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Contract Award Notification

Title	: Group 10150 – Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) and Related Items Classification Code: 42
Award Number	: <u>23222</u>
Contract Period	: October 8, 2021 to October 7, 2026
Bid Opening Date	: February 25, 2021
Date of Issue	: October 18, 2021 (Revised October 22, 2024)
Specification Reference	: As Incorporated In The Solicitation
Contractor Information	: Appears on Page 2 of this Award Notification

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Description

Note: This Contract Award Notification contains a subset of information from Solicitation 23222 for Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) and Related Items (Statewide). The resulting Contracts from Solicitation 23222 have been executed by Contract Award Letter. Complete Contract details including terms and conditions can be found in the Solicitation document dated February 4, 2021 (revised).

This award provides for multiple centralized Statewide contracts with offerings in the following 9 Lots: Lot 1: Respirators, Lot 2: Masks, Lot 3: Face Shields and Goggles, Lot 4: Gloves, Lot 5: Gowns, Lot 6: Covers, Lot 7: Hand Sanitizer, Lot 8: Wipes, & Lot 9: Fit Test Kits. All Awards are now complete.

OGS hereby establishes an overall goal of 30% for MWBE participation, 15% for Minority-Owned Business Enterprises (“MBE”) participation and 15% for Women-Owned Business Enterprises (“WBE”) participation for all Lots.

OGS hereby establishes an overall goal of 6% for SDVOB participation for all Lots.

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NOTE: See individual contract items to determine actual awardees.

<u>CONTRACT #</u>	<u>CONTRACTOR</u>	<u>FEDERAL ID #</u>	<u>NYS VENDOR#</u>
PC69438 SB	Altor Safety LLC	85-0782923	1100255084
PC69439	American Textile Systems	33-0591327	1100148162
PC69440 SDVOB	Aurai Capital LLC dba Aurai	81-4264624	1100255530
PC69441	Autronic Plastics, Inc. dba Clear – Vu Medical	11-2974404	1100174527
PC69442	Bio-Medical Devices Int'l, Inc.	33-0855847	1100131218
PC69443 SDVOB	Black Box Safety, Inc.	82-1125133	1100245870
PC69444 SB	BT Supplies West, Inc dba GSI	47-5296880	1100254890
PC69445	Campbell Drug Stores Ltd dba PharmacyGo	95-1583455	1100259263
PC69446	Carol Cole Ventures Inc	80-0830763	1100255603
PC69471 MWBE SB	Connetquot West, Inc.	11-3136568	1000012111
PC69447	Digital Gadgets LLC dba DG Medical	26-1133852	1100245325
PC69448 MWBE SB	Emmelle Design Inc.	76-0768617	1100173064
PC69449 SB	Genesis Disposables, LLC	16-1552933	1000029467
PC69450 SB	Georgia Brown LLC	46-4796069	1100258225
PC69451 MWBE SB	Goldatech, LLC	85-4283928	1100264949
PC69452 SB	HC Contracting Inc. dba Ferrara Manufacturing	13-3811963	1100211080
PC69453	Integrity United Inc	82-4286037	1100256999
PC69454 WBE SB	Interboro Packaging Corporation	11-2633541	1000005736

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<u>CONTRACT #</u>	<u>CONTRACTOR</u>	<u>FEDERAL ID #</u>	<u>NYS VENDOR#</u>
PC69455	IPC, LLC dba Caresfield / PlatinumCode	20-2098556	1000029960
PC69456 WBE SB	Laboratory Product Sales, Inc.	16-1274974	1000007972
PC69457	Medzon	82-4515475	1100260169
PC69458 SB	PowerPak Civil & Safety LLC	32-0389011	1100249711
PC69459	Private Equity Funding, Inc. dba Vertex Packaging Supplies	68-0634260	1100257231
PC69460	RE Hansen Industries Inc dba Islandaire	26-1709702	1100042141
PC69461 WBE	Robert Busse & Co. Inc. dba Busse Hospital Disposables	11-2039831	1000037861
PC69462	Safeware, Inc.	52-1152883	1000040889
PC69465	Sanitex Global Pty Ltd dba Sanitex Global	00-0000000	1100257556
PC69463 SB	Strong Medical Partners dba Strong Manufacturers	81-4056318	1100256088
PC69464	Surgery Dynamics, Inc.	65-0647735	1100245029
PC69466 SB	Urban Electric Power, Inc.	45-5313529	1100118833
PC69467	USA Capital Fund LLC dba USA Medical Supply	30-1118932	1100245321
PC69468	Vizocom ICT LLC	98-0662559	1100245918
PC69469	WB Mason Company Inc	04-2455641	1000011030
PC69470	Ziel Inc PBC dba Hudson Valley Mask Company	47-4477142	1100256342

For complete Contractor information and Pricing information for this Award, please see the Contractor Information page located on the OGS Website at:

<https://online.ogs.ny.gov/purchase/spg/pdfdocs/1015023222ContractorInfo.pdf>

Cash Discount, If Shown, Should be Given Special Attention.

Agencies should notify OGS Procurement Services promptly if the contractor fails to meet delivery or other terms of this contract. Products which do not comply with the specifications or are otherwise unsatisfactory to the agency should also be reported to OGS Procurement Services.

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Lots Awarded:

Contractor Name	Lot 1	Lot 2	Lot 3	Lot 4	Lot 5	Lot 6	Lot 7	Lot 8	Lot 9
	Respirators	Masks	Shields & Goggles	Gloves	Gowns & Coveralls	Covers	Hand Sanitizer	Wipes	Fit Test Kits
Altor Safety LLC		X							
American Textile Systems	X	X	X	X	X	X			
Aurai Capital LLC	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	
Autronic Plastics, Inc.			X						
Bio-Medical Devices International, Inc.	X	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Black Box Safety	X	X	X	X	X		X	X	-
BT Supplies West, Inc.	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Campbell Drug Stores Limited	X	X	-	X	X	X	X	X	-
Carole Cole Ventures Inc	-	X	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Connetquot West, Inc.	-	X	-	-	X	X	X	X	-
Digital Gadgets LLC	-	X	X	-	-	-	X	-	-
Emmelle Design Inc.	-	-	-	-	X	-	-	-	-
Genesis Disposables, LLC	-	-	-	-	X	-	-	-	-
Georgia Brown LLC	-	X	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Goldatech, LLC	-	-	-	-	X	-	-	-	-
HC Contracting Inc.	-	-	-	-	X	-	-	-	-
Integrity United Inc	-	-	X	-	-	-	-	-	-
Interboro Packaging Corporation	-	-	-	X	-	-	-	-	-
IPC, LLC	-	X	-	X	X	-	X	-	-
Laboratory Product Sales	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	-
Medzon	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	-
PowerPak Civil & Safety	X	X	X	X		-	X	X	X
Private Equity Funding, Inc.	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	-
RE Hansen Industries Inc	-	X	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Robert Busse & Co.	-	X	-	-	X	X	-	-	-
Safeware, Inc.	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Sanitex Global Pty Ltd		X	X		X	X	X		
Strong Medical Partners	-	X	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Surgery Dynamics, Inc.	-	-	X	-	-	-	-	-	-

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Urban Electric Power, Inc.	-	-	-	-	-	-	X	-	-
USA Capital Fund LLC	X	X	X	X	X	X			
Vizocom ICT LLC	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		
WB Mason Company Inc	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	
Ziel Inc PBC	X	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

SMALL, MINORITY AND WOMEN-OWNED BUSINESSES:

The letters SB listed under the Contract Number indicate the contractor is a NYS small business. Additionally, the letters MBE and WBE indicate the contractor is a Minority-owned Business Enterprise and/or Woman-owned Business Enterprise.

RECYCLED, REMANUFACTURED AND ENERGY EFFICIENT PRODUCTS:

Procurement Services supports and encourages the purchase of recycled, remanufactured, energy efficient and "energy star" products. If one of the following codes appears as a suffix in the Award Number or is noted under the individual Contract Number(s) in this Contract Award Notification, please look at the individual awarded items for more information on products meeting the suffix description.

RS, RP, RA	Recycled
RM	Remanufactured
SW	Solid Waste Impact
EE	Energy Efficient
E*	EPA Energy Star
ES	Environmentally Sensitive

NOTE TO AUTHORIZED USERS:

When placing purchase orders under the contract(s), the authorized user should be familiar with and follow the terms and conditions governing its use which usually appears at the end of this document. The authorized user is accountable and responsible for compliance with the requirements of public procurement processes. The authorized user must periodically sample the results of its procurements to determine its compliance. In sampling its procurements, an authorized user should test for reasonableness of results to ensure that such results can withstand public scrutiny.

The authorized user, when purchasing from OGS contracts, should hold the contractor accountable for contract compliance and meeting the contract terms, conditions, specifications, and other requirements. Also, in recognition of market fluctuations over time, authorized users are encouraged to seek improved pricing whenever possible.

Authorized users have the responsibility to document purchases, particularly when using OGS multiple award contracts for the same or similar product(s)/service(s), which should include:

- a statement of need and associated requirements,
- a summary of the contract alternatives considered for the purchase,
- the reason(s) supporting the resulting purchase (e.g., show the basis for the selection among multiple contracts at the time of purchase was the most practical and economical alternative and was in the best interests of the State).

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CONFLICT OF TERMS:

Conflicts among documents shall be resolved in the following order of precedence:

1. Appendix A (October 2019), Standard Clauses for NYS Contracts
2. Contract Award Letter
3. Solicitation #23222
4. Appendix B (April 2016), General Specifications
5. All other Appendices and Attachments to Solicitation #23222
6. Bid Prices for the Lot(s) being awarded to the Contractor
7. Contractor's Bid Submission

OVERVIEW:

This Contract provides Authorized Users with a means of acquiring Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) and Related Items. Products for purchase by all Authorized Users are described in the Section titled, *Scope*. Procurement instructions describing requirements for Authorized Users to purchase from the Centralized Contract are found in the Section titled, *Procurement Instructions for Authorized Users*.

Contracts were awarded non-competitively based on reasonableness of cost.

SCOPE:

This Award contains (9) nine Lots as listed below. Contractors were not required to bid on all Lots but could bid on as many Lots as they wished provided that the minimum qualifications were met. Contractors could bid for more than one Manufacturer for each Item in a Lot.

- Lot 1: Respirators (N95 & PAPR)
- Lot 2: Masks (Surgical, Clear View & Non-Surgical)
- Lot 3: Face Shields & Goggles (Medical & Non-Medical)
- Lot 4: Gloves (Vinyl & Nitrile)
- Lot 5: Gowns & Coveralls (Isolation, Surgical (Disposable & Reusable) & Coveralls)
- Lot 6: Covers (Shoe/Boot & Hair)
- Lot 7: Hand Sanitizer (Ethyl Alcohol & Isopropyl Alcohol)
- Lot 8: Wipes (Disinfecting & Isopropyl Alcohol)
- Lot 9: Fit Test Kits

PROCUREMENT INSTRUCTIONS FOR AUTHORIZED USERS:

The resultant Contracts will be issued under a multiple award structure. Authorized Users shall procure Products that best meet their form, function, and utility requirements. **Authorized Users are encouraged to obtain three (3) quotes prior to purchase.**

Before proceeding with their purchase, Authorized Users shall check the list of Preferred Source offerings and are reminded that they must comply with State Finance Law, particularly § 162, regarding commodities/services provided by preferred source suppliers.

Pursuant to State Finance Law § 163(10)(c), at the time of purchase, Authorized Users must base their selection among multiple Contracts upon which is the most practical and economical alternative that is in the best interests of the State.

ESTIMATED QUANTITIES:

A Contract resulting from this Award shall be an estimated quantity Contract. No specific quantities are represented or guaranteed, and the State provides no guarantee of individual Authorized User participation. Contractors must furnish all quantities actually ordered at or below the Contract prices. The anticipated dollar value of the award for all Lots is approximately \$900,000.00 annually. The individual value of each Contract is indeterminate. Authorized Users are encouraged to purchase from Contractors who offer the Products and

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pricing that best meet their needs in the most practical and economical manner. See Appendix B, Estimated/Specific Quantity Contracts and Participation in Centralized Contracts.

Numerous factors could cause the actual quantities of Products purchased under a Contract resulting from this Award to vary substantially from the estimates in Solicitation 23222. Such factors include, but are not limited to, the following:

- Such Contracts are non-exclusive Contracts.
- There is no guarantee of quantities to be purchased, nor is there any guarantee that demand will continue in any manner consistent with previous purchases.
- The individual value of each Contract is indeterminate and will depend upon actual Authorized User demand and actual quantities ordered during the Contract period.
- The State reserves the right to terminate any Contract for cause or convenience prior to the end of the term pursuant to the terms and conditions of the Contract.
- Contract pricing that is lower than anticipated could result in a higher quantity of purchases by Authorized Users than anticipated.
- Contract pricing that is higher than anticipated could result in a lower quantity of purchases by Authorized Users than anticipated.

CONTRACT TERM AND EXTENSIONS:

A. The Contract shall be in effect for a term of five (5) years from the date of OSC Approval. The Contract term shall commence after all necessary approvals and shall become effective upon mailing or electronic communication of the final executed documents to the Contractor (see Appendix B, Contract Creation/Execution).

B. Extensions. At the State's option, the Contract may be extended for five (5) years, subject to the approval of OSC, in increments as deemed to be in the best interest of the State. Whether the optional extensions are exercised is at the sole discretion of the State. A Contractor shall retain the right to decline a Contract extension offered under this section. Any Contract extension will be under the same terms and conditions, subject to any additional applicable statutory and policy requirements. Any extensions provided under this section shall apply in addition to any rights set forth in Appendix B, Contract Term – Extension.

C. The Contract term provided for in this section shall extend 6 months beyond its termination date only for Authorized Users whose contracts must be registered with the Office of the New York City Comptroller. During the 6-month period the definition of Authorized User shall be deemed to refer only to Authorized Users whose contracts must be registered with the Office of the New York City Comptroller. This extension is in addition to any other extensions available under the Contract. The extension provided for in this paragraph shall be upon the then-existing terms and conditions; provided, however, during such extension an Authorized User, as defined in this paragraph, may agree to amend such terms and conditions solely to comply with changes in statutory requirements (e.g. changes in minimum, prevailing or living wages, or regulated services).

SHORT TERM EXTENSION:

This section shall apply in addition to any rights set forth in Appendix B, Contract Term – Extension. In the event a replacement Contract has not been issued, any Contract let and awarded hereunder by the State may be extended unilaterally by the State for an additional period of up to 30 calendar days upon notice to the Contractor with the same terms and conditions as the original Contract and any approved modifications. With the concurrence of the Contractor, the extension may be for a period of up to 90 calendar days in lieu of 30 calendar days. However, this extension automatically terminates should a replacement Contract be issued in the interim.

CONTINUOUS RECRUITMENT:

This Contract allows for continuous recruitment of additional Contractors during the term of the Contract. Vendors that miss the Bid Opening date, and Bidders who did not receive an Award, may submit a bid when the Continuous Recruitment period opens, which will be no earlier than the date of the final

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Contract Awards having been issued, or at the discretion of the Office of General Services. The opening of the Continuous Recruitment Period date will be advertised in the New York State Contract Reporter.

PRICE:

Pricing shall be all-inclusive, including but not limited to labor, bundling, delivery charges, fuel surcharges, utility rate surcharges, dock fees, license fees, procurement or transportation surcharges, tariffs, customs duties and charges, or other surcharges applied.

Authorized Users may negotiate better pricing with Contractor at any time throughout the Contract period.

Should additional Products be required by the Authorized User to accommodate an exigent circumstance for a delivery at a non-standard delivery time, the Contractor shall provide additional Products at the Contract rates without additional sorting charge, special order charge, transportation charge, or other additional charges.

BEST PRICING OFFER:

During the Contract term, if the Commissioner becomes aware that the Contractor is selling substantially the same or a smaller quantity of a Product outside of this Contract upon the same or similar terms and conditions as that of this Contract at a lower price to a federal, state or local governmental entity, the price under this Contract, after consultation with the Contractor, may be reduced to a lower price on a prospective basis at the discretion of the Commissioner. The Commissioner reserves the right to request information to verify pricing for the purposes of this clause.

PRICE STRUCTURE:

If, during the Contract Term, the Contractor is unable or unwilling to meet contractual requirements in whole or in part based on the price structure of the Contract, it shall immediately notify the Office of General Services, Procurement Services in writing. Such notification shall not relieve the Contractor of its responsibilities under the Contract. The State may, but is not required to, consider an equitable adjustment in the Contract terms and/or pricing in the circumstances outlined in Appendix B, Savings/Force Majeure.

Should the Commissioner in his or her sole discretion determine during the Contract Term that (i) the Contract price structure is unworkable, detrimental, or injurious to the State, or (ii) the Contract price structure results in prices which are unreasonable, excessive, or not truly reflective of current market conditions, and no adjustment in the Contract terms and/or pricing is mutually agreeable, the State may terminate the Contract upon 10 business days written notice mailed to the Contractor.

PRICE UPDATES:

Commencing with the first anniversary date of the Bid opening, and annually thereafter, the Contractor may update the pricelist to reflect Contractor price changes and the addition/deletion of Products. Price Updates shall be submitted by Contractors in accordance with Appendix C – Contract Modification Procedure.

Requests for price adjustments and new items shall be submitted no later than 30 calendar days prior to the anniversary date of the Bid opening, and annually thereafter. Requests from Contractor(s) for price adjustments at any other time will not be granted. The Contractor shall provide OGS with one electronic copy of the updated pricing in a manner and format as designated by OGS including, but not limited to Identification of price increases, price decreases, additions, deletions (e.g., by use of separate worksheets or by using highlighting, italics, bold and/or color fonts). No Price Updates will be granted to any Contractor who has outstanding Sales Reports, Proofs of Insurance or any other documentation that is required under the resulting contract.

Contractors shall be permitted to reduce their pricing any time during the contract term.

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In connection with any Contract pricelist update, OGS reserves the right to:

- Request additional information, including but not limited to reasonableness of price;
- Reject Contract updates;
- Remove Products from Contract updates; and
- Request additional discounts for new or existing Products

OGS reserves the right to add a product category within any Lot, at any time, if it is deemed to be in the best interest of the State.

ORDERING:

Purchase Orders shall be made in accordance with the terms set forth in Appendix B, Purchase Orders. Authorized Users may submit orders over the phone, and, if available, may submit orders electronically via web-based ordering, e-mail, or facsimile at any time. Orders submitted shall be deemed received by Contractor on the date submitted.

All orders shall reference Contract number, requisition, and/or Purchase Order number (if applicable). Upon Contractor's receipt of an order, confirmation is to be provided to the Authorized User electronically or via facsimile. Order confirmation should be sufficiently detailed, and include, at a minimum, purchase price, date of order, delivery information (if applicable), Authorized User Name, and sales representative (if applicable).

MINIMUM ORDER:

There is no Minimum Order required for this Contract.

SAMPLES AND TESTING:

OGS and/or Authorized Users reserve the right to request a Certificate of Compliance certifying Contractor's product offering meets or exceeds the requirements as listed in the item specifications.

OGS and/or Authorized Users reserve the right to request samples and test any product available under the resulting Contract in order to determine whether the item is acceptable and meets specifications. Samples and testing shall be provided at no cost to the State.

PURCHASING CARD ORDERS:

If the Contractor accepts orders using the State's Purchasing Card (see Appendix B, Purchasing Card), also referred to as the Procurement Card, the Contractor shall not charge or bill the Authorized User for any additional charges related to the use of the Purchasing Card, including but not limited to processing charges, surcharges, or other fees.

INVOICING AND PAYMENT:

Invoicing and payment shall be made in accordance with the terms set forth in Appendix B, Contract Invoicing.

The Contractor is required to provide the Authorized User with one invoice for each Purchase Order at the time of delivery. The invoice must include detailed line-item information to allow Authorized Users to verify that pricing at point of receipt matches the Contract price on the original date of order. At a minimum, the following fields must be included on each invoice:

- Contractor Name
- Contractor Billing Address
- Contractor Federal ID Number
- NYS Vendor ID Number
- Account Number
- NYS Contract Number

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- Name of Authorized User indicated on the Purchase Order
- NYS Agency Unit ID (if applicable)
- Authorized User's Purchase Order Number
- Order Date
- Invoice Date
- Invoice Number
- Invoice Amount
- Product Descriptions
- Unit Price
- Quantity
- Unit of Measure

Cost centers or branch offices within an Authorized User may require separate invoicing as specified by each Authorized User. The Contractor's billing system shall be flexible enough to meet the needs of varying ordering systems in use by different Authorized Users. Visit the following link for further guidance for vendors on invoicing: <https://bsc.ogs.ny.gov/nys-vendors>.

ELECTRONIC PAYMENTS:

The Office of the State Comptroller (OSC) offers an "electronic payment" option in lieu of issuing checks. To obtain an electronic payment authorization form visit the OSC website at www.osc.state.ny.us or contact them by e-mail at epunit@osc.state.ny.us or by phone at 518-486-1255.

PRODUCT DELIVERY:

Delivery of all Contract Products shall be made in accordance with Appendix B, Product Delivery and Shipping/Receipt of Product.

Authorized Users may require the following delivery instructions and/or information, including but not limited to:

- A delivery schedule
- Firm delivery date
- Point of contact for delivery
- Shipping method – Name of shipper, common carrier, etc.
- Packaging/number of pallets and number of items per pallet
- Estimated amount of storage space needed for delivery (e.g., number of pallets, cases, square feet, and cubic feet, etc.)
- Confirmation that all paperwork including bills of lading shall be affixed to the pallet or carton and visible. All paperwork must contain the vendor's name on the PO, and the PO number or a copy of the PO should be attached to each pallet
- Palletization: When palletization is required, all items must be delivered on pallets and each item kept separate, where necessary, to meet the requirements of the Authorized User. Pallets must be two-way and sturdy enough to adequately support the load placed on them without breaking and delivered lying flat and stacked.

PRODUCT RETURNS AND EXCHANGES:

In addition to the provisions of Appendix B, Title and Risk of Loss, Product Substitution, and Rejected Product, Products returned or exchanged due to quality problems, duplicated shipments, outdated Product, incorrect Product shipped, Contractor errors otherwise not specified, or Products returned or exchanged due to Authorized User errors, shall be replaced with specified Products or the Authorized User shall be credited or refunded for the full purchase price.

Products shall be replaced within 10 business days of written notification to the Contractor of the Authorized User's intent to return or exchange the Product. There shall be no restocking fee charged.

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Any credit or refund shall be applied against the next bill/invoice submitted by the Contractor to the Authorized User. If no credit or refund, or only a partial credit or refund, is made in such fashion, the Contractor shall pay to the Authorized User the amount of such credit or refund or portion thereof still outstanding, within 30 calendar days of demand.

UNANTICIPATED EXCESSIVE PURCHASE:

The State reserves the right to negotiate lower pricing, or to advertise for Bids, for any unanticipated excessive purchase.

OVERLAPPING CONTRACT ITEMS:

Products available in this contract may also be available from other New York State contracts. Authorized Users will be advised to select the most cost-effective procurement alternative that meets their program requirements and maintain a procurement record documenting the basis for the selection.

NEW YORK STATE VENDOR RESPONSIBILITY QUESTIONNAIRE FOR-PROFIT BUSINESS ENTITY:

Contractor is encouraged to maintain up-to-date Questionnaire during the life of the contract and is also required to ensure this Questionnaire reflects any substantive issues that may have occurred from the time the Contract was initially awarded.

PROCUREMENT SERVICES' DISPUTE RESOLUTION POLICY:

It is the policy of the Office of General Services' Procurement Services to provide vendors with an opportunity to administratively resolve disputes, complaints or inquiries related to Procurement Services bid solicitations or contract awards. Procurement Services encourages vendors to seek resolution of disputes through consultation with Procurement Services staff. All such matters will be accorded impartial and timely consideration. Interested parties may also file formal written disputes. A copy of Procurement Services' Dispute Resolution Procedures for Vendors may be obtained by contacting the person shown on the front of this document or through the OGS website (<https://www.ogs.ny.gov>).

NOTE TO CONTRACTOR:

In the event a specified manufacturer's product listed in the Contract Award Notification becomes unavailable or cannot be supplied to the State by the contractor for any reason (except as provided for in the "Savings/Force Majeure" clause in Appendix B, OGS General Specifications), a product deemed by the Office of General Services to be equal to or better than the specified product must be substituted by the contractor at no additional cost or expense to the State.

PREFERRED SOURCE PRODUCTS AND SERVICES:

Section 162 of the State Finance Law requires that Authorized Users afford first priority to the Products of Preferred Source suppliers such as Corcraft (the marketplace name for the NYS Department of Corrections and Community Supervision, Division of Industries), New York State Preferred Source Program for People who are Blind (NYSPSP), and New York State Industries for the Disabled (NYSID), and others determined by law, when such Products meet the form, function and utility of the Authorized User. Some Products in the resultant Contract may be available from one or more Preferred Sources. An Authorized User must determine if a particular Product is approved for a Preferred Source and follow the requirements of State Finance Law § 162(3) or (4)(b), respectively, before engaging the Contractor.

NYS FINANCIAL SYSTEM (SFS):

New York State is currently operating on an Enterprise Resource Planning (ERP) system, Oracle PeopleSoft software, referred to as the Statewide Financial System (SFS). SFS is currently on PeopleSoft Financials version 9.2. SFS supports requisition-to-payment processing and financial management functions.

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The State is also implementing an eProcurement application that supports the requisitioning process for State Agencies to procure Products in SFS. This application provides catalog capabilities. Contractors with Centralized Contracts have the ability to provide a “hosted” or “punch-out” catalog that integrates with SFS and is available to Authorized Users via a centralized eMarketplace website. Additional information may be found at: <https://ogs.ny.gov/procurement/emarketplace>.

There are no fees required for a Contractor’s participation in the catalog site development or management. Upon completion and activation of an on-line catalog, State Agencies will process their orders through the SFS functionality and other Authorized Users can access the catalog site to fulfill orders directly.

The State may be implementing additional PeopleSoft modules in the near future. Further information regarding business processes, interfaces, and file layouts currently in place may be found at: <https://web.osc.state.ny.us/agencies/guide/MyWebHelp/Default.htm>.

AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT (ADA):

The federal ADA bars employment discrimination and requires all levels of government to provide necessary and reasonable accommodations to qualified workers with disabilities. Contractor is required to identify and offer any Products it manufactures or adapts that may be used or adapted for use by persons with visual, hearing, or any other physical disabilities. Although it is not mandatory for Contractor to have these Products, it is necessary to identify any such Products offered that fall into the above category.

N.Y. STATE FINANCE LAW § 139-L:

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

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

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

INSURANCE:

The Contractor shall maintain in force at all times during the terms of the Contract, policies of insurance pursuant to the requirements outlined in Attachment 04 – Insurance Requirements.

REPORT OF CONTRACT USAGE:

Contractor shall submit Attachment 08 – Report of Contract Usage including total sales to Authorized Users of this Contract by Contractor, and all authorized resellers, dealers, and distributors, if any, no later than 10 business days after the close of each calendar quarter. If the Contract period begins or ends in a fractional portion of a reporting period, only the actual Contract sales for this fractional period should be included in the quarterly report.

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Contractors shall specify if any authorized resellers, dealers, or distributors are NYS Certified Minority- and/or Women-Owned Business Enterprises (MWBES), small business enterprises (SBEs), or Service-Disabled Veteran-Owned Businesses (SDVOBs).

The report is to be submitted electronically via e-mail in Microsoft Excel to OGS Procurement Services, to the attention of the individual listed on the front page of the Contract Award Notification and shall reference the Contract Group Number, Award Number, Contract Number, Sales Period, and Contractor's name.

The report in Attachment 08 – Report of Contract Usage contains the minimum information required. Additional related sales information, such as detailed user purchases may be required by OGS and must be supplied upon request. Failure to submit reports on a timely basis may result in Contract cancellation and designation of Contractor as non-responsible.

This Contract may be terminated if, on the one-year anniversary date of the Contract Award, and annually thereafter, the reports required to be filed under this Section show that the Contractor has made no sales to any Authorized User under the Contract for the prior year. Termination of the Contract under this Section is in addition to Appendix B – Termination, and shall take effect upon written notification to the Contractor. The Contract may also be terminated for failure to file the reports required under this Section.

CONTRACTOR REQUIREMENTS AND PROCEDURES FOR BUSINESS PARTICIPATION OPPORTUNITIES FOR NYS CERTIFIED MINORITY- AND WOMEN-OWNED BUSINESS ENTERPRISES AND EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES FOR MINORITY GROUP MEMBERS AND WOMEN:

I. New York State Law

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

II. General Provisions

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

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

C. Failure to comply with all of the requirements herein may result in a finding of non-responsiveness, a finding of non-responsibility, breach of contract, withholding of funds, liquidated damages pursuant to clause IX of this section, and/or enforcement proceedings as allowed by the Contract and applicable law.

III. Equal Employment Opportunity (EEO)

A. The provisions of Article 15-A of the Executive Law and the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder pertaining to equal employment opportunities for minority group members and women shall apply to all Contractors, and any subcontractors, awarded a subcontract over \$25,000, for labor, services,

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including legal, financial and other professional services, travel, supplies, equipment, materials, or any combination of the foregoing, to be performed for, or rendered or furnished to, the contracting State agency (the "Work") except where the Work is for the beneficial use of the Contractor.

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

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

B. Form EEO 100 - Staffing Plan. Plan

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

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

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

2. Separate forms shall be completed by Contractor and any subcontractor.

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

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

IV. Contract Goals

A. OGS hereby establishes an overall goal of 30% for MWBE participation, 15% for Minority-Owned Business Enterprises ("MBE") participation and 15% for Women-Owned Business Enterprises ("WBE") participation (based on the current availability of qualified MBEs and WBEs). The total Contract goal

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can be obtained by utilizing any combination of MBE and /or WBE participation for subcontracting and supplies acquired under the Contract.

B. For purposes of providing meaningful participation by MWBEs on the Contract and achieving the Contract goals established in clause IV-A hereof, Contractor should reference the directory of New York State Certified MWBEs found at the following internet address:

<https://ny.newnycontracts.com/FrontEnd/VendorSearchPublic.asp?TN=ny&XID=2528>. The MWBE Regulations are located at 5 NYCRR § 140 – 145. Questions regarding compliance with MWBE participation goals should be directed to the Designated Contacts within the OGS Office of Minority- and Women Owned Businesses Enterprises. Additionally, following Contract execution, Contractor is encouraged to contact the Division of Minority and Women’s Business Development ((518) 292-5250; (212) 803-2414; or (716) 846-8200) to discuss additional methods of maximizing participation by MWBEs on the Contract.

C. Contractor must document “good faith efforts” to provide meaningful participation by MWBEs as subcontractors or suppliers in the performance of the Contract (see clause VII below).

V. MWBE Utilization Plan

A. In accordance with 5 NYCRR § 142.4, Bidders are required to submit a completed Utilization Plan on Form MWBE 100 with their bid.

B. The Utilization Plan shall list the MWBEs the Bidder intends to use to perform the Contract, a description of the Contract scope of work the Bidder intends the MWBE to perform to meet the goals on the Contract, the estimated or, if known, actual dollar amounts to be paid to an MWBE. By signing the Utilization Plan, the Bidder acknowledges that making false representations or including information evidencing a lack of good faith as part of, or in conjunction with, the submission of a Utilization Plan is prohibited by law and may result in penalties including, but not limited to, termination of a contract for cause, loss of eligibility to submit future bids, and/or withholding of payments. Any modifications or changes to the agreed participation by New York State Certified MWBEs after the Contract award and during the term of the Contract must be reported on a revised MWBE Utilization Plan and submitted to OGS.

C. By entering into the Contract, Bidder/Contractor understands that only sums paid to MWBEs for the performance of a commercially useful function, as that term is defined in 5 NYCRR § 140.1, may be applied towards the achievement of the applicable MWBE participation goal. When an MWBE is serving as a broker on the Contract, only 25 percent of all sums paid to a broker shall be deemed to represent the commercially useful function performed by the MWBE

D. OGS will review the submitted MWBE Utilization Plan and advise the Bidder of OGS acceptance or issue a notice of deficiency within 30 days of receipt.

E. If a notice of deficiency is issued; Bidder agrees that it shall respond to the notice of deficiency, within seven (7) business days of receipt, by submitting to OGS a written remedy in response to the notice of deficiency. If the written remedy that is submitted is not timely or is found by OGS to be inadequate, OGS shall notify the Bidder and direct the Bidder to submit, within five (5) business days of notification by OGS, a request for a partial or total waiver of MWBE participation goals on Form BDC 333. Failure to file the waiver form in a timely manner may be grounds for disqualification of the bid or proposal.

F. OGS may disqualify a Bidder’s bid/proposal as being non-responsive under the following circumstances:

- (a) If a Bidder fails to submit an MWBE Utilization Plan;
- (b) If a Bidder fails to submit a written remedy to a notice of deficiency;
- (c) If a Bidder fails to submit a request for waiver; or
- (d) If OGS determines that the Bidder has failed to document good faith efforts.

G. If awarded a Contract, Contractor certifies that it will follow the submitted MWBE Utilization Plan for the performance of MWBEs on the Contract pursuant to the prescribed MWBE goals set forth in clause IV-A of this Section.

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H. Bidder/Contractor further agrees that a failure to submit and/or use such completed MWBE Utilization Plan shall constitute a material breach of the terms of the Contract. Upon the occurrence of such a material breach, OGS shall be entitled to any remedy provided herein, including but not limited to, a finding of Contractor non-responsiveness.

VI. Request for Waiver

A. Prior to submission of a request for a partial or total waiver, Bidder shall contact the Designated Contacts listed on page 1 of this document for guidance.

B. In accordance with 5 NYCRR § 142.7, a Bidder/Contractor who is able to document good faith efforts to meet the goal requirements, as set forth in clause VII below, may submit a request for a partial or total waiver on Form BDC 333, accompanied by supporting documentation. A Bidder may submit the request for waiver at the same time it submits its MWBE Utilization Plan. If a request for waiver is submitted with the MWBE Utilization Plan and is not accepted by OGS at that time, the provisions of clauses V(C), (D) & (E) will apply. If the documentation included with the Bidder's/Contractor's waiver request is complete, OGS shall evaluate the request and issue a written notice of acceptance or denial within twenty (20) business days of receipt.

C. Contractor shall attempt to utilize, in good faith, any MBE or WBE identified within its MWBE Utilization Plan, during the performance of the Contract. Requests for a partial or total waiver of established goal requirements made subsequent to Contract award may be made at any time during the term of the Contract to OGS, but must be made no later than prior to the submission of a request for final payment on the Contract.

D. If OGS, upon review of the MWBE Utilization Plan and Monthly MWBE Contractor Compliance Reports determines that Contractor is failing or refusing to comply with the contract goals and no waiver has been issued in regards to such non-compliance, OGS may issue a notice of deficiency to the Contractor. The Contractor must respond to the notice of deficiency within seven (7) business days of receipt. Such response may include a request for partial or total waiver of MWBE contract goals.

VII. Required Good Faith Efforts

In accordance with 5 NYCRR § 142.8, Contractors must document their good faith efforts toward utilizing MWBEs on the Contract. Evidence of required good faith efforts shall include, but not be limited to, the following:

1. A list of the general circulation, trade and MWBE-oriented publications and dates of publications in which the Contractor solicited the participation of certified MWBEs as subcontractors/suppliers, copies of such solicitations and any responses thereto.

2. A list of the certified MWBEs appearing in the Empire State Development ("ESD") MWBE directory that were solicited for this Contract. Provide proof of dates or copies of the solicitations and copies of the responses made by the certified MWBEs. Describe specific reasons that responding certified MWBEs were not selected.

3. Descriptions of the Contract documents/plans/specifications made available to certified MWBEs by the Contractor when soliciting their participation and steps taken to structure the scope of work for the purpose of subcontracting with, or obtaining supplies from, certified MWBEs.

4. A description of the negotiations between the Contractor and certified MWBEs for the purposes of complying with the MWBE goals of this Contract.

5. Dates of any pre-bid, pre-award or other meetings attended by Contractor, if any, scheduled by OGS with certified MWBEs whom OGS determined were capable of fulfilling the MWBE goals set in the Contract.

6. Other information deemed relevant to the request.

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VIII. Monthly MWBE Contractor Compliance Report

A. In accordance with 5 NYCRR § 142.10, Contractor is required to report Monthly MWBE Contractor Compliance to OGS during the term of the Contract for the preceding month's activity, documenting progress made towards achievement of the Contract MWBE goals. OGS requests that all Contractors use the New York State Contract System ("NYSCS") to report subcontractor and supplier payments made by Contractor to MWBEs performing work under the Contract. The NYSCS may be accessed at <https://ny.newnycontracts.com/>. This is a New York State-based system that all State agencies and authorities will be implementing to ensure uniform contract compliance reporting throughout New York State.

B. When a Contractor receives a payment from a State agency, it is the Contractor's responsibility to pay its subcontractors and suppliers in a timely manner. On or after the first day of each month, the Contractor will receive an email or fax notification ("audit notice") indicating that a representative of its company needs to log-in to the NYSCS to report the company's MWBE subcontractor and supplier payments for the preceding month. The Contractor must also report when no payments have been made to a subcontractor or supplier in a particular month with entry of a zero-dollar value in the NYSCS. Once subcontractor and supplier payments have been entered into the NYSCS, the subcontractor(s) and supplier(s) will receive an email or fax notification advising them to log into the NYSCS to confirm that they actually received the reported payments from the Contractor. It is the Contractor's responsibility to educate its MWBE subcontractors and suppliers about the NYSCS and the need to confirm payments made to them in the NYSCS.

C. To assist in the use of the NYSCS, OGS recommends that all Contractors and MWBE subcontractors and suppliers sign up for the following two webinar trainings offered through the NYSCS: "Introduction to the System - Vendor training" and "Contract Compliance Reporting - Vendor Training" to become familiar with the NYSCS. To view the training schedule and to register visit: <https://ny.newnycontracts.com/events.asp>.

D. As soon as possible after the Contract is approved, Contractor should visit <https://ny.newnycontracts.com> and click on "Account Lookup" to identify the Contractor's account by company name. Contact information should be reviewed and updated, if necessary, by choosing "Change Info." It is important that the staff member who is responsible for reporting payment information for the Contractor be listed as a user in the NYSCS. Users who are not already listed may be added through "Request New User." When identifying the person responsible, please add "- MWBE Contact" after his or her last name (i.e., John Doe – MWBE Contact) to ensure that the correct person receives audit notices from the NYSCS. NYSCS Technical Support should be contacted for any technical support questions by clicking on the links for "Contact Us & Support" then "Technical Support" on the NYSCS website.

E. If Contractor is unable to report MWBE Contractor Compliance via the NYSCS, Contractor must submit a Monthly MWBE Contractor Compliance Report on Form MWBE 102 to OGS, by the 10th day of each month during the term of the Contract, for the preceding month's activity to: OGS MWBE Office, 29th floor Corning Tower, Empire State Plaza, Albany, NY 12242. Phone: 518-486-9284; Fax: 518-486-9285.

F. It is the Contractor's responsibility to report subcontractor and supplier payments. Failure to respond to payment audits in a timely fashion through the NYSCS, or by paper to OGS, may jeopardize future payments pursuant to the MWBE liquidated damages clause in clause IX below.

IX. Breach of Contract and Liquidated Damages

A. Where OGS determines that the Contractor is not in compliance with the requirements of this Contract, and the Contractor refuses to comply with such requirements, or if it is found to have willfully and intentionally failed to comply with the MWBE participation goals set forth in the Contract, the Contractor shall be obligated to pay liquidated damages to OGS.

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- B. Such liquidated damages shall be calculated as an amount equaling the difference between:
1. All sums identified for payment to MWBEs had the Contractor achieved the contractual MWBE goals; and
 2. All sums actually paid to MWBEs for work performed or materials supplied under the Contract.

C. If OGS determines that Contractor is liable for liquidated damages and such identified sums have not been withheld by OGS, Contractor shall pay such liquidated damages to OGS within sixty (60) days after they are assessed. Provided, however, that if the Contractor has filed a complaint with the Director of the Division of Minority and Women's Business Development pursuant to 5 NYCRR § 142.12, liquidated damages shall be payable only in the event of a determination adverse to the Contractor following the complaint process.

X. Fraud

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

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

PARTICIPATION OPPORTUNITIES FOR NEW YORK STATE CERTIFIED SERVICE-DISABLED VETERAN OWNED BUSINESSES:

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

In recognition of the service and sacrifices made by service-disabled veterans and in recognition of their economic activity in doing business in New York State, Bidders are expected to consider SDVOBs in the fulfillment of the requirements of the Contract. Such participation may be as subcontractors or suppliers, as protégés, or in other partnering or supporting roles.

I. Contract Goals

A. OGS hereby establishes an overall goal of 6% for SDVOB participation, based on the current availability of qualified SDVOBs. For purposes of providing meaningful participation by SDVOBs, the Bidder/Contractor should reference the directory of New York State Certified SDVOBs found at: <https://ogs.ny.gov/Veterans/>. Questions regarding compliance with SDVOB participation goals should be directed to the OGS Designated Contacts. Additionally, following Contract execution, Contractor is encouraged to contact the Office of General Services' Division of Service-Disabled Veteran's Business Development at 518-474-2015 or VeteransDevelopment@ogs.ny.gov to discuss additional methods of maximizing participation by SDVOBs on the Contract.

B. Contractor must document "good faith efforts" to provide meaningful participation by SDVOBs as subcontractors or suppliers in the performance of the Contract (see clause IV below).

II. SDVOB Utilization Plan

A. In accordance with 9 NYCRR § 252.2(i), Bidders are required to submit a completed SDVOB Utilization Plan on Form SDVOB 100 with their bid.

B. The Utilization Plan shall list the SDVOBs that the Bidder intends to use to perform the Contract, a description of the work that the Bidder intends the SDVOB to perform to meet the goals on the Contract, the estimated dollar amounts to be paid to an SDVOB, or, if not known, an estimate of the percentage of Contract work the SDVOB will perform. By signing the Utilization Plan, the Bidder acknowledges that making

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false representations or providing information that shows a lack of good faith as part of, or in conjunction with, the submission of a Utilization Plan is prohibited by law and may result in penalties including, but not limited to, termination of a contract for cause, loss of eligibility to submit future bids, and/or withholding of payments. Any modifications or changes to the agreed participation by SDVOBs after the Contract award and during the term of the Contract must be reported on a revised SDVOB Utilization Plan and submitted to OGS.

C. OGS will review the submitted SDVOB Utilization Plan and advise the Bidder/Contractor of OGS acceptance or issue a notice of deficiency within 20 days of receipt.

D. If a notice of deficiency is issued, Bidder/Contractor agrees that it shall respond to the notice of deficiency, within seven business days of receipt, by submitting to OGS a written remedy in response to the notice of deficiency. If the written remedy that is submitted is not timely or is found by OGS to be inadequate, OGS shall notify the Bidder/Contractor and direct the Bidder/Contractor to submit, within five business days of notification by OGS, a request for a partial or total waiver of SDVOB participation goals on SDVOB 200. Failure to file the waiver form in a timely manner may be grounds for disqualification of the bid or proposal

E. OGS may disqualify a Bidder's bid or proposal as being non-responsive under the following circumstances:

- (a) If a Bidder fails to submit an SDVOB Utilization Plan;
- (b) If a Bidder fails to submit a written remedy to a notice of deficiency;
- (c) If a Bidder fails to submit a request for waiver; or
- (d) If OGS determines that the Bidder has failed to document good faith efforts.

F. If awarded a Contract, Contractor certifies that it will follow the submitted SDVOB Utilization Plan for the performance of SDVOBs on the Contract pursuant to the prescribed SDVOB contract goals set forth above.

G. Contractor further agrees that a failure to use SDVOBs as agreed in the Utilization Plan shall constitute a material breach of the terms of the Contract. Upon the occurrence of such a material breach, OGS shall be entitled to any remedy provided herein, including but not limited to, a finding of Contractor non-responsibility.

III. Request for Waiver

A. Prior to submission of a request for a partial or total waiver, Bidder/Contractor shall speak to the Designated Contacts at OGS for guidance

B. In accordance with 9 NYCRR § 252.2(m), a Bidder/Contractor that is able to document good faith efforts to meet the goal requirements, as set forth in clause IV below, may submit a request for a partial or total waiver on Form SDVOB 200, accompanied by supporting documentation. A Bidder may submit the request for waiver at the same time it submits its SDVOB Utilization Plan. If a request for waiver is submitted with the SDVOB Utilization Plan and is not accepted by OGS at that time, the provisions of clauses II (C), (D) & (E) will apply. If the documentation included with the Bidder's/Contractor's waiver request is complete, OGS shall evaluate the request and issue a written notice of acceptance or denial within 20 days of receipt.

C. Contractor shall attempt to utilize, in good faith, the SDVOBs identified within its SDVOB Utilization Plan, during the performance of the Contract. Requests for a partial or total waiver of established goal requirements made subsequent to Contract award may be made at any time during the term of the Contract to OGS, but must be made no later than prior to the submission of a request for final payment on the Contract.

D. If OGS, upon review of the SDVOB Utilization Plan and Monthly SDVOB Compliance Report (SDVOB 101) determines that Contractor is failing or refusing to comply with the contract goals and no waiver has been issued in regards to such non-compliance, OGS may issue a notice of deficiency to the Contractor. The Contractor must respond to the notice of deficiency within seven business days of receipt. Such response may include a request for partial or total waiver of SDVOB contract goals.

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Waiver requests should be sent to the OGS designated contact.

IV. Required Good Faith Efforts

In accordance with 9 NYCRR § 252.2(n), Contractors must document their good faith efforts toward utilizing SDVOBs on the Contract. Evidence of required good faith efforts shall include, but not be limited to, the following:

1. Copies of solicitations to SDVOBs and any responses thereto.
2. Explanation of the specific reasons each SDVOB that responded to Bidders/Contractors' solicitation was not selected.
3. Dates of any pre-bid, pre-award or other meetings attended by Contractor, if any, scheduled by OGS with certified SDVOBs whom OGS determined were capable of fulfilling the SDVOB goals set in the Contract.
4. Information describing the specific steps undertaken to reasonably structure the Contract scope of work for the purpose of subcontracting with, or obtaining supplies from, certified SDVOBs.
5. Other information deemed relevant to the waiver request.

V. Monthly SDVOB Contractor Compliance Report

In accordance with 9 NYCRR § 252.2(q), Contractor is required to report Monthly SDVOB Contractor Compliance to OGS during the term of the Contract for the preceding month's activity, documenting progress made towards achieving the Contract SDVOB goals. This information must be submitted using form SDVOB 101 available at <https://ogs.ny.gov/veterans/> and should be completed by the Contractor and submitted to OGS, by the 10th day of each month during the term of the Contract, for the preceding month's activity to: ogssdvobreports@ogs.ny.gov

VI. Breach of Contract and Damages

In accordance with 9 NYCRR § 252.2(s), any Contractor found to have willfully and intentionally failed to comply with the SDVOB participation goals set forth in the Contract, shall be found to have breached the contract and Contractor shall pay damages as set forth therein.

ALL FORMS ARE AVAILABLE UNDER AT: <https://ogs.ny.gov/Veterans/>

USE OF RECYCLED OR REMANUFACTURED MATERIALS:

New York State supports and encourages Contractors to use recycled, remanufactured or recovered materials in the manufacture of Products and packaging to the maximum extent practicable without jeopardizing the performance or intended end use of the Product or packaging unless such use is precluded due to health or safety requirements or Product specifications contained herein. Refurbished or remanufactured components or Products are required to be restored to original performance and regulatory standards and functions and are required to meet all other requirements of this Solicitation. Warranties on refurbished or remanufactured components or Products must be identical to the manufacturer's new equipment warranty or industry's normal warranty when remanufacturer does not offer new equipment. See Appendix B, Remanufactured, Recycled, Recyclable or Recovered Materials.

BULK DELIVERY AND ALTERNATE PACKAGING:

New York State encourages the use of innovative packaging that reduces the weight of packaging and the generation of packaging waste. A Contractor is encouraged to use reusable materials and containers and to utilize packaging configurations that take advantage of storage containers designed to be part of the Product for the shipment of multi-unit purchases. New York State recognizes that these packaging methods

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are in the development stage and may not be currently available. Authorized Users are urged to inquire about these programs at the time of purchase and determine the best solution for their needs.

DIESEL EMISSION REDUCTION ACT:

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

The Law may be applicable to vehicles used by Contractors "on behalf of" State Agencies and public authorities and require certain reports from Contractors. All heavy-duty diesel vehicles must have BART by the deadline provided in the Law. The Law also provides a list of exempted vehicles. Regulations set forth in 6 NYCRR Parts 248 and 249 provide further guidance. The Contractor hereby certifies and warrants that all heavy-duty vehicles, as defined in the Law, to be used under this Contract, will comply with the specifications and provisions of the Law, and 6 NYCRR Parts 248 and 249.

NYS VENDOR RESPONSIBILITY:

OGS conducts a review of prospective Contractors ("Bidders") to provide reasonable assurances that the Contractor is responsive and responsible. A For-Profit Business Entity Questionnaire (hereinafter "Questionnaire") is used for non-construction Contracts and is designed to provide information to assess a Contractor's responsibility to conduct business in New York based upon financial and organizational capacity, legal authority, business integrity, and past performance history. Contractor agrees to fully and accurately complete the Questionnaire. The Contractor acknowledges that the State's execution of the Contract will be contingent upon the State's determination that the Contractor is responsible, and that the State will be relying upon the Contractor's responses to the Questionnaire, in addition to all other information the State may obtain from other sources, when making its responsibility determination.

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

Vendors must provide their New York State Vendor Identification Number when enrolling. For information on how to request assignment of a Vendor ID, see the NYS Vendor File Registration section. OSC provides direct support for the VendRep System through user assistance, documents, online help, and a help desk. The OSC Help Desk contact information is located at <https://www.osc.state.ny.us/online-services/get-help-businesses-and-governments>. Contractors opting to complete and submit the paper questionnaire can access this form and associated definitions via the OSC website at <https://www.osc.state.ny.us/state-vendors/vendrep/vendor-responsibility-forms>.

In order to assist the State in determining the responsibility of the Contractor prior to Contract award, the Contractor must complete and certify (or recertify) the Questionnaire no more than six (6) months prior to the Bid due date. A Contractor's Questionnaire cannot be viewed by OGS until the Contractor has certified the Questionnaire. It is recommended that all Contractors become familiar with all of the requirements of the Questionnaire in advance of the Bid opening to provide sufficient time to complete the Questionnaire.

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

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

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

The Contractor agrees that if it is found by the State that Contractor's responses to the Questionnaire were intentionally false or intentionally incomplete, on such finding, the Commissioner may terminate the Contract.

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

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

NYS TAX LAW SECTION 5-A:

Tax Law § 5-a requires certain Contractors awarded State Contracts for commodities, services and technology valued at more than \$100,000 to certify to NYS Department of Taxation and Finance (DTF) that they are registered to collect New York State and local sales and compensating use taxes. The law applies to Contracts where the total amount of such Contractors' sales delivered into New York State is in excess of \$300,000 for the four quarterly periods immediately preceding the quarterly period in which the certification is made, and with respect to any affiliates and Subcontractors whose sales delivered into New York State exceeded \$300,000 for the four quarterly periods immediately preceding the quarterly period in which the certification is made.

A Contractor is required to file the completed and notarized Form ST-220-CA to OGS certifying that the Contractor filed the ST-220-TD with DTF. Only the Form ST-220-CA is required to be filed with OGS. The ST-220-CA can be found at https://www.tax.ny.gov/pdf/current_forms/st/st220ca_fill_in.pdf. The ST-220-TD can be found at https://www.tax.ny.gov/pdf/current_forms/st/st220td_fill_in.pdf. Contractor should complete and return the certification forms within five (5) business days of request. Failure to make either of these filings may render a Contractor non-responsive and non-responsible. Contractor shall take the necessary steps to provide properly certified forms within a timely manner to ensure compliance with the law. The ST-220-TD only needs to be filed once with DTF, unless the information changes for the Contractor, its affiliates, or its Subcontractors.

Vendors may call DTF at 518-485-2889 with questions or visit the DTF web site at <https://www.tax.ny.gov/> for additional information.

"OGS OR LESS" GUIDELINES:

Purchases of the Products included in the Solicitation and resulting Contract are subject to the "OGS or Less" provisions of State Finance Law § 163(3)(a)(v). This means that State Agencies can purchase Products from sources other than the Contractor provided that such Products are substantially similar in form, function or utility to the Products herein and are (1) lower in price and/or (2) available under terms which are more economically efficient to the State Agency (e.g. delivery terms, warranty terms, etc.).

Agencies are reminded that they must provide the State Contractor an opportunity to match the non-Contract savings at least two business days prior to purchase. In addition, purchases made under "OGS or Less" flexibility must meet all requirements of law including, but not limited to, advertising in the New York State Contract Reporter, prior approval of the Office of the State Comptroller and competitive bidding of

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requirements exceeding the discretionary threshold. State Agencies should refer to Procurement Council Guidelines for additional information.

NON-STATE AGENCIES PARTICIPATION IN CENTRALIZED CONTRACTS:

New York State political subdivisions and others authorized by New York State law may participate in Centralized Contracts. These include, but are not limited to, local governments, public authorities, public school and fire districts, public and nonprofit libraries, and certain other nonpublic/nonprofit organizations. See Appendix B, Participation in Centralized Contracts. For Purchase Orders issued by the Port Authority of New York and New Jersey (or any other authorized entity that may have delivery locations adjacent to New York State), the terms of the Price clause shall be modified to include delivery to locations adjacent to New York State.

Upon request, all eligible non-State agencies must furnish Contractors with the proper tax exemption certificates and documentation certifying eligibility to use State contracts. A list of categories of eligible entities is available on the OGS web site (<https://online.ogs.ny.gov/purchase/snt/othersuse.asp>). Questions regarding an organization's eligibility to purchase from New York State Contracts may also be directed to OGS Procurement Services Customer Services at 518-474-6717.

EXTENSION OF USE:

Any Contract resulting from this Solicitation may be extended to additional States or governmental jurisdictions upon mutual written agreement between New York State and the Contractor. Political subdivisions and other authorized entities within each participating state or governmental jurisdiction may also participate in any resultant Contract if such state normally allows participation by such entities. New York State reserves the right to negotiate additional discounts based on any increased volume generated by such extensions.

RESELLERS FOR ORDER FULFILLMENT:**A. Definitions**

"Reseller" is a company or individual (merchant) that purchases goods or services with the intention of selling them rather than consuming or using them. Resellers must be able to quote pricing statewide and independently for procurements under resulting Contracts. Reseller must also be able to accept orders, invoice and receive payment for products.

B. Conditions of Reseller Participation

Resellers must be approved in advance by the State as a condition of eligibility under the Contract. The State also reserves the right to rescind any such participation or request that Contractor name additional Resellers, in the best interests of the State, at the State's sole discretion, at any time. Contractor shall have the right to qualify Resellers and their participation under this Contract by product line, contracting program (e.g., government/educational sales), geographic region, size/sales volume, technical training or other criteria ("qualifying criteria"), provided that:

1. such qualifying criteria are uniformly applied to all potential Resellers based upon Contractor's established, neutrally applied commercial/governmental program criteria, and not to a particular procurement;
2. all general categories of qualifying criteria must be disclosed by the Contractor to the State, in advance, at the beginning of the Contract term;
3. those qualifying criteria met by the Reseller must be identified in Attachment 10 – Contractor/Reseller/Distributor Information Sheet (Revised 2/4/21) the time that Reseller approval is requested; and,
4. Immediate advance notice is provided to OGS in the event that a change in Reseller's status occurs during the Contract term.

All Resellers who have been approved in accordance with the foregoing paragraph shall be eligible to quote lower pricing for procurements under this Contract which meet their qualifying criteria. Contractor

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warrants and represents that it shall not, directly or indirectly, by agreement, communication or any other means, restrict any Reseller's participation or ability to quote a particular order.

C. Designation of Resellers

When Resellers are submitted for approval, Contractor must provide the State, in advance, with all necessary ordering information, billing addresses and Federal Identification numbers in the format requested in Attachment 10 – Contractor/Reseller/Distributor Information Sheet (Revised 2/4/21). Contractor shall also specify whether orders must be placed directly with Contractor, or may be placed directly with designated Resellers.

D. Responsibility for Reporting/Performance

Contractor shall be fully liable for a Reseller's performance and compliance with all Contract terms and conditions. Product purchased through a Reseller must be reported by Contractor in the required quarterly sales reports to the State as a condition of payment. In addition to inclusion of Reseller volume in the Contractor's sales reporting obligation to the State, at the request of an Authorized User, the Reseller shall provide the Authorized User with reports of the individual Authorized User's Contract activity with the Reseller.

E. Applicability of Contract Terms

Product ordered directly through Resellers shall be limited to Products previously approved for inclusion under this Contract and shall be subject to all terms and conditions of this Contract as a condition of Reseller participation.

CENTRALIZED CONTRACT MODIFICATIONS:

A. OGS, an Authorized User, or the Contractor may suggest modifications to the Centralized Contract or its Appendices. Except as specifically provided herein, modifications to the terms and conditions set forth herein may only be made with mutual written agreement of the parties. Modifications may take the form of an update or an amendment. "Updates" are changes that do not require a change to the established Centralized Contract terms and conditions. A request to add new Products at the same or better price level is an example of an update. "Amendments" are any changes that are not specifically covered by the terms and conditions of the Centralized Contract, but inclusion is found to be in the best interest of the State. A request to change a contractual term and condition is an example of an amendment.

B. Updates to the Centralized Contract and the Appendices may be made in accordance with the contractual terms and conditions to incorporate new Products, make price level revisions, delete Products, or to make such other updates to the established Centralized Contract terms and conditions, not resulting in a change to such terms and conditions, which are deemed to be in the best interest of the State.

C. OGS reserves the right to consider modifications which are not specifically covered by the terms of the Centralized Contract, but are judged to be in the best interest of the State. Such modifications are deemed amendments to the Centralized Contract and may require negotiations between Contractor and OGS before execution.

D. All modifications proposed by Contractor shall be processed in accordance with Appendix C, Contract Modification Procedure. The Contractor shall submit all requests in the form and format contained in Appendix C, Contract Modification Procedure. The form contained within Appendix C is subject to change at the sole discretion of OGS.

E. Modifications proposed by OGS or an Authorized User, including updates and amendments, shall be processed in accordance with the terms of the Centralized Contract and Appendix B, Modification of Contract Terms.

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NEW ACCOUNTS:

Contractor may ask State Agencies and other Authorized Users to provide information in order to facilitate the opening of a customer account, including documentation of eligibility to use New York State Contracts, agency code, name, address, and contact person. State Agencies shall not be required to provide credit references.

DRUG AND ALCOHOL USE PROHIBITED:

For reasons of safety and public policy, the use of alcoholic beverages or illegal drugs by the Contractor's personnel shall not be permitted in performance of the Contract.

TRAFFIC INFRACTIONS:

Neither the State nor Authorized Users will be liable for any expense incurred by the Contractor's personnel for any parking fees or as a consequence of any traffic infraction or parking violation attributable to employees of the Contractor in performance of the Contract.

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**State of New York
Office of General Services
PROCUREMENT SERVICES
Contract Performance Report**

Please take a moment to let us know how this contract award has measured up to your expectations. If reporting on more than one contractor or product, please make copies as needed. This office will use the information to improve our contract award, where appropriate. **Comments should include those of the product's end user.**

Contract No.: _____ **Contractor.** _____

Describe Product* Provided (Include Item No., if available): _____

***Note:** "Product" is defined as a deliverable under any Bid or Contract, which may include commodities (including printing), services and/or technology. The term "Product" includes Licensed Software.

	Excellent	Good	Acceptable	Unacceptable
• Product meets your needs				
• Product meets contract specifications				
• Pricing				

CONTRACTOR

	Excellent	Good	Acceptable	Unacceptable
• Timeliness of delivery				
• Completeness of order (fill rate)				
• Responsiveness to inquiries				
• Employee courtesy				
• Problem resolution				

Comments: _____

Agency: _____ Prepared by: _____

Address: _____ Title: _____

_____ Date: _____

_____ Phone: _____

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