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## **SECTION B - Supplies or Services/Prices**

# B-1 EPAAR 1552.216-72 ORDERING-BY DESIGNATED ORDERING OFFICERS. (JUL 2014)

(a) The Government will order any supplies and services to be furnished under this contract by issuing task/delivery orders on Optional Form 347, or an agency prescribed form, from 03/20/2023 through 03/19/2028. In addition to the Contracting Officer, the following individuals are authorized ordering officers.

#### None

- (b) A Standard Form 30 will be the method of amending task/delivery orders.
- (c) The Contractor shall acknowledge receipt of each order by having an authorized company officer sign either a copy of a transmittal letter or signature block on page 3 of the task/delivery order, depending upon which is provided, within 10 calendar days of receipt.
- (d) Prior to the placement of any task/delivery order, the Contractor will be provided with a proposed Performance Work Statement/Statement of Work and will be asked to respond with detailed technical and cost proposals within 10 calendar days or less. The technical proposal will delineate the Contractor's interpretation for the execution of the PWS/SOW, and the pricing proposal will be the Contractor's best estimate for the hours, labor categories and all costs associated with the execution. The proposals are subject to negotiation. The Ordering Officer and the Contractor shall reach agreement on all the material terms of each order prior to the order being issued.
- (e) Each task/delivery order issued will incorporate the Contractor's technical and cost proposals as negotiated with the Government, and will have a ceiling price which the contractor shall not exceed. When the Contractor has reason to believe that the labor payment and support costs for the order which will accrue in the next thirty (30) days will bring total cost to over 85 percent of the ceiling price specified in the order, the Contractor shall notify the Ordering Officer.
- (f) Under no circumstances will the Contractor start work prior to the issue date of the task/delivery order unless specifically authorized to do so by the Ordering Officer. Any verbal authorization will be confirmed in writing by the Ordering Officer or Contracting Officer within 30 calendar days.

## (End of clause)

# B-2 EPAAR 1552.216-73 FIXED RATES FOR SERVICES-INDEFINITE DELIVERY/INDEFINITE QUANTITY CONTRACT. (APR 1984)

Personnel classification	Skill level	Estimated direct labor hours	Fixed hourly rate	Total
TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD

# **SECTION C - Description/Specifications**

C-1 EPAAR 1552.211-79 COMPLIANCE WITH EPA POLICIES FOR INFORMATION RESOURCES MANAGEMENT. (JUL 2016)

# **SECTION D - Packaging and Marking**

# **SECTION E - Inspection and Acceptance**

E-1 FAR 52.246-2 INSPECTION OF SUPPLIES - FIXED-PRICE. (AUG 1996)

E-2 FAR 52.246-4 INSPECTION OF SERVICES - FIXED-PRICE. (AUG 1996)

E-3 FAR 52.246-11 HIGHER-LEVEL CONTRACT QUALITY REQUIREMENT. (DEC 2014)

(a) The Contractor shall comply with the higher-level quality standard(s) listed below.

Title	Number	Date	Tailoring
Quality Management Systems for Environmental Information and Technology Programs Requirements with Guidance for Use	ASQ/ANSI E4-2014	2014	See below

As authorized by FAR 52.246-11, the higher-level quality standard ANSI/ASQC E4 is tailored as follows:

The solicitation and contract require the offeror/contractor to demonstrate conformance to ASQ/ANSI E4 by submitting the quality documentation described below.

In addition, after award of the contract, the Contractor shall revise, when applicable, quality documentation submitted before award to address specific comments provided by EPA and submit the revised documentation to the Contracting Officer's Representative.

After award of the contract, the Contractor shall also implement all quality documentation approved by the Government and specified under this contract.

- (b) The Contractor shall include applicable requirements of the higher-level quality standard(s) listed in paragraph (a) of this clause and the requirement to flow down such standards, as applicable, to lower-tier subcontracts, in-
  - (1) Any subcontract for critical and complex items (see 46.203(b) and (c)); or
  - (2) When the technical requirements of a subcontract require-
    - (i) Control of such things as design, work operations, in-process control, testing, and inspection; or
    - (ii) Attention to such factors as organization, planning, work instructions, documentation control, and advanced metrology.

(End of clause)

### **SECTION F - Deliveries or Performance**

F-1 FAR 52.242-15 STOP-WORK ORDER. (AUG 1989)

F-2 FAR 52.242-17 GOVERNMENT DELAY OF WORK. (APR 1984)

F-3 EPAAR 1552.211-70 REPORTS OF WORK. (OCT 2000)

The Contractor shall prepare and deliver reports, including plans, evaluations, studies, analyses and manuals in accordance with Attachment D. Each report shall cite the contract number, identify the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency as the sponsoring agency, and identify the name of the Contractor preparing the report.

The OMB clearance number for progress reports delivered under this contract is 2030-0005.

(End of clause)

## F-4 EPAAR 1552.211-72 MONTHLY PROGRESS REPORT. (JUN 1996)

- (a) The Contractor shall furnish 2 copies of the combined monthly technical and financial progress report stating the progress made, including the percentage of the project completed, and a description of the work accomplished to support the cost. If the work is ordered using work assignments or delivery orders, include the estimated percentage of task completed during the reporting period for each work assignment or delivery order.
- (b) Specific discussions shall include difficulties encountered and remedial action taken during the reporting period, and anticipated activity with a schedule of deliverables for the subsequent reporting period.
- (c) The Contractor shall provide a list of outstanding actions awaiting Contracting Officer authorization, noted with the corresponding work assignment, such as subcontractor consents, overtime approvals, and work plan approvals.
- (d) The report shall specify financial status at the contract level as follows:
  - (1) For the current reporting period, display the amount claimed.
  - (2) For the cumulative period and the cumulative contract life display: the amount obligated, amount originally invoiced, amount paid, amount suspended, amount disallowed, and remaining approved amount. The remaining approved amount is defined as the total obligated amount, less the total amount originally invoiced, plus total amount disallowed.
  - (3) Labor hours.
    - (i) A list of employees, their labor categories, and the numbers of hours worked for the reporting period.
    - (ii) For the current reporting period display the expended direct labor hours (by EPA contract labor category), and the total loaded direct labor costs.
    - (iii) For the cumulative contract period display: The negotiated and expended direct labor hours (by EPA labor category) and the total loaded direct labor costs.
    - (iv) Display the estimated direct labor hours and costs to be expended during the next reporting period.
  - (4) Display the current dollar ceilings in the contract, net amount invoiced, and remaining amounts for the following categories: Direct labor hours, total estimated cost, award fee pool (if applicable), subcontracts by individual subcontractor, travel, program management, and Other Direct Costs (ODCs).

- (5) Unbilled allowable costs. Display the total costs incurred but unbilled for the current reporting period and cumulative for the contract.
- (6) Average total cost per labor hour. For the current contract period, compare the actual cost per hour to date with the average total cost per hour of the approved work plans.
- (e) The report shall specify financial status at the work assignment or delivery order level as follows:
  - (1) For the current period, display the amount claimed.
  - (2) For the cumulative period display: amount shown on workplan, or latest work assignment/delivery order amendment amount (whichever is later); amount currently claimed; amount paid; amount suspended; amount disallowed; and remaining approved amount. The remaining approved amount is defined as: the workplan amount or latest work assignment or delivery order amount (whichever is later), less total amounts originally invoiced, plus total amount disallowed.
  - (3) Labor hours.
    - (i) A list of employees, their labor categories, and the number of hours worked for the reporting period.
    - (ii) For the current reporting period display the expended direct labor hours (by EPA contract labor category), and the total loaded direct labor hours.
    - (iii) For the cumulative reporting period and the cumulative contract period display: The negotiated and expended direct labor hours (by EPA labor hour category) and the loaded direct labor rate.
    - (iv) Display the estimated direct labor hours and costs to be expended during the next reporting period.
    - (v) Display the estimates of remaining direct labor hours and costs required to complete the work assignment or delivery order.
  - (4) Unbilled allowable costs. Display the total costs incurred but unbilled for the current reporting period and cumulative for the work assignment.
  - (5) Average total cost labor hour. For the current contract period, compare the actual total cost per hour to date with the average total cost per hour of the approved workplans.
  - (6) A list of deliverables for each work assignment or delivery order during the reporting period.
- (f) This submission does not change the notification requirements of the "Limitation of Cost" or "Limitation of Funds" clauses requiring separate written notice to the Contracting Officer.
- (g) The reports shall be submitted to the following addresses on or before the 30 of each month following the first complete reporting period of the contract. See EPAAR 1552.232-70, Submission of Invoices, paragraph (e), for details on the timing of submittals. Distribute reports as follows:

No. of copies	Addressee	Address (email and/or shipping)
1	Contracting Officer's Representative.	TBD
1	Contracting Officer.	TBD

(End of clause)

# F-5 EPAAR 1552.211-75 WORKING FILES. (APR 1984)

# F-6 Local Clauses EPA-F-12-101 PERIOD OF PERFORMANCE

The period of performance of this contract shall be from 03/20/2023 through 03/19/2028 inclusive of all required reports.

# **SECTION G - Contract Administration Data**

G-1 EPAAR 1552.208-70 PRINTING. (SEP 2012)

### G-2 EPAAR 1552.232-70 SUBMISSION OF INVOICES. (MAY 2019)

(a) Electronic invoicing and the Invoice Processing Platform (IPP)-(1) Definitions. As used in this clause-

Contract financing payment and invoice payment are defined in Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) 32.001.

Electronic form means an automated system that transmits information electronically from the initiating system to all affected systems. Facsimile, email, and scanned documents are not acceptable electronic forms for submission of payment requests. However, scanned documents are acceptable when they are part of a submission of a payment request made using Invoice Processing Platform or another electronic form authorized by the Contracting Officer.

Payment request means any request for contract financing payment or invoice payment submitted by the Contractor under this contract.

- (2)(i) Except as provided in paragraph (c) of this clause, the Contractor shall submit invoices using the electronic invoicing program Invoice Processing Platform (IPP), which is a secure web-based service provided by the U.S. Treasury that more efficiently manages government invoicing.
  - (ii) Under this contract, the following documents are required to be submitted as an attachment to the IPP invoice: (This is a fillin for acceptable types of required documentation, such as an SF 1034 and 1035, or an invoice/self-designed form on company letterhead that contains the required information.)
  - (iii) The Contractor's Government Business Point of Contact (as listed in System for Award Management (SAM)) will receive enrollment instructions via email from the IPP. The Contractor must register within 3 to 5 days of receipt of such email from IPP.
  - (iv) Contractor assistance with enrollment can be obtained by contacting the IPP Production Helpdesk via email at *IPPCustomerSupport@fiscal.treasury.gov* or by telephone at (866) 973-3131.
- (3) If the Contractor is unable to comply with the requirement to use IPP for submitting invoices for payment, the Contractor shall submit a waiver request in writing to the Contracting Officer. The Contractor may submit an invoice using other than IPP only when-
  - (i) The Contracting Officer administering the contract for payment has determined, in writing, that electronic submission would be unduly burdensome to the Contractor; and in such cases, the Contracting Officer shall modify the contract to include a copy of the Determination; or
  - (ii) When the Governmentwide commercial purchase card is used as the method of payment.
- (4) The Contractor shall submit any non-electronic payment requests using the method or methods specified in Section G of the contract.
- (5) In addition to the requirements of this clause, the Contractor shall meet the requirements of the appropriate payment clauses in this contract when submitting payment requests.
- (6) Invoices submitted through IPP will be either rejected, or accepted and paid, in their entirety, and will not be paid on a partial basis.

- (b) Invoice preparation. The Contractor shall prepare its invoice or request for contract financing payment in accordance with FAR 32.905 on the prescribed Government forms, or the Contractor may submit self-designed forms which contain the required information. Standard Form 1034, Public Voucher for Purchases and Services other than Personal, is prescribed for used by contractors to show the amount claimed for reimbursement. Standard Form 1035, Public Voucher for Purchases and Services other than Personal-Continuation Sheet, is prescribed for use to furnish the necessary supporting detail or additional information required by the Contracting Officer.
- (c) *Invoice content*. (1) The Contractor shall prepare a contract level invoice or request for contract financing payment in accordance with the invoice preparation instructions. If contract work is authorized by an individual task order or delivery order (TO/DO), the invoice or request for contract financing payment shall also include a summary of the current and cumulative amounts claimed by cost element for each TO/DO and for the contract total, as well as any supporting data for each TO/DO as identified in the instructions.
  - (2) The invoice or request for contract financing payment shall include current and cumulative charges by major cost element such as direct labor, overhead, travel, equipment, and other direct costs. For current costs, each major cost element shall include the appropriate supporting schedule identified in the invoice preparation instructions. Cumulative charges represent the net sum of current charges by cost element for the contract period.
- (d) Subcontractor charges. (1) The charges for subcontracts shall be further detailed in a supporting schedule showing the major cost elements for each subcontract.
  - (2) On a case-by-case basis, when needed to verify the reasonableness of subcontractor costs, the Contracting Officer may require that the contractor obtain from the subcontractor cost information in the detail set forth in paragraph (c)(2) of this section. This information should be obtained through a means which maintains subcontractor confidentiality (for example, via sealed envelopes), if the subcontractor expresses Confidential Business Information (CBI) concerns.
- (e) *Period of performance indication*. Invoices or requests for contract financing payment must clearly indicate the period of performance for which payment is requested. Separate invoices or requests for contract financing payment are required for charges applicable to the base contract and each option period.
- (f) *Invoice submittal*. (1) Notwithstanding the provisions of the clause of this contract at FAR 52.216-7, *Allowable Cost and Payment*, invoices or requests for contract financing payment shall be submitted once per month unless there has been a demonstrated need and Contracting Officer approval for more frequent billings. When submitted on a monthly basis, the period covered by invoices or requests for contractor financing payments shall be the same as the period for monthly progress reports required under this contract.
  - (2) If the Contracting Officer allows submissions more frequently than monthly, one submittal each month shall have the same ending period of performance as the monthly progress report.
  - (3) Where cumulative amounts on the monthly progress report differ from the aggregate amounts claimed in the invoice(s) or request(s) for contract financing payments covering the same period, the contractor shall provide a reconciliation of the difference as part of the payment request.
- (g) EPA Invoice Preparation Instructions-SF 1034. The information which a contractor is required to submit in its Standard Form 1034 is set forth as follows:
  - (1) U.S. Department, Bureau, or establishment and location-Insert the names and address of the servicing finance office, unless the contract specifically provides otherwise.
  - (2) Date Voucher Prepared-Insert date on which the public voucher is prepared and submitted.

- (3) Contract/Delivery Order Number and Date-Insert the number and date of the contract and task order or delivery order, if applicable, under which reimbursement is claimed.
- (4) Requisition Number and Date-Leave blank.
- (5) Voucher Number-Insert the appropriate serial number of the voucher. A separate series of consecutive numbers, beginning with Number 1, shall be used by the contractor for each new contract. For an adjustment invoice, write "[invoice number] #Adj" at the voucher number. For a final invoice, put invoice number F. For a completion invoice, put invoice number #C.
- (6) Schedule Number; Paid By; Date Invoice Received-Leave blank.
- (7) Discount Terms-Enter terms of discount, if applicable.
- (8) Payee's Account Number-This space may be used by the contractor to record the account or job number(s) assigned to the contract or may be left blank.
- (9) Payee's Name and Address-Show the name of the contractor exactly as it appears in the contract and its correct address, except when an assignment has been made by the contractor, or the right to receive payment has been restricted, as in the case of an advance account. When the right to receive payment is restricted, the type of information to be shown in this space shall be furnished by the Contracting Officer.
- (10) Shipped From; To; Weight Government B/L Number-Insert for supply contracts.
- (11) Date of Delivery or Service-Show the month, day and year, beginning and ending dates of incurrence of costs claimed for reimbursement. Adjustments to costs for prior periods should identify the period applicable to their incurrence, *e.g.*, revised provisional or final indirect cost rates, award fee, etc.
- (12) Articles or Services-Insert the following: "For detail, see Standard Form 1035 total amount claimed transferred from Page of Standard Form 1035." Insert "COST REIMBURSABLE-PROVISIONAL PAYMENT" or "INDEFINITE QUANTITY/INDEFINITE DELIVERY-PROVISIONAL PAYMENT" on the Interim public vouchers. Insert "COST REIMBURSABLE-COMPLETION VOUCHER" or "INDEFINITE QUANTITY/INDEFINITE DELIVERY-COMPLETION VOUCHER" on the Completion public voucher. Insert "COST REIMBURSABLE-FINAL VOUCHER" or "INDEFINITE QUANTITY/INDEFINITE DELIVERY-FINAL VOUCHER" on the final public voucher. Insert the following certification, signed by an authorized official, on the face of the Standard Form 1034:

"I certify that all	l payments reque	sted are for app	propriate pur	poses and i	in accordance	with the
agreements set fe	orth in the contra	ict."				

(Name of Official	)
(Title)	

- (13) Quantity; Unit Price-Insert for supply contracts.
- (14) Amount-Insert the amount claimed for the period indicated in paragraph (g)(11) of this clause.
- (h) *EPA Invoice Preparation Instructions-SF 1035*. The information which a contractor is required to submit in its Standard Form 1035 is set forth as follows:

- (1) U.S. Department, Bureau, or Establishment-Insert the name and address of the servicing finance office.
- (2) Voucher Number-Insert the voucher number as shown on the Standard Form 1034.
- (3) Schedule Number-Leave blank.
- (4) Sheet Number-Insert the sheet number if more than one sheet is used in numerical sequence. Use as many sheets as necessary to show the information required.
- (5) Number and Date of Order-Insert payee's name and address as in the Standard Form 1034.
- (6) Articles or Services-Insert the contract number as in the Standard Form 1034.
- (7) Amount-Insert the latest estimated cost, fee (fixed, base, or award, as applicable), total contract value, and amount and type of fee payable (as applicable).
- (8) A summary of claimed current and cumulative costs and fee by major cost element-Include the rate(s) at which indirect costs are claimed and indicate the base of each by identifying the line of costs to which each is applied. The rates invoiced should be as specified in the contract or by a rate agreement negotiated by EPA's Cost and Rate Negotiation Team.
- (9) Fee-The fee shall be determined in accordance with instructions appearing in the contract.

Note to paragraph (h)-Amounts claimed on vouchers must be based on records maintained by the contractor to show by major cost element the amounts claimed for reimbursement for each applicable contract. The records must be maintained based on the contractor's fiscal year and should include reconciliations of any differences between the costs incurred and amounts claimed for reimbursement. A memorandum record reconciling the total indirect cost(s) claimed should also be maintained.

- (i) Supporting Schedules for Cost Reimbursement Contracts. The following backup information is required as an attachment to the invoice as shown by category of cost:
  - (1) Direct Labor-Identify the number of hours (by contractor labor category and total) and the total loaded direct labor hours billed for the period in the invoice.
  - (2) Indirect Cost Rates-Identify by cost center, the indirect cost rate, the period, and the cost base to which it is applied.
  - (3) Subcontracts-Identify the major cost elements for each subcontract.
  - (4) Other Direct Costs-When the cost for an individual cost (*e.g.*, photocopying, material and supplies, telephone usage) exceeds \$1,000 per the invoice period, provide a detailed explanation for that cost category.
  - (5) Contractor Acquired Equipment (if authorized by the contract)-Identify by item the quantities, unit prices, and total dollars billed.
  - (6) Contractor Acquired Software (if authorized by the contract)-Identify by item the quantities, unit prices, and total dollars billed.
  - (7) Travel-When travel costs exceed \$2,000 per invoice period, identify by trip, the number of travelers, the duration of travel, the point of origin, destination, purpose of trip, transportation by unit price, per diem rates on daily basis and total dollars billed. Detailed reporting is not required for local travel. The manner of breakdown, *e.g.*, task order/delivery order basis with/without separate program management, contract period will be specified in the contract instructions.

Note to paragraph (i)-Any costs requiring advance consent by the Contracting Officer will be considered improper and will be disallowed, if claimed prior to receipt of Contracting Officer consent. Include the total cost claimed for the current and cumulative-to-date periods. After the total amount claimed, provide summary dollar amounts disallowed on the contract as of the date of the invoice. Also include an explanation of the changes in cumulative costs disallowed by addressing each adjustment in terms of: Voucher number, date, dollar amount, source, and reason for the adjustment. Disallowed costs should be identified in unallowable accounts in the contractor's accounting system.

- (j) Supporting Schedules for Time and Materials Contracts. The following backup information is required as an attachment to the invoice as shown by category of cost:
  - (1) Direct Labor-Identify the number of hours (by contractor labor category and total) and the total direct labor hours billed for the period of the invoice.
  - (2) Subcontracts-Identify the major cost elements for each subcontract.
  - (3) Other Direct Costs-When the cost for an individual cost (*e.g.*, photocopying, material and supplies, telephone usage) exceeds \$1,000 per the invoice period, provide a detailed explanation for that cost category.
  - (4) Indirect Cost Rates-Identify by cost center, the indirect cost rate, the period, and the cost base to which it is applied.
  - (5) Contractor Acquired Equipment-Identify by item the quantities, unit prices, and total dollars billed.
  - (6) Contractor Acquired Software-Identify by item the quantities, unit prices, and total dollars billed.
  - (7) Travel-When travel costs exceed \$2,000 per invoice period, identify by trip, the number of travelers, the duration of travel, the point of origin, destination, purpose of trip, transportation by unit price, per diem rates on daily basis and total dollars billed. Detailed reporting is not required for local travel. The manner of breakdown, *e.g.*, task order/delivery order basis with/without separate program management, contract period will be specified in the contract instructions.

Note to paragraph (j)-Any costs requiring advance consent by the Contracting Officer will be considered improper and will be disallowed, if claimed prior to receipt of Contracting Officer consent. Include the total cost claimed for the current and cumulative-to-date periods. After the total amount claimed, provide summary dollar amounts disallowed on the contract as of the date of the invoice. Also include an explanation of the changes in cumulative costs disallowed by addressing each adjustment in terms of: Voucher number, date, dollar amount, source, and reason for the adjustment. Disallowed costs should be identified in unallowable accounts in the contractor's accounting system.

- (k) Adjustment vouchers. Adjustment vouchers should be submitted if finalized indirect rates were received but the rates are not for the entire period of performance. For example, the base period of performance is for a calendar year but your indirect rates are by fiscal year. Hence, only part of the base period can be adjusted for the applicable final indirect rates. These invoices should be annotated with "adj" after the invoice number.
- (1) Final vouchers. Final Vouchers shall be submitted if finalized rates have been received for the entire period of performance. For example, the base period of performance is for a calendar year but your indirect rates are by fiscal year. You have received finalized rates for the entire base period that encompass both fiscal years that cover the base period. In accordance with FAR 52.216-7, these invoices shall be submitted within 60 days after settlement of final indirect cost rates. They should be annotated with the word "Final"

or "F" after the invoice number. Due to system limitations, the invoice number cannot be more than 11 characters to include spaces.

(m) Completion vouchers. In accordance with FAR 52.216-7(d)(5), a completion voucher shall be submitted within 120 days (or longer if approved in writing by the Contracting Officer) after settlement of the final annual indirect cost rates for all years of a physically complete contract. The voucher shall reflect the settled amounts and rates. It shall include settled subcontract amounts and rates. The prime contractor is responsible for settling subcontractor amounts and rates included in the completion invoice. Since EPA's invoices must be on a period of performance basis, the contractor shall have a completion invoice for each year of the period of performance. This voucher must be submitted to the Contracting Officer for review and approval before final payment can be made on the contract. The Contracting Officer may request an audit of the completion vouchers before final payment is made. In addition, once approved, the Contracting Officer will request the appropriate closeout paperwork for the contract. For contracts separately invoiced by delivery or task order, provide a schedule showing final total costs claimed by delivery or task order and in total for the contract. In addition to the completion voucher, the contractor must submit the Contractor's Release; Assignee's Release, if applicable; the Contractor's Assignment of Refunds, Rebates, Credits and other Amounts, the Assignee's Assignment of Refunds, Rebates, Credits and other Amounts, if applicable; and the Contractor's Affidavit of Waiver of Lien, when required by the contract.

(End of clause)

# G-3 EPAAR 1552.245-70 GOVERNMENT PROPERTY. (SEP 2009)

- (a) The contractor shall not fabricate or acquire, on behalf of the Government, either directly or indirectly through a subcontract, any item of property without prior written approval from the Contracting Officer. If the Contracting Officer authorizes the contractor to acquire and/or fabricate equipment for use in the performance of this contract, the equipment shall be subject to the provisions of the "Government Property" clause and listed on the contract via contract modification.
- (b) If the Government provides item(s) of Government property to the contractor for use in the performance of this contract, this property shall be used and maintained by the contractor in accordance with the provisions of the "Government Property" clause.

The "EPA Contract Property Administration Requirements" provided below apply to this contract.

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency

Contract Property Administration Requirements

- 1. Purpose. This document sets forth the requirements for the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) contractors performing Government property management responsibilities under EPA contracts. These requirements supplement those contained in the Government Property clause(s) and Part 45 Government Property of the Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR).
- 2. Contract Property Administration (CPAR)
- a. EPA Delegation. EPA delegates all contract property administration to the EPA Contract Property Coordinator (CPC). The delegations apply to all EPA contracts issued with or that have the potential to receive, purchase or acquire Government Property or include the Government Property clauses. In addition to administering all contract property, the CPC provides technical expertise and assistance to the Contracting Officer (CO) and Contracting Officer Technical Representative (COTR) relative to Government Property.
- b. DCMA Re-delegation. The CPC may request support for contract property management oversight, including property administration and plant clearance, from the Defense Contract Management Agency (DCMA). If DCMA agrees to provide support, DCMA will notify the contractor of the assigned property administrator (PA) and plant clearance officer (PLCO). The DCMA PA is available to the contractor for

assistance in all matters of property administration. Notwithstanding the delegation, as necessary, the contractor may contact the EPA CO. In the event of a disagreement between the contractor and the DCMA PA, the contractor should seek resolution from the CO. Unless, otherwise directed in the contract, or this document, all originals of written information or reports, except direct correspondence between the contractor and the DCMA PA, relative to Government property, should be forwarded to the administrative CO assigned to this contract and the CPC.

- c. Disagreements. Notwithstanding the delegation(s), as necessary, the contractor may contact the CO. In the event of a disagreement between the contractor and the PA or the CPC the contractor should seek resolution from the CO.
- 3. Requests for Government Property.

In accordance with FAR 45.102, the contractor shall furnish all property required for performing Government contracts. If a contractor believes that Government property is required for performance of the contract, the contractor shall submit a written request to the CO. At a minimum, the request shall contain the following elements:

- a. Contract number for which the property is required.
- b. An item(s) description, quantity and estimated cost.
- c. Certification that no like contractor property exists which could be utilized.
- d. A detailed description of the task-related purpose of the property.
- e. Explanation of negative impact if property is not provided by the Government.
- f. Lease versus purchase analysis shall be furnished with the request to acquire property on behalf of the Government, with the exception of requests for material purchases. The contractor may not proceed with acquisition of property on behalf of the Government until receipt of written authorization from the Contracting Officer.
- 4. Transfer of Government Property. The Contracting Officer initiates the transfer of the government property via a contract modification. The transferor (EPA or another contractor) shall provide to the transferee, the receiving contractor, the information needed to establish and maintain the property records required of FAR 52.245-1, as well as all of the applicable data elements required by Attachment 1 of this clause. The transferee, the receiving contractor, should perform a complete inventory of the property before signing the acceptance document for the property. Accountability will transfer to the receiving contractor upon receipt and acceptance of the property, in accordance with FAR 45.106.
- 5. Records of Government Property.
- a. In accordance with FAR 52.245-1, the contractor shall create and maintain records of all Government property, regardless of value, including property provided to and in the possession of a subcontractor. Material provided by the Government or acquired by the contractor and billed as a direct charge to the contract is Government property and records must be established as such.
- b. The Contractor shall identify all Superfund property and designate it as such both on the item and on the Government property record. If it is not practicable to tag the item, the contractor shall write the ID number on a tag, card or other entity that may be kept with the item or in a file.
- c. Support documentation used for posting entries to the property record shall provide complete, current and auditable data. Entries shall be posted to the record in a timely manner following an action.
- d. For Government vehicles, in addition to the data elements required by EPA, the contractor shall also comply with the General Services Administration (GSA) and Department of Energy (DOE) record and

report requirements supplied with all EPA provided motor vehicles. If the above requirements were not provided with the vehicle, the contractor shall notify the designated CPC and the Fleet Manager.

- e. When Government property is disclosed to be in the management and/or control of the contractor but not provided under any contract, the contractor shall record and report the property in accordance with FAR 52.245-1.
- 6. Inventories of Government Property. The contractor shall conduct a complete physical inventory of EPA property at least once per year. The contractor shall report the results of the inventory, including any discrepancies, to the CO. Reconciliation of discrepancies shall be completed in accordance with the schedule negotiated with the CO. See section 10 herein, Contract Closeout, for information on final inventories.
- 7. Reports of Government Property. EPA requires an annual summary report, for each contract, by contract number, of Government property in the contractor's possession. The annual summary is due as of September 30th of each year, and upon contract termination or expiration.
- a. For each classification listed on the EPA Property Report form, with the exception of material, the contractor shall provide the total acquisition cost and total quantity. If there are zero items in a classification, or if there is an ending balance of zero, the classification must be listed with zeros in the quantity and acquisition cost columns.
- b. For material, the contractor shall provide the total acquisition cost only.
- c. Property classified as Plant Equipment, Superfund and Special Test Equipment must be reported on two separate lines. The first line shall include the total acquisition cost and quantity of all items or systems with a unit acquisition cost of \$25,000 or more. The second line shall include the total acquisition cost and quantity of all items with a unit acquisition cost of less than \$25,000.
- d. For items comprising a system, which is defined as "a group of interacting items functioning as a complex whole," the contractor may maintain the record as a system noting all components of the system under the main component or maintain individual records for each item. However, for the annual report of Government property the components must be reported as a system with one total dollar amount for the system, if that system total is \$25,000 or more.
- e. The reports are to be received at EPA by the CPC by October 5th of each year.
- f. Distribution shall be as follows:

Original to: CPC

One copy: CO

- g. Contractors are required to comply with GSA and DOE special reporting requirements for motor vehicles. A statement of these requirements will be provided by the EPA Facility Management and Services Division (FMSD) concurrent with receipt of each vehicle.
- h. The contractor shall provide detailed reports on an as-needed basis, as may be requested by the CO or the CPC.
- 8. Disposition of Government Property. The disposition process is composed of three distinct phases: identification, reporting, and final disposition.
- a. Identification. The disposition process begins with the contractor identifying Government property that is no longer required for contract performance. Effective contract property management systems provide for identification of excess as it occurs. Once Government property has been determined to be excess to the accountable contract, it must be screened against the contractor's other EPA contracts for further use. If the property may be reutilized, the contractor shall notify the CO in writing. Government property will be

transferred via contract modifications to other contracts only when the COs on both the current contract and the receiving contract authorize the transfer.

# b. Reporting.

- (i) EPA. Government property shall be reported in accordance with FAR 52.245-1. The Standard Form, SF 1428, Inventory Disposal Schedule, provides the format for reporting excess Government property. Instructions for completing and when to use the form may be found at FAR 52.245-1(j). Forward the completed SF 1428 to the CPC. The SF 1428 is available at <a href="http://www.arnet.gov/far/current/html/FormsStandard54.html">http://www.arnet.gov/far/current/html/FormsStandard54.html</a>. Superfund property must contain a Superfund notification and the following language must be displayed on the form: "Note to CO: Reimbursement to the EPA Superfund is required."
- (ii) DCMA. If the EPA contract has been re-delegated to DCMA, the excess items will be entered into the Plant Clearance Automated Reutilization Screening System (PCARSS). Access and information pertaining to this system may be addressed to the DCMA Plant Clearance Officer (PLCO).
- c. Disposition Instructions.
- (i) Retention. When Government property is identified as excess, the CO may direct the contractor in writing to retain all or part of the excess Government Property under the current contract for possible future requirements.
- (ii) Return to EPA. When Government property is identified as excess, the CO may direct the contractor in writing to return those items to EPA inventory. The contractor shall ship/deliver the property in accordance with the instructions provided by the CO.
- (iii) Transfer. When Government property is identified as excess, the CO may direct the contractor in writing to transfer the property to another EPA contractor. The contractor shall transfer the property by shipping it in accordance with the instructions provided by the CO. To effect transfer of accountability, the contractor shall provide the recipient of the property with the applicable data elements set forth in Attachment 1 of this clause.
- (iv) Sale. If GSA or the DCMA PLCO conducts a sale of the excess Government property, the contractor shall allow prospective bidders access to property offered for sale.
- (v) Abandonment. Abandoned property must be disposed of in a manner that does not endanger the health and safety of the public. If the contract is delegated to DCMA and the contractor has input EPA property into the PCARSS system, the EPA Property Utilization Officer (PUO) shall notify the CO. The CO shall notify the contractor in writing of those items EPA would like to retain, have returned or transferred to another EPA contractor. The contractor shall notify the DCMA PLCO and request withdrawal of those items from the inventory schedule. The contractor shall update the Government property record to indicate the disposition of the item and to close the record. The contractor shall also obtain either a signed receipt or proof of shipment from the recipient. The contractor shall notify the CO when all actions pertaining to disposition have been completed. The contractor shall complete an EPA Property report with changes, to include supporting documentation of completed disposition actions and submit it to the CPC.
- 9. Decontamination. In addition to the requirements of the "Government Property" clause and prior to performing disposition of any EPA Government Property, the contractor shall certify in writing that the property is free from contamination by any hazardous or toxic substances.
- 10. Contract Closeout. The contractor shall complete a physical inventory of all Government property at contract completion and the results, including any discrepancies, shall be reported to the CO. If the contract is delegated to DCMA, the physical inventory report will be submitted to the EPA CO and a copy submitted to the DCMA PA. In the case of a terminated contract, the contractor shall comply with the inventory requirements set forth in the applicable termination clause. The results of the inventory, as well as a detailed inventory listing, must be forwarded to the CO and if delegated, a copy to the DCMA PA. In

order to expedite the disposal process, contractors may be required to, or may elect to submit to the CPC, an inventory schedule for disposal purposes up to six (6) months prior to contract completion. If such an inventory schedule is prepared, the contractor must indicate the earliest date that each item may be disposed. The contractor shall update all property records to show disposal action. The contractor shall notify the CO, and, if delegated, the DCMA PA, in writing, when all work has been completed under the contract and all Government property accountable to the contract has been disposed. The contractor shall complete a FINAL EPA Property report with all supporting documentation to the CPC.

#### Attachment 1

Required Data Element--In addition to the requirements of FAR 52.245-1(f)(vi), Reports of Government Property, the contractor is required to maintain, and report the following data elements for EPA Government property (all elements are not applicable to material):

Name and address of the administrative Contracting Officer; Name of the contractor representative; Business type; Name and address of the contract property coordinator; Superfund (Yes/No); No. of Subcontractor/Alternate Locations.

Note: For items comprising a system which is defined as, "a group of interacting items functioning as a complex whole," the contractor may maintain the record as a system noting all components of the system under the main component or maintain individual records for each item. However, for the Annual Report of Government Property, the components must be reported as a system with one total dollar amount for the system, if that system total is \$25,000 or more.

(End of clause)

## **SECTION H - Special Contract Requirements**

H-1 EPAAR 1552.209-73 NOTIFICATION OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST REGARDING PERSONNEL. (MAY 1994) - ALTERNATE I (JAN 2015)

- (a) In addition to the requirements of the contract clause entitled "Organizational Conflicts of Interest," the following provisions with regard to employee personnel performing under this contract shall apply until the earlier of the following two dates: the termination date of the affected employee(s) or the expiration date of the contract.
- (b) The Contractor agrees to notify immediately the EPA Contracting Officer's Representative and the Contracting Officer of (1) any actual or potential personal conflict of interest with regard to any of its employees working on or having access to information regarding this contract, or (2) any such conflicts concerning subcontractor employees or consultants working on or having access to information regarding this contract, when such conflicts have been reported to the Contractor. A personal conflict of interest is defined as a relationship of an employee, subcontractor employee, or consultant with an entity that may impair the objectivity of the employee, subcontractor employee, or consultant in performing the contract work.
- (c) The Contractor agrees to notify each Contracting Officer's Representative and Contracting Officer prior to incurring costs for that employee's work when an employee may have a personal conflict of interest. In the event that the personal conflict of interest does not become known until after performance on the contract begins, the Contractor shall immediately notify the Contracting Officer of the personal conflict of interest. The Contractor shall continue performance of this contract until notified by the Contracting Officer of the appropriate action to be taken.
- (d) The Contractor agrees to insert in each subcontract or consultant agreement placed hereunder provisions which shall conform substantially to the language of this clause, including this paragraph (d), unless otherwise authorized by the Contracting Officer.

(End of clause)

# H-2 EPAAR 1552.237-71 TECHNICAL DIRECTION. (AUG 2009)

(a) Definitions.

Contracting officer technical representative (COTR), means an individual appointed by the contracting officer in accordance with Agency procedures to perform specific technical and administrative functions.

*Task order*, as used in this clause, means work assignment, delivery order, or any other document issued by the contracting officer to order work under a service contract.

- (b) The Contracting Officer's Representative(s) may provide technical direction on contract or work request performance. Technical direction includes:
  - (1) Instruction to the contractor that approves approaches, solutions, designs, or refinements; fills in details; completes the general descriptions of work shifts emphasis among work areas or tasks; and
  - (2) Evaluation and acceptance of reports or other deliverables.
- (c) Technical direction must be within the scope of work of the contract and any task order there under. The Contracting Officer's Representative(s) does not have the authority to issue technical direction which:
  - (1) Requires additional work outside the scope of the contract or task order;
  - (2) Constitutes a change as defined in the "Changes" clause;

- (3) Causes an increase or decrease in the estimated cost of the contract or task order;
- (4) Alters the period of performance of the contract or task order; or
- (5) Changes any of the other terms or conditions of the contract or task order.
- (d) Technical direction will be issued in writing or confirmed in writing within five (5) days after oral issuance. The contracting officer will be copied on any technical direction issued by the Contracting Officer's Representative.
- (e) If, in the contractor's opinion, any instruction or direction by the Contracting Officer's Representative(s) falls within any of the categories defined in paragraph (c) of the clause, the contractor shall not proceed but shall notify the contracting officer in writing within 3 days after receiving it and shall request that the contracting officer take appropriate action as described in this paragraph. Upon receiving this notification, the contracting officer shall:
  - (1) Advise the contractor in writing as soon as practicable, but no later than 30 days after receipt of the contractor's notification, that the technical direction is within the scope of the contract effort and does not constitute a change under the "Changes" clause of the contract;
  - (2) Advise the contractor within a reasonable time that the government will issue a written modification to the contract; or
  - (3) Advise the contractor that the technical direction is outside the scope of the contract and is thereby rescinded.
- (f) A failure of the contractor and contracting officer to agree as to whether the technical direction is within the scope of the contract, or a failure to agree upon the contract action to be taken with respect thereto, shall be subject to the provisions of the clause entitled "Disputes" in this contract.
- (g) Any action(s) taken by the contractor, in response to any direction given by any person acting on behalf of the government or any government official other than the contracting officer or the Contracting Officer's Representative, shall be at the contractor's risk.

(End of clause)

# H-3 EPAAR 1552.237-72 KEY PERSONNEL. (APR 1984)

(a) The Contractor shall assign to this contract the following key personnel:

**TBD** 

- (b) During the first ninety (90) days of performance, the Contractor shall make no substitutions of key personnel unless the substitution is necessitated by illness, death, or termination of employment. The Contractor shall notify the Contracting Officer within 15 calendar days after the occurrence of any of these events and provide the information required by paragraph (c) of this clause. After the initial 90-day period, the Contractor shall submit the information required by paragraph (c) to the Contracting Officer at least 15 days prior to making any permanent substitutions.
- (c) The Contractor shall provide a detailed explanation of the circumstances necessitating the proposed substitutions, complete resumes for the proposed substitutes, and any additional information requested by the Contracting Officer. Proposed substitutes should have comparable qualifications to those of the persons being replaced. The Contracting Officer will notify the Contractor within 15 calendar days after receipt of all required information of the decision on substitutions. This clause will be modified to reflect any approved changes of key personnel.

(End of clause)

### H-4 EPAAR 1552.237-76 GOVERNMENT-CONTRACTOR RELATIONS. (JUN 1999)

- (1) The Contractor should notify the Contracting Officer in writing promptly, within 7 (to be negotiated and inserted into the basic contract at contract award) calendar days from the date of any incident that the Contractor considers to constitute a violation of this clause. The notice should include the date, nature and circumstance of the conduct, the name, function and activity of each Government employee or Contractor official or employee involved or knowledgeable about such conduct, identify any documents or substance of any oral communication involved in the conduct, and the estimate in time by which the Government must respond to this notice to minimize cost, delay or disruption of performance.
- (2) The Contracting Officer will promptly, within 7 (to be negotiated and inserted into the basic contract at contract award) calendar days after receipt of notice, respond to the notice in writing. In responding, the Contracting Officer will either:

#### H-5 Local Clauses EPA-H-07-102 IDENTIFICATION OF ON-SITE CONTRACTOR EMPLOYEES

All Contractor, subcontractor, and consultant personnel shall wear prominently displayed identification badges at all times when performing work on EPA property or attending meetings in the performance of this contract. The badge shall contain the individual's name, the company name and logo. When participating in such meetings (e.g., as a speaker, panel member), those individuals in Contractor employ must supplement physical identification (e.g., badges, place markers) with verbal announcements so that it is clear to the assembled group that they are employees of the Contractor, not Agency staff members. In addition, when working on EPA property, all contractor, subcontractor, and consultant personnel shall have signs visible on their desks or at their work sites that clearly state that they are not EPA employees.

# H-6 Local Clauses EPA-H-07-103 NOTICE REGARDING PROHIBITED CONTRACTOR ACTIVITIES ON ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY (EPA CONTRACTS)

The Contractor shall not perform any of the following activities on behalf of EPA in connection with this contract:

- 1. The actual preparation of Congressional testimony.
- 2. The interviewing or hiring of individuals for employment at EPA.
- 3. Developing and/or writing of Position Descriptions and Performance Standards.
- 4. The actual determination of Agency policy.
- 5. Participating as a voting member on a Performance Evaluation Board; participating in and/or attending Award Fee meetings.
- 6. Preparing Award Fee Letters, even under typing services contracts.

- 7. The actual preparation of Award Fee Plans.
- 8. The preparation of documents on EPA Letterhead other than routine administrative correspondence.
- 9. Reviewing vouchers and invoices for the purposes of determining whether costs, hours, and work performed are reasonable.
- 10. The preparation of Statements of Work, Work Assignments, Technical Direction Documents, Delivery Orders, or any other work issuance document under a contract that the contractor is performing or may perform. Such a work issuance document, prepared by an EPA prime contractor under an EPA prime contract for its subcontractor, is exempt from this prohibition.
- 11. The actual preparation of responses to audit reports from the Inspector General, General Accounting Office, or other auditing entities.
- 12. Preparing responses to Congressional correspondence.
- 13. The actual preparation of responses to Freedom of Information Act requests, other than routine, non judgmental correspondence.
- 14. Any contract which authorizes a contractor to represent itself as EPA to outside parties.
- 15. Conducting administrative hearings.
- 16. Reviewing findings concerning the eligibility of EPA employees for security clearances.
- 17. The actual preparation of an office's official budget request.

# H-7 Local Clauses EPA-H-15-101 RELEASE OF COST OR PRICING PROPOSALS OUTSIDE THE GOVERNMENT FOR AUDIT

Cost or pricing proposals submitted in response to this solicitation may be released outside the Government for audit purposes regardless of whether information contained in such proposals has been claimed or determined to be business confidential. If an outside audit is obtained, the non-Government auditor shall use the information only for audit purposes; shall not disclose any information in the proposals to anyone other than authorized EPA employees without the prior written approval of the Assistant General Counsel responsible for information law matters; and shall return all copies of proposals, as well as any abstracts, to the Government upon completion of the audit. The non-Government auditor shall obtain a written agreement from each of its employees with access to the proposals to honor these limitations prior to allowing the employee access.

#### H-8 Local Clauses EPA-H-23-101 ENVIRONMENTALLY PREFERABLE PRACTICES

The contractor shall, to the greatest extent practicable, utilize environmentally preferable practices in its course of business. "Environmentally preferable" is defined as products or services that have a lesser or reduced effect on human health and the environment when compared with competing products or services that serve the same purpose. This comparison may consider raw materials acquisition, production, manufacturing, packaging, distribution, reuse, operation, maintenance, or disposal of the product or service. Consideration of environmentally preferable practices must be consistent with price, performance, availability, and safety conditions.

#### H-9 Local Clauses EPA-H-27-102 CONFIDENTIALITY OF INFORMATION

Any data that is generated or obtained during contract performance shall be considered confidential, and shall not be disclosed to anyone other than Environmental Protection Agency employees without the prior written approval of the Contracting Officer. Nor shall any such data be used for any other purpose except in connection with this contract. Any data generated or obtained during contract performance shall be delivered to the Government at the request of the Contracting Officer.

H-10 Local Clauses EPA-H-31-104 APPROVAL OF CONTRACTOR TRAVEL

- (a) For purposes of this clause, the term "travel" does not include local transportation. "Local Transportation" is defined as travel within 50 miles from the contractor personnel's assigned work location for performance of the contract that does not involve an overnight stay.
- (b) Any contractor travel which may be directly charged to the contract must be authorized in advance by the Contract-Level COR. This approval shall be separate from the process associated with the approval of work plans. (See paragraph (f) below).
- (c) Travel shall be authorized under this contract only when the travel is required to provide a direct service (including management oversight) or specific product to the Government that is identified in the contract's Statement of Work (and/or any applicable work assignment). The contractor shall identify the need for travel in any work plans submitted and shall clearly identify in an accompanying narrative the relationship of the travel to the direct service required by the Government. Unless/until the Contract-Level COR specifically approves the travel proposed under a work assignment (apart from approval of the remainder of the work assignment- see paragraph (e) below), the contractor shall not perform travel. Travel and associated costs for such travel (lodging, per diem, and incidental expenses) shall be allowable only in accordance with the limitations of FAR 31.205-43 and FAR 31.205-46.
- (d) Travel expenses for Federal employees shall not be an allowable cost under this contract. Travel approval shall not be rendered for any personnel (including for example State or local government officials, academicians, etc.) except for employees of the contractor, or an authorized subcontractor or consultant, who are performing a bona fide function to accomplish the Statement of Work.
- (e) To obtain the approval for travel, the contractor shall submit a separate written request to the Contract-Level COR for each instance of travel for the contractor (including subcontractors/consultants) that is contemplated as a direct charge under the contract. The request shall include (at a minimum) the following information:
- (1) Individual(s) traveling. Identify position and affiliation as a contractor/subcontractor employee or authorized consultant.
- (2) Description of circumstances necessitating the travel. Identify the work assignment(s) that will benefit from the travel and detail the correlation of the travel to the requirements of the Statement of Work.
- (3) Identify the estimated cost and include a cost breakdown. Explain why this is the most cost effective means to fulfill the contract requirements.
- (f) Approval of work plans that include travel as an other direct cost element shall not be construed to mean the travel is approved; i.e., separate approval shall be obtained from the Contract-Level COR.
- (g) While on travel, Contractor personnel shall clearly identify corporate affiliation at the start of any meeting. While attending EPA-sponsored meetings, conferences, symposia, etc. or while on a Government site, Contractor personnel shall wear a badge which identifies the individual as a contractor employee. Contractor personnel are strictly prohibited from acting as an official representative of the Agency at meetings, conferences, symposia, etc.

## H-11 Local Clauses EPA-H-31-105 APPROVAL OF TRAINING

(a) The contractor shall provide and maintain a qualified staff of personnel to meet the requirements of the Statement of Work. The contractor shall provide training to keep its personnel abreast of changes to the science and/or technology associated with the requirements of the contract. In addition, the contractor shall ensure that its personnel receive appropriate safety, health and environmental training in accordance with Federal, state and local requirements prior to assigning any task that require such training. The contractor shall provide documentation of such training upon the request of the Contract-Level COR and/or Contracting Officer.

The Government will not directly reimburse the cost for contractor employees to meet or maintain minimal contract requirements or to obtain and sustain an appropriate level of professionalism. Any direct charges for training will only be considered for reimbursement under this contract by compliance with the procedures set forth in paragraph (b) below.

- (b) There may be occasions when it is determined to be in the best interest of the Government to reimburse the contractor for the direct cost of training associated with a requirement that represents a unique Government need unrecognized at the time of contract award. When such circumstances occur, the contractor shall secure the Contracting Officer's prior written approval by submitting a written request through the Contract-Level COR that includes, at a minimum the following information:
- (1) Individual to be trained shall be identified in applicable orders.
- (2) Description of circumstances necessitating the training. Shall be identified in applicable orders.
- (3) Estimated cost shall be identified in applicable orders.
- (c) The Contracting Officer will provide the contractor with written approval or disapproval of the request. Approval of work plans that include training as an other direct cost element shall not be construed to mean the training is approved; i.e., the contractor shall obtain written approval pursuant to the terms of this clause. Training billed as a direct cost shall be disallowed by the Contracting Officer unless approved pursuant to the terms of this clause.

### H-12 Local Clauses EPA-H-39-101 CONTRACTOR ACCESS TO EPA COMPUTERS

The personnel listed below have been authorized access to EPA computers in the performance of this contract. In the event of changes to this listing through a reassignment, resignation, termination, completion of a task or any other reason making such access unnecessary, the Contractor shall immediately notify the Contracting Officer.

To be determined at time of award

# H-13 Local Clauses EPA-H-39-102 NOTIFICATION OF PERSONNEL REQUIRING ACCESS TO EPA COMPUTERS

As a part of its proposal, the offeror shall include a listing of those personnel who will require access to EPA computers in the performance of the anticipated contract. See the "Access to EPA Computers" clause for additional information regarding computer access.

#### H-14 Local Clauses EPA-H-42-102 UTILIZATION OF FEDCONNECT FOR CONTRACT ADMINISTRATION

EPA will utilize the FedConnect® web portal in administering this contract. The contractor must be registered in FedConnect® and have access to the FedConnect website located at https://www.fedconnect.net/Fedconnect/. For assistance in registering or for other FedConnect® technical questions please call the FedConnect® Help Desk at (800) 899-6665 or email at fcsupport@unisonglobal.com.

End of clause

#### H-15 Local Clauses EPA-H-42-103 TEMPORARY CLOSURE OF EPA FACILITIES

(a)(1) The Environmental Protection Agency observes the following days

as federal holidays. The term 'Federal holidays' as used in this clause

shall mean only the following enumerated days and any other days

hereafter declared National holidays by the President of the United

States. Holidays falling on a Sunday will be observed on the following

Monday. Holidays falling on a Saturday will be observed on the

preceding Friday.

January 1 - New Year's Day

January - Monday - Martin Luther King Day

February - Third Monday - Washington's Birthday

May - Last Monday - Memorial Day

June 19 - Juneteenth National Independence Day (including June 19,

2021)

July 4 - Independence Day

September - First Monday - Labor Day

October - Second Monday - Columbus Day

November 11 - Veterans Day

November - Fourth Thursday - Thanksgiving Day

December 25 - Christmas Day

- (2) Holiday observances of such days by Government personnel shall not be cause for additional period of performance or entitlement to compensation except as set forth in the contract. If the Contractor's personnel work on a holiday, no form of holiday or other premium compensation will be reimbursed either as a direct or indirect cost, unless authorized pursuant to an overtime clause elsewhere in the contract.
- (b)(1) EPA may close an EPA facility for all or a portion of a business day as a result of:
- (i) Granting administrative leave to non-essential EPA employees (e.g., unanticipated holiday);
- (ii) Inclement weather;
- (iii) Failure of Congress to appropriate operational funds;
- (iv) Any other day designated by Federal law, Executive Order or Presidential Proclamation; or
- (v) Other reason as determined by the EPA (e.g., designated furlough day for federal workers).
- (2) In such cases, Contractor personnel not determined by the Contracting Officer to be excepted (e.g., not performing mission-critical round-the-clock services/tasks) who are not already on duty at the facility

- shall not report to the facility. Such Contractor personnel already present shall be dismissed and shall leave the facility.
- (3) The Contractor agrees to continue to provide sufficient personnel to perform round-the-clock requirements of mission-critical services/tasks already in operation or scheduled for performance during the period in which EPA employees are dismissed, and shall be guided by any specific instructions of the Contracting Officer or his/her duly authorized representative. In formulating instructions the Contracting Officer or authorized representative may consider recommendations from regional/local EPA facilities management/operations staff.
- (c) When Contractor personnel services are not required or provided due to closure of an EPA facility as described in paragraph (b), the contract price will be adjusted as follows:
- (1) For fixed-price contracts, deductions in the Contractor's price will be computed as appropriate for the particular firm fixed price contract in question, e.g.,
- (i) The deduction rate in dollars per day will be equal to the per-month contract price divided by 21 days per month. (In this example, the 21-days-per-month figure was calculated as follows:
- 365 calendar days/year 11 Federal holidays 104 Saturdays/Sundays = 251 days/12 months
- = 20.83 days/month, rounded up to 21 days/month)
- (ii) The deduction rate in dollars per day will be multiplied by the number of days services are not required or provided. If services are provided for portions of days, appropriate adjustment will be made by the Contracting Officer to ensure that the Contractor is compensated for services provided.
- (2) For cost-reimbursement, time-and-materials and labor-hour type contracts, EPA shall not reimburse, as direct costs, salaries or wages of Contractor personnel for the period during which such personnel are

dismissed from, or do not have access to, the facility.

(d) The Contractor shall place identical requirements, including this paragraph, in all subcontracts that require performance of work on-site unless otherwise instructed by the Contracting Officer.

# H-16 Local Clauses EPA-H-44-101 TEAM SUBCONTRACTOR AGREEMENTS

The contractor shall provide, within five (5) calendar days of award notice, one copy of each proposed team subcontract agreement, when applicable, to the Contracting Officer. A copy of the executed team subcontract and any subsequent modifications shall also be provided to the Contracting Officer within 10 days of execution.

### **SECTION I - Contract Clauses**

I-1 FAR 52.203-5 COVENANT AGAINST CONTINGENT FEES. (MAY 2014)

I-2 FAR 52.203-6 RESTRICTIONS ON SUBCONTRACTOR SALES TO THE GOVERNMENT. (JUN 2020) - ALTERNATE I (NOV 2021)

I-3 FAR 52.203-7 ANTI-KICKBACK PROCEDURES. (JUN 2020)

I-4 FAR 52.203-17 CONTRACTOR EMPLOYEE WHISTLEBLOWER RIGHTS AND REQUIREMENT TO INFORM EMPLOYEES OF WHISTLEBLOWER RIGHTS. (JUN 2020)

I-5 FAR 52.204-4 PRINTED OR COPIED DOUBLE-SIDED ON POSTCONSUMER FIBER CONTENT PAPER. (MAY 2011)

(a) Definitions. As used in this clause -

Postconsumer fiber means-(1) Paper, paperboard, and fibrous materials from retail stores, office buildings, homes, and so forth, after they have passed through their end-usage as a consumer item, including: used corrugated boxes; old newspapers; old magazines; mixed waste paper; tabulating cards; and used cordage; or

- (2) All paper, paperboard, and fibrous materials that enter and are collected from municipal solid waste; but not
- (3) Fiber derived from printers' over-runs, converters' scrap, and over-issue publications.
- (b) The Contractor is required to submit paper documents, such as offers, letters, or reports that are printed or copied double-sided on paper containing at least 30 percent postconsumer fiber, whenever practicable, when not using electronic commerce methods to submit information or data to the Government.

(End of clause)

#### I-6 FAR 52.204-9 PERSONAL IDENTITY VERIFICATION OF CONTRACTOR PERSONNEL. (JAN 2011)

- (a) The Contractor shall comply with agency personal identity verification procedures identified in the contract that implement Homeland Security Presidential Directive-12 (HSPD-12), Office of Management and Budget (OMB) guidance M-05-24, and Federal Information Processing Standards Publication (FIPS PUB) Number 201.
- (b) The Contractor shall account for all forms of Government-provided identification issued to the Contractor employees in connection with performance under this contract. The Contractor shall return such identification to the issuing agency at the earliest of any of the following, unless otherwise determined by the Government:
  - (1) When no longer needed for contract performance.
  - (2) Upon completion of the Contractor employee's employment.
  - (3) Upon contract completion or termination.
- (c) The Contracting Officer may delay final payment under a contract if the Contractor fails to comply with these requirements.
- (d) The Contractor shall insert the substance of this clause, including this paragraph (d), in all subcontracts when the subcontractor's employees are required to have routine physical access to a Federally-controlled facility and/or routine access to a Federally-controlled information system. It shall be the responsibility of the prime Contractor to return such identification to the issuing agency in accordance with the terms set forth in paragraph (b) of this section, unless otherwise approved in writing by the Contracting Officer.

(End of clause)

I-7 FAR 52.204-13 SYSTEM FOR AWARD MANAGEMENT MAINTENANCE. (OCT 2018)

I-8 FAR 52.204-19 INCORPORATION BY REFERENCE OF REPRESENTATIONS AND CERTIFICATIONS. (DEC 2014)

I-9 FAR 52.212-4 CONTRACT TERMS AND CONDITIONS - COMMERCIAL PRODUCTS AND COMMERCIAL SERVICES. (NOV 2021)

- (a) Inspection/Acceptance. The Contractor shall only tender for acceptance those items that conform to the requirements of this contract. The Government reserves the right to inspect or test any supplies or services that have been tendered for acceptance. The Government may require repair or replacement of nonconforming supplies or reperformance of nonconforming services at no increase in contract price. If repair/replacement or reperformance will not correct the defects or is not possible, the Government may seek an equitable price reduction or adequate consideration for acceptance of nonconforming supplies or services. The Government must exercise its postacceptance rights (1) within a reasonable time after the defect was discovered or should have been discovered; and (2) before any substantial change occurs in the condition of the item, unless the change is due to the defect in the item.
- (b) Assignment. The Contractor or its assignee may assign its rights to receive payment due as a result of performance of this contract to a bank, trust company, or other financing institution, including any Federal lending agency in accordance with the Assignment of Claims Act (31 U.S.C. 3727). However, when a third party makes payment (e.g., use of the Governmentwide commercial purchase card), the Contractor may not assign its rights to receive payment under this contract.
- (c) *Changes*. Changes in the terms and conditions of this contract may be made only by written agreement of the parties.
- (d) *Disputes*. This contract is subject to 41 U.S.C. chapter 71, Contract Disputes. Failure of the parties to this contract to reach agreement on any request for equitable adjustment, claim, appeal or action arising under or relating to this contract shall be a dispute to be resolved in accordance with the clause at Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) 52.233-1, Disputes, which is incorporated herein by reference. The Contractor shall proceed diligently with performance of this contract, pending final resolution of any dispute arising under the contract.
- (e) Definitions. The clause at FAR 52.202-1, Definitions, is incorporated herein by reference.
- (f) Excusable delays. The Contractor shall be liable for default unless nonperformance is caused by an occurrence beyond the reasonable control of the Contractor and without its fault or negligence such as, acts of God or the public enemy, acts of the Government in either its sovereign or contractual capacity, fires, floods, epidemics, quarantine restrictions, strikes, unusually severe weather, and delays of common carriers. The Contractor shall notify the Contracting Officer in writing as soon as it is reasonably possible after the commencement of any excusable delay, setting forth the full particulars in connection therewith, shall remedy such occurrence with all reasonable dispatch, and shall promptly give written notice to the Contracting Officer of the cessation of such occurrence.
- (g) *Invoice*. (1) The Contractor shall submit an original invoice and three copies (or electronic invoice, if authorized) to the address designated in the contract to receive invoices. An invoice must include-
  - (i) Name and address of the Contractor;
  - (ii) Invoice date and number;
  - (iii) Contract number, line item number and, if applicable, the order number;
  - (iv) Description, quantity, unit of measure, unit price and extended price of the items delivered;

- (v) Shipping number and date of shipment, including the bill of lading number and weight of shipment if shipped on Government bill of lading;
- (vi) Terms of any discount for prompt payment offered;
- (vii) Name and address of official to whom payment is to be sent;
- (viii) Name, title, and phone number of person to notify in event of defective invoice; and
- (ix) Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN). The Contractor shall include its TIN on the invoice only if required elsewhere in this contract.
- (x) Electronic funds transfer (EFT) banking information.
  - (A) The Contractor shall include EFT banking information on the invoice only if required elsewhere in this contract.
  - (B) If EFT banking information is not required to be on the invoice, in order for the invoice to be a proper invoice, the Contractor shall have submitted correct EFT banking information in accordance with the applicable solicitation provision, contract clause (e.g., 52.232-33, Payment by Electronic Funds Transfer-System for Award Management, or 52.232-34, Payment by Electronic Funds Transfer-Other Than System for Award Management), or applicable agency procedures.
  - (C) EFT banking information is not required if the Government waived the requirement to pay by EFT.
- (2) Invoices will be handled in accordance with the Prompt Payment Act (31 U.S.C. 3903) and Office of Management and Budget (OMB) prompt payment regulations at 5 CFR part 1315.
- (h) Patent indemnity. The Contractor shall indemnify the Government and its officers, employees and agents against liability, including costs, for actual or alleged direct or contributory infringement of, or inducement to infringe, any United States or foreign patent, trademark or copyright, arising out of the performance of this contract, provided the Contractor is reasonably notified of such claims and proceedings.
- (i) Payment- (1) Items accepted. Payment shall be made for items accepted by the Government that have been delivered to the delivery destinations set forth in this contract.
  - (2) *Prompt payment*. The Government will make payment in accordance with the Prompt Payment Act (31 U.S.C. 3903) and prompt payment regulations at 5 CFR part 1315.
  - (3) *Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT)*. If the Government makes payment by EFT, see 52.212-5(b) for the appropriate EFT clause.
  - (4) *Discount*. In connection with any discount offered for early payment, time shall be computed from the date of the invoice. For the purpose of computing the discount earned, payment shall be considered to have been made on the date which appears on the payment check or the specified payment date if an electronic funds transfer payment is made.
  - (5) *Overpayments*. If the Contractor becomes aware of a duplicate contract financing or invoice payment or that the Government has otherwise overpaid on a contract financing or invoice payment, the Contractor shall-
    - (i) Remit the overpayment amount to the payment office cited in the contract along with a description of the overpayment including the-

- (A) Circumstances of the overpayment (*e.g.*, duplicate payment, erroneous payment, liquidation errors, date(s) of overpayment);
- (B) Affected contract number and delivery order number, if applicable;
- (C) Affected line item or subline item, if applicable; and
- (D) Contractor point of contact.
- (ii) Provide a copy of the remittance and supporting documentation to the Contracting Officer.
- (6) *Interest*. (i) All amounts that become payable by the Contractor to the Government under this contract shall bear simple interest from the date due until paid unless paid within 30 days of becoming due. The interest rate shall be the interest rate established by the Secretary of the Treasury as provided in 41 U.S.C. 7109, which is applicable to the period in which the amount becomes due, as provided in (i)(6)(v) of this clause, and then at the rate applicable for each sixmonth period as fixed by the Secretary until the amount is paid.
  - (ii) The Government may issue a demand for payment to the Contractor upon finding a debt is due under the contract.
  - (iii) Final decisions. The Contracting Officer will issue a final decision as required by 33.211 if-
    - (A) The Contracting Officer and the Contractor are unable to reach agreement on the existence or amount of a debt within 30 days;
    - (B) The Contractor fails to liquidate a debt previously demanded by the Contracting Officer within the timeline specified in the demand for payment unless the amounts were not repaid because the Contractor has requested an installment payment agreement; or
    - (C) The Contractor requests a deferment of collection on a debt previously demanded by the Contracting Officer (see 32.607-2).
  - (iv) If a demand for payment was previously issued for the debt, the demand for payment included in the final decision shall identify the same due date as the original demand for payment.
  - (v) Amounts shall be due at the earliest of the following dates:
    - (A) The date fixed under this contract.
    - (B) The date of the first written demand for payment, including any demand for payment resulting from a default termination.
  - (vi) The interest charge shall be computed for the actual number of calendar days involved beginning on the due date and ending on-
    - (A) The date on which the designated office receives payment from the Contractor;
    - (B) The date of issuance of a Government check to the Contractor from which an amount otherwise payable has been withheld as a credit against the contract debt; or

- (C) The date on which an amount withheld and applied to the contract debt would otherwise have become payable to the Contractor.
- (vii) The interest charge made under this clause may be reduced under the procedures prescribed in FAR 32.608-2 in effect on the date of this contract.
- (j) *Risk of loss*. Unless the contract specifically provides otherwise, risk of loss or damage to the supplies provided under this contract shall remain with the Contractor until, and shall pass to the Government upon:
  - (1) Delivery of the supplies to a carrier, if transportation is f.o.b. origin; or
  - (2) Delivery of the supplies to the Government at the destination specified in the contract, if transportation is f.o.b. destination.
- (k) Taxes. The contract price includes all applicable Federal, State, and local taxes and duties.
- (l) Termination for the Government's convenience. The Government reserves the right to terminate this contract, or any part hereof, for its sole convenience. In the event of such termination, the Contractor shall immediately stop all work hereunder and shall immediately cause any and all of its suppliers and subcontractors to cease work. Subject to the terms of this contract, the Contractor shall be paid a percentage of the contract price reflecting the percentage of the work performed prior to the notice of termination, plus reasonable charges the Contractor can demonstrate to the satisfaction of the Government using its standard record keeping system, have resulted from the termination. The Contractor shall not be required to comply with the cost accounting standards or contract cost principles for this purpose. This paragraph does not give the Government any right to audit the Contractor's records. The Contractor shall not be paid for any work performed or costs incurred which reasonably could have been avoided.
- (m) *Termination for cause*. The Government may terminate this contract, or any part hereof, for cause in the event of any default by the Contractor, or if the Contractor fails to comply with any contract terms and conditions, or fails to provide the Government, upon request, with adequate assurances of future performance. In the event of termination for cause, the Government shall not be liable to the Contractor for any amount for supplies or services not accepted, and the Contractor shall be liable to the Government for any and all rights and remedies provided by law. If it is determined that the Government improperly terminated this contract for default, such termination shall be deemed a termination for convenience.
- (n) *Title*. Unless specified elsewhere in this contract, title to items furnished under this contract shall pass to the Government upon acceptance, regardless of when or where the Government takes physical possession.
- (o) *Warranty*. The Contractor warrants and implies that the items delivered hereunder are merchantable and fit for use for the particular purpose described in this contract.
- (p) *Limitation of liability*. Except as otherwise provided by an express warranty, the Contractor will not be liable to the Government for consequential damages resulting from any defect or deficiencies in accepted items.
- (q) *Other compliances*. The Contractor shall comply with all applicable Federal, State and local laws, executive orders, rules and regulations applicable to its performance under this contract.
- (r) Compliance with laws unique to Government contracts. The Contractor agrees to comply with 31 U.S.C. 1352 relating to limitations on the use of appropriated funds to influence certain Federal contracts; 18 U.S.C. 431 relating to officials not to benefit; 40 U.S.C. chapter 37, Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards; 41 U.S.C. chapter 87, Kickbacks; 41 U.S.C. 4712 and 10 U.S.C. 2409 relating to whistleblower protections; 49 U.S.C. 40118, Fly American; and 41 U.S.C. chapter 21 relating to procurement integrity.
- (s) *Order of precedence*. Any inconsistencies in this solicitation or contract shall be resolved by giving precedence in the following order: (1) the schedule of supplies/services; (2) The Assignments, Disputes, Payments, Invoice, Other Compliances, Compliance with Laws Unique to Government Contracts, and Unauthorized Obligations paragraphs of this clause; (3) the clause at 52.212-5; (4) addenda to this

solicitation or contract, including any license agreements for computer software; (5) solicitation provisions if this is a solicitation; (6) other paragraphs of this clause; (7) the Standard Form 1449; (8) other documents, exhibits, and attachments; and (9) the specification.

- (t) Removed and reserved.
- (u) *Unauthorized Obligations*. (1) Except as stated in paragraph (u)(2) of this clause, when any supply or service acquired under this contract is subject to any End User License Agreement (EULA), Terms of Service (TOS), or similar legal instrument or agreement, that includes any clause requiring the Government to indemnify the Contractor or any person or entity for damages, costs, fees, or any other loss or liability that would create an Anti-Deficiency Act violation (31 U.S.C. 1341), the following shall govern:
  - (i) Any such clause is unenforceable against the Government.
  - (ii) Neither the Government nor any Government authorized end user shall be deemed to have agreed to such clause by virtue of it appearing in the EULA, TOS, or similar legal instrument or agreement. If the EULA, TOS, or similar legal instrument or agreement is invoked through an "I agree" click box or other comparable mechanism (e.g., "clickwrap" or "browse-wrap" agreements), execution does not bind the Government or any Government authorized end user to such clause.
  - (iii) Any such clause is deemed to be stricken from the EULA, TOS, or similar legal instrument or agreement.
  - (2) Paragraph (u)(1) of this clause does not apply to indemnification by the Government that is expressly authorized by statute and specifically authorized under applicable agency regulations and procedures.
- (v) Incorporation by reference. The Contractor's representations and certifications, including those completed electronically via the System for Award Management (SAM), are incorporated by reference into the contract.

(End of clause)

# I-10 FAR 52.212-5 CONTRACT TERMS AND CONDITIONS REQUIRED TO IMPLEMENT STATUTES OR EXECUTIVE ORDERS - COMMERCIAL PRODUCTS AND COMMERCIAL SERVICES. (MAY 2022)

- (a) The Contractor shall comply with the following Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) clauses, which are incorporated in this contract by reference, to implement provisions of law or Executive orders applicable to acquisitions of commercial products and commercial services:
  - (1) 52.203-19, Prohibition on Requiring Certain Internal Confidentiality Agreements or Statements (JAN 2017) (section 743 of Division E, Title VII, of the Consolidated and Further Continuing Appropriations Act, 2015 (Pub. L. 113-235) and its successor provisions in subsequent appropriations acts (and as extended in continuing resolutions)).
  - (2) 52.204-23, Prohibition on Contracting for Hardware, Software, and Services Developed or Provided by Kaspersky Lab and Other Covered Entities (NOV 2021) (Section 1634 of Pub. L. 115-91).
  - (3) 52.204-25, Prohibition on Contracting for Certain Telecommunications and Video Surveillance Services or Equipment. (NOV 2021) (Section 889(a)(1)(A) of Pub. L. 115-232).
  - (4) 52.209-10, Prohibition on Contracting with Inverted Domestic Corporations (NOV 2015).
  - (5) 52.233-3, Protest After Award (AUG 1996) (31 U.S.C. 3553).

- (6) 52.233-4, Applicable Law for Breach of Contract Claim (OCT 2004) (Public Laws 108-77 and 108-78 (19 U.S.C. 3805 note)).
- (b) The Contractor shall comply with the FAR clauses in this paragraph (b) that the Contracting Officer has indicated as being incorporated in this contract by reference to implement provisions of law or Executive orders applicable to acquisitions of commercial products and commercial services: (Contracting Officer check as appropriate.)
  - [X] (1) 52.203-6, Restrictions on Subcontractor Sales to the Government (JUN 2020), with *Alternate I* (NOV 2021) (41 U.S.C. 4704 and 10 U.S.C. 2402).
  - [X] (2) 52.203-13, Contractor Code of Business Ethics and Conduct (NOV 2021) (41 U.S.C. 3509).
  - [] (3) 52.203-15, Whistleblower Protections under the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (JUN 2010) (Section 1553 of Pub. L. 111-5). (Applies to contracts funded by the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009.)
  - [X] (4) 52.204-10, Reporting Executive Compensation and First-Tier Subcontract Awards (JUN 2020) (Pub. L. 109-282) (31 U.S.C. 6101 note).
    - (5) (Reserved)
  - [] (6) 52.204-14, Service Contract Reporting Requirements (OCT 2016) (Pub. L. 111-117, section 743 of Div. C).
  - [X] (7) 52.204-15, Service Contract Reporting Requirements for Indefinite-Delivery Contracts (OCT 2016) (Pub. L. 111-117, section 743 of Div. C).
  - [X] (8) 52.209-6, Protecting the Government's Interest When Subcontracting with Contractors Debarred, Suspended, or Proposed for Debarment. (NOV 2021) (31 U.S.C. 6101 note).
  - [X] (9) 52.209-9, Updates of Publicly Available Information Regarding Responsibility Matters (OCT 2018) (41 U.S.C. 2313).
  - [](10)(Reserved)
  - [] (11) 52.219-3, Notice of HUBZone Set-Aside or Sole Source Award (SEP 2021) (15 U.S.C. 657a).
  - [] (12) 52.219-4, Notice of Price Evaluation Preference for HUBZone Small Business Concerns (SEP 2021) (if the offeror elects to waive the preference, it shall so indicate in its offer) (15 U.S.C. 657a).
  - [](13)(Reserved)
  - [X] (14)(i) 52.219-6, Notice of Total Small Business Set-Aside (NOV 2020) (15 U.S.C. 644).
    - [] (ii) Alternate I (MAR 2020) of 52.219-6.
  - [] (15)(i) 52.219-7, Notice of Partial Small Business Set-Aside (NOV 2020) (15 U.S.C. 644).
    - [] (ii) Alternate I (MAR 2020) of 52.219-7.
  - [] (16) 52.219-8, Utilization of Small Business Concerns (OCT 2018) (15 U.S.C. 637(d)(2) and (3)).
  - [] (17)(i) 52.219-9, Small Business Subcontracting Plan (NOV 2021) (15 U.S.C. 637(d)(4)).

- [] (ii) Alternate I (NOV 2016) of 52.219-9.
- [] (iii) Alternate II (NOV 2016) of 52.219-9.
- [] (iv) Alternate III (JUN 2020) of 52.219-9.
- [] (v) Alternate IV (SEP 2021) of 52.219-9.
- [] (18)(i) 52.219-13, Notice of Set-Aside of Orders (MAR 2020) (15 U.S.C. 644(r)).
  - [] (ii) Alternate I (MAR 2020) of 52.219-13.
- [X] (19) 52.219-14, Limitations on Subcontracting (SEP 2021) (15 U.S.C. 657s).
- [] (20) 52.219-16, Liquidated Damages-Subcontracting Plan (SEP 2021) (15 U.S.C. 637(d)(4)(F)(i)).
- [] (21) 52.219-27, Notice of Service-Disabled Veteran-Owned Small Business Set-Aside (SEP 2021) (15 U.S.C. 657f).
- [X] (22)(i) 52.219-28, Post-Award Small Business Program Rerepresentation (SEP 2021) (15 U.S.C. 632(a)(2)).
  - [] (ii) Alternate I (MAR 2020) of 52.219-28.
- [] (23) 52.219-29, Notice of Set-Aside for, or Sole Source Award to, Economically Disadvantaged Women-Owned Small Business (EDWOSB) Concerns (SEP 2021) (15 U.S.C. 637(m)).
- [] (24) 52.219-30, Notice of Set-Aside for, or Sole Source Award to, Women-Owned Small Business Concerns Eligible Under the Women-Owned Small Business Program (SEP 2021) (15 U.S.C. 637(m)).
- [X] (25) 52.219-32, Orders Issued Directly Under Small Business Reserves (MAR 2020) (15 U.S.C. 644(r)).
- [X] (26) 52.219-33, Nonmanufacturer Rule (SEP 2021) (15 U.S.C. 657s).
- [X] (27) 52.222-3, Convict Labor (JUN 2003) (E.O. 11755).
- [X] (28) 52.222-19, Child Labor-Cooperation with Authorities and Remedies (JAN 2022) (E.O. 13126).
- [X] (29) 52.222-21, Prohibition of Segregated Facilities (APR 2015).
- [X] (30)(i) 52.222-26, Equal Opportunity (SEP 2016) (E.O. 11246).
  - [] (ii) Alternate I (FEB 1999) of 52.222-26.
- [X] (31)(i) 52.222-35, Equal Opportunity for Veterans (JUN 2020) (38 U.S.C. 4212).
  - [] (ii) Alternate I (JUL 2014) of 52.222-35.
- [X] (32)(i) 52.222-36, Equal Opportunity for Workers with Disabilities (JUN 2020) (29 U.S.C. 793).
  - [] (ii) Alternate I (JUL 2014) of 52.222-36.
- [X] (33) 52.222-37, Employment Reports on Veterans (JUN 2020) (38 U.S.C. 4212).

- [X] (34) 52.222-40, Notification of Employee Rights Under the National Labor Relations Act (DEC 2010) (E.O. 13496).
- [] (35)(i) 52.222-50, Combating Trafficking in Persons (NOV 2021) (22 U.S.C. chapter 78 and E.O. 13627).
  - [] (ii) Alternate I (MAR 2015) of 52.222-50 (22 U.S.C. chapter 78 and E.O. 13627).
- [] (36) 52.222-54, Employment Eligibility Verification (MAY 2022). (E. O. 12989). (Not applicable to the acquisition of commercially available off-the-shelf items or certain other types of commercial products or commercial services as prescribed in FAR 22.1803.)
- [] (37)(i) 52.223-9, Estimate of Percentage of Recovered Material Content for EPA-Designated Items (MAY 2008) (42 U.S.C. 6962(c)(3)(A)(ii)). (Not applicable to the acquisition of commercially available off-the-shelf items.)
  - [] (ii) Alternate I (MAY 2008) of 52.223-9 (42 U.S.C. 6962(i)(2)(C)). (Not applicable to the acquisition of commercially available off-the-shelf items.)
- [] (38) 52.223-11, Ozone-Depleting Substances and High Global Warming Potential Hydrofluorocarbons (JUN 2016) (E.O. 13693).
- [] (39) 52.223-12, Maintenance, Service, Repair, or Disposal of Refrigeration Equipment and Air Conditioners (JUN 2016) (E.O. 13693).
- [] (40)(i) 52.223-13, Acquisition of EPEAT®-Registered Imaging Equipment (JUN 2014) (E.O.s 13423 and 13514).
  - [] (ii) Alternate I (OCT 2015) of 52.223-13.
- [] (41)(i) 52.223-14, Acquisition of EPEAT®-Registered Televisions (JUN 2014) (E.O.s 13423 and 13514).
  - (ii) Alternate I (JUN 2014) of 52.223-14.
- [X] (42) 52.223-15, Energy Efficiency in Energy-Consuming Products (MAY 2020) (42 U.S.C. 8259b).
- [] (43)(i) 52.223-16, Acquisition of EPEAT®-Registered Personal Computer Products (OCT 2015) (E.O.s 13423 and 13514).
  - [] (ii) Alternate I (JUN 2014) of 52.223-16.
- [X] (44) 52.223-18, Encouraging Contractor Policies to Ban Text Messaging While Driving (JUN 2020) (E.O. 13513).
- [] (45) 52.223-20, Aerosols (JUN 2016) (E.O. 13693).
- [X] (46) 52.223-21, Foams (JUN 2016) (E.O. 13693).
- [] (47)(i) 52.224-3, Privacy Training (JAN 2017) (5 U.S.C. 552a).
  - [] (ii) Alternate I (JAN 2017) of 52.224-3.
- [] (48) 52.225-1, Buy American-Supplies (NOV 2021) (41 U.S.C. chapter 83).
- [X] (49)(i) 52.225-3, Buy American-Free Trade Agreements-Israeli Trade Act (NOV 2021) (41 U.S.C. chapter 83, 19 U.S.C. 3301 note, 19 U.S.C. 2112 note, 19 U.S.C. 3805 note, 19 U.S.C.

- 4001 note, Pub. L. 103-182, 108-77, 108-78, 108-286, 108-302, 109-53, 109-169, 109-283, 110-138, 112-41, 112-42, and 112-43.
  - [] (ii) Alternate I (JAN 2021) of 52.225-3.
  - [] (iii) Alternate II (JAN 2021) of 52.225-3.
  - [] (iv) Alternate III (JAN 2021) of 52.225-3.
- [] (50) 52.225-5, Trade Agreements (OCT 2019) (19 U.S.C. 2501, et seq., 19 U.S.C. 3301 note).
- [] (51) 52.225-13, Restrictions on Certain Foreign Purchases (FEB 2021) (E.O.'s, proclamations, and statutes administered by the Office of Foreign Assets Control of the Department of the Treasury).
- [] (52) 52.225-26, Contractors Performing Private Security Functions Outside the United States (OCT 2016) (Section 862, as amended, of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2008; 10 U.S.C. 2302 Note).
- [] (53) 52.226-4, Notice of Disaster or Emergency Area Set-Aside (NOV 2007) (42 U.S.C. 5150).
- [] (54) 52.226-5, Restrictions on Subcontracting Outside Disaster or Emergency Area (NOV 2007) (42 U.S.C. 5150).
- [X] (55) 52.229-12, Tax on Certain Foreign Procurements (FEB 2021).
- [] (56) 52.232-29, Terms for Financing of Purchases of Commercial Products and Commercial Services (NOV 2021) (41 U.S.C. 4505, 10 U.S.C. 2307(f)).
- [] (57) 52.232-30, Installment Payments for Commercial Products and Commercial Services (NOV 2021) (41 U.S.C. 4505, 10 U.S.C. 2307(f)).
- [] (58) 52.232-33, Payment by Electronic Funds Transfer-System for Award Management (OCT 2018) (31 U.S.C. 3332).
- [] (59) 52.232-34, Payment by Electronic Funds Transfer Other than System for Award Management (JUL 2013) (31 U.S.C. 3332).
- [] (60) 52.232-36, Payment by Third Party (MAY 2014) (31 U.S.C. 3332).
- [] (61) 52.239-1, Privacy or Security Safeguards (AUG 1996) (5 U.S.C. 552a).
- [] (62) 52.242-5, Payments to Small Business Subcontractors (JAN 2017)(15 U.S.C. 637(d)(13)).
- [] (63)(i) 52.247-64, Preference for Privately Owned U.S.-Flag Commercial Vessels (NOV 2021) (46 U.S.C. 55305 and 10 U.S.C. 2631).
  - [] (ii) Alternate I (APR 2003) of 52.247-64.
  - [] (iii) Alternate II (NOV 2021) of 52.247-64.
- (c) The Contractor shall comply with the FAR clauses in this paragraph (c), applicable to commercial services, that the Contracting Officer has indicated as being incorporated in this contract by reference to implement provisions of law or Executive orders applicable to acquisitions of commercial products and commercial services: (Contracting Officer check as appropriate.)
  - [](1) 52.222-41, Service Contract Labor Standards (AUG 2018) (41 U.S.C. chapter 67).

- [X] (2) 52.222-42, Statement of Equivalent Rates for Federal Hires (MAY 2014) (29 U.S.C. 206 and 41 U.S.C. chapter 67).
- [X] (3) 52.222-43, Fair Labor Standards Act and Service Contract Labor Standards-Price Adjustment (Multiple Year and Option Contracts) (AUG 2018) (29 U.S.C. 206 and 41 U.S.C. chapter 67).
- [X] (4) 52.222-44, Fair Labor Standards Act and Service Contract Labor Standards-Price Adjustment (MAY 2014) (29 U.S.C 206 and 41 U.S.C. chapter 67).
- [] (5) 52.222-51, Exemption from Application of the Service Contract Labor Standards to Contracts for Maintenance, Calibration, or Repair of Certain Equipment-Requirements (MAY 2014) (41 U.S.C. chapter 67).
- [] (6) 52.222-53, Exemption from Application of the Service Contract Labor Standards to Contracts for Certain Services-Requirements (MAY 2014) (41 U.S.C. chapter 67).
- [] (7) 52.222-55, Minimum Wages for Contractor Workers Under Executive Order 14026 (JAN 2022).
- [] (8) 52.222-62, Paid Sick Leave Under Executive Order 13706 (JAN 2022) (E.O. 13706).
- [] (9) 52.226-6, Promoting Excess Food Donation to Nonprofit Organizations (JUN 2020) (42 U.S.C. 1792).
- (d) Comptroller General Examination of Record. The Contractor shall comply with the provisions of this paragraph (d) if this contract was awarded using other than sealed bid, is in excess of the simplified acquisition threshold, as defined in FAR 2.101, on the date of award of this contract, and does not contain the clause at 52.215-2, Audit and Records Negotiation.
  - (1) The Comptroller General of the United States, or an authorized representative of the Comptroller General, shall have access to and right to examine any of the Contractor's directly pertinent records involving transactions related to this contract.
  - (2) The Contractor shall make available at its offices at all reasonable times the records, materials, and other evidence for examination, audit, or reproduction, until 3 years after final payment under this contract or for any shorter period specified in FAR Subpart 4.7, Contractor Records Retention, of the other clauses of this contract. If this contract is completely or partially terminated, the records relating to the work terminated shall be made available for 3 years after any resulting final termination settlement. Records relating to appeals under the disputes clause or to litigation or the settlement of claims arising under or relating to this contract shall be made available until such appeals, litigation, or claims are finally resolved.
  - (3) As used in this clause, records include books, documents, accounting procedures and practices, and other data, regardless of type and regardless of form. This does not require the Contractor to create or maintain any record that the Contractor does not maintain in the ordinary course of business or pursuant to a provision of law.
- (e)(1) Notwithstanding the requirements of the clauses in paragraphs (a), (b), (c), and (d) of this clause, the Contractor is not required to flow down any FAR clause, other than those in this paragraph (e)(1) of this paragraph in a subcontract for commercial products or commercial services. Unless otherwise indicated below, the extent of the flow down shall be as required by the clause-
  - (i) 52.203-13, Contractor Code of Business Ethics and Conduct (NOV 2021) (41 U.S.C. 3509).
  - (ii) 52.203-19, Prohibition on Requiring Certain Internal Confidentiality Agreements or Statements (JAN 2017) (section 743 of Division E, Title VII, of the Consolidated and

- Further Continuing Appropriations Act, 2015 (Pub. L. 113-235) and its successor provisions in subsequent appropriations acts (and as extended in continuing resolutions)).
- (iii) 52.204-23, Prohibition on Contracting for Hardware, Software, and Services Developed or Provided by Kaspersky Lab and Other Covered Entities (NOV 2021) (Section 1634 of Pub. L. 115-91).
- (iv) 52.204-25, Prohibition on Contracting for Certain Telecommunications and Video Surveillance Services or Equipment. (NOV 2021) (Section 889(a)(1)(A) of Pub. L. 115-232).
- (v) 52.219-8, Utilization of Small Business Concerns (OCT 2018) (15 U.S.C. 637(d)(2) and (3)), in all subcontracts that offer further subcontracting opportunities. If the subcontract (except subcontracts to small business concerns) exceeds the applicable threshold specified in FAR 19.702(a) on the date of subcontract award, the subcontractor must include 52.219-8 in lower tier subcontracts that offer subcontracting opportunities.
- (vi) 52.222-21, Prohibition of Segregated Facilities (APR 2015).
- (vii) 52.222-26, Equal Opportunity (SEP 2016) (E.O. 11246).
- (viii) 52.222-35, Equal Opportunity for Veterans (JUN 2020) (38 U.S.C. 4212).
- (ix) 52.222-36, Equal Opportunity for Workers with Disabilities (JUN 2020) (29 U.S.C. 793).
- (x) 52.222-37, Employment Reports on Veterans (JUN 2020) (38 U.S.C. 4212).
- (xi) 52.222-40, Notification of Employee Rights Under the National Labor Relations Act (DEC 2010) (E.O. 13496). Flow down required in accordance with paragraph (f) of FAR clause 52.222-40.
- (xii) 52.222-41, Service Contract Labor Standards (AUG 2018) (41 U.S.C. chapter 67).
- (xiii) [X] (A) 52.222-50, Combating Trafficking in Persons (NOV 2021) (22 U.S.C. chapter 78 and E.O. 13627).
  - [] (B) Alternate I (MAR 2015) of 52.222-50 (22 U.S.C. chapter 78 and E.O. 13627).
- (xiv) 52.222-51, Exemption from Application of the Service Contract Labor Standards to Contracts for Maintenance, Calibration, or Repair of Certain Equipment-Requirements (MAY 2014) (41 U.S.C. chapter 67).
- (xv) 52.222-53, Exemption from Application of the Service Contract Labor Standards to Contracts for Certain Services-Requirements (MAY 2014) (41 U.S.C. chapter 67).
- (xvi) 52.222-54, Employment Eligibility Verification (MAY 2022) (E. O. 12989).
- (xvii) 52.222-55, Minimum Wages for Contractor Workers Under Executive Order 14026 (JAN 2022).
- (xviii) 52.222-62 Paid Sick Leave Under Executive Order 13706 (JAN 2022) (E.O. 13706).
- (xix)(A) 52.224-3, Privacy Training (JAN 2017) (5 U.S.C. 552a).
  - (B) Alternate I (JAN 2017) of 52.224-3.

- (xx) 52.225-26, Contractors Performing Private Security Functions Outside the United States (OCT 2016) (Section 862, as amended, of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2008; 10 U.S.C. 2302 Note).
- (xxi) 52.226-6, Promoting Excess Food Donation to Nonprofit Organizations (JUN 2020) (42 U.S.C. 1792). Flow down required in accordance with paragraph (e) of FAR clause 52.226-6.
- (xxii) 52.247-64, Preference for Privately Owned U.S.-Flag Commercial Vessels (NOV 2021) (46 U.S.C. 55305 and 10 U.S.C. 2631). Flow down required in accordance with paragraph (d) of FAR clause 52.247-64.
- (2) While not required, the Contractor may include in its subcontracts for commercial products and commercial services a minimal number of additional clauses necessary to satisfy its contractual obligations.

#### I-11 FAR 52.215-8 ORDER OF PRECEDENCE - UNIFORM CONTRACT FORMAT. (OCT 1997)

#### I-12 FAR 52.216-18 ORDERING. (AUG 2020)

- (a) Any supplies and services to be furnished under this contract shall be ordered by issuance of delivery orders or task orders by the individuals or activities designated in the Schedule. Such orders may be issued from effective date of the contract through 03/19/2028.
- (b) All delivery orders or task orders are subject to the terms and conditions of this contract. In the event of conflict between a delivery order or task order and this contract, the contract shall control.
- (c) A delivery order or task order is considered "issued" when-
  - (1) If sent by mail (includes transmittal by U.S. mail or private delivery service), the Government deposits the order in the mail;
  - (2) If sent by fax, the Government transmits the order to the Contractor's fax number; or
  - (3) If sent electronically, the Government either-
    - (i) Posts a copy of the delivery order or task order to a Government document access system, and notice is sent to the Contractor; or
    - (ii) Distributes the delivery order or task order via email to the Contractor's email address.
- (d) Orders may be issued by methods other than those enumerated in this clause only if authorized in the contract.

(End of clause)

## I-13 FAR 52.216-19 ORDER LIMITATIONS. (OCT 1995)

- (a) *Minimum order*. When the Government requires supplies or services covered by this contract in an amount of less than \$50,000.00, the Government is not obligated to purchase, nor is the Contractor obligated to furnish, those supplies or services under the contract.
- (b) Maximum order. The Contractor is not obligated to honor-
  - (1) Any order for a single item in excess of \$1,000,000.00;

- (2) Any order for a combination of items in excess of \$1,500,000.00; or
- (3) A series of orders from the same ordering office within 7 days that together call for quantities exceeding the limitation in subparagraph (b)(1) or (2) above.
- (c) If this is a requirements contract (*i.e.*, includes the Requirements clause at subsection 52.216-21 of the Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR)), the Government is not required to order a part of any one requirement from the Contractor if that requirement exceeds the maximum-order limitations in paragraph (b) above.
- (d) Notwithstanding paragraphs (b) and (c) above, the Contractor shall honor any order exceeding the maximum order limitations in paragraph (b), unless that order (or orders) is returned to the ordering office within 30 days after issuance, with written notice stating the Contractor's intent not to ship the item (or items) called for and the reasons. Upon receiving this notice, the Government may acquire the supplies or services from another source.

#### I-14 FAR 52.216-22 INDEFINITE QUANTITY. (OCT 1995)

- (a) This is an indefinite-quantity contract for the supplies or services specified, and effective for the period stated, in the Schedule. The quantities of supplies and services specified in the Schedule are estimates only and are not purchased by this contract.
- (b) Delivery or performance shall be made only as authorized by orders issued in accordance with the Ordering clause. The Contractor shall furnish to the Government, when and if ordered, the supplies or services specified in the Schedule up to and including the quantity designated in the Schedule as the *maximum*. The Government shall order at least the quantity of supplies or services designated in the Schedule as the *minimum*.
- (c) Except for any limitations on quantities in the Order Limitations clause or in the Schedule, there is no limit on the number of orders that may be issued. The Government may issue orders requiring delivery to multiple destinations or performance at multiple locations.
- (d) Any order issued during the effective period of this contract and not completed within that period shall be completed by the Contractor within the time specified in the order. The contract shall govern the Contractor's and Government's rights and obligations with respect to that order to the same extent as if the order were completed during the contract's effective period; *provided*, that the Contractor shall not be required to make any deliveries under this contract after twelve months beyond the expiration of the contract.

(End of clause)

# I-15 FAR 52.217-8 OPTION TO EXTEND SERVICES. (NOV 1999)

The Government may require continued performance of any services within the limits and at the rates specified in the contract. These rates may be adjusted only as a result of revisions to prevailing labor rates provided by the Secretary of Labor. The option provision may be exercised more than once, but the total extension of performance hereunder shall not exceed 6 months. The Contracting Officer may exercise the option by written notice to the Contractor within 30 days of the expiration date.

(End of clause)

#### I-16 FAR 52.219-14 LIMITATIONS ON SUBCONTRACTING. (SEP 2021)

(a) This clause does not apply to the unrestricted portion of a partial set-aside.

- (b) Definition. Similarly situated entity, as used in this clause, means a first-tier subcontractor, including an independent contractor, that-
  - (1) Has the same small business program status as that which qualified the prime contractor for the award (e.g., for a small business set-aside contract, any small business concern, without regard to its socioeconomic status); and
  - (2) Is considered small for the size standard under the North American Industry Classification System (NAICS) code the prime contractor assigned to the subcontract.
- (c) Applicability. This clause applies only to-
  - (1) Contracts that have been set aside for any of the small business concerns identified in 19.000(a)(3);
  - (2) Part or parts of a multiple-award contract that have been set aside for any of the small business concerns identified in 19.000(a)(3);
  - (3) Contracts that have been awarded on a sole-source basis in accordance with subparts 19.8, 19.13, 19.14, and 19.15;
  - (4) Orders expected to exceed the simplified acquisition threshold and that are-
    - (i) Set aside for small business concerns under multiple-award contracts, as described in 8.405-5 and 16.505(b)(2)(i)(F); or
    - (ii) Issued directly to small business concerns under multiple-award contracts as described in 19.504(c)(1)(ii);
  - (5) Orders, regardless of dollar value, that are-
    - (i) Set aside in accordance with subparts 19.8, 19.13, 19.14, or 19.15 under multiple-award contracts, as described in 8.405-5 and 16.505(b)(2)(i)(F); or
    - (ii) Issued directly to concerns that qualify for the programs described in subparts 19.8, 19.13, 19.14, or 19.15 under multiple-award contracts, as described in 19.504(c)(1)(ii); and
  - (6) Contracts using the HUBZone price evaluation preference to award to a HUBZone small business concern unless the concern waived the evaluation preference.
- (d) Independent contractors. An independent contractor shall be considered a subcontractor.
- (e) Limitations on subcontracting. By submission of an offer and execution of a contract, the Contractor agrees that in performance of a contract assigned a North American Industry Classification System (NAICS) code for-
  - (1) Services (except construction), it will not pay more than 50 percent of the amount paid by the Government for contract performance to subcontractors that are not similarly situated entities. Any work that a similarly situated entity further subcontracts will count towards the prime contractor's 50 percent subcontract amount that cannot be exceeded. When a contract includes both services and supplies, the 50 percent limitation shall apply only to the service portion of the contract;
  - (2) Supplies (other than procurement from a nonmanufacturer of such supplies), it will not pay more than 50 percent of the amount paid by the Government for contract performance, excluding the cost of materials, to subcontractors that are not similarly situated entities. Any work that a similarly situated entity further subcontracts will count towards the prime contractor's 50 percent

subcontract amount that cannot be exceeded. When a contract includes both supplies and services, the 50 percent limitation shall apply only to the supply portion of the contract;

- (3) General construction, it will not pay more than 85 percent of the amount paid by the Government for contract performance, excluding the cost of materials, to subcontractors that are not similarly situated entities. Any work that a similarly situated entity further subcontracts will count towards the prime contractor's 85 percent subcontract amount that cannot be exceeded; or
- (4) Construction by special trade contractors, it will not pay more than 75 percent of the amount paid by the Government for contract performance, excluding the cost of materials, to subcontractors that are not similarly situated entities. Any work that a similarly situated entity further subcontracts will count towards the prime contractor's 75 percent subcontract amount that cannot be exceeded.
- (f) The Contractor shall comply with the limitations on subcontracting as follows:
  - (1) For contracts, in accordance with paragraphs (c)(1), (2), (3) and (6) of this clause-

[Contracting Officer check as appropriate.]

- [X] By the end of the base term of the contract and then by the end of each subsequent option period; or
- [] By the end of the performance period for each order issued under the contract.
- (2) For orders, in accordance with paragraphs (c)(4) and (5) of this clause, by the end of the performance period for the order.
- (g) A joint venture agrees that, in the performance of the contract, the applicable percentage specified in paragraph (e) of this clause will be performed by the aggregate of the joint venture participants.

(End of clause)

I-17 FAR 52.225-13 RESTRICTIONS ON CERTAIN FOREIGN PURCHASES. (FEB 2021)

I-18 FAR 52.232-1 PAYMENTS. (APR 1984)

The Government shall pay the Contractor, upon the submission of proper invoices or vouchers, the prices stipulated in this contract for supplies delivered and accepted or services rendered and accepted, less any deductions provided in this contract. Unless otherwise specified in this contract, payment shall be made on partial deliveries accepted by the Government if -

- (a) The amount due on the deliveries warrants it; or
- (b) The Contractor requests it and the amount due on the deliveries is at least \$1,000 or 50 percent of the total contract price.

(End of clause)

#### I-19 FAR 52.232-23 ASSIGNMENT OF CLAIMS. (MAY 2014)

(a) The Contractor, under the Assignment of Claims Act, as amended, 31 U.S.C. 3727, 41 U.S.C. 6305 (hereafter referred to as *the Act*), may assign its rights to be paid amounts due or to become due as a result of the performance of this contract to a bank, trust company, or other financing institution, including any Federal lending agency. The assignee under such an assignment may thereafter further assign or reassign its right under the original assignment to any type of financing institution described in the preceding sentence.

- (b) Any assignment or reassignment authorized under the Act and this clause shall cover all unpaid amounts payable under this contract, and shall not be made to more than one party, except that an assignment or reassignment may be made to one party as agent or trustee for two or more parties participating in the financing of this contract.
- (c) The Contractor shall not furnish or disclose to any assignee under this contract any classified document (including this contract) or information related to work under this contract until the Contracting Officer authorizes such action in writing.

I-20 FAR 52.232-40 PROVIDING ACCELERATED PAYMENTS TO SMALL BUSINESS SUBCONTRACTORS. (NOV 2021)

I-21 FAR 52.243-1 CHANGES - FIXED-PRICE. (AUG 1987)

I-22 FAR 52.244-6 SUBCONTRACTS FOR COMMERCIAL PRODUCTS AND COMMERCIAL SERVICES. (JAN 2022)

I-23 FAR 52.249-2 TERMINATION FOR CONVENIENCE OF THE GOVERNMENT (FIXED-PRICE). (APR 2012)

- (a) The Government may terminate performance of work under this contract in whole or, from time to time, in part if the Contracting Officer determines that a termination is in the Government's interest. The Contracting Officer shall terminate by delivering to the Contractor a Notice of Termination specifying the extent of termination and the effective date.
- (b) After receipt of a Notice of Termination, and except as directed by the Contracting Officer, the Contractor shall immediately proceed with the following obligations, regardless of any delay in determining or adjusting any amounts due under this clause:
  - (1) Stop work as specified in the notice.
  - (2) Place no further subcontracts or orders (referred to as subcontracts in this clause) for materials, services, or facilities, except as necessary to complete the continued portion of the contract.
  - (3) Terminate all subcontracts to the extent they relate to the work terminated.
  - (4) Assign to the Government, as directed by the Contracting Officer, all right, title, and interest of the Contractor under the subcontracts terminated, in which case the Government shall have the right to settle or to pay any termination settlement proposal arising out of those terminations.
  - (5) With approval or ratification to the extent required by the Contracting Officer, settle all outstanding liabilities and termination settlement proposals arising from the termination of subcontracts; the approval or ratification will be final for purposes of this clause.
  - (6) As directed by the Contracting Officer, transfer title and deliver to the Government (i) the fabricated or unfabricated parts, work in process, completed work, supplies, and other material produced or acquired for the work terminated, and (ii) the completed or partially completed plans, drawings, information, and other property that, if the contract had been completed, would be required to be furnished to the Government.
  - (7) Complete performance of the work not terminated.
  - (8) Take any action that may be necessary, or that the Contracting Officer may direct, for the protection and preservation of the property related to this contract that is in the possession of the Contractor and in which the Government has or may acquire an interest.

- (9) Use its best efforts to sell, as directed or authorized by the Contracting Officer, any property of the types referred to in subparagraph (b)(6) of this clause; *provided*, however, that the Contractor (i) is not required to extend credit to any purchaser and (ii) may acquire the property under the conditions prescribed by, and at prices approved by, the Contracting Officer. The proceeds of any transfer or disposition will be applied to reduce any payments to be made by the Government under this contract, credited to the price or cost of the work, or paid in any other manner directed by the Contracting Officer.
- (c) The Contractor shall submit complete termination inventory schedules no later than 120 days from the effective date of termination, unless extended in writing by the Contracting Officer upon written request of the Contractor within this 120-day period.
- (d) After expiration of the plant clearance period as defined in subpart 49.001 of the Federal Acquisition Regulation, the Contractor may submit to the Contracting Officer a list, certified as to quantity and quality, of termination inventory not previously disposed of, excluding items authorized for disposition by the Contracting Officer. The Contractor may request the Government to remove those items or enter into an agreement for their storage. Within 15 days, the Government will accept title to those items and remove them or enter into a storage agreement. The Contracting Officer may verify the list upon removal of the items, or if stored, within 45 days from submission of the list, and shall correct the list, as necessary, before final settlement.
- (e) After termination, the Contractor shall submit a final termination settlement proposal to the Contracting Officer in the form and with the certification prescribed by the Contracting Officer. The Contractor shall submit the proposal promptly, but no later than 1 year from the effective date of termination, unless extended in writing by the Contracting Officer upon written request of the Contractor within this 1-year period. However, if the Contracting Officer determines that the facts justify it, a termination settlement proposal may be received and acted on after 1 year or any extension. If the Contractor fails to submit the proposal within the time allowed, the Contracting Officer may determine, on the basis of information available, the amount, if any, due the Contractor because of the termination and shall pay the amount determined.
- (f) Subject to paragraph (e) of this clause, the Contractor and the Contracting Officer may agree upon the whole or any part of the amount to be paid or remaining to be paid because of the termination. The amount may include a reasonable allowance for profit on work done. However, the agreed amount, whether under this paragraph (f) or paragraph (g) of this clause, exclusive of costs shown in subparagraph (g)(3) of this clause, may not exceed the total contract price as reduced by (1) the amount of payments previously made and (2) the contract price of work not terminated. The contract shall be modified, and the Contractor paid the agreed amount. Paragraph (g) of this clause shall not limit, restrict, or affect the amount that may be agreed upon to be paid under this paragraph.
- (g) If the Contractor and the Contracting Officer fail to agree on the whole amount to be paid because of the termination of work, the Contracting Officer shall pay the Contractor the amounts determined by the Contracting Officer as follows, but without duplication of any amounts agreed on under paragraph (f) of this clause:
  - (1) The contract price for completed supplies or services accepted by the Government (or sold or acquired under subparagraph (b)(9) of this clause) not previously paid for, adjusted for any saving of freight and other charges.
  - (2) The total of -
    - (i) The costs incurred in the performance of the work terminated, including initial costs and preparatory expense allocable thereto, but excluding any costs attributable to supplies or services paid or to be paid under subparagraph (g)(1) of this clause;

- (ii) The cost of settling and paying termination settlement proposals under terminated subcontracts that are properly chargeable to the terminated portion of the contract if not included in subdivision (g)(2)(i) of this clause; and
- (iii) A sum, as profit on subdivision (g)(2)(i) of this clause, determined by the Contracting Officer under 49.202 of the Federal Acquisition Regulation, in effect on the date of this contract, to be fair and reasonable; however, if it appears that the Contractor would have sustained a loss on the entire contract had it been completed, the Contracting Officer shall allow no profit under this subdivision (iii) and shall reduce the settlement to reflect the indicated rate of loss.
- (3) The reasonable costs of settlement of the work terminated, including -
  - (i) Accounting, legal, clerical, and other expenses reasonably necessary for the preparation of termination settlement proposals and supporting data;
  - (ii) The termination and settlement of subcontracts (excluding the amounts of such settlements); and
  - (iii) Storage, transportation, and other costs incurred, reasonably necessary for the preservation, protection, or disposition of the termination inventory.
- (h) Except for normal spoilage, and except to the extent that the Government expressly assumed the risk of loss, the Contracting Officer shall exclude from the amounts payable to the Contractor under paragraph (g) of this clause, the fair value as determined by the Contracting Officer, for the loss of the Government property.
- (i) The cost principles and procedures of part 31 of the Federal Acquisition Regulation, in effect on the date of this contract, shall govern all costs claimed, agreed to, or determined under this clause.
- (j) The Contractor shall have the right of appeal, under the Disputes clause, from any determination made by the Contracting Officer under paragraph (e), (g), or (l) of this clause, except that if the Contractor failed to submit the termination settlement proposal or request for equitable adjustment within the time provided in paragraph (e) or (l), respectively, and failed to request a time extension, there is no right of appeal.
- (k) In arriving at the amount due the Contractor under this clause, there shall be deducted -
  - (1) All unliquidated advance or other payments to the Contractor under the terminated portion of this contract;
  - (2) Any claim which the Government has against the Contractor under this contract; and
  - (3) The agreed price for, or the proceeds of sale of, materials, supplies, or other things acquired by the Contractor or sold under the provisions of this clause and not recovered by or credited to the Government.
- (l) If the termination is partial, the Contractor may file a proposal with the Contracting Officer for an equitable adjustment of the price(s) of the continued portion of the contract. The Contracting Officer shall make any equitable adjustment agreed upon. Any proposal by the Contractor for an equitable adjustment under this clause shall be requested within 90 days from the effective date of termination unless extended in writing by the Contracting Officer.
- (m)(1) The Government may, under the terms and conditions it prescribes, make partial payments and payments against costs incurred by the Contractor for the terminated portion of the contract, if the Contracting Officer believes the total of these payments will not exceed the amount to which the Contractor will be entitled.

- (2) If the total payments exceed the amount finally determined to be due, the Contractor shall repay the excess to the Government upon demand, together with interest computed at the rate established by the Secretary of the Treasury under 50 U.S.C. App. 1215(b)(2). Interest shall be computed for the period from the date the excess payment is received by the Contractor to the date the excess is repaid. Interest shall not be charged on any excess payment due to a reduction in the Contractor's termination settlement proposal because of retention or other disposition of termination inventory until 10 days after the date of the retention or disposition, or a later date determined by the Contracting Officer because of the circumstances.
- (n) Unless otherwise provided in this contract or by statute, the Contractor shall maintain all records and documents relating to the terminated portion of this contract for 3 years after final settlement. This includes all books and other evidence bearing on the Contractor's costs and expenses under this contract. The Contractor shall make these records and documents available to the Government, at the Contractor's office, at all reasonable times, without any direct charge. If approved by the Contracting Officer, photographs, microphotographs, or other authentic reproductions may be maintained instead of original records and documents.

I-24 FAR 52.249-8 DEFAULT (FIXED-PRICE SUPPLY AND SERVICE). (APR 1984)

I-25 FAR 52.249-8 DEFAULT (FIXED-PRICE SUPPLY AND SERVICE). (APR 1984) - ALTERNATE I (APR 1984)

I-26 FAR 52.249-14 EXCUSABLE DELAYS. (APR 1984)

I-27 FAR 52.252-2 CLAUSES INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE. (FEB 1998)

This contract incorporates one or more clauses by reference, with the same force and effect as if they were given in full text. Upon request, the Contracting Officer will make their full text available. Also, the full text of a clause may be accessed electronically at this/these address(es): https://www.acquisition.gov

(End of clause)

I-28 FAR 52.252-6 AUTHORIZED DEVIATIONS IN CLAUSES. (NOV 2020)

- (a) The use in this solicitation or contract of any Federal Acquisition Regulation (48 CFR Chapter 1) clause with an authorized deviation is indicated by the addition of (DEVIATION) after the date of the clause.
- (b) The use in this solicitation or contract of any Environmental Protection Agency (48 CFR 15) clause with an authorized deviation is indicated by the addition of (DEVIATION) after the name of the regulation.

(End of clause)

I-29 EPAAR 1552.227-76 PROJECT EMPLOYEE CONFIDENTIALITY AGREEMENT. (MAY 1994) - ALTERNATE I (JAN 2015)

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#### SECTION K - Representations, Certifications, and Other Statements of Bidders

K-1 FAR 52.203-18 PROHIBITION ON CONTRACTING WITH ENTITIES THAT REQUIRE CERTAIN INTERNAL CONFIDENTIALITY AGREEMENTS OR STATEMENTS-REPRESENTATION. (JAN 2017)

#### K-2 FAR 52.209-7 INFORMATION REGARDING RESPONSIBILITY MATTERS. (OCT 2018)

(a) Definitions. As used in this provision-

Administrative proceeding means a non-judicial process that is adjudicatory in nature in order to make a determination of fault or liability (e.g., Securities and Exchange Commission Administrative Proceedings, Civilian Board of Contract Appeals Proceedings, and Armed Services Board of Contract Appeals Proceedings). This includes administrative proceedings at the Federal and State level but only in connection with performance of a Federal contract or grant. It does not include agency actions such as contract audits, site visits, corrective plans, or inspection of deliverables.

Federal contracts and grants with total value greater than \$10,000,000 means-

- (1) The total value of all current, active contracts and grants, including all priced options; and
- (2) The total value of all current, active orders including all priced options under indefinite-delivery, indefinite-quantity, 8(a), or requirements contracts (including task and delivery and multiple-award Schedules).

*Principal* means an officer, director, owner, partner, or a person having primary management or supervisory responsibilities within a business entity (e.g., general manager; plant manager; head of a division or business segment; and similar positions).

- (b) The offeror [] has [] does not have current active Federal contracts and grants with total value greater than \$10,000,000.
- (c) If the offeror checked "has" in paragraph (b) of this provision, the offeror represents, by submission of this offer, that the information it has entered in the Federal Awardee Performance and Integrity Information System (FAPIIS) is current, accurate, and complete as of the date of submission of this offer with regard to the following information:
  - (1) Whether the offeror, and/or any of its principals, has or has not, within the last five years, in connection with the award to or performance by the offeror of a Federal contract or grant, been the subject of a proceeding, at the Federal or State level that resulted in any of the following dispositions:
    - (i) In a criminal proceeding, a conviction.
    - (ii) In a civil proceeding, a finding of fault and liability that results in the payment of a monetary fine, penalty, reimbursement, restitution, or damages of \$5,000 or more.
    - (iii) In an administrative proceeding, a finding of fault and liability that results in-
      - (A) The payment of a monetary fine or penalty of \$5,000 or more; or
      - (B) The payment of a reimbursement, restitution, or damages in excess of \$100,000.
    - (iv) In a criminal, civil, or administrative proceeding, a disposition of the matter by consent or compromise with an acknowledgment of fault by the Contractor if the proceeding could have led to any of the outcomes specified in paragraphs (c)(1)(i), (c)(1)(ii), or (c)(1)(iii) of this provision.

- (2) If the offeror has been involved in the last five years in any of the occurrences listed in (c)(1) of this provision, whether the offeror has provided the requested information with regard to each occurrence.
- (d) The offeror shall post the information in paragraphs (c)(1)(i) through (c)(1)(iv) of this provision in FAPIIS as required through maintaining an active registration in the System for Award Management, which can be accessed via https://www.sam.gov (see 52.204-7).

(End of provision)

# K-3 FAR 52.209-11 REPRESENTATION BY CORPORATIONS REGARDING DELINQUENT TAX LIABILITY OR A FELONY CONVICTION UNDER ANY FEDERAL LAW. (FEB 2016)

K-4 FAR 52.222-22 PREVIOUS CONTRACTS AND COMPLIANCE REPORTS. (FEB 1999)

The offeror represents that-

- (a) It [] has, [] has not participated in a previous contract or subcontract subject to the Equal Opportunity clause of this solicitation;
- (b) It [] has, [] has not, filed all required compliance reports; and
- (c) Representations indicating submission of required compliance reports, signed by proposed subcontractors, will be obtained before subcontract awards.

(End of provision)

K-5 FAR 52.225-25 PROHIBITION ON CONTRACTING WITH ENTITIES ENGAGING IN CERTAIN ACTIVITIES OR TRANSACTIONS RELATING TO IRAN-REPRESENTATION AND CERTIFICATIONS. (JUN 2020)

#### K-6 FAR 52.233-2 SERVICE OF PROTEST. (SEP 2006)

- (a) Protests, as defined in section 33.101 of the Federal Acquisition Regulation, that are filed directly with an agency, and copies of any protests that are filed with the Government Accountability Office (GAO), shall be served on the Contracting Officer (addressed as follows) by obtaining written and dated acknowledgment of receipt from C. Richardson.
- (b) The copy of any protest shall be received in the office designated above within one day of filing a protest with the GAO.

(End of provision)

#### K-7 EPAAR 1552.209-70 ORGANIZATIONAL CONFLICT OF INTEREST NOTIFICATION. (APR 1984)

- (a) The prospective Contractor certifies, to the best of its knowledge and belief, that it is not aware of any information bearing on the existence of any potential organizational conflict of interest. If the prospective Contractor cannot so certify, it shall provide a disclosure statement in its proposal which describes all relevant information concerning any past, present, or planned interests bearing on whether it (including its chief executives and directors, or any proposed consultant or subcontractor) may have a potential organizational conflict of interest.
- (b) Prospective Contractors should refer to FAR subpart 9.5 and EPAAR part 1509 for policies and procedures for avoiding, neutralizing, or mitigating organizational conflicts of interest.
- (c) If the Contracting Officer determines that a potential conflict exists, the prospective Contractor shall not receive an award unless the conflict can be avoided or otherwise resolved through the inclusion of a special contract clause or other appropriate means. The terms of any special clause are subject to negotiation.

(End of provision)

K-8 EPAAR 1552.209-72 ORGANIZATIONAL CONFLICT OF INTEREST CERTIFICATION. (APR 1984)

The offeror \_\_\_ is \_\_ is not aware of any information bearing on the existence of any potential organizational conflict of interest. If the offeror is aware of information bearing on whether a potential conflict may exist, the offeror shall provide a disclosure statement describing this information. (See section L of the solicitation for further information.)

(End of provision)

#### SECTION L - Instructions, Conditions, and Notices to Bidders

L-1 FAR 52.204-7 SYSTEM FOR AWARD MANAGEMENT. (OCT 2018)

L-2 FAR 52.212-1 INSTRUCTIONS TO OFFERORS - COMMERCIAL PRODUCTS AND COMMERCIAL SERVICES. (NOV 2021)

- (a) North American Industry Classification System (NAICS) code and small business size standard. The NAICS code(s) and small business size standard(s) for this acquisition appear elsewhere in the solicitation. However, the small business size standard for a concern that submits an offer, other than on a construction or service acquisition, but proposes to furnish an end item that it did not itself manufacture, process, or produce is 500 employees if the acquisition-
  - (1) Is set aside for small business and has a value above the simplified acquisition threshold;
  - (2) Uses the HUBZone price evaluation preference regardless of dollar value, unless the offeror waives the price evaluation preference; or
  - (3) Is an 8(a), HUBZone, service-disabled veteran-owned, economically disadvantaged women-owned, or women-owned small business set-aside or sole-source award regardless of dollar value.
- (b) Submission of offers. Submit signed and dated offers to the office specified in this solicitation at or before the exact time specified in this solicitation. Offers may be submitted on the SF 1449, letterhead stationery, or as otherwise specified in the solicitation. As a minimum, offers must show-
  - (1) The solicitation number;
  - (2) The time specified in the solicitation for receipt of offers;
  - (3) The name, address, and telephone number of the offeror;
  - (4) A technical description of the items being offered in sufficient detail to evaluate compliance with the requirements in the solicitation. This may include product literature, or other documents, if necessary;
  - (5) Terms of any express warranty;
  - (6) Price and any discount terms;
  - (7) "Remit to" address, if different than mailing address;
  - (8) A completed copy of the representations and certifications at Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) 52.212-3 (see FAR 52.212-3(b) for those representations and certifications that the offeror shall complete electronically);
  - (9) Acknowledgment of Solicitation Amendments;
  - (10) Past performance information, when included as an evaluation factor, to include recent and relevant contracts for the same or similar items and other references (including contract numbers, points of contact with telephone numbers and other relevant information); and
  - (11) If the offer is not submitted on the SF 1449, include a statement specifying the extent of agreement with all terms, conditions, and provisions included in the solicitation. Offers that fail to furnish required representations or information, or reject the terms and conditions of the solicitation may be excluded from consideration.

- (c) Period for acceptance of offers. The offeror agrees to hold the prices in its offer firm for 30 calendar days from the date specified for receipt of offers, unless another time period is specified in an addendum to the solicitation.
- (d) *Product samples*. When required by the solicitation, product samples shall be submitted at or prior to the time specified for receipt of offers. Unless otherwise specified in this solicitation, these samples shall be submitted at no expense to the Government, and returned at the sender's request and expense, unless they are destroyed during preaward testing.
- (e) *Multiple offers*. Offerors are encouraged to submit multiple offers presenting alternative terms and conditions, including alternative line items (provided that the alternative line items are consistent with FAR subpart 4.10), or alternative commercial products or commercial services for satisfying the requirements of this solicitation. Each offer submitted will be evaluated separately.
- (f) Late submissions, modifications, revisions, and withdrawals of offers. (1) Offerors are responsible for submitting offers, and any modifications, revisions, or withdrawals, so as to reach the Government office designated in the solicitation by the time specified in the solicitation. If no time is specified in the solicitation, the time for receipt is 4:30 p.m., local time, for the designated Government office on the date that offers or revisions are due.
  - (2)(i) Any offer, modification, revision, or withdrawal of an offer received at the Government office designated in the solicitation after the exact time specified for receipt of offers is "late" and will not be considered unless it is received before award is made, the Contracting Officer determines that accepting the late offer would not unduly delay the acquisition; and-
    - (A) If it was transmitted through an electronic commerce method authorized by the solicitation, it was received at the initial point of entry to the Government infrastructure not later than 5:00 p.m. one working day prior to the date specified for receipt of offers; or
    - (B) There is acceptable evidence to establish that it was received at the Government installation designated for receipt of offers and was under the Government's control prior to the time set for receipt of offers; or
    - (C) If this solicitation is a request for proposals, it was the only proposal received.
    - (ii) However, a late modification of an otherwise successful offer, that makes its terms more favorable to the Government, will be considered at any time it is received and may be accepted.
  - (3) Acceptable evidence to establish the time of receipt at the Government installation includes the time/date stamp of that installation on the offer wrapper, other documentary evidence of receipt maintained by the installation, or oral testimony or statements of Government personnel.
  - (4) If an emergency or unanticipated event interrupts normal Government processes so that offers cannot be received at the Government office designated for receipt of offers by the exact time specified in the solicitation, and urgent Government requirements preclude amendment of the solicitation or other notice of an extension of the closing date, the time specified for receipt of offers will be deemed to be extended to the same time of day specified in the solicitation on the first work day on which normal Government processes resume.
  - (5) Offers may be withdrawn by written notice received at any time before the exact time set for receipt of offers. Oral offers in response to oral solicitations may be withdrawn orally. If the solicitation authorizes facsimile offers, offers may be withdrawn via facsimile received at any time before the exact time set for receipt of offers, subject to the conditions specified in the solicitation concerning facsimile offers. An offer may be withdrawn in person by an offeror or its authorized

representative if, before the exact time set for receipt of offers, the identity of the person requesting withdrawal is established and the person signs a receipt for the offer.

- (g) Contract award (not applicable to Invitation for Bids). The Government intends to evaluate offers and award a contract without discussions with offerors. Therefore, the offeror's initial offer should contain the offeror's best terms from a price and technical standpoint. However, the Government reserves the right to conduct discussions if later determined by the Contracting Officer to be necessary. The Government may reject any or all offers if such action is in the public interest; accept other than the lowest offer; and waive informalities and minor irregularities in offers received.
- (h) *Multiple awards*. The Government may accept any item or group of items of an offer, unless the offeror qualifies the offer by specific limitations. Unless otherwise provided in the Schedule, offers may not be submitted for quantities less than those specified. The Government reserves the right to make an award on any item for a quantity less than the quantity offered, at the unit prices offered, unless the offeror specifies otherwise in the offer.
- (i) Availability of requirements documents cited in the solicitation. (1)(i) The GSA Index of Federal Specifications, Standards and Commercial Item Descriptions, FPMR Part 101-29, and copies of specifications, standards, and commercial item descriptions cited in this solicitation may be obtained for a fee by submitting a request to- GSA Federal Supply Service Specifications Section, Suite 8100, 470 East L'Enfant Plaza, SW, Washington, DC 20407, Telephone (202) 619-8925, Facsimile (202) 619-8978.
  - (ii) If the General Services Administration, Department of Agriculture, or Department of Veterans Affairs issued this solicitation, a single copy of specifications, standards, and commercial item descriptions cited in this solicitation may be obtained free of charge by submitting a request to the addressee in paragraph (i)(1)(i) of this provision. Additional copies will be issued for a fee.
  - (2) Most unclassified Defense specifications and standards may be downloaded from the following ASSIST websites:
    - (i) ASSIST (https://assist.dla.mil/online/start/).
    - (ii) Quick Search (http://quicksearch.dla.mil/).
  - (3) Documents not available from ASSIST may be ordered from the Department of Defense Single Stock Point (DoDSSP) by-
    - (i) Using the ASSIST Shopping Wizard (https://assist.dla.mil/wizard/index.cfm);
    - (ii) Phoning the DoDSSP Customer Service Desk (215) 697-2179, Mon-Fri, 0730 to 1600 EST; or
    - (iii) Ordering from DoDSSP, Building 4, Section D, 700 Robbins Avenue, Philadelphia, PA 19111-5094, Telephone (215) 697-2667/2179, Facsimile (215) 697-1462.
  - (4) Nongovernment (voluntary) standards must be obtained from the organization responsible for their preparation, publication, or maintenance.
- (j) Unique entity identifier. (Applies to all offers that exceed the micro-purchase threshold, and offers at or below the micro-purchase threshold if the solicitation requires the Contractor to be registered in the System for Award Management (SAM).) The Offeror shall enter, in the block with its name and address on the cover page of its offer, the annotation "Unique Entity Identifier" followed by the unique entity identifier that identifies the Offeror's name and address. The Offeror also shall enter its Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT) indicator, if applicable. The EFT indicator is a four-character suffix to the unique entity identifier. The suffix is assigned at the discretion of the Offeror to establish additional SAM records for identifying alternative EFT accounts see FAR subpart 32.11) for the same entity. If the Offeror does not have a unique entity identifier, it should contact the entity designated at www.sam.gov for unique entity identifier

establishment directly to obtain one. The Offeror should indicate that it is an offeror for a Government contract when contacting the entity designated at www.sam.gov for establishing the unique entity identifier.

## (k) (Reserved)

- (l) *Debriefing*. If a post-award debriefing is given to requesting offerors, the Government shall disclose the following information, if applicable:
  - (1) The agency's evaluation of the significant weak or deficient factors in the debriefed offeror's offer.
  - (2) The overall evaluated cost or price and technical rating of the successful and the debriefed offeror and past performance information on the debriefed offeror.
  - (3) The overall ranking of all offerors, when any ranking was developed by the agency during source selection.
  - (4) A summary of the rationale for award;
  - (5) For acquisitions of commercial products, the make and model of the product to be delivered by the successful offeror.
  - (6) Reasonable responses to relevant questions posed by the debriefed offeror as to whether source-selection procedures set forth in the solicitation, applicable regulations, and other applicable authorities were followed by the agency.

(End of provision)

## L-3 FAR 52.216-1 TYPE OF CONTRACT. (APR 1984)

The Government contemplates award of a firm fixed price, Indefinite Delivery-Indefinite Quantity (ID/IQ) contract resulting from this solicitation.

(End of provision)

# L-4 Local Clauses EPA-L-12-101 PROPOSED CONTRACTOR START DATE

For proposal preparation purposes, offerors may assume a contract start date of 03/19/2023.

#### L-5 Local Clauses EPA-L-15-102 TECHNICAL QUESTIONS

Offerors must submit all technical questions concerning this solicitation electronically through FedConnect. In order to submit questions, offerors must register in FedConnect at www.fedconnect.net, see main page for registration instructions. For assistance in registering or for other FedConnect technical questions please call the FedConnect Help Desk at (800) 899-6665 or email at support@fedconnect.net. Only those technical questions posted through FedConnect will be accepted. EPA must receive technical questions no later than 7 calendar days after the issuance date of this solicitation. EPA will utilize FedConnect to issue amendments to the solicitation (e.g., to answer technical questions which may affect proposal submittal). EPA will not reference the source of the questions.

## L-6 Local Clauses EPA-L-15-104 ELECTRONIC SUBMISSION OF PROPOSALS/BIDS/ OFFERS/QUOTES

(a) Electronic submission of proposals, bids, offers or quotes is required and shall only be accepted through the FedConnect web portal. FedConnect can be accessed at https://www.fedconnect.net/Fedconnect/. All responses to questions will be released on FedConnect. For assistance in registering or for other FedConnect technical questions please call the FedConnect Help Desk at (800) 899-6665 or email at support@fedconnect.net. There is no charge for registration in or use of FedConnect.

(b) All vendors must be registered in the System for Award Management (SAM), as this facilitates vendor credentials validation for FedConnect. Registration may be completed and information regarding the registration process may be obtained at http://www.sam.gov . There is no charge for registration in SAM.

#### L-7 Local Clauses EPA-L-36-101 PROPOSAL INSTRUCTIONS

- (a) Proposal Instructions
- (1) The offeror's response is to be submitted in two volumes. The technical proposal is to be separate from the cost proposal. Responses are subject to the following requirements and limitations as set forth in Attachment G

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I Technical Proposal 12 double sided\*

II Cost Proposal No Limit

- \*NOTE: This is a total of 24 pages, counting fronts and backs. Any pages exceeding the page limitation will not be read or considered. This limitation does not include resumes, performance questionnaires, charts, figures, or illustrations. The limitation also does not apply to the following: transmittal letters, cover pages, table of contents, dividers and key personnel resume -
- (2) Offeror's shall include a cover letter with their proposal. The cover letter shall include, but is not limited to, the following:
- (i) The solicitation number;
- (ii) The name, address, telephone numbers, facsimile numbers, and electronic addresses of the Offeror;
- (iii) Names, titles, telephone numbers, facsimile numbers, and electronic addresses of persons authorized to negotiate with the Government on the Offeror's behalf in connection with this Solicitation;
- (iv) Name, title, and signature of person authorized to sign the proposal. Proposals signed by an agent shall be accompanied by evidence of that agent's authority;
- (v) Name, title, and signature of principals of the firm.
- (vi) The name, address, telephone number, facsimile number, and electronic address of the individual in the Offeror's organization to be contacted, if necessary, during evaluation of the proposal;
- (vii) The complete formal name and address of the Offeror's organization and/or other participants to be used in any resulting contract. Provide Dun and Bradstreet LTD DUNS number for each organization and new entity if one is being created;
- (viii) The name, address, telephone numbers, facsimile numbers, and electronic addresses of representatives of the Government agency having administrative cognizance over the Offeror, contractor team arrangement (as defined at FAR 9.601), or parent company, as applicable (such as contract administration within the meaning of FAR 42.3, Contract Administration Office Functions); and

- (ix) A statement that the Offeror grants to the EPA or its authorized representatives, the right to examine, for purposes of verifying the information submitted, those books, records, documents, and other supporting data that will permit adequate evaluation; and this right may be exercised in connection with any such reviews deemed necessary by the Government.
- (3) Notwithstanding any other provision or clause in this solicitation to the contrary, proposals shall be submitted via the FedConnect® web portal (www.fedconnect.net). In order to submit proposals, offerors must register in FedConnect® at www.fedconnect.net, see main page of FedConnect® website for registration instructions. For assistance in registering or for other FedConnect® technical questions please call the FedConnect® Help Desk at (800) 899-6665 or email at support@fedconnect.net.
- (b) Volume-Specific Instructions See Attachment G
  - (1) Technical proposal instructions -
- (i) The technical proposal shall include the Contractor's responses to the evaluation criteria/factors listed in this solicitation.
- (ii) Each section of the proposal shall be titled and tabbed for easy identification. Tabs will not be counted in the overall page count for the volume.
  - (2) Cost or pricing proposal instructions -

#### See Attachment F

NOTE 1: It is IMPORTANT that documentation be provided to support proposed rates for any direct labor, overhead, and/or general and administrative expense. Documentation may be in the form of payrolls, financial statements and expense records. Detailed supporting computations must be provided in support of any proposed indirect rate(s). These computations may include historical as well as budgeted data. There must be an indication in the proposal as to whether the computations are based upon historical or projected data.

- NOTE 2: If overhead and G&A rates proposed have been accepted on other Government contracts or have been approved in an audit by a Government agency, substantiating documentation of this acceptance or approval must be included with the proposal. This documentation shall include names of agencies, contract numbers, contract titles, and/or name and telephone number for the cognizant Government auditor.
- (c) Proposals which include subcontracting shall also include the results of the prime contractor's evaluation of subcontract cost as required by FAR 15.404-3(b)(2).

#### **SECTION M - Evaluation Factors for Award**

M-1 FAR 52.212-2 EVALUATION - COMMERCIAL PRODUCTS AND COMMERCIAL SERVICES. (NOV 2021)

(a) The Government will award a contract resulting from this solicitation to the responsible offeror whose offer conforming to the solicitation will be most advantageous to the Government, price and other factors considered. The following factors shall be used to evaluate offers:

See Attachment E Technical Evaluation Criteria

(Contracting Officer shall insert the significant evaluation factors, such as (i) technical capability of the item offered to meet the Government requirement; (ii) price; (iii) past performance (see FAR 15.304); and include them in the relative order of importance of the evaluation factors, such as in descending order of importance.)

Technical and past performance, when combined, are listed in descending order of importance (Contracting Officer state, in accordance with FAR 15.304, the relative importance of all other evaluation factors, when combined, when compared to price.)

- (b) *Options*. The Government will evaluate offers for award purposes by adding the total price for all options to the total price for the basic requirement. The Government may determine that an offer is unacceptable if the option prices are significantly unbalanced. Evaluation of options shall not obligate the Government to exercise the option(s).
- (c) A written notice of award or acceptance of an offer, mailed or otherwise furnished to the successful offeror within the time for acceptance specified in the offer, shall result in a binding contract without further action by either party. Before the offer's specified expiration time, the Government may accept an offer (or part of an offer), whether or not there are negotiations after its receipt, unless a written notice of withdrawal is received before award.

(End of provision)