A. 47:1A-1 et seq., or the common law right to know.

After the opening of sealed Quotes, all information submitted by a Vendor {Bidder} in response to a Bid Solicitation is considered public information notwithstanding any disclaimers to the contrary submitted by a Vendor {Bidder}. Proprietary, financial, security and confidential information may be exempt from public disclosure by OPRA and/or the common law when the Vendor {Bidder} has a good faith, legal/factual basis for such assertion.

When the Bid Solicitation contains a negotiation component, the Quote will not be subject to public disclosure until a notice of intent to award a Blanket P.O. is announced.

As part of its Quote, a Vendor {Bidder} may designate any data or materials it asserts are exempt from public disclosure under OPRA and/or the common law, explaining the basis for such assertion. Vendor {Bidder} must provide a detailed statement clearly identifying those sections of the Quote that it claims are exempt from production, and the legal and factual basis that supports said exemption(s) as a matter of law. The State will not honor any attempts by a Vendor {Bidder} to designate its entire Quote as proprietary, confidential and/or to claim copyright protection for its entire Quote.

The State reserves the right to make the determination as to what is proprietary or confidential, and will advise the Vendor {Bidder} accordingly. Any proprietary and/or confidential information in a Quote will be redacted by the State. Copyright law does not prohibit access to a record which is otherwise available under OPRA.

In the event of any challenge to the Vendor's {Bidder's} assertion of confidentiality with which the State does not concur, the Vendor {Bidder} shall be solely responsible for defending its designation, but in doing so, all costs and expenses associated therewith shall be the responsibility of the Vendor {Bidder}. The State assumes no such responsibility or liability.

A Vendor {Bidder} shall not designate any price lists and/or catalogs submitted as exempt from public disclosure as the same must be accessible to State Using Agencies and Cooperative Purchasing Program participants (if the Bid Solicitation has been extended to these participants) and thus must be made public to allow all eligible purchasing entities access to the pricing information.

In order not to delay consideration of the Quote or the State's response to a request for documents, the State requires that Vendor {Bidder} respond to any request regarding confidentiality markings within the timeframe designated in the State's correspondence regarding confidentiality. If no response is received by the designated date and time, the State will be permitted to release a copy of the Quote with the State making the determination regarding what may be proprietary or confidential.

See Bid Solicitation Section 4.4.2.4 *Confidentiality/Commitment to Defend* for additional information.

1.4.5 ANNOUNCEMENT OF QUOTE INFORMATION

On the date and time Quotes are due under the Bid Solicitation, all information concerning the Quotes submitted may be publicly announced and shall be available for inspection and copying except as noted below:

- A. Information appropriately designated as proprietary and/or confidential shall not be available for inspection and copying; and
- B. Where negotiation is contemplated, only the names and addresses of the Vendors {Bidders} submitting Quotes will be announced, and the contents of the Quotes shall not be available for inspection and copying until the Notice of Intent to Award is issued by the Director.

1.4.6 PRICE ALTERATION IN QUOTES

Any price changes including hand written revisions or "white-outs" must be initialed. Failure to initial price changes shall preclude a Blanket P.O. award from being made to the Vendor {Bidder} pursuant to N.J.A.C. 17:12-2.2(a)(8).

1.4.7 QUOTE ERRORS

In accordance with N.J.A.C. 17:12-2.11 "Proposal errors," a Vendor {Bidder} may withdraw its Quote as described below.

1.4.7.1 QUOTE WITHDRAWAL PRIOR TO QUOTE OPENING

A Vendor {Bidder} may withdraw its Quote submission in *NJSTART* prior to the Quote opening; however, Vendors {Bidders} should note that while withdrawn *NJSTART* Quotes remain viewable by the Vendor {Bidder} on its Vendor Profile Homepage, they are removed from the Division's view and cannot be considered for Blanket P.O. award. The Vendor {Bidder} may submit a revised Quote as long as the Quote is received prior to the announced date and time for Quote submission. Vendors {Bidders} may refer to the QRG "Submit a Quote" for additional instruction. QRGs are located on the NJSTART Vendor Support Page.

1.4.7.2 QUOTE WITHDRAWAL AFTER QUOTE OPENING, BUT PRIOR TO BLANKET P.O. AWARD

If, after the Quote opening, but before Blanket P.O. award, a Vendor {Bidder} discovers an error in its Quote, the Vendor {Bidder} may make a written request to the Supervisor of the Proposal Review Unit to withdraw its Quote from consideration for award. If the Vendor's {Bidder's} request to withdraw is made in good faith, and the State will not be significantly prejudiced by granting the withdrawal of the Quote beyond the loss of the benefit of the bargain to the State of the withdrawing Vendor's {Bidder's} offer, the request shall be granted. Evidence of the Vendor's {Bidder's} good faith in making this request can be demonstrated by one (1) or more of the following factors: A mistake is so significant that to enforce the Blanket P.O. resulting from the Quote would be unconscionable; that the mistake relates to a material feature or term of the Blanket P.O.; and that the mistake occurred notwithstanding the Vendor's {Bidder's} exercise of reasonable care. After Quote opening, while pursuant to the provisions of this section a Vendor {Bidder} may request to withdraw its Quote and the Director may in his/her discretion allow said Vendor {Bidder} to withdraw it, the Division also may take notice of repeated or unusual requests to withdraw by a Vendor {Bidder} and take those prior requests to withdraw into consideration when evaluating the Vendor's {Bidder's} future Quotes.

The Quote withdrawal request must include the Bid Solicitation Number, Bid Solicitation Title, the Quote submission date and should be sent to Procurement.Bureau@treas.nj.gov.

If during a Quote evaluation process, an obvious pricing error made by a potential Blanket P.O. awardee is found, the Director or his/her designee shall issue written notice to the Vendor {Bidder}. The Vendor {Bidder} will have up to five (5) business days after receipt of the notice to confirm its pricing. If the Vendor {Bidder} fails to respond, its Quote shall be considered withdrawn, and no further consideration shall be given to it.

1.4.8 JOINT VENTURE

If a Joint Venture is submitting a Quote, the agreement between the parties relating to such Joint Venture should be submitted with the Joint Venture's Quote. Authorized signatories from each party comprising the Joint Venture must sign the Offer and Acceptance Page. Each party to the Joint Venture must individually comply with all the forms and certification requirements in Sections 4.4.1 and 4.4.2 of this Bid Solicitation.

1.4.9 RECIPROCITY FOR JURISDICTIONAL VENDOR (BIDDER) PREFERENCE

In accordance with N.J.S.A. 52:32-1.4 and N.J.A.C. 17:12-2.13, the State of New Jersey will invoke reciprocal action against an out-of-State Vendor {Bidder} whose state or locality maintains a preference practice for its in-state Vendors {Bidders}. The State of New Jersey will use the annual surveys compiled by the Council of State Governments, National Association of State Procurement Officials, or the National Institute of Governmental Purchasing or a State's statutes and regulations to identify States having preference laws, regulations, or practices and to invoke reciprocal actions. The State of New Jersey may obtain additional information as it deems appropriate to supplement the stated survey information.

A Vendor {Bidder} may submit information related to preference practices enacted for a State or Local entity outside the State of New Jersey. This information may be submitted in writing as part of the Quote response, including name of the locality having the preference practice, as well as identification of the county and state, and should include a copy of the appropriate documentation, i.e., resolution, regulation, law, notice to Vendor {Bidder}, etc. It is the responsibility of the Vendor {Bidder} to provide documentation with the Quote or submit it to the Director within five (5) business days after the deadline for Quote submission. Written evidence for a specific procurement that is not provided to the Director within five (5) business days of the public Quote submission date may not be considered in the evaluation of that procurement, but may be retained and considered in the evaluation of subsequent procurements.

1.4.10 QUOTE ACCEPTANCES AND REJECTIONS

 $\underline{\text{N.J.A.C.}}$ 17:12-2.7(d), the Director's right to waive minor irregularities or omissions in a Quote and $\underline{\text{N.J.A.C.}}$ 17:12-2.2 which defines causes for Quote rejection, apply to all Quotes.

1.4.11 ELECTRONIC SIGNATURES

Vendors {Bidders} submitting Quotes through *NJSTART* may sign the forms listed in Section 4.4.1 (Forms, Registrations and Certifications Required with Quote) and Section 4.4.2 (Forms, Registrations and Certifications Required Before Blanket P.O. Award and That Should Be Submitted with the Quote) of this Bid Solicitation electronically by typing the name of the authorized signatory in the "Signature" block as an alternative to downloading, physically signing the form, scanning the form, and uploading the form to *NJSTART*.

2.0 DEFINITIONS

2.1 CROSSWALK

NJSTART Term	Equivalent Statutory, Regulatory and/or Legacy Term
Bid/Bid Solicitation	Request For Proposal (RFP)/Solicitation
Bid Amendment	Addendum
Change Order	Contract Amendment
Master Blanket Purchase Order (Blanket P.O.)	Contract
Offer and Acceptance Page	Signatory Page
Quote	Proposal
Vendor	Bidder/Contractor

2.2 GENERAL DEFINITIONS

The following definitions will be part of any Blanket P.O. awarded or order placed as a result of this Bid Solicitation.

Acceptance – The written confirmation by the Using Agency that Vendor {Contractor} has completed a Deliverable according to the specified requirements.

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, 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.

Best and Final Offer or BAFO – Pricing timely submitted by a Vendor {Bidder} upon invitation by the Bureau after Quote opening, with or without prior discussion or negotiation.

Bid or Bid Solicitation – This series of documents, which establish the bidding and Blanket P.O. requirements and solicits Quotes to meet the needs of the Using Agencies as identified herein, and includes the Bid Solicitation, State of NJ Standard Terms and Conditions (SSTC), State-Supplied Price Sheet, attachments, and Bid Amendments.

Bid Amendment – Written clarification or revision to this Bid Solicitation issued by the Division. Bid Amendments, if any, will be issued prior to Quote opening.

Business Day – Any weekday, excluding Saturdays, Sundays, State legal holidays, and Statemandated closings unless otherwise indicated.

Calendar Day – Any day, including Saturdays, Sundays, State legal holidays, and State-mandated closings unless otherwise indicated.

Change Order – An amendment, alteration, or modification of the terms of a Blanket P.O. between the State and the Vendor(s) {Contractor(s)}. A Change Order is not effective until it is signed and approved in writing by the Director or Deputy Director, Division of Purchase and Property.

Commercial Off the Shelf (COTS) – Software provided by Vendor {Contractor} that is intended for general use.

Cooperative Purchasing Program – The Division's intrastate program that provides procurement-related assistance to New Jersey local governmental entities and boards of education, State and county colleges and other public entities having statutory authority to utilize select State Blanket P.O.s issued by the Division, pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 52:25-16.1 et seq.

Custom Software – Software and Work Product that is developed by Vendor {Contractor} at the request of the Using Agency to meet the specific business requirements of the Using Agency and is intended for its use.

Customized Software – COTS that is adapted by Vendor {Contractor} to meet specific business requirements of the Using Agency that differ from the standard requirements of the base product.

Days After Receipt of Order (ARO) – The number of calendar days 'After Receipt of Order' in which the Using Agency will receive the ordered materials and/or services.

Deliverable – Goods, products, Services and Work Product that Vendor {Contractor} is required to deliver to the State under the Blanket P.O.

Director – Director, Division of Purchase and Property, Department of the Treasury, who by statutory authority is the Chief Contracting Officer for the State of New Jersey.

Disabled Veterans' Business - means a business which has its principal place of business in the State, is independently owned and operated and at least 51% of which is owned and controlled by persons who are disabled veterans or a business which has its principal place of business in this State and has been officially verified by the United States Department of Veterans Affairs as a service disabled veteran-owned business for the purposes of department contracts pursuant to federal law. N.J.S.A. 52:32-31.2.

Disabled Veterans' Business Set-Aside Blanket P.O. - means a Blanket P.O. for goods, equipment, construction or services which is designated as a Blanket P.O. with respect to which bids are invited and accepted only from disabled veterans' businesses, or a portion of a Blanket P.O. when that portion has been so designated. N.J.S.A. 52:32-31.2.

Discount – The standard price reduction applied by the Vendor {Bidder} to all items.

Division – The Division of Purchase and Property.

Evaluation Committee – A committee established or Division staff member assigned by the Director to review and evaluate Quotes submitted in response to this Bid Solicitation and recommend a Blanket P.O. award to the Director.

Firm Fixed Price – A price that is all-inclusive of direct cost and indirect costs, including, but not limited to, direct labor costs, overhead, fee or profit, clerical support, equipment, materials, supplies, managerial (administrative) support, all documents, reports, forms, travel, reproduction and any other costs.

Hardware – Includes computer equipment and any Software provided with the Hardware that is necessary for the Hardware to operate.

Internet of Things (IoT) - the network of physical devices, vehicles, home appliances and other items embedded with electronics, software, sensors, actuators, and network connectivity which enables these objects to connect and exchange data.

Joint Venture – A business undertaking by two (2) or more entities to share risk and responsibility for a specific project.

Master Blanket Purchase Order (Blanket P.O.) – The Blanket P.O. consists of the State of NJ Standard Terms and Conditions (SSTC), the Bid Solicitation, the responsive Quote submitted by a responsible Vendor {Bidder} as accepted by the State, 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 the State and any attachments, Bid Amendment or other supporting documents, or post-award documents including Change Orders agreed to by the State and the Vendor {Contractor}, in writing.

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

Must – Denotes that which is a mandatory requirement.

No Bid – The Vendor {Bidder} is not submitting a price Quote for an item on a price line.

No Charge – The Vendor {Bidder} will supply an item on a price line free of charge.

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.

Primary Form – An electronic form contained within a Vendor's {Bidder's} *NJSTART* profile designated by the Vendor {Bidder} as the primary or principal version of the required form.

Procurement Bureau (Bureau) – The Division unit responsible for the preparation, advertisement, and issuance of Bid Solicitations, for the tabulation of Quotes and for recommending award(s) of Blanket P.O.(s) to the Director and the Deputy Director.

Project – The undertakings or services that are the subject of this Bid Solicitation.

QRGs – Quick Reference Guides.

Quote – Vendor's {Bidder's} timely response to the Bid Solicitation including, but not limited to, technical Quote, price Quote, and any licenses, forms, certifications, or other documentation required by the Bid Solicitation.

Retainage – The amount withheld from the Vendor {Contractor} payment that is retained and subsequently released upon satisfactory completion of performance milestones by the Vendor {Contractor}.

Revision – A response to a BAFO request or a requested clarification of the Vendors {Bidders} Quote.

Services – Includes, 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.

Shall – Denotes that which is a mandatory requirement.

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

Small Business – Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 52:32-19, <u>N.J.A.C.</u> 17:13-1.2, and N.J.A.C. 17:13-2.1, "small business" means a business that meets the requirements and definitions of "small business" and has applied for and been approved by the New Jersey Division of Revenue and Enterprise Services, Small Business Registration and M/WBE Certification Services Unit as (i) independently owned and operated, (ii) incorporated or registered in and has its principal place of business in the

State of New Jersey; (iii) has 100 or fewer full-time employees; and has gross revenues falling in one (1) of the six (6) following categories:

- For goods and services (A) 0 to \$500,000 (Category I); (B) \$500,001 to \$5,000,000 (Category II); and (C) \$5,000,001 to \$12,000,000, or the applicable federal revenue standards established at 13 CFR 121.201, whichever is higher (Category III).
- For construction services: (A) 0 to \$3,000,000 (Category IV); (B) gross revenues that do not exceed 50 percent of the applicable annual revenue standards established at 13 CFR 121.201 (Category V); and (C) gross revenues that do not exceed the applicable annual revenue standards established at CFR 121.201, (Category VI).

Small Business Set-Aside Blanket P.O. – "means (1) a [Blanket P.O.]for goods, equipment, construction or services which is designated as a [Blanket P.O.] with respect to which bids are invited and accepted only from small businesses, or (2) a portion of a [Blanket P.O.] when that portion has been so designated." N.J.S.A. 52:32-19.

Software – Includes, without limitation, computer programs, source codes, routines, or subroutines supplied by Vendor {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.

State – The State of New Jersey.

State Confidential Information – shall consist of all information or data contained in documents supplied by the State, any information or data gathered by the Vendor {Contractor} in fulfillment of the Blanket P.O. and any analysis thereof (whether in fulfillment of the Blanket P.O. or not);

State Contract Manager or SCM – The individual, as set forth in Section 8.0, responsible for the approval of all deliverables, i.e., tasks, sub-tasks or other work elements in the Scope of Work. The SCM cannot direct or approve a Change Order.

State Intellectual Property – Any intellectual property that is owned by the State. State Intellectual Property includes any derivative works and compilations of any State Intellectual Property.

State-Supplied Price Sheet – the bidding document created by the State and attached to this Bid Solicitation on which the Vendor {Bidder} submits its Quote pricing as is referenced and described in Bid Solicitation Section 4.4.5.

Subtasks – Detailed activities that comprise the actual performance of a task.

Subcontractor – An entity having an arrangement with a Vendor {Contractor}, whereby the Vendor {Contractor} uses the products and/or services of that entity to fulfill some of its obligations under its State Blanket P.O., while retaining full responsibility for the performance of all [the Vendor's {Contractor's}] obligations under the Blanket P.O., including payment to the Subcontractor. The Subcontractor has no legal relationship with the State, only with the Vendor {Contractor}.

Task – A discrete unit of work to be performed.

Third Party Intellectual Property – Any intellectual property owned by parties other than the State or Vendor {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.

Unit Cost or Unit Price – All-inclusive, firm fixed price charged by the Vendor {Bidder} for a single unit identified on a price line.

US CERT – United States Computer Emergency Readiness Team.

Using Agency[ies] – A State department or agency, a quasi-State governmental entity, or a Cooperative Purchasing Program participant, authorized to purchase products and/or services under a Blanket P.O. procured by the Division.

Vendor {Bidder} – An entity offering a Quote in response to the Division's Bid Solicitation.

Vendor {Contractor} – The Vendor {Bidder} awarded a Blanket P.O. resulting from this Bid Solicitation.

Vendor Intellectual Property – Any intellectual property that is owned by Vendor {Contractor} and contained in or necessary for the use of the Deliverables or which the Vendor {Contractor} makes available for the State to use as part of the work under the Blanket P.O. Vendor Intellectual Property includes COTS or Customized Software owned by Vendor {Contractor}, Vendor's {Contractor's} technical documentation, and derivative works and compilations of any Vendor Intellectual Property.

Work Product – 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 Vendor {Contractor} or Vendor's {Contractor's} subcontractors or a third party engaged by Vendor {Contractor} or its subcontractor pursuant to the Blanket P.O. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in the preceding sentence, Work Product does not include State Intellectual Property, Vendor Intellectual Property or Third Party Intellectual Property.

2.3 BLANKET P.O. SPECIFIC DEFINITIONS/ACRONYMS

Dealer/Distributor – A Company authorized by a Vendor {Bidder/Contractor} as having the contractual ability to accept and fulfill orders and receive payments directly on behalf of the Vendor {Contractor} that is awarded a Blanket P.O. Any authorized Dealer/Distributor must agree to all terms and conditions contained within the Bid Solicitation and must agree to provide all products and services in accordance with the Blanket P.O. specifications, terms, conditions and pricing. A Dealer/Distributor must provide all forms required of a Vendor {Contractor}.

Percentage Discount or Markup – The Percentage bid applied as a Markup or a Discount to a firm, fixed price contained within a price list/catalog.

Price List/Catalog – A document published by manufacturers, resellers, Dealers, or Distributors that typically contains product descriptions, a list of products with fixed prices to which a Vendors {Bidders} percentage discount or markup bid is applied.

2.4 BLANKET P.O. – USING AGENCY SPECIFIC DEFINITIONS/ACRONYMS

Business Continuity Plan – An organizational plan which includes details of how service workarounds will be implemented for a loss of power, communications, information technology, or key personnel.

Commodity Set – Various configurations of commodities selected to appropriately address specific deployment needs. Commodities include but are not limited to, water (boxed and bottled), blankets, Meals Ready to Eat (MRE), and other necessities or comfort items (ex: sweatpants, comfort kits, diapers, baby wipes, animal enclosures, and administration kits). Additional commodities may be procured and/or received via donation to accommodate the needs of populations served during an event. As well as the inclusion of various donated items to address a need within the State.

Cross-Docking – A distribution system where items received at one warehouse are not immediately received into stock within that warehouse, but are prepared for shipment to another location. For the purposes of this Bid Solicitation, cross-docking may apply to multiple buildings within a Vendor's {Contractor's} warehouse complex, or direct deployment of all or part of the State's Emergency Stockpile Goods and Supplies to a State Shelter.

Demobilization Operations – OHSP's requirements that a Vendor {Contractor} must deploy any remaining State Emergency Stockpile Goods and Supplies to State-designated facilities and/or Vendor {Contractor} warehouse location(s) upon conclusion of an emergency incident or event.

Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) – An agency of the United States Department of Homeland Security, whose primary purpose is to coordinate the response to a disaster that has occurred in the United States and that overwhelms the resources of local and state authorities.

FEMA Flood Insurance Rate Map – Official map of a community on which FEMA has delineated the Special Flood Hazard Areas (SFHAs), the Base Flood Elevations (BFEs) and the risk premium zones applicable to the community.

Inventory Blocks – Dedicated warehouse space consisting of a 5,000 square foot area or "block."

Kits – A predetermined palletized multi-product assortment of essential emergency response supplies configured for rapid deployment to various designated NJ State Shelter locations. Part of a Commodity Set.

Kitting – The task of assembling a configured kit for the purpose of rapid deployment to designated New Jersey locations.

Replenishment – Disposing of perishable goods that are approaching their manufacturer's designated expiration date and replacing with new, non-expired goods. The Vendor {Contractor} is required to manage any and all commodities that have expiration dates and notify the State Contract Manager six (6) months in advance of expiring commodities for replenishment. Occasionally, goods will be transferred to facilities of other State Agencies, which will necessitate replenishment by OHSP at the warehouse of the Vendor {Contractor} who is awarded this Blanket P.O.

Sourcing – The process of requesting quotes for new products, obtaining vendor information, and uploading into procurement software, to determine lead time, pricing, and minimum order quantities.

State Emergency Operation Plan (SEOP) – Provides the structure and processes that the State utilizes to respond to and initially recover from an emergency event.

State Emergency Stockpile Goods and Supplies (Stockpile) – Essential supplies required to support impacted populations during emergency operations, including commodity sets and kits.

Vendor–Managed Warehouse System – Coordinated supply chain management services of sourcing, replenishment, and controlling of inventory through a structured system of procurement, logistics, inventory management, fulfillment, shipping, handling, and transport.

3.0 SCOPE OF WORK – REQUIREMENTS OF THE VENDOR (CONTRACTOR)

3.1 OPERATIONAL REQUIREMENTS

The Vendor {Contractor} shall provide accurate and accountable computerized sourcing through its inventory and tracking system. It shall ensure effective security and quality surveillance systems throughout the premises as well. The site shall be equipped with efficient handling equipment for operational materials.

The Vendor {Contractor} shall also be responsible for providing all logistics for transportation services in accordance with Bid Solicitation Section 3.3, *Distribution*.

Facility owners and managers shall maintain continuous supervision and ensure sufficient personnel are able to successfully complete all tasks and deliverables specified within this Bid Solicitation

The Vendor (Contractor) shall abide by the following:

- A. Take possession of existing State Emergency Stockpile Goods and Supplies (Stockpile), currently inventoried and warehoused in State-controlled facilities and utilize the lowest priced transportation provider (unless event-related circumstances dictate otherwise) to deliver existing Stockpile items, as required, to the Vendor's {Contractor's} storage location(s);
- B. Provide an independently managed warehouse system that enables the Vendor {Contractor} to perform constant and on-demand accurate electronic materials handling capabilities including inventory receiving, picking, packing, and distribution;
 - 1. Accordingly, the Vendor {Contractor} shall be responsible for providing all tools, equipment, on-site staffing and supervisory resources to provide efficient and reliable operations and optimum service level performance for all deliverables; and
 - 2. The State shall reimburse the Vendor {Contractor} at invoice cost charged to the Vendor {Contractor} (including shipping, if applicable) for any miscellaneous supplies, materials, and equipment that may be needed outside of the scope of storage. Examples include packing tape, boxing pallets, plastic pallets, unique pallet configurations (when needed based on possible event-related circumstances), battery-powered equipment, cutting tools, shrink wrap, and pallet jacks.
- C. Warehouse storage, inventory management, and materials handling services shall include, but not be limited to the following:
 - 1. Intake (including donations) and storage of goods and supplies:
 - 2. Materials tracking and location;
 - 3. Stock rotation;
 - 4. Picking, packing, and sorting operations;
 - 5. Pre-packaging;
 - Palletization and/or Kitting;
 - 7. Staging goods and supplies for deployment;

- 8. Materials recovery services;
- 9. Receipt of returned goods;
- 10. Disposition and disposal of expired, damaged, or otherwise unusable goods and supplies when required;
 - a. Disposal of expired commodities shall be compensated by the awarded hourly rate per Item #23, Expired Warehouse Commodities, on the State-Supplied Price Sheet. The process shall include properly dismantling and disposing of each commodity component (commodity item and packaging) and ensuring all recyclable components are placed accordingly.
 - b. The Vendor {Contractor} shall also coordinate, through the transportation provider, the transport of the expired goods from the warehouse facility to the location where they will ultimately be discarded.
 - c. The Vendor {Contractor} shall provide the State with proof of all pass-through costs (such as disposal and recycling fees). Upon SCM approval, the Vendor {Contractor} shall be reimbursed by the State at invoice cost for all pass-through costs per Item #24, Pass-Through Costs, on the State-Supplied Price Sheet.
- D. Vendor {Contractor} shall manage all inventory for the State Emergency Stockpile Goods and Supplies (including disposal and Replenishment of expiring goods) where the Vendor {Contractor} is operational and financially responsible for all inventory control, distribution, and returns;
- E. Vendor {Contractor} shall manage any and all commodities that have expiration dates and notify the SCM six (6) months in advance of expiring commodities for Replenishment so OHSP has ample time to procure replacement goods;
 - 1. Occasionally, goods will be transferred to facilities of other State Agencies. Such an event will necessitate Replenishment of Stockpile by OHSP at the primary warehouse facility:
 - 2. As long as conditions permit, restocking of warehouse goods shall take place during normal business hours of 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday (see Bid Solicitation Section 3.6, *Vendor {Contractor} Availability*);
- F. Vendor {Contractor} shall supply the SCM with a monthly detailed inventory report for review. The recurring date of each month that said report is due shall be at the discretion of the SCM. In the event the SCM discovers any inventory discrepancies, they shall be solved by the Vendor {Contractor} to the satisfaction of the SCM within ten (10) business days;
- G. Provide continuous security and surveillance for all goods, supplies, and materials, including the respective facility(ies) where Stockpile items are stored and warehoused;
- H. Guaranteed delivery, within 24 hours of request, of Stockpile items in specified product mix configuration(s), as required by current SEOPs and other associated documents;
 - 1. SEOPs may be modified periodically through ongoing OHSP/OEM/DHS planning meetings and working groups;
 - 2. Vendor {Contractor} will be provided with periodic planning updates as necessary and/or may be required on occasion to attend OHSP/OEM/DHS meetings;

- I. Vendor {Contractor} shall provide logistics for the transportation of commodities utilizing delivery vehicles in various configurations and capacities appropriate to both routine and incident-influenced transport conditions to meet various facility receiving capabilities;
 - 1. The State's vehicle needs for transportation of Stockpile items will mainly be typical delivery vehicles such as tractor trailers (straight-body) and/or cargo vans with and without loading or lift ramps;
 - 2. In the event of an incident, atypical facility receiving capabilities may exist at delivery locations and Vendor {Contractor} shall prepare accordingly depending on the site;
 - 3. Delivery vehicles and logistical capabilities must be provided by the Vendor {Contractor} as needed by the State in order to complete required deliveries of the Stockpile items;

NOTE: At all times throughout the term of this Blanket P.O., the State reserves the right to utilize State-owned vehicles for transport, as a cost-saving means, if they are available and deemed to be in the best interest of the State. It is also possible that on occasion, means of transportation may be donated from local corporations (lending out delivery trucks and supplying drivers) and the State reserves the right to accept and make use of such donations.

- J. In the event of a State-declared emergency incident and at the direction of the State, the Vendor {Contractor} shall provide an authorized representative, available either in person, on site, or on call, for a 24-hour, seven (7) days per week (24/7) period for the duration of an emergency event or incident;
 - 1. The Vendor's {Contractor's} authorized representative must possess the authority and capacity to commit and direct Vendor {Contractor} resources as instructed by, and on behalf of, the State;
- K. Allow unannounced State access to all Vendor {Contractor} provided warehouse and storage facilities for the State's OHSP/OEM/DHS authorized personnel;
 - 1. An authorized personnel list will be provided to the Vendor (Contractor) by the State;
 - 2. The Vendor {Contractor} must verify all State-authorized personnel updates as necessary;
 - 3. The State's OHSP/OEM/DHS authorized personnel reserve the right to conduct random inventory checks without providing advance notice;
- L. Provide all equipment and tools necessary to support the work and deliverables specified within this Bid Solicitation;
 - State equipment support to the Vendor {Contractor}, under a Blanket P.O. resulting from this Bid Solicitation, will be limited to only a computer workstation in a location designated by the State;
- M. Execute Demobilization Activities, which means upon conclusion of an emergency incident or event, the Vendor {Contractor} must coordinate the deployment and provide transportation services of any remaining State Emergency Stockpile Goods and Supplies to State-designated facilities and/or Vendor {Contractor} warehouse location(s), as requested by the State.

- 1. Vendor {Contractor} shall perform all necessary recovery operations, including reverse logistics of unused Stockpile items, as follows:
 - a. Inventory remaining Stockpile items;
 - Report depleted Stockpile items;
 - c. Coordinate re-order plans with State-authorized OHSP/OEM/DHS personnel;
 - d. Replenish goods and supplies per State instruction;
 - e. Complete physical and electronic receipt of all ordered goods;
 - f. Reconfigure Kits;
 - g. Stage and store replenished supplies for anticipated deployment.
- N. To minimize operational disruption, the Vendor {Contractor} shall have a Business Continuity Plan in place which must include details of how service workarounds will be implemented for a loss of power, communications, information technology, or key personnel;
 - 1. Vendor {Contractor} shall have the capability to implement the Business Continuity Plan immediately at any time; and
 - 2. The Vendor {Contractor} must submit its draft Business Continuity Plan to the SCM for review and approval within ten (10) business days of Blanket P.O. commencement. The SCM reserves the right to require revisions to and re-submittal of the Business Continuity Plan until SCM approval is received.

3.2 WAREHOUSE SPACE

To support storage requirements for the State's Emergency Stockpile Goods and Supplies, a minimum space is necessary to accommodate a footprint of approximately 2,100 single full-sized loaded pallets.

The selected Vendor {Contractor} shall provide one (1) primary warehouse facility that is geographically located within one of the Northern New Jersey counties that make up the Urban Area Security Initiative (UASI), which includes the following counties: Hudson, Bergen, Union, Passaic, Morris, and Essex. The location shall also not be within a Special Flood Hazard Area as identified on a FEMA Flood Insurance Rate Map.

- A. The primary warehouse facility provided by the Vendor {Contractor} shall meet all minimum/maximum (min/max) warehouse space requirements as stated within this Bid Solicitation.
- B. The warehouse facility or complex provided by the Vendor {Contractor} must support the following min/max requirements:
 - 1. The Vendor {Contractor} shall initially possess a minimum warehouse space of up to 35,000 square feet;
 - 2. The area of each single full-sized loaded pallet shall be standardized at approximately four (4) square feet and four (4) feet high for cubic calculation purposes;

- 3. Maximum warehouse space is estimated to be 50,000 square feet of Stockpile, but the Vendor {Contractor} is not limited by warehouse configuration within the 35,000 to 50,000 square foot min/max requirements (based on previous standardized footprint calculations);
- C. All Inventory Blocks and/or area estimates provided by the Vendor {Contractor} must include space for a staging area, which shall be activated by the State on an as needed basis;
- D. The State shall not be obligated for use of, or any cost associated with, a staging area(s) until written notification of a specific requirement is provided to the Vendor {Contractor} by the SCM or other designated/authorized OEM/OHSP/DHS personnel;
- E. The Vendor's {Contractor's} available warehouse space shall be scalable up to 5,000 square foot Inventory Blocks (and must be provided as needed), conveniently located within a facility for ease of access and quick deployment at the request of the SCM.
 - In the event the scalable 5,000 square foot blocks are needed, the State will provide the Vendor {Contractor} written notification of the estimated number of required Inventory Blocks and these formal instructions shall be verified by the Vendor {Contractor};
- F. Within the space of one (1) of the provided scalable Inventory Blocks, the Vendor {Contractor} shall set aside areas for the following:
 - 1. Ambient warehouse space of at least 2,000 square feet;
 - 2. Temperature-controlled non-ambient area of approximately 3,000 square feet;
 - 3. A non-ambient "cool room" that must be maintained at approximately 60 degrees Fahrenheit shall be included in the total initial warehouse space;
- G. The Vendor (Contractor) must not stack pallets without providing evidence of its pallet racking or pushback rack system to the State;
- H. The Vendor {Contractor} shall provide and maintain a simple, but highly effective material handling and warehouse management system of its choice in order to meet the requirements of the State which include, but may not be limited to:
 - 1. Commodity description, unit amount, case amount, pallet amount;
 - 2. Delivery date;
 - 3. Expiration date;
 - 4. Destruction date;
 - 5. Deployment date;
 - 6. Monthly running cost for YTD expenditure associated by specific commodity for all commodities in storage;
 - 7. Alerts for re-stocking deployed commodities whose inventories fall below minimum storage requirements to be established by the State;

- I. The Vendor's {Contractor's} prime warehouse facility may consist of one (1) or more individual buildings within one (1) single warehouse complex and the following facility requirements shall exist:
 - 1. The proximity between buildings within the warehouse facility shall be less than 500 feet:
 - 2. All subject buildings are within the same secure complex;
 - 3. The State's Emergency Stockpile Goods and Supplies inventory within a Vendor's {Contractor's} facility or warehouse complex shall be at all times;
 - a. Readily identifiable;
 - Immediately and accurately positioned and/or located;
 - c. Accessible by the State;
 - d. Available for deployment to the State when needed during an emergency or otherwise necessary event;
- J. The Vendor {Contractor} shall be permitted to utilize Cross-Docking methodology within its warehouse complex, particularly for staging purposes, provided that all previous and follow-up requirements are maintained and satisfied as specified within this Bid Solicitation.
- K. Should the State require any additional warehouse locations be opened in other areas of the State, costs to the State shall be at the same firm-fixed pricing as the primary location per the awarded rates of the Blanket P.O.:
 - Unless otherwise directed by the State, any additional warehouse locations shall meet the same requirements as the primary warehouse facility as specified by this Bid Solicitation; and
- L. In the event that additional warehouse locations are needed and the Vendor {Contractor} is unable to provide additional locations, the State reserves the right to procure additional warehouses outside of this Blanket P.O.

3.3 DISTRIBUTION

The Vendor {Contractor} shall provide distribution and logistics services utilizing the lowest priced available transportation provider to transport the State Emergency Stockpile Goods and Supplies to specified locations within the State. The State will identify the maximum distribution range of up to 200 miles (approximate distance between Sussex County and Cape May County) and the Vendor {Contractor} shall be tasked with transporting said Stockpile over the identified range.

- A. Upon activation of the SEOP, the selected Vendor {Contractor} shall coordinate and conduct delivery and distribution operations as specified within this Bid Solicitation;
 - In the event an incident continually evolves during activation, the Vendor {Contractor} must be prepared to provide the specified support as needed and directed by State-authorized/designated OHSP/OEM/DHS personnel. The Vendor {Contractor} must also validate all such field directions with the Stateauthorized/designated primary point of contact or designee.

- B. Activations and distribution of products may occur at any time throughout the year. Upon conclusion of an event or incident, the Vendor {Contractor} shall conduct Demobilization Operations consisting of, but not limited to the following:
 - 1. Receive both new, donated, or previously deployed inventory (ex: State Stockpile Replacement Goods and Supplies, and/or current like or in-kind assets);
 - 2. Reconfigure Kits as necessary; and
 - 3. Replenish and prepare the State Emergency Stockpile Goods and Supplies configurations, as specified by SCM, in preparation for any future emergency event and activation.
- C. It shall be the responsibility of the Vendor {Contractor} to provide logistics and transportation services.
 - 1. The Vendor {Contractor} must obtain a minimum of three (3) reasonably priced competitive quotations from transportation providers for any event in which commodities are being transported from the warehouse facility to a required destination, unless otherwise directed and/or approved by the Using Agency;
 - 2. Unless approved otherwise by the Using Agency, the Vendor {Contractor} shall purchase the transportation services from the transportation provider who is offering the lowest price for the required transportation services;
 - 3. Compensation for transportation shall be paid to the Vendor {Contractor} per Item #22, Transport, on the State-Supplied Price Sheet. This Item is an all-inclusive price line which reimburses the Vendor {Contractor} for the transportation services at invoice cost, and also pays the Vendor {Contractor} the markup percentage that was awarded to the Vendor {Contractor} for these services. The Vendor {Contractor} must provide invoices from the contracted transportation provider in order to be reimbursed by the Using Agency;
 - 4. Before any selection of services from a transportation provider, the State reserves the right to review the competitive quotations that were obtained for an event where commodities are being transported. It is possible the State may select a transportation provider who is not the lowest priced, or decide to utilize State transportation resources, if deemed by the State to be in its best interest based on event-related circumstances; and
 - 5. The State shall also require all transportation quotations and invoices to be attached to any invoice that the Vendor {Contractor} submits to the State for reimbursement and awarded markup percentage (per Item #22, *Transport*, on the State-Supplied Price Sheet).

3.4 PLANNING

The selected Vendor {Contractor} shall attend and participate in OHSP/OEM/DHS State planning sessions, as designated by the State, in order to facilitate information exchange, maximize situational awareness and remain current with State preparedness plan updates pertaining to the Vendor's {Contractor's} ability to successfully meet all requirements of a Blanket P.O. resulting from this Bid Solicitation. State planning sessions will function to identify facility locations and provide State Emergency Stockpile Goods and Supplies deployment instruction to the Vendor {Contractor}.

3.5 OWNERSHIP OF STATE EMERGENCY STOCKPILE

Title to the State Emergency Stockpile Goods and Supplies shall remain in the sole possession of the State and under no circumstances shall the Vendor {Contractor} assert any right, title, or interest to any Stockpile within its physical control. If a Vendor {Contractor} claims any right, title or interest to State Emergency Stockpile Goods and Supplies, it shall not be recognized or binding.

- A. The Vendor's {Contractor's} assertion of such claims may be grounds for termination of a Blanket P.O. resulting from this Bid Solicitation and subject to the State exercising action in accordance with Bid Solicitation Section 5.13, *Claims and Remedies*.
- B. The State shall consign State Emergency Stockpile Goods and Supplies to itself as consignee, in care of the Vendor {Contractor}, and will not ship Stockpile to the Vendor {Contractor} as a named consignee.
- C. In the event State Emergency Stockpile Goods and Supplies are shipped or delivered to the Vendor {Contractor} where the Vendor {Contractor} is named in error as consignee, the State will notify the carrier of such error in writing and provide a copy of the notification to the Vendor {Contractor}; and
- D. In no way shall such an erroneous action convey or be recognized as an intent to convey any title or interest in the State Emergency Stockpile Goods and Supplies to the Vendor {Contractor}.

3.6 VENDOR (CONTRACTOR) AVAILABILITY

The selected Vendor's (Contractor's) warehouse location(s) shall be open to receive and store State Emergency Stockpile Goods and Supplies and donations during regular business hours of 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. on Monday through Friday and be on call during after hours, which will be any including time outside of regular business hours, State-recognized holidays (https://www.state.nj.us/nj/about/facts/holidays/). In addition. the Vendor's {Contractor's} warehouse location(s) shall be made available to State-authorized personnel on weekends and State-recognized holidays, as required.

- A. The Vendor {Contractor} must notify the SCM at least 24 hours in advance of any period of time when the Vendor's {Contractor's} warehouse facility(ies) may not be available to the State and provide validated explanation of inaccessibility; and
- B. The Vendor {Contractor} must also provide facility access to the State within a commercially reasonable period of time not to exceed two (2) hours.

3.7 BLANKET P.O. FULFILLMENT AND TERMINATION/EXPIRATION RESPONSIBILITIES

No obligations shall be incurred or paid by the State following the date of a termination notice to the Vendor {Contractor} or the Vendor's {Contractor's} successful fulfillment of all services, completion of deliverables, final invoicing, and the resultant close of a Blanket P.O. resulting from this Bid Solicitation.

A. State-authorized invoices received from the Vendor {Contractor} prior to the date of termination notice to the Vendor {Contractor}, but falling due after the date of termination will be subject to final approval by the State prior to release for payment. Authorized and approved invoices will be paid to the Vendor {Contractor} per State Standard Terms and Conditions (SSTC) Section 6.3, *Payment to Vendors*, and SSTC Section 6.5, *New Jersey Prompt Payment Act*;

- B. Under no circumstance shall the State be obligated to pay all or part of any lease agreement, either implied or express, verbal or written, entered into between the Vendor {Contractor} and its landlord;
- C. Upon termination or expiration of the Vendor's {Contractor's} services to the State, the Vendor {Contractor} shall abide by the following:
 - 1. Within 30 calendar days, provide to the State a complete inventory count and validation of all equipment, appurtenances, and property purchased or placed under the Vendor's {Contractor's} control in or during the Vendor's {Contractor's} performance of services under the terms of a Blanket P.O. resulting from this Bid Solicitation;
 - Provide the SCM an electronic downloadable list of any and all State-owned systems and software utilized by the Vendor {Contractor}. This list must be provided to the State in a commercially available software format such as Adobe PDF, Microsoft Excel, or Microsoft Word; and
 - 3. Vendor {Contractor} shall provide transition assistance to the State or a successor Vendor {Contractor} for a period of time not to exceed 90 calendar days from termination or expiration of a Blanket P.O. resulting from this Bid Solicitation.

4.0 QUOTE PREPARATION AND SUBMISSION – REQUIREMENTS OF THE VENDOR {BIDDER}

Failure to submit information as indicated below may result in your Quote being deemed nonresponsive.

4.1 **GENERAL**

A Vendor {Bidder} may submit additional terms as part of its Quote. Quotes including Vendor {Bidder} proposed terms and conditions may be accepted, but Vendor {Bidder} proposed terms or conditions that conflict with those contained in the Bid Solicitation, as defined in Section 2.0 of this Bid Solicitation, or that diminish the State's rights under any Blanket P.O. resulting from the Bid Solicitation, may render a Quote non-responsive. It is incumbent upon the Vendor {Bidder} to identify and remove its conflicting proposed terms and conditions prior to Quote submission. Where additional terms are submitted they may be accepted, rejected, or negotiated, in whole or in part, at the State's sole discretion where the terms do not conflict with material terms of the Bid Solicitation or do not diminish the State's rights under the Blanket P.O. resulting from the Bid Solicitation.

In the event that a Vendor {Bidder} intends to propose terms and conditions that conflict with the Bid Solicitation, those Vendor (Bidder) proposed terms and conditions shall only be considered if submitted and agreed to pursuant to the electronic question and answer procedure set forth in Section 1.3.1 of this Bid Solicitation. Vendors {Bidders} shall not submit exceptions in the Quote or on the "Terms and Conditions" Tab through NJSTART.

After award of the Blanket P.O., if a conflict arises between a Vendor's {Bidder's} additional terms included in the Quote and a term or condition of the Bid Solicitation, the term or condition of the Bid Solicitation will prevail.

Use of URLs in a Quote should be kept to a minimum and shall not be used to satisfy any material term of a Bid Solicitation. If a preprinted or other document included as part of the Quote contains a URL, a printed copy of the URL page shall be provided and will be considered as part of the Quote.

The forms discussed herein and required for submission of a Quote in response to this Bid Solicitation are available on the Division's website unless noted otherwise.

4.2 **QUOTE DELIVERY AND IDENTIFICATION**

A Quote must arrive at the Division in accordance with this Bid Solicitation's instructions within the time frames noted on the Bid Solicitation cover sheet and on the "Summary" page of the Bid Solicitation in NJSTART, or as indicated on the posted Bid Amendment if the Quote Opening Date has been changed. Vendors {Bidders} submitting electronic Quotes via NJSTART are cautioned to allow adequate time to ensure timely uploads of all Quote documents to mitigate unforeseen delays or issues. State regulation mandates that late Quotes are ineligible for consideration.

4.3 **NJSTART** SUBMISSION OF QUOTE

Vendors {Bidders} may refer to the "Vendor Registration" and "Submit a Quote" QRGs for additional instructions detailing how to enroll in NJSTART and submit a NJSTART electronic Quote. QRGs are located on the NJSTART Vendor Support Page.

When submitting a *NJSTART* Quote, do not use any symbols (i.e., #, @, \$, &, *) in the filename. Uploaded files should be compatible with Microsoft Office and/or Adobe software applications.

DO NOT UPLOAD files with extensions such as .zip, .numbers, or .pages.

The Vendor {Bidder} should select the "Confidential" option in *NJSTART* for attachments on the "Attachments" Tab to request that the documents not be displayed publicly through *NJSTART*.

Note: Marking an attachment as "Confidential" in *NJSTART* shall not constitute the Vendor's {Bidder's} designation of the attachment as exempt from public disclosure under OPRA and/or the common law as outlined in Section 1.4.4.

4.4 QUOTE CONTENT

The Quote should be submitted with the content of each section as indicated below.

- A. Section 1 Forms (Sections 4.4.1 and 4.4.2).
- B. Section 2 Technical Quote (Section 4.4.3);
- C. Section 3 Organizational Support and Experience (Section 4.4.4); and
- D. Section 4 Any other documents to be included by the Vendor {Bidder}.
- E. Section 5 State-Supplied Price Sheet (Section 4.4.5).

A Vendor {Bidder} must complete the State-Supplied Price Sheet accompanying this Bid Solicitation and upload it as an attachment on the "Attachments" Tab (See Section 4.4.5 of this Bid Solicitation).

The Vendor {Bidder} must enter a Unit Cost of \$1.00 for each price line item on the "Items" Tab in *NJSTART*. The Vendor {Bidder} is instructed to do so only as a mechanism to comply with Bid Solicitation Section 6.8 and prevent all pricing from being publicly displayed in *NJSTART*.

In the event that a Vendor {Bidder} uploads a State-Supplied Price Sheet and completes the Items Tab in *NJSTART* (instead of entering a Unit Cost of \$1.00 as instructed), the State-Supplied Price Sheet attachment will govern.

4.4.1 FORMS, REGISTRATIONS AND CERTIFICATIONS REQUIRED WITH QUOTE

Vendors {Bidders} should refer to the QRGs "Vendor Forms" and "Attaching Files" for instructions on submitting the forms required by this section of the Bid Solicitation through *NJSTART*. Vendors {Bidders} may also refer to the QRG "Vendor Categories and Certifications" for additional instructions on completing shortened versions of required forms by completing certifications on the "Maintain Terms and Categories" Tab within its profile in *NJSTART*. QRGs are located on the NJSTART Vendor Support Page.

In the event that a Vendor {Bidder} fails to attach a required form, or the attached form is deemed deficient, the Division may access the Primary Form to be considered as part of the Quote.

Vendors {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 signature, or an electronic signature pursuant to Section 1.4.11 of this Bid Solicitation.

4.4.1.1 OFFER AND ACCEPTANCE PAGE

The Vendor {Bidder} shall complete and submit the Offer and Acceptance Page accompanying this Bid Solicitation prior to the initiation of negotiation. The Vendor {Bidder} should submit the Offer and Acceptance Page with the Quote. All information requested on the Offer and Acceptance Page must be submitted.

If the Offer and Acceptance Page is not submitted with the Quote or is incomplete, the State will require the Vendor {Bidder} to submit the Offer and Acceptance Page. If the Vendor {Bidder} fails

to comply with the requirement within seven (7) business days of the demand, the State may deem the Quote non-responsive.

The Offer and Acceptance Page must be signed by an authorized representative of the Vendor {Bidder}. If the Vendor {Bidder} is a limited partnership, the Offer and Acceptance Page must be signed by a general partner. If the Vendor {Bidder} is a joint venture, the Offer and Acceptance Page must be signed by a principal of each party to the joint venture.

4.4.1.1.1 MACBRIDE PRINCIPLES CERTIFICATION

The Vendor {Bidder} must certify pursuant to <u>N.J.S.A.</u> 52:34-12.2 that it is in compliance with the MacBride principles of nondiscrimination in employment as set forth in <u>N.J.S.A.</u> 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. See Section 2.5 of the SSTC and <u>N.J.S.A.</u> 52:34-12.2 for additional information about the MacBride principles.

By signing the Bid Solicitation Offer and Acceptance Page, the Vendor {Bidder} is automatically certifying that either:

- A. The Vendor (Bidder) has no operations in Northern Ireland; or
- B. The Vendor {Bidder} has business operations in Northern Ireland and is committed to compliance with the MacBride principles.

A Vendor {Bidder} electing not to certify to the MacBride Principles must nonetheless sign the Bid Solicitation Offer and Acceptance Page AND must include, as part of its Quote, a statement indicating its refusal to comply with the provisions of this Act.

4.4.1.1.2 NON-COLLUSION

By submitting a Quote and signing the Bid Solicitation Offer and Acceptance Page, the Vendor {Bidder} certifies as follows:

- A. The price(s) and amount of its Quote have been arrived at independently and without consultation, communication or agreement with any other Vendor {Contractor, Bidder} or any other party;
- B. Neither the price(s) nor the amount of its Quote, and neither the approximate price(s) nor approximate amount of this Quote, have been disclosed to any other firm or person who is a Vendor {Bidder} or potential Vendor {Bidder}, and they will not be disclosed before the Quote submission;
- C. No attempt has been made or will be made to induce any firm or person to refrain from bidding on this Blanket P.O., or to submit a Quote higher than this Quote, or to submit any intentionally high or noncompetitive Quote or other form of complementary Quote;
- D. The Quote of the firm is made in good faith and not pursuant to any agreement or discussion with, or inducement from, any firm or person to submit a complementary or other noncompetitive Quote; and
- E. The Vendor {Bidder}, its affiliates, subsidiaries, officers, directors, and employees are not, to Vendor's {Bidder's} knowledge, currently under investigation by any governmental agency for alleged conspiracy or collusion with respect to bidding on any Blanket P.O./public contract and have not in the last five (5) years been convicted or found liable for any act prohibited by state or federal law in any jurisdiction involving conspiracy or collusion with respect to bidding on any Blanket P.O./public contract.

4.4.1.1.3 NEW JERSEY BUSINESS ETHICS GUIDE CERTIFICATION

The Treasurer has established a business ethics guide to be followed by Vendors {Bidders/Contractors} in its dealings with the State. The guide provides further information about compliance with Section 2.7 of the SSTC. The guide can be found at: https://www.state.nj.us/treasury/purchase/ethics.shtml

By signing the Bid Solicitation Offer and Acceptance Page, the Vendor {Bidder} is automatically certifying that it has complied with all applicable laws and regulations governing the provision of State goods and services, including the Conflicts of Interest Law, N.J.S.A. 52:13D-12 to 28.

4.4.1.2 NJ STANDARD BID SOLICITATION FORMS REQUIRED WITH THE QUOTE

Vendor's {Bidder's} failure to complete, sign and submit the forms in Section 4.4.1.2 shall be cause to reject its Quote as non-responsive.

4.4.1.2.1 OWNERSHIP DISCLOSURE FORM

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

A current completed Ownership Disclosure Form must be received prior to or accompany the submitted Quote. A Vendor's {Bidder's} failure to submit the completed and signed form with its Quote will result in the rejection of the Quote as non-responsive and preclude the award of a Blanket P.O. to said Vendor {Bidder} unless the 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, to comply with this section, a Vendor {Bidder} 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.

Vendors {Bidders} using *NJSTART* to submit a Quote shall make the appropriate certification on the "Maintain Terms and Categories" Tab within its profile by checking the applicable box and, if required, completing and attaching the shortened Ownership Disclosure Form. Vendors {Bidders} not using *NJSTART* to submit a Quote must complete the full Ownership Disclosure Form located on the <u>Division's website</u>.

Vendors {Bidders} may refer to the QRGs "Vendor Forms" and "Attaching Files" for instructions on submitting the forms required by this section of the Bid Solicitation through *NJSTART*. Vendors {Bidders} may also refer to the QRG "Vendor Categories and Certifications" for additional instructions on completing shortened versions of required forms by completing certifications on the "Maintain Terms and Categories" Tab within its profile in *NJSTART*. QRGs are located on the <u>NJSTART</u> Vendor Support Page.

Vendors {Bidders} utilizing *NJSTART* should designate one (1) version of the Ownership Disclosure Form as the Primary Form. In the event that a Vendor {Bidder} fails to attach an Ownership Disclosure Form, or the attached Ownership Disclosure Form is deemed deficient, the Division may access the Primary Form and consider it as part of the Quote. Note: The Primary Form must have a Date Created within six (6) months of the Quote submission deadline to be considered valid.

4.4.1.3 SUBCONTRACTOR UTILIZATION PLAN

Please note that the State of New Jersey will not be utilizing the "Subcontractor" Tab in *NJSTART*. Vendors {Bidders} intending to use a Subcontractor shall submit a Subcontractor Utilization Plan form. The Subcontractor Utilization Plan form is located on the <u>Division's website</u>. Vendors {Bidders} may refer to the QRGs "Vendor Forms" and "Attaching Files" for instructions on submitting the forms required by this section of the Bid Solicitation through *NJSTART*. QRGs are located on the *NJSTART* Vendor Support Page.

NOTE: If the Blanket P.O. is a small business subcontracting set-aside, the Vendor {Bidder} certifies that in engaging Subcontractors, it shall make a good faith effort to achieve the subcontracting set-aside goals, and shall attach to the Subcontractor Utilization Plan documentation of such efforts in accordance with N.J.A.C. 17:13-4.1 et seq.

For a Quote that does NOT include the use of any Subcontractors, by signing the Bid Solicitation Offer and Acceptance Page, the Vendor {Bidder} is automatically certifying that in the event the award is granted to the Vendor's {Bidder's} firm and the Vendor {Bidder} later determines at any time during the term of the Blanket P.O. to engage Subcontractors to provide certain goods and/or services, pursuant to Section 5.8 of the SSTC, the Vendor {Bidder} shall submit a Subcontractor Utilization Plan form for approval to the Division in advance of any such engagement of Subcontractors.

4.4.1.4 SMALL BUSINESS SET-ASIDE BLANKET P.O.

Not applicable to this procurement.

4.4.1.5 DISABLED VETERANS' BUSINESS SET-ASIDE BLANKET P.O.

Not applicable to this procurement.

4.4.1.6 SMALL BUSINESS AND DISABLED VETERANS' BUSINESS SUBCONTRACTING SET-ASIDE BLANKET P.O.

NOTE: THE VENDOR {BIDDER} SHALL NOT USE THE "SUBCONTRACTOR" TAB IN NJSTART.

This is a Blanket P.O. with set-aside subcontracting goals for New Jersey Small Business Enterprises and Disabled Veterans' Businesses.

If the Vendor {Bidder} intends to subcontract, it must submit a Subcontractor Utilization Plan and shall take the following actions to achieve the set-aside subcontracting goal requirements:

- A. Attempt to locate eligible small businesses in Categories I, II, III, IV, V, and/or VI as appropriate to the Bid Solicitation;
- B. Request a listing of New Jersey Small Business Enterprises and Disabled Veterans' Businesses from the New Jersey Division of Revenue and Enterprise Services, Small Business Registration and M/WBE Certification Services Unit;
- C. Record efforts to locate eligible businesses, including the names of businesses contacted and the means and results of such contacts;
- D. Provide all potential Subcontractors with detailed information regarding the specifications;
- E. Attempt, whenever possible, to negotiate prices with potential Subcontractors submitting higher than acceptable price Quotes;

- F. Obtain, in writing, the consent of any proposed Subcontractor to use its name in response to the Bid Solicitation; and
- G. Maintain adequate records documenting efforts to achieve the set-aside subcontracting goals.

Quotes should also contain a copy of the Division of Revenue and Enterprise Services, Small Business Registration and M/WBE Certification Services Unit's proof of registration as a small business for any business proposed as a Subcontractor; and documentation of the Vendor's {Bidder's} good faith effort to meet the set-aside subcontracting goal in sufficient detail to permit the Division to effectively assess the Vendor's {Bidder's} efforts to comply if the Vendor {Bidder} has failed to attain the goals.

If the Vendor {Bidder} chooses to use Subcontractors and fails to meet the small business subcontracting targets set forth above, the Vendor {Bidder} must submit documentation demonstrating its good faith effort to meet the targets with its Quote or within seven (7) business days upon request.

NOTE: A VENDOR'S {BIDDER'S} FAILURE TO SATISFY THE SMALL BUSINESS SUBCONTRACTING GOAL OR TO PROVIDE SUFFICIENT DOCUMENTATION OF ITS GOOD FAITH EFFORTS TO MEET THE TARGETS WITH THE QUOTE OR WITHIN SEVEN (7) BUSINESS DAYS UPON REQUEST SHALL PRECLUDE AWARD OF A BLANKET P.O. TO THE VENDOR {BIDDER}.

Each Vendor {Bidder} awarded a Blanket P.O. for a procurement which contains the set-aside subcontracting goal requirement shall fully cooperate in any studies or surveys which may be conducted by the State to determine the extent of the Vendor's {Bidder's} compliance with <u>N.J.A.C.</u> 17:13-1.1 et seq., and this Bid Solicitation.

<u>4.4.1.7</u> <u>BID SECURITY</u>

Not applicable to this procurement.

4.4.2 FORMS, REGISTRATIONS AND CERTIFICATIONS REQUIRED BEFORE BLANKET P.O. AWARD AND THAT SHOULD BE SUBMITTED WITH THE QUOTE

Unless otherwise specified, forms must contain an original, physical signature, or an electronic signature pursuant to Section 1.4.11 of this Bid Solicitation.

4.4.2.1 BUSINESS REGISTRATION

In accordance with N.J.S.A. 52:32-44(b), a Vendor {Bidder} and its named Subcontractors must have a valid Business Registration Certificate ("BRC") issued by the Department of the Treasury, Division of Revenue and Enterprise Services prior to the award of a Blanket P.O. To facilitate the Quote evaluation and Blanket P.O. award process, the Vendor {Bidder} should submit a copy of its valid BRC and those of any named Subcontractors with its Quote. See Section 2.1 of the SSTC.

Any Vendor {Bidder}, inclusive of any named Subcontractors, not having a valid business registration at the time of the Quote opening, or whose BRC was revoked prior to the submission of the Quote, should proceed immediately to register its business or seek reinstatement of a revoked BRC. Vendors {Bidders} should verify its BRC status on the "Maintain Terms and Categories" Tab within its profile in *NJSTART*. In the event of an issue with a Vendor's {Bidder's} BRC, *NJSTART* provides a link to take corrective action.

The Vendor {Bidder} is cautioned that it may require a significant amount of time to secure the reinstatement of a revoked BRC. The process can require actions by both the Division of Revenue and Enterprise Services and the Division of Taxation. For this reason, a Vendor's {Bidder's} early

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attention to this requirement is highly recommended. The Vendor {Bidder} and its named Subcontractors may register with the Division of Revenue and Enterprise Services, obtain a copy of an existing BRC or obtain information necessary to seek re-instatement of a revoked BRC online at http://www.state.nj.us/treasury/revenue/busregcert.shtml.

A Vendor {Bidder} otherwise identified by the Division as a responsive and responsible Vendor {Bidder}, inclusive of any named Subcontractors, but that was not business registered at the time of submission of its Quote must be so registered and in possession of a valid BRC by a deadline to be specified in writing by the Division. A Vendor {Bidder} failing to comply with this requirement by the deadline specified by the Division will be deemed ineligible for Blanket P.O. award. Under any circumstance, the Division will rely upon information available from computerized systems maintained by the State as a basis to verify independently compliance with the requirement for business registration.

A Vendor {Bidder} receiving a Blanket P.O. award as a result of this procurement and any Subcontractors named by that Vendor {Bidder} will be required to maintain a valid business registration with the Division of Revenue and Enterprise Services for the duration of the executed Blanket P.O., inclusive of any Blanket P.O. extensions.

4.4.2.2 DISCLOSURE OF INVESTIGATIONS AND OTHER ACTIONS INVOLVING BIDDER FORM

The Vendor {Bidder} should submit the Disclosure of Investigations and Other Actions Involving Bidder Form, with its Quote, to provide 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 Vendor {Bidder} does not submit the form with the Quote, the Vendor {Bidder} must comply within seven (7) business days of the State's request or the State may deem the Quote non-responsive.

Vendors {Bidders} using **NJSTART** to submit a Quote shall make the appropriate certification on the "Maintain Terms and Categories" Tab within its profile by checking the applicable box and, if required, complete and attach the shortened **NJSTART** form. Vendors {Bidders} not using **NJSTART** to submit a Quote must complete the full version of the form located on the <u>Division's</u> website.

Vendors {Bidders} may refer to the QRGs "Vendor Forms" and "Attaching Files" for instructions on submitting the forms required by this section of the Bid Solicitation through *NJSTART*. Vendors {Bidders} may also refer to the QRG "Vendor Categories and Certifications" for additional instructions on completing shortened versions of required forms by completing certifications on the "Maintain Terms and Categories" Tab within its profile in *NJSTART*. QRGs are located on the NJSTART Vendor Support Page.

4.4.2.3 DISCLOSURE OF INVESTMENT ACTIVITIES IN IRAN FORM

Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 52:32-58, the Vendor {Bidder} must utilize this Disclosure of Investment Activities in Iran form to certify that neither the Vendor {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 the Vendor {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 the Vendor {Bidder} is unable to so certify, the Vendor {Bidder} shall provide a detailed and precise description of such activities as directed on the form. Vendor {Bidder} must complete and submit the form prior to the award of the Blanket P.O.

Vendors {Bidders} using *NJSTART* to submit a Quote shall make the appropriate certification on the "Maintain Terms and Categories" Tab within its profile by checking the applicable box and, if

required, completing and attaching the shortened Disclosure of Investment Activities in Iran form. Vendors {Bidders} not using *NJSTART* to submit a Quote must complete the full Disclosure of Investment Activities in Iran form located on the <u>Division's website</u>.

Vendors {Bidders} may refer to the QRGs "Vendor Forms" and "Attaching Files" for instructions on submitting the forms required by this section of the Bid Solicitation through *NJSTART*. Vendors {Bidders} may also refer to the QRG "Vendor Categories and Certifications" for additional instructions on completing shortened versions of required forms by completing certifications on the "Maintain Terms and Categories" Tab within its profile in *NJSTART*. QRGs are located on the NJSTART Vendor Support Page.

Vendors {Bidders} utilizing *NJSTART* should designate the most current version of the Disclosure of Investment Activities in Iran form as the Primary Form. In the event that a Vendor {Bidder} fails to attach a Disclosure of Investment Activities in Iran form, or the attached Disclosure of Investment Activities in Iran form is deemed deficient, the Division may access the Primary Form, as designed in the Vendor {Bidder} profile, to be considered as part of the Quote.

4.4.2.4 SOURCE DISCLOSURE

Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 52:34-13.2, prior to an award of Blanket P.O., the Vendor {Bidder} is required to submit a completed Source Disclosure Form. The Vendor's {Bidder's} inclusion of the completed Source Disclosure Form with the Quote is requested and advised. See Bid Solicitation Section 7.1.2 for additional information concerning this requirement.

The Source Disclosure Form is located on the <u>Division's website</u>. Vendors {Bidders} may refer to the QRGs "Vendor Forms" and "Attaching Files" for instructions on submitting the forms required by this section of the Bid Solicitation through *NJSTART*. QRGs are located on the <u>NJSTART</u> Vendor Support Page.

4.4.2.5 CONFIDENTIALITY/COMMITMENT TO DEFEND

Vendor {Bidder} should submit a completed and signed Confidentiality /Commitment to Defend form with the Quote. In the event that Vendor {Bidder} does not submit the Confidentiality form with the Quote, the State reserves the right to request that the Vendor {Bidder} submit the form after Quote submission.

See Bid Solicitation Section 1.4.4 Contents of Quote for additional information.

4.4.3 TECHNICAL QUOTE

In this section, the Vendor {Bidder} shall describe its approach and plans for accomplishing the work outlined in the Scope of Work section, i.e., Section 3.0. The Vendor {Bidder} must set forth its understanding of the requirements of this Bid Solicitation and its approach to successfully complete the Blanket P.O. The Vendor {Bidder} should include the level of detail it determines necessary to assist the evaluation committee in its review of the Vendor's {Bidder's} Quote.

Vendors {Bidders} may refer to the QRG "Submit a Quote" for instructions detailing how to submit a *NJSTART* electronic Quote. QRGs are located on the <u>NJSTART Vendor Support Page</u>.

4.4.3.1 MANAGEMENT OVERVIEW

The Vendor {Bidder} shall set forth its overall technical approach and plans to meet the requirements of the Bid Solicitation in a narrative format. This narrative should demonstrate to the State that the Vendor {Bidder} understands the objectives that the Blanket P.O. is intended to meet, the nature of the required work, and the level of effort necessary to successfully complete the Blanket P.O. This narrative should demonstrate to the State that the Vendor's {Bidder's} general

approach and plans to undertake and complete the Blanket P.O. are appropriate to the tasks and subtasks involved.

Mere reiterations of Bid Solicitation tasks and subtasks are strongly discouraged, as they do not provide insight into the Vendor's {Bidder's} approach to complete the Blanket P.O. The Vendor's {Bidder's} response to this section should be designed to demonstrate to the State that the Vendor's {Bidder's} detailed plans and approach proposed to complete the Scope of Work are realistic, attainable and appropriate and that the Vendor's {Bidder's} Quote will lead to successful Blanket P.O. completion.

4.4.3.2 BLANKET P.O. MANAGEMENT

The Vendor {Bidder} should describe its specific plans to manage, control and supervise the Blanket P.O. to ensure satisfactory Blanket P.O. completion according to the required schedule. The plan should include the Vendor's {Bidder's} approach to communicate with the State Contract Manager including, but not limited to, status meetings, status reports, etc.

4.4.3.3 BLANKET P.O. SCHEDULE AND PLANS

4.4.3.3.1 BLANKET P.O. SCHEDULE

The Vendor {Bidder} should include a draft Blanket P.O. schedule. If key dates are a part of this Bid Solicitation, the Vendor's {Bidder's} schedule should incorporate such key dates and should identify the completion date for each task and sub-task required by the Scope of Work. Such schedule should also identify the associated deliverable item(s) to be submitted as evidence of completion of each task and/or subtask.

The Vendor {Bidder} should identify the Blanket P.O. scheduling and control methodology to be used and should provide the rationale for choosing such methodology.

4.4.3.3.2 MOBILIZATION PLAN

It is essential that the State have quick use of the functionality this Blanket P.O. is to provide. Therefore, each Vendor {Bidder} shall include as part of its Quote a mobilization plan, beginning with the date of notification of Blanket P.O. award and lasting no longer than 30 calendar days.

Such mobilization plan should include the following elements:

- A. A detailed timetable for the mobilization period of 30 calendar days. This timetable should be designed to demonstrate how the Vendor {Bidder} will have the personnel and equipment it needs to begin work on the Blanket P.O. up and operational from the date of notification of award;
- B. The Vendor's {Bidder's} plan for the deployment and use of management, supervisory or other key personnel during the mobilization period. The plan should show all management, supervisory and key personnel that will be assigned to manage, supervise and monitor the Vendor's {Bidder's} mobilization of the Blanket P.O. within the period of 30 calendar days;
- C. The Vendor {Bidder} should clearly identify management, supervisory or other key staff that will be assigned only during the mobilization;
- D. The Vendor's {Bidder's} plan for recruitment of staff required to provide all services required by the Bid Solicitation on the Blanket P.O. start date at the end of the mobilization period covering 30 calendar days; and

E. The Vendor's {Bidder's} plan for the purchase and distribution of equipment, inventory, supplies, materials, etc. that will be required to begin work on the Blanket P.O. on the required start date.

4.4.4 ORGANIZATIONAL SUPPORT AND EXPERIENCE

The Vendor {Bidder} should include information relating to its organization, personnel, and experience, including, but not limited to, references, together with contact names and telephone numbers, evidencing the Vendor's {Bidder's} qualifications, and capabilities to perform the services required by this Bid Solicitation.

The Vendor {Bidder} should include the level of detail it determines necessary to assist the evaluation committee in its review of Vendor's {Bidder's} Quote.

4.4.4.1 WAREHOUSE LOCATION

The Vendor {Bidder} must provide the address and location of its proposed primary facility as part of its Quote. In accordance with Bid Solicitation Section 3.2, *Warehouse Space*, the primary facility must be geographically located within one of the Northern New Jersey counties that make up the Urban Area Security Initiative (UASI), which includes the following counties: Hudson, Bergen, Union, Passaic, Morris, and Essex. The location shall also not be within a Special Flood Hazard Area as identified on a FEMA Flood Insurance Rate Map.

The Vendor {Bidder} should provide any information related to the facility relevant to the Bureau's evaluation of the Vendor's {Bidder's} Quote.

4.4.4.2 ORGANIZATION CHARTS

- A. <u>Blanket P.O. -Specific Chart</u>. The Vendor {Bidder} should include a Blanket P.O. organization chart, with names showing management, supervisory and other key personnel (including Subcontractor management, supervisory, or other key personnel) to be assigned to the Blanket P.O. The chart should include the labor category and title of each such individual; and
- B. **Chart for Entire Firm**. The Vendor {Bidder} should include an organization chart showing the Vendor's {Bidder's} entire organizational structure. This chart should show the relationship of the individuals assigned to the Blanket P.O. to the Vendor's {Bidder's} overall organizational structure.

4.4.4.3 **RESUMES**

Detailed resumes should be submitted for all management, supervisory, and key personnel to be assigned to the Blanket P.O. Resumes should emphasize relevant qualifications and experience of these individuals in successfully completing Blanket P.O.s of a similar size and scope to those required by this Bid Solicitation. Resumes should include the following:

- A. The individual's previous experience in completing each similar Blanket P.O.;
- B. Beginning and ending dates for each similar Blanket P.O.;
- C. A description of the Blanket P.O. demonstrating how the individual's work on the completed Blanket P.O. relates to the individual's ability to contribute to successfully providing the services required by this Bid Solicitation; and
- D. With respect to each similar Blanket P.O., the name and address of each reference together with a person to contact for a reference check and a telephone number.

The Vendor {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. When a Vendor {Bidder} submits resumes pursuant to this paragraph, the Vendor {Bidder} shall redact the social security numbers, home addresses, personal telephone numbers, and any other personally identifying information other than the individual's name from the resume.

4.4.4.4 BACKUP STAFF

The Vendor {Bidder} should include a list of backup staff that may be called upon to assist or replace primary individuals assigned. Backup staff must be clearly identified as backup staff.

In the event the Vendor {Bidder} must hire management, supervisory and/or key personnel if awarded the Blanket P.O., the Vendor {Bidder} should include, as part of its recruitment plan, a plan to secure backup staff in the event personnel initially recruited need assistance or need to be replaced during the Blanket P.O. term.

4.4.4.5 EXPERIENCE WITH CONTRACTS OF SIMILAR SIZE AND SCOPE

The Vendor {Bidder} should provide a comprehensive listing of contracts of similar size and scope that it has successfully completed, as evidence of the Vendor's {Bidder's} ability to successfully complete services similar to those required by this Bid Solicitation. Emphasis should be placed on contracts that are similar in size and scope to the work required by this Bid Solicitation. 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 Bid Solicitation. For each such contract listed, the Vendor {Bidder} should provide two (2) names and telephone numbers of individuals for contracting party. Beginning and ending dates should also be given for each contract.

The Vendor {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, the Vendor {Bidder} should provide details, including any negative audits, reports, or findings by any governmental agency for which the Vendor {Bidder} is/was the Vendor {Contractor} on any contracts of similar scope. In the event a Vendor {Bidder} neglects to include this information in its Quote, the Vendor's {Bidder's} omission of necessary disclosure information may be cause for rejection of the Vendor's {Bidder's} Quote by the State.

The Vendor {Bidder} should provide documented experience to demonstrate that each Subcontractor has successfully performed work on contracts of a similar size and scope to the work that the Subcontractor is designated to perform in the Vendor's {Bidder's} Quote. The Vendor {Bidder} must provide a detailed description of services to be provided by each Subcontractor.

4.4.4.6 FINANCIAL CAPABILITY OF THE VENDOR (BIDDER)

The Vendor {Bidder} should provide sufficient financial information to enable the State to assess the financial strength and creditworthiness of the Vendor {Bidder} and its ability to undertake and successfully complete the Blanket P.O. In order to provide the State with the ability to evaluate the Vendor's {Bidder's} financial capacity and capability to undertake and successfully complete the Blanket P.O., the Vendor {Bidder} should submit the following:

- A. For publicly traded companies the Vendor {Bidder} should provide copies or the electronic location of the annual reports filed for the two most recent years; or
- B. For privately held companies the Vendor {Bidder} should provide the certified financial statement (audited or reviewed) in accordance with applicable standards by an independent Certified Public Accountant which include a balance sheet, income statement, and

statement of cash flow, and all applicable notes for the most recent calendar year or the Vendor's {Bidder's} most recent fiscal year.

If the information is not supplied with the Quote, the State may still require the Vendor {Bidder} to submit it. If the Vendor {Bidder} fails to comply with the request within seven (7) business days, the State may deem the Quote non-responsive.

A Vendor {Bidder} may designate specific financial information as not subject to disclosure when the Vendor {Bidder} has a good faith legal/factual basis for such assertion. The State reserves the right to make the determination to accept the assertion and shall so advise the Vendor {Bidder}.

4.4.5 STATE-SUPPLIED PRICE SHEET

The Vendor {Bidder} must submit its pricing using the State-Supplied Price Sheet accompanying this Bid Solicitation and located on the "Attachments" Tab.

Vendors {Bidders} may refer to the QRG "Submit a Quote" for instructions detailing how to submit a *NJSTART* electronic Quote. QRGs are located on the <u>NJSTART Vendor Support Page</u>.

4.4.5.1 NJSTART PRICING SUBMISSION INSTRUCTIONS

If the Vendor {Bidder} is submitting a *NJSTART* Quote, the Vendor {Bidder} must enter a Unit Cost of \$1.00 for each price line item on the "Items" Tab in *NJSTART*. The Vendor {Bidder} is instructed to do so only as a mechanism to comply with Bid Solicitation Section 6.8 and prevent all pricing from being publicly displayed in *NJSTART*.

4.4.5.2 STATE-SUPPLIED PRICE SHEET INSTRUCTIONS

The Vendor {Bidder} must submit its pricing using the State-Supplied Price Sheet accompanying this Bid Solicitation and located on the "Attachments" Tab.

The Vendor {Bidder} must provide firm-fixed unit cost pricing for each year (Year 1, Year 2, Year 3, Year 4, and Year 5) of Item Numbers 1 through 23 on the State-Supplied Price Sheet. Failure to submit all required pricing will result in the Vendor's {Bidder's} Quote being deemed non-responsive and ineligible for award. Item Numbers 24 and 25 are for informational purposes only and no pricing information is required for these items.

All pricing shall remain firm-fixed throughout the term of the Blanket P.O. This shall apply for the primary warehouse facility as well as if additional warehouse facilities are opened during the term of this Blanket P.O.

In the event that a Vendor {Bidder} using **NJSTART** to submit a Quote uploads a State-Supplied Price Sheet and completes the "Items" Tab in **NJSTART** (instead of entering a Unit Cost of \$1.00 as instructed), the State-Supplied Price Sheet will govern.

4.4.5.3 USE OF "NO BID" VERSUS "NO CHARGE" ON THE STATE-SUPPLIED PRICE SHEET

All price lines must be filled out in accordance with Section 4.4.5.2. If the Vendor {Bidder} is not submitting a price for an item on a price line, the Vendor {Bidder} must indicate "No Bid" on the State-Supplied Price Sheet accompanying this Bid Solicitation. If the Vendor {Bidder} will supply an item on a price line free of charge, the Vendor {Bidder} must indicate "No Charge" on the State-Supplied Price Sheet accompanying this Bid Solicitation. The use of any other identifier may result in the Vendor's {Bidder's} Quote being deemed non-responsive.

4.4.5.4 DELIVERY TIME AND COSTS

Unless otherwise noted elsewhere in the Bid Solicitation, all delivery times are 30 calendar days after receipt of order (ARO) and prices for items in Quotes shall be submitted Freight On Board (F.O.B.) Destination (30 calendar days ARO/F.O.B.). Quotes submitted other than 30 calendar days ARO/F.O.B. may be deemed non-responsive. The Vendor {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. 30 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 Vendor's {Contractor's} convenience when a single shipment is ordered.

The weights and measures of the State's Using Agency receiving the shipment shall govern.

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

C.O.D. terms are not acceptable as part of a Quote and shall be deemed non-responsive.

4.4.5.6 CASH DISCOUNTS

The Vendor {Bidder} is encouraged to offer cash discounts based on expedited payment by the State. The State will make efforts to take advantage of discounts, but discounts will not be considered in determining the price rankings of Quotes.

Should the Vendor {Bidder} choose to offer cash discounts the following shall apply:

- A. 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
- B. 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.

4.4.6 COOPERATIVE PURCHASING PROGRAM

Not applicable to this procurement.

4.4.7 ORAL PRESENTATIONS

Not applicable to this procurement.

5.0 SPECIAL CONTRACTUAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS APPLICABLE TO THE BLANKET P.O.

5.1 PRECEDENCE OF SPECIAL CONTRACTUAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS

This Blanket P.O. awarded, and the entire agreement between the parties, as a result of this Bid Solicitation shall consist of this Bid Solicitation, SSTC, Bid Amendment to this Bid Solicitation, the Vendor's {Contractor's} Quote, any Best and Final Offer, and the Division's Notice of Award.

In the event of a conflict in the terms and conditions among the documents comprising this Blanket P.O., the order of precedence, for purposes of interpretation thereof, listed from highest ranking to lowest ranking, shall be:

- A. Executed Offer and Acceptance Page;
- B. Bid Solicitation Section 5, as may be amended by Bid Amendment;
- C. The State of NJ Standard Terms and Conditions (SSTC) accompanying this Bid Solicitation;
- D. All remaining sections of the Bid Solicitation, as may be amended by Bid Amendment;
- E. The Vendor's {Contractor's} final submitted Best and Final Offer; and
- F. The Vendor's {Contractor's} Quote as accepted by the State.

Note: In the event of conflicting information between the Bid Solicitation and fields contained in *NJSTART*, the Bid Solicitation will govern and *NJSTART* will be updated via Bid Amendment or Change Order.

5.2 BLANKET P.O. TERM AND EXTENSION OPTION

The base term of this Blanket P.O. shall be for a period of **five (5) years**. The anticipated "Blanket P.O. Effective Date" is provided on the "Summary" page the Bid Solicitation in *NJSTART*. If delays in the procurement process result in a change to the anticipated Blanket P.O. Effective Date, the Vendor {Bidder} agrees to accept a Blanket P.O. for the full term of this Blanket P.O.

This Blanket P.O. may be extended up to **three (3) years** with no single extension exceeding one (1) year, by the mutual written consent of the Vendor {Contractor} and the Director at the same terms, conditions, and pricing at the rates in effect in the last year of this Blanket P.O. or rates more favorable to the State or as per SSTC Section 6.1.

5.3 BLANKET P.O. TRANSITION

In the event that a new Blanket P.O. has not been awarded prior to this Blanket P.O. expiration date, including any extensions exercised, and the State exercises this Blanket P.O. transition, the Vendor {Contractor} shall continue this Blanket P.O. under the same terms, conditions, and pricing until a new Blanket P.O. can be completely operational. At no time shall this transition period extend more than **180 days** beyond the expiration date of this Blanket P.O., including any extensions exercised.

5.4 CHANGE ORDER

Any changes or modifications to the terms of this Blanket P.O. shall be valid only when they have been reduced to writing and signed by the Vendor {Contractor} and the Director.

5.5 VENDOR (CONTRACTOR) RESPONSIBILITIES

The Vendor {Contractor} shall have sole responsibility for the complete effort specified in this Blanket P.O. Payment will be made only to the Vendor {Contractor}. The Vendor {Contractor} shall have sole responsibility for all payments due any Subcontractor.

The Vendor {Contractor} is responsible for the professional quality, technical accuracy and timely completion and submission of all deliverables, services or commodities required to be provided under this Blanket P.O. The Vendor {Contractor} shall, without additional compensation, correct or revise any errors, omissions, or other deficiencies in its deliverables and other services. The approval of deliverables furnished under this Blanket P.O. shall not in any way relieve the Vendor {Contractor} of responsibility for the technical adequacy of its work. The review, approval, acceptance or payment for any of the services shall not be construed as a waiver of any rights that the State may have arising out of the Vendor's {Contractor's} performance of this Blanket P.O.

5.6 SUBSTITUTION OF STAFF

If it becomes necessary for the Vendor {Contractor} to substitute any management, supervisory or key personnel, the Vendor {Contractor} shall identify the substitute personnel and the work to be performed. The Vendor {Contractor} must provide detailed justification documenting the necessity for the substitution. Resumes must be submitted evidencing that the individual(s) proposed as substitute(s) have qualifications and experience equal to or better than the individual(s) originally proposed or currently assigned.

The Vendor {Contractor} shall forward a request to substitute staff to the State Contract Manager for consideration and approval. No substitute personnel are authorized to begin work until the Vendor {Contractor} has received written approval to proceed from the State Contract Manager.

5.7 SUBSTITUTION OR ADDITION OF SUBCONTRACTOR(S)

This Subsection serves to supplement but not to supersede Sections 5.8 and 5.9 of the SSTC accompanying this Bid Solicitation.

The Vendor {Contractor} may not subcontract other than as identified in the Vendor's {Contractor's} proposal without the prior written consent of the Director. The Vendor {Contractor} shall forward a written request to substitute or add a Subcontractor or to substitute its own staff for a Subcontractor to the State Contract Manager for consideration. If the State Contract Manager approves the request, the State Contract Manager will forward the request to the Director for final approval. No substituted or additional Subcontractors are authorized to begin work until the Vendor {Contractor} has received written approval from the Director.

If it becomes necessary for the Vendor {Contractor} to substitute a Subcontractor, add a Subcontractor, or substitute its own staff for a Subcontractor, the Vendor {Contractor} will identify the proposed new Subcontractor or staff member(s) and the work to be performed. The Vendor {Contractor} must provide detailed justification documenting the necessity for the substitution or addition.

The Vendor {Contractor} must provide detailed resumes of its proposed replacement staff or of the proposed 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 to undertake.

The qualifications and experience of the replacement(s) must equal or exceed those of similar personnel proposed by the Vendor {Contractor} in its Quote.

5.8 OWNERSHIP OF MATERIAL

All data, technical information, materials gathered, originated, developed, prepared, used or obtained in the performance of this Blanket P.O., including, but not limited to, all reports, surveys, plans, charts, literature, brochures, mailings, recordings (video and/or audio), pictures, drawings, analyses, graphic representations, software computer programs and accompanying 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 Blanket P.O. shall be and remain the property of the State of New Jersey and shall be delivered to the State of New Jersey upon 30 days' notice by the State. With respect to software computer programs and/or source codes developed for the State, except those modifications or adaptations made to Vendor's {Bidder's/Contractor's} Background IP as defined below, the work shall be considered "work for hire", i.e., the State, not the Vendor (Contractor) or Subcontractor, shall have full and complete ownership of all software computer programs and/or source codes developed. To the extent that any of such materials may not, by operation of the law, be a work made for hire in accordance with the terms of this Blanket P.O., Vendor (Contractor) or Subcontractor hereby assigns to the State all right, title and interest in and to any such material, and the State shall have the right to obtain and hold in its own name and copyrights, registrations and any other proprietary rights that may be available.

Should the Vendor {Bidder} anticipate bringing pre-existing intellectual property into the project, the intellectual property must be identified in the Quote. Otherwise, the language in the first paragraph of this section prevails. If the Vendor {Bidder} identifies such intellectual property ("Background IP") in its Quote, then the Background IP owned by the Vendor {Bidder} on the date of this Blanket P.O., as well as any modifications or adaptations thereto, remain the property of the Vendor {Bidder}. Upon Blanket P.O. award, the Vendor {Bidder/Contractor} shall grant the State a nonexclusive, perpetual royalty free license to use any of the Vendor's {Bidder's/Contractor's} Background IP delivered to the State for the purposes contemplated by this Blanket P.O.

5.9 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 Blanket P.O., 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 Blanket P.O. Vendor's {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 and Vendor Intellectual Property ("Vendor {Contractor} Confidential Information"). Notwithstanding the previous sentence, the terms and pricing of this Blanket P.O. 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 Vendor {Contractor} in fulfillment of the Blanket P.O. and any analysis thereof (whether in fulfillment of the Blanket P.O. 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 Blanket P.O. 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 Vendor's {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 Vendor {Contractor} Confidential Information related to this Blanket P.O. pursuant to a court order, subpoena, or other operation of law, the State agrees, if permitted by law, to provide Vendor {Contractor} with as much notice, in writing, as is reasonably practicable and the State's intended response to such order of law. Vendor {Contractor} shall take any action it deems appropriate to protect its documents and/or information;
- G. In addition, in the event Vendor {Contractor} receives a request for State Confidential Information pursuant to a court order, subpoena, or other operation of law, Vendor {Contractor} shall, if permitted by law, provide the State with as much notice, in writing, as is reasonably practicable and Vendor's {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 5.9, 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:
 - in the case of the State, if the State determines the documents or information are subject to disclosure and Vendor {Contractor} does not exercise its rights as described in Section 5.9(F), or if Vendor {Contractor} is unsuccessful in defending its rights as described in Section 5.9(F); or
 - (b) in the case of Vendor {Contractor}, if Vendor {Contractor} determines the documents or information are subject to disclosure and the State does not exercise its rights described in Section 5.9(G), or if the State is unsuccessful in defending its rights as described in Section 5.9(G).

5.10 NEWS RELEASES

The Vendor {Contractor} is not permitted to issue news releases pertaining to any aspect of the services being provided under this Blanket P.O. without the prior written consent of the Director.

5.11 ADVERTISING

The Vendor {Contractor} shall not use the State's name, logos, images, or any data or results arising from this Blanket P.O. as a part of any commercial advertising without first obtaining the prior written consent of the Director.

5.12 LICENSES AND PERMITS

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

5.13 CLAIMS AND REMEDIES

5.13.1 CLAIMS

All claims asserted against the State by the Vendor {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.

5.13.2 REMEDIES

Nothing in this Blanket P.O. 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.

5.13.3 REMEDIES FOR FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH MATERIAL BLANKET P.O. REQUIREMENTS

In the event that the Vendor {Contractor} fails to comply with any material Blanket P.O. requirements, the Director may take steps to terminate this Blanket P.O. in accordance with the SSTC, authorize the delivery of Blanket P.O. items by any available means, with the difference between the price paid and the defaulting Vendor's {Contractor's} price either being deducted from any monies due the defaulting Vendor {Contractor} or being an obligation owed the State by the defaulting Vendor {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.

5.14 LIQUIDATED DAMAGES

Not applicable to this procurement.

5.15 RETAINAGE

Not applicable to this procurement.

5.16 ADDITIONAL WORK AND/OR SPECIAL PROJECTS

The Vendor (Contractor) shall not begin performing any additional work or special projects without first obtaining the State Contract Manager's recommendation and the Director's written approval.

In the event of additional work and/or special projects, the Vendor {Contractor} must present a written Quote to perform the additional work to the State Contract Manager. The Quote should provide justification for the necessity of the additional work. The relationship between the additional work and the base Blanket P.O. work must be clearly established by the Vendor {Contractor} in its Quote.

The Vendor's {Contractor's} written Quote must provide a detailed description of the work to be performed broken down by task and subtask. The Quote should also contain details on the level of effort, including hours, labor categories, etc., necessary to complete the additional work.

The written Quote must detail the cost necessary to complete the additional work in a manner consistent with this Blanket P.O. The written price schedule must be based upon the hourly rates, unit costs or other cost elements submitted by the Vendor {Contractor} in the Vendor's {Contractor's} original Quote submitted in response to this Bid Solicitation. Whenever possible, the price schedule should be a firm, fixed price to perform the required work. The firm, fixed price should specifically reference and be tied directly to costs submitted by the Vendor {Contractor} in its original Quote. A payment schedule, tied to successful completion of tasks and subtasks, must be included.

Upon receipt and approval of the Vendor's {Contractor's} written Quote, the State Contract Manager shall forward same to the Director for the Director's written approval. Complete documentation from the Using Agency, confirming the need for the additional work, must be submitted. Documentation forwarded by the State Contract Manager to the Director must include all other required State approvals, such as those that may be required from the State of New Jersey's Office of Management and Budget and Office of Information Technology.

In the event the Vendor {Contractor} proceeds with additional work and/or special projects without the Director's written approval, it shall be at the Vendor's {Contractor's} sole risk. The State shall be under no obligation to pay for work performed without the Director's written approval.

5.17 MODIFICATIONS AND CHANGES TO THE STATE OF NJ STANDARD TERMS AND CONDITIONS (SSTC)

5.17.1 INDEMNIFICATION SECTION 4.1 OF THE SSTC IS DELETED AND REPLACED WITH THE FOLLOWING:

Section 4.1 of the SSTC is <u>supplemented</u> with the following:

4.1.1 **LIMITATION OF LIABILITY**

The Vendor's {Contractor's} liability to the State for actual, direct damages resulting from the Vendor's {Contractor's} performance or non-performance, or in any manner related to this Blanket P.O., for any and all claims, shall be limited in the aggregate to **500%** of the total value of this Blanket P.O., except that such limitation of liability shall not apply to the following:

- a. The Vendor's {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 Vendor {Contractor} under this Blanket P.O. caused by negligence or willful misconduct of the Vendor {Contractor};
- b. The Vendor's {Contractor's} breach of its obligations of confidentiality; and
- c. The Vendor's {Contractor's} liability with respect to copyright indemnification.

The Vendor's {Contractor's} indemnification obligation is not limited by but is in addition to the insurance obligations contained in Section 4.2 of the SSTC.

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

5.17.2 INSURANCE - PROFESSIONAL LIABILITY INSURANCE

Section 4.2 of the SSTC regarding insurance is modified with the addition of the following section regarding Professional Liability Insurance.

D. Professional Liability Insurance: The Vendor {Contractor} shall carry Errors and Omissions, Professional Liability Insurance, and/or Professional Liability Malpractice Insurance sufficient to protect the Vendor {Contractor} from any liability arising out the professional obligations performed pursuant to the requirements of this Blanket P.O. The insurance shall be in the amount of not less than \$5,000,000 and in such policy forms as shall be approved by the State. If the Vendor {Contractor} has claims-made coverage and subsequently changes carriers during the term of this Blanket P.O., it shall obtain from its new Errors and Omissions, Professional Liability Insurance, and/or Professional Malpractice Insurance carrier an endorsement for retroactive coverage.

5.18 ACCESSIBILITY COMPLIANCE

The Vendor {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 Vendor {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 Vendor {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 Vendor's {Contractor's} VPAT information to comply with the accessibility standards of Section 508 of the Rehabilitation Act, 29 U.S.C. §794. In addition, Vendor {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 Blanket P.O. was not accessible in the same manner as or to the degree set forth in the Vendor's {Contractor's} statements or information about accessibility as set forth in the then-current version of an applicable VPAT.

5.19 BLANKET P.O. ACTIVITY REPORT

The Vendor {Contractor} must provide, on a biannual basis, a record of all purchases made under this Blanket P.O. resulting from this Bid Solicitation. This reporting requirement includes sales to State Using Agencies, political sub-divisions thereof and, if permitted under the terms of this Blanket P.O., sales to counties, municipalities, school districts, volunteer fire departments, first aid squads and rescue squads, independent institutions of higher education, State and county colleges and quasi-State entities. Quasi-State entities include any agency, commission, board, authority or other such governmental entity which is established and is allocated to a State department or any bi-state governmental entity of which the State of New Jersey is a member.

This information must be provided in Microsoft Excel such that an analysis can be made to determine the following:

- A. Vendor's {Contractor's} total sales volume, with line item detail, to each purchaser under this Blanket P.O.;
- B. Subtotals by product, including, if applicable, catalog number and description, price list with appropriate page reference, and/or Blanket P.O. discount applied; and
- C. Total dollars paid to Subcontractors.

Submission of purchase orders, confirmations, and/or invoices do not fulfill this Blanket P.O. requirement for information. Failure to report this mandated information may be a factor in future award decisions.

The Vendor {Contractor} must submit the required information in Microsoft Excel format to NJSupplierReports@treas.nj.gov.

Reports are due:

January 1st through June 30th – due by July 30th; and July1st through December 31st – due by January 30th.

5.20 ELECTRONIC PAYMENTS

With the award of this Blanket P.O., the successful Vendor(s) {Contractor(s)} will be required to receive its payment(s) electronically. In order to receive your payments via automatic deposit from the State of New Jersey, you must complete the EFT information within your NJSTART Vendor Profile. Please refer to Section 5.2 of the QRG entitled "Vendor Profile Management – Company

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Information and User Access" for instructions. QRGs are located on the <u>NJSTART Vendor Support Page</u>.

5.21 PROGRAM EFFICIENCY ASSESSMENT FOR STATE USING AGENCIES

The Program Efficiency Assessment shall not be charged against the winning Vendor {Contractor} and therefore is not to be included in the Vendor's {Bidder's} pricing. The State Using Agencies shall be charged an assessment equal to one-quarter of one (1) percent (0.25%) of the value of all transactions under this Blanket P.O. This assessment is authorized by N.J.S.A. 52:27B-56 and N.J.A.C. 17:12-1.5, to maintain the State's procurement system at a level to meet industry standards of efficiency.

For purposes of this section, "transaction" is defined as the payment or remuneration to the Vendor {Contractor} for services rendered or products provided to the State pursuant to the terms of this Blanket P.O., including but not limited to the following: purchase orders, invoices, hourly rates, firm fixed price, commission payments, progress payments and contingency payments.

6.0 QUOTE EVALUATION

6.1 RIGHT TO WAIVE

Pursuant to N.J.A.C. 17:12-2.7(d) the Director may waive minor irregularities or omissions in a Quote. The Director also reserves the right to waive a requirement provided that the requirement does not materially affect the procurement or the State's interests associated with the procurement.

6.2 DIRECTOR'S RIGHT OF FINAL QUOTE ACCEPTANCE

The Director reserves the right to reject any or all Quotes, or to award in whole or in part if deemed to be in the best interest of the State to do so. The Director shall have authority to award orders or Blanket P.O.s in accordance with N.J.S.A. 52:34-12. Tie Quotes will be awarded by the Director in accordance with N.J.A.C. 17:12-2.10.

6.3 STATE'S RIGHT TO INSPECT VENDOR (BIDDER) FACILITIES

The State reserves the right to inspect the Vendor's {Bidder's} establishment before making an award, for the purposes of ascertaining whether the Vendor {Bidder} has the necessary facilities for performing the Blanket P.O.

The State may also consult with clients of the Vendor {Bidder} during the evaluation of Quotes. Such consultation is intended to assist the State in making a Blanket P.O. award that is most advantageous to the State.

6.4 CLARIFICATION OF QUOTE / STATE'S RIGHT TO REQUEST FURTHER INFORMATION

After the submission of Quotes, unless requested by the State as noted below, Vendor {Bidder} contact with the State is not permitted.

After the Quotes are reviewed, one (1), some or all of the Vendors {Bidders} may be asked to clarify certain aspects of its Quote. A request for clarification may be made in order to resolve minor ambiguities, irregularities, informalities or clerical errors. Clarifications cannot correct any deficiencies or material omissions, or revise or modify a Quote.

Further, the Director reserves the right to request a Vendor {Bidder} to explain, in detail, how the Quote price was determined.

6.5 QUOTE EVALUATION COMMITTEE

Quotes may be evaluated by an Evaluation Committee composed of members of affected departments and agencies together with representative(s) from the Division. Representatives from other governmental agencies may also serve on the Evaluation Committee. On occasion, the Evaluation Committee may choose to make use of the expertise of outside consultant(s) in an advisory role.

6.6 ORAL PRESENTATION

After the Quotes are reviewed, one (1), some or all of the Vendors {Bidders} may be required to give an oral presentation to the State concerning its Quote.

A Vendor {Bidder} may not attend the oral presentations of its competitors.

It is within the State's discretion whether to require the Vendor {Bidder} to give an oral presentation or require the Vendor {Bidder} to submit written responses to questions regarding its Quote. Action by the State in this regard should not be construed to imply acceptance or rejection of a Quote.

The Division will be the sole point of contact regarding any request for an oral presentation or clarification.

6.7 EVALUATION CRITERIA

The following evaluation criteria categories, not necessarily listed in order of significance, will be used to evaluate Quotes received in response to this Bid Solicitation. The evaluation criteria categories may be used to develop more detailed evaluation criteria to be used in the evaluation process.

6.7.1 TECHNICAL EVALUATION CRITERIA

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

- A. <u>Personnel:</u> The qualifications and experience of the Vendor's {Bidder's} management, supervisory, and key personnel assigned to the Blanket P.O., including the candidates recommended for each of the positions/roles required;
- B. <u>Experience of firm:</u> The Vendor's {Bidder's} documented experience in successfully completing Blanket P.O. of a similar size and scope in relation to the work required by this Bid Solicitation; and
- C. Ability of firm to complete the Scope of Work based on its Technical Quote: The Vendor's {Bidder's} demonstration in the Quote that the Vendor {Bidder} understands the requirements of the Scope of Work and presents an approach that would permit successful performance of the technical requirements of the Blanket P.O.

6.7.2 VENDOR'S {BIDDER'S} STATE-SUPPLIED PRICE SHEET

The Bureau will utilize a weighted consumption/market basket model to evaluate pricing. The pricing model will be date-stamped and entered into the record before Quote opening.

6.7.3 QUOTE DISCREPANCIES

In evaluating Quotes, discrepancies between words and figures will be resolved in favor of words. Discrepancies between Unit Prices and totals of Unit Prices will be resolved in favor of Unit Prices. Discrepancies in the multiplication of units of work and Unit Prices will be resolved in favor of the Unit Prices. Discrepancies between the indicated total of multiplied Unit Prices and units of work and the actual total will be resolved in favor of the actual total. Discrepancies between the indicated sum of any column of figures and the correct sum thereof will be resolved in favor of the correct sum of the column of figures.

In the event that a Vendor {Bidder} using *NJSTART* to submit a Quote uploads a State-Supplied Price Sheet and completes the "Items" Tab in *NJSTART* (instead of entering a Unit Cost of \$1.00 as instructed), the State-Supplied Price Sheet will govern.

6.7.4 TIE-BREAKING CRITERIA

Tie Quotes will be awarded by the Director in accordance with N.J.A.C. 17:12-2.10.

6.7.5 EVALUATION OF THE QUOTES

After the Evaluation Committee completes its evaluation, it recommends to the Director for award the responsible Vendor(s) {Bidder(s)} whose Quote, conforming to this Bid Solicitation, is most advantageous to the State, price and other factors considered. The Evaluation Committee considers and assesses price, technical criteria, and other factors during the evaluation process

and makes a recommendation to the Director. The Director may accept, reject or modify the recommendation of the Evaluation Committee. Whether or not there has been a negotiation process as outlined in Section 6.8 below, the Director reserves the right to negotiate price reductions with the selected Vendor {Bidder}.

6.8 NEGOTIATION AND BEST AND FINAL OFFER (BAFO)

In accordance with N.J.S.A. 52:34-12(f) and N.J.A.C. 17:12-2-7, after evaluating Quotes, the Bureau may establish a competitive range and enter into negotiations with one (1) Vendor {Bidder} or multiple Vendors {Bidders} within this competitive range. The primary purpose of negotiations is to maximize the State's ability to obtain the best value based on the mandatory requirements, evaluation criteria, and cost. Multiple rounds of negotiations may be conducted with one (1) Vendor {Bidder} or multiple Vendors {Bidders}. Negotiations will be structured by the Bureau to safeguard information and ensure that all Vendors {Bidders} are treated fairly.

Similarly, the Bureau may invite one (1) Vendor {Bidder} or multiple Vendors {Bidders} to submit a Best and Final Offer (BAFO). Said invitation will establish the time and place for submission of the BAFO. Any BAFO that does not result in more advantageous pricing to the State will not be considered, and the State will evaluate the Vendor's {Bidder's} most advantageous previously submitted pricing.

If required, after review of the BAFO(s), clarification may be sought from the Vendor(s) {Bidder(s)}. The Division may conduct more than one (1) round of negotiation and/or BAFO in order to attain the best value for the State.

After evaluation of Quotes and as applicable, negotiation(s), and/or BAFO(s), the Bureau will recommend, to the Director, the responsible Vendor(s) {Bidder(s)} whose Quote(s), conforming to the Bid Solicitation, is/are most advantageous to the State, price, and other factors considered. The Director may accept, reject or modify the recommendation of the Bureau. The Director may initiate additional negotiation or BAFO procedures with the selected Vendor(s) {Bidder(s)}.

Negotiations will be conducted only in those circumstances where it is deemed by the Bureau or Director to be in the State's best interests and to maximize the State's ability to get the best value. Therefore, the Vendor {Bidder} is advised to submit its best technical and price Quote in response to this Bid Solicitation since the State may, after evaluation, make a Blanket P.O. award based on the content of the initial submission, without further negotiation and/or BAFO with any Vendor {Bidder}.

All contacts, records of initial evaluations, any correspondence with a Vendor {Bidder} related to any request for clarification, negotiation or BAFO, any revised technical and/or price Quotes, and related documents will remain confidential until a Notice of Intent to Award a Blanket P.O. is issued.

If the Bureau contemplates negotiation, Quote prices will not be publicly read at the Quote opening. Only the name and address of each Vendor {Bidder} will be publicly announced at the Quote opening.

6.9 "REQUEST FOR REVISION" WITHIN NJSTART

The State may request a revision of the Vendor's {Bidder's} Quote within *NJSTART*. The Vendor {Bidder} shall respond to the "Request for Revision" (e.g., to reduce pricing if a BAFO is requested) only for the reason(s) identified by the State. Any changes made by a Vendor {Bidder} to the Quote other than as requested by the State shall be considered null and void.

6.10 POOR PERFORMANCE

A Vendor {Bidder} with a history of performance problems may be bypassed for consideration of an award issued as a result of this Bid Solicitation. The following materials may be reviewed to

determine Vendor {Bidder} performance: Blanket P.O. cancellations for cause pursuant to Section 5.7(B) of the SSTC; information contained in Vendor performance records; information obtained from audits or investigations conducted by a local, state or federal agency of the Vendor's {Bidder's} work experience; current licensure, registration, and/or certification status and relevant history thereof; or its status or rating with established business/financial reporting services, as applicable. Vendors {Bidders} should note that this list is not exhaustive.

7.0 BLANKET P.O. AWARD

7.1 DOCUMENTS REQUIRED BEFORE BLANKET P.O. AWARD

7.1.1 REQUIREMENTS OF PUBLIC LAW 2005, CHAPTER 51, N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.13 - N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.25 (FORMERLY EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 134), EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 117 (2008) AND N.J.A.C. 17:12-5 ET SEQ.

- A. The State shall not enter into a Blanket P.O. 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 candidate committee and/or election fund of any candidate for or holder of the public office of Governor or Lieutenant Governor, to any State, county, municipal political party committee, or to any legislative leadership committee during certain specified time periods;
- B. Prior to awarding any Blanket P.O. or agreement to any Business Entity, the Business Entity proposed as the intended Vendor (Contractor) of the Blanket P.O. shall submit the Two-Year Chapter 51/Executive Order 117 Vendor Certification and Disclosure of Political Contributions form, certifying that no contributions prohibited by either Chapter 51 or Executive Order No. 117 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 on http://www.state.nj.us/treasury/purchase/forms/eo134/Chapter51.pdf, shall be provided to the intended Vendor {Contractor} for completion and submission to the Division with the Notice of Intent to Award. Upon receipt of a Notice of Intent to Award a Blanket P.O., the intended Vendor (Contractor) shall submit to the Division, in care of the Division Procurement Specialist, the Certification and Disclosure(s) within five (5) business days of the State's request. The Certification and Disclosure(s) may be executed electronically by typing the name of the authorized signatory in the "Signature" block as an alternative to downloading, physically signing the form, scanning the form, and uploading the form. Failure to submit the required forms will preclude award of a Blanket P.O. under this Bid Solicitation, as well as future Blanket P.O. opportunities; and
- C. Further, the Vendor {Contractor} is required, on a continuing basis, to report any contributions it makes during the term of the Blanket P.O., and any extension(s) thereof, at the time any such contribution is made. 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, shall be provided to the intended Vendor {Contractor} with the Notice of Intent to Award.

The Two-Year Chapter 51/Executive Order 117 Vendor Certification and Disclosure of Political Contributions form is located on the <u>Division's website</u>.

Vendors {Bidders} may refer to the QRGs "Vendor Forms" and "Attaching Files" for instructions on submitting the forms required by this section of the Bid Solicitation through *NJSTART*. QRGs are located on the *NJSTART* Vendor Support Page.

Vendors {Bidders} should verify its Chapter 51 Compliance status on the "Maintain Terms and Categories" Tab within its profile in *NJSTART*. In the event of an issue with a Vendor's {Bidder's} Chapter 51 Compliance status, *NJSTART* provides a link to take corrective action.

7.1.2 SOURCE DISCLOSURE REQUIREMENTS

Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 52:34-13.2, all Blanket P.O.s 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 Advender (Contractor) or Subcontractor within the

United States and the certification is approved by the State Treasurer. Also refer to Section 3.6 Service Performance within U.S. of the SSTC.

Pursuant to the statutory requirements, the intended Vendor {Contractor} of a Blanket P.O. primarily for services with the State of New Jersey must disclose the location by country where services under the Blanket P.O., including subcontracted services, will be performed. The Source Disclosure Form accompanies the subject Bid Solicitation. FAILURE TO SUBMIT SOURCING INFORMATION WHEN REQUESTED BY THE STATE SHALL PRECLUDE AWARD OF A BLANKET P.O. TO THE INTENDED VENDOR {BIDDER}.

If any of the services cannot be performed within the United States, the Vendor {Bidder} shall state with specificity the reasons why the services cannot be so performed. The Director shall determine whether sufficient justification has been provided by the Vendor {Bidder} to form the basis of his or her certification that the services cannot be performed in the United States and whether to seek the approval of the Treasurer.

The Source Disclosure Form is located on the <u>Division's website</u>. Vendors {Bidders} may refer to the QRGs "Vendor Forms" and "Attaching Files" for instructions on submitting the forms required by this section of the Bid Solicitation through *NJSTART*. QRGs are located on the <u>NJSTART</u> <u>Vendor Support Page</u>.

7.1.2.1 BREACH OF BLANKET P.O.

A SHIFT TO PROVISION OF SERVICES OUTSIDE THE UNITED STATES DURING THE TERM OF THE BLANKET P.O. SHALL BE DEEMED A BREACH OF BLANKET P.O. If, during the term of the Blanket P.O., or any extension thereof, the Vendor {Contractor} or Subcontractor, who had upon Blanket P.O. award declared that services would be performed in the United States, proceeds to shift the performance of any of the services outside the United States, the Vendor {Contractor} shall be deemed to be in breach of its Blanket P.O. Such Blanket P.O. shall be subject to termination for cause pursuant to Section 5.7b.1 of the SSTC, unless such shift in performance was previously approved by the Director and the Treasurer.

7.1.3 AFFIRMATIVE ACTION

The intended Vendor {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. Intended Vendors {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 https://www.state.nj.us/treasury/contract_compliance/.

Vendors {Bidders} should verify its Affirmative Action Compliance status on the "Maintain Terms and Categories" Tab within its profile in *NJSTART*. In the event of an issue with a Vendor's {Bidder's} Affirmative Action Compliance status, *NJSTART* provides a link to take corrective action.

7.1.4 BUSINESS REGISTRATION

In accordance with <u>N.J.S.A.</u> 52:32-44(b), a Vendor {Bidder} and its named Subcontractors must have a valid Business Registration Certificate ("BRC") issued by the Department of the Treasury, Division of Revenue and Enterprise Services prior to the award of a Blanket P.O. See Section 4.4.2.1 of this Bid Solicitation for further information.

Vendors {Bidders} should verify its Business Registration Certification Active status on the "Maintain Terms and Categories" Tab within its profile in *NJSTART*. In the event of an issue with a Vendor's {Bidder's} Business Registration Certification Active status, *NJSTART* provides a link to take corrective action. Vendors {Bidders} may refer to the QRG "Vendor Categories and Certifications"

for instructions on completing certifications on the "Maintain Terms and Categories" Tab within its profile in *NJSTART*. QRGs are located on the <u>NJSTART Vendor Support Page</u>.

7.2 FINAL BLANKET P.O. AWARD

Blanket P.O. award will be made with reasonable promptness by written notice to that responsible Vendor {Bidder}, whose Quote, conforming to this Bid Solicitation, is most advantageous to the State, price, and other factors considered. Any or all Quotes may be rejected when the State Treasurer or the Director determines that it is in the public interest to do so.

The Division intends to award one (1) Blanket P.O. to a Vendor {Contractor} to provide warehousing services within a technologically modern and secure facility that utilizes computerized tracking to monitor inventory, as well as to provide logistics services for the transportation of commodities to and from State stockpiles and locations.

7.3 INSURANCE CERTIFICATES

The Vendor {Contractor} shall provide the State with current certificates of insurance for all coverages required by the terms of this Blanket P.O., naming the State as an Additional Insured. See Section 4.2 of the SSTC accompanying this Bid Solicitation.

Vendors {Bidders} should verify its Insurance Certification Compliance status on the "Maintain Terms and Categories" Tab within its profile in *NJSTART*. In the event of an issue with a Vendor's {Bidder's} Insurance Certification Compliance status, contact the Division Procurement Specialist.

7.4 PERFORMANCE SECURITY

Not applicable to this procurement.

8.0 BLANKET P.O. ADMINISTRATION

8.1 STATE CONTRACT MANAGER

The State Contract Manager (SCM) is the State employee responsible for the overall management and administration of the Blanket P.O.

The SCM for this project will be identified at the time of execution of Blanket P.O. At that time, the Vendor {Contractor} will be provided with the State Contract Manager's name, department, division, agency, address, telephone number, fax phone number, and email address.

8.1.1 STATE CONTRACT MANAGER RESPONSIBILITIES

For an agency Blanket P.O. where only one (1) State office uses the Blanket P.O., the SCM will be responsible for engaging the Vendor {Contractor}, assuring that Purchase Orders are issued to the Vendor {Contractor}, directing the Vendor {Contractor} to perform the work of the Blanket P.O., approving the deliverables and approving payment vouchers. The SCM is the person who the Vendor {Contractor} will contact **after the Blanket P.O.** is **executed** for answers to any questions and concerns about any aspect of the Blanket P.O. The SCM is responsible for coordinating the use of the Blanket P.O. and resolving minor disputes between the Vendor {Contractor} and any component part of the SCM's Department. The SCM is also responsible for notifying Office of Information Technology (OIT) and other appropriate parties of security and privacy violations or incidents. The SCM cannot modify the Blanket P.O., direct or approve a Change Order.

If the Blanket P.O. has multiple users, the SCM shall be the central coordinator of the use of the Blanket P.O. for all Using Agencies, while other State employees engage and pay the Vendor {Contractor}. All persons and agencies using the Blanket P.O. must notify and coordinate the use of the Blanket P.O. with the SCM.

8.1.2 COORDINATION WITH THE STATE CONTRACT MANAGER

Any Blanket P.O. user that is unable to resolve disputes with a Vendor {Contractor} shall refer those disputes to the SCM for resolution. Any questions related to performance of the work of the Blanket P.O. by Blanket P.O. users shall be directed to the SCM. The Vendor {Contractor} may contact the SCM if the Vendor {Contractor} cannot resolve a dispute with Blanket P.O. users.

9.0 STATE OF NEW JERSEY STANDARD TERMS AND CONDITIONS

(Rev: 4/27/2021)

1. STANDARD TERMS AND CONDITIONS APPLICABLE TO THE CONTRACT

Unless the bidder/offeror is specifically instructed otherwise in the Bid Solicitation/Request for Proposals (RFP), the following terms and conditions shall apply to all contracts or purchase agreements made with the State of New Jersey. These terms are in addition to the terms and conditions set forth in the RFP and should be read in conjunction with same unless the RFP specifically indicates otherwise. In the event that the bidder/offeror would like to present terms and conditions that are in conflict with either these terms and conditions or those set forth in the RFP, the bidder/offeror must present those conflicts during the Question and Answer period for the State to consider. Any conflicting terms and conditions that the State is willing to accept will be reflected in an addendum to the RFP. The State's terms and conditions shall prevail over any conflicts set forth in a bidder/offeror's Proposal that were not submitted through the question and answer process and approved by the State. Nothing in these terms and conditions shall prohibit the Director of the Division of Purchase and Property (Director) from amending a contract when the Director determines it is in the best interests of the State.

1.1 CONTRACT TERMS CROSSWALK

NJSTART Term	Equivalent Statutory, Regulatory and/or Legacy Term
Bid/Bid Solicitation	Request For Proposal (RFP)/Solicitation
Bid Amendment	Addendum
Change Order	Contract Amendment
Master Blanket Purchase Order (Blanket P.O.)	Contract
Offer and Acceptance Page	Signatory Page
Quote	Proposal
Vendor	Bidder/Contractor

2. STATE LAW REQUIRING MANDATORY COMPLIANCE BY ALL CONTRACTORS

The statutes, laws or codes cited herein are available for review at the New Jersey State Library, 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 bidder 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 bidder 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 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 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 Executive Order 151, August 28, 2009, attached) 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 <u>et seq.</u>, as amended and supplemented from time to time.

2.3 PREVAILING WAGE ACT

The New Jersey Prevailing Wage Act, N.J.S.A. 34: 11-56.25 et seq. 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 bidder's signature on [this proposal] is his/her guarantee that neither he/she nor any subcontractors he/she might employ to perform the work covered by [this 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 bidder's signature on the proposal is also his/her guarantee that he/she and any subcontractors he/she might employ to perform the work covered by [this proposal] shall comply with the provisions of the Prevailing Wage and Public Works Contractor Registration Acts, where required.

2.4 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>U.S.C.</u> 12101, <u>et seq.</u>

2.5 MACBRIDE PRINCIPLES

The bidder 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.

2.6 PAY TO PLAY PROHIBITIONS

Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.13 <u>et seq.</u> (P.L. 2005, c. 51), and specifically, N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.21, it shall be a breach of the terms of the contract for the business entity to:

- A. Make or solicit a contribution in violation of the statute;
- B. Knowingly conceal or misrepresent a contribution given or received;
- C. Make or solicit contributions through intermediaries for the purpose of concealing or misrepresenting the source of the contribution;
- D. 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, or to any State or county party committee;
- E. 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;

- F. Fund contributions made by third parties, including consultants, attorneys, family members, and employees;
- G. Engage in any exchange of contributions to circumvent the intent of the Legislation; or
- H. 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.

2.7 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, §3 as amended) if in a calendar year the contractor receives one (1) 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/.

2.8 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).

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;

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;

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;

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;

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

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.

2.9 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.

2.10 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.

2.11 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.

2.12 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.

3. STATE LAW REQUIRING MANDATORY COMPLIANCE BY CONTRACTORS UNDER CIRCUMSTANCES SET FORTH IN LAW OR BASED ON THE TYPE OF CONTRACT

3.1 COMPLIANCE - CODES

The contractor must comply with NJUCC and the latest NEC70, B.O.C.A. Basic Building code, OSHA and all applicable codes for this requirement. The contractor shall be responsible for securing and paying all necessary permits, where applicable.

3.2 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 at (609) 292-9464.

3.3 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;
- 3. 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.

3.4 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.

3.5 THE WORKER AND COMMUNITY RIGHT TO KNOW ACT

The provisions of N.J.S.A. 34:5A-1 <u>et seq.</u> 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.

3.6 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.

3.7 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 and the contractor shall be required to so certify.

3.8 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.

3.9 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://nj.gov/labor/equalpay/equalpay.html.

3.10 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.

4. 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
 - \$1,000,000 DISEASE AGGREGATE LIMIT.
 - a. This \$1,000,000 amount may have been raised by the RFP when deemed necessary by the Director; and
 - b. 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 c. above may have been lowered in the RFP for certain commodities when deemed in the best interests of the State by the Director.

5. 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 CONTRACT AMOUNT

The estimated amount of the contract(s), when stated on the RFP form, shall not be construed as either the maximum or minimum amount which the State shall be obliged to order as the result of the RFP or any contract entered into as a result of the RFP.

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.

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, including pricing, in order to provide equitable relief for the party disadvantaged by the change in law. The parties shall negotiate in good faith, however if agreement is not possible after reasonable efforts, the Director shall make a prompt decision as to an equitable adjustment, taking all relevant information into account, and shall notify the Vendor {Contractor} of the final adjusted 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. The Director shall make an equitable adjustment, if any is required, to the contract price. The contractor shall provide whatever information that Director may require related to the equitable adjustment.

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:

- 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 OR ASSIGNMENT

- A. <u>Subcontracting</u>: 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; and
- B. <u>Assignment</u>: The contractor may not assign its responsibilities under the contract, in whole or in part, without the prior written consent of the Director.

5.9 NO CONTRACTUAL RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN SUBCONTRACTORS AND STATE

Nothing contained in any of the contract documents, including the RFP and vendor's bid or proposal shall be construed as creating any contractual relationship between any subcontractor and the State.

5.10 MERGERS, ACQUISITIONS

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.

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.

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5.15 MAINTENANCE OF RECORDS

The contractor shall maintain records for products and/or services delivered against the contract for a period of five (5) years from the date of final payment unless a longer period is required by law. Such records shall be made available to the State, including the Comptroller, for audit and review.

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.

6. 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 section of the RFP and must be in strict accordance with the firm, fixed prices submitted for each task or subtask on the RFP pricing sheets. When applicable, invoices should reference the appropriate RFP price sheet line number from the contractor's bid 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 Chief of Operations, Division of Revenue, P.O. Box 628, Trenton, NJ 08646.

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 et seq., 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. 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 EPA-designated 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-KICKBACK 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

- 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.
- 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.

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 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

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

GOODS, GENERAL SERVICE AND PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACTS

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

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 et seq.

CONSTRUCTION CONTRACTS

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 <u>et seq.</u> 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 agrees to afford equal employment opportunities minority and women workers directly, consistent with this chapter. If the contractor'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 this chapter, by complying with the hiring or scheduling procedures prescribed under (B) below; and the contractor or subcontractor further 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:
 - (1) 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.

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:

- 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:
- 3. 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.



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November 22, 2021

To: All Interested Vendors {Bidders}

Re: Bid Solicitation # 20DPP00476

T2867 - Warehousing and Emergency Ops: Services and Logistics

Previous Quote Submission Due Date: <u>November 30, 2021</u> (2:00 p.m. Eastern Time) *REVISED* Quote Submission Due Date: December 21, 2021 (2:00 p.m. Eastern Time)

Bid Amendment #1

The following constitutes Bid Amendment #1 to the above referenced Bid Solicitation:

- A Disabled Veterans' Owned Business (DVOB) set-aside for subcontracting has been added to this Bid Solicitation in addition to the Small Business Enterprise (SBE) set-aside for subcontracting. Please refer to Revised Bid Solicitation Section 4.4.1.6, Small Business and Disabled Veterans' Subcontracting Set-Aside Blanket P.O.;
- Please note that for all additions, deletions, clarifications and modifications to the Bid Solicitation, please refer to the Revised Bid Solicitation, titled "T2867 Bid Solicitation REVISED 11.22.21";
- This Bid Amendment includes answers to questions;
- The Quote Submission Due Date has been extended to <u>December 21, 2021</u> (2:00 p.m. Eastern Time);
 and
- In accordance with Bid Solicitation Section 1.3.5, *Optional Pre-Quote Conference*, an Optional Pre-Quote Conference was held on October 21, 2021. The Optional Pre-Quote Conference was conducted by teleconference and attended by the following firms:
 - o 24/7 Enterprises LLC
 - FG Management Group LLC
 - Shipcom Wireless, Inc.

It is the sole responsibility of the Vendor {Bidder} to be knowledgeable of all of the additions, deletions, clarifications, and modifications to the Bid Solicitation and/or the New Jersey Standard Terms and Conditions relative to this Bid Solicitation as set forth in all Bid Amendments.

All other instructions, terms, and conditions of the Bid Solicitation shall remain the same.

Bid Solicitation # 20DPP00476 T2867 - Warehousing and Emergency Ops: Services and Logistics Answers to Questions

Where applicable, each question references the appropriate Bid Solicitation section.

#	Bid Solicitation Section Reference	Question (Bolded) and Answer
1	PDF Documents	When trying to open a Portable Document Format (PDF) I am receiving an error message and am unable to access the PDF. How should I proceed?
		It is recommended that users utilize Internet Explorer to view PDFs. Certain PDF forms cannot be opened in the Chrome or Firefox built in PDF viewers that are enabled by default. If using Chrome or Firefox it is recommended that the file is downloaded instead by clicking the download button in the upper right-hand corner of the browser after an error message is received. An alternative option is to disable the built in PDF viewers in Chrome or Firefox.
2	Quote Submission	Should I check that I have properly completed and attached all of the required documents with my submitted Quote? Yes. Prior to the Quote Opening Deadline, a Vendor {Bidder} should review the documents comprising the submitted Quote to ensure that all of the required documents have been completed and attached. Oftentimes a Quote is deemed non-responsive because a Vendor {Bidder} fails to attach a required form or attaches a blank form. To review a submitted Quote, a Vendor {Bidder} should log into NJSTART and review each document attached to the Quote submission. Instructions on how to review a submitted Quote can be found in the Quick Reference Guide entitled 'How to Review a Submitted Quote' which is available on the NJSTART Vendor Support Page under Vendor Reference Guides.

Bid Solicitation # 20DPP00476

For: Warehousing Emergency Ops; Services & Logistics (T-2867)

Submission of Allmodes Transport, Inc. d/b/a AMS Logistics

SECTION 1 – FORMS SECTIONS 4.4.1 AND 4.4.2

4.4.1.2.1 OWNERSHIP DISCLOSURE FORM

4.4.2 Forms Registration and Certificates required before Blanket P.O. award and that should be submitted with the quote

- 4.4.2.1 Business Registration See Attachment
- 4.4.2.2 Disclosure of Investigations and other Action Form See Attachment
- 4.4.2.3 Disclosure of Investment Activities in Iran Form See Attachment
- 4.4.2.4 Source Disclosure Form See Attachment
- 4.4.2.5 Confidentially / Commitment to Defend See Attachment

SECTION 2 – Technical Quote (Section 4.4.3)

4.4.3 Technical Proposal

Allmodes Transport, Inc. d/b/a AMS Logistics has been providing warehousing and transportation services as its core business since 1983. Its management team has developed a flexible state of the art Order Management System (OMS) and Warehouse Management System (WMS) that provide the necessary tools to maintain accurate computerized inventory management and tracking systems for all its clients. information becomes private and assessable to each client through a secure web application that provides and maintains a detailed history of all transactions inclusive of product masters, product receipts, order information and historical inventory transactions. All information can be either viewed or printed in report form from our web application and site. Our information systems will be used from the time the Office of Homeland Security and Preparedness issues an emergency deployment order. The order will be recorded into our Order Management System (OMS) and recorded on the web. The order will be immediately sent to our Warehouse Management System (OMS) for execution. A time stamp on the web will document when the order was sent and the time the order was completed and staged for transportation. When the order is picked-up at our warehouse for delivery an additional time stamp will be posted on the web. Mobile phone communications will be used to track the status on shipments on the road and their confirmation of delivery.

Our entire network server architecture is firewalled with anti-virus and malware controls. All our software and data have been virtualized. Five network server applications reside on one piece of IBM Hardware using IBM's Virtualization Software. All hardware and its components are on a 2-hour UPC Back-Up in case of any power failure. The entire systems are backed up daily and stored off site. Our routers constantly monitor the transfer of all data and can identify hardware or wiring failures. Our outsourced technical support team remotely monitors our systems for all failures on a 24/7 basis. Software applications or transactional data can be restored remotely on a 24/7 basis.

AMS Logistics is presently finalizing a contract with an established enhanced Cloud Based 3PL platform software provider specializing in High-volume cloud-based order fulfillment, inventory management and warehouse management. The move will greatly enhance the interfacing with all our clients including Homeland Security using an easy connect REST API for interfacing with websites, vendors and clients and its OPEN API to pull and push data as the new standard for ease and speed in passing data and information. Its client portal gives x-ray vision into warehouse operations, it will let our clients create PO's, shipment orders and reports. Its item master attributes can create multiple levels of inventory management to more easily manage the complex handling of OEM inventory of ventilators providing production date, receive date, expiration date, serial number, lot number, any other user defined attributes, and auto reorder or replenishment alerts. It also provides QR CODE Scanning with all of this information for product labeling and identification and validation. It will also be helpful in providing alerts 6 months in advance for stockpile expiring commodities.

The software provider uses only state-of-art servers, recovery and security solutions. Servers are google cloud platforms, recovery is a transaction backup every 10 minutes, full back up daily, asynchronous disaster recovery, near real-time recovery point, 24/7 monitoring system and Max 2 hours recovery time

AMS Logistics with this system will move from rf technology to a complete secure WIFI technology using portable i-pad with scanning and mobile devises to provide direct communication to the cloud-based system. This WIFI system will also provide a new vehicle to provide camera security to a major part of our warehouse more specifically the Homeland and OEM stock pile in addition to in and out facility monitoring.

AMS Logistics as part of its existing Business Continuity Plan all management has the ability to work from remote sites with access to all operating systems. All management and supervisory personnel have a designated backup assigned. With the implementation of our new cloud-based software in 2022 all data and transactions can be recorded remotely from any site even cell phones or i-pads. The physical warehouse is still subject to power loss and may hinder labor to execute any mobilization as no backup generators

are in place though within 24-hour emergency generators can be connected to provide service to the entire facility as was implemented during hurricane Sandy. The AMS 1 Cory road facility since Sandy has been designated as a industry critical location for the State of NJ and where possible a higher priority was given in addressing facility power outages.

4.4.3.1 Management Overview

AMS Logistics understands the importance of the NJ State Emergency Stockpile of Goods and Supplies. It knows the need for all commodities to be readily assessable and for its organization to be responsive in order to ensure the safety of the general public of The State of New Jersey. In the 9 years that AMS Logistics has provided Emergency Services to the people of the State of NJ we have realized that besides being prepared you must also anticipate the unexpected and be able to make immediate changes and decisions because no emergency or disaster is ever the same. Our Company has developed and demonstrated the unique culture of never saying no, moving on a dime reacting to the situation on hand and was never concerned about the emergency services un-anticipated in a contract.

It is understood that during a declared emergency our entire organization and facility must be prepared to conduct operations on a 24/7 basis.

Successes of this operation and the safety of the people of The State of New Jersey are dependent on our commitment and our level of preparedness.

AMS Logistics and its management team have contributed in the development of this ever-evolving program through numerous governor administrations and many state departmental agency reorganizations. Our Company understands the need to work closely with all state representatives and agencies on a continuing basis by openly sharing all information and expertise in order to heighten the states level of preparedness.

Our organization and technical systems have been tested in the emergency deployment of commodities many times since making its first commitment to Homeland Security and Preparedness. We believe we successfully met or exceeded expectations as to commitment level, ability to execute a mobilization plan, successfully deploy the stock pile of commodities to numerous locations during a declared emergency by The State of New Jersey, handle the cross docking of commodity stock piles working closely with the National Guard or DOC and demobilizing commodity stock piles back into inventory.

AMS Logistics demonstrated it has the information systems and a dedicated organization and staff to immediately mobilize and execute on a 24/7 basis. AMS Logistics is prepared and committed to achieve a new level of preparedness if awarded the opportunity to once again service the public community.

AMS Logistics will also be upgrading both emergency stockpiles to a new state of the art cloud--based warehouse and order management and transportation system as described previously on this document. This will provide enhanced reporting, communication and provide more detail product master attributes for more efficient tracking of the OEM itemized serialized and mandated service compliance.

Our commitment is that that upon notice of a deployment emergency, within hours our facility will be fully staffed to meet the emergency at hand, stage and deploy the states stock pile in its entirety including the specialized deployment to all UASI Counties. AMS Logistics will also arrange for the least cost transportation alternatives for the State including the use of all state agency resources for the delivery of all commodities.

4.4.3.2 Blanket P.O. Management

AMS Logistics has had the opportunity to work closely with the State Contract Managers from the Office of Homeland Security and the New Jersey State Police Office of Emergency Management. Both agencies have very different requirements in terms of execution of their stock piles, management of inventory, and reporting and communicating information. In either case both rely on us to develop the best approach to achieve the highest level of preparedness in order to ensure satisfactory contract completion.

AMS Logistics uses its principal owners and top management as the primary point of contact with State Contract Managers. They are always available 24/7 by private cell phone regardless of activation status. Jointly they have the most knowledge to give guidance, individually they have the authority to make all decisions on behalf of the Company and are accountable to control and supervise the management of the contract in its entirety. They are directly involved in status meetings, planning sessions, reporting of information, and developing reporting that is reviewed by the highest levels of management in the state.

Many variables still need to be addressed to heighten our joint levels of success and preparedness for the future. This entire project moving forward becomes a continuous work in progress. Our proposal and cost structure as in the past allow us to meet or exceed all expectations of the State of New Jersey in connection with this Blanket P.O.

4.4.3.3 Blanket P.O. Schedule and Plans

AMS Logistics is already in possession of the stockpiles for the Department of Homeland Security stock pile utilizing approximately 35,000 sq. ft. of space. AMS Logistics also manages about 10,000 to 15,000 sq. ft. of space for the New Jersey State

Police Office of Emergency Management (OEM). OEM has recently transferred five additional trailers of emergency stockpile. It is unclear if this encompasses the entire stock pile associated with Blanket P.O. award.

4.4.3.3,1 Blanket P.O. Schedule

AMS Logistics as the State of NJ current provider it assumes all stockpiles have been received and are ready for deployment at the 1 Cory Road Morristown, NJ location. If any additions are required it will receive and report all new commodities within terms of this Blanket P.O. as normal business activities.

4.4.3.3.2 Mobilization and Implementation Plan

Since AMS Logistics is your current commodity facilities for both stockpiles our implementation would be in association with any expanded space requirements or additional OEM emergency stockpile. Key management and support personnel that maybe required are presently on board trained and assigned for mobilization. Our key management are presented in our organizational chart section.

If AMS Logistics is awarded this Blanket P.O. it will work closely with each State Contract Manager to up-date AMS Logistics SOP's to modify present reporting for several major changes from the prior Blanket P.O. The first to setup a new alert system and auto communication for re-stocking deployed commodities whose inventories fall below minimum storage requirements and for expiring stockpile items for both Office of Homeland Security and OEM stockpile. In-addition it will modify billing information to reflect monthly running cost for YTD expenditure associated by specific commodity for all commodities in storage. Secondly it will setup SOP's for AMS Logistics to provide logistics and transportation services. More specifically (3) documented reasonably priced competitive quotations from transportation providers and awarding the lowest provider after giving the state an opportunity to use state owned and operated or donated services as an alternative. Billing will also include all documentation to support that this process was completed by AMS Logistics

If AMS Logistics is not awarded this contract its priority will be focused on working with both State Contract Managers to provide a logical and timely transfer of all commodities to a new state provider. It will provide the state a complete inventory count and validation. It shall also provide transition assistance to the state or successor vendor. Costs for this move to pick stage and transport commodities to a new location are at agreed rates under our existing agreement. Non AMS Logistics transportations providers could be used if elected by the State Contract Managers.

Section 3 Organizational Support and Experience

4.4.4 Organizational Support and Experience

Only three key personnel are responsible for the execution of this contract. Two of the individuals are the owners of the Company the primary contact is Carl Sambus the second is Dick Askinazi. Each individual has used over 45 years of business experience in transportation and logistics and business planning to help the State of New Jersey develop an emergency preparedness plan. The third is Mir Sharipov Executive Facilities Manager who for the last 6 years has worked with all management of the Office of Homeland Security and the State of New Jersey Police Office of Emergency Management. Mir presently manages and is responsible for all warehouse operations and personnel at the Morristown facility.

4.4.4.1 Location

Allmodes Transport, Inc. d/b/a AMS Logistics

1 Cory Road

Morristown, NJ 07960

Phone:

Contact: Carl Sambus Ext

Cell Phone

Contact: Dick Askinazi Ext.

Cell Phone

Contact: Mirk Sharipov Ext. Cell Phone

4.4.4.2 Organizational Charts

Contact Specific Chart -

Carl Sambus (President / Owner) – On Call Supervisor

Mir Sharipov (Executive Facilities Manager) – On Call Supervisor

Dick Askinazi (VP Sales & Ops) – back-up On Call Supervisor

Deployment Teams on Call 24/7

<u>Team A</u>	T <u>eam B</u>	<u>Team C</u>
Supervisor/Dispatch Emp #1	Dispatch Employee #1	Dispatch Employee #1
Additional Employee #2	Additional Employee #2	Additional Employee #2
Additional Employee #3	Additional Employee #3	Additional Employee #3

Chart for Entire Firm -

Executive VP Sales & OPS / Owner President / Owner

Dick Askinazi Carl Sambus

Executive Facilities Manager Director Administration

Mir Sharipov Elena Azhgirevich

Supervisor / Dispatch Managers

Joanne Ciuba

Shak Imampov

4.4.4.3 Resumes - See Below

Carl A. Sambus President, owner and founder of AMS Logistics since 1983. A 3PL Logistics company providing warehouse management and logistics services to hundreds of companies including top 100 corporations for over 35 years.

He has been responsible for all vendor activities serving the Office of Homeland Security and the Office of Emergency Management since 2012. He has been the State of NJ primary contact and operational resource to all state agencies in the development of an emergency management program for the state. He has been responsible for the mobilization and demobilization for all state emergency activations over the last nine years. He has also worked with the Office of Emergency Management to help implement manage and report to state officials on the receipt, review and execution of

all Donor activities on a 24/7 basis for the State of New Jersey during the warehouse activation of the present Covid-19 emergency.

Prior career accomplishments include a 20-year employment history with Viacom International Inc. Achievements include the acquisition of a small cable company in Suffolk County NY and building and managing it to one of the largest cable television companies in the nation for Viacom. One of 4 executives to start and develop Showtime the national pay television network which exists today as the second largest pay network in the world. As Viacom Executive VP of Planning and Development developed in room entertainment for the hotel industry and created the backyard satellite industry that services more than rural America today with satellite television.

Zadick Askinazi Executive VP Sales and Operations, owner and founder of AMS Logistics since 1983. A 3PL Logistics company providing warehouse management and logistics services to hundreds of companies including top 100 corporations for over 35 years.

He has been involved with servicing the Office of Homeland Security as key operating officer providing the execution of emergency services for the State of New Jersey. He was directly involved in managing the emergency mobilization for hurricane Sandy. Was accountable for 24/7 emergency deployment of close to 80% of the entire New Jersey stockpile over a 14-day period. Co-ordinating all logistics mobilization and demobilization and managing the AMS Logistics work force actively 24 hour per day under adverse conditions as the Morristown facility was hit directly by Hurricane Sandy.

Prior career accomplishments include a 20-year employment with CF Air Freight as Manager for the New York region, customer service manager and sales executive.

Mir Sharipov Executive Facilities Manager for AMS Logistics for the past 6 years.

Mir has been directly involved with mobilization of several emergency deployments over the last 6 years. His contribution during the Covid-19 emergency for the Office of Emergency Management was key to the operational execution of the State of New Jersey Donor stockpile. In times where the AMS Logistics labor pool was directly affected by the spread of Covid-19 he managed a de-pleated work force and was able to exceed all expectations by the OEM. He will always be remembered by state agents for his re-assuring simple commitment. "No Problem we can handle it" and the promise was always completed timely and with professionalism. He has adapted the culture of

the company we treat this contract as a commitment to the safety of the people of the State of New Jersey. In times of emergency the state of New Jersey comes first.

Mir has been responsible for all daily operations of the Morristown facility and the customer service needs and commitments to over 60 companies who have empowered AMS Logistic to manage all warehouse and logistics management for this company.

Mir has the authority to make operational and financial commitments to service the needs of our client base

Mir's prior company was a long-time customer of AMS Logistics where he ran all operations and sales for a foreign sales trading company. The owners of AMS Logistics have always respected his commitment and professionalism and were pleased to bring him onto the AMS Logistic executive staff with a long-term financial commitment.

4.4.4.4 Backup Staff

On Call Supervisor of emergency deployment is Carl Sambus

Back-up On Call Supervisor emergency deployment is Dick Askinazi

On Call Manager of Deployment is Mir Sharipov

Back-up Manager of Deployment is Shack Imampov

4.4.4.5 Experience with contracts of similar size and scope

AMS Logistics provides the following company references and customer contacts for existing contracts with similar size and scope. It should be noted that same process used for Homeland Security Preparedness is used by these customers. While time sensitivity is critical two both of these companies neither require a 24/7 emergency preparedness. An Emergency deployment 24/7 is not core of our business. It is the 55 - 60 customers we provide pick, pack, stage and transportation services that give us the base business and assets to offer this specialized service. Our base facilities, equipment and personnel provide all the resources to provide Homeland Security Preparedness our guarantee of commitment and execution.

Stauber Performance Group - Contact: Cindy Fogel

4.4.4.6 Financial Capability of the Bidder

Allmodes Transport, Inc. is a privately held company since 1983 and has been financed by its two active partners. The company's financial statements are neither certified, reviewed nor compiled by an independent accountant. The company can provide company bank statements to show working capital cash position that is adequate to service the size and scope of this contract in addition to its present customer base.

SECTION 4 – Any Other Document to be Included by the Vendor

None

Bid Solicitation # 20DPP00476

For: Warehousing Emergency Ops; Services & logistics (T-2867)

Submission of Allmodes Transport, Inc.

SECTION 5 – State Supplied Price Sheet 4.4.5

See attached Document

4.4.5.6 Cash Discounts

Allmodes Transportation, Inc. will offer a 1% net 10 Days payment discount from invoice date on all services provided.

Bid Solicitation #20DPP00476 State-Supplied Price Sheet T2867 – Warehousing and Emergency Ops: Services and Logistic

T2867 – Warehousing and Emergency Ops: Services and Logistics								
	Vendor {Bidder} Name:	Vendor {Bidder} Name: Allmode Transport, Inc. d/b/a AMS Logistics						
	Instructions:	Refer to Bid Solicitation Section 4.4.5 for Vendor {Bidder} instructions. The Vendor {Bidder} shall provide pricing in the y cells below. The Vendor {Bidder} must not alter the State-Supplied Price Sheet in any manner.			yellow highlighted			
ltem Number	Item Description	Quantity	Unit	Unit Pricing - Year 1	Unit Pricing - Year 2	Unit Pricing - Year 3	Unit Pricing - Year 4	Unit Pricing - Year 5
1	MANAGEMENT AND EMERGENCY TEAM DEPLOYMENT ALL-INCLUSIVE FIXED FEE: 24/7 ON-CALL SUPERVISOR (1) & CORE TEAM ACTIVATION: 24/7 = ONE (1) DAY	1	DAY	\$1,600.00	\$1,700.00	\$1,800.00	\$1,900.00	\$2,000.00
2	INVENTORY AND MATERIALS MANAGEMENT ALL-INCLUSIVE FIXED RATE: STORAGE AND SERVICES (MONTHLY RATE FEE PER SQ FT)	1	SQFT	\$2.95	\$3.05	\$3.16	\$3.27	\$3.39
3	INVENTORY DEPLOYMENT: STANDARD OPERATING HOURS 8AM-4PM, MON-FRI: ALL-INCLUSIVE HOURLY RATE FOR ONE (1) PERSON	1	HOUR	\$75.00	\$79.00	\$83.00	\$87.00	\$91.00
4	INVENTORY DEPLOYMENT: STANDARD OPERATING HOURS 8AM-4PM, MON-FRI - ADDITIONAL PERSONNEL ALL-INCLUSIVE HOURLY RATE FOR ONE (1) ADDITIONAL PERSON	1	HOUR	\$50.00	\$52.50	\$55.00	\$58.00	\$60.00
5	INVENTORY DEPLOYMENT: STANDARD OPERATING HOURS 8AM-4PM, MON-FRI; ALL-INCLUSIVE FORKLIFT FEE (PER TRUCKLOAD)	1	EACH	\$250.00	\$262.00	\$275.00	\$290.00	\$300.00
6	INVENTORY DEPLOYMENT: STANDARD OPERATING HOURS 8AM-4PM, MON-FRI; ALL-INCLUSIVE PALLET TRUCK FEE (PER TRUCKLOAD)	1	EACH	\$50.00	\$52.50	\$55.00	\$58.00	\$60.00
7	INVENTORY DEPLOYMENT: NON-STANDARD OPERATING HOURS (OUTSIDE OF 8AM-4PM MON-FRI); ALL-INCLUSIVE HOURLY RATE FOR ONE (1) PERSON	1	HOUR	\$112.00	\$118.00	\$124.00	\$130.00	\$137.00
8	INVENTORY DEPLOYMENT: NON-STANDARD OPERATING HOURS (OUTSIDE OF 8AM-4PM MON-FRI) - ADDITIONAL PERSONNEL ALL-INCLUSIVE HOURLY RATE FOR ONE (1) ADDITIONAL PERSON	1	HOUR	\$75.00	\$79.00	\$83.00	\$87.00	\$91.00
9	INVENTORY DEPLOYMENT: NON-STANDARD OPERATING HOURS (OUTSIDE OF 8AM-4PM MON-FRI): ALL-INCLUSIVE FORKLIFT FEE (PER TRUCKLOAD)	1	EACH	\$250.00	\$262.00	\$275.00	\$290.00	\$300.00
10	INVENTORY DEPLOYMENT: NON-STANDARD OPERATING HOURS (OUTSIDE OF 8AM-4PM MON-FRI); ALL-INCLUSIVE PALLET TRUCK FEE (PER TRUCKLOAD)	1	EACH	\$50.00	\$52.50	\$55.00	\$58.00	\$60.00
11	INVENTORY DE-MOBILIZATION: STANDARD OPERATING HOURS; 8AM-4PM, MON-FRI; ALL-INCLUSIVE HOURLY RATE FOR ONE (1) PERSON	1	HOUR	\$75.00	\$79.00	\$83.00	\$87.00	\$91.00
12	INVENTORY DE-MOBILIZATION: STANDARD OPERATING HOURS 8AM-4PM, MON-FRI ONE - ALL-INCLUSIVE HOURLY RATE FOR ONE (1) ADDITIONAL PERSON	1	HOUR	\$50.00	\$52.50	\$55.00	\$58.00	\$60.00

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INVENTORY DE-MOBILIZATION: STANDARD OPERATING HOURS 8AM-4PM, MON-FRI ONE; ALL-INCLUSIVE FORKLIFT FEE (PER TRUCKLOAD)

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14	INVENTORY DE-MOBILIZATION: STANDARD OPERATING HOURS 8AM-4PM, MON-FRI ONE; ALL-INCLUSIVE PALLET TRUCK FEE (PER TRUCKLOAD)	1	EACH	\$50.00	\$52.50	\$55.00	\$58.00	\$60.00
15	INVENTORY DE-MOBILIZATION: NON-STANDARD OPERATING HOURS (OUTSIDE OF 8AM-4PM MON-FRI); ALL-INCLUSIVE HOURLY RATE FOR ONE (1) PERSON	1	HOUR	\$112.00	\$118.00	\$124.00	\$130.00	\$137.00
16	INVENTORY DE-MOBILIZATION: NON-STANDARD OPERATING HOURS (OUTSIDE OF 8AM-4PM MON-FRI) - ALL-INCLUSIVE HOURLY RATE FOR ONE (1) ADDITIONAL PERSON	1	HOUR	\$75.00	\$79.00	\$83.00	\$87.00	\$91.00
17	INVENTORY DE-MOBILIZATION: NON-STANDARD OPERATING HOURS (OUTSIDE OF 8AM-4PM MON-FRI); ALL-INCLUSIVE FORKLIFT FEE (PER TRUCKLOAD)	1	EACH	\$250.00	\$262.00	\$275.00	\$290.00	\$300.00
18	INVENTORY DE-MOBILIZATION: NON-STANDARD OPERATING HOURS (OUTSIDE OF 8AM-4PM MON-FRI); ALL-INCLUSIVE PALLET TRUCK FEE (PER TRUCKLOAD)	1	EACH	\$50.00	\$52.50	\$55.00	\$58.00	\$60.00
19	MOBILIZATION: STOCKPILE DEPLOYMENT STAFF - ALL-INCLUSIVE HOURLY RATE FOR ONE (1) PERSON	1	HOUR	\$75.00	\$79.00	\$83.00	\$87.00	\$91.00
20	DEMOBILIZATION: GOODS AND SUPPLIES RECOVERY; STAFFING - ALL-INCLUSIVE HOURLY RATE FOR ONE (1) PERSON	1	HOUR	\$75.00	\$79.00	\$83.00	\$87.00	\$91.00
21	MANAGEMENT TEAM DEPLOYMENT: RATE/DAY; ONE (1) DAY = EIGHT (8) HOURS PER PERSON	1	DAY	\$2,000.00	\$2,100.00	\$2,200.00	\$2,300.00	\$2,400.00
22	TRANSPORT: VENDOR'S {BIDDER'S} PERCENTAGE MARKUP FROM ITS THIRD PARTY INVOICE COST FOR TRANSPORTATION OF STATE EMERGENCY STOCKPILE GOODS AND SUPPLIES, EXPIRED COMMODITIES, AND ANY OTHER TRANSPORTATION REQUIREMENTS OF THIS BLANKET P.O.	1	PCNT	25%	25%	25%	25%	25%
23	EXPIRED WAREHOUSE COMMODITIES: HOURLY DISPOSAL LABOR RATE (ALSO APPLIES TO DAMAGED OR OTHERWISE UNUSABLE GOODS AND SUPPLIES) PER PERSON	1	HOUR	\$75.00	\$79.00	\$83.00	\$87.00	\$91.00
24	PASS-THROUGH COSTS: FOR DISPOSAL OF EXPIRED WAREHOUSE COMMODITIES (SUCH AS DISPOSAL AND RECYCLING FEES AND ANY OTHER APPLICABLE COSTS OTHER THAN HOURLY FEE FOR DISPOSAL OF EXPIRED WAREHOUSE COMMODITIES) NO BIDDING FOR THIS PRICE LINE							
25	REIMBURSMENT FOR MISCELLANEOUS SUPPLIES, MATERIALS, AND EQUIPMENT (OUTSIDE SCOPE OF STORAGE) VENDOR {CONTRACTOR} SHALL PROVIDE THE STATE WITH MATERIAL INVOICE - PER BID SOLICITATION SECTION 3.1.B(2) NO BIDDING FOR THIS PRICE LINE							