INVITATION FOR BID

TITLE

WIC CHECK STOCK

COMMODITY GROUP NUMBER

IFB NUMBER

FAU# 0901151036

June 10, 2009

60010

BID DUE DATE

CONTRACT PERIOD

AUGUST 1, 2009 - JULY 31, 2011

Schedule of Key Events

Issue Date:	April 20, 2009
Bidders' Conference Reservation Deadline:	May 5, 2009
Bidders' Conference:	May 6, 2009
Deadline for Submission of Questions:	May 12, 2009
Written Questions and Answers Release Date:	May 26, 2009
Bid Due Date:	June 10, 2009
Public Bid Opening:	June 10, 2009
Estimated Award Selection Date:	June 26, 2009
Anticipated Contract Start Date:	August 1, 2009

Contacts Pursuant to State Finance Law § 139-j and 139-k

DESIGNATED CONTACTS:

Pursuant to State Finance Law § 139-j and 139-k, the Department of Health identifies the following designated contacts to whom all communications attempting to influence this procurement must be made:

Carolyn Cazer Grants and Procurement Unit New York State Department of Health Room 1325, Corning Tower, Empire State Building Albany, New York 12237

Permissible Subject Matter Contacts:

Pursuant to State Finance Law § 139-j(3)(a), the Department of Health also identifies the following allowable contacts for communications related to permissible subjects:

Robin Suitor Bureau of Supplemental Food Programs Division of Nutrition NYS Department of Health 150 Broadway, 6th Floor West Albany, NY 12204

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A. Introduction

The New York State Department of Health (DOH) is seeking bids for the provision of WIC check stock. The DOH is responsible for the requirements specified herein and for the evaluation of proposals. It is the intention of the State to enter into a contract for a term of two years beginning on or about August 1, 2009.

The Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants and Children (WIC) is administered in New York State by the Bureau of Supplemental Food Programs within the DOH's Division of Nutrition. Check stock obtained through this procurement will be shipped to approximately 210 sites statewide and used in laser printers at approximately 500 statewide locations to produce MICR readable checks. Detailed product requirements are provided below in the section "WIC Check Stock Specifications."

B. Administrative

Bids that meet the WIC Check Stock specifications and the general specifications in Appendix B in this Invitation for Bids (IFB) will be considered only from bonafide printing companies possessing printing equipment capable of producing the printing requirements described in this IFB. The vendor must show evidence of past experience producing 20 million sheets of safety paper per year and working with simultaneous orders from multiple clients. Required bidder qualifications are described in the "Bid Requirements" section, and in the "General Information" section below.

1. ISSUING AGENCY

This Invitation for Bid (IFB) is a solicitation issued by the NYS Department of Health. The Department is responsible for the requirements specified herein and for the evaluation of all bids.

2. BIDDERS' CONFERENCE

A Bidders' Conference will be held at Riverview Center, 150 Broadway, 6th Floor West, Albany, New York 12204 on the date indicated on the cover of this IFB. Attendance at the Bidders' Conference is limited to two representatives of each bidder. Although attendance at the Bidders' Conference is not required to submit a bid, a reservation must be made 24 hours in advance of the conference by calling (518) 402-7096, in order to attend. The purpose of the conference is to provide information concerning the Invitation for Bids that may be helpful in the preparation of proposals and to answer questions regarding the Invitation for Bids.

3. INQUIRIES

All questions regarding this procurement should be submitted in writing by 5:00PM on the date indicated on the cover of this IFB to:

Ms. Robin Suitor Program Development & Support Unit Bureau of Supplemental Food Programs Division of Nutrition 150 Broadway, 6th Floor West Albany, NY 12204-2719

Telephone calls regarding this IFB will not be accepted. Questions received in advance of the Bidders' conference will be addressed at the conference. A copy of the questions and answers, as well as any IFB updates and or modifications related to this IFB, as submitted to the Division of Nutrition or discussed at the Bidders' conference will be provided in writing to all Bidders who attend the Bidders' conference and will be posted on the Department of Health's website at <u>http://www.nyhealth.gov/funding/</u> by the date indicated on the cover of this IFB. Any answers to questions provided during the Bidders' conference will not be considered final until they are released in writing.

4. BID PREPARATION

Prepare your bid on the attached forms using indelible ink. Print the name of your company on each page of the bid in the block provided.

5. BID DEVIATIONS

If your bid differs from the specifications explain such deviation(s) or qualification(s); and if necessary, attach a separate sheet. See "Extraneous Terms" in Appendix B, 13. <u>EXTRANEOUS TERMS</u>.

The offer of pricing information is voluntary but every offer shall be firm and not revocable for a period of 180 days or until released by the state, whichever occurs first.

6. SUBMISSION OF BIDS

Bids shall be prepared in accordance with the requirements stated in this IFB. All documentation requested under the Bid Submission Instructions section (Section D) must be provided at the time the proposal is submitted.

As stated in Section D, the Technical Response and the Cost Proposal must be <u>sealed</u> in <u>separate</u> envelopes/packages. The sealed envelopes must be marked "BID ENCLOSED" and labeled with the BID NUMBER and the BID OPENING DATE on the outside of the envelope. One envelope must be labeled "Technical Response" and one envelope must be labeled "Cost Proposal."

Interested vendors should submit 2 originals and 3 signed copies of their bid no later than **2:00PM** on the date indicated on the cover of this IFB to the following address:

Bureau of Supplemental Food Programs Division of Nutrition NYS Department of Health 150 Broadway. 6th Floor West Albany, NY 12204-2719 ATTENTION: Ms. Robin Suitor / Bid Enclosed **Bidders assume all risks for timely, properly submitted deliveries.** Bidders are strongly encouraged to arrange for delivery of bids to DOH <u>prior to</u> the date of the bid opening. LATE BIDS will be rejected. E-mail bid submissions are not acceptable and will not be considered.

Bidders must allow extra time to comply with the security procedures in effect at the Riverview Center Building when hand delivering bids or using deliveries by independent courier services.

Security procedures are in effect at the Riverview Center Building. These procedures govern the admittance to the Division of Nutrition in Riverview Center. Photo identification is required. These security procedures may change or be modified at any time. Vendors who intend to deliver bids or conduct business with the Division of Nutrition should allow extra time to comply with the security procedures.

Bid packages will be opened on the date and time indicated on the cover of this IFB in the offices of the Division of Nutrition (Riverview Center, 150 Broadway 6th Floor West, Albany, NY 12204-2719). Bidders are welcome to send up to two representatives to witness the package openings. There will be at least two representatives from the State present at the opening.

At the opening, the bidders' company names will be announced, the cost proposal envelopes will be opened, and the amounts entered into the Bid Sheets (Attachment 7) will be read aloud. No other information will be opened or shared. The contract **will not** be awarded at the time of the bid opening. The following steps must be completed by the Bureau of Supplemental Food Programs after the bid opening and before a written award is made:

- Verification of all calculations on the Bid Sheets.
- Opening and pass/fail review of the bidders' technical proposals.
- Review of Bid Formsand Vendor Responsibility Attestation forms for completeness and signature.
- Submission to, and receipt of approval from, State executive staff of documentation of the contractor selection process.

Copies of the bid packages opened by the State may be requested after the award and execution of the contract by writing to the following electronic mail address: FOIL@state.ny.us.

Manufacturers choosing not to bid are asked to submit a No-Bid form (Attachment 9 of this IFB) to the above address by the Bid Due date and time indicated on the cover of this IFB. Failure to do so may result in the manufacturer's being removed from the State's mailing list for future procurements.

7. THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH RESERVES THE RIGHT TO

- a. Reject any or all proposals received in response to this IFB.
- b. Waive or modify minor irregularities in proposals received after prior notification to the bidder.

- c. Adjust or correct cost or cost figures with the concurrence of bidder if errors exist and can be documented to the satisfaction of DOH and the State Comptroller.
- d. Negotiate with vendors responding to this IFB within the requirements to serve the best interests of the State.
- e. Eliminate mandatory requirements unmet by all offerers.
- f. If the Department of Health is unsuccessful in negotiating a contract with the selected vendor within an acceptable time frame, the Department of Health may begin contract negotiations with the next qualified vendor(s) in order to serve and realize the best interests of the State.

8. PAYMENT TERMS

If awarded a contract, the contractor shall submit invoices to the State's designated payment office:

Program Development and Support Unit Bureau of Supplemental Food Programs Division of Nutrition NYS Department of Health 150 Broadway. 6th Floor West Albany, NY 12204-2719

Payment of such invoices by the State (NYS Department of Health) shall be made in accordance with Article XI-A of the New York State Finance Law. Payment terms are specified under Section C.12. of this IFB: BILLING INSTRUCTIONS.

9. ELECTRONIC PAYMENTS

The Office of the State Comptroller (OSC) offers an "electronic payment" option in lieu of issuing checks. To obtain an electronic payment authorization form visit the OSC website at <u>www.osc.state.ny.us</u> or contact them by e-mail at <u>epunit@osc.state.ny.us</u> or by phone at 518-474-4032.

10. CONTRACT PERIOD AND RENEWALS

It is the intention of the State to enter into a contract for a term of two years as stated on the Invitation for Bid except that the commencement and termination dates appearing on the Invitation for Bid may be adjusted by the State for any resulting contract for up to two calendar months, by indicating such change on the Contract Award Notification. The contract dates may be adjusted forward beyond two months only with the approval of the successful bidder. If, however, the bidder is not willing to accept an adjustment of the contract dates beyond the two month period, the State reserves the right to proceed with an award to another bidder. This agreement may be canceled at any time by the Department of Health giving to the contractor not less than thirty days written notice that on or after a date therein specified this agreement shall be deemed terminated and canceled.

Prices or discounts quoted are to be firm for the entire period of the contract. Price escalation or discount reduction will <u>not</u> be allowed and is specifically excluded from the terms and conditions of the Invitation for Bid, its specifications and subsequent contract award. Price decreases or discount increases are permitted at any time.

11. NON-COLLUSIVE BIDDING CERTIFICATION

(Reference: State Finance Law Section 139-d and Appendix A, Clause 7)

By submission of this bid, each bidder and each person signing on behalf of any bidder certifies, and in the case of a joint bid each party thereto certifies as to its own organization, under penalty of perjury, that to the best of its knowledge and belief:

- The prices in this bid have been arrived at independently without collusion, consultation, communication, or agreement, for the purpose of restricting competition, as to any matter relating to such prices with any other bidder or with any competitor;
- Unless otherwise required by law, the prices which have been quoted in this bid have not been knowingly disclosed by the bidder and will not knowingly be disclosed by the bidder prior to opening, directly or indirectly, to any other bidder or to any competitor; and
- No attempt has been made or will be made by the bidder to induce any other person, partnership or corporation to submit or not submit a bid for the purpose of restricting competition.

12. DEBRIEFING

Once an award has been made, bidders may request a debriefing of their proposal up to three months from the date of contract award. Please note the debriefing will be limited only to the strengths and weaknesses of the bidder's proposal, and will not include any discussion of other proposals.

13. NEW YORK STATE STANDARD VENDOR RESPONSIBILITY ATTESTATION (ATTACHMENT 1)

New York State Procurement Law requires that state agencies award contracts only to responsible vendors. Vendors are invited to file the required Vendor Responsibility Questionnaire online via the New York State VendRep System or may choose to complete and submit a paper questionnaire. To enroll in and use the New York State VendRep System, see the VendRep System Instructions available at <u>www.osc.state.ny.us/vendrep</u> or go directly to the VendRep System online at <u>https://portal.osc.state.ny.us</u>. For direct VendRep System user assistance, the OSC Help Desk may be reached at 866-370-4672 or 518-408-4672 or by email at <u>helpdesk@osc.state.ny.us</u>. Vendors opting to file a paper questionnaire can obtain the appropriate questionnaire from the VendRep website <u>www.osc.state.ny.us/vendrep</u> or may contact the Department of Health or the Office of the State Comptroller for a copy of the paper form. Bidders must also complete and submit the Vendor Responsibility Attestation (Attachment 1).

14. LOBBYING STATUTE

Chapter 1 of the Laws of 2005, as amended by Chapter 596 of the Laws of 2005, provides, among other things, the following as pertains to development of procurement contracts with governmental entities:

- a. makes the lobbying law applicable to attempts to influence procurement contracts once the procurement process has been commenced by a state agency, unified court system, state legislature, public authority, certain industrial development agencies and local benefit corporations;
- b. requires the above mentioned governmental entities to record all contacts made by lobbyists and contractors about a governmental procurement so that the public knows who is contacting governmental entities about procurements;
- c. requires governmental entities to designate persons who generally may be the only staff contacted relative to the governmental procurement by that entity in a restricted period;
- d. authorizes the New York State Commission on Public Integrity to impose fines and penalties against persons/organizations engaging in impermissible contacts about a governmental procurement and provides for the debarment of repeat violators;
- e. directs the Office of General Services to disclose and maintain a list of non-responsible bidders pursuant to this new law and those who have been debarred and publish such list on its website;
- f. requires the timely disclosure of accurate and complete information from offerers with respect to determinations of non-responsibility and debarment;
- g. expands the definition of lobbying to include attempts to influence gubernatorial or local Executive Orders, Tribal–State Agreements, and procurement contracts;
- h. modifies the governance of the New York State Commission on Public Integrity
- i. provides that opinions of the Commission shall be binding only on the person to whom such opinion is rendered;
- j. increases the monetary threshold which triggers a lobbyists obligations under the Lobbying Act from \$2,000 to \$5,000; and
- k. establishes the Advisory Council on Procurement Lobbying.

Generally speaking, two related aspects of procurements were amended: (i) activities by the business and lobbying community seeking procurement contracts (through amendments to the Legislative Law) and (ii) activities involving governmental agencies establishing procurement contracts (through amendments to the State Finance Law).

Additionally, a new section 1-t was added to the Legislative Law establishing an Advisory Council on Procurement Lobbying (Advisory Council). This Advisory Council is authorized to establish the following model guidelines regarding the restrictions on contacts during the procurement process for use by governmental entities (see Legislative Law §1-t (e) and State Finance Law §139-j). In an effort to facilitate compliance by governmental entities, the Advisory Council has prepared model forms and language that can be used to meet the obligations imposed by State Finance Law §139-k, Disclosure of Contacts and Responsibility of Offerers. Sections 139-j and 139-k are collectively referred to as "new State Finance Law."

It should be noted that while this Advisory Council is charged with the responsibility of providing advice to the New York State Commission on Public Integrity regarding procurement lobbying, the Commission retains full responsibility for the interpretation, administration and enforcement of the Lobbying Act established by Article 1-A of the Legislative Law (see Legislative Law §1-t (c) and §1-d). Accordingly, questions regarding the

registration and operation of the Lobbying Act should be directed to the New York State Commission on Public Integrity.

15. TAX LAW §5-A (ATTACHMENTS 2 AND 3)

Section 5-a of the Tax Law, as amended, effective April 26, 2006, requires certain contractors awarded state contracts for commodities, services and technology valued at more than \$100,000 to certify to the Department of Tax and Finance (DTF) that they are registered to collect New York State and local sales and compensating use taxes. The law applies to contracts where the total amount of such contractors' sales delivered into New York State are in excess of \$300,000 for the four quarterly periods immediately preceding the quarterly period in which the certification is made, and with respect to any affiliates and subcontractors whose sales delivered into New York State exceeded \$300,000 for the four quarterly periods immediately preceding the quarterly preceding the quarterly period in which the certification is made.

This law imposes upon certain contractors the obligation to certify whether or not the contractor, its affiliates, and its subcontractors are required to register to collect state sales and compensating use tax and contractors must certify to DTF that each affiliate and subcontractor exceeding such sales threshold is registered with DTF to collect New York State and local sales and compensating use taxes. The law prohibits the State Comptroller, or other approving agencies, from approving a contract awarded to an offerer meeting the registration requirements but who is not so registered in accordance with the law.

Contractor must complete and submit directly to the New York State Taxation and Finance, Contractor Certification Form ST-220-TD attached hereto (Attachment 3). Unless the information upon which the ST-220-TD is based changes, this form only needs to be filed once with DTF. If the information changes for the contractor, its affiliate(s), or its subcontractor(s), a new form (ST-220-TD) must be filed with DTF.

Contractor must complete and submit to the Department of Health the form ST-220-CA attached hereto (Attachment 2), certifying that the contractor filed the ST-220-TD with DTF. Failure to make either of these filings may render an offerer non-responsive and non-responsible. Offerers shall take the necessary steps to provide properly certified forms within a timely manner to ensure compliance with the law.

16. MERCURY-ADDED CONSUMER PRODUCTS

Offerers are advised that effective January 1, 2005, Article 27, Title 21 of the Environmental Conservation Law bans the sale or distribution free of charge of fever thermometers containing mercury except by prescription written by a physician and bans the sale or distribution free of charge of elemental mercury other than for medical pre-encapsulated dental amalgam, research, or manufacturing purposes due to the hazardous waste concerns of mercury. The law further states that effective July 12, 2005, manufacturers are required to label mercury-added consumer products that are sold or offered for sale in New York State by a distributor or retailer. The label is intended to inform consumers of the presence of mercury in such products and of the proper disposal or recycling of mercury-added consumer products. Offerers are encouraged to contact the Department of Environmental Conservation, Bureau of Solid Waste, Reduction & Recycling at (518) 402-8705 or the Bureau of Hazardous Waste Regulation at 1-800-462-6553 for questions

relating to the law. Offerers may also visit the Department's web site for additional information: <u>http://www.dec.state.ny.us/website/dshm/redrecy/c145home.html</u>.

C. WIC Check Stock Specifications

1. ESTIMATED QUANTITY

40 million sheets - Approximately 20 million sheets per year

2. SIZE

8-1/2" X 11" bleeds 3 sides, two perforations, three checks per sheet; each check measures 3-2/3" x 8-1/2".

3. STOCK

White 24# BOND paper - must be a "Controlled" safety paper produced under tight security conditions with limited access. The paper must not be readily available in retail stores and is sold directly to end-users only. The paper must have toner retention treatment to enhance the fusion of variable data to the paper surface in order to deter attempted alteration.

4. SECURITY FEATURES

a. FRONT OF CHECKS

- Eraser Deterrent Ink (background clearly altered if erasure is attempted).
- The documents shall contain a hidden Void Pantograph that shall provide substantial protection against attempted reproduction by color and black and white copiers. The word "Void" shall appear repetitiously across the face of the checks when reproduction is attempted. The vendor may also propose an additional or alternative security feature equally effective in preventing usable check copies. This feature will be tested for effectiveness across a full range of copier settings and must be compatible with bank imaging systems. The vendor must have the ability to pattern this feature in such a manner that meets image compliance for Image Replacement Documents product by the banking system.
- There is a white area for MICR line.

b. BACK OF CHECKS

A "Custom" Artificial Watermark of the WIC Logo is printed in multiple areas of each check back. These marks shall not photocopy or scan and shall be visible when held at an angle either toward or away from reflected lights. The Watermark design will be provided upon award of the bid.

• Additional Security Marks: Pattern of unevenly spaced lines or other equally functional design to deter cut and paste attempts. Printing on reverse for endorsement and program messages. Printing on reverse of check must conform to commercial code requirements of the Federal Reserve Bank.

5. PRESSWORK

Front prints two colors and contains prismatic printing - vertically printing the background of the document with a multi-colored void pantograph in which one color gradually fades into the next. The copy bleeds left, top and right. Back prints 4 lines in black. Also printed on back in white or transparent ink for the custom artificial watermark.

6. INK

Front: PMS 492 and PMS 309, or a visually close match. This ink, including approved densities, must match for each run of WIC checks.

Back: Black Ink for the 4 lines. Back also prints in white or transparent ink for the custom artificial watermark.

All inks must be heat sensitive laser ink. DOH must approve the ink colors prior to printing. Ink must be low odor, non-yellowing and be allowed a 48 hour curing / drying time prior to shrink wrapping.

7. PACKING

Check stock (3 checks per sheet) is to be shrink wrapped in packages of 500 and boxed 2,000 sheets per box. Shipping containers should be clearly marked with the words "WIC FORMS."

8. INVENTORY

Contractor will be required to maintain and store the lesser of three months inventory of printed check stock or printed check stock equivalent to the remainder of the estimated quantity of the contract.

9. DELIVERY

Approximately 625 boxes of check stock will be needed per month. The contractor will be required to ship directly to approximately 210 individual delivery sites located throughout New York State. A listing of the current delivery sites is contained in Attachment 3. The New York State Department of Health will submit orders to the contractor by the close of business (5:00 p.m.) on the first business day following the 20th of each month. On rare occasions an emergency order requiring overnight shipping may be placed outside of this date. The first monthly order of checks will be submitted to the contractor in **August, 2009**.

10. DELIVERY INSTRUCTIONS

- The orders will be submitted electronically.
 - The orders will be broken down by:
 - WIC Site Number
 - Site name
 - Site shipping address
 - The number of boxes to be shipped to each site
- The contractor will process and ship the orders to the specified locations within three (3) business days (Monday thru Friday) of receipt of the order.
- Each box of check stock shipped must be traceable to a specific print lot.
- The contractor will ship all orders by a traceable delivery service (i.e. UPS, Fed Ex) with expected delivery in three (3) to five (5) business days from the date of shipment.
- The contractor will send approved electronic confirmation of the order to the NYS Department of Health, Division of Nutrition within 3 business days of complete shipment, including all tracking numbers. The format and method of the confirmation must be in a manner satisfactory to the Department.
- Shipping charges for check stock by regular ground delivery methods must be included in the bid price.

If a discrepancy arises with a delivery, the contractor is responsible for providing proof of delivery.

11. SPECIAL DELIVERIES

There may be some rare occasions when the State will request a delivery be made by other than routine ground shipment. In these cases, the State will be responsible for the additional shipping charges incurred (as charged by the carrier). The contractor will send a separate invoice for these shipping charges. The invoice must include the shipper's weigh bill.

12. BILLING INSTRUCTIONS

Payments cannot be processed by the NYS Department of Health until the contract terms have been delivered in satisfactory condition. Payment will be based on an invoice used in the supplier's normal course of business.

The contractor will send one consolidated invoice within 30 days after the close of each month, to the New York State Department of Health, Division of Nutrition; Bureau of Administration and Evaluation, Riverview Center, 150 Broadway, 5th Floor East, Albany, New York, 12204. The invoice must contain sufficient data, including, but not limited to, the following:

- WIC Site Number
- WIC Site Name
- Total by site of quantity shipped
- Grand Totals for the monthly shipment
- Total number of product shipped including associated cost

Prompt payment legislation (Article XI-A, State Finance Law) sets standards for the payment of bills incurred by State agencies within specified periods of time and requires interest payments in situations where payments do not conform to these standards. With certain exceptions, it is the

Department's policy to pay all vendors/contractors providing acceptable invoices within 30 days of receipt. Agencies are urged to process vouchers expeditiously.

13. QUALITY CONTROL

Prior to award, any bidder being considered for an award will be required to meet with Department of Health representatives to discuss quality control issues and back up equipment capabilities.

14. BID SAMPLES (ALL BIDDERS)

For testing purposes, bids must be accompanied by a sample of safety stock. Samples must show evidence of the bidder's ability to produce secure documents. The samples must illustrate the functional equivalence of the WIC check stock specifications listed above. If the bidder can not provide a single sample illustrating all specifications, the bidder may submit multiple samples (i.e., different types of documents) to illustrate the various features.

FAILURE TO SUBMIT SAMPLES WITH BID WILL BE SUFFICIENT REASON FOR REJECTION.

15. PROOFS (SELECTED CONTRACTOR ONLY)

The **selected** contractor will be required to submit one box (2,000 sheets) of printed check stock, perforated, packaged and labeled the same as the final product would be when delivered. This box of printed check stock is required for testing before approval of the initial press run. Testing will include runs through our contracted bank's image scanning equipment to evaluate image compliance for Image Replacement Documents produced. One color key and 2 proofs are also required prior to the initial production press run for approval.

D. Bid Requirements

1. BID SUBMISSION INSTRUCTIONS

IMPORTANT NOTICE TO POTENTIAL BIDDERS:

Receipt of these bid documents does not indicate that the Department of Health's (DOH) Division of Nutrition (DON) has pre-determined your company's qualifications to receive a contract award. Such determination will be made after the bid opening and will be based on our evaluation of your bid submission compared to the specific requirements and qualifications contained in these bid documents.

Bids must be enclosed in two separate, <u>sealed</u> envelopes marked "BID ENCLOSED" and labeled with the BID NUMBER and the BID OPENING DATE on the outside of the envelope. One envelope must be labeled "Technical Response" and one envelope must be labeled "Cost Proposal." The required contents of the two envelopes are listed below. The two bid envelopes must be packaged together, along with the check stock sample, and delivered to:

Bureau of Supplemental Food Programs Division of Nutrition NYS Department of Health 150 Broadway. 6th Floor West Albany, NY 12204-2719 ATTENTION: Ms. Robin Suitor / Bid Enclosed

Contents of the overall bid submission package:

- Technical Response Envelope (see below)
- Cost Proposal Envelope (see below)
- Check Stock Sample (see Section D: WIC Check Stock Specifications, Bid Samples description)

Contents of the "Technical Response" Envelope:

- Item 1. Two signed originals and three copies of the "Bid Submission Cover Sheet" (Attachment 5)
- Item 2. Two signed originals and three copies of the "Technical Response" and any attached materials (Attachment 6)
- Item 3. Two signed originals and three copies of the "Vendor Responsibility Attestation" (Attachment 1)

Contents of the "Cost Proposal" Envelope:

- Item 1. Two signed originals and three copies of the "Bid Submission Cover Sheet" (Attachment 5)
- Item 2. Two signed originals and three copies of the "NYS Department of Health Bid Form" (Attachment 7)
- Item 3. Two signed originals and three copies of the "Cost Proposal" (Attachment 8)

NOTICE TO NON-BIDDERS:

If your company elects NOT to submit a bid you are requested to complete and return a copy of the "No-Bid Form" (see Attachment 8) to the address above.

2. EVALUATION & SELECTION METHOD

The State will award the contract to the responsible and responsive bidder who offers the lowest total bid.

Once a bidder is selected, the Department of Health will issue a contract to the vendor. The Department of Health will then issue Purchase Orders against the contract. Purchase orders are effective and binding upon the contractor when placed in the mail addressed to the contractor at the address shown herein.

The quantities listed are estimated only and based upon the filed requirements for one year. However, the contract shall be for the amount actually ordered during the contract period. The NYS Department of Health reserves the right to increase or decrease quantities as it deems necessary. There is no minimum order.

In order to be considered responsible and responsive, the bid must include all IFB required documents and meet the minimum qualifications as stated below. Bids that do not meet the minimum qualifications will not be considered for award.

Minimum Technical Qualifications:

- a. Bidder must demonstrate experience producing 20 million sheets of safety paper documents per year;
- b. Bidder must demonstrate experience working with multiple clients;
- c. Bidder's check stock sample (see WIC Check Stock Specifications) must pass the Department's testing process. FAILURE TO SUBMIT SAMPLES WITH BID WILL BE SUFFICIENT REASON FOR REJECTION; and
- d. Bidder must meet requirements on Production Control and Security as outlined in the "Bid Requirements" below.
- e. Bidder must guarantee that prices quoted are the lowest offered to any governmental or commercial consumer.
- f. Bidder must also agree to the licensing and copyright terms described in the Response to Technical bid regarding any software and associated documentation developed under the contract.

3. COST PROPOSALS

Cost proposals will be per item and include all customs duties and charges and be net, Free on Board (F.O.B). destination, including all costs necessary or incidental to proper execution of job including inside delivery to approximately 210 sites throughout New York State (See Attachment 4).

4. CONFIDENTIALITY/FREEDOM OF INFORMATION LAW

During the evaluation process, the content of each bid/proposal will be held in confidence and details of any bid/proposal will not be revealed (except as may be required under the Freedom of Information Law or other State law). The Freedom of Information Law provides for an exemption from disclosure for trade secrets or information the disclosure of which would cause injury to the competitive position of commercial enterprises. This exception would be effective both during and after the evaluation process.

SHOULD YOU FEEL YOUR FIRM'S BID/PROPOSAL CONTAINS ANY SUCH TRADE SECRETS OR OTHER CONFIDENTIAL OR PROPRIETARY INFORMATION, YOU MUST SUBMIT A REQUEST TO EXCEPT SUCH INFORMATION FROM DISCLOSURE. SUCH REQUEST MUST BE IN WRITING, MUST STATE THE REASONS WHY THE INFORMATION SHOULD BE EXCEPTED FROM DISCLOSURE AND MUST BE PROVIDED AT THE TIME OF SUBMISSION OF THE SUBJECT INFORMATION.

REQUESTS FOR EXEMPTION OF THE ENTIRE CONTENTS OF A BID/PROPOSAL FROM DISCLOSURE HAVE GENERALLY NOT BEEN FOUND TO BE MERITORIOUS AND ARE DISCOURAGED. KINDLY LIMIT ANY REQUESTS FOR EXEMPTION OF INFORMATION FROM DISCLOSURE TO BONA FIDE TRADE SECRETS OR SPECIFIC INFORMATION, THE DISCLOSURE OF WHICH WOULD CAUSE A <u>SUBSTANTIAL</u> INJURY TO THE COMPETITIVE POSITION OF YOUR FIRM.

5. SURETY BOND

At any time upon the request of the Department of Health, the bidder being considered for award or the contractor shall, within fifteen days of request and at its own cost and expense, obtain and maintain in full force and effect for sixty days after contract expiration:

- an irrevocable documentary **LETTER OF CREDIT** with a sound and reputable bank authorized to do business in the State of New York, <u>OR</u>
- a **PERFORMANCE BOND** signed by a surety company authorized to do business in the State of New York, <u>OR</u>
- a **PAYMENT BOND** signed by a surety company authorized to do business in the State of New York, in the amount of 75% of the estimated contract value for the faithful performance of the contract.

The LETTER OF CREDIT, PERFORMANCE BOND, PAYMENT BOND, etc., shall name as beneficiary the State of New York, Department of Health and may be invoked to the benefit of the State of New York, Department of Health, upon delivery of a certified statement to the issuing bank or surety company that the contractor has failed to perform pursuant to the terms and conditions of its contract with the State of New York. The Surety bond shall be delivered to the State of New York, Department of Health, within fifteen days from the date it is requested.

6. NEGATIVES / DIGITAL FILES

Negatives or digital copies become the property of the State of New York and are to be returned to the using agency upon completion of the job. If digital files are created, they must be in one of the following formats: In design, Quark, Page Maker, Illustrator, Photo Shop or In Design.

7. PRODUCTION CONTROL AND SECURITY

The contractor shall use all means required to insure that no documents shall be lost during production and storage and that none shall be reproduced unlawfully. All manufacturing shall be done by the contractor only in the contractor's plant and the storage area shall be adequately protected against damage or loss of documents. The contractor shall establish a thorough

procedure for the immediate destruction and disposal of all damaged or mutilated documents. Bids must be accompanied by a full explanation of the precautions which the manufacturer proposes to observe within their plant and organization to protect the state against unlawful production and loss, both during manufacture as well as storage. Completed documents will be stored in a secured area at all times.

Bids must indicate the exact plant location where work is to be done. Contractor must notify the New York State Department of Health of any change of manufacturing location and receive security clearance from the Department for said location prior to the start of the manufacturing process. Also, if some part of the work is to be done at another location, the Department of Health must be notified before work begins and security clearance must be obtained.

The State of New York reserves the right to enter the contractor's premises at any time during business hours, prior to production and at any time during production to evaluate plant security and storage facilities and inspect methods of production and full compliance with all specifications herein. All bidders must agree to a security clearance inspection prior to consideration of bids. The steps detailed below are to be utilized in evaluating security measures.

a. PLANT SECURITY

- 1) The physical plant should be constructed so that the ingress and egress of the public and its employees may be controlled. In those areas where security items are maintained or manufactured, public access should be precluded.
- 2) Construction of the plant should be of a permanent nature with a minimum of fire hazards and with the ability for being secured both during and after working hours.

b. DURING WORKING HOURS

During working hours, those areas in which security items are maintained or manufactured should be secured with controlled access limited to employees only. Said employee is to be identified as having authority to enter the area.

c. AFTER WORKING HOURS

- 1) After hours, the premises should be secured with either an alarm system integrated with an enforcement agency or a duly recognized security force. In lieu of an alarm system, security guards, to be of a recognized security agency or private security personnel meeting the standards of a recognized security agency, should be sufficient to patrol the area.
- 2) In the case of manufacturing facilities, the area allocated and used for the manufacturing and/or storage of the completed product and necessary plates etc., used in the production of the item should be secured in the fashion named above for both during and after working hours.

Provisions must be made for the security of the documents and their accountability during production, storage while in the plant, and a secure method and accountability for the disposal

of waste and overruns. All waste is to be destroyed on site under dual custody by contractor's employees.

In all of the above, inspections of the premises must indicate that the security measures are fully utilized at all times and not just merely available. Secure storage and accountability of the finished product while in the manufacturer's hands and provisions for the secure shipment of the completed items to their destination must be provided.

8. ENERGY EFFICIENCY

The bidder must agree to meet mandatory standards and policies related to energy efficiency which are contained in the State Energy Conservation Plan issued in compliance with the Energy Policy and Conservation Act.

9. REGULATORY COMPLIANCE

Environmental: If the payments pursuant to the contracts are expected to exceed \$100,000, the bidder must comply with Section 306 of the Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C. 1857{L}, Section 508 of the Clean Water Act (33 U.S.C. 1368), Executive Order 11738, and Environmental Protection Agency Regulations (40 C.F.R. Part 15), which prohibit the use of pollutants under non-exempt Federal contracts, grants or loans of facilities included on the EPA list of Violating Facilities. Violations are to be reported to the applicable Federal agency and to the U.S.E.P.A. Assistant Administrator for Enforcement (EN-329).

Anti-Kickback: The bidder must comply with the provisions of the "Anti-Kickback" section of the Copeland Act (18 U.S.C. Section 874) which prohibits "kickbacks" from public works employees and applies to any contract assisted in whole or in part by loans or grants from the Federal Government, except those contracts where the only federal assistance is a loan guarantee. Violators are subject to a fine or imprisonment of not more than five years, or both.

E. APPENDICES

The following will be incorporated as appendices into any contract resulting from this Request for Proposal. This Request for Proposal will, itself, be referenced as an appendix of the contract.

- □ APPENDIX A Standard Clauses for All New York State Contracts
- □ APPENDIX B New York State Office of General Services (OGS) General Specifications
- □ APPENDIX C The "Invitation for Bids" Document.
- □ APPENDIX C-1- The Selected Bidders Proposal
- □ APPENDIX D General Specifications
- □ APPENDIX E

Unless the CONTRACTOR is a political sub-division of New York State, the CONTRACTOR shall provide proof, completed by the CONTRACTOR's insurance carrier and/or the Workers' Compensation Board, of coverage for:

- □ Workers' Compensation, for which one of the following is incorporated into this contract as **Appendix E-1**:
 - WC/DB-100, Affidavit For New York Entities And Any Out-Of-State Entities With No Employees, That New York State Workers' Compensation And/Or Disability Benefits Insurance Coverage Is Not Required; OR
 - C-105.2 Certificate of Workers' Compensation Insurance. PLEASE NOTE: The State Insurance Fund provides its own version of this form, the U-26.3; OR
 - **SI-12** Certificate of Workers' Compensation Self-Insurance, OR **GSI-105.2** – Certificate of Participation in Workers' Compensation Group Self-Insurance.
- □ Disability Benefits coverage, for which one of the following is incorporated into this contract as **Appendix E-2**:
 - WC/DB-100, Affidavit For New York Entities And Any Out-Of-State Entities With No Employees, That New York State Workers' Compensation And/Or Disability Benefits Insurance Coverage Is Not Required; OR
 - **DB-120.1** Certificate of Disability Benefits Insurance
 - DB-155 Certificate of Disability Benefits Self-Insurance
- □ Appendix H Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA) (if applicable)

CONFLICT OF TERMS AND CONDITIONS

Conflicts between contract documents shall be resolved in the following order of precedence:

- Appendix A (Standard Clauses for New York State Contracts)
- Appendix B (NYS OGS General Specifications)
- Appendix C (The "Invitation for Bids" document)
- Any added Contract/Clarification Documents
- Appendix C-1 (The selected bidder's proposal)

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Attachment 1 - Vendor Responsibility Attestation

Vendor Responsibility Attestation

To comply with the Vendor Responsibility Requirements outlined in Section B, Administrative, 13. Vendor Responsibility Questionnaire, I hereby certify:

Choose one:

An on-line Vender Responsibility Questionnaire has been updated or created at OSC's website: <u>https://portal.osc.state.ny.us</u> within the last six months.

A hard copy Vendor Responsibility Questionnaire is included with this proposal/bid and is dated within the last six months.

A Vendor Responsibility Questionnaire is not required due to an exempt status. Exemptions include governmental entities, public authorities, public colleges and universities, public benefit corporations, and Indian Nations.

Signature of Organization Official:
Print/type Name:
Fitle:
Organization:
Date Signed:

Attachment 2 – Form ST-220-CA: Contractor Certification to Covered Agency



New York State Department of Taxation and Finance

Contractor Certification to Covered Agency (Pursuant to Section 5-a of the Tax Law, as amended, effective April 26, 2006)

For information, consult Publication 223, Questions and Answers Concerning Tax Law Section 5-a (see Need Help? on back).

	Contractor name	For covered agency use only
		Contract number or description
State ZIP cod	Contractor's principal place of business City	
	Contractor's mailing address (if different than above)	Estimated contract value over the full term of contract (but not including recover)
s sales tax ID number (if different from contractor's EIN	Contractor's federal employer identification number (EIN) Contract	including renewals) \$
	Contractor's telephone number Covered agency name	*
	Covered agency address	Covered agency telephone number
, under penalty of perjury, that I am $_$, hereby affir	
	(name)	(title)
ke this certification on behalf of such	f the above-named contractor, that I am authorized to n nat:	ntractor, and I further certify
	Mark an X in only one box)	
	The contractor has filed Form ST-220-TD with the Departr contractor's knowledge, the information provided on the Fo	h this contract and, to the best of
Tax Department in connection with	The contractor has previously filed Form ST-220-TD with t	ert contract number or description)
		· · ·
	and, to the best of the contractor's knowledge, the informa as of the current date, and thus the contractor is not requi	220-TD, is correct and complete
	Sworn to thisday of, 20	
	(sign before a notary public)	le)
	Sworn to this day of, 20	

Instructions

General information

Tax Law section 5-a was amended, effective April 26, 2006. On or after that date, in all cases where a contract is subject to Tax Law section 5-a, a contractor must file (1) Form ST-220-CA, *Contractor Certification to Covered Agency*, with a covered agency, and (2) Form ST-220-TD with the Tax Department before a contract may take effect. The circumstances when a contract is subject to section 5-a are listed in Publication 223, Q&A 3. This publication is available on our Web site, by fax, or by mail. (See *Need help?* for more information on how to obtain this publication.) In addition, a contractor must file a new Form ST-220-CA with a covered agency before an existing contract with such agency may be renewed.

If you have questions, please call our information center at 1 800 698-2931.

Note: Form ST-220-CA must be signed by a person authorized to make the certification on behalf of the contractor, and the acknowledgement on page 2 of this form must be completed before a notary public.

When to complete this form

As set forth in Publication 223, a contract is subject to section 5-a, and you must make the required certification(s), if:

- i. The procuring entity is a *covered agency* within the meaning of the statute (see Publication 223, Q&A 5);
- ii. The contractor is a *contractor* within the meaning of the statute (see Publication 223, Q&A 6); and
- iii. The contract is a *contract* within the meaning of the statute. This is the case when it (a) has a value in excess of \$100,000 and (b) is a contract for *commodities* or *services*, as such terms are defined for purposes of the statute (see Publication 223, Q&A 8 and 9).

Furthermore, the procuring entity must have begun the solicitation to purchase on or after January 1, 2005, and the resulting contract must have been awarded, amended, extended, renewed, or assigned *on or after April 26, 2006* (the effective date of the section 5-a amendments).

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Individual, Corporation, Partnership, or LLC Acknowledgment

STATE OF }	
: SS.: COUNTY OF }	
On the day of in the year 20, before me known to me to be the person who executed the foregoing instru- he resides at Town of County of	ment, who, being duly sworn by me did depose and say that
State of; and further that:	
[Mark an \boldsymbol{X} in the appropriate box and complete the accompanying	ng statement.]
(If an individual): _he executed the foregoing instrument in his	s/her name and on his/her own behalf.
□ (If a corporation): _he is the	
of, the corporation de of Directors of said corporation, _he is authorized to execute purposes set forth therein; and that, pursuant to that authority behalf of said corporation as the act and deed of said corpora	the foregoing instrument on behalf of the corporation for y, _he executed the foregoing instrument in the name of and on
□ (If a partnership): _he is a	
 of, the partnership despartnership, _he is authorized to execute the foregoing instructive therein; and that, pursuant to that authority, _he executed the partnership as the act and deed of said partnership. (If a limited liability company): _he is a duly authorized membrane bulker. (If a limited liability company): _he is a duly authorized membrane on behalf of the limited liability company described in said instrument on behalf of the limited liability company for purposes set fort the foregoing instrument in the name of and on behalf of said liability company. 	ment on behalf of the partnership for purposes set forth foregoing instrument in the name of and on behalf of said per of, nt; that _he is authorized to execute the foregoing instrument th therein; and that, pursuant to that authority, _he executed
Natawa Dahlia	
Notary Public	
Registration No.	
	Need help?
Privacy notification	Internet access: www.nystax.gov
The Commissioner of Taxation and Finance may collect and maintain personal information pursuant to the New York State Tax Law, including but not limited to, sections 5-a, 171, 171-a, 287, 308, 429, 475, 505, 697, 1096, 1142, and 1415 of that Law; and may require disclosure of social security numbers pursuant to 42 USC 405(c)(2)(C)(i).	 (for information, forms, and publications) Fax-on-demand forms: 1 800 748-3676 Telephone assistance is available from 8:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M. (eastern time),
This information will be used to determine and administer tax liabilities and, when authorized by law, for certain tax offset and exchange of tax information programs as well as for any other lawful purpose.	Monday through Friday.1 800 698-2931To order forms and publications:1 800 462-8100
Information concerning quarterly wages paid to employees is provided to certain state agencies for purposes of fraud prevention, support enforcement, evaluation of the effectiveness of certain employment and training programs and other purposes authorized by law.	From areas outside the U.S. and outside Canada:(518) 485-6800Hearing and speech impaired (telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) callers only):1 800 634-2110
Failure to provide the required information may subject you to civil or criminal penalties,	Persons with disabilities: In compliance with the

Americans with Disabilities Act, we will ensure that our lobbies, offices, meeting rooms, and other facilities are accessible to persons with disabilities. If you have questions about special

accommodations for persons with disabilities, please call 1 800 972-1233.

ailure to provide the required information may subject you to civil or criminal penalties, or both, under the Tax Law.

This information is maintained by the Director of Records Management and Data Entry, NYS Tax Department, W A Harriman Campus, Albany NY 12227; telephone 1 800 225-5829. From areas outside the United States and outside Canada, call (518) 485-6800.

Attachment 3 – Form ST-220-TD: Contractor Certification to NYS Tax and Finance



Contractor name

New York State Department of Taxation and Finance

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Contractor Certification (Pursuant to Section 5-a of the Tax Law, as amended, effective April 26, 2006)

For information, consult Publication 223, Questions and Answers Concerning Tax Law Section 5-a (see Need help? below).

Contractor's principal place of business		City	State	ZIP code
Contractor's mailing address (if different that	n above)			
Contractor's federal employer identification	n number (EIN)	Contractor's sales tax ID number ((if different from contractor's EIN)	Contractor's telephone number
Covered agency name	Contract numbe	er or description	the full t	ed contract value over erm of contract including renewals) \$
Covered agency address			Covered	l agency telephone number

General information

Section 5-a of the Tax Law, as amended, effective April 26, 2006, requires certain contractors awarded certain state contracts valued at more than \$100,000 to certify to the Tax Department that they are registered to collect New York State and local sales and compensating use taxes, if they made sales delivered by any means to locations within New York State of tangible personal property or taxable services having a cumulative value in excess of \$300,000, measured over a specified period. In addition, contractors must certify to the Tax Department that each affiliate and subcontractor exceeding such sales threshold during a specified period is registered to collect New York State and local sales and compensating use taxes. Contractors must also file a Form ST-220-CA, certifying to the procuring state entity that they filed Form ST-220-TD with the Tax Department and that the information contained on Form ST-220-TD is correct and complete as of the date they file Form ST-220-CA.

For more detailed information regarding this form and section 5-a of the Tax Law, see Publication 223, Questions and Answers Concerning Tax Law Section 5-a. (as amended. effective April 26, 2006), available at www.nystax.gov. Information is also available by calling the Tax Department's Contractor Information Center at 1 800 698-2931.

Note: Form ST-220-TD must be signed by a person authorized to make the certification on behalf of the contractor, and the acknowledgement on page 4 of this form must be completed before a notary public.

Mail completed form to:

NYS TAX DEPARTMENT DATA ENTRY SECTION **W A HARRIMAN CAMPUS** ALBANY NY 12227

Privacy notification

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This information will be used to determine and administer tax liabilities and, when authorized by law, for certain tax offset and exchange of tax information programs as well as for any other lawful purpose.

Information concerning guarterly wages paid to employees is provided to certain state agencies for purposes of fraud prevention, support enforcement, evaluation of the effectiveness of certain employment and training programs and other purposes authorized by law.

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1 800 634-2110



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persons with disabilities. If you have questions about special accommodations for persons with disabilities, please call 1 800 972-1233. Make only one entry in each section below.

Section 1 — Contractor registration status

The contractor has made sales delivered by any means to locations within New York State of tangible personal property or taxable services having a cumulative value in excess of \$300,000 during the four sales tax quarters which immediately precede the sales tax quarter in which this certification is made. The contractor is registered to collect New York State and local sales and compensating use taxes with the Commissioner of Taxation and Finance pursuant to sections 1134 and 1253 of the Tax Law, and is listed on Schedule A of this certification.

The contractor has not made sales delivered by any means to locations within New York State of tangible personal property or taxable services having a cumulative value in excess of \$300,000 during the four sales tax quarters which immediately precede the sales tax quarter in which this certification is made.

Section 2 — Affiliate registration status

The contractor does not have any affiliates.

□ To the best of the contractor's knowledge, the contractor has one or more affiliates having made sales delivered by any means to locations within New York State of tangible personal property or taxable services having a cumulative value in excess of \$300,000 during the four sales tax quarters which immediately precede the sales tax quarter in which this certification is made, and each affiliate exceeding the \$300,000 cumulative sales threshold during such quarters is registered to collect New York State and local sales and compensating use taxes with the Commissioner of Taxation and Finance pursuant to sections 1134 and 1253 of the Tax Law. The contractor has listed each affiliate exceeding the \$300,000 cumulative sales threshold during such quarters on Schedule A of this certification.

To the best of the contractor's knowledge, the contractor has one or more affiliates, and each affiliate has not made sales delivered by any means to locations within New York State of tangible personal property or taxable services having a cumulative value in excess of \$300,000 during the four sales tax quarters which immediately precede the sales tax quarter in which this certification is made.

Section 3 — Subcontractor registration status

The contractor does not have any subcontractors.

□ To the best of the contractor's knowledge, the contractor has one or more subcontractors having made sales delivered by any means to locations within New York State of tangible personal property or taxable services having a cumulative value in excess of \$300,000 during the four sales tax quarters which immediately precede the sales tax quarter in which this certification is made, and each subcontractor exceeding the \$300,000 cumulative sales threshold during such quarters is registered to collect New York State and local sales and compensating use taxes with the Commissioner of Taxation and Finance pursuant to sections 1134 and 1253 of the Tax Law. The contractor has listed each subcontractor exceeding the \$300,000 cumulative sales threshold during such quarters on Schedule A of this certification.

To the best of the contractor's knowledge, the contractor has one or more subcontractors, and each subcontractor has not made sales delivered by any means to locations within New York State of tangible personal property or taxable services having a cumulative value in excess of \$300,000 during the four sales tax quarters which immediately precede the sales tax quarter in which this certification is made.

Sworn to this ____ day of _____ , 20 _____

Schedule A — Listing of each person (contractor, affiliate, or subcontractor) exceeding \$300,000 cumulative sales threshold

List the contractor, or affiliate, or subcontractor in Schedule A only if such person exceeded the \$300,000 cumulative sales threshold during the specified sales tax quarters. See directions below. For more information, see Publication 223.

A Relationship to Contractor	B Name	C Address	D Federal ID Number	E Sales Tax ID Number	F Registration in progress

Column A – Enter C in column A if the contractor; A if an affiliate of the contractor; or S if a subcontractor.

- Column B Name If person is a corporation or limited liability company, enter the exact legal name as registered with the NY Department of State, if applicable. If person is a partnership or sole proprietor, enter the name of the partnership and each partner's given name, or the given name(s) of the owner(s), as applicable. If person has a different DBA (doing business as) name, enter that name as well.
- Column C Address Enter the street address of person's principal place of business. Do not enter a PO box.
- Column D ID number Enter the federal employer identification number (EIN) assigned to the person or person's business, as applicable. If the person is an individual, enter the social security number of that person.
- Column E Sales tax ID number Enter only if different from federal EIN in column D.
- Column F If applicable, enter an X if the person has submitted Form DTF-17 to the Tax Department but has not received its certificate of authority as of the date of this certification.

Individual, Corporation, Partnership, or LLC Acknowledgment
STATE OF } : SS.:
COUNTY OF }
On the day of in the year 20, before me personally appeared,
known to me to be the person who executed the foregoing instrument, who, being duly sworn by me did depose and say that
_ he resides at , Town of
County of ,
State of; and further that:
[Mark an $m{X}$ in the appropriate box and complete the accompanying statement.]
□ (If an individual): _he executed the foregoing instrument in his/her name and on his/her own behalf.
□ (If a corporation): _he is the
of, the corporation described in said instrument; that, by authority of the Board of Directors of said corporation, _he is authorized to execute the foregoing instrument on behalf of the corporation for purposes set forth therein; and that, pursuant to that authority, _he executed the foregoing instrument in the name of and on behalf of said corporation as the act and deed of said corporation.
□ (If a partnership): _he is a
of, the partnership described in said instrument; that, by the terms of said partnership, _he is authorized to execute the foregoing instrument on behalf of the partnership for purposes set forth therein; and that, pursuant to that authority, _he executed the foregoing instrument in the name of and on behalf of said partnership as the act and deed of said partnership.
(If a limited liability company): _he is a duly authorized member of
Notary Public

Registration No. _____

Attachment 4 – New York State WIC Local Agency Delivery Addresses

WICSIS Code	Site Name	Site Street	City	Zip
200-01	Women's Health Ctr WIC	220 Green St	Albany	12202
201-02	Warren Co Health Svcs WIC	Gurney Lane	Lake George	12845
202-01	Whit M Young Jr Hith WIC	Lark and Arbor Drives	Albany	12207
203-01	CEO - Greater Capital Region WIC	2328 5th Ave, 2nd Fl	Troy	12180
204-03	Cornell Coop. Ext.WIC	1044 State Street 1st Flr	Schenectady	12307
205-01	Madison Co WIC	603 Seneca St. Suite 4	Oneida	13421
205-02	Herkimer WIC	401 East German St	Herkimer	13350
206-01	Fulmont Comm Action WIC	Park Street	Fonda	12068
206-04	Fulmont Community Action	39 Church Street 1st Flr	Gloversville	12078
207-01	Delaware Oppor WIC	35430 State Highway 10	Hamden	13782
208-01	Schoharie Co. CAP WIC	795 East Main Street	Cobleskill	12043
209-01	Oppor. for Chenango WIC	44 West Main St	Norwich	13815
210-01	Opportunities Otsego WIC	3 West Broadway	Oneonta	13820
210-01	Cath Char of Columbia WIC	431 East Allen Street	Hudson	12534
211-07	St. Patricks Acadamy Convent WIC	82 Woodland Avenue	Catskill	12414
212-01	Washington County WIC	411 Lower Main Street	Hudson Falls	12839
212-01	Cayuga Co WIC Program	157 Genesee St	Auburn	13021
210-01	Oswego Co Oppor. WIC	101 West Utica St	Oswego	13126
215-01	Jordan Health Link WIC	273 Upper Falls Boulevard	Rochester	14605
216-01	Canandaigua-SPCC WIC	79 Main Street	Canandaigua	14424
217-01	Cortland Co Comm Act WIC	32 North Main Street	Cortland	13045
218-01	Tioga Opportunities WIC	110 Central Ave	Owego	13827
219-01	Oneida Co WIC Program	1506 Whitesboro Street	Utica	13502
220-01	Onondaga Co Health Dept	375 West Onondaga St	Syracuse	13202
220-02	North Area WIC-Onondaga	7608 Oswego Road	Liverpool	13090
221-02	Broome Co Health Dept WIC	225 Front St	Binghamton	13905
222-01	NCCC - Jefferson Co WIC	238 Arsenal Street	Watertown	13601
222-08	NCCC - Lewis County WIC	7785 North State St	Lowville	13367
222-15	NCCC - St Lawrence Co WIC	3 Remington Ave	Canton	13617
222-29	NCCC - Franklin Co WIC	44 Catherine St	Malone	12953
223-01	Essex Co Health Dept WIC	132 Water St	Elizabethtown	12932
224-01	Clinton Co Hlth Dept WIC	133 Margaret Street	Plattsburgh	12901
225-01	Tompkins Co Hith Dept WIC	401 Harris B Dates Dr	Ithaca	14850
226-01	St Regis Mohawk Hth Svcs WIC	412 State Route 37	Hogansburg	13655
227-01	Hamilton Co Nursing Svcs	White Birch Lane	Indian Lake	12842
228-01	Erie Co Health Dept WIC	95 Franklin Street	Buffalo	14202
228-03	Eastside Health Ctr WIC	1500 Broadway	Buffalo	14212
228-04	Seton Profession Bldg WIC	2121 Main Street	Buffalo	14214
228-06	South Buffalo WIC	200 Cazenovia Street	South Buffalo	14210
228-07	Northwest Comm Ctr WIC	155 Lawn Ave	Buffalo	14207
228-08	Hamburg-Erie Co WIC	17 Long St	Hamburg	14075
228-16	Erie Co Health Dept WIC	3527 Harlem Road Suite 8	Buffalo	14225
229-01	Cattaraugus Co Hith Dept WIC	1 Leo Moss Drive	Olean	14760
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230-01	Chautauqua Opp Inc Conn North	10825 Bennett Road	Dunkirk	14048
230-02	Laughlin Comm Action WIC	402 Chandler Street	Jamestown	14701
231-01	Niagara Falls Cath Char	237 4th Street	Niagara Falls	14303
231-02	Kenmore Cath Char WIC	3200 Elmwood Avenue	Kenmore	14217
231-04	Lockport Cath Char WIC	Market at Main	Lockport	14094
232-01	Kaleida Health WIC	1001 Humbolt Parkway	Buffalo	14208
233-01	Livingston Co DOH WIC	2 Murray Hill Drive	Mt Morris	14510
234-01	Oak Orchard WIC -Batavia	304 East Main Street	Batavia	14020
234-02	Oak Orchard WIC -Albion	301 West Avenue	Albion	14411
234-03	Oak Orchard WIC-Brockport	280 West Avenue	Brockport	14420
235-01	Chemung Co WIC	103 Washington Street	Elmira	14902
236-01	St Mary's Hosp-Monroe WIC	89 Genesee St	Rochester	14611
236-02	Waring Plaza-Monroe WIC	250 Waring Rd	Rochester	14609
236-08	Monroe County WIC	691 St. Paul Street	Rochester	14605
238-01	ProAction-Steuben Co WIC	117 East Stueben St	Bath	14810
239-01	Saratoga EOC WIC	40 New Street	Saratoga Springs	12866
240-01	New Paltz-Ulster Co WIC	576 Heritage Plaza	Highland	12528
241-01	Liberty-Sullivan Co WIC	50 Community Lane	Liberty	12754
242-01	Brewster-Putnam Co WIC	1 Geneva Rd	Brewster	10509
242-03	Brewster-Putnam Co WIC	121 Main Street	Brewster Village	10509
243-01	Orange Co Health Dept WIC	33 Rte 17M	Harriman	10926
243-02	Middletown HIth Dept WIC	33 Fulton Plaza	Middletown	10940
243-03	Newburgh HIth Dept WIC	130 Broadway Bldg. Rear	Newburgh	12550
244-01	Rockland Co HIth Dept WIC	23-103 Robert Pitt Drive	Monsey	10952
244-04	Rockland Co Hlth Dept WIC	Sanatorium Road	Pomona	10970
245-01	Poughkeepsie-HRHC WIC	29 N Hamilton St	Poughkeepsie	12601
245-02	Peekskill-HRHC WIC	1037 Main St	Peekskill	10566
245-03	Beacon-HRHC WIC	6 Henry Street	Beacon	12508
246-01	Ossining-Open Door WIC	165 Main St	Ossining	10562
246-02	Beekman-Open Door WIC	80 Beekman Ave	Tarrytown	10591
247-01	MtVernon Neighborhood WIC	107 West 4th St	Mt Vernon	10550
247-02	Yonkers Comm Hth Ctr WIC	30 South Broadway	Yonkers	10701
247-03	Greenburgh HIth Ctr WIC	330 Tarrytown Rd	Greenburgh	10607
248-01	Sound Shore Med Ctr WIC	16 Guion Place	New Rochelle	10802
248-02	Sound Shore Med Ctr WIC	1600 East 233rd St	Bronx	10466
248-03	Sound Shore Med Ctr WIC	3401 White Plains Rd	Bronx	10467
249-01	Yonkers Dist HIth Ctr WIC	20 South Broadway 2nd Fl	Yonkers	10701
249-02	White Plains WIC	112 East Post Rd	White Plains	10601
249-03	Portchester WIC	South Main Street	Port Chester	10573
251-01	E Harlem Council Human Svcs WIC	2253 3rd Ave, 2nd Fl	New York	10035
252-01	W. F. Ryan Hlth Ctr WIC	160 West 100 Street	New York	10025
252-03	W. F. Ryan Hlth Ctr WIC	279 East 3rd St	New York	10009
253-01	Gouverneur Hosp WIC	227 Madison St	New York	10002
253-02	Charles B. Wang CHC WIC	125 Walker St, 2nd Fl	New York	10013

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Code	Site Name	Site Street	City	
254-01	Bellevue Hosp Ctr WIC	462 1st Avenue	New York	10016
255-01	NY Downtown Hosp WIC	69 Gold Street	New York	10038
256-01	StLuke Roosevelt Hosp WIC	1111 Amsterdam Ave	New York	10025
256-02	StLuke Roosevelt Hosp WIC	1000 10th Avenue	New York	10019
257-01	Harlem Health Center WIC	15 West 136th Street	New York	10037
257-02	Council Health Center WIC	1727 Amsterdam Ave.	New York	10031
258-01	Lincoln Medical Ctr WIC	234 E 149th St	Bronx	10451
259-01	Hunts Point Multi Srv WIC	754 East 151st St	Bronx	10455
261-01	North Central Bronx WIC	3424 Kossuth Ave, RM 3G06	Bronx	10467
261-02	Jacobi VanEtten Bldg WIC	1400 Pelham Pkwy South	Bronx	10461
262-01	NY Presbyterian Hosp WIC	68 Nagle Ave	New York	10040
262-02	NY Presbyterian Hosp WIC	608 West 165th St	New York	10032
262-04	NY Presbyterian Hosp WIC	639 West 170th St	New York	10032
262-05	NYPres High Risk Obst WIC	622 West 168th St	New York	10032
263-01	St. Vincent's Hosp WIC	36 7th Avenue	New York	10011
263-02	St. Vincent's Hosp WIC	221-227 Canal Street	New York	10013
264-01	Freeman House-Fam Pr WIC	1125 Grand Concourse	Bronx	10452
264-02	Highbridge Fam Pract WIC	1015 Ogden Avenue	Bronx	10452
264-03	Morrisania WIC - S Bronx	856 Longwood Avenue	Bronx	10459
264-04	Morrisania WIC Program	1225 Gerard Ave	Bronx	10452
265-01	St BarnabasUnion Hosp WIC	2021 Grand Concourse	Bronx	10453
265-02	Union Clinic WIC	4487 3rd Avenue	Bronx	10457
265-03	Union Community HIth WIC	260 East 188th Street	Bronx	10458
267-01	BronxLebanon Hosp Ctr WIC	21 East Mt Eden Avenue	Bronx	10452
268-01	North General Hosp WIC	1879 Madison Ave	New York	10035
268-02	Mt Sinai Hospital WIC	1665 Lexington Ave	New York	10029
268-03	Settlement HIth & Med WIC	309 East 104th St	New York	10029
269-01	Morris Heights HIth WIC	85 West Burnside Ave	Bronx	10453
269-02	Morris Heights HIth WIC	25 East 183rd St	Bronx	10453
270-01	Westchester Square WIC	22 Westchester Square	Bronx	10461
270-02	Fordham Plaza WIC	4782 3rd Ave	Bronx	10458
270-03	Montefiore Comp Hth WIC	305 East 161st St	Bronx	10451
273-01	Urban Health Plan Inc WIC	1070 Southern Blvd	Bronx	10459
274-01	Maimonides Med Ctr WIC	5613 Fort Hamilton Pkwy	Brooklyn	11219
275-01	Jamaica Hosp Med Ctr WIC	134-20 Jamaica Ave	Jamaica	11418
275-02	MEDISYS FCC EAST WIC	3080 Atlantic Ave	Brooklyn	11208
275-03	MEDISYS HIth Ctr WIC	9016 Sutphin Blvd	Jamaica	11435
276-01	Queens Hospital WIC	114-02 Guy R Brewer Blvd	Jamaica	11434
276-02	Queens WIC at Parsons Blvd	90-37 Parsons Blvd	Jamaica	11432
276-03	Queens Hospital WIC	82-68 164th Street	Queens	11432
277-02	Mary Immaculate Hosp WIC	152-11 89th Avenue	Jamaica	11432
277-07	St Johns Fam Hlth Ctr WIC	95-25 Queens Blvd	Queens	11374
278-01	Bedford Stuyvesnt FHC WIC	20 New York Avenue	Brooklyn	11216
279-01	Brownsville Multi Svc WIC	408 Rockaway Ave	Brooklyn	11212
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280-01	Brookdale WIC Program	465 New Lots Ave	Brooklyn	11207
281-01	NYC Neighborhood WIC	335 Central Ave 1st Flr	Brooklyn	11221
281-02	MHRA - Ocean Ave WIC	2555 Ocean Ave	Brooklyn	11229
281-03	MHRA - Tremont WIC	517-519 East Tremont Ave	Bronx	10457
281-05	MHRA - Corona WIC	103-24 Roosevelt Ave	Corona	11368
281-08	MHRA - East Harlem WIC	158 E 115th St, Rm 108	New York	10029
281-10	MHRA - Jamaica WIC	90-40 160th St, 5th Fl	Jamaica	11432
281-11	MHRA - 23rd Street WIC	21-34 Broadway	Astoria	11106
281-12	MHRA - Astoria WIC	12-26 31st Ave	Astoria	11106
281-13	MHRA - Ridgewood WIC	853 Onderdonk Ave	Ridgewood	11385
281-15	MHRA - Flushing WIC	133-30 37th Ave	Flushing	11354
281-17	MHRA - Brownsville WIC	259 Bristol St	Brooklyn	11212
281-18	MHRA - East New York WIC	1110 Pennsylvania Ave	Brooklyn	11207
281-19	MHRA - Metropolitan WIC	387 Graham Ave	Brooklyn	11211
283-01	Sunset Park Fam HIth Ctr WIC	6025 6th Ave	Brooklyn	11220
283-02	Sunset Terrace WIC	514 49th St	Brooklyn	11220
283-04	Park Slope Fam HIth WIC	220 13th St	Brooklyn	11215
285-02	Wyckoff Heights Med WIC	247 Prospect Ave	Brooklyn	11215
285-03	Wyckoff Heights Med WIC	391 Stanhope St	Brooklyn	11237
285-06	WIC-Williamsburg	168 Division Ave	Brooklyn	11211
286-01	Brooklyn Hospital Ctr WIC	485 Coney Island Ave	Brooklyn	11218
286-02	Downtown-Bklyn Hosp WIC	121 DeKalb Ave	Brooklyn	11201
286-03	Brooklyn Hospital Ctr WIC	1606-1608 Fulton St	Brooklyn	11213
286-04	Crown Heights WIC	495 Empire Blvd	Brooklyn	11225
287-01	Coney Island Hospital WIC	2201 Neptune Ave	Brooklyn	11224
287-02	Coney Island Hospital WIC	2601 Ocean Pkwy Rm 1N1	Brooklyn	11235
288-01	East NY D & T Ctr WIC	2094 Pitkin Ave	Brooklyn	11207
289-01	Caribbean Womens HIth WIC	3512 Church Ave	Brooklyn	11203
290-01	Cumberland D & T Ctr WIC	100 North Portland Ave	Brooklyn	11205
290-02	Brooklyn Plaza Medical Center WIC	650 Fulton Street	Brooklyn	11217
291-01	Kings County Hospital WIC	441 Clarkson Ave	Brooklyn	11203
291-02	Kings County WIC Program	2266 Nostrand Ave	Brooklyn	11210
292-01	Woodhull Med Ctr WIC	760 Broadway	Brooklyn	11206
292-02	Woodhull - Bushwick WIC	1420 Bushwick Ave, Rm 234	Brooklyn	11207
292-03	Woodhull - Greenpoint WIC	875 Manhattan Ave	Brooklyn	11222
292-04	Woodhull-Williamsburg WIC	279 Graham Ave, 2nd Fl	Brooklyn	11211
293-01	JP Addabbo Hlth Ctr WIC	6200 Beach Channel Drive	Arverne	11692
293-02	Vista Medical Bldg WIC	1288 Central Ave	Far Rockaway Springfield	11691
293-03	JPAddabbo Farmer Blvd WIC	130-20 Farmers Blvd	Gardens	11434
294-01	ODA of Williamsburg WIC	12 Heyward St	Brooklyn	11211
295-01	Richmond Univ Med Ctr WIC	355 Bard Avenue	Staten Island	10310
296-01	Staten Island Hosp WIC	242 Mason Avenue	Staten Island	10305
297-01	Elmhurst Hospital WIC	78-05 41st Avenue 1st Flr	Elmhurst	11373
298-01	TriCommunity HIth Ctr WIC	1080 Sunrise Hwy	Amityville	11701

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Code	Site Name	Site Street	City	Zip
298-03	Elsie Owens Hlth Ctr WIC	82 Middle Country Rd	Coram	11727
298-04	MLK Jr Comm Health WIC	1556 Straight Path	Wyandanch	11798
298-05	Dolan Health Ctr WIC	284 Pulaski Rd	Greenlawn	11740
298-06	Central Islip WIC Program	45 West Suffolk Ave	Central Islip	11722
298-07	Brentwood Fam Health WIC	1869 Brentwood Rd	Brentwood	11717
298-08	S Brookhaven HIth E WIC	550 Montauk Hwy	Shirley	11967
298-09	S Brookhaven HIth W WIC	365 East Main St	Patchogue	11772
298-10	Riverhead Hlth Ctr WIC Southhampton Cross Family Health	300 Center Drive South	Riverhead	11901
298-12	Center	240 Meeting House Lane	Southhampton	11968
299-02	Freeport-Roosevelt WIC	460 North Main St	Freeport	11520
299-03	Elmont Comm HIth Ctr WIC	161 Hempstead Turnpike	Elmont	11003
299-04	Hempstead Comm HIth WIC	26 Main St, 1st Fl	Hempstead	11550
299-05	New Cassel Comm HIth WIC	682 Union Ave	Westbury	11590
299-09	Planned Parenthood of Nassau Co WIC	110 School Street	Glen Cove	11542
300-01	Segundo Ruiz Belvis D&TC WIC	545 E 142nd St	Bronx	10454
301-01	Allegany Co Hith Dept WIC	3453B State Route 417	Wellsville	14895
302-01	Metropolitan Hospital WIC	1901 1st Ave, 1st Fl, Rm	New York	10029
303-01	Hudson Valley HlthCtr WIC	136 Lakeside Plaza Suite	Newburgh	12550
304-01	Betances HIth Ctr WIC	280 Henry Street	New York	10002
305-01	LIJ Medical Center WIC	400 Lakeville Road	New Hyde Park	11042
306-01	Yeled V' Yalda WIC	1312 38th Street	Brooklyn	11218
307-01	Stony Brook Fam Med WIC	181 Belle Meade Rd Ste 2	East Setauket	11733
307-02	Fam Services League WIC	1444 Fifth Avenue	Bayshore	11706
999-01	Division Of Nutrition	150 Broadway 6th Fl West	Albany	12204

Attachment 5 – Bid Submission Cover Sheet

INVITATION FOR BIDS IMPORTANT: SEE "NOTICE TO BIDDERS" CLAUSES HEREIN BIDS MAY ONLY BE SENT TO THE ADDRESS LISTED BELOW.

(E-Mail or Faxed Bid Submissions Are NOT Acceptable)		
BID OPENING	TITLE:	
DATE: TBD	WIC Check Stock	
TIME: TBD	Classification Code(s):	
INVITATION FOR BIDS SPECIFICATION REFERENCE:		
NUMBER: TBDAs Incorporated in the Invitation For Bids		
CONTRACT PERIOD: August 1, 2009 to July 31, 2011		
DEGLONIATED CONTACTO		

DESIGNATED CONTACTS:

Program Development and Support Unit Riverview Center	Carolyn Cazer Grants and Procurement Unit, Room 1325 New York State Department of Health Corning Tower, Empire State Building Albany, New York 12237
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By signing you certify your express authority to sign on behalf of yourself, your company, or other entity and full knowledge and acceptance of this INVITATION FOR BIDS, Appendix A (Standard Clauses For New York State Contracts), Appendix B (OGS General Specifications), and State Finance Law §139-j and §139-k (Procurement Lobbying), and that all information provided is complete, true and accurate. The bid must be fully and properly executed by an authorized person. Bidders are requested to retain Appendix A and Appendix B for future reference.

Name of Company Bidding:		Bidder's Federal Tax Identification No.:
Street	City	State Zip
County		
		ining low bid, but cash discounts of any size may
be considered in awarding tie		
% Cash D	Discount for payment	nt within 15 days of delivery and/or receipt of voucher
% Cash D	iscount for paymer	nt within 30 days of delivery and/or receipt of voucher
\Box If you are not bidding, place a	an "x" in the box a	nd return this page as well as the "No-BID Form"
Attachment 8.		
Bidder's Signature:		Printed or Typed Name:
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Title:		Date:
Phone : () -	ext ()	Toll Free Phone : () - ext ()
Fax : () -	ext (Toll Free Fax : () - ext ()
E-mail Address:		Company Web Site:

Attachment 6 – Response to Technical Bid Form

Response to Technical Bid

PR	EASE USE BLACK INK OR TYPEWRITER WHEN EPARING YOUR BID. BE SURE YOU HAVE ERTED YOUR COMPANY'S NAME IN THE BOX $\Rightarrow \Rightarrow \Rightarrow \Rightarrow \Rightarrow$	Bidder
PL	ease answer the following questions (attach extr	a sheets as necessary).
	Does your company meet the specifications of this IFB? (Attach an explicit description of how your company will meet all requirements of this IFB, including guaranteed delivery dates.)	YES NO
2)	Do you have experience producing at least 20 million sheets of paper per year? (Provide documentation showing that your company has produced 20 million sheets per year.)	YES NO
3)	Does your company have experience working with multiple clients? (Provide three references who can attest to your company's ability to work with multiple clients.)	YES NO
4)	Do you have production control and security measures as required in this Bid? (Attach a copy of your production control and security measures.)	YES NO
5)	Do you agree that the State and the USDA Food and Nutrition Service reserve a royalty-free, nonexclusive, and irrevocable license to reproduce, publish, or otherwise use and authorize others to use for Federal Government purposes, the copyright of any software and associated documentation developed under the resulting contract?	YES NO
6)	Will this item be printed by the company named on the front page of this bid?	YES NO
7)	City and State of Plant where checks will be printed :	
8)	Have you included a sample of safety stock as required by the specifications?	YES NO
9)	Do you guarantee that prices quoted for this item are the lowest offered to any governmental or commercial consumer?	YES NO
10)	Total number of people employed by your business in New York State:	
11)	Is your business independently owned and operated?	YES NO

PLEASE USE BLACK INK OR TYPEWRITER WHEN PREPARING YOUR BID. BE SURE YOU HAVE INSERTED YOUR COMPANY'S NAME IN THE BOX $\Rightarrow \Rightarrow \Rightarrow \Rightarrow \Rightarrow \Rightarrow$	Bidder
12) Is your company a Minority or Women-Owned Business Enterprise, certified in accordance with Article 15A of the New York State Executive Law as defined below?	YES NO
13) Is your company listed in the Empire State Development Directory of Certified Minority and Women Owned Businesses?	YES NO
*For further information and or application please contact New York State Department of Economic Development, Division of Minority and Women-Owned Business Enterprise at 518-292- 5250 (Albany) or 212-803-2414 (New York City).	 MINORITY-OWNED WOMEN-OWNED MINORITY AND WOMEN-OWNED
 "Minority or Women-Owned Business Enterprise" shall mean a business enterprise, including a sole proprietorship, partnership or corporation that is: (a) at least fifty-one percent owned and controlled by the minority members and/or women; (b) an enterprise in which such minority and/or women ownership interest is real, substantial and continuing; (c) an enterprise in which such minority and/or women ownership has and exercises the authority to independently control the day-to-day business decisions; and (d) an enterprise independently owned, operated and authorized to do business in New York State. NOTE: Contractors certified <u>and</u> listed in the Empire State Development's Directory of Certified Minority and Women Owned Business Enterprises* will be identified by OGS as MBEs and/or WBEs in the OGS Contract Award Notification upon award of the contract. 14) PLACE OF MANUFACTURE OF PRODUCT(S) BID: (Indicate Yes or No for either A, B or C)	
A. All NYS Manufacture	YES NO
B. All Manufactured outside NYS	YES NO
C. Manufactured In NYS <u>and</u> Outside NYS If yes to C above, Location (State) where more than half the value is added to the product(s) bid:	YES NO State of
BIDDER'S PRINCIPAL PLACE OF BUSINESS*: *"Principal Place of Business" is the location of the primary control, direction and management of the enterprise.	State of

PLEASE USE BLACK INK OR TYPEWRITER WHEN PREPARING YOUR BID. BE SURE YOU HAVE INSERTED YOUR COMPANY'S NAME IN THE BOX $\Rightarrow \Rightarrow \Rightarrow \Rightarrow \Rightarrow \Rightarrow \Rightarrow$	Bidder
 15) Person or persons to contact for expediting New York State contract orders: Name: Title: Telephone Number: Toll Free Telephone Number: Fax Number: Fax Number: Toll Free Fax Number: E-Mail Address: 16) Person or persons to contact in the event of an emergency occurring after business hours or on weekend/holidays: State Normal Business Hours (Specify M-F, Sat, Sun): Name: Title: 	
Fax Number:	()
Pager Number: Cellular Telephone Number: E-Mail Address:	
Bidder's Signature	Date
Printed name of signatory	Title

Telephone Number

Reminder: A check stock sample must be submitted with your bid.

Attachment 7 – Bid Form

NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

BID FORM

PROCUREMENT TITLE: _____FAU #____

Bidder Name: Bidder Address:

Bidder Fed ID No:

A. _____

____bids a total price of \$_____ (Name of Offerer/Bidder)

B. Affirmations & Disclosures related to State Finance Law §§ 139-j & 139-k:

Offerer/Bidder affirms that it understands and agrees to comply with the procedures of the Department of Health relative to permissible contacts (provided below) as required by State Finance Law §139-j (3) and §139-j (6) (b).

Pursuant to State Finance Law §§139-j and 139-k, this Invitation for Bid or Request for Proposal includes and imposes certain restrictions on communications between the Department of Health (DOH) and an Offerer during the procurement process. An Offerer/bidder is restricted from making contacts from the earliest notice of intent to solicit *bids/proposals* through final award and approval of the Procurement Contract by the DOH and, if applicable, Office of the State Comptroller ("restricted period") to other than designated staff unless it is a contact that is included among certain statutory exceptions set forth in State Finance Law §139-j(3)(a). Designated staff, as of the date hereof, is/are identified on the first page of this Invitation for Bid, Request for Proposal, or other solicitation document. DOH employees are also required to obtain certain information when contacted during the restricted period and make a determination of the responsibility of the Offerer/bidder pursuant to these two statutes. Certain findings of non-responsibility can result in rejection for contract award and in the event of two findings within a 4 year period, the Offerer/bidder is debarred from obtaining governmental Procurement Contracts. Further information about these requirements can be found on the Office of General Services Website at: http://www.ogs.state.ny.us/aboutOgs/regulations/defaultAdvisoryCouncil.html

1. Has any Governmental Entity made a finding of non-responsibility regarding the individual or entity seeking to enter into the Procurement Contract in the previous four years? (Please circle): No Yes

If yes, please answer the next questions:

- 1a. Was the basis for the finding of non-responsibility due to a violation of State Finance Law §139-j (Please circle): No Yes
- 1b. Was the basis for the finding of non-responsibility due to the intentional provision of false or incomplete information to a Governmental Entity? (Please circle):

Yes

No

1c. If you answered yes to any of the above questions, please provide details regarding the finding of non-responsibility below.

Governmental Entity:	
Date of Finding of Non-	responsibility:
Basis of Finding of Non-	-Responsibility:
(Add additional pages as	s necessary)
	ntity or other governmental agency terminated or withheld a Procurement -named individual or entity due to the intentional provision of false or ? (Please circle): Yes
a. If yes, please provide de	tails below.
Governmental Entity: _	
Date of Termination or V	Withholding of Contract:
Basis of Termination or	Withholding:
(Add additional pages as	s necessary)

C. Offerer/Bidder certifies that all information provided to the Department of Health with respect to State Finance Law §139-k is complete, true and accurate.

The STATE reserves the right to terminate this AGREEMENT in the event it is found that the certification filed by the CONTRACTOR in accordance with New York State Finance Law § 139-k was intentionally false or intentionally incomplete. Upon such finding, the STATE may exercise its termination right by providing written notification to the CONTRACTOR in accordance with the written notification terms of this AGREEMENT.

- **D.** CONTRACTOR shall submit a "State Consultant Services Form B, Contractor's Annual Employment Report" no later than May 15th following the end of each state fiscal year included in this contract term. This report must be submitted to:
 - 1. The NYS Department of Health, at the STATE's designated payment office address included in this AGREEMENT; and

- 2. The NYS Office of the State Comptroller, Bureau of Contracts, 110 State Street, 11th Floor, Albany NY 12236 ATTN: Consultant Reporting or via fax at (518) 474-8030 or (518) 473-8808; and
- 3. The NYS Department of Civil Service, Alfred E. Smith Office Building, Albany NY 12239, ATTN: Consultant Reporting.
- **E.** Offerer/Bidder agrees to provide the following documentation either *with their submitted bid/proposal or upon award* as indicated below:

With Bid	Upon Award	
		 A completed N.Y.S. Office of the State Comptroller Vendor Responsibility Questionnaire (for procurements greater than or equal to \$100,000)
		2. A completed State Consultant Services Form A, Contractor's Planned Employment From Contract Start Date through End of Contract Term
	(Officer Signature)	(Date)
	(Officer Title)	(Telephone)

(e-mail Address)

Attachment 8 – Cost Proposal

Cost Proposal

PLEASE USE BLACK INK OR TYPEWRITER WHEN PREPARING YOUR BID. BE SURE YOU HAVE INSERTED YOUR COMPANY'S NAME IN THE BOX $\Rightarrow \Rightarrow \Rightarrow \Rightarrow \Rightarrow \Rightarrow \Rightarrow$		Bidder	
	Estimated <u>Quantity</u>	Unit Price Total	—
ITEM: WIC CHECKS	{40,000,000 sheets}	\$/M Sheets \$	
		Bidder's Signature Printed Name of Signatory	Date
		Title	
		Telephone Number	

Attachment 9 – No-Bid Form

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

NO-BID FORM

PR	OCL	JREMENT TITLE:	FAU #
Bic	lders	choosing not to bid are requested to co	omplete the portion of the form below:
	We	do not provide the requested services.	Please remove our firm from your mailing list
	We	are unable to bid at this time because:	
	-		
	-		
	Plea	se retain our firm on your mailing list.	
_			
			(Firm Name)
		(Officer Signature)	(Date)
		(Officer Title)	(Telephone)
			(e-mail Address)

FAILURE TO RESPOND TO BID INVITATIONS MAY RESULT IN YOUR FIRM BEING REMOVED FROM OUR MAILING LIST FOR THIS SERVICE.

Attachment 10 – Appendix A Standard Clauses for NYS Contracts

The parties to the attached contract, license, lease, amendment or other agreement of any kind (hereinafter, "the contract" or "this contract") agree to be bound by the following clauses which are hereby made a part of the contract (the word "Contractor" herein refers to any party other than the State, whether a contractor, licenser, licensee, lessor, lessee or any other party):

1. <u>EXECUTORY CLAUSE</u>. In accordance with Section 41 of the State Finance Law, the State shall have no liability under this contract to the Contractor or to anyone else beyond funds appropriated and available for this contract.

2. <u>NON-ASSIGNMENT CLAUSE</u>. In accordance with Section 138 of the State Finance Law, this contract may not be assigned by the Contractor or its right, title or interest therein assigned, transferred, conveyed, sublet or otherwise disposed of without the previous consent, in writing, of the State and any attempts to assign the contract without the State's written consent are null and void. The Contractor may, however, assign its right to receive payment without the State's prior written consent unless this contract concerns Certificates of Participation pursuant to Article 5-A of the State Finance Law.

3. <u>COMPTROLLER'S APPROVAL</u>. In accordance with Section 112 of the State Finance Law (or, if this contract is with the State University or City University of New York, Section 355 or Section 6218 of the Education Law), if this contract exceeds \$50,000 (or the minimum thresholds agreed to by the Office of the State Comptroller for certain S.U.N.Y. and C.U.N.Y. contracts), or if this is an amendment for any amount to a contract which, as so amended, exceeds said statutory amount, or if, by this contract, the State agrees to give something other than money when the value or reasonably estimated value of such consideration exceeds \$10,000, it shall not be valid, effective or binding upon the State until it has been approved by the State Comptroller and filed in his office. Comptroller's approval of contracts let by the Office of General Services is required when such contracts exceed \$85,000 (State Finance Law Section 163.6.a).

4. <u>WORKERS' COMPENSATION BENEFITS</u>. In accordance with Section 142 of the State Finance Law, this contract shall be void and of no force and effect unless the Contractor shall provide and maintain coverage during the life of this contract for the benefit of such employees as are required to be covered by the provisions of the Workers' Compensation Law.

5. NON-DISCRIMINATION REQUIREMENTS. To the extent required by Article 15 of the Executive Law (also known as the Human Rights Law) and all other State and Federal statutory and constitutional non-discrimination provisions, the Contractor will not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, creed, color, sex, national origin, sexual orientation, age, disability, genetic predisposition or carrier status, or marital status. Furthermore, in accordance with Section 220-e of the Labor Law, if this is a contract for the construction, alteration or repair of any public building or public work or for the manufacture, sale or distribution of materials, equipment or supplies, and to the extent that this contract shall be performed within the State of New York, Contractor agrees that neither it nor its subcontractors shall, by reason of race, creed, color, disability, sex, or national origin: (a) discriminate in hiring against any New York State citizen who is qualified and available to perform the work; or (b) discriminate against or intimidate any employee hired for the performance of work under this contract. If this is a building service contract as defined in Section 230 of the Labor Law, then, in accordance with Section 239 thereof, Contractor agrees that neither it nor its subcontractors shall by reason of race, creed, color, national origin, age, sex or disability: (a) discriminate in hiring against any New York State citizen who is qualified and available to perform the work; or (b) discriminate against or intimidate any employee hired for the 6. WAGE AND HOURS PROVISIONS. If this is a public work contract covered by Article 8 of the Labor Law or a building service contract covered by Article 9 thereof, neither Contractor's employees nor the employees of its subcontractors may be required or permitted to work more than the number of hours or days stated in said statutes, except as otherwise provided in the Labor Law and as set forth in prevailing wage and supplement schedules issued by the State Labor Department. Furthermore, Contractor and its subcontractors must pay at least the prevailing wage rate and pay or provide the prevailing supplements, including the premium rates for overtime pay, as determined by the State Labor Department in accordance with the Labor Law.

7. <u>NON-COLLUSIVE BIDDING CERTIFICATION</u>. In accordance with Section 139-d of the State Finance Law, if this contract was awarded based upon the submission of bids, Contractor affirms, under penalty of perjury, that its bid was arrived at independently and without collusion aimed at restricting competition. Contractor further affirms that, at the time Contractor submitted its bid, an authorized and responsible person executed and delivered to the State a non-collusive bidding certification on Contractor's behalf.

8. INTERNATIONAL BOYCOTT PROHIBITION. In accordance with Section 220-f of the Labor Law and Section 139-h of the State Finance Law, if this contract exceeds \$5,000, the Contractor agrees, as a material condition of the contract, that neither the Contractor nor any substantially owned or affiliated person, firm, partnership or corporation has participated, is participating, or shall participate in an international boycott in violation of the federal Export Administration Act of 1979 (50 USC App. Sections 2401 et seq.) or regulations thereunder. If such Contractor, or any of the aforesaid affiliates of Contractor, is convicted or is otherwise found to have violated said laws or regulations upon the final determination of the United States Commerce Department or any other appropriate agency of the United States subsequent to the contract's execution, such contract, amendment or modification thereto shall be rendered forfeit and void. The Contractor shall so notify the State Comptroller within five (5) business days of such conviction, determination or disposition of appeal (2NYCRR 105.4).

9. <u>SET-OFF RIGHTS</u>. The State shall have all of its common law, equitable and statutory rights of set-off. These rights shall include, but not be limited to, the State's option to withhold for the purposes of set-off any moneys due to the Contractor under this contract up to any amounts due and owing to the State with regard to this contract, any other contract with any State department or agency, including any contract for a term commencing prior to the term of this contract, plus any amounts due and owing to the State for any other reason including, without limitation, tax delinquencies, fee delinquencies or monetary penalties relative thereto. The State shall exercise its set-off rights in accordance with normal State practices including, in cases of set-off pursuant to an audit, the finalization of such audit by the State agency, its representatives, or the State Comptroller.

10. <u>RECORDS.</u> The Contractor shall establish and maintain complete and accurate books, records, documents, accounts and other evidence directly pertinent to performance under this contract (hereinafter, collectively, "the Records"). The Records must be kept for the balance of the calendar year in which they were made and for six (6) additional years thereafter. The State Comptroller, the Attorney General and any other person or entity authorized to conduct an examination, as well as the agency or agencies involved in this contract, shall have access to the Records during normal business hours at an office of the Contractor

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within the State of New York or, if no such office is available, at a mutually agreeable and reasonable venue within the State, for the term specified above for the purposes of inspection, auditing and copying. The State shall take reasonable steps to protect from public disclosure any of the Records which are exempt from disclosure under Section 87 of the Public Officers Law (the "Statute") provided that: (i) the Contractor shall timely inform an appropriate State official, in writing, that said records should not be disclosed; and (ii) said records shall be sufficiently identified; and (iii) designation of said records as exempt under the Statute is reasonable. Nothing contained herein shall diminish, or in any way adversely affect, the State's right to discovery in any pending or future litigation.

11. IDENTIFYING INFORMATION AND PRIVACY NOTIFICATION. (a) FEDERAL EMPLOYER IDENTIFICATION NUMBER and/or FEDERAL SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER. All invoices or New York State standard vouchers submitted for payment for the sale of goods or services or the lease of real or personal property to a New York State agency must include the payee's identification number, i.e., the seller's or lessor's identification number. The number is either the payee's Federal employer identification number or Federal social security number, or both such numbers when the payee has both such numbers. Failure to include this number or numbers may delay payment. Where the payee does not have such number or numbers, the payee, on its invoice or New York State standard voucher, must give the reason or reasons why the payee does not have such number or numbers.

(b) PRIVACY NOTIFICATION. (1) The authority to request the above personal information from a seller of goods or services or a lessor of real or personal property, and the authority to maintain such information, is found in Section 5 of the State Tax Law. Disclosure of this information by the seller or lessor to the State is mandatory. The principal purpose for which the information is collected is to enable the State to identify individuals, businesses and others who have been delinquent in filing tax returns or may have understated their tax liabilities and to generally identify persons affected by the taxes administered by the Commissioner of Taxation and Finance. The information will be used for tax administration purposes and for any other purpose authorized by law.

(2) The personal information is requested by the purchasing unit of the agency contracting to purchase the goods or services or lease the real or personal property covered by this contract or lease. The information is maintained in New York State's Central Accounting System by the Director of Accounting Operations, Office of the State Comptroller, 110 State Street, Albany, New York 12236.

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES 12. EQUAL FOR MINORITIES AND WOMEN. In accordance with Section 312 of the Executive Law, if this contract is: (i) a written agreement or purchase order instrument, providing for a total expenditure in excess of \$25,000.00, whereby a contracting agency is committed to expend or does expend funds in return for labor, services, supplies, equipment, materials or any combination of the foregoing, to be performed for, or rendered or furnished to the contracting agency; or (ii) a written agreement in excess of \$100,000.00 whereby a contracting agency is committed to expend or does expend funds for the acquisition, construction, demolition, replacement, major repair or renovation of real property and improvements thereon; or (iii) a written agreement in excess of \$100,000.00 whereby the owner of a State assisted housing project is committed to expend or does expend funds for the acquisition, construction, demolition, replacement, major repair or renovation of real property and improvements thereon for such project, then:

(a) The Contractor will not discriminate against employees or applicants for employment because of race, creed, color, national origin, sex, age, disability or marital status, and will undertake or continue existing programs of affirmative action to ensure that minority group members and women are afforded equal employment opportunities without discrimination. Affirmative action shall mean recruitment, employment, job assignment, promotion, upgradings, demotion, transfer, layoff, or termination and rates of pay or other forms of compensation;

(b) at the request of the contracting agency, the Contractor shall request each employment agency, labor union, or authorized representative of workers with which it has a collective bargaining or other agreement or understanding, to furnish a written statement that such employment agency, labor union or representative will not discriminate on the basis of race, creed, color, national origin, sex, age, disability or marital status and that such union or representative will affirmatively cooperate in the implementation of the contractor's obligations herein; and

(c) the Contractor shall state, in all solicitations or advertisements for employees, that, in the performance of the State contract, all qualified applicants will be afforded equal employment opportunities without discrimination because of race, creed, color, national origin, sex, age, disability or marital status.

Contractor will include the provisions of "a", "b", and "c" above, in every subcontract over \$25,000.00 for the construction, demolition, replacement, major repair, renovation, planning or design of real property and improvements thereon (the "Work") except where the Work is for the beneficial use of the Contractor. Section 312 does not apply to: (i) work, goods or services unrelated to this contract; or (ii) employment outside New York State; or (iii) banking services, insurance policies or the sale of securities. The State shall consider compliance by a contractor or subcontractor with the requirements of any federal law concerning equal employment opportunity which effectuates the purpose of this section. The contracting agency shall determine whether the imposition of the requirements of the provisions hereof duplicate or conflict with any such federal law and if such duplication or conflict exists, the contracting agency shall waive the applicability of Section 312 to the extent of such duplication or conflict. Contractor will comply with all duly promulgated and lawful rules and regulations of the Governor's Office of Minority and Women's Business Development pertaining hereto.

13. <u>CONFLICTING TERMS</u>. In the event of a conflict between the terms of the contract (including any and all attachments thereto and amendments thereof) and the terms of this Appendix A, the terms of this Appendix A shall control.

14. GOVERNING LAW. This contract shall be governed by the laws of the State of New York except where the Federal supremacy clause requires otherwise.

15. <u>LATE PAYMENT</u>. Timeliness of payment and any interest to be paid to Contractor for late payment shall be governed by Article 11-A of the State Finance Law to the extent required by law.

16. <u>NO ARBITRATION</u>. Disputes involving this contract, including the breach or alleged breach thereof, may not be submitted to binding arbitration (except where statutorily authorized), but must, instead, be heard in a court of competent jurisdiction of the State of New York.

17. <u>SERVICE OF PROCESS</u>. In addition to the methods of service allowed by the State Civil Practice Law & Rules ("CPLR"), Contractor hereby consents to service of process upon it by registered or certified mail, return receipt requested. Service hereunder shall be complete upon Contractor's actual receipt of process or upon the State's receipt of the return thereof by the United States Postal Service as refused or undeliverable. Contractor must promptly notify the State, in writing, of each and every change of address to which service of process can be made. Service by the State to the last known address shall be sufficient. Contractor will have thirty (30) calendar days after service hereunder is complete in which to respond.

18. PROHIBITION ON PURCHASE OF TROPICAL

HARDWOODS. The Contractor certifies and warrants that all wood products to be used under this contract award will be in accordance with, but not limited to, the specifications and provisions of State Finance Law §165. (Use of Tropical Hardwoods) which prohibits purchase and use of tropical hardwoods, unless specifically exempted, by the State or any governmental agency or political subdivision or public benefit corporation. Qualification for an exemption under this law will be the responsibility of the contractor to establish to meet with the approval of the State.

In addition, when any portion of this contract involving the use of woods, whether supply or installation, is to be performed by any subcontractor, the prime Contractor will indicate and certify in the submitted bid proposal that the subcontractor has been informed and is in compliance with specifications and provisions regarding use of tropical hardwoods as detailed in §165 State Finance Law. Any such use must meet with the approval of the State; otherwise, the bid may not be considered responsive. Under bidder certifications, proof of qualification for exemption will be the responsibility of the Contractor to meet with the approval of the State.

19. MACBRIDE FAIR EMPLOYMENT PRINCIPLES.

accordance with the MacBride Fair Employment Principles (Chapter 807 of the Laws of 1992), the Contractor hereby stipulates that the Contractor either (a) has no business operations in Northern Ireland, or (b) shall take lawful steps in good faith to conduct any business operations in Northern Ireland in accordance with the MacBride Fair Employment Principles (as described in Section 165 of the New York State Finance Law), and shall permit independent monitoring of compliance with such principles.

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20. <u>OMNIBUS PROCUREMENT ACT OF 1992</u>. It is the policy of New York State to maximize opportunities for the participation of New York State business enterprises, including minority and women-owned business enterprises as bidders, subcontractors and suppliers on its procurement contracts.

Information on the availability of New York State subcontractors and suppliers is available from:

NYS Department of Economic Development Division for Small Business 30 South Pearl St -- 7th Floor Albany, New York 12245 Telephone: 518-292-5220 Fax: 518-292-5884 http://www.empire.state.ny.us

A directory of certified minority and women-owned business enterprises is available from:

NYS Department of Economic Development Division of Minority and Women's Business Development 30 South Pearl St -- 2nd Floor Albany, New York 12245 Telephone: 518-292-5250 Fax: 518-292-5803 http://www.empire.state.ny.us

The Omnibus Procurement Act of 1992 requires that by signing this bid proposal or contract, as applicable, Contractors certify that whenever the total bid amount is greater than \$1 million:

(a) The Contractor has made reasonable efforts to encourage the participation of New York State Business Enterprises as suppliers and subcontractors, including certified minority and women-owned business enterprises, on this project, and has retained the documentation of these efforts to be provided upon request to the State;

(b) The Contractor has complied with the Federal Equal Opportunity Act of 1972 (P.L. 92-261), as amended;

(c) The Contractor agrees to make reasonable efforts to provide notification to New York State residents of employment opportunities on this project through listing any such positions with the Job Service Division of the New York State Department of Labor, or providing such notification in such manner as is consistent with existing collective bargaining contracts or agreements. The Contractor agrees to document these efforts and to provide said documentation to the State upon request; and

(d) The Contractor acknowledges notice that the State may seek to obtain offset credits from foreign countries as a result of this contract and agrees to cooperate with the State in these efforts.

21. RECIPROCITY AND SANCTIONS PROVISIONS. Bidders are hereby notified that if their principal place of business is located in a country, nation, province, state or political subdivision that penalizes New York State vendors, and if the goods or services they offer will be substantially produced or performed outside New York State, the Omnibus Procurement Act 1994 and 2000 amendments (Chapter 684 and Chapter 383, respectively) require that they be denied contracts which they would otherwise obtain. NOTE: As of May 15, 2002, the list of discriminatory jurisdictions subject to this provision includes the states of South Carolina, Alaska, West Virginia, Wyoming, Louisiana and Hawaii. Contact NYS Department of Economic Development for a current list of jurisdictions subject to this provision.

22. <u>PURCHASES OF APPAREL</u>. In accordance with State Finance Law 162 (4-a), the State shall not purchase any apparel from any vendor unable or unwilling to certify that: (i) such apparel was manufactured in compliance with all applicable labor and occupational safety laws, including, but not limited to, child labor laws, wage and hours laws and workplace safety laws, and (ii) vendor will supply, with its bid (or, if not a bid situation, prior to or at the time of signing a contract with the State), if known, the names and addresses of each subcontractor and a list of all manufacturing plants to be utilized by the bidder.

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Attachment 11 – Appendix B New York State Office of General Services General Specifications

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GENERAL SPECIFICATIONS

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1. <u>APPLICABILITY</u> The terms and conditions set forth in this <u>Appendix B</u> are expressly incorporated in and applicable to the resulting procurement contracts let by the Office of General Services Procurement Services Group, or let by any other Authorized User where incorporated by reference in its Bid Documents. Captions are intended as descriptive and are not intended to limit or otherwise restrict the terms and conditions set forth herein.

2. **GOVERNING LAW** This procurement, the resulting contract and any purchase orders issued hereunder shall be governed by the laws of the State of New York except where the Federal supremacy clause requires otherwise, and actions or proceedings arising from the contract shall be heard in a court of competent jurisdiction in the State of New York.

3. **ETHICS COMPLIANCE** All Bidders/Contractors and their employees must comply with the requirements of Sections 73 and 74 of the Public Officers Law, other State codes, rules, regulations and executive orders establishing ethical standards for the conduct of business with New York State. In signing the Bid, Bidder certifies full compliance with those provisions for any present or future dealings, transactions, sales, contracts, services, offers, relationships, etc., involving New York State and/or its employees. Failure to comply with those provisions may result in disqualification from the Bidding process, termination of contract, and/or other civil or criminal proceedings as required by law.

4. <u>CONFLICT OF TERMS</u> Unless otherwise set forth in the procurement or contract documents, conflicts among documents shall be resolved in the following order of precedence:

a. <u>Appendix A</u> (Standard Clauses for NYS Contracts)

b. <u>Mini-Bid Project Definition</u> if applicable and in accordance with the terms and conditions of the Back-Drop Contract.

c. <u>Contract and other writing(s)</u> setting forth the final agreements, clarifications and terms between the Bid Documents and Contractor's Bid. In the latter circumstance, clarifications must specifically note in writing what was offered by the Contractor and what was accepted by the State. If not, such clarifications shall be considered last in the order of precedence under this paragraph.

- **d.** <u>**Bid Documents**</u> (Other than <u>Appendix A</u>).
 - i. Bid Specifications prepared by the Authorized User.
 - ii. <u>Appendix B</u> (General Specifications).

iii. Incorporated Contract Appendices, if any, following the order of precedence as stated for Contract above.

- e. Contractor's Bid or Mini-Bid Proposal.
- f. <u>Unincorporated Appendices</u> (if any).

5. <u>**DEFINITIONS**</u> Terms used in this <u>Appendix B</u> shall have the following meanings:

AFFILIATE Any individual or other legal entity, (including but not limited to sole proprietor, partnership, limited liability company, firm or corporation) that effectively controls another company in which (a) the Bidder owns more than 50% of the ownership; or (b) any individual or other legal entity which owns more than 50% of the ownership of the Bidder. In addition, if a Bidder owns less than 50% of the ownership of another legal entity, but directs or has the right to direct such entity's daily operations, that entity will be an Affiliate.

AGENCY OR AGENCIES The State of New York, acting by or through one or more departments, boards, commissions, offices or institutions of the State of New York.

ATTORNEY GENERAL Attorney General of the State of New York.

AUTHORIZED USER(S) Agencies, or any other entity authorized by the laws of the State of New York to participate in NYS centralized contracts (including but not limited to political subdivisions, public authorities, public benefit corporations and certain other entities set forth in law), or the State of New York acting on behalf of one or more such Agencies or other entities, provided that each such Agency or other entity shall be held solely responsible for liabilities or payments due as a result of its participation.

BID OR BID PROPOSAL An offer or proposal submitted by a Bidder to furnish a described product or a solution, perform services or means of achieving a practical end, at a stated price for the stated Contract term. As required by the Bid Documents, the Bid or proposal may be subject to modification through the solicitation by the Agency of best and final offers during the evaluation process prior to recommendation for award of the Contract.

BIDDER/OFFERER Any individual or other legal entity (including but not limited to sole proprietor, partnership, limited liability company, firm or corporation) which submits a Bid in response to a Bid Solicitation. The term Bidder shall also include the term "offeror." In the case of negotiated Contracts, "Bidder" shall refer to the "Contractor."

BID DOCUMENTS Writings by the State setting forth the scope, terms, conditions and technical specifications for a procurement of Product. Such writings typically include, but are not limited to: Invitation for Bids (IFB), Request for Quotation (RFQ), Request for Proposals (RFP), addenda or amendments thereto, and terms and conditions which are incorporated by reference, including but not limited to, <u>Appendix A</u> (Standard Clauses for NYS Contracts), <u>Appendix B</u>, (General Specifications). Where these General Specifications are incorporated in negotiated Contracts that have not been competitively Bid, the term "Bid Documents" shall be deemed to refer to the terms and conditions set forth in the negotiated Contract and associated documentation.

BID SPECIFICATION A written description drafted by the Authorized User setting forth the specific terms of the intended procurement, which may include: physical or functional characteristics, the nature of a commodity or construction item, any description of the work to be performed, Products to be provided, the necessary qualifications of the Bidder, the capacity and capability of the Bidder to successfully carry out the proposed Contract, or the process for achieving specific results and/or anticipated outcomes or any other requirement necessary to perform work. Where these General Specifications are incorporated in negotiated Contracts that have not been competitively Bid, the term "Bid Specifications" shall be deemed to refer to the terms and conditions set forth in the negotiated Contract and associated documentation.

COMMISSIONER Commissioner of OGS, or in the case of Bid Specifications issued by an Authorized User, the head of such Authorized User or their authorized representative.

COMPTROLLER Comptroller of the State of New York.

CONTRACT The writing(s) which contain the agreement of the Commissioner and the Bidder/Contractor setting forth the total legal obligation between the parties as determined by applicable rules of law, and which most typically include the following classifications of public procurements:

a. Agency Specific Contracts Contracts where the specifications for a Product or a particular scope of work are described and defined to meet the needs of one or more Authorized User(s).

b. Centralized Contracts Single or multiple award Contracts where the specifications for a Product or general scope of work are described and defined by the Office of General Services to meet the needs of Authorized Users. Centralized Contracts may be awarded through multiple awards or through adoption of another jurisdiction's contract or on a sole source, single source, emergency or competitive basis. Once established, procurements may be made from the selected Contractor(s) without further competition or Mini-Bid unless otherwise required by the Bid Specifications or Contract Award Notification.

c. Back-Drop Contracts Multiple award Centralized Contracts where the Office of General Services defines the specifications for a Product or general scope of work to meet the needs of Authorized Users. Bids may be submitted either at a date and time certain or may be accepted on a continuous or periodic recruitment basis, as set forth in the Bid Specifications. Selection of a Contractor(s) from among Back-Drop contract holders for an actual Product, project or particular scope of work may subsequently be made on a single or sole source basis, or on the basis of a Mini-Bid among qualified Back-Drop contract holders, or such other method as set forth in the Bid Document.

d. Piggyback Contract A Contract let by any department, agency or instrumentality of the United States government, or any department, agency, office, political subdivision or instrumentality of any state or state(s) which is adopted and extended for use by the OGS Commissioner in accordance with the requirements of the State Finance Law.

e. Contract Letter A letter to the successful Bidder(s) indicating acceptance of its Bid in response to a solicitation. Unless otherwise specified, the issuance of a Letter of Acceptance forms a Contract but is not an order for Product, and Contractor should not take any action with respect to actual Contract deliveries except on the basis of Purchase Orders sent from Authorized User(s).

CONTRACT AWARD NOTIFICATION An announcement to Authorized Users that a Contract has been established.

CONTRACTOR Any successful Bidder(s) to whom a Contract has been awarded by the Commissioner.

DOCUMENTATION The complete set of manuals (e.g., user, installation, instruction or diagnostic manuals) in either hard or electronic copy, which are necessary to enable an Authorized User to properly test, install, operate and enjoy full use of the Product.

EMERGENCY An urgent and unexpected requirement where health and public safety or the conservation of public resources is at risk.

ENTERPRISE The total business operations in the United States of Authorized User (s) without regard to geographic location where such operations are performed or the entity actually performing such operations on behalf of Authorized User.

ENTERPRISE LICENSE A license grant of unlimited rights to deploy, access, use and execute Product anywhere within the Enterprise up to the maximum capacity stated on the Purchase Order or in the Contract.

ERROR CORRECTIONS Machine executable software code furnished by Contractor which corrects the Product so as to conform to the applicable warranties, performance standards and/or obligations of the Contractor.

GROUP A classification of Product, services or technology which is designated by OGS.

INVITATION FOR BIDS (IFB) A type of Bid Document which is most typically used where requirements can be stated and award will be made based on lowest price to the responsive and responsible Bidder(s).

LICENSED SOFTWARE Software transferred upon the terms and conditions set forth in the Contract. "Licensed Software" includes error corrections, upgrades, enhancements or new releases, and any deliverables due under a maintenance or service contract (e.g., patches, fixes, PTFs, programs, code or data conversion, or custom programming).

LICENSEE One or more Authorized Users who acquire Product from Contractor by issuing a Purchase Order in accordance with the terms and conditions of the Contract; provided that, for purposes of compliance with an individual license, the term "Licensee" shall be deemed to refer separately to the individual Authorized User(s) who took receipt of and who is executing the Product, and who shall be solely responsible for performance and liabilities incurred. In the case of acquisitions by State Agencies, the Licensee shall be the State of New York.

LICENSE EFFECTIVE DATE The date Product is delivered to an Authorized User. Where a License involves Licensee's right to copy a previously licensed and delivered Master Copy of a Program, the license effective date for additional copies shall be deemed to be the date on which the Purchase Order is executed.

LICENSOR A Contractor who transfers rights in proprietary Product to Authorized Users in accordance with the rights and obligations specified in the Contract.

MINI-BID PROJECT DEFINITION A Bid Document containing project specific Bid Specifications developed by or for an Authorized User which solicits Bids from Contractors previously qualified under a Back-Drop Contract.

MULTIPLE AWARD A determination and award of a Contract in the discretion of the Commissioner to more than one responsive and responsible Bidder who meets the requirements of a specification, where the multiple award is made on the grounds set forth in the Bid Document in order to satisfy multiple factors and needs of Authorized Users (e.g., complexity of items, various manufacturers, differences in performance required to accomplish or produce required end results, production and distribution facilities, price, compliance with delivery requirements, geographic location or other pertinent factors).

NEW PRODUCT RELEASES (Product Revisions) Any commercially released revisions to the licensed version of a Product as may be generally offered and available to Authorized Users. New releases involve a substantial revision of functionality from a previously released version of the Product.

OGS The New York State Office of General Services.

PROCUREMENT RECORD Documentation by the Authorized User of the decisions made and approach taken during the procurement process and during the contract term.

PRODUCT A deliverable under any Bid or Contract which may include commodities, services and/or technology. The term "Product" includes Licensed Software.

PROPRIETARY Protected by secrecy, patent, copyright or trademark against commercial competition.

PURCHASE ORDER The Authorized User's fiscal form or format that is used when making a purchase (e.g., formal written Purchase Order, Procurement Card, electronic Purchase Order, or other authorized instrument).

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS (RFP) A type of Bid Document that is used for procurements where factors in addition to cost are considered and weighted in awarding the contract and where the method of award is "best value," as defined by the State Finance Law.

REQUEST FOR QUOTATION (**RFQ**) A type of Bid Document that can be used when a formal Bid opening is not required (e.g., discretionary, sole source, single source or emergency purchases).

RESPONSIBLE BIDDER A Bidder that is determined to have financial and organizational capacity, legal authority, satisfactory previous performance, skill, judgment and integrity, and that is found to be competent, reliable and experienced, as determined by the Commissioner. For purposes of being deemed responsible, a Bidder must also be determined to be in compliance with Sections 139-j and 139-k of the State Finance Law relative to restrictions on contacts during the procurement process and disclosure of contacts and prior findings of non-responsibility under these statutes.

RESPONSIVE BIDDER A Bidder meeting the specifications or requirements prescribed in the Bid Document or solicitation, as determined by the OGS Commissioner.

SINGLE SOURCE A procurement where two or more Bidders can supply the required Product, and the Commissioner may award the contract to one Bidder over the other.

SITE The location (street address) where Product will be executed or services delivered.

SOLE SOURCE A procurement where only one Bidder is capable of supplying the required Product.

SOURCE CODE The programming statements or instructions written and expressed in any language understandable by a human being skilled in the art which are translated by a language compiler to produce executable machine Object Code.

STATE State of New York.

SUBCONTRACTOR Any individual or other legal entity, (including but not limited to sole proprietor, partnership, limited liability company, firm or corporation) who has entered into a contract, express or implied, for the performance of a portion of a Contract with a Contractor.

TERMS OF LICENSE The terms and conditions set forth in the Contract that are in effect and applicable to a Purchase Order at the time of order placement.

VIRUS Any computer code, whether or not written or conceived by Contractor, that disrupts, disables, harms, or otherwise impedes in any manner the operation of the Product, or any other associated software, firmware, hardware, or computer system (such as local area or widearea networks), including aesthetic disruptions or distortions, but does not include security keys or other such devices installed by Product manufacturer.

BID SUBMISSION

6. <u>INTERNATIONAL BIDDING</u> All offers (tenders), and all information and Product required by the solicitation or provided as explanation thereof, shall be submitted in English. All prices shall be expressed, and all payments shall be made, in United States Dollars (\$US). Any offers (tenders) submitted which do not meet the above criteria will be rejected.

7. <u>BID OPENING</u> Bids may, as applicable, be opened publicly. The Commissioner reserves the right at any time to postpone or cancel a scheduled Bid opening.</u>

8. <u>BID SUBMISSION</u> All Bids are to be packaged, sealed and submitted to the location stated in the Bid Specifications. Bidders are solely responsible for timely delivery of their Bids to the location set forth in the Bid Specifications prior to the stated Bid opening date/time.

A Bid return envelope, if provided with the Bid Specifications, should be used with the Bid sealed inside. If the Bid response does not fit into the envelope, the Bid envelope should be attached to the outside of the sealed box or package with the Bid inside. If using a commercial delivery company that requires use of their shipping package or envelope, Bidder's sealed Bid, labeled as detailed below, should be placed within the shipper's sealed envelope to ensure that the Bid is not prematurely opened.

All Bids must have a label on the outside of the package or shipping container outlining the following information:

"BID ENCLOSED (bold print, all capitals)

- Group Number
- IFB or RFP Number
- Bid Submission date and time"

In the event that a Bidder fails to provide such information on the return Bid envelope or shipping material, the receiving entity reserves the right to open the shipping package or envelope to determine the proper Bid number or Product group, and the date and time of Bid opening. Bidder shall have no claim against the receiving entity arising from such opening and such opening shall not affect the validity of the Bid or the procurement.

Notwithstanding the receiving agency's right to open a Bid to ascertain the foregoing information, Bidder assumes all risk of late delivery associated with the Bid not being identified, packaged or labeled in accordance with the foregoing requirements.

All Bids must be signed by a person authorized to commit the Bidder to the terms of the Bid Documents and the content of the Bid (offer).

9. FACSIMILE SUBMISSIONS Unless specifically prohibited by the terms of the Bid Specifications, facsimile Bids may be SUBMITTED AT THE SOLE OPTION AND RISK OF THE BIDDER. Only the FAX number(s) indicated in the Bid Specifications may be used. Access to the facsimile machine(s) is on a "first come, first serve" basis, and the Commissioner bears no liability or responsibility and makes no guarantee whatsoever with respect to

the Bidder's access to such equipment at any specific time. <u>Bidders</u> are solely responsible for submission and receipt of the entire facsimile <u>Bid by the Authorized User prior to Bid opening and must include on</u> the first page of the transmission the total number of pages transmitted in the facsimile, including the cover page. Incomplete, ambiguous or unreadable transmissions in whole or in part may be rejected at the sole discretion of the Commissioner. Facsimile Bids are fully governed by all conditions outlined in the Bid Documents and must be submitted on forms or in the format required in the Bid Specifications, including the executed signature page and acknowledgment.

10. <u>AUTHENTICATION OF FACSIMILE BIDS</u> The act of submitting a Bid by facsimile transmission, including an executed signature page or as otherwise specified in the Bid Documents, shall be deemed a confirming act by Bidder which authenticates the signing of the Bid.

11. LATE BIDS For purposes of Bid openings held and conducted by OGS, a Bid must be received in such place as may be designated in the Bid Documents or if no place is specified in the OGS Mailroom located in the Empire State Plaza, Albany, New York 12242, at or before the date and time established in the Bid Specifications for the Bid opening. For purposes of Bid openings held and conducted by Authorized Users other than OGS, the term late Bid is defined as a Bid not received in the location established in the Bid Specifications at or before the date and time specified for the Bid opening.

Any Bid received at the specified location after the time specified will be considered a late Bid. A late Bid shall not be considered for award unless: (i) no timely Bids meeting the requirements of the Bid Documents are received or, (ii) in the case of a multiple award, an insufficient number of timely Bids were received to satisfy the multiple award; and acceptance of the late Bid is in the best interests of the Authorized Users. Bids submitted for continuous or periodic recruitment contract awards must meet the submission requirements associated with their specifications. Delays in United States mail deliveries or any other means of transmittal, including couriers or agents of the Authorized User shall not excuse late Bid submissions. Similar types of delays, including but not limited to, bad weather, or security procedures for parking and building admittance shall not excuse late Bid submissions. Determinations relative to Bid timeliness shall be at the sole discretion of the Commissioner.

12. <u>BID CONTENTS</u> Bids must be complete and legible. All Bids must be signed. All information required by the Bid Specifications must be supplied by the Bidder on the forms or in the format specified. No alteration, erasure or addition is to be made to the Bid Documents. Changes may be ignored by the Commissioner or may be grounds for rejection of the Bid. Changes, corrections and/or use of white-out in the Bid or Bidder's response portion of the Bid Document must be initialed by an authorized representative of the Bidder. Bidders are cautioned to verify their Bids before submission, as amendments to Bids or requests for withdrawal of Bids received by the Commissioner after the time specified for the Bid opening, may not be considered.

13. EXTRANEOUS TERMS Bids must conform to the terms set forth in the Bid Documents, as extraneous terms or material deviations (including additional, inconsistent, conflicting or alternative terms) may render the Bid non-responsive and may result in rejection of the Bid.

Extraneous term(s) submitted on standard, pre-printed forms (including but not limited to: product literature, order forms, license agreements, contracts or other documents) that are attached or referenced with submissions shall not be considered part of the Bid or resulting Contract, but shall be deemed included for informational or promotional purposes only.

Only those extraneous terms that meet all the following requirements may be considered as having been submitted as part of the Bid:

a. Each proposed extraneous term (addition, deletion, counter-offer, deviation, or modification) must be specifically enumerated in a writing which is not part of a pre-printed form; and

b. The writing must identify the particular specification requirement (if any) that Bidder rejects or proposes to modify by inclusion of the extraneous term; and

c. The Bidder shall enumerate the proposed addition, counter offer, modification or deviation from the Bid Document, and the reasons therefore.

No extraneous term(s), whether or not deemed "material," shall be incorporated into a Contract or Purchase Order unless submitted in accordance with the above and the Commissioner or Authorized User expressly accepts each such term(s) in writing. Acceptance and/or processing of the Bid shall not constitute such written acceptance of Extraneous Term(s).

14. CONFIDENTIAL/TRADE SECRET MATERIALS

Contractor Confidential, trade secret or proprietary materials as a. defined by the laws of the State of New York must be clearly marked and identified as such upon submission by the Bidder. Marking the Bid as "confidential" or "proprietary" on its face or in the document header or footer shall not be considered by the Commissioner or Authorized User to be sufficient without specific justification as to why disclosure of particular information in the Bid would cause substantial injury to the competitive position of the Bidder. Bidders/Contractors intending to seek an exemption from disclosure of these materials under the Freedom of Information Law must request the exemption in writing, setting forth the reasons for the claimed exemption. Acceptance of the claimed materials does not constitute a determination on the exemption request, which determination will be made in accordance with statutory procedures. Properly identified information that has been designated confidential, trade secret, or proprietary by the Bidder will not be disclosed except as may be required by the Freedom of Information Law or other applicable State and federal laws.

b. Commissioner or Authorized User Contractor further warrants, covenants and represents that any confidential information obtained by Contractor, its agents, Subcontractors, officers, distributors, resellers or employees in the course of performing its obligations, including without limitation, security procedures, business operations information, or commercial proprietary information in the possession of the State or any Authorized User hereunder or received from another third party, will not be divulged to any third parties. Contractor shall not be required to keep confidential any such material that is publicly available through no fault of Contractor, independently developed by Contractor without reliance on confidential information of the Authorized User, or otherwise obtained under the Freedom of Information Act or other applicable New York State laws and regulations. This warranty shall survive termination of this Contract. Contractor further agrees to take appropriate steps as to its agents, Subcontractors, officers, distributors, resellers or employees regarding the obligations arising under this clause to insure such confidentiality.

15. <u>**RELEASE OF BID EVALUATION MATERIALS** Requests concerning the evaluation of Bids may be submitted under the Freedom of Information Law. Information, other than statistical or</u>

factual tabulations or data such as the Bid Tabulation, shall only be released as required by law after Contract award. Bid Tabulations are not maintained for all procurements. Names of Bidders may be disclosed after Bid opening upon request. Written requests should be directed to the Commissioner.

16. FREEDOM OF INFORMATION LAW During the evaluation process, the content of each Bid will be held in confidence and details of any Bid will not be revealed (except as may be required under the Freedom of Information Law or other State law). The Freedom of Information Law provides for an exemption from disclosure for trade secrets or information the disclosure of which would cause injury to the competitive position of commercial enterprises. This exception would be effective both during and after the evaluation process. If the Bid contains any such trade secret or other confidential or proprietary information, it must be accompanied in the Bid with a written request to the Commissioner to not disclose such information. Such request must state with particularity the reasons why the information should not be available for disclosure and must be provided at the time of submission of the Bid. Notations in the header, footer or watermark of the Bid Document will not be considered sufficient to constitute a request for non-disclosure of trade secret or other confidential or proprietary information. Where a Freedom of Information request is made for trademark or other confidential or proprietary information, the Commissioner reserves the right to determine upon written notice to the Bidder whether such information qualifies for the exemption for disclosure under the law. Notwithstanding the above, where a Bid tabulation is prepared and Bids publicly opened, such Bid tabulation shall be available upon request.

17. PREVAILING WAGE RATES - PUBLIC WORKS AND BUILDING SERVICES CONTRACTS If any portion of work being Bid is subject to the prevailing wage rate provisions of the Labor Law, the following shall apply:

a. <u>"Public Works" and "Building Services" - Definitions</u>

i. <u>Public Works</u> Labor Law Article 8 applies to contracts for public improvement in which laborers, workers or mechanics are employed on a "public works" project (distinguished from public "procurement" or "service" contracts). The State, a public benefit corporation, a municipal corporation (including a school district), or a commission appointed by law must be a party to the Contract. The wage and hours provision applies to any work performed by Contractor or Subcontractors.

ii. <u>Building Services</u> Labor Law Article 9 applies to Contracts for building service work over \$1,500 with a public agency, that: (i) involve the care or maintenance of an existing building, or (ii) involve the transportation of office furniture or equipment to or from such building, or (iii) involve the transportation and delivery of fossil fuel to such building, and (iv) the principal purpose of which is to furnish services through use of building service employees.

b. <u>Prevailing Wage Rate Applicable to Bid Submissions</u> A copy of the applicable prevailing wage rates to be paid or provided are annexed to the Bid Documents. Bidders must submit Bids which are based upon the prevailing hourly wages, and supplements in cash or equivalent benefits (i.e., fringe benefits and any cash or non-cash compensation which are not wages, as defined by law) that equal or exceed the applicable prevailing wage rate(s) for the location where the work is to be performed. Bidders may not submit Bids based upon hourly wage rates and supplements below the applicable prevailing wage rates as established by the New York State Department of Labor. Bids that fail to comply with this requirement will be disqualified.</u>

c. <u>Wage Rate Payments / Changes During Contract Term</u> The wages to be paid under any resulting Contract shall not be less than the prevailing rate of wages and supplements as set forth by law. It is required that the Contractor keep informed of all changes in the Prevailing Wage Rates during the Contract term that apply to the classes of individuals supplied by the Contractor on any projects resulting from this Contract, subject to the provisions of the Labor Law. Contractor is solely liable for and must pay such required prevailing wage adjustments during the Contract term as required by law.

d. <u>Public Posting & Certified Payroll Records</u> In compliance with Article 8, Section 220 of the New York State Labor Law:

i. <u>Posting</u> The Contractor must publicly post on the work site, in a prominent and accessible place, a legible schedule of the prevailing wage rates and supplements.

ii. <u>Pavroll Records</u> Contractors and Subcontractors must keep original payrolls or transcripts subscribed and affirmed as true under the penalties of perjury as required by law. For public works contracts over \$25,000 where the Contractor maintains no regular place of business in New York State, such records must be kept at the work site. For building services contracts, such records must be kept at the work site while work is being performed.

iii. Submission of Certified Payroll Transcripts for Public Works Contracts Only Contractors and Subcontractors on public works projects must submit monthly payroll transcripts to the Authorized User that has prepared or directs the preparation of the plans and specifications for a public works project, as set forth in the Bid Specifications. For Mini-Bid solicitations, the payroll records must be submitted to the entity preparing the agency Mini-Bid project specification. For "agency specific" Bids, the payroll records should be submitted to the entity issuing the purchase order. For all other OGS Centralized Contracts, such records should be submitted to the individual agency issuing the purchase order(s) for the work. Upon mutual agreement of the Contractor and the Authorized User, the form of submission may be submitted in a specified disk format acceptable to the Department of Labor provided: 1) the Contractor/Subcontractor retains the original records; and, (2) an original signed letter by a duly authorized individual of the Contractor or Subcontractor attesting to the truth and accuracy of the records accompanies the disk. This provision does not apply to Article 9 of the Labor Law building services contracts.

iv. <u>Records Retention</u> Contractors and Subcontractors must preserve such certified transcripts for a period of three years from the date of completion of work on the awarded contract.

Dav's Labor Eight hours shall constitute a legal day's work for all classes of employees in this state except those engaged in farm and domestic service unless otherwise provided by law.

No laborers, workmen or mechanics in the employ of the Contractor, Subcontractor or other person doing or contracting to do all or part of the work contemplated by the Contract shall be permitted or required to work more than eight hours in any one calendar day or more than five calendar days in any one week except in cases of extraordinary emergency including fire, flood or danger to life or property. "Extraordinary emergency" shall be deemed to include situations in which sufficient laborers, workers and mechanics cannot be employed to carry on public work expeditiously as a result of such restrictions upon the number of hours and days of labor and the immediate commencement or prosecution or completion without undue delay of the public work is necessary in the judgment of the NYS Commissioner of Labor for the preservation of the Contract site or for the protection of the life and limb of the persons using the Contract site.

18. <u>TAXES</u>

a. Unless otherwise specified in the Bid Specifications or Contract, the quoted Bid price includes all taxes applicable to the transaction.

b. Purchases made by the State of New York and certain non-State Authorized Users are exempt from New York State and local sales taxes and, with certain exceptions, federal excise taxes. To satisfy the requirements of the New York State Sales tax exemption, either the Purchase Order issued by a State Agency or the invoice forwarded to authorize payment for such purchases will be sufficient evidence that the sale by the Contractor was made to the State, an exempt organization under Section 1116 (a) (1) of the Tax Law. Non-State Authorized Users must offer their own proof of exemption upon request. No person, firm or corporation is, however, exempt from paying the State Truck Mileage and Unemployment Insurance or Federal Social Security taxes, which remain the sole responsibility of the Bidder/Contractor.

c. Pursuant to Revised Tax Law 5-a, Contractor will be required to furnish sales tax certification on its behalf and for its affiliates, and subcontractors for Contracts with a value greater than \$100,000 in accordance with provisions of the law.

d. Purchases by Authorized Users other than the State of New York may be subject to certain taxes which were not included in the Bid price, and in those instances the tax should be computed based on the Contract price and added to the invoice submitted to such entity for payment.

19. EXPENSES PRIOR TO CONTRACT EXECUTION The Commissioner and any Authorized User(s) are not liable for any costs incurred by a Vendor, Bidder or Contractor in the preparation and production of a Bid, Mini-Bid or best and final offers or for any work performed prior to Contract execution.

20. <u>ADVERTISING RESULTS</u> The prior written approval of the Commissioner is required in order for results of the Bid to be used by the Contractor as part of any commercial advertising. The Contractor shall also obtain the prior written approval of the Commissioner relative to the Bid or Contract for press or other media releases.

21. PRODUCT REFERENCES

a. "<u>Or Equal</u>" In all Bid Specifications the words "or equal" are understood to apply where a copyrighted, brand name, trade name, catalog reference, or patented Product is referenced. References to such specific Product are intended as descriptive, not restrictive, unless otherwise stated. Comparable Product will be considered if proof of compatibility is provided, including appropriate catalog excerpts, descriptive literature, specifications and test data, etc. The Commissioner's decision as to acceptance of the Product as equal shall be final.

b. <u>Discrepancies in References</u> In the event of a discrepancy between the model number referenced in the Bid Specifications and the written description of the Products which cannot be reconciled, with respect to such discrepancy, then the written description shall prevail.

22. <u>REMANUFACTURED, RECYCLED, RECYCLABLE OR</u> <u>RECOVERED MATERIALS</u> Upon the conditions specified in the Bid Specifications and in accordance with the laws of the State of New York, Contractors are encouraged to use recycled, recyclable or recovered materials in the manufacture of Products and packaging to the maximum extent practicable without jeopardizing the performance or intended end use of the Product or packaging unless such use is precluded due to health, welfare, safety requirements or in the Bid Specifications. Contractors are further encouraged to offer remanufactured Products to the maximum extent practicable without jeopardizing the performance or intended end use of the Product and unless such use is precluded due to health, welfare, safety requirements or by the Bid Specifications. Where such use is not practical, suitable, or permitted by the Bid Specifications, Contractor shall deliver new materials in accordance with the "Warranties" set forth below.

Items with recycled, recyclable, recovered, refurbished or remanufactured content must be identified in the Bid or Bidder will be deemed to be offering new Product.

23. <u>PRODUCTS</u> <u>MANUFACTURED</u> IN <u>PUBLIC</u> <u>INSTITUTIONS</u> Bids offering Products that are manufactured or produced in public institutions will be rejected.

24. PRICING

a. <u>Unit Pricing</u> If required by the Bid Specifications, the Bidder should insert the price per unit specified and the price extensions in decimals, not to exceed four places for each item unless otherwise specified, in the Bid. In the event of a discrepancy between the unit price and the extension, the unit price shall govern unless, in the sole judgment of the Commissioner, such unit pricing is obviously erroneous.

b. <u>Net Pricing</u> Unless otherwise required by the Bid Specifications, prices shall be net, including transportation, customs, tariff, delivery and other charges fully prepaid by the Contractor to the destination(s) indicated in the Bid Specifications, subject to the cash discount.

c. "<u>No Charge" Bid</u> When Bids are requested on a number of Products as a Group or Lot, a Bidder desiring to Bid "no charge" on a Product in the Group or Lot must clearly indicate such. Otherwise, such Bid may be considered incomplete and be rejected, in whole or in part, at the discretion of the Commissioner.

d. <u>Educational Pricing</u> All Products to be supplied for educational purposes that are subject to educational discounts shall be identified in the Bid and such discounts shall be made available to qualifying institutions.

e. <u>Third Party Financing</u> If Product acquisitions are financed through any third party financing, Contractor may be required as a condition of Contract Award to agree to the terms and conditions of a "Consent & Acknowledgment Agreement" in a form acceptable to the Commissioner.

f. <u>Best Pricing Offer</u> During the Contract term, if substantially the same or a smaller quantity of a Product is sold by the Contractor outside of this Contract upon the same or similar terms and conditions as that of this Contract at a lower price to a federal, state or local governmental entity, the price under this Contract, at the discretion of the Commissioner, shall be immediately reduced to the lower price.

Price decreases shall take effect automatically during the Contract term and apply to Purchase Orders submitted on or after:

(i) <u>GSA Changes</u>: Where NYS Net Prices are based on an approved GSA Schedule, the date the approved GSA Schedule pricing decreases during the Contract term; or

(ii) <u>Commercial Price List Reductions</u>: Where NYS Net Prices are based on a discount from Contractor's list prices, the date Contractor

lowers its pricing to its customers generally or to similarly situated government customers during the Contract term; or

(iii) <u>Special Offers/Promotions Generally</u>: Where Contractor generally offers more advantageous special price promotions or special discount pricing to other customers during the Contract term for a similar quantity, and the maximum price or discount associated with such offer or promotion is better than the discount or Net Price otherwise available under this Contract, such better price or discount shall apply for similar quantity transactions under this Contract for the life of such general offer or promotion; and

(iv) <u>Special Offers/Promotions to Authorized Users</u>: Contractor may offer Authorized Users, under either this Contract or any other Contracting vehicle, competitive pricing which is lower than the NYS Net Price set forth herein at any time during the Contract term and such lower pricing shall not be applied as a global price reduction under the Contract pursuant to the foregoing paragraph (iii).

Unless otherwise specified in the Bid Specifications, Contractor may offer lower prices or better terms (see Modification of Contract Terms) on any specific Purchase Order(s) from any Authorized User without being in conflict with, or obligation to comply on a global basis, with the terms of this clause.

g. <u>Best and Final Prices</u> As specified in the Bid Documents and Contract, a Contractor may be solicited at the time of issuance of a Purchase Order or Mini-Bid award for best and final pricing for the Product or service to be delivered to the Authorized User. Contractors are encouraged to reduce their pricing upon receipt of such request.

25. DRAWINGS

a. Drawings Submitted With Bid When the Bid Specifications require the Bidder to furnish drawings and/or plans, such drawings and/or plans shall conform to the mandates of the Bid Documents and shall, when approved by the Commissioner, be considered a part of the Bid and of any resulting Contract. All symbols and other representations appearing on the drawings shall be considered a part of the drawing.

b. <u>Drawings</u> <u>Submitted</u> <u>During</u> <u>the</u> <u>Contract</u> <u>Term</u> Where required to develop, maintain and deliver diagrams or other technical schematics regarding the scope of work, Contractor shall do so on an ongoing basis at no additional charge, and must, as a condition of payment, update drawings and plans during the Contract term to reflect additions, alterations, and deletions. Such drawings and diagrams shall be delivered to the Authorized User's representative.

c. <u>Accuracy of Drawings Submitted</u> All drawings shall be neat and professional in manner and shall be clearly labeled as to locations and type of product, connections and components. Drawings and diagrams are to be in compliance with accepted drafting standards. Acceptance or approval of such plans shall not relieve the Contractor from responsibility for design or other errors of any sort in the drawings or plans, or from its responsibility for performing as required, furnishing product, services or installation, or carrying out any other requirements of the intended scope of work.

26. <u>SITE INSPECTION</u> Where a site inspection is required by the Bid Specifications or Project Definition, Bidder shall be required to inspect the site, including environmental or other conditions for preexisting deficiencies that may affect the installed Product, equipment, or environment or services to be provided and, which may affect Bidder's ability to properly deliver, install or otherwise provide the required Product. All inquiries regarding such conditions shall be made in writing. Bidder shall be deemed to have knowledge of any deficiencies or conditions which such inspection or inquiry might have disclosed. Bidder must provide a detailed explanation with its Bid if additional work is required under this clause in order to properly complete the delivery and installation of the required Product or provide the requested service.

27. <u>PROCUREMENT CARD</u> The State has entered into an agreement for purchasing card services. The Purchasing Card enables Authorized Users to make authorized purchases directly from a Contractor without processing a Purchase Orders or Purchase Authorizations. Purchasing Cards are issued to selected employees authorized to purchase for the Authorized User and having direct contact with Contractors. Cardholders can make purchases directly from any Contractor that accepts the Purchasing Card.

The Contractor shall not process a transaction for payment through the credit card clearinghouse until the purchased products have been shipped or services performed. Unless the cardholder requests correction or replacement of a defective or faulty Product in accordance with other Contract requirements, the Contractor shall immediately credit a cardholder's account for products returned as defective or faulty.

28. SAMPLES

a. <u>Standard Samples</u> Bid Specifications may indicate that the Product to be purchased must be equal to a standard sample on display in a place designated by the Commissioner and such sample will be made available to the Bidder for examination prior to the opening date. Failure by the Bidder to examine such sample shall not entitle the Bidder to any relief from the conditions imposed by the Bid Specifications.

b. <u>Bidder Supplied Samples</u> The Commissioner reserves the right to request from the Bidder/Contractor a representative sample(s) of the Product offered at any time prior to or after award of a contract. Unless otherwise instructed, samples shall be furnished within the time specified in the request. Untimely submission of a sample may constitute grounds for rejection of Bid or cancellation of the Contract. Samples must be submitted free of charge and be accompanied by the Bidder's name and address, any descriptive literature relating to the Product and a statement indicating how and where the sample is to be returned. Where applicable, samples must be properly labeled with the appropriate Bid or Contract reference.</u>

A sample may be held by the Commissioner during the entire term of the Contract and for a reasonable period thereafter for comparison with deliveries. At the conclusion of the holding period the sample, where feasible, will be returned as instructed by the Bidder, at the Bidder's expense and risk. Where the Bidder has failed to fully instruct the Commissioner as to the return of the sample (i.e., mode and place of return, etc.) or refuses to bear the cost of its return, the sample shall become the sole property of the receiving entity at the conclusion of the holding period.

c. <u>Enhanced Samples</u> When an approved sample exceeds the minimum specifications, all Product delivered must be of the same enhanced quality and identity as the sample. Thereafter, in the event of a Contractor's default, the Commissioner may procure a Product substantially equal to the enhanced sample from other sources, charging the Contractor for any additional costs incurred.

d. <u>Conformance with Sample(s)</u> Submission of a sample (whether or not such sample is tested by, or for, the Commissioner) and approval thereof shall not relieve the Contractor from full compliance with all terms and conditions, performance related and otherwise, specified in the Bid Specifications. If in the judgment of the Commissioner the sample or product submitted is not in accordance with the specifications or testing requirements prescribed in the Bid

Specifications, the Commissioner may reject the Bid. If an award has been made, the Commissioner may cancel the Contract at the expense of the Contractor.

e. <u>Testing</u> All samples are subject to tests in the manner and place designated by the Commissioner, either prior to or after Contract award. Unless otherwise stated in the Bid Specifications, Bidder samples consumed or rendered useless by testing will not be returned to the Bidder. Testing costs for samples that fails to meet Contract requirements may be at the expense of the Contractor.

f. <u>Requests For Samples By Authorized Users</u> Requests for samples by Authorized Users require the consent of the Contractor. Where Contractor refuses to furnish a sample, Authorized User may, in its sole discretion, make a determination on the performance capability of the Product or on the issue in question.

BID EVALUATION

29. <u>BID EVALUATION</u> The Commissioner reserves the right to accept or reject any and all Bids, or separable portions of offers, and waive technicalities, irregularities, and omissions if the Commissioner determines the best interests of the State will be served. The Commissioner, in his/her sole discretion, may accept or reject illegible, incomplete or vague Bids and his/her decision shall be final. A conditional or revocable Bid which clearly communicates the terms or limitations of acceptance may be considered, and Contract award may be made in compliance with the Bidder's conditional or revocable terms in the offer.

30. CONDITIONAL BID Unless the Bid Specifications provides otherwise, a Bid is not rendered non-responsive if the Bidder specifies that the award will be accepted only on all or a specified group of items or Product included in the specification. It is understood that nothing herein shall be deemed to change or alter the method of award contained in the Bid Documents.

31. <u>CLARIFICATIONS / REVISIONS</u> Prior to award, the Commissioner reserves the right to seek clarifications, request Bid revisions, or to request any information deemed necessary for proper evaluation of Bids from all Bidders deemed to be eligible for Contract award. Failure to provide requested information may result in rejection of the Bid.

32. <u>PROMPT PAYMENT DISCOUNTS</u> While prompt payment discounts will not be considered in determining the low Bid, the Commissioner may consider any prompt payment discount in resolving Bids which are otherwise tied. However, any notation indicating that the price is net, (e.g., net 30 days), shall be understood to mean only that no prompt payment discount is offered by the Bidder. The imposition of service, interest, or other charges, except pursuant to the provisions of Article 11-A of the State Finance Law, which are applicable in any case, may render the Bid non-responsive and may be cause for its rejection.

33. EQUIVALENT OR IDENTICAL BIDS In the event two offers are found to be substantially equivalent, price shall be the basis for determining the award recipient. If two or more Bidders submit substantially equivalent Bids as to pricing or other factors, the decision of the Commissioner to award a Contract to one or more of such Bidders shall be final.

34. <u>PERFORMANCE AND RESPONSIBILITY</u> <u>OUALIFICATIONS</u> The Commissioner reserves the right to investigate or inspect at any time whether or not the Product, services,

qualifications or facilities offered by the Bidder/Contractor meet the requirements set forth in the Bid Specifications/Contract or as set forth during Contract negotiations. Contractor shall at all times during the Contract term remain responsible and responsive. Α Bidder/Contractor must be prepared, if requested by the Commissioner, to present evidence of legal authority to do business in New York State, integrity, experience, ability, prior performance, organizational and financial capacity as well as where applicable, a statement as to supply, plant, machinery and capacity of the manufacturer or source for the production, distribution and servicing of the Product offered/Bid. If the Commissioner determines that the conditions and terms of the Bid Documents, Bid Specifications or Contract are not complied with, or that items, services or Product proposed to be furnished do not meet the specified requirements, or that the legal authority, integrity experience, ability, prior performance, organization and financial capacity or facilities are not satisfactory, the Commissioner may reject such Bid or terminate the Contract

35. <u>DISOUALIFICATION FOR PAST PERFORMANCE AND</u> <u>FINDINGS OF NON-RESPONSIBILITY</u> Bidder may be disqualified from receiving awards if Bidder, or anyone in Bidder's employment, has previously failed to perform satisfactorily in connection with public Bidding or contracts or is deemed nonresponsible.

36. <u>OUANTITY</u> **<u>CHANGES</u> <u>PRIOR**</u> **TO**</u> **<u>AWARD**</u> The Commissioner reserves the right, at any time prior to the award of a specific quantity Contract, to alter in good faith the quantities listed in the Bid Specifications. In the event such right is exercised, the lowest responsible Bidder meeting Bid Specifications will be advised of the revised quantities and afforded an opportunity to extend or reduce its Bid price in relation to the changed quantities. Refusal by the low Bidder to so extend or reduce its Bid price may result in the rejection of its Bid and the award of such Contract to the lowest responsible Bidder who accepts the revised qualifications.

37. <u>TIMEFRAME FOR OFFERS</u> The Commissioner reserves the right to make awards within sixty (60) days after the date of the Bid opening or such other period of time as set forth in the Bid Documents, during which period, Bids must remain firm and cannot e withdrawn. Pursuant to Section 163(9)(e) of the State Finance Law and Section 2-205 of the Uniform Commercial Code when applicable, where an award is not made within the sixty (60) day period or other time specified as set forth in the Bid Documents, the Bids shall remain firm until such later time as either a Contract is awarded or the Bidder delivers to the Commissioner written notice of the withdrawal of its Bid. Any Bid which expressly states therein that acceptance must be made within a shorter specified time, may at the sole discretion of the Commissioner, be accepted or rejected.

TERMS & CONDITIONS

38. <u>CONTRACT CREATION / EXECUTION</u> Except for contracts governed by Article 11-B of the State Finance Law, subject to and upon receipt of all required approvals as set forth in the Bid Specifications a Contract shall be deemed executed and created with the successful Bidder(s), upon the Commissioner's mailing or electronic communication to the address on the Bid/Contract of: (i) the final Contract Award Notice; (ii) a fully executed Contract; or (iii) a Purchase Order authorized by the Commissioner.

39. <u>PARTICIPATION IN CENTRALIZED CONTRACTS</u> The following shall not limit or inhibit the OGS Commissioner's authority under State Finance Law, Section 163 (10) (e) (Piggybacking):</u>

a. <u>Agencies</u> All State Agencies may utilize and purchase under any state Centralized Contract let by the Commissioner, unless the Bid Documents limit purchases to specific State Agencies.

b. <u>Non-State Agency Authorized Users</u> Authorized Users other than State Agencies are permitted to make purchases through state Centralized Contracts where permitted by law, the Contract or the Commissioner.

c. <u>Voluntary Extension</u> Purchase Orders issued against a State Centralized Contract by any Authorized User not provided for in the Bid Specifications shall be honored by the Contractor at its discretion and only with the approval of the OGS Commissioner and any other approvals required by law. Contractors are encouraged to voluntarily extend service Contracts to those additional entities authorized to utilize commodity Contracts under Section 163 (3) (iv) of the State Finance Law.

d. Responsibility for Performance Participation in state Centralized Contracts by Authorized Users is permitted upon the following conditions: (i) the responsibility with regard to performance of any contractual obligation, covenant, condition or term thereunder by any Authorized User other than State Agencies shall be borne and is expressly assumed by such Authorized User and not by the State; (ii) a breach of the Contract by any particular Authorized User shall neither constitute nor be deemed a breach of the Contract as a whole which shall remain in full force and effect, and shall not affect the validity of the Contract nor the obligations of the Contractor thereunder respecting non-breaching Authorized Users, whether State or otherwise; (iii) for a breach by an Authorized User other than a State Agency, the State specifically and expressly disclaims any and all liability for such breach; and (iv) each non-state agency Authorized User and Contractor guarantees to save the State, its officers, agents and employees harmless from any liability that may be or is imposed by their failure to perform in accordance with its obligations under the Contract.

e. <u>Contract Migration</u> Authorized Users holding individual Contracts with a Contractor at the time that Contractor is awarded a Centralized Contract for the same Products or services shall be permitted to migrate to that Centralized Contract effective with its commencement date. Such migration shall not operate to diminish, alter or eliminate any right that the Authorized User otherwise had under the terms and conditions of their individual Contract.

40. <u>MODIFICATION OF CONTRACT TERMS</u> The terms and conditions set forth in the Contract shall govern all transactions by Authorized User(s) under this Contract. The Contract may only be modified or amended upon mutual written agreement of the Commissioner and Contractor.

The Contractor may, however, offer Authorized User(s) more advantageous pricing, payment, or other terms and conditions than those set forth in the Contract. In such event, a copy of such terms shall be furnished to the Authorized User(s) and Commissioner by the Contractor at the time of such offer.

Other than where such terms are more advantageous for the Authorized User(s) than those set forth in the Contract, no alteration or modification of the terms of the Contract, including substitution of Product, shall be valid or binding against Authorized User(s) unless authorized by the Commissioner or specified in the Contract Award Notification. No such alteration or modification shall be made by unilaterally affixing such terms to Product upon delivery (including, but not limited to, attachment or inclusion of standard pre-printed

order forms, product literature, "shrink wrap" terms accompanying software upon delivery, or other documents) or by incorporating such terms onto order forms, purchase orders or other documents forwarded by the Contractor for payment, notwithstanding Authorized User's subsequent acceptance of Product, or that Authorized User has subsequently processed such document for approval or payment.

41. <u>SCOPE CHANGES</u> The Commissioner reserves the right, unilaterally, to require, by written order, changes by altering, adding to or deducting from the Bid Specifications, such changes to be within the general scope of the Contract. The Commissioner may make an equitable adjustment in the Contract price or delivery date if the change affects the cost or time of performance. Such equitable adjustments require the consent of the Contractor, which consent shall not be unreasonably withheld.

42. ESTIMATED / **SPECIFIC QUANTITY CONTRACTS** Estimated quantity contracts are expressly agreed and understood to be made for only the quantities, if any, actually ordered during the Contract term. No guarantee of any quantity(s) is implied or given. Purchases by Authorized Users from Contracts for services and technology are voluntary.

With respect to any specific quantity stated in the contract, the Commissioner reserves the right after award to order up to 20% more or less (rounded to the next highest whole number) than the specific quantities called for in the Contract. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Commissioner may purchase greater or lesser percentages of Contract quantities should the Commissioner and Contractor so agree. Such agreement may include an equitable price adjustment.

43. EMERGENCY CONTRACTS In the event that a disaster emergency is declared by Executive Order under Section 28 of Article 2-B of the Executive Law, or the Commissioner determines pursuant to his/her authority under Section 163 (10) (b) of the State Finance Law that an emergency exists requiring the prompt and immediate delivery of Product, the Commissioner reserves the right to obtain such Product from any source, including but not limited to this Contract(s), as the Commissioner in his/her sole discretion determines will meet the needs of such emergency. Contractor shall not be entitled to any claim or lost profits for Product procured from other sources pursuant to this paragraph. The reasons underlying the finding that an emergency exists shall be included in the procurement record.

44. <u>PURCHASE ORDERS</u> Unless otherwise authorized in writing by the Commissioner, no Product is to be delivered or furnished by Contractor until transmittal of an official Purchase Order from the Authorized User. Unless terminated or cancelled pursuant to the authority vested in the Commissioner, Purchase Orders shall be effective and binding upon the Contractor when placed in the mail or electronically transmitted prior to the termination of the contract period, addressed to the Contractor at the address for receipt of orders set forth in the Contract or in the Contract Award Notification.

All Purchase Orders issued pursuant to Contracts let by the Commissioner must bear the appropriate Contract number and, if necessary, required State approvals. As deemed necessary, the Authorized User may confirm pricing and other Product information with the Contractor prior to placement of the Purchase Order. The State reserves the right to require any other information from the Contractor which the State deems necessary in order to complete any Purchase Order placed under the Contract. Unless otherwise specified, all Purchase Orders against Centralized Contracts will be placed by Authorized Users directly with the Contractor and any discrepancy between the terms stated on the vendor's order form, confirmation or acknowledgment, and the Contract terms shall be resolved in favor of the terms most favorable to the Authorized User. Should an Authorized User add written terms and conditions to the Purchase Order that conflict with the terms and conditions of the Contract, the Contractor has the option of rejecting the Purchase Order within five business days of its receipt but shall first attempt to negotiate the additional written terms and conditions in good faith with the Authorized User, or fulfill the Purchase Order. Notwithstanding the above, the Authorized User reserves the right to dispute any discrepancies arising from the presentation of additional terms and conditions with the Contractor.

If, with respect to an Agency Specific Contract let by the OGS Commissioner, a Purchase Order is not received by the Contractor within two weeks after the issuance of a Contract Award Notification, it is the responsibility of the Contractor to request in writing that the appropriate Authorized User forward a Purchase Order. If, thereafter, a Purchase Order is not received within a reasonable period of time, the Contractor shall promptly notify in writing the appropriate purchasing officer in OGS. Failure to timely notify such officer may, in the discretion of the OGS Commissioner and without cost to the State, result in the cancellation of such requirement by the OGS Commissioner with a corresponding reduction in the Contract quantity and price.

45. <u>PRODUCT DELIVERY</u> Delivery must be made as ordered to the address specified on the Purchase Order and in accordance with the terms of the Contract or Contract Award Notice. Unless otherwise specified in the Bid Documents, delivery shall be made within thirty calendar days after receipt of a Purchase Order by the Contractor. The decision of the Commissioner as to compliance with delivery terms shall be final. The burden of proof for delay in receipt of Purchase Order shall rest with the Contractor. In all instances of a potential or actual delay in delivery, the Contractor shall immediately notify the Commissioner and the Authorized User, and confirm in writing the explanation of the delay, and take appropriate action to avoid any subsequent late deliveries. Any extension of time for delivery must be requested in writing by the Contractor and approved in writing by the Authorized User. Failure to meet such delivery time schedule may be grounds for cancellation of the order or, in the Commissioner's discretion, the Contract.

46. <u>WEEKEND AND HOLIDAY DELIVERIES</u> Unless otherwise specified in the Bid Specifications or by an Authorized User, deliveries will be scheduled for ordinary business hours, Monday through Friday (excluding legal holidays observed by the State of New York). Deliveries may be scheduled by mutual agreement for Saturdays, Sundays or legal holidays observed by the State of New York where the Product is for daily consumption, an emergency exists, the delivery is a replacement, delivery is late, or other reasonable circumstance in which event the convenience of the Authorized User shall govern.

47. <u>SHIPPING/RECEIPT OF PRODUCT</u>

a. <u>Packaging</u> Tangible Product shall be securely and properly packed for shipment, storage and stocking in appropriate, clearly labeled shipping containers and according to accepted commercial practice, without any extra charges for packing materials, cases or other types of containers. The container shall become and remain the property of the Authorized User unless otherwise specified in the Contract documents.

b. <u>Shipping Charges</u> Unless otherwise stated in the Bid Specifications, all deliveries shall be deemed to be freight on board (F.O.B.) destination tailgate delivery at the dock of the Authorized User. Unless otherwise agreed, items purchased at a price F.O.B. Shipping point plus transportation charges shall not relieve the

Contractor from responsibility for safe and proper delivery notwithstanding the Authorized User's payment of transportation charges. Contractor shall be responsible for ensuring that the Bill of Lading states "charges prepaid" for all shipments.

c. <u>Receipt of Product</u> The Contractor shall be solely responsible for assuring that deliveries are made to personnel authorized to accept delivery on behalf of the Authorized User. Any losses resulting from the Contractor's failure to deliver Product to authorized personnel shall be borne exclusively by the Contractor.

48. <u>TITLE AND RISK OF LOSS</u> Notwithstanding the form of shipment, title or other property interest, risk of loss shall not pass from the Contractor to the Authorized User until the Products have been received, inspected and accepted by the receiving entity. Acceptance shall occur within a reasonable time or in accordance with such other defined acceptance period as may be specified in the Bid Specifications or Purchase Order. Mere acknowledgment by Authorized User personnel of the delivery or receipt of goods (e.g., signed bill of lading) shall not be deemed or construed as acceptance of the Products received. Any delivery of Product that is substandard or does not comply with the Bid Specifications or Contract terms and conditions, may be rejected or accepted on an adjusted price basis, as determined by the Commissioner.

49. <u>RE-WEIGHING PRODUCT</u> Deliveries are subject to reweighing at the point of destination by the Authorized User. If shrinkage occurs which exceeds that normally allowable in the trade, the Authorized User shall have the option to require delivery of the difference in quantity or to reduce the payment accordingly. Such option shall be exercised in writing by the Authorized User.

50. PRODUCT SUBSTITUTION In the event a specified manufacturer's Product listed in the Contract becomes unavailable or cannot be supplied by the Contractor for any reason (except as provided for in the Savings/Force Majeure Clause) a Product deemed in writing by the Commissioner to be equal to or better than the specified Product must be substituted by the Contractor at no additional cost or expense to the Authorized User. Unless otherwise specified, any substitution of Product prior to the Commissioner's written approval may be cause for cancellation of Contract.

51. REJECTED PRODUCT When Product is rejected, it must be removed by the Contractor from the premises of the Authorized User within ten calendar days of notification of rejection by the Authorized User. Upon notification of rejection, risk of loss of rejected or non-conforming Product shall remain with Contractor. Rejected items not removed by the Contractor within ten calendar days of notification shall be regarded as abandoned by the Contractor, and the Authorized User shall have the right to dispose of Product as its own property. The Contractor shall promptly reimburse the Authorized User for any and all costs and expenses incurred in storage or effecting removal or disposition after the ten-calendar day period.

52. <u>INSTALLATION</u> Where installation is required, Contractor shall be responsible for placing and installing the Product in the required locations. All materials used in the installation shall be of good quality and shall be free from any and all defects that would mar the appearance of the Product or render it structurally unsound. Installation includes the furnishing of any equipment, rigging and materials required to install or place the Product in the proper location. The Contractor shall protect the site from damage for all its work and shall repair damages or injury of any kind caused by the Contractor, its employees, officers or agents. If any alteration, dismantling or excavation, etc. is required to effect installation, the Contractor shall thereafter promptly restore the structure or site. Work shall be

performed to cause the least inconvenience to the Authorized User(s) and with proper consideration for the rights of other Contractors or workers. The Contractor shall promptly perform its work and shall coordinate its activities with those of other Contractors. The Contractor shall clean up and remove all debris and rubbish from its work as required or directed. Upon completion of the work, the building and surrounding area of work shall be left clean and in a neat, unobstructed condition, and everything in satisfactory repair and order.

53. <u>REPAIRED OR REPLACED PARTS / COMPONENTS</u>

Where the Contractor is required to repair, replace or substitute Product or parts or components of the Product under the Contract, the repaired, replaced or substituted Products shall be subject to all terms and conditions for new parts and components set forth in the Contract including Warranties, as set forth in the Additional Warranties Clause herein. Replaced or repaired Product or parts and components of such Product shall be new and shall, if available, be replaced by the original manufacturer's component or part. Remanufactured parts or components meeting new Product standards may be permitted by the Commissioner or Authorized User. Before installation, all proposed substitutes for the original manufacturer's installed parts or components must be approved by the Authorized User. The part or component shall be equal to or of better quality than the original part or component being replaced.

54. <u>**ON-SITE STORAGE**</u> With the written approval of the Authorized User, materials, equipment or supplies may be stored at the Authorized User's site at the Contractor's sole risk.

55. EMPLOYEES, SUBCONTRACTORS & AGENTS All employees, Subcontractors or agents performing work under the Contract must be trained staff or technicians who meet or exceed the professional, technical and training qualifications set forth in the Bid Specifications or the Bid Documents, whichever is more restrictive, and must comply with all security and administrative requirements of the Authorized User. The Commissioner reserves the right to conduct a security background check or otherwise approve any employee, Subcontractor or agent furnished by Contractor and to refuse access to or require replacement of any personnel for cause based on, including but not limited to, professional, technical or training qualifications, quality of work or change in security status or noncompliance with Authorized User's security or other requirements. Such approval shall not relieve the Contractor of the obligation to perform all work in compliance with the Contract terms. The Commissioner reserves the right to reject and/or bar from the facility for cause any employee, Subcontractor, or agents of the Contractor.

56. ASSIGNMENT The Contractor shall not assign, transfer, convey, sublet, or otherwise dispose of the contract or its right, title or interest therein, or its power to execute such contract to any other person, company, firm or corporation in performance of the contract without the prior written consent of the Commissioner or Authorized User (as applicable). Failure to obtain consent to assignment from the Authorized User shall revoke and annul such Contract. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the State shall not hinder, prevent or affect assignment of money by a Contractor for the benefit of its creditors. Prior to a consent to assignment of monies becoming effective, the Contractor shall file a written notice of such monies assignment(s) with the Comptroller. Prior to a consent to assignment of a Contract, or portion thereof, becoming effective, the Contractor shall submit the request to assignment to the Commissioner and seek written agreement from the Commissioner which will be filed with the Comptroller. The Commissioner reserves the right to reject any proposed assignee in his/her discretion.

Upon notice to the Contractor, the Contract may be assigned without the consent of the Contractor to another State Agency or subdivision of the State pursuant to a governmental reorganization or assignment of functions under which the functions are transferred to a successor Agency or to another Agency that assumes OGS responsibilities for the Contract.

57. <u>SUBCONTRACTORS AND SUPPLIERS</u> The Commissioner reserves the right to reject any proposed Subcontractor or supplier for bona fide business reasons, which may include, but are not limited to: they are on the Department of Labor's list of companies with which New York State cannot do business; the Commissioner determines that the company is not qualified; the Commissioner determines that the company is not responsible; the company has previously provided unsatisfactory work or services; the company failed to solicit minority and women's business enterprises (M/WBE) Bidders as required by prior Contracts.

58. <u>**PERFORMANCE / BID BOND</u>** The Commissioner reserves the right to require a Bidder or Contractor to furnish without additional cost, a performance, payment or Bid bond or negotiable irrevocable letter of credit or other form of security for the faithful performance of the Contract. Where required, such bond or other security shall be in the form prescribed by the Commissioner.</u>

59. <u>SUSPENSION OF WORK</u> The Commissioner, in his/her sole discretion, reserves the right to suspend any or all activities under this Contract, at any time, in the best interests of the Authorized User. In the event of such suspension, the Contractor will be given a formal written notice outlining the particulars of such suspension. Examples of the reason for such suspension include, but are not limited to, a budget freeze or reduction on State spending, declaration of emergency, contract compliance issues or other such circumstances. Upon issuance of such notice, the Contractor is not to accept any Purchase Orders, and shall comply with the suspension order. Activity may resume at such time as the Commissioner issues a formal written notice authorizing a resumption of performance under the Contract.

An Authorized User may issue a formal written notice for the suspension of work for which it has engaged the Contractor for reasons specified in the above paragraph. The written notice shall set forth the reason for such suspension and a copy of the written notice shall be provided to the Commissioner.

60. TERMINATION

a. For Cause: For a material breach that remains uncured for more than thirty (30) days or other specified period after written notice to the Contractor, the Contract or Purchase Order may be terminated by the Commissioner or Authorized User at the Contractor's expense where Contractor becomes unable or incapable of performing, or meeting any requirements or qualifications set forth in the Contract, or for non-performance, or upon a determination that Contractor is non-responsible. Such termination shall be upon written notice to the Contractor. In such event, the Commissioner or Authorized User may complete the contractual requirements in any manner it may deem advisable and pursue available legal or equitable remedies for breach.

b. For Convenience: By written notice, this Contract may be terminated at any time by the State for convenience upon sixty (60) days written notice or other specified period without penalty or other early termination charges due. Such termination of the Contract shall not affect any project or Purchase Order that has been issued under the Contract prior to the date of such termination. If the Contract is terminated pursuant to this subdivision, the Authorized User shall remain liable for all accrued but unpaid charges incurred through the date of the termination. Contractor shall use due diligence and provide any outstanding deliverables.

c. For Violation of the Sections 139-j and 139-k of the State Finance Law: The Commissioner reserves the right to terminate the Contract in the event it is found that the certification filed by the Bidder in accordance with Section 139-k of the State Finance Law was intentionally false or intentionally incomplete. Upon such finding, the Commissioner may exercise its termination right by providing written notification to the Contractor in accordance with the written notification terms of the Contract.

d. For Violation of Revised Tax Law 5a: The Commissioner reserves the right to terminate the contract in the event it is found that the certification filed by the Contractor in accordance with §5-a of the Tax Law is not timely filed during the term of the Contract or the certification furnished was intentionally false or intentionally incomplete. Upon such finding, the Commissioner may exercise its termination right by providing written notification to the Contractor.

61. <u>SAVINGS/FORCE MAJEURE</u> A force majeure occurrence is an event or effect that cannot be reasonably anticipated or controlled. Force majeure includes, but is not limited to, acts of God, acts of war, acts of public enemies, strikes, fires, explosions, actions of the elements, floods, or other similar causes beyond the control of the Contractor or the Commissioner in the performance of the Contract which non- performance, by exercise of reasonable diligence, cannot be prevented. Contractor shall provide the Commissioner with written notice of any force majeure occurrence as soon as the delay is known.

Neither the Contractor nor the Commissioner shall be liable to the other for any delay in or failure of performance under the Contract due to a force majeure occurrence. Any such delay in or failure of performance shall not constitute default or give rise to any liability for damages. The existence of such causes of such delay or failure shall extend the period for performance to such extent as determined by the Contractor and the Commissioner to be necessary to enable complete performance by the Contractor if reasonable diligence is exercised after the cause of delay or failure has been removed.

Notwithstanding the above, at the discretion of the Commissioner where the delay or failure will significantly impair the value of the Contract to the State or to Authorized Users, the Commissioner may:

a. Accept allocated performance or deliveries from the Contractor. The Contractor, however, hereby agrees to grant preferential treatment to Authorized Users with respect to Product subjected to allocation; and/or

b. Purchase from other sources (without recourse to and by the Contractor for the costs and expenses thereof) to replace all or part of the Products which are the subject of the delay, which purchases may be deducted from the Contract quantities without penalty or liability to the State; or

c. Terminate the Contract or the portion thereof which is subject to delays, and thereby discharge any unexecuted portion of the Contract or the relative part thereof.

In addition, the Commissioner reserves the right, in his/her sole discretion, to make an equitable adjustment in the Contract terms and/or pricing should extreme and unforeseen volatility in the marketplace affect pricing or the availability of supply. "Extreme and unforeseen volatility in the marketplace" is defined as market circumstances which meet the following criteria: (i) the volatility is due to causes outside the control of Contractor; (ii) the volatility affects the marketplace or industry, not just the particular Contract source of supply; (iii) the effect on pricing or availability of supply is substantial; and (iv) the volatility so affects Contractor's performance that continued performance of the Contract would result in a substantial loss.

62. <u>CONTRACT BILLINGS</u> Contractor and the distributors/resellers designated by the Contractor, if any, shall provide complete and accurate billing invoices to each Authorized User in order to receive payment. Billings for Authorized Users must contain all information required by the Contract and the State Comptroller. The State Comptroller shall render payment for Authorized User purchases, and such payment shall be made in accordance with ordinary State procedures and practices. Payment of Contract purchases made by Authorized Users, other than Agencies, shall be billed directly by Contractor on invoices/vouchers, together with complete and accurate supporting documentation as required by the Authorized User.

Submission of an invoice and payment thereof shall not preclude the Commissioner from reimbursement or demanding a price adjustment in any case where the Product delivered is found to deviate from the terms and conditions of the Contract or where the billing was inaccurate.

Contractor shall provide, upon request of the Commissioner, any and all information necessary to verify the accuracy of the billings. Such information shall be provided in the format requested by the Commissioner and in a media commercially available from the Contractor. The Commissioner may direct the Contractor to provide the information to the State Comptroller or to any Authorized User of the Contract.

63. <u>DEFAULT – AUTHORIZED USER</u>

a. Breach of Authorized User Not Breach of Centralized Contract. An Authorized User's breach shall not be deemed a breach of the Centralized Contract, rather it shall be deemed a breach of the Authorized User's performance under the terms and conditions of the Centralized Contract.

b. Failure to Make Payment. In the event a participating Authorized User fails to make payment to the Contractor for Products delivered, accepted and properly invoiced, within 60 days of such delivery and acceptance, the Contractor may, upon 10 days advance written notice to both the Commissioner and the Authorized User's purchasing official, suspend additional shipments of Product or provision of services to such entity until such time as reasonable arrangements have been made and assurances given by such entity for current and future Contract payments.

c. Notice of Breach. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Contractor shall, at least 10 days prior to declaring a breach of Contract by any Authorized User, by certified or registered mail, notify both the Commissioner and the purchasing official of the breaching Authorized User of the specific facts, circumstances and grounds upon which a breach will be declared.

d. It is understood, however, that if the Contractor's basis for declaring a breach is insufficient, the Contractor's declaration of breach and failure to service an Authorized User shall constitute a breach of its Contract and the Authorized User may thereafter seek any remedy available at law or equity.

64. INTEREST ON LATE PAYMENTS

a. <u>State Agencies</u> The payment of interest on certain payments due and owed by Agency may be made in accordance with Article 11-A of the State Finance Law (SFL §179-d et. Seq.) and Title 2 of the New York Code of Rules and Regulations, Part 18 (Implementation of Prompt Payment Legislation -2 NYCRR §18.1 et seq.).

b. <u>By Non-State Agencies</u> The terms of Article 11-A apply only to procurements by and the consequent payment obligations of Agencies. Neither expressly nor by any implication is the statute applicable to Non-State Authorized Users. Neither OGS nor the State Comptroller is responsible for payments on any purchases made by a Non-State Agency Authorized User.

c. <u>By Contractor</u> Should the Contractor be liable for any payments to the State hereunder, interest, late payment charges and collection fee charges will be determined and assessed pursuant to Section 18 of the State Finance Law.

65. <u>REMEDIES FOR BREACH</u> It is understood and agreed that all rights and remedies afforded below shall be in addition to all remedies or actions otherwise authorized or permitted by law:

a. <u>Cover/Substitute Performance</u> In the event of Contractor's material breach, the Commissioner may, with or without formally Bidding: (i) Purchase from other sources; or (ii) If the Commissioner is unsuccessful after making reasonable attempts, under the circumstances then existing, to timely obtain acceptable service or acquire replacement Product of equal or comparable quality, the Commissioner may acquire acceptable replacement Product of lesser or greater quality.

Such purchases may, in the discretion of the Commissioner, be deducted from the Contract quantity and payments due Contractor.

b. <u>Withhold Payment</u> In any case where a question of nonperformance by Contractor arises, payment may be withheld in whole or in part at the discretion of the Commissioner. Should the amount withheld be finally paid, a cash discount originally offered may be taken as if no delay in payment had occurred.

c. <u>Bankruptcy</u> In the event that the Contractor files a petition under the U.S. Bankruptcy Code during the term of this Centralized Contract, Authorized Users may, at their discretion, make application to exercise its right to set-off against monies due the Debtor or, under the Doctrine of Recoupment, credit the Authorized User the amounts owed by the Contractor arising out of the same transactions.

d. <u>Reimbursement of Costs Incurred</u> The Contractor agrees to reimburse the Authorized User promptly for any and all additional costs and expenses incurred for acquiring acceptable services, and/or replacement Product. Should the cost of cover be less than the Contract price, the Contractor shall have no claim to the difference. The Contractor covenants and agrees that in the event suit is successfully prosecuted for any default on the part of the Contractor, all costs and expenses expended or incurred by the Authorized User in connection therewith, including reasonable attorney's fees, shall be paid by the Contractor.

Where the Contractor fails to timely deliver pursuant to the guaranteed delivery terms of the Contract, the ordering Authorized User may rent substitute equipment temporarily. Any sums expended for such rental shall, upon demand, be reimbursed to the Authorized User promptly by the Contractor or deducted by the Authorized User from payments due or to become due the Contractor on the same or another transaction.

e. <u>Deduction/Credit</u> Sums due as a result of these remedies may be deducted or offset by the Authorized User from payments due, or to become due, the Contractor on the same or another transaction. If no deduction or only a partial deduction is made in such fashion the Contractor shall pay to the Authorized User the amount of such claim

or portion of the claim still outstanding, on demand. The Commissioner reserves the right to determine the disposition of any rebates, settlements, restitution, liquidated damages, etc., which arise from the administration of the Contract.

66. <u>ASSIGNMENT OF CLAIM</u> Contractor hereby assigns to the State any and all its claims for overcharges associated with this Contract which may arise under the antitrust laws of the United States, 15 USC Section 1, et. seq. and the antitrust laws of the State of New York, General Business Law Section 340, et. seq.

67. TOXIC SUBSTANCES Each Contractor furnishing a toxic substance as defined by Section 875 of the Labor Law, shall provide such Authorized User with not less than two copies of a material safety data sheet, which sheet shall include for each such substance the information outlined in Section 876 of the Labor Law.

Before any chemical product is used or applied on or in any building, a copy of the product label and Material Safety Data Sheet must be provided to and approved by the Authorized User agency representative.

68. INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR It is understood and agreed that the legal status of the Contractor, its agents, officers and employees under this Contract is that of an independent Contractor, and in no manner shall they be deemed employees of the Authorized User, and therefore are not entitled to any of the benefits associated with such employment. The Contractor agrees, during the term of this Contract, to maintain at Contractor's expense those benefits to which its employees would otherwise be entitled by law, including health benefits, and all necessary insurance for its employees, including worker's compensation, disability and unemployment insurance, and to provide the Authorized User with certification of such insurance upon request. The Contractor remains responsible for all applicable federal, state and local taxes, and all FICA contributions.

69. SECURITY Contractor warrants, covenants and represents that it will comply fully with all security procedures of the Authorized User(s) in performance of the Contract including but not limited to physical, facility, documentary and cyber security rules, procedures and protocols.

70. <u>COOPERATION WITH THIRD PARTIES</u> The Contractor shall be responsible for fully cooperating with any third party, including but not limited to other Contractors or Subcontractors of the Authorized User, as necessary to ensure delivery of Product or coordination of performance of services.

71. <u>CONTRACT TERM - RENEWAL</u> In addition to any stated renewal periods in the Contract, any Contract or unit portion thereof let by the Commissioner may be extended by the Commissioner for an additional period(s) of up to one year with the written concurrence of the Contractor and Comptroller. Such extension may be exercised on a month to month basis or in other stated periods of time during the one year extension.

72. <u>ADDITIONAL WARRANTIES</u> Where Contractor, product manufacturer or service provider generally offers additional or more advantageous warranties than set forth below, Contractor shall offer or pass through any such warranties to Authorized Users. Contractor hereby warrants and represents:

a. <u>Product Performance</u> Contractor warrants and represents that Products delivered pursuant to this Contract conform to the manufacturer's specifications, performance standards and documentation, and the documentation fully describes the proper procedure for using the Products.

b. <u>Title and Ownership Warranty</u> Contractor warrants, represents and conveys (i) full ownership, clear title free of all liens, or (ii) the right to transfer or deliver perpetual license rights to any Products transferred to Authorized User under this Contract. Contractor shall be solely liable for any costs of acquisition associated therewith. Contractor fully indemnifies the Authorized User for any loss, damages or actions arising from a breach of said warranty <u>without limitation</u>.

c. <u>Contractor Compliance</u> Contractor represents and warrants to pay, at its sole expense, for all applicable permits, licenses, tariffs, tolls and fees to give all notices and comply with all laws, ordinances, rules and regulations of any governmental entity in conjunction with the performance of obligations under the Contract. Prior to award and during the Contract term and any renewals thereof, Contractor must establish to the satisfaction of the Commissioner that it meets or exceeds all requirements of the Bid/Contract and any applicable laws, including but not limited to, permits, insurance coverage, licensing, proof of coverage for worker's compensation, and shall provide such proof as required by the Commissioner. Failure to do so may constitute grounds for the Commissioner to cancel or suspend this Contract, in whole or in part, or to take any other action deemed necessary by the Commissioner.

d. <u>**Product Warranty**</u> Unless recycled or recovered materials are available in accordance with the "Recycled or Recovered Materials" clause, Product offered shall be standard new equipment, current model or most recent release of regular stock product with all parts regularly used with the type of equipment offered; and no attachment or part has been substituted or applied contrary to the manufacturer's recommendations and standard practice.

Contractor further warrants and represents that components or deliverables specified and furnished by or through Contractor shall individually, and where specified and furnished as a system, be substantially uninterrupted or error-free in operation and guaranteed against faulty material and workmanship for the warranty period, or for a minimum of one (1) year from the date of acceptance, whichever is longer ("Project warranty period"). During the Project warranty period, defects in the materials or workmanship of components or deliverables specified and furnished by or through Contractor shall be repaired or replaced by Contractor at no cost or expense to the Authorized User. Contractor shall extend the Project warranty period for individual component(s), or for the System as a whole, as applicable, by the cumulative period(s) of time, after notification, during which an individual component or the System requires servicing or replacement (down time) or is in the possession of the Contractor, its agents, officers, Subcontractors, distributors, resellers or employees ("extended warranty").

Where Contractor, the Independent Software Vendor "ISV," or other third party manufacturer markets any Project Deliverable delivered by or through Contractor with a standard commercial warranty, such standard warranty shall be in addition to, and not relieve the Contractor from, Contractor's warranty obligations during the project warranty and extended warranty period(s). Where such standard commercial warranty covers all or some of the Project warranty or extended warranty period(s), Contractor shall be responsible for the coordination during the Project warranty or extended warranty period(s) with ISV or other third party manufacturer(s) for warranty repair or replacement of ISV or other third party manufacturer's Product.

Where Contractor, ISV or other third party manufacturer markets any Project Deliverable with a standard commercial warranty which goes

beyond the Project warranty or extended warranty period(s), Contractor shall notify the Authorized User and pass through the manufacturer's standard commercial warranty to Authorized User at no additional charge; provided, however, that Contractor shall not be responsible for coordinating services under the third party extended warranty after expiration of the Project warranty and extended warranty period(s).

e. <u>Replacement Parts Warranty</u> If during the regular or extended warranty period's faults develop, the Contractor shall promptly repair or, upon demand, replace the defective unit or component part affected. All costs for labor and material and transportation incurred to repair or replace defective Product during the warranty period shall be borne solely by the Contractor, and the State or Authorized User shall in no event be liable or responsible therefor.

Any part of component replaced by the Contractor under the Contract warranty shall be replaced at no cost to the Authorized User and guaranteed for the greater of: a) the warranty period under paragraph (d) above; or b) if a separate warranty for that part or component is generally offered by the manufacturer, the standard commercial warranty period offered by the manufacturer for the individual part or component.

f. <u>Virus Warranty</u> The Contractor represents and warrants that Licensed Software contains no known viruses. Contractor is not responsible for viruses introduced at Licensee's site.

g. <u>Date/Time Warranty</u> Contractor warrants that Product(s) furnished pursuant to this Contract shall, when used in accordance with the Product documentation, be able to accurately process date/time data (including, but not limited to, calculating, comparing, and sequencing) transitions, including leap year calculations. Where a Contractor proposes or an acquisition requires that specific Products must perform as a package or system, this warranty shall apply to the Products as a system.

Where Contractor is providing ongoing services, including but not limited to: i) consulting, integration, code or data conversion, ii) maintenance or support services, iii) data entry or processing, or iv) contract administration services (e.g., billing, invoicing, claim processing), Contractor warrants that services shall be provided in an accurate and timely manner without interruption, failure or error due to the inaccuracy of Contractor's business operations in processing date/time data (including, but not limited to, calculating, comparing, and sequencing) various date/time transitions, including leap year calculations. Contractor shall be responsible for damages resulting from any delays, errors or untimely performance resulting therefrom, including but not limited to the failure or untimely performance of such services.

This Date/Time Warranty shall survive beyond termination or expiration of this contract through: a) ninety (90) days or b) the Contractor's or Product manufacturer/developer's stated date/time warranty term, whichever is longer. Nothing in this warranty statement shall be construed to limit any rights or remedies otherwise available under this Contract for breach of warranty.

h. <u>Workmanship Warranty</u> Contract warrants that all components or deliverables specified and furnished by or through Contractor under the Project Definition/Work Order meet the completion criteria set forth in the Project Definition/Work Order and any subsequent statement(s) of work, and that services will be provided in a workmanlike manner in accordance with industry standards.

i. <u>Survival of Warranties</u> All warranties contained in this Contract shall survive the termination of this Contract.

73. LEGAL COMPLIANCE Contractor represents and warrants that it shall secure all notices and comply with all laws, ordinances, rules and regulations of any governmental entity in conjunction with the performance of obligations under the Contract. Prior to award and during the Contract term and any renewals thereof, Contractor must establish to the satisfaction of the Commissioner that it meets or exceeds all requirements of the Bid and Contract and any applicable laws, including but not limited to, permits, licensing, and shall provide such proof as required by the Commissioner. Failure to comply or failure to provide proof may constitute grounds for the Commissioner to cancel or suspend the Contract, in whole or in part, or to take any other action deemed necessary by the Commissioner. Contractor also agrees to disclose information and provide affirmations and certifications to comply with Sections 139-j and 139-k of the State Finance Law.

74. INDEMNIFICATION Contractor shall be fully liable for the actions of its agents, employees, partners or Subcontractors and shall fully indemnify and save harmless the Authorized Users from suits, actions, damages and costs of every name and description relating to personal injury and damage to real or personal tangible property caused by any intentional act or negligence of Contractor, its agents, employees, partners or Subcontractors, without limitation; provided, however, that the Contractor shall not indemnify for that portion of any claim, loss or damage arising hereunder due to the negligent act or failure to act of the Authorized Users.

75. INDEMNIFICATION RELATING TO THIRD PARTY

<u>RIGHTS</u> The Contractor will also indemnify and hold the Authorized Users harmless from and against any and all damages, expenses (including reasonable attorneys' fees), claims, judgments, liabilities and costs that may be finally assessed against the Authorized Users in any action for infringement of a United States Letter Patent, or of any copyright, trademark, trade secret or other third party proprietary right except to the extent such claims arise from the Authorized Users gross negligence or willful misconduct, provided that the State shall give Contractor: (i) prompt written notice of any action, claim or threat of infringement suit, or other suit, (ii) the opportunity to take over, settle or defend such action, claim or suit at Contractor's sole expense, and (iii) assistance in the defense of any such action at the expense of Contractor.

If usage shall be enjoined for any reason or if Contractor believes that it may be enjoined, Contractor shall have the right, at its own expense and sole discretion to take action in the following order of precedence: (i) to procure for the Authorized User the right to continue Usage (ii) to modify the service or Product so that Usage becomes noninfringing, and is of at least equal quality and performance; or (iii) to replace said service or Product or part(s) thereof, as applicable, with non-infringing service or Product of at least equal quality and performance. If the above remedies are not available, the parties shall terminate the Contract, in whole or in part as necessary and applicable, provided the Authorized User is given a refund for any amounts paid for the period during which Usage was not feasible.

The foregoing provisions as to protection from third party rights shall not apply to any infringement occasioned by modification by the Authorized User of any Product without Contractor's approval.

In the event that an action at law or in equity is commenced against the Authorized User arising out of a claim that the Authorized User's use of the service or Product under the Contract infringes any patent, copyright or proprietary right, and Contractor is of the opinion that the allegations in such action in whole or in part are not covered by the indemnification and defense provisions set forth in the Contract, Contractor shall immediately notify the Authorized User and the

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Office of the Attorney General in writing and shall specify to what extent Contractor believes it is obligated to defend and indemnify under the terms and conditions of the Contract. Contractor shall in such event protect the interests of the Authorized User and secure a continuance to permit the Authorized User to appear and defend its interests in cooperation with Contractor, as is appropriate, including any jurisdictional defenses the Authorized User may have. This constitutes the Authorized User's sole and exclusive remedy for patent infringement, or for infringement of any other third party proprietary right.

76. <u>LIMITATION OF LIABILITY</u> Except as otherwise set forth in the Indemnification Paragraphs above, the limit of liability shall be as follows:

a. Contractor's liability for any claim, loss or liability arising out of, or connected with the Products and services provided, and whether based upon default, or other liability such as breach of contract, warranty, negligence, misrepresentation or otherwise, shall in no case exceed direct damages in: (i) an amount equal to two (2) times the charges specified in the Purchase Order for the Products and services, or parts thereof forming the basis of the Authorized User's claim, (said amount not to exceed a total of twelve (12) months charges payable under the applicable Purchase Order) or (ii) one million dollars (\$1,000,000), whichever is greater.

b. The Authorized User may retain such monies from any amount due Contractor as may be necessary to satisfy any claim for damages, costs and the like asserted against the Authorized User unless Contractor at the time of the presentation of claim shall demonstrate to the Authorized User's satisfaction that sufficient monies are set aside by the Contractor in the form of a bond or through insurance coverage to cover associated damages and other costs.

c. Notwithstanding the above, neither the Contractor nor the Authorized User shall be liable for any consequential, indirect or special damages of any kind which may result directly or indirectly from such performance, including, without limitation, damages resulting from loss of use or loss of profit by the Authorized User, the Contractor, or by others.

77. INSURANCE Contractor shall secure and maintain insurance coverage as specified in the Bid Documents and shall promptly provide documentation of specified coverages to the Authorized User. If specified, the Contractor may be required to add the Authorized User as an additional insured.

THE FOLLOWING CLAUSES PERTAIN TO TECHNOLOGY & NEGOTIATED CONTRACTS

78. <u>SOFTWARE LICENSE GRANT</u> Where Product is acquired on a licensed basis the following shall constitute the license grant:

a. <u>License Scope</u> Licensee is granted a non-exclusive, perpetual license to use, execute, reproduce, display, perform, or merge the Product within its business enterprise in the United States up to the maximum licensed capacity stated on the Purchase Order. Product may be accessed, used, executed, reproduced, displayed or performed up to the capacity measured by the applicable licensing unit stated on the Purchase Order (i.e., payroll size, number of employees, CPU, MIPS, MSU, concurrent user, workstation). Licensee shall have the right to use and distribute modifications or customizations of the Product to and for use by any Authorized Users otherwise licensed to use the Product, provided that any modifications, however extensive, shall not diminish Licensor's proprietary title or interest. No license, right or

interest in any trademark, trade name, or service mark is granted hereunder.

b. <u>License Term</u> The license term shall commence upon the License Effective Date, provided, however, that where an acceptance or trial period applies to the Product, the License Term shall be extended by the time period for testing, acceptance or trial.

c. <u>Licensed Documentation</u> If commercially available, Licensee shall have the option to require the Contractor to deliver, at Contractor's expense: (i) one (1) hard copy and one (1) master electronic copy of the Documentation in a mutually agreeable format; (ii) based on hard copy instructions for access by downloading from the Internet (iii) hard copies of the Product Documentation by type of license in the following amounts, unless otherwise mutually agreed:

- Individual/Named User License one (1) copy per License
- Concurrent Users 10 copies per site
- Processing Capacity 10 copies per site

Software media must be in a format specified by the Authorized User, without requiring any type of conversion.

Contractor hereby grants to Licensee a perpetual license right to make, reproduce (including downloading electronic copies of the Product) and distribute, either electronically or otherwise, copies of Product Documentation as necessary to enjoy full use of the Product in accordance with the terms of license.

d. <u>Product Technical Support & Maintenance</u> Licensee shall have the option of electing the Product technical support and maintenance ("maintenance") set forth in the Contract by giving written notice to Contractor any time during the Centralized Contract term. Maintenance term(s) and any renewal(s) thereof are independent of the expiration of the Centralized Contract term and will not automatically renew.

Maintenance shall include, at a minimum, (i) the provision of error corrections, updates, revisions, fixes, upgrade and new releases to Licensee, and (ii) Help Desk assistance with locally accessible "800" or toll free, local telephone service, or alternatively on-line Help Desk accessibility. Contractor shall maintain the Products so as to provide Licensee with the ability to utilize the Products in accordance with the Product documentation without significant functional downtime to its ongoing business operations during the maintenance term.

Authorized User shall not be required to purchase maintenance for use of Product, and may discontinue maintenance at the end of any current maintenance term upon notice to Contractor. In the event that Authorized User does not initially acquire or discontinues maintenance of licensed Product, it may, at any time thereafter, reinstate maintenance for Product without any additional penalties or other charges, by paying Contractor the amount which would have been due under the Contract for the period of time that such maintenance had lapsed, at then current NYS net maintenance rates.

e. <u>Permitted License Transfers</u> As Licensee's business operations may be altered, expanded or diminished, licenses granted hereunder may be transferred or combined for use at an alternative or consolidated site not originally specified in the license, including transfers between Agencies ("permitted license transfers"). Licensee(s) do not have to obtain the approval of Contractor for permitted license transfers, but must give thirty (30) days prior written notice to Contractor of such move(s) and certify in writing that the Product is not in use at the prior site. There shall be no additional

license or other transfer fees due Contractor, provided that: i) the maximum capacity of the consolidated machine is equal to the combined individual license capacity of all licenses running at the consolidated or transferred site (e.g., named users, seats, or MIPS); or ii) if the maximum capacity of the consolidated machine is greater than the individual license capacity being transferred, a logical or physical partition or other means of restricting access will be maintained within the computer system so as to restrict use and access to the Product to that unit of licensed capacity solely dedicated to beneficial use for Licensee. In the event that the maximum capacity of the consolidated machine is greater than the combined individual license capacity of all licenses running at the consolidated or transferred site, and a logical or physical partition or other means of restricting use is not available, the fees due Contractor shall not exceed the fees otherwise payable for a single license for the upgrade capacity.

f. Restricted Use By Outsourcers / Facilities Management, Service Bureaus / or Other Third Parties Outsourcers, facilities management or service bureaus retained by Licensee shall have the right to use the Product to maintain Licensee's business operations, including data processing, for the time period that they are engaged in such activities, provided that: 1) Licensee gives notice to Contractor of such party, site of intended use of the Product, and means of access; and 2) such party has executed, or agrees to execute, the Product manufacturer's standard nondisclosure or restricted use agreement which executed agreement shall be accepted by the Contractor ("Non-Disclosure Agreement"); and 3) if such party is engaged in the business of facility management, outsourcing, service bureau or other services, such third party will maintain a logical or physical partition within its computer system so as to restrict use and access to the program to that portion solely dedicated to beneficial use for Licensee. In no event shall Licensee assume any liability for third party's compliance with the terms of the Non-Disclosure Agreement, nor shall the Non-Disclosure Agreement create or impose any liabilities on the State or Licensee.

Any third party with whom a Licensee has a relationship for a state function or business operation, shall have the temporary right to use Product (e.g., JAVA Applets), provided that such use shall be limited to the time period during which the third party is using the Product for the function or business activity.

Archival Back-Up and Disaster Recovery Licensee may use g. and copy the Product and related Documentation in connection with: i) reproducing a reasonable number of copies of the Product for archival backup and disaster recovery procedures in the event of destruction or corruption of the Product or disasters or emergencies which require Licensee to restore backup(s) or to initiate disaster recovery procedures for its platform or operating systems; ii) reproducing a reasonable number of copies of the Product and related Documentation for cold site storage. "Cold Site" storage shall be defined as a restorable back-up copy of the Product not to be installed until and after the declaration by the Licensee of a disaster; iii) reproducing a back-up copy of the Product to run for a reasonable period of time in conjunction with a documented consolidation or transfer otherwise allowed herein. "Disaster Recovery" shall be defined as the installation and storage of Product in ready-to-execute, back-up computer systems prior to disaster or breakdown which is not used for active production or development.

h. <u>Confidentiality Restrictions</u> The Product is a trade secret, copyrighted and proprietary product. Licensee and its employees will keep the Product strictly confidential, and Licensee will not disclose or otherwise distribute or reproduce any Product to anyone other than as

authorized under the terms of Contract. Licensee will not remove or destroy any proprietary markings of Contractor.

i. <u>Restricted Use by Licensee</u> Except as expressly authorized by

the terms of license, Licensee shall not:

(i) Copy the Product;

(ii) Cause or permit reverse compilation or reverse assembly of all or any portion of the Product;

(iii) Export the Licensed Software in violation of any U.S. Department of Commerce export administration regulations.

79. PRODUCT ACCEPTANCE Unless otherwise provided by mutual agreement of the Authorized User and the Contractor, Authorized User(s) shall have thirty (30) days from the date of delivery to accept hardware products and sixty (60) days from the date of delivery to accept all other Product. Where the Contractor is responsible for installation, acceptance shall be from completion of installation. Failure to provide notice of acceptance or rejection or a deficiency statement to the Contractor by the end of the period provided for under this clause constitutes acceptance by the Authorized User(s) as of the expiration of that period. The License Term shall be extended by the time periods allowed for trial use, testing and acceptance unless the Commissioner or Authorized User agrees to accept the Product at completion of trial use.

Unless otherwise provided by mutual agreement of the Authorized User and the Contractor, Authorized User shall have the option to run testing on the Product prior to acceptance, such tests and data sets to be specified by User. Where using its own data or tests, Authorized User must have the tests or representative set of data available upon delivery. This demonstration will take the form of a documented installation test, capable of observation by the Authorized User, and shall be made part of the Contractor's standard documentation. The test data shall remain accessible to the Authorized User after completion of the test.

In the event that the documented installation test cannot be completed successfully within the specified acceptance period, and the Contractor or Product is responsible for the delay, Authorized User shall have the option to cancel the order in whole or in part, or to extend the testing period for an additional thirty (30) day increment. Authorized User shall notify Contractor of acceptance upon successful completion of the documented installation test. Such cancellation shall not give rise to any cause of action against the Authorized User for damages, loss of profits, expenses, or other remuneration of any kind.

If the Authorized User elects to provide a deficiency statement specifying how the Product fails to meet the specifications within the testing period, Contractor shall have thirty (30) days to correct the deficiency, and the Authorized User shall have an additional sixty (60) days to evaluate the Product as provided herein. If the Product does not meet the specifications at the end of the extended testing period, Authorized User, upon prior written notice to Contractor, may then reject the Product and return all defective Product to Contractor, and Contractor shall refund any monies paid by the Authorized User to Contractor therefor. Costs and liabilities associated with a failure of the Product to perform in accordance with the functionality tests or product specifications during the acceptance period shall be borne fully by Contractor to the extent that said costs or liabilities shall not have been caused by negligent or willful acts or omissions of the Authorized User's agents or employees. Said costs shall be limited to the amounts set forth in the Limitation of Liability Clause for any liability for costs incurred at the direction or recommendation of Contractor.

80. AUDIT OF LICENSED PRODUCT USAGE Contractor shall have the right to periodically audit, no more than annually, at Contractor's expense, use of licensed Product at any site where a copy of the Product resides provided that: (i) Contractor gives Licensee(s) at least thirty (30) days advance written notice, (ii) such audit is conducted during such party's normal business hours, (iii) the audit is conducted by an independent auditor chosen on mutual agreement of the parties. Contractor shall recommend a minimum of three (3) auditing/accounting firms from which the Licensee will select one (1). In no case shall the Business Software Alliance (BSA), Software Publishers Association (SPA), Software and Industry Information Association (SIIA) or Federation Against Software Theft (FAST) be used directly or indirectly to conduct audits, or be recommended by Contractor; (iv) Contractor and Licensee are each entitled to designate a representative who shall be entitled to participate, and who shall mutually agree on audit format, and simultaneously review all information obtained by the audit. Such representatives also shall be entitled to copies of all reports, data or information obtained from the audit; and (v) if the audit shows that such party is not in compliance, Licensee shall be required to purchase additional licenses or capacities necessary to bring it into compliance and shall pay for the unlicensed capacity at the NYS Net Price in effect at time of audit, or if none. then at the Contractor's U.S. Commercial list price. Once such additional licenses or capacities are purchased, Licensee shall be deemed to have been in compliance retroactively, and Licensee shall have no further liability of any kind for the unauthorized use of the software.

81. <u>OWNERSHIP/TITLE TO PROJECT DELIVERABLES</u> a. <u>Definitions</u>

(i) For purposes of this paragraph, "Products." A deliverable furnished under this Contract by or through Contractor, including existing and custom Products, including, but not limited to: a) components of the hardware environment, b) printed materials (including but not limited to training manuals, system and user documentation, reports, drawings), whether printed in hard copy or maintained on diskette, CD, DVD or other electronic media c) third party software, d) modifications, customizations, custom programs, program listings, programming tools, data, modules, components, and e) any properties embodied therein, whether in tangible or intangible form (including but not limited to utilities, interfaces, templates, subroutines, algorithms, formulas, source code, object code).

(ii) For purposes of this paragraph, "Existing Products." Tangible Products and intangible licensed Products that exist prior to the commencement of work under the Contract. Contractor bears the burden of proving that a particular product was in existence prior to the commencement of the Project.

(iii) For purposes of this paragraph, "Custom Products." Products, preliminary, final or otherwise, which are created or developed by Contractor, its Subcontractors, partners, employees or agents for Authorized User under the Contract.

b. <u>**Title to Project Deliverables**</u> Contractor acknowledges that it is commissioned by the Authorized User to perform the services detailed in the Purchase Order. Unless otherwise specified in writing in the Bid or Purchase Order, the Authorized User shall have ownership and license rights as follows:

(i) Existing Products:

1. Hardware - Title and ownership of Existing Hardware Product shall pass to Authorized User upon Acceptance.

2. Software - Title and ownership to Existing Software Product(s) delivered by Contractor under the Contract that is normally commercially distributed on a license basis by the Contractor or other independent software vendor proprietary owner ("Existing Licensed

Product"), whether or not embedded in, delivered or operating in conjunction with hardware or Custom Products, shall remain with Contractor or the proprietary owner of other independent software vendor(s) (ISV). Effective upon acceptance, such Product shall be licensed to Authorized User in accordance with the Contractor or ISV owner's standard license agreement, provided, however, that such standard license, must, at a minimum: (a) grant Authorized User a non-exclusive, perpetual license to use, execute, reproduce, display, perform, adapt (unless Contractor advises Authorized User as part of Contractor's proposal that adaptation will violate existing agreements or statutes and Contractor demonstrates such to the Authorized User's satisfaction) and distribute Existing Licensed Product to the Authorized User up to the license capacity stated in the Purchase Order or work order with all license rights necessary to fully effect the general business purpose(s) stated in the Bid or Authorized User's Purchase Order or work order, including the financing assignment rights set forth in paragraph (c) below; and (b) recognize the State of New York as the licensee where the Authorized User is a state agency, department, board, commission, office or institution. Where these rights are not otherwise covered by the ISV's owner's standard license agreement, the Contractor shall be responsible for obtaining these rights at its sole cost and expense. The Authorized User shall reproduce all copyright notices and any other legend of ownership on any copies authorized under this paragraph.

(ii.) Custom Products: Effective upon creation of Custom Products, Contractor hereby conveys, assigns and transfers to Authorized User the sole and exclusive rights, title and interest in Custom Product(s), whether preliminary, final or otherwise, including all trademark and copyrights. Contractor hereby agrees to take all necessary and appropriate steps to ensure that the Custom Products are protected against unauthorized copying, reproduction and marketing by or through Contractor, its agents, employees, or Subcontractors. Nothing herein shall preclude the Contractor from otherwise using the related or underlying general knowledge, skills, ideas, concepts, techniques and experience developed under a Purchase Order, project definition or work order in the course of Contractor's business. Authorized User may, by providing written notice thereof to the Contractor, elect in the alternative to take a non-exclusive perpetual license to Custom Products in lieu of Authorized User taking exclusive ownership and title to such Products. In such case, Licensee on behalf of all Authorized Users shall be granted a non-exclusive perpetual license to use, execute, reproduce, display, perform, adapt and distribute Custom Product as necessary to fully effect the general business purpose(s) as stated in paragraph (b)(i)(2), above.

c. Transfers or Assignments to a Third Party Financing Agent It is understood and agreed by the parties that a condition precedent to the consummation of the purchase (s) under the Contract may be the obtaining of acceptable third party financing by the Authorized User. The Authorized User shall make the sole determination of the acceptability of any financing proposal. The Authorized User will make all reasonable efforts to obtain such financing, but makes no representation that such financing has been obtained as of the date of Bid receipt. Where financing is used, Authorized User may assign or transfer its rights in Licensed Products (existing or custom) to a third party financing entity or trustee ("Trustee") as collateral where required by the terms of the financing agreement. Trustee's sole rights with respect to transferability or use of Licensed Products shall be to exclusively sublicense to Authorized User all of its Licensee's rights under the terms and conditions of the License Agreement; provided, further, however, in the event of any termination or expiration of such sublicense by reason of payment in full, all of Trustee's rights in such Licensed Product shall terminate immediately and Authorized User's prior rights to such Existing Licensed Product shall be revived.

d. <u>Sale or License of Custom Products Involving Tax-Exempt</u> <u>Financing (i.e., Certificates of Participation - COPS)</u> The Authorized User's sale or other transfer of Custom Products which were acquired by the Authorized User using third party, tax-exempt financing may not occur until such Custom Products are, or become, useable. In the event that the Contractor wishes to obtain ownership rights to Custom Product(s), the sale or other transfer shall be at fair market value determined at the time of such sale or other transfer, and must be pursuant to a separate written agreement in a form acceptable to the Authorized User which complies with the terms of this paragraph.

e. <u>Contractor's Obligation with Regard to ISV (Third Party)</u> <u>Product</u> Where Contractor furnishes Existing Licensed Product(s) as a Project Deliverable, and sufficient rights necessary to effect the purposes of this section are not otherwise provided in the Contractor or ISV's standard license agreement, Contractor shall be responsible for obtaining from the ISV third party proprietary owner/developer the rights set forth herein to the benefit of the Authorized User at Contractor's sole cost and expense.

82. <u>**PROOF OF LICENSE**</u> The Contractor must provide to each Licensee who places a Purchase Order either: (i) the Product developer's certified License Confirmation Certificates in the name of such Licensee; or (ii) a written confirmation from the Proprietary owner accepting Product invoice as proof of license. Contractor shall submit a sample certificate, or alternatively such written confirmation from the proprietary developer. Such certificates must be in a form acceptable to the Licensee.

83. <u>**PRODUCT VERSION**</u> Purchase Orders shall be deemed to reference Manufacturer's most recently released model or version of the Product at time of order, unless an earlier model or version is specifically requested in writing by Authorized User and Contractor is willing to provide such version.

84. CHANGES TO PRODUCT OR SERVICE OFFERINGS

a. Product or Service Discontinuance Where Contractor is the Product Manufacturer/Developer, and Contractor publicly announces to all U.S. customers ("date of notice") that a Product is being withdrawn from the U.S. market or that maintenance service or technical support provided by Contractor ("withdrawn support") is no longer going to be offered, Contractor shall be required to: (i) notify the Commissioner, each Licensee and each Authorized User then under contract for maintenance or technical support in writing of the intended discontinuance; and (ii) continue to offer Product or withdrawn support upon the Contract terms previously offered for the greater of: a) the best terms offered by Contractor to any other customer, or b) not less than twelve (12) months from the date of notice; and (iii) at Authorized User's option, provided that the Authorized User is under contract for maintenance on the date of notice, either: provide the Authorized User with a Product replacement or migration path with at least equivalent functionality at no additional charge to enable Authorized User to continue use and maintenance of the Product.

In the event that the Contractor is <u>not</u> the Product Manufacturer, Contractor shall be required to: (i) provide the notice required under the paragraph above, to the entities described within five (5) business days of Contractor receiving notice from the Product Manufacturer, and (ii) include in such notice the period of time from the date of notice that the Product Manufacturer will continue to provide Product or withdraw support.

The provisions of this subdivision (a) shall not apply or eliminate Contractor's obligations where withdrawn support is being provided by an independent Subcontractor. In the event that such Subcontractor ceases to provide service, Contractor shall be responsible for subcontracting such service, subject to state approval, to an alternate Subcontractor.

b. <u>Product or Service Re-Bundling</u> In the event that Contractor is the Product manufacturer and publicly announces to all U.S. customers ("date of notice") that a Product or maintenance or technical support offering is being re-bundled in a different manner from the structure or licensing model of the prior U.S. commercial offering, Contractor shall be required to: (i) notify the State and each Authorized User in writing of the intended change; (ii) continue to provide Product or withdrawn support upon the same terms and conditions as previously offered on the then-current NYS Contract for the greater of: a) the best terms offered by Contractor to any other customer, or b) not less than twelve (12) months from the date of notice; and (iii) shall submit the proposed rebundling change to the Commissioner for approval prior to its becoming effective for the remainder of the Contract term. The provisions of this section do not apply if the Contractor is not the <u>Product manufacturer.</u>

85. NO HARDSTOP/PASSIVE LICENSE MONITORING

Unless an Authorized User is otherwise specifically advised to the contrary in writing at the time of order and prior to purchase, Contractor hereby warrants and represents that the Product and all Upgrades do not and will not contain any computer code that would disable the Product or Upgrades or impair in any way its operation based on the elapsing of a period of time, exceeding an authorized number of copies, advancement to a particular date or other numeral, or other similar self-destruct mechanisms (sometimes referred to as "time bombs," "time locks," or "drop dead" devices) or that would permit Contractor to access the Product to cause such disablement or impairment (sometimes referred to as a "trap door" device). Contractor agrees that in the event of a breach or alleged breach of this provision that Authorized User shall not have an adequate remedy at law, including monetary damages, and that Authorized User shall consequently be entitled to seek a temporary restraining order, injunction, or other form of equitable relief against the continuance of such breach, in addition to any and all remedies to which Authorized User shall be entitled.

86. SOURCE CODE ESCROW FOR LICENSED PRODUCT If

Source Code or Source Code escrow is offered by either Contractor or Product manufacturer or developer to any other commercial customers, Contractor shall either: (i) provide Licensee with the Source Code for the Product; or (ii) place the Source Code in a third party escrow arrangement with a designated escrow agent who shall be named and identified to the State, and who shall be directed to release the deposited Source Code in accordance with a standard escrow agreement acceptable to the State; or (iii) will certify to the State that the Product manufacturer/developer has named the State, acting by and through the Authorized User, and the Licensee, as a named beneficiary of an established escrow arrangement with its designated escrow agent who shall be named and identified to the State and Licensee, and who shall be directed to release the deposited Source Code in accordance with the terms of escrow. Source Code, as well as any corrections or enhancements to such source code, shall be updated for each new release of the Product in the same manner as provided above and such updating of escrow shall be certified to the State in writing. Contractor shall identify the escrow agent upon commencement of the Contract term and shall certify annually that the escrow remains in effect in compliance with the terms of this paragraph.

The State may release the Source Code to Licensees under this Contract who have licensed Product or obtained services, who may use such copy of the Source Code to maintain the Product. FOR NEGOTIATED CONTRACTS THE FOLLOWING CLAUSES ARE RESERVED BECAUSE BIDDING DOES NOT APPLY:

Clauses: 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 16, 15, 21, 25, 26, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 36, 49, 50, 52, 54 and 37

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Attachment 12 – Appendix D General Specifications

APPENDIX D GENERAL SPECIFICATIONS

A. By signing the "Bid Form" each bidder attests to its express authority to sign on behalf of this company or other entity and acknowledges and accepts that:

All specifications, general and specific appendices, including Appendix-A, the Standard Clauses for all New York State contracts, and all schedules and forms contained herein will become part of any contract entered, resulting from the Request for Proposal. Anything which is not expressly set forth in the specification, appendices and forms and resultant contract, but which is reasonable to be implied, shall be furnished and provided in the same manner as if specifically expressed.

- B. The work shall be commenced and shall be actually undertaken within such time as the Department of Health may direct by notice, whether by mail, telegram, or other writing, whereupon the undersigned will give continuous attention to the work as directed, to the end and with the intent that the work shall be completed within such reasonable time or times, as the case may be, as the Department may prescribe.
- C. The Department reserves the right to stop the work covered by this proposal and the contract at any time that the Department deems the successful bidder to be unable or incapable of performing the work to the satisfaction of the Department and in the event of such cessation of work, the Department shall have the right to arrange for the completion of the work in such manner as the Department may deem advisable and if the cost thereof exceeds the amount of the bid, the successful bidder and its surety be liable to the State of New York for any excess cost on account thereof.
- D. Each bidder is under an affirmative duty to be informed by personal examination of the specifications and location of the proposed work and by such other means as it may select, of character, quality, and extent of work to be performed and the conditions under which the contract is to be executed.
- E. The Department of Health will make no allowances or concession to a bidder for any alleged misunderstanding or deception because of quantity, quality, character, location or other conditions.
- F. The bid price is to cover the cost of furnishing all of the said services, materials, equipment, and labor to the satisfaction of the Department of Health and the performance of all work set forth in said specifications.
- G. The successful bidder will be required to complete the entire work, or any part thereof as the case may be, to the satisfaction of the Department of

Health in strict accordance with the specifications and pursuant to a contract therefore.

- H. Contractor will possess, at no cost to the State, all qualifications, licenses and permits to engage in the required business as may be required within the jurisdiction where the work specified is to be performed. Workers to be employed in the performance of this contract will possess the qualifications, training, licenses and permits as may be required within such jurisdiction.
- I. Non-Collusive Bidding

By submission of this proposal, each bidder and each person signing on behalf of any bidder certifies, and in the case of a joint bid each party thereto certifies as to its own organization, under penalty of perjury, that to the best of their knowledge and belief:

- a. The prices of this bid have been arrived at independently without collusion, consultation, communication, or agreement, for the purpose of restricting competition, as to any matter relating to such prices with any other bidder or with any competitor;
- b. Unless otherwise required by law, the prices which have been quoted in this bid have not been knowingly disclosed by the bidder and will not knowingly be disclosed by the bidder prior to opening, directly or indirectly to any other person, partnership or corporation to submit or not to submit a bid for the purpose of restricting competition;
- c. No attempt has been made or will be made by the bidder to induce any other person, partnership or corporation to submit or not to submit a bid for the purpose of restricting competition.

NOTE: Chapter 675 of the Laws of New York for 1966 provides that every bid made to the state or any public department, agency or official thereof, where competitive bidding is required by statute, rule or regulation, for work or services performed or to be performed or goods sold or to be sold, shall contain the foregoing statement subscribed by the bidder and affirmed by such bidder as true under penalties of perjury.

A bid shall not be considered for award nor shall any award be made where (a), (b) and (c) above have not been complied with; provided however, that if in any case the bidder cannot make the foregoing certification, the bidder shall so state and shall furnish with the bid a signed statement which sets forth in detail the reasons therefore. Where (a), (b) and (c) above have not been complied with, the bid shall not be considered for award nor shall any award be made unless the head of the purchasing unit of the state, public department or agency to which the bid is made or its designee, determines that such disclosure was not made for the purpose of restricting competition.

The fact that a bidder has published price lists, rates, or tariffs covering items being procured, has informed prospective customers of proposed or pending publication of new or revised price lists for such items, or has sold the same items to other customers at the same price being bid, does not constitute, without more, a disclosure within the meaning of the above quoted certification.

Any bid made to the State or any public department, agency or official thereof by a corporate bidder for work or services performed or to be performed or goods, sold or to be sold, where competitive bidding is required by statute, rule or regulation and where such bid contains the certification set forth above shall be deemed to have been authorized by the board of directors of the bidder, and such authorization shall be deemed to include the signing and submission of the bid and the inclusion therein of the certificate as to non-collusion as the act and deed of the corporation.

- J. A bidder may be disqualified from receiving awards if such bidder or any subsidiary, affiliate, partner, officer, agent or principal thereof, or anyone in its or its employ, has previously failed to perform satisfactorily in connection with public bidding or contracts.
- K. The Department reserves the right to make awards within ninety (90) days after the date of the bid opening, during which period bids shall not be withdrawn unless the bidder distinctly states in the bid that acceptance thereof must be made within a shorter specified time.
- L. Work for Hire Contract

Any contract entered into resultant from this request for proposal will be considered a "Work for Hire Contract." The Department will be the sole owner of all source code and any software which is developed or included in the application software provided to the Department as a part of this contract.

- M. Technology Purchases Notification -- The following provisions apply if this Request for Proposal (RFP) seeks proposals for "Technology"
 - For the purposes of this policy, "technology" applies to all services and commodities, voice/data/video and/or any related requirement, major software acquisitions, systems modifications or upgrades, etc., that result in a technical method of achieving a practical purpose or in improvements of productivity. The purchase can be as simple as an order for new or replacement personal computers, or for a consultant to design a new system, or as complex as a major systems improvement or innovation that changes how an agency conducts its business practices.

- 2. If this RFP results in procurement of software over \$20,000, or of other technology over \$50,000, or where the department determines that the potential exists for coordinating purchases among State agencies and/or the purchase may be of interest to one or more other State agencies, PRIOR TO AWARD SELECTION, this RFP and all responses thereto are subject to review by the New York State Office for Technology.
- 3. Any contract entered into pursuant to an award of this RFP shall contain a provision which extends the terms and conditions of such contract to any other State agency in New York. Incorporation of this RFP into the resulting contract also incorporates this provision in the contract.
- 4. The responses to this RFP must include a solution to effectively handle the turn of the century issues related to the change from the year 1999 to 2000.

N. YEAR 2000 WARRANTY

1. Definitions

For purposes of this warranty, the following definitions shall apply:

- a. Product shall include, without limitation: any piece or component of equipment, hardware, firmware, middleware, custom or commercial software, or internal components or subroutines therein which perform any date/time data recognition function, calculation, comparing or sequencing. Where services are being furnished, e.g. consulting, systems integration, code or data conversion or data entry, the term Product shall include resulting deliverables.
- b. Vendor's Product shall include all Product delivered under this Agreement by Vendor other than Third Party Product.
- c. Third Party Product shall include products manufactured or developed by a corporate entity independent from Vendor and provided by Vendor on a non-exclusive licensing or other distribution Agreement with the third party manufacturer. Third Party Product does not include product where Vendor is: a) corporate subsidiary or affiliate of the third party manufacturer/developer; and/or b) the exclusive re-seller or distributor of product manufactured or developed by said corporate entity.

2. Warranty Disclosure

At the time of bid, Product order or Product quote, Vendor is required to disclose the following information in writing to Authorized User:

- a. For Vendor Product and for Products (including, but not limited to, Vendor and/or Third Party Products and/or Authorized User's Installed Product) which have been specified to perform as a system: Compliance or non-compliance of the Products individually or as a system with the Warranty Statement set forth below; and
- b. For Third Party Product Not Specified as Part of a System: Third Party Manufacturer's statement of compliance or non-compliance of any Third Party Product being delivered with Third Party Manufacturer/Developer's Year 2000 warranty. If such Third Party Product is represented by Third Party Manufacturer/Developer as compliant with Third Party Manufacturer/Developer's Year 2000 Warranty, Vendor shall pass through said third party warranty from the third party manufacturer to the Authorized User but shall not be liable for the testing or verification of Third Party's compliance statement.

An absence or failure to furnish the required written warranty disclosure shall be deemed a statement of compliance of the product(s) or system(s) in question with the year 2000 warranty statement set forth below.

3. Warranty Statement

Year 2000 warranty compliance shall be defined in accordance with the following warranty statement:

Vendor warrants that Product(s) furnished pursuant to this Agreement shall, when used in accordance with the Product documentation, be able to accurately process date/time data (including, but not limited to, calculating, comparing, and sequencing) from, into, and between the twentieth and twenty-first centuries, and the years 1999 and 2000, including leap year calculations. Where a purchase requires that specific Products must perform as a package or system, this warranty shall apply to the Products as a system.

In the event of any breach of this warranty, Vendor shall restore the Product to the same level of performance as warranted herein, or repair or replace the Product with conforming Product so as to minimize interruption to Authorized User's ongoing business processes, time being of the essence, at Vendor's sole cost and expense. This warranty does not extend to correction of Authorized User's errors in data entry or data conversion.

This warranty shall survive beyond termination or expiration of the Agreement.

Nothing in this warranty shall be construed to limit any rights or remedies otherwise available under this Agreement.

O. No Subcontracting

Subcontracting by the contractor shall not be permitted except by prior written approval and knowledge of the Department of Health.

P. Superintendence by Contractor

The Contractor shall have a representative to provide supervision of the work which Contractor employees are performing to ensure complete and satisfactory performance with the terms of the Contract. This representative shall also be authorized to receive and put into effect promptly all orders, directions and instructions from the Department of Health. A confirmation in writing of such orders or directions will be given by the Department when so requested from the Contractor.

Q. Sufficiency of Personnel and Equipment

If the Department of Health is of the opinion that the services required by the specifications cannot satisfactorily be performed because of insufficiency of personnel, the Department shall have the authority to require the Contractor to use such additional personnel, to take such steps necessary to perform the services satisfactorily at no additional cost to the State.

R. Experience Requirements

The Contractor shall submit evidence to the satisfaction of the Department that it possesses the necessary experience and qualifications to perform the type of services required under this contract and must show that it is currently performing similar services. The Contractor shall submit at least two references to substantiate these qualifications.

S. Contract Amendments

This agreement may be amended by written agreement signed by the parties and subject to the laws and regulations of the State pertaining to contract amendments. This agreement may not be amended orally.

The contractor shall not make any changes in the scope of work as outlined herein at any time without prior authorization in writing from the Department of Health and without prior approval in writing of the amount of compensation for such changes.

- T. Provisions Upon Default
 - 1. In the event that the Contractor, through any cause, fails to perform any of the terms, covenants or promises of this agreement, the Department acting for and on behalf of the State, shall thereupon have the right to terminate this agreement by giving notice in writing of the fact and date of such termination to the Contractor
 - 2. If, in the judgement of the Department of Health, the Contractor acts in such a way which is likely to or does impair or prejudice the interests of the State, the Department acting on behalf of the State, shall thereupon have the right to terminate this agreement by giving notice in writing of the fact and date of such termination to the Contractor. In such case the Contractor shall receive equitable compensation for such services as shall, in the judgement of the State Comptroller, have been satisfactorily performed by the Contractor up to the date of the termination of this agreement, which such compensation shall not exceed the total cost incurred for the work which the Contractor was engaged in at the time of such termination, subject to audit by the State Comptroller.

U. Termination Provision Upon termination of this agreement, the following shall occur:

- 1. Contractor shall make available to the State for examination all data, records and reports relating to this Contract; and
- 2. Except as otherwise provided in the Contract, the liability of the State for payments to the Contractor and the liability of the Contractor for services hereunder shall cease.
- V. Conflicts

If, in the opinion of the Department of Health, (1) the specifications conflict, or (2) if the specifications are not clear as to (a) the method of performing any part of the work, or as to (b) the types of materials or equipment necessary, or as to (c) the work required to be done in every such situation, the Contractor shall be deemed to have based his bid upon performing the work and furnishing materials or equipment in the most inexpensive and efficient manner. If such conflicts and/or ambiguities arise, the Department of Health will furnish the Contractor supplementary information showing the manner in which the work is to be performed and the type or types of material or equipment that shall be used.

W. MINORITY AND WOMEN OWNED BUSINESS POLICY STATEMENT The New York State Department of Health recognizes the need to take affirmative action to ensure that Minority and Women Owned Business Enterprises are given the opportunity to participate in the performance of the Department of Health's contracting program. This opportunity for full participation in our free enterprise system by traditionally, socially and economically disadvantaged persons is essential to obtain social and economic equality and improve the functioning of the State economy.

It is the intention of the New York State Department of Health to fully execute the mandate of Executive Law, Article 15-A and provide Minority and Women Owned Business Enterprises with equal opportunity to bid on contracts awarded by this agency in accordance with the State Finance Law.

To implement this affirmative action policy statement, the contractor agrees to file with the Department of Health within 10 days of notice of award, a staffing plan of the anticipated work force to be utilized on this contract or, where required, information on the contractor's total work force, including apprentices, broken down by specified ethnic background, gender, and Federal occupational categories or other appropriate categories specified by the Department. The form of the staffing plan shall be supplied by the Department.

After an award of this contract, the contractor agrees to submit to the Department a work force utilization report, in a form and manner required by the Department, of the work force actually utilized on this contract, broken down by specified ethnic background, gender and Federal occupational categories or other appropriate categories specified by the Department.

- X. Contract Insurance Requirements
 - 1. The successful bidder must without expense to the State procure and maintain, until final acceptance by the Department of Health of the work covered by this proposal and the contract, insurance of the kinds and in the amounts hereinafter provided, in insurance companies authorized to do such business in the State of New York covering all operations under this proposal and the contract, whether performed by it or by subcontractors. Before commencing the work, the successful bidder shall furnish to the Department of Health a certificate or certificates, in a form satisfactory to the Department, showing that it has complied with the requirements of this section, which certificate or certificates shall state that the policies shall not be changed or canceled until thirty days written notice has been given to the Department. The kinds and amounts of required insurance are:
 - a. A policy covering the obligations of the successful bidder in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 41, Laws of 1914, as amended, known as the Workers' Compensation Law, and the

contract shall be void and of no effect unless the successful bidder procures such policy and maintains it until acceptance of the work (reference Appendix E).

- b. Policies of Bodily Injury Liability and Property Damage Liability Insurance of the types hereinafter specified, each within limits of not less than \$500,000 for all damages arising out of bodily injury, including death at any time resulting therefrom sustained by one person in any one occurrence, and subject to that limit for that person, not less than \$1,000,000 for all damages arising out of bodily injury, including death at any time resulting therefrom sustained by two or more persons in any one occurrence, and not less than \$500,000 for damages arising out of damage to or destruction or property during any single occurrence and not less than \$1,000,000 aggregate for damages arising out of damage to or destruction of property during the policy period.
 - i. Contractor's Liability Insurance issued to and covering the liability of the successful bidder with respect to all work performed by it under this proposal and the contract.
 - ii. Protective Liability Insurance issued to and covering the liability of the People of the State of New York with respect to all operations under this proposal and the contract, by the successful bidder or by its subcontractors, including omissions and supervisory acts of the State.
 - iii. Automobile Liability Insurance issued to and covering the liability of the People of the State of New York with respect to all operations under this proposal and the contract, by the successful bidder or by its subcontractors, including omissions and supervisory acts of the State.
- Y. Certification Regarding Debarment and Suspension

Regulations of the Department of Health and Human Services, located at Part 76 of Title 45 of the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), implement Executive Orders 12549 and 12689 concerning debarment and suspension of participants in federal programs and activities. Executive Order 12549 provides that, to the extent permitted by law, Executive departments and agencies shall participate in a government-wide system for nonprocurement debarment and suspension. Executive Order 12689 extends the debarment and suspension policy to procurement activities of the federal government. A person who is debarred or suspended by a federal agency is excluded from federal financial and non-financial assistance and benefits under federal programs and activities, both directly (primary covered transaction) and indirectly (lower tier covered transactions). Debarment or suspension by one federal agency has government-wide effect.

Pursuant to the above-cited regulations, the New York State Department of Health (as a participant in a primary covered transaction) may not knowingly do business with a person who is debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, or subject to other government-wide exclusion (including any exclusion from Medicare and State health care program participation on or after August 25, 1995), and the Department of Health must require its prospective contractors, as prospective lower tier participants, to provide the certification in Appendix B to Part 76 of Title 45 CFR, as set forth below:

1. APPENDIX B TO PART 76-CERTIFICATION REGARDING DEBARMENT, SUSPENSION, INELIGIBILITY AND VOLUNTARY EXCLUSION-LOWER TIER COVERED TRANSACTIONS

Instructions for Certification

- a. By signing and submitting this proposal, the prospective lower tier participant is providing the certification set out below.
- b. The certification in this clause is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when this transaction was entered into. If it is later determined that the prospective lower tier participant knowingly rendered and erroneous certification, in addition to other remedies available to the Federal Government the department or agency with which this transaction originated may pursue available remedies, including suspension and/or debarment.
- c. The prospective lower tier participant shall provide immediate written notice to the person to which this proposal is submitted if at any time the prospective lower tier participant learns that its certification was erroneous when submitted or had become erroneous by reason of changed circumstances.
- d. The terms covered transaction, debarred, suspended, ineligible, lower tier covered transaction, participant, person, primary covered Transaction, principal, proposal, and voluntarily excluded, as used in this clause, have the meaning set out in the Definitions and Coverage sections of rules implementing Executive Order 12549. You may contact the person to which this proposal is submitted for assistance in obtaining a copy of

those regulations.

- e. The prospective lower tier participant agrees by submitting this proposal that, should the proposed covered transaction be entered into, it shall not knowingly enter into any lower tier covered transaction with a person who is proposed for debarment under 48 CFR part 9, subpart 9.4, debarred, suspended, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this covered transaction, unless authorized by the department or agency with which this transaction originated.
- f. The prospective lower tier participant further agrees by submitting this proposal that it will include this clause titled "Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility and Voluntary Exclusion-Lower Tier Covered Transaction," without modification, in all lower tier covered transactions.
- g. A participant in a covered transaction may rely upon a certification of a prospective participant in a lower tier covered transaction that it is not proposed for debarment under 48 CFR part 9, subpart 9.4, debarred, suspended, ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from covered transactions, unless it knows that the certification is erroneous. A participant may decide the method and frequency by which it determines the eligibility of its principals. Each participant may, but is not required to, check the List of parties Excluded from Federal Procurement and Nonprocurement Programs.
- h. Nothing contained in the foregoing shall be construed to require establishment of a system of records in order to render in good faith the certification required by this clause. The knowledge and information of a participant is not required to exceed that which is normally possessed by a prudent person in the ordinary course of business dealings.
- i. Except for transactions authorized under paragraph 5 of these instructions, if a participant in a covered transaction knowingly enters into a lower tier covered transaction with a person who is proposed for debarment under 48 CFR part 9, subpart 9.4, suspended, debarred, ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this transaction, in addition to other remedies available to the Federal Government, the department or agency with which this transaction originated may pursue available remedies, including suspension and/or debarment.

- 2. Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility and Voluntary Exclusion Lower Tier Covered Transactions
 - a. The prospective lower tier participant certifies, by submission of this proposal, that neither it nor its principals is presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily exclude from participation in this transaction by any Federal department agency.
 - b. Where the prospective lower tier participant is unable to certify to any of the statements in this certification, such prospective participant shall attach an explanation to this proposal.
- Z. Confidentiality Clauses
 - Any materials, articles, papers, etc., developed by the 1. CONTRACTOR under or in the course of performing this AGREEMENT shall contain the following, or similar acknowledgment: "Funded by the New York State Department of Health". Any such materials must be reviewed and approved by the STATE for conformity with the policies and guidelines for the New York State Department of Health prior to dissemination and/or publication. It is agreed that such review will be conducted in an expeditious manner. Should the review result in any unresolved disagreements regarding content, the CONTRACTOR shall be free to publish in scholarly journals along with a disclaimer that the views within the Article or the policies reflected are not necessarily those of the New York State Department of Health. The Department reserves the right to disallow funding for any educational materials not approved through its review process.
 - 2. Any publishable or otherwise reproducible material developed under or in the course of performing this AGREEMENT, dealing with any aspect of performance under this AGREEMENT, or of the results and accomplishments attained in such performance, shall be the sole and exclusive property of the STATE, and shall not be published or otherwise disseminated by the CONTRACTOR to any other party unless prior written approval is secured from the STATE or under circumstances as indicated in paragraph 1 above. Any and all net proceeds obtained by the CONTRACTOR resulting from any such publication shall belong to and be paid over to the STATE. The STATE shall have a perpetual royalty-free, non-exclusive and irrevocable right to reproduce, publish or otherwise use, and to authorize others to use, any such material for governmental purposes.

- 3. No report, document or other data produced in whole or in part with the funds provided under this AGREEMENT may be copyrighted by the CONTRACTOR or any of its employees, nor shall any notice of copyright be registered by the CONTRACTOR or any of its employees in connection with any report, document or other data developed pursuant to this AGREEMENT.
- 4. All reports, data sheets, documents, etc. generated under this contract shall be the sole and exclusive property of the Department of Health. Upon completion or termination of this AGREEMENT the CONTRACTOR shall deliver to the Department of Health upon its demand all copies of materials relating to or pertaining to this AGREEMENT. The CONTRACTOR shall have no right to disclose or use any of such material and documentation for any purpose whatsoever, without the prior written approval of the Department of Health or its authorized agents.
- 5. The CONTRACTOR, its officers, agents and employees and subcontractors shall treat all information, which is obtained by it through its performance under this AGREEMENT, as confidential information to the extent required by the laws and regulations of the United States and laws and regulations of the State of New York.
- 6. All subcontracts shall contain provisions specifying:
 - a. that the work performed by the subcontractor must be in accordance with the terms of this AGREEMENT, and
 - b. that the subcontractor specifically agrees to be bound by the confidentiality provisions set forth in the AGREEMENT between the STATE and the CONTRACTOR.
- AA. Provision Related to Consultant Disclosure Legislation
 - If this contract is for the provision of consulting services as defined in Subdivision 17 of Section 8 of the State Finance Law, the CONTRACTOR shall submit a "State Consultant Services Form B, Contractor's Annual Employment Report" no later than May 15th following the end of each state fiscal year included in this contract term. This report must be submitted to:
 - a. The NYS Department of Health, at the STATE's designated payment office address included in this AGREEMENT; and

- b. The NYS Office of the State Comptroller, Bureau of Contracts, 110 State Street, 11th Floor, Albany NY 12236 ATTN: Consultant Reporting - or via fax at (518) 474-8030 or (518) 473-8808; and
- c. The NYS Department of Civil Service, Alfred E. Smith Office Building, Albany NY 12239, ATTN: Consultant Reporting.
- BB. Provisions Related to New York State Procurement Lobbying Law
 - 1. The STATE reserves the right to terminate this AGREEMENT in the event it is found that the certification filed by the CONTRACTOR in accordance with New York State Finance Law §139-k was intentionally false or intentionally incomplete. Upon such finding, the STATE may exercise its termination right by providing written notification to the CONTRACTOR in accordance with the written notification terms of this AGREEMENT.
- CC. Provisions Related to New York State Information Security Breach and Notification Act
 - CONTRACTOR shall comply with the provisions of the New York State Information Security Breach and Notification Act (General Business Law Section 899-aa; State Technology Law Section 208). CONTRACTOR shall be liable for the costs associated with such breach if caused by CONTRACTOR'S negligent or willful acts or omissions, or the negligent or willful acts or omissions of CONTRACTOR'S agents, officers, employees or subcontractors.
- DD. Lead Guidelines

All products supplied pursuant to this agreement shall meet local, state and federal regulations, guidelines and action levels for lead as they exist at the time of the State's acceptance of this contract.