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#### SECTION B: CONTRACT TYPE, SUPPLIES OR SERVICES AND PRICE/COST

B.1 The Office of Data and Technology's (ODT) Information Technology (IT) Division seeks a contractor to provide E-Rate guidance, representation, project management, procurement and application preparation, application filing, program review processes, funding commitment and deadline tracking, invoicing, and billing, vendor management, document management, and appeals for the base period which should begin on October 1, 2022, through September 30, 2023.

**B.2** The District contemplates award of single requirement Contract in accordance with 27 DCMR Chapter 24

#### **B.3** REQUIREMENTS CONTRACT

The district will purchase its requirements of the articles or services included herein from the Contractor. The estimated quantities stated herein reflect the best estimates available. The estimate shall not be construed as a representation that the estimated quantity will be required or ordered, or that conditions affecting requirements will be stable. The estimated quantities shall not be construed to limit the quantities which may be ordered from the Contractor by the District or to relieve the Contractor of its obligation to fill all such orders.

- a) Delivery or performance shall be made only as authorized in accordance with the Ordering Clause, section G.4 The District may issue orders requiring delivery to multiple destinations or performance at multiple locations. If the District urgently requires delivery before the earliest date that delivery may be specified under this contract, and if the Contractor shall not accept an order providing for the accelerated delivery, the district may acquire the urgently required goods or services from another source.
- b) There is no limit on the number of orders that may be issued. The district may issue orders requiring delivery to multiple destinations or perform at multiple locations.
- c) Any order issued during the effective period of this contract and not completed within that period shall be completed by the Contractor within the time specified in the order. The contract shall govern the Contractor's and District's rights and obligations with respect to that order to the same extent as if the order were completed during the contract's effective period; provided that the Contractor shall not be required to make any deliveries under this contract after September 30, 2027.

# **B.4** PRICE SCHEDULE

#### B.4.1 Base Period: October 01, 2022, through September 30, 2023

Item No (CLIN)	Item Description	Unit price	Quantity	Total Price
0001	Professional E-Rate Consulting Services	\$	1 (12 months)	\$
	Grand Total			\$

## B.4.2 Option Year One: October 01, 2023, through September 30, 2024

Item No (CLIN)	Item Description	Unit price	Quantity	Total Price
1001	Professional E-Rate Consulting Services	\$	1 (12 months)	\$
	Grand Total			\$

# B.4.3 Option Year Two: October 01, 2024, through September 30, 2025

Item No (CLIN)	Item Description	Unit Price	Quantity	Total Price
2001	Professional E-Rate Consulting Services	\$	1 (12 months)	\$
	Grand Total			\$

# B.4.4 Option Year Three: October 01, 2025, through September 30, 2026

Item No (CLIN)	Item Description	Unit Price	Quantity	Total Price
3001	Professional E-Rate Consulting Services	\$	1 (12 months)	\$
	Grand Total			\$

# B.4.5 Option Year Four: October 01, 2026, through September 30, 2027

Item No				
(CLIN)	Item Description	Unit Price	Quantity	Total Price
4001		\$	1 (12months)	\$
	Professional E-Rate Consulting Services			
	Grand Total			\$

**B.5** A bidder responding to this solicitation that is required to subcontract shall be required to submit with its bid, any subcontracting plan required by law. Bids responding to this IFB shall be deemed nonresponsive and shall be rejected if the bidder fails to submit a subcontracting plan that is required by law.

For contracts in excess of \$250,000, at least 35% of the dollar volume of the contract shall be subcontracted in accordance with section H.9.1.

#### B.6 SPECIAL PROVISIONS RELATED TO THE COVID-19 EMERGENCY

(a) The Contractor is required to comply with Mayor's Order 2021-099, COVID-19 Vaccination Certification Requirement for District Government Employees, Contractors, Interns, and Grantees, dated August 10, 2021, and all substantially similar vaccine requirements including any modifications to this Order, unless and until they are rescinded or superseded. At the request of the district government, Contractors may be asked to provide certification of compliance with this requirement and/or documents and records in support of this certification.

(b) The Contractor is required to comply with City Administrator's Order 2021-4, Resumption of Requirement for All Persons to Wear a Mask Inside District Government Buildings and While on Duty as a District Government Employee or Contractor, dated July 30, 2021, and all substantially similar mask requirements including any modifications to this Order, unless and until they are rescinded or superseded.

# **SECTION C: SPECIFICATIONS/WORK STATEMENT**

## C.1 SCOPE:

- **C.1.1** The Office of Data and Technology's (ODT) Information Technology (IT) Division seeks a contractor to provide E-Rate guidance, representation, project management, procurement and application preparation, application filing, program review processes, funding commitment and deadline tracking, invoicing, and billing, vendor management, document management, and appeals for the base period which should begin on October 1, 2022, through September 30, 2023.
- C.1.2 The District's ultimate objective is to obtain (either entirely or partly through this contract) discounts and / or reimbursements and credits for all E-Rate eligible items required by D.C. Public Schools. The District's expectation is that the contractor shall complete, file, submit and track all necessary paperwork for all potentially eligible items

#### C.2 APPLICABLE DOCUMENTS

The following documents are applicable to this procurement and are hereby incorporated in this reference:

<b>Document Type</b>	Title	Location
Online	rules and regulations of the Federal Communications Commission	https://www.fcc.gov/wireless/bure au-divisions/technologies-systems- and-innovation-division/rules- regulations-title-47
Online	rules and regulations of the E-Rate program	https://www.ecfr.gov/current/title -47/chapter-I/subchapter-B/part- 54/subpart-F

#### C.3 DEFINITIONS

These terms when used in this IFB have the following meanings:

- **C.3.1** Contract Administrator (CA): The designated DCPS representative responsible for ensuring that the work of the contractor conforms to the requirements of the contract and for advising the Contracting Officer (CO) accordingly.
- C.3.2 SLD: Schools and Libraries Division
- **C.3.3 Background Check (suitability investigation)**: An investigation or reference checks that serves as verification of a person's criminal record, motor vehicle violations, education, employment history, and all other activities that have occurred in the past to confirm their validity determination conducted by personnel staff to determine that personnel comply with local laws (District of Columbia) and, if applicable Federal laws and guidelines to provide services to students
- **C.3.4 RAL:** Receipt Acknowledgement Letter
- **C.3.5 USAC:** Universal Service Administrative Company
- **C.3.6 Customary E-Rate:** Activities generally associated with the majority of filings received by the SLD, including selective reviews to monitor, control, and report progress, issues, and resource expenditures.
- **C.3.7 Weekly Contract Status** information related to planned weekly activities, status of ongoing activities, anticipated activities, problems/issues arising from activities (planned or ongoing), and alternatives and or recommendations for preliminary issues/problems from planned or ongoing activities.

# C.4 BACKGROUND

- C.4.1 The District of Columbia Public Schools (DCPS) educates approximately 49,000 students in 116 schools and educational centers. DCPS employs about 8000 teachers, principals, classroom aides, social workers, counselors, custodians, and other support staff who work to carry out the public education mission in DC. The district also counts amongst its facilities another four (4) administrative locations and mission-oriented offices, such as the Central office location and support sites, warehouse, and logistics facilities
- C.4.2 The Office of Data and Technology's (ODT) Information Technology (IT) Division supplies technical support, guidance, and academic solutions to staff and students district-wide and strives to maintain the most ultramodern infrastructure to sustain not just the necessities but also the wildest dreams of students and efforts of the teaching community
- C.4.3 The District of Columbia Public Schools (DCPS) applies for funding through the federal E-Rate (Education Rate) program supported by the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) and administered by the Schools and Libraries Division (SLD) of the Universal Service Administrative Company (USAC). E-Rate provides discounts which lower the cost to assist schools and libraries to help offset the costs of high-speed data lines, network equipment, and Internet access to schools and eligible administrative entities It's a tiered system of reimbursement, for which Information Technology applies on behalf of all K-12 schools connected to the DCPS network.

C.4.4 The Telecommunications Act of 1996 expanded the obligation of telecommunications providers to make available discounted services to the nation's schools and libraries. This initiative became known as the E-Rate (Education Rate) program. The Schools and Libraries Division (SLD) of the Universal Service Administrative Company (USAC) administer it. E-Rate program funds technology discounts to K-12 schools amounts to approximately \$2.5 billion annually. Schools' participation in National School Lunch Program (NSLP), endowment sizes, and other factors contribute to determination of approval / disapproval of a school's filed application. Types of eligible technology include telecommunications, internet access and internal connectivity

**C.4.5** The District of Columbia began participation in the E-Rate program in 1998. Filing and representation services for the District have historically been provided by a contractor. DC Public Libraries, Charter Schools, and the Office of the State Superintendent of Education (OSSE) are not included in the scope of this work.

#### C.5 REQUIREMENTS

DCPS aims to engage vendors to supply E-rate consulting services. The goal of this contract is to obtain quality E-Rate consulting, filing service, and representation for the D.C. Public Schools on E-Rate activities, and billing / credits, appeals and reimbursement management services for the E-Rate program.

#### C.5.1 Consultation

- **C.5.1.1** Contractor shall provide the technical advice and guidance needed to be successful in taking full advantage of the Federal program.
- **C.5.1.2** Contractor shall develop Form 470 and 471 applications in final form for review, approval, and submission by the District Government.
- **C.5.1.3** Contractor shall work directly with SLD on behalf of the District for application issues as they arise.
- **C.5.1.4** Contractor shall update and maintain a schedule for submitting Services Ordered, Certification and Termination for existing contracts and future expected contracts.
- **C.5.1.5** Contractor shall transform enrollment and school lunch participation data into the correct information format required for E-rate
- **C.5.1.6** Contractor shall as required prepare FCC Form 486 Receipt of Service Confirmation Form for submission.
- **C.5.1.7** Contractor shall provide technical support to project leaders in the appropriate construction of contracts to ease the application process. Contractor shall work with E-Rate eligible vendors to enhance billing statements to facilitate discount / reimbursement process

# C.5.2 Filing

- **C.5.2.1** The services shall include, but are not limited to, completion, submission and filing of SLD Forms 470, 471, 472, 486.
- C.5.2.2 Contractor shall provide support for multiple E-Rate program years' applications, reimbursement and

- discount billing at a given time
- **C.5.2.3**. Contractor shall maintain appropriate documents and spreadsheets for each funding year to track status of the FCPS application process, reimbursements, and billing discount expectations.
- **C.5.2.4** Contractor shall provide all the technical advice and guidance needed to take full advantage of the Federal program.
- **C.5.2.5** Contractor shall work directly with the Schools and Libraries Division on behalf of the District for application issues as they arise.
- **C.5.2.6** Contractor shall update and maintain a schedule for submitting services ordered, certification and termination (FCC Form 471) for existing contracts and future expected contracts
- **C.5.2.7** Contractor shall support the identification of all projects requiring new E-Rate eligible contracts to be implemented in the upcoming funding year
- **C.5.2.8** Contractor shall assist in supplementing, modifying and or correcting any of the information.
- **C.5.2.9** Contractor shall provide technical support to project leaders in the appropriate construction of contracts to ease the application process and work with eligible vendors to enhance the billing statements to facilitate the discount and reimbursement process.
- **C.5.2.10** Contractor shall submit and file all SLD forms necessary for acceptance and approval of all the District's potentially eligible programs in a timely manner.
- **C.5.2.11** Contractor shall represent D.C. Public Schools for all E-Rate matters related to E-Rate filings for the current Funding year. Activities include responding to all SLD inquiries associated with the review of current Funding year filings. Subsequent filings in connection with an approved funding commitment and project implementation may include Form 486, service substitutions, service provider charges, Form 472s and billing reconciliation associated with credits and reimbursements.
- **C.5.2.12** Contractor shall be responsible for all customary E-Rate activities, including selective reviews and progress tracking.
- **C.5.2.13** Contractor shall assume and accept responsibilities from incumbent contractor for "still open" E-Rate activities and matters of previous Funding years.
- **C.5.2.14** Contractor shall identify District requirements which are potentially E-Rate program eligible and make recommendations to the COTR regarding additional opportunities. Recommendations shall include procedural changes to procurement practices and policies which may enhance or increase the value of the E-Rate services provided.
- **C.5.2.15** Contractor shall review the outcome of separately analyzed School Lunch Program data and recommend changes or improvements to enhance the District's ultimate objective.
- **C.5.2.16** Contractor shall assist with (and make recommendations for improvements to) the District's shortand long-term technology plans from the perspective of maximizing E-Rate opportunities.
- **C.5.2.17** Contractor shall provide SLD Audit assistance and support.

C.5.2.18 Contractor shall maintain and publish an E-Rate filing schedule for the year and shall work with DC Public Schools management to ensure contractor and management are on schedule to meet all filing deadlines

## **C.5.3** Representation

**C.5.3.1** Representation services shall include Appeals actions and responses to SLD inquiries and audits for the current or previous Funding Years.

# **C.5.4** Communications with Program managers

- **C.5.4.1** Contractor is expected to provide prompt, consistent, and clear communication with DCPS program managers.
- **C.5.4.2** Consistent, prompt oral, telephone, and email communication are required to ensure Contractor and DCPS are on the same page. Modifications of the timeline, instructions, specifications should not be processed without the express approval of the Program Manager.
- **C.5.4.3** Contractor shall schedule bi-weekly or weekly meetings to brief DCPS on program changes and the status of the funding request.

## C.5.5 VENDOR QUALIFICATIONS

The contractor shall provide a package that addresses the following qualifications and skills.

- **C.5.5.1** Contractor shall provide proof that they are qualified via proof of specialized and technical experience and have adequate financing to sustain the staff to provide the services in this SOW.
- **C.5.5.2** Contractor shall demonstrate this ability by providing the information as set forth below:
  - Experienced staff to perform all services. At a minimum, the vendor must have at least ten
    (10) Certified E-Rate Management Professionals (CEMPs) dedicated to providing E-rate
    consulting services. The vendor shall provide two resumes of engaged Key Personnel
    assigned to this contract who meet all the requirements.
  - Proof of at least five (5) years of continuous successful experience providing E-rate
     Consulting Services to K-12 school districts with over 50,000 students. Please provide references for these projects and include the following information:

Project	Description	POC Name	POC Email	POC Phone
Project Name/District				
1).				
2).				
3).				
4).				
5).				

**C.5.5.3** Contractor shall have at least five (5) years' experience maintaining a secure, online repository of client data, including E-rate forms and documentation accessible 24/7 by school district staff.

**C.5.5.4** Contractor shall demonstrate an ability to continuously monitor and provide automated, electronic notifications regarding changes of the status of USAC funding commitments in a timely manner.

- **C.5.5.5** Contractor shall demonstrate initiative and resourcefulness in researching the topics to be presented, planning for the most effective means of communication. Please provide a brief statement on how your company will complete this requirement.
- **C.5.5.6** Contractor shall be highly organized; comfortable working with multiple simultaneous priorities / projects.

# C.5.6 Project Management.

**C.5.6.1 Contract Management Plan** – The Vendor shall prepare draft and final Contract Management Plan specifying the tasks, sub tasks, and approaches to be used to provide the services and products specified including the deliverable documents, analyses, and reports necessary to fulfill the requirements of this SOW especially fulfillment of the delivery and deployment of devices, professional development, service level agreements, quality assurance, software, and recovery.

This Plan shall be delivered in draft not later than one week following the award of the Contract.

- **C.5.6.2 Weekly or Bi-weekly Contract Status and Progress Review** The Vendor shall participate in weekly management review meetings and be prepared to present and discuss the following:
  - Activities planned for the week
  - Work and deliverables completed during the period
  - Status of ongoing activities
  - Activities planned for the following period
  - Problems or issues projected or identified
  - Alternatives and/or recommended solution(s) for identified or projected problems or issues
  - Known or projected resources (staff and funding) and schedule impacts

#### **C.5.7 Security Requirements**

Access to classified documents, data, studies, reports, and other documentation and information may be required. Consequently, background and fingerprinting are required. Access to the Background and Fingerprinting Check Form will be provided after award of contract. Further, the vendor will be accessing a private, filtered network and the duties to be performed by vendor personnel have been designated as non-sensitive. As such, vendor personnel assigned under this Contract must have taken CIPPA, FERPA and HIPAA training and signed a non-disclosure agreement. Information gathered, developed, analyzed, and produced under this contract remain the property of the District and shall be protected from unauthorized or inadvertent modification, disclosure, destruction, or use. Prior to the arrival of any vendor employee to commence work under this contract at any District Government site, the vendor must provide advance notice to the Government for visitor control purposes and have provided verification of background, fingerprinting, and TB clearance.

# SECTION D: PACKAGING AND MARKING Not Applicable

#### SECTION E: INSPECTION AND ACCEPTANCE

E.1 The inspection and acceptance requirements for this contract shall be governed by clause number clause number six (6), Inspection of Services of the Government of the District of Columbia's Standard Contract Provisions for use with Supplies and Services Contracts, dated July 2010. (Attachment J.1)

#### SECTION F: PERIOD OF PERFORMANCE AND DELIVERABLES

#### F.1 TERM OF CONTRACT

The term of the contract shall from date of award October 01, 2022, as specified on the cover page of this contract.

#### F.2 OPTION TO EXTEND THE TERM OF THE CONTRACT

- **F.2.1** The district may extend the term of this contract for a period of four (4) one-year option periods, or successive fractions thereof, by written notice to the Contractor before the expiration of the contract; provided that the district will give the Contractor preliminary written notice of its intent to extend at least thirty (30) days before the contract expires. The preliminary notice does not commit the district to an extension. The exercise of this option is subject to the availability of funds at the time of the exercise of this option. The Contractor may waive the thirty (30) day preliminary notice requirement by providing a written waiver to the Contracting Officer prior to expiration of the contract.
- **F.2.2** If the District exercises this option, the extended contract shall be considered to include this option provision.
- **F.2.3** The price for the option period(s) shall be as specified in Section B of the contract.
- **F.2.4** The total duration of this contract, including the exercise of any options under this clause, shall not exceed *five* (5) years.

## F.3 DELIVERABLES

The Contractor shall perform the activities required to successfully complete the district's requirements and submit each delivery to the Contract Administrator identified in section G.9 in accordance with the following:

Deliverable Line-Item Number	Deliverable	Deliverable Due Date	Delivery Method	Deliver to Personnel
	Monthly report to COTR summarizing activities and	Monthly on		
	accomplishments, as well as any recommendations, if	1st day of	Email to	
001	applicable. (Electronic format – Microsoft Word)	the month	dcps.erate@dc.gov	COTR
	Tracking document (spreadsheet) indicating progress of			
	each e-Rate project, updated weekly, by funding year. Data	Monthly on		
	shall include follow-up necessary and expected milestone	1st day of	Email to	
002	dates. (Format TBD by COTR)	the month	dcps.erate@dc.gov	COTR

	Contractor's periodic report on any SLD, or E-Rate program rule or policy changes that may affect funding, or technology plans for the District. Reports shall be in the form of newsletters or other periodical publications released at regular intervals with DC Public Schools officials as the	Quarterly on 1st day		
	intended reader. (Duration of regular intervals and format	of the	Email to	
003	to be determined by the COTR.)	month	dcps.erate@dc.gov	COTR
	Contractor shall provide immediate notification to COTR of all significant or special SLD or E-rate program rule or			
	policy changes, which may affect funding, or technology		Email to	
004	plans of the District.	As needed	dcps.erate@dc.gov	COTR
	Contractor shall store and file all records and documents electronically. The contractor shall provide copies of the electronic documents to DC Public Schools officials upon			
	demand. Quarterly, the contractor shall review, then turn over all digitized files to DC Public Schools officials. All documents, forms and applications shall remain the	As needed, accessible via cloud	Access provided	
005	property of DC Public Schools.	filing system	to COTR	

**F.3.1** The Contractor shall submit to the district, as a deliverable, the report described in section H.5.5 which is required by **the 51%** District Residents New Hires Requirements and First Source Employment Agreement. If the Contractor does not submit the report as part of the deliverables, the district shall not make final payment to the Contractor pursuant to section G.3.2.

#### SECTION G: CONTRACT ADMINISTRATION

#### **G.1** INVOICE PAYMENT

- **G.1.1** The district will make payments to the Contractor, upon the submission of proper invoices, based upon Section B (Cost or Price Schedules and Section F (Deliverables) at the prices stipulated in this contract, for supplies delivered and accepted or services performed and accepted, less any discounts, allowances or adjustments provided for in this contract.
- **G.1.2** The district will pay the Contractor on or before the 30<sup>th</sup> day after receiving a proper invoice from the Contractor.

#### G.2 INVOICE SUBMITTAL

- **G.2.1** The Contractor shall create and submit payment requests in an electronic format through the DC Vendor Portal, <a href="https://vendorportal.dc.gov">https://vendorportal.dc.gov</a>
- **G.2.2** The Contractor shall submit proper invoices on a monthly basis or as otherwise specified in Section G.4:
- G.2.2.1 Contractor's name, federal tax ID and invoice date (date invoices as of the date of mailing or transmittal);
- **G.2.2.2** Contract number and invoice number.
- **G.2.2.3** Description, price, quantity, and the date(s) that the supplies or services were delivered or performed.
- **G.2.2.4** Other supporting documentation or information, as required by the Contracting Officer.

**G.2.2.5** Name, title, telephone number and complete mailing address of the official responsible to whom payment is to be sent.

- **G.2.2.6** Name, title, phone number of person preparing the invoice.
- **G.2.2.7** Name, title, phone number and mailing address of person (if different from the person identified in G.2.2.6 above) to be notified in the event of a defective invoice; and
- **G.2.2.8** Authorized signature.

#### G.3 FIRST SOURCE AGREEMENT REQUEST FOR FINAL PAYMENT

- **G.3.1** For contracts subject to the 51% District Residents New Hires Requirements and First Source Employment Agreement requirements, final request for payment must be accompanied by the report or a waiver of compliance discussed in section H.5.5.
- **G.3.2** The district shall not make final payment to the Contractor until the agency CFO has received the CO's final determination or approval of waiver of the Contractor's compliance with 51% District Residents New Hires Requirements and First Source Employment Agreement requirements.
- G.4 PAYMENT
- G.4.1 PAYMENTS ON PARTIAL DELIVERIES OF SERVICES -

**RESERVED** 

- G.4.2
- G.4.3 LUMP SUM PAYMENT RESERVED
- **G.4.4 ORDERING CLAUSE**
- **G.4.4.1** Any supplies and services to be furnished under this contract must be ordered by issuance of delivery orders or task orders by the CO. Such orders may be issued during the term of this contract.
- **G.4.4.2** All delivery orders or task orders are subject to the terms and conditions of this contract. In the event of a conflict between a delivery order or task order and this contract, the contract shall control.
- **G.4.4.3** If mailed, a delivery order or task order is considered "issued" when the district deposits the order in the mail. Orders may be issued by facsimile or by electronic commerce methods.

#### G.5 ASSIGNMENT OF CONTRACT PAYMENTS

- **G.5.1** In accordance with 27 DCMR 3250, the Contractor may assign to a bank, trust company, or other financing institution funds due or to become due as a result of the performance of this contract.
- **G.5.2** Any assignment shall cover all unpaid amounts payable under this contract and shall not be made to more than one party.

**G.5.3** Notwithstanding an assignment of contract payments, the Contractor, not the assignee, is required to prepare invoices. Where such an assignment has been made, the original copy of the invoice must refer to the assignment and must show that payment of the invoice is to be made directly to the assignee as follows:

"Pursuant to the instrument of assignment dated \_\_\_\_\_\_, make payment of this invoice to <u>(name and address of assignee)</u>."

#### **G.6 THE QUICK PAYMENT ACT**

## **G.6.1** Interest Penalties to Contractors

- **G.6.1.1** The District will pay interest penalties on amounts due to the Contractor under the Quick Payment Act, D.C. Official Code § 2-221.01 *et seq.*, as amended, for the period beginning on the day after the required payment date and ending on the date on which payment of the amount is made. Interest shall be calculated at the rate of at least 1% per month. No interest penalty shall be paid if payment for the completed delivery of the item of property or service is made on or before the required payment date. The required payment date shall be:
- **G.6.1.1.1** The date on which payment is due under the terms of the contract.
- **G.6.1.1.2** Not later than 7 calendar days, excluding legal holidays, after the date of delivery of meat or meat food products
- **G.6.1.1.3** Not later than 10 calendar days, excluding legal holidays, after the date of delivery of a perishable agricultural commodity; or
- **G.6.1.1.4** 30 calendar days, excluding legal holidays, after receipt of a proper invoice for the amount of the payment due.
- **G.6.1.2** No interest penalty shall be due to the Contractor if payment for the completed delivery of goods or services is made on or after:
- **G.6.1.2.1** 3<sup>rd</sup> day after the required payment date for meat or a meat food product.
- **G.6.1.2.2** 5<sup>th</sup> day after the required payment date for an agricultural commodity; or
- **G.6.1.2.3 15**<sup>th</sup> day after any other required payment date.
- **G.6.1.3** Any interest penalty which remains unpaid at the end of any 30-day period shall be added to the principal amount of the debt and thereafter interest penalties shall accrue on the added amount.

## **G.6.2** Payments to Subcontractors

- **G.6.2.1** The Contractor must take one of the following actions within seven (7) days of receipt of any amount paid to the Contractor by the District for work performed by any subcontractor under the contract:
- **G.6.2.1.1** Pay the subcontractor(s) for the proportionate share of the total payment received from the district that is attributable to the subcontractor(s) for work performed under the contract; or

**G.6.2.1.2** Notify the CO and the subcontractor(s), in writing, of the Contractor's intention to withhold all or part of the subcontractor's payment and state the reason for the nonpayment.

- **G.6.2.2** The Contractor must pay any subcontractor or supplier interest penalties on amounts due to the subcontractor or supplier beginning on the day after the payment is due and ending on the date on which the payment is made. Interest shall be calculated at the rate of at least 1.5% per month. No interest penalty shall be paid on the following if payment for the completed delivery of the item of property or service is made on or before the:
- **G.6.2.2.1** 3<sup>rd</sup> day after the required payment date for meat or a meat product.
- **G.6.2.2.2** 5<sup>th</sup> day after the required payment date for an agricultural commodity; or
- **G.6.2.2.3** 15<sup>th</sup> day after any other required payment date.
- **G.6.2.3** Any interest penalty which remains unpaid by the Contractor at the end of any 30-day period shall be added to the principal amount of the debt to the subcontractor and thereafter interest penalties shall accrue to the added amount.
- **G.6.2.4** A dispute between the Contractor and subcontractor relating to the amounts or entitlement of a subcontractor to a payment or a late payment interest penalty under the Quick Payment Act does not constitute a dispute to which the district is a party. The district may not be interpleaded in any judicial or administrative proceeding involving such a dispute.

#### **G.6.3** Subcontract requirements

The Contractor shall include in each subcontract under this contract a provision requiring the subcontractor to include in its contract with any lower-tier subcontractor or supplier the payment and interest clauses required under paragraphs (1) and (2) of D.C. Official Code § 2-221.02(d).

## G.7 CONTRACTING OFFICER (CO)

Contracts will be entered into and signed on behalf of the district only by contracting officers. The contact information for the Contracting Officer is:

LaVeta Hilton
Deputy Chief Procurement Officer,
District of Columbia Public Schools
Office of Resource Strategy
1200 First Street, NE -- 9th Floor
Washington, DC 20002
Phone: 202.442.5136

Email: laveta.hilton@k12.dc.gov

## G.8 AUTHORIZED CHANGES BY THE CONTRACTING OFFICER

- **G.8.1** The CO is the only person authorized to approve changes in any of the requirements of this contract.
- **G.8.2** The Contractor shall not comply with any order, directive or request that changes or modifies the requirements of this contract, unless issued in writing and signed by the CO.

**G.8.3** In the event the Contractor effects any change at the instruction or request of any person other than the CO, the change will be considered to have been made without authority and no adjustment will be made in the contract price to cover any cost increase incurred as a result thereof.

## G.9 CONTRACT ADMINSTRATOR (CA)

- **G.9.1** The CA is responsible for general administration of the contract and advising the CO as to the Contractor's compliance or noncompliance with the contract. The CA has the responsibility of ensuring the work conforms to the requirements of the contract and such other responsibilities and authorities as may be specified in the contract. These include:
- **G.9.1.1** Keeping the CO fully informed of any technical or contractual difficulties encountered during the performance period and advising the CO of any potential problem areas under the contract
- **G.9.1.2**Coordinating site entry for Contractor personnel, if applicable
- **G.9.1.3** Reviewing invoices for completed work and recommending approval by the CO if the Contractor's costs are consistent with the negotiated amounts and progress is satisfactory and commensurate with the rate of expenditure.
- **G.9.1.4** Reviewing and approving invoices for deliverables to ensure receipt of goods and services. This includes the timely processing of invoices and vouchers in accordance with the district's payment provisions; and
- **G.9.1.5** Maintaining a file that includes all contract correspondence, modifications, records of inspections (site, data, equipment) and invoices or vouchers.
- **G.9.2** The address and telephone number of the CA is:

Shaunda Carter
Specialist, Procurement and Business Operations
District of Columbia Public Schools
Office of Data and Technology
1200 First Street NE
9<sup>th</sup> Floor

Washington, DC 20002

Email: <u>lashaunda.carter@k12.dc.gov</u> Cell: (202) 427-5331

- **G.9.3** The CA shall NOT have the authority to:
  - 1. Award, agree to, or sign any contract, delivery order or task order. Only the CO shall make contractual agreements, commitments, or modifications
  - 2. Grant deviations from or waive any of the terms and conditions of the contract
  - 3. Increase the dollar limit of the contract or authorize work beyond the dollar limit of the contract.
  - 4. Authorize the expenditure of funds by the Contractor
  - 5. Change the period of performance; or
  - 6. Authorize the use of District property, except as specified under the contract.

**G.9.4** The Contractor will be fully responsible for any changes not authorized in advance, in writing, by the CO; may be denied compensation or other relief for any additional work performed that is not so authorized; and may also be required, at no additional cost to the District, to take all corrective action necessitated by reason of the unauthorized changes.

## SECTION H: SPECIAL CONTRACT REQUIREMENTS

#### H.1 HIRING OF DISTRICT RESIDENTS AS APPRENTICES AND TRAINEES

- **H.1.1** For all new employment resulting from this contract or subcontracts hereto, as defined in Mayor's Order 83-265 and implementing instructions, the Contractor shall use its best efforts to comply with the following basic goal and objectives for utilization of bona fide residents of the District of Columbia in each project's labor force:
- **H.1.1.1** At least fifty-one (51) percent of apprentices and trainees employed shall be residents of the District of Columbia registered in programs approved by the District of Columbia Apprenticeship Council.
- **H.1.2** The Contractor shall negotiate an Employment Agreement with the Department of Employment Services (DOES) for jobs created as a result of this contract. The DOES shall be the Contractor's first source of referral for qualified apprentices and trainees in the implementation of employment goals contained in this clause.

#### H.2 DEPARTMENT OF LABOR WAGE DETERMINATIONS

The Contractor shall be bound by the U.S. Department of Labor Wage Determination No.: No. 2015-4281 Rev 24 dated 06/27/2022, issued by the U.S. Department of Labor in accordance with the Service Contract Act, 41 U.S.C. § 351 et seq., and incorporated herein as Section J.2. The Contractor shall be bound by the wage rates for the term of the Contract subject to revision as stated herein and in accordance with clause 24 of the SCP. If an option is exercised, the Contractor shall be bound by the applicable wage rates at the time of the exercise of the option. If the option is exercised and the CO obtains a revised wage determination, the revised wage determination is applicable for the option periods and the Contractor may be entitled to an equitable adjustment.

#### H.3 PREGNANT WORKERS FAIRNESS

**H.3.1** The Contractor shall comply with the Protecting Pregnant Workers Fairness Act of 2016, D.C. Official Code § 32-1231.01 *et seq.* (PPWF Act).

#### **H.3.2** The Contractor shall not:

- (a) Refuse to make reasonable accommodations to the known limitations related to pregnancy, childbirth, related medical conditions, or breastfeeding for an employee, unless the Contractor can demonstrate that the accommodation would impose an undue hardship;
- (b) Take an adverse action against an employee who requests or uses a reasonable accommodation in regard to the employee's conditions or privileges of employment, including failing to reinstate the employee when the need for reasonable accommodations ceases to the employee's original job or to an equivalent position with equivalent:

- (1) Pay;
- (2) Accumulated seniority and retirement;
- (3) Benefits; and
- (4) Other applicable service credits;
- **(c)** Deny employment opportunities to an employee, or a job applicant, if the denial is based on the need of the employer to make reasonable accommodations to the known limitations related to pregnancy, childbirth, related medical conditions, or breastfeeding;
- (d) Require an employee affected by pregnancy, childbirth, related medical conditions, or breastfeeding to accept an accommodation that the employee chooses not to accept if the employee does not have a known limitation related to pregnancy, childbirth, related medical conditions, or breastfeeding or the accommodation is not necessary for the employee to perform her duties;
- (e) Require an employee to take leave if a reasonable accommodation can be provided; or
- (f) Take adverse action against an employee who has been absent from work as a result of a pregnancy-related condition, including a pre-birth complication.
- **H.3.3** The Contractor shall post and maintain in a conspicuous place a notice of rights in both English and Spanish and provide written notice of an employee's right to a needed reasonable accommodation related to pregnancy, childbirth, related medical conditions, or breastfeeding pursuant to the PPWF Act to:
  - (a) New employees at the commencement of employment;
  - (b) Existing employees; and
  - (c) An employee who notifies the employer of her pregnancy, or other condition covered by the PPWF Act, within 10 days of the notification.
- **H.3.4** The Contractor shall provide an accurate written translation of the notice of rights to any non-English or non-Spanish speaking employee.
- **H.3.5** Violations of the PPWF Act shall be subject to civil penalties as described in the Act.

#### H.4 UNEMPLOYED ANTI-DISCRIMINATION

- **H.4.1** The Contractor shall comply with the Unemployed Anti-Discrimination Act of 2012, D.C. Official Code § 32-1361 *et seq*.
- **H.4.2** The Contractor shall not:

- (a) Fail or refuse to consider for employment, or fail or refuse to hire, an individual as an employee because of the individual's status as unemployed; or
- **(b)** Publish, in print, on the Internet, or in any other medium, an advertisement or announcement for any vacancy in a job for employment that includes:
  - (1) Any provision stating or indicating that an individual's status as unemployed disqualifies the individual for the job; or
  - (2) Any provision stating or indicating that an employment agency will not consider or hire an individual for employment based on that individual's status as unemployed.
- **H.4.3** Violations of the Unemployed Anti-Discrimination Act shall be subject to civil penalties as described in the Act.

# H.5 51% DISTRICT RESIDENTS' NEW HIRES REQUIREMENTS AND FIRST SOURCE EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT

Delete Article 35, 51% District Residents New Hires Requirements and First Source Employment Agreement, of the Standard Contract Provisions dated July 2010 for use with District of Columbia Government Supplies and Services Contracts and substitute the following Section H.5 51% DISTRICT RESIDENTS NEW HIRES REQUIREMENTS AND FIRST SOURCE EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT in its place:

#### H.5 51% DISTRICT RESIDENTS' NEW HIRES REQUIREMENTS AND FIRST SOURCE EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT

- **H.5.1** For contracts for services in the amount of \$300,000 or more, the Contractor shall comply with the First Source Employment Agreement Act of 1984, as amended, D.C. Official Code § 2-219.01 et seq. (First Source Act).
- **H.5.2** The Contractor shall enter and maintain during the term of the contract, a First Source Employment Agreement (Employment Agreement) with the District of Columbia Department of Employment Service's (DOES), in which the Contractor shall agree that:
  - (a) The first source for finding employees to fill all jobs created in order to perform the contract shall be the First Source Register; and
  - (b) The first source for finding employees to fill any vacancy occurring in all jobs covered by the Employment Agreement shall be the First Source Register.
- **H.5.3** The Contractor shall not begin performance of the contract until its Employment Agreement has been accepted by DOES. Once approved, the Employment Agreement shall not be amended except with the approval of DOES.
- **H.5.4** The Contractor agrees that at least 51% of the new employees hired to perform the contract shall be District residents.
- **H.5.5** The Contractor's hiring and reporting requirements under the First Source Act and any rules promulgated thereunder shall continue for the term of the contract.
- **H.5.6** The CO may impose penalties, including monetary fines of 5% of the total amount of the direct and indirect labor costs of the contract, for a willful breach of the Employment Agreement, failure to submit the required hiring compliance reports, or deliberate submission of falsified data.

- **H.5.7** If the Contractor does not receive a good faith waiver, the CO may also impose an additional penalty equal to 1/8 of 1% of the total amount of the direct and indirect labor costs of the contract for each percentage by which the Contractor fails to meet its hiring requirements.
- **H.5.8** Any contractor which violates, more than once within a 10-year timeframe, the hiring or reporting requirements of the First Source Act shall be referred for debarment for not more than five (5) years.
- **H.5.9** The contractor may appeal any decision of the CO pursuant to this clause to the D.C. Contract Appeals Board as provided in **clause 14 of the SCP**, **Disputes**.
- **H.5.10** The provisions of the First Source Act do not apply to nonprofit organizations which employ 50 employees or less.
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- H.9 SUBCONTRACTING REQUIREMENTS
- **H.9.1** Mandatory Subcontracting Requirements
- **H.9.1.1** For all contracts in excess of \$250,000, at least 35% of the dollar volume of the contract shall be subcontracted to qualified small business enterprises (SBEs).
- **H.9.1.2** If there are insufficient SBEs to completely fulfill the requirement of paragraph H.9.1.1, then the subcontracting may be satisfied by subcontracting 35% of the dollar volume to any qualified certified business enterprises (CBEs); provided, however, that all reasonable efforts shall be made to ensure that SBEs are significant participants in the overall subcontracting work.
- **H.9.1.3** A prime contractor that is certified by DSLBD as a small, local, or disadvantaged business enterprise shall not be required to comply with the provisions of sections H.9.1.1 and H.9.1.2.
- **H.9.1.4** Except as provided in H.9.1.5 and H.9.1.7, a prime contractor that is a CBE and has been granted a bid preference pursuant to D.C. Official Code § 2-218.43, or is selected through a set-aside program, shall perform at least 35% of the contracting effort with its own organization and resources and, if it subcontracts, 35% of the subcontracting effort shall be with CBEs. A CBE prime contractor that performs less than 35% of the contracting effort shall be subject to enforcement actions under D.C. Official Code § 2-218.63.
- **H.9.1.5** If the prime contractor is a certified joint venture and has been granted a bid preference pursuant to D.C. Official Code § 2-218.43, or is selected through a set-aside program, the CBE member of the certified joint venture shall perform at least 35% of the contracting effort with its own organization and resources and, if it subcontracts, 35% of the subcontracting effort shall be with CBEs. If the CBE member of the certified joint venture prime contractor performs less than 35% of the contracting

effort, the certified joint venture shall be subject to enforcement actions under D.C. Official Code § 2-218.63.

- **H.9.1.6** Each CBE utilized to meet these subcontracting requirements shall perform at least 35% of its contracting effort with its own organization and resources.
- **H.9.1.7** A prime contractor that is a CBE and has been granted a bid preference pursuant to D.C. Official Code § 2-218.43, or is selected through a set-aside program, shall perform at least 35% of the on-site work with its own organization and resources if the contract is \$1 million or less.

#### **H.9.2** Subcontracting Plan

If the prime contractor is required to subcontract under this contract, it shall submit a subcontracting plan as part of the bid and it may only be amended after awarding with the prior written approval of the CO and Director of DSLBD. Any reduction in the dollar volume of the subcontracted portion resulting from an amendment of the plan after award shall inure to the benefit of the district.

Each subcontracting plan shall include the following:

- (1) The name and address of each subcontractor
- (2) A current certification number of the small or certified business enterprise
- (3) The scope of work to be performed by each subcontractor; and
- (4) The price that the prime contractor will pay each subcontractor.

## **H.9.3** Copies of Subcontracts

Within twenty-one (21) days of the date of award, the Contractor shall provide fully executed copies of all subcontracts identified in the subcontracting plan to the CO, CA, District of Columbia Auditor, and the Director of DSLBD.

# **H.9.4** Subcontracting Plan Compliance Reporting

- **H.9.4.1** The Contractor shall submit a quarterly report to the CO, CA, District of Columbia Auditor, and the Director of DSLBD. The quarterly report shall include the following information for each subcontract identified in the subcontracting plan:
  - (A) The price that the prime contractor will pay each subcontractor under the subcontract.
  - (B) A description of the goods procured, or the services subcontracted for
  - (C) The amount paid by the prime contractor under the subcontract; and
  - (D) A copy of the fully executed subcontract, if it was not provided with an earlier quarterly report.
- **H.9.4.2** If the fully executed subcontract is not provided with the quarterly report, the prime contractor will not receive credit toward its subcontracting requirements for that subcontract.

## H.9.5 Annual Meetings

Upon at least 30 days written notice provided by DSLBD, the Contractor shall meet annually with the CO, CA, District of Columbia Auditor, and the Director of DSLBD to provide an update on its subcontracting plan.

#### H.9.6 Notices

The Contractor shall provide written notice to the DSLBD and the District of Columbia Auditor upon commencement of the contract and when the contract is completed.

#### H.9.7 Enforcement and Penalties for Breach of Subcontracting Plan

- **H.9.7.1** A contractor shall be deemed to have breached a subcontracting plan required by law, if the contractor (i) fails to submit subcontracting plan monitoring or compliance reports or other required subcontracting information in a reasonably timely manner; (ii) submits a monitoring or compliance report or other required subcontracting information containing a materially false statement; or (iii) fails to meet its subcontracting requirements.
- **H.9.7.2** A contractor that is found to have breached its subcontracting plan for utilization of CBEs in the performance of a contract shall be subject to the imposition of penalties, including monetary fines in accordance with D.C. Official Code § 2-218.63.
- **H.9.7.3** If the CO determines the Contractor's failure to be a material breach of the contract, the CO shall have cause to terminate the contract under the default provisions in **clause 8 of the SCP**, **Default.**

#### H.10 FAIR CRIMINAL RECORD SCREENING

- H.10.1 The Contractor shall comply with the provisions of the Fair Criminal Record Screening Amendment Act of 2014, effective December 17, 2014 (D.C. Law 20-152) ("Act" as used in this section). This section applies to any employment, including employment on a temporary or contractual basis, where the physical location of the employment is in whole or substantial part within the District of Columbia.
- **H.10.2** Prior to making a conditional offer of employment, the Contractor shall not require an applicant for employment, or a person who has requested consideration for employment by the Contractor, to reveal or disclose an arrest or criminal accusation that is not then pending or did not result in a criminal conviction.
- **H.10.3** After making a conditional offer of employment, the Contractor may require an applicant to disclose or reveal a criminal conviction.
- **H.10.4** The Contractor may only withdraw a conditional offer of employment, or take adverse action against an applicant, for a legitimate business reason as described in the Act.
- **H.10.5** This section and the provisions of the Act shall not apply:
  - (a) Where a federal or District law or regulation requires the consideration of an applicant's criminal history for the purposes of employment.

- (b) To a position designated by the employer as part of a federal or District government program or obligation that is designed to encourage the employment of those with criminal histories
- (c) To any facility or employer that provides programs, services, or direct care to, children, youth, or vulnerable adults; or
- (d) To employers that employ less than 11 employees.
- **H.10.6** A person claiming to be aggrieved by a violation of the Act may file an administrative complaint with the District of Columbia Office of Human Rights, and the Commission on Human Rights may impose monetary penalties against the Contractor.

#### H.11 DISTRICT RESPONSIBILITIES

- H.11.1 Contractor shall have access to DCPS information property and software to perform the duties on the project while performing duties in District space. The District shall furnish all access to office space, equipment, including both computer hardware and software, necessary for Contractor to perform the assigned work on-site, unless otherwise specified, to fully satisfy all operational requirements of this Contract
- **H.11.2** District Government Furnished Property referred to in this clause will remain the property of the District Government, or its vendor, and under that, entity's control at all times. The District retains the right to withdraw or reallocate these resources at any time, and without notice, during the performance of this Contract

#### **SECTION I: CONTRACT CLAUSES**

#### I.1 APPLICABILITY OF STANDARD OF CONTRACT PROVISIONS

The Standard Contract Provisions for use with District of Columbia Government Supplies and Services Contracts dated July 2010 (SCP) are incorporated as part of the contract. To obtain a copy of the SCP go to http://ocp.dc.gov, under Quick Links click on "Required Solicitation Documents".

#### I.2 CONTRACTS THAT CROSS FISCAL YEARS

Continuation of this contract beyond the current fiscal year is contingent upon future fiscal appropriations.

#### 1.3 CONFIDENTIALITY OF INFORMATION

The Contractor shall keep all information relating to any employee or customer of the District in absolute confidence and shall not use the information in connection with any other matters; nor shall it disclose any such information to any other person, firm, or corporation, in accordance with the District and federal laws governing the confidentiality of records.

#### I.4 TIME

Time, if stated in a number of days, will include Saturdays, Sundays, and holidays, unless otherwise stated herein.

## I.5 RIGHTS IN DATA

Delete clause 42, Rights in Data, of the Standard Contract Provisions dated July 2010 for use with District of Columbia Government Supplies and Services Contracts and substitute the following clause 42, Rights in Data) in its place:

#### A. Definitions

- 1. "Products" A deliverable under any contract that may include commodities, services and/or technology furnished by or through Contractor, including existing and custom Products, such as, but not limited to: a) recorded information, regardless of form or the media on which it may be recorded; b) document research; c) experimental, developmental, or engineering work; d) licensed software; e) components of the hardware environment; f) printed materials (including but not limited to training manuals, system and user documentation, reports, drawings); g) third party software; h) modifications, customizations, custom programs, program listings, programming tools, data, modules, components; and i) any intellectual property embodied therein, whether in tangible or intangible form, including but not limited to utilities, interfaces, templates, subroutines, algorithms, formulas, source code, and object code.
- 2. "Existing Products" Tangible Products and intangible licensed Products that exist prior to the commencement of work under the contract. Existing Products must be identified on the Product prior to commencement of work or else will be presumed to be Custom Products.
- 3. "<u>Custom Products</u>" Products, preliminary, final, or otherwise, which are created or developed by Contractor, its subcontractors, partners, employees, resellers, or agents for the District under the contract.
- 4. "District" The District of Columbia and its agencies.

# **B.** Title to Project Deliverables

The Contractor acknowledges that it is commissioned by the District to perform services detailed in the contract. The District shall have ownership and rights for the duration set forth in the contract to use, copy, modify, distribute, or adapt Products as follows:

- 1. Existing Products: Title to all Existing Licensed Product(s), whether or not embedded in, delivered, or operating in conjunction with hardware or Custom Products, shall remain with Contractor or third-party proprietary owner, who retains all rights, title and interest (including patent, trademark or copyrights). Effective upon payment, the District shall be granted an irrevocable, non-exclusive, worldwide, paid-up license to use, execute, reproduce, display, perform, adapt (unless Contractor advises the District as part of Contractor's bid that adaptation will violate existing agreements or statutes and Contractor demonstrates such to the District's satisfaction), and distribute Existing Product to District users up to the license capacity stated in the contract with all license rights necessary to fully effect the general business purpose of the project or work plan or contract. Licenses shall be granted in the name of the District. The District agrees to reproduce the copyright notice and any other legend of ownership on any copies authorized under this paragraph.
- 2. <u>Custom Products</u>: Effective upon Product creation, Contractor shall convey, assign, and transfer to the District the sole and exclusive rights, title, and interest in Custom Products, whether preliminary,

final or otherwise, including all patent, trademark, and copyrights. Contractor hereby agrees to take all necessary and appropriate steps to ensure that the Custom Products are protected against unauthorized copying, reproduction, and marketing by or through Contractor.

#### C. Transfers or Assignments of Existing or Custom Products by the District

The District may transfer or assign Existing or Custom Products and the licenses thereunder to another District agency. Nothing herein shall preclude the Contractor from otherwise using the related or underlying general knowledge, skills, ideas, concepts, techniques, and experience developed under a project or work plan in the course of Contractor's business.

# D. Subcontractor Rights

Whenever any data, including computer software, are to be obtained from a subcontractor under the contract, the Contractor shall use this clause, **Rights in Data**, in the subcontract, without alteration, and no other clause shall be used to enlarge or diminish the District's or the Contractor's rights in that subcontractor data or computer software which is required for the District.

#### E. Source Code Escrow

- 1. For all computer software furnished to the District with the rights specified in section B.2, the Contractor shall furnish to the District, a copy of the source code with such rights of the scope as specified in section B.2 of this clause. For all computer software furnished to the District with the restricted rights specified in section B.1 of this clause, the District, if the Contractor either directly or through a successor or affiliate shall cease to provide the maintenance or warranty services provided the District under the contract or any paid-up maintenance agreement, or if the Contractor should be declared insolvent by a court of competent jurisdiction, shall have the right to obtain, for its own and sole use only, a single copy of the current version of the source code supplied under the contract, and a single copy of the documentation associated therewith, upon payment to the person in control of the source code the reasonable cost of making each copy.
- 2. If the Contractor or Product manufacturer/developer of software furnished to the District with the rights specified in section B.1 of this clause offers the source code or source code escrow to any other commercial customers, the Contractor shall either: (1) provide the District with the source code for the Product; (2) place the source code in a third party escrow arrangement with a designated escrow agent who shall be named and identified to the District, and who shall be directed to release the deposited source code in accordance with a standard escrow arrangement acceptable to the District; or (3) will certify to the District that the Product manufacturer/ developer has named the District as a named beneficiary of an established escrow arrangement with its designated escrow agent who shall be named and identified to the District, and who shall be directed to release the deposited source code in accordance with the terms of escrow.
- 3. The Contractor shall update the source code, as well as any corrections or enhancements to the source code, for each new release of the Product in the same manner as provided above and certify such updating of escrow to the district in writing.

## F. Indemnification and Limitation of Liability

The Contractor shall indemnify and save and hold harmless the District, its officers, agents and employees acting within the scope of their official duties against any liability, including costs and

expenses, (i) for violation of proprietary rights, copyrights, or rights of privacy, arising out of the publication, translation, reproduction, delivery, performance, use or disposition of any data furnished under this contract, or (ii) based upon any data furnished under this contract, or based upon libelous or other unlawful matter contained in such data.

#### I.6 OTHER CONTRACTORS

The Contractor shall not commit or permit any act that will interfere with the performance of work by another District contractor or by any District employee.

#### I.7 SUBCONTRACTS

The Contractor hereunder shall not subcontract any of the Contractor's work or services to any subcontractor without the prior written consent of the CO. Any work or service so subcontracted shall be performed pursuant to a subcontract agreement, which the District will have the right to review and approve prior to its execution by the Contractor. Any such subcontract shall specify that the Contractor and the subcontractor shall be subject to every provision of this contract. Notwithstanding any such subcontract approved by the District, the Contractor shall remain liable to the District for all Contractor's work and services required hereunder.

## I.8 INSURANCE

A. GENERAL REQUIREMENTS. The Contractor at its sole expense shall procure and maintain, during the entire period of performance under this contract, the types of insurance specified below. The Contractor shall have its insurance broker or insurance company submit a Certificate of Insurance to the CO giving evidence of the required coverage prior to commencing performance under this contract. In no event shall any work be performed until the required Certificates of Insurance signed by an authorized representative of the insurer(s) have been provided to, and accepted by, the CO. All insurance shall be written with financially responsible companies authorized to do business in the District of Columbia or in the jurisdiction where the work is to be performed and have an A.M. Best Company rating of A- / VII or higher. Should the Contractor decide to engage a subcontractor for segments of the work under this contract and wish to propose different insurance requirements than outlined below, then, prior to commencement of work by the subcontractor, the Contractor shall submit in writing the name and brief description of work to be performed by the subcontractor on the Subcontractors Insurance Requirement Template provided by the CA, to the Office of Risk Management (ORM). ORM will determine the insurance requirements applicable to the subcontractor and promptly deliver such requirements in writing to the Contractor and the CA. The Contractor must provide proof of the subcontractor's required insurance prior to commencement of work by the subcontractor. If the Contractor decides to engage a subcontractor without requesting from ORM specific insurance requirements for the subcontractor, such subcontractor shall have the same insurance requirements as the Contractor.

General liability, commercial auto, workers' compensation, and property insurance policies (if applicable to this agreement) shall contain a waiver of subrogation provision in favor of the Government of the District of Columbia.

The Government of the District of Columbia shall be included in all policies required hereunder to be maintained by the Contractor and its subcontractors (except for workers' compensation and

professional liability insurance) as an additional insureds for claims against The Government of the District of Columbia relating to this contract, with the understanding that any affirmative obligation imposed upon the insured Contractor or its subcontractors (including without limitation the liability to pay premiums) shall be the sole obligation of the Contractor or its subcontractors, and not the additional insured. The additional insured status under the Contractor's and its subcontractors' Commercial General Liability insurance policies shall be affected using the ISO Additional Insured Endorsement form CG 20 10 11 85 (or CG 20 10 07 04 and CG 20 37 07 04) or such other endorsement or combination of endorsements providing coverage at least as broad and approved by the CO in writing. All of the Contractor's and its subcontractors' liability policies (except for workers' compensation and professional liability insurance) shall be endorsed using ISO form CG 20 01 04 13 or its equivalent so as to indicate that such policies provide primary coverage (without any right of contribution by any other insurance, reinsurance or self-insurance, including any deductible or retention, maintained by an Additional Insured) for all claims against the additional insured arising out of the performance of this Statement of Work by the Contractor or its subcontractors, or anyone for whom the Contractor or its subcontractors may be liable. These policies shall include a separation of insureds clause applicable to the additional insured.

If the Contractor and/or its subcontractors maintain broader coverage and/or higher limits than the minimums shown below, the District requires and shall be entitled to the broader coverage and/or the higher limits maintained by the Contractor and subcontractors.

#### B. INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS

1. Commercial General Liability Insurance ("CGL") - The Contractor shall provide evidence satisfactory to the CO with respect to the services performed that it carries a CGL policy, written on an occurrence (not claims-made) basis, on Insurance Services Office, Inc. ("ISO") form CG 00 01 04 13 (or another occurrence-based form with coverage at least as broad and approved by the CO in writing), covering liability for all ongoing and completed operations of the Contractor, including ongoing and completed operations under all subcontracts, and covering claims for bodily injury, including without limitation sickness, disease or death of any persons, injury to or destruction of property, including loss of use resulting therefrom, personal and advertising injury, and including coverage for liability arising out of an Insured Contract (including the tort liability of another assumed in a contract) and acts of terrorism (whether caused by a foreign or domestic source). Such coverage shall have limits of liability of not less than \$1,000,000 each occurrence, a \$2,000,000 general aggregate (including a per location or per project aggregate limit endorsement, if applicable) limit, a \$1,000,000 personal and advertising injury limit, and a \$2,000,000 products-completed operations aggregate limit.

OCP should collect, review for accuracy and maintain all warranties for goods and services.

2. <u>Automobile Liability Insurance</u> - The Contractor shall provide evidence satisfactory to the CO of commercial (business) automobile liability insurance written on ISO form CA 00 01 10 13 (or another form with coverage at least as broad and approved by the CO in writing) including coverage for all owned, hired, borrowed and non-owned vehicles and equipment used by the Contractor, with minimum per accident limits equal to the greater of (i) the limits set forth in the Contractor's commercial automobile liability policy or (ii) \$1,000,000 per occurrence combined single limit for bodily injury and property damage.

3. <u>Workers' Compensation Insurance</u> - The Contractor shall provide evidence satisfactory to the CO of Workers' Compensation insurance in accordance with the statutory mandates of the District of Columbia or the jurisdiction in which the contract is performed.

<u>Employer's Liability Insurance</u> - The Contractor shall provide evidence satisfactory to the CO of employer's liability insurance as follows: \$500,000 per accident for injury; \$500,000 per employee for disease; and \$500,000 for policy disease limit.

All insurance required by paragraphs 1,2 and 3 shall include a waiver of subrogation endorsement for the benefit of Government of the District of Columbia.

- 4. Cyber Liability Insurance The Contractor shall provide evidence satisfactory to the Contracting Officer of Cyber Liability Insurance, with limits not less than \$2,000,000 per occurrence or claim, \$2,000,000 aggregate. Coverage shall be sufficiently broad to respond to the duties and obligations as is undertaken by Contractor in this agreement and shall include, but not limited to, claims involving infringement of intellectual property, including but not limited to infringement of copyright, trademark, trade dress, invasion of privacy violations, information theft, damage to or destruction of electronic information, release of private information, alteration of electronic information, extortion and network security. The policy shall provide coverage for breach response costs as well as regulatory fines and penalties as well as credit monitoring expenses with limits sufficient to respond to these obligations. Limits may not be shared with other lines of coverage. A copy of the cyber liability policy must be submitted to the Office of Risk Management (ORM) for compliance review.
- 5. Professional Liability Insurance (Errors & Omissions) The Contractor shall provide Professional Liability Insurance (Errors and Omissions) to cover liability resulting from any error or omission in the performance of professional services under this Contract. The policy shall provide limits of \$1,000,000 per claim or per occurrence for each wrongful act and \$2,000,000 annual aggregate. The Contractor warrants that any applicable retroactive date precedes the date the Contractor first performed any professional services for the Government of the District of Columbia and that continuous coverage will be maintained or an extended reporting period will be exercised for a period of at least ten years after the completion of the professional services. Limits may not be shared with other lines of coverage.
- 6. Sexual/Physical Abuse & Molestation The Contractor shall provide evidence satisfactory to the Contracting Officer with respect to the services performed that it carries \$1,000,000 per occurrence limits; \$2,000,000 aggregate of affirmative abuse and molestation liability coverage. Coverage should include physical abuse, such as sexual or other bodily harm and non-physical abuse, such as verbal, emotional, or mental abuse; any actual, threatened, or alleged act; errors, omission or misconduct. This insurance requirement will be considered met if the general liability insurance includes an affirmative sexual abuse and molestation endorsement for the required amounts. So called "silent" coverage or "shared" limits under a commercial general liability or professional liability policy will not be acceptable. Limits may not be shared with other lines of coverage. The applicable policy may need to be submitted to the Office of Risk Management (ORM) for compliance review.

7. Commercial Umbrella or Excess Liability - The Contractor shall provide evidence satisfactory to the CO of commercial umbrella or excess liability insurance with minimum limits equal to the greater of (i) the limits set forth in the Contractor's umbrella or excess liability policy or (ii) \$5,000,000 per occurrence and \$5,000,000 in the annual aggregate, following the form and in excess of all liability policies. All liability coverages must be scheduled under the umbrella and/or excess policy. The insurance required under this paragraph shall be written in a form that annually reinstates all required limits. Coverage shall be primary to any insurance, self-insurance or reinsurance maintained by the District and the "other insurance" provision must be amended in accordance with this requirement and principles of vertical exhaustion.

## C. PRIMARY AND NONCONTRIBUTORY INSURANCE

The insurance required herein shall be primary to and will not seek contribution from any other insurance, reinsurance or self-insurance including any deductible or retention, maintained by the Government of the District of Columbia.

- D. DURATION. The Contractor shall carry all required insurance until all contract work is accepted by the District of Columbia and shall carry listed coverages for ten years for construction projects following final acceptance of the work performed under this contract and two years for non-construction related contracts.
- E. LIABILITY. These are the required minimum insurance requirements established by the District of Columbia. However, the required minimum insurance requirements provided above will not in any way limit the contractor's liability under this contract.
- F. CONTRACTOR'S PROPERTY. Contractor and subcontractors are solely responsible for any loss or damage to their personal property, including but not limited to tools and equipment, scaffolding, and temporary structures, rented machinery, or owned and leased equipment. A waiver of subrogation shall apply in favor of the District of Columbia.
- G. MEASURE OF PAYMENT. The District shall not make any separate measure or payment for the cost of insurance and bonds. The Contractor shall include all of the costs of insurance and bonds in the contract price.
- H. NOTIFICATION. The Contractor shall ensure that all policies provide that the CO shall be given thirty (30) days prior written notice in the event of coverage and / or limit changes or if the policy is canceled prior to the expiration date shown on the certificate. The Contractor shall provide the CO with ten (10) days prior written notice in the event of non-payment of premium. The Contractor will also provide the CO with an updated Certificate of Insurance should its insurance coverages renew during the contract.
- I. CERTIFICATES OF INSURANCE. The Contractor shall submit certificates of insurance giving evidence of the required coverage as specified in this section prior to commencing work. Certificates of insurance must reference the corresponding contract number. Evidence of insurance shall be submitted to:

The Government of the District of Columbia

And mailed to the attention of:

LaVeta Hilton

Deputy Chief Procurement Officer, District of Columbia Public Schools Office of Resource Strategy 1200 First Street, NE -- 9th Floor Washington, DC 20002 Phone: 202.442.5136

Email: laveta.hilton@k12.dc.gov

The CO may request, and the Contractor shall promptly deliver updated certificates of insurance, endorsements indicating the required coverages, and/or certified copies of the insurance policies. If the insurance initially obtained by the Contractor expires prior to completion of the contract, renewal certificates of insurance and additional insured and other endorsements shall be furnished to the CO prior to the date of expiration of all such initial insurance. For all coverage required to be maintained after completion, an additional certificate of insurance evidencing such coverage shall be submitted to the CO on an annual basis as the coverage is renewed (or replaced).

- J. DISCLOSURE OF INFORMATION. The Contractor agrees that the District may disclose the name and contact information of its insurers to any third party which presents a claim against the District for any damages or claims resulting from or arising out of work performed by the Contractor, its agents, employees, servants, or subcontractors in the performance of this contract.
- K. CARRIER RATINGS. All Contractor's and its subcontractors' insurance required in connection with this contract shall be written by insurance companies with an A.M. Best Insurance Guide rating of at least A-VII (or the equivalent by any other rating agency) and licensed in the District

## I.9 EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

In accordance with the District of Columbia Administrative Issuance System, Mayor's Order 85-85 dated June 10, 1985, the forms for completion of the Equal Employment Opportunity Information Report are incorporated herein as Section J.3. An award cannot be made to any bidder who has not satisfied the equal employment requirements.

#### I.10 ORDER OF PRECEDENCE

The contract awarded as a result of this IFB will contain the following clause:

#### **ORDER OF PRECEDENCE**

A conflict in language shall be resolved by giving precedence to the document in the highest order of priority that contains language addressing the issue in question. The following documents are incorporated into the contract by reference and made a part of the contract in the following order of precedence:

- (1) An applicable Court Order if any
- (2) Contract document
- (3) Standard Contract Provisions
- (4) Contract attachments other than the Standard Contract Provisions
- (5) IFB, as amended
- (6) Bid

#### I.11 DISPUTES

Delete clause 14, Disputes, of the Standard Contract Provisions dated July 2010 for use with District of Columbia Government Supplies and Services Contracts and substitute the following clause 14, Disputes, in its place:

# 14. Disputes

All disputes arising under or relating to the contract shall be resolved as provided herein.

- (a) Claims by the Contractor against the District: Claim, as used in paragraph (a) of this clause, means a written assertion by the Contractor seeking, as a matter of right, the payment of money in a sum certain, the adjustment or interpretation of contract terms, or other relief arising under or relating to the contract. A claim arising under a contract, unlike a claim relating to that contract, is a claim that can be resolved under a contract clause that provides for the relief sought by the claimant
  - (1) All claims by a Contractor against the District arising under or relating to a contract shall be in writing and shall be submitted to the CO for a decision. The Contractor's claim shall contain at least the following:
    - (i) A description of the claim and the amount in dispute
    - (ii) Data or other information in support of the claim.
    - (iii)A brief description of the Contractor's efforts to resolve the dispute prior to filing the claim; and
    - (iii) The Contractor's request for relief or other action by the CO.
  - (2) The CO may meet with the Contractor in a further attempt to resolve the claim by agreement.
  - (3) The CO shall issue a decision on any claim within 120 calendar days after receipt of the claim. Whenever possible, the CO shall consider factors such as the size and complexity of the claim and the adequacy of the information in support of the claim provided by the Contractor.
  - (4) The CO's written decision shall do the following:
    - (i) Provide a description of the claim or dispute
    - (ii) Refer to the pertinent contract terms
    - (iii) State the factual areas of agreement and disagreement
    - (iv) State the reasons for the decision, including any specific findings of fact, although specific findings of fact are not required and, if made, shall not be binding in any subsequent proceeding
    - (v) If all or any part of the claim is determined to be valid, determine the amount of monetary settlement, the contract adjustment to be made, or other relief to be granted
    - (vi) Indicate that the written document is the CO's final decision; and
    - (vii) Inform the Contractor of the right to seek further redress by appealing the decision to the Contract Appeals Board.

- (5) Failure by the CO to issue a decision on a contract claim within 120 days of receipt of the claim will be deemed to be a denial of the claim and will authorize the commencement of an appeal to the Contract Appeals Board as provided by D.C. Official Code § 2-360.04.
- (6) If a contractor is unable to support any part of its claim and it is determined that the inability is attributable to a material misrepresentation of fact or fraud on the part of the Contractor, the Contractor shall be liable to the District for an amount equal to the unsupported part of the claim in addition to all costs to the District attributable to the cost of reviewing that part of the Contractor's claim. Liability under this paragraph (a)(6) shall be determined within six (6) years of the commission of the misrepresentation of fact or fraud.
- (7) Pending final decision of an appeal, action, or final settlement, the Contractor shall proceed diligently with performance of the contract in accordance with the decision of the CO.
- (b) Claims by the District against the Contractor: Claim as used in paragraph (b) of this clause, means a written demand or written assertion by the District seeking, as a matter of right, the payment of money in a sum certain, the adjustment of contract terms, or other relief arising under or relating to the contract. A claim arising under a contract, unlike a claim relating to that contract, is a claim that can be resolved under a contract clause that provides for the relief sought by the claimant.
  - (1) The CO shall decide all claims by the District against a contractor arising under or relating to a contract.
  - (2) The CO shall send written notice of the claim to the contractor. The CO's written decision shall do the following:
    - (i) Provide a description of the claim or dispute
    - (ii) Refer to the pertinent contract terms
    - (iii) State the factual areas of agreement and disagreement
    - (iv) State the reasons for the decision, including any specific findings of fact, although specific findings of fact are not required and, if made, shall not be binding in any subsequent proceeding
    - (v) If all or any part of the claim is determined to be valid, determine the amount of monetary settlement, the contract adjustment to be made, or other relief to be granted.
    - (vi) Indicate that the written document is the CO's final decision; and
    - (vii) Inform the Contractor of the right to seek further redress by appealing the decision to the Contract Appeals Board.
    - (3) The CO shall support the decision by reasons and shall inform the Contractor of its rights as provided herein.
    - (4) Before or after issuing the decision, the CO may meet with the Contractor to attempt to resolve the claim by agreement.

- (5) The authority contained in this paragraph (b) shall not apply to a claim or dispute for penalties or forfeitures prescribed by statute or regulation which another District agency is specifically authorized to administer, settle, or determine.
- (6) This paragraph shall not authorize the CO to settle, compromise, pay, or otherwise adjust any claim involving fraud.
- (c) Decisions of the CO shall be final and not subject to review unless the Contractor timely commences an administrative appeal for review of the decision, by filing a complaint with the Contract Appeals Board, as authorized by D.C. Official Code § 2-360.04.
- (d) Pending final decision of an appeal, action, or final settlement, the Contractor shall proceed diligently with performance of the contract in accordance with the decision of the CO.

#### I.12 CHANGES

Delete clause 15, Changes, of the Standard Contract Provisions dated July 2010 for use with District of Columbia Government Supplies and Services Contracts and substitute the following clause 15, Changes, in its place:

# 15. Changes:

- (a) The CO may, at any time, by written order, and without notice to the surety, if any, make changes in the contract within the general scope hereof. If such change causes an increase or decrease in the cost of performance of the contract, or in the time required for performance, an equitable adjustment shall be made. Any claim for adjustment for a change within the general scope must be asserted within ten (10) days from the date the change is ordered; provided, however, that the CO, if he or she determines that the facts justify such action, may receive, consider, and adjust any such claim asserted at any time prior to the date of final settlement of the contract. If the parties fail to agree upon the adjustment to be made, the dispute shall be determined as provided in clause 14 Disputes.
- (b) The District shall not require the Contractor, and the Contractor shall not require a subcontractor, to undertake any work that is beyond the original scope of the contract or subcontract, including work under a District-issued change order, when the additional work increases the contract price beyond the not-to-exceed price or negotiated maximum price of this contract, unless the CO:
  - (1) Agrees with Contractor, and if applicable, the subcontractor on a price for the additional work.
  - (2) Obtains a certification of funding to pay for the additional work
  - (3) Makes a written, binding commitment with the Contractor to pay for the additional work within 30-days after the Contractor submits a proper invoice; and
  - (4) Provides the Contractor with written notice of the funding certification.
- (c) The Contractor shall include in its subcontracts a clause that requires the Contractor to:

- (1) Within 5 business days of its receipt of notice the approved additional funding, provide the subcontractor with notice of the amount to be paid to the subcontractor for the additional work to be performed by the subcontractor
- (2) Pay the subcontractor any undisputed amount to which the subcontractor is entitled for the additional work within 10 days of receipt of payment from the district: and
- (3) Notify the subcontractor and CO in writing of the reason the Contractor withholds any payment from a subcontractor for the additional work.
- (d) Neither the District, Contractor, nor any subcontractor may declare another party to be in default, or assess, claim, or pursue damages for delays, until the parties agree on a price for the additional work.

#### I.13 NON-DISCRIMINATION CLAUSE

Delete clause 19, Non-Discrimination Clause, of the Standard Contract Provisions dated July 2010 for use with District of Columbia Government Supplies and Services Contracts and substitute the following clause 19, Non-Discrimination Clause, in its place:

## 19. Non-Discrimination Clause:

- (a) The Contractor shall not discriminate in any manner against any employee or applicant for employment that would constitute a violation of the District of Columbia Human Rights Act, effective December 13, 1977, as amended (D.C. Law 2-38; D.C. Official Code § 2-1401.01 et seq.) ("Act", as used in this clause). The Contractor shall include a similar clause in all subcontracts, except subcontracts for standard commercial supplies or raw materials. In addition, the Contractor agrees, and any subcontractor shall agree, to post in conspicuous places, available to employees and applicants for employment, a notice setting forth the provisions of this non-discrimination clause as provided in section 251 of the Act.
- (b) Pursuant to Mayor's Order 85-85, (6/10/85), Mayor's Order 2002-175 (10/23/02), Mayor's Order 2011-155 (9/9/11) and the rules of the Office of Human Rights, Chapter 11 of Title 4 of the D.C. Municipal Regulations, the following clauses apply to the contract:
  - (1) The Contractor shall not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of actual or perceived: race, color, religion, national origin, sex, age, marital status, personal appearance, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, family responsibilities, genetic information, disability, matriculation, political affiliation, or credit information. Sexual harassment is a form of sex discrimination which is prohibited by the Act. In addition, harassment based on any of the above protected categories is prohibited by the Act.
  - (2) The Contractor agrees to take affirmative action to ensure that applicants are employed, and that employees are treated during employment, without regard to their actual or perceived: race, color, religion, national origin, sex, age, marital status, personal appearance, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, family responsibilities, genetic information, disability, matriculation, political affiliation, or credit information. The affirmative action shall include, but not be limited to the following:

- (a) employment, upgrading or transfer
- (b) recruitment, or recruitment advertising
- (c) demotion, layoff, or termination
- (d) rates of pay, or other forms of compensation; and
- (e) selection for training and apprenticeship.
- (3) The Contractor agrees to post in conspicuous places, available to employees and applicants for employment, notices to be provided by the contracting agency, setting forth the provisions in paragraphs 19(b)(1) and (b)(2) concerning non-discrimination and affirmative action.
- (4) The Contractor shall, in all solicitations or advertisements for employees placed by or on behalf of the Contractor, state that all qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment pursuant to the non-discrimination requirements set forth in paragraph 19(b)(2).
- (5) The Contractor agrees to send to each labor union or representative of workers with which it has a collective bargaining agreement or other contract or understanding, a notice to be provided by the contracting agency, advising the said labor union or workers' representative of that contractor's commitments under this nondiscrimination clause and the Act, and shall post copies of the notice in conspicuous places available to employees and applicants for employment.
- (6) The Contractor agrees to permit access to its books, records, and accounts pertaining to its employment practices, by the Chief Procurement Officer or designee, or the Director of the Office of Human Rights or designee, for purposes of investigation to ascertain compliance with the Act, and to require under terms of any subcontractor agreement each subcontractor to permit access of such subcontractors' books, records, and accounts for such purposes.
- (7) The Contractor agrees to comply with the provisions of the Act and with all guidelines for equal employment opportunity applicable in the District adopted by the Director of the Office of Human Rights, or any authorized official.
- (8) The Contractor shall include in every subcontract the equal opportunity clause i.e., paragraphs 19(b)(1) through (b)(9) of this clause, so that such provisions shall be binding upon each subcontractor.
- (9) The Contractor shall take such action with respect to any subcontract as the CO may direct as a means of enforcing these provisions, including sanctions for noncompliance; provided, however, that in the event the Contractor becomes involved in, or is threatened with, litigation with a subcontractor or vendor as a result of such direction by the contracting agency, the Contractor may request the District to enter into such litigation to protect the interest of the District.

# I.14 COST AND PRICING DATA

Delete clause 25, Cost and Pricing Data, of the Standard Contract Provisions dated July 2010 for use with District of Columbia Government Supplies and Services Contracts.

## **SECTION J: ATTACHMENTS**

The following list of attachments is incorporated into the solicitation by reference.

Attachment Number	Document			
J.1	Government of the District of Columbia Standard Contract Provisions for Use with the Supplies and Services Contracts (July 2010)  available at <a href="http://ocp.dc.gov">http://ocp.dc.gov</a> , under Quick Links click on "Required Solicitation Documents"			
J.2	U.S. Department of Labor Wage Determination 2015-4281, Revision No.: 24  Date of Revision: 06/27/2022			
J.3	Equal Employment Opportunity Employer Information Report and Mayor's Order 85-85 available at available at <a href="http://ocp.dc.gov">http://ocp.dc.gov</a> , under Quick Links click on "Required Solicitation Documents"			
J.4	Department of Employment Services First Source Employment Agreement available at <a href="http://ocp.dc.gov">http://ocp.dc.gov</a> , under Quick Links click on "Required Solicitation Documents"			
J.5	Way to Work Amendment Act of 2006 - Living Wage Notice available at <a href="http://ocp.dc.gov">http://ocp.dc.gov</a> , under Quick Links click on "Required Solicitation Documents"			
J.6	Way to Work Amendment Act of 2006 - Living Wage Fact Sheet available at <a href="http://ocp.dc.gov">http://ocp.dc.gov</a> , under Quick Links click on "Required Solicitation Documents"			
J.7	Tax Certification Affidavit available at <a href="http://ocp.dc.gov">http://ocp.dc.gov</a> , under Quick Links click on "Required Solicitation Documents"			
J.8	Subcontracting Plan (if required by law) available at <a href="http://ocp.dc.gov">http://ocp.dc.gov</a> , under Quick Links click on "Required Solicitation Documents"			
J.9	First Source Initial Employment Plan (if contract is \$300,000 or more) available at <a href="http://ocp.dc.gov">http://ocp.dc.gov</a> , under Quick Links click on "Required Solicitation Documents"			

# SECTION K: REPRESENTATIONS, CERTIFICATIONS AND OTHER STATEMENTS OF BIDDERS

Bidder/Offeror Certification Form available at http://ocp.dc.gov, under Quick Links click on "Required Solicitation Documents"

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# SECTION L: INSTRUCTIONS, CONDITIONS AND NOTICES TO BIDDERS

#### L.1 METHOD OF AWARD

## L.1.1 Most Advantageous to the District

The district intends but not obligated to award a single requirement contract resulting from this solicitation to the responsible offeror whose offer conforming to the solicitation will be most advantageous to the District, cost or price, technical and other factors, specified elsewhere in this solicitation considered.

**L.1.2** The District reserves the right to accept/reject any/all bids resulting from this solicitation. The CO may reject all bids or waive any minor informality or irregularity in bids received whenever it is determined that such action is in the best interest of the District.

#### L.2 BID SUBMISSION DATE AND TIME

- **L.2.1** This solicitation will be electronic bid; a bidder must submit its bid via email before the closing date and time.
- **L.2.2** All attachments shall be submitted as a .pdf file. The District will not be responsible for corruption of any file submitted. If the submitted file cannot be viewed and printed as submitted, it will not be considered.
- **L.2.3** The District will reject as non-responsive any bid that fails to conform in any material respect to the IFB.
- **L.2.4** Bidders shall make no changes to the requirements set forth in the solicitation.
- **L.2.5** The District will reject as non-responsive any bid that fails to include a subcontracting plan that is required by law.
- **L.2.6** The bidder shall complete, sign, and submit its initial First Source Employment Plan and all Representations, Certifications and Acknowledgments as appropriate. Failure to do so may result in a bid rejection.
- **L.2.7** The bidder must bid on all CLINs to be considered for this award. Failure to bid on all CLINs will render the bid non-responsive and disqualify a bid.

## L.3 FAMILIARIZATION WITH CONDITIONS

Bidders shall thoroughly familiarize themselves with the terms and conditions of this solicitation, acquainting themselves with all available information regarding difficulties which may be encountered and the conditions under which the work is be accomplished. Bidders will not be relieved from assuming all responsibility for properly estimating the difficulties and the cost of performing the services required herein due to their failure to investigate the conditions or to become acquainted with all information, schedules and liability concerning the services to be performed.

#### L.4 BID SUBMISSION DATE AND TIME

Bids must be submitted electronically via email at: via <a href="mailto:dcpsoca.inquiries@k12.dc.gov">dcpsoca.inquiries@k12.dc.gov</a> no later than <a href="mailto:september29">September 29, 2022, at 11:00 AM EST.</a>

#### L.5 WITHDRAWAL OR MODIFICATION OF BIDS

A bidder may modify or withdraw its bid via email at <a href="mailto:dcpsoca.inquiries@k12.dc.gov">dcpsoca.inquiries@k12.dc.gov</a> at any time before the closing date and time for receipt of bids.

# L.6 LATE SUBMISSIONS, LATE MODIFICATIONS, AND LATE WITHDRAWALS

#### L.6.1 Late Submissions

DCPS will not accept late bids or modifications to bids after the closing date and time for receipt of bids.

#### L.6.2 Late Modifications

A late modification of a successful bid which makes its terms more favorable to the district will be considered at any time it is received and may be accepted.

#### L.7 ERRORS IN BIDS

Bidders are expected to read and understand fully all information and requirements contained in the solicitation; failure to do so will be at the bidder's risk. In event of a discrepancy between the unit price and the total price, the unit price shall govern.

## L.8 QUESTIONS ABOUT THE SOLICITATION

If a prospective bidder has any questions relative to this solicitation, the bidder should submit questions no later than **September 26, 2022, @ 11:00 A.M** the prospective bidder shall submit the question electronically via email at dcpsoca.inquiries@k12.dc.gov. The prospective The District may not consider any questions received after the **September 26, 2022**. All oral questions must be submitted in writing. An amendment to the solicitation will be issued and posted on the DCPS website no later than **September 27, 2022, @ 5 P.M** if the CO decides that information is necessary in submitting bids, or if the lack of it would be prejudicial to any prospective bidder. Oral explanations or instructions given by District officials before the award of the contract will not be binding.

#### L.9 BID PROTESTS

Any actual or prospective bidder or contractor, who is aggrieved in connection with the solicitation or award of a contract, must file with the D.C. Contract Appeals Board (Board) a protest no later than ten (10) business days after the basis of protest is known or should have been known, whichever is earlier. A protest based on alleged improprieties in a solicitation which are apparent prior to bid opening, or the time set for receipt of initial bids shall be filed with the Board prior to bid opening or the time set for receipt of initial bids. In procurements in which bids are requested, alleged improprieties which do not exist in the initial solicitation, but which are subsequently incorporated into this solicitation, must be protested no later than the next closing time for receipt of bids following the incorporation. The protest shall be filed in writing, with the Contract Appeals Board, 441 4<sup>th</sup> Street, N.W., Suite 350N, Washington, D.C. 20001. The aggrieved person shall also mail a copy of the protest to the CO for the solicitation.

#### L.10 ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF AMENDMENTS

The bidder shall acknowledge receipt of any amendment to this solicitation electronically via email at dcpsoca.inquiries@k12.dc.gov. The district must receive the acknowledgment by the date and time specified for receipt of bids. A bidder's failure to acknowledge an amendment may result in rejection of its bid.

#### L.11 SIGNING OF BIDS

- **L.11.1** The Contractor shall sign the bid and print or type its name on the Solicitation, Offer and Award form of this solicitation. Each bid must show a full business address and telephone number of the bidder and be signed by the person or persons legally authorized to sign contracts. Erasures or other changes must be initiated by the person signing the bid. Bids signed by an agent shall be accompanied by evidence of that agent's authority, unless that evidence has been previously furnished to the CO.
- **L.11.2** All correspondence concerning the bid or resulting contract will be mailed to the address shown on the bid in the absence of written instructions from the bidder or contractor to the contrary. Any bid submitted by a partnership must be signed with the partnership name by a general partner with authority to bind the partnership. Any bid submitted by a corporation must be signed with the name of the corporation followed by the signature and title of the person having authority to sign for the corporation.

#### L.12 BIDS WITH OPTION YEARS

The bidder shall include option year prices in its bid. A bid may be determined to be nonresponsive if it does not include option year pricing.

## L.12 LEGAL STATUS OF BIDDER

Each bid must provide the following information:

- L.12.1 Name, address, telephone number and federal tax identification number of bidder.
- **L.12.2** A copy of each District of Columbia license, registration, or certification that the bidder is required by law to obtain. If the bidder is a corporation or partnership and does not provide a copy of its license, registration, or certification to transact business in the District of Columbia, the bid shall certify its intent to obtain the necessary license, registration or certification prior to contract award or its exemption from such requirements; and
- **L.12.3** If the bidder is a partnership or joint venture, the names and addresses of the general partners or individual members of the joint venture, and copies of any joint venture or teaming agreements.

#### L.13 BID OPENING

The District shall make publicly available the name of each bidder, the bid price, and other information that is deemed appropriate.

#### L.14 CERTIFICATES OF INSURANCE

Prior to commencing work, the Contractor shall have its insurance broker or insurance company submit certificates of insurance giving evidence of the required coverages to the CO. **Each certificate of insurance must identify the contract or solicitation number.** 

#### L.15 GENERAL STANDARDS OF RESPONSIBILITY

- **L.15.1** To be determined responsible, a prospective contractor must demonstrate that it:
  - (a) Has adequate financial resources, or the ability to obtain such resources, required to perform the contract.
  - (b) Is able to comply with the required or proposed delivery or performance schedule, taking into consideration all existing commercial and government contract commitments.
  - (c) Has a satisfactory performance record?
  - (d) Has a satisfactory record of integrity and business ethics?
  - (e) Has a satisfactory record of compliance with the applicable District licensing and tax laws and regulations?
  - (f) Has a satisfactory record of compliance with the law, including labor and civil rights laws and rules, and the First Source Employment Agreement Act of 1984, D.C. Official Code § 2-219.01 et seq., as amended
  - (g) Has, or has the ability to obtain, the necessary organization, experience, accounting, and operational control, and technical skills
  - (h) Has, or has the ability to obtain, the necessary production, construction, technical equipment, and facilities.
  - (i) Has not exhibited a pattern of overcharging the District
  - (j) Does not have an outstanding debt with the District or the federal government in a delinquent status; and
  - (k) Is otherwise qualified and is eligible to receive an award under applicable laws and regulations.
- **L.15.2** If the prospective contractor fails to supply the information requested, the CO shall make the determination of responsibility or non-responsibility based upon available information. If the available information is insufficient to decide responsibility, the CO shall determine the prospective contractor to be non-responsible.
- , if available, shall be included. The hours that each will devote to the contract shall be provided in total and broken down by task

#### SECTION M: EVALUATION FACTORS

## M.1. Preferences for Certified Business Enterprises

Under the provisions of the "Small and Certified Business Enterprise Development and Assistance Act of 2005", D.C. Official Code § 2-218.01 et seq., as amended ("Act", as used in this section), the District shall

apply preferences in evaluating bids from businesses that are certified by the Department of Small and Local Business Development (DSLBD) pursuant to Part D of the Act.

## M.1.1. Application of Preferences

For evaluation purposes, the allowable preferences under the Act shall be applicable to prime contractors in response to this IFB as follows:

- **M.1.1.1** A small business enterprise certified by the DSLBD will receive a three percent (3%) reduction in the bid price.
- M.1.1.2 A resident-owned business certified by DSLBD will receive a five percent (5%) reduction in the bid price.
- **M.1.1.3** A longtime resident business certified by DSLBD will receive a ten percent (10%) reduction in the bid price.
- M.1.1.4 A local business enterprise certified by DSLBD will receive a two percent (2%) reduction in the bid price.
- **L.1.1.5** A local business enterprise with its principal offices located in an enterprise zone certified by DSLBD will receive a two percent (2%) reduction in the bid price.
- **M.1.1.6** A disadvantaged business enterprise certified by DSLBD will receive a two percent (2%) reduction in the bid price.
- M.1.1.7 A veteran-owned business certified by DSLBD will receive a two percent (2%) reduction in the bid price.
- **M.1.1.8** A local manufacturing business enterprise certified by DSLBD will receive a two percent (2%) reduction in the bid price.
- M.1.2 Maximum Preference Awarded

Notwithstanding the availability of the preceding preferences, the maximum total preference to which a certified business enterprise is entitled is twelve per cent (12%). There will be no preference awarded for subcontracting by the prime contractor with certified business enterprises.

M.1.3 Preferences for Certified Joint Ventures

A joint venture certified by DSLBD for this solicitation will receive preferences as a prime contractor as determined by DSLBD.

- M.1.4 Verification of Bidder's Certification as a Certified Business Enterprise
- **M.1.4.1** Any bidder seeking to receive preferences on this solicitation must be certified at the time of submission of its bid. The CO will verify the bidder's certification with DSLBD, and the bidder should not submit with its bid any documentation regarding its certification as a certified business enterprise.
- **M.1.4.2** Any bidder seeking certification in order to receive preferences under this solicitation should contact the:

Department of Small and Local Business Development ATTN: CBE Certification Program

# 441 Fourth Street, NW, Suite 850N Washington DC 20001

**M.1.4.3** All bidders are encouraged to contact DSLBD at (202) 727-3900 if additional information is required on certification procedures and requirements.

## **M.2 EVALUATION OF OPTION YEARS**

The District will evaluate bids for award purposes by evaluating the total price for all options as well as the base year. Evaluation of options shall not obligate the District to exercise them. The total District's requirements may change during the option years. Quantities to be awarded will be determined at the time each option is exercised.