Model Language to Obtain an Offerer’s Certification of Compliance with State Finance Law §139-k(5)

Background:

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 procuring Governmental Entity with respect to State Finance Law §139-k is complete, true and accurate.

Instructions:

A Governmental Entity must obtain the required certification that the information is complete, true and accurate regarding any prior findings of non-responsibility, such as non-responsibility pursuant to State Finance Law §139-j. The Offerer must agree to the certification and provide it to the procuring Governmental Entity. While the nature of the Procurement Contract will determine how to obtain the certification and when the certification should be obtained, the following documents have been identified for consideration:

- solicitation documents (such as an Invitation for Bids or Requests for Proposal);
- Procurement Contract; and
- other/stand-alone certification.

It is recommended that the certification be obtained as early as possible in the process, such as when an Offerer submits its proposal, bid or other form of offer.
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Include the following language for certification by the Offerer:

Offerer Certification:

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

By: ___________________________________________  Date: ________________________________

Name: __________________________________________

Title: __________________________________________

Contractor Name: ________________________________

Contractor Address: ______________________________

*References in the Model Language may be revised as follows:

- “Governmental Entity” may be amended to specifically reference the governmental unit conducting the procurement.
- “Offerer” may be amended to conform to the Offerer’s legal identity or abbreviation set forth in the contract.