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1. REQUISITION NO.

2. CONTRACT NO.

3. AWARD/EFFECTIVE DATE

4. ORDER NO.

5. SOLICITATION NUMBER

6. SOLICITATION ISSUE DATE

a. NAME

b. TELEPHONE NO. (No Collect Calls)

8. OFFER DUE DATE/LOCAL

TIME

9. ISSUED BY

CODE

10. THIS ACQUISITION IS

 UNRESTRICTED OR

SET ASIDE:

% FOR:

SMALL BUSINESS

HUBZONE SMALL

BUSINESS

SERVICE-DISABLED

VETERAN-OWNED

SMALL BUSINESS

WOMEN-OWNED SMALL BUSINESS

(WOSB) ELIGIBLE UNDER THE WOMEN-OWNED

SMALL BUSINESS PROGRAM

EDWOSB

8(A)

NAICS:

SIZE STANDARD:

11. DELIVERY FOR FOB DESTINA-

TION UNLESS BLOCK IS

MARKED

SEE SCHEDULE

12. DISCOUNT TERMS

 13a. THIS CONTRACT IS A

RATED ORDER UNDER

DPAS (15 CFR 700)

13b. RATING

14. METHOD OF SOLICITATION

RFQ

IFB

RFP

15. DELIVER TO

CODE

16. ADMINISTERED BY

CODE

17a. CONTRACTOR/OFFEROR

CODE

FACILITY CODE

18a. PAYMENT WILL BE MADE BY

CODE

TELEPHONE NO.

DUNS:

DUNS+4:

PHONE:

FAX:

17b. CHECK IF REMITTANCE IS DIFFERENT AND PUT SUCH ADDRESS IN OFFER

18b. SUBMIT INVOICES TO ADDRESS SHOWN IN BLOCK 18a UNLESS BLOCK BELOW IS CHECKED

SEE ADDENDUM

19.

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23.

24.

ITEM NO.

SCHEDULE OF SUPPLIES/SERVICES

QUANTITY

UNIT

UNIT PRICE

AMOUNT

(Use Reverse and/or Attach Additional Sheets as Necessary)

25. ACCOUNTING AND APPROPRIATION DATA

26. TOTAL AWARD AMOUNT (For Govt. Use Only)

27a. SOLICITATION INCORPORATES BY REFERENCE FAR 52.212-1, 52.212-4. FAR 52.212-3 AND 52.212-5 ARE ATTACHED. ADDENDA

ARE

ARE NOT ATTACHED.

27b. CONTRACT/PURCHASE ORDER INCORPORATES BY REFERENCE FAR 52.212-4. FAR 52.212-5 IS ATTACHED. ADDENDA

ARE

ARE NOT ATTACHED

28. CONTRACTOR IS REQUIRED TO SIGN THIS DOCUMENT AND RETURN \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

29. AWARD OF CONTRACT: REF. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ OFFER

COPIES TO ISSUING OFFICE. CONTRACTOR AGREES TO FURNISH AND

DATED \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. YOUR OFFER ON SOLICITATION

DELIVER ALL ITEMS SET FORTH OR OTHERWISE IDENTIFIED ABOVE AND ON ANY

(BLOCK 5), INCLUDING ANY ADDITIONS OR CHANGES WHICH ARE

ADDITIONAL SHEETS SUBJECT TO THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS SPECIFIED

SET FORTH HEREIN IS ACCEPTED AS TO ITEMS:

30a. SIGNATURE OF OFFEROR/CONTRACTOR

31a. UNITED STATES OF AMERICA (SIGNATURE OF CONTRACTING OFFICER)

30b. NAME AND TITLE OF SIGNER (TYPE OR PRINT)

30c. DATE SIGNED

31b. NAME OF CONTRACTING OFFICER (TYPE OR PRINT)

31c. DATE SIGNED

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7. FOR SOLICITATION

INFORMATION CALL:

STANDARD FORM 1449

**OFFEROR TO COMPLETE BLOCKS 12, 17, 23, 24, & 30**

**SOLICITATION/CONTRACT/ORDER FOR COMMERCIAL ITEMS**

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VAAR 852.232-72

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The soliciation is a RFQ for a one (1) year lease with

four (4) optional years for mail equipment described in the

attached Statement of Work (SOW). This is for brand name or

equivalent. Contractor shall provide all necessary personnel

supervision, labor, equipment, materials, and disposal to

provide the mail equipment with services at the Brockton

Veterans Administration Medical Center (VAMC) pursuant to

the SOW described herin.

Anticipated award is November 9th 2018.

Equipment shall be installed between November 13-16 2018 and

be operational no later than November 19th 2018.

Contractor shall complete the BAA Template and return with

quote.

Direct questions to steven.bonavita@va.gov,

julie.lemire@va.gov, and joyce.goodale@va.gov

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## B.1 CONTRACT ADMINISTRATION DATA

 1. Contract Administration: All contract administration matters will be handled by the following individuals:

 a. CONTRACTOR:

 b. GOVERNMENT: Contracting Officer 36C241

Department of Veterans Affairs

Network Contracting Office (NCO) One

VA Medical Center and Regional Office

718 Smyth Road

Manchester NH 03104

 2. CONTRACTOR REMITTANCE ADDRESS: All payments by the Government to the contractor will be made in accordance with:

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| [] | 52.232-33, Payment by Electronic Funds Transfer—System For Award Management, or |
| [] | 52.232-36, Payment by Third Party |

 3. INVOICES: Invoices shall be submitted in arrears:

 a. Quarterly []

 b. Semi-Annually []

 c. Other []

 4. GOVERNMENT INVOICE ADDRESS: All Invoices from the contractor shall be submitted electronically in accordance with VAAR Clause 852.232-72 Electronic Submission of Payment Requests.

Department of Veterans Affairs

Financial Services Center

http://www.fsc.va.gov/einvoive.asp

VAAR 852.232-72

 ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF AMENDMENTS: The offeror acknowledges receipt of amendments to the Solicitation numbered and dated as follows:

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| --- | --- |
| AMENDMENT NO | DATE |
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## B.2 STATEMENT OF WORK

Mailroom Equipment Lease-Brockton VAMC

One-year Lease with Four One Year Renewal Options

Installation Date-13th to 16th November 2018.

Equipment Fully Operational, no later than November 19th, 2018

Current Conditions

 The Brockton VA’s hardware currently consists of a Neopost production mailing machine, Neopost accounting solution, two Neopost 6 station folder/inserters as well as Endicia postage systems, and UPS WorldShip and UPS CampusShip systems. Outbound mail encompasses letter mail (regular letter size to flats), small packages (1st class), larger packages (Priority) and certified services. Outbound parcels may also utilize UPS services as well. The hardware and software breakdown is quite mixed, with a number of different platforms running across the devices. Current equipment is nearing the end of its useful service life.

The contractor will replace the mailroom equipment in place and ensure that the new equipment meets or exceeds performance standards as listed below. It is highly suggested that vendors schedule a tour of the Brockton VAMC mail facility to help understand the function and operation of the current mailroom and its future performance requirements.

All Hardware and software presented to the Brockton VA MUST be TRM approved.

1. **Government Furnished Property**

Brockton VAMC shall provide adequate electricity and network drops to accommodate all the mail equipment. Power will not be electrically shared with other appliances (refrigerators, microwaves, and power strips). VA I/T will provide a Windows 64-bit Server or VMWare Virtual Partition, which meets VA security requirements, and vendor prerequisites for the software.   All the workflow and USPS certified software will be installed, and run, on this server.

**2.0 Proposal Format and Requirements**

1. All proposals will include all associated subsections (A, B, C & D) as detailed below. Proposals that do not include these requirements will be considered incomplete.
2. *Brand name or equivalents are authorized for this proposal.* Please note that all prices will include equipment delivery and setup. All Hardware and software presented to the Brockton VA must be TRM approved. Please provide pricing per ITEM.

Subsection A. Cost per year to lease the following ITEMS for years one (1) to five (5). The Contractor shall perform all services on the leased, mail hardware and software such as: installation, de-installation, maintenance, repair and/or replacement, relocations, training and responding and resolving incidents, service requests and changes transportation, service delivery management system(s), equipment, parts, and all required supplies necessary for operation of the mail hardware, software support, and any outside costs to operate and utilize all mail hardware and software.

Item 1

INSERTERS: Brand Name or Equivalent.

Item 2

MAIL MACHINE AND SCALE: Brand Name or Equivalent

Item 3

Multi Carrier Base Software: Brand Name or Equivalent

Item 4

Print and Mail Workflow Software Brand Name or Equivalent

Item 5

RSA Web-CRD Brand Name or Equivalent

**Subsection B. Provide a price for training on the use and function of the equipment.**

**Subsection C.** **Provide a price for Ink and Toner**

Ink and toner for 1 year of operations.

**Subsection D. Provide a Price for the Following Special Requirements.**

Mail machines will have pre-sorting ability. Machines will be hooked up with the USPS data base for addresses and have the ability verify addresses with internal databases. If USPS has a different address, then that piece of mail will be flagged for correction and research.

1. **Description and Specifications of Required Hardware, Software, and Training for Mail Operations. Brand Name or Equivalents are authorized.**

**ITEM 0001**

**Neopost Inserter: Brand Name or Equal.**

<https://www.neopost.com/folder-inserters/ds-180i>

* (2) New DS-180i with 3 station tower, Accumulate and Divert, Conveyor, Furniture
* Processing speed up to 5,500 an hour
* Multiple Sheets up to 6,900 an hour
* 1,500 document sheet feed capacity per unit, 3 by 500
* (1) 22” touch screen PC control
* 8 sheets folding capacity
* 180,000 per month volume per unit
* (2) Tower Folder Double CIS Face Up Top Face Down
* (2) Tower Folder 2D Data matrix license
* (8) BRE Insert Feeder with Furniture
* All onsite training and Support
* AIMS 500 Close loop software
* AIMS search Function
* 5 years of maintenance and software support

 **ITEM 0002**

**Neopost Mail Machine: Brand Name or Equal.**

**https://www.neopost.com/postage-meters/is-5000-6000**

* (2) New IS-6000 Mail Machine with Dynamic Scale & Expandable Conveyor Stacker
* (1) 149lb Weigh Platform w/ display
* (1) 21.5” color touch PC control .
* Engineered for speed, durability, ergonomic perfection, and unmatched throughput.
* Automatically feeds and seals heavy stacks of assorted size mail and pieces up to .8” thick.
* Dynamic Scale accelerates processing by weighing and measuring mail on the fly.
* (1) EMS USPS Base Software
* (1) Enabled EMS/IS mailing machine interface
* (1) Laser Report Printer
* (1) Thermal Printer
* 5 years of Maintenance, software support and mail meter rental

**ITEM 0003**

**NEOPOST Multi Carrier Base Software: Brand Name or Equal.**

**https://www.neopost.com**

* EMS (Enhanced Mailing and Shipping) Multi Carrier Base software or equivalent
* Includes a workstation SLMC
* (2) 70lb. Scale
* Address verification
* (2) Laser Report Printer
* (2) Thermal Printer
* (2) IN 600 Hand Feed Mail machine
* (2) All in one PC w/ 23” Touch screen
* (2) Tethered Barcode Scanners
* (2) Print Certified Forms
* USPS Certified Mail ERR Sheets (12)
* Includes install, 5 years of Maintenance and software support
* Analyzes mail center operations and identifies where money can be saved. Plus, it pinpoints departments that are the biggest spenders.
* Reports help analyze your company’s shipping operations and offer advice on ways to reduce costs.
* Reports a package’s route and delivery status. This powerful program is set up with trigger emails that automatically send a delivery status to recipients.
* Provides analysis of actual usage by carrier including surcharges and fees, and also guides users to cost-saving alternatives.
* 5 years of Maintenance, software support

**ITEM 0004**

**Neopost Print and Mail Workflow Software Brand Name or Equal.**

* VA TRM certified software.
* 508 compliant, with available VPAT.
* Must support the in-scope color and B/W production printers, systems 1,2,3,4
* Must integrate with System inserter
	+ - Produces production control barcodes on every page of every mail piece, to automate inserting by System
* Must support VMWare.  Must Run on Windows 64-Bit physical Server, or logical VMWare Server partition for Windows.
* Accepts PDF files as input, and is capable of indexing the address fields in different locations for different types of jobs.
* Supports USPS CASS certified address cleansing, including the NCOA database.  Proposal must include keeping CASS and NCOA current.
* Provides a USPS PAVE certified sort, and prepares all USPS artifacts (cage/pallet and tray tags, Postage Statement 3600-FCM/3602 Qualification Report, and mail.dat file) for USPS delivery.
* Prints pages in PAVE-sorted order to minimize postage.
* Delivers the mail.dat file directly, and electronically, to the USPS *“PostalOne!”* system.
* Delivers a list of any problem addresses to the VA, for each print job, including return codes to enable address correction.
* Produces USPS Full Services Intelligent Mail® barcodes on every mail piece
	+ - Creating a unique tracking ID for every mail piece
		- Allowing for USPS Secure Destruct to be requested, by job type
* Exports information for every completed job, including page and piece counts, and identifies a file that contains any problem address information associated with that print job.
* Must be usable via secure browser-based interface
* Supports separate user ID logins, one per person
	+ - Allows dynamic changes to columns included in job-views
		- Remembers preferences for screen layout, by user ID, so that each user can have their own view of the system
* Supports separately defined roles, including Printer Operator, Supervisor, and System Administrator.
	+ - Associates each login with one and only one role, which defines what that user is allowed to do.
* Records all user actions in job logs for accountability and chain-of-custody.
* Allows print files to be viewed on the spool, prior to paper production.
	+ - Supports searches for particular pages by text fields
* Allows GUI to run in Spanish, and other languages, for use by VA staff who may use English as a 2nd language.
* 5 years of maintenance and software support

**ITEM 0005**

**Neopost RSA Web-CRD Brand Name or Equivalent**

* **Hosting:** The Web-to-print system will be hosted on premise on VA’s intranet.
* **Storefronts:** Will support unlimited storefronts at no additional cost per storefront to VA.
* **Catalog Ordering:** Will support online catalog ordering and reordering for printed products from inventory, print on demand products, and non-print products.
* Catalog will support versioned products (personalized at time of order) and variable data products (data source, such as a .csv file, attached to order).
* **Ad-hoc ordering:** Will include option to convert native files to PDF at the desktop and when uploaded to the storefront. The desktop conversion must be integrated with the storefront (i.e. when the conversion is complete the user is taken directly to the storefront to complete the order process).
* The order form will include intuitive symbols for most popular finish options (binding, punching, folding, etc.)
* Will include an interactive document preview for soft proofing, including print and finishing options such as tabs, covers and binding.
* Will allow users to combine multiple documents in to a single PDF for ordering.
* **Offline ordering:** Will include option to submit orders where files delivered to the print center on CD-ROM/DVD, USB drive or hard copy.
* **Pricing/Quantities** Will support fixed quantities (i.e. 100, 250, 500), volume pricing discounts and per user pricing.
* **Production Workflow** Will have a production ‘dashboard” that provides a graphical interface for scheduling and tracking of jobs as they move through the production process.
* **Workflow automation** Will have the ability to submit jobs directly to color and b/w digital presses, including all print and online finishing specifications, in JDF and device specific formats.
* **Approvals** Will support an order approval workflow based on cost or content.
* **Reporting** Will have the ability to produce standard and user defined reports in a CSV format.
* **Integration** Will include functionality for cXML integration to 3rd party MIS/ERP systems.
* **Authentication** Will support LDAP or Active Directory real time authentication

**Subsection B. Training**

Provide a price for training on the use and function of the equipment.

Contractor **shall** provide on-site training within (3) business days after installation of all solutions to key operators. Training for all Mail Hardware and installed software components will be conducted as a train-the-trainer session. These training sessions will be defined as:

* User training – one (3) end user training session for up to two (2) hours for up to six (6) people
* One week of comprehensive boot camp to review hardware, software, applications and how to incorporate new technology and workflows into the current system.
* Re-direct and introduce change management concerning jobs, software, calibrations, and certs.
* On-going training throughout the first 30, 60, 90 days.
* Hardware and Software operations and workflow
* One (1) process specific users’ guide will be provided in MS Word and/or PDF formats for distribution to users

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## B.3 PRICE/COST SCHEDULE

### ITEM INFORMATION

Items per the Characteristics in the Statement of Work (SOW) are same or equivalent.

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| **Item Description: Same or Equivalent as SOW** | **Base Year: 11/9/2018 - 11/8/2019** | **Option #1: 11/9/2019 - 11/8/2020** | **Option #2: 11/9/2020 - 11/8/2021** | **Option #3: 11/9/2021 - 11/8/2022** | **Option #4: 11/9/2022 - 11/8/2023** |
| Inserters |   |   |   |   |   |
| Mail Machine & Scale |   |   |   |   |   |
| Multi Carrier Base Software |   |   |   |   |   |
| Print & Mail Workflow Software |   |   |   |   |   |
| RSA Web-CRD |   |   |   |   |   |
| Ink & toner |   |   |   |   |   |
| Training |   |   |   |   |   |
| Preventative Maintenance Services |  |  |  |  |  |
| Onsite or Remote Troubleshooting Services and other services |  |  |  |  |  |
| Provide software updates; and provide loaner in case of back orders |  |  |  |  |  |

## B.4 DELIVERY SCHEDULE

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| ITEM NUMBER | QUANTITY | DELIVERY DATE |
| ALL | SHIP TO: | Brockton VAMC940 Belmont StreetBrockton, MA 02301 5596USA | ALL |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |

# SECTION C - CONTRACT CLAUSES

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| **FAR Number** | **Title** | **Date** |
| 52.212-4 | CONTRACT TERMS AND CONDITIONS—COMMERCIAL ITEMS | JAN 2017 |

ADDENDUM to FAR 52.212-4 CONTRACT TERMS AND CONDITIONS—COMMERCIAL ITEMS

 Clauses that are incorporated by reference (by Citation Number, Title, and Date), have the same force and effect as if they were given in full text. Upon request, the Contracting Officer will make their full text available.

 The following clauses are incorporated into 52.212-4 as an addendum to this contract:

## C.1 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):

 http://www.acquisition.gov/far/index.html

 http://www.va.gov/oal/library/vaar/

(End of Clause)

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| **FAR Number** | **Title** | **Date** |
| 52.203-16 | PREVENTING PERSONAL CONFLICTS OF INTEREST | DEC 2011 |
| 52.203-17 | CONTRACTOR EMPLOYEE WHISTLEBLOWER RIGHTS AND REQUIREMENT TO INFORM EMPLOYEES OF WHISTLEBLOWER RIGHTS | APR 2014 |
| 52.204-4 | PRINTED OR COPIED DOUBLE-SIDED ON RECYCLED PAPER | MAY 2011 |

## C.2 52.204-21 BASIC SAFEGUARDING OF COVERED CONTRACTOR INFORMATION SYSTEMS (JUN 2016)

 (a) *Definitions*. As used in this clause—

 *Covered contractor information system* means an information system that is owned or operated by a contractor that processes, stores, or transmits Federal contract information.

 *Federal contract information* means information, not intended for public release, that is provided by or generated for the Government under a contract to develop or deliver a product or service to the Government, but not including information provided by the Government to the public (such as on public Web sites) or simple transactional information, such as necessary to process payments.

 *Information* means any communication or representation of knowledge such as facts, data, or opinions, in any medium or form, including textual, numerical, graphic, cartographic, narrative, or audiovisual (Committee on National Security Systems Instruction (CNSSI) 4009).

 *Information system* means a discrete set of information resources organized for the collection, processing, maintenance, use, sharing, dissemination, or disposition of information (44 U.S.C. 3502).

 *Safeguarding* means measures or controls that are prescribed to protect information systems.

 (b) *Safeguarding requirements and procedures*. (1) The Contractor shall apply the following basic safeguarding requirements and procedures to protect covered contractor information systems. Requirements and procedures for basic safeguarding of covered contractor information systems shall include, at a minimum, the following security controls:

 (i) Limit information system access to authorized users, processes acting on behalf of authorized users, or devices (including other information systems).

 (ii) Limit information system access to the types of transactions and functions that authorized users are permitted to execute.

 (iii) Verify and control/limit connections to and use of external information systems.

 (iv) Control information posted or processed on publicly accessible information systems.

 (v) Identify information system users, processes acting on behalf of users, or devices.

 (vi) Authenticate (or verify) the identities of those users, processes, or devices, as a prerequisite to allowing access to organizational information systems.

 (vii) Sanitize or destroy information system media containing Federal Contract Information before disposal or release for reuse.

 (viii) Limit physical access to organizational information systems, equipment, and the respective operating environments to authorized individuals.

 (ix) Escort visitors and monitor visitor activity; maintain audit logs of physical access; and control and manage physical access devices.

 (x) Monitor, control, and protect organizational communications (i.e., information transmitted or received by organizational information systems) at the external boundaries and key internal boundaries of the information systems.

 (xi) Implement subnetworks for publicly accessible system components that are physically or logically separated from internal networks.

 (xii) Identify, report, and correct information and information system flaws in a timely manner.

 (xiii) Provide protection from malicious code at appropriate locations within organizational information systems.

 (xiv) Update malicious code protection mechanisms when new releases are available.

 (xv) Perform periodic scans of the information system and real-time scans of files from external sources as files are downloaded, opened, or executed.

 (2) *Other requirements*. This clause does not relieve the Contractor of any other specific safeguarding requirements specified by Federal agencies and departments relating to covered contractor information systems generally or other Federal safeguarding requirements for controlled unclassified information (CUI) as established by Executive Order 13556.

 (c) *Subcontracts*. The Contractor shall include the substance of this clause, including this paragraph (c), in subcontracts under this contract (including subcontracts for the acquisition of commercial items, other than commercially available off-the-shelf items), in which the subcontractor may have Federal contract information residing in or transiting through its information system.

(End of Clause)

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| **FAR Number** | **Title** | **Date** |
| 52.217-8 | OPTION TO EXTEND SERVICES | NOV 1999 |

## C.3 52.217-9 OPTION TO EXTEND THE TERM OF THE CONTRACT (MAR 2000)

 (a) The Government may extend the term of this contract by written notice to the Contractor within 5 days; provided that the Government gives the Contractor a preliminary written notice of its intent to extend at least 15 days days before the contract expires. The preliminary notice does not commit the Government to an extension.

 (b) If the Government exercises this option, the extended contract shall be considered to include this option clause.

 (c) The total duration of this contract, including the exercise of any options under this clause, shall not exceed 72 months.

(End of Clause)

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| **FAR Number** | **Title** | **Date** |
| 52.228-5 | INSURANCE—WORK ON A GOVERNMENT INSTALLATION | JAN 1997 |
| 52.232-40 | PROVIDING ACCELERATED PAYMENTS TO SMALL BUSINESS SUBCONTRACTORS | DEC 2013 |
| 52.237-3 | CONTINUITY OF SERVICES | JAN 1991 |

## C.4 VAAR 852.203-70 COMMERCIAL ADVERTISING (MAY 2018)

 The Contractor shall not make reference in its commercial advertising to Department of Veterans Affairs contracts in a manner that states or implies the Department of Veterans Affairs approves or endorses the Contractor’s products or services or considers the Contractor’s products or services superior to other products or services.

(End of Clause)

## C.5 VAAR 852.211-70 SERVICE DATA MANUALS, MECHANICAL EQUIPMENT (JAN 2008)

 The contractor agrees to furnish two hard copies of a manual, handbook or brochure containing operating, installation, and maintenance instructions (including pictures or illustrations, schematics, and complete repair/test guides as necessary). Where applicable, it will include electrical data and connection diagrams for all utilities. The instructions shall also contain a complete list of all replaceable parts showing part number, name, and quantity required.

(End of Clause)

## C.6 VAAR 852.211-73 BRAND NAME OR EQUAL (JAN 2008)

 (Note: as used in this clause, the term "brand name" includes identification of products by make and model.)

 (a) If items called for by this invitation for bids have been identified in the schedule by a "brand name or equal" description, such identification is intended to be descriptive, but not restrictive, and is to indicate the quality and characteristics of products that will be satisfactory. Bids offering "equal" products (including products of the brand name manufacturer other than the one described by brand name) will be considered for award if such products are clearly identified in the bids and are determined by the Government to meet fully the salient characteristics requirements listed in the invitation.

 (b) Unless the bidder clearly indicates in the bid that the bidder is offering an "equal" product, the bid shall be considered as offering a brand name product referenced in the invitation for bids.

 (c)(1) If the bidder proposes to furnish an "equal" product, the brand name, if any, of the product to be furnished shall be inserted in the space provided in the invitation for bids, or such product shall be otherwise clearly identified in the bid. The evaluation of bids and the determination as to equality of the product offered shall be the responsibility of the Government and will be based on information furnished by the bidder or identified in his/her bid as well as other information reasonably available to the purchasing activity. CAUTION TO BIDDERS. The purchasing activity is not responsible for locating or securing any information that is not identified in the bid and reasonably available to the purchasing activity. Accordingly, to insure that sufficient information is available, the bidder must furnish as a part of his/her bid all descriptive material (such as cuts, illustrations, drawings or other information) necessary for the purchasing activity to:

 (i) Determine whether the product offered meets the salient characteristics requirement of the Invitation for Bids, and

 (ii) Establish exactly what the bidder proposes to furnish and what the Government would be binding itself to purchase by making an award. The information furnished may include specific references to information previously furnished or to information otherwise available to the purchasing activity.

 (2) If the bidder proposes to modify a product so as to make it conform to the requirements of the Invitation for Bids, he/she shall:

 (i) Include in his/her bid a clear description of such proposed modifications, and

 (ii) Clearly mark any descriptive material to show the proposed modifications.

 (3) Modifications proposed after bid opening to make a product conform to a brand name product referenced in the Invitation for Bids will not be considered.

 The clause entitled "Brand name or equal" applies only to the following line items:

Mail Inserters

Mail Machine and Scale

Multi-Carrier Base Software

Print and Mail Workflow Software

RSA Web-CRD

(End of Clause)

## C.7 VAAR 852.219-9 VA SMALL BUSINESS SUBCONTRACTING PLAN MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS (DEC 2009)

 (a) This clause does not apply to small business concerns.

 (b) If the offeror is required to submit an individual subcontracting plan, the minimum goals for award of subcontracts to service-disabled veteran-owned small business concerns and veteran-owned small business concerns shall be at least commensurate with the Department's annual service-disabled veteran-owned small business and veteran-owned small business prime contracting goals for the total dollars planned to be subcontracted.

 (c) For a commercial plan, the minimum goals for award of subcontracts to service-disabled veteran-owned small business concerns and veteran-owned small businesses shall be at least commensurate with the Department's annual service-disabled veteran-owned small business and veteran-owned small business prime contracting goals for the total value of projected subcontracts to support the sales for the commercial plan.

 (d) To be credited toward goal achievements, businesses must be verified as eligible in the Vendor Information Pages database. The contractor shall annually submit a listing of service-disabled veteran-owned small businesses and veteran-owned small businesses for which credit toward goal achievement is to be applied for the review of personnel in the Office of Small and Disadvantaged Business Utilization.

 (e) The contractor may appeal any businesses determined not eligible for crediting toward goal achievements by following the procedures contained in 819.407.

(End of Clause)

## C.8 VAAR 852.232-72 ELECTRONIC SUBMISSION OF PAYMENT REQUESTS (NOV 2012)

 (a) *Definitions.* As used in this clause—

 (1) *Contract financing payment* has the meaning given in FAR 32.001.

 (2) *Designated agency office* has the meaning given in 5 CFR 1315.2(m).

 (3) *Electronic form* means an automated system transmitting information electronically according to the

Accepted electronic data transmission methods and formats identified in paragraph (c) of this clause. Facsimile, email, and scanned documents are not acceptable electronic forms for submission of payment requests.

 (4) *Invoice payment* has the meaning given in FAR 32.001.

 (5) *Payment request* means any request for contract financing payment or invoice payment submitted by the contractor under this contract.

 (b) *Electronic payment requests.* Except as provided in paragraph (e) of this clause, the contractor shall submit payment requests in electronic form. Purchases paid with a Government-wide commercial purchase card are considered to be an electronic transaction for purposes of this rule, and therefore no additional electronic invoice submission is required.

 (c) *Data transmission.* A contractor must ensure that the data transmission method and format are through one of the following:

 (1) VA’s Electronic Invoice Presentment and Payment System. (See Web site at *http://www.fsc.va.gov/einvoice.asp*.)

 (2) Any system that conforms to the X12 electronic data interchange (EDI) formats established by the Accredited Standards Center (ASC) and chartered by the American National Standards Institute (ANSI). The X12 EDI Web site (*http://www.x12.org*) includes additional information on EDI 810 and 811 formats.

 (d) *Invoice requirements.* Invoices shall comply with FAR 32.905.

 (e) *Exceptions.* If, based on one of the circumstances below, the contracting officer directs that payment requests be made by mail, the contractor shall submit payment requests by mail through the United States Postal Service to the designated agency office. Submission of payment requests by mail may be required for:

 (1) Awards made to foreign vendors for work performed outside the United States;

 (2) Classified contracts or purchases when electronic submission and processing of payment requests could compromise the safeguarding of classified or privacy information;

 (3) Contracts awarded by contracting officers in the conduct of emergency operations, such as responses to national emergencies;

 (4) Solicitations or contracts in which the designated agency office is a VA entity other than the VA Financial Services Center in Austin, Texas; or

 (5) Solicitations or contracts in which the VA designated agency office does not have electronic invoicing capability as described above.

(End of Clause)

## C.9 VAAR 852.237-70 CONTRACTOR RESPONSIBILITIES (APR 1984)

 The contractor shall obtain all necessary licenses and/or permits required to perform this work. He/she shall take all reasonable precautions necessary to protect persons and property from injury or damage during the performance of this contract. He/she shall be responsible for any injury to himself/herself, his/her employees, as well as for any damage to personal or public property that occurs during the performance of this contract that is caused by his/her employees fault or negligence, and shall maintain personal liability and property damage insurance having coverage for a limit as required by the laws of the State of Massachusetts. Further, it is agreed that any negligence of the Government, its officers, agents, servants and employees, shall not be the responsibility of the contractor hereunder with the regard to any claims, loss, damage, injury, and liability resulting there from.

(End of Clause)

## C.10 VAAR 852.246-70 GUARANTEE (JAN 2008)

 The contractor guarantees the equipment against defective material, workmanship and performance for a period of 5 year lease, said guarantee to run from date of acceptance of the equipment by the Government. The contractor agrees to furnish, without cost to the Government, replacement of all parts and material that are found to be defective during the guarantee period. Replacement of material and parts will be furnished to the Government at the point of installation, if installation is within the continental United States, or f.o.b. the continental U.S. port to be designated by the contracting officer if installation is outside of the continental United States. Cost of installation of replacement material and parts shall be borne by the contractor.

(End of Clause)

## C.11 VAAR 852.246-71 INSPECTION (JAN 2008)

 Rejected goods will be held subject to contractors order for not more than 15 days, after which the rejected merchandise will be returned to the contractor's address at his/her risk and expense. Expenses incident to the examination and testing of materials or supplies that have been rejected will be charged to the contractor's account.

(End of Clause)

 (End of Addendum to 52.212-4)

## C.12 LIMITATIONS ON SUBCONTRACTING-- MONITORING AND COMPLIANCE (JUN 2011)

 This solicitation includes FAR 52.219-4 Notice of Price Evaluation Preference for HubZone Small Business Concerns. Accordingly, any contract resulting from this solicitation will include this clause. The contractor is advised in performing contract administration functions, the CO may use the services of a support contractor(s) retained by VA to assist inassessing the contractor's compliance with the limitations on subcontracting or percentage of work performance requirements specified in the clause. To that end, the support contractor(s) may require access to contractor's offices where the contractor's business records or other proprietary data are retained and to review such business records regarding the contractor's compliance with this requirement. All support contractors conducting this review on behalf of VA will be required to sign an “Information Protection and Non-Disclosure and Disclosure of Conflicts of Interest Agreement” to ensure the contractor's business records or other proprietary data reviewed or obtained in the course of assisting the CO in assessing the contractor for compliance are protected to ensure information or data is not improperly disclosed or other impropriety occurs. Furthermore, if VA determines any services the support contractor(s) will perform in assessing compliance are advisory and assistance services as defined in FAR 2.101, Definitions, the support contractor(s) must also enter into an agreement with the contractor to protect proprietary information as required by FAR 9.505-4, obtaining access to proprietary information, paragraph (b). The contractor is required to cooperate fully and make available any records as may be required to enable the CO to assess the contractor's compliance with the limitations on subcontracting or percentage of work performance requirement.

## C.13 SUBCONTRACTING COMMITMENTS--MONITORING AND COMPLIANCE (JUN 2011)

 This solicitation includes VAAR 852.215-70, Service-Disabled Veteran-Owned and Veteran-Owned Small Business Evaluation Factors, and VAAR 852.215-71, Evaluation Factor Commitments. Accordingly, any contract resulting from this solicitation will include these clauses. The contractor is advised in performing contract administration functions, the CO may use the services of a support contractor(s) to assist in assessing contractor compliance with the subcontracting commitments incorporated into the contract. To that end, the support contractor(s) may require access to the contractor's business records or other proprietary data to review such business records regarding contract compliance with this requirement. All support contractors conducting this review on behalf of VA will be required to sign an “Information Protection and Non-Disclosure and Disclosure of Conflicts of Interest Agreement” to ensure the contractor's business records or other proprietary data reviewed or obtained in the course of assisting the CO in assessing the contractor for compliance are protected to ensure information or data is not improperly disclosed or other impropriety occurs. Furthermore, if VA determines any services the support contractor(s) will perform in assessing compliance are advisory and assistance services as defined in FAR 2.101, Definitions, the support contractor(s) must also enter into an agreement with the contractor to protect proprietary information as required by FAR 9.505-4, obtaining access to proprietary information, paragraph (b). The contractor is required to cooperate fully and make available any records as may be required to enable the CO to assess the contractor compliance with the subcontracting commitments.

## C.14 SUBCONTRACTING PLAN--MONITORING AND COMPLIANCE (JUN 2011)

 This solicitation includes FAR 52.219-9, Small Business Subcontracting Plan, and VAAR 852.219-9, VA Small Business Subcontracting Plan Minimum Requirement. Accordingly, any contract resulting from this solicitation will include these clauses. The contractor is advised in performing contract administration functions, the CO may use the services of a support contractor(s) to assist in assessing the contractor's compliance with the plan, including reviewing the contractor's accomplishments in achieving the subcontracting goals in the plan. To that end, the support contractor(s) may require access to the contractor's business records or other proprietary data to review such business records regarding the contractor's compliance with this requirement. All support contractors conducting this review on behalf of VA will be required to sign an “Information Protection and Non-Disclosure and Disclosure of Conflicts of Interest Agreement” to ensure the contractor's business records or other proprietary data reviewed or obtained in the course of assisting the CO in assessing the contractor for compliance are protected to ensure information or data is not improperly disclosed or other impropriety occurs. Furthermore, if VA determines any services the support contractor(s) will perform in assessing compliance are advisory and assistance services as defined in FAR 2.101, Definitions, the support contractor(s) must also enter into an agreement with the contractor to protect proprietary information as required by FAR 9.505-4, obtaining access to proprietary information, paragraph (b). The contractor is required to cooperate fully and make available any records as may be required to enable the CO to assess the contractor compliance with the subcontracting plan.

## C.15 52.212-5 CONTRACT TERMS AND CONDITIONS REQUIRED TO IMPLEMENT STATUTES OR EXECUTIVE ORDERS—COMMERCIAL ITEMS (JAN 2018)

 (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 items:

 (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) 52.209-10, Prohibition on Contracting with Inverted Domestic Corporations (NOV 2015).

 (3) 52.233-3, Protest After Award (Aug 1996) (31 U.S.C. 3553).

 (4) 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 items:

 [X] (1) 52.203-6, Restrictions on Subcontractor Sales to the Government (Sept 2006), with Alternate I (Oct 1995) (41 U.S.C. 4704 and 10 U.S.C. 2402).

 [] (2) 52.203-13, Contractor Code of Business Ethics and Conduct (OCT 2015) (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 (OCT 2016) (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).

 [] (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. (OCT 2015) (31 U.S.C. 6101 note).

 [X] (9) 52.209-9, Updates of Publicly Available Information Regarding Responsibility Matters (Jul 2013) (41 U.S.C. 2313).

 [] (10) [Reserved]

 [] (11)(i) 52.219-3, Notice of HUBZone Set-Aside or Sole-Source Award (NOV 2011) (15 U.S.C. 657a).

 [] (ii) Alternate I (NOV 2011) of 52.219-3.

 [X] (12)(i) 52.219-4, Notice of Price Evaluation Preference for HUBZone Small Business Concerns (OCT 2014) (if the offeror elects to waive the preference, it shall so indicate in its offer) (15 U.S.C. 657a).

 [] (ii) Alternate I (JAN 2011) of 52.219-4.

 [] (13) [Reserved]

 [] (14)(i) 52.219-6, Notice of Total Small Business Set-Aside (NOV 2011) (15 U.S.C. 644).

 [] (ii) Alternate I (NOV 2011).

 [] (iii) Alternate II (NOV 2011).

 [] (15)(i) 52.219-7, Notice of Partial Small Business Set-Aside (June 2003) (15 U.S.C. 644).

 [] (ii) Alternate I (Oct 1995) of 52.219-7.

 [] (iii) Alternate II (Mar 2004) of 52.219-7.

 [X] (16) 52.219-8, Utilization of Small Business Concerns (NOV 2016) (15 U.S.C. 637(d)(2) and (3)).

 [X] (17)(i) 52.219-9, Small Business Subcontracting Plan (JAN 2017) (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 (NOV 2016) of 52.219-9.

 [] (v) Alternate IV (NOV 2016) of 52.219-9.

 [] (18) 52.219-13, Notice of Set-Aside of Orders (NOV 2011) (15 U.S.C. 644(r)).

 [] (19) 52.219-14, Limitations on Subcontracting (JAN 2017) (15 U.S.C. 637(a)(14)).

 [X] (20) 52.219-16, Liquidated Damages—Subcontracting Plan (Jan 1999) (15 U.S.C. 637(d)(4)(F)(i)).

 [] (21) 52.219-27, Notice of Service-Disabled Veteran-Owned Small Business Set-Aside (NOV 2011) (15 U.S.C. 657f).

 [X] (22) 52.219-28, Post Award Small Business Program Rerepresentation (Jul 2013) (15 U.S.C 632(a)(2)).

 [] (23) 52.219-29, Notice of Set-Aside for, or Sole Source Award to, Economically Disadvantaged Women-Owned Small Business Concerns (DEC 2015) (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 (DEC 2015) (15 U.S.C. 637(m)).

 [X] (25) 52.222-3, Convict Labor (June 2003) (E.O. 11755).

 [X] (26) 52.222–19, Child Labor—Cooperation with Authorities and Remedies (JAN 2018) (E.O. 13126).

 [X] (27) 52.222-21, Prohibition of Segregated Facilities (APR 2015).

 [X] (28) 52.222–26, Equal Opportunity (SEP 2016) (E.O. 11246).

 [X] (29) 52.222-35, Equal Opportunity for Veterans (OCT 2015) (38 U.S.C. 4212).

 [X] (30) 52.222-36, Equal Opportunity for Workers with Disabilities (JUL 2014) (29 U.S.C. 793).

 [X] (31) 52.222-37, Employment Reports on Veterans (FEB 2016) (38 U.S.C. 4212).

 [X] (32) 52.222-40, Notification of Employee Rights Under the National Labor Relations Act (DEC 2010) (E.O. 13496).

 [X] (33)(i) 52.222-50, Combating Trafficking in Persons (MAR 2015) (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).

 [] (34) 52.222-54, Employment Eligibility Verification (OCT 2015). (E. O. 12989). (Not applicable to the acquisition of commercially available off-the-shelf items or certain other types of commercial items as prescribed in 22.1803.)

 [] (35)(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.)

 [] (36) 52.223-11, Ozone-Depleting Substances and High Global Warming Potential Hydrofluorocarbons (JUN 2016) (E.O. 13693).

 [] (37) 52.223-12, Maintenance, Service, Repair, or Disposal of Refrigeration Equipment and Air Conditioners (JUN 2016) (E.O. 13693).

 [] (38)(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.

 [] (39)(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.

 [] (40) 52.223-15, Energy Efficiency in Energy-Consuming Products (DEC 2007)(42 U.S.C. 8259b).

 [] (41)(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] (42) 52.223-18, Encouraging Contractor Policies to Ban Text Messaging While Driving (AUG 2011)

 [] (43) 52.223-20, Aerosols (JUN 2016) (E.O. 13693).

 [] (44) 52.223-21, Foams (JUN 2016) (E.O. 13693).

 [] (45) (i) 52.224-3, Privacy Training (JAN 2017) (5 U.S.C. 552a).

 [] (ii) Alternate I (JAN 2017) of 52.224-3.

 [] (46) 52.225-1, Buy American—Supplies (MAY 2014) (41 U.S.C. chapter 83).

 [] (47)(i) 52.225-3, Buy American—Free Trade Agreements—Israeli Trade Act (MAY 2014) (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 (MAY 2014) of 52.225-3.

 [] (iii) Alternate II (MAY 2014) of 52.225-3.

 [] (iv) Alternate III (MAY 2014) of 52.225-3.

 [X] (48) 52.225–5, Trade Agreements (OCT 2016) (19 U.S.C. 2501, et seq., 19 U.S.C. 3301 note).

 [X] (49) 52.225-13, Restrictions on Certain Foreign Purchases (JUN 2008) (E.O.'s, proclamations, and statutes administered by the Office of Foreign Assets Control of the Department of the Treasury).

 [] (50) 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).

 [] (51) 52.226-4, Notice of Disaster or Emergency Area Set-Aside (Nov 2007) (42 U.S.C. 5150).

 [] (52) 52.226-5, Restrictions on Subcontracting Outside Disaster or Emergency Area (Nov 2007) (42 U.S.C. 5150).

 [] (53) 52.232-29, Terms for Financing of Purchases of Commercial Items (Feb 2002) (41 U.S.C. 4505, 10 U.S.C. 2307(f)).

 [] (54) 52.232-30, Installment Payments for Commercial Items (JAN 2017) (41 U.S.C. 4505, 10 U.S.C. 2307(f)).

 [] (55) 52.232-33, Payment by Electronic Funds Transfer—System for Award Management (Jul 2013) (31 U.S.C. 3332).

 [] (56) 52.232-34, Payment by Electronic Funds Transfer—Other than System for Award Management (Jul 2013) (31 U.S.C. 3332).

 [] (57) 52.232-36, Payment by Third Party (MAY 2014) (31 U.S.C. 3332).

 [] (58) 52.239-1, Privacy or Security Safeguards (Aug 1996) (5 U.S.C. 552a).

 [X] (59) 52.242-5, Payments to Small Business Subcontractors (JAN 2017)(15 U.S.C. 637(d)(12)).

 [] (60)(i) 52.247-64, Preference for Privately Owned U.S.-Flag Commercial Vessels (Feb 2006) (46 U.S.C. Appx. 1241(b) and 10 U.S.C. 2631).

 [] (ii) Alternate I (Apr 2003) 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 items:

 [] (1) 52.222-17, Nondisplacement of Qualified Workers (MAY 2014) (E.O. 13495).

 [] (2) 52.222-41, Service Contract Labor Standards (MAY 2014) (41 U.S.C. chapter 67).

 [] (3) 52.222-42, Statement of Equivalent Rates for Federal Hires (MAY 2014) (29 U.S.C. 206 and 41 U.S.C. chapter 67).

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 [] (4) 52.222-43, Fair Labor Standards Act and Service Contract Labor Standards—Price Adjustment (Multiple Year and Option Contracts) (MAY 2014) (29 U.S.C. 206 and 41 U.S.C. chapter 67).

 [] (5) 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).

 [] (6) 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).

 [] (7) 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).

 [] (8) 52.222-55, Minimum Wages Under Executive Order 13658 (DEC 2015).

 [] (9) 52.222-62, Paid Sick Leave Under Executive Order 13706 (JAN 2017) (E.O. 13706).

 [] (10) 52.226-6, Promoting Excess Food Donation to Nonprofit Organizations (MAY 2014) (42 U.S.C. 1792).

 [] (11) 52.237-11, Accepting and Dispensing of $1 Coin (SEP 2008) (31 U.S.C. 5112(p)(1)).

 (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, 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) in a subcontract for commercial items. 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 (OCT 2015) (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) 52.219-8, Utilization of Small Business Concerns (NOV 2016) (15 U.S.C. 637(d)(2) and (3)), in all subcontracts that offer further subcontracting opportunities.

 (iv) 52.222-17, Nondisplacement of Qualified Workers (MAY 2014) (E.O. 13495). Flow down required in accordance with paragraph (l) of FAR clause 52.222-17.

 (v) 52.222-21, Prohibition of Segregated Facilities (APR 2015).

 (vi) 52.222–26, Equal Opportunity (SEP 2016) (E.O. 11246).

 (vii) 52.222-35, Equal Opportunity for Veterans (OCT 2015) (38 U.S.C. 4212).

 (viii) 52.222-36, Equal Opportunity for Workers with Disabilities (JUL 2014) (29 U.S.C. 793).

 (ix) 52.222-37, Employment Reports on Veterans (FEB 2016) (38 U.S.C. 4212).

 (x) 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.

 (xi) 52.222-41, Service Contract Labor Standards (MAY 2014) (41 U.S.C. chapter 67).

 (xii)(A) 52.222-50, Combating Trafficking in Persons (MAR 2015) (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).

 (xiii) 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).

 (xiv) 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).

 (xv) 52.222-54, Employment Eligibility Verification (OCT 2015) (E. O. 12989).

 (xvi) 52.222-55, Minimum Wages Under Executive Order 13658 (DEC 2015).

 (xvii) 52.222-62 Paid Sick Leave Under Executive Order 13706 (JAN 2017) (E.O. 13706).

 (xviii)(A) 52.224-3, Privacy Training (JAN 2017) (5 U.S.C. 552a).

 (B) Alternate I (JAN 2017) of 52.224-3.

 (xix) 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).

 (xx) 52.226-6, Promoting Excess Food Donation to Nonprofit Organizations (MAY 2014) (42 U.S.C. 1792). Flow down required in accordance with paragraph (e) of FAR clause 52.226-6.

 (xxi) 52.247-64, Preference for Privately Owned U.S.-Flag Commercial Vessels (Feb 2006) (46 U.S.C. Appx. 1241(b) 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 items a minimal number of additional clauses necessary to satisfy its contractual obligations.

(End of Clause)

# SECTION D - CONTRACT DOCUMENTS, EXHIBITS, OR ATTACHMENTS

## BUSINESS ASSOCIATE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS VETERANS HEALTH ADMINISTRATION, , AND

Purpose. The purpose of this Business Associate Agreement (Agreement) is to establish requirements for the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) Veterans Health Administration (VHA) and in accordance with the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA), the Health Information Technology for Economic and Clinical Health Act (HITECH) Act, and the HIPAA Privacy, Security, Breach Notification, and Enforcement Rules (“HIPAA Rules”), 45 C.F.R. Parts 160 and 164, for the Use and Disclosure of Protected Health Information (PHI) under the terms and conditions specified below.

Scope. Under this Agreement and other applicable contracts or agreements, will provide services to, for, or on behalf of .

In order for to provide such services, will disclose PHI to and will use or disclose PHI in accordance with this Agreement.

Definitions. Unless otherwise provided, the following terms used in this Agreement have the same meaning as defined by the HIPAA Rules: Breach, Data Aggregation, Designated Record Set, Disclosure, Health Care Operations, Individual, Minimum Necessary, Notice of Privacy Practices, Protected Health Information (PHI), Required by Law, Secretary, Security Incident, Subcontractor, Unsecured Protected Health Information, and Use.

“Business Associate” shall have the same meaning as described at 45 C.F.R. § 160.103. For the purposes of this Agreement, Business Associate shall refer to , including its employees, officers, or any other agents that create, receive, maintain, or transmit PHI as described below.

“Covered Entity” shall have the same meaning as the term is defined at 45 C.F.R. § 160.103. For the purposes of this Agreement, Covered Entity shall refer to .

“Protected Health Information” or “PHI” shall have the same meaning as described at 45 C.F.R. § 160.103. “Protected Health Information” and “PHI” as used in this Agreement include “Electronic Protected Health Information” and “EPHI.” For the purposes of this Agreement and unless otherwise provided, the term shall also refer to PHI that Business Associate creates, receives, maintains, or transmits on behalf of Covered Entity or receives from Covered Entity or another Business Associate.

“Subcontractor” shall have the same meaning as the term is defined at 45 C.F.R. § 160.103. For the purposes of this Agreement, Subcontractor shall refer to a contractor of any person or entity, other than Covered Entity, that creates, receives, maintains, or transmits PHI under the terms of this Agreement.

Terms and Conditions. Covered Entity and Business Associate agree as follows:

1. Ownership of PHI. PHI is and remains the property of Covered Entity as long as Business Associate creates, receives, maintains, or transmits PHI, regardless of whether a compliant Business Associate agreement is in place.

2. Use and Disclosure of PHI by Business Associate. Unless otherwise provided, Business Associate:

 A. May not use or disclose PHI other than as permitted or required by this Agreement, or in a manner that would violate the HIPAA Privacy Rule if done by Covered Entity, except that it may use or disclose PHI:

 (1) As required by law or to carry out its legal responsibilities;

 (2) For the proper management and administration of Business Associate; or

 (3) To provide Data Aggregation services relating to the health care operations of Covered Entity.

 B. Must use or disclose PHI in a manner that complies with Covered Entity’s minimum necessary policies and procedures.

 C. May de-identify PHI created or received by Business Associate under this Agreement at the request of the Covered Entity, provided that the de-identification conforms to the requirements of the HIPAA Privacy Rule.

3. Obligations of Business Associate. In connection with any Use or Disclosure of PHI, Business Associate must:

 A. Consult with Covered Entity before using or disclosing PHI whenever Business Associate is uncertain whether the Use or Disclosure is authorized under this Agreement.

 B. Implement appropriate administrative, physical, and technical safeguards and controls to protect PHI and document applicable policies and procedures to prevent any Use or Disclosure of PHI other than as provided by this Agreement.

 C. Provide satisfactory assurances that PHI created or received by Business Associate under this Agreement is protected to the greatest extent feasible.

 D. Notify Covered Entity within twenty-four (24) hours of Business Associate’s discovery of any potential access, acquisition, use, disclosure, modification, or destruction of either secured or unsecured PHI in violation of this Agreement, including any Breach of PHI.

 (1) Any incident as described above will be treated as discovered as of the first day on which such event is known to Business Associate or, by exercising reasonable diligence, would have been known to Business Associate.

 (2) Notification shall be sent to and and to the VHA Health Information Access Office, Business Associate Program Manager by email at VHABAAIssues@va.gov.

 (3) Business Associate shall not notify individuals or the Department of Health and Human Services directly unless Business Associate is not acting as an agent of Covered Entity but in its capacity as a Covered Entity itself.

 E. Provide a written report to Covered Entity of any potential access, acquisition, use, disclosure, modification, or destruction of either secured or unsecured PHI in violation of this Agreement, including any Breach of PHI, within ten (10) business days of the initial notification.

 (1) The written report of an incident as described above will document the following:

 (a) The identity of each Individual whose PHI has been, or is reasonably believed by Business Associate to have been, accessed, acquired, used, disclosed, modified, or destroyed;

 (b) A description of what occurred, including the date of the incident and the date of the discovery of the incident (if known);

 (c) A description of the types of secured or unsecured PHI that was involved;

 (d) A description of what is being done to investigate the incident, to mitigate further harm to Individuals, and to protect against future incidents; and

 (e) Any other information as required by 45 C.F.R. §§ 164.404(c) and 164.410.

 (2) The written report shall be addressed to:

 and submitted by email to and to the VHA Health Information Access Office, Business Associate Program Manager at VHABAAIssues@va.gov

 F. To the greatest extent feasible, mitigate any harm due to a Use or Disclosure of PHI by Business Associate in violation of this Agreement that is known or, by exercising reasonable diligence, should have been known to Business Associate.

 G. Use only contractors and Subcontractors that are physically located within a jurisdiction subject to the laws of the United States, and ensure that no contractor or Subcontractor maintains, processes, uses, or discloses PHI in any way that will remove the information from such jurisdiction. Any modification to this provision must be approved by Covered Entity in advance and in writing.

 H. Enter into Business Associate Agreements with contractors and Subcontractors as appropriate under the HIPAA Rules and this Agreement. Business Associate:

 (1) Must ensure that the terms of any Agreement between Business Associate and a contractor or Subcontractor are at least as restrictive as Business Associate Agreement between Business Associate and Covered Entity.

 (2) Must ensure that contractors and Subcontractors agree to the same restrictions and conditions that apply to Business Associate and obtain satisfactory written assurances from them that they agree to those restrictions and conditions.

 (3) May not amend any terms of such Agreement without Covered Entity’s prior written approval.

 I. Within five (5) business days of a written request from Covered Entity:

 (1) Make available information for Covered Entity to respond to an Individual’s request for access to PHI about him/her.

 (2) Make available information for Covered Entity to respond to an Individual’s request for amendment of PHI about him/her and, as determined by and under the direction of Covered Entity, incorporate any amendment to the PHI.

 (3) Make available PHI for Covered Entity to respond to an Individual’s request for an accounting of Disclosures of PHI about him/her.

 J. Business Associate may not take any action concerning an individual’s request for access, amendment, or accounting other than as instructed by Covered Entity.

 K. To the extent Business Associate is required to carry out Covered Entity's obligations under Subpart E of 45 CFR Part 164, comply with the provisions that apply to Covered Entity in the performance of such obligations.

 L. Provide to the Secretary of Health and Human Services and to Covered Entity records related to Use or Disclosure of PHI, including its policies, procedures, and practices, for the purpose of determining Covered Entity’s, Business Associate’s, or a Subcontractor’s compliance with the HIPAA Rules.

 M. Upon completion or termination of the applicable contract(s) or agreement(s), return or destroy, as determined by and under the direction of Covered Entity, all PHI and other VA data created or received by Business Associate during the performance of the contract(s) or agreement(s). No such information will be retained by Business Associate unless retention is required by law or specifically permitted by Covered Entity. If return or destruction is not feasible, Business Associate shall continue to protect the PHI in accordance with the Agreement and use or disclose the information only for the purpose of making the return or destruction feasible, or as required by law or specifically permitted by Covered Entity. Business Associate shall provide written assurance that either all PHI has been returned or destroyed, or any information retained will be safeguarded and used and disclosed only as permitted under this paragraph.

 N. Be liable to Covered Entity for civil or criminal penalties imposed on Covered Entity, in accordance with 45 C.F.R. §§ 164.402 and 164.410, and with the HITECH Act, 42 U.S.C. §§ 17931(b), 17934(c), for any violation of the HIPAA Rules or this Agreement by Business Associate.

4. Obligations of Covered Entity. Covered Entity agrees that it:

 A. Will not request Business Associate to make any Use or Disclosure of PHI in a manner that would not be permissible under Subpart E of 45 C.F.R. Part 164 if made by Covered Entity, except as permitted under Section 2 of this Agreement.

 B. Will promptly notify Business Associate in writing of any restrictions on Covered Entity’s authority to use or disclose PHI that may limit Business Associate’s Use or Disclosure of PHI or otherwise affect its ability to fulfill its obligations under this Agreement.

 C. Has obtained or will obtain from Individuals any authorization necessary for Business Associate to fulfill its obligations under this Agreement.

 D. Will promptly notify Business Associate in writing of any change in Covered Entity’s Notice of Privacy Practices, or any modification or revocation of an Individual’s authorization to use or disclose PHI, if such change or revocation may limit Business Associate’s Use and Disclosure of PHI or otherwise affect its ability to perform its obligations under this Agreement.

5. Amendment. Business Associate and Covered Entity will take such action as is necessary to amend this Agreement for Covered Entity to comply with the requirements of the HIPAA Rules or other applicable law.

6. Termination.

 A. Automatic Termination. This Agreement will automatically terminate upon completion of Business Associate’s duties under all underlying Agreements or by termination of such underlying Agreements.

 B. Termination Upon Review. This Agreement may be terminated by Covered Entity, at its discretion, upon review as provided by Section 9 of this Agreement.

 C. Termination for Cause. In the event of a material breach by Business Associate, Covered Entity:

 (1) Will provide an opportunity for Business Associate to cure the breach or end the violation within the time specified by Covered Entity;

 (2) May terminate this Agreement and underlying contract(s) if Business Associate does not cure the breach or end the violation within the time specified by Covered Entity.

 D. Effect of Termination. Termination of this Agreement will result in cessation of activities by Business Associate involving PHI under this Agreement.

 E. Survival. The obligations of Business Associate under this Section shall survive the termination of this Agreement as long as Business Associate creates, receives, maintains, or transmits PHI, regardless of whether a compliant Business Associate Agreement is in place.

7. No Third Party Beneficiaries. Nothing expressed or implied in this Agreement confers any rights, remedies, obligations, or liabilities whatsoever upon any person or entity other than Covered Entity and Business Associate, including their respective successors or assigns.

8. Other Applicable Law. This Agreement does not abrogate any responsibilities of the parties under any other applicable law.

9. Review Date. The provisions of this Agreement will be reviewed by Covered Entity every two years from Effective Date to determine the applicability and accuracy of the Agreement based on the circumstances that exist at the time of review.

10. Effective Date. This Agreement shall be effective on the last signature date below.

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| **Department of Veterans Affairs** **Veterans Health Administration** |  |  |
| **By:**  |  | **By:**  |
| **Name**:  |  | **Name:**  |
| **Title**:  |  | **Title:**  |
| **Date:**  |  | **Date:**  |

# SECTION E - SOLICITATION PROVISIONS

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| **FAR Number** | **Title** | **Date** |
| 52.212-1 | INSTRUCTIONS TO OFFERORS—COMMERCIAL ITEMS | JAN 2017 |

ADDENDUM to FAR 52.212-1 INSTRUCTIONS TO OFFERORS—COMMERCIAL ITEMS

 Provisions that are incorporated by reference (by Citation Number, Title, and Date), have the same force and effect as if they were given in full text. Upon request, the Contracting Officer will make their full text available.

 The following provisions are incorporated into 52.212-1 as an addendum to this solicitation:

## E.1 52.252-1 SOLICITATION PROVISIONS INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE (FEB 1998)

 This solicitation incorporates one or more solicitation provisions 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. The offeror is cautioned that the listed provisions may include blocks that must be completed by the offeror and submitted with its quotation or offer. In lieu of submitting the full text of those provisions, the offeror may identify the provision by paragraph identifier and provide the appropriate information with its quotation or offer. Also, the full text of a solicitation provision may be accessed electronically at this/these address(es):

 http://www.acquisition.gov/far/index.html

 http://www.va.gov/oal/library/vaar/

(End of Provision)

## E.2 52.209-7 INFORMATION REGARDING RESPONSIBILITY MATTERS (JUL 2013)

 (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 database via [https://www.acquisition.gov](https://www.acquisition.gov/) (see 52.204-7).

(End of Provision)

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| 52.214-21 | DESCRIPTIVE LITERATURE | APR 2002 |
| 52.217-3 | EVALUATION EXCLUSIVE OF OPTIONS | APR 1984 |
| 52.232-38 | SUBMISSION OF ELECTRONIC FUNDS TRANSFER INFORMATION WITH OFFER | JUL 2013 |

## E.3 52.233-2 SERVICE OF PROTEST (SEP 2006)

 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:

 Julie Lemire

 Steven Bonavita

 Hand-Carried Address:

 Department of Veterans Affairs

 VAMC Manchester

 718 Smyth Road

 Manchester NH 03104

 Mailing Address:

 Department of Veterans Affairs

 VAMC Manchester

 718 Smyth Road

 Manchester NH 03104

 (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)

## E.4 VAAR 852.215-70 SERVICE-DISABLED VETERAN-OWNED AND VETERAN-OWNED SMALL BUSINESS EVALUATION FACTORS (JUL 2016)(DEVIATION)

 (a) In an effort to achieve socioeconomic small business goals, depending on the evaluation factors included in the solicitation, VA shall evaluate offerors based on their service-disabled veteran-owned or veteran-owned small business status and their proposed use of eligible service-disabled veteran-owned small businesses and veteran-owned small businesses as subcontractors.

 (b) Eligible service-disabled veteran-owned offerors will receive full credit, and offerors qualifying as veteran-owned small businesses will receive partial credit for the Service-Disabled Veteran-Owned and Veteran-owned Small Business Status evaluation factor. To receive credit, an offeror must be registered and verified in Vendor Information Pages (VIP) database (<https://www.vip.vetbiz.gov>).

 (c) Non-veteran offerors proposing to use service-disabled veteran-owned small businesses or veteran-owned small businesses as subcontractors will receive some consideration under this evaluation factor. Offerors must state in their proposals the names of the SDVOSBs and VOSBs with whom they intend to subcontract and provide a brief description of the proposed subcontracts and the approximate dollar values of the proposed subcontracts. In addition, the proposed subcontractors must be registered and verified in the VetBiz.gov VIP database (<https://www.vip.vetbiz.gov>).

(End of Provision)

## E.5 VAAR 852.233-70 PROTEST CONTENT/ALTERNATIVE DISPUTE RESOLUTION (JAN 2008)

 (a) Any protest filed by an interested party shall:

 (1) Include the name, address, fax number, and telephone number of the protester;

 (2) Identify the solicitation and/or contract number;

 (3) Include an original signed by the protester or the protester's representative and at least one copy;

 (4) Set forth a detailed statement of the legal and factual grounds of the protest, including a description of resulting prejudice to the protester, and provide copies of relevant documents;

 (5) Specifically request a ruling of the individual upon whom the protest is served;

 (6) State the form of relief requested; and

 (7) Provide all information establishing the timeliness of the protest.

 (b) Failure to comply with the above may result in dismissal of the protest without further consideration.

 (c) Bidders/offerors and contracting officers are encouraged to use alternative dispute resolution (ADR) procedures to resolve protests at any stage in the protest process. If ADR is used, the Department of Veterans Affairs will not furnish any documentation in an ADR proceeding beyond what is allowed by the Federal Acquisition Regulation.

(End of Provision)

## E.6 VAAR 852.233-71 ALTERNATE PROTEST PROCEDURE (JAN 1998)

 As an alternative to filing a protest with the contracting officer, an interested party may file a protest with the Deputy Assistant Secretary for Acquisition and Materiel Management, Acquisition Administration Team, Department of Veterans Affairs, 810 Vermont Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20420, or for solicitations issued by the Office of Construction and Facilities Management, the Director, Office of Construction and Facilities Management, 810 Vermont Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20420. The protest will not be considered if the interested party has a protest on the same or similar issues pending with the contracting officer.

(End of Provision)

## E.7 VAAR 852.252-70 SOLICITATION PROVISIONS OR CLAUSES INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE (JAN 2008)

 The following provisions or clauses incorporated by reference in this solicitation must be completed by the offeror or prospective contractor and submitted with the quotation or offer. Copies of these provisions or clauses are available on the Internet at the Web sites provided in the provision at FAR 52.252-1, Solicitation Provisions Incorporated by Reference, or the clause at FAR 52.252-2, Clauses Incorporated by Reference. Copies may also be obtained from the contracting officer.

[Contracting officer shall list all FAR and 48 CFR Chapter 8 (VAAR) provisions and clauses incorporated by reference that must be completed by the offeror or prospective contractor and submitted with the quotation or offer.]

(End of Provision)

 (End of Addendum to 52.212-1)

## E.8 52.212-2 EVALUATION—COMMERCIAL ITEMS (OCT 2014)

 (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:

**Technical Proposal:**

1. The Contractor shall have the ability to deliver and install equipment by November 19, 2018
2. The Contractor shall be responsible for relocation and or de-installation of old equipment.
3. The Contractor shall provide 5 years of preventative maintenance and software support.
4. The Contractor shall provide user training – one (3) user training sessions for up to two (2) hours for up to six (6) people and one week of comprehensive boot camp to review hardware, software, application and workflows of the new system
5. The Contractor shall be responsible for responding and resolving incidents, service requests and changes within 24hrs??
6. Mail machines must have pre-sorting ability. Machines will be hooked up with the USPS data base for addresses and have the ability verify addresses with internal databases. If USPS has a different address, then that piece of mail will be flagged for correction and research.
7. Past Performance: Contractor shall provide 2 references of leasing mailroom equipment in a hospital environment.

Price: Offerors shall insert their pricing in the Schedule of Offer Items; offerors must propose a price on all line items including the option years.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR SUBMISSION OF PROPOSALS: Important Note: Respond to all requirements of the solicitation. Failure to provide the information required will render the offer unacceptable. The Government intends to award a Firm Fixed Price contract without holding discussions.

Offerors shall submit proposals, in response to this solicitation, in two separate volumes as follows:

Volume 1 – Technical Proposal:

The technical proposal shall include all information required for review of all factors as specified in the TECHNICAL PROPOSAL and the STATEMENT OF WORK sections above.

Volume 1: Requirements for Technical Proposal Content:

The proposal shall concisely describe the offeror’s response to the requirements of the solicitation. Additionally, the use of general or vague statements such as “Standard procedures will be used” or “good business practices will be employed” are not acceptable.

Volume II – Price Proposal Requirements

The price proposal shall consist of the following: Prices per line item and total proposal price.

 All proposals must be submitted via email Steven.Bonavita@va.gov. No hard copy proposals or Facsimiles will be accepted.

**OFFER DUE DATE: ALL PROPOSALS MUST BE SUBMITTED VIA EMAIL BY OCTOBER 26, 2018 AT 11:00AM, EST.**

 (End of Provision)

## E.9 52.212-3 OFFEROR REPRESENTATIONS AND CERTIFICATIONS—COMMERCIAL ITEMS (NOV 2017)

 The Offeror shall complete only paragraph (b) of this provision if the Offeror has completed the annual representations and certification electronically via the System for Award Management (SAM) Web site located at <https://www.sam.gov/portal>. If the Offeror has not completed the annual representations and certifications electronically, the Offeror shall complete only paragraphs (c) through (u) of this provision.

 (a) *Definitions.* As used in this provision—

 *Economically disadvantaged women-owned small business (EDWOSB) concern* means a small business concern that is at least 51 percent directly and unconditionally owned by, and the management and daily business operations of which are controlled by, one or more women who are citizens of the United States and who are economically disadvantaged in accordance with 13 CFR part 127. It automatically qualifies as a women-owned small business eligible under the WOSB Program.

 *Forced or indentured child labor* means all work or service—

 (1) Exacted from any person under the age of 18 under the menace of any penalty for its nonperformance and for which the worker does not offer himself voluntarily; or

 (2) Performed by any person under the age of 18 pursuant to a contract the enforcement of which can be accomplished by process or penalties.

 *Highest-level owner* means the entity that owns or controls an immediate owner of the offeror, or that owns or controls one or more entities that control an immediate owner of the offeror. No entity owns or exercises control of the highest level owner.

 *Immediate owner* means an entity, other than the offeror, that has direct control of the offeror. Indicators of control include, but are not limited to, one or more of the following: Ownership or interlocking management, identity of interests among family members, shared facilities and equipment, and the common use of employees.

 *Inverted domestic corporation* means a foreign incorporated entity that meets the definition of an inverted domestic corporation under 6 U.S.C. 395(b), applied in accordance with the rules and definitions of 6 U.S.C. 395(c).

 *Manufactured end product* means any end product in product and service codes (PSCs) 1000-9999, except—

 (1) PSC 5510, Lumber and Related Basic Wood Materials;

 (2) Product or Service Group (PSG) 87, Agricultural Supplies;

 (3) PSG 88, Live Animals;

 (4) PSG 89, Subsistence;

 (5) PSC 9410, Crude Grades of Plant Materials;

 (6) PSC 9430, Miscellaneous Crude Animal Products, Inedible;

 (7) PSC 9440, Miscellaneous Crude Agricultural and Forestry Products;

 (8) PSC 9610, Ores;

 (9) PSC 9620, Minerals, Natural and Synthetic; and

 (10) PSC 9630, Additive Metal Materials.

 *Place of manufacture* means the place where an end product is assembled out of components, or otherwise made or processed from raw materials into the finished product that is to be provided to the Government. If a product is disassembled and reassembled, the place of reassembly is not the place of manufacture.

 *Predecessor* means an entity that is replaced by a successor and includes any predecessors of the predecessor.

 *Restricted business operations* means business operations in Sudan that include power production activities, mineral extraction activities, oil-related activities, or the production of military equipment, as those terms are defined in the Sudan Accountability and Divestment Act of 2007 (Pub. L. 110-174). Restricted business operations do not include business operations that the person (as that term is defined in Section 2 of the Sudan Accountability and Divestment Act of 2007) conducting the business can demonstrate—

 (1) Are conducted under contract directly and exclusively with the regional government of southern Sudan;

 (2) Are conducted pursuant to specific authorization from the Office of Foreign Assets Control in the Department of the Treasury, or are expressly exempted under Federal law from the requirement to be conducted under such authorization;

 (3) Consist of providing goods or services to marginalized populations of Sudan;

 (4) Consist of providing goods or services to an internationally recognized peacekeeping force or humanitarian organization;

 (5) Consist of providing goods or services that are used only to promote health or education; or

 (6) Have been voluntarily suspended.

 “Sensitive technology”—

 (1) Means hardware, software, telecommunications equipment, or any other technology that is to be used specifically—

 (i) To restrict the free flow of unbiased information in Iran; or

 (ii) To disrupt, monitor, or otherwise restrict speech of the people of Iran; and

 (2) Does not include information or informational materials the export of which the President does not have the authority to regulate or prohibit pursuant to section 203(b)(3) of the International Emergency Economic Powers Act (50 U.S.C. 1702(b)(3)).

 *Service-disabled veteran-owned small business concern*—

 (1) Means a small business concern—

 (i) Not less than 51 percent of which is owned by one or more service-disabled veterans or, in the case of any publicly owned business, not less than 51 percent of the stock of which is owned by one or more service-disabled veterans; and

 (ii) The management and daily business operations of which are controlled by one or more service-disabled veterans or, in the case of a service-disabled veteran with permanent and severe disability, the spouse or permanent caregiver of such veteran.

 (2) Service-disabled veteran means a veteran, as defined in 38 U.S.C. 101(2), with a disability that is service-connected, as defined in 38 U.S.C. 101(16).

 *Small business concern* means a concern, including its affiliates, that is independently owned and operated, not dominant in the field of operation in which it is bidding on Government contracts, and qualified as a small business under the criteria in 13 CFR Part 121 and size standards in this solicitation.

 *Small disadvantaged business concern*, consistent with 13 CFR 124.1002, means a small business concern under the size standard applicable to the acquisition, that—

 (1) Is at least 51 percent unconditionally and directly owned (as defined at 13 CFR 124.105) by—

 (i) One or more socially disadvantaged (as defined at 13 CFR 124.103) and economically disadvantaged (as defined at 13 CFR 124.104) individuals who are citizens of the United States; and

 (ii) Each individual claiming economic disadvantage has a net worth not exceeding $750,000 after taking into account the applicable exclusions set forth at 13 CFR 124.104(c)(2); and

 (2) The management and daily business operations of which are controlled (as defined at 13.CFR 124.106) by individuals, who meet the criteria in paragraphs (1)(i) and (ii) of this definition.

 *Subsidiary* means an entity in which more than 50 percent of the entity is owned—

 (1) Directly by a parent corporation; or

 (2) Through another subsidiary of a parent corporation.

 *Successor* means an entity that has replaced a predecessor by acquiring the assets and carrying out the affairs of the predecessor under a new name (often through acquisition or merger). The term “successor” does not include new offices/divisions of the same company or a company that only changes its name. The extent of the responsibility of the successor for the liabilities of the predecessor may vary, depending on State law and specific circumstances.

 *Veteran-owned small business concern* means a small business concern—

 (1) Not less than 51 percent of which is owned by one or more veterans (as defined at 38 U.S.C. 101(2)) or, in the case of any publicly owned business, not less than 51 percent of the stock of which is owned by one or more veterans; and

 (2) The management and daily business operations of which are controlled by one or more veterans.

 *Women-owned business concern* means a concern which is at least 51 percent owned by one or more women; or in the case of any publicly owned business, at least 51 percent of its stock is owned by one or more women; and whose management and daily business operations are controlled by one or more women.

 *Women-owned small business concern* means a small business concern—

 (1) That is at least 51 percent owned by one or more women; or, in the case of any publicly owned business, at least 51 percent of the stock of which is owned by one or more women; and

 (2) Whose management and daily business operations are controlled by one or more women.

 *Women-owned small business (WOSB) concern eligible under the WOSB Program* (in accordance with 13 CFR part 127), means a small business concern that is at least 51 percent directly and unconditionally owned by, and the management and daily business operations of which are controlled by, one or more women who are citizens of the United States.

 (b)(1) *Annual Representations and Certifications.* Any changes provided by the offeror in paragraph (b)(2) of this provision do not automatically change the representations and certifications posted on the SAM website.

 (2) The offeror has completed the annual representations and certifications electronically via the SAM website access through <http://www.acquisition.gov>. After reviewing the SAM database information, the offeror verifies by submission of this offer that the representations and certifications currently posted electronically at FAR 52.212-3, Offeror Representations and Certifications—Commercial Items, have been entered or updated in the last 12 months, are current, accurate, complete, and applicable to this solicitation (including the business size standard applicable to the NAICS code referenced for this solicitation), as of the date of this offer and are incorporated in this offer by reference (see FAR 4.1201), except for paragraphs .

 (c) Offerors must complete the following representations when the resulting contract will be performed in the United States or its outlying areas. Check all that apply.

 (1) *Small business concern*. The offeror represents as part of its offer that it [ ] is, [ ] is not a small business concern.

 (2) *Veteran-owned small business concern.* [*Complete only if the offeror represented itself as a small business concern in paragraph (c)(1) of this provision.*] The offeror represents as part of its offer that it [ ] is, [ ] is not a veteran-owned small business concern.

 (3) *Service-disabled veteran-owned small business concern.* [*Complete only if the offeror represented itself as a veteran-owned small business concern in paragraph (c)(2) of this provision.*] The offeror represents as part of its offer that it [ ] is, [ ] is not a service-disabled veteran-owned small business concern.

 (4) *Small disadvantaged business concern.* [*Complete only if the offeror represented itself as a small business concern in paragraph (c)(1) of this provision.*] The offeror represents that it [ ] is, [ ] is not a small disadvantaged business concern as defined in 13 CFR 124.1002.

 (5) *Women-owned small business concern*. [*Complete only if the offeror represented itself as a small business concern in paragraph (c)(1) of this provision.*] The offeror represents that it [ ] is, [ ] is not a women-owned small business concern.

 (6) WOSB concern eligible under the WOSB Program. [Complete only if the offeror represented itself as a women-owned small business concern in paragraph (c)(5) of this provision.] The offeror represents that—

 (i) It [ ] is, [ ] is not a WOSB concern eligible under the WOSB Program, has provided all the required documents to the WOSB Repository, and no change in circumstances or adverse decisions have been issued that affects its eligibility; and

 (ii) It [ ] is, [ ] is not a joint venture that complies with the requirements of 13 CFR part 127, and the representation in paragraph (c)(6)(i) of this provision is accurate for each WOSB concern eligible under the WOSB Program participating in the joint venture. [*The offeror shall enter the name or names of the WOSB concern eligible under the WOSB Program and other small businesses that are participating in the joint venture: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_*.] Each WOSB concern eligible under the WOSB Program participating in the joint venture shall submit a separate signed copy of the WOSB representation.

 (7) Economically disadvantaged women-owned small business (EDWOSB) concern. [*Complete only if the offeror represented itself as a WOSB concern eligible under the WOSB Program in (c)(6) of this provision.*] The offeror represents that—

 (i) It [ ] is, [ ] is not an EDWOSB concern, has provided all the required documents to the WOSB Repository, and no change in circumstances or adverse decisions have been issued that affects its eligibility; and

 (ii) It [ ] is, [ ] is not a joint venture that complies with the requirements of 13 CFR part 127, and the representation in paragraph (c)(7)(i) of this provision is accurate for each EDWOSB concern participating in the joint venture. [*The offeror shall enter the name or names of the EDWOSB concern and other small businesses that are participating in the joint venture: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_*.] Each EDWOSB concern participating in the joint venture shall submit a separate signed copy of the EDWOSB representation.

**Note:** Complete paragraphs (c)(8) and (c)(9) only if this solicitation is expected to exceed the simplified acquisition threshold.

 (8) *Women-owned business concern (other than small business concern).* [*Complete only if the offeror is a women-owned business concern and did not represent itself as a small business concern in paragraph (c)(1) of this provision.*] The offeror represents that it [ ] is a women-owned business concern.

 (9) *Tie bid priority for labor surplus area concerns.* If this is an invitation for bid, small business offerors may identify the labor surplus areas in which costs to be incurred on account of manufacturing or production (by offeror or first-tier subcontractors) amount to more than 50 percent of the contract price:

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 (10) *HUBZone small business concern.* [*Complete only if the offeror represented itself as a small business concern in paragraph (c)(1) of this provision.*] The offeror represents, as part of its offer, that—

 (i) It [ ] is, [ ] is not a HUBZone small business concern listed, on the date of this representation, on the List of Qualified HUBZone Small Business Concerns maintained by the Small Business Administration, and no material change in ownership and control, principal office, or HUBZone employee percentage has occurred since it was certified by the Small Business Administration in accordance with 13 CFR Part 126; and

 (ii) It [ ] is, [ ] is not a joint venture that complies with the requirements of 13 CFR Part 126, and the representation in paragraph (c)(10)(i) of this provision is accurate for the HUBZone small business concern or concerns that are participating in the joint venture. [The offeror shall enter the name or names of the HUBZone small business concern or concerns that are participating in the joint venture:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.] Each HUBZone small business concern participating in the joint venture shall submit a separate signed copy of the HUBZone representation.

 (d) Representations required to implement provisions of Executive Order 11246—

 (1) *Previous contracts and compliance*. The offeror represents that—

 (i) It [ ] has, [ ] has not participated in a previous contract or subcontract subject to the Equal Opportunity clause of this solicitation; and

 (ii) It [ ] has, [ ] has not filed all required compliance reports.

 (2) *Affirmative Action Compliance.* The offeror represents that—

 (i) It [ ] has developed and has on file, [ ] has not developed and does not have on file, at each establishment, affirmative action programs required by rules and regulations of the Secretary of Labor (41 CFR parts 60-1 and 60-2), or

 (ii) It [ ] has not previously had contracts subject to the written affirmative action programs requirement of the rules and regulations of the Secretary of Labor.

 (e) *Certification Regarding Payments to Influence Federal Transactions* (31 U.S.C. 1352). (Applies only if the contract is expected to exceed $150,000.) By submission of its offer, the offeror certifies to the best of its knowledge and belief that no Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress or an employee of a Member of Congress on his or her behalf in connection with the award of any resultant contract. If any registrants under the Lobbying Disclosure Act of 1995 have made a lobbying contact on behalf of the offeror with respect to this contract, the offeror shall complete and submit, with its offer, OMB Standard Form LLL, Disclosure of Lobbying Activities, to provide the name of the registrants. The offeror need not report regularly employed officers or employees of the offeror to whom payments of reasonable compensation were made.

 (f) *Buy American Certificate*. (Applies only if the clause at Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) 52.225-1, Buy American—Supplies, is included in this solicitation.)

 (1) The offeror certifies that each end product, except those listed in paragraph (f)(2) of this provision, is a domestic end product and that for other than COTS items, the offeror has considered components of unknown origin to have been mined, produced, or manufactured outside the United States. The offeror shall list as foreign end products those end products manufactured in the United States that do not qualify as domestic end products, i.e., an end product that is not a COTS item and does not meet the component test in paragraph (2) of the definition of “domestic end product.” The terms “commercially available off-the-shelf (COTS) item,” “component,” “domestic end product,” “end product,” “foreign end product,” and “United States” are defined in the clause of this solicitation entitled “Buy American—Supplies.”

 (2) Foreign End Products:

 Line Item No Country of Origin

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*[List as necessary]*

 (3) The Government will evaluate offers in accordance with the policies and procedures of FAR Part 25.

 (g)(1) *Buy American—Free Trade Agreements—Israeli Trade Act Certificate.* (Applies only if the clause at FAR 52.225-3, Buy American—Free Trade Agreements—Israeli Trade Act, is included in this solicitation.)

 (i) The offeror certifies that each end product, except those listed in paragraph (g)(1)(ii) or (g)(1)(iii) of this provision, is a domestic end product and that for other than COTS items, the offeror has considered components of unknown origin to have been mined, produced, or manufactured outside the United States. The terms “Bahrainian, Moroccan, Omani, Panamanian, or Peruvian end product,” “commercially available off-the-shelf (COTS) item,” “component,” “domestic end product,” “end product,” “foreign end product,” “Free Trade Agreement country,” “Free Trade Agreement country end product,” “Israeli end product,” and “United States” are defined in the clause of this solicitation entitled “Buy American—Free Trade Agreements—Israeli Trade Act.”

 (ii) The offeror certifies that the following supplies are Free Trade Agreement country end products (other than Bahrainian, Moroccan, Omani, Panamanian, or Peruvian end products) or Israeli end products as defined in the clause of this solicitation entitled “Buy American—Free Trade Agreements—Israeli Trade Act”:

 Free Trade Agreement Country End Products (Other than Bahrainian, Moroccan, Omani, Panamanian, or Peruvian End Products) or Israeli End Products:

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 (iii) The offeror shall list those supplies that are foreign end products (other than those listed in paragraph (g)(1)(ii) of this provision) as defined in the clause of this solicitation entitled “Buy American—Free Trade Agreements—Israeli Trade Act.” The offeror shall list as other foreign end products those end products manufactured in the United States that do not qualify as domestic end products, i.e., an end product that is not a COTS item and does not meet the component test in paragraph (2) of the definition of “domestic end product.”

 Other Foreign End Products:

 Line Item No. Country of Origin

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*[List as necessary]*

 (iv) The Government will evaluate offers in accordance with the policies and procedures of FAR Part 25.

 (2) *Buy American—Free Trade Agreements—Israeli Trade Act Certificate, Alternate I.* If Alternate I to the clause at FAR 52.225-3 is included in this solicitation, substitute the following paragraph (g)(1)(ii) for paragraph (g)(1)(ii) of the basic provision:

 (g)(1)(ii) The offeror certifies that the following supplies are Canadian end products as defined in the clause of this solicitation entitled “Buy American—Free Trade Agreements—Israeli Trade Act”:

 Canadian End Products:

 Line Item No.

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 (3) *Buy American—Free Trade Agreements—Israeli Trade Act Certificate, Alternate II.* If Alternate II to the clause at FAR 52.225-3 is included in this solicitation, substitute the following paragraph (g)(1)(ii) for paragraph (g)(1)(ii) of the basic provision:

 (g)(1)(ii) The offeror certifies that the following supplies are Canadian end products or Israeli end products as defined in the clause of this solicitation entitled “Buy American—Free Trade Agreements—Israeli Trade Act”:

 Canadian or Israeli End Products:

 Line Item No. Country of Origin

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*[List as necessary]*

 (4) *Buy American—Free Trade Agreements—Israeli Trade Act Certificate, Alternate III*. If Alternate III to the clause at FAR 52.225-3 is included in this solicitation, substitute the following paragraph (g)(1)(ii) for paragraph (g)(1)(ii) of the basic provision:

 (g)(1)(ii) The offeror certifies that the following supplies are Free Trade Agreement country end products (other than Bahrainian, Korean, Moroccan, Omani, Panamanian, or Peruvian end products) or Israeli end products as defined in the clause of this solicitation entitled “Buy American—Free Trade Agreements—Israeli Trade Act”:

 Free Trade Agreement Country End Products (Other than Bahrainian, Korean, Moroccan, Omani, Panamanian, or Peruvian End Products) or Israeli End Products:

 Line Item No. Country of Origin

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*[List as necessary]*

 (5) *Trade Agreements Certificate.* (Applies only if the clause at FAR 52.225-5, Trade Agreements, is included in this solicitation.)

 (i) The offeror certifies that each end product, except those listed in paragraph (g)(5)(ii) of this provision, is a U.S.-made or designated country end product, as defined in the clause of this solicitation entitled “Trade Agreements”.

 (ii) The offeror shall list as other end products those end products that are not U.S.-made or designated country end products.

 Other End Products:

 Line Item No. Country of Origin

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*[List as necessary]*

 (iii) The Government will evaluate offers in accordance with the policies and procedures of FAR Part 25. For line items covered by the WTO GPA, the Government will evaluate offers of U.S.-made or designated country end products without regard to the restrictions of the Buy American statute. The Government will consider for award only offers of U.S.-made or designated country end products unless the Contracting Officer determines that there are no offers for such products or that the offers for such products are insufficient to fulfill the requirements of the solicitation.

 (h) *Certification Regarding Responsibility Matters* (Executive Order 12689). (Applies only if the contract value is expected to exceed the simplified acquisition threshold.) The offeror certifies, to the best of its knowledge and belief, that the offeror and/or any of its principals—

 (1) [ ] Are, [ ] are not presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, or declared ineligible for the award of contracts by any Federal agency;

 (2) [ ] Have, [ ] have not, within a three-year period preceding this offer, been convicted of or had a civil judgment rendered against them for: commission of fraud or a criminal offense in connection with obtaining, attempting to obtain, or performing a Federal, state or local government contract or subcontract; violation of Federal or state antitrust statutes relating to the submission of offers; or Commission of embezzlement, theft, forgery, bribery, falsification or destruction of records, making false statements, tax evasion, violating Federal criminal tax laws, or receiving stolen property;

 (3) [ ] Are, [ ] are not presently indicted for, or otherwise criminally or civilly charged by a Government entity with, commission of any of these offenses enumerated in paragraph (h)(2) of this clause; and

 (4) [ ] Have, [ ] have not, within a three-year period preceding this offer, been notified of any delinquent Federal taxes in an amount that exceeds $3,500 for which the liability remains unsatisfied.

 (i) Taxes are considered delinquent if both of the following criteria apply:

 (A) *The tax liability is finally determined.* The liability is finally determined if it has been assessed. A liability is not finally determined if there is a pending administrative or judicial challenge. In the case of a judicial challenge to the liability, the liability is not finally determined until all judicial appeal rights have been exhausted.

 (B) *The taxpayer is delinquent in making payment.* A taxpayer is delinquent if the taxpayer has failed to pay the tax liability when full payment was due and required. A taxpayer is not delinquent in cases where enforced collection action is precluded.

 (ii) *Examples.*

 (A) The taxpayer has received a statutory notice of deficiency, under I.R.C. Sec. 6212, which entitles the taxpayer to seek Tax Court review of a proposed tax deficiency. This is not a delinquent tax because it is not a final tax liability. Should the taxpayer seek Tax Court review, this will not be a final tax liability until the taxpayer has exercised all judicial appeal rights.

 (B) The IRS has filed a notice of Federal tax lien with respect to an assessed tax liability, and the taxpayer has been issued a notice under I.R.C. Sec. 6320 entitling the taxpayer to request a hearing with the IRS Office of Appeals contesting the lien filing, and to further appeal to the Tax Court if the IRS determines to sustain the lien filing. In the course of the hearing, the taxpayer is entitled to contest the underlying tax liability because the taxpayer has had no prior opportunity to contest the liability. This is not a delinquent tax because it is not a final tax liability. Should the taxpayer seek tax court review, this will not be a final tax liability until the taxpayer has exercised all judicial appeal rights.

 (C) The taxpayer has entered into an installment agreement pursuant to I.R.C. Sec. 6159. The taxpayer is making timely payments and is in full compliance with the agreement terms. The taxpayer is not delinquent because the taxpayer is not currently required to make full payment.

 (D) The taxpayer has filed for bankruptcy protection. The taxpayer is not delinquent because enforced collection action is stayed under 11 U.S.C. 362 (the Bankruptcy Code).

 (i) *Certification Regarding Knowledge of Child Labor for Listed End Products (Executive Order 13126)*.

 (1) *Listed end products.*

Listed End Product Listed Countries of Origin

 (2) *Certification. [If the Contracting Officer has identified end products and countries of origin in paragraph (i)(1) of this provision, then the offeror must certify to either (i)(2)(i) or (i)(2)(ii) by checking the appropriate block.]*

 [ ] (i) The offeror will not supply any end product listed in paragraph (i)(1) of this provision that was mined, produced, or manufactured in the corresponding country as listed for that product.

 [ ] (ii) The offeror may supply an end product listed in paragraph (i)(1) of this provision that was mined, produced, or manufactured in the corresponding country as listed for that product. The offeror certifies that it has made a good faith effort to determine whether forced or indentured child labor was used to mine, produce, or manufacture any such end product furnished under this contract. On the basis of those efforts, the offeror certifies that it is not aware of any such use of child labor.

 (j) *Place of manufacture.* (Does not apply unless the solicitation is predominantly for the acquisition of manufactured end products.) For statistical purposes only, the offeror shall indicate whether the place of manufacture of the end products it expects to provide in response to this solicitation is predominantly—

 (1) \_\_ In the United States (Check this box if the total anticipated price of offered end products manufactured in the United States exceeds the total anticipated price of offered end products manufactured outside the United States); or

 (2) \_\_ Outside the United States.

 (k) *Certificates regarding exemptions from the application of the Service Contract Labor Standards.* (Certification by the offeror as to its compliance with respect to the contract also constitutes its certification as to compliance by its subcontractor if it subcontracts out the exempt services.) [The contracting officer is to check a box to indicate if paragraph (k)(1) or (k)(2) applies.]

 [] (1) Maintenance, calibration, or repair of certain equipment as described in FAR 22.1003-4(c)(1). The offeror [ ] does [ ] does not certify that—

 (i) The items of equipment to be serviced under this contract are used regularly for other than Governmental purposes and are sold or traded by the offeror (or subcontractor in the case of an exempt subcontract) in substantial quantities to the general public in the course of normal business operations;

 (ii) The services will be furnished at prices which are, or are based on, established catalog or market prices (see FAR 22.1003- 4(c)(2)(ii)) for the maintenance, calibration, or repair of such equipment; and

 (iii) The compensation (wage and fringe benefits) plan for all service employees performing work under the contract will be the same as that used for these employees and equivalent employees servicing the same equipment of commercial customers.

 [] (2) Certain services as described in FAR 22.1003- 4(d)(1). The offeror [ ] does [ ] does not certify that—

 (i) The services under the contract are offered and sold regularly to non-Governmental customers, and are provided by the offeror (or subcontractor in the case of an exempt subcontract) to the general public in substantial quantities in the course of normal business operations;

 (ii) The contract services will be furnished at prices that are, or are based on, established catalog or market prices (see FAR 22.1003-4(d)(2)(iii));

 (iii) Each service employee who will perform the services under the contract will spend only a small portion of his or her time (a monthly average of less than 20 percent of the available hours on an annualized basis, or less than 20 percent of available hours during the contract period if the contract period is less than a month) servicing the Government contract; and

 (iv) The compensation (wage and fringe benefits) plan for all service employees performing work under the contract is the same as that used for these employees and equivalent employees servicing commercial customers.

 (3) If paragraph (k)(1) or (k)(2) of this clause applies—

 (i) If the offeror does not certify to the conditions in paragraph (k)(1) or (k)(2) and the Contracting Officer did not attach a Service Contract Labor Standards wage determination to the solicitation, the offeror shall notify the Contracting Officer as soon as possible; and

 (ii) The Contracting Officer may not make an award to the offeror if the offeror fails to execute the certification in paragraph (k)(1) or (k)(2) of this clause or to contact the Contracting Officer as required in paragraph (k)(3)(i) of this clause.

 (l) *Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN)* (26 U.S.C. 6109, 31 U.S.C. 7701). (Not applicable if the offeror is required to provide this information to the SAM database to be eligible for award.)

 (1) All offerors must submit the information required in paragraphs (l)(3) through (l)(5) of this provision to comply with debt collection requirements of 31 U.S.C. 7701(c) and 3325(d), reporting requirements of 26 U.S.C. 6041, 6041A, and 6050M, and implementing regulations issued by the Internal Revenue Service (IRS).

 (2) The TIN may be used by the Government to collect and report on any delinquent amounts arising out of the offeror's relationship with the Government (31 U.S.C. 7701(c)(3)). If the resulting contract is subject to the payment reporting requirements described in FAR 4.904, the TIN provided hereunder may be matched with IRS records to verify the accuracy of the offeror's TIN.

 (3) *Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN).*

 [ ] TIN: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

 [ ] TIN has been applied for.

 [ ] TIN is not required because:

 [ ] Offeror is a nonresident alien, foreign corporation, or foreign partnership that does not have income effectively connected with the conduct of a trade or business in the United States and does not have an office or place of business or a fiscal paying agent in the United States;

 [ ] Offeror is an agency or instrumentality of a foreign government;

 [ ] Offeror is an agency or instrumentality of the Federal Government.

 (4) *Type of organization.*

 [ ] Sole proprietorship;

 [ ] Partnership;

 [ ] Corporate entity (not tax-exempt);

 [ ] Corporate entity (tax-exempt);

 [ ] Government entity (Federal, State, or local);

 [ ] Foreign government;

 [ ] International organization per 26 CFR 1.6049-4;

 [ ] Other \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

 (5) *Common parent.*

 [ ] Offeror is not owned or controlled by a common parent;

 [ ] Name and TIN of common parent:

 Name \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

 TIN \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

 (m) *Restricted business operations in Sudan.* By submission of its offer, the offeror certifies that the offeror does not conduct any restricted business operations in Sudan.

 (n) *Prohibition on Contracting with Inverted Domestic Corporations*.

 (1) Government agencies are not permitted to use appropriated (or otherwise made available) funds for contracts with either an inverted domestic corporation, or a subsidiary of an inverted domestic corporation, unless the exception at 9.108-2(b) applies or the requirement is waived in accordance with the procedures at 9.108-4.

 (2) *Representation*. The Offeror represents that—

 (i) It [ ] is, [ ] is not an inverted domestic corporation; and

 (ii) It [ ] is, [ ] is not a subsidiary of an inverted domestic corporation.

 (o) *Prohibition on contracting with entities engaging in certain activities or transactions relating to Iran.*

 (1) The offeror shall email questions concerning sensitive technology to the Department of State at CISADA106@state.gov.

 (2) *Representation and certifications.* Unless a waiver is granted or an exception applies as provided in paragraph (o)(3) of this provision, by submission of its offer, the offeror—

 (i) Represents, to the best of its knowledge and belief, that the offeror does not export any sensitive technology to the government of Iran or any entities or individuals owned or controlled by, or acting on behalf or at the direction of, the government of Iran;

 (ii) Certifies that the offeror, or any person owned or controlled by the offeror, does not engage in any activities for which sanctions may be imposed under section 5 of the Iran Sanctions Act; and

 (iii) Certifies that the offeror, and any person owned or controlled by the offeror, does not knowingly engage in any transaction that exceeds $3,500 with Iran’s Revolutionary Guard Corps or any of its officials, agents, or affiliates, the property and interests in property of which are blocked pursuant to the International Emergency Economic Powers Act (50 U.S.C. 1701 *et seq.*) (see OFAC’s Specially Designated Nationals and Blocked Persons List at [*http://www.treasury.gov/ofac/downloads/t11sdn.pdf*](http://www.treasury.gov/ofac/downloads/t11sdn.pdf)).

 (3) The representation and certification requirements of paragraph (o)(2) of this provision do not apply if—

 (i) This solicitation includes a trade agreements certification (*e.g.,* 52.212–3(g) or a comparable agency provision); and

 (ii) The offeror has certified that all the offered products to be supplied are designated country end products.

 (p) *Ownership or Control of Offeror*. (Applies in all solicitations when there is a requirement to be registered in SAM or a requirement to have a unique entity identifier in the solicitation).

 (1) The Offeror represents that it [ ] has or [ ] does not have an immediate owner. If the Offeror has more than one immediate owner (such as a joint venture), then the Offeror shall respond to paragraph (2) and if applicable, paragraph (3) of this provision for each participant in the joint venture.

 (2) If the Offeror indicates “has” in paragraph (p)(1) of this provision, enter the following information:

 Immediate owner CAGE code: \_\_\_\_.

 Immediate owner legal name: \_\_\_\_.

 (*Do not use a “doing business as” name*)

 Is the immediate owner owned or controlled by another entity: [ ] Yes or [ ] No.

 (3) If the Offeror indicates “yes” in paragraph (p)(2) of this provision, indicating that the immediate owner is owned or controlled by another entity, then enter the following information:

 Highest-level owner CAGE code: \_\_\_\_.

 Highest-level owner legal name: \_\_\_\_.

 (*Do not use a “doing business as” name*)

 (q) *Representation by Corporations Regarding Delinquent Tax Liability or a Felony Conviction under any Federal Law.*

 (1) As required by sections 744 and 745 of Division E of the Consolidated and Further Continuing Appropriations Act, 2015 (Pub. L. 113-235), and similar provisions, if contained in subsequent appropriations acts, The Government will not enter into a contract with any corporation that—

 (i) Has any unpaid Federal tax liability that has been assessed, for which all judicial and administrative remedies have been exhausted or have lapsed, and that is not being paid in a timely manner pursuant to an agreement with the authority responsible for collecting the tax liability, where the awarding agency is aware of the unpaid tax liability, unless an agency has considered suspension or debarment of the corporation and made a determination that suspension or debarment is not necessary to protect the interests of the Government; or

 (ii) Was convicted of a felony criminal violation under any Federal law within the preceding 24 months, where the awarding agency is aware of the conviction, unless an agency has considered suspension or debarment of the corporation and made a determination that this action is not necessary to protect the interests of the Government.

 (2) The Offeror represents that—

 (i) It is [ ] is not [ ] a corporation that has any unpaid Federal tax liability that has been assessed, for which all judicial and administrative remedies have been exhausted or have lapsed, and that is not being paid in a timely manner pursuant to an agreement with the authority responsible for collecting the tax liability; and

 (ii) It is [ ] is not [ ] a corporation that was convicted of a felony criminal violation under a Federal law within the preceding 24 months.

 (r) *Predecessor of Offeror*. (Applies in all solicitations that include the provision at 52.204-16, Commercial and Government Entity Code Reporting.)

 (1) The Offeror represents that it [ ] is or [ ] is not a successor to a predecessor that held a Federal contract or grant within the last three years.

 (2) If the Offeror has indicated “is” in paragraph (r)(1) of this provision, enter the following information for all predecessors that held a Federal contract or grant within the last three years (if more than one predecessor, list in reverse chronological order):

 Predecessor CAGE code: \_\_\_\_ (or mark “Unknown”).

 Predecessor legal name: \_\_\_\_.

 *(Do not use a “doing business as” name).*

 (s) [Reserved]

 (t) *Public Disclosure of Greenhouse Gas Emissions and Reduction Goals*. Applies in all solicitations that require offerors to register in SAM (52.212-1(k)).

 (1) This representation shall be completed if the Offeror received $7.5 million or more in contract awards in the prior Federal fiscal year. The representation is optional if the Offeror received less than $7.5 million in Federal contract awards in the prior Federal fiscal year.

 (2) Representation. [Offeror to check applicable block(s) in paragraph (t)(2)(i) and (ii)]. (i) The Offeror (itself or through its immediate owner or highest-level owner) [ ] does, [ ] does not publicly disclose greenhouse gas emissions, i.e., makes available on a publicly accessible Web site the results of a greenhouse gas inventory, performed in accordance with an accounting standard with publicly available and consistently applied criteria, such as the Greenhouse Gas Protocol Corporate Standard.

 (ii) The Offeror (itself or through its immediate owner or highest-level owner) [ ] does, [ ] does not publicly disclose a quantitative greenhouse gas emissions reduction goal, i.e., make available on a publicly accessible Web site a target to reduce absolute emissions or emissions intensity by a specific quantity or percentage.

 (iii) A publicly accessible Web site includes the Offeror’s own Web site or a recognized, third-party greenhouse gas emissions reporting program.

 (3) If the Offeror checked “does” in paragraphs (t)(2)(i) or (t)(2)(ii) of this provision, respectively, the Offeror shall provide the publicly accessible Web site(s) where greenhouse gas emissions and/or reduction goals are reported:\_\_\_\_\_.

 (u)(1) In accordance with 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), Government agencies are not permitted to use appropriated (or otherwise made available) funds for contracts with an entity that requires employees or subcontractors of such entity seeking to report waste, fraud, or abuse to sign internal confidentiality agreements or statements prohibiting or otherwise restricting such employees or subcontractors from lawfully reporting such waste, fraud, or abuse to a designated investigative or law enforcement representative of a Federal department or agency authorized to receive such information.

 (2) The prohibition in paragraph (u)(1) of this provision does not contravene requirements applicable to Standard Form 312 (Classified Information Nondisclosure Agreement), Form 4414 (Sensitive Compartmented Information Nondisclosure Agreement), or any other form issued by a Federal department or agency governing the nondisclosure of classified information.

 (3) Representation. By submission of its offer, the Offeror represents that it will not require its employees or subcontractors to sign or comply with internal confidentiality agreements or statements prohibiting or otherwise restricting such employees or subcontractors from lawfully reporting waste, fraud, or abuse related to the performance of a Government contract to a designated investigative or law enforcement representative of a Federal department or agency authorized to receive such information (e.g., agency Office of the Inspector General).

(End of Provision)