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GENERAL TERMS & CONDITIONS REQUEST FOR QUOTATION (RFQ) AND REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL (RFP)

- 1. Awards will be made in the best interest of the State of West Virginia.
- 2. The State may accept or reject in part, or in whole, any bid.
- 3. All quotations are governed by the West Virginia Code and the Legislative Rules of the Purchasing Division.
- 4. Prior to any award, the apparent successful vendor must be properly registered with the Purchasing Division and have paid the required \$125.00 registration fee.
- 5. All services performed or goods delivered under State Purchase Orders/Contracts are to be continued for the term of the Purchase Order/Contract, contingent upon funds being appropriated by the Legislature or otherwise being made available. In the event funds are not appropriated or otherwise available for these services or goods, this Purchase Order/Contract becomes void and of no effect after June 30.
- 6. Payment may only be made after the delivery and acceptance of goods or services.
- 7. Interest may be paid for late payment in accordance with the West Virginia Code.
- 8. Vendor preference will be granted upon written request in accordance with the West Virginia Code.
- 9. The State of West Virginia is exempt from federal and state taxes and will not pay or reimburse such taxes.
- 10. The Director of Purchasing may cancel any Purchase Order/Contract upon 30 days written notice to the seller.
- 11. The laws of the State of West Virginia and the *Legislative Rules* of the Purchasing Division shall govern all rights and duties under the Contract, including without limitation the validity of this Purchase Order/Contract.
- 12. Any reference to automatic renewal is hereby deleted. The Contract may be renewed only upon mutual written agreement of the parties.
- 13. BANKRUPTCY: In the event the vendor/contractor files for bankruptcy protection, this contract is automatically null and void, and is terminated without further order.
- 14. HIPAA Business Associate Addendum The West Viginia State Government HIPAA Business Associate Addendum (BAA), approved by the Attorney General, and available online at the Purchasing Division's web site (http://www.state.wv.us/admin/purchase/vrc/hipaa.htm) is hereby made part of the agreement. Provided that, the Agency meets the definition of a Covered Entity (45 CFR §160.103) and will be disclosing Protected Health Information (45 CFR §160.103) to the vendor.

INSTRUCTIONS TO BIDDERS

- 1. Use the quotation forms provided by the Purchasing Division.
- 2. SPECIFICATIONS: Items offered must be in compliance with the specifications. Any deviation from the specifications must be clearly indicated by the bidder. Alternates offered by the bidder as EQUAL to the specifications must be clearly defined. A bidder offering an alternate should attach complete specifications and literature to the bid. The Purchasing Division may waive minor deviations to specifications.
- 3. Complete all sections of the quotation form.
- 4. Unit prices shall prevail in cases of discrepancy.
- 5. All quotations are considered F.O.B. destination unless alternate shipping terms are clearly identified in the quotation.
- 6. BID SUBMISSION: All quotations must be delivered by the bidder to the office listed below prior to the date and time of the bid opening. Failure of the bidder to deliver the quotations on time will result in bid disqualifications.

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The Acquisitions and Contract Administration Section of the Purchasing Division is soliciting quotations from qualified vendors to establish a statewide contract to replace services currently provided by Sprint via Purchase Order LDPHONEA (copies of the Purchase Order is available via the Purchasing Division's website at http://www.state.wv.us/admin/purchase/swc/LDPHONE.htm). The services include traditional long distance (intrastate, interstate and international) and the necessary dedicated T-1s to handle the traffic, calling cards, inbound toll free calling and dedicated T-1s if applicable, and directory assistance. The State of West Virginia will not guarantee any minimum monthly service to be used under this contract. The contract is effective for three (3) years with the option to renew for two (2) additional one (1) year periods.

Current Environment

Operating Environment:

There is currently a consolidated backbone network that serves WV state government and educational institutions. Dedicated intralata facilities within the network are leased from Verizon. This network carries international switched facilities, all inbound calling functions, interlata connectivity (dedicated and switched), interstate connectivity (dedicated and switched) and toll free services (inbound and outbound).

Today, there are 31 Centrex nodes placed strategically throughout the State. The reason for the strategic placement of these nodes is/was to offer a wider area for local calling. In addition to routing the calls made through these Centrex nodes (ARS), these nodes also provide the local dial tone and telephone lines to the respective geographic areas. With regards to long distance, they are placed via either dedicated or switched at the same rate. Egress points for this traffic are located in Charleston, WV and Clarksburg, WV.

Examples:

- 1. An agency is connected/serviced through the Centrex node in Huntington, WV. When this agency wants to call Morgantown, WV, the call is processed at the Huntington node and via ARS, the call gets routed across the network (and the Lata crossing) and hops off at the Morgantown, WV node and results in a local call.
- 2. When this same agency (referenced above) wants to make a long distance interstate call, the call gets routed from the Huntington Centrex node to the <u>Charleston egress</u>, hops off on to the LD provider's network and completes the call.
- 3. When this same agency (referenced in # 1 above) wants to call another agency in the Bluefield LATA, the call is routed to the Charleston egress point, where it hops off onto the LD provider's network, stays on the LD provider's network to Bluefield, hops off at the correct Central Office and completes the call.
- 4. When an agency that is not connected/serviced through a Centrex node wants to make a call to any place other than its local calling area (intralata, interlata, interstate, etc.), the call gets switched at the CO by means of a LPIC/PIC code to the LD provider's network and the call is completed.

5. When an agency has a dedicated T-1 line for LD access, their telephone system acts as the ARS to route calls either across the LEC's lines or across the dedicated LD providers facilities.

Billing Environment:

Currently, all services offered under the LDPHONEA Contract that are managed by the WV Office of Technology (WVOT) are billed on one (1) master account with subaccounts, as defined by the State. The master account is an aggregate of all subaccounts, both usage and cost. The detailed information is provided at the subaccount level (i.e. call record detail, etc.). The WVOT is responsible for administering the services under this contract, allocating the charges to the respective customers and collecting their payment, and then rendering payment to the vendor via the master account invoice.

All moves, adds or changes to services offered under this contract and billed via the master account are managed via a Telecommunications Change Request (TCR) form. This TCR is required to be approved by the WVOT and submitted to the vendor for processing. Any charges incurred on the master account without an approved TCR are not considered valid and will not be paid.

Future Environment:

The State is currently using some VoIP technology and it is anticipated the use of this technology will increase in the future. The State plans to implement a Multi Protocol Label Switching (MPLS) core network and pursue IP trunking, both of which will facilitate the increase in VoIP technologies.

Mandatory Requirements

Each vendor will be required to meet the following specifications and provide pricing for the services listed on the mandatory Price Quote.

General Requirements:

- A mandatory pre-bid conference shall be conducted on July12, 2007 at 10:00a.m. Said conference will be hosted by the WVOT, One Davis Square, Charleston, West Virginia. Failure to participate in the mandatory pre-bid conference shall automatically result in disqualification. Each vendor must have a representative physically present for the pre-bid. No one person can represent more than one vendor. The Mandatory Pre-bid Conference is the opportunity for the Vendor to ask questions, voice concerns, and offer suggestions. Each Vendor should read the entire RFQ and come to the conference with a full understanding of what the State hopes to achieve with the RFQ, or the questions necessary to obtain clarification.
- The State reserves the right to utilize inter-state agreements, such as the WSCA (Western States Contracting Alliance), GSA, or MiCTA, to purchase long distance services, outside of the terms and conditions of any contract resulting from an award of this RFQ, pursuant to West Virginia State Code, Section §5A-3-19.

Implementation/Conversion:

1. Implementation/Conversion shall begin no later than ten (10) working days after receipt of order (ARO). The vendor shall submit, as part of their response, the type of information and level of detail required from the WVOT for the implementation/conversion process. It is to be understood that, prior to award, the actual information/detail will be mutually

agreed upon by both the vendor and the WVOT.

- 2. Implementation/Conversion of existing services shall be as per the following timeframes:
 - a. Outbound long distance (interexchange) services in place at the time of award must be converted to the new carrier no later than 60 calendar days ARO at no additional cost to the State. Dedicated outbound long distance services shall be converted within 45 calendar days after the aforementioned outbound long distance services are converted.
 - **b.** Calling cards must be converted to the new carrier no later than 45 calendar days ARO at no additional cost to the State.
 - c. Inbound toll free services, without dedicated T-1s and/or Advanced features, must be converted no later than 90 calendar days ARO at no additional cost to the State. All remaining toll free services must be converted no later than 45 days after the initial toll free services have been converted. Failure on the part of the vendor to convert existing services within the required timeframe will result in the State seeking liquidated damages.
- 3. Liquidated damages shall be imposed at a rate of \$10.00 per line/number/card per day for failure to meet the above required deadlines. This requirement shall in no way be considered exclusive and shall not limit the State's right to pursue any other additional remedy to which the State may have legal cause for action including further damages against the Vendor.
- 4. Prior to actually beginning the implementation/conversion process, an initial face-to-face meeting will be held at the WVOT facility for all key members of the vendor's project team and the WVOT staff. This meeting shall occur within five (5) working days of ARO.
- 5. The vendor shall submit, as part of their response: (a) a detailed implementation plan that insures the smooth transition to the new service; (b) a sample of their billing both paper copy and electronic version; and (c) an overview of your customer support and trouble resolution services. Be advised that the TCS&B Unit has limited resources to dedicate to this project so the State expects the vendor to assume all of the responsibilities required for implementation/conversion.

Project Management:

- 1. The vendor shall be required to designate a dedicated Project Manager who will be housed at, or near, the WVOT's facility in Charleston, WV during implementation/conversion which shall be no less than 180 calendar days. If, at the end of the 180 days, 90% of all existing services have not been completely implemented/converted, the State reserves the right to extend this period of time until the 90% conversion rate has been attained.
- 2. At a minimum, the Project Manager shall be onsite at least three (3) full business days each week (9AM-5PM, EST). WVOT will be responsible for providing network and internet connectivity for the Project Manager and applicable team members but all PC hardware, peripherals, etc. shall be the responsibility of the vendor. Additionally, any VPN access that may be needed by the Project Management team shall be the responsibility of the vendor. To meet this requirement, there will be no additional cost to the State, including, but not limited to: travel, lodging and meals. All costs shall be inclusive.
- 3. After the Project Manager is no longer required to be housed at or near the WVOT facility, the following shall be required for the life of the contract: The Project Manager shall serve as the single point of contact (SPOC) for all problem resolutions, billing issues, installation activity, etc. The SPOC shall be available to the state staff via a nationwide toll free calling service. The Project Manager shall be responsible for ensuring appropriate vendor personnel are available to provide overall account management and meet with the

WVOT's facility on a regularly scheduled basis which will be no less than once a month or as deemed necessary by the WVOT.

- 4. The Project Manager shall be responsible for ensuring all vendor staff supporting the State's account will be advised of the contract, the terms and conditions, operational requirements, etc. This shall be required if, or when, the vendor assigns/reassigns new staff to the State's account. The Project Manager will be required to ensure all of the information necessary to effectively support our account is conveyed during any vendor staff transition.
- 5. The Project Manager may appoint a designee to serve in his place as SPOC for specific functions (i.e. new services). If the Project Manager does such, the WVOT shall be notified, in writing, of this appointment. At a minimum, the Project Manager must provide the employee's name, all contact information (telephone number, email, etc.), escalation personnel, and the area(s) of responsibility.
- 6. The WVOT reserves the right to request a new Project Manager if the WVOT notifies the vendor of project defects, milestones not being met, etc. and the vendor fails to correct the issues within a mutually agreeable time frame.

Billing and Payment:

- 1. After implementation/conversion, any additions, changes or disconnects of services must not be acted upon by the vendor without an approved Telecommunications Change Request (TCR) from the WVOT. If necessary, the vendor shall initiate internal processes to prevent any services being established without a TCR. Any charges incurred by the State that is the result of the vendor initiating service without a TCR, a TCR not completed accurately, or a TCR being incomplete, the WVOT reserves the right to refuse payment.
- 2. All charges incurred by any State agency required to submit a TCR for services offered under this contract must be billed via a master account from the vendor. For any charges that failed to bill on the master account, the WVOT reserves the right to refuse payment.
- 3. All credit adjustments, for both current and prior charges, must be applied to the vendor's current month's invoice and reflected as part of the current month's balance. Debit adjustments must be applied the same way but will only be considered a legitimate charge if the vendor provides the required back-up to support such debit.
- 4. The vendor shall be required to comply with the terms of Senate Bill 700 and the Legislative Rules with regards to billing and payment. See http://www.legis.state.wv.us/legishp.html for of the Senate Bill a copy and http://www.wvsos.org/adlaw/proposed/161-02%20er.pdf for the Legislative rules (must have Adobe to access the rules).
- 5. The vendor will submit a single master account bill to the WVOT each month for all state entities. This master account bill must be submitted to the State's WVOT Telecommunications Customer Service and Billing (TCS&B) Unit to ensure compliance with contract terms. All charges must be at the designated subaccount level.
- 6. The single master bill shall be in the form of both a paper copy and an electronic copy at no additional cost to the State. For the monthly billing, the WVOT will require two (2) copies of the paper copy of the bill and a minimum of one (1), with a maximum of up to ten (10), copies of the electronic version of the bill at no additional cost to the State.
- 7. The vendor's billing must include a listing all dedicated facilities, etc. that are required to support the services of this contract even though they are at a zero charge. This will ensure a complete and accurate inventory of all services at all times that the State must maintain in order to be ensured of effective services.

Training and Support:

- 1. The vendor shall provide hands-on training to the WVOT staff which shall include but not be limited to: how to read the paper invoice, define the billing line items, explain the detailed back-up that is provided, etc.
- 2. The vendor shall include in their pricing the cost of training up to five (5) WVOT personnel on the electronic billing platform. The WVOT prefers training that is held at a location where vendor personnel, that are trainers as part of their normal duties, conduct the training. The Office of Technology will accept training on-site at our location provided that it is at the same level that would be attained at the vendor location. The WVOT also will not accept web-based training or on-line training programs. Vendors shall include all costs related to this training including, but not limited to, all tuition and travel expenses for State and Vendor personnel.

Mandatory services:

Long Distance:

- 1. Per Minute Charges shall be based and billed on six (6) second increments after the initial eighteen (18) second increment.
- 2. Per Minute Charges for long distance calls shall be the same regardless if the call is made using switched or dedicated facilities.
- 3. All connectivity charges and coordination efforts required to connect to the 2 egress points will be the responsibility of the successful vendor.
- 4. Dedicated facilities (i.e. T-1s, PRIs, etc.) must be included in the cost per minute. The State shall not pay a separate charge for these facilities.
- 5. The vendor is responsible for monitoring the dedicated facilities and providing any additional dedicated facilities necessary to minimize the amount of overflow switched traffic. A summary of the analysis must be reported to the WVOT quarterly.
- 6. The 2 egress points must have switched overflow capabilities in addition to the dedicated facilities.
- 7. Transition to the new service should be transparent to the station user. Dialing procedures must remain unchanged.
- 8. The vendor must be completely responsible for coordinating with the local exchange carriers in getting the LPIC/PIC code changed and placing a freeze on the changes for all existing outbound long distance services. This will be at no cost to the State. The WVOT realizes any current LPIC/PIC freeze will be the State's responsibility to lift until the new LPIC/PIC changes are made.
- 9. Vendor must provide international calling. Although the per minute rate proposed by the vendor for International calling will not be included as part of the cost evaluation it will be included as part of the purchase order.
- 10. Call detail records must be provided in an electronic format as specified by the WVOT for all calls made through the switches. The detail record, at a minimum, shall include: originating number, call to number, date of call, time of call, length of call and cost per call. Currently, Verizon's Centrex nodes support ISDN PRI connections with Q931 signaling. The vendor, however, will not be responsible for providing this level of call detail information in those cases where Verizon's facilities are unable to hand off that detail to the long distance carrier. Currently, those Centrex nodes are: New Martinsburg, Moundsville, Farmington, Elkins, Buckhannon, Sutton, Weirton, and Rowlesburg. If, in the future, Verizon upgrades these facilities the long distance carrier will be responsible for providing this detailed data.

Calling Cards:

1. The vendor will be responsible for issuing approximately 8,000 replacement cards.

Inbound Toll Free Calling:

- 1. Based on FCC 800 portability regulations, no change in the present toll free numbers shall be acceptable.
- 2. All converted and/or new dedicated facilities (i.e. T-1s, PRIs, etc.) must be included in the cost per minute. The State shall not pay a separate charge for these facilities.
- 3. The vendor must provide "advanced" features for supporting inbound toll free services. This shall include, but not be limited to: call referral, caller transfer, informational announcements,
- 4. The vendor is responsible for monitoring the dedicated facilities and providing any additional dedicated facilities necessary to minimize the amount of overflow switched traffic. A summary of the analysis must be reported to the WVOT quarterly.
- 5. The vendor is responsible for providing weekly updates for all toll free services that are being processed via a "Responsible Organization Change Authorization" (Resporg) form.

Directory Assistance:

- 1. The vendor shall provide Dial "00" Operator Assistance and interstate Directory Assistance.
- 2. In the event Operator services fail or overflow, the vendor shall have alternate routing to other facilities or another IXC operator and such alternate routing shall be transparent to the end user.

Price Quote:

- 1. The vendor must complete each Mandatory Price Quote per service. If the vendor's pricing algorithm results in a rounding on the vendor's billing, the vendor must clearly describe how the rounding impacts their proposed per minute costs. This must be incorporated into the pricing structure for evaluation purposes. Failure on the part of the vendor to include this information will result in the State denying and charges that exceed the per minute price quote.
- 2. The vendor must identify any regulatory costs that are separate from the per minute cost, such as UCC fees and how these costs are applied. For example, how and to what services does the UCC apply? Any tariff, etc. that impacts these fees should be listed for reference.
- 3. Costs identified that are in addition to the per minute charge (i.e. Universal Service Fund) and are government mandated charges must be identified separately on the "Other" Mandatory Price Quote.
- 4. Only those costs identified in the Mandatory Price Quotes will be considered legitimate charges. The WVOT reserves the right to refuse payment for all other fees/charges.
- 5. To the extent possible by law, the vendor shall extend to the State the lowest rates and charges for all services provided in response to this RFQ that it offers to any other customer similarly situated.

Evaluation:

1. The vendor with the lowest total cost based on the Cost Evaluation Price Quote will be considered the successful vendor.

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Regulatory Fees																	
Proposed Unit Cost (Put N/C if No Charge)																	
Unit of Measure	Initial 18 second increment	6 second increment	Per minute	Initial 18 second increment	6 second increment	Per minute											
Type of Service	Inbound Toll Free			Inbound Toll Free- Dedicated			Interactive (Advanced Feature) Toll Free Services*										

^{*}Vendors are to list all services/features provided, even if at No Charge.

LDPHONE08 - SPECIFICATIONS OUTBOUND LONG DISTANCE SERVICES MANDATORY PRICE QUOTE

Type of Service	Unit of Measure	Proposed Unit Cost	Regulatory Fees
1		(Put N/C if No Charge)	
IntraState/Intralata*	Initial 18 second increment		
Outbound Long Distance			
	6 second increment		
	Per minute		
Interstate Outbound Long	Initial 18 second increment		
Distance*			
	6 second increment		
	Per minute		

^{*}Switched and Dedicated

CALLING CARD SERVICES MANDATORY PRICE QUOTE

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	Proposed Unit Cost (Put N/C if No Charge)						
	Unit of Measure	Initial 18 second increment	6 second increment	Per minute			
	Type of Service	Calling Card Service					

LDPHONE08 - SPECIFICATIONS "OTHER" - MANDATORY PRICE QUOTE

identified in the Mandatory Price Sheets. The following descriptions have been listed since they are typical charges but the vendor is This section is to include all charges that the vendor will bill, and as legally can be paid by the State, that are in addition to the costs required to add any additional charges that would apply to the services being requested.

Description	Type of Service	Based on	Proposed Unit Cost	Regulatory Fees
1	i i	Unit of Measure	(Put N/C if No Charge)	
Universal Service Fund (USF)	Outbound Long Distance – Interstate ONLY			
USF Administrative Fee	Applies to USF charges only			
Payphone Surcharge for Inbound Toll Free	Inbound Toll Free			
Directory Assistance*	Outbound Long Distance			
National Directory	Outbound Long Distance			
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^{*}The vendor is to indicate if there are any minimums/maximums associated with this service. For example, each BTN is granted a specific amount of directory assistance calls for free and then all subsequent calls are at a per call rate.

COST EVALUATION PRICE QUOTE

Vendor:

Service Type	Originating	Destination	Length of	Charges	Other Costs	Total
	Number	Number	Call (in minutes)	(See Note Below)	(Where applicable)	Cost
Outbound Long Distance	304-749-7910	304-765-2919	.5			The second secon
Dedicated- Outbound Long Distance	304-733-4281	859-727-9183	5.9			***************************************
Outbound Long Distance	304-558-8153	304-822-3561	15.8			TO THE PARTY OF TH
Outbound Long Distance	304-358-2702	443-600-2712	£.			The second secon
Dedicated - Outbound Long Distance	304-765-2919	919-715-7000	6.			100 - 1
Inbound Toll Free	304-339-2054	800-642-3021	1.0			
Inbound Toll Free	304-924-5587	800-642-3021	7.		- Control of the Cont	
Inbound Toll Free	949-830-9838	800-642-3021	12.5	The second secon	The state of the s	
Inbound Toll Free from Payphone	304-565-7413	800-642-3021	۲			- Administration
Inbound Toll Free	940-591-1200	800-642-3021	1.6			
Inbound Toll Free	304-541-5620	800-642-3021	.5			esterni,
from a cell phone	(placed from 740 Area Code-OH)					
Calling Card	WV	FL	4.			
Calling Card	WV	WV	5.			
Calling Card	WV	WV	11.3			MATERIAL PROPERTY OF THE PROPE
Directory Assistance	304-558-3456	411	N/A		T CE TAX HAVE DE L'AND L	***************************************
National Directory Assistance	304-924-5587	412-555-1212	N/A			T THE THE THE THE THE THE THE THE THE TH
National Directory Assistance	304-442-3125	304-555-1212	N/A			
TOTAL COST						

^{*}Charges must be based on the applicable unit cost as listed in the Mandatory Price Quote.

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AGREEMENT ADDENDUM

In the event of conflict between this addendum and the agreement, this addendum shall control:

- 1. ARBITRATION Any references to arbitration contained in the agreement are hereby deleted. Disputes arising out of the agreement shall be presented to the West Virginia Court of Claims.
- 2. HOLD HARMLESS Any clause requiring the Agency to indemnify or hold harmless any party is hereby deleted in its entirety.
- GOVERNING LAW The agreement shall be governed by the laws of the State of West Virginia. This provision replaces any references to any other State's
 governing law.
- 4. TAXES Provisions in the agreement requiring the Agency to pay taxes are deleted. As a State entity, the Agency is exempt from Federal, State, and local taxes and will not pay taxes for any Vendor including individuals, nor will the Agency file any tax returns or reports on behalf of Vendor or any other party.
- 5. PAYMENT Any references to prepayment are deleted. Payment will be in arrears.
- 6. <u>INTEREST</u> Should the agreement include a provision for interest on late payments, the Agency agrees to pay the maximum legal rate under West Virginia law. All other references to interest or late charges are deleted.
- 7. RECOUPMENT Any language in the agreement waiving the Agency's right to set-off, counterclaim, recoupment, or other defense is hereby deleted.
- 8. FISCAL YEAR FUNDING Service performed under the agreement may be continued in succeeding fiscal years for the term of the agreement, contingent upon funds being appropriated by the Legislature or otherwise being available for this service. In the event funds are not appropriated or otherwise available for this service, the agreement shall terminate without penalty on June 30. After that date, the agreement becomes of no effect and is null and void. However, the Agency agrees to use its best efforts to have the amounts contemplated under the agreement included in its budget. Non-appropriation or non-funding shall not be considered an event of default.
- 9. STATUTE OF LIMITATION Any clauses limiting the time in which the Agency may bring suit against the Vendor, lessor, individual, or any other party are deleted.
- 10. <u>SIMILAR SERVICES</u> Any provisions limiting the Agency's right to obtain similar services or equipment in the event of default or non-funding during the term of the agreement are hereby deleted.
- 11. <u>ATTORNEY FEES</u> The Agency recognizes an obligation to pay attorney's fees or costs only when assessed by a court of competent jurisdiction. Any other provision is invalid and considered null and void.
- 12. <u>ASSIGNMENT</u> Notwithstanding any clause to the contrary, the Agency reserves the right to assign the agreement to another State of West Virginia agency, board or commission upon thirty (30) days written notice to the Vendor and Vendor shall obtain the written consent of Agency prior to assigning the agreement.
- 13. <u>LIMITATION OF LIABILITY</u> The Agency, as a State entity, cannot agree to assume the potential liability of a Vendor. Accordingly, any provision limiting the Vendor's liability for direct damages or limiting the Vendor's liability under a warranty to a certain dollar amount or to the amount of the agreement is hereby deleted. In addition, any limitation is null and void to the extent that it precludes any action for injury to persons or for damages to personal property.
- 14. RIGHT TO TERMINATE Agency shall have the right to terminate the agreement upon thirty (30) days written notice to Vendor.
- 15. TERMINATION CHARGES Any provision requiring the Agency to pay a fixed amount or liquidated damages upon termination of the agreement is hereby deleted. The Agency may only agree to reimburse a Vendor for actual costs incurred or losses sustained during the current fiscal year due to wrongful termination by the Agency prior to the end of any current agreement term.
- 16. RENEWAL Any reference to automatic renewal is hereby deleted. The agreement may be renewed only upon mutual written agreement of the parties.
- 17. <u>INSURANCE</u> Any provision requiring the Agency to insure equipment or property of any kind and name the Vendor as beneficiary or as an additional insured is hereby deleted.
- 18. <u>RIGHT TO NOTICE</u> Any provision for repossession of equipment without notice is hereby deleted. However, the Agency does recognize a right of repossession with notice.
- 19. ACCELERATION Any reference to acceleration of payments in the event of default or non-funding is hereby deleted.
- 20. <u>AMENDMENTS</u> All amendments, modifications, alterations or changes to the agreement shall be in writing and signed by both parties. No amendment, modification, alteration or change may be made to this addendum without the express written approval of the Purchasing Division and the Attorney General.

ACCEPTED BY: <u>STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA</u>	VENDOR
Spending Unit:	Company Name:
Signed:	Signed:
Title:	Title:
Date:	Date:

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STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA Purchasing Division

PURCHASING AFFIDAVIT

West Virginia Code §5A-3-10a states: No contract or renewal of any contract may be awarded by the state or any of its political subdivisions to any vendor or prospective vendor when the vendor or prospective vendor or a related party to the vendor or prospective vendor is a debtor and the debt owed is an amount greater than one thousand dollars in the aggregate

DEFINITIONS:

"Debt" means any assessment, premium, penalty, fine, tax or other amount of money owed to the state or any of its political subdivisions because of a judgment, fine, permit violation, license assessment, defaulted workers' compensation premium, penalty or other assessment presently delinquent or due and required to be paid to the state or any of its political subdivisions, including any interest or additional penalties accrued thereon.

"Debtor" means any individual, corporation, partnership, association, limited liability company or any other form or business association owing a debt to the state or any of its political subdivisions. "Political subdivision" means any county commission; municipality; county board of education; any instrumentality established by a county or municipality; any separate corporation or instrumentality established by one or more counties or municipalities, as permitted by law; or any public body charged by law with the performance of a government function or whose jurisdiction is coextensive with one or more counties or municipalities. "Related party" means a party, whether an individual, corporation, partnership, association, limited liability company or any other form or business association or other entity whatsoever, related to any vendor by blood, marriage, ownership or contract through which the party has a relationship of ownership or other interest with the vendor so that the party will actually or by effect receive or control a portion of the benefit, profit or other consideration from performance of a vendor contract with the party receiving an amount that meets or exceed five percent of the total contract amount.

EXCEPTION: The prohibition of this section does not apply where a vendor has contested any tax administered pursuant to chapter eleven of this code, workers' compensation premium, permit fee or environmental fee or assessment and the matter has not become final or where the vendor has entered into a payment plan or agreement and the vendor is not in default of any of the provisions of such plan or agreement.

LICENSING: Vendors must be licensed and in good standing in accordance with any and all state and local laws and requirements by any state or local agency of West Virginia, including, but not limited to, the West Virginia Secretary of State's Office, the West Virginia Tax Department, West Virginia Insurance Commission, or any other state agencies or political subdivision. Furthermore, the vendor must provide all necessary releases to obtain information to enable the Director or spending unit to verify that the vendor is licensed and in good standing with the above entities.

CONFIDENTIALITY: The vendor agrees that he or she will not disclose to anyone, directly or indirectly, any such personally identifiable information or other confidential information gained from the agency, unless the individual who is the subject of the information consents to the disclosure in writing or the disclosure is made pursuant to the agency's policies, procedures and rules. Vendors should visit **www.state.wv.us/admin/purchase/privacy** for the Notice of Agency Confidentiality Policies.

Under penalty of law for false swearing (West Virginia Code, §61-5-3), it is hereby certified that the vendor acknowledges the information in this said affidavit and are in compliance with the requirements as stated.

Vendor's Name:	
Authorized Signature:	_Date:

Purchasing Affidavit (Revised 06/15/07)