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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION BLDG 6, RM 700 1900 KANAWHA BLVD E CHARLESTON WV 25305 US	DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION OFFICE OF SCHOOL FINANCE 1900 KANAWHA BLVD E, BLDG 6 RM 650 CHARLESTON WV 25305-0001 US

Line	Comm Ln Desc	Qty	Unit of Measure	Unit Price	Total Price
1	Finance and HR ERP Solution				

Comm Code	Manufacturer	Specification	Model #
43231500			

**Extended Description:**

Finance and HR ERP Solution

Please see the full list of attached documents for this solicitation.

Online responses are prohibited. Please submit responses according to bid submission instructions.

**SCHEDULE OF EVENTS**

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## **SECTION ONE: GENERAL INFORMATION**

- 1.1. Purpose: The West Virginia Department of Education, Purchasing Section (Purchasing Section), on behalf of the West Virginia Department of Education (WVDE), hereinafter referred to as the Agency, is issuing this Request for Proposal (RFP) to obtain responses from qualified firms capable of supplying a Finance and HR Enterprise Resource Planning (ERP) System consisting of, at a minimum, the following core function software application modules:

### **Finance**

General Ledger

Purchasing

Accounts Payable

Accounts Receivable

Budgeting

Fixed Assets

Financial Reporting

Warehouse and Inventory Management (optional)

School Level Accounting (optional)

### **Human Resources**

Payroll

Benefits

Position Management

Employee Self-Service

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Any deviation in the functionality or the terms under which the Vendor is willing or able to provide a proposed system from those indicated by this request should be noted. If the requirement cannot be met by the Vendor's base system but can be met by integrating with a third-party product, this should also be explained and included in your technical and cost proposal. If the requirement can only be met by a future release of the system, you should specify the expected release date. If the requirement would need custom programming, please indicate that as well.

- 1.2** The RFP is a procurement method in which Vendors submit proposals in response to the RFP published by the Purchasing Section. It requires an award to the highest scoring Vendor, rather than the lowest cost Vendor, based upon a technical evaluation of the Vendor's technical proposal and a cost evaluation. This is referred to as a best value procurement. Through their proposals, Vendors offer a solution to the objectives, problem, or need specified in the RFP, and define how they intend to meet (or exceed) the RFP requirements.

By signing and submitting its proposal, the successful Vendor agrees to be bound by all the terms and conditions, qualifications, technical and mandatory specifications contained in this RFP.

**NOTE:**

**The Purchasing Section Director reserves the right to waive minor irregularities or deviations in the Vendor's submitted proposal or specifications.**

**Our preference is that the Vendor's proposal response adheres to the exact numbering as listed in Attachment A.**

**Submitted proposals are to be the Vendor's "best and final offer".**

**If there are costs associated with any specification, the Vendor must identify them in the cost proposal only and not in the written technical proposal. Inclusion of cost information in the technical proposal will result in disqualification of the Vendor's proposal from further consideration.**

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**SECTION TWO: INSTRUCTIONS TO VENDORS SUBMITTING BIDS**

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**INSTRUCTIONS TO VENDORS SUBMITTING BIDS  
(Agency Delegated Procurements Only)**

**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:

The West Virginia Department of Education  
Building 6, Room 600, Board Conference Room  
1900 Kanawha Blvd. E.  
Charleston, WV 25305

\*Limit of 3 attendees per Vendor\*

Date: September 16, 2025      Time: 9:00AM - 3:00PM ET

Reference the Parking and Entry Instructions in the attachments list.

**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. The required attribution of attendance to a single Vendor should be addressed during the pre-bid but may occur at any time deemed appropriate by the Purchasing Section.

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 responsible for knowing all matters discussed at the pre-bid (i.e. for the information discussed before their arrival

at the pre-bid meeting).

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 Agency contact. 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: September 9, 2025 at 4:00PM ET  
Submit Questions to: Jo Ann Adkins, Manager  
Email: joann.adkins@k12.wv.us

**5. VERBAL COMMUNICATION:** Any verbal communication between the Vendor and any Agency 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 Section 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 in paper form or on a USB drive delivered to the Purchasing Section at the address listed below either in person or by courier. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Purchasing Section 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 Section will not accept bids or modifications of bids via email.

**Bids submitted in paper form or on USB drive must contain a signature. Failure to submit a bid in any form without a signature will result in rejection of your bid.**

A bid submitted in paper form or on USB drive should contain the information listed below on the face of the submission envelope. Otherwise, the bid may be rejected by the Purchasing Section.

SEALED BID: Finance & HR ERP Solution  
BUYER: Jo Ann Adkins, Manager  
SOLICITATION NO.: ARFP EDD2600000001  
BID OPENING DATE: November 5, 2025  
BID OPENING TIME: 2:00PM ET  
FAX NUMBER: N/A

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

**Bid Delivery Address:**

West Virginia Department of Education, Purchasing Section  
Building 6, Room 700  
1900 Kanawha Blvd. E.  
Charleston, WV 25305-0330

**For Request for Proposal (“RFP”) Responses Only:** Submission of a response to a RFP is not permitted in wvOASIS. Vendor must submit one original technical and one original cost proposal prior to the bid opening date and time identified in Section 7 below. Additionally, the **Vendor should clearly identify and segregate the cost proposal from the technical proposal in a separately sealed envelope.**

**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 the bid is time stamped by the official Purchasing Section time clock.

**Bid Opening Date and Time:** November 5, 2025, at 2:00 PM ET

**Bid Opening Location:**

West Virginia Department of Education, Purchasing Section  
Building 6, Room 700  
1900 Kanawha Blvd. E.  
Charleston, WV 25305

**8. ADDENDUM ACKNOWLEDGEMENT:** Changes or revisions to this Solicitation will be made by an official addendum issued by the Agency. 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, at the discretion of the Agency, 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 by the WVBE. 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. 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. Other registrations, including but not limited to business registration requirements of the West Virginia Secretary of State, West Virginia Tax Department, and any other state or local entities, will also be required prior to receiving a contract/purchase order. Lengthy delays in completing these registrations may result in disqualification from the bidding process.

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

**14. WAIVER OF MINOR IRREGULARITIES:** The Purchasing Section Director reserves the right to waive minor irregularities in bids or specifications.

**15. ELECTRONIC FILE ACCESS RESTRICTIONS:** Vendor must ensure that its bid submission in *WV*OASIS can be accessed and viewed by the Agency staff immediately upon bid opening. The Agency 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 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 removed access restrictions to allow the Agency to print or electronically save documents provided that those documents are viewable by the Agency prior to obtaining the password or removing the access restriction.

**16. NON-RESPONSIBLE:** The Purchasing Section Director reserves the right to reject the bid of any Vendor as non-responsible 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.

**17. ACCEPTANCE/REJECTION:** The Agency may accept or reject any bid in whole, or in part.

**18. 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., 5G-1-1 et seq. and the Freedom of Information Act in 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 Section constitutes your explicit consent to the subsequent public disclosure of the bid, proposal, or document. The Purchasing Section 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.

**19. WITH THE BID REQUIREMENTS:** In instances where the specifications require documentation or other information with the bid response, and a Vendor fails to provide it with the bid, the Purchasing Section Director reserves the right to request those items after the bid opening and prior to award pursuant to the authority to waive minor irregularities in bids or specifications. This authority does not apply to instances where state law mandates receipt with the bid.

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**SECTION THREE: GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS**

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**GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS:  
(Agency Delegated Procurements Only)**

**1. CONTRACTUAL AGREEMENT:** Issuance of an Award Document signed by the Agency and approved as to form by the Attorney General's office, if required, 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"** means the West Virginia State Board of Education (WVBE) or its entities: the West Virginia Department of Education (WVDE), the West Virginia Schools of Diversion and Transition, and the West Virginia Schools for the Deaf and the Blind as identified in the Solicitation seeking to procure goods or services under this Contract.

**2.2. "Bid" or "Proposal"** means the Vendor's 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 Education, Purchasing Section.

**2.5. "Purchasing Section"** means the West Virginia Department of Education, Purchasing Section.

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

**2.7. "Award Document"** means the document signed by the Agency that identifies the Vendor as the contract holder.

**2.8. "Solicitation"** means the official notice of an opportunity to supply the State with goods or services.

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

**2.10. "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:** This Contract becomes effective on  
upon award \_\_\_\_\_ and the initial contract term extends until five (5) years.

**Renewal Term:** This Contract may be renewed upon the mutual written consent of the Agency, and the Vendor. Any request for renewal should be delivered to the Agency 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 three (3) 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.

**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 maintenance, monitoring, or warranty services will be provided for \_\_\_\_\_ year(s) thereafter.

**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.

**Other:** See attached.

**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 Section.

**6. EMERGENCY PURCHASES:** The Purchasing Section 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 Section 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 below must be provided to the Agency by the Vendor as specified below.

**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 on each policy 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 or not that insurance requirement is listed in this section.

Vendor must maintain:

**Commercial General Liability Insurance** in at least an amount of:  
\$1,000,000.00 per occurrence.

**Automobile Liability Insurance** in at least an amount of: \$1,000,000.00 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: \$1,000,000.00 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. 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.

**11. 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.

**12. 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.

**13. 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 licenses, subscriptions, or maintenance may be paid annually in advance.

**14. PAYMENT METHODS:** Vendor must accept payment by electronic funds transfer or 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.)

**15. 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.

**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. 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 the date 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.

**18. CANCELLATION:** The State 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 Agency 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.

**19. TIME:** Time is of the essence with regard to all matters of time and performance in this Contract.

**20. 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.

**20A. 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.

**21. 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. 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.

**22. 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.

**23. 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.

**24. WAIVER:** The failure of either party to insist upon a strict performance of any of the terms or provisions 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.

**25. 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 Section 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 and parties lacking explicit authority to bind this contract may not alter this award.

**26. 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 and any other government agency or office that may be required to approve such assignments.

**27. 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.

**28. 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.

**29. 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](http://www.state.wv.us/admin/purchase/privacy).

**30. 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 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 Section constitutes your explicit consent to the subsequent public disclosure of the bid, proposal, or document. The

Purchasing Section 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.

**31. 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 Section Director or the Agency to verify that the Vendor is licensed and in good standing with the above entities. 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.

**32. ANTITRUST:** In submitting a bid to, signing a contract with, or accepting an 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.

**33. 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.

**34. 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.

**35. 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.

**36. NO DEBT CERTIFICATION:** 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 Agency, 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, that neither Vendor nor any related party owe a debt as defined above and that neither 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.

**37. 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.

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

Such reports as the Agency and/or the Purchasing Section 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 Section via email at [JoAnn.Adkins@kl2.wv.us](mailto:JoAnn.Adkins@kl2.wv.us).

**39. 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.

**40. 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 hearth, basic oxygen, electric furnace, Bessemer or other steel making process. The Purchasing Division Director may, in writing, authorize the use of foreign steel products if:

c. 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

d. 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.

**41. 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.

**42. 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.

**43. 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.

**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)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(E-mail address)

**CERTIFICATION AND SIGNATURE:** By signing below, or submitting documentation through wvOASIS, I certify that I have reviewed this Solicitation 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 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.

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Company)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Signature of Authorized Representative)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Printed Name and Title of Authorized Representative)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Date)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Phone Number) (Fax Number)

## **FEDERAL FUNDS ADDENDUM**

2 C.F.R. §§ 200.317 – 200.327

**Purpose:** This addendum is intended to modify the solicitation in an attempt to make the contract compliant with the requirements of 2 C.F.R. §§ 200.317 through 200.327 relating to the expenditure of certain federal funds. This solicitation will allow the State to obtain one or more contracts that satisfy standard state procurement, state federal funds procurement, and county/local federal funds procurement requirements.

**Instructions:** Vendors who are willing to extend their contract to procurements with federal funds and the requirements that go along with doing so, should sign the attached document identified as: “REQUIRED CONTRACT PROVISIONS FOR NON-FEDERAL ENTITY CONTRACTS UNDER FEDERAL AWARDS (2 C.F.R. § 200.317)”

Should the awarded vendor be unwilling to extend the contract to federal funds procurement, the State reserves the right to award additional contracts to vendors that can and are willing to meet federal funds procurement requirements.

**Changes to Specifications:** Vendors should consider this solicitation as containing two separate solicitations, one for state level procurement and one for county/local procurement.

**State Level:** In the first solicitation, bid responses will be evaluated with applicable preferences identified in sections 15, 15A, and 16 of the “Instructions to Vendors Submitting Bids” to establish a contract for both standard state procurements and state federal funds procurements.

**County Level:** In the second solicitation, bid responses will be evaluated with applicable preferences identified in Sections 15, 15A, and 16 of the “Instructions to Vendors Submitting Bids” omitted to establish a contract for County/Local federal funds procurement.

**Award:** If the two evaluations result in the same vendor being identified as the winning bidder, the two solicitations will be combined into a single contract award. If the evaluations result in a different bidder being identified as the winning bidder, multiple contracts may be awarded. The State reserves the right to award to multiple different entities should it be required to satisfy standard state procurement, state federal funds procurement, and county/local federal funds procurement requirements.

**State Government Use Caution:** State agencies planning to utilize this contract for procurements subject to the above identified federal regulations should first consult with the federal agency providing the applicable funding to ensure the contract is compliant.

**County/Local Government Use Caution:** County and Local government entities planning to utilize this contract for procurements subject to the above identified federal regulation should first consult with the federal agency providing the applicable funding to ensure the contract is compliant. For purposes of County/Local government use, the solicitation resulting in this contract was conducted in accordance with the procurement laws, rules, and procedures governing the West Virginia Department of Administration, Purchasing Division, except that vendor preference has been omitted for County/Local use purposes and the contract terms contained in the document entitled “REQUIRED CONTRACT PROVISIONS FOR NON-FEDERAL ENTITY CONTRACTS UNDER FEDERAL AWARDS (2 C.F.R. § 200.317)” have been added.

## FEDERAL FUNDS ADDENDUM

### **REQUIRED CONTRACT PROVISIONS FOR NON-FEDERAL ENTITY CONTRACTS UNDER FEDERAL AWARDS (2 C.F.R. § 200.317):**

The State of West Virginia Department of Education and the Vendor awarded this Contract intend that this Contract be compliant with the requirements of the Procurement Standards contained in the Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements found in 2 C.F.R. § 200.317, et seq. for procurements conducted by a Non-Federal Entity. Accordingly, the Parties agree that the following provisions are included in the Contract.

#### **1. MINORITY BUSINESSES, WOMEN'S BUSINESS ENTERPRISES, AND LABOR SURPLUS AREA FIRMS:**

(2 C.F.R. § 200.321)

- a. The State confirms that it has taken all necessary affirmative steps to assure that minority businesses, women's business enterprises, and labor surplus area firms are used when possible. Those affirmative steps include:
  - (1) Placing qualified small and minority businesses and women's business enterprises on solicitation lists;
  - (2) Assuring that small and minority businesses, and women's business enterprises are solicited whenever they are potential sources;
  - (3) Dividing total requirements, when economically feasible, into smaller tasks or quantities to permit maximum participation by small and minority businesses, and women's business enterprises;
  - (4) Establishing delivery schedules, where the requirement permits, which encourage participation by small and minority businesses, and women's business enterprises;
  - (5) Using the services and assistance, as appropriate, of such organizations as the Small Business Administration and the Minority Business Development Agency of the Department of Commerce; and
  - (6) Requiring the prime contractor, if subcontracts are to be let, to take the affirmative steps listed in paragraphs (1) through (5) above.
  
- b. Vendor confirms that if it utilizes subcontractors, it will take the same affirmative steps to assure that minority businesses, women's business enterprises, and labor surplus area firms are used when possible.

#### **2. DOMESTIC PREFERENCES:**

(2 C.F.R. § 200.322)

- a. The State confirms that as appropriate and to the extent consistent with law, it has, to the greatest extent practicable under a Federal award, provided a preference for the purchase, acquisition, or use of goods, products, or materials produced in the United

States (including but not limited to iron, aluminum, steel, cement, and other manufactured products).

b. Vendor confirms that will include the requirements of this Section 2. Domestic Preference in all subawards including all contracts and purchase orders for work or products under this award.

c. Definitions: For purposes of this section:

(1) "Produced in the United States" means, for iron and steel products, that all manufacturing processes, from the initial melting stage through the application of coatings, occurred in the United States.

(2) "Manufactured products" means items and construction materials composed in whole or in part of non-ferrous metals such as aluminum; plastics and polymer-based products such as polyvinyl chloride pipe; aggregates such as concrete; glass, including optical fiber; and lumber.

**3. BREACH OF CONTRACT REMEDIES AND PENALTIES:**

(2 C.F.R. § 200.327 and Appendix II)

(a) The provisions of West Virginia Code of State Rules § 148-1-5 provide for breach of contract remedies, and penalties. A copy of that rule is attached hereto as Exhibit A and expressly incorporated herein by reference.

**4. TERMINATION FOR CAUSE AND CONVENIENCE:**

(2 C.F.R. § 200.327 and Appendix II)

(a) The provisions of West Virginia Code of State Rules § 148-1-5 govern Contract termination. A copy of that rule is attached hereto as Exhibit A and expressly incorporated herein by reference.

**5. EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY:**

(2 C.F.R. § 200.327 and Appendix II)

Except as otherwise provided under 41 CFR Part 60, and if this contract meets the definition of "federally assisted construction contract" in 41 CFR Part 60-1.3, this contract includes the equal opportunity clause provided under 41 CFR 60-1.4(b), in accordance with Executive Order 11246. "Equal Employment Opportunity" (30 FR 12319, 12935, 3 CFR Part, 1964-1965 Comp., p. 339), as amended by Executive Order 11375, "Amending Executive Order 11246 Relating to Equal Employment Opportunity." and implementing regulations at 41 CFR part 60. "Office of Federal Contract Compliance Programs, Equal Employment Opportunity, Department of Labor."

**6. DAVIS-BACON WAGE RATES:**  
(2 C.F.R. § 200.327 and Appendix II)

Vendor agrees that if this Contract includes construction, all construction work in excess of \$2,000 will be completed and paid for in compliance with the Davis–Bacon Act (40 U.S.C. 3141–3144, and 3146–3148) as supplemented by Department of Labor regulations (29 CFR Part 5. “Labor Standards Provisions Applicable to Contracts Covering Federally Financed and Assisted Construction”). In accordance with the statute, contractors must:

- (a) pay wages to laborers and mechanics at a rate not less than the prevailing wages specified in a wage determination made by the Secretary of Labor.
- (b) pay wages not less than once a week.

A copy of the current prevailing wage determination issued by the Department of Labor is attached hereto as Exhibit B. The decision to award a contract or subcontract is conditioned upon the acceptance of the wage determination. The State will report all suspected or reported violations to the Federal awarding agency.

**7. ANTI-KICKBACK ACT:**  
(2 C.F.R. § 200.327 and Appendix II)

Vendor agrees that it will comply with the Copeland Anti-KickBack Act (40 U.S.C. 3145), as supplemented by Department of Labor regulations (29 CFR Part 3, “Contractors and Subcontractors on Public Building or Public Work Financed in Whole or in Part by Loans or Grants from the United States”). Accordingly, Vendor, Subcontractors, and anyone performing under this contract are prohibited from inducing, by any means, any person employed in the construction, completion, or repair of public work, to give up any part of the compensation to which he or she is otherwise entitled. The State must report all suspected or reported violations to the Federal awarding agency.

**8. CONTRACT WORK HOURS AND SAFETY STANDARDS ACT**  
(2 C.F.R. § 200.327 and Appendix II)

Where applicable, and only for contracts awarded by the State in excess of \$100,000 that involve the employment of mechanics or laborers, Vendor agrees to comply with 40 U.S.C. 3702 and 3704, as supplemented by Department of Labor regulations (29 CFR Part 5). Under 40 U.S.C. 3702 of the Act, Vendor is required to compute the wages of every mechanic and laborer on the basis of a standard work week of 40 hours. Work in excess of the standard work week is permissible provided that the worker is compensated at a rate of not less than one and a half times the basic rate of pay for all hours worked in excess of 40 hours in the work week. The requirements of 40 U.S.C. 3704 are applicable to construction work and provide that no laborer or mechanic must be required to work in surroundings or under working conditions which are unsanitary, hazardous or dangerous. These requirements do not apply to the purchases of supplies or materials or articles ordinarily available on the open market, or contracts for transportation or transmission of intelligence.

**9. RIGHTS TO INVENTIONS MADE UNDER A CONTRACT OR AGREEMENT.**  
(2 C.F.R. § 200.327 and Appendix II)

If the Federal award meets the definition of “funding agreement” under 37 CFR § 401.2 (a) and the recipient or subrecipient wishes to enter into a contract with a small business firm or nonprofit organization regarding the substitution of parties, assignment or performance of experimental, developmental, or research work under that “funding agreement,” the recipient or subrecipient must comply with the requirements of 37 CFR Part 401. “Rights to Inventions Made by Nonprofit Organizations and Small Business Firms Under Government Grants, Contracts and Cooperative Agreements,” and any implementing regulations issued by the awarding agency.

**10. CLEAN AIR ACT**  
(2 C.F.R. § 200.327 and Appendix II)

Vendor agrees that if this contract exceeds \$150,000, Vendor is to comply with all applicable standards, orders or regulations issued pursuant to the Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C. 7401–7671q) and the Federal Water Pollution Control Act as amended (33 U.S.C. 1251–1387). Violations must be reported to the Federal awarding agency and the Regional Office of the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

**11. DEBARMENT AND SUSPENSION**  
(2 C.F.R. § 200.327 and Appendix II)

The State will not award to any vendor that is listed on the governmentwide exclusions in the System for Award Management (SAM), in accordance with the OMB guidelines at 2 CFR 180 that implement Executive Orders 12549 (3 CFR part 1986 Comp., p. 189) and 12689 (3 CFR part 1989 Comp., p. 235), “Debarment and Suspension.” SAM Exclusions contains the names of parties debarred, suspended, or otherwise excluded by agencies, as well as parties declared ineligible under statutory or regulatory authority other than Executive Order 12549.

**12. BYRD ANTI-LOBBYING AMENDMENT**  
(2 C.F.R. § 200.327 and Appendix II)

Vendors that apply or bid for an award exceeding \$100,000 must file the required certification. Each tier certifies to the tier above that it will not and has not used Federal appropriated funds to pay any person or organization for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a member of Congress, officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a member of Congress in connection with obtaining any Federal contract, grant or any other award covered by 31 U.S.C. 1352. Each tier must also disclose any lobbying with non-Federal funds that takes place in connection with obtaining any Federal award. Such disclosures are forwarded from tier to tier up to the non-Federal award.

### **13. PROCUREMENT OF RECOVERED MATERIALS**

(2 C.F.R. § 200.327 and Appendix II; 2 C.F.R. § 200.323)

Vendor agrees that it and the State must comply with section 6002 of the Solid Waste Disposal Act, as amended by the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act. The requirements of Section 6002 include procuring only items designated in guidelines of the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) at 40 CFR part 247 that contain the highest percentage of recovered materials practicable, consistent with maintaining a satisfactory level of competition, where the purchase price of the item exceeds \$10,000 or the value of the quantity acquired during the preceding fiscal year exceeded \$10,000; procuring solid waste management services in a manner that maximizes energy and resource recovery; and establishing an affirmative procurement program for procurement of recovered materials identified in the EPA guidelines.

### **14. PROHIBITION ON CERTAIN TELECOMMUNICATIONS AND VIDEO SURVEILLANCE SERVICES OR EQUIPMENT.**

(2 C.F.R. § 200.327 and Appendix II; 2 CFR § 200.216)

Vendor and State agree that both are prohibited from obligating or expending funds under this Contract to:

- (1) Procure or obtain;
- (2) Extend or renew a contract to procure or obtain; or
- (3) Enter into a contract (or extend or renew a contract) to procure or obtain equipment, services, or systems that uses covered telecommunications equipment or services as a substantial or essential component of any system, or as critical technology as part of any system. As described in Public Law 115–232, section 889, covered telecommunications equipment is telecommunications equipment produced by Huawei Technologies Company or ZTE Corporation (or any subsidiary or affiliate of such entities).
  - (i) For the purpose of public safety, security of government facilities, physical security surveillance of critical infrastructure, and other national security purposes, video surveillance and telecommunications equipment produced by Hytera Communications Corporation, Hangzhou Hikvision Digital Technology Company, or Dahua Technology Company (or any subsidiary or affiliate of such entities).
  - (ii) Telecommunications or video surveillance services provided by such entities or using such equipment.
  - (iii) Telecommunications or video surveillance equipment or services produced or provided by an entity that the Secretary of Defense, in consultation with the Director of the National Intelligence or the Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, reasonably believes to be an entity owned or controlled by, or otherwise connected to, the government of a covered foreign country.

In implementing the prohibition under Public Law 115–232, section 889, subsection (f), paragraph (1), heads of executive agencies administering loan, grant, or subsidy programs shall prioritize available funding and technical support to assist affected businesses, institutions and organizations as is reasonably necessary for those affected entities to transition from covered communications equipment and services, to procure replacement equipment and services, and to ensure that communications service to users and customers is sustained.

State of West Virginia  
Purchasing Division

Vendor Name:

By: \_\_\_\_\_

By: \_\_\_\_\_

Printed Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Printed Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

EXHIBIT A To:  
REQUIRED CONTRACT PROVISIONS FOR NON-FEDERAL ENTITY  
CONTRACTS UNDER FEDERAL AWARDS (2 C.F.R. § 200.317):

W. Va. CSR § 148-1-5

West Virginia Code of State Rules
Title 148. Department of Administration
Legislative Rule (Ser. 1)
Series 1. Purchasing

W. Va. Code St. R. § 148-1-5  
§ 148-1-5. Remedies.  
Currentness

5.1. The Director may require that the spending unit attempt to resolve any issues that it may have with the vendor prior to pursuing a remedy contained herein. The spending unit must document any resolution efforts and provide copies of those documents to the Purchasing Division.

5.2. Contract Cancellation.

5.2.1. Cancellation. The Director may cancel a purchase or contract immediately under any one of the following conditions including, but not limited to:

5.2.1.a. The vendor agrees to the cancellation;

5.2.1.b. The vendor has obtained the contract by fraud, collusion, conspiracy, or is in conflict with any statutory or constitutional provision of the State of West Virginia;

5.2.1.c. Failure to honor any contractual term or condition or to honor standard commercial practices;

5.2.1.d. The existence of an organizational conflict of interest is identified;

5.2.1.e. Funds are not appropriated or an appropriation is discontinued by the legislature for the acquisition;

5.2.1.f. Violation of any federal, state, or local law, regulation, or ordinance, and

5.2.1.g. The contract was awarded in error.

5.2.2. The Director may cancel a purchase or contract for any reason or no reason, upon providing

the vendor with 30 days' notice of the cancellation.

5.2.3. Opportunity to Cure. In the event that a vendor fails to honor any contractual term or condition, or violates any provision of federal, state, or local law, regulation, or ordinance, the Director may request that the vendor remedy the contract breach or legal violation within a time frame the Director determines to be appropriate. If the vendor fails to remedy the contract breach or legal violation or the Director determines, at his or her sole discretion, that such a request is unlikely to yield a satisfactory result, then he or she may cancel immediately without providing the vendor an opportunity to perform a remedy.

5.2.4. Re-Award. The Director may award the cancelled contract to the next lowest responsible bidder (or next highest scoring bidder if best value procurement) without a subsequent solicitation if the following conditions are met:

5.2.4.a. The next lowest responsible bidder (or next highest scoring bidder if best value procurement) is able to perform at the price contained in its original bid submission, and

5.2.4.b. The contract is an open-end contract, a one-time purchase contract, or a contract for work which has not yet commenced.

Award to the next lowest responsible bidder (or next highest scoring bidder if best value procurement) will not be an option if the vendor's failure has in any way increased or significantly changed the scope of the original contract. The vendor failing to honor contractual and legal obligations is responsible for any increase in cost the state incurs as a result of the re-award.

5.3. Non-Responsible. If the Director believes that a vendor may be non-responsible, the Director may request that a vendor or spending unit provide evidence that the vendor either does or does not have the capability to fully perform the contract requirements, and the integrity and reliability necessary to assure good faith performance. If the Director determines that the vendor is non-responsible, the Director shall reject that vendor's bid and shall not award the contract to that vendor. A determination of non-responsibility must be evaluated on a case-by-case basis and can only be made after the vendor in question has submitted a bid. A determination of non-responsibility will only extend to the contract for which the vendor has submitted a bid and does not operate as a bar against submitting future bids.

5.4. Suspension.

5.4.1. The Director may suspend, for a period not to exceed 1 year, the right of a vendor to bid on

procurements issued by the Purchasing Division or any state spending unit under its authority if:

5.4.1.a. The vendor has submitted a bid and then requested that its bid be withdrawn after bids have been publicly opened.

5.4.1.b. The vendor has exhibited poor performance in fulfilling his or her contractual obligations to the State. Poor performance includes, but is not limited to any of the following: violations of law, regulation, or ordinance; failure to deliver timely; failure to deliver quantities ordered; poor performance reports; or failure to deliver commodities, services, or printing at the quality level required by the contract.

5.4.1.c. The vendor has breached a contract issued by the Purchasing Division or any state spending unit under its authority and refuses to remedy that breach.

5.4.1.d. The vendor's actions have given rise to one or more of the grounds for debarment listed in W. Va. Code § 5A-3-33d.

5.4.2. Vendor suspension for the reasons listed in section 5.4 above shall occur as follows:

5.4.2.a. Upon a determination by the Director that a suspension is warranted, the Director will serve a notice of suspension to the vendor.

5.4.2.b. A notice of suspension must inform the vendor:

5.4.2.b.1. Of the grounds for the suspension;

5.4.2.b.2. Of the duration of the suspension;

5.4.2.b.3. Of the right to request a hearing contesting the suspension;

5.4.2.b.4. That a request for a hearing must be served on the Director no later than 5 working days of the vendor's receipt of the notice of suspension;

5.4.2.b.5. That the vendor's failure to request a hearing no later than 5 working days of

the receipt of the notice of suspension will be deemed a waiver of the right to a hearing and result in the automatic enforcement of the suspension without further notice or an opportunity to respond; and

5.4.2.b.6. That a request for a hearing must include an explanation of why the vendor believes the Director's asserted grounds for suspension do not apply and why the vendor should not be suspended.

5.4.2.c. A vendor's failure to serve a request for hearing on the Director no later than 5 working days of the vendor's receipt of the notice of suspension will be deemed a waiver of the right to a hearing and may result in the automatic enforcement of the suspension without further notice or an opportunity to respond.

5.4.2.d. A vendor who files a timely request for hearing but nevertheless fails to provide an explanation of why the asserted grounds for suspension are inapplicable or should not result in a suspension, may result in a denial of the vendor's hearing request.

5.4.2.e. Within 5 working days of receiving the vendor's request for a hearing, the Director will serve on the vendor a notice of hearing that includes the date, time and place of the hearing.

5.4.2.f. The hearing will be recorded and an official record prepared. Within 10 working days of the conclusion of the hearing, the Director will issue and serve on the vendor, a written decision either confirming or reversing the suspension.

5.4.3. A vendor may appeal a decision of the Director to the Secretary of the Department of Administration. The appeal must be in writing and served on the Secretary no later than 5 working days of receipt of the Director's decision.

5.4.4. The Secretary, or his or her designee, will schedule an appeal hearing and serve on the vendor, a notice of hearing that includes the date, time and place of the hearing. The appeal hearing will be recorded and an official record prepared. Within 10 working days of the conclusion of the appeal hearing, the Secretary will issue and serve on the vendor a written decision either confirming or reversing the suspension.

5.4.5. Any notice or service related to suspension actions or proceedings must be provided by certified mail, return receipt requested.

5.5. Vendor Debarment. The Director may debar a vendor on the basis of one or more of the grounds for debarment contained in W. Va. Code § 5A-3-33d or if the vendor has been declared ineligible to participate in procurement related activities under federal laws and regulation.

5.5.1. Debarment proceedings shall be conducted in accordance with W. Va. Code § 5A-3-33e and these rules. A vendor that has received notice of the proposed debarment by certified mail, return receipt requested, must respond to the proposed debarment within 30 working days after receipt of notice or the debarment will be instituted without further notice. A vendor is deemed to have received notice, notwithstanding the vendor's failure to accept the certified mail, if the letter is addressed to the vendor at its last known address. After considering the matter and reaching a decision, the Director shall notify the vendor of his or her decision by certified mail, return receipt requested.

5.5.2. Any vendor, other than a vendor prohibited from participating in federal procurement, undergoing debarment proceedings is permitted to continue participating in the state's procurement process until a final debarment decision has been reached. Any contract that a debarred vendor obtains prior to a final debarment decision shall remain in effect for the current term, but may not be extended or renewed. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Director may cancel a contract held by a debarred vendor if the Director determines, in his or her sole discretion, that doing so is in the best interest of the State. A vendor prohibited from participating in federal procurement will not be permitted to participate in the state's procurement process during debarment proceedings.

5.5.3. If the Director's final debarment decision is that debarment is warranted and notice of the final debarment decision is mailed, the Purchasing Division shall reject any bid submitted by the debarred vendor, including any bid submitted prior to the final debarment decision if that bid has not yet been accepted and a contract consummated.

5.5.4. Pursuant to W. Va. Code § 5A-3-33e(e), the length of the debarment period will be specified in the debarment decision and will be for a period of time that the Director finds necessary and proper to protect the public from an irresponsible vendor.

5.5.5. List of Debarred Vendors. The Director shall maintain and publicly post a list of debarred vendors on the Purchasing Division's website.

5.5.6. Related Party Debarment. The Director may pursue debarment of a related party at the same time that debarment of the original vendor is proceeding or at any time thereafter that the Director determines a related party debarment is warranted. Any entity that fails to provide the Director with full, complete, and accurate information requested by the Director to determine related party

status will be presumed to be a related party subject to debarment.

## 5.6. Damages.

5.6.1. A vendor who fails to perform as required under a contract shall be liable for actual damages and costs incurred by the state.

5.6.2. If any commodities delivered under a contract have been used or consumed by a spending unit and on testing the commodities are found not to comply with specifications, no payment may be approved by the Spending Unit for the merchandise until the amount of actual damages incurred has been determined.

5.6.3. The Spending Unit shall seek to collect damages by following the procedures established by the Office of the Attorney General for the collection of delinquent obligations.

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EXHIBIT B To:  
REQUIRED CONTRACT PROVISIONS FOR NON-FEDERAL ENTITY  
CONTRACTS UNDER FEDERAL AWARDS (2 C.F.R. § 200.317):

Prevailing Wage Determination

- Not Applicable Because Contract Not for Construction
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#### **SECTION FOUR: PROJECT SPECIFICATIONS**

##### **4.1. Location:**

The Agency is located in the State Capitol Complex, Building 6, at 1900 Kanawha Boulevard East, Charleston, WV 25305-0330. The services will be provided to the Agency and each applicable Local Education Agency (LEA), which currently consists of 55 local county boards of education, 7 Multi-County Vocational Centers (MCVCs) and 3 Educational Service Cooperatives (ESCs).

##### **4.2. Background and Current Operating Environment:**

The Agency is seeking proposals from qualified Vendors capable of providing an ERP solution with the capacity to handle approximately 500 concurrent users and enable the Agency to replace its finance and human resource legacy system with a more user-friendly, modern, and integrated ERP system. The purpose of this RFP is to identify a software solution that includes implementation for each LEA, while allowing the Agency to have access to all local LEA data.

##### **4.2.1 WV Public Education Snapshot**

West Virginia's K-12 educational system has the following characteristics:

- Approximately 250,000 students in 637 rural, urban, and suburban schools.
- Approximately 24,000 total teachers, administrators, professional personnel staff.
- Approximately 14,000 service personnel.
- 26 career technical education centers; 7 multi-county centers; 82 adult learning locations

The West Virginia public education system consists of three levels: the individual school, the county board of education (district or LEA), and the Agency serving the State Board of Education.

The Agency consists of 8 offices serving the State Superintendent of Schools.

##### **4.2.2 Current System Overview**

The West Virginia Education Information System (WVEIS) was established in approximately 1990 when the Agency implemented the National Computer Systems (NCS) Comprehensive Information Management for Schools (CIMS III) software on IBM AS/400 hardware as a state-wide K-12 educational information system. The CIMS III software included the following:

- SMS – Student Management System
- FMS – Financial Management System (Accounts Payable/Receivable, General Ledger, Purchasing)
- EMS – Employee Management System (Assignments, Contracts, Payroll)
- HMS – Human Resource Management System (Position Inventory)
- FAS – Fixed Asset Management System
- WHS - Warehouse Management System

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All 55 county boards of education were required to participate in the WVEIS project for standardized processing and reporting.

In the early 2000s, WVDE acquired the source for the CIMS III software and has continued to maintain and update code to provide the necessary services for the counties. Over time the AS/400 hardware was upgraded to IBM I Series Servers and WVEIS continues to provide the solution for which it was intended for 55 boards of education with approximately 38,000 employees and 250,000 students. In 2023, WVDE replaced the SMS software for a modern user interface and is now looking to replace the FMS, EMS and HMS portions of WVEIS.

#### 4.3. Qualifications and Experience

**Vendors should provide their response to each specification listed in the *Qualification* section of Attachment A: *Technical Specifications and Vendor Response*.** The Vendor's response should include but is not limited to, information regarding their firm, such as staff qualifications and experience in completing similar projects; references; copies of any staff certifications or degrees applicable to this project; proposed staffing plan; descriptions of past projects completed entailing the location of the project, project manager name and contact information, type of project, and what the project goals and objectives were and how they were met.

#### 4.4. Project Goals:

**Vendors should provide a response to each specification and section listed in Attachment A : *Technical Specifications and Vendor Response*.** Responses should be clearly labeled and follow the same numbering scheme as presented in Attachment A to ensure clarity and ease of evaluation.

**Vendors may provide a response to each specification and section listed in Attachment C: *Optional Technical Specifications and Vendor Response*.** Responses should be clearly labeled and follow the same numbering scheme as presented in Attachment C: *Optional Technical Specifications and Vendor Response* to ensure clarity and ease of evaluation.

Important Notes:

- Incomplete or poorly identified responses may result in point deductions at the sole discretion of the WVDE.
- All supporting documentation requested in this RFP should be submitted with the proposal. Failure to include required documents may negatively impact the evaluation of the proposal.
- Vendors should provide clear and verifiable proof of their ability to meet the specifications and achieve the goals listed in this RFP.

#### 4.5 Mandatory Requirements

**Vendors must provide their response to each requirement listed in the *Mandatory Requirements* section of Attachment A : *Technical Specifications and Vendor Response*.** The mandatory requirements must be met by the Vendor as a part of the submitted proposal. **Failure on the part of the Vendor to meet any of the mandatory specifications shall result in the disqualification of the proposal. The terms "must,"**

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**“will,” “shall,” “minimum,” “maximum,” or “is/are required” identify a mandatory item or factor.**

Decisions regarding compliance with any mandatory requirements shall be at the sole discretion of the Purchasing Section. Mandatory deliverables are defined as those services/milestones, etc. that the successful Vendor shall provide after award and execution of the contract.

#### 4.6. Oral Presentation (Agency Option):

The Agency has the option of requiring oral presentations. If this option is exercised, points will be allocated as part of the written technical evaluation. The Agency may request that any function, product, or system capability included in the bidder’s proposal be demonstrated.

The demonstration shall take place at the West Virginia Department of Education, Building 6, 1900 Kanawha Blvd. E., Charleston, West Virginia, 25305. Bidders are responsible for setting up their demonstration and covering any related expenses. The Agency will provide a minimum of three weeks’ notice for preparation. Bidders may not select the date or time of their demonstration.

### SECTION FIVE: VENDOR PROPOSAL

**5.1 Economy of Preparation:** Proposals should be prepared simply and economically providing a concise description of the Vendor’s product and abilities to satisfy the requirements of the RFP. Emphasis should be placed on completeness and clarity of the content.

**5.2 Incurring Cost:** Neither the Agency nor any of its employees or officers shall be held liable for any expenses incurred by any Vendor responding to this RFP, including but not limited to preparation, delivery, or travel.

**5.3 Proposal Format:** Vendors should provide responses in the format listed below:

**5.3.1 Two-Part Submission:** Vendors **must** submit proposals in two distinct parts: technical (**Attachment A: *Technical Specifications and Vendor Response***) and cost (**Attachment B: *Cost Proposal Form***). Technical proposals must NOT contain any cost information relating to the project.

**Cost proposal must contain all cost information and must be sealed in a separate envelope from the technical proposal to facilitate a secondary cost proposal opening.**

**5.3.2 Title Page:** State the RFP subject, number, Vendor’s name, business address, telephone number, name of contact person, e-mail address, and Vendor signature and date.

**5.3.3 Table of Contents:** Clearly identify the material by section and page number.

**5.3.4 Response Reference:** To respond to the RFP, clearly explain how your information addresses each request. Use the appropriate *Vendor Response Indicator* for every item listed in Attachment A: *Technical Specifications and Vendor Response*. Locate the *Description/Comments* field for each section number in Attachment A: *Technical Specifications and Vendor Response* and enter your response directly into that field.

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**Proposal Submission:** All proposals (both technical and cost) must be submitted to the Purchasing Section **prior** to the date and time listed in Section 2, Instructions to Vendors Submitting Bids as the bid opening date and time.

#### **SECTION SIX: EVALUATION AND AWARD**

- 6.1 Evaluation Process:** Proposals will be evaluated in two parts by a committee of three (3) or more individuals. The first evaluation will be of the technical proposal and the second is an evaluation of the cost proposal. The Vendor who demonstrates that it meets all of the mandatory specifications required, attains the minimum acceptable score and attains the highest overall point score of all Vendors shall be awarded the contract.
- 6.2 Evaluation Criteria:** All evaluation criteria set forth in the solicitation and information contained in the proposals submitted in response to the solicitation. The technical evaluation will be based upon the point allocations designated below for a total of 700 of the 1000 points. Cost represents 300 of the 1000 total points.

#### **Evaluation Point Allocation:**

• Qualifications and Experience:	50 Points Possible
• Functionality - Finance	110 Points Possible
• Functionality – HR/Payroll	110 Points Possible
• Reporting & Analytics	110 Points Possible
• Implementation Methodology	70 Points Possible
• Budgeting & Forecasting	70 Points Possible
• User Experience/Usability	70 Points Possible
• Integration Capabilities	30 Points Possible
• Compliance & Audit Trail	30 Points Possible
• Oral Presentation:	50 Points Possible
<b>Total Technical Score:</b>	<b>700 Points Possible</b>
• <b>Cost:</b>	<b><u>300 Points Possible</u></b>

**Total Proposal Score: 1000 Points Possible**

- 6.3 Technical Bid Opening:** At the technical bid opening, the Purchasing Section will open and announce the technical proposals received prior to the bid opening deadline. Once opened, the technical proposals will be provided to the Agency evaluation committee for technical evaluation.
- 6.4 Technical Evaluation:** The Agency evaluation committee will review the technical proposals, assign points where appropriate, and make a final written recommendation to the Purchasing Section.
- 6.5 Proposal Disqualification:**

**6.5.1 Minimum Acceptable Score (“MAS”):** Vendors must score a minimum of 70% (490 points) of the total technical points possible in order to move past the technical evaluation and have their cost proposal evaluated. All Vendor proposals not attaining the MAS will be disqualified.

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**6.5.2 Failure to Meet Mandatory Requirement:** Vendors must meet or exceed all mandatory requirements in order to move past the technical evaluation and have their cost proposals evaluated. Proposals failing to meet one or more mandatory requirements of the RFP will be disqualified.

**6.6 Cost Bid Opening:** The Purchasing Section will schedule a date and time to publicly open and announce cost proposals after technical evaluation has been completed and the Purchasing Section has approved the technical recommendation of the evaluation committee. All cost bids received will be opened. Cost bids for disqualified proposals will be opened for record-keeping purposes only and will not be evaluated or considered. Once opened, the cost proposals will be provided to the Agency evaluation committee for cost evaluation.

The Purchasing Section reserves the right to disqualify a proposal based upon deficiencies in the technical proposal even after the cost evaluation.

**6.7 Cost Evaluation:** The Agency evaluation committee will review the cost proposals, assign points in accordance with the cost evaluation formula contained herein and make a final recommendation to the Purchasing Section.

**Cost Evaluation Formula:** Each cost proposal will have points assigned using the following formula for all Vendors not disqualified during the technical evaluation. The lowest cost of all proposals is divided by the cost of the proposal being evaluated to generate a cost score percentage. That percentage is then multiplied by the points attributable to the cost proposal to determine the number of points allocated to the cost proposal being evaluated.

**Step 1:**  $\text{Lowest Cost of All Proposals} / \text{Cost of Proposal Being Evaluated} = \text{Cost Score Percentage}$

**Step 2:**  $\text{Cost Score Percentage} \times \text{Points Allocated to Cost Proposal} = \text{Total Cost Score}$

Example:

Proposal 1 Cost is \$1,000,000  
Proposal 2 Cost is \$1,100,000  
Points Allocated to Cost Proposal is 300

Proposal 1: Step 1 –  $\$1,000,000 / \$1,000,000 = \text{Cost Score Percentage of } 1 \text{ (100\%)}$   
Step 2 –  $1 \times 300 = \text{Total Cost Score of } 300$

Proposal 2: Step 1 –  $\$1,000,000 / \$1,100,000 = \text{Cost Score Percentage of } 0.909091 \text{ (90.9091\%)}$   
Step 2 –  $0.909091 \times 300 = \text{Total Cost Score of } 272.7273$

**6.8 Availability of Information:** Proposals and other information associated with the RFP, including but not limited to, technical scores and reasons for disqualification, will not be available until after the contract has been awarded.

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By signing below, I certify that I have reviewed this RFP in its entirety; understand the requirements, terms and conditions, and other information contained herein; that I am submitting this proposal for review and consideration; that I am authorized by the bidder to execute this bid or any documents related thereto on bidder's behalf; that I am authorized to bind the bidder in a contractual relationship; and that, to the best of my knowledge, the bidder has properly registered with any State agency that may require registration.

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Company)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Representative Name, Title)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Contact Phone/Fax Number)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Date)

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**Attachment B: Cost Proposal Form**

The Vendor's Cost Proposal Form should be submitted in a separate sealed envelope. Cost should be clearly marked.

Vendors must realize that the quantities, when provided, are estimates and will be used in the evaluation of the RFP. However, it is the intent of the RFP that this contract be awarded as an open-ended contract. The actual quantities needed are anticipated to fluctuate and are unknown at this time. The Vendor's rate will be established as a result of this award, but the quantity of items needed may be considered open-ended, to be authorized in advance by the Agency.

Invoices will only be processed as deliverables are completed and accepted by the Agency.

The Agency will not be responsible for any cost not identified.

**VENDOR'S SECTION:**

Vendor: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Representative Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_