



# Office of General Services

## DIVISION OF FINANCIAL ADMINISTRATION

### ADDENDUM #2

#### REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL # 2668

#### Outdoor Rx: Expanding Opportunities for Veterans on New York State's Lands

Date: March 21, 2023

Bid Due Date: Tuesday, March 28, 2023 @ 2:00 PM

To Prospective Proposers: This addendum is being issued to provide official answers to all submitted questions.

- Q1.** We have multiple projects, both ongoing and planned, that we feel will be competitive for this opportunity. Is one organization allowed to submit multiple proposals? If so, will that detract from the competitive value of submitting only one?
- A1.** One grant shall be awarded to each entity.
- Q2.** Will administrative costs for running program(s), like managing the website, conducting meetings, etc., be considered eligible costs for this funding?
- A2.** Administrative costs are considered to be eligible costs for this RFP.
- Q3.** The checklist in Section 3 of the application packet (Page 5 of Attachment 1 in the amended RFP) overlaps substantially with the Required Questions in Section 2 (pp. 3-4 of the same attachment) and the budget summary and narrative (Attachment 2). Is a separate narrative required for Section 3 if the answers to Section 2 and Attachment 2 address these items in full?
- A3.** All documentation included in the RFP must be completed and all questions must be answered completely.

All other terms and conditions remain unchanged.

RFP # 2668 – Outdoor Rx: Expanding Opportunities for Veterans on New York State’s Lands  
Addendum # 2

If submitting a proposal, this Addendum #2 for RFP # 2668 must contain an original signature, be dated, attached to, and made a part of your proposal.

Company Name\_\_\_\_\_

Address (include City, State, Zip)\_\_\_\_\_

Bidders Name (please print)\_\_\_\_\_

Title\_\_\_\_\_

Signature\_\_\_\_\_

Date\_\_\_\_\_



# Office of General Services

## DIVISION OF FINANCIAL ADMINISTRATION

### ADDENDUM #1

RFP # 2668

## OUTDOOR RX: EXPANDING OPPORTUNITIES FOR VETERANS ON NEW YORK STATE'S PUBLIC LANDS

Date: February 27, 2023

Bid Due Date: Tuesday, March 28, 2023 @ 2:00 PM

To Prospective Proposers: This addendum is being issued to provide the attachments and appendices that are listed in the Table of Contents, however, were missing from the previously released RFP on February 21, 2023 via the OGS Bid Calendar: <https://ogs.ny.gov/procurement/bid-opportunities>.

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All other terms and conditions remain unchanged.

If submitting a proposal, this Addendum #1 for RFP # 2668 must contain an original signature, be dated, attached to, and made a part of your proposal.

Company Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address (include City, State, Zip) \_\_\_\_\_

Bidders Name (please print) \_\_\_\_\_

Title \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

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# **STANDARD CLAUSES FOR NEW YORK STATE CONTRACTS**

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## **STANDARD CLAUSES FOR NYS CONTRACTS**

The parties to the attached contract, license, lease, amendment or other agreement of any kind (hereinafter, "the contract" or "this contract") agree to be bound by the following clauses which are hereby made a part of the contract (the word "Contractor" herein refers to any party other than the State, whether a contractor, licensor, licensee, lessor, lessee or any other party):

**1. EXECUTORY CLAUSE.** In accordance with Section 41 of the State Finance Law, the State shall have no liability under this contract to the Contractor or to anyone else beyond funds appropriated and available for this contract.

**2. NON-ASSIGNMENT CLAUSE.** In accordance with Section 138 of the State Finance Law, this contract may not be assigned by the Contractor or its right, title or interest therein assigned, transferred, conveyed, sublet or otherwise disposed of without the State's previous written consent, and attempts to do so are null and void. Notwithstanding the foregoing, such prior written consent of an assignment of a contract let pursuant to Article XI of the State Finance Law may be waived at the discretion of the contracting agency and with the concurrence of the State Comptroller where the original contract was subject to the State Comptroller's approval, where the assignment is due to a reorganization, merger or consolidation of the Contractor's business entity or enterprise. The State retains its right to approve an assignment and to require that any Contractor demonstrate its responsibility to do business with the State. The Contractor may, however, assign its right to receive payments without the State's prior written consent unless this contract concerns Certificates of Participation pursuant to Article 5-A of the State Finance Law.

**3. COMPTROLLER'S APPROVAL.** In accordance with Section 112 of the State Finance Law (or, if this contract is with the State University or City University of New York, Section 355 or Section 6218 of the Education Law), if this contract exceeds \$50,000 (or the minimum thresholds agreed to by the Office of the State Comptroller for certain S.U.N.Y. and C.U.N.Y. contracts), or if this is an amendment for any amount to a contract which, as so amended, exceeds said statutory amount, or if, by this contract, the State agrees to give something other than money when the value or reasonably estimated value of such consideration exceeds \$25,000, it shall not be valid, effective or binding upon the State until it has been approved by the State Comptroller and filed in his office. Comptroller's approval of contracts let by the Office of General Services is required when such contracts exceed \$85,000 (State Finance Law § 163.6-a). However, such pre-approval shall not be required for any contract established as a centralized contract through the Office of General Services or for a purchase order or other transaction issued under such centralized contract.

**4. WORKERS' COMPENSATION BENEFITS.** In accordance with Section 142 of the State Finance Law, this contract shall be void and of no force and effect unless the

Contractor shall provide and maintain coverage during the life of this contract for the benefit of such employees as are required to be covered by the provisions of the Workers' Compensation Law.

**5. NON-DISCRIMINATION REQUIREMENTS.** To the extent required by Article 15 of the Executive Law (also known as the Human Rights Law) and all other State and Federal statutory and constitutional non-discrimination provisions, the Contractor will not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment, nor subject any individual to harassment, because of age, race, creed, color, national origin, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, military status, sex, disability, predisposing genetic characteristics, familial status, marital status, or domestic violence victim status or because the individual has opposed any practices forbidden under the Human Rights Law or has filed a complaint, testified, or assisted in any proceeding under the Human Rights Law. Furthermore, in accordance with Section 220-e of the Labor Law, if this is a contract for the construction, alteration or repair of any public building or public work or for the manufacture, sale or distribution of materials, equipment or supplies, and to the extent that this contract shall be performed within the State of New York, Contractor agrees that neither it nor its subcontractors shall, by reason of race, creed, color, disability, sex, or national origin: (a) discriminate in hiring against any New York State citizen who is qualified and available to perform the work; or (b) discriminate against or intimidate any employee hired for the performance of work under this contract. If this is a building service contract as defined in Section 230 of the Labor Law, then, in accordance with Section 239 thereof, Contractor agrees that neither it nor its subcontractors shall by reason of race, creed, color, national origin, age, sex or disability: (a) discriminate in hiring against any New York State citizen who is qualified and available to perform the work; or (b) discriminate against or intimidate any employee hired for the performance of work under this contract. Contractor is subject to fines of \$50.00 per person per day for any violation of Section 220-e or Section 239 as well as possible termination of this contract and forfeiture of all moneys due hereunder for a second or subsequent violation.

**6. WAGE AND HOURS PROVISIONS.** If this is a public work contract covered by Article 8 of the Labor Law or a building service contract covered by Article 9 thereof, neither Contractor's employees nor the employees of its subcontractors may be required or permitted to work more than the number of hours or days stated in said statutes, except as otherwise provided in the Labor Law and as set forth in prevailing wage and supplement schedules issued by the State Labor Department. Furthermore, Contractor and its subcontractors must pay at least the prevailing wage rate and pay or provide the prevailing supplements, including the premium rates for overtime pay, as determined by the State Labor Department in accordance with the Labor Law. Additionally, effective April 28, 2008, if this is a public work contract covered by Article 8 of the Labor Law, the Contractor understands and agrees that the filing of payrolls in a manner consistent with Subdivision 3-

a of Section 220 of the Labor Law shall be a condition precedent to payment by the State of any State approved sums due and owing for work done upon the project.

**7. NON-COLLUSIVE BIDDING CERTIFICATION.** In accordance with Section 139-d of the State Finance Law, if this contract was awarded based upon the submission of bids, Contractor affirms, under penalty of perjury, that its bid was arrived at independently and without collusion aimed at restricting competition. Contractor further affirms that, at the time Contractor submitted its bid, an authorized and responsible person executed and delivered to the State a non-collusive bidding certification on Contractor's behalf.

**8. INTERNATIONAL BOYCOTT PROHIBITION.** In accordance with Section 220-f of the Labor Law and Section 139-h of the State Finance Law, if this contract exceeds \$5,000, the Contractor agrees, as a material condition of the contract, that neither the Contractor nor any substantially owned or affiliated person, firm, partnership or corporation has participated, is participating, or shall participate in an international boycott in violation of the federal Export Administration Act of 1979 (50 USC App. Sections 2401 et seq.) or regulations thereunder. If such Contractor, or any of the aforesaid affiliates of Contractor, is convicted or is otherwise found to have violated said laws or regulations upon the final determination of the United States Commerce Department or any other appropriate agency of the United States subsequent to the contract's execution, such contract, amendment or modification thereto shall be rendered forfeit and void. The Contractor shall so notify the State Comptroller within five (5) business days of such conviction, determination or disposition of appeal (2 NYCRR § 105.4).

**9. SET-OFF RIGHTS.** The State shall have all of its common law, equitable and statutory rights of set-off. These rights shall include, but not be limited to, the State's option to withhold for the purposes of set-off any moneys due to the Contractor under this contract up to any amounts due and owing to the State with regard to this contract, any other contract with any State department or agency, including any contract for a term commencing prior to the term of this contract, plus any amounts due and owing to the State for any other reason including, without limitation, tax delinquencies, fee delinquencies or monetary penalties relative thereto. The State shall exercise its set-off rights in accordance with normal State practices including, in cases of set-off pursuant to an audit, the finalization of such audit by the State agency, its representatives, or the State Comptroller.

**10. RECORDS.** The Contractor shall establish and maintain complete and accurate books, records, documents, accounts and other evidence directly pertinent to performance under this contract (hereinafter, collectively, the "Records"). The Records must be kept for the balance of the calendar year in which they were made and for six (6) additional years thereafter. The State Comptroller, the Attorney General and any other person or entity authorized to conduct an examination, as well as the

agency or agencies involved in this contract, shall have access to the Records during normal business hours at an office of the Contractor within the State of New York or, if no such office is available, at a mutually agreeable and reasonable venue within the State, for the term specified above for the purposes of inspection, auditing and copying. The State shall take reasonable steps to protect from public disclosure any of the Records which are exempt from disclosure under Section 87 of the Public Officers Law (the "Statute") provided that: (i) the Contractor shall timely inform an appropriate State official, in writing, that said records should not be disclosed; and (ii) said records shall be sufficiently identified; and (iii) designation of said records as exempt under the Statute is reasonable. Nothing contained herein shall diminish, or in any way adversely affect, the State's right to discovery in any pending or future litigation.

**11. IDENTIFYING INFORMATION AND PRIVACY NOTIFICATION.** (a) Identification Number(s). Every invoice or New York State Claim for Payment submitted to a New York State agency by a payee, for payment for the sale of goods or services or for transactions (e.g., leases, easements, licenses, etc.) related to real or personal property must include the payee's identification number. The number is any or all of the following: (i) the payee's Federal employer identification number, (ii) the payee's Federal social security number, and/or (iii) the payee's Vendor Identification Number assigned by the Statewide Financial System. Failure to include such number or numbers may delay payment. Where the payee does not have such number or numbers, the payee, on its invoice or Claim for Payment, must give the reason or reasons why the payee does not have such number or numbers.

(b) Privacy Notification. (1) The authority to request the above personal information from a seller of goods or services or a lessor of real or personal property, and the authority to maintain such information, is found in Section 5 of the State Tax Law. Disclosure of this information by the seller or lessor to the State is mandatory. The principal purpose for which the information is collected is to enable the State to identify individuals, businesses and others who have been delinquent in filing tax returns or may have understated their tax liabilities and to generally identify persons affected by the taxes administered by the Commissioner of Taxation and Finance. The information will be used for tax administration purposes and for any other purpose authorized by law. (2) The personal information is requested by the purchasing unit of the agency contracting to purchase the goods or services or lease the real or personal property covered by this contract or lease. The information is maintained in the Statewide Financial System by the Vendor Management Unit within the Bureau of State Expenditures, Office of the State Comptroller, 110 State Street, Albany, New York 12236.

**12. EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES FOR MINORITIES AND WOMEN.** In accordance with Section 312 of the Executive Law and 5 NYCRR Part 143, if this contract is: (i) a written agreement or purchase order instrument, providing for a total expenditure in excess of

\$25,000.00, whereby a contracting agency is committed to expend or does expend funds in return for labor, services, supplies, equipment, materials or any combination of the foregoing, to be performed for, or rendered or furnished to the contracting agency; or (ii) a written agreement in excess of \$100,000.00 whereby a contracting agency is committed to expend or does expend funds for the acquisition, construction, demolition, replacement, major repair or renovation of real property and improvements thereon; or (iii) a written agreement in excess of \$100,000.00 whereby the owner of a State assisted housing project is committed to expend or does expend funds for the acquisition, construction, demolition, replacement, major repair or renovation of real property and improvements thereon for such project, then the following shall apply and by signing this agreement the Contractor certifies and affirms that it is Contractor's equal employment opportunity policy that:

(a) The Contractor will not discriminate against employees or applicants for employment because of race, creed, color, national origin, sex, age, disability or marital status, shall make and document its conscientious and active efforts to employ and utilize minority group members and women in its work force on State contracts and will undertake or continue existing programs of affirmative action to ensure that minority group members and women are afforded equal employment opportunities without discrimination. Affirmative action shall mean recruitment, employment, job assignment, promotion, upgradings, demotion, transfer, layoff, or termination and rates of pay or other forms of compensation;

(b) at the request of the contracting agency, the Contractor shall request each employment agency, labor union, or authorized representative of workers with which it has a collective bargaining or other agreement or understanding, to furnish a written statement that such employment agency, labor union or representative will not discriminate on the basis of race, creed, color, national origin, sex, age, disability or marital status and that such union or representative will affirmatively cooperate in the implementation of the Contractor's obligations herein; and

(c) the Contractor shall state, in all solicitations or advertisements for employees, that, in the performance of the State contract, all qualified applicants will be afforded equal employment opportunities without discrimination because of race, creed, color, national origin, sex, age, disability or marital status.

Contractor will include the provisions of "a," "b," and "c" above, in every subcontract over \$25,000.00 for the construction, demolition, replacement, major repair, renovation, planning or design of real property and improvements thereon (the "Work") except where the Work is for the beneficial use of the Contractor. Section 312 does not apply to: (i) work, goods or services unrelated to this contract; or (ii) employment outside New York State. The State shall consider compliance by a contractor or subcontractor with the requirements of any federal law concerning equal employment opportunity which effectuates the purpose of this clause. The

contracting agency shall determine whether the imposition of the requirements of the provisions hereof duplicate or conflict with any such federal law and if such duplication or conflict exists, the contracting agency shall waive the applicability of Section 312 to the extent of such duplication or conflict. Contractor will comply with all duly promulgated and lawful rules and regulations of the Department of Economic Development's Division of Minority and Women's Business Development pertaining hereto.

**13. CONFLICTING TERMS.** In the event of a conflict between the terms of the contract (including any and all attachments thereto and amendments thereof) and the terms of this Appendix A, the terms of this Appendix A shall control.

**14. GOVERNING LAW.** This contract shall be governed by the laws of the State of New York except where the Federal supremacy clause requires otherwise.

**15. LATE PAYMENT.** Timeliness of payment and any interest to be paid to Contractor for late payment shall be governed by Article 11-A of the State Finance Law to the extent required by law.

**16. NO ARBITRATION.** Disputes involving this contract, including the breach or alleged breach thereof, may not be submitted to binding arbitration (except where statutorily authorized), but must, instead, be heard in a court of competent jurisdiction of the State of New York.

**17. SERVICE OF PROCESS.** In addition to the methods of service allowed by the State Civil Practice Law & Rules ("CPLR"), Contractor hereby consents to service of process upon it by registered or certified mail, return receipt requested. Service hereunder shall be complete upon Contractor's actual receipt of process or upon the State's receipt of the return thereof by the United States Postal Service as refused or undeliverable. Contractor must promptly notify the State, in writing, of each and every change of address to which service of process can be made. Service by the State to the last known address shall be sufficient. Contractor will have thirty (30) calendar days after service hereunder is complete in which to respond.

**18. PROHIBITION ON PURCHASE OF TROPICAL HARDWOODS.** The Contractor certifies and warrants that all wood products to be used under this contract award will be in accordance with, but not limited to, the specifications and provisions of Section 165 of the State Finance Law, (Use of Tropical Hardwoods) which prohibits purchase and use of tropical hardwoods, unless specifically exempted, by the State or any governmental agency or political subdivision or public benefit corporation. Qualification for an exemption under this law will be the responsibility of the contractor to establish to meet with the approval of the State.

In addition, when any portion of this contract involving the use of woods, whether supply or installation, is to be performed by

any subcontractor, the prime Contractor will indicate and certify in the submitted bid proposal that the subcontractor has been informed and is in compliance with specifications and provisions regarding use of tropical hardwoods as detailed in § 165 State Finance Law. Any such use must meet with the approval of the State; otherwise, the bid may not be considered responsive. Under bidder certifications, proof of qualification for exemption will be the responsibility of the Contractor to meet with the approval of the State.

**19. MACBRIDE FAIR EMPLOYMENT PRINCIPLES.** In accordance with the MacBride Fair Employment Principles (Chapter 807 of the Laws of 1992), the Contractor hereby stipulates that the Contractor either (a) has no business operations in Northern Ireland, or (b) shall take lawful steps in good faith to conduct any business operations in Northern Ireland in accordance with the MacBride Fair Employment Principles (as described in Section 165 of the New York State Finance Law), and shall permit independent monitoring of compliance with such principles.

**20. OMNIBUS PROCUREMENT ACT OF 1992.** It is the policy of New York State to maximize opportunities for the participation of New York State business enterprises, including minority- and women-owned business enterprises as bidders, subcontractors and suppliers on its procurement contracts.

Information on the availability of New York State subcontractors and suppliers is available from:

NYS Department of Economic Development  
Division for Small Business  
Albany, New York 12245  
Telephone: 518-292-5100  
Fax: 518-292-5884  
email: [opa@esd.ny.gov](mailto:opa@esd.ny.gov)

A directory of certified minority- and women-owned business enterprises is available from:

NYS Department of Economic Development  
Division of Minority and Women's Business Development  
633 Third Avenue  
New York, NY 10017  
212-803-2414  
email: [mwbecertification@esd.ny.gov](mailto:mwbecertification@esd.ny.gov)  
<https://ny.newnycontracts.com/FrontEnd/VendorSearchPublic.asp>

The Omnibus Procurement Act of 1992 (Chapter 844 of the Laws of 1992, codified in State Finance Law § 139-i and Public Authorities Law § 2879(3)(n)-(p)) requires that by signing this bid proposal or contract, as applicable, Contractors certify that whenever the total bid amount is greater than \$1 million:

(a) The Contractor has made reasonable efforts to encourage the participation of New York State Business Enterprises as suppliers and subcontractors, including certified minority- and

women-owned business enterprises, on this project, and has retained the documentation of these efforts to be provided upon request to the State;

(b) The Contractor has complied with the Federal Equal Opportunity Act of 1972 (P.L. 92-261), as amended;

(c) The Contractor agrees to make reasonable efforts to provide notification to New York State residents of employment opportunities on this project through listing any such positions with the Job Service Division of the New York State Department of Labor, or providing such notification in such manner as is consistent with existing collective bargaining contracts or agreements. The Contractor agrees to document these efforts and to provide said documentation to the State upon request; and

(d) The Contractor acknowledges notice that the State may seek to obtain offset credits from foreign countries as a result of this contract and agrees to cooperate with the State in these efforts.

**21. RECIPROCITY AND SANCTIONS PROVISIONS.** Bidders are hereby notified that if their principal place of business is located in a country, nation, province, state or political subdivision that penalizes New York State vendors, and if the goods or services they offer will be substantially produced or performed outside New York State, the Omnibus Procurement Act 1994 and 2000 amendments (Chapter 684 and Chapter 383, respectively, codified in State Finance Law § 165(6) and Public Authorities Law § 2879(5)) ) require that they be denied contracts which they would otherwise obtain. NOTE: As of October 2019, the list of discriminatory jurisdictions subject to this provision includes the states of South Carolina, Alaska, West Virginia, Wyoming, Louisiana and Hawaii.

**22. COMPLIANCE WITH BREACH NOTIFICATION AND DATA SECURITY LAWS.** Contractor shall comply with the provisions of the New York State Information Security Breach and Notification Act (General Business Law § 899-aa and State Technology Law § 208) and commencing March 21, 2020 shall also comply with General Business Law § 899-bb.

**23. COMPLIANCE WITH CONSULTANT DISCLOSURE LAW.** If this is a contract for consulting services, defined for purposes of this requirement to include analysis, evaluation, research, training, data processing, computer programming, engineering, environmental, health, and mental health services, accounting, auditing, paralegal, legal or similar services, then, in accordance with Section 163 (4)(g) of the State Finance Law (as amended by Chapter 10 of the Laws of 2006), the Contractor shall timely, accurately and properly comply with the requirement to submit an annual employment report for the contract to the agency that awarded the contract, the Department of Civil Service and the State Comptroller.

**24. PROCUREMENT LOBBYING.** To the extent this agreement is a "procurement contract" as defined by State Finance Law §§ 139-j and 139-k, by signing this agreement the contractor certifies and affirms that all disclosures made in accordance with State Finance Law §§ 139-j and 139-k are complete, true and accurate. In the event such certification is found to be intentionally false or intentionally incomplete, the State may terminate the agreement by providing written notification to the Contractor in accordance with the terms of the agreement.

**25. CERTIFICATION OF REGISTRATION TO COLLECT SALES AND COMPENSATING USE TAX BY CERTAIN STATE CONTRACTORS, AFFILIATES AND SUBCONTRACTORS.**

To the extent this agreement is a contract as defined by Tax Law § 5-a, if the contractor fails to make the certification required by Tax Law § 5-a or if during the term of the contract, the Department of Taxation and Finance or the covered agency, as defined by Tax Law § 5-a, discovers that the certification, made under penalty of perjury, is false, then such failure to file or false certification shall be a material breach of this contract and this contract may be terminated, by providing written notification to the Contractor in accordance with the terms of the agreement, if the covered agency determines that such action is in the best interest of the State.

**26. IRAN DIVESTMENT ACT.** By entering into this Agreement, Contractor certifies in accordance with State Finance Law § 165-a that it is not on the "Entities Determined to be Non-Responsive Bidders/Offerers pursuant to the New York State Iran Divestment Act of 2012" ("Prohibited Entities List") posted at: <https://ogs.ny.gov/list-entities-determined-be-non-responsive-biddersofferers-pursuant-nys-iran-divestment-act-2012>

Contractor further certifies that it will not utilize on this Contract any subcontractor that is identified on the Prohibited Entities List. Contractor agrees that should it seek to renew or extend this Contract, it must provide the same certification at the time the Contract is renewed or extended. Contractor also agrees that any proposed Assignee of this Contract will be required to certify that it is not on the Prohibited Entities List before the contract assignment will be approved by the State.

During the term of the Contract, should the state agency receive information that a person (as defined in State Finance Law § 165-a) is in violation of the above-referenced certifications, the state agency will review such information and offer the person an opportunity to respond. If the person fails to demonstrate that it has ceased its engagement in the investment activity which is in violation of the Act within 90 days after the determination of such violation, then the state agency shall take such action as may be appropriate and provided for by law, rule, or contract, including, but not limited to, imposing sanctions, seeking compliance, recovering damages, or declaring the Contractor in default.

The state agency reserves the right to reject any bid, request for assignment, renewal or extension for an entity that appears on the Prohibited Entities List prior to the award, assignment, renewal or extension of a contract, and to pursue a responsibility review with respect to any entity that is awarded a contract and appears on the Prohibited Entities list after contract award.

**27. ADMISSIBILITY OF REPRODUCTION OF CONTRACT.** Notwithstanding the best evidence rule or any other legal principle or rule of evidence to the contrary, the Contractor acknowledges and agrees that it waives any and all objections to the admissibility into evidence at any court proceeding or to the use at any examination before trial of an electronic reproduction of this contract, in the form approved by the State Comptroller, if such approval was required, regardless of whether the original of said contract is in existence.

## **Solicitation 2668**

### **Appendix B – Required Forms**

## Required Forms – Table of Contents

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The following required forms are to be submitted with the proposer's proposal. The forms include:

- ☐ Contractor Information Page
- ☐ Corporate Acknowledgement (must be notarized)
- ☐ Offerer's Affirmation of Understanding of and Agreement pursuant to New York State Finance Law §139-j (3) and §139-j (6) (b)
- ☐ Offerer Disclosure of Prior Non-Responsibility Determinations
- ☐ Offerer's Certification of Compliance with State Finance Law §139-k(5)
- ☐ NYS Required Certifications
  - Nondiscrimination In Employment In Northern Ireland Macbride Fair Employment Principles
  - Non-Collusive Bidding Certification
  - Diesel Emission Reduction Act
  - Executive Order No 177 Certification
  - State Finance Law § 139-I Certification
  - Small Business Certification
- ☐ Certification Under Executive Order No. 16- Prohibiting State Agencies and Authorities from Contracting with Businesses Conducting Business in Russia
- ☐ ST-220 -TD Taxation & Finance Contractor Certification  
(Submitted directly to Taxation & Finance)
- ☐ ST-220 -CA Taxation and Finance Covered Agency Certification

## Contractor Information

Solicitation Number **2668**

Offerer affirms that it understands and agrees to comply with the procedures of the Government Entity relative to permissible contacts as required by New York State Finance Law §139-j (3) and §139-j (6) (b).

Authorized Signature		Date	
Print Name		Title	
Company Name			
Federal ID Number		NYS Vendor ID Number	
Address			
City	State	Zip	County
Telephone Number	Ext	Toll Free Telephone	Ext
Fax Number	Toll Free Fax Number		
Email of Designated Contact			

Please identify if any of the following apply:

New York State Small Business as defined in Executive Law Section 310(20) and as detailed in the "New York State Required Certifications" included in Appendix B herein.	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
New York State Certified Minority Owned Business	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
New York State Certified Woman Owned Business	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
New York State Certified Service-Disabled Veteran-Owned Business	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
Do you understand and is your firm capable of meeting the insurance requirements to enter into a contract with New York State?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
Will New York State Businesses be used in the performance of this contract?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
If yes, identify New York State Business(es) that will be used; (Attach identifying information).		
Does your proposal meet all the requirements of this solicitation?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No

<p>Is your firm making a claim that any portions of its bid should be exempt from release under the Freedom of Information Law, as they constitute trade secrets, or information the disclosure of which would cause a substantial injury to your firm's competitive position? <b>(Please review the clause entitled "Freedom of Information Law / Trade Secrets" of this Solicitation before answering).</b></p>	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
<p>If "Yes", please identify the specific portions of your bid for which you are claiming this exemption, and the reasons for such claimed exemption. Attach additional sheets, if necessary</p>		

**INDIVIDUAL, CORPORATION, PARTNERSHIP, OR LLC ACKNOWLEDGMENT**

STATE OF \_\_\_\_\_ }  
\_\_\_\_\_  
: SS.:  
COUNTY OF \_\_\_\_\_ }

On the \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ in the year 20 \_\_\_\_, before me personally appeared \_\_\_\_\_, known to me to be the person who executed the foregoing instrument, who, being duly sworn by me did depose and say that \_he resides at

\_\_\_\_\_,  
Town of \_\_\_\_\_,  
County of \_\_\_\_\_,  
State of \_\_\_\_\_; and further that:

**[Check One]**

☐ **If an individual):** \_he executed the foregoing instrument in his/her name and on his/her own behalf.

☐ **If a corporation):** \_he is the \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_, the corporation described in said instrument; that, by authority of the Board of Directors of said corporation, \_he is authorized to execute the foregoing instrument on behalf of the corporation for purposes set forth therein; and that, pursuant to that authority, \_he executed the foregoing instrument in the name of and on behalf of said corporation as the act and deed of said corporation.

☐ **If a partnership):** \_he is the \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_, the partnership described in said instrument; that, by the terms of said partnership, \_he is authorized to execute the foregoing instrument on behalf of the partnership for purposes set forth therein; and that, pursuant to that authority, \_he executed the foregoing instrument in the name of and on behalf of said partnership as the act and deed of said partnership.

☐ **If a limited liability company):** \_he is a duly authorized member of \_\_\_\_\_, LLC, the limited liability company described in said instrument; that \_he is authorized to execute the foregoing instrument on behalf of the limited liability company for purposes set forth therein; and that, pursuant to that authority, \_he executed the foregoing instrument in the name of and on behalf of said limited liability company as the act and deed of said limited liability company.

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Notary Public**  
**Registration No.** \_\_\_\_\_  
**State of:** \_\_\_\_\_

## Offerer's Affirmation of Understanding of and Agreement pursuant to New York State Finance Law §139-j (3) and §139-j (6) (b)

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New York State Finance Law §139-j(6)(b) provides that:

Every Governmental Entity shall seek written affirmations from all Offerers as to the Offerer's understanding of and agreement to comply with the Governmental Entity's procedures relating to permissible contacts during a Governmental Procurement pursuant to subdivision three of this section.

Offerer affirms that it understands and agrees to comply with the procedures of the Government Entity relative to permissible contacts as required by New York State Finance Law §139-j (3) and §139-j (6) (b).			
Authorized Signature		Date	
Print Name		Title	
Company Name			
Address			
City	State	Zip	

## **Offerer Disclosure of Prior Non-Responsibility Determinations**

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### **Background:**

New York State Finance Law §139-k(2) obligates a Governmental Entity to obtain specific information regarding prior non-responsibility determinations with respect to State Finance Law §139-j. This information must be collected in addition to the information that is separately obtained pursuant to State Finance Law §163(9). In accordance with State Finance Law §139-k, an Offerer must be asked to disclose whether there has been a finding of non-responsibility made within the previous four (4) years by any Governmental Entity due to: (a) a violation of State Finance Law §139-j or (b) the intentional provision of false or incomplete information to a Governmental Entity. The terms “Offerer” and “Governmental Entity” are defined in State Finance Law § 139-k(1). State Finance Law §139-j sets forth detailed requirements about the restrictions on Contacts during the procurement process. A violation of State Finance Law §139-j includes, but is not limited to, an impermissible Contact during the restricted period (for example, contacting a person or entity other than the designated contact person, when such contact does not fall within one of the exemptions).

As part of its responsibility determination, State Finance Law §139-k(3) mandates consideration of whether an Offerer fails to timely disclose accurate or complete information regarding the above non-responsibility determination. In accordance with law, no Procurement Contract shall be awarded to any Offerer that fails to timely disclose accurate or complete information under this section, unless a finding is made that the award of the Procurement Contract to the Offerer is necessary to protect public property or public health safety, and that the Offerer is the only source capable of supplying the required Article of Procurement within the necessary timeframe. See State Finance Law §§139-j (10)(b) and 139-k(3).

### **Instructions:**

A Governmental Entity must include a disclosure request regarding prior non-responsibility determinations in accordance with State Finance Law §139-k in its solicitation of proposals or bid documents or specifications or contract documents, as applicable, for procurement contracts. The attached form is to be completed and submitted by the individual or entity seeking to enter into a Procurement Contract. It shall be submitted to the Governmental Entity conducting the Governmental Procurement.

## Offerer Disclosure of Prior Non-Responsibility Determinations

Name of Individual or Entity Seeking to Enter into the Procurement Contract			
Address			
City	State	Zip	
			<b>2668</b>
Person Submitting this Form	Title	Date	Contract Procurement Number

1. Has any Governmental Entity made a finding of non-responsibility regarding the individual or entity seeking to enter into the Procurement Contract in the previous four years?	<input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes
<i>If yes, please answer questions 2-4 before proceeding to question 5. If no, please go to question 5.</i>	
2. Was the basis for the finding of non-responsibility due to a violation of State Finance Law §139-j	<input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes
3. Was the basis for the finding of non-responsibility due to the intentional provision of false or incomplete information to a Governmental Entity?	<input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes
4. If you answered yes to any of the above questions, please provide details regarding the finding of non-responsibility below.	
Governmental Entity	Date of Finding of Non-responsibility
Basis of Finding of Non-Responsibility (Add additional pages as necessary)	
5. Has any Governmental Entity or other governmental agency terminated or withheld a Procurement Contract with the above-named individual or entity due to the intentional provision of false or incomplete information?	<input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes
6. If yes, please provide details below.	
Governmental Entity	Date of Termination or Withholding of Contract
Basis of Termination or Withholding (Add additional pages as necessary)	

Offerer certifies that all information provided to the Governmental Entity with respect to State Finance Law §139-k is complete, true and accurate.

By: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

## Offerer's Certification of Compliance with State Finance Law §139-k(5)

New York State Finance Law §139-k(5) requires that every Procurement Contract award subject to the provisions of State Finance Law §§139-k or 139-j shall contain a certification by the Offerer that all information provided to the Office of General Services with respect to State Finance Law §139-k is complete, true and accurate.

Offerer Certification:			
<i>I certify that all information provided to the Office of General Services with respect to State Finance Law §139-k is complete, true and accurate.</i>			
Authorized Signature		Date	
Print Name		Title	
Company Name			
Address			
City	State	Zip	

## Procurement Lobbying Termination

The Office of General Services reserves the right to terminate this contract in the event it is found that the certification filed by the Offerer in accordance with New York State Finance Law §139-k was intentionally false or intentionally incomplete. Upon such finding, the Office of General Services may exercise its termination right by providing written notification to the Offerer in accordance with the written notification terms of this contract.

## **NYS REQUIRED CERTIFICATIONS**

### **Nondiscrimination In Employment In Northern Ireland Macbride Fair Employment Principles**

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In accordance with Section 165 of the State Finance Law, the bidder, by submission of this bid, certifies that it or any individual or legal entity in which the bidder holds a 10% or greater ownership interest, or any individual or legal entity that holds a 10% or greater ownership interest in the bidder, either (answer yes or no to one or both of the following, as applicable):

1. have business operations in Northern Ireland ☐ No ☐ Yes , and if yes:
2. shall take lawful steps in good faith to conduct any business operations in Northern Ireland in accordance with the MacBride Fair Employment Principles relating to nondiscrimination in employment and freedom of workplace opportunity regarding such operations in Northern Ireland, and shall permit independent monitoring of compliance with such principles.  
☐ No ☐ Yes

### **Non-Collusive Bidding Certification**

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In accordance with Section 139-d of the State Finance Law, by submitting its bid each bidder and each person signing on behalf of any other bidder certifies, and in the case of a joint bid, each party thereto certifies as to its own organization, under penalty of perjury, that to the best of his or her knowledge and belief:

1. The prices in this bid have been arrived at independently without collusion, consultation, communication, or agreement, for the purpose of restricting competition, as to any matter relating to such prices with any other bidder or with any competitor.
2. Unless otherwise required by law, the prices which have been quoted in this bid have not been knowingly disclosed by the bidder and will not knowingly be disclosed by the bidder prior to opening, directly or indirectly, to any other bidder or to any competitor.
3. No attempt has been made or will be made by the bidder to induce any other person, partnership or corporation to submit or not to submit a bid for the purpose of restricting competition.

In the event that the Bidder is unable to certify as stated above, the Bidder shall provide a signed statement which sets forth in detail the reasons why the Bidder is unable to furnish the certificate as required in accordance with State Finance Law § 139-d(1)(b).

### **Diesel Emission Reduction Act**

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Pursuant to N.Y. Environmental Conservation Law § 19-0323 (the "Law") it is a requirement that heavy duty diesel vehicles in excess of 8,500 pounds use the best available retrofit technology ("BART") and ultra-low sulfur diesel fuel ("ULSD"). The requirement of the Law applies to all vehicles owned, operated by or on behalf of, or leased by State agencies and State or regional public authorities. It also requires that such vehicles owned, operated by or on behalf of, or leased by State agencies and State or regional public authorities with more than half of its governing body appointed by the Governor utilize BART.

The Law may be applicable to vehicles used by contract vendors "on behalf of" State agencies and public authorities and require certain reports from contract vendors. All heavy duty diesel vehicles must have BART by the deadline provided in the Law. The Law also provides a list of exempted vehicles. Regulations

set forth in 6 NYCRR Parts 248 and 249 provide further guidance. The Bidder hereby certifies and warrants that all heavy duty vehicles, as defined in the Law, to be used under this contract, will comply with the specifications and provisions of the Law, and 6 NYCRR Parts 248 and 249.

### **Executive Order No. 177 Certification**

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The New York State Human Rights Law, Article 15 of the Executive Law, prohibits discrimination and harassment based on age, race, creed, color, national origin, sex, pregnancy or pregnancy-related conditions, sexual orientation, gender identity, disability, marital status, familial status, domestic violence victim status, prior arrest or conviction record, military status or predisposing genetic characteristics.

The Human Rights Law may also require reasonable accommodation for persons with disabilities and pregnancy-related conditions. A reasonable accommodation is an adjustment to a job or work environment that enables a person with a disability to perform the essential functions of a job in a reasonable manner. The Human Rights Law may also require reasonable accommodation in employment on the basis of Sabbath observance or religious practices.

Generally, the Human Rights Law applies to:

- all employers of four or more people, employment agencies, labor organizations and apprenticeship training programs in all instances of discrimination or harassment;
- employers with fewer than four employees in all cases involving sexual harassment; and,
- any employer of domestic workers in cases involving sexual harassment or harassment based on gender, race, religion or national origin.

In accordance with Executive Order No. 177, the Bidder hereby certifies that it does not have institutional policies or practices that fail to address the harassment and discrimination of individuals on the basis of their age, race, creed, color, national origin, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, disability, marital status, military status, or other protected status under the Human Rights Law.

Executive Order No. 177 and this certification do not affect institutional policies or practices that are protected by existing law, including but not limited to the First Amendment of the United States Constitution, Article 1, Section 3 of the New York State Constitution, and Section 296(11) of the New York State Human Rights Law.

### **State Finance Law § 139-I Certification**

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By submission of this bid, each bidder and each person signing on behalf of any bidder certifies, and in the case of a joint bid each party thereto certifies as to its own organization, under penalty of perjury, that the bidder has and has implemented a written policy addressing sexual harassment prevention in the workplace and provides annual sexual harassment prevention training to all of its employees. Such policy shall, at a minimum, meet the requirements of section two hundred one-g of the labor law.

If the bidder cannot make the foregoing certification, such bidder shall so state and shall furnish with the bid a signed statement that sets forth in detail the reasons that the bidder cannot make the certification.

### **Small Business Certifications**

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#### **State Finance Law § 163(1)(j) (Authorizes Award of Quantitative Factor Credit for Small Business Status in Evaluation for Best Value Contracts)**

For purposes of New York State Finance Law § 163(1)(j), the contractor certifies that it:

☐ **IS NOT** a Small Business as defined in New York State Executive Law § 310(20).

☐ **IS** a Small Business as defined in New York State Executive Law § 310(20).

"Small Business" is defined under New York State Executive Law § 310(20) as a business that:

- A. has a significant business presence in New York demonstrated through one of the following:
  - 1. pays taxes in New York State, or
  - 2. purchases New York State products or materials, or
  - 3. has any payroll in New York State
- B. is independently owned and operated;
- C. is not dominant in its field; and,
- D. employs less than 300 persons.

**State Finance Law § 163(6) (Authorizes Discretionary Purchases of Commodities or Services from Small Business Concerns)**

For purposes of New York State Finance Law § 163(6), the contractor certifies that it:

☐ **IS NOT** a Small Business Concern or Small Business as defined in New York State Finance Law § 160(8).

☐ **IS** a Small Business Concern or Small Business as defined in New York State Finance Law § 160(8).

"Small Business Concern" or "Small Business" is defined under New York State Finance Law § 160(8) as a business that:

- A. is resident in New York State;
- B. is independently owned and operated;
- C. is not dominant in its field; and
- D. employs 100 or less persons.

**By signing you certify your express authority to sign on behalf of yourself, your company, or other entity and full knowledge and acceptance of this Certifications document and that all information provided is complete, true and accurate.**

Authorized Signature		Date	
Print Name		Title	
Company Name			
D/B/A – Doing Business As (if applicable)			
Address			
City	State	Zip	

## **Certification Under Executive Order No. 16- Prohibiting State Agencies and Authorities from Contracting with Businesses Conducting Business in Russia**

Executive Order No. 16 provides that “all Affected State Entities are directed to refrain from entering into any new contract or renewing any existing contract with an entity conducting business operations in Russia.” The complete text of Executive Order No. 16 can be found [here](#).

The Executive Order remains in effect while sanctions imposed by the federal government are in effect. Accordingly, vendors who may be excluded from award because of current business operations in Russia are nevertheless encouraged to respond to solicitations to preserve their contracting opportunities in case the sanctions are lifted during a solicitation or even after award in the case of some solicitations.

As defined in Executive Order No. 16, an “entity conducting business operations in Russia” means an institution or company, wherever located, conducting any commercial activity in Russia or transacting business with the Russian Government or with commercial entities headquartered in Russia or with their principal place of business in Russia in the form of contracting, sales, purchasing, investment, or any business partnership.

Is Vendor an entity conducting business operations in Russia, as defined above? Please answer by checking one of the following boxes:

- ☐ 1. No, Vendor does not conduct business operations in Russia within the meaning of Executive Order No. 16.
- ☐ 2.a. Yes, Vendor conducts business operations in Russia within the meaning of Executive Order No. 16 but has taken steps to wind down business operations in Russia or is in the process of winding down business operations in Russia. (Please provide a detailed description of the wind down process and a schedule for completion.)
- ☐ 2.b. Yes, Vendor conducts business operations in Russia within the meaning of Executive Order No. 16 but only to the extent necessary to provide vital health and safety services within Russia or to comply with federal law, regulations, executive orders, or directives. (Please provide a detailed description of the services being provided or the relevant laws, regulations, etc.)
- ☐ 3. Yes, Vendor conducts business operations in Russia within the meaning of Executive Order No. 16.

The undersigned certifies under penalties of perjury that they are knowledgeable about the Vendor's business and operations and that the answer provided herein is true to the best of their knowledge and belief.

Authorized Signature		Date	
Print Name		Title	
Company Name			
Address			
City	State	Zip	

## NYS Department of Taxation and Finance - FORMS

CONTRACTOR CERTIFICATION (ST-220-TD 12/11)  
CONTRACTOR CERTIFICATION TO COVERED AGENCY  
(ST-220-CA 12/11)

**Contractor Certification**(Pursuant to Tax Law Section 5-a, as amended,  
effective April 26, 2006)**ST-220-TD**

(4/15)

**For information, consult Publication 223, *Questions and Answers Concerning Tax Law Section 5-a* (see *Need help?* below).**

Contractor name				
Contractor's principal place of business		City	State	ZIP code
Contractor's mailing address (if different than above)		City	State	ZIP code
Contractor's federal employer identification number (EIN)		Contractor's sales tax ID number (if different from contractor's EIN)		Contractor's telephone number (      )
Covered agency or state agency		Contract number or description		Covered agency telephone number (      )
Covered agency address		City	State	ZIP code
Is the estimated contract value over the full term of the contract (but not including renewals) more than \$100,000? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Unknown at this time <input type="checkbox"/>				

**General information**

Tax Law section 5-a, as amended, effective April 26, 2006, requires certain contractors awarded certain state contracts valued at more than \$100,000 to certify to the Tax Department that they are registered to collect New York State and local sales and compensating use taxes, if they made sales delivered by any means to locations within New York State of tangible personal property or taxable services having a cumulative value in excess of \$300,000, measured over a specified period. In addition, contractors must certify to the Tax Department that each affiliate and subcontractor exceeding such sales threshold during a specified period is registered to collect New York State and local sales and compensating use taxes. Contractors must also file Form ST-220-CA, *Contractor Certification to Covered Agency*, certifying to the procuring state entity that they filed Form ST-220-TD with the Tax Department and that the information contained on Form ST-220-TD is correct and complete as of the date they file Form ST-220-CA.

All sections must be completed including all fields on the top of this page, all sections on page 2, Schedule A on page 3, if applicable, and *Individual, Corporation, Partnership, or LLC Acknowledgement* on page 4. If you do not complete these areas, the form will be returned to you for completion.

For more detailed information regarding this form and Tax Law section 5-a, see Publication 223, *Questions and Answers Concerning Tax Law Section 5-a, (as amended, effective April 26, 2006)*. See *Need help?* for more information on how to obtain this publication.

**Note:** Form ST-220-TD must be signed by a person authorized to make the certification on behalf of the contractor, and the acknowledgement on page 4 of this form must be completed before a notary public.

Mail completed form to:

**NYS TAX DEPARTMENT  
DATA ENTRY SECTION  
W A HARRIMAN CAMPUS  
ALBANY NY 12227-0826**

**Privacy notification**

New York State Law requires all government agencies that maintain a system of records to provide notification of the legal authority for any request, the principal purpose(s) for which the information is to be collected, and where it will be maintained. To view this information, visit our Web site, or, if you do not have Internet access, call and request Publication 54, *Privacy Notification*. See *Need help?* for the Web address and telephone number.

**Need help?**Visit our Web site at **[www.tax.ny.gov](http://www.tax.ny.gov)**

- get information and manage your taxes online
- check for new online services and features

**Telephone assistance****Sales Tax** Information Center: (518) 485-2889

To order forms and publications: (518) 457-5431

**Text Telephone (TTY) Hotline** (for persons with hearing and speech disabilities using a TTY): (518) 485-5082**Persons with disabilities:** In compliance with the

Americans with Disabilities Act, we will ensure that our lobbies, offices, meeting rooms, and other facilities are accessible to persons with disabilities. If you have questions about special accommodations for persons with disabilities, call the information center.

I, \_\_\_\_\_, hereby affirm, under penalty of perjury, that I am \_\_\_\_\_  
(name) (title)  
of the above-named contractor, and that I am authorized to make this certification on behalf of such contractor.

**Complete Sections 1, 2, and 3 below. Make only one entry in each section.**

**Section 1 – Contractor registration status**

- ☐ The contractor has made sales delivered by any means to locations within New York State of tangible personal property or taxable services having a cumulative value in excess of \$300,000 during the four sales tax quarters which immediately precede the sales tax quarter in which this certification is made. The contractor is registered to collect New York State and local sales and compensating use taxes with the Commissioner of Taxation and Finance pursuant to Tax Law sections 1134 and 1253, and is listed on Schedule A of this certification.
- ☐ The contractor has not made sales delivered by any means to locations within New York State of tangible personal property or taxable services having a cumulative value in excess of \$300,000 during the four sales tax quarters which immediately precede the sales tax quarter in which this certification is made.

**Section 2 – Affiliate registration status**

- ☐ The contractor does not have any affiliates.
- ☐ To the best of the contractor's knowledge, the contractor has one or more affiliates having made sales delivered by any means to locations within New York State of tangible personal property or taxable services having a cumulative value in excess of \$300,000 during the four sales tax quarters which immediately precede the sales tax quarter in which this certification is made, and each affiliate exceeding the \$300,000 cumulative sales threshold during such quarters is registered to collect New York State and local sales and compensating use taxes with the Commissioner of Taxation and Finance pursuant to Tax Law sections 1134 and 1253. The contractor has listed each affiliate exceeding the \$300,000 cumulative sales threshold during such quarters on Schedule A of this certification.
- ☐ To the best of the contractor's knowledge, the contractor has one or more affiliates, and each affiliate has not made sales delivered by any means to locations within New York State of tangible personal property or taxable services having a cumulative value in excess of \$300,000 during the four sales tax quarters which immediately precede the sales tax quarter in which this certification is made.

**Section 3 – Subcontractor registration status**

- ☐ The contractor does not have any subcontractors.
- ☐ To the best of the contractor's knowledge, the contractor has one or more subcontractors having made sales delivered by any means to locations within New York State of tangible personal property or taxable services having a cumulative value in excess of \$300,000 during the four sales tax quarters which immediately precede the sales tax quarter in which this certification is made, and each subcontractor exceeding the \$300,000 cumulative sales threshold during such quarters is registered to collect New York State and local sales and compensating use taxes with the Commissioner of Taxation and Finance pursuant to Tax Law sections 1134 and 1253. The contractor has listed each subcontractor exceeding the \$300,000 cumulative sales threshold during such quarters on Schedule A of this certification.
- ☐ To the best of the contractor's knowledge, the contractor has one or more subcontractors, and each subcontractor has not made sales delivered by any means to locations within New York State of tangible personal property or taxable services having a cumulative value in excess of \$300,000 during the four sales tax quarters which immediately precede the sales tax quarter in which this certification is made.

Sworn to this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20 \_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
(sign before a notary public)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(title)

**Schedule A – Listing of each entity (contractor, affiliate, or subcontractor) exceeding \$300,000 cumulative sales threshold**

List the contractor, or affiliate, or subcontractor in Schedule A only if such entity exceeded the \$300,000 cumulative sales threshold during the specified sales tax quarters. See directions below. For more information, see Publication 223.

A Relationship to contractor	B Name	C Address	D Federal ID number	E Sales tax ID number	F Registration in progress

- Column A – Enter **C** in column A if the contractor; **A** if an affiliate of the contractor; or **S** if a subcontractor.
- Column B – Name - If the entity is a corporation or limited liability company, enter the exact legal name as registered with the NY Department of State, if applicable. If the entity is a partnership or sole proprietor, enter the name of the partnership and each partner’s given name, or the given name(s) of the owner(s), as applicable. If the entity has a different DBA (doing business as) name, enter that name as well.
- Column C – Address - Enter the street address of the entity’s principal place of business. Do not enter a PO box.
- Column D – ID number - Enter the federal employer identification number (EIN) assigned to the entity. If the entity is an individual, enter the social security number of that person.
- Column E – Sales tax ID number - Enter only if different from federal EIN in column D.
- Column F – If applicable, enter an X if the entity has submitted Form DTF-17 to the Tax Department but has not received its certificate of authority as of the date of this certification.

**Individual, Corporation, Partnership, or LLC Acknowledgment**

STATE OF                    }  
                                  :                   SS.:  
COUNTY OF                }

On the \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ in the year 20\_\_\_\_, before me personally appeared \_\_\_\_\_, known to me to be the person who executed the foregoing instrument, who, being duly sworn by me did depose and say that  
\_he resides at \_\_\_\_\_,  
Town of \_\_\_\_\_,  
County of \_\_\_\_\_,  
State of \_\_\_\_\_; and further that:

*(Mark an X in the appropriate box and complete the accompanying statement.)*

- ☐ (If an individual): \_he executed the foregoing instrument in his/her name and on his/her own behalf.
- ☐ (If a corporation): \_he is the \_\_\_\_\_  
of \_\_\_\_\_, the corporation described in said instrument; that, by authority of the Board of Directors of said corporation, \_he is authorized to execute the foregoing instrument on behalf of the corporation for purposes set forth therein; and that, pursuant to that authority, \_he executed the foregoing instrument in the name of and on behalf of said corporation as the act and deed of said corporation.
- ☐ (If a partnership): \_he is a \_\_\_\_\_  
of \_\_\_\_\_, the partnership described in said instrument; that, by the terms of said partnership, \_he is authorized to execute the foregoing instrument on behalf of the partnership for purposes set forth therein; and that, pursuant to that authority, \_he executed the foregoing instrument in the name of and on behalf of said partnership as the act and deed of said partnership.
- ☐ (If a limited liability company): \_he is a duly authorized member of \_\_\_\_\_  
LLC, the limited liability company described in said instrument; that \_he is authorized to execute the foregoing instrument on behalf of the limited liability company for purposes set forth therein; and that, pursuant to that authority, \_he executed the foregoing instrument in the name of and on behalf of said limited liability company as the act and deed of said limited liability company.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Notary Public

Registration No. \_\_\_\_\_

**Contractor Certification to Covered Agency**

(Pursuant to Section 5-a of the Tax Law, as amended, effective April 26, 2006)

**ST-220-CA**

(12/11)

**For information, consult Publication 223, Questions and Answers Concerning Tax Law Section 5-a (see *Need Help?* on back).**

Contractor name				For covered agency use only Contract number or description	
Contractor's principal place of business		City	State		
Contractor's mailing address (if different than above)					
Contractor's federal employer identification number (EIN)				Contractor's sales tax ID number (if different from contractor's EIN)	
Contractor's telephone number				Covered agency name	
Covered agency address				Covered agency telephone number	

I, \_\_\_\_\_, hereby affirm, under penalty of perjury, that I am \_\_\_\_\_  
(name) (title)

of the above-named contractor, that I am authorized to make this certification on behalf of such contractor, and I further certify that:

(Mark an **X** in only one box)

☐ The contractor has filed Form ST-220-TD with the Department of Taxation and Finance in connection with this contract and, to the best of contractor's knowledge, the information provided on the Form ST-220-TD, is correct and complete.

☐ The contractor has previously filed Form ST-220-TD with the Tax Department in connection with \_\_\_\_\_  
(insert contract number or description)

and, to the best of the contractor's knowledge, the information provided on that previously filed Form ST-220-TD, is correct and complete as of the current date, and thus the contractor is not required to file a new Form ST-220-TD at this time.

Sworn to this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20 \_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
(sign before a notary public)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(title)

## Instructions

### General information

Tax Law section 5-a was amended, effective April 26, 2006. On or after that date, in all cases where a contract is subject to Tax Law section 5-a, a contractor must file (1) Form ST-220-CA, *Contractor Certification to Covered Agency*, with a covered agency, and (2) Form ST-220-TD with the Tax Department before a contract may take effect. The circumstances when a contract is subject to section 5-a are listed in Publication 223, Q&A 3. See *Need help?* for more information on how to obtain this publication. In addition, a contractor must file a new Form ST-220-CA with a covered agency before an existing contract with such agency may be renewed.

**Note:** Form ST-220-CA must be signed by a person authorized to make the certification on behalf of the contractor, and the acknowledgement on page 2 of this form must be completed before a notary public.

### When to complete this form

As set forth in Publication 223, a contract is subject to section 5-a, and you must make the required certification(s), if:

- The procuring entity is a *covered agency* within the meaning of the statute (see Publication 223, Q&A 5);
- The contractor is a *contractor* within the meaning of the statute (see Publication 223, Q&A 6); and
- The contract is a *contract* within the meaning of the statute. This is the case when it (a) has a value in excess of \$100,000 and (b) is a contract for *commodities* or *services*, as such terms are defined for purposes of the statute (see Publication 223, Q&A 8 and 9).

Furthermore, the procuring entity must have begun the solicitation to purchase on or after January 1, 2005, and the resulting contract must have been awarded, amended, extended, renewed, or assigned *on or after April 26, 2006* (the effective date of the section 5-a amendments).

**Individual, Corporation, Partnership, or LLC Acknowledgment**

STATE OF \_\_\_\_\_ }  
: SS.:  
COUNTY OF \_\_\_\_\_ }

On the \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ in the year 20\_\_\_\_, before me personally appeared \_\_\_\_\_, known to me to be the person who executed the foregoing instrument, who, being duly sworn by me did depose and say that \_\_\_\_\_ he resides at \_\_\_\_\_, Town of \_\_\_\_\_, County of \_\_\_\_\_, State of \_\_\_\_\_; and further that:

[Mark an **X** in the appropriate box and complete the accompanying statement.]

- ☐ (If an individual): \_\_\_\_\_ he executed the foregoing instrument in his/her name and on his/her own behalf.
- ☐ (If a corporation): \_\_\_\_\_ he is the \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_, the corporation described in said instrument; that, by authority of the Board of Directors of said corporation, \_\_\_\_\_ he is authorized to execute the foregoing instrument on behalf of the corporation for purposes set forth therein; and that, pursuant to that authority, \_\_\_\_\_ he executed the foregoing instrument in the name of and on behalf of said corporation as the act and deed of said corporation.
- ☐ (If a partnership): \_\_\_\_\_ he is a \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_, the partnership described in said instrument; that, by the terms of said partnership, \_\_\_\_\_ he is authorized to execute the foregoing instrument on behalf of the partnership for purposes set forth therein; and that, pursuant to that authority, \_\_\_\_\_ he executed the foregoing instrument in the name of and on behalf of said partnership as the act and deed of said partnership.
- ☐ (If a limited liability company): \_\_\_\_\_ he is a duly authorized member of \_\_\_\_\_, LLC, the limited liability company described in said instrument; that \_\_\_\_\_ he is authorized to execute the foregoing instrument on behalf of the limited liability company for purposes set forth therein; and that, pursuant to that authority, \_\_\_\_\_ he executed the foregoing instrument in the name of and on behalf of said limited liability company as the act and deed of said limited liability company.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Notary Public

\_\_\_\_\_  
Registration No.

**Privacy notification**

The Commissioner of Taxation and Finance may collect and maintain personal information pursuant to the New York State Tax Law, including but not limited to, sections 5-a, 171, 171-a, 287, 308, 429, 475, 505, 697, 1096, 1142, and 1415 of that Law; and may require disclosure of social security numbers pursuant to 42 USC 405(c)(2)(C)(i).

This information will be used to determine and administer tax liabilities and, when authorized by law, for certain tax offset and exchange of tax information programs as well as for any other lawful purpose.

Information concerning quarterly wages paid to employees is provided to certain state agencies for purposes of fraud prevention, support enforcement, evaluation of the effectiveness of certain employment and training programs and other purposes authorized by law.

Failure to provide the required information may subject you to civil or criminal penalties, or both, under the Tax Law.

This information is maintained by the Manager of Document Management, NYS Tax Department, W A Harriman Campus, Albany NY 12227; telephone (518) 457-5181.

**Need help?**



Visit our Web site at **[www.tax.ny.gov](http://www.tax.ny.gov)**

- get information and manage your taxes online
- check for new online services and features



**Telephone assistance**

**Sales Tax** Information Center: (518) 485-2889

To order forms and publications: (518) 457-5431

**Text Telephone (TTY) Hotline** (for persons with hearing and speech disabilities using a TTY): (518) 485-5082



**Persons with disabilities:** In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, we will ensure that our lobbies, offices, meeting rooms, and other facilities are accessible to persons with disabilities. If you have questions about special accommodations for persons with disabilities, call the information center.

# **RFP Appendix C**

## **Sample Master Grant Contract**

# STATE OF NEW YORK MASTER CONTRACT FOR GRANTS FACE PAGE

STATE AGENCY (Name & Address):	BUSINESS UNIT/DEPT. ID:  CONTRACT NUMBER:  CONTRACT TYPE: <input type="checkbox"/> Multi-Year Agreement <input type="checkbox"/> Simplified Renewal Agreement <input type="checkbox"/> Fixed Term Agreement
CONTRACTOR SFS PAYEE NAME:	TRANSACTION TYPE: <input type="checkbox"/> New <input type="checkbox"/> Renewal <input type="checkbox"/> Amendment
CONTRACTOR DOS INCORPORATED NAME:	PROJECT NAME:
CONTRACTOR IDENTIFICATION NUMBERS:  NYS Vendor ID Number: Federal Tax ID Number: DUNS Number (if applicable):	AGENCY IDENTIFIER:  CFDA NUMBER (Federally Funded Grants Only):
CONTRACTOR PRIMARY MAILING ADDRESS:    CONTRACTOR PAYMENT ADDRESS: <input type="checkbox"/> Check if same as primary mailing address   CONTRACT MAILING ADDRESS: <input type="checkbox"/> Check if same as primary mailing address	CONTRACTOR STATUS:  <input type="checkbox"/> For Profit <input type="checkbox"/> Municipality, Code: <input type="checkbox"/> Tribal Nation <input type="checkbox"/> Individual <input type="checkbox"/> Not-for-Profit  Charities Registration Number:   Exemption Status/Code:   <input type="checkbox"/> Sectarian Entity

Contract Number: # \_\_\_\_\_

# STATE OF NEW YORK MASTER CONTRACT FOR GRANTS FACE PAGE

<p><b>CURRENT CONTRACT TERM:</b></p> <p>From: _____ To: _____</p> <p><b>CURRENT CONTRACT PERIOD:</b></p> <p>From: _____ To: _____</p> <p><b>AMENDED TERM:</b></p> <p>From: _____ To: _____</p> <p><b>AMENDED PERIOD:</b></p> <p>From: _____ To: _____</p>	<p><b>CONTRACT FUNDING AMOUNT</b>  <i>(Multi-year - enter total projected amount of the contract; Fixed Term/Simplified Renewal - enter current period amount):</i></p> <p><b>CURRENT:</b></p> <p><b>AMENDED:</b></p> <p><b>FUNDING SOURCE(S)</b></p> <p style="margin-left: 40px;"> <input type="checkbox"/> State  <input type="checkbox"/> Federal  <input type="checkbox"/> Other         </p>
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*FOR MULTI-YEAR AGREEMENTS ONLY - CONTRACT PERIOD AND FUNDING AMOUNT:*  
 (Out years represent projected funding amounts)

#	CURRENT PERIOD	CURRENT AMOUNT	AMENDED PERIOD	AMENDED AMOUNT
1				
2				
3				
4				
5				

**ATTACHMENTS PART OF THIS AGREEMENT:**

- ☐ Attachment A:

☐ Attachment B:

☐ Attachment C: Work Plan

☐ Attachment D: Payment and Reporting Schedule

☐ Other:

☐ A-1 Program Specific Terms and Conditions

☐ A-2 Federally Funded Grants

☐ B-1 Expenditure Based Budget

☐ B-2 Performance Based Budget

☐ B-3 Capital Budget

☐ B-1(A) Expenditure Based Budget (Amendment)

☐ B-2(A) Performance Based Budget (Amendment)

☐ B-3(A) Capital Budget (Amendment)

Contract Number: # \_\_\_\_\_

IN WITNESS THEREOF, the parties hereto have executed or approved this Master Contract on the dates below their signatures.

CONTRACTOR:

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

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

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

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

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

STATE AGENCY:

\_\_\_\_\_  
NYS Office of General Services

\_\_\_\_\_

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

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

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

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

STATE OF NEW YORK

County of \_\_\_\_\_

On the \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, before me personally appeared \_\_\_\_\_, to me known, who being by me duly sworn, did depose and say that he/she resides at \_\_\_\_\_, that he/she is the \_\_\_\_\_ of the \_\_\_\_\_, the contractor described herein which executed the foregoing instrument; and that he/she signed his/her name thereto as authorized by the contractor named on the face page of this Master Contract.

(Notary) \_\_\_\_\_

ATTORNEY GENERAL'S SIGNATURE

\_\_\_\_\_

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

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

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

STATE COMPTROLLER'S SIGNATURE

\_\_\_\_\_

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

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

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

**STATE OF NEW YORK  
MASTER CONTRACT FOR GRANTS**

This State of New York Master Contract for Grants (Master Contract) is hereby made by and between the State of New York acting by and through the applicable State Agency (State) and the public or private entity (Contractor) identified on the face page hereof (Face Page).

**WITNESSETH:**

**WHEREAS**, the State has the authority to regulate and provide funding for the establishment and operation of program services, design or the execution and performance of construction projects, as applicable and desires to contract with skilled parties possessing the necessary resources to provide such services or work, as applicable; and

**WHEREAS**, the Contractor is ready, willing and able to provide such program services or the execution and performance of construction projects and possesses or can make available all necessary qualified personnel, licenses, facilities and expertise to perform or have performed the services or work, as applicable, required pursuant to the terms of the Master Contract;

**NOW THEREFORE**, in consideration of the promises, responsibilities, and covenants herein, the State and the Contractor agree as follows:

**STANDARD TERMS AND CONDITIONS**

**I. GENERAL PROVISIONS**

**A. Executory Clause:** In accordance with Section 41 of the State Finance Law, the State shall have no liability under the Master Contract to the Contractor, or to anyone else, beyond funds appropriated and available for the Master Contract.

**B. Required Approvals:** In accordance with Section 112 of the State Finance Law (or, if the Master Contract is with the State University of New York (SUNY) or City University of New York (CUNY), Section 355 or Section 6218 of the Education Law), if the Master Contract exceeds \$50,000 (or \$85,000 for contracts let by the Office of General Services, or the minimum thresholds agreed to by the Office of the State Comptroller (OSC) for certain SUNY and CUNY contracts), or if this is an amendment for any amount to a contract which, as so amended, exceeds said statutory amount including, but not limited to, changes in amount, consideration, scope or contract term identified on the Face Page (Contract Term), it shall not be valid, effective or binding upon the State until it has been approved by, and filed with, the New York Attorney General Contract Approval Unit (AG) and OSC. If, by the Master Contract, the State agrees to give something other than money when the value or reasonably estimated value of such consideration exceeds \$10,000, it shall not be valid, effective or binding upon the State until it has been approved by, and filed with, the AG and OSC.

**Budget Changes:** An amendment that would result in a transfer of funds among program activities or budget cost categories that does not affect the amount, consideration, scope or other terms of such contract may be subject to the approval of the AG and OSC where the amount of such modification is, as a portion of the total value of the contract, equal to or greater than ten percent for contracts of less than five million dollars, or five percent for contracts of more than

five million dollars; and, in addition, such amendment may be subject to prior approval by the applicable State Agency as detailed in Attachment D (Payment and Reporting Schedule).

### **C. Order of Precedence:**

In the event of a conflict among (i) the terms of the Master Contract (including any and all attachments and amendments) or (ii) between the terms of the Master Contract and the original request for proposal, the program application or other attachment that was completed and executed by the Contractor in connection with the Master Contract, the order of precedence is as follows:

1. Standard Terms and Conditions
2. Modifications to the Face Page
3. Modifications to Attachment A-2<sup>1</sup>, Attachment B, Attachment C and Attachment D
4. The Face Page
5. Attachment A-2<sup>2</sup>, Attachment B, Attachment C and Attachment D
6. Modification to Attachment A-1
7. Attachment A-1
8. Other attachments, including, but not limited to, the request for proposal or program application

**D. Funding:** Funding for the term of the Master Contract shall not exceed the amount specified as “Contract Funding Amount” on the Face Page or as subsequently revised to reflect an approved renewal or cost amendment. Funding for the initial and subsequent periods of the Master Contract shall not exceed the applicable amounts specified in the applicable Attachment B form (Budget).

**E. Contract Performance:** The Contractor shall perform all services or work, as applicable, and comply with all provisions of the Master Contract to the satisfaction of the State. The Contractor shall provide services or work, as applicable, and meet the program objectives summarized in Attachment C (Work Plan) in accordance with the provisions of the Master Contract, relevant laws, rules and regulations, administrative, program and fiscal guidelines, and where applicable, operating certificate for facilities or licenses for an activity or program.

**F. Modifications:** To modify the Attachments or Face Page, the parties mutually agree to record, in writing, the terms of such modification and to revise or complete the Face Page and all the appropriate attachments in conjunction therewith. In addition, to the extent that such modification meets the criteria set forth in Section I.B herein, it shall be subject to the approval of the AG and

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<sup>1</sup> To the extent that the modifications to Attachment A-2 are required by federal requirements and conflict with other provisions of the Master Contract, the modifications to Attachment A-2 shall supersede all other provisions of this Master Contract. See Section I(V).

<sup>2</sup> To the extent that the terms of Attachment A-2 are required by federal requirements and conflict with other provisions of the Master Contract, the federal requirements of Attachment A-2 shall supersede all other provisions of this Master Contract. See Section I(V).

OSC before it shall become valid, effective and binding upon the State. Modifications that are not subject to the AG and OSC approval shall be processed in accordance with the guidelines stated in the Master Contract.

**G. Governing Law:** The Master Contract shall be governed by the laws of the State of New York except where the Federal Supremacy Clause requires otherwise.

**H. Severability:** Any provision of the Master Contract that is held to be invalid, illegal or unenforceable in any respect by a court of competent jurisdiction, shall be ineffective only to the extent of such invalidity, illegality or unenforceability, without affecting in any way the remaining provisions hereof; provided, however, that the parties to the Master Contract shall attempt in good faith to reform the Master Contract in a manner consistent with the intent of any such ineffective provision for the purpose of carrying out such intent. If any provision is held void, invalid or unenforceable with respect to particular circumstances, it shall nevertheless remain in full force and effect in all other circumstances.

**I. Interpretation:** The headings in the Master Contract are inserted for convenience and reference only and do not modify or restrict any of the provisions herein. All personal pronouns used herein shall be considered to be gender neutral. The Master Contract has been made under the laws of the State of New York, and the venue for resolving any disputes hereunder shall be in a court of competent jurisdiction of the State of New York.

**J. Notice:**

1. All notices, except for notices of termination, shall be in writing and shall be transmitted either:
  - a) by certified or registered United States mail, return receipt requested;
  - b) by facsimile transmission;
  - c) by personal delivery;
  - d) by expedited delivery service; or
  - e) by e-mail.
2. Notices to the State shall be addressed to the Program Office designated in Attachment A-1 (Program Specific Terms and Conditions).
3. Notices to the Contractor shall be addressed to the Contractor's designee as designated in Attachment A-1 (Program Specific Terms and Conditions).
4. Any such notice shall be deemed to have been given either at the time of personal delivery or, in the case of expedited delivery service or certified or registered United States mail, as of the date of first attempted delivery at the address and in the manner provided herein, or in the case of facsimile transmission or e-mail, upon receipt.
5. The parties may, from time to time, specify any new or different e-mail address, facsimile

number or address in the United States as their address for purpose of receiving notice under the Master Contract by giving fifteen (15) calendar days prior written notice to the other party sent in accordance herewith. The parties agree to mutually designate individuals as their respective representatives for the purposes of receiving notices under the Master Contract. Additional individuals may be designated in writing by the parties for purposes of implementation, administration, billing and resolving issues and/or disputes.

**K. Service of Process:** In addition to the methods of service allowed by the State Civil Practice Law & Rules (CPLR), Contractor hereby consents to service of process upon it by registered or certified mail, return receipt requested. Service hereunder shall be complete upon Contractor's actual receipt of process or upon the State's receipt of the return thereof by the United States Postal Service as refused or undeliverable. Contractor must promptly notify the State, in writing, of each and every change of address to which service of process can be made. Service by the State to the last known address shall be sufficient. The Contractor shall have thirty (30) calendar days after service hereunder is complete in which to respond.

**L. Set-Off Rights:** The State shall have all of its common law, equitable, and statutory rights of set-off. These rights shall include, but not be limited to, the State's option to withhold, for the purposes of set-off, any moneys due to the Contractor under the Master Contract up to any amounts due and owing to the State with regard to the Master Contract, any other contract with any State department or agency, including any contract for a term commencing prior to the term of the Master Contract, plus any amounts due and owing to the State for any other reason including, without limitation, tax delinquencies, fee delinquencies, or monetary penalties relative thereto. The State shall exercise its set-off rights in accordance with normal State practices including, in cases of set-off pursuant to an audit, the finalization of such audit by the State Agency, its representatives, or OSC.

**M. Indemnification:** The Contractor shall be solely responsible and answerable in damages for any and all accidents and/or injuries to persons (including death) or property arising out of or related to the services to be rendered by the Contractor or its subcontractors pursuant to this Master Contract. The Contractor shall indemnify and hold harmless the State and its officers and employees from claims, suits, actions, damages and cost of every nature arising out of the provision of services pursuant to the Master Contract.

**N. Non-Assignment Clause:** In accordance with Section 138 of the State Finance Law, the Master Contract may not be assigned by the Contractor or its right, title or interest therein assigned, transferred, conveyed, sublet, or otherwise disposed of without the State's previous written consent, and attempts to do so shall be considered to be null and void. Notwithstanding the foregoing, such prior written consent of an assignment of a contract, let pursuant to Article XI of the State Finance Law, may be waived at the discretion of the State Agency and with the concurrence of OSC, where the original contract was subject to OSC's approval, where the assignment is due to a reorganization, merger, or consolidation of the Contractor's business entity or enterprise. The State retains its right to approve an assignment and to require that the merged contractor demonstrate its responsibility to do business with the State. The Contractor may, however, assign its right to receive payments without the State's prior written consent unless the Master Contract concerns Certificates of Participation pursuant to Article 5-A of the State Finance Law.

**O. Legal Action:** No litigation or regulatory action shall be brought against the State of New York, the State Agency, or against any county or other local government entity with funds provided under

the Master Contract. The term “litigation” shall include commencing or threatening to commence a lawsuit, joining or threatening to join as a party to ongoing litigation, or requesting any relief from any of the State of New York, the State Agency, or any county, or other local government entity. The term “regulatory action” shall include commencing or threatening to commence a regulatory proceeding, or requesting any regulatory relief from any of the State of New York, the State Agency, or any county, or other local government entity.

**P. No Arbitration:** Disputes involving the Master Contract, including the breach or alleged breach thereof, may not be submitted to binding arbitration (except where statutorily authorized), but must, instead, be heard in a court of competent jurisdiction of the State of New York.

**Q. Secular Purpose:** Services performed pursuant to the Master Contract are secular in nature and shall be performed in a manner that does not discriminate on the basis of religious belief, or promote or discourage adherence to religion in general or particular religious beliefs.

**R. Partisan Political Activity and Lobbying:** Funds provided pursuant to the Master Contract shall not be used for any partisan political activity, or for activities that attempt to influence legislation or election or defeat of any candidate for public office.

**S. Reciprocity and Sanctions Provisions:** The Contractor is hereby notified that if its principal place of business is located in a country, nation, province, state, or political subdivision that penalizes New York State vendors, and if the goods or services it offers shall be substantially produced or performed outside New York State, the Omnibus Procurement Act 1994 and 2000 amendments (Chapter 684 and Chapter 383, respectively) require that it be denied contracts which it would otherwise obtain.<sup>3</sup>

**T. Reporting Fraud and Abuse:** Contractor acknowledges that it has reviewed information on how to prevent, detect, and report fraud, waste and abuse of public funds, including information about the Federal False Claims Act, the New York State False Claims Act, and whistleblower protections.

**U. Non-Collusive Bidding:** By submission of this bid, the Contractor and each person signing on behalf of the Contractor certifies, and in the case of a joint bid each party thereto certifies as to its own organization, under penalty of perjury, that to the best of his or her knowledge and belief that its bid was arrived at independently and without collusion aimed at restricting competition. The Contractor further affirms that, at the time the Contractor submitted its bid, an authorized and responsible person executed and delivered to the State a non-collusive binding certification on the Contractor’s behalf.

**V. Federally Funded Grants:** All of the Specific federal requirements that are applicable to the Master Contract are identified in Attachment A-2 (Federally Funded Grants) hereto. To the extent that the Master Contract is funded in whole or part with federal funds, (i) the provisions of the Master Contract that conflict with federal rules, federal regulations, or federal program specific requirements shall not apply and (ii) the Contractor agrees to comply with all applicable federal

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<sup>3</sup>As of October 9, 2012, the list of discriminatory jurisdictions subject to this provision includes the states of Alaska, Hawaii, Louisiana, South Carolina, West Virginia and Wyoming. Contact NYS Department of Economic Development for the most current list of jurisdictions subject to this provision.

rules, regulations and program specific requirements including, but not limited to, those provisions that are set forth in Attachment A-2 (Federally Funded Grants) hereto.

## II. TERM, TERMINATION AND SUSPENSION

**A. Term:** The term of the Master Contract shall be as specified on the Face Page, unless terminated sooner as provided herein.

**B. Renewal:**

**1. General Renewal:** The Master Contract may consist of successive periods on the same terms and conditions, as specified within the Master Contract (a "Simplified Renewal Contract"). Each additional or superseding period shall be on the forms specified by the State and shall be incorporated in the Master Contract.

**2. Renewal Notice to Not-for-Profit Contractors:**

a) Pursuant to State Finance Law §179-t, if the Master Contract is with a not-for-profit Contractor and provides for a renewal option, the State shall notify the Contractor of the State's intent to renew or not to renew the Master Contract no later than ninety (90) calendar days prior to the end of the term of the Master Contract, unless funding for the renewal is contingent upon enactment of an appropriation. If funding for the renewal is contingent upon enactment of an appropriation, the State shall notify the Contractor of the State's intent to renew or not to renew the Master Contract the later of: (1) ninety (90) calendar days prior to the end of the term of the Master Contract, and (2) thirty (30) calendar days after the necessary appropriation becomes law. Notwithstanding the foregoing, in the event that the State is unable to comply with the time frames set forth in this paragraph due to unusual circumstances beyond the control of the State ("Unusual Circumstances"), no payment of interest shall be due to the not-for-profit Contractor. For purposes of State Finance Law §179-t, "Unusual Circumstances" shall not mean the failure by the State to (i) plan for implementation of a program, (ii) assign sufficient staff resources to implement a program, (iii) establish a schedule for the implementation of a program or (iv) anticipate any other reasonably foreseeable circumstance.

b) Notification to the not-for-profit Contractor of the State's intent to not renew the Master Contract must be in writing in the form of a letter, with the reason(s) for the non-renewal included. If the State does not provide notice to the not-for-profit Contractor of its intent not to renew the Master Contract as required in this Section and State Finance Law §179-t, the Master Contract shall be deemed continued until the date the State provides the necessary notice to the Contractor, in accordance with State Finance Law §179-t. Expenses incurred by the not-for-profit Contractor during such extension shall be reimbursable under the terms of the Master Contract.

## **C. Termination:**

### **1. Grounds:**

- a) Mutual Consent: The Master Contract may be terminated at any time upon mutual written consent of the State and the Contractor.
- b) Cause: The State may terminate the Master Contract immediately, upon written notice of termination to the Contractor, if the Contractor fails to comply with any of the terms and conditions of the Master Contract and/or with any laws, rules, regulations, policies, or procedures that are applicable to the Master Contract.
- c) Non-Responsibility: In accordance with the provisions of Sections IV(N)(6) and (7) herein, the State may make a final determination that the Contractor is non-responsible (Determination of Non-Responsibility). In such event, the State may terminate the Master Contract at the Contractor's expense, complete the contractual requirements in any manner the State deems advisable and pursue available legal or equitable remedies for breach.
- d) Convenience: The State may terminate the Master Contract in its sole discretion upon thirty (30) calendar days prior written notice.
- e) Lack of Funds: If for any reason the State or the Federal government terminates or reduces its appropriation to the applicable State Agency entering into the Master Contract or fails to pay the full amount of the allocation for the operation of one or more programs funded under this Master Contract, the Master Contract may be terminated or reduced at the State Agency's discretion, provided that no such reduction or termination shall apply to allowable costs already incurred by the Contractor where funds are available to the State Agency for payment of such costs. Upon termination or reduction of the Master Contract, all remaining funds paid to the Contractor that are not subject to allowable costs already incurred by the Contractor shall be returned to the State Agency. In any event, no liability shall be incurred by the State (including the State Agency) beyond monies available for the purposes of the Master Contract. The Contractor acknowledges that any funds due to the State Agency or the State of New York because of disallowed expenditures after audit shall be the Contractor's responsibility.
- f) Force Majeure: The State may terminate or suspend its performance under the Master Contract immediately upon the occurrence of a "force majeure." For purposes of the Master Contract, "Force majeure" shall include, but not be limited to, natural disasters, war, rebellion, insurrection, riot, strikes, lockout and any unforeseen circumstances and acts beyond the control of the State which render the performance of its obligations impossible.

### **2. Notice of Termination:**

- a) Service of notice: Written notice of termination shall be sent by:
  - (i) personal messenger service; or

(ii) certified mail, return receipt requested and first class mail.

b) Effective date of termination: The effective date of the termination shall be the later of (i) the date indicated in the notice and (ii) the date the notice is received by the Contractor, and shall be established as follows:

(i) if the notice is delivered by hand, the date of receipt shall be established by the receipt given to the Contractor or by affidavit of the individual making such hand delivery attesting to the date of delivery; or

(ii) if the notice is delivered by registered or certified mail, by the receipt returned from the United States Postal Service, or if no receipt is returned, five (5) business days from the date of mailing of the first class letter, postage prepaid, in a depository under the care and control of the United States Postal Service.

### **3. *Effect of Notice and Termination on State's Payment Obligations:***

a) Upon receipt of notice of termination, the Contractor agrees to cancel, prior to the effective date of any prospective termination, as many outstanding obligations as possible, and agrees not to incur any new obligations after receipt of the notice without approval by the State.

b) The State shall be responsible for payment on claims for services or work provided and costs incurred pursuant to the terms of the Master Contract. In no event shall the State be liable for expenses and obligations arising from the requirements of the Master Contract after its termination date.

### **4. *Effect of Termination Based on Misuse or Conversion of State or Federal Property:***

Where the Master Contract is terminated for cause based on Contractor's failure to use some or all of the real property or equipment purchased pursuant to the Master Contract for the purposes set forth herein, the State may, at its option, require:

a) the repayment to the State of any monies previously paid to the Contractor; or

b) the return of any real property or equipment purchased under the terms of the Master Contract; or

c) an appropriate combination of clauses (a) and (b) of Section II(C)(4) herein.

Nothing herein shall be intended to limit the State's ability to pursue such other legal or equitable remedies as may be available.

**D. Suspension:** The State may, in its discretion, order the Contractor to suspend performance for a reasonable period of time. In the event of such suspension, the Contractor shall be given a formal written notice outlining the particulars of such suspension. Upon issuance of such notice, the Contractor shall comply with the particulars of the notice. The State shall have no obligation to reimburse Contractor's expenses during such suspension period. Activities may resume at such time

as the State issues a formal written notice authorizing a resumption of performance under the Master Contract.

### **III. PAYMENT AND REPORTING**

#### **A. Terms and Conditions:**

1. In full consideration of contract services to be performed, the State Agency agrees to pay and the Contractor agrees to accept a sum not to exceed the amount noted on the Face Page.
2. The State has no obligation to make payment until all required approvals, including the approval of the AG and OSC, if required, have been obtained. Contractor obligations or expenditures that precede the start date of the Master Contract shall not be reimbursed.
3. Contractor must provide complete and accurate billing invoices to the State in order to receive payment. Provided, however, the State may, at its discretion, automatically generate a voucher in accordance with an approved contract payment schedule. Billing invoices submitted to the State must contain all information and supporting documentation required by Attachment D (Payment and Reporting Schedule) and Section III(C) herein. The State may require the Contractor to submit billing invoices electronically.
4. Payment for invoices submitted by the Contractor shall only be rendered electronically unless payment by paper check is expressly authorized by the head of the State Agency, in the sole discretion of the head of such State Agency, due to extenuating circumstances. Such electronic payment shall be made in accordance with OSC's procedures and practices to authorize electronic payments.
5. If travel expenses are an approved expenditure under the Master Contract, travel expenses shall be reimbursed at the lesser of the rates set forth in the written standard travel policy of the Contractor, the OSC guidelines, or United States General Services Administration rates. No out-of-state travel costs shall be permitted unless specifically detailed and pre-approved by the State.
6. Timeliness of advance payments or other claims for reimbursement, and any interest to be paid to Contractor for late payment, shall be governed by Article 11-A of the State Finance Law to the extent required by law.
7. Article 11-B of the State Finance Law sets forth certain time frames for the Full Execution of contracts or renewal contracts with not-for-profit organizations and the implementation of any program plan associated with such contract. For purposes of this section, "Full Execution" shall mean that the contract has been signed by all parties thereto and has obtained the approval of the AG and OSC. Any interest to be paid on a missed payment to the Contractor based on a delay in the Full Execution of the Master Contract shall be governed by Article 11-B of the State Finance Law.

## **B. Advance Payment and Recoupment:**

1. Advance payments, which the State in its sole discretion may make to not-for-profit grant recipients, shall be made and recouped in accordance with State Finance Law Section 179(u), this Section and the provisions of Attachment D (Payment and Reporting Schedule).
2. Advance payments made by the State to not-for-profit grant recipients shall be due no later than thirty (30) calendar days, excluding legal holidays, after the first day of the Contract Term or, if renewed, in the period identified on the Face Page.
3. For subsequent contract years in multi-year contracts, Contractor will be notified of the scheduled advance payments for the upcoming contract year no later than 90 days prior to the commencement of the contract year. For simplified renewals, the payment schedule (Attachment D) will be modified as part of the renewal process.
4. Recoupment of any advance payment(s) shall be recovered by crediting the percentage of subsequent claims listed in Attachment D (Payment and Reporting Schedule) and Section III(C) herein and such claims shall be reduced until the advance is fully recovered within the Contract Term. Any unexpended advance balance at the end of the Contract Term shall be refunded by the Contractor to the State.
5. If for any reason the amount of any claim is not sufficient to cover the proportionate advance amount to be recovered, then subsequent claims may be reduced until the advance is fully recovered.

## **C. Claims for Reimbursement:**

1. The Contractor shall submit claims for the reimbursement of expenses incurred on behalf of the State under the Master Contract in accordance with this Section and the applicable claiming schedule in Attachment D (Payment and Reporting Schedule).

Vouchers submitted for payment shall be deemed to be a certification that the payments requested are for project expenditures made in accordance with the items as contained in the applicable Attachment B form (Budget) and during the Contract Term. When submitting a voucher, such voucher shall also be deemed to certify that: (i) the payments requested do not duplicate reimbursement from other sources of funding; and (ii) the funds provided herein do not replace funds that, in the absence of this grant, would have been made available by the Contractor for this program. Requirement (ii) does not apply to grants funded pursuant to a Community Projects Fund appropriation.

2. Consistent with the selected reimbursement claiming schedule in Attachment D (Payment and Reporting Schedule), the Contractor shall comply with the appropriate following provisions:
  - a) Quarterly Reimbursement: The Contractor shall be entitled to receive payments for work, projects, and services rendered as detailed and described in Attachment C (Work Plan).

The Contractor shall submit to the State Agency quarterly voucher claims and supporting documentation. The Contractor shall submit vouchers to the State Agency in accordance with the procedures set forth in Section III(A)(3) herein.

b) Monthly Reimbursement: The Contractor shall be entitled to receive payments for work, projects, and services rendered as detailed and described in Attachment C (Work Plan).

The Contractor shall submit to the State Agency monthly voucher claims and supporting documentation. The Contractor shall submit vouchers to the State Agency in accordance with the procedures set forth in Section III(A)(3) herein.

c) Biannual Reimbursement: The Contractor shall be entitled to receive payments for work, projects, and services rendered as detailed and described in Attachment C (Work Plan).

The Contractor shall submit to the State Agency biannually voucher claims and supporting documentation. The Contractor shall submit vouchers to the State Agency in accordance with the procedures set forth in Section III(A)(3) herein.

d) Milestone/Performance Reimbursement:<sup>4</sup> Requests for payment based upon an event or milestone may be either severable or cumulative. A severable event/milestone is independent of accomplishment of any other event. If the event is cumulative, the successful completion of an event or milestone is dependent on the previous completion of another event.

Milestone payments shall be made to the Contractor when requested in a form approved by the State, and at frequencies and in amounts stated in Attachment D (Payment and Reporting Schedule). The State Agency shall make milestone payments subject to the Contractor's satisfactory performance.

e) Fee for Service Reimbursement:<sup>5</sup> Payment shall be limited to only those fees specifically agreed upon in the Master Contract and shall be payable no more frequently than monthly upon submission of a voucher by the contractor.

f) Rate Based Reimbursement:<sup>6</sup> Payment shall be limited to rate(s) established in the Master Contract. Payment may be requested no more frequently than monthly.

g) Scheduled Reimbursement:<sup>7</sup> The State Agency shall generate vouchers at the frequencies and amounts as set forth in Attachment D (Payment and Reporting Schedule),

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<sup>4</sup> A milestone/ performance payment schedule identifies mutually agreed-to payment amounts based on meeting contract events or milestones. Events or milestones must represent integral and meaningful aspects of contract performance and should signify true progress in completing the Master Contract effort.

<sup>5</sup> Fee for Service is a rate established by the Contractor for a service or services rendered.

<sup>6</sup> Rate based agreements are those agreements in which payment is premised upon a specific established rate per unit.

<sup>7</sup> Scheduled Reimbursement agreements provide for payments that occur at defined and regular intervals that provide for a specified dollar amount to be paid to the Contractor at the beginning of each payment period (i.e. quarterly, monthly or bi-annually). While these payments are related to the particular services and outcomes defined in the Master Contract, they are not dependent upon particular services or expenses in any one payment period and provide the Contractor with a defined and regular payment over the life of the contract.

and service reports shall be used to determine funding levels appropriate to the next annual contract period.

h) Fifth Quarter Payments:<sup>8</sup> Fifth quarter payment shall be paid to the Contractor at the conclusion of the final scheduled payment period of the preceding contract period. The State Agency shall use a written directive for fifth quarter financing. The State Agency shall generate a voucher in the fourth quarter of the current contract year to pay the scheduled payment for the next contract year.

3. The Contractor shall also submit supporting fiscal documentation for the expenses claimed.
4. The State reserves the right to withhold up to fifteen percent (15%) of the total amount of the Master Contract as security for the faithful completion of services or work, as applicable, under the Master Contract. This amount may be withheld in whole or in part from any single payment or combination of payments otherwise due under the Master Contract. In the event that such withheld funds are insufficient to satisfy Contractor's obligations to the State, the State may pursue all available remedies, including the right of setoff and recoupment.
5. The State shall not be liable for payments on the Master Contract if it is made pursuant to a Community Projects Fund appropriation if insufficient monies are available pursuant to Section 99-d of the State Finance Law.
6. All vouchers submitted by the Contractor pursuant to the Master Contract shall be submitted to the State Agency no later than thirty (30) calendar days after the end date of the period for which reimbursement is claimed. In no event shall the amount received by the Contractor exceed the budget amount approved by the State Agency, and, if actual expenditures by the Contractor are less than such sum, the amount payable by the State Agency to the Contractor shall not exceed the amount of actual expenditures.
7. All obligations must be incurred prior to the end date of the contract. Notwithstanding the provisions of Section III(C)(6) above, with respect to the final period for which reimbursement is claimed, so long as the obligations were incurred prior to the end date of the contract, the Contractor shall have up to ninety (90) calendar days after the contract end date to make expenditures; provided, however, that if the Master Contract is funded in whole or in part with federal funds, the Contractor shall have up to sixty (60) calendar days after the contract end date to make expenditures.

#### **D. Identifying Information and Privacy Notification:**

1. Every voucher or New York State Claim for Payment submitted to a State Agency by the Contractor, for payment for the sale of goods or services or for transactions (e.g., leases, easements, licenses, etc.) related to real or personal property, must include the Contractor's Vendor Identification Number assigned by the Statewide Financial System, and any or all of the following identification numbers: (i) the Contractor's Federal employer identification number, (ii) the Contractor's Federal social security number, and/or (iii) DUNS number. Failure to

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<sup>8</sup> Fifth Quarter Payments occurs where there are scheduled payments and where there is an expectation that services will be continued through renewals or subsequent contracts. Fifth Quarter Payments allow for the continuation of scheduled payments to a Contractor for the first payment period quarter of an anticipated renewal or new contract.

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include such identification number or numbers may delay payment by the State to the Contractor. Where the Contractor does not have such number or numbers, the Contractor, on its voucher or Claim for Payment, must provide the reason or reasons for why the Contractor does not have such number or numbers.

2. The authority to request the above personal information from a seller of goods or services or a lessor of real or personal property, and the authority to maintain such information, is found in Section 5 of the State Tax Law. Disclosure of this information by the seller or lessor to the State is mandatory. The principle purpose for which the information is collected is to enable the State to identify individuals, businesses and others who have been delinquent in filing tax returns or may have understated their tax liabilities and to generally identify persons affected by the taxes administered by the Commissioner of Taxation and Finance. The information will be used for tax administration purposes and for any other purpose authorized by law. The personal information is requested by the purchasing unit of the State Agency contracting to purchase the goods or services or lease the real or personal property covered by the Master Contract. This information is maintained in the Statewide Financial System by the Vendor Management Unit within the Bureau of State Expenditures, Office of the State Comptroller, 110 State Street, Albany, New York, 12236.

#### **E. Refunds:**

1. In the event that the Contractor must make a refund to the State for Master Contract-related activities, including repayment of an advance or an audit disallowance, payment must be made payable as set forth in Attachment A-1 (Program Specific Terms and Conditions). The Contractor must reference the contract number with its payment and include a brief explanation of why the refund is being made. Refund payments must be submitted to the Designated Refund Office at the address specified in Attachment A-1 (Program Specific Terms and Conditions).

2. If at the end or termination of the Master Contract, there remains any unexpended balance of the monies advanced under the Master Contract in the possession of the Contractor, the Contractor shall make payment within forty-five (45) calendar days of the end or termination of the Master Contract. In the event that the Contractor fails to refund such balance the State may pursue all available remedies.

**F. Outstanding Amounts Owed to the State:** Prior period overpayments (including, but not limited to, contract advances in excess of actual expenditures) and/or audit recoveries associated with the Contractor may be recouped against future payments made under this Master Contract to Contractor. The recoupment generally begins with the first payment made to the Contractor following identification of the overpayment and/or audit recovery amount. In the event that there are no payments to apply recoveries against, the Contractor shall make payment as provided in Section III(E) (Refunds) herein.

#### **G. Program and Fiscal Reporting Requirements:**

1. The Contractor shall submit required periodic reports in accordance with the applicable schedule provided in Attachment D (Payment and Reporting Schedule). All required reports or other work products developed pursuant to the Master Contract must be completed as provided by the agreed upon work schedule in a manner satisfactory and acceptable to the State Agency in order for the Contractor to be eligible for payment.

2. Consistent with the selected reporting options in Attachment D (Payment and Reporting Schedule), the Contractor shall comply with the following applicable provisions:

a) If the Expenditure Based Reports option is indicated in Attachment D (Payment and Reporting Schedule), the Contractor shall provide the State Agency with one or more of the following reports as required by the following provisions and Attachment D (Payment and Reporting Schedule) as applicable:

- (i) *Narrative/Qualitative Report*: The Contractor shall submit, on a quarterly basis, not later than the time period listed in Attachment D (Payment and Reporting Schedule), a report, in narrative form, summarizing the services rendered during the quarter. This report shall detail how the Contractor has progressed toward attaining the qualitative goals enumerated in Attachment C (Work Plan). This report should address all goals and objectives of the project and include a discussion of problems encountered and steps taken to solve them.
- (ii) *Statistical/Quantitative Report*: The Contractor shall submit, on a quarterly basis, not later than the time period listed in Attachment D (Payment and Reporting Schedule), a detailed report analyzing the quantitative aspects of the program plan, as appropriate (e.g., number of meals served, clients transported, patient/client encounters, procedures performed, training sessions conducted, etc.)
- (iii) *Expenditure Report*: The Contractor shall submit, on a quarterly basis, not later than the time period listed in Attachment D (Payment and Reporting Schedule), a detailed expenditure report, by object of expense. This report shall accompany the voucher submitted for such period.
- (iv) *Final Report*: The Contractor shall submit a final report as required by the Master Contract, not later than the time period listed in Attachment D (Payment and Reporting Schedule) which reports on all aspects of the program and detailing how the use of funds were utilized in achieving the goals set forth in Attachment C (Work Plan).
- (v) *Consolidated Fiscal Report (CFR)*: The Contractor shall submit a CFR, which includes a year-end cost report and final claim not later than the time period listed in Attachment D (Payment and Reporting Schedule).

b) If the Performance-Based Reports option is indicated in Attachment D (Payment and Reporting Schedule), the Contractor shall provide the State Agency with the following reports as required by the following provisions and Attachment D (Payment and Reporting Schedule) as applicable:

- (i) *Progress Report*: The Contractor shall provide the State Agency with a written progress report using the forms and formats as provided by the State Agency, summarizing the work performed during the period. These reports shall detail the Contractor's progress toward attaining the specific goals enumerated in Attachment C (Work Plan). Progress reports shall be submitted in a format prescribed in the Master Contract.

- (ii) *Final Progress Report*: Final scheduled payment is due during the time period set forth in Attachment D (Payment and Reporting Schedule). The deadline for submission of the final report shall be the date set forth in Attachment D (Payment and Reporting Schedule). The State Agency shall complete its audit and notify the Contractor of the results no later than the date set forth in Attachment D (Payment and Reporting Schedule). Payment shall be adjusted by the State Agency to reflect only those services/expenditures that were made in accordance with the Master Contract. The Contractor shall submit a detailed comprehensive final progress report not later than the date set forth in Attachment D (Payment and Reporting Schedule), summarizing the work performed during the entire Contract Term (i.e., a cumulative report), in the forms and formats required.

3. In addition to the periodic reports stated above, the Contractor may be required (a) to submit such other reports as are required in Table 1 of Attachment D (Payment and Reporting Schedule), and (b) prior to receipt of final payment under the Master Contract, to submit one or more final reports in accordance with the form, content, and schedule stated in Table 1 of Attachment D (Payment and Reporting Schedule).

#### **H. Notification of Significant Occurrences:**

1. If any specific event or conjunction of circumstances threatens the successful completion of this project, in whole or in part, including where relevant, timely completion of milestones or other program requirements, the Contractor agrees to submit to the State Agency within three (3) calendar days of becoming aware of the occurrence or of such problem, a written description thereof together with a recommended solution thereto.
2. The Contractor shall immediately notify in writing the program manager assigned to the Master Contract of any unusual incident, occurrence, or event that involves the staff, volunteers, directors or officers of the Contractor, any subcontractor or program participant funded through the Master Contract, including but not limited to the following: death or serious injury; an arrest or possible criminal activity that could impact the successful completion of this project; any destruction of property; significant damage to the physical plant of the Contractor; or other matters of a similarly serious nature.

### **IV. ADDITIONAL CONTRACTOR OBLIGATIONS, REPRESENTATIONS AND WARRANTIES**

#### **A. Contractor as an Independent Contractor/Employees:**

1. The State and the Contractor agree that the Contractor is an independent contractor, and not an employee of the State and may neither hold itself out nor claim to be an officer, employee, or subdivision of the State nor make any claim, demand, or application to or for any right based upon any different status. The Contractor shall be solely responsible for the recruitment, hiring, provision of employment benefits, payment of salaries and management of its project personnel. These functions shall be carried out in accordance with the provisions of the Master Contract, and all applicable Federal and State laws and regulations.
2. The Contractor warrants that it, its staff, and any and all subcontractors have all the necessary licenses, approvals, and certifications currently required by the laws of any applicable local, state, or Federal government to perform the services or work, as applicable, pursuant to the

Master Contract and/or any subcontract entered into under the Master Contract. The Contractor further agrees that such required licenses, approvals, and certificates shall be kept in full force and effect during the term of the Master Contract, or any extension thereof, and to secure any new licenses, approvals, or certificates within the required time frames and/or to require its staff and subcontractors to obtain the requisite licenses, approvals, or certificates. In the event the Contractor, its staff, and/or subcontractors are notified of a denial or revocation of any license, approval, or certification to perform the services or work, as applicable, under the Master Contract, Contractor shall immediately notify the State.

**B. Subcontractors:**

1. If the Contractor enters into subcontracts for the performance of work pursuant to the Master Contract, the Contractor shall take full responsibility for the acts and omissions of its subcontractors. Nothing in the subcontract shall impair the rights of the State under the Master Contract. No contractual relationship shall be deemed to exist between the subcontractor and the State.
2. The Contractor agrees not to enter into any subcontracts, or revisions to subcontracts, that are in excess of \$100,000 for the performance of the obligations contained herein until it has received the prior written permission of the State, which shall have the right to review and approve each and every subcontract in excess of \$100,000 prior to giving written permission to the Contractor to enter into the subcontract. All agreements between the Contractor and subcontractors shall be by written contract, signed by individuals authorized to bind the parties. All such subcontracts shall contain provisions for specifying (1) that the work performed by the subcontractor must be in accordance with the terms of the Master Contract, (2) that nothing contained in the subcontract shall impair the rights of the State under the Master Contract, and (3) that nothing contained in the subcontract, nor under the Master Contract, shall be deemed to create any contractual relationship between the subcontractor and the State. In addition, subcontracts shall contain any other provisions which are required to be included in subcontracts pursuant to the terms herein.
3. Prior to executing a subcontract, the Contractor agrees to require the subcontractor to provide to the State the information the State needs to determine whether a proposed subcontractor is a responsible vendor.
4. When a subcontract equals or exceeds \$100,000, the subcontractor must submit a Vendor Responsibility Questionnaire (Questionnaire).
5. When a subcontract is executed, the Contractor must provide detailed subcontract information (a copy of subcontract will suffice) to the State within fifteen (15) calendar days after execution. The State may request from the Contractor copies of subcontracts between a subcontractor and its subcontractor.
6. The Contractor shall require any and all subcontractors to submit to the Contractor all financial claims for Services or work to the State agency, as applicable, rendered and required supporting documentation and reports as necessary to permit Contractor to meet claim deadlines and documentation requirements as established in Attachment D (Payment and Reporting Schedule) and Section III. Subcontractors shall be paid by the Contractor on a timely basis after submitting the required reports and vouchers for reimbursement of services or work, as

applicable. Subcontractors shall be informed by the Contractor of the possibility of non-payment or rejection by the Contractor of claims that do not contain the required information, and/or are not received by the Contractor by said due date.

**C. Use Of Material, Equipment, Or Personnel:**

1. The Contractor shall not use materials, equipment, or personnel paid for under the Master Contract for any activity other than those provided for under the Master Contract, except with the State's prior written permission.
2. Any interest accrued on funds paid to the Contractor by the State shall be deemed to be the property of the State and shall either be credited to the State at the close-out of the Master Contract or, upon the written permission of the State, shall be expended on additional services or work, as applicable, provided for under the Master Contract.

**D. Property:**

1. Property is real property, equipment, or tangible personal property having a useful life of more than one year and an acquisition cost of \$1,000 or more per unit.
  - a) If an item of Property required by the Contractor is available as surplus to the State, the State at its sole discretion, may arrange to provide such Property to the Contractor in lieu of the purchase of such Property.
  - b) If the State consents in writing, the Contractor may retain possession of Property owned by the State, as provided herein, after the termination of the Master Contract to use for similar purposes. Otherwise, the Contractor shall return such Property to the State at the Contractor's cost and expense upon the expiration of the Master Contract.
  - c) In addition, the Contractor agrees to permit the State to inspect the Property and to monitor its use at reasonable intervals during the Contractor's regular business hours.
  - d) The Contractor shall be responsible for maintaining and repairing Property purchased or procured under the Master Contract at its own cost and expense. The Contractor shall procure and maintain insurance at its own cost and expense in an amount satisfactory to the State Agency, naming the State Agency as an additional insured, covering the loss, theft or destruction of such equipment.
  - e) A rental charge to the Master Contract for a piece of Property owned by the Contractor shall not be allowed.
  - f) The State has the right to review and approve in writing any new contract for the purchase of or lease for rental of Property (Purchase/Lease Contract) operated in connection with the provision of the services or work, as applicable, as specified in the Master Contract, if applicable, and any modifications, amendments, or extensions of an existing lease or purchase prior to its execution. If, in its discretion, the State disapproves of any Purchase/Lease Contract, then the State shall not be obligated to make any payments for such Property.

- g) No member, officer, director or employee of the Contractor shall retain or acquire any interest, direct or indirect, in any Property, paid for with funds under the Master Contract, nor retain any interest, direct or indirect, in such, without full and complete prior disclosure of such interest and the date of acquisition thereof, in writing to the Contractor and the State.
2. For non-Federally-funded contracts, unless otherwise provided herein, the State shall have the following rights to Property purchased with funds provided under the Master Contract:
- a) For cost-reimbursable contracts, all right, title and interest in such Property shall belong to the State.
  - b) For performance-based contracts, all right, title and interest in such Property shall belong to the Contractor.
3. For Federally funded contracts, title to Property whose requisition cost is borne in whole or in part by monies provided under the Master Contract shall be governed by the terms and conditions of Attachment A-2 (Federally Funded Grants).
4. Upon written direction by the State, the Contractor shall maintain an inventory of all Property that is owned by the State as provided herein.
5. The Contractor shall execute any documents which the State may reasonably require to effectuate the provisions of this section.

#### **E. Records and Audits:**

##### **1. General:**

- a) The Contractor shall establish and maintain, in paper or electronic format, complete and accurate books, records, documents, receipts, accounts, and other evidence directly pertinent to its performance under the Master Contract (collectively, Records).
- b) The Contractor agrees to produce and retain for the balance of the term of the Master Contract, and for a period of six years from the later of the date of (i) the Master Contract and (ii) the most recent renewal of the Master Contract, any and all Records necessary to substantiate upon audit, the proper deposit and expenditure of funds received under the Master Contract. Such Records may include, but not be limited to, original books of entry (e.g., cash disbursements and cash receipts journal), and the following specific records (as applicable) to substantiate the types of expenditures noted:
  - (i) personal service expenditures: cancelled checks and the related bank statements, time and attendance records, payroll journals, cash and check disbursement records including copies of money orders and the like, vouchers and invoices, records of contract labor, any and all records listing payroll and the money value of non-cash advantages provided to employees, time cards, work schedules and logs, employee personal history folders, detailed and general ledgers, sales records, miscellaneous reports and returns (tax and otherwise), and cost allocation plans, if applicable.

(ii) payroll taxes and fringe benefits: cancelled checks, copies of related bank statements, cash and check disbursement records including copies of money orders and the like, invoices for fringe benefit expenses, miscellaneous reports and returns (tax and otherwise), and cost allocation plans, if applicable.

(iii) non-personal services expenditures: original invoices/receipts, cancelled checks and related bank statements, consultant agreements, leases, and cost allocation plans, if applicable.

(iv) receipt and deposit of advance and reimbursements: itemized bank stamped deposit slips, and a copy of the related bank statements.

c) The OSC, AG and any other person or entity authorized to conduct an examination, as well as the State Agency or State Agencies involved in the Master Contract that provided funding, shall have access to the Records during the hours of 9:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday (excluding State recognized holidays), at an office of the Contractor within the State of New York or, if no such office is available, at a mutually agreeable and reasonable venue within the State, for the term specified above for the purposes of inspection, auditing and copying.

d) The State shall protect from public disclosure any of the Records which are exempt from disclosure under Section 87 of the Public Officers Law provided that: (i) the Contractor shall timely inform an appropriate State official, in writing, that said records should not be disclosed; and (ii) said records shall be sufficiently identified; and (iii) designation of said records, as exempt under Section 87 of the Public Officers Law, is reasonable.

e) Nothing contained herein shall diminish, or in any way adversely affect, the State's rights in connection with its audit and investigatory authority or the State's rights in connection with discovery in any pending or future litigation.

## **2. Cost Allocation:**

a) For non-performance based contracts, the proper allocation of the Contractor's costs must be made according to a cost allocation plan that meets the requirements of OMB Circulars A-87, A-122, and/or A-21. Methods used to determine and assign costs shall conform to generally accepted accounting practices and shall be consistent with the method(s) used by the Contractor to determine costs for other operations or programs. Such accounting standards and practices shall be subject to approval of the State.

b) For performance based milestone contracts, or for the portion of the contract amount paid on a performance basis, the Contractor shall maintain documentation demonstrating that milestones were attained.

## **3. Federal Funds:** For records and audit provisions governing Federal funds, please see Attachment A-2 (Federally Funded Grants).

**F. Confidentiality:** The Contractor agrees that it shall use and maintain information relating to individuals who may receive services, and their families pursuant to the Master Contract, or any other information, data or records deemed confidential by the State (Confidential Information) only

for the limited purposes of the Master Contract and in conformity with applicable provisions of State and Federal law. The Contractor (i) has an affirmative obligation to safeguard any such Confidential Information from unnecessary or unauthorized disclosure and (ii) must comply with the provisions of the New York State Information Security Breach and Notification Act (General Business Law Section 899-aa; State Technology Law Section 208).

**G. Publicity:**

1. Publicity includes, but is not limited to: news conferences; news releases; public announcements; advertising; brochures; reports; discussions or presentations at conferences or meetings; and/or the inclusion of State materials, the State's name or other such references to the State in any document or forum. Publicity regarding this project may not be released without prior written approval from the State.
2. Any publications, presentations or announcements of conferences, meetings or trainings which are funded in whole or in part through any activity supported under the Master Contract may not be published, presented or announced without prior approval of the State. Any such publication, presentation or announcement shall:
  - a) Acknowledge the support of the State of New York and, if funded with Federal funds, the applicable Federal funding agency; and
  - b) State that the opinions, results, findings and/or interpretations of data contained therein are the responsibility of the Contractor and do not necessarily represent the opinions, interpretations or policy of the State or if funded with Federal funds, the applicable Federal funding agency.
3. Notwithstanding the above, the Contractor may submit for publication, scholarly or academic publications that derive from activity under the Master Contract (but are not deliverable under the Master Contract), provided that the Contractor first submits such manuscripts to the State forty-five (45) calendar days prior to submission for consideration by a publisher in order for the State to review the manuscript for compliance with confidentiality requirements and restrictions and to make such other comments as the State deems appropriate. All derivative publications shall follow the same acknowledgments and disclaimer as described in Section V(G)(2) (Publicity) hereof.

**H. Web-Based Applications-Accessibility:** Any web-based intranet and Internet information and applications development, or programming delivered pursuant to the Master Contract or procurement shall comply with New York State Enterprise IT Policy NYS-P08-005, Accessibility Web-Based Information and Applications, and New York State Enterprise IT Standard NYS-S08-005, Accessibility of Web-Based Information Applications, as such policy or standard may be amended, modified or superseded, which requires that State Agency web-based intranet and Internet information and applications are accessible to person with disabilities. Web content must conform to New York State Enterprise IT Standards NYS-S08-005, as determined by quality assurance testing. Such quality assurance testing shall be conducted by the State Agency and the results of such testing must be satisfactory to the State Agency before web content shall be considered a qualified deliverable under the Master Contract or procurement.

**I. Non-Discrimination Requirements:** Pursuant to Article 15 of the Executive Law (also known as the Human Rights Law) and all other State and Federal statutory and constitutional non-discrimination provisions, the Contractor and sub-contractors will not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, creed (religion), color, sex (including gender expression), national origin, sexual orientation, military status, age, disability, predisposing genetic characteristic, marital status or domestic violence victim status, and shall also follow the requirements of the Human Rights Law with regard to non-discrimination on the basis of prior criminal conviction and prior arrest. Furthermore, in accordance with Section 220-e of the Labor Law, if this is a contract for the construction, alteration or repair of any public building or public work or for the manufacture, sale or distribution of materials, equipment or supplies, and to the extent that the Master Contract shall be performed within the State of New York, the Contractor agrees that neither it nor its subcontractors shall, by reason of race, creed, color, disability, sex, or national origin: (a) discriminate in hiring against any New York State citizen who is qualified and available to perform the work; or (b) discriminate against or intimidate any employee hired for the performance of work under the Master Contract. If this is a building service contract as defined in Section 230 of the Labor Law, then, in accordance with Section 239 thereof, the Contractor agrees that neither it nor its subcontractors shall by reason of race, creed, color, national origin, age, sex or disability: (a) discriminate in hiring against any New York State citizen who is qualified and available to perform the work; or (b) discriminate against or intimidate any employee hired for the performance of work under the Master Contract. The Contractor shall be subject to fines of \$50.00 per person per day for any violation of Section 220-e or Section 239 of the Labor Law.

**J. Equal Opportunities for Minorities and Women; Minority and Women Owned Business Enterprises:** In accordance with Section 312 of the Executive Law and 5 NYCRR 143, if the Master Contract is: (i) a written agreement or purchase order instrument, providing for a total expenditure in excess of \$25,000.00, whereby a contracting State Agency is committed to expend or does expend funds in return for labor, services, supplies, equipment, materials or any combination of the foregoing, to be performed for, or rendered or furnished to the contracting State Agency; or (ii) a written agreement in excess of \$100,000.00 whereby a contracting State Agency is committed to expend or does expend funds for the acquisition, construction, demolition, replacement, major repair or renovation of real property and improvements thereon; or (iii) a written agreement in excess of \$100,000.00 whereby the owner of a State assisted housing project is committed to expend or does expend funds for the acquisition, construction, demolition, replacement, major repair or renovation of real property and improvements thereon for such project, then the Contractor certifies and affirms that (i) it is subject to Article 15-A of the Executive Law which includes, but is not limited to, those provisions concerning the maximizing of opportunities for the participation of minority and women-owned business enterprises and (ii) the following provisions shall apply and it is Contractor's equal employment opportunity policy that:

1. The Contractor shall not discriminate against employees or applicants for employment because of race, creed, color, national origin, sex, age, disability or marital status;
2. The Contractor shall make and document its conscientious and active efforts to employ and utilize minority group members and women in its work force on State contracts;
3. The Contractor shall undertake or continue existing programs of affirmative action to ensure that minority group members and women are afforded equal employment opportunities without discrimination. Affirmative action shall mean recruitment, employment, job assignment,

promotion, upgrading, demotion, transfer, layoff, or termination and rates of pay or other forms of compensation;

4. At the request of the State, the Contractor shall request each employment agency, labor union, or authorized representative of workers with which it has a collective bargaining or other agreement or understanding, to furnish a written statement that such employment agency, labor union or representative shall not discriminate on the basis of race, creed, color, national origin, sex, age, disability or marital status and that such union or representative shall affirmatively cooperate in the implementation of the Contractor's obligations herein; and

5. The Contractor shall state, in all solicitations or advertisements for employees, that, in the performance of the State contract, all qualified applicants shall be afforded equal employment opportunities without discrimination because of race, creed, color, national origin, sex, age, disability or marital status.

The Contractor shall include the provisions of subclauses 1 – 5 of this Section (IV)(J), in every subcontract over \$25,000.00 for the construction, demolition, replacement, major repair, renovation, planning or design of real property and improvements thereon (Work) except where the Work is for the beneficial use of the Contractor. Section 312 of the Executive Law does not apply to: (i) work, goods or services unrelated to the Master Contract; or (ii) employment outside New York State. The State shall consider compliance by the Contractor or a subcontractor with the requirements of any Federal law concerning equal employment opportunity which effectuates the purpose of this section. The State shall determine whether the imposition of the requirements of the provisions hereof duplicate or conflict with any such Federal law and if such duplication or conflict exists, the State shall waive the applicability of Section 312 of the Executive Law to the extent of such duplication or conflict. The Contractor shall comply with all duly promulgated and lawful rules and regulations of the Department of Economic Development's Division of Minority and Women's Business Development pertaining hereto.

**K. Omnibus Procurement Act of 1992:** It is the policy of New York State to maximize opportunities for the participation of New York State business enterprises, including minority and women-owned business enterprises, as bidders, subcontractors and suppliers on its procurement contracts.

1. If the total dollar amount of the Master Contract is greater than \$1 million, the Omnibus Procurement Act of 1992 requires that by signing the Master Contract, the Contractor certifies the following:

- a) The Contractor has made reasonable efforts to encourage the participation of State business enterprises as suppliers and subcontractors, including certified minority and women-owned business enterprises, on this project, and has retained the documentation of these efforts to be provided upon request to the State;
- b) The Contractor has complied with the Federal Equal Opportunity Act of 1972 (P.L. 92-261), as amended;
- c) The Contractor agrees to make reasonable efforts to provide notification to State residents of employment opportunities on this project through listing any such positions with the Job Service Division of the New York State Department of Labor, or providing such notification

in such manner as is consistent with existing collective bargaining contracts or agreements. The Contractor agrees to document these efforts and to provide said documentation to the State upon request; and

d) The Contractor acknowledges notice that the State may seek to obtain offset credits from foreign countries as a result of the Master Contract and agrees to cooperate with the State in these efforts.

**L. Workers' Compensation Benefits:**

1. In accordance with Section 142 of the State Finance Law, the Master Contract shall be void and of no force and effect unless the Contractor shall provide and maintain coverage during the life of the Master Contract for the benefit of such employees as are required to be covered by the provisions of the Workers' Compensation Law.

2. If a Contractor believes they are exempt from the Workers Compensation insurance requirement they must apply for an exemption.

**M. Unemployment Insurance Compliance:** The Contractor shall remain current in both its quarterly reporting and payment of contributions or payments in lieu of contributions, as applicable, to the State Unemployment Insurance system as a condition of maintaining this grant.

The Contractor hereby authorizes the State Department of Labor to disclose to the State Agency staff only such information as is necessary to determine the Contractor's compliance with the State Unemployment Insurance Law. This includes, but is not limited to, the following:

1. any records of unemployment insurance (UI) contributions, interest, and/or penalty payment arrears or reporting delinquency;
2. any debts owed for UI contributions, interest, and/or penalties;
3. the history and results of any audit or investigation; and
4. copies of wage reporting information.

Such disclosures are protected under Section 537 of the State Labor Law, which makes it a misdemeanor for the recipient of such information to use or disclose the information for any purpose other than the performing due diligence as a part of the approval process for the Master Contract.

**N. Vendor Responsibility:**

1. If a Contractor is required to complete a Questionnaire, the Contractor covenants and represents that it has, to the best of its knowledge, truthfully, accurately and thoroughly completed such Questionnaire. Although electronic filing is preferred, the Contractor may obtain a paper form from the OSC prior to execution of the Master Contract. The Contractor further covenants and represents that as of the date of execution of the Master Contract, there are no material events, omissions, changes or corrections to such document requiring an amendment to the Questionnaire.

2. The Contractor shall provide to the State updates to the Questionnaire if any material event(s) occurs requiring an amendment or as new information material to such Questionnaire becomes available.

3. The Contractor shall, in addition, promptly report to the State the initiation of any investigation or audit by a governmental entity with enforcement authority with respect to any alleged violation of Federal or state law by the Contractor, its employees, its officers and/or directors in connection with matters involving, relating to or arising out of the Contractor's business. Such report shall be made within five (5) business days following the Contractor becoming aware of such event, investigation, or audit. Such report may be considered by the State in making a Determination of Vendor Non-Responsibility pursuant to this section.

4. The State reserves the right, in its sole discretion, at any time during the term of the Master Contract:

- a) to require updates or clarifications to the Questionnaire upon written request;
- b) to inquire about information included in or required information omitted from the Questionnaire;
- c) to require the Contractor to provide such information to the State within a reasonable timeframe; and
- d) to require as a condition precedent to entering into the Master Contract that the Contractor agree to such additional conditions as shall be necessary to satisfy the State that the Contractor is, and shall remain, a responsible vendor; and
- e) to require the Contractor to present evidence of its continuing legal authority to do business in New York State, integrity, experience, ability, prior performance, and organizational and financial capacity. By signing the Master Contract, the Contractor agrees to comply with any such additional conditions that have been made a part of the Master Contract.

5. The State, in its sole discretion, reserves the right to suspend any or all activities under the Master Contract, at any time, when it discovers information that calls into question the responsibility of the Contractor. In the event of such suspension, the Contractor shall be given written notice outlining the particulars of such suspension. Upon issuance of such notice, the Contractor must comply with the terms of the suspension order. Contract activity may resume at such time as the State issues a written notice authorizing a resumption of performance under the Master Contract.

6. The State, in its sole discretion, reserves the right to make a final Determination of Non-Responsibility at any time during the term of the Master Contract based on:

- a) any information provided in the Questionnaire and/or in any updates, clarifications or amendments thereof; or
- b) the State's discovery of any material information which pertains to the Contractor's responsibility.

7. Prior to making a final Determination of Non-Responsibility, the State shall provide written notice to the Contractor that it has made a preliminary determination of non-responsibility. The State shall detail the reason(s) for the preliminary determination, and shall provide the Contractor with an opportunity to be heard.

**O. Charities Registration:** If applicable, the Contractor agrees to (i) obtain not-for-profit status, a Federal identification number, and a charitable registration number (or a declaration of exemption) and to furnish the State Agency with this information as soon as it is available, (ii) be in compliance with the OAG charities registration requirements at the time of the awarding of this Master Contract by the State and (iii) remain in compliance with the OAG charities registration requirements throughout the term of the Master Contract.

**P. Consultant Disclosure Law:**<sup>9</sup> If this is a contract for consulting services, defined for purposes of this requirement to include analysis, evaluation, research, training, data processing, computer programming, engineering, environmental, health, and mental health services, accounting, auditing, paralegal, legal, or similar services, then in accordance with Section 163 (4-g) of the State Finance Law (as amended by Chapter 10 of the Laws of 2006), the Contractor shall timely, accurately and properly comply with the requirement to submit an annual employment report for the contract to the agency that awarded the contract, the Department of Civil Service and the State Comptroller.

**Q. Wage and Hours Provisions:** If this is a public work contract covered by Article 8 of the Labor Law or a building service contract covered by Article 9 thereof, neither Contractor's employees nor the employees of its subcontractors may be required or permitted to work more than the number of hours or days stated in said statutes, except as otherwise provided in the Labor Law and as set forth in prevailing wage and supplement schedules issued by the State Labor Department. Furthermore, Contractor and its subcontractors must pay at least the prevailing wage rate and pay or provide the prevailing supplements, including the premium rates for overtime pay, as determined by the State Labor Department in accordance with the Labor Law. Additionally, effective April 28, 2008, if this is a public work contract covered by Article 8 of the Labor Law, the Contractor understands and agrees that the filing of payrolls in a manner consistent with Subdivision 3-a of Section 220 of the Labor Law shall be condition precedent to payment by the State of any State approved sums due and owing for work done upon the project.

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<sup>9</sup> Not applicable to not-for-profit entities.

**ATTACHMENT A-1  
PROGRAM SPECIFIC TERMS AND CONDITIONS**

**Instructions for Agencies**

Include any agency-specific and/or programmatic requirements that apply in this attachment.

A) Agency Specific Terms and Conditions

Examples of agency-specific content include, but are not limited to provisions governing the following: Program Office, Publications and Copyrights, Patents, and Performance Audit requirements. *At a minimum*, a Program Office and a Contractor's Designee must be designated for the purpose of notice as set forth in the Standard Terms and Conditions, Sections I(J)(2) and I(J)(3).

B) Program Specific Terms and Conditions

Examples of programmatic content include, but are not limited to provisions identifying: Program Standards, Program Requirements, Performance Measures and Matching Requirements not detailed elsewhere in the Master Contract.

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**ATTACHMENT A-2  
FEDERALLY FUNDED GRANTS**

**Instructions for Agencies**

Include any terms and conditions specifically applicable to Federally funded grants in this attachment. Examples of Federally funded grant terms and conditions include, but are not limited to, provisions governing Federal pass-through funds, single audits and sub-recipient audits.

SAMPLE

**ATTACHMENT B-1 - EXPENDITURE BASED BUDGET  
SUMMARY**

PROJECT NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

CONTRACTOR SFS PAYEE NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

CONTRACT PERIOD: \_\_\_\_\_ From: \_\_\_\_\_

To: \_\_\_\_\_

CATEGORY OF EXPENSE		GRANT FUNDS	MATCH FUNDS	MATCH %	OTHER FUNDS	TOTAL
1. Personal Services						
a) Salary						
b) Fringe						
Subtotal						
2. Non Personal Services						
a) Contractual Services						
b) Travel						
c) Equipment						
d) Space/Property & Utilities						
e) Operating Expenses						
f) Other						
Subtotal						
TOTAL						

**ATTACHMENT B-1 - EXPENDITURE BASED BUDGET**  
**PERSONAL SERVICES DETAIL**

SALARY					
POSITION TITLE	ANNUALIZED SALARY PER POSITION	STANDARD WORK WEEK (HOURS)	PERCENT OF EFFORT FUNDED	NUMBER OF MONTHS FUNDED	TOTAL
1.					
2.					
3.					
4.					
5.					
6.					
7.					
8.					
9.					
10.					
11.					
12.					
13.					
14.					
15.					
				Subtotal	
FRINGE - TYPE/DESCRIPTION					
				PERSONAL SERVICES TOTAL	

**ATTACHMENT B-1 - EXPENDITURE BASED BUDGET**  
***NON-PERSONAL SERVICES DETAIL***

CONTRACTUAL SERVICES - TYPE/DESCRIPTION		TOTAL
1.		
2.		
3.		
4.		
5.		
6.		
7.		
8.		
TOTAL		

TRAVEL - TYPE/DESCRIPTION		TOTAL
1.		
2.		
3.		
4.		
5.		
6.		
7.		
8.		
TOTAL		

EQUIPMENT - TYPE/DESCRIPTION		TOTAL
1.		
2.		
3.		
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6.		
7.		
8.		
TOTAL		

SPACE/PROPERTY EXPENSES: RENT - TYPE/DESCRIPTION		TOTAL
1.		
2.		
3.		
SPACE/PROPERTY EXPENSES: OWN - TYPE/DESCRIPTION		TOTAL
1.		
2.		
3.		
TYPE/DESCRIPTION OF UTILITY EXPENSES		TOTAL
1.		
2.		
3.		
TOTAL		

OPERATING EXPENSES - TYPE/DESCRIPTION		TOTAL
1.		
2.		
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4.		
5.		
6.		
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TOTAL		

OTHER - TYPE/DESCRIPTION		TOTAL
1.		
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7.		
8.		
TOTAL		

# **ATTACHMENT B-1(A) - EXPENDITURE BASED BUDGET (AMENDMENT)** **SUMMARY**

PROJECT NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

CONTRACTOR SFS PAYEE NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

CONTRACT PERIOD: \_\_\_\_\_

From: \_\_\_\_\_

To: \_\_\_\_\_

AMENDMENT VERSION NUMBER: \_\_\_\_\_

CATEGORY OF EXPENSE	GRANT FUNDS			MATCH FUNDS	MATCH %	OTHER FUNDS	TOTAL
	CURRENT BUDGET	CHANGE	REVISED BUDGET				
1. Personal Services							
a) Salary							
b) Fringe							
Subtotal							
2. Non Personal Services							
a) Contractual Services							
b) Travel							
c) Equipment							
d) Space/Property & Utilities							
e) Operating Expenses							
f) Other							
Subtotal							
TOTAL							

**ATTACHMENT B-1 (A) - EXPENDITURE BASED BUDGET (AMENDMENT)**  
**PERSONAL SERVICES DETAIL**

SALARY					NUMBER OF MONTHS FUNDED	TOTAL
POSITION TITLE	ANNUALIZED SALARY PER POSITION	STANDARD WORK WEEK (HOURS)	PERCENT OF EFFORT FUNDED			
1.						
2.						
3.						
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10.						
11.						
12.						
13.						
14.						
15.						
Subtotal					Subtotal	
FRINGE - TYPE/DESCRIPTION						
PERSONAL SERVICES TOTAL					PERSONAL SERVICES TOTAL	

**ATTACHMENT B-1 (A) - EXPENDITURE BASED BUDGET (AMENDMENT)**  
**NON-PERSONAL SERVICES DETAIL**

CONTRACTUAL SERVICES - TYPE/DESCRIPTION		TOTAL
1.		
2.		
3.		
4.		
5.		
6.		
7.		
8.		
TOTAL		

TRAVEL - TYPE/DESCRIPTION		TOTAL
1.		
2.		
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6.		
7.		
8.		
TOTAL		

EQUIPMENT - TYPE/DESCRIPTION		TOTAL COST
1.		
2.		
3.		
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5.		
6.		
7.		
8.		
TOTAL		

SPACE/PROPERTY EXPENSES: RENT - TYPE/DESCRIPTION		TOTAL
1.		
2.		
3.		
SPACE/PROPERTY EXPENSES: OWN - TYPE/DESCRIPTION		TOTAL
1.		
2.		
3.		
UTILITY EXPENSES - TYPE/DESCRIPTION		TOTAL
1.		
2.		
3.		
TOTAL		

OPERATING EXPENSES - TYPE/DESCRIPTION		TOTAL
1.		
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TOTAL		

OTHER - TYPE/DESCRIPTION		TOTAL
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TOTAL		

**ATTACHMENT B-1 (A) EXPENDITURE BASED BUDGET (AMENDMENT)**  
***JUSTIFICATION***

Please provide a justification for the amendments herein:

SAMPLE

**ATTACHMENT B-2 - PERFORMANCE BASED BUDGET  
SUMMARY**

PROJECT NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

CONTRACTOR SFS PAYEE NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

CONTRACT PERIOD: \_\_\_\_\_ From: \_\_\_\_\_

To: \_\_\_\_\_

#	DELIVERABLE/OUTCOME	TOTAL AMOUNT PER UNIT	GRANT AMOUNT PER UNIT	NUMBER OF UNITS	GRANT FUNDS	MATCH FUNDS	MATCH %	OTHER FUNDS	TOTAL
1									
2									
3									
4									
5									
		Subtotal							
		Available Bonus							
		TOTAL							

ATTACHMENT B-2(A) - PERFORMANCE BASED BUDGET (AMENDMENT)  
SUMMARY

PROJECT NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

CONTRACTOR SFS PAYEE NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

CONTRACT PERIOD: \_\_\_\_\_ From: \_\_\_\_\_

To: \_\_\_\_\_

AMENDMENT VERSION NUMBER: \_\_\_\_\_

#	DELIVERABLE/OUTCOME	TOTAL AMOUNT PER UNIT	GRANT AMOUNT PER UNIT	NUMBER OF UNITS	GRANT FUNDS	MATCH FUNDS	MATCH %	OTHER FUNDS	TOTAL
1									
2									
3									
4									
5									
		Subtotal							
		Available Bonus							
		TOTAL							

**ATTACHMENT B-2(A) - PERFORMANCE BASED BUDGET (AMENDMENT)**  
***DETAIL***

#	GRANT AMOUNT PER UNIT			NUMBER OF UNITS			GRANT FUNDS		
	ORIGINAL	CHANGE	REVISED AMOUNT	ORIGINAL	CHANGE	REVISED NUMBER	ORIGINAL BUDGET	CHANGE	REVISED BUDGET
1									
2									
3									
4									
5									
TOTAL									

**ATTACHMENT B-2(A) - PERFORMANCE BASED BUDGET (AMENDMENT)**  
***JUSTIFICATION***

Please provide a justification for the amendments herein:

SAMPLE

ATTACHMENT B-3 – CAPITAL BASED BUDGET  
SUMMARY

PROJECT NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

CONTRACTOR SFS PAYEE NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

CONTRACT PERIOD: \_\_\_\_\_ From: \_\_\_\_\_

To: \_\_\_\_\_

CATEGORY OF EXPENSE	GRANT FUNDS	MATCH FUNDS	MATCH %	OTHER FUNDS	TOTAL
1. Scoping and Pre-Development					
2. Design					
3. Acquisition					
4. Construction					
5. Administration					
6. Working Capital/Reserves					
7. Other					
TOTAL					

**ATTACHMENT B-3 – CAPITAL BASED BUDGET  
DETAIL**

SCOPING AND PRE DEVELOPMENT - TYPE/DESCRIPTION	ITEM # (IF APPLICABLE)	QUANTITY (IF APPLICABLE)	UNIT PRICE (IF APPLICABLE)	TOTAL
1.				
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TOTAL				

DESIGN - TYPE/DESCRIPTION	ITEM # (IF APPLICABLE)	QUANTITY (IF APPLICABLE)	UNIT PRICE (IF APPLICABLE)	TOTAL
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TOTAL				

ACQUISITION - TYPE/DESCRIPTION	ITEM # (IF APPLICABLE)	QUANTITY (IF APPLICABLE)	UNIT PRICE (IF APPLICABLE)	TOTAL
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CONSTRUCTION - TYPE/DESCRIPTION	ITEM # (IF APPLICABLE)	QUANTITY (IF APPLICABLE)	UNIT PRICE (IF APPLICABLE)	TOTAL
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ADMINISTRATION - TYPE/DESCRIPTION	ITEM # (IF APPLICABLE)	QUANTITY (IF APPLICABLE)	UNIT PRICE (IF APPLICABLE)	TOTAL
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WORKING CAPITAL/RESERVES - TYPE/DESCRIPTION	ITEM # (IF APPLICABLE)	QUANTITY (IF APPLICABLE)	UNIT PRICE (IF APPLICABLE)	TOTAL
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OTHER - TYPE/DESCRIPTION	ITEM # (IF APPLICABLE)	QUANTITY (IF APPLICABLE)	UNIT PRICE (IF APPLICABLE)	TOTAL
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TOTAL				

SAMPLE

**ATTACHMENT B-3(A) – CAPITAL BASED BUDGET (AMENDMENT)**  
**SUMMARY**

PROJECT NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

CONTRACTOR SFS PAYEE NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

CONTRACT PERIOD: \_\_\_\_\_

From: \_\_\_\_\_

To: \_\_\_\_\_

AMENDMENT VERSION NUMBER: \_\_\_\_\_

CATEGORY OF EXPENSE	GRANT FUNDS			MATCH FUNDS	MATCH %	OTHER FUNDS	TOTAL
	ORIGINAL BUDGET	CHANGE	REVISED BUDGET				
1. Scoping and Pre Development							
2. Design							
3. Acquisition							
4. Construction							
5. Administration							
6. Working Capital/Reserves							
7. Other							
TOTAL							

**ATTACHMENT B-3(A) – CAPITAL BASED BUDGET (AMENDMENT)**  
**DETAIL**

SCOPING AND PRE DEVELOPMENT TYPE/DESCRIPTION	ITEM # (IF APPLICABLE)	QUANTITY (IF APPLICABLE)	UNIT PRICE (IF APPLICABLE)	TOTAL
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DESIGN - TYPE/DESCRIPTION	ITEM # (IF APPLICABLE)	QUANTITY (IF APPLICABLE)	UNIT PRICE (IF APPLICABLE)	TOTAL
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ACQUISITION - TYPE/DESCRIPTION	ITEM # (IF APPLICABLE)	QUANTITY (IF APPLICABLE)	UNIT PRICE (IF APPLICABLE)	TOTAL
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CONSTRUCTION - TYPE/DESCRIPTION	ITEM # (IF APPLICABLE)	QUANTITY (IF APPLICABLE)	UNIT PRICE (IF APPLICABLE)	TOTAL
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TOTAL				

ADMINISTRATION - TYPE/DESCRIPTION	ITEM # (IF APPLICABLE)	QUANTITY (IF APPLICABLE)	UNIT PRICE (IF APPLICABLE)	TOTAL
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TOTAL				

WORKING CAPITAL/RESERVES - TYPE/DESCRIPTION	ITEM # (IF APPLICABLE)	QUANTITY (IF APPLICABLE)	UNIT PRICE (IF APPLICABLE)	TOTAL
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TOTAL				

OTHER - TYPE/DESCRIPTION	ITEM # (IF APPLICABLE)	QUANTITY (IF APPLICABLE)	UNIT PRICE (IF APPLICABLE)	TOTAL
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ATTACHMENT B-3(A): CAPITAL BASED BUDGET (AMENDMENT)  
JUSTIFICATION

Please provide a justification for the amendments herein:

**ATTACHMENT C – WORK PLAN  
SUMMARY**

PROJECT NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

CONTRACTOR SFS PAYEE NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

CONTRACT PERIOD: From: \_\_\_\_\_

To: \_\_\_\_\_

Provide an overview of the project including goals, tasks, desired outcomes and performance measures:

**ATTACHMENT C – WORK PLAN  
DETAIL**

OBJECTIVE	BUDGET CATEGORY/ DELIVERABLE (if applicable)	TASKS	PERFORMANCE MEASURES
1:		a.	i.
			ii.
			iii.
		b.	i.
			ii.
			iii.
		c.	i.
			ii.
			iii.

OBJECTIVE	BUDGET CATEGORY/ DELIVERABLE (if applicable)	TASKS	PERFORMANCE MEASURES
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			ii.
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	c.		i.
			ii.
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**ATTACHMENT D**  
**PAYMENT AND REPORTING SCHEDULE**

**I. PAYMENT PROVISIONS**

In full consideration of contract services to be performed the State Agency agrees to pay and the contractor agrees to accept a sum not to exceed the amount noted on the face page hereof. All payments shall be in accordance with the budget contained in the applicable Attachment B form (Budget), which is attached hereto.

**A. Advance Payment and Recoupment Language (if applicable):**

1. The State agency will make an advance payment to the Contractor, during the initial period, in the amount of \_\_\_\_\_ percent (\_\_\_%) the budget as set forth in the most recently approved applicable Attachment B form (Budget).
2. Recoupment of any advance payment(s) shall be recovered by crediting (\_\_\_%) of subsequent claims and such claims will be reduced until the advance is fully recovered within the contract period.
3. Scheduled advance payments shall be due in accordance with an approved payment schedule as follows:

Period: _____	Amount: _____	Due Date: _____
Period: _____	Amount: _____	Due Date: _____
Period: _____	Amount: _____	Due Date: _____
Period: _____	Amount: _____	Due Date: _____

**B. Interim and/or Final Claims for Reimbursement**

Claiming Schedule (*select applicable frequency*):

- ☐ Quarterly Reimbursement  
Due date \_\_\_\_\_
- ☐ Monthly Reimbursement  
Due date \_\_\_\_\_
- ☐ Biannual Reimbursement  
Due date \_\_\_\_\_
- ☐ Fee for Service Reimbursement  
Due date \_\_\_\_\_

- ☐ Rate Based Reimbursement  
Due date \_\_\_\_\_
- ☐ Fifth Quarter Reimbursement  
Due date \_\_\_\_\_
- ☐ Milestone/Performance Reimbursement  
Due date/Frequency \_\_\_\_\_
- ☐ Scheduled Reimbursement  
Due date/Frequency \_\_\_\_\_

## II. REPORTING PROVISIONS

### A. Expenditure-Based Reports *(select the applicable report type):*

- ☐ Narrative/Qualitative Report

The Contractor will submit, on a quarterly basis, not later than \_\_\_\_\_ days from the end of the quarter, the report described in Section III(G)(2)(a)(i) of the Master Contract

- ☐ Statistical/Quantitative Report

The Contractor will submit, on a quarterly basis, not later than \_\_\_\_\_ days from the end of the quarter, the report described in Section III(G)(2)(a)(ii) of the Master Contract.

- ☐ Expenditure Report

The Contractor will submit, on a quarterly basis, not later than \_\_\_\_\_ days after the end date for which reimbursement is being claimed, the report described in Section III(G)(2)(a)(iii) of the Master Contract.

- ☐ Final Report

The Contractor will submit the final report as described in Section III(G)(2)(a)(iv) of the Master Contract, no later than \_\_\_\_\_ days after the end of the contract period.

- ☐ Consolidated Fiscal Report (CFR)<sup>1</sup>

The Contractor will submit the CFR on an annual basis, in accordance with the time frames designated in the CFR manual. For New York City contractors, the due date shall be May 1 of each year; for Upstate and Long Island contractors, the due date shall be November 1 of each year.

<sup>1</sup> The Consolidated Fiscal Reporting System is a standardized electronic reporting method accepted by Office of Alcoholism & Substance Services, Office of Mental Health, Office of Persons with Developmental Disabilities and the State Education Department, consisting of schedules which, in different combinations, capture financial information for budgets, quarterly and/or mid-year claims, an annual cost report, and a final claim. The CFR, which must be submitted annually, is both a year-end cost report and a year-end claiming document.

## **B. Progress-Based Reports**

### **1. Progress Reports**

The Contractor shall provide the report described in Section III(G)(2)(b)(i) of the Master Contract in accordance with the forms and in the format provided by the State Agency, summarizing the work performed during the contract period (see Table 1 below for the annual schedule).

### **2. Final Progress Report**

Final scheduled payment will not be due until \_\_\_\_ days after completion of agency's audit of the final expenditures report/documentation showing total grant expenses submitted by vendor with its final invoice. Deadline for submission of the final report is \_\_\_\_\_. The agency shall complete its audit and notify vendor of the results no later than \_\_\_\_\_. The Contractor shall submit the report not later than \_\_\_\_ days from the end of the contract.

## **C. Other Reports**

The Contractor shall provide reports in accordance with the form, content and schedule as set forth in Table 1.

SAMPLE

**TABLE I – REPORTING SCHEDULE**

PROGRESS REPORT #	PERIOD COVERED	DUE DATE

## RFP Appendix D – Insurance Requirements

## Insurance Requirements

The Bidder shall be required to procure, at its sole cost and expense, all insurance required by this Attachment.

The Bidder shall be required to provide proof of compliance with the requirements of this Attachment, as follows:

- Proof of all insurance required by Section B below shall be provided in accordance with the provisions hereof;
- After award, the Contractor shall be required to provide proof of all insurance after renewal or upon request according to the timelines set forth in Section A.13 below.

Contractors shall be required to procure, at their sole cost and expense, and shall maintain in force at all times during the term of any Contract resulting from this Solicitation, policies of insurance as required by this Attachment. All insurance required by this Attachment shall be written by companies that have an A.M. Best Company rating of "A-," Class "VII" or better. In addition, companies writing insurance intended to comply with the requirements of this Attachment should be licensed or authorized by the New York State Department of Financial Services to issue insurance in the State of New York. OGS may, in its sole discretion, accept policies of insurance written by a non-authorized carrier or carriers when certificates and/or other policy documents are accompanied by a completed Excess Lines Association of New York (ELANY) affidavit or other documents demonstrating the company's strong financial rating. If, during the term of a policy, the carrier's A.M. Best rating falls below "A-," Class "VII," the insurance must be replaced, on or before the renewal date of the policy, with insurance that meets the requirements above.

Bidders and Contractors shall deliver to OGS evidence of the insurance required by this Solicitation and any Contract resulting from this Solicitation in a form satisfactory to OGS. Policies must be written in accordance with the requirements of the paragraphs below, as applicable. While acceptance of insurance documentation shall not be unreasonably withheld, conditioned or delayed, acceptance and/or approval by OGS does not, and shall not be construed to, relieve Bidders or Contractors of any obligations, responsibilities or liabilities under this Solicitation or any Contract resulting from this Solicitation.

The Contractor shall not take any action, or omit to take any action that would suspend or invalidate any of the required coverages during the term of the Contract.

**A. General Conditions Applicable to Insurance.** All policies of insurance required by this Solicitation or any Contract resulting from this Solicitation shall comply with the following requirements:

- 1. Coverage Types and Policy Limits.** The types of coverage and policy limits required from Bidders and Contractors are specified in Paragraph B *Insurance Requirements* below.

**2. Policy Forms.** Except as otherwise specifically provided herein, or agreed to in the Contract resulting from this Solicitation, all policies of insurance required by this Attachment shall be written on an occurrence basis. In the event that occurrence-based coverage is not commercially available, claims-made policy forms will be considered provided that, at minimum, it includes provisions that allow for (a) reporting circumstances or incidents that may give rise to future claims and (b) an extended reporting period of not less than three (3) years with respect to events that occurred but were not reported during the term of the policy.

**3. Certificates of Insurance/Notices.** Bidders and Contractors shall provide OGS with a Certificate or Certificates of Insurance, in a form satisfactory to OGS as detailed below, and pursuant to the timelines set forth in Section A.13. below. Certificates shall name **The New York State Office of General Services, Agency Procurement Office, 32<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Corning Tower, Empire State Plaza, Albany, New York 12242** as the certificate holder.

Certificates of Insurance shall:

- Be in the form acceptable to OGS and in accordance with the New York State Insurance Law (e.g., an ACORD 25 certificate);
- Disclose any deductible, self-insured retention, aggregate limit or exclusion to the policy that materially changes the coverage required by this Solicitation or any Contract resulting from this Solicitation;
- Be signed by an authorized representative of the referenced insurance carriers; and
- Contain the following language in the Description of Operations / Locations / Vehicles section of the Certificate or on a submitted endorsement: **Additional insured protection afforded is on a primary and non-contributory basis. A waiver of subrogation is granted in favor of the additional insureds.**

Only original documents (certificates of insurance and any endorsements and other attachments) or electronic versions of the same that can be directly traced back to the insurer, agent or broker via e-mail distribution or similar means will be accepted.

OGS requires Contractors to submit only certificates of insurance and additional insured endorsements. Contractors should refrain from submitting entire insurance policies. If an entire insurance policy is submitted but not requested, OGS shall not be obligated to review and shall not be chargeable with knowledge of its contents. In addition, submission of an entire insurance policy not requested by OGS does not constitute proof of compliance with the insurance requirements and does not discharge Contractors from submitting the requested insurance documentation. OGS reserves the right to request other proof of insurance, including, but not limited to, policies, and Contractors agree to comply with all reasonable requests.

**4. Primary Coverage.** All Commercial General Liability, Business Automobile Liability, and Excess Umbrella Liability insurance policies shall provide that the required coverage shall be primary and non-contributory to other insurance available to the People of the State of New York, the New York State Office of General Services, and their officers, agents, and employees. Any other insurance maintained by the People of the State of New York, the New York State Office of General Services, and their officers, agents, and employees shall be excess of and shall not contribute with the Bidder/Contractor's insurance.

**5. Breach for Lack of Proof of Coverage.** The failure to comply with the requirements of this Attachment at any time during the term of the Contract shall be considered a breach of the terms of the Contract and shall allow the People of the State of New York, the New York State Office of General Services, and their officers, agents, and employees to avail themselves of all remedies available under the Contract or at law or in equity.

**6. Self-Insured Retention/Deductibles.** Certificates of Insurance must indicate the applicable deductibles/self-insured retentions for each listed policy. Deductibles or self-insured retentions above \$100,000.00 are subject to approval from OGS. Such approval shall not be unreasonably withheld, conditioned or delayed. Bidders and Contractors shall be solely responsible for all claim expenses and loss payments within the deductibles or self-insured retentions. If the Bidder/Contractor is providing the required insurance through self-insurance, evidence of the financial capacity to support the self-insurance program along with a description of that program, including, but not limited to, information regarding the use of a third-party administrator shall be provided upon request.

**7. Subcontractors.** Prior to the commencement of any work by a Subcontractor, the Contractor shall require such Subcontractor to procure policies of insurance as required by this Attachment and maintain the same in force during the term of any work performed by that Subcontractor. An Additional Insured Endorsement CG 20 38 12 19 (or the equivalent) evidencing such coverage shall be provided to the Contractor prior to the commencement of any work by a subcontractor and pursuant to the timelines set forth in Section A.13. below, as applicable. For subcontractors that are self-insured, the subcontractor shall be obligated to defend and indemnify the above-named additional insureds with respect to Commercial General Liability and Business Automobile Liability, in the same manner that the subcontractor would have been required to pursuant to this section had the subcontractor obtained such insurance policies.

**8. Waiver of Subrogation.** For all Commercial General Liability, Business Automobile Liability, Excess/Umbrella Liability policies and the workers' compensation insurance required below, the Bidder/Contractor shall cause to be included in its policies insuring against loss, damage or destruction by fire or other insured casualty a waiver of the insurer's right of subrogation against The People of the State of New York, the New York State Office of General Services, and their officers, agents, and employees, or, if such waiver is unobtainable (i) an express agreement that such policy shall not be invalidated if the Contractor waives or has waived before the casualty, the right of recovery against The People of the State of New York, the New York State Office of General Services, and their officers, agents, and employees or (ii) any other form of permission for the release of The People of the State of New York, the New York State Office of General Services, and their officers, agents, and employees. A Waiver of Subrogation Endorsement shall be provided upon request. A blanket Waiver of Subrogation Endorsement evidencing such coverage is also acceptable.

**9. Additional Insured.** The Contractor shall cause to be included in each of the Commercial General Liability, Business Automobile Liability, and Excess/Umbrella Liability policies required below for ongoing work and operations naming as additional insured (via ISO form CG 20 10 12 19 and form CA 20 48 10 13, or a form or forms that provide equivalent coverage): The People of the State of New York, the New York State Office of General Services, and their officers, agents, and employees. An Additional Insured Endorsement, or

the equivalent, evidencing such coverage shall be provided to OGS pursuant to the timelines set forth in Section A.13. below. A blanket Additional Insured Endorsement evidencing such coverage is also acceptable. For Contractors who are self-insured, the Contractor shall be obligated to defend and indemnify the above-named additional insureds with respect to Commercial General Liability and Business Automobile Liability, in the same manner that the Contractor would have been required to pursuant to this Attachment had the Contractor obtained such insurance policies.

**10. *Excess/Umbrella Liability Policies.*** Required insurance coverage limits may be provided through a combination of primary and excess/umbrella liability policies. If coverage limits are provided through excess/umbrella liability policies, then a Schedule of underlying insurance listing policy information for all underlying insurance policies (insurer, policy number, policy term, coverage and limits of insurance), including proof that the excess/umbrella insurance follows form must be provided upon request.

**11. *Notice of Cancellation or Non-Renewal.*** Policies shall be written so as to include the requirements for notice of cancellation or non-renewal in accordance with the New York State Insurance Law. Within five (5) business days of receipt of any notice of cancellation or non-renewal of insurance, the Contractor shall provide OGS with a copy of any such notice received from an insurer together with proof of replacement coverage that complies with the insurance requirements of this Solicitation and any Contract resulting from this Solicitation.

**12. *Policy Renewal/Expiration*** Upon policy renewal/expiration, evidence of renewal or replacement of coverage that complies with the insurance requirements set forth in this Solicitation and any Contract resulting from this Solicitation shall be delivered to OGS. If, at any time during the term of any Contract resulting from this Solicitation, the coverage provisions and limits of the policies required herein do not meet the provisions and limits set forth in this Solicitation or any Contract resulting from this Solicitation, or proof thereof is not provided to OGS, the Contractor shall immediately cease work. The Contractor shall not resume work until authorized to do so by OGS.

**13. *Deadlines for Providing Insurance Documents after Renewal or Upon Request.*** As set forth herein, certain insurance documents must be provided to the OGS Agency Procurement Office contact identified in the Contract Award Notice after renewal or upon request. This requirement means that the Contractor shall provide the applicable insurance document to OGS as soon as possible but in no event later than the following time periods:

- For certificates of insurance: 5 business days;
- For information on self-insurance or self-retention programs: 15 calendar days;
- For other requested documentation evidencing coverage: 15 calendar days;
- For additional insured and waiver of subrogation endorsements: 30 calendar days; and
- For notice of cancellation or non-renewal and proof of replacement coverage that complies with the requirements of this section: 5 business days from request or renewal.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, if the Contractor shall have promptly requested the insurance documents from its broker or insurer and shall have thereafter diligently taken all steps

necessary to obtain such documents from its insurer and submit them to OGS, OGS shall extend the time period for a reasonable period under the circumstances, but in no event shall the extension exceed 30 calendar days.

## B. Insurance Requirements

Bidders and Contractors shall obtain and maintain in full force and effect, throughout the term of any Contract resulting from this Solicitation, at their own expense, the following insurance with limits not less than those described below and as required by the terms of any Contract resulting from this Solicitation, or as required by law, whichever is greater:

Insurance Type		Proof of Coverage is Due
<b>Commercial General Liability</b>	No less than \$1,000,000 each occurrence	Upon notification of tentative award and updated in accordance with Contract
General Aggregate	\$2,000,000	
Products-Completed Operations Aggregate	\$2,000,000	
Personal and Advertising Injury	\$1,000,000	
Medical Expenses Limit	\$5,000	
<b>Business Automobile Liability Insurance</b>	No less than \$1,000,000 each occurrence	
<b>Workers' Compensation</b>		
<b>Disability Benefits</b>		

**1. Commercial General Liability Insurance:** Such liability shall be written on the current edition of ISO occurrence form CG 00 01, or a substitute form providing equivalent coverage.

Policy shall include bodily injury, property damage and broad form contractual liability coverage.

- General Aggregate
- Products – Completed Operations Aggregate
- Personal and Advertising Injury
- Each Occurrence

Coverage shall include, but not be limited to, the following:

- Premises liability arising from operations;
- Independent contractors;
- Blanket contractual liability, including tort liability of another assumed in a contract;
- Defense and/or indemnification obligations, including obligations assumed under the Contract;
- Cross liability for additional insureds; and
- Products/completed operations for a term of no less than one (1) year, commencing upon acceptance of the work, as required by the Contract.

**2. Business Automobile Liability Insurance:** Such insurance shall cover liability arising out of automobiles used in connection with performance under the Contract, including owned, leased, hired and non-owned automobiles bearing or, under the circumstances under which

they are being used, required by the Motor Vehicles Laws of the State of New York to bear, license plates.

In the event that the Contractor does not own, lease or hire any automobiles used in connection with performance under the Contract, the Contractor does not need to obtain Business Automobile Liability Insurance, but must attest to the fact that the Contractor does not own, lease or hire any automobiles used in connection with performance under the Contract on a form provided by OGS. If, however, during the term of the Contract, the Contractor acquires, leases or hires any automobiles that will be used in connection with performance under the Contract, the Contractor must obtain Business Automobile Liability Insurance that meets all of the requirements of this section and provide proof of such coverage to OGS in accordance with the insurance requirements of any Contract resulting from this Solicitation.

### **3. Workers' Compensation Insurance and Disability Benefits Requirements**

Sections 57 and 220 of the New York State Workers' Compensation Law require the heads of all municipal and state entities to ensure that businesses applying for contracts have appropriate workers' compensation and disability benefits insurance coverage. These requirements apply to both original contracts and renewals. **Failure to provide proper proof of such coverage or a legal exemption will result in a rejection of a Bid or any contract renewal. A Bidder will not be awarded a Contract unless proof of workers' compensation and disability insurance is provided to OGS.** Proof of workers' compensation and disability benefits coverage, or proof of exemption must be submitted to OGS at the time of notification of tentative award, policy renewal, contract renewal and upon request. Proof of compliance must be submitted on one of the following forms designated by the New York State Workers' Compensation Board. **An ACORD form is not acceptable proof of New York State workers' compensation or disability benefits insurance coverage.**

Proof of Compliance with Workers' Compensation Coverage Requirements:

- Form CE-200, *Certificate of Attestation for New York Entities With No Employees and Certain Out of State Entities, That New York State Workers' Compensation and/or Disability Benefits Insurance Coverage is Not Required*, which is available on the Workers' Compensation Board's website ([www.businessexpress.ny.gov](http://www.businessexpress.ny.gov));
- Form C-105.2 (9/15), *Certificate of Workers' Compensation Insurance*, sent to OGS by the Contractor's insurance carrier upon request, or if coverage is provided by the New York State Insurance Fund, they will provide Form U-26.3 to OGS upon request from the Contractor; or
- Form SI-12, *Certificate of Workers' Compensation Self-Insurance*, available from the New York State Workers' Compensation Board's Self-Insurance Office, or
- Form GSI-105.2, *Certificate of Participation in Workers' Compensation Group Self-Insurance*, available from the Contractor's Group Self-Insurance Administrator.

Proof of Compliance with Disability Benefits Coverage Requirements:

- Form CE-200, *Certificate of Attestation for New York Entities With No Employees and Certain Out of State Entities, That New York State Workers' Compensation and/or Disability Benefits Insurance Coverage is Not Required*, which is available on the Workers' Compensation Board's website ([www.businessexpress.ny.gov](http://www.businessexpress.ny.gov));

- Form DB-120.1, Certificate of Disability Benefits Insurance, sent to OGS by the Contractor's insurance carrier upon request; or
- Form DB-155, Certificate of Disability Benefits Self-Insurance, available from the New York State Workers' Compensation Board's Self-Insurance Office.

Information clarifying the New York State Workers' Compensation Law requirements is available at the New York State Workers' Compensation Board's website, <http://www.wcb.ny.gov/content/main/Employers/requirements-businesses-applying-government-permits-licenses-contracts.pdf> .

**Contractor acknowledges that failure to obtain and/or keep in effect any or all required insurance on behalf of OGS constitutes a material breach of contract and subjects it to liability for damages, indemnification and all other legal remedies available to OGS. Contractor's failure to obtain and/or keep in effect any or all required insurance shall also provide the basis for OGS' immediate termination of any contract resulting from this Solicitation, subject only to a five (5) business day cure period. Any termination by OGS under this section shall in no event constitute or be deemed a breach of any contract resulting from this Solicitation and no liability shall be incurred by or arise against the Office of General Services, its agents and employees therefore for lost profits or any other damages.**

## RFP Appendix E – M/WBE and EEO Requirements

# **CONTRACTOR REQUIREMENTS AND PROCEDURES FOR PARTICIPATION BY NEW YORK STATE CERTIFIED MINORITY- AND WOMEN-OWNED BUSINESS ENTERPRISES AND EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES FOR MINORITY GROUP MEMBERS AND WOMEN**

## **I. New York State Law**

Pursuant to New York State Executive Law Article 15-A and Parts 140-145 of Title 5 of the New York Codes, Rules and Regulations (“NYCRR”), the New York State Office of General Services (“OGS”) is required to promote opportunities for the maximum feasible participation of New York State-certified Minority- and Women-Owned Business Enterprises (“MWBEs”) and the employment of minority group members and women in the performance of OGS contracts.

## **II. General Provisions**

A. OGS is required to implement the provisions of New York State Executive Law Article 15-A and 5 NYCRR Parts 140-145 (“MWBE Regulations”) for all State contracts as defined therein, with a value (1) in excess of \$25,000 for labor, services, equipment, materials, or any combination of the foregoing or (2) in excess of \$100,000 for real property renovations and construction.

B. The Contractor agrees, in addition to any other nondiscrimination provision of the Contract and at no additional cost to OGS, to fully comply and cooperate with OGS in the implementation of New York State Executive Law Article 15-A and the regulations promulgated thereunder. These requirements include equal employment opportunities for minority group members and women (“EEO”) and contracting opportunities for MWBEs. Contractor’s demonstration of “good faith efforts” pursuant to 5 NYCRR § 142.8 shall be a part of these requirements. These provisions shall be deemed supplementary to, and not in lieu of, the nondiscrimination provisions required by New York State Executive Law Article 15 (the “Human Rights Law”) or other applicable federal, State, or local laws.

C. Failure to comply with all of the requirements herein may result in a finding of non-responsiveness, a finding of non-responsibility, breach of contract, withholding of funds, suspension or termination of the Contract, and/or such other actions or enforcement proceedings as allowed by the Contract and applicable law.

## **III. Equal Employment Opportunity (EEO)**

A. The provisions of Article 15-A of the Executive Law and the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder pertaining to equal employment opportunities for minority group members and women shall apply to all Contractors, and any subcontractors, awarded a subcontract over \$25,000 for labor, services, including legal, financial and other professional services, travel, supplies, equipment, materials, or any combination of the foregoing, to be performed for, or rendered or furnished to, the contracting State agency (the “Work”) except where the Work is for the beneficial use of the Contractor.

1. Contractor and subcontractors shall undertake or continue existing EEO programs to ensure that minority group members and women are afforded equal employment opportunities without discrimination because of race, creed, color, national origin, sex, age, disability, or marital status. For these purposes, EEO shall apply in the areas of recruitment, employment, job assignment, promotion, upgrading, demotion, transfer, layoff or termination, and rates of pay or other forms of compensation. This requirement does not apply to: (i) the performance of work or the provision of

services or any other activity that is unrelated, separate, or distinct from the Contract; or (ii) employment outside New York State.

2. By entering into this Contract, Contractor certifies that the text set forth in clause 12 of Appendix A, attached hereto and made a part hereof, is Contractor's equal employment opportunity policy. In addition, Contractor agrees to comply with the Non-Discrimination Requirements set forth in clause 5 of Appendix A.

**B. Form EEO 100 – Staffing Plan**

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To ensure compliance with this section, the Contractor agrees to submit, or has submitted with the Bid, a staffing plan on Form EEO 100 to OGS to document the composition of the proposed workforce to be utilized in the performance of the Contract by the specified categories listed, including ethnic background, gender, and federal occupational categories.

**C. Form EEO - 101 - Workforce Utilization Reporting Form (Commodities and Services) ("Form EEO-101-Commodities and Services")**

1. The Contractor shall submit, and shall require each of its subcontractors to submit, a Form EEO-101-Commodities and Services to OGS to report the actual workforce utilized in the performance of the Contract by the specified categories listed including ethnic background, gender, and Federal occupational categories. The Form EEO-101-Commodities and Services must be submitted electronically to OGS at [EEO\\_CentCon@ogs.ny.gov](mailto:EEO_CentCon@ogs.ny.gov) on a quarterly basis during the term of the Contract by the 10th day of April, July, October, and January.

2. Separate forms shall be completed by Contractor and all subcontractors.

3. In limited instances, the Contractor or subcontractor may not be able to separate out the workforce utilized in the performance of the Contract from its total workforce. When a separation can be made, the Contractor or subcontractor shall submit the Form EEO-101-Commodities and Services and indicate that the information provided relates to the actual workforce utilized on the Contract. When the workforce to be utilized on the Contract cannot be separated out from the Contractor's or subcontractor's total workforce, the Contractor or subcontractor shall submit the Form EEO-101-Commodities and Services and indicate that the information provided is the Contractor's or subcontractor's total workforce during the subject time frame, not limited to work specifically performed under the Contract.

**D.** Contractor shall comply with the provisions of the Human Rights Law and all other State and federal statutory and constitutional non-discrimination provisions. Contractor and subcontractors shall not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, creed (religion), color, sex, national origin, sexual orientation, military status, age, disability, predisposing genetic characteristic, marital status, or domestic violence victim status, and shall also follow the requirements of the Human Rights Law with regard to non-discrimination on the basis of prior criminal and conviction and prior arrest.

**IV. Contract Goals**

**A.** For purposes of this procurement, OGS conducted a comprehensive search and determined that the Contract does not offer sufficient opportunities to set goals for participation by MWBEs as subcontractors, service providers, or suppliers to Contractor. Contractor is, however, encouraged to

make every good faith effort to promote and assist the participation of MWBEs on this Contract for the provision of services and materials. The directory of New York State Certified MWBEs can be viewed at: <https://ny.newnycontracts.com/FrontEnd/VendorSearchPublic.asp?TN=ny&XID=2528>.

Additionally, following Contract execution, Contractor is encouraged to contact the Division of Minority and Women's Business Development ((518) 292-5250; (212) 803-2414; or (716) 846-8200) to discuss additional methods of maximizing participation by MWBEs on the Contract.

#### **B. Good Faith Efforts**

Pursuant to 5 NYCRR § 142.8, evidence of good faith efforts shall include, but not be limited to, the following:

1. A list of the general circulation, trade, and MWBE-oriented publications and dates of publications in which the Contractor solicited the participation of certified MWBEs as subcontractors/suppliers, copies of such solicitations, and any responses thereto.
2. A list of the certified MWBEs appearing in the Empire State Development ("ESD") MWBE directory that were solicited for this Contract. Provide proof of dates or copies of the solicitations and copies of the responses made by the certified MWBEs. Describe specific reasons that responding certified MWBEs were not selected.
3. Descriptions of the Contract documents/plans/specifications made available to certified MWBEs by the Contractor when soliciting their participation and steps taken to structure the scope of work for the purpose of subcontracting with, or obtaining supplies from, certified MWBEs.
4. A description of the negotiations between the Contractor and certified MWBEs for the purposes of complying with the MWBE goals of this Contract.
5. Dates of any pre-bid, pre-award, or other meetings attended by Contractor, if any, scheduled by OGS with certified MWBEs whom OGS determined were capable of fulfilling the MWBE goals set in the Contract.
6. Other information deemed relevant to the request.

#### **V. Fraud**

Any suspicion of fraud, waste, or abuse involving the contracting or certification of MWBEs shall be immediately reported to ESD's Division of Minority and Women's Business Development at (855) 373-4692.

ALL FORMS ARE AVAILABLE AT: <https://ogs.ny.gov/mwbe/forms>

## Attachment 1

# Outdoor Rx: Expanding Opportunities for Veterans on New York State's Public Lands Grant Application



## Division of Veterans' Services

**Kathy Hochul**  
Governor

**Viviana DeCohen**  
Director

### **Outdoor Rx: Expanding Opportunities for Veterans on New York State's Public Lands Grant Application**

Please attach **all** required supporting documentation.

For assistance in completing this form, please contact the designated contact, as noted in Section 1.2 of RFP 2668.

#### **SECTION 1: INFORMATION REGARDING APPLICANT**

*Name of Organization:*

*Mailing Address of Organization:*

*Name of Designated Point of Contact:*

*Telephone Number of Designated Point of Contact:*

*E-Mail Address of Designated Point of Contact:*

**SECTION 2: REQUIRED QUESTIONS** *(please attach additional sheets of paper if necessary to complete your response):*

*(1) Please describe the core mission of your organization.*

*(2) Please summarize the history of your organization.*

*(3) Please describe the way(s) in which your organization provides direct services to Veterans, with an emphasis on how you provide tangible support for community-based efforts to engage veterans, Gold Star families, and other military-connected individuals with outdoor therapeutic settings and activities and/or wilderness therapy in New York State.*

*(4) Please describe the target population(s) of Veterans that your organization seeks to serve, and describe why this population/these populations of Veterans are in particular need of the services that your organization provides.*

*(5) Please describe the metrics that your organization uses to evaluate the success of your program. Please attach documentation using those metrics to demonstrate your program's level of success in engaging veterans, Gold Star families, and other military-connected individuals with outdoor therapeutic settings and activities and/or wilderness therapy in New York State.*

*(6) Please describe the new initiative that will involve connecting Veterans, Gold Star families, and other military-connected individuals with outdoor therapeutic settings and activities and/or wilderness therapy that you wish to establish, or the existing initiative that you wish to augment, if you are awarded this funding.*

*(7) Please describe the impact that you hope this new or improved program will have to offer immense potential for life-changing outdoor opportunities for Veterans, Gold Star families, and military-connected individuals. Please discuss what factors you will use to determine whether this program has met its objective.*

## SECTION 3: REQUIRED DOCUMENTATION

***Please ensure that ALL of the following are submitted with your application:***

\_\_\_\_\_ Documentation providing a detailed discussion about the mission, history, and future vision of your organization.

\_\_\_\_\_ Documentation describing the success of your organization in providing direct services to Veterans for a *minimum* of the past three years. (NOTE: If your organization or entity is fewer than three years old, then provide documentation covering the duration of your organization's existence).

\_\_\_\_\_ Documentation verifying the unmet need(s) that your program will address for engaging veterans, Gold Star families, and other military-connected individuals with outdoor therapeutic settings and activities and/or wilderness therapy.

\_\_\_\_\_ Documentation containing your projected plan of how, if awarded this grant, you will utilize this funding to engage veterans, Gold Star families, and other military-connected individuals with outdoor therapeutic settings and activities and/or wilderness therapy. Please include information about any private-sector partners that you wish to engage in this initiative and the role of these partnering entities in your plan, as well as any other funding that you have received or intend to receive from Federal or State government sources.

\_\_\_\_\_ Documentation listing all of your projected itemized expenses for this proposed initiative.

## SECTION 4: AFFIRMATION

I swear that all of the information given on this application is true and correct to the best of my knowledge, information, and belief. I understand that by signing this application form, I (and the organization that I represent) do consent to any investigation conducted by New York State to verify or substantiate any of the information that I have provided in this application form and in any of the documentation that I have attached hereto.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Print Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date Of Application

### Acknowledgment

**State of New York**

**County of:** \_\_\_\_\_

On the \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ in the year \_\_\_\_, before me, the undersigned notary public, personally appeared \_\_\_\_\_, a person who is personally known to me or who proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence to be the individual whose name is subscribed to the within instrument and acknowledged to me that he/she executed the same within his/her capacity, and that by his/her signature on this instrument, the individual, or the person upon behalf of which the individual acted, executed this instrument.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Notary Public

# Attachment 2

## Project & Organization Budget Summary

## **ATTACHMENT 2**

### **PROJECT & ORGANIZATION BUDGET SUMMARY**

Organization Name: \_\_\_\_\_

#### **Project Funding Sources**

List the proposed funding amounts for this project.

	This Grant	Other Funding Sources
Government Grants		
Foundation & Corporate Grants		
Contributions From Private Donors		
Earned Income		
Interest Income		
In-Kind Support		
Other Income		
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>		

#### **Project Expenses**

	This Grant	Other Funding Sources
Personnel		
Supplies		
Travel		
Training		
Other (use additional lines as necessary and indicate the type of expenses for each line)		
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>		
<b>EXCESS OF REVENUE (if any)</b>		

### **Additional Information**

Please attached documentation thoroughly describing all estimated itemized expenses for this proposed initiative. This documentation MUST include the following:

- a. Your rationale for determining that the costs discussed in your proposal are reasonable and cost-effective for the work that you propose to accomplish.
- b. Your contingency plan to sustain this work if you later learn that your original budget estimates were inaccurate.
- c. A listing of the exact dollar amount of any grants, fellowships, stipends, or other sources of funding that you have already received for your program for the past five (5) years.
- d. A listing of any private sector partners whom you will engage in this initiative and the financial contribution of each partner.
- e. If you plan to apply for other sources of funding for this project during calendar year 2022, please list each source of funding that you intend to seek and the amount of money that you will seek from each of these sources.



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New York State Office of General Services  
On Behalf of  
the New York State Division of Veterans' Services  
for  
Outdoor Rx: Expanding Opportunities for Veterans  
on  
New York State's Public Lands**

**Release Date: February 21, 2023**

**Proposal Due Date: March 28, 2023 @ 2:00 PM**

**Primary Designated Contact:**

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# **1. Introduction**

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## **1.1 Overview**

On Veterans Day 2020, New York State's Outdoor Rx Act became law. The new statute called upon the New York State Division of Veterans' Services (DVS) to assemble the Outdoor Rx Committee ("Committee"), comprised of public sector and private sector subject-matter experts and produce a report reviewing issues related to veterans' abilities to access State parks, lands, and facilities. In 2021, DVS delivered the Committee's report to the Governor and to the designated members of the New York State Legislature recommending continued engagement and support for community-based organizations working to increase access for veterans to medical treatment and nature-based therapy and programs on New York public lands, with particular focus on inclusion, equity, and accessibility for minority, marginalized, and disabled veteran populations.

This year's allocation in the State's executive budget will take the next step of providing tangible support for community-based efforts to engage veterans, Gold Star families, and other military-connected individuals with outdoor therapeutic settings and activities and/or wilderness therapy on New York public lands within the framework recommended by the Outdoor Rx Committee's report. Given that the Committee emphasized the importance of localized and regionalized services and opportunities, DVS recommends that funds be distributed through the competitive granting process to up to six recipients in allocations of \$25,000 apiece or the proportionate share of the total Grant based on the number of contracts awarded. This structure will allow for meaningful investment in Outdoor Rx initiatives in multiple regions of New York State.

## **1.2 Designated Contact**

In compliance with the Procurement Lobbying Law, Gregory Myers, Contract Management Specialist 1, NYS Office of General Services, Division of Financial Administration has been designated as the primary contact for this procurement solicitation and may be reached by email or voice for all inquiries regarding this solicitation.

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Financial Administration – Agency Procurement Office  
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In the event the designated contact is not available; the alternate designated contact is:

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For inquiries related specifically to Minority Women-Owned Business Enterprises (MWBE) provisions of this procurement solicitation, the designated contact is:

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Albany, NY 12242  
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### 1.3 Mandatory Proposer Qualification

Proposers are advised that the State's intent is to ensure that only responsive, responsible, qualified and reliable contractors enter into a contract to perform the work as defined in this document.

The State considers the following qualification to be a pre-requisite in order to be considered a qualified Proposer for purposes of the solicitation. Proposers not meeting the qualification below will be disqualified.

The following minimum qualification **must** be met by each Proposer:

- Proposer must be an established Not-For-Profit that engages Veterans, Gold Star families, and other military-connected individuals with outdoor therapeutic settings and activities and/or wilderness therapy.

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## 1.4 Key Events

The Table below outlines the tentative schedule for important action dates.

Action	Date
OGS Issues RFP No. 2668	February 21, 2023
Deadline for Submission of Proposer Questions	March 16, 2023
OGS Issues Responses to Written Questions (estimated)	March 21, 2023
Proposal Due Date	March 28, 2023 at 2:00 pm
Anticipated Contract Start Date	May 1, 2023

## 1.5 Glossary of Terms

**“Issuing Office”** shall mean the Office of General Services Department of Financial Administration on behalf of Division of Veterans’ Services.

**“OSC”** shall mean the Office of the New York State Comptroller.

**“OGS”** shall mean the New York State Office of General Services.

**“DVS”** shall mean the New York State Division of Veterans’ Services.

**“Grant Recipient”** or **“Grantee”** shall mean a successful Proposer awarded a contract pursuant to this Solicitation; entity receiving the grant.

**“Grantor”** shall mean Division of Veteran’s Services, the entity issuing the grant.

**“Veterans”** shall include veterans as well as active-duty service members.

**“Request for Proposal”**, **“RFP”**, or **“Solicitation”** shall mean this document.

The **“State”** shall mean The People of the State of New York, which shall also mean the New York State Office of General Services.

**“Commissioner”** shall mean the Commissioner of General Services or duly authorized representative.

**“Director”** shall mean the Director of the New York State Division of Veterans’ Services.

**“Proposer”** or **“Offerer”** shall mean any person, partnership, firm, corporation or other authorized entity submitting a proposal to the State pursuant to this solicitation.

**“Bid”** or **“Proposal”** shall mean any submission in response to this solicitation.

**“Prime Contractor”** shall mean the entity awarded and entered into a contract with New York State.

**“Sub-contractor”** shall mean a third-party Contractor hired by the Grant Recipient to perform services pursuant to this solicitation.

## 2. Scope of Work

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### 2.1 Introduction

The New York State Division of Veterans' Services (DVS) is seeking to award grants to up to six New York State not-for-profit organizations in the amount of \$25,000 each or a proportionate share of the total Grant based on the number of contracts awarded as part of the Outdoor Rx initiative. Organizations who are eligible to compete for these funds must be those that provide continued engagement and support for community-based organizations working to increase access for veterans to medical treatment and nature-based therapy and programs on New York public lands, with particular focus on inclusion, equity, and accessibility for minority, marginalized, and disabled veteran populations.

### 2.2 Proposal Requirements

The Proposers' response must include the following:

- A. **Staff Qualifications** – Qualifications of program staff to deliver safe, therapeutic, inclusive, and culturally-competent outdoor activities and experiences to diverse populations of military-connected individuals, including individuals with physical, cognitive, and emotional disabilities.
- B. **Organizational Qualifications** – Descriptions and details of any accreditations, licenses, and other relevant certifications held by the organization supporting competent delivery of outdoor therapeutic activities on New York State public lands.
- C. **Program Description** – The program's proposed objectives, activities, evidence-based practices, and outputs.
- D. **Program Budget** – The program's proposed costs, including staffing, transportation, licenses and usage fees, supplies and equipment, etc.
- E. **Outreach & Inclusion Strategy** – The program's proposed strategy for outreach to and engagement with specific populations of military-connected individuals (e.g. – Veterans; active military members; Guard/Reserve members; veterans with service-connected disabilities; isolated populations of urban or rural veterans; low-income, formerly homeless, or formerly incarcerated veterans; women and gender minority veterans; racial, ethnic, and/or religious minority veterans; LGBTQ+ veterans; Gold Star family members; veteran and/or military family members; etc.). The strategy must address access for populations of military-connected individuals who have faced substantial barriers to participation in outdoor programs as described in the Outdoor Rx Report which can be accessed at:  
[https://www.google.com/url?sa=t&rct=j&esrc=s&source=appssearch&uact=8&cd=0&cad=rja&q&sig2=zMKutEGp-Pdn\\_7pZaxMsHw&ved=0ahUKEwivleb4\\_YP9AhXxwscKHd\\_5CZA4ABABKAAwAA&url=](https://www.google.com/url?sa=t&rct=j&esrc=s&source=appssearch&uact=8&cd=0&cad=rja&q&sig2=zMKutEGp-Pdn_7pZaxMsHw&ved=0ahUKEwivleb4_YP9AhXxwscKHd_5CZA4ABABKAAwAA&url=)

NYS Office of General Services on behalf of Division of Veterans Services  
RFP # 2668 – Outdoor Rx Program

[https://veterans.ny.gov/system/files/documents/2022/11/dvs\\_outdoor\\_rx\\_report\\_final.pdf&usg=AOvVaw24adGkdRWAQDJgQoZvkk75](https://veterans.ny.gov/system/files/documents/2022/11/dvs_outdoor_rx_report_final.pdf&usg=AOvVaw24adGkdRWAQDJgQoZvkk75).

### **3. Proposal Submission**

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#### **3.1 RFP Questions and Clarifications**

There will be an opportunity for submission of questions and/or requests for clarification. Questions and/or clarifications must be submitted via email to the Designated Contact:

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All questions must cite the particular page, section, and paragraph number, where applicable. Please submit questions as early as possible following receipt of the RFP. The final deadline for submission of any questions/clarifications regarding this RFP is listed in Section 1.4 – Key Events. Questions received after the deadline may not be answered. OGS will post an addendum at <https://ogs.ny.gov/procurement/bid-opportunities> with all questions and responses on or about the date listed in Section 1.4 – Key Events. Any additional addenda will be posted to the same location.

#### **3.2 Proposal Format and Content**

In order for the State to evaluate bids fairly and completely, proposers are strongly encouraged to follow the format set forth herein and should provide all of the information requested. All items identified in the following list should be provided and addressed as concisely as possible in order for a bid to be considered complete. Failure to conform to the stated requirements may necessitate rejection of the bid.

Proposers are encouraged to include all information that may be deemed pertinent to their proposal. Proposers may be requested to provide clarification based on the State's evaluation procedure. Any clarification will be considered a formal part of the Proposer's original proposal. If further clarification is needed during the evaluation period, OGS will contact the Proposer.

Note: OGS and DVS reserve the right to request any additional information deemed necessary to ensure that the Proposer is able to fulfill the requirements of the contract.

##### **3.2.1 Technical Proposal**

###### **3.2.1.1 Cover Letter**

The cover letter should confirm that the proposer understands all the terms and conditions contained in this RFP and will comply with all the provisions of this RFP. Further, should the grant be awarded to your organization, you would be prepared to begin services on the date indicated in Section 1.44 – Key Events. The cover letter should also include the full contact information of the Proposers Representative that OGS and/or DVS shall contact regarding the bid. A Proposer representative authorized to make contractual obligations must sign the cover letter.

### **3.2.1.2 Mandatory Proposer Qualification**

Proposers must submit sufficient information to prove their ability to meet the mandatory qualification as set forth in Section 1.33.

### **3.2.1.3 Experience**

Proposer shall complete and submit Attachment 1 – Outdoor Rx: Expanding Opportunities for Veterans on New York State’s Public Lands Grant Application within the proposal submission.

### **3.2.2 Budget Proposal**

Proposers must submit their budget by completing Attachment 2 – Project and Organization Budget Summary. This form must be completed in detail to fully represent how the grant funds will be spent.

The State of New York will not be held liable for any cost incurred by proposers for work performed in the preparation and production of a bid or for any work performed prior to the formal execution and approval of a contract.

### **3.2.3 Administrative Proposal**

- All required completed forms from RFP Appendix B.
- Signed bid addenda (if any)
- Important Notes:
  - Insurance – Proposers are reminded of the insurance requirements as described in Appendix D. The selected Proposer will be required to provide all necessary documentation upon notification of selection.
  - M/WBE & EEO Requirements – Proposers are reminded of the requirements as described in Appendix E.
  - SDVOB Requirements – Proposers are reminded of the requirements as described in Section 6.13.
  - Vendor Responsibility – Proposers are reminded of the requirement as described in Section 6.7 and are requested to complete the online questionnaire located on the OSC VendRep System website prior to bid submission. If the vendor has previously certified responsibility online, it shall ensure that the VRQ was recertified in the last 6 months.
  - Document Consistency – An award will only be made to the entity which has submitted bid. All submitted documents must be consistent with official name of bidding entity, FEIN and NYS Vendor ID number.

## **3.3 Proposal Preparation**

All proposals must be completed in ink or machine produced. Proposals submitted handwritten in pencil will be disqualified.

### **3.4 Packaging of RFP Response**

Please complete and submit **all** forms as indicated in Section 3.2 – Proposal Format and Content.

1. One original of the Technical Proposal (Cover Letter, Mandatory Qualifications, and Attachment 1)
2. One original of Attachment 2 – Project & Organization Budget Summary
3. One original of the Administrative Submission

Please provide a thumb drive containing all items in Section 3.2. If there are any differences between the paper submissions and the electronic submission, the paper submission shall take precedence.

Originals contain a unique wet signature for each of the signed and notarized pages. Exact copies can be photocopied and do not require a unique wet signature.

All proposal documents must be submitted by mail, hand delivery, overnight carrier or certified mail. The Technical, Budget, and Administrative proposals should be compiled in a sealed package showing the following information on the outside:

- a. Proposer 's complete name and address
- b. Solicitation Number – RFP # 2668
- c. Proposal Due Date and Time: (as indicated in Section 1.4 – Key Events)
- d. Outdoor Rx: Expanding Opportunities for Veterans on New York State's Public Lands Grant Opportunity

Failure to complete all information on the proposal envelope and/or packages may necessitate the premature opening of the proposal and may compromise confidentiality.

### **3.5 Instructions for Proposal Submission**

**Note that these instructions supersede the generic instructions posted on the OGS website bid calendar.**

Only those Proposers who furnish all required information and meet the mandatory requirements will be considered.

Submit all required documents, to the NYS Office of General Services - Division of Financial Administration at the following address:

OGS Financial Administration, Agency Procurement Office  
32<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Corning Tower Building, Empire State Plaza  
Albany, NY 12242  
Attn: Gregory Myers  
RFP # 2668

**E-MAIL OR FAX BID SUBMISSIONS ARE NOT ACCEPTABLE AND WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED.**

The State of New York will not be held liable for any cost incurred by the Proposer for work performed in the preparation and production of a bid or for any work performed prior to the formal execution and approval of a contract.

Proposals must be received in the above office on or before 2:00 PM on the date indicated in Section 1.4 – Key Events. Proposers assume all risks for timely, properly submitted deliveries. Proposers mailing their bid must allow sufficient mail delivery time to ensure receipt of their bid at the specified location no later than the specified date and time.

The received time of bids will be determined by the clock at the above noted location.

**Any Bid received at the designated location after the established time will be considered a Late Bid. A Late Bid may be rejected and disqualified from award. Notwithstanding the foregoing, a Late Bid may be accepted in the Commissioner's sole discretion where (i) no timely Bids meeting the requirements of the Solicitation are received, or (ii) the Bidder has demonstrated to the satisfaction of the Commissioner that the Late Bid was caused solely by factors outside the control of the Bidder. However, in no event will the Commissioner be under any obligation to accept a Late Bid.**

**The basis for any determination to accept a Late Bid shall be documented in the procurement record.**

Bids must remain open and valid for 180 days from the due date, unless the time for awarding the contract is extended by mutual consent of NYS OGS and the Proposer. A bid shall continue to remain an effective offer, firm and irrevocable, subsequent to such 180-day period until either tentative award of the contract(s) by issuing Office is made or withdrawal of the bid in writing by Proposer. Tentative award of the contract(s) shall consist of written notice to that effect by the issuing Office to the successful Proposer. This RFP remains the property of the State at all times, and all responses to this RFP, once delivered, become the property of the State.

**Important Building Access Procedures for Delivered Bids:**

Building Access procedures are in effect at the Corning Tower. Photo identification is required. All visitors must register for building access, for delivering bids. **Vendors are encouraged to pre-register by contacting the designated contact at 518-486-4991 at least 24 hours prior to arrival.** Pre-registered visitors are to report to the visitor desk located at the Concourse level of the Corning Tower. Upon presentation of appropriate photo identification, the visitor will be allowed access to the building.

Upon arrival at the visitor desk, visitors that have not pre-registered will be directed to a designated phone to call the OGS Finance Office. The Finance Office will then enter the visitor's information into the building access system. Access will not be allowed until the system has been updated. Visitors are encouraged to pre-register to ensure timely access to the building. Vendors who intend to deliver bids or conduct business with OGS should allow extra time to comply with these procedures. These procedures may change or be modified at any time.

Visitor parking information can be viewed at the following OGS web site:

<https://empirestateplaza.ny.gov/parking>

## **4. Evaluation and Selection Process**

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### **4.1 Proposal Evaluation**

The Proposal will be evaluated and scored based upon the criteria set forth in this Section. The Proposal will be evaluated for the best value to the State.

A team of DVS employees will evaluate each proposal and initially determine whether a proposal is responsive to the requirements of the Solicitation.

A technical evaluation team, comprised a six-person selection committee of neutral arbiters, will subsequently evaluate and score each responsive proposal for items A, B, and C, listed below.

DVS reserves the right to check references as part of the evaluation process. It is the responsibility of the Proposer to ensure availability of the provided references. The inability to contact a given reference may be reflected in the technical scoring and/or may result in rejection of the proposal. Also refer to Section 3.2.1.3 – Experience.

Scores from each of the Proposers will be totaled on a scale of 1-100. The Proposer having the highest score will be ranked number one; the Proposer with the second highest total score will be ranked number two and so on.

#### **A. EXPERIENCE**

**(60%)**

Each Proposal will be evaluated as to the opportunities offered by the Proposing organization to provide access for Veterans, Gold Star families, and military-connected individuals to medical treatment and nature-based therapy and programs on New York public lands, with particular focus on inclusion, equity, and accessibility for minority, marginalized, and disabled veteran populations.

#### **B. BUDGET PROPOSAL**

**(40%)**

Attachment 2 – Project & Organization Budget Summary will be evaluated. This evaluation will include an assessment of the reasonableness and cost-effectiveness of the proposed expenditures.

### **4.2 Notification of Award**

After the evaluation, all Proposers will be notified of the names of the tentatively selected awardees. The awardees will be notified that their submitted proposal has been selected and that a contract will be forthcoming for execution. The original proposal and any additions or deletions to the proposal become part of the contract.

Public announcements or news releases pertaining to any contract resulting from this Solicitation shall not be made without prior written approval from the Issuing Office.

## **5. Administrative Information**

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### **5.1 Issuing Office**

This solicitation is being released by the New York State Office of General Services Division of Financial Administration on behalf of the New York State Division of Veterans' Services.

### **5.2 Method of Award**

This RFP is intended to be a multi-award grant contract. DVS intends to award up to six grants to the highest scoring, responsive and responsible Proposers. These awards shall be based on the criteria stated in Section 4.1 – Proposal Evaluation. Grants will not be awarded to any Proposers receiving a score below 65.

Each awarded Grantee will receive a grant in the amount of \$25,000.00 or a proportionate share of the total Grant based on the number of contracts awarded. There will be up to six grants awarded under this RFP totaling \$150,000.

Upon determination of each best value Proposer, a Grant Contract Agreement, a sample of which is attached to the RFP as Appendix C – Sample Contract, will be completed with the successful Proposer's information and response, and shall be appended to this RFP to form the contract between the parties. This contract will be forwarded to the successful Proposers for execution and returned to the Issuing Office to be processed for all necessary signatures and State approvals. Upon final approval, a fully executed copy will be forwarded to the Grant Recipients.

### **5.3 Term of Contract**

Each grant contract will commence upon OSC approval and will be in effect for one year, contingent on annual funding.

### **5.4 Distribution of Grant Funds**

Funds will be paid in arrears. The grant recipients will be required to submit a claim for payment voucher for reimbursement. Full reimbursement for the entire grant amount for each Grantee is contingent upon the expenditures indicated in the submitted reports.

This voucher must contain the complete Contract ID number (i.e.: DVA01-C00XXXX-1390000). DVS will receive and review the vouchers. The Business Services Center (BSC) will process the payment in the Statewide Financial System (SFS).

All Invoices are to be submitted for payment to:

**Office of General Services**  
**C/O BSC / Accounts Payable**  
**1220 Washington Ave., Bldg. 5, 5th Fl**      OR      [Accountspayable@ogs.ny.gov](mailto:Accountspayable@ogs.ny.gov)  
**Albany, New York 12226**

**Grantees must include the Division of Veterans Services in your invoice transmittal at:**  
[administration@veterans.ny.gov](mailto:administration@veterans.ny.gov).

## **5.5 Electronic Payments**

Contractor shall provide complete and accurate billing invoices in order to receive payment. Billing invoices submitted must contain all information and supporting documentation required by the contract, the agency, and the State Comptroller. Payment for invoices submitted by the Contractor shall only be rendered electronically unless payment by paper check is expressly authorized by the Commissioner, in the Commissioner's sole discretion, due to extenuating circumstances. Such electronic payment shall be made in accordance with ordinary State procedures and practices. The Contractor shall comply with the State Comptroller's procedures to authorize electronic payments. Information is available at the following website: <http://www.sfs.ny.gov/index.php/vendors>, by e-mail at [Helpdesk@sfs.ny.gov](mailto:Helpdesk@sfs.ny.gov), or by phone at 518-457-7717. Contractor acknowledges that it will not receive payment on any invoices submitted under this Contract if it does not comply with the State Comptroller's electronic payment procedures, except where the Commissioner has expressly authorized payment by paper check as set forth above.

Please note that in conjunction with New York State's implementation of a new Statewide financial system, the Office of the State Comptroller requires all vendors doing business with New York State agencies to complete a substitute W-9 form. Vendors registering for electronic payment can complete the W-9 form when they register. Vendors already registered for electronic payment are requested to go to the above website and complete the Substitute W-9 form and submit following the instructions provided.

## **5.6 Past Practice**

The failure to exercise any right hereunder in the past shall not operate as a waiver of such right. No breach of this Agreement shall be deemed waived unless such waiver shall be in writing and signed by the party claimed to have waived said right. No waiver of any breach of the Agreement at any time in the past shall constitute a waiver of subsequent breach.

## **5.7 Exceptions and Extraneous Terms**

The Issuing Office will consider all requests to waive any solicitation requirement. The term "solicitation requirement" as used herein shall include any and all terms and conditions included in the solicitation documents. Bidders should be aware that failure to obtain a waiver of any proposal requirement in advance of bid submission, and/or inclusion of extraneous terms in the form of exceptions, assumptions, qualifiers, ranges, modifications, etc. with bid submission, may result in rejection of Bidder's proposal and disqualification from the bidding process.

Bidders wishing to obtain an exemption or waiver for any part of this solicitation must contact the Issuing Office in writing by the questions due date as identified in the Key Events section. The request must cite the specific section and requirement in question, and clearly identify any proposed alternative. Requests will be considered and responded to in writing, either with the answers to questions as identified in the Key Events section (if the response results in a change to the solicitation), or directly to the requesting vendor.

## **5.8 Dispute Resolution**

It is the policy of the Office of General Services' Financial Administration to provide vendors with an opportunity to administratively resolve disputes, complaints or inquiries related to proposal solicitations, contract awards, and contract administration. OGS Financial Administration encourages vendors to seek resolution of disputes informally, through consultation with OGS Financial Administration staff, prior to commencing a formal dispute process. All such matters will be accorded full, impartial and timely consideration. A copy of the OGS Financial Administration Dispute Resolution Procedures for Vendors may be obtained by contacting the designated contact person identified in the solicitation.

During the term of the contract, if either party notifies the other of a dispute or dissatisfaction, the other party will make a good faith effort to solve or settle dispute amicably, including meeting with the other party to diligently attempt to reach a satisfactory result. In the event of a dispute, the parties will continue to fulfill their obligations hereunder during the dispute resolution process. The parties agree to proceed in good faith to avoid disputes, and resolve disputes that cannot be avoided at the lowest level possible. If party representatives are unable to resolve the dispute or reach a satisfactory result within twenty days of written notice of a dispute, the dispute will be referred to successive higher levels of each organization for final decision.

## **5.9 Examination of Contract Documents**

1. Each Proposer is under an affirmative duty to inform itself by personal examination of the specifications of the proposed work and by such other means as it may select, of the character, quality and extent of the work to be performed and the conditions under which the contract is to be executed.
2. Each Proposer shall examine specifications and all other data or instruction pertaining to the work. No pleas of ignorance of conditions that may be encountered or of any other matter concerning the work to be performed in the execution of the contract will be accepted by the State as an excuse for any failure or omission on the part of the Proposer to fulfill every detail of all the requirements of the documents governing the work. The Proposer, if awarded the contract, will not be allowed any extra compensation by reason of any matter or thing concerning which such proposer might have fully informed itself prior to bidding.
3. Any Proposer in doubt as to the true meaning of any part of the specification or the proposed contract documents shall submit to Gregory Myers, Division of Financial Administration, 32nd Floor, Corning Tower Building, Empire State Plaza, Albany, New York 12242 e-mail: [Gregory.Myers@ogs.ny.gov](mailto:Gregory.Myers@ogs.ny.gov) a written request for an interpretation thereof. If a major change is involved to which all proposers must be informed, such request for interpretation shall be delivered, in writing, no later than the question due date listed in Section 1.4 – Key Events. Any interpretation of the proposed documents will be made only by an addendum duly issued. A copy of such addendum will be e-mailed to proposers who have registered Intent to Submit a Proposal.
4. Any addendum issued prior to the proposal due date must be acknowledged by signature, dated and be submitted as part of the Administrative Proposal. In awarding a contract, any addenda will become a part thereof.
5. Any verbal information obtained from, or statements made by, representatives of the Commissioner of General Services at the time of examination of the documents, pre-bid conference, or site visit shall not be construed as in any way amending contract

documents. Only such corrections or addenda as are issued, in writing, to all Proposers shall become a part of the contract.

## **5.10 Rules of Construction**

Words of the masculine and feminine genders shall be deemed and construed to include the neuter gender. Unless the context otherwise indicates, a singular word shall include the plural and vice versa, and words importing persons shall include corporations and associations, including public bodies, as well as natural persons. The terms “hereby,” “hereof,” “hereto,” “herein,” “hereunder,” and any similar terms, as used in this RFP, refer to this RFP.

## **5.11 Debriefings**

Pursuant to Section 163(9)(c) of the State Finance Law, any unsuccessful Bidder may request a debriefing regarding the reasons that the Bid submitted by the Bidder was not selected for award. Requests for a debriefing must be made within 15 calendar days of notification by OGS that the bid submitted by the Bidder was not selected for award. Requests should be submitted in writing to a designated contact identified in the Solicitation.

## **5.12 Procurement Rights**

The State of New York reserves the right to:

1. Reject any and all proposals received in response to this Solicitation.
2. Disqualify a Proposer from receiving the award if the Proposer, or anyone in the Proposer's employ, has previously failed to perform satisfactorily in connection with public bidding or contracts.
3. Correct Proposers' mathematical errors and waive or modify other minor irregularities in proposals received, after prior notification to the Proposer.
4. Adjust any Proposer's expected costs of the bid price based on a determination of the evaluation committee that the selection of the said Proposer will cause the State to incur additional costs.
5. Utilize any and all ideas submitted in the proposals received.
6. Negotiate with Proposers responding to this Solicitation within the Solicitation requirements to serve the best interests of the State.
7. Begin contract negotiations with another bidding Contractor(s) in order to serve the best interests of the State of New York should the State of New York be unsuccessful in negotiating a contract with the selected Contractor within 21 days of selection notification.
8. Waive any non-material requirement not met by all Proposers.
9. Not make an award from this Solicitation.
10. Make an award under this Solicitation in whole or in part.
11. Make multiple contract awards pursuant to the Solicitation.
12. Have any service completed via separate competitive bid or other means, as determined to be in the best interest of the State.
13. Seek clarifications of proposals.

14. Disqualify any bidder whose conduct and/or proposal fails to conform to the requirements of the RFP.
15. Prior to the bid opening, amend the RFP specifications to correct errors or oversights, or to supply additional information, as it becomes available.
16. Waive any requirements that are not material.
17. If two or more bids are found to be substantially equivalent, the Commissioner of OGS, at their sole discretion, will determine award using the pre-established process. For best value procurements, cost will be the determining factor.

**Please Note:** The State is not liable for any cost incurred by a Proposer in the preparation and production of a proposal or for any work performed prior to the issuance of a contract.

## **6. Contract Clauses and Requirements**

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### **6.1 Appendix A / Order of Precedence**

Appendix A — Standard Clauses for New York State Contracts, dated October 2019, attached hereto, is hereby expressly made a part of this solicitation document as fully as if set forth at length herein. Appendix A is a separate document to this RFP and shall be retained for reference by the proposer.

The agreement resulting from a successful award will include the following documents. Conflicts between these documents will be resolved in the following descending order of precedence:

1. Appendix A – October 2019
2. The Contract
3. RFP # 2668 (This Document)
4. Selected Vendor's Proposal

### **6.2 Summary of Policy and Prohibitions on Procurement Lobbying**

Pursuant to State Finance Law §139-j and §139-k, this Solicitation includes and imposes certain restrictions on communications between OGS and a Vendor during the procurement process. A Vendor is restricted from making contacts from the earliest posting, on a governmental entity's website, in a newspaper of general circulation, or in the procurement opportunities newsletter of intent to solicit offers/bids through final award and approval of the Procurement Contract by OGS and, if applicable, the Office of the State Comptroller ("Restricted Period") to other than designated staff unless it is a contact that is included among certain statutory exceptions set forth in State Finance Law §139-j(3)(a). Designated staff, as of the date hereof, is identified on the first page and in Section 1.2. OGS employees are also required to obtain certain information when contacted during the restricted period and make a determination of the responsibility of the Vendor pursuant to these two statutes. Certain findings of non-responsibility can result in rejection for contract award and in the event of two findings within a four-year period; the Vendor is debarred from obtaining governmental Procurement Contracts. Further information about these requirements can be found on the OGS website: <http://www.ogs.ny.gov/acpl/>

### **6.3 Freedom of Information Law / Trade Secrets**

During the evaluation process, the content of each bid/proposal will be held in confidence and details of any bid/proposal will not be revealed (except as may be required under the Freedom of Information Law or other State law). The Freedom of Information Law provides for an exemption from disclosure for trade secrets or information the disclosure of which would cause injury to the competitive position of commercial enterprises. This exception would be effective both during and after the evaluation process. Should you feel your firm's bid/proposal contains any such trade secrets or other confidential or proprietary information, you must submit a request to except such information from disclosure. Such request must be in writing, must state the reasons why the information should be excepted from disclosure and must be provided at the time of submission of the subject information. This can be accomplished by completion of

the applicable question on the contractor information page in Appendix B hereto. Requests for exemption of the entire contents of a bid/proposal from disclosure have generally not been found to be meritorious and are discouraged. Kindly limit any requests for exemption of information from disclosure to bona fide trade secrets or specific information, the disclosure of which would cause a substantial injury to the competitive position of your firm.

## **6.4 General Requirements**

1. The Proposer agrees to adhere to all State and Federal laws and regulations in connection with the contract.
2. The Proposer agrees to notify OGS of any changes in the legal status or principal ownership of the firm 45 days in advance of said change.
3. The Proposer agrees that in any contract resulting from this RFP it shall be completely responsible for its work, including any damages or breakdowns caused by its failure to take appropriate action.
4. The Proposer agrees that any contract resulting from this RFP may not be assigned, transferred, conveyed or the work subcontracted without the prior written consent of OGS.
5. For reasons of safety and public policy, in any contract resulting from this RFP, the use of illegal drugs and/or alcoholic beverages by the Contractor or its personnel shall not be permitted while performing any phase of the work herein specified.
6. For purposes of any contract resulting from this RFP, the State will not be liable for any expense incurred by the Contractor for any parking fees or as a consequence of any traffic infraction or parking violations attributable to employees of the Contractor.
7. OGS interpretation of specifications shall be final and binding upon the Contractor.
8. The Commissioner of OGS will make no allowance or concession to the Proposer for any alleged misunderstanding because of quantity, quality, character, location or other conditions.
9. Should it appear that there is a real or apparent discrepancy between different sections of specifications concerning the nature, quality or extent of work to be furnished, it shall be assumed that the Proposer has based its bid on the more expensive option. Final decision will rest with OGS.
10. INSPECTION – For purposes of any contract resulting from this RFP the quality of service is subject to inspection and may be made at any reasonable time by the State of New York. Should it be found that quality of services being performed is not satisfactory and that the requirements of the specifications are not being met, OGS may terminate the contract and employ another Contractor to fulfill the requirements of the contract. The existing Contractor shall be liable to the State of New York for costs incurred on account thereof.
11. STOP WORK ORDER – OGS reserves the right to stop the work covered by this RFP and any contract(s) resulting there from at any time that it is deemed the Contractor is unable or incapable of performing the work to the State's satisfaction. In the event of such stopping, OGS shall have the right to arrange for the completion of the work in such manner as it may deem advisable and if the cost thereof exceeds the amount of the proposal, the Contractor shall be liable to the State of New York for any such costs on account thereof. In the event that OGS issues a stop work order for the work as

provided herein, the Contractor shall have ten (10) working days to respond thereto before any such stop work order shall become effective. Provided, however, that if an emergency situation exists, as reasonably determined by OGS, then the stop work order shall be effective immediately.

12. OGS reserves the right to reject and bar from the facility any employee hired by the Contractor.

## **6.5 Extent of Services**

NYS DVS reserves the right to re-negotiate at its discretion, to reduce the amount of services provided under any contract resulting from this solicitation. This reduction in services shall be effectuated by written amendment to the contract and subject to approval by the Office of the State Comptroller.

## **6.6 Termination**

### **A. Termination**

The Office of General Services may, upon 30 days' notice, terminate any contract resulting from this solicitation in the event of the awarded Bidder's failure to comply with any of the proposal's requirements unless the awarded Bidder obtained a waiver of the requirement.

In addition, OGS may also terminate any contract resulting from this solicitation upon 10 days' written notice if the Contractor makes any arrangement for assignment for the benefit of creditors.

Furthermore, OGS shall have the right, in its sole discretion, at any time to terminate a contract resulting from this solicitation, or any unit portion thereof, with or without cause, by giving 30 days' written notice of termination to the Contractor.

### **B. Procurement Lobbying Termination**

The Office of General Services reserves the right to terminate this Agreement in the event it is found that the certification filed by the Contractor in accordance with New York State Finance Law §139-k was intentionally false or intentionally incomplete. Upon such finding, the Office of General Services may exercise its termination right by providing written notification to the Contractor in accordance with the written notification terms of this Agreement.

### **C. Effect of Termination**

Any termination by OGS under this Section shall in no event constitute or be deemed a breach of any contract resulting from this solicitation and no liability shall be incurred by or arise against the Office of General Services, its agents and employees therefore for lost profits or any other damages.

## **6.7 NYS Vendor Responsibility Questionnaire**

OGS conducts a review of prospective contractors ("Proposers") to provide reasonable assurances that the Proposer is responsive and responsible. A Not-For-Profit Business Entity Questionnaire (hereinafter "Questionnaire") is used for non-construction contracts and is designed to provide information to assess a Proposer's responsibility to conduct business in

New York based upon financial and organizational capacity, legal authority, business integrity, and past performance history. By submitting a bid, Proposer agrees to fully and accurately complete the Questionnaire. The Proposer acknowledges that the State's execution of the Contract will be contingent upon the State's determination that the Proposer is responsible, and that the State will be relying upon the Proposer's responses to the Questionnaire when making its responsibility determination.

OGS recommends each Proposer file the required Questionnaire online via the New York State VendRep System. To enroll in and use the VendRep System, please refer to the VendRep System Instructions and User Support for Vendors available at the Office of the State Comptroller's (OSC) website, <https://www.osc.state.ny.us/vendrep/index.htm> or to enroll, go directly to the VendRep System online at [https://www.osc.state.ny.us/vendrep/info\\_vrsystem.htm](https://www.osc.state.ny.us/vendrep/info_vrsystem.htm).

OSC provides direct support for the VendRep System through user assistance, documents, online help, and a help desk. The OSC Help Desk contact information is located at <http://www.osc.state.ny.us/portal/contactbuss.htm>. Proposers opting to complete the paper questionnaire can access this form and associated definitions via the OSC website at: [http://www.osc.state.ny.us/vendrep/forms\\_vendor.htm](http://www.osc.state.ny.us/vendrep/forms_vendor.htm).

In order to assist the State in determining the responsibility of the Proposer prior to Contract Award, the Proposer must complete and certify (or recertify) the Questionnaire no more than six months prior to the bid due date. A Proposer's Questionnaire cannot be viewed by OGS until the Proposer has certified the Questionnaire. It is recommended that all Proposers become familiar with all of the requirements of the Questionnaire in advance of the bid opening to provide sufficient time to complete the Questionnaire.

The Proposer agrees that if it is awarded a Contract the following shall apply:

The Contractor shall at all times during the Contract term remain responsible. The Contractor agrees, if requested by the Commissioner of OGS or her designee, to present evidence of its continuing legal authority to do business in New York State, integrity, experience, ability, prior performance, and organizational and financial capacity.

The Commissioner of OGS or her designee, in her sole discretion, reserves the right to suspend any or all activities under this Contract, at any time, when she discovers information that calls into question the responsibility of the Contractor. In the event of such suspension, the Contractor will be given written notice outlining the particulars of such suspension. Upon issuance of such notice, the Contractor must comply with the terms of the suspension order. Contract activity may resume at such time as the Commissioner of OGS or her designee issues a written notice authorizing a resumption of performance under the Contract.

Upon written notice to the Contractor, and a reasonable opportunity to be heard with appropriate OGS officials or staff, the Contract may be terminated by the Commissioner of OGS or her designee at the Contractor's expense where the Contractor is determined by the Commissioner of OGS or her designee to be non-responsible. In such event, the Commissioner of OGS or her designee may complete the contractual requirements in any manner she may deem advisable and pursue available legal or equitable remedies for breach.

In no case shall such termination of the Contract by the State be deemed a breach thereof, nor shall the State be liable for any damages for lost profits or otherwise, which may be sustained by the Contractor as a result of such termination.

## **6.8 New York State Vendor File Registration**

Prior to being awarded a contract pursuant to this Solicitation, the Bidder(s) must be registered in the New York State Vendor File (Vendor File) administered by the Office of the State Comptroller (OSC). This is a central registry for all vendors who do business with New York State Agencies and the registration must be initiated by a State Agency. Following the initial registration, unique New York State ten-digit vendor identification numbers will be assigned to your company for usage on all future transactions with New York State. Additionally, the Vendor File enables vendors to use the Vendor Self-Service application to manage all vendor information in one central location for all transactions related to the State of New York. If Bidder is already registered in the New York State Vendor File, list the ten-digit vendor ID number on the Contractor Information page included in Appendix B of this solicitation.

If the Bidder is not currently registered in the Vendor File and is recommended for award, OGS shall request completion of OSC Substitute W-9 Form. A fillable form with instructions can be found at the link below. The Office of General Services will initiate the vendor registration process for all Bidders recommended for Contract Award. Once the process is initiated, registrants will receive an email from OSC that includes the unique ten-digit vendor identification number assigned to the company and instructions on how to enroll in the online Vendor Self-Service application. For more information on the vendor file please visit the following website: <http://www.osc.state.ny.us/vendors/index.htm>

**Form to be completed:** <https://www.osc.state.ny.us/sites/default/files/vendors/2017-11/vendor-form-ac3237s-fe.pdf>

## **6.9 Ethics Compliance**

All proposers/contractors and their employees must comply with the requirements of §§73 and 74 of the Public Officers Law, other state codes, rules, regulations, and executive orders establishing ethical standards for the conduct of business with New York State. In signing any contract resulting from this RFP, the Contractor certifies full compliance with those provisions for any present or future dealings, transactions, sales, contracts, services, offers, relations, etc., involving New York State and/or its employees. Failure to comply with those provisions may result in disqualification from the bidding process, termination of contract, and/or other civil or criminal proceedings as required by law.

## **6.10 Indemnification**

The Contractor shall assume all risks of liability for its performance, or that of any of its officers, employees, subcontractors or agents, of any contract resulting from this solicitation and shall be solely responsible and liable for all liabilities, losses, damages, costs or expenses, including attorney's fees, arising from any claim, action or proceeding relating to or in any way connected with the performance of this Agreement and covenants and agrees to indemnify and hold harmless the State of New York, its agents, officers and employees, from any and all claims, suits, causes of action and losses of whatever kind and nature, arising out of or in connection with its performance of any contract resulting from this solicitation, including negligence, active or passive or improper conduct of the Contractor, its officers, agents, subcontractors or employees, or the failure by the Contractor, its officers, agents, subcontractors or employees to perform any obligations or commitments to the State or third parties arising out of or resulting from any contract resulting from this solicitation. Such indemnity shall not be limited to the insurance coverage herein prescribed.

## **6.11 Force Majeure**

Neither party hereto will be liable for losses, defaults, or damages under any contract resulting from this solicitation which result from delays in performing, or inability to perform, all or any of the obligations or responsibilities imposed upon it pursuant to the terms and conditions of this solicitation, due to or because of acts of God, the public enemy, acts of government, earthquakes, floods, strikes, civil strife, fire or any other cause beyond the reasonable control of the party that was so delayed in performing or so unable to perform provided that such party was not negligent and shall have used reasonable efforts to avoid and overcome such cause. Such party will resume full performance of such obligations and responsibilities promptly upon removal of any such cause.

## **6.12 Encouraging Use Of New York State Businesses in Contract Performance**

New York State businesses have a substantial presence in State contracts and strongly contribute to the economies of the state and the nation. In recognition of the economic activity and leadership such businesses offer, Contractors are strongly encouraged and expected to consider New York State businesses in the fulfillment of the requirements of this agreement. Such partnering may be as subcontractors, suppliers, protégés or other supporting roles.

Bidders/proposers need to be aware that all authorized users of this contract will be strongly encouraged, to the maximum extent practical and consistent with legal requirements, to use responsible and responsive New York State businesses in purchasing commodities that are of equal quality and functionality and in utilizing services and technology. Furthermore, bidders/proposers are reminded that they must continue to utilize small, minority and women-owned businesses, consistent with current State law.

Utilizing New York State businesses in State contracts will help create more private sector jobs, rebuild New York's infrastructure, and maximize economic activity to the mutual benefit of the contractor and its New York State business partners. New York State businesses will promote the contractor's optimal performance under the contract, thereby fully benefiting the public sector programs that are supported by associated procurements.

Public procurements can drive and improve the State's economic engine through promotion of the use of New York businesses by its contractors. The State therefore expects bidders/proposers to provide maximum assistance to New York businesses in their use of the contract. The potential participation by all kinds of New York businesses will deliver great value to the State and its taxpayers.

## **6.13 Participation Opportunities for New York State Certified Service-Disabled Veteran-Owned Businesses**

Article 17-B of the New York State Executive Law provides for more meaningful participation in public procurement by certified Service-Disabled Veteran-Owned Businesses ("SDVOBs"), thereby further integrating such businesses into New York State's economy. OGS recognizes the need to promote the employment of service-disabled veterans and to ensure that certified service-disabled veteran-owned businesses have opportunities for maximum feasible participation in the performance of OGS contracts.

In recognition of the service and sacrifices made by service-disabled veterans and in recognition of the economic activity such businesses offer, Bidders/Contractors are strongly encouraged

and expected to consider SDVOBs in the fulfillment of the requirements of the Contract. Such participation may be as subcontractors or suppliers, as protégés, or in other partnering or supporting roles.

For purposes of this procurement, OGS conducted a comprehensive search and determined that the Contract does not offer sufficient opportunities to set specific goals for participation by SDVOBs as subcontractors, service providers, and suppliers to Contractor. Nevertheless, Bidder/Contractor is encouraged to make good faith efforts to promote and assist in the participation of SDVOBs on the Contract for the provision of services and materials. The directory of New York State Certified SDVOBs can be viewed at: <https://ogs.ny.gov/veterans/>.

Bidder/Contractor is encouraged to contact the Office of General Services' Division of Service-Disabled Veteran's Business Development at 518-474-2015 or [VeteransDevelopment@ogs.ny.gov](mailto:VeteransDevelopment@ogs.ny.gov) to discuss methods of maximizing participation by SDVOBs on the Contract.

## **6.14 Sexual Harassment Prevention**

Pursuant to N.Y. State Finance Law § 139-I, every bid made on or after January 1, 2019 to the State or any public department or agency thereof, where competitive bidding is required by statute, rule or regulation, for work or services performed or to be performed or goods sold or to be sold, and where otherwise required by such public department or agency, shall contain a certification that the bidder has and has implemented a written policy addressing sexual harassment prevention in the workplace and provides annual sexual harassment prevention training to all of its employees. Such policy shall, at a minimum, meet the requirements of N.Y. State Labor Law § 201-g.

N.Y. State Labor Law § 201-g provides requirements for such policy and training and directs the Department of Labor, in consultation with the Division of Human Rights, to create and publish a model sexual harassment prevention guidance document, sexual harassment prevention policy and sexual harassment prevention training program that employers may utilize to meet the requirements of N.Y. State Labor Law § 201-g. The model sexual harassment prevention policy, model sexual harassment training materials, and further guidance for employers, can be found online at the following URL: <https://www.ny.gov/combating-sexual-harassment-workplace/employers>.

Pursuant to N.Y. State Finance Law § 139-I, any bid by a corporate bidder containing the certification required above shall be deemed to have been authorized by the board of directors of such bidder, and such authorization shall be deemed to include the signing and submission of such bid and the inclusion therein of such statement as the act and deed of the bidder.

If the Bidder cannot make the required certification, such Bidder shall so state and shall furnish with the bid a signed statement that sets forth in detail the reasons that the Bidder cannot make the certification. After review and consideration of such statement, OGS may reject the bid or may decide that there are sufficient reasons to accept the bid without such certification.

The certification required above can be found on Appendix B – NYS Required Certifications, which Bidder must submit with its bid.