

From: **Whittaker, Frank M** <frank.m.whittaker@wv.gov>
Date: Mon, Jun 3, 2024 at 4:03 PM
Subject: Fwd: Emergency Contract
To: Debra K Morgan <debra.k.morgan@wv.gov>
Cc: Brandon L Barr <brandon.l.barr@wv.gov>, Atkins, Mark A <mark.a.atkins@wv.gov>, Totten, Mark L <mark.l.totten@wv.gov>, Alisha S Pettit <alisha.s.pettit@wv.gov>, Greg Clay <gregory.c.clay@wv.gov>

Debbie,

Your Emergency request is approved for Contact Center Operations for a period not to extend beyond 08/29/2024. Please follow all emergency procedures outlined in the Purchasing Division Procedures Handbook and return the completed purchase order to this office within 30 days of this approval for posting.

Please let me know if you have any questions or concerns.

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From: **Morgan, Debra K** <debra.k.morgan@wv.gov>
Date: Mon, Jun 3, 2024 at 2:41 PM
Subject: Re: Emergency Contract
To: Whittaker, Frank M <frank.m.whittaker@wv.gov>
Cc: Brandon L Barr <brandon.l.barr@wv.gov>, Mark A Atkins <mark.a.atkins@wv.gov>

Good Afternoon,

Workforce West Virginia is requesting your approval for an emergency contract for AWS and Managed Services between SMX (Smartronix) for the service dates of 5-30-24 through 8-29-24 at a cost of approximately \$60,000.00.. These services were released for competitive bidding with an award being made, however, that award has been protested. An approved emergency contract will enable the agency to continue offering re-employment opportunity services to the people of West Virginia who are currently unemployed through the Work4WV program.

These services were released for competitive bidding with an award being made, however, that award has been protested so until the review of all documents is completed and a decision is made to address the protest, the emergency contract is needed.

I have attached the SOW and signed TCs from SMX to support our request.

Thank you for your consideration.

On Mon, Jun 3, 2024 at 9:35 AM Whittaker, Frank M <frank.m.whittaker@wv.gov> wrote:
Debbie,

Please see section 6.3.3 A. of the Purchasing Division Procedures Handbook and modify your request to include the requirements of A.a. This information is important for a couple of reasons, first it is needed for the Purchasing Division's review and concurrence, second, the request will be posted publicly, and therefore the emergency situation, and the request should be clear to those who review it.

Also it appears the vendor's SOW is for 120 days while your request is for 90 days.

Please modify your email to speak to all four requirements of the emergency request submission, and resolve the discrepancy between the vendor's scope and your requested time frame.

Thank you,

Frank.

On Mon, Jun 3, 2024 at 9:05 AM Morgan, Debra K <debra.k.morgan@wv.gov> wrote:
Good Morning,

Per our previous discussions Frank, WorkForce West Virginia is requesting your approval to enter into a new emergency contract with SMX not to exceed ninety days per the attached SOW. This contract will take us over our agency delegated spending authority and is needed due to a protest filed by First Fire on the award of CMA WWV25*05 which resulted from CRFQ WWV24*07.

Thank you for your consideration.

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Workforce West Virginia Contact Center Operations SOW 6

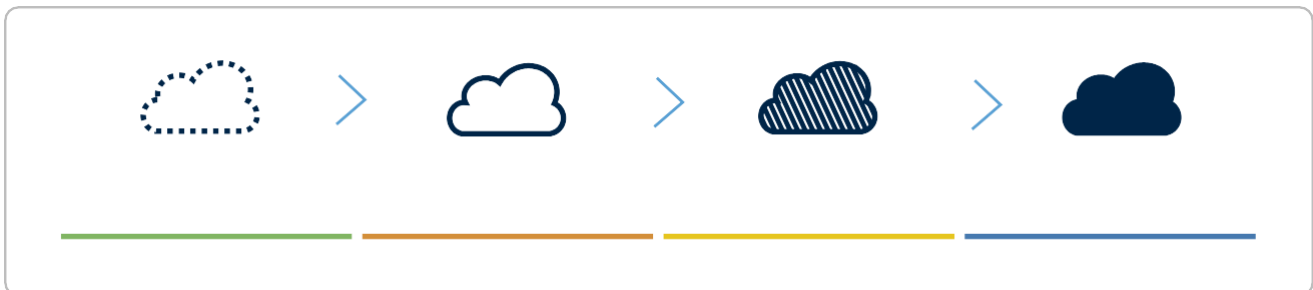
May 30, 2024

Submitted to:

State of West Virginia Office of Technology

Submitted by:

SMX



1. SCOPE

Cloud Assured Managed Services:

SMX will provide 24x7x365 Managed Services for the AWS Connect and ChatBox Virtual Assistant. These services include:

- Account Management Security Services,
- Security Incident Response,
- Monitoring and Notification Services,
- Backup and Restore, and
- AWS Connect Application Management Services.

Managing the application includes establishing User Provisioning, break/fix services, and providing configuration support per month. Creating new workflows or adding functionality will be performed as professional services by the Task Force team.

2. ASSUMPTIONS

- It is anticipated that SMX resources will work remotely to support this project. If travel to the appropriate client location is needed, it will be at the expense of the client.
- All software licenses for the environment, except those provided by AWS, will be provided by West Virginia.

3. PERIOD OF PERFORMANCE

- The term of this agreement is from 5/30/2024 through 8/29/2024. The customer may terminate this agreement upon the award if a new contract or agreement that supersedes this agreement. In the event of such termination, the customer shall provide written notice prior to the termination and contractor will immediately begin coordinating the transfer of services from SMX to new contractor, and will cease services as soon as the transfer of services is complete.
- The customer agrees to pay all invoices for services rendered and expenses incurred up to the final date of services. Payment of invoices shall be made in accordance with the payment terms set forth in this agreement.

4. PRICING

Smartronix Cloud Assured Managed Services (CAMS) – 24X7X365

Description	Type	Monthly Price
Cloud Assured Managed Services	Monthly	\$8,513

AWS Services Costs

Description	Type	Monthly Price
AWS Services*	Monthly	\$20,000

The customer will be billed monthly for actual usage. Actual costs will be based on consumption.

5. TERMS AND CONDITIONS

This Agreement will be bound by the terms and conditions executed between the State of West Virginia and Smartronix.

6. SIGNATURES

Signature

Print Name
WorkForce West Virginia

Dominique Mitchell 5/31/24

Signature

Dominique Mitchell

Print Name
SMX

Exhibit 1 - SMX Elevate Solutions Terms & Conditions

This SMX Elevate™ Solutions Terms & Conditions Exhibit shall apply to all service offerings which includes any related module included within the SMX Elevate™ Solution as sold by Smartronix, LLC & Affiliates Part of SMX Group and described at [SMX | SMX Elevate \(smxtech.com\)](https://www.smxtech.com).

- 1 Definitions.** Capitalized terms not otherwise defined in this Agreement have the meanings set forth below:
- 1.1 **"Affiliate"** means any other commercial entity that directly or indirectly, through one or more intermediaries, controls, is controlled by, or is under common control with SMX.
 - 1.2 **"Authorized User"** means Customer's employees, and agents who are authorized by Customer to access and use the Solutions under the rights granted to Customer pursuant to this Agreement, and for whom access to the Solutions has been purchased.
 - 1.3 **"Component System"** means any one or more of the Modules of the Solutions Customer has currently licensed, subscribed to, or been granted cloud access to, including all copies of Source Code, Object Code and all related specifications, Documentation, technical information, and all corrections, modifications, additions, development work, improvements and enhancements to and all Intellectual Property Rights for such Component System.
 - 1.4 **"Customer Data"** means information, data, and content, in any form or medium, collected, downloaded, or otherwise received, directly or indirectly from Customer, an Authorized User or end-users by or through the Solutions, provided the data is not personally identifiable and not identifiable to Customer.
 - 1.5 **"Custom Modification"** means a change that SMX has made at Customer's request to any Component System in accordance with a SMX-generated specification, but without any other changes whatsoever by any Person.
 - 1.6 **"Customer Systems"** means the Customer's information technology infrastructure, including computers, software, hardware, databases, electronic systems (including database management systems), and networks, whether operated by Customer or through the use of third-party services.
 - 1.7 **"Data Protection Laws"** means all applicable data protection and privacy Laws that apply to the processing of personal data for a particular Online Service, including, as applicable, any US state or federal Laws or regulations relating to the collection, use, disclosure, security or protection of personal data, or to security breach notification, e.g., the California Consumer Privacy Act of 2018 ("CCPA") and the Virginia Consumer Data Protection Act ("VCDPA"), together with the EU General Data Protection Regulation 2016/679 ("GDPR").
 - 1.8 **"Documentation"** means any manuals, instructions, or other documents or materials that SMX provides or makes available to Customer in any form or medium and which describe the functionality, components, features, or requirements of the Solutions, including any aspect of the installation, configuration, integration, operation, use, support, or maintenance thereof.
 - 1.9 **"Harmful Code"** means any software, hardware, device or other technology, including any virus, worm, malware, or other malicious computer code, the purpose or effect of which is to (a) permit unauthorized access to, or to destroy, disrupt, disable, distort, or otherwise harm or impede any (i) computer, software, firmware, hardware, system, or network; or (ii) any application or function of any of the foregoing or the security, integrity, confidentiality, or use of any data Processed thereby; or (b) prevent Customer or any Authorized User from accessing or using the Solutions as intended by this Agreement.
 - 1.10 **"Intellectual Property Rights"** means any and all registered and unregistered rights granted, applied for, or otherwise now or hereafter in existence under or related to any patent, copyright, trademark, trade secret, database protection, or other intellectual property rights laws, and all similar or equivalent rights or forms of protection, in any part of the world.



- 1.11 “**Modules**” means any one or more of the Services that comprise SMX Elevate that are identified in Exhibit 2 to this Agreement.
- 1.12 “**Person**” means an individual, corporation, partnership, joint venture, limited liability entity, governmental authority, unincorporated organization, trust, association, or other entity.
- 1.13 “**Personal Information**” means any information that does or can identify a specific individual or by or from which a specific individual may be identified, contacted, or located. Personal Information includes all “nonpublic personal information” as defined under the Gramm-Leach-Bliley Act, “protected health information” as defined under the Health and Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996, “Personal Data” as defined in the EU General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR 2018), “Personal Information” as defined under the Children's Online Privacy Protection Act of 1998, other Data Protection Laws, and all rules and regulations issued under any of the foregoing.
- 1.14 “**Representatives**” means, with respect to a party, that party's employees, officers, directors, agents, subcontractors, authorized signatories, and legal advisors.
- 1.15 “**Services**” means that support SMX provides via this Agreement to help clients explore, adopt, and optimize the power of cloud.
- 1.16 “**SMX Team Personnel**” means all individuals involved in the performance of Support Services and as employees, agents, Subcontractors or independent contractors of SMX.
- 1.17 “**Solution(s)**” means the Component Systems, Documentation, Custom Modifications, development work, SMX Team Systems and any and all information, data, documents, materials, works, devices, methods, processes, hardware, software, technologies, inventions, deliverables, technical or functional descriptions, requirements, plans, and reports, provided or used by SMX or any Subcontractor in connection with Services rendered under this Agreement.
- 1.18 “**Third-Party Materials**” means materials and information, in any form or medium, including any software, documents, data, content, specifications, products, related services, equipment, or components of or relating to the Solutions that are not proprietary to SMX.

2 Solutions, Grant of Limited Rights and Scope of Use, & Delivery.

- 2.1 Support: Subject to and conditioned on Customer and their Authorized Users' compliance with the terms and conditions of this Agreement, during the Term SMX will provide to Customer the Services outlined in Exhibit 2.
- 2.2 Grant of Limited Rights and Scope of Use. Subject to and conditioned on Customer and their Authorized Users' compliance with the terms and conditions of this Agreement, SMX hereby grants Customer a revocable, non-exclusive, non-transferable right to access and use the Solutions, solely by Authorized Users and limited to Customer's internal use. Any third-party licenses applicable to this Agreement are subject to the most current terms of the third party's end user license agreement and all other terms and conditions required by the third party for the use of the subject license, all of which are incorporated by reference into this Agreement.
- 2.3 Delivery. For additional purchases of software and/or hardware from SMX (or Third-Party Offerings through SMX), SMX Team Personnel shall deliver to Customer the initial copies of the Solution(s) purchased by electronic delivery. Physical shipment is on FOB-SMX's shipping point, and electronic delivery is deemed effective at the time SMX provides Customer with access to download the Solutions. The date of such delivery shall be referred to as the “**Delivery Date.**”



3 System Control, Limitations & Exceptions.

- 3.1 **System Control.** Except as otherwise expressly provided in [SMX | SMX Elevate \(smxtech.com\)](https://smxtech.com): (i) SMX has and will retain sole control over the content and composition of SMX Elevate and how it is provided to customers; and (ii) Customer has and will retain sole control over the operation, maintenance, management of, and all access to and use of, the Customer Systems, and sole responsibility for access to and use of the Solutions by any Person by or through the Customer Systems or other means controlled by Customer or any Authorized User, including any reports or results obtained from any use of the Solutions, and conclusions, decisions, or actions based on such use.
- 3.2 **Limitations.** Customer must provide SMX with such facilities, equipment and support as deemed by SMX reasonably necessary for SMX to perform its obligations under this Agreement, including, if required by SMX, remote access to the Customer Systems. SMX is not responsible or liable for any delay or failure of performance caused in whole or in part by any Customer delay or Customer's failure to perform any obligations under this Agreement.
- 3.3 **Exceptions.** SMX has no obligation to provide Services relating to any Defect with the Solutions that, in whole or in part, arise out of or result from any of the following:
 - 3.3.1 software, or media on which provided, that is modified or damaged by Customer or third party;
 - 3.3.2 any negligence, abuse, misapplication, or misuse of the Solutions, including any Customer use of the Solutions other than as expressly authorized in writing by SMX, which SMX shall consider a breach of this Agreement and subject to termination for cause pursuant to the terms of this Agreement;
 - 3.3.3 the operation of, or access to, Customer's or a third party's system, materials or network;
 - 3.3.4 any beta software, software that SMX makes available for testing or demonstration purposes, temporary software modules, or software for which SMX does not receive a fee;
 - 3.3.5 any breach of or noncompliance with any provision of this Agreement by Customer or any of its Representatives or any Force Majeure Event (including abnormal physical or electrical stress).

4 Reservation of Rights. Except for the specified rights outlined in Section 2.2 titled “Grant of Limited Rights and Scope of Use”, nothing in this Agreement grants any right, title, or interest in or to any Intellectual Property Rights in or relating to the Support Services, Solutions, or Third-Party Materials, whether expressly, by implication, estoppel, or otherwise. All right, title, and interest in the Solutions, and the Third-Party Materials are and will remain with SMX and/or the respective rights holders.

5 Changes. SMX reserves the right, in its sole discretion, to make any changes to the Modules, Services and Solutions that it deems necessary or useful to: (a) maintain or enhance the quality or delivery of SMX's services to its customers, the competitive strength of or market for SMX's services, or the Support Services' cost efficiency or performance; or (b) to comply with applicable law. Without limiting the foregoing, either party may, at any time during the Term, request in writing changes. No requested changes will be effective unless and until memorialized in either a SMX a written change order. Modification, or amendment to this Agreement signed by both parties.

6 Subcontractors. SMX may from time to time in its discretion engage third parties to perform Support Services (each, a "Subcontractor").

7 Security Measures. The Solutions may contain technological measures designed to prevent unauthorized or illegal use of the Solutions. Customer acknowledges and agrees that: (a) SMX may use these and other lawful measures to verify compliance with the terms of this Agreement and enforce SMX's rights, including all Intellectual Property Rights, in and to the Solutions; (b) SMX may deny any individual access to and/or use of the Solutions if SMX, in its reasonable discretion, believes that person's use of the Solutions would violate any provision of this Agreement or applicable law, regardless of whether Customer designated that person as an Authorized User; and (c) SMX may



collect, maintain, process, use and disclose technical, diagnostic and related non-identifiable data gathered periodically which may lead to improvements in the performance and security of the Solutions.

8 Use Restrictions. Customer shall not, and shall not permit any other Person to, access or use the Solutions except as expressly permitted by this Agreement. For purposes of clarity and without limiting the generality of the foregoing, Customer shall not, except as this Agreement expressly permits:

- 8.1 copy, modify, or create derivative works or improvements of the Solutions, or rent, lease, lend, sell, sublicense, assign, distribute, publish, transfer, or otherwise make available any Solutions to any Person;
- 8.2 reverse engineer, disassemble, decompile, decode, adapt, or otherwise attempt to derive or gain access to the source code of the SMX software or Solutions, in whole or in part;
- 8.3 bypass or breach any security device or protection used by Solutions or access or use the Solutions other than by an Authorized User through the use of his or her own then valid access;
- 8.4 input, upload, transmit, or otherwise provide to or through the SMX Team any information or materials that are unlawful or injurious, or contain, transmit, or activate any Harmful Code;
- 8.5 damage, destroy, disrupt, disable, impair, interfere with, or otherwise impede or harm in any manner SMX's provision of Services to any party, in whole or in part;
- 8.6 remove, delete, alter, or obscure any trademarks, Specifications, Documentation, warranties, or disclaimers, or any copyright, trademark, patent, or other intellectual property or proprietary rights notices from any Documentation or Solutions, including any copy thereof;
- 8.7 access or use the Solutions in any manner or for any purpose that infringes, misappropriates, or otherwise violates any Intellectual Property Right or other right of any third party, or that violates any applicable law;
- 8.8 access or use the Solutions for purposes of competitive analysis of the Solutions, the development, provision, or use of a competing software service or product or any other purpose that is to SMX's detriment or commercial disadvantage or otherwise access or use the Solutions beyond the scope of the authorization granted under this Section.

9 Customer Obligations.

- 9.1 Customer Systems and Cooperation. Customer shall at all times during the Term: (a) set up, maintain, and operate in good repair all Customer Systems on or through which the Solutions are accessed or used; (b) provide the SMX Team Personnel with such access to Customer's premises and Customer Systems as is necessary for SMX to perform the Support Services in accordance with the Support Standard; and (c) provide cooperation as SMX may reasonably request to enable SMX to exercise its rights and perform its obligations under and in connection with this Agreement.
- 9.2 Effect of Customer Failure or Delay. SMX is not responsible or liable for any delay or failure of performance caused in whole or in part by Customer's delay in performing, or failure to perform, any of its obligations under this Agreement.
- 9.3 Corrective Action and Notice. If Customer becomes aware of any actual or threatened activity prohibited by Section 10, Customer shall, and shall cause its Authorized Users to, immediately: (a) take all reasonable and lawful measures within their respective control that are necessary to stop the activity or threatened activity and to mitigate its effects (including, where applicable, by discontinuing and preventing any unauthorized access to the Solutions and permanently erasing from their systems and destroying any data to which any of them gained unauthorized access); and (b) notify SMX of any such actual or threatened activity.



10 Confidentiality.

- 10.1 Confidential Information. "**Confidential Information**" means information in any form or medium (whether oral, written, electronic, or other) that the Disclosing Party considers confidential or proprietary, including information consisting of or relating to the Disclosing Party's technology, trade secrets, know-how, business operations, plans, strategies, customers, and pricing, and information with respect to which the Disclosing Party has contractual or other confidentiality obligations. Without limiting the foregoing, Confidential Information of SMX includes the Solutions, all software provided with the Solutions, and algorithms, methods, techniques and processes revealed by the Source Code of the Solutions and any software provided with the Solutions. In connection with this Agreement each party (as the "**Disclosing Party**") may disclose or make available Confidential Information to the other party (as the "**Receiving Party**").
- 10.2 Exclusions. Confidential Information does not include information that: (a) was rightfully known to the Receiving Party without restriction on use or disclosure prior to being disclosed or made available to the Receiving Party in connection with this Agreement; (b) was or becomes generally known by the public without breach of any agreement including but not limited to this Agreement; (c) was or is received by the Receiving Party on a non-confidential basis from a third party that was or is independently developed by the Receiving Party without reference or use of any Confidential Information.
- 10.3 Protection of Confidential Information. As a condition to being provided with any disclosure of or access to Confidential Information, the Receiving Party shall:
- 10.3.1 not access or use Confidential Information other than as necessary to exercise its rights or perform its obligations under and in accordance with this Agreement;
 - 10.3.2 not disclose or permit access to Confidential Information other than to its Representatives who:
 - 10.3.3 need to know such Confidential Information for purposes of the Receiving Party's exercise of its rights or performance of its obligations under and in accordance with this Agreement; (ii) have been informed of the confidential nature of the Confidential Information and the Receiving Party's obligations under this Section; and (iii) are bound by written confidentiality or restricted use obligations at least as protective of the Confidential Information as the terms in this Section;
 - 10.3.4 safeguard the Confidential Information from unauthorized use, access, or disclosure using at least the degree of care it uses to protect its sensitive information and in no event less than a reasonable degree of care;
 - 10.3.5 ensure its Representatives' compliance with, and be responsible and liable for any of its Representatives' non-compliance with, the terms of this Section.
- 10.4 Compelled Disclosures. If the either Party or any of its Representatives is compelled by applicable law to disclose any Confidential Information then, to the extent permitted by law, that Party shall: (a) promptly, and prior to such disclosure, notify the other Party in writing of such requirement so that they can seek a protective order or other remedy or waive its rights under Section .3; and (b) provide reasonable assistance to the Disclosing Party in opposing such disclosure or seeking a protective order or other limitations on disclosure. If the Disclosing Party waives compliance or, after providing the notice and assistance required under this Section, the Receiving Party remains required by law to disclose any Confidential Information, the Receiving Party shall disclose only that portion of the Confidential Information that the Receiving Party is legally required to disclose.
- 10.5 Trade Secrets. Notwithstanding any other provisions of this Agreement, the Receiving Party's obligations under this Section with respect to any Confidential Information that constitutes a trade secret under any applicable law will continue until such time, if ever, as such Confidential Information ceases to qualify for trade secret protection under one or more such applicable laws other than as a result of any act or omission of the Receiving Party or any of its Representatives.



11 Security.

- 11.1 SMX will implement commercially reasonable administrative, technical and physical safeguards designed to ensure the security and confidentiality of Customer Data, protect against any anticipated threats or hazards to the security or integrity of Customer Data, and protect against unauthorized access or use of Customer Data. SMX will review and test such safeguards on no less than an annual basis.
- 11.2 Customer shall maintain, in connection with the operation or use of the Solutions, adequate technical and procedural access controls, system security requirements and devices, necessary for data privacy, confidentiality, integrity, authorization, authentication, non-repudiation, virus detection and eradication. Customer shall provide documentation upon request and as needed by SMX to determine the compliance with these requirements.
- 11.3 To the extent that Authorized Users are permitted to have access to the Solutions, Customer shall maintain reasonable procedures with such Authorized Users that adequately protect the confidentiality and Intellectual Property Rights of SMX in the Solutions and Documentation, and disclaim any liability or responsibility of SMX with respect to such Authorized Users. . Customer shall provide documentation upon request and as needed by SMX to determine the compliance with these requirements.

12 Personal Data. If SMX processes or otherwise has access to any personal data or personal information on Customer's behalf when performing SMX's obligations under this Agreement, then:

- 12.1 Customer shall be the data controller (where “**data controller**” means an entity which alone or jointly with others determines purposes for which and the manner in which any personal data are, or are to be, processed) and SMX shall be a data processor (where “**data processor**” means an entity which processes the data only on behalf of the data controller and not for any purposes of its own);
- 12.2 Customer shall ensure that it has obtained all necessary consents and it is entitled to transfer the relevant personal data or personal information to SMX so that SMX may lawfully use, process and transfer the personal data and personal information in accordance with this Agreement on Customer's behalf, which may include SMX processing and transferring the relevant personal data or personal information outside the country where Customer and the Authorized Users are located in order for SMX to provide the Solutions and perform its other obligations under this Agreement;
- 12.3 SMX shall process personal data and information only in accordance with lawful and reasonable instructions given by Customer and as set out in and in accordance with the terms of this Agreement; and
- 12.4 Each party shall take appropriate technical and organizational measures against unauthorized or unlawful processing of the personal data and personal information or its accidental loss, destruction or damage so that, having regard to the state of technological development and the cost of implementing any measures, the measures taken ensure a level of security appropriate to the harm that might result from such unauthorized or unlawful processing or accidental loss, destruction or damage in relation to the personal data and personal information and the nature of the personal data and personal information being protected. If necessary, the parties will cooperate to document these measures taken.

13 Representations and Warranties.

- 13.1 Services Representation and Warranty. SMX represents, warrants, and covenants to Customer that during the Term, SMX will perform the Services using personnel of appropriate and adequate skill, experience, and qualifications and in a professional and workmanlike manner in accordance with both generally recognized industry standards for similar services, and the specific guidance for support found in Exhibit 2 and will devote adequate resources to meet its obligations under this Agreement. If Customer reasonably believes that any Services failed to meet this warranty, they will follow the identified escalation path.



13.2 **DISCLAIMER OF WARRANTIES.** EXCEPT FOR THE EXPRESS LIMITED WARRANTIES SET FORTH ABOVE, SMX MAKES NO WARRANTIES WHATSOEVER, EXPRESSED OR IMPLIED, WITH REGARD TO THE SOLUTIONS, SERVICES, AND/OR ANY OTHER MATTER RELATING TO THIS AGREEMENT, AND THAT SMX DISCLAIMS ALL WARRANTIES, WHETHER EXPRESS, IMPLIED, STATUTORY, OR OTHER, INCLUDING ALL WARRANTIES ARISING FROM COURSE OF DEALING, USAGE OR TRADE PRACTICE, AND SPECIFICALLY DISCLAIMS IMPLIED WARRANTIES OF MERCHANTABILITY, FITNESS FOR A PARTICULAR PURPOSE, TITLE, AND NON-INFRINGEMENT. FURTHER, SMX EXPRESSLY DOES NOT WARRANT THAT A SOLUTION, ANY CUSTOM MODIFICATION OR ANY IMPROVEMENTS WILL BE USABLE BY CUSTOMER, OR WILL BE ERROR FREE, WILL OPERATE WITHOUT INTERRUPTION OR WILL BE COMPATIBLE WITH ANY HARDWARE OR SOFTWARE. ALL THIRD-PARTY MATERIALS ARE PROVIDED "AS-IS" AND ANY REPRESENTATION OR WARRANTY OF OR CONCERNING ANY OF THEM IS STRICTLY BETWEEN CUSTOMER AND THE THIRD-PARTY OWNER.

14 Force Majeure.

- 14.1 **No Breach or Default.** Neither Party will be liable to the other for any failure or delay in fulfilling or performing any term of this Agreement (except for any payment obligation) when and to the extent such failure or delay is caused by any circumstances beyond such Party's reasonable control (a "**Force Majeure Event**"), including Acts of God, flood, fire, earthquake, explosion, war, terrorism, invasion, national or regional emergency, riot or other civil-unrest, labor disruption, acts and omissions of third parties, governmental and judicial action (e.g., embargoes, export or import restrictions, but does not include lack of funding or appropriations) not the fault of the Party failing or delaying in performance.
- 14.2 **Affected Party Obligations.** In the event of any failure or delay caused by a Force Majeure Event, the affected Party shall give prompt written notice to the other Party stating the period of time the occurrence is expected to continue and use commercially reasonable efforts to end the failure or delay and minimize the effects of such Force Majeure Event.

15 Mutual Indemnification.

- 15.1 **SMX Indemnification.** SMX will defend, indemnify and hold harmless Customer, its affiliates, subsidiaries, or their respective officers, directors, and employees, from any liability, damages and expenses (including court costs and reasonable attorneys' fees) arising out of or resulting from any third-party claim based on: (a) SMX's gross negligence or intentional misconduct; or (b) any claim against Customer alleging that Customer's use of the Service infringes or misappropriates any Intellectual Property Rights of such third party. SMX has no obligation for any infringement or misappropriation to the extent that it arises out of or is based upon (i) use of the Service in combination with other products or services; (ii) any aspect of the Service configured specifically to comply with designs, requirements, or specifications required by or provided by or on Customer's behalf; (iii) use of the Service by Customer outside the scope of the rights granted in this Agreement; or (iv) any modification of the Service or made or authorized in writing by SMX.
- 15.2 **Customer Indemnification.** Customer will defend, indemnify and hold harmless SMX, its affiliates, subsidiaries, or their respective officers, directors, and employees, from any liability, damages and expenses (including court costs and reasonable attorneys' fees) arising out of or resulting from any third-party claim based on or otherwise attributable to: (a) Customer's negligence or intentional misconduct; (b) a security breach that were not a result of sole negligence on the side of SMX; (c) any misrepresentations made by Customer with respect to SMX or the Solution; (d) Customer's actions that result in violation of any third party rights of privacy or confidentiality; or (e) Customer's violation of applicable law.



16 Termination. This Agreement may be terminated:

- 16.1 For cause by either Party. By written notice to the other Party, if the other Party materially breaches this Agreement and: (i) is incapable of cure; or (ii) being capable of cure, remains uncured thirty (30) days after the non-breaching Party provides the breaching Party with written notice of such breach.
- 16.2 For lack of payment. By written notice to Customer, if Customer's failure to pay amounts due under this Agreement has continued more than ninety (90) days after delivery of written notice of non-payment.
- 16.3 Governmental Customer (Only) Budgetary Appropriations. Customer represents and warrants to SMX that it has appropriated sufficient funds due to SMX under this Agreement and hereby certifies that it will make appropriate requests for budget appropriations to meet continued obligations herein in subsequent fiscal years. If a funding or budgetary issue arises, Customer agrees to notify SMX as soon as commercially reasonable. If SMX and Customer cannot resolve the funding issue within sixty (60) days, the Agreement will terminate, with Customer to pay SMX any amounts owed for goods and services provided prior to termination of the Agreement.
- 16.4 Effect of Termination or Expiration. On the expiration or earlier termination of this Agreement all rights, access, and authorizations granted to Customer hereunder will immediately terminate and Customer shall immediately cease all use of and other activities with respect to SMX's Confidential Information relating to the Solutions, and within thirty (30) days deliver to SMX, or at SMX's request destroy and erase SMX's Confidential Information from all systems Customer directly or indirectly controls; and all access or subscription fees, services rendered but unpaid, and any amounts due by Customer to SMX of any kind are immediately payable and due no later than thirty (30) days after the effective date of the termination or expiration, including anything that accrues within those thirty days. The provisions set forth in the following sections, and any other right or obligation of the parties in this Agreement that, by its nature (including but not limited to: Use Restrictions, Confidential Information, Warranty Disclaimers, Mutual Indemnifications & Limitations of Liability), should survive termination or expiration of this Agreement, will survive any expiration or termination of this Agreement.
- 16.5 Return of Customer Data. If Customer requests in writing at least ten (10) days prior to the effective date of expiration or earlier termination of this Agreement, SMX shall within sixty (60) days following such expiration or termination, deliver to Customer in SMX's standard format the then most recent version of Customer Data maintained by SMX, provided that Customer has at that time paid all Fees then outstanding and any amounts payable after or as a result of such expiration or termination.
- 16.6 Deconversion. In the event of (i) expiration or earlier termination of this Agreement, or (ii) Customer no longer purchasing certain Solutions (including those indicated to be Third-Party Materials), if Customer requests assistance in the transfer of Customer Data to a different vendor's applications ("**Deconversion**"), SMX will provide reasonable assistance. SMX and Customer will negotiate in good faith to establish the relative roles and responsibilities of SMX and Customer in effecting Deconversion, as well as the appropriate date for completion. SMX shall be entitled to receive compensation for any additional consultation, software and documentation required for Deconversion on a time and materials basis at SMX's then standard rates.

17 Assignment. Customer shall not assign or otherwise transfer any of its rights, or delegate or otherwise transfer any of its obligations or performance, under this Agreement, in each case whether voluntarily, involuntarily, by operation of law, or otherwise, without SMX's prior written consent, which consent SMX may give or withhold in its sole discretion. For purposes of the preceding sentence, and without limiting its generality, any merger, consolidation, or reorganization involving Customer (regardless of whether Customer is a surviving or disappearing entity) will be deemed to be a transfer of rights, obligations, or performance under this Agreement for which SMX's prior written consent is required. No delegation or other transfer will relieve Customer of any of its obligations or performance under this Agreement. Any purported assignment, delegation or transfer in violation of this Section is void. This Agreement is binding upon and inures to the benefit of the Parties and their respective permitted successors.



18 No Waiver. Failure to enforce rights with respect to any single or continuing breach of this Agreement will not act as a waiver of the right of that Party to later enforce such rights or enforce any other subsequent breach.

19 Dispute Resolution.

- 19.1 Exclusive Dispute Resolution Mechanism. The parties agree to resolve any dispute, controversy, or claim arising out of or relating to this Agreement (each, a "Dispute"), exclusively under the provisions of this Section. Either Party may seek interim or provisional relief in any court of competent jurisdiction, if necessary, to protect the rights or property of that Party pending the appointment of the arbitrator or pending the arbitrator's determination of the merits of the dispute. The parties agree to send written notice to the other party of any Dispute ("Dispute Notice"). After the other party receives the Dispute Notice, the parties agree to undertake good faith negotiation between themselves to resolve the Dispute at either CST or the Customer's location. Each Party shall be responsible for its associated travel costs. The parties agree to attend no fewer than three negotiation sessions attended Vice Presidents of each party (or employees of equivalent or superior position). If the parties cannot resolve any Dispute during the good faith negotiations either party may initiate mediation. The Parties agree to act in good faith in selecting a neutral mediator and in scheduling the mediation proceedings. The parties agree to use commercially reasonable efforts in participating in the mediation. The parties agree the mediator's fees and expenses, and the mediator's costs incidental to the mediation will be shared equally between the parties. The parties shall bear their own fees, expenses, and costs.
- 19.2 Confidential Mediation. The parties further agree all written or oral offers, promises, conduct, and statements made in the course of the mediation are confidential, privileged, and inadmissible for any purpose in any litigation, arbitration or other proceeding involving the parties. However, evidence that is otherwise admissible or discoverable shall not be rendered inadmissible or non-discoverable as a result of its use in the mediation.
- 19.3 Litigation as a Final Resort. If the parties cannot resolve a Dispute through mediation, then once an impasse is issued by the mediator either party may commence litigation in accordance with the provisions of regarding Choice of Law.

20 Jurisdiction and Governing Law. This Agreement and any dispute or claim arising, directly or indirectly, out of or in connection with it or its subject matter or formation (including non-contractual disputes or claims) is governed by, and shall be construed and enforced in accordance with, the laws of the State of Maryland excluding choice of law. Each party irrevocably (i) waives the right to trial by jury, and (ii) consents to service of process by first class certified mail, return receipt requested, postage prepaid, to the address at which the party is to receive notice.

21 Severability. If any provision of this Agreement is illegal or unenforceable, it will be deemed stricken from the Agreement and the remaining provisions of the Agreement will remain in full force and effect.

22 LIMITATIONS OF LIABILITY. EACH PARTY'S TOTAL LIABILITY TO THE OTHER PARTY UNDER THIS AGREEMENT, FROM ALL CAUSES OF ACTION AND UNDER ALL THEORIES OF LIABILITY, WILL BE LIMITED TO THE PAYMENTS MADE BY CUSTOMER TO SMX UNDER THIS AGREEMENT DURING THE 12 MONTHS PRIOR TO THE DATE OF THE EVENT GIVING RISE TO THE LIABILITY.

23 EXCLUSION OF DAMAGES. IN NO EVENT WILL EITHER PARTY BE LIABLE TO THE OTHER PARTY FOR ANY SPECIAL, INCIDENTAL, PUNITIVE OR CONSEQUENTIAL DAMAGES (INCLUDING, WITHOUT LIMITATION, LOST PROFITS, LOSS OF USE, LOSS OF DATA OR LOSS OF GOODWILL) OR COSTS OF PROCURING SUBSTITUTE SERVICE, ARISING OUT OF OR IN CONNECTION WITH THIS AGREEMENT OR THE USE OR PERFORMANCE OF THE SERVICES, WHETHER SUCH LIABILITY ARISES FROM ANY CLAIM BASED UPON BREACH OF CONTRACT,



BREACH OF WARRANTY, TORT (including negligence), product liability, or otherwise, and whether or not the party has been advised of the possibility of such damage.

- 24 Third-Party Materials.** Customer is hereby advised that SMX provides front-line support services for third parties, but these third parties assume all responsibility for and liability in connection with the Third-Party Materials. SMX is not authorized to make any representations or warranties that are binding upon the third party or to engage in any other acts that are binding upon the third party, excepting specifically that SMX is authorized to represent the fees for the Third-Party Materials as the same is provided for in the Agreement and to accept payment of such amounts from Customer on behalf of the third party for as long as such third party authorizes SMX to do so. As a condition precedent to installing/accessing any Third-Party Materials, Customer may be required to execute a click-through, shrink-wrap EULA or similar agreement provided by the Third-Party Materials provider.
- 25 No Third-Party Beneficiaries.** This Agreement is for the sole benefit of the Parties and their respective successors and permitted assigns and nothing herein, express or implied, is intended to or shall confer on any other person any legal or equitable right, benefit, or remedy of any nature under or by reason of this Agreement.
- 26 Cooperative Purchases.** This Contract may be used by other government agencies. SMX has agreed to offer similar services to other agencies under the same terms and conditions as stated herein except that the compensation may be negotiated between SMX and other agencies based on the specific revenue expectations, agency reimbursed costs, and other agency requirements. The Customer will in no way whatsoever incur any liability in relation to specifications, delivery, payment, or any other aspect of purchases by such agencies.

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INSTRUCTIONS TO VENDORS SUBMITTING BIDS

1. REVIEW DOCUMENTS THOROUGHLY: The attached documents contain a solicitation for bids. Please read these instructions and all documents attached in their entirety. These instructions provide critical information about requirements that if overlooked could lead to disqualification of a Vendor's bid. All bids must be submitted in accordance with the provisions contained in these instructions and the Solicitation. Failure to do so may result in disqualification of Vendor's bid.

2. MANDATORY TERMS: The Solicitation may contain mandatory provisions identified by the use of the words "must," "will," and "shall." Failure to comply with a mandatory term in the Solicitation will result in bid disqualification.

3. PREBID MEETING: The item identified below shall apply to this Solicitation.

A pre-bid meeting will not be held prior to bid opening

A **MANDATORY PRE-BID** meeting will be held at the following place and time:

All Vendors submitting a bid must attend the mandatory pre-bid meeting. Failure to attend the mandatory pre-bid meeting shall result in disqualification of the Vendor's bid. No one individual is permitted to represent more than one vendor at the pre-bid meeting. Any individual that does attempt to represent two or more vendors will be required to select one vendor to which the individual's attendance will be attributed. The vendors not selected will be deemed to have not attended the pre-bid meeting unless another individual attended on their behalf.

An attendance sheet provided at the pre-bid meeting shall serve as the official document verifying attendance. Any person attending the pre-bid meeting on behalf of a Vendor must list on the attendance sheet his or her name and the name of the Vendor he or she is representing.

Additionally, the person attending the pre-bid meeting should include the Vendor's E-Mail address, phone number, and Fax number on the attendance sheet. It is the Vendor's responsibility to locate the attendance sheet and provide the required information. Failure to complete the attendance sheet as required may result in disqualification of Vendor's bid.

All Vendors should arrive prior to the starting time for the pre-bid. Vendors who arrive after the starting time but prior to the end of the pre-bid will be permitted to sign in but are charged with knowing all matters discussed at the pre-bid.

Questions submitted at least five business days prior to a scheduled pre-bid will be discussed at the pre-bid meeting if possible. Any discussions or answers to questions at the pre-bid meeting are preliminary in nature and are non-binding. Official and binding answers to questions will be published in a written addendum to the Solicitation prior to bid opening.

4. VENDOR QUESTION DEADLINE: Vendors may submit questions relating to this Solicitation to the Purchasing Division. Questions must be submitted in writing. All questions must be submitted on or before the date listed below and to the address listed below to be considered. A written response will be published in a Solicitation addendum if a response is possible and appropriate. Non-written discussions, conversations, or questions and answers regarding this Solicitation are preliminary in nature and are nonbinding.

Submitted emails should have the solicitation number in the subject line.

Question Submission Deadline:

Submit Questions to:
2019 Washington Street, East
Charleston, WV 25305
Fax: (304) 558-3970
Email:

5. VERBAL COMMUNICATION: Any verbal communication between the Vendor and any State personnel is not binding, including verbal communication at the mandatory pre-bid conference. Only information issued in writing and added to the Solicitation by an official written addendum by the Purchasing Division is binding.

6. BID SUBMISSION: All bids must be submitted on or before the date and time of the bid opening listed in section 7 below. Vendors can submit bids electronically through *wvOASIS*, in paper form delivered to the Purchasing Division at the address listed below either in person or by courier, or in facsimile form by faxing to the Purchasing Division at the number listed below. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Purchasing Division may prohibit the submission of bids electronically through *wvOASIS* at its sole discretion. Such a prohibition will be contained and communicated in the *wvOASIS* system resulting in the Vendor's inability to submit bids through *wvOASIS*. The Purchasing Division will not accept bids, modification of bids, or addendum acknowledgment forms via email. Bids submitted in paper or facsimile form must contain a signature. Bids submitted in *wvOASIS* are deemed to be electronically signed.

Any bid received by the Purchasing Division staff is considered to be in the possession of the Purchasing Division and will not be returned for any reason.

For Request for Proposal ("RFP") Responses Only: Submission of a response to a Request for Proposal is not permitted in *wvOASIS*. In the event that Vendor is responding to a request for proposal, the Vendor shall submit one original technical and one original cost proposal prior to the bid opening date and time identified in Section 7 below, plus _____ convenience copies of each to the Purchasing Division at the address shown below. Additionally, the Vendor should clearly identify and segregate the cost proposal from the technical proposal in a separately sealed envelope.

Bid Delivery Address and Fax Number:

Department of Administration, Purchasing Division
2019 Washington Street East
Charleston, WV 25305-0130
Fax: 304-558-3970

A bid submitted in paper or facsimile form should contain the information listed below on the face of the submission envelope or fax cover sheet. Otherwise, the bid may be rejected by the Purchasing Division.

VENDOR NAME:

BUYER:

SOLICITATION NO.:

BID OPENING DATE:

BID OPENING TIME:

FAX NUMBER:

7. BID OPENING: Bids submitted in response to this Solicitation will be opened at the location identified below on the date and time listed below. Delivery of a bid after the bid opening date and time will result in bid disqualification. For purposes of this Solicitation, a bid is considered delivered when confirmation of delivery is provided by wvOASIS (in the case of electronic submission) or when the bid is time stamped by the official Purchasing Division time clock (in the case of hand delivery).

Bid Opening Date and Time:

Bid Opening Location: Department of Administration, Purchasing Division
2019 Washington Street East
Charleston, WV 25305-0130

8. ADDENDUM ACKNOWLEDGEMENT: Changes or revisions to this Solicitation will be made by an official written addendum issued by the Purchasing Division. Vendor should acknowledge receipt of all addenda issued with this Solicitation by completing an Addendum Acknowledgment Form, a copy of which is included herewith. Failure to acknowledge addenda may result in bid disqualification. The addendum acknowledgement should be submitted with the bid to expedite document processing.

9. BID FORMATTING: Vendor should type or electronically enter the information onto its bid to prevent errors in the evaluation. Failure to type or electronically enter the information may result in bid disqualification.

10. ALTERNATE MODEL OR BRAND: Unless the box below is checked, any model, brand, or specification listed in this Solicitation establishes the acceptable level of quality only and is not intended to reflect a preference for, or in any way favor, a particular brand or vendor. Vendors may bid alternates to a listed model or brand provided that the alternate is at least equal to the model or brand and complies with the required specifications. The equality of any alternate being bid shall be determined by the State at its sole discretion. Any Vendor bidding an alternate model or brand should clearly identify the alternate items in its bid and should include manufacturer's specifications, industry literature, and/or any other relevant documentation demonstrating the equality of the alternate items. Failure to provide information for alternate items may be grounds for rejection of a Vendor's bid.

This Solicitation is based upon a standardized commodity established under W. Va. Code § 5A-3-61. Vendors are expected to bid the standardized commodity identified. Failure to bid the standardized commodity will result in your firm's bid being rejected.

11. EXCEPTIONS AND CLARIFICATIONS: The Solicitation contains the specifications that shall form the basis of a contractual agreement. Vendor shall clearly mark any exceptions, clarifications, or other proposed modifications in its bid. Exceptions to, clarifications of, or modifications of a requirement or term and condition of the Solicitation may result in bid disqualification.

12. COMMUNICATION LIMITATIONS: In accordance with West Virginia Code of State Rules §148-1-6.6, communication with the State of West Virginia or any of its employees regarding this Solicitation during the solicitation, bid, evaluation or award periods, except through the Purchasing Division, is strictly prohibited without prior Purchasing Division approval. Purchasing Division approval for such communication is implied for all agency delegated and exempt purchases.

13. REGISTRATION: Prior to Contract award, the apparent successful Vendor must be properly registered with the West Virginia Purchasing Division and must have paid the \$125 fee, if applicable.

14. UNIT PRICE: Unit prices shall prevail in cases of a discrepancy in the Vendor's bid.

15. PREFERENCE: Vendor Preference may be requested in purchases of motor vehicles or construction and maintenance equipment and machinery used in highway and other infrastructure projects. Any request for preference must be submitted in writing with the bid, must specifically identify the preference requested with reference to the applicable subsection of West Virginia Code § 5A-3-37, and must include with the bid any information necessary to evaluate and confirm the applicability of the requested preference. A request form to help facilitate the request can be found at: www.state.wv.us/admin/purchase/vrc/Venpref.pdf.

15A. RECIPROCAL PREFERENCE: The State of West Virginia applies a reciprocal preference to all solicitations for commodities and printing in accordance with W. Va. Code § 5A-3-37(b). In effect, non-resident vendors receiving a preference in their home states, will see that same preference granted to West Virginia resident vendors bidding against them in West Virginia. Any request for reciprocal preference must include with the bid any information necessary to evaluate and confirm the applicability of the preference. A request form to help facilitate the request can be found at: www.state.wv.us/admin/purchase/vrc/Venpref.pdf.

16. SMALL, WOMEN-OWNED, OR MINORITY-OWNED BUSINESSES: For any solicitations publicly advertised for bid, in accordance with West Virginia Code §5A-3-37 and W. Va. CSR § 148-22-9, any non-resident vendor certified as a small, women- owned, or minority-owned business under W. Va. CSR § 148-22-9 shall be provided the same preference made available to any resident vendor. Any non-resident small, women-owned, or minority-owned business must identify itself as such in writing, must submit that writing to the Purchasing Division with its bid, and must be properly certified under W. Va. CSR § 148-22-9 prior to contract award to receive the preferences made available to resident vendors. Preference for a non-resident small, women-owned, or minority owned business shall be applied in accordance with W. Va. CSR § 148-22-9.

17. WAIVER OF MINOR IRREGULARITIES: The Director reserves the right to waive minor irregularities in bids or specifications in accordance with West Virginia Code of State Rules § 148-1-4.6.

18. ELECTRONIC FILE ACCESS RESTRICTIONS: Vendor must ensure that its submission in wvOASIS can be accessed and viewed by the Purchasing Division staff immediately upon bid opening. The Purchasing Division will consider any file that cannot be immediately accessed and viewed at the time of the bid opening (such as, encrypted files, password protected files, or incompatible files) to be blank or incomplete as context requires and are therefore unacceptable. A vendor will not be permitted to unencrypt files, remove password protections, or resubmit documents after bid opening to make a file viewable if those documents are required with the bid. A Vendor may be required to provide document passwords or remove access restrictions to allow the Purchasing Division to print or electronically save documents provided that those documents are viewable by the Purchasing Division prior to obtaining the password or removing the access restriction.

19. NON-RESPONSIBLE: The Purchasing Division Director reserves the right to reject the bid of any vendor as Non-Responsible in accordance with W. Va. Code of State Rules § 148-1-5.3, when the Director determines that the vendor submitting the bid does not have the capability to fully perform or lacks the integrity and reliability to assure good-faith performance.”

20. ACCEPTANCE/REJECTION: The State may accept or reject any bid in whole, or in part in accordance with W. Va. Code of State Rules § 148-1-4.5. and § 148-1-6.4.b.”

21. YOUR SUBMISSION IS A PUBLIC DOCUMENT: Vendor's entire response to the Solicitation and the resulting Contract are public documents. As public documents, they will be disclosed to the public following the bid/proposal opening or award of the contract, as required by the competitive bidding laws of West Virginia Code §§ 5A-3-1 et seq., 5-22-1 et seq., and 5G-1-1 et seq. and the Freedom of Information Act West Virginia Code §§ 29B-1-1 et seq.

DO NOT SUBMIT MATERIAL YOU CONSIDER TO BE CONFIDENTIAL, A TRADE SECRET, OR OTHERWISE NOT SUBJECT TO PUBLIC DISCLOSURE.

Submission of any bid, proposal, or other document to the Purchasing Division constitutes your explicit consent to the subsequent public disclosure of the bid, proposal, or document. The Purchasing Division will disclose any document labeled "confidential," "proprietary," "trade secret," "private," or labeled with any other claim against public disclosure of the documents, to include any "trade secrets" as defined by West Virginia Code § 47-22-1 et seq. All submissions are subject to public disclosure without notice.

22. WITH THE BID REQUIREMENTS: In instances where these specifications require documentation or other information with the bid, and a vendor fails to provide it with the bid, the Director of the Purchasing Division reserves the right to request those items after bid opening and prior to contract award pursuant to the authority to waive minor irregularities in bids or specifications under W. Va. CSR § 148-1-4.6. This authority does not apply to instances where state law mandates receipt with the bid.

23. EMAIL NOTIFICATION OF AWARD: The Purchasing Division will attempt to provide bidders with e-mail notification of contract award when a solicitation that the bidder participated in has been awarded. For notification purposes, bidders must provide the Purchasing Division with a valid email address in the bid response. Bidders may also monitor *wvOASIS* or the Purchasing Division's website to determine when a contract has been awarded.

24. ISRAEL BOYCOTT CERTIFICATION: Vendor's act of submitting a bid in response to this solicitation shall be deemed a certification from bidder to the State that bidder is not currently engaged in, and will not for the duration of the contract, engage in a boycott of Israel. This certification is required by W. Va. Code § 5A-3-63.

GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS:

1. CONTRACTUAL AGREEMENT: Issuance of an Award Document signed by the Purchasing Division Director, or his designee, and approved as to form by the Attorney General's office constitutes acceptance by the State of this Contract made by and between the State of West Virginia and the Vendor. Vendor's signature on its bid, or on the Contract if the Contract is not the result of a bid solicitation, signifies Vendor's agreement to be bound by and accept the terms and conditions contained in this Contract.

2. DEFINITIONS: As used in this Solicitation/Contract, the following terms shall have the meanings attributed to them below. Additional definitions may be found in the specifications included with this Solicitation/Contract.

2.1. "Agency" or "Agencies" means the agency, board, commission, or other entity of the State of West Virginia that is identified on the first page of the Solicitation or any other public entity seeking to procure goods or services under this Contract.

2.2. "Bid" or "Proposal" means the vendors submitted response to this solicitation.

2.3. "Contract" means the binding agreement that is entered into between the State and the Vendor to provide the goods or services requested in the Solicitation.

2.4. "Director" means the Director of the West Virginia Department of Administration, Purchasing Division.

2.5. "Purchasing Division" means the West Virginia Department of Administration, Purchasing Division.

2.6. "Award Document" means the document signed by the Agency and the Purchasing Division, and approved as to form by the Attorney General, that identifies the Vendor as the contract holder.

2.7. "Solicitation" means the official notice of an opportunity to supply the State with goods or services that is published by the Purchasing Division.

2.8. "State" means the State of West Virginia and/or any of its agencies, commissions, boards, etc. as context requires.

2.9. "Vendor" or "Vendors" means any entity submitting a bid in response to the Solicitation, the entity that has been selected as the lowest responsible bidder, or the entity that has been awarded the Contract as context requires.

3. CONTRACT TERM; RENEWAL; EXTENSION: The term of this Contract shall be determined in accordance with the category that has been identified as applicable to this Contract below:

Term Contract

Initial Contract Term: The Initial Contract Term will be for a period of _____. The Initial Contract Term becomes effective on the effective start date listed on the first page of this Contract, identified as the State of West Virginia contract cover page containing the signatures of the Purchasing Division, Attorney General, and Encumbrance clerk (or another page identified as _____), and the Initial Contract Term ends on the effective end date also shown on the first page of this Contract.

Renewal Term: This Contract may be renewed upon the mutual written consent of the Agency, and the Vendor, with approval of the Purchasing Division and the Attorney General's office (Attorney General approval is as to form only). Any request for renewal should be delivered to the Agency and then submitted to the Purchasing Division thirty (30) days prior to the expiration date of the initial contract term or appropriate renewal term. A Contract renewal shall be in accordance with the terms and conditions of the original contract. Unless otherwise specified below, renewal of this Contract is limited to _____ successive one (1) year periods or multiple renewal periods of less than one year, provided that the multiple renewal periods do not exceed the total number of months available in all renewal years combined. Automatic renewal of this Contract is prohibited. Renewals must be approved by the Vendor, Agency, Purchasing Division and Attorney General's office (Attorney General approval is as to form only)

Alternate Renewal Term – This contract may be renewed for _____ successive _____ year periods or shorter periods provided that they do not exceed the total number of months contained in all available renewals. Automatic renewal of this Contract is prohibited. Renewals must be approved by the Vendor, Agency, Purchasing Division and Attorney General's office (Attorney General approval is as to form only)

Delivery Order Limitations: In the event that this contract permits delivery orders, a delivery order may only be issued during the time this Contract is in effect. Any delivery order issued within one year of the expiration of this Contract shall be effective for one year from the date the delivery order is issued. No delivery order may be extended beyond one year after this Contract has expired.

Fixed Period Contract: This Contract becomes effective upon Vendor's receipt of the notice to proceed and must be completed within _____ days.

Fixed Period Contract with Renewals: This Contract becomes effective upon Vendor's receipt of the notice to proceed and part of the Contract more fully described in the attached specifications must be completed within _____ days. Upon completion of the work covered by the preceding sentence, the vendor agrees that:

the contract will continue for _____ years;

the contract may be renewed for _____ successive _____ year periods or shorter periods provided that they do not exceed the total number of months contained in all available renewals. Automatic renewal of this Contract is prohibited. Renewals must be approved by the Vendor, Agency, Purchasing Division and Attorney General's Office (Attorney General approval is as to form only).

One-Time Purchase: The term of this Contract shall run from the issuance of the Award Document until all of the goods contracted for have been delivered, but in no event will this Contract extend for more than one fiscal year.

Construction/Project Oversight: This Contract becomes effective on the effective start date listed on the first page of this Contract, identified as the State of West Virginia contract cover page containing the signatures of the Purchasing Division, Attorney General, and Encumbrance clerk (or another page identified as _____), and continues until the project for which the vendor is providing oversight is complete.

Other: Contract Term specified in _____

4. AUTHORITY TO PROCEED: Vendor is authorized to begin performance of this contract on the date of encumbrance listed on the front page of the Award Document unless either the box for "Fixed Period Contract" or "Fixed Period Contract with Renewals" has been checked in Section 3 above. If either "Fixed Period Contract" or "Fixed Period Contract with Renewals" has been checked, Vendor must not begin work until it receives a separate notice to proceed from the State. The notice to proceed will then be incorporated into the Contract via change order to memorialize the official date that work commenced.

5. QUANTITIES: The quantities required under this Contract shall be determined in accordance with the category that has been identified as applicable to this Contract below.

Open End Contract: Quantities listed in this Solicitation/Award Document are approximations only, based on estimates supplied by the Agency. It is understood and agreed that the Contract shall cover the quantities actually ordered for delivery during the term of the Contract, whether more or less than the quantities shown.

Service: The scope of the service to be provided will be more clearly defined in the specifications included herewith.

Combined Service and Goods: The scope of the service and deliverable goods to be provided will be more clearly defined in the specifications included herewith.

One-Time Purchase: This Contract is for the purchase of a set quantity of goods that are identified in the specifications included herewith. Once those items have been delivered, no additional goods may be procured under this Contract without an appropriate change order approved by the Vendor, Agency, Purchasing Division, and Attorney General's office.

Construction: This Contract is for construction activity more fully defined in the specifications.

6. EMERGENCY PURCHASES: The Purchasing Division Director may authorize the Agency to purchase goods or services in the open market that Vendor would otherwise provide under this Contract if those goods or services are for immediate or expedited delivery in an emergency. Emergencies shall include, but are not limited to, delays in transportation or an unanticipated increase in the volume of work. An emergency purchase in the open market, approved by the Purchasing Division Director, shall not constitute of breach of this Contract and shall not entitle the Vendor to any form of compensation or damages. This provision does not excuse the State from fulfilling its obligations under a One-Time Purchase contract.

7. REQUIRED DOCUMENTS: All of the items checked in this section must be provided to the Purchasing Division by the Vendor as specified:

LICENSE(S) / CERTIFICATIONS / PERMITS: In addition to anything required under the Section of the General Terms and Conditions entitled Licensing, the apparent successful Vendor shall furnish proof of the following licenses, certifications, and/or permits upon request and in a form acceptable to the State. The request may be prior to or after contract award at the State's sole discretion.

The apparent successful Vendor shall also furnish proof of any additional licenses or certifications contained in the specifications regardless of whether or not that requirement is listed above.

8. INSURANCE: The apparent successful Vendor shall furnish proof of the insurance identified by a checkmark below prior to Contract award. The insurance coverages identified below must be maintained throughout the life of this contract. Thirty (30) days prior to the expiration of the insurance policies, Vendor shall provide the Agency with proof that the insurance mandated herein has been continued. Vendor must also provide Agency with immediate notice of any changes in its insurance policies, including but not limited to, policy cancelation, policy reduction, or change in insurers. The apparent successful Vendor shall also furnish proof of any additional insurance requirements contained in the specifications prior to Contract award regardless of whether that insurance requirement is listed in this section.

Vendor must maintain:

Commercial General Liability Insurance in at least an amount of: _____ per occurrence.

Automobile Liability Insurance in at least an amount of: _____ per occurrence.

Professional/Malpractice/Errors and Omission Insurance in at least an amount of: _____ per occurrence. Notwithstanding the forgoing, Vendor's are not required to list the State as an additional insured for this type of policy.

Commercial Crime and Third Party Fidelity Insurance in an amount of: _____ per occurrence.

Cyber Liability Insurance in an amount of: _____ per occurrence.

Builders Risk Insurance in an amount equal to 100% of the amount of the Contract.

Pollution Insurance in an amount of: _____ per occurrence.

Aircraft Liability in an amount of: _____ per occurrence.

9. WORKERS' COMPENSATION INSURANCE: Vendor shall comply with laws relating to workers compensation, shall maintain workers' compensation insurance when required, and shall furnish proof of workers' compensation insurance upon request.

10. VENUE: All legal actions for damages brought by Vendor against the State shall be brought in the West Virginia Claims Commission. Other causes of action must be brought in the West Virginia court authorized by statute to exercise jurisdiction over it.

11. LIQUIDATED DAMAGES: This clause shall in no way be considered exclusive and shall not limit the State or Agency's right to pursue any other available remedy. Vendor shall pay liquidated damages in the amount specified below or as described in the specifications:

_____ for _____.

Liquidated Damages Contained in the Specifications.

Liquidated Damages Are Not Included in this Contract.

12. ACCEPTANCE: Vendor's signature on its bid, or on the certification and signature page, constitutes an offer to the State that cannot be unilaterally withdrawn, signifies that the product or service proposed by vendor meets the mandatory requirements contained in the Solicitation for that product or service, unless otherwise indicated, and signifies acceptance of the terms and conditions contained in the Solicitation unless otherwise indicated.

13. PRICING: The pricing set forth herein is firm for the life of the Contract, unless specified elsewhere within this Solicitation/Contract by the State. A Vendor's inclusion of price adjustment provisions in its bid, without an express authorization from the State in the Solicitation to do so, may result in bid disqualification. Notwithstanding the foregoing, Vendor must extend any publicly advertised sale price to the State and invoice at the lower of the contract price or the publicly advertised sale price.

14. PAYMENT IN ARREARS: Payments for goods/services will be made in arrears only upon receipt of a proper invoice, detailing the goods/services provided or receipt of the goods/services, whichever is later. Notwithstanding the foregoing, payments for software maintenance, licenses, or subscriptions may be paid annually in advance.

15. PAYMENT METHODS: Vendor must accept payment by electronic funds transfer and P-Card. (The State of West Virginia's Purchasing Card program, administered under contract by a banking institution, processes payment for goods and services through state designated credit cards.)

16. TAXES: The Vendor shall pay any applicable sales, use, personal property or any other taxes arising out of this Contract and the transactions contemplated thereby. The State of West Virginia is exempt from federal and state taxes and will not pay or reimburse such taxes.

17. ADDITIONAL FEES: Vendor is not permitted to charge additional fees or assess additional charges that were not either expressly provided for in the solicitation published by the State of West Virginia, included in the Contract, or included in the unit price or lump sum bid amount that Vendor is required by the solicitation to provide. Including such fees or charges as notes to the solicitation may result in rejection of vendor's bid. Requesting such fees or charges be paid after the contract has been awarded may result in cancellation of the contract.

18. FUNDING: This Contract shall continue for the term stated herein, contingent upon funds being appropriated by the Legislature or otherwise being made available. In the event funds are not appropriated or otherwise made available, this Contract becomes void and of no effect beginning on July 1 of the fiscal year for which funding has not been appropriated or otherwise made available. If that occurs, the State may notify the Vendor that an alternative source of funding has been obtained and thereby avoid the automatic termination. Non-appropriation or non-funding shall not be considered an event of default.

19. CANCELLATION: The Purchasing Division Director reserves the right to cancel this Contract immediately upon written notice to the vendor if the materials or workmanship supplied do not conform to the specifications contained in the Contract. The Purchasing Division Director may also cancel any purchase or Contract upon 30 days written notice to the Vendor in accordance with West Virginia Code of State Rules § 148-1-5.2.b.

20. TIME: Time is of the essence regarding all matters of time and performance in this Contract.

21. APPLICABLE LAW: This Contract is governed by and interpreted under West Virginia law without giving effect to its choice of law principles. Any information provided in specification manuals, or any other source, verbal or written, which contradicts or violates the West Virginia Constitution, West Virginia Code, or West Virginia Code of State Rules is void and of no effect.

22. COMPLIANCE WITH LAWS: Vendor shall comply with all applicable federal, state, and local laws, regulations and ordinances. By submitting a bid, Vendor acknowledges that it has reviewed, understands, and will comply with all applicable laws, regulations, and ordinances.

SUBCONTRACTOR COMPLIANCE: Vendor shall notify all subcontractors providing commodities or services related to this Contract that as subcontractors, they too are required to comply with all applicable laws, regulations, and ordinances. Notification under this provision must occur prior to the performance of any work under the contract by the subcontractor.

23. ARBITRATION: Any references made to arbitration contained in this Contract, Vendor's bid, or in any American Institute of Architects documents pertaining to this Contract are hereby deleted, void, and of no effect.

24. MODIFICATIONS: This writing is the parties' final expression of intent. Notwithstanding anything contained in this Contract to the contrary no modification of this Contract shall be binding without mutual written consent of the Agency, and the Vendor, with approval of the Purchasing Division and the Attorney General's office (Attorney General approval is as to form only). Any change to existing contracts that adds work or changes contract cost, and were not included in the original contract, must be approved by the Purchasing Division and the Attorney General's Office (as to form) prior to the implementation of the change or commencement of work affected by the change.

25. WAIVER: The failure of either party to insist upon a strict performance of any of the terms or provision of this Contract, or to exercise any option, right, or remedy herein contained, shall not be construed as a waiver or a relinquishment for the future of such term, provision, option, right, or remedy, but the same shall continue in full force and effect. Any waiver must be expressly stated in writing and signed by the waiving party.

26. SUBSEQUENT FORMS: The terms and conditions contained in this Contract shall supersede any and all subsequent terms and conditions which may appear on any form documents submitted by Vendor to the Agency or Purchasing Division such as price lists, order forms, invoices, sales agreements, or maintenance agreements, and includes internet websites or other electronic documents. Acceptance or use of Vendor's forms does not constitute acceptance of the terms and conditions contained thereon.

27. ASSIGNMENT: Neither this Contract nor any monies due, or to become due hereunder, may be assigned by the Vendor without the express written consent of the Agency, the Purchasing Division, the Attorney General's office (as to form only), and any other government agency or office that may be required to approve such assignments.

28. WARRANTY: The Vendor expressly warrants that the goods and/or services covered by this Contract will: (a) conform to the specifications, drawings, samples, or other description furnished or specified by the Agency; (b) be merchantable and fit for the purpose intended; and (c) be free from defect in material and workmanship.

29. STATE EMPLOYEES: State employees are not permitted to utilize this Contract for personal use and the Vendor is prohibited from permitting or facilitating the same.

30. PRIVACY, SECURITY, AND CONFIDENTIALITY: The Vendor agrees that it 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. Vendor further agrees to comply with the Confidentiality Policies and Information Security Accountability Requirements, set forth in www.state.wv.us/admin/purchase/privacy.

31. YOUR SUBMISSION IS A PUBLIC DOCUMENT: Vendor's entire response to the Solicitation and the resulting Contract are public documents. As public documents, they will be disclosed to the public following the bid/proposal opening or award of the contract, as required by the competitive bidding laws of West Virginia Code §§ 5A-3-1 et seq., 5-22-1 et seq., and 5G-1-1 et seq. and the Freedom of Information Act West Virginia Code §§ 29B-1-1 et seq.

DO NOT SUBMIT MATERIAL YOU CONSIDER TO BE CONFIDENTIAL, A TRADE SECRET, OR OTHERWISE NOT SUBJECT TO PUBLIC DISCLOSURE.

Submission of any bid, proposal, or other document to the Purchasing Division constitutes your explicit consent to the subsequent public disclosure of the bid, proposal, or document. The Purchasing Division will disclose any document labeled "confidential," "proprietary," "trade secret," "private," or labeled with any other claim against public disclosure of the documents, to include any "trade secrets" as defined by West Virginia Code § 47-22-1 et seq. All submissions are subject to public disclosure without notice.

32. LICENSING: In accordance with West Virginia Code of State Rules § 148-1-6.1.e, Vendor 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 agency or political subdivision. Obligations related to political subdivisions may include, but are not limited to, business licensing, business and occupation taxes, inspection compliance, permitting, etc. Upon request, the Vendor must provide all necessary releases to obtain information to enable the Purchasing Division Director or the Agency to verify that the Vendor is licensed and in good standing with the above entities.

SUBCONTRACTOR COMPLIANCE: Vendor shall notify all subcontractors providing commodities or services related to this Contract that as subcontractors, they too are required to be licensed, in good standing, and up-to-date on all state and local obligations as described in this section. Obligations related to political subdivisions may include, but are not limited to, business licensing, business and occupation taxes, inspection compliance, permitting, etc. Notification under this provision must occur prior to the performance of any work under the contract by the subcontractor.

33. ANTITRUST: In submitting a bid to, signing a contract with, or accepting a Award Document from any agency of the State of West Virginia, the Vendor agrees to convey, sell, assign, or transfer to the State of West Virginia all rights, title, and interest in and to all causes of action it may now or hereafter acquire under the antitrust laws of the United States and the State of West Virginia for price fixing and/or unreasonable restraints of trade relating to the particular commodities or services purchased or acquired by the State of West Virginia. Such assignment shall be made and become effective at the time the purchasing agency tenders the initial payment to Vendor.

34. VENDOR NON-CONFLICT: Neither Vendor nor its representatives are permitted to have any interest, nor shall they acquire any interest, direct or indirect, which would compromise the performance of its services hereunder. Any such interests shall be promptly presented in detail to the Agency.

35. VENDOR RELATIONSHIP: The relationship of the Vendor to the State shall be that of an independent contractor and no principal-agent relationship or employer-employee relationship is contemplated or created by this Contract. The Vendor as an independent contractor is solely liable for the acts and omissions of its employees and agents. Vendor shall be responsible for selecting, supervising, and compensating any and all individuals employed pursuant to the terms of this Solicitation and resulting contract. Neither the Vendor, nor any employees or subcontractors of the Vendor, shall be deemed to be employees of the State for any purpose whatsoever. Vendor shall be exclusively responsible for payment of employees and contractors for all wages and salaries, taxes, withholding payments, penalties, fees, fringe benefits, professional liability insurance premiums, contributions to insurance and pension, or other deferred compensation plans, including but not limited to, Workers' Compensation and Social Security obligations, licensing fees, etc. and the filing of all necessary documents, forms, and returns pertinent to all of the foregoing.

Vendor shall hold harmless the State, and shall provide the State and Agency with a defense against any and all claims including, but not limited to, the foregoing payments, withholdings, contributions, taxes, Social Security taxes, and employer income tax returns.

36. INDEMNIFICATION: The Vendor agrees to indemnify, defend, and hold harmless the State and the Agency, their officers, and employees from and against: (1) Any claims or losses for services rendered by any subcontractor, person, or firm performing or supplying services, materials, or supplies in connection with the performance of the Contract; (2) Any claims or losses resulting to any person or entity injured or damaged by the Vendor, its officers, employees, or subcontractors by the publication, translation, reproduction, delivery, performance, use, or disposition of any data used under the Contract in a manner not authorized by the Contract, or by Federal or State statutes or regulations; and (3) Any failure of the Vendor, its officers, employees, or subcontractors to observe State and Federal laws including, but not limited to, labor and wage and hour laws.

37. NO DEBT CERTIFICATION: In accordance with West Virginia Code §§ 5A-3-10a and 5-22-1(i), the State is prohibited from awarding a contract to any bidder that owes a debt to the State or a political subdivision of the State. By submitting a bid, or entering into a contract with the State, Vendor is affirming that (1) for construction contracts, the Vendor is not in default on any monetary obligation owed to the state or a political subdivision of the state, and (2) for all other contracts, neither the Vendor nor any related party owe a debt as defined above, and neither the Vendor nor any related party are in employer default as defined in the statute cited above unless the debt or employer default is permitted under the statute.

38. CONFLICT OF INTEREST: Vendor, its officers or members or employees, shall not presently have or acquire an interest, direct or indirect, which would conflict with or compromise the performance of its obligations hereunder. Vendor shall periodically inquire of its officers, members and employees to ensure that a conflict of interest does not arise. Any conflict of interest discovered shall be promptly presented in detail to the Agency.

39. REPORTS: Vendor shall provide the Agency and/or the Purchasing Division with the following reports identified by a checked box below:

Such reports as the Agency and/or the Purchasing Division may request. Requested reports may include, but are not limited to, quantities purchased, agencies utilizing the contract, total contract expenditures by agency, etc.

Quarterly reports detailing the total quantity of purchases in units and dollars, along with a listing of purchases by agency. Quarterly reports should be delivered to the Purchasing Division via email at purchasing.division@wv.gov.

40. BACKGROUND CHECK: In accordance with W. Va. Code § 15-2D-3, the State reserves the right to prohibit a service provider's employees from accessing sensitive or critical information or to be present at the Capitol complex based upon results addressed from a criminal background check. Service providers should contact the West Virginia Division of Protective Services by phone at (304) 558-9911 for more information.

41. PREFERENCE FOR USE OF DOMESTIC STEEL PRODUCTS: Except when authorized by the Director of the Purchasing Division pursuant to W. Va. Code § 5A-3-56, no contractor may use or supply steel products for a State Contract Project other than those steel products made in the United States. A contractor who uses steel products in violation of this section may be subject to civil penalties pursuant to W. Va. Code § 5A-3-56. As used in this section:

- a. "State Contract Project" means any erection or construction of, or any addition to, alteration of or other improvement to any building or structure, including, but not limited to, roads or highways, or the installation of any heating or cooling or ventilating plants or other equipment, or the supply of and materials for such projects, pursuant to a contract with the State of West Virginia for which bids were solicited on or after June 6, 2001.
- b. "Steel Products" means products rolled, formed, shaped, drawn, extruded, forged, cast, fabricated or otherwise similarly processed, or processed by a combination of two or more or such operations, from steel made by the open heath, basic oxygen, electric furnace, Bessemer or other steel making process.
- c. The Purchasing Division Director may, in writing, authorize the use of foreign steel products if:
 1. The cost for each contract item used does not exceed one tenth of one percent (.1%) of the total contract cost or two thousand five hundred dollars (\$2,500.00), whichever is greater. For the purposes of this section, the cost is the value of the steel product as delivered to the project; or
 2. The Director of the Purchasing Division determines that specified steel materials are not produced in the United States in sufficient quantity or otherwise are not reasonably available to meet contract requirements.

42. PREFERENCE FOR USE OF DOMESTIC ALUMINUM, GLASS, AND STEEL: In Accordance with W. Va. Code § 5-19-1 et seq., and W. Va. CSR § 148-10-1 et seq., for every contract or subcontract, subject to the limitations contained herein, for the construction, reconstruction, alteration, repair, improvement or maintenance of public works or for the purchase of any item of machinery or equipment to be used at sites of public works, only domestic aluminum, glass or steel products shall be supplied unless the spending officer determines, in writing, after the receipt of offers or bids, (1) that the cost of domestic aluminum, glass or steel products is unreasonable or inconsistent with the public interest of the State of West Virginia, (2) that domestic aluminum, glass or steel products are not produced in sufficient quantities to meet the contract requirements, or (3) the available domestic aluminum, glass, or steel do not meet the contract specifications. This provision only applies to public works contracts awarded in an amount more than fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000) or public works contracts that require more than ten thousand pounds of steel products.

The cost of domestic aluminum, glass, or steel products may be unreasonable if the cost is more than twenty percent (20%) of the bid or offered price for foreign made aluminum, glass, or steel products. If the domestic aluminum, glass or steel products to be supplied or produced in a “substantial labor surplus area”, as defined by the United States Department of Labor, the cost of domestic aluminum, glass, or steel products may be unreasonable if the cost is more than thirty percent (30%) of the bid or offered price for foreign made aluminum, glass, or steel products. This preference shall be applied to an item of machinery or equipment, as indicated above, when the item is a single unit of equipment or machinery manufactured primarily of aluminum, glass or steel, is part of a public works contract and has the sole purpose or of being a permanent part of a single public works project. This provision does not apply to equipment or machinery purchased by a spending unit for use by that spending unit and not as part of a single public works project.

All bids and offers including domestic aluminum, glass or steel products that exceed bid or offer prices including foreign aluminum, glass or steel products after application of the preferences provided in this provision may be reduced to a price equal to or lower than the lowest bid or offer price for foreign aluminum, glass or steel products plus the applicable preference. If the reduced bid or offer prices are made in writing and supersede the prior bid or offer prices, all bids or offers, including the reduced bid or offer prices, will be reevaluated in accordance with this rule.

43. INTERESTED PARTY SUPPLEMENTAL DISCLOSURE: W. Va. Code § 6D-1-2 requires that for contracts with an actual or estimated value of at least \$1 million, the Vendor must submit to the Agency a disclosure of interested parties prior to beginning work under this Contract. Additionally, the Vendor must submit a supplemental disclosure of interested parties reflecting any new or differing interested parties to the contract, which were not included in the original pre-work interested party disclosure, within 30 days following the completion or termination of the contract. A copy of that form is included with this solicitation or can be obtained from the WV Ethics Commission. This requirement does not apply to publicly traded companies listed on a national or international stock exchange. A more detailed definition of interested parties can be obtained from the form referenced above.

44. PROHIBITION AGAINST USED OR REFURBISHED: Unless expressly permitted in the solicitation published by the State, Vendor must provide new, unused commodities, and is prohibited from supplying used or refurbished commodities, in fulfilling its responsibilities under this Contract.

45. VOID CONTRACT CLAUSES: This Contract is subject to the provisions of West Virginia Code § 5A-3-62, which automatically voids certain contract clauses that violate State law.

46. ISRAEL BOYCOTT: Bidder understands and agrees that, pursuant to W. Va. Code § 5A-3-63, it is prohibited from engaging in a boycott of Israel during the term of this contract.

ADDITIONAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS (Construction Contracts Only)

1. CONTRACTOR'S LICENSE: Until June 15, 2021, West Virginia Code § 21-11-2, and after that date, § 30-42-2, requires that all persons desiring to perform contracting work in this state be licensed. The West Virginia Contractors Licensing Board is empowered to issue the contractor's license. Applications for a contractor's license may be made by contacting the West Virginia Contractor Licensing Board.

The apparent successful Vendor must furnish a copy of its contractor's license prior to the issuance of a contract award document.

2. BONDS: The following bonds must be submitted:

- BID BOND:** Pursuant to the requirements contained in W. Va. Code § 5-22-1(c), All Vendors submitting a bid on a construction project shall furnish a valid bid bond in the amount of five percent (5%) of the total amount of the bid protecting the State of West Virginia. **THE BID BOND MUST BE SUBMITTED WITH THE BID OR VENDOR'S BID WILL BE DISQUALIFIED.**
- PERFORMANCE BOND:** The apparent successful Vendor shall provide a performance bond in the amount of 100% of the contract. The performance bond must be received by the Purchasing Division prior to Contract award. (Attorney General requires use of the State approved bond forms found at: www.state.wv.us/admin/purchase/forms2.html)
- LABOR/MATERIAL PAYMENT BOND:** The apparent successful Vendor shall provide a labor/material payment bond in the amount of 100% of the Contract value. The labor/material payment bond must be delivered to the Purchasing Division prior to Contract award. (Attorney General requires use of the State approved bond forms found at: www.state.wv.us/admin/purchase/forms2.html)
- MAINTENANCE BOND:** The apparent successful Vendor shall provide a two (2) year maintenance bond covering the roofing system if the work impacts an existing roof. The amount of the bond must be equal to the price associated with the percentage of the project impacting the roof. The maintenance bond must be issued and delivered to the Purchasing Division prior to Contract award. (Attorney General requires use of the State approved bond forms found at: www.state.wv.us/admin/purchase/forms2.html)

At a minimum, all construction projects require a bid bond, performance bond, and labor/material payment bond. Failure on the part of the state of West Virginia to checkmark the required bonds above does not relieve the vendor from the legal requirement of providing these bonds.

In lieu of the Bid Bond, the Vendor may provide certified checks, cashier's checks, or irrevocable letters of credit. Any certified check, cashier's check, or irrevocable letter of credit provided in lieu of the bid bond must be of the same amount required of the Bid Bond and delivered with the bid.

3. DRUG-FREE WORKPLACE AFFIDAVIT: W. Va. Code § 21-1D-5 provides that any solicitation for a public improvement contract requires each Vendor that submits a bid for the work to submit an affidavit that the Vendor has a written plan for a drug-free workplace policy. If the affidavit is not submitted with the bid submission, the Purchasing Division shall promptly request by telephone and electronic mail that the low bidder and second low bidder provide the affidavit within one business day of the request. Failure to submit the affidavit within one business day of receiving the request shall result in disqualification of the bid. To comply with this law, Vendor should complete the enclosed drug-free workplace affidavit and submit the same with its bid. Failure to submit the signed and notarized drugfree workplace affidavit or a similar affidavit that fully complies with the requirements of the applicable code, within one business day of being requested to do so shall result in disqualification of Vendor's bid. Pursuant to W. Va. Code 21-1D-2(b) and (k), this provision does not apply to public improvement contracts the value of which is \$100,000 or less or temporary or emergency repairs.

3.1. DRUG-FREE WORKPLACE POLICY: Pursuant to W. Va. Code § 21-1D-4, Vendor and its subcontractors must implement and maintain a written drug-free workplace policy that complies with said article. The awarding public authority shall cancel this contract if: (1) Vendor fails to implement and maintain a written drug-free workplace policy described in the preceding paragraph, (2) Vendor fails to provide information regarding implementation of its drug-free workplace policy at the request of the public authority; or (3) Vendor provides to the public authority false information regarding the contractor's drug-free workplace policy.

Pursuant to W. Va. Code 21-1D-2(b) and (k), this provision does not apply to public improvement contracts the value of which is \$100,000 or less or temporary or emergency repairs.

4. DRUG FREE WORKPLACE REPORT: Pursuant to W. Va. Code § 21-1D-7b, no less than once per year, or upon completion of the project, every contractor shall provide a certified report to the public authority which let the contract. For contracts over \$25,000, the public authority shall be the West Virginia Purchasing Division. For contracts of \$25,000 or less, the public authority shall be the agency issuing the contract. The report shall include:

- (1) Information to show that the education and training service to the requirements of West Virginia Code § 21-1D-5 was provided;
- (2) The name of the laboratory certified by the United States Department of Health and Human Services or its successor that performs the drug tests;
- (3) The average number of employees in connection with the construction on the public improvement;
- (4) Drug test results for the following categories including the number of positive tests and the number of negative tests: (A) Pre-employment and new hires; (B) Reasonable suspicion; (C) Post-accident; and (D) Random.

Vendor should utilize the attached Certified Drug Free Workplace Report Coversheet when submitting the report required hereunder. Pursuant to W. Va. Code 21-1D-2(b) and (k), this provision does not apply to public improvement contracts the value of which is \$100,000 or less or temporary or emergency repairs.

5. AIA DOCUMENTS: All construction contracts that will be completed in conjunction with architectural services procured under Chapter 5G of the West Virginia Code will be governed by the attached AIA documents, as amended by the Supplementary Conditions for the State of West Virginia, in addition to the terms and conditions contained herein.

6. PROHIBITION AGAINST GENERAL CONDITIONS: Notwithstanding anything contained in the AIA Documents or the Supplementary Conditions, the State of West Virginia will not pay for general conditions, or winter conditions, or any other condition representing a delay in the contracts. The Vendor is expected to mitigate delay costs to the greatest extent possible and any costs associated with Delays must be specifically and concretely identified. The state will not consider an average daily rate multiplied by the number of days extended to be an acceptable charge.

7. GREEN BUILDINGS MINIMUM ENERGY STANDARDS: In accordance with § 22-29-4, all new building construction projects of public agencies that have not entered the schematic design phase prior to July 1, 2012, or any building construction project receiving state grant funds and appropriations, including public schools, that have not entered the schematic design phase prior to July 1, 2012, shall be designed and constructed complying with the ICC International Energy Conservation Code, adopted by the State Fire Commission, and the ANSI/ASHRAE/IESNA Standard 90.1-2007: Provided, That if any construction project has a commitment of federal funds to pay for a portion of such project, this provision shall only apply to the extent such standards are consistent with the federal standards.

8. LOCAL LABOR MARKET HIRING REQUIREMENT: Pursuant to West Virginia Code §21-1C-1 et seq., Employers shall hire at least seventy-five percent of employees for public improvement construction projects from the local labor market, to be rounded off, with at least two employees from outside the local labor market permissible for each employer per project.

Any employer unable to employ the minimum number of employees from the local labor market shall inform the nearest office of Workforce West Virginia of the number of qualified employees needed and provide a job description of the positions to be filled.

If, within three business days following the placing of a job order, Workforce West Virginia is unable to refer any qualified job applicants to the employer or refers less qualified job applicants than the number requested, then Workforce West Virginia shall issue a waiver to the employer stating the unavailability of applicant and shall permit the employer to fill any positions covered by the waiver from outside the local labor market. The waiver shall be in writing and shall be issued within the prescribed three days. A waiver certificate shall be sent to both the employer for its permanent project records and to the public authority.

Any employer who violates this requirement is subject to a civil penalty of \$250 per each employee less than the required threshold of seventy-five percent per day of violation after receipt of a notice of violation.

Any employer that continues to violate any provision of this article more than fourteen calendar days after receipt of a notice of violation is subject to a civil penalty of \$500 per each employee less than the required threshold of seventy-five percent per day of violation.

The following terms used in this section have the meaning shown below.

(1) The term “construction project” means any construction, reconstruction, improvement, enlargement, painting, decorating or repair of any public improvement let to contract in an amount equal to or greater than \$500,000. The term “construction project” does not include temporary or emergency repairs;

(2) The term “employee” means any person hired or permitted to perform hourly work for wages by a person, firm or corporation in the construction industry; The term “employee” does not include:(i) Bona fide employees of a public authority or individuals engaged in making temporary or emergency repairs;(ii) Bona fide independent contractors; or(iii) Salaried supervisory personnel necessary to assure efficient execution of the employee's work;

(3) The term “employer” means any person, firm or corporation employing one or more employees on any public improvement and includes all contractors and subcontractors;

(4) The term “local labor market” means every county in West Virginia and any county outside of West Virginia if any portion of that county is within fifty miles of the border of West Virginia;

(5) The term “public improvement” includes the construction of all buildings, roads, highways, bridges, streets, alleys, sewers, ditches, sewage disposal plants, waterworks, airports and all other structures that may be let to contract by a public authority, excluding improvements funded, in whole or in part, by federal funds.

9. DAVIS-BACON AND RELATED ACT WAGE RATES:

The work performed under this contract is federally funded in whole, or in part. Pursuant to _____, Vendors are required to pay applicable Davis-Bacon wage rates.

The work performed under this contract is not subject to Davis-Bacon wage rates.

10. SUBCONTRACTOR LIST SUBMISSION: In accordance with W. Va. Code § 5-22-1, the apparent low bidder on a contract valued at more than \$250,000.00 for the construction, alteration, decoration, painting or improvement of a new or existing building or structure shall submit a list of all subcontractors who will perform more than \$25,000.00 of work on the project including labor and materials. (This section does not apply to any other construction projects, such as highway, mine reclamation, water or sewer projects.) The subcontractor list shall be provided to the Purchasing Division within one business day of the opening of bids for review.

If the apparent low bidder fails to submit the subcontractor list, the Purchasing Division shall promptly request by telephone and electronic mail that the low bidder and second low bidder provide the subcontractor list within one business day of the request. Failure to submit the subcontractor list within one business day of receiving the request shall result in disqualification of the bid.

If no subcontractors who will perform more than \$25,000.00 of work are to be used to complete the project, the apparent low bidder must make this clear on the subcontractor list, in the bid itself, or in response to the Purchasing Division's request for the subcontractor list.

a. Required Information. The subcontractor list must contain the following information:

i. Bidder's name

ii. Name of each subcontractor performing more than \$25,000 of work on the project.

iii. The license number of each subcontractor, as required by W. Va. Code § 21-11-1 et. seq.

iv. If applicable, a notation that no subcontractor will be used to perform more than \$25,000.00 of work. (This item iv. is not required if the vendor makes this clear in the bid itself or in documentation following the request for the subcontractor list.)

b. Subcontractor List Submission Form: The subcontractor list may be submitted in any form, including the attached form, as long as the required information noted above is included. If any information is missing from the bidder's subcontractor list submission, it may be obtained from other documents such as bids, emails, letters, etc. that accompany the subcontractor list submission.

c. Substitution of Subcontractor. Written approval must be obtained from the State Spending Unit before any subcontractor substitution is permitted. Substitutions are not permitted unless:

i. The subcontractor listed in the original bid has filed for bankruptcy;

ii. The subcontractor in the original bid has been debarred or suspended; or

iii. The contractor certifies in writing that the subcontractor listed in the original bid fails, is unable, or refuses to perform his subcontract.

Subcontractor List Submission (Construction Contracts Only)

Bidder's Name: _____

Check this box if no subcontractors will perform more than \$25,000.00 of work to complete the project.

Subcontractor Name	License Number if Required by W. Va. Code § 21-11-1 et. seq.

Attach additional pages if necessary

**ADDITIONAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS
(Architectural and Engineering Contracts Only)**

1. PLAN AND DRAWING DISTRIBUTION: All plans and drawings must be completed and available for distribution at least five business days prior to a scheduled pre-bid meeting for the construction or other work related to the plans and drawings.

2. PROJECT ADDENDA REQUIREMENTS: The Architect/Engineer and/or Agency shall be required to abide by the following schedule in issuing construction project addenda. The Architect/Engineer shall prepare any addendum materials for which it is responsible, and a list of all vendors that have obtained drawings and specifications for the project. The Architect/Engineer shall then send a copy of the addendum materials and the list of vendors to the State Agency for which the contract is issued to allow the Agency to make any necessary modifications. The addendum and list shall then be forwarded to the Purchasing Division buyer by the Agency. The Purchasing Division buyer shall send the addendum to all interested vendors and, if necessary, extend the bid opening date. Any addendum should be received by the Purchasing Division at least fourteen (14) days prior to the bid opening date.

3. PRE-BID MEETING RESPONSIBILITIES: The Architect/Engineer shall be available to attend any pre-bid meeting for the construction or other work resulting from the plans, drawings, or specifications prepared by the Architect/Engineer.

4. AIA DOCUMENTS: All construction contracts that will be completed in conjunction with architectural services procured under Chapter 5G of the West Virginia Code will be governed by the attached AIA documents, as amended by the Supplementary Conditions for the State of West Virginia, in addition to the terms and conditions contained herein. The terms and conditions of this document shall prevail over anything contained in the AIA Documents or the Supplementary Conditions.

5. GREEN BUILDINGS MINIMUM ENERGY STANDARDS: In accordance with West Virginia Code § 22-29-4, all new building construction projects of public agencies that have not entered the schematic design phase prior to July 1, 2012, or any building construction project receiving state grant funds and appropriations, including public schools, that have not entered the schematic design phase prior to July 1, 2012, shall be designed and constructed complying with the ICC International Energy Conservation Code, adopted by the State Fire Commission, and the ANSI/ASHRAE/IESNA Standard 90.1-2007: Provided, That if any construction project has a commitment of federal funds to pay for a portion of such project, this provision shall only apply to the extent such standards are consistent with the federal standards.

DESIGNATED CONTACT: Vendor appoints the individual identified in this Section as the Contract Administrator and the initial point of contact for matters relating to this Contract.

(Printed Name and Title) _____

(Address) _____

(Phone Number) / (Fax Number) _____

(email address) _____

CERTIFICATION AND SIGNATURE: By signing below, or submitting documentation through wvOASIS, I certify that: I have reviewed this Solicitation/Contract in its entirety; that I understand the requirements, terms and conditions, and other information contained herein; that this bid, offer or proposal constitutes an offer to the State that cannot be unilaterally withdrawn; that the product or service proposed meets the mandatory requirements contained in the Solicitation/Contract for that product or service, unless otherwise stated herein; that the Vendor accepts the terms and conditions contained in the Solicitation, unless otherwise stated herein; that I am submitting this bid, offer or proposal for review and consideration; that this bid or offer was made without prior understanding, agreement, or connection with any entity submitting a bid or offer for the same material, supplies, equipment or services; that this bid or offer is in all respects fair and without collusion or fraud; that this Contract is accepted or entered into without any prior understanding, agreement, or connection to any other entity that could be considered a violation of law; that I am authorized by the Vendor to execute and submit this bid, offer, or proposal, or any documents related thereto on Vendor's behalf; that I am authorized to bind the vendor in a contractual relationship; and that to the best of my knowledge, the vendor has properly registered with any State agency that may require registration.

By signing below, I further certify that I understand this Contract is subject to the provisions of West Virginia Code § 5A-3-62, which automatically voids certain contract clauses that violate State law; and that pursuant to W. Va. Code 5A-3-63, the entity entering into this contract is prohibited from engaging in a boycott against Israel.

(Company)

Dominique Mitchell

(Signature of Authorized Representative)

(Printed Name and Title of Authorized Representative) (Date)

(Phone Number) (Fax Number)

(Email Address)

ADDENDUM ACKNOWLEDGEMENT FORM
SOLICITATION NO.:

Instructions: Please acknowledge receipt of all addenda issued with this solicitation by completing this addendum acknowledgment form. Check the box next to each addendum received and sign below. Failure to acknowledge addenda may result in bid disqualification.

Acknowledgment: I hereby acknowledge receipt of the following addenda and have made the necessary revisions to my proposal, plans and/or specification, etc.

Addendum Numbers Received:

(Check the box next to each addendum received)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Addendum No. 1 | <input type="checkbox"/> Addendum No. 6 |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Addendum No. 4 | <input type="checkbox"/> Addendum No. 9 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Addendum No. 5 | <input type="checkbox"/> Addendum No. 10 |

I understand that failure to confirm the receipt of addenda may be cause for rejection of this bid. I further understand that any verbal representation made or assumed to be made during any oral discussion held between Vendor's representatives and any state personnel is not binding. Only the information issued in writing and added to the specifications by an official addendum is binding.

Company

Authorized Signature

Date

NOTE: This addendum acknowledgment should be submitted with the bid to expedite document processing.