

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS
Minority Business Enterprise (MBE) Set-Aside

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The State of Ohio, through the Department of Administrative Services, Office of Information Technology is requesting proposals for:

IT Optimization End-Point Computing Services

INQUIRY PERIOD BEGINS: February 11, 2014
INQUIRY PERIOD ENDS: March 5, 2014
OPENING DATE: March 12, 2014
OPENING TIME: 1:00 P.M.
OPENING LOCATION: Department of Administrative Services
General Services Division
IT Procurement Services
Bid Desk
4200 Surface Road
Columbus, Ohio 43228-1313

This RFP consists of five parts and eleven attachments, totaling 59 consecutively numbered pages. Supplements also are attached to this RFP. Please verify that you have a complete copy.

In lieu of taking exceptions to RFP requirements, including but not limited to terms and conditions, scope of work requirements, etc., or providing assumptions that may be unacceptable to the State, offerors are strongly encouraged to use the inquiry process in Part Three of the RFP.

PART ONE: EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Purpose. This is a Request for Competitive Sealed Proposals (“RFP”) under Section 125.071 of the Ohio Revised Code (the “Revised Code”) and Section 123:5-1-8 of the Ohio Administrative Code (the “Administrative Code”). The Department of Administrative Services, Office of Information Technology is soliciting competitive sealed proposals (“Proposals”) for IT Optimization End-Point Computing Services (the “Project”), and this RFP is the result of that request.

If a suitable offer is made in response to this RFP, the State of Ohio (the “State”), through the Department of Administrative Services, may enter into a contract (the “Contract”) to have the selected offeror (the “Contractor”) perform all or part of the Project. This RFP provides details on what is required to submit a Proposal for the Project, how the State will evaluate the Proposals, and what will be required of the Contractor in performing the work.

This RFP also gives the estimated dates for the various events in the submission process, selection process, and performance of the work. While these dates are subject to change, prospective offerors must be prepared to meet them as they currently stand.

Once awarded, the term of the Contract will be from the award date until the Project is completed to the satisfaction of the State and the Contractor is paid or June 30, 2014, whichever is sooner. The State may renew this Contract for up to three (3) additional one-year term(s), subject to and contingent on the discretionary decision of the Ohio General Assembly to appropriate funds for this Contract in each new biennium. Any such renewal of all or part of the Contract also is subject to the satisfactory performance of the Contractor and the needs of the State.

Minority Business Enterprise (MBE) Set-Aside. This RFP is being issued as a minority set-aside bid in accordance with Ohio Revised Code (ORD) Chapter 125.081. The minority business entity must be an Ohio certified MBE as of the proposal due date.

For more information regarding MBE and MBE certification requirements, including a list of certified MBE firms, please visit the DAS Equal Opportunity Division web site at:

<http://das.ohio.gov/Divisions/EqualOpportunity/MBEEDGECertification/tabid/134/default.aspx> .

The State may reject any Proposal if the offeror fails to meet a deadline in the submission or evaluation phases of the selection process or objects to the dates for performance of the Project or the terms and conditions in this RFP.

Background. The State, as part of its IT Optimization program and requirements to standardize end-user computing services has recently entered into two contractual relationships with Microsoft and McAfee for the provision of certain products designed to consolidate end-point computing functions for the State. In general the goals of this standardization effort include, but are not limited to:

- Implementation of a Common Desktop operating environment based on Windows 7 (Win7);
- Coordination through the State with Microsoft for the implementation of Microsoft Office365 (O365) and related cloud based functions for office productivity and document storage and sharing;
- Coordination through the State with McAfee or its reseller for the implementation of McAfee Security Products (McAfee) for end-point computing, this may require the installation of the McAfee agent by the offeror; and
- Incorporation of an Enterprise level Identity Domain (ID) based on Active Directory (AD) and Forefront Identify Manager functions (FIM).

Objectives. The State has the following objectives it wants this RFP to fulfill, and it will be the Contractor's obligation to ensure that the Project meets these objectives:

- Development of an end-point discovery function to determine the most appropriate upgrade/update or replacement strategy and capability for the State;
- Implementation of the discovery function on a selected State Agency (in this case the Office of Medicaid) as a proof of concept (POC);
- Development, in collaboration with the State of a set of Policies and Procedures (or if applicable enhancements to existing policies) to identify, update, replace, administer and maintain the current Agency environment(s) to follow and adhere to State Standards;
- Implementation of these new Policies and Procedures initially for the Department of Medicaid, and to be extended to Statewide computing following the successful conclusion of the POC inclusive of change management (people/processes), communications (awareness, rationale and expectation management) and feedback (customer and technical challenges/issues);
- Implementation or coordination of Updates / Replacements of existing Operating System(s), End-Point Security software/tools, O365, and incorporation into the State's ID Domain that results in a common desktop environment and experience;
- Updates to existing business processes and technical support Policies and Procedures to both support the new desktop environment as well as to accommodate both new Agency rollouts and incremental additions of new desktops to the Department of Medicaid (the actual execution of which are outside of Contractor work in this RFP).
- Identification and removal/update/replacement of both non-standard tools in the Department of Medicaid relative to the defined scope tools (i.e., Win7, O365, McAfee and ID) as well as anticipated incompatible software elements on the end-point devices that will or may conflict with, conflicted by, or rendered obsolete the in-scope tools; and
- Implementation of a temporary "virtual help desk" to be used during the POC period to support extended/enhanced care during the POC migration process as a support function to existing end-user help desk functions, but specific to the migration, and accommodation for knowledge transfer activities.

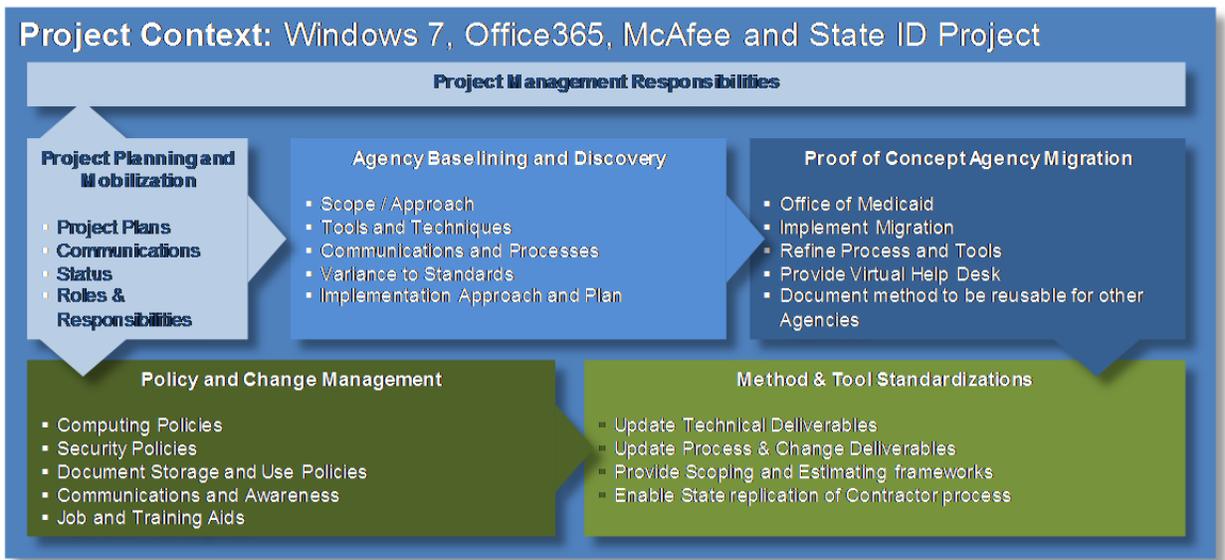
The State's contract with Microsoft provides for the implementation of Microsoft Office365 (O365) and related cloud based functions for office productivity and document storage and sharing by Microsoft.

The State's contract with McAfee provides for the implementation of McAfee Security Products for end-point computing by McAfee or its reseller. The selected offeror may be required to install the McAfee agent.

At the discretion of the State and upon successful completion of the POC migration the selected offeror may be required to provide services to bring state agencies, boards and commissions end-point computing environment to the State standard.

Overview of the Project's Scope of Work. The scope of work for the Project is provided in Supplement One of this RFP. This section only gives a summary of that work. If there is any inconsistency between this summary and the supplement's description of the work, Supplement One will govern.

At a high level, the Project can be summarized as follows. Offerors may choose to alter the approach, relationships and organization of the Project Context diagram shown below as they see fit, as long as all deliverables, activities and work product requirements contained in Supplement One of this RFP are delivered as required. In addition, a detailed set of State requirements, additional information, roles, deliverables and State functions is provided in Supplement One to the RFP.



Project scope at a high-level includes:

- Project Management Responsibilities;
- Project Planning and Mobilization;
- Agency Baseline and Discovery;
- Proof of Concept Agency Migration;
- Policy and Change Management; and
- Method & Tool Standardizations.

Calendar of Events. The schedule for the RFP process and Project is given below. The State may change this schedule at any time. If the State changes the schedule before the Proposal due date, it will do so through an announcement on the State Procurement Website's question and answer area for this RFP. The Website announcement will be followed by an amendment to this RFP, also available through the State Procurement Website. After the Proposal due date and before the award of the Contract, the State will make schedule changes through the RFP amendment process. Additionally, the State will make changes in the Project schedule after the Contract award through the change order provisions in the General Terms and Conditions Attachment to this RFP. It is each prospective offeror's responsibility to check the Website question and answer area for this RFP for current information regarding this RFP and its Calendar of Events through award of the Contract.

Dates:

Firm Dates
 RFP Issued: February 11, 2014
 Inquiry Period Begins: February 11, 2014
 Inquiry Period Ends: March 5, 2014 at 8:00 a.m.
 Proposal Due Date: March 12, 2014 at 1:00 p.m.

Estimated Dates
 Award Date: April 2014

Estimated Project Dates
 Project Work Begins: April 2014

There are references in this RFP to the Proposal due date. Unless it is clearly provided to the contrary in this RFP, any such reference means the date and time (Columbus, Ohio local time) that the Proposals are due and not just the date.

PART TWO: STRUCTURE OF THIS RFP

Organization. This RFP is organized into five parts and has eleven attachments. The parts and attachments are listed below. There also is one or more supplements to this RFP listed below.

Parts:

- Part 1 Executive Summary
- Part 2 Structure of this RFP
- Part 3 General Instructions
- Part 4 Evaluation of Proposals
- Part 5 Award of the Contract

Attachments:

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| Attachment One | Evaluation Criteria |
| Attachment Two | Project Requirements and Special Provisions |
| Attachment Three | Requirements for Proposals |
| Attachment Four | General Terms and Conditions |
| Attachment Five | Sample Contract |
| Attachment Six | Sample Deliverable Submittal and Acceptance (Deliverable Sign-Off Form) |
| Attachment Seven | Offeror Certification Form |
| Attachment Eight | Offeror Profile Summary |
| Attachment Nine | Personnel Profile Summary |
| Attachment Ten | Standard Affirmation and Disclosure Form, Executive Order 2011-12K |
| Attachment Eleven | Cost Proposal Form |

Supplements:

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| Supplement One | IT Optimization End-Point Computing Services |
| Supplement Two | Security and Privacy Requirements |

PART THREE: GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS

The following sections provide details on how to get more information about how to respond to this RFP. All responses must be complete and in the prescribed format.

Contacts. The following person will represent the State during the RFP process:

Procurement Representative:

Bruce Reichenbach
Acquisition Analyst
Department of Administrative Services
Office of Information Technology
IT Enterprise Contracting
4200 Surface Road
Columbus, Ohio 43228-1313

During the performance of the Project, a State representative (the "Project Representative") will represent the Department of Administrative Services, Office of Information Technology and be the primary contact for the Project. The State will designate the Project Representative in writing after the Contract award.

Inquiries. Offerors may make inquiries regarding this RFP anytime during the inquiry period listed in the Calendar of Events. To make an inquiry, offerors must use the following process:

- Access the State Procurement Website at <http://procure.ohio.gov/> ;
- From the Navigation Bar on the left, select “**Find It Fast**”;
- Select “Doc/Bid/Schedule #” as the Type;
- Enter the RFP number found on the first page of this RFP (the RFP number begins with zero followed by the letter “A”);
- Click the “Find It Fast” button;
- On the document information page, click the “Submit Inquiry” button;
- On the document inquiry page, complete the required “Personal Information” section by providing:
 - First and last name of the prospective offeror’s representative who is responsible for the inquiry,
 - Name of the prospective offeror,
 - Representative’s business phone number, and
 - Representative’s email address;
- Type the inquiry in the space provided including:
 - A reference to the relevant part of this RFP,
 - The heading for the provision under question, and
 - The page number of the RFP where the provision can be found; and
- Click the “Submit” button.

An offeror submitting an inquiry will receive an immediate acknowledgement that the State has received the inquiry as well as an email acknowledging receipt. The offeror will not receive a personalized response to the question nor notification when the State has answered the question.

Offerors may view inquiries and responses on the State’s Procurement Website by using the “Find It Fast” feature described above and by clicking the “View Q & A” button on the document information page.

The State usually responds to all inquiries within three business days of receipt, excluding weekends and State holidays. However, the State will not respond to any inquiries received after 8:00 a.m. on the inquiry end date.

The State does not consider questions asked during the inquiry period through the inquiry process as exceptions to the terms and conditions of this RFP.

Amendments to the RFP. If the State revises this RFP before the Proposals are due, it will announce any amendments on the State Procurement Website.

Offerors may view amendments by using the “Find It Fast” function of the State’s Procurement Webpage (described in the Inquiries Section above) and then clicking on the amendment number to display the amendment.

When an amendment to this RFP is necessary, the State may extend the Proposal due date through an announcement on the State Procurement Website. The State may issue amendment announcements any time before 5:00 p.m. on the day before Proposals are due, and it is each prospective offeror’s responsibility to check for announcements and other current information regarding this RFP.

After the Proposal due date, the State will distribute amendments only to those offerors whose Proposals are under active consideration. When the State amends the RFP after the due date for Proposals, the State will permit offerors to withdraw their Proposals within five business days after the amendment is issued. This withdrawal option will allow any offeror to remove its Proposal from active consideration should the offeror feel that the amendment changes the nature of the transaction so much that the offeror’s Proposal is no longer in its interest. Alternatively, the State may allow offerors that have Proposals under active consideration to modify their Proposals in response to the amendment.

If the State allows offerors to modify their Proposals in response to an amendment, the State may limit the nature and scope of the modifications. Unless otherwise provided in the State's notice, offerors must make any modifications or withdrawals in writing and submit them to the State within five business days after the amendment is issued at the address and in the same manner required for the submission of the original Proposals. If this RFP provides for a negotiation phase, this submission procedure will not apply to changes negotiated during that phase. The State may reject any modification that is broader in scope than the State has authorized in the announcement of the amendment and treat it as a withdrawal of the offeror's Proposal.

Proposal Submittal. Each Offeror must submit a technical section and a cost section as part of its total Proposal before the opening time on the Proposal due date. The Offeror must submit the technical section as a separate package from the cost section of its Proposal, and each section must be submitted in its own separate, opaque package. The package with the technical section of the Proposal must be sealed and contain one originally signed technical section and nine (9) copies of the technical section, and the package with the cost section also must be sealed and contain two (2) complete copies of the cost section of the Proposal. Further, the Offeror must mark the outside of each package with either "**IT Optimization End-Point Computing Services RFP – Technical Proposal**" or "**IT Optimization End-Point Computing Services RFP –Cost Proposal Form**," as appropriate.

Included in each sealed package, the offeror also must provide an electronic copy of everything contained within the package on CD-ROM in Microsoft Office, Microsoft Project, and Adobe Acrobat format, as appropriate. If there is a discrepancy between the hard copy and the electronic copy of the Proposal, the hard copy will control, and the State will base its evaluation of the offeror's Proposal on the hard copy.

Proposals are due no later than 1:00 p.m. (Columbus, Ohio local time) on the Proposal due date. Proposals submitted by email, fax or other electronic means are not acceptable, and the State may reject them. Offerors must submit their Proposals to:

Department of Administrative Services
General Services Division
IT Procurement Services
Attn: Bid Desk
4200 Surface Road
Columbus, Ohio 43228-1313

BID ROOM MAIN PHONE NUMBER: 1-614-466-5090

The State may reject any Proposals or unsolicited modifications that it receives after the deadline. An offeror that mails its Proposal must allow for adequate mailing time to ensure its timely receipt. The Bid Desk accepts packages between the hours of 7:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday, excluding State Holidays. No deliveries will be accepted before or after these hours without prior arrangements. Offerors must allow sufficient time since the State may reject late Proposals regardless of the cause for the delay.

Each offeror must carefully review the requirements of this RFP and the contents of its Proposal. Once opened, Proposals cannot be altered or withdrawn, except as allowed by this RFP.

By submitting a Proposal, the offeror acknowledges that it has read this RFP, understands it, and agrees to be bound by its requirements. The State is not responsible for the accuracy of any information regarding this RFP that was gathered through a source other than the inquiry process described in the RFP.

Revised Code Section 9.24 prohibits the State from awarding a contract to any entity against whom the Auditor of State has issued a finding for recovery (a "Finding"), if the Finding is unresolved at the time of the award. This also applies to renewals of contracts. By submitting a Proposal, the offeror warrants that

it is not subject to an unresolved Finding under Section 9.24 at the time of its submission. The offeror also warrants that it will notify the Department of Administrative Services in writing immediately upon becoming subject to such an unresolved Finding after submitting its Proposal and before the award of a Contract under this RFP. Should the State select the offeror's Proposal for award of a Contract, this warranty of immediate written notice will apply during the term of the Contract, including any renewals or extensions. Further, the State may treat any unresolved Finding against the Contractor that prevents a renewal of the Contract as a breach, in accordance with the provisions of Attachment Four, General Terms and Conditions.

The State may reject any Proposal if the offeror takes exception to the terms and conditions of this RFP, includes unacceptable assumptions or conditions in its Proposal, fails to comply with the procedure for participating in the RFP process, or fails to meet any requirement of this RFP. The State also may reject any Proposal that it believes is not in its interest to accept and may decide not to award a contract to any or all of the offerors responding to this RFP.

Offerors may not prepare or modify their Proposals on State premises.

All Proposals and other material that offerors submit will become the property of the State and may be returned only at the State's option. Offerors should not include any confidential information in a Proposal or other material submitted as part of the evaluation process. All Proposals will be open to the public after the State has awarded the Contract.

The State will retain all Proposals, or a copy of them, as part of the Contract file for at least three years. After the three-year retention period, the State may return, destroy, or otherwise dispose of the Proposals and any copies of them.

Waiver of Defects. The State may waive any defects in any Proposal or in the submission process followed by an offeror, but the State will only do so if it believes that it is in the State's interest and will not cause any material unfairness to other offerors.

Multiple or Alternate Proposals. The State will not accept multiple Proposals from a single offeror or any alternative solutions or options to the requirements of this RFP. Additionally, any offeror that disregards a requirement in this RFP simply by proposing an alternative to it will have submitted a defective Proposal that the State may reject. Further, any offeror that submits multiple Proposals may have all its Proposals rejected.

Changes to Proposals. The State will allow modifications or withdrawals of Proposals only if the State receives them before the Proposal due date. No modifications or withdrawals will be permitted after the due date, except as authorized by this RFP.

Proposal Instructions. Each Proposal must use the provided forms for the Technical Proposal and Cost Proposal and be organized in an indexed binder ordered in the same manner as the response items are ordered in the applicable attachments to this RFP. The Cost Proposal must use the Cost Proposal Form and be placed in a separate binder and submitted separately from the Technical Proposal. The requirements for a Proposal's contents and formatting are contained in the attachments to this RFP. The State wants clear and concise Proposals, but offerors must answer questions completely and meet all the RFP's requirements including the use of the required forms.

The State is not liable for any costs an offeror incurs in responding to this RFP or from participating in the evaluation process, regardless of whether the State awards the Contract through this process, decides not to go forward with the Project, cancels this RFP for any reason, or contracts for the Project through some other process or through another RFP.

To ensure that each Proposal addresses the required Special Provisions (Attachment Two), Scope of Work (Supplement One and Supplement Two), required sections of the Proposal Format (Attachment Three) and Terms and Conditions (Attachment Four), offerors must address each RFP requirement by

section and sub-section heading and provide the offeror's proposed solution or response to the requirement by section and subsection **in-line** using the provided Microsoft Word version of this RFP. Offeror responses should use a consistent contrasting color (**blue** is suggested to contrast with the black text of this document) to provide their response to each requirement so that the offeror response is readily distinguishable to the State. To aid offerors in the creation of the most favorable depiction of their responses, alternative formats are acceptable that use typefaces, styles or shaded backgrounds, so long as the use of these formats are consistent throughout the offerors response and readily distinguishable from the baseline RFP. Alterations to the State provided baseline RFP language is strictly prohibited. The State will electronically compare offeror responses to the baseline RFP and deviations or alterations to the State's RFP requirements may result in a rejection of the offeror's Proposal.

PART FOUR: EVALUATION OF PROPOSALS

Disclosure of Proposal Contents. The State will seek to open the Proposals in a manner that avoids disclosing their contents. The State also will seek to keep the contents of all Proposals confidential until the Contract is awarded, but the State will prepare a registry of Proposals that contains the name of each offeror. The public may inspect that registry after the State opens the Proposals.

Rejection of Proposals. The State may reject any Proposal that is not in the required format, does not address all the requirements of this RFP, objects to the terms or conditions of this RFP, or that the State determines is excessive in price or otherwise not in the State's interest to accept. In addition, the State may cancel this RFP, reject all the Proposals, and seek to do the Project through a new RFP or other means.

Evaluation of Proposals Generally. The evaluation process may consist of up to six distinct phases:

1. Initial review;
2. Technical evaluation;
3. Evaluation of costs;
4. Requests for more information;
5. Determination of responsibility; and
6. Contract Negotiations.

The State may decide whether phases four and six are necessary, and the State may rearrange the order in which it proceeds with the phases. The State also may add or remove sub-phases to any phase at any time, if the State believes doing so will improve the evaluation process.

Initial Review. The Procurement Representative will review all Proposals for their format and completeness. The State normally rejects incomplete or incorrectly formatted Proposals, though the State may waive any defects or allow an offeror to submit a correction, if the State believes doing so would not result in an unfair advantage for the offeror and it is in the State's interest. Further, if the Auditor of State does not certify a Proposal due to lateness, the State will not open it. After the initial review, the State will forward all timely, complete, and properly formatted Proposals to an evaluation team, which the Procurement Representative will lead.

Technical Evaluation. The State will evaluate each Proposal that it has determined is timely, complete, and properly formatted. The evaluation will be scored according to the requirements identified in this RFP, including the requirements in Attachment One: Evaluation Criteria. Other attachments to this RFP may further refine these requirements, and the State has a right to break these requirements into components and weight any components of a requirement according to their perceived importance.

The State also may have the Proposals or portions of them reviewed and evaluated by independent third parties or various State personnel with experience that relates to the work or to a criterion in the evaluation process. Additionally, the State may seek reviews from end users of the Project or the advice or evaluations of various State personnel that have subject matter expertise or an interest in the Project.

The State may adopt or reject any recommendations it receives from such reviews and evaluations or give them such weight as the State believes is appropriate.

During the technical evaluation, the State will calculate a point total for each Proposal that it evaluates. At the sole discretion of the State, it may reject any Proposal receiving a significant number of zeros for sections in the technical portions of the evaluation. The State may select those offerors submitting the highest rated Proposals for the next phase. The number of Proposals that advance to the next phase will be within the State's discretion, but regardless of the number of Proposals selected, they always will be the highest rated Proposals from this phase.

At any time during this phase, in the State's sole discretion, it may ask an offeror to correct, revise, or clarify any portions of its Proposal.

The State will document all major decisions and make these a part of the Contract file, along with the evaluation results for each Proposal considered.

Clarifications and Corrections. During the evaluation process, in the State's sole discretion, it may request clarifications from any offeror under active consideration and may give any offeror the opportunity to correct defects in its Proposal, if the State believes doing so would not result in an unfair advantage for the offeror, and it is in the State's interest. The State may reject any clarification that is non-responsive or broader in scope than what the State requested. If the State does so, or if the offeror fails to respond to the request for clarification, the State then may request a corrected clarification, consider the offeror's Proposal without the clarification, or disqualify the offeror's Proposal.

Corrections and clarifications must be completed off State premises.

Requirements. Attachment One: Evaluation Criteria provides requirements the State will use to evaluate the Proposals, including any mandatory requirements. If the offeror's Proposal meets all the mandatory requirements, the offeror's Proposal may be included in the next phase of the evaluation, which will consider other requirements described in a table in Attachment One.

In the case of any requirements for a team of people the offeror is proposing, the offeror must submit a team to do the work on the Project that collectively meets all the team requirements. However, the experience of multiple candidates may not be combined to meet a single requirement. Further, previous experience of the candidate submitted for a Project Manager position may not be used to meet any other team member requirements. Each candidate proposed for the Project team must meet at least one of the requirements.

This RFP asks for responses and submissions from offerors, most of which represent components of the requirements in Attachment One. While each requirement represents only a part of the total basis for a decision to award the Contract to an offeror, a failure by an offeror to make a required submission or meet a mandatory requirement normally will result in a rejection of that offeror's Proposal. The value assigned above to each requirement is only a value used to determine which Proposal is the most advantageous to the State in relation to the other Proposals that the State received. It is not a basis for determining the importance of meeting that requirement.

If the State does not receive any Proposal that meets all the mandatory requirements, the State may cancel this RFP. Alternatively, if the State believes it is in its interest, the State may continue to consider the highest-ranking Proposals despite their failure to meet all the mandatory requirements. In doing this, the State may consider one or more of the highest-ranking Proposals. The State may not consider any lower-ranking Proposals unless all Proposals ranked above it are also considered, except as provided below.

In any case where no Proposal meets all the mandatory requirements, it may be that an upper ranking Proposal contains a failure to meet a mandatory requirement that the State believes is critical to the success of the RFP's objectives. When this is so, the State may reject that Proposal and consider lower

ranking Proposals. Before doing so, the State may notify the offeror of the situation and allow the offeror an opportunity to cure its failure to meet that mandatory requirement.

If the offeror cures its failure to meet a mandatory requirement that the State has deemed critical to the success of the RFP's objectives, the State may continue to consider the offeror's Proposal. However, if the offeror is unwilling or unable to cure the failure, its Proposal may be rejected. The State then may continue to consider the other remaining Proposals, including, if the State so chooses, Proposals that ranked lower than the rejected Proposal.

Cost Evaluation. Once the technical merits of the Proposals are considered, the State may consider the costs of one or more of the highest-ranking Proposals. But it is within the State's discretion to wait until after any interviews, presentations, and demonstrations to evaluate costs. Also, before evaluating the technical merits of the Proposals, the State may do an initial review of costs to determine if any Proposals should be rejected because of excessive cost. Further, the State may reconsider the excessiveness of any Proposal's cost at any time in the evaluation process.

The State may select one or more of the Proposals for further consideration in the next phase of the evaluation process based on the price performance formula contained in Attachment One. The Proposal(s) selected for consideration in the next phase always will be the highest-ranking Proposal(s) based on this analysis. That is, the State may not move a lower-ranking Proposal to the next phase unless all Proposals that rank above it also are moved to the next phase, excluding any Proposals that the State disqualifies because of excessive cost or other irregularities.

If the State finds that it should give one or more of the highest-ranking Proposals further consideration, the State may move the selected Proposals to the next phase. The State alternatively may choose to bypass any or all subsequent phases and make an award based solely on its scoring of the preceding phases, subject only to its review of the highest-ranking offeror's responsibility, as described below.

Requests for More Information. The State may require some offerors to interview, make a presentation about their Proposals, or demonstrate their products or services. If the presentations, demonstrations, or interviews are held as part of the technical evaluation phase, all offerors that have Proposals under evaluation may participate. Alternatively, if the presentations, demonstrations, or interviews are held after the technical evaluation, the State normally will limit them to one or more of the highest ranking offerors. The State normally will limit such presentations, demonstrations, and interviews to areas in which it seeks further information from the highest ranking offeror or offerors. Typically, these discussions provide an offeror with an opportunity to do one or more of the following:

- Clarify its Proposal and ensure a mutual understanding of the Proposal's content;
- Show the features and functions of its proposed services solution for the Project; and
- Demonstrate the professionalism, qualifications, skills, and work knowledge of its proposed candidates.

The State will schedule the presentations, demonstrations, and interviews at its convenience and discretion. The State will determine the scope and format of any such presentations, demonstrations, and interviews and may record them. If the State moves more than one offeror to this phase, the scope and format of these presentations, demonstrations, and interviews may vary from one offeror to the next, depending on the particular issues or concerns the State may have with each offeror's Proposal.

The State normally will not rank interviews, demonstrations, and presentations. Rather, if the State conducts the interviews, demonstrations, or presentations as part of the technical evaluation, the State may use the information it gathers during this process in evaluating the technical merits of the Proposals. If the State holds the demonstrations, presentations, or interviews only for one or more of the top-ranking offerors after the evaluation phase, the State may decide to revise its existing Proposal evaluations based on the results of this process.

Determination of Responsibility. The State may review the background of one or more of the highest-ranking offerors and its or their key team members and subcontractors to ensure their responsibility. For purposes of this RFP, a key team member is a person that an offeror identifies by name in its Proposal as a member of its proposed team. The State will not award the Contract to an offeror that it determines is not responsible or that has proposed candidates or subcontractors to work on the Project that are not responsible. The State's determination of an offeror's responsibility may include the following factors: experience of the offeror and its key team members and subcontractors, its and their past conduct on previous contracts, past performance on previous contracts, ability to execute this Contract properly, and management skill. The State may make this determination of responsibility based on the offeror's Proposal, reference evaluations, a review of the offeror's financial ability, and any other information the State requests or determines is relevant.

Some of the factors used in determining an offeror's responsibility, such as reference checks, may also be used in the technical evaluation of Proposals in phase two of the evaluation process. In evaluating those factors in phase two, the weight the State assigns to them, if any, for purposes of the technical evaluation will not preclude the State from rejecting a Proposal based on a determination that an offeror is not responsible. For example, if the offeror's financial ability is adequate, the value, if any, assigned to the offeror's relative financial ability in relation to other offerors in the technical evaluation phase may or may not be significant, depending on the nature of the Project. If the State believes the offeror's financial ability is inadequate, the State may reject the offeror's Proposal despite its other merits.

The State may make a responsibility determination at any time during the evaluation process, but it typically will do so only once it has evaluated the technical merits and costs of the Proposals. The State always will review the responsibility of an offeror selected for an award before making the award, if it has not already done so earlier in the evaluation process. If the State determines that the offeror selected for award is not responsible, the State then may go down the line of remaining offerors, according to rank, and determine responsibility with the next highest-ranking offeror.

Reference Checks. As part of the State's determination of an offeror's responsibility, the State may conduct reference checks to verify and validate the offeror's and its proposed candidates' and subcontractors' past performance. Reference checks that indicate poor or failed performance by the offeror or a proposed candidate or subcontractor may be cause for rejection of the offeror's Proposal. Additionally, the State may reject an offeror's Proposal as non-responsive if the offeror fails to provide requested reference contact information.

The State may consider the quality of an offeror's and its candidates' and subcontractors' references as part of the technical evaluation phase, as well as in the State's determination of the offeror's responsibility. The State also may consider the information it receives from the references in weighing any requirement contained in the technical evaluation phase, if that information is relevant to the requirement. In checking an offeror's or any of its proposed candidates' or subcontractors' references, the State will seek information that relates to the offeror's previous contract performance. This may include performance with other governmental entities, as well as any other information the State deems important for the successful operation and management of the Project and a positive working relationship between the State and the offeror. In doing this, the State may check references other than those provided in the offeror's Proposal. The State also may use information from other sources, such as third-party reporting agencies.

Financial Ability. Part of State's determination of an offeror's responsibility may include the offeror's financial ability to perform the Contract. This RFP may expressly require the submission of audited financial statements from all offerors in their Proposals, but if this RFP does not make this an express requirement, the State still may insist that an offeror submit audited financial statements for up to the past three years, if the State is concerned that an offeror may not have the financial ability to carry out the Contract. Also, the State may consider financial information other than the information that this RFP requires as part of the offeror's Proposal, such as credit reports from third-party reporting agencies.

Contract Negotiations. The final phase of the evaluation process may be contract negotiations. It is entirely within the discretion of the State whether to permit negotiations. An offeror must not submit a Proposal assuming that there will be an opportunity to negotiate any aspect of the Proposal, and any Proposal that is contingent on the State negotiating with the offeror may be rejected. The State is free to limit negotiations to particular aspects of any Proposal or the RFP, to limit the offerors with whom the State negotiates, and to dispense with negotiations entirely. If negotiations are held, they will be scheduled at the convenience of the State, and the selected offeror or offerors must negotiate in good faith.

The State may limit negotiations to specific aspects of the RFP or the offeror's Proposal. Should the evaluation result in a top-ranked Proposal, the State may limit negotiations to only that offeror and not hold negotiations with any lower-ranking offeror. If negotiations are unsuccessful with the top-ranked offeror, the State then may go down the line of remaining offerors, according to rank, and negotiate with the next highest-ranking offeror. Lower-ranking offerors do not have a right to participate in negotiations conducted in such a manner.

If the State decides to negotiate simultaneously with more than one offeror, or decides that negotiations with the top-ranked offeror are not satisfactory and therefore negotiates with one or more of the lower-ranking offerors, the State then will determine if an adjustment in the ranking of the offerors with which it held negotiations is appropriate based on the negotiations. The Contract award, if any, then will be based on the final ranking of offerors, as adjusted.

Auction techniques that reveal one offeror's price to another or disclose any other material information derived from competing Proposals are prohibited. Any oral modification of a Proposal will be reduced to writing by the offeror as described below.

Following negotiations, the State may set a date and time for the offeror(s) with which the State conducted negotiations to submit a best and final Proposal. If negotiations were limited and all changes were reduced to signed writings during negotiations, the State need not require a best and final Proposal.

If best and final Proposals are required, they may be submitted only once, unless the State determines that it is in the State's interest to conduct additional negotiations. In such cases, the State may require another submission of best and final Proposals. Otherwise, discussion of or changes in the best and final Proposals will not be allowed. If an offeror does not submit a best and final Proposal, the State will treat that offeror's previous Proposal as its best and final Proposal.

The State usually will not rank negotiations and normally will hold them only to correct deficiencies in or enhance the value of the highest-ranked offeror's Proposal.

From the opening of the Proposals to the award of the Contract, everyone evaluating Proposals on behalf of the State will seek to limit access to information contained in the Proposals solely to those people with a need to know the information. The State also will seek to keep this information away from other offerors, and the State may not tell one offeror about the contents of another offeror's Proposal in order to gain a negotiating advantage.

Before the award of the Contract or cancellation of the RFP, any offeror that seeks to gain access to the contents of another offeror's Proposal may be disqualified from further consideration.

Negotiated changes will be reduced to writing and become a part of the Contract file, which will be available for public inspection after award of the Contract or cancellation of the RFP, provided the State does not plan to reissue the RFP. If the State plans to reissue the RFP, the Contract file will not be available until the subsequent RFP process is completed. Unless the State agrees otherwise in writing, the offeror must draft and sign the written changes and submit them to the State within five business days. If the State accepts the changes, the State will give the offeror written notice of the State's acceptance, and the negotiated changes to the successful offer will become a part of the Contract.

Failure to Negotiate. If an offeror fails to provide the necessary information for negotiations in a timely manner, or fails to negotiate in good faith, the State may terminate negotiations with that offeror, remove the offeror's Proposal from further consideration, and seek such other remedies as may be available in law or in equity.

PART FIVE: AWARD OF THE CONTRACT

Contract Award. The State plans to award the Contract based on the schedule in the RFP, if the State decides the Project is in its best interest and has not changed the award date.

Included with this RFP, as Attachment Five, is a sample of the Contract for the RFP. The State will issue two originals of the Contract to the Contractor proposed for award. The offeror must sign and return the two originals to the Procurement Representative. The Contract will bind the State only when the State's duly authorized representative signs all copies and returns one to the Contractor with an award letter, the State issues a purchase order, and all other prerequisites identified in the Contract have occurred.

The Contractor must begin work within 15 business days after the State issues a purchase order, or on a mutually agreed start date, under the Contract. If the State awards a Contract pursuant to this RFP, and the Contractor is unable or unwilling to perform the work, the State may cancel the Contract, effective immediately on notice to the Contractor. The State then may return to the evaluation process under this RFP and resume the process without giving further consideration to the originally selected Proposal. The State also may seek such other remedies as may be available to the State in law or in equity for the selected Contractor's failure to perform under the Contract.

Contract. If this RFP results in a Contract award, the Contract will consist of this RFP, including all attachments, written amendments to this RFP, the Contractor's accepted Proposal, and written, authorized amendments to the Contractor's Proposal in final form. It also will include any materials incorporated by reference in the above documents and any purchase orders and change orders issued under the Contract. The form of the Contract is included as a one-page attachment to this RFP, but it incorporates all the documents identified above. The general terms and conditions for the Contract are contained in Attachment Four to this RFP. If there are conflicting provisions between the documents that make up the Contract, the order of precedence for the documents is as follows:

1. The one-page Contract (Attachment Five) in its final form; and
2. The State's IT Optimization End-Point Computing Services Negotiated Contract dated <MONTH, DAY, 201X> which includes the referenced RFP, and the Best and Final Offer (BAFO).

Notwithstanding the order listed above, change orders and amendments issued after the Contract is executed may expressly change the provisions of the Contract. If they do so expressly, then the most recent of them will take precedence over anything else that is part of the Contract. To be binding on the State, a duly authorized representative of the Department of Administrative Services must sign any change order under or amendment to the Contract.

ATTACHMENT ONE: EVALUATION CRITERIA

Mandatory Requirements. The first table lists this RFP’s mandatory requirements. If the offeror’s Proposal meets all the mandatory requirements, the offeror’s Proposal may be included in the next part of the technical evaluation phase described in the next table.

Mandatory Requirement	Reject	Accept
The Offeror, as the Prime Contractor, must have performed the upgrade of at least 500 end-user computing devices (laptops or desktops) as a single project to Microsoft Windows 7 or higher.		
The Offeror, as the Prime Contractor, must have performed the migration of at least 500 end-user computing devices (laptops or desktops) to a new and/or updated image environment for a single project for Windows7 configured with Microsoft Office as part of a single Active Directory domain with the Integration of virus scanning to a centralized management and administration console.		

Scored Criteria. In the technical evaluation phase, the State will rate the technical merits of the Proposals based on the requirements and the weight assigned to each requirement.

Scored Criteria	Weight	Does Not Meet	Meets	Exceeds	Greatly Exceeds
Offeror Requirements					
The Offeror, as the Prime Contractor, must have performed the upgrade of at least 500 end-user computing devices (laptops or desktops) as a single project to Microsoft Windows 7 or higher.	2	0	5	7	9
The Offeror, as the Prime Contractor, must have performed the migration of at least 500 end-user computing devices (laptops or desktops) to a new and/or updated image environment for a single project for Windows7 configured with Microsoft Office as part of a single Active Directory domain with the Integration of virus scanning to a centralized management and administration console.	2	0	5	7	9
Offeror Profile	1	0	5	7	9
Project Requirements					
Proposed Services Solution. Offeror’s response to Supplement One: IT Optimization End-Point Computing Services	30	0	5	7	9
Proposed Services Solution. Offeror’s response to Supplement Two: Security & Privacy.	15	0	5		

Scored Criteria	Weight	Does Not Meet	Meets	Exceeds	Greatly Exceeds
Staffing Plan and Time Commitment	25	0	5	7	9
Project Plan	25	0	5	7	9

Price Performance Formula. The evaluation team shall rate the Proposals that meet the Mandatory Requirements based on the following criteria and respective weights.

Criteria	Percentage
Technical Proposal	70%
Cost Summary	30%

To ensure the scoring ratio is maintained, the State shall use the following formulas to adjust the points awarded to each offeror.

The offeror with the highest point total for the Technical Proposal will receive 700 points. The remaining offerors will receive a percentage of the maximum points available based upon the following formula:

$$\text{Technical Proposal Points} = (\text{Offeror's Technical Proposal Points} / \text{Highest Number of Technical Proposal Points Obtained}) \times 700$$

There are 300 points available for the Cost Proposal. The offeror with the lowest proposed cost for each of the following cost sections will receive the maximum cost points for that section. The remaining proposals will receive a percentage of the maximum points available. Cost points are determined by the following formulas:

$$\text{Total Not-to-Exceed Fixed Price for IT Optimization End-Point Computing Services Cost Points} = (\text{Lowest Proposed Not-to-Exceed Fixed Price for Implementation \& Software Cost} / \text{Offeror's Proposed Not-to Exceed Fixed Price for Implementation \& Software Cost}) \times 300$$

The Total Points Score is calculated using the following formula:

$$\text{Total Points} = \text{Technical Proposal Points} + \text{Total Cost Proposal Points}$$

ATTACHMENT TWO: SPECIAL PROVISIONS

Work Hours and Conditions. The State shall be available to participate in the Project during normal business hours Monday through Friday (generally 8:30am to 5:00pm) during non-State holidays. The Offeror shall indicate, as part of its response, any dependencies on the State by way of work location, hours outside those indicated or any other project delivery work, location or conditions requirements.

Submittal of Deliverables. The Contractor must perform its tasks in a timely and professional manner that produces Deliverables that fully meet the Contract's requirements. The Contractor must complete its work in steps that will result in Deliverables associated with those steps, and the Contractor must provide the required Deliverables no later than the due dates proposed in the RFP or included in the Contractor's Project Plan as approved by the State.

By submitting a Deliverable, the Contractor represents that, to the best of its knowledge, it has performed the associated tasks in a manner that meets the Contract's requirements.

The Contractor must provide all Deliverables to the Project Representative, who will review (or delegate review of) the materials or documents within a reasonable time after receipt, as specified in the Project Plan.

If the State determines that a Deliverable is not in compliance, the Project Representative will note the reason for non-compliance and send the form to the Contractor Account Manager. At no expense to the State, the Contractor then must bring the Deliverable into conformance and re-submit it to the Project Representative within ten business days.

If the State agrees the Deliverable is compliant, the Project Representative will indicate that by signing the Deliverable Submittal Form and returning a copy of it to the Contractor. In addition, if the Project Representative or designee determines that the State should make a payment associated with the Deliverable, the Project Representative will indicate that the payment should be made on the Deliverable Submittal Form.

The State form authorizing payment and the payment itself do not indicate that the State has accepted the Deliverables associated with the payment.

General Systems Implementation Standards. The Contractor must use its best efforts through quality assurance procedures to ensure the following for the work provided under this Contract:

- there are no viruses or malware;
- there are no undocumented features in its approach in providing the Services; and
- there are no embedded devices or code (e.g., time bomb) that is intended to obstruct or prevent any use of or access by the State.

Inconsistencies between Contract and Deliverables. Any terms and conditions that may be incorporated in a User, Operations, Training Document or Guide or Contractor created Deliverable, work product, assumption, responsibility or activity that are inconsistent or conflicts with the Contract, the Contract shall prevail.

The Contractor's Fee Structure. The Contract award will be for a not-to-exceed fixed price, payable monthly in accordance with the provided Cost Proposal Form a Microsoft Excel® Workbook (Attachment Eleven) native format.

Upon completion and acceptance of the work and deliverables, the Contractor may submit an invoice according to the agreed to Contractor's Cost Proposal Form.

Reimbursable Expenses. None.

Bill to Address. The State will provide the bill to address(s) after contract award. The bill to address may vary depending upon the work or services delivered.

Location of Data. The Contractor must perform all work on the Project and keep all State data within the United States, and the State may reject any Proposal that proposes to do any work or make State data available outside the United States. The State also may reject any Proposal for which the Offeror has not submitted an appropriate affirmation form (Attachment Ten) representing that it will ensure that all work on the Project will be performed in the United States and all State data will remain in the United States.

ATTACHMENT THREE: REQUIREMENTS FOR PROPOSALS

Proposal Format. Each Proposal must include sufficient data to allow the State to verify the total cost for the Project and all of the Offeror's claims of meeting the RFP's requirements. Each Proposal must respond to every request for information in this attachment, whether the request requires a simple "yes" or "no" or requires a detailed explanation. Simply repeating the RFP's requirement and agreeing to comply may be an unacceptable response and may cause the Proposal to be rejected.

These instructions describe the required format for a responsive Proposal. The offeror may include any additional information it believes is relevant. The offeror's proposal submission must be submitted using the Microsoft Word version of the RFP to provide an **in-line response** to the RFP. An identifiable tab sheet must precede each section of a Proposal, and each Proposal must follow the format outlined below. All pages, except pre-printed technical inserts, must be sequentially numbered. Any material deviation from the format outlined below may result in a rejection of the non-conforming Proposal.

Response Specifics. Offeror responses should use a consistent contrasting color (**blue** is suggested to contrast with the black text of this RFP document) to provide their response to each requirement so that the offeror response is readily distinguishable to the State. Below is an example of the required format for responding to the RFP requirements. To aid offerors in the creation of the most favorable depiction of their responses, alternative formats are acceptable that use typefaces, **styles** or **shaded backgrounds**, so long as the use of these formats are consistent (**font size 10**) throughout the offerors response and readily distinguishable from the baseline RFP. Alterations to the State provided baseline RFP language is strictly prohibited. The State will electronically compare offeror responses to the baseline RFP and deviations or alterations to the State's RFP requirements may result in a rejection of the offeror's Proposal.

To ensure that each Proposal addresses the required sections of this RFP offerors must address each RFP requirement by section and sub-section heading and provide the offeror's proposed solution or response to the requirement by section and subsection **in-line** using the provided Microsoft Word version of this RFP.

Additionally, offerors must include the entire content of Attachment Four as a single section in their proposal. **Offerors must include a statement at the beginning of the section** indicating that the offeror has read, understands and agrees to the General Terms and conditions contained in Attachment Four.

Illustrative Example: Customers Served in the Widget Space

Instructions: The Offeror is to describe the customers (i.e. companies, agencies, entities, etc.) served in the Widget domain and the nature of the services provided, as well as the duration of the said service.

Offeror Response: *The Acme Corporation has been in business for over 20 years, Acme is a leading supplier of Widget and Widget based services with clients in a variety of sectors including Public (23 States) and Private (125 of the Fortune 500).*

Additionally, where the State requires a formal deliverable or approval due to the nature of the work or requirement requested whether Project or Services related, these items are indicated with a red star (★) in Supplement One. Offerors are to pay particular note to these items.

Each Proposal must contain the following:

Technical Proposal

Vendor Information Form (OBM-5657)
Subcontractor Letters
Offeror Profile
Offeror Certification Form
Minimum Financial Requirements
Profile Summary Forms (Offeror and Personnel)
MBE Certification
Proposed Services Solution
 Supplement One Response
 Supplement Two Response

Staffing Plan and Time Commitment
Assumptions
Project Plan – Microsoft Project as required by Supplement One
Support Requirements
Conflict of Interest Statement
Proof of Insurance
Payment Address
Legal Notice Address
W-9 Form
Independent Contractor Acknowledgement Form
Standard Affirmation and Disclosure Form (EO 2011-12K)
Affirmative Action
Attachment Two: Special Provisions Response
Attachment Four Acceptance: General Terms and Conditions

Cost Proposal

Cost Proposal Form – Microsoft Excel workbook (must be separately sealed, in native Excel format – not PDF)

Vendor Information Form. The offeror must submit a signed and completed Vendor Information Form (OBM-5657) for itself and for each subcontractor the offeror plans to use under the Contract. The form is available at <http://obm.ohio.gov/MiscPages/Forms/default.aspx> in the Vendor Forms section.

Subcontractor Letters. For each proposed subcontractor, the offeror must attach a letter from the subcontractor, signed by someone authorized to legally bind the subcontractor, with the following included in the letter:

1. The subcontractor's legal status, federal tax identification number, D-U-N-S number, and principal place of business address;
2. The name, phone number, fax number, email address, and mailing address of a person who is authorized to legally bind the subcontractor to contractual obligations;
3. A description of the work the subcontractor will do;
4. A commitment to do the work if the offeror is selected; and
5. A statement that the subcontractor has read and understood the RFP and will comply with the requirements of the RFP.

Offeror Profile. Each Proposal must include a description of the offeror's capability, capacity, and experience in the industry. The description should include the date the offeror was established, its leadership, number of employees, number of employees the offeror will engage in tasks directly related to the Project, and any other background information or relevant experience that will help the State gauge the ability of the offeror to fulfill the obligations of the Contract.

In addition, the offeror should provide a description of the offeror's capability, capacity, and experience providing end-point computing services for Microsoft Windows and Office, Security, Cloud Based office productivity implementations and migrations, and the technologies implemented.

Offeror Certifications. The offeror must complete Attachment Seven, Offeror Certification Form.

Minimum Financial Requirements. If the offeror has audited financial statements, it must provide them for the past three years. If the offeror's most recently completed fiscal year is not yet audited, the previous three years may be acceptable. If the offeror has no audited financial records, it may submit its financial statements for the last three years without an auditor's certification.

Offeror Profile Summary Form. This RFP includes an Offeror Profile Summary Form as Attachment Eight. The offeror must use this form and fill it out completely to provide the required information. All offerors must demonstrate experience to meet the mandatory requirement(s) evaluation criteria by including the offeror mandatory requirement forms provided in this RFP.

The Offeror Profile Summary Form contained in this document has been customized for the applicable offeror requirements. (Refer to Attachment Eight.) Each page of the form may contain minor variations. If an offeror elects to duplicate the form electronically, the offeror must carefully review each page of the form to ensure that it has been copied accurately. Failure to duplicate the form exactly may lead to the rejection of the offeror's Proposal.

Each offeror must meet all the mandatory requirements in the RFP. If an offeror does not meet all the mandatory requirements, the State may reject the offeror's Proposal as non-responsive.

The various sections of the Offeror Profile Summary Forms are described below:

- a) **Mandatory Experience and Qualifications.** The offeror must complete this section to demonstrate that it has the experience needed to meet the RFP's mandatory requirements. (Refer to Attachment Eight.) For each reference, the offeror must provide the following information:
- **Contact Information.** The offeror must provide a client contact name, title, phone number, email address, company name, and mailing address. The offeror also must include the same information for an alternate client contact, in case the State cannot reach the primary contact. Failure to provide this information or providing information that is inaccurate or out of date may result in the State not including the reference in the evaluation process or rejecting the offeror's Proposal. The contact information given must be for a person within the client's organization and not a co-worker or a contact within the offeror's organization, subsidiaries, partnerships, etc.
 - **Project Name.** The offeror must provide the name of the project where it obtained the mandatory experience.
 - **Dates of Experience.** The offeror must complete this area with a beginning month and year and an ending month and year to show the length of time the offeror performed the work, not just the length of time the offeror was engaged by the reference.
 - **Description of the Related Service Provided.** The State will not assume that, since the experience requirement is provided at the top of the page, all descriptions on that page relate to that requirement. The offeror must reiterate the experience being described, including the capacity in which the work was performed and the role of the offeror on the Project. It is the offeror's responsibility to customize the description to clearly substantiate the qualification.
 - **Description of how the related service shows the offeror's experience, capability, and capacity to develop the Deliverables and to achieve this Project's milestones.**

The offeror must list each project experience separately and completely every time it is referenced, regardless of whether it is on the same or different pages of the form.

THE OFFEROR MAY NOT USE THE EXPERIENCE OR QUALIFICATIONS OF A SUBCONTRACTOR TO MEET ANY OF THE ABOVE MANDATORY QUALIFICATIONS OR EXPERIENCE. THESE MUST

BE FULFILLED EXCLUSIVELY THROUGH THE QUALIFICATIONS AND EXPERIENCE OF THE OFFEROR.

Personnel Profile Summaries. Each Proposal must include a profile for each key member of the proposed work team. In general, Key Members of the proposed work team including the proposed Project Manager (the "Project Manager") and other key members of the proposed work team that will have regular interaction with the State or whose role is central to the successful implementation of the State's requirements as proposed by the offeror. This RFP includes Personnel Profile Summary Forms as Attachment Nine, and the offeror must use these forms and fill them out completely for each reference.

The various sections of the forms are described below:

- a) Candidate References. If the offeror provides less than three projects, the offeror must explain why. The State may reject the Proposal if less than three projects are given for a candidate.
- b) Education and Training. The offeror must use this section to list the education and training of the proposed candidate and demonstrate, in detail, the proposed candidate's ability to properly perform under the Contract. The offeror must show how the candidate's education and training relates to the requirements of the RFP.

The offeror must provide candidate resumes for each proposed work team member identified in the offeror's proposal.

MBE Certification. Any offeror seeking to submit a proposal must be certified by the Department of Administrative Services pursuant to ORC 123.151 (MBE) and must provide a copy of their Ohio MBE Certification.

Proposed Services Solution. The offeror must describe in detail how its proposed Project Services Solution meets the work and requirements described in this RFP. The offeror may not simply state that the proposed services will meet or exceed the specified requirements. Instead, the offeror must provide a written narrative that shows that the offeror understands the requirements of this RFP and how the offeror's proposed services meets those requirements.

The offeror's proposed services solution section of the Proposal should include the insertion of the offeror's responses to Supplement One and Supplement Two as noted below:

- Supplement One: is being provided as a Microsoft Word document through the State's procurement website as a convenience for responding to the RFP. The supplement's content must not be modified. If the content is modified, reformatted or omitted, the offeror's response may be disqualified.

The quality and content of the offeror's Project Plan, Microsoft Project schedule and Staffing Plan and Time Commitment information for defined activities and deliverables in Supplement One will be critical aspects of the State's review. The narrative addressing the Project Plan, Project schedule and Staffing Plan and Time Commitment must be consistent and complementary and must be presented in an appropriate level of detail. This area of the offeror's proposal must clearly demonstrate that the offeror will be prepared to quickly undertake and successfully complete the required tasks, services and Deliverables.

The offeror's response to Supplement One must be inserted in this section of the offeror's Proposal response.

- Supplement Two: Security and Privacy is being provided as a Microsoft Word document through the State's procurement website as a convenience for responding to the RFP. The supplement's content must not be modified. If the content is modified, reformatted or omitted, the offeror's response may be disqualified.

The quality and content of the offeror's response to Supplement Two must demonstrate the rigor applied to adherence to State Security and Privacy requirements. Additionally, the offeror's agreement and understanding of Supplement Two will be a factor in the State's review.

The offeror's response to Supplement Two must be inserted in this section of the offeror's Proposal response.

Staffing Plan and Time Commitment. The quality of the offeror's proposed Project team to deliver the proposed services as defined and required in Supplement One and Supplement Two including the quality of the offeror's proposed Project team, ongoing Project delivery capacity, and time commitment of the team members will impact the success of the Project. Therefore, each team member's experience, education, and skills will be considered for evaluation purposes.

The offeror must provide a staffing plan that identifies all the personnel by position that the offeror proposes and that are required to do the Project. The staffing plan must show each individual's responsibilities on the Project. The State also requires a staffing plan that matches the proposed Project key personnel and qualifications to the activities and tasks that will be completed on the Project. In addition, the plan must have the following information:

- A matrix matching each team member to the staffing requirements (including years of experience) in this RFP;
- An organizational chart including any subcontractors and key management and administrative personnel assigned to the project;
- A contingency plan that shows the ability to add more staff if needed to ensure meeting the Project's due date(s);
- The number of people onsite at the State location at any given time to allow the State to plan for the appropriate workspace.

In addition, the offeror must submit a statement and a chart that clearly indicate the time commitment of the proposed Project Manager and the offeror's proposed key team members for this Project during each phase of the IT Optimization End-Point Computing Services activities and tasks. The offeror also must include a statement indicating to what extent, if any, the Project Manager may work on other projects during the term of the Contract. The State may reject any Proposal that commits the proposed Project Manager or any proposed key Project personnel to other projects during the term of the Project, if the State believes that any such commitment may be detrimental to the offeror's performance.

Assumptions. The offeror must list all the assumptions the offeror made in preparing the Proposal. If any assumption is unacceptable to the State, the State may reject the Proposal. **No assumptions may be included regarding negotiation, terms and conditions, or requirements.**

Project Plan. The State encourages responses that demonstrate a thorough understanding of the nature of the Project and what the Contractor must do to get the Project done properly. To this end, the offeror must submit a Project Plan (using Microsoft Project) that the offeror will use to create a consistent and coherent management plan for the Project. The Project Plan must include detail sufficient to give the State an understanding of how the offeror's knowledge and approach will:

- Manage the Project;
- Guide Project execution;
- Document planning assumptions and decisions;
- Facilitate communication among stakeholders;
- Define key management review as to content, scope, and schedule; and
- Provide a baseline for progress measurement and Project control.

At a minimum, the offeror's Project Plan must include the following:

- Description of the Project management approach;
- Scope statement that includes the Project objectives and the Project Deliverables and milestones;
- Detailed Project schedule for all Project Deliverables and milestones. The offeror must provide the Project schedule as a Microsoft Project Gantt chart, showing all major Project tasks on a week-by-week schedule to serve as the basis for managing the Project. The schedule must clearly demonstrate how the Project will become fully operational by the delivery date. The offeror must give dates for when all Deliverables and milestones will be completed and start and finish dates for tasks. The offeror also must identify and describe all risk factors associated with the forecasted milestone schedule;
- Who is assigned responsibility for each Deliverable within the work breakdown structure to the level at which control will be exercised;
- Performance measurement baselines for technical scope and schedule;
- Major milestones and target date(s) for each milestone that are consistent with this RFP's dates;
- Required State staff and their expected effort;
- High-level subsidiary Project management plans:
 - Scope and Schedule management,
 - Cost management, and
 - Quality management.

Support Requirements. The offeror must describe the support it wants from the State other than what the State has offered in this RFP. Specifically, the offeror must address the following:

- Nature and extent of State support required in terms of staff roles, percentage of time available, and so on;
- Assistance from State staff and the experience and qualification levels required; and
- Other support requirements.

The State may not be able or willing to provide the additional support the offeror lists in this part of its Proposal. The offeror therefore must indicate whether its request for additional support is a requirement for its performance. If any part of the list is a requirement, the State may reject the offeror's Proposal, if the State is unwilling or unable to meet the requirements.

Conflict of Interest Statement. Each Proposal must include a statement indicating whether the offeror or any people that may work on or benefit from the Project through the offeror have a possible conflict of interest (e.g., employed by the State of Ohio, etc.) and, if so, the nature of that conflict. The State may reject a Proposal in which an actual or apparent conflict is disclosed. The State also may terminate the Contract if it discovers any actual or apparent conflict of interest that the offeror did not disclose in its Proposal.

Proof of Insurance. The offeror must provide the certificate of insurance in the form that Attachment Four requires. The policy may be written on an occurrence or claims made basis.

Payment Address. The offeror must give the address to which the State should send payments under the Contract.

Legal Notice Address. The offeror must give the name, title, and address to which the State should send legal notices under the Contract.

W-9 Form. The offeror must complete and submit at least one originally signed W-9 form in its entirety. All other copies of a Proposal may contain copies of the W-9. The offeror must indicate on the outside of the binder which Proposal contains the originally signed W-9. A current version of the Internal Revenue's W-9 form is available at <http://obm.ohio.gov/MiscPages/Forms/default.aspx> in the Vendor Forms section.

Independent Contractor Acknowledgement Form. Unless the offeror is a “business entity” as that term is defined in ORC. 145.037 (“an entity with five or more employees that is a corporation, association, firm, limited liability company, partnership, sole proprietorship, or other entity engaged in business”), the offeror must complete and submit an originally signed Independent Contractor Acknowledgement form in its entirety. All other copies of a Proposal may contain copies of the Independent Contractor Acknowledgement form. The offeror must indicate on the outside of the binder which Proposal contains the originally signed Independent Contractor Acknowledgement form. A current version of the Independent Contractor Acknowledgement form is available at <https://www.opers.org/forms-archive/PEDACKN.pdf#zoom=80> .

Standard Affirmation and Disclosure Form (EO 2011-12K). The offeror must complete and sign the Affirmation and Disclosure Form (Attachment Ten) as part of its Proposal.

Affirmative Action. Before a contract can be awarded or renewed, an Affirmative Action Program Verification Form must be completed using:
<http://das.ohio.gov/Divisions/EqualOpportunity/AffirmativeActionProgramVerification/tabid/133/Default.aspx> .

Approved Affirmative Action Plans can be found by going to the Equal Opportunity Department’s Web site: <http://eodreporting.oit.ohio.gov/searchAffirmativeAction.aspx> .

Copies of approved Affirmative Action plans must be supplied by the offeror as part of its Proposal or inclusion of an attestation to the fact that the offeror has completed the process and is pending approval by the EOD office.

Acceptance of Attachment Two: Special Provisions. Offerors must include the entire content of Attachment Two as a single section in their proposal. The offerors must include a statement at the beginning of the section indicating that the offeror has read, understands and agrees to the Special Provisions contained in Attachment Two. The State may reject any Proposal if the offeror takes exception to special provisions of this RFP.

In addition, the attachment’s content must not be modified. If the content is modified, reformatted or omitted, the offeror’s response may be disqualified.

Acceptance of Attachment Four: General Terms and Conditions. Offerors must include the entire content of Attachment Four as a single section in their proposal. The offerors must include a statement at the beginning of the section indicating that the offeror has read, understands and agrees to the General Terms and Conditions contained in Attachment Four. The State may reject any Proposal if the offeror takes exception to the terms and conditions of this RFP.

In addition, the attachment’s content must not be modified. If the content is modified, reformatted or omitted, the offeror’s response may be disqualified.

Cost Proposal. This RFP includes an Cost Proposal Form in Microsoft Excel® as Attachment Eleven. Offerors may not reformat this form. Each offeror must complete the Cost Proposal Form in the exact format provided, since the State may reject any Proposal with a reformatted Cost Proposal Form or that is not separately sealed. (See: Part Three: General Instructions, Proposal Submittal.)

The Cost Proposal Form must not include exceptions, additional terms and conditions, or assumptions.

The offeror’s total cost for the entire Project must be represented as the not-to-exceed fixed price.

The State will not be liable for or pay any Project costs that the offeror does not identify in its Proposal.

ATTACHMENT FOUR: GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS

PART ONE: PERFORMANCE AND PAYMENT

Statement of Work. The selected offeror's Proposal and the State's Request for Proposal (collectively, the "RFP Documents") are a part of this Contract and describe the work (the "Project") the Contractor must do and any materials the Contractor must deliver (the "Deliverables") under this Contract. The Contractor must do the Project in a professional, timely, and efficient manner and must provide the Deliverables in a proper fashion. The Contractor also must furnish its own support staff necessary for the satisfactory performance of the Project.

The Contractor must consult with the appropriate State representatives and others necessary to ensure a thorough understanding of the Project and satisfactory performance. The State may give instructions to or make requests of the Contractor relating to the Project, and the Contractor must comply with those instructions and fulfill those requests in a timely and professional manner. Those instructions and requests will be for the sole purpose of ensuring satisfactory completion of the Project and will not amend or alter the scope of the Project.

Term. Unless this Contract is terminated or expires without renewal, it will remain in effect until the Project is completed to the satisfaction of the State, including all optional renewal periods for maintenance or continuing commitments, and the Contractor is paid. However, the current General Assembly cannot commit a future General Assembly to an expenditure. Therefore, this Contract will automatically expire at the end of each biennium, the first of which is June 30, 2015. The State may renew this Contract in the next biennium by issuing written notice to the Contractor of the decision to do so. This expiration and renewal procedure also will apply to the end of any subsequent biennium during which the Project continues, including any optional renewal periods. Termination or expiration of this Contract will not limit the Contractor's continuing obligations with respect to Deliverables that the State paid for before or after termination or limit the State's rights in such.

The State's funds are contingent upon the availability of lawful appropriations by the Ohio General Assembly. If the General Assembly fails to continue funding for the payments and other obligations due as part of this Contract, the State's obligations under this Contract will terminate as of the date that the funding expires without further obligation of the State.

The Project has a completion date that is identified in the RFP Documents. The RFP Documents also may have several dates for the delivery of Deliverables or reaching certain milestones in the Project. The Contractor must make those deliveries, meet those milestones, and complete the Project within the times the RFP Documents require. If the Contractor does not meet those dates, the Contractor will be in default, and the State may terminate this Contract under the termination provision contained below.

The State also may have certain obligations to meet. Those obligations, if any, are also listed in the RFP Documents. If the State agrees that the Contractor's failure to meet the delivery, milestone, or completion dates in the RFP Documents is due to the State's failure to meet its own obligations in a timely fashion, then the Contractor will not be in default, and the delivery, milestone, and completion dates affected by the State's failure to perform will be extended by the same amount of time as the State's delay. The Contractor may not rely on this provision unless the Contractor has in good faith exerted reasonable management skill to avoid an extension and has given the State meaningful written notice of the State's failure to meet its obligations within five business days of the Contractor's realization that the State's delay may impact the Project. The Contractor must deliver any such notice to both the Project Representative and Procurement Representative and title the notice as a "Notice of State Delay." The notice must identify any delay in detail, as well as the impact the delay has or will have on the Project. Unless the State decides, in its sole and exclusive judgment, that an equitable adjustment in the Contractor's Fee is warranted in the case of an extended delay, an extension of the Contractor's time to perform will be the Contractor's exclusive remedy for the State's delay. Should the State determine that an equitable adjustment in the Contractor's Fee is warranted, the equitable adjustment will be handled as

a Change Order under the Changes Section of this Contract, and the extension of time and equitable adjustment will be the exclusive remedies of the Contractor for the State's delay.

The State seeks a complete Project, and the Contractor must provide any incidental items omitted in the RFP Documents as part of the Contractor's not-to-exceed fixed price. The Contractor also must fully identify, describe, and document all systems that are delivered as a part of the Project. Unless expressly excluded elsewhere in the RFP, all hardware, software, supplies, and other required components (such as documentation, conversion, training, and maintenance) necessary for the Project to be complete and useful to the State are included in the Project and the not-to-exceed fixed price.

Compensation. In consideration of the Contractor's promises and satisfactory performance, the State will pay the Contractor the amount(s) identified in the RFP Documents (the "Fee"), plus any other expenses identified as reimbursable in the RFP Documents. In no event, however, will payments under this Contract exceed the "total not-to-exceed" amount in the RFP Documents without the prior written approval of the State and, when required, the Ohio Controlling Board and any other source of funding. The Contractor's right to the Fee is contingent on the complete and satisfactory performance of the Project or, in the case of milestone payments or periodic payments of an hourly, daily, weekly, monthly, or annual rate, all relevant parts of the Project tied to the applicable milestone or period. Payment of the Fee also is contingent on the Contractor delivering a proper invoice and any other documents the RFP Documents require. An invoice must comply with the State's then current policies regarding invoices and their submission. The State will notify the Contractor in writing within 15 business days after it receives a defective invoice of any defect and provide the information necessary to correct the defect.

The Contractor must send all invoices under this Contract to the "bill to" address in the RFP Documents or in the applicable purchase order.

The State will pay the Contractor interest on any late payment, as provided in Section 126.30 of the Ohio Revised Code (the "Revised Code"). If the State disputes a payment for anything covered by an invoice, within 15 business days after receipt of that invoice, the State will notify the Contractor, in writing, stating the grounds for the dispute. The State then may deduct the disputed amount from its payment as a nonexclusive remedy. If the Contractor has committed a material breach, in the sole opinion of the State, the State also may withhold payment otherwise due to the Contractor. Both parties will attempt to resolve any claims of material breach or payment disputes through discussions among the Project Manager, the Contractor's Project executive, the Project Representative, and the State Contract Management Administrator. The State will consult with the Contractor as early as reasonably possible about the nature of the claim or dispute and the amount of payment affected. When the Contractor has resolved the matter to the State's satisfaction, the State will pay the disputed amount within 30 business days after the matter is resolved. The State has no obligation to make any disputed payments until the matter is resolved, and the Contractor must continue its performance under this Contract pending resolution of the dispute or claim.

If the State has already paid the Contractor on an invoice but later disputes the amount covered by the invoice, and if the Contractor fails to correct the problem within 30 calendar days after written notice, the Contractor must reimburse the State for that amount at the end of the 30 calendar days as a nonexclusive remedy for the State. On written request from the Contractor, the State will provide reasonable assistance in determining the nature of the problem by giving the Contractor reasonable access to the State's facilities and any information the State has regarding the problem.

If the RFP Documents provide for any retainage, the State will withhold from each invoice paid the percentage specified in the RFP Documents as retainage. The State will pay the retainage only after the State has accepted the Project, and then only in accordance with the payment schedule specified in the RFP Documents. The State will withhold all amounts under this section arising from claims or disputes in addition to any retainage specified in the RFP Documents.

Reimbursable Expenses. The State will pay all reimbursable expenses identified in the RFP Documents, if any, in accordance with the terms in the RFP Documents and, where applicable, Section

126.31 of the Revised Code. The Contractor must assume all expenses that it incurs in the performance of this Contract that are not identified as reimbursable in the RFP Documents.

In making any reimbursable expenditure, the Contractor always must comply with the more restrictive of its own, then current internal policies for making such expenditures or the State's then current policies. All reimbursable travel will require the advance written approval of the State's Project Representative. The Contractor must bill all reimbursable expenses monthly, and the State will reimburse the Contractor for them within 30 business days of receiving the Contractor's invoice.

Right of Offset. The State may set off the amount of any Ohio tax liability or other obligation of the Contractor or its subsidiaries to the State, including any amounts the Contractor owes to the State under this or other contracts, against any payments due from the State to the Contractor under this or any other contracts with the State.

Certification of Funds. None of the rights, duties, or obligations in this Contract will be binding on the State, and the Contractor will not begin its performance until all the following conditions have been met:

- (a) All statutory provisions under the Revised Code, including Section 126.07, have been met;
- (b) All necessary funds are made available by the appropriate State entities;
- (c) If required, the Controlling Board of Ohio approves this Contract; and
- (d) If the State is relying on federal or third-party funds for this Contract, the State gives the Contractor written notice that such funds are available.

Employment Taxes. All people furnished by the Contractor (the "Contractor Personnel") are employees or subcontractors of the Contractor, and none are or will be deemed employees or contractors of the State. No Contractor Personnel will be entitled to participate in, claim benefits under, or become an "eligible employee" for purposes of any employee benefit plan of the State by reason of any work done under this Contract. The Contractor will pay all federal, state, local, and other applicable payroll taxes and make the required contributions, withholdings, and deductions imposed or assessed under any provision of any law and measured by wages, salaries, or other remuneration paid by or which may be due from the Contractor to the Contractor Personnel. The Contractor will indemnify, defend (with the consent and approval of the Ohio Attorney General), and hold the State harmless from and against all claims, losses, liability, demands, fines, and expense (including court costs, defense costs, and redeemable attorney fees) arising out of or relating to such taxes, withholdings, deductions, and contributions with respect to the Contractor Personnel. The Contractor's indemnity and defense obligations also apply to any claim or assertion of tax liability made by or on behalf of any Contractor Personnel or governmental agency on the basis that any Contractor Personnel are employees or contractors of the State, that the State is the "joint employer" or "co-employer" of any Contractor Personnel, or that any Contractor Personnel are entitled to any employee benefit offered only to eligible regular fulltime or regular part-time employees of the State.

Sales, Use, Excise, and Property Taxes. The State is exempt from any sales, use, excise, and property tax. To the extent sales, use, excise, or any similar tax is imposed on the Contractor in connection with the Project, such will be the sole and exclusive responsibility of the Contractor. Further, the Contractor will pay such taxes, together with any interest and penalties not disputed with the appropriate taxing authority, whether they are imposed at the time the services are rendered or a later time.

PART TWO: PROJECT AND CONTRACT ADMINISTRATION

Related Contracts. The Contractor warrants that the Contractor has not and will not enter into any contracts without written approval of the State to perform substantially identical services for the State, such that the Project duplicates the work done or to be done under the other contracts.

Other Contractors. The State may hold other contracts for additional or related work, including among others independent verification and validation (IV&V) work for this Project. The Contractor must fully cooperate with all other contractors and State employees and coordinate its work with such other contractors and State employees as may be required for the smooth and efficient operation of all related or additional work. The Contractor may not act in any way that may unreasonably interfere with the work of any other contractors or the State's employees. Further, the Contractor must fully cooperate with any IV&V contractor assigned to this Project. Such cooperation includes expeditiously providing the IV&V contractor with full and complete access to all Project work product, records, materials, personnel, meetings, and correspondence as the IV&V contractor may request. If the State assigns an IV&V contractor to the Project, the State will obligate the IV&V contractor to a confidentiality provision similar to the Confidentiality Section contained in this Contract. Additionally, the Contractor must include the obligations of this provision in all its contracts with its subcontractors that work on this Project.

Subcontracting. The Contractor may not enter into subcontracts related to the Project after award without written approval from the State. Nevertheless, the Contractor will not need the State's written approval to subcontract for the purchase of commercial goods that are required for satisfactory completion of the Project. All subcontracts will be at the sole expense of the Contractor unless expressly stated otherwise in the RFP Documents.

The State's approval of the use of subcontractors does not mean that the State will pay for them. The Contractor will be solely responsible for payment of its subcontractor and any claims of subcontractors for any failure of the Contractor or any of its other subcontractors to meet the performance schedule or performance specifications for the Project in a timely and professional manner. The Contractor must hold the State harmless for and must indemnify the State against any such claims.

The Contractor assumes responsibility for all Deliverables whether it, a subcontractor, or third-party manufacturer produces them in whole or in part. Further, the Contractor will be the sole point of contact with regard to contractual matters, including payment of all charges resulting from the Contract. Further, the Contractor will be fully responsible for any default by a subcontractor, just as if the Contractor itself had defaulted.

If the Contractor uses any subcontractors, each subcontractor must have a written agreement with the Contractor. That written agreement must incorporate this Contract by reference. The agreement also must pass through to the subcontractor all provisions of this Contract that would be fully effective only if they bind both the subcontractor and the Contractor. Among such provisions are the limitations on the Contractor's remedies, the insurance requirements, record keeping obligations, and audit rights. Some sections of this Contract may limit the need to pass through their requirements to subcontracts to avoid placing cumbersome obligations on minor subcontractors. This exception is applicable only to sections that expressly provide an exclusion for small-dollar subcontracts. Should the Contractor fail to pass through any provisions of this Contract to one of its subcontractors and the failure damages the State in any way, the Contractor must indemnify the State for the damage.

Record Keeping. The Contractor must keep all financial records in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles consistently applied. The Contractor also must file documentation to support each action under this Contract in a manner allowing the documentation to be readily located. Additionally, the Contractor must keep all Project-related records and documents at its principal place of business or at its office where the work was performed.

Audits. During the term of this Contract and for three years after the payment of the Contractor's Fee, on reasonable notice, and during customary business hours, the State may audit the Contractor's records

and other materials that relate to the Project. This audit right also applies to the State's duly authorized representatives and any person or organization providing financial support for the Project.

Insurance. The Contractor must provide the following insurance coverage at its own expense throughout the term of this Contract:

- (a) Workers' compensation insurance, as required by Ohio law, and, if some of the Project will be done outside Ohio, the laws of the appropriate state(s) where work on the Project will be done. The Contractor also must maintain employer's liability insurance with at least a \$1,000,000.00 limit.
- (b) Commercial General Liability insurance coverage for bodily injury, personal injury, wrongful death, and property damage. The defense cost must be outside of the policy limits. Such policy must designate the State of Ohio as an additional insured, as its interest may appear. The policy also must be endorsed to include a blanket waiver of subrogation. At a minimum, the limits of the insurance must be:

- \$ 2,000,000 General Aggregate
- \$ 2,000,000 Products/Completed Operations Aggregate
- \$ 1,000,000 Per Occurrence Limit
- \$ 1,000,000 Personal and Advertising Injury Limit
- \$ 100,000 Fire Legal Liability
- \$ 10,000 Medical Payments

The policy must be endorsed to provide the State with 30-days prior written notice of cancellation or material change to the policy. And the Contractor's Commercial General Liability must be primary over any other insurance coverage.

- (c) Commercial Automobile Liability insurance with a combined single limit of \$500,000.
- (d) Professional Liability insurance covering all staff with a minimum limit of \$1,000,000 per incident and \$3,000,000 aggregate. If the Contractor's policy is written on a "claims made" basis, the Contractor must provide the State with proof of continuous coverage at the time the policy is renewed. If for any reason the policy expires, or coverage is terminated, the Contractor must purchase and maintain "tail" coverage through the applicable statute of limitations.

The certificate(s) must be in a form that is reasonably satisfactory to the State as to the contents of the policies and the quality of the insurance carriers. All carriers must have at least an "A-" rating by A.M. Best.

Replacement Personnel. If the RFP Documents contain the names of specific people who will work on the Project, then the quality and professional credentials of those people were material factors in the State's decision to enter into this Contract. Therefore, the Contractor must use all commercially reasonable efforts to ensure the continued availability of those people. Also, the Contractor may not remove those people from the Project without the prior written consent of the State, except as provided below.

The Contractor may remove a person listed in the RFP Documents from the Project, if doing so is necessary for legal or disciplinary reasons. However, the Contractor must make a reasonable effort to give the State 30 calendar days' prior, written notice of the removal.

If the Contractor removes a person listed in the RFP Documents from the Project for any reason other than those specified above, the State may assess liquidated damages in the amount of \$1,500.00 for every day between the date on which the individual was removed and the date that this Contract is

terminated or the individual's qualified replacement, selected in accordance with the process identified in this section, starts performing on the Project. The State also may provide the Contractor with written notice of its default under this section, which the Contractor must cure within 30 days. Should the Contractor fail to cure its default within the 30 day cure period, this Contract will terminate immediately for cause, and the State will be entitled to damages in accordance with the Suspension and Termination Section of this Contract due to the termination. Should the State assess liquidated damages or otherwise be entitled to damages under this provision, it may offset these damages from any Fees due under this Contract.

The Contractor must have qualified replacement people available to replace any people listed in the RFP Documents by name or identified as a key individual on the Project. When the removal of a listed person is permitted under this Section, or if a person becomes unavailable, the Contractor must submit the resumes for two replacement people to the State for each person removed or who otherwise becomes unavailable. The Contractor must submit the two resumes, along with such other information as the State may reasonably request, within five business days after the decision to remove a person is made or the unavailability of a listed person becomes known to the Contractor.

The State will select one of the two proposed replacements or will reject both of them within ten business days after the Contractor has submitted the proposed replacements to the State. The State may reject the proposed replacements for any legal reason. Should the State reject both replacement candidates due to their failure to meet the minimum qualifications identified in the RFP Documents, or should the Contractor fail to provide the notice required under this Section or fail to provide two qualified replacement candidates for each removed or unavailable person, the Contractor will be in default and the cure period for default specified elsewhere in this Contract will not apply. In any such case, the State will have the following options:

- (a) The State may assess liquidated damages in the amount of \$1,500.00 for every day between the date on which the Contractor failed to provide the applicable notice, failed to provide the two replacement candidates, or the date the State rejected all candidates for cause and the date on which the Contractor affects a cure or the Contract expires without renewal or is terminated.
- (b) The State may terminate this Contract immediately for cause and without any cure period.

Should the State exercise its option under item (a) above, it nevertheless will be entitled anytime thereafter to exercise its option under item (b) above. Additionally, should the State terminate this Contract under this provision, it will be entitled to damages in accordance with the Suspension and Termination Section of this Contract due to the termination. Should the State assess liquidated damages or otherwise be entitled to damages under this provision, it may offset these damages from any Fees due under this Contract.

The State may determine that the proposed replacement candidates meet the minimum qualifications of this Contract and still substantially reduce the value the State perceived it would receive through the effort of the original individual(s) the Contractor proposed and on whose credentials the State decided to enter into this Contract. Therefore, the State will have the right to reject any candidate that the State determines may provide it with diminished value.

Should the State reject both proposed candidates for any legal reason other than their failure to meet the minimum qualifications identified in the RFP Documents, the State may terminate this Contract for its convenience.

The State has an interest in providing a healthy and safe environment for its employees and guests at its facilities. The State also has an interest in ensuring that its operations are carried out in an efficient, professional, legal, and secure manner. Therefore, the State will have the right to require the Contractor to remove any individual involved in the Project, if the State determines that any such individual has or may interfere with the State's interests identified above. In such a case, the request for removal will be treated as a case in which an individual providing services under this Contract has become unavailable,

and the Contractor must follow the procedures identified above for replacing unavailable people. This provision also applies to people that the Contractor's subcontractors engage, if they are listed by name or as a key person in the RFP Documents.

Suspension and Termination. The State may terminate this Contract for cause if the Contractor defaults in meeting its obligations under this Contract and fails to cure its default within the time allowed by this Contract, or if a petition in bankruptcy (or similar proceeding) has been filed by or against the Contractor. The State also may terminate this Contract if the Contractor violates any law or regulation in doing the Project, or if it appears to the State that the Contractor's performance is substantially endangered through no fault of the State. In any such case, the termination will be for cause, and the State's rights and remedies will be those identified below for termination for cause.

On written notice, the Contractor will have 30 calendar days to cure any breach of its obligations under this Contract, provided the breach is curable. If the Contractor fails to cure the breach within 30 calendar days after written notice, or if the breach is not one that is curable, the State will have the right to terminate this Contract immediately on notice to the Contractor. The State also may terminate this Contract in the case of breaches that are cured within 30 calendar days but are persistent. "Persistent" in this context means that the State has notified the Contractor in writing of the Contractor's failure to meet any of its obligations three times. After the third notice, the State may terminate this Contract on written notice to the Contractor without a cure period if the Contractor again fails to meet any obligation. The three notices do not have to relate to the same obligation or type of failure. Some provisions of this Contract may provide for a shorter cure period than 30 calendar days or for no cure period at all, and those provisions will prevail over this one. If a particular section does not state what the cure period will be, this provision will govern.

The State also may terminate this Contract for its convenience and without cause or if the Ohio General Assembly fails to appropriate funds for any part of the Project. If a third party is providing funding for the Project, the State also may terminate this Contract should that third party fail to release any Project funds. The RFP Documents normally identify any third party source of funds for the Project, but an absence of such in the RFP Documents will not diminish the State's rights under this section.

The notice of termination, whether for cause or without cause, will be effective as soon as the Contractor receives it. Upon receipt of the notice of termination, the Contractor must immediately cease all work on the Project and take all steps necessary to minimize any costs the Contractor will incur related to this Contract. The Contractor also must immediately prepare a report and deliver it to the State. The report must be all-inclusive and must detail the work completed at the date of termination, the percentage of the Project's completion, any costs incurred in doing the Project to that date, and any Deliverables completed or partially completed but not delivered to the State at the time of termination. The Contractor also must deliver all the completed and partially completed Deliverables to the State with its report. However, if the State determines that delivery in that manner would not be in its interest, then the State will designate a suitable alternative form of delivery, which the Contractor must honor.

If the State terminates this Contract for cause, it will be entitled to cover for the Project by using another Contractor on such commercially reasonable terms as the State and the covering contractor may agree. The Contractor will be liable to the State for all costs related to covering for the Project to the extent that such costs, when combined with payments already made to the Contractor for the Project before termination, exceed the costs that the State would have incurred under this Contract. The Contractor also will be liable for any other direct damages resulting from its breach of this Contract or other action leading to termination for cause.

If the termination is for the convenience of the State, the Contractor will be entitled to compensation for any work on the Project that the Contractor has performed before the termination. Such compensation will be the Contractor's exclusive remedy in the case of termination for convenience and will be available to the Contractor only once the Contractor has submitted a proper invoice for such, with the invoice reflecting the amount that the State determines it owes to the Contractor. The State will make that

determination based on the lesser of the percentage of the Project completed or the hours of work performed in relation to the estimated total hours required to perform the entire Project.

The State will have the option of suspending rather than terminating the Project, if the State believes that doing so would better serve its interests. In the event of a suspension for the convenience of the State, the Contractor will be entitled to receive payment for the work performed before the suspension. In the case of suspension of the Project rather than termination for cause, the Contractor will not be entitled to any compensation for any work performed. If the State reinstates the Project after suspension for cause, rather than terminating this Contract after the suspension, the Contractor may be entitled to compensation for work performed before the suspension, less any damage to the State resulting from the Contractor's breach of this Contract or other fault. Any amount due for work before or after the suspension for cause will be offset by any damage to the State from the default or other event giving rise to the suspension.

In the case of a suspension for the State's convenience, the State will calculate the amount of compensation due to the Contractor for work performed before the suspension in the same manner as provided in this section for termination for the State's convenience. The Contractor will not be entitled to compensation for any other costs associated with a suspension for the State's convenience, and the State will make no payment under this provision to the Contractor until the Contractor submits a proper invoice. If the State decides to allow the work to continue rather than terminating this Contract after the suspension, the State will not be required to make any payment to the Contractor other than those payments specified in this Contract and in accordance with the payment schedule specified in this Contract for properly completed work.

Any notice of suspension, whether with or without cause, will be effective immediately on the Contractor's receipt of the notice. The Contractor will prepare a report concerning the Project just as is required by this Section in the case of termination. After suspension of the Project, the Contractor may not perform any work without the consent of the State and may resume work only on written notice from the State to do so. In any case of suspension, the State retains its right to terminate this Contract rather than to continue the suspension or resume the Project. If the suspension is for the convenience of the State, then termination of the Contract will be a termination for convenience. If the suspension is with cause, the termination will also be for cause.

The State may not suspend the Project for its convenience more than twice during the term of this Contract, and any suspension for the State's convenience may not continue for more than 30 calendar days. If the Contractor does not receive notice to resume or terminate the Project within the 30-day suspension, then this Contract will terminate automatically for the State's convenience at the end of the 30 calendar day period.

Any default by the Contractor or one of its subcontractors will be treated as a default by the Contractor and all of its subcontractors. The Contractor will be solely responsible for satisfying any claims of its subcontractors for any suspension or termination and must indemnify the State for any liability to them. Notwithstanding the foregoing, each subcontractor must hold the State harmless for any damage caused to them from a suspension or termination. They must look solely to the Contractor for any compensation to which they may be entitled.

Representatives. The State's representative under this Contract will be the person identified in the RFP Documents or in a subsequent notice to the Contractor as the "Project Representative." The Project Representative will review all reports the Contractor makes in the performance of the Project, will conduct all liaison with the Contractor, and will accept or reject the Deliverables and the completed Project. The Project Representative may delegate his responsibilities for individual aspects of the Project to one or more managers, who may act as the Project Representative for those individual portions of the Project.

The Contractor's Project Manager under this Contract will be the person identified on the RFP Documents as the "Project Manager." The Project Manager will be the Contractor's liaison with the State under this Contract. The Project Manager also will conduct all Project meetings and prepare and submit to the

Project Representative all reports, plans, and other materials that the RFP Documents require from the Contractor.

Either party, upon written notice to the other party, may designate another representative. However, the Contractor may not replace the Project Manager without the approval of the State if that person is identified in the RFP Documents by name or as a key individual on the Project.

Work Responsibilities. The State will be responsible for providing only those things, if any, expressly identified in the RFP Documents. If the State has agreed to provide facilities or equipment, the Contractor, by signing this Contract, warrants that the Contractor has either inspected the facilities and equipment or has voluntarily waived an inspection and will work with the equipment and facilities on an "as is" basis.

The Contractor must assume the lead in the areas of management, design, and development of the Project. The Contractor must coordinate the successful execution of the Project and direct all Project activities on a day-to-day basis, with the advice and consent of the Project Representative. The Contractor will be responsible for all communications regarding the progress of the Project and will discuss with the Project Representative any issues, recommendations, and decisions related to the Project.

If any part of the Project requires installation on the State's property, the State will provide the Contractor with reasonable access to the installation site for the installation and any site preparation that is needed. After the installation is complete, the Contractor must complete an installation letter and secure the signature of the Project Representative certifying that installation is complete and the Project, or applicable portion of it, is operational. The letter must describe the nature, date, and location of the installation, as well as the date the Project Representative certified the installation as complete and operational.

Unless otherwise provided in the RFP Documents, the Contractor is solely responsible for obtaining all official permits, approvals, licenses, certifications, and similar authorizations required by any local, state, or federal agency for the Project and maintaining them throughout the duration of this Contract.

Changes. The State may make reasonable changes within the general scope of the Project. The State will do so by issuing a written order under this Contract describing the nature of the change ("Change Order"). Additionally, if the State provides directions or makes requests of the Contractor without a change order, and the Contractor reasonably believes the directions or requests are outside the specifications for the Project, the Contractor may request a Change Order from the State. The parties will handle such changes as follows: The Contractor will provide pricing to the State. The State will execute a Change Order once it and the Contractor have agreed on the description of and specifications for the change, as well as any equitable adjustments that need to be made in the Contractor's Fee or the performance schedule for the work. Then within five business days after receiving the Change Order, the Contractor must sign it to signify agreement with it.

If a change causes an increase in the cost of, or the time required for, the performance of the Project, the Contractor must notify the State in writing and request an equitable adjustment in its Fee, the delivery schedule, or both before the Contractor signs the Change Order. If the Contractor claims an adjustment under this section in connection with a change to the Project not described in a written Change Order, the Contractor must notify the State in writing of the claim within five business days after the Contractor is notified of the change and before work on the change begins. Otherwise, the Contractor will have waived the claim. In no event will the State be responsible for any increase in the Fee or revision in any delivery schedule unless the State expressly ordered the relevant change in writing and the Contractor has complied with the requirements of this section. Provided the State has complied with the procedure for Change Orders in this section, nothing in this clause will excuse the Contractor from proceeding with performance of the Project, as changed.

Where an equitable adjustment to the Contractor's Fee is appropriate, the State and the Contractor may agree upon such an adjustment. If the State and the Contractor are unable to agree, either party may submit the dispute to the senior management of the Contractor and the senior management of the State's Department of Administrative Services for resolution. If within 30 calendar days following referral to senior management, the claim or dispute has not been resolved, the Contractor must submit its actual costs for materials needed for the change (or estimated amount if the precise amount of materials cannot be determined) and an estimate of the hours of labor required to do the work under the Change Order. The Contractor must break down the hours of labor by employee position, and provide the actual hourly pay rate for each employee involved in the change. The total amount of the equitable adjustment for the Change Order then will be made based on the actual cost of materials (or estimated materials) and actual rate for each person doing the labor (based on the estimated hours of work required to do the change). Labor rates will be increased by 25% to cover benefits and taxes. The equitable adjustment for the Change Order then will be set based on this amount, plus 15% to cover overhead and profit. This amount will be the not-to-exceed amount of the Change Order. If the change involves removing a requirement from the Project or replacing one part of the Project with the change, the State will get a credit for the work no longer required under the original scope of the Project. The credit will be calculated in the same manner as the Contractor's Fee for the change, and the not-to-exceed amount will be reduced by this credit.

The Contractor is responsible for coordinating changes with its subcontractors and adjusting their compensation and performance schedule. The State will not pay any subcontractor for the Change Order. If a subcontractor will perform any work under a Change Order, that work must be included in the Contractor's not-to-exceed amount and calculated in the same manner as the Contractor's equitable adjustment for the portion of the work the Contractor will perform. The Contractor will not receive an overhead percentage for any work a subcontractor will do under a Change Order.

If the RFP Documents provide for the retainage of a portion of the Contractor's Fee, all equitable adjustments for Change Orders also will be subject to the same retainage, which the State will pay only on completion and acceptance of the Project, as provided in the RFP Documents.

Excusable Delay. Neither party will be liable for any delay in its performance that arises from causes beyond its control and without its negligence or fault. The delayed party must notify the other promptly of any material delay in performance and must specify in writing the proposed revised performance date as soon as practicable after notice of delay. In the event of any such excusable delay, the date of performance or of delivery will be extended for a period equal to the time lost by reason of the excusable delay. The delayed party also must describe the cause of the delay and what steps it is taking to remove the cause. The delayed party may not rely on a claim of excusable delay to avoid liability for a delay if the delayed party has not taken commercially reasonable steps to mitigate or avoid the delay. Things that are controllable by the Contractor's subcontractors will be considered controllable by the Contractor, except for third-party manufacturers supplying commercial items and over whom the Contractor has no legal control.

Independent Contractor Acknowledgement. It is fully understood and agreed that Contractor is an independent contractor and is not an agent, servant, or employee of the State of Ohio or the Ohio Department of Administrative Services. Contractor declares that it is engaged as an independent business and has complied with all applicable federal, state, and local laws regarding business permits and licenses of any kind, including but not limited to any insurance coverage, workers' compensation, or unemployment compensation that is required in the normal course of business and will assume all responsibility for any federal, state, municipal or other tax liabilities. Additionally, Contractor understands that as an independent contractor, it is not a public employee and is not entitled to contributions from DAS to any public employee retirement system.

Contractor acknowledges and agrees any individual providing personal services under this agreement is not a public employee for purposes of Chapter 145 of the Ohio Revised Code. Unless Contractor is a "business entity" as that term is defined in ORC. 145.037 ("an entity with five or more employees that is a corporation, association, firm, limited liability company, partnership, sole proprietorship, or other entity

engaged in business”) Contractor shall have any individual performing services under this agreement complete and submit to the ordering agency the Independent Contractor/Worker Acknowledgement found at the following link:

<https://www.opers.org/forms-archive/PEDACKN.pdf#zoom=80>

Contractor’s failure to complete and submit the Independent/Worker Acknowledgement prior to commencement of the work, service or deliverable, provided under this agreement, shall serve as Contractor’s certification that contractor is a “Business entity” as the term is defined in ORC Section 145.037.

Ohio MBE Certification. The MBE must maintain their certification throughout the term of the Contract, including any renewals. Failure to maintain such certification will be considered a breach of the Contract.

Publicity. The Contractor may not advertise or publicize that it is doing business with the State or use this Contract or the Contractor’s relationship with the State as a marketing or sales tool, unless the State agrees otherwise in writing.

PART THREE: OWNERSHIP AND HANDLING OF INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY AND CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION

Confidentiality. The State may disclose to the Contractor written material or oral or other information that the State treats as confidential ("Confidential Information"). Title to the Confidential Information and all related materials and documentation the State delivers to the Contractor will remain with the State. The Contractor must treat such Confidential Information as secret, if it is so marked, otherwise identified as such, or when, by its very nature, it deals with matters that, if generally known, would be damaging to the best interest of the public, other contractors, potential contractors with the State, or individuals or organizations about whom the State keeps information. By way of example, information must be treated as confidential if it includes any proprietary documentation, materials, flow charts, codes, software, computer instructions, techniques, models, information, diagrams, know-how, trade secrets, data, business records, or marketing information. By way of further example, the Contractor also must treat as confidential materials such as police and investigative records, files containing personal information about individuals or employees of the State, such as personnel records, tax records, and so on, court and administrative records related to pending actions, any material to which an attorney-client, physician-patient, or similar privilege may apply, and any documents or records excluded by Ohio law from public records disclosure requirements.

The Contractor may not disclose any Confidential Information to third parties and must use it solely to do the Project. The Contractor must restrict circulation of Confidential Information within its organization and then only to people in the Contractor's organization that have a need to know the Confidential Information to do the Project. The Contractor will be liable for the disclosure of such information, whether the disclosure is intentional, negligent, or accidental, unless otherwise provided below.

The Contractor will not incorporate any portion of any Confidential Information into any work or product, other than a Deliverable, and will have no proprietary interest in any of the Confidential Information. Furthermore, the Contractor must cause all of its Personnel who have access to any Confidential Information to execute a confidentiality agreement incorporating the obligations in this section.

The Contractor's obligation to maintain the confidentiality of the Confidential Information will not apply where such: (1) was already in the Contractor's possession before disclosure by the State, and such was received by the Contractor without obligation of confidence; (2) is independently developed by the Contractor; (3) except as provided in the next paragraph, is or becomes publicly available without breach of this Contract; (4) is rightfully received by the Contractor from a third party without an obligation of confidence; (5) is disclosed by the Contractor with the written consent of the State; or (6) is released in accordance with a valid order of a court or governmental agency, provided that the Contractor (a) notifies the State of such order immediately upon receipt of the order and (b) makes a reasonable effort to obtain a protective order from the issuing court or agency limiting disclosure and use of the Confidential Information solely for the purposes intended to be served by the original order of production. The Contractor must return all originals of any Confidential Information and destroy any copies it has made on termination or expiration of this Contract.

Information that may be available publicly through other sources about people that is personal in nature, such as medical records, addresses, phone numbers, social security numbers, and similar things are nevertheless sensitive in nature and may not be disclosed or used in any manner except as expressly authorized in this Contract. Therefore, item (3) in the preceding paragraph does not apply, and the Contractor must treat such information as Confidential Information whether it is available elsewhere or not.

The Contractor may disclose Confidential Information to its subcontractors on a need-to-know basis, but the Contractor first must obligate them to the requirements of this section.

Confidentiality Agreements. When the Contractor performs services under this Contract that require the Contractor's and its subcontractors' personnel to access facilities, data, or systems that the State in its sole discretion deems sensitive, the State may require the Contractor's and its subcontractors' personnel

with such access to sign an individual confidential agreement and policy acknowledgements, and have a background check performed before accessing those facilities, data, or systems. Each State agency, board, and commission may require a different confidentiality agreement or acknowledgement, and the Contractor's and its subcontractors' personnel may be required to sign a different confidentiality agreement or acknowledgement for each agency. The Contractor must immediately replace any of its or its subcontractors' personnel who refuse to sign a required confidentiality agreement or acknowledgment or have a background check performed.

Ownership of Deliverables. The State owns all Deliverables that the Contractor produces under this Contract, including any software modifications, and documentation, with all rights, title, and interest in all intellectual property that come into existence through the Contractor's custom work being assigned to the State. Additionally, the Contractor waives any author rights and similar retained interests in custom-developed material. The Contractor must provide the State with all assistance reasonably needed to vest such rights of ownership in the State. The Contractor will retain ownership of all tools, methods, techniques, standards, and other development procedures, as well as generic and preexisting shells, subroutines, and similar material incorporated into any custom Deliverable ("Pre-existing Materials"), if the Contractor provides the non-exclusive license described in the next paragraph.

The Contractor may grant the State a worldwide, non-exclusive, royalty-free, perpetual license to use, modify, and distribute all Pre-existing Materials that are incorporated into any custom-developed Deliverable rather than grant the State ownership of the Pre-existing Materials. The State may distribute such Pre-existing materials to third parties only to the extent required by governmental funding mandates. The Contractor may not include in any custom Deliverable any intellectual property unless such has been created under this Contract or qualifies as Pre-existing Material. If the Contractor wants to incorporate any Pre-existing Materials into a custom Deliverable, the Contractor must first disclose that desire to the State in writing and seek the State's approval for doing so in advance. The State will not be obligated to provide that approval, unless the Contractor disclosed its intention to do so in the RFP Documents. On the Contractor's request, the State will incorporate into any copies of a custom Deliverable any proprietary notice that the Contractor included with the original copy, if that notice is reasonably necessary to protect the Contractor's interest in any Pre-existing Materials contained in the custom Deliverable.

Subject to the limitations and obligations of the State with respect to Pre-existing Materials, the State may make all custom Deliverables available to the general public without any proprietary notices of any kind.

For Deliverables that include custom materials such as software, scripts, or similar computer instructions developed for the State, the State is entitled to the source material. Scripts and similar functionality may not be locked or otherwise protected from access by the State, unless the State has any passwords or other tools necessary to access the material. Source material must include annotations or comments according to industry standards. Further, the State is entitled to any working papers the Contractor has developed during the performance of the Project that would reasonably assist the State in using the Deliverables that include source materials or that would help the State protect its interests in the Deliverable or update, modify, or otherwise maintain the Deliverable. This also includes all design and architectural materials, such as schemas.

PART FOUR: REPRESENTATIONS, WARRANTIES, AND LIABILITIES

General Warranties. The Contractor warrants that the recommendations, guidance, and performance of the Contractor under this Contract will: (1) be in accordance with sound professional standards and the requirements of this Contract and without any material defects; and (2) unless otherwise provided in the RFP Documents, be the work solely of the Contractor. The Contractor also warrants that: (1) no Deliverable will infringe on the intellectual property rights of any third party; and (2) the Contractor's work and the Deliverables resulting from that work will be merchantable and fit for the particular purposes described in the RFP Documents.

Additionally, with respect to the Contractor's activities under this Contract, the Contractor warrants that: (1) the Contractor has the right to enter into this Contract; (2) the Contractor has not entered into any other contracts or employment relationships that restrict the Contractor's ability to perform the contemplated services; (3) the Contractor will observe and abide by all applicable laws and regulations, including those of the State regarding conduct on any premises under the State's control and security for the State's data, systems, and networks; (4) the Contractor has good and marketable title to any goods delivered under this Contract and in which title passes to the State; (5) the Contractor has the right and ability to grant the license granted in any Deliverable in which title does not pass to the State; and (6) the Contractor is not subject to any unresolved findings of the Auditor of State under Revised Code Section 9.24 and will not become subject to an unresolved finding that prevents the extension or renewal of this Contract.

The warranties regarding material defects, merchantability, and fitness are one-year warranties. All other warranties will be continuing warranties. If any portion of the Project fails to comply with these warranties, and the Contractor is so notified in writing, the Contractor must correct such failure with all due speed or must refund the amount of the compensation paid for such portion of the Project. The Contractor also must indemnify the State for any direct damages and claims by third parties based on a breach of these warranties. This obligation of indemnification will not apply where the State has modified or misused the Deliverable and the claim is based on the modification or misuse. The State will give the Contractor notice of any such claim as soon as reasonably practicable. If a successful claim of infringement is made, or if the Contractor reasonably believes that an infringement claim that is pending may actually succeed, the Contractor must do one of the following things: (1) modify the Deliverable so that it is no longer infringing; (2) replace the Deliverable with an equivalent or better item; (3) acquire the right for the State to use the infringing Deliverable as it was intended for the State to use under this Contract; or (4) remove the Deliverable and refund the amount the State paid for the Deliverable and the amount of any other Deliverable or item that requires the availability of the infringing Deliverable for it to be useful to the State.

GENERAL EXCLUSION OF WARRANTIES. THE CONTRACTOR MAKES NO WARRANTIES, EXPRESS OR IMPLIED, OTHER THAN THOSE EXPRESS WARRANTIES CONTAINED IN THIS CONTRACT.

Indemnity for Property Damage and Bodily Injury. The Contractor must indemnify the State for all liability and expense resulting from bodily injury to any person (including injury resulting in death) and damage to tangible or real property arising out of the performance of this Contract, provided that such bodily injury or property damage is due to the negligence or other tortious conduct of the Contractor, its employees, agents, or subcontractors. The Contractor will not be responsible for any damages or liability to the extent caused by the negligence or willful misconduct of the State, its employees, other contractors, or agents.

Limitation of Liability. Neither party will be liable for any indirect, incidental, or consequential loss or damage of the other party, including but not limited to lost profits, even if the parties have been advised, knew, or should have known of the possibility of such damages. Additionally, neither party will be liable to the other for direct or other damages in excess of two times the not-to-exceed fixed price of this Contract. The limitations in this paragraph do not apply to any obligation of the Contractor to indemnify the State

against claims made against it or for damages to the State caused by the Contractor's negligence or other tortious conduct.

PART FIVE: ACCEPTANCE AND MAINTENANCE

Acceptance. There will be a formal acceptance procedure for the Project Deliverables. Acceptance of the Project depends on a successful completion of the Project Deliverables defined in the RFP. If the Project Representative issues a letter of noncompliance, then the Contractor will have 30 calendar days to correct the problems listed in the noncompliance letter. If the Contractor fails to do so, the Contractor will be in default without a cure period. If the Project Representative has issued a noncompliance letter, the Deliverables or the Work as a whole will not be accepted until the Project Representative issues a letter of acceptance indicating that each problem noted in the noncompliance letter has been cured. If the problems have been fixed during the 30 day period, the Project Representative will issue the acceptance letter within 15 calendar days or as mutually agreed to by the State and Contractor.

If the Project Deliverables fail to meet the requirements after 30 calendar days from the issue date of the noncompliance letter, the Contractor will be in default and will not have a cure period. In addition to all other remedies the State may have under this Contract, the State will have the right to request correction or replacement of the relevant portion of the Project Deliverables.

Passage of Title. Title to any Deliverable will pass to the State only on acceptance of the Deliverable. All risk of loss, regardless of the cause, will remain with the Contractor until title to the Deliverable passes to the State.

PART SIX: CONSTRUCTION

Entire Document. This Contract is the entire agreement between the parties with respect to its subject matter and supersedes any previous agreements, whether oral or written.

Binding Effect. This Contract will be binding upon and inure to the benefit of the respective successors and assigns of the State and the Contractor.

Amendments – Waiver. No change to any provision of this Contract will be effective unless it is in writing and signed by both parties. The failure of either party at any time to demand strict performance by the other party of any of the terms of this Contract will not be a waiver of those terms. Waivers must be in writing to be effective, and either party may at any later time demand strict performance.

Severability. If any provision of this Contract is held by a court of competent jurisdiction to be contrary to law, the remaining provisions of this Contract will remain in full force and effect to the extent that such does not create an absurdity.

Construction. This Contract will be construed in accordance with the plain meaning of its language and neither for nor against the drafting party.

Headings. The headings used herein are for the sole sake of convenience and may not be used to interpret any section.

Notices. For any notice under this Contract to be effective, it must be made in writing and sent to the address of the appropriate contact provided elsewhere in the Contract, unless such party has notified the other party, in accordance with the provisions of this section, of a new mailing address. This notice requirement will not apply to any notices that this Contract expressly authorized to be made orally.

Continuing Obligations. The terms of this Contract will survive the termination or expiration of the time for completion of Project and the time for meeting any final payment of compensation, except where such creates an absurdity.

Time. Unless otherwise expressly provided, any reference in this document to a number of days for an action or event to occur means calendar days, and any reference to a time of the day, such as 5:00 p.m., is a reference to the local time in Columbus, Ohio.

PART SEVEN: LAW AND COURTS

Compliance with Law. The Contractor must comply with all applicable federal, state, and local laws while performing under this Contract.

Drug-Free Workplace. The Contractor must comply with all applicable state and federal laws regarding keeping a drug-free workplace. The Contractor must make a good faith effort to ensure that all the Contractor's Personnel, while working on state property, will not have or be under the influence of illegal drugs or alcohol or abuse prescription drugs in any way.

Conflicts of Interest and Ethics Compliance Certification. None of the Contractor's Personnel may voluntarily acquire any personal interest that conflicts with their responsibilities under this Contract. Additionally, the Contractor may not knowingly permit any public official or public employee who has any responsibilities related to this Contract or the Project to acquire an interest in anything or any entity under the Contractor's control, if such an interest would conflict with that official's or employee's duties. The Contractor must disclose to the State knowledge of any such person who acquires an incompatible or conflicting personal interest related to this Contract. The Contractor also must take steps to ensure that such a person does not participate in any action affecting the work under this Contract. However, this will not apply when the State has determined, in light of the personal interest disclosed, that person's participation in any such action would not be contrary to the public interest.

Ohio Ethics Law and Limits on Political Contributions. The Contractor certifies that it is currently in compliance and will continue to adhere to the requirements of the Ohio ethics laws. The Contractor also certifies that all applicable parties listed in Ohio Revised Code Section 3517.13 are in full compliance with Ohio Revised Code Section 3517.13.

Unresolved Finding for Recovery. If the Contractor was subject to an unresolved finding of the Auditor of State under Revised Code Section 9.24 on the date the parties sign this Contract, the Contract is void. Further, if the Contractor is subject to an unresolved finding of the Auditor of State under Revised Code Section 9.24 on any date on which the parties renew or extend this Contract, the renewal or extension will be void.

Equal Employment Opportunity. The Service Provider will comply with all state and federal laws regarding equal employment opportunity and fair labor and employment practices, including ORC Section 125.111 and all related Executive Orders.

Before this Agreement can be awarded or renewed, an Affirmative Action Program Verification Form must be submitted to the DAS Equal Opportunity Division to comply with the affirmative action requirements. Affirmative Action Verification Forms and approved Affirmative Action Plans can be found by to the Ohio Business Gateway at: <http://business.ohio.gov/efiling/>

Security & Safety Rules. When using or possessing State data or accessing State networks and systems, the Contractor must comply with all applicable State rules, policies, and regulations regarding data security and integrity. And when on any property owned or controlled by the State, the Contractor must comply with all security and safety rules, regulations, and policies applicable to people on those premises.

Governing the Expenditure of Public Funds on Offshore Services (EO 2011-12K). The Service Provider affirms it has read and understands Executive Order 2011-12K and will abide by those requirements in the performance of this Agreement. Notwithstanding any other terms of this Agreement, the State reserves the right to recover any funds paid for Services the Service Provider performs outside of the United States for which it did not receive a waiver. The State does not waive any other rights or remedies provided the State in this Agreement.

The Service Provider agrees to complete the attached Executive Order 2011-12K Affirmation and Disclosure Form, which is incorporated and becomes a part of this Agreement.

Injunctive Relief. Nothing in this Contract is intended to limit the State's right to injunctive relief, if such is necessary to protect its interests or to keep it whole.

Assignment. The Contractor may not assign this Contract or any of its rights or obligations under this Contract without the prior, written consent of the State. The State is not obligated to provide its consent to any proposed assignment.

Governing Law. This Contract will be governed by the laws of Ohio, and venue for any disputes will lie exclusively with the appropriate court in Franklin County, Ohio.

ATTACHMENT FIVE: SAMPLE CONTRACT

**A CONTRACT BETWEEN
THE DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES
ON BEHALF OF THE OHIO ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY
AND**

(CONTRACTOR)

THIS CONTRACT, which results from RFP #0A1129, entitled IT Optimization End-Point Computing Services, is between the State of Ohio, through the Department of Administrative Services, on behalf of the Department of Administrative Services, Office of Information Technology, and _____ (the "Contractor").

This Contract consists of:

1. The one page Contract (Attachment Five) in its final format; and
2. The State's IT Optimization End-Point Computing Services Negotiated Contract dated MONTH, DAY, 201x which includes the referenced RFP, and the Best and Final Offer (BAFO).

The Contract is the result of agreed upon changes to the RFP its attachments and supplements including any written amendments to the RFP, any materials incorporated by reference in the RFP, the Contractor's Proposal, and written, authorized amendments and clarifications to the Contractor's Proposal. It also includes any purchase orders and Change Orders issued under the Contract.

Change Orders and amendments issued after the Contract is executed may expressly change the provisions of the Contract. If they do so expressly, then the most recent of them will take precedence over anything else that is part of the Contract.

This Contract has an effective date of the later of _____, 2014, or the occurrence of all conditions precedent specified in the General Terms and Conditions.

TO SHOW THEIR AGREEMENT, the parties have executed this Contract as of the dates below.

CONTRACTOR NAME

**STATE OF OHIO
DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES**

SAMPLE – DO NOT FILL OUT

By: _____

By: Robert Blair

Title: _____

Title: Director

Date: _____

Date: _____

**ATTACHMENT SIX
SAMPLE DELIVERABLE/MILESTONE SUBMITTAL FORM**

Client Name:	[Insert Client Name]
Project Name:	[Insert Project Name]
Contract Number:	[Insert Contract Number]
Deliverable To Be Reviewed or Milestone Attained:	[Insert Deliverable/Milestone Name and Work Breakdown Structure Task #]
Date Deliverable Submitted for Review or Milestone Achievement Date:	[Insert Applicable Date]

The **[insert Deliverable/milestone name]** Deliverable/milestone is complete. This Deliverable/milestone has been completed/attained by **[insert Corporate name]** in accordance with the requirements specified in the RFP and Project Plan. Please obtain signatures below indicating the compliance of **[insert Deliverable/milestone name]**. Please obtain all signatures within **XX** calendar days of the Submitted or Achievement Date, above, **[insert date XX calendar days from submitted date]**.

Please contact _____ at **XXX-XXX** with any questions.

Sincerely,

[Insert Company Name]
[Insert Project Name] Project Manager

Printed Name
Contractor Project Manager
{Same as person signing above}

<p>COMPLIANT: Deliverable Payment Authorized: Yes _____ No _____ N/A _____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>Signature of State Project Representative/Date</p>

<p>NOT COMPLIANT: Describe reason(s) for non-compliance: (Continue on back if necessary)</p> <p>_____</p> <p>Signature of State Project Representative/ Date Payment <u>Not</u> Authorized</p>

**ATTACHMENT SEVEN
OFFEROR CERTIFICATION FORM**

1. The offeror is not currently subject to an “unresolved” finding for recovery under Revised Code Section 9.24, and the offeror will notify the Procurement Representative any time it becomes subject to such a finding before the award of a Contract arising out of this RFP.
2. The offeror certifies that it will not and will not allow others to perform work for the State of Ohio outside the geographic limitations contained in Attachment Two or take data that belongs to the State of Ohio outside the geographic limitations contained in Attachment Two without express written authorization from the State.
3. The offeror certifies that its responses to the following statements are true and accurate. The offeror’s answers apply to the last seven years. Please indicate yes or no in each column.

Yes/No	Description
	The offeror has had a contract terminated for default or cause.
	The offeror has been assessed any penalties in excess of \$10,000.00, including liquidated damages, under any of its existing or past contracts with any organization (including any governmental entity).
	The offeror was the subject of any governmental action limiting the right of the offeror to do business with that entity or any other governmental entity.
	Trading in the stock of the company has ever been suspended with the date(s) and explanation(s).
	The offeror, any officer of the offeror, or any owner of a 20% interest or greater in the offeror has filed for bankruptcy, reorganization, a debt arrangement, moratorium, or any proceeding under any bankruptcy or insolvency law, or any dissolution or liquidation proceeding.
	The offeror, any officer of the offeror, or any owner with a 20% interest or greater in the offeror has been convicted of a felony or is currently under indictment on any felony charge.

If the answer to any item above is affirmative, the offeror must provide complete details about the matter. While an affirmative answer to any of these items will not automatically disqualify an offeror from consideration, at the sole discretion of the State, such an answer and a review of the background details may result in a rejection of the Proposal. The State will make this decision based on its determination of the seriousness of the matter, the matter’s possible impact on the offeror’s performance under the Contract, and the best interest of the State.

4. The offeror certifies that neither it nor any of its people that may work on or benefit from the Contract through the offeror has a possible conflict of interest (e.g., employed by the State of Ohio, etc.) other than the conflicts identified immediately below:

Potential Conflicts (by person or entity affected)

(Attach an additional sheet if more space is need.)

The State may reject a Proposal in which an actual or apparent conflict is disclosed. And the State may cancel or terminate the Contract for cause if it discovers any actual or apparent conflict of interest that the offeror did not disclose in its Proposal.

5. The offeror certifies that all its and its subcontractors' personnel provided for the Project will have a valid I-9 form on file with the offeror or subcontractor, as appropriate, and will have presented valid employment authorization documents, if they are not United States citizens.
6. The offeror certifies that its regular, fulltime employees will perform at least 30% of the work on the Project.
7. The following is a complete list of all subcontractors, if any, that the offeror will use on the Project, if the State selects the offeror to do the work:

The offeror certifies that it has obtained and submitted a subcontractor letter, as required by Attachment Three, for each subcontractor it plans to use on the project.

Please provide the following information for a contact person who has authority to answer questions regarding the offeror's Proposal:

Name:	
Title:	
Mailing Address:	
Office Phone Number:	
Cell Phone Number:	
Fax Number:	
Email Address:	

Company Name

Signature

Company D-U-N-S Number

Name

Title

**ATTACHMENT NINE
PERSONNEL PROFILE SUMMARY**

CANDIDATE REFERENCES

NOTE: The Candidate References forms provided here are only required for the proposed key work team resources identified in the offeror's Proposal in response to this RFP. For key work team members and other proposed roles to be staffed in the offeror's staffing plan, please provide professional resumes, which include the candidate's education and professional training history.

Candidate's Name:
Project Role:

References. Provide three references for which the proposed candidate has successfully demonstrated meeting the requirements of the RFP on projects of similar size and scope in the past five years. The name of the person to be contacted, phone number, company, address, brief description of project size and complexity, and date (month and year) of employment must be given for each reference. These references must be able to attest to the candidate's specific qualifications.

The reference given should be a person within the client's organization and not a co-worker or a contact within the offerors organization.

If less than three references are provided, the offeror must explain why. The State may disqualify the Proposal if less than three references are given.

Candidate Reference #1

Client Company Name:	Client Contact Name: (Indicate Primary or Alternate)	
	Client Contact Title:	
Client Company Address:	Client Contact Phone Number:	
	Client Contact Email Address:	
Project Name:	Beginning Date of Employment (month/year):	Ending Date of Employment (month/year):
Description of services provided that are in line with those to be provided as part of this Project:		
Description of how client project size and complexity are similar to this project:		

**ATTACHMENT NINE
PERSONNEL PROFILE SUMMARY
CANDIDATE REFERENCES - continued**

Candidate's Name:

Candidate Reference #2

Client Company Name:	Client Contact Name: (Indicate Primary or Alternate)	
	Client Contact Title:	
Client Company Address:	Client Contact Phone Number:	
	Client Contact Email Address:	
Project Name:	Beginning Date of Employment (month/year):	Ending Date of Employment (month/year):
Description of services provided that are in line with those to be provided as part of this Project:		
Description of how client project size and complexity are similar to this project:		

Candidate Reference #3

Client Company Name:	Client Contact Name: (Indicate Primary or Alternate)	
	Client Contact Title:	
Client Company Address:	Client Contact Phone Number:	
	Client Contact Email Address:	
Project Name:	Beginning Date of Employment (month/year):	Ending Date of Employment (month/year):
Description of services provided that are in line with those to be provided as part of this Project:		
Description of how client project size and complexity are similar to this project:		

**ATTACHMENT NINE
PERSONNEL PROFILE SUMMARY**

CANDIDATE EDUCATION AND TRAINING

Candidate's Name:

Education and Training. This section must be completed to list the education and training of each proposed candidate and must demonstrate in detail the proposed candidate's ability to properly execute the Contract based on the relevance of the education and training to the requirements of the RFP.

EDUCATION AND TRAINING	MONTHS/ YEARS	WHERE OBTAINED	DEGREE/MAJOR YEAR EARNED
College			
Technical School			
Other Training			

ATTACHMENT TEN: STANDARD AFFIRMATION AND DISCLOSURE FORM

Executive Order 2011-12K



JOHN R. KASICH
GOVERNOR
STATE OF OHIO

Executive Order 2011-12K

Governing the Expenditure
of Public Funds for Offshore Services

WHEREAS, State of Ohio officials and employees must remain passionately focused on initiatives that will create and retain jobs in the United States in general and in Ohio in particular, and must do so especially during Ohio's continuing efforts to recover from the recent recession.

WHEREAS, allowing public funds to pay for services provided offshore has the potential to undermine economic development objectives in Ohio.

WHEREAS, the expenditure of public funds for services provided offshore may deprive Ohioans and other Americans of critical employment opportunities and may also undermine efforts to attract businesses to Ohio and retain them in Ohio, initiatives in which this State has invested heavily.

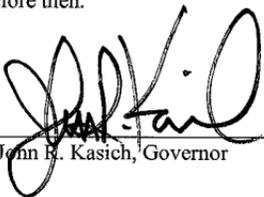
NOW THEREFORE, I, John R. Kasich, Governor of the State of Ohio, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and the laws of this State, do hereby order and direct that:

1. No State Cabinet Agency, Board or Commission ("Executive Agency") shall enter into any contract which uses any public funds within its control to purchase services which will be provided outside the United States. This Executive Order applies to all purchases of services made directly by an Executive Agency and services provided by subcontractors of those providing services purchased by an Executive Agency.
2. This Executive Order will be personally provided, by the Director, Chair or other chief executive official of each Executive Agency, to the Chief Procurement Officer or other individual at that entity responsible for contracts for services.
3. The Department of Administrative Services, through Ohio's Chief Procurement Officer, shall have in place, by July 1, 2011, procedures to ensure all of the following:
 - a. All agency procurements officers (APOs), or the person with equivalent duties at each Executive Agency, have standard language in all Executive Agency contracts which:
 - i. Reflect this Order's prohibition on the purchase of offshore services.

- ii. Require service providers or prospective service providers to:
 - 1. Affirm that they understand and will abide by the requirements of this Order.
 - 2. Disclose the location(s) where all services will be performed by any contractor or subcontractor.
 - 3. Disclose the locations(s) where any state data associated with any of the services they are providing, or seek to provide, will be accessed, tested, maintained, backed-up or stored.
 - 4. Disclose any shift in the location of any services being provided by the contractor or any subcontractor.
 - 5. Disclose the principal location of business for the contractor and all subcontractors who are supplying services to the state under the proposed contracts.
 - b. All APOs confirm that all quotations, statements of work, and other such proposals for services affirm this Order's prohibition on the purchase of offshore services and include all of this Order's disclosure requirements.
 - i. Any such proposal for services lacking the affirmation and disclosure requirements of this Order will not be considered.
 - ii. Any such proposal where the performance of services is proposed to be provided at a location outside the United States by the contractor or any subcontractor will not be considered.
 - c. All procurement manuals, directive, policies, and procedures reflect the requirements of this Order.
 - d. All APOs have adequate training which addresses the terms of this Order.
4. Nothing in this Order is intended to contradict any state or federal law. In addition, this Order does not apply to:
- a. Services necessary to support the efforts of the Department of Development to attract jobs and business to the state of Ohio;
 - b. Academic, instructional, educational, research or other services necessary to support the international missions of Ohio's public colleges and universities; or
 - c. Situations in which the Director of the Department of Administrative Services, or the Director's designee, shall determine that it is an emergency or that it is necessary for the State to waive some or all of the requirements of this Order. The Director shall establish standards by which Executive Agencies may request a waiver of some or all of the requirements of this Order and by which such requests will be evaluated and may be granted.
5. Executive Order 2010-09S is hereby rescinded.

I signed this Executive Order on June 21, 2011 in Columbus, Ohio and it will expire on my last day as Governor of Ohio unless rescinded before then.





John E. Kasich, Governor

ATTEST:

Jon Husted, Secretary of State

DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES
STANDARD AFFIRMATION AND DISCLOSURE FORM EXECUTIVE ORDER 2011-12K
Governing the Expenditure of Public Funds on Offshore
Services

All of the following provisions must be included in all invitations to bid, requests for proposals, state term schedules, multiple award contracts, requests for quotations, informal quotations, and statements of work.

This information is to be submitted as part of the response to any of the procurement methods listed.

CONTRACTOR/SUBCONTRACTOR AFFIRMATION AND DISCLOSURE:

The Bidder/Offeror affirms, understands and will abide by the requirements of Executive Order 2011-12K. If awarded a contract, the Bidder/Offeror becomes the Contractor and affirms that both the Contractor and any of its subcontractors shall perform no services requested under this Contract outside of the United States.

The Bidder/Offeror shall provide all the name(s) and location(s) where services under this Contract will be performed in the spaces provided below or by attachment. Failure to provide this information may subject the Bidder/Offeror to sanctions, termination or a damages assessment. If the Bidder/Offeror will not be using subcontractors, indicate "Not Applicable" in the appropriate spaces.

1. Name/Principal location of business of Contractor:

(Name) (Address, City, State, Zip)

Name/Principal location of business of subcontractor(s):

(Name) (Address, City, State, Zip)

(Name) (Address, City, State, Zip)

2. Name/Location where services will be performed by Contractor:

(Name) (Address, City, State, Zip)

Name/Location where services will be performed by subcontractor(s):

(Name) (Address, City, State, Zip)

(Name) (Address, City, State, Zip)

3. Location where state data will be stored, accessed, tested, maintained or backed-up, by Contractor:

(Name) (Address, City, State, Zip)

Name/Location(s) where state data will be stored, accessed, tested, maintained or backed-up by subcontractor(s):

(Name) (Address, City, State, Zip)

4. Location where services to be performed will be changed or shifted by Contractor:

(Name) (Address, City, State, Zip)

Name/Location(s) where services will be changed or shifted to be performed by subcontractor(s):

(Name) (Address, City, State, Zip)

ATTACHMENT ELEVEN
COST PROPOSAL FORM

The Cost Proposal Form is provided as a Microsoft Excel workbook and is provided on the State's procurement website for offerors to download.