CONTRACT AWARD
SP-38 Rev. 01/08

Purchasing Contact:
Elizabeth Basso, AFAO

Telephone Number:
(860) 622-2037

STATE OF CONNECTICUT

DEPARTMENT OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
CONTRACTS & PURCHASING DIVISION
101 EAST RIVER DRIVE, 4th Floor
EAST HARTFORD, CT 06108-3274

Contract Award #
10ITZ0089
Contract Award Date
December 16, 2010
Expiration Date
December 15, 2012

CONTRACT AWARD

IMPORTANT: *THIS IS NOT A PURCHASE ORDER. DO NOT PRODUCE OR SHIP WITHOUT AN AGENCY PURCHASE ORDER.*

COMMODITY CLASS/SUBCLASS & DESCRIPTION: 7000-960, Check Point Firewall Products & Services

FOR: **Department of Information Technology, All Using State Agencies, Political Subdivisions, Municipalities, Non Profits and Education**
101 East River Drive
East Hartford, CT 06108

DELIVERY DATE REQ'D: ***As Required***

TERM OF CONTRACT: December 16, 2010 through December 15, 2012; Two Years with a one year extension option at the State's sole discretion

AGENCY REQUISITION NUMBER: **ITDM1-1505**

IN STATE (NON-SB) CONTRACT VALUE	DAS *CERTIFIED* SMALL BUSINESS CONTRACT VALUE	OUT OF STATE CONTRACT VALUE	TOTAL CONTRACT AWARD VALUE
$749,000.00	**$**	**$0**	**$749,000.00**

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS: This notice of award is not an order to ship. The using agency or agencies on whose behalf the contract is made will furnish purchase orders against contracts. Send invoices directly to the using/ordering agency per instructions on purchase order.
NOTE: Dollar amounts listed next to each contractor are possible award amounts, however, they do not reflect any expected purchase amounts (actual or implied). They are for CHRO use only.

NOTICE TO AGENCIES: A complete explanatory report shall be furnished promptly to the Director concerning items delivered and/or services rendered on orders placed against awards listed herein which are found not to comply with the specifications or which are otherwise unsatisfactory from the agency's viewpoint, as well as failure of the contractor to deliver within a reasonable period of time specified. Please issue orders and process invoices promptly.

- CASH DISCOUNTS: Cash discounts, if any, shall be given SPECIAL ATTENTION, but such cash discount shall not be taken unless payment is made within the discount period.
- PRICE BASIS: Unless otherwise noted, prices include delivery and transportation charges fully prepaid f.o.b. agency. No extra charge is to be made for packing or packages.

CONTRACTOR INFORMATION:

Company Name: ***Atlantic Computing Technology Corp., DBA Halestar***
Address: 60 Wettleson Avenue, West Hartford, CT 06107
Tel. No.: 860.313.0727 x111 *Fax No.: 860.760.6705* *Contract Value:* $749,000.00
Contact Person: Kevin Dowd *Vendor ID #: 0000088968* *Delivery: 15 Days ARO*
Certification Type: none (SBE,MBE, WBE or None) *Terms: Net 45 Days* *Supply to Political Sub-Divisions:*
Company E-mail Address: dowd@atlantic.com *www.atlantic.com*

APPROVED_____
Elizabeth Basso
Assoc. Fiscal Administrative Officer
IT Contracts & Purchasing Division
(Original Signature on Document in Procurement Files)

APPROVED_____ **Date: __/__/__**
Jacqueline Shirley
Director, IT Contracts & Purchasing
(Original Signature on Document in Procurement Files)

Date Issued: December 16, 2010

AWARD SCHEDULE
SP-16A Rev. 01/08

STATE OF CONNECTICUT
DOIT – CONTRACTS & PURCHASING DIVISION

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Purchasing Contact:
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CONTRACT AWARD DATE
December 16, 2010

DELIVERY
15 Days A.R.O.

PAYMENT TERMS
Net 45 Days

CASH DISCOUNT
0 % -- Days

Pricing includes all transportation charges FOB State Agency.

VENDOR NAME:
Atlantic Computing Technology Corp. DBA Halestar

VENDOR ID#: 0000088968

Department of Information Technology is issuing this contract award for The Department of Information Technology, All Using State Agencies, Political Subdivisions, Municipalities, Non Profits and Education for

Check Point Firewall Products & Services

All associated costs related to product, such as shipping, installation, delivery, travel and warranty must be factored into discount. Hourly rates must include ass associated costs related to service including installation, delivery, travel, etc.

ITEM #	DESCRIPTION OF COMMODITY AND/OR SERVICE	PERCENT DISCOUNT	CATALOG/PRICE LIST DATE/VERSION
1	Check Point Firewall Systems Product Catalog and Global Price List for Check Point Firewall Products	**45% Level 1** **35% Level 3**	**Software Blades & NGX Rev. V1 8/31/10-10/1/10**
2	Check Point Firewall Systems Product Catalog and Global Price List for Check Point Maintenance and Support	**15%**	**Same as above**
3	Hourly Rate for Time & Materials Service 8am to 5pm, Monday through Friday		**$75.00/Hour**
4	Hourly Rate for Time & Materials Service OUTSIDE of 8am to 5pm, Monday through Friday		**$115.00/Hour**
5	Hourly Rate for Check Point Certified Security Expert (CCSE) 8am to 5pm Monday through Friday		**$90.00/Hour**
6	Hourly Rate for CCSE OUTSIDE of 8am to 5pm Monday through Friday and hourly rates for all other Professional Services (i.e.: Design Services, Consulting, Network Modeling/Simulation/Performance Review)		**$140.00/Hour**

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Vendor Contact: Kevin Dowd

Address: 60 Wettleson Avenue, West Hartford, CT 06107

Phone: 860.313.0727 x111 Fax: 860.760.6705 E-mail: dowd@atlantic.com

Representative that will *Service Check Point Firewall Products:*

Name: Scott Perzan

Address: 129A Kreiger Lane, Glastonbury, CT 06033

Phone:860.985.0318 Fax: 860.760.6705 E-mail: scott@atlantic.com

NOTES:

1. Vendor must comply with the Standard & Special Bid and Contract Terms and Conditions
2. Prices include equipment, installation including all software/cards/memory necessary, cables, delivery, and warrantee. All hardware components and software must be installed and configured before delivery. Everything must be Year 2000 Compliant.

All correspondence regarding this contract award must be in writing and submitted to:
Elizabeth Basso, AFAO, Contract Award # **10ITZ0089**
DOIT - Contract & Purchasing Division
101 East River Drive, 4th Floor
East Hartford, CT 06108

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1. Introduction

1.1. Purpose

The State of Connecticut seeks responses from Check Point Firewall products value added resellers (VARs) as described in this Invitation To Bid for the purpose of contracting with a VAR to supply products contained within the Check Point firewall products Global Price List and to provide maintenance services. Products purchased from this contract award will generally be implemented and managed by State of Connecticut technical staff. It is the intention of the State to use this Invitation to Bid to select a VAR to provide new Check Point firewall products as well as for ongoing support of the State's installed base of Nokia and Check Point firewall products. The State will utilize other contracts for purchase and support of networking equipment, telephone systems, including voice mail, interactive voice response, voice and data cabling, call accounting, and other telephone system peripheral products, but may utilize this contract award for support of any pre-existing Nokia and Check Point firewall systems or for purchase and support of Check Point firewall products. The contract award resulting from this Invitation to Bid shall supercede the Department of Information Technology's existing Nokia and Check Point firewall contract. The VAR must be a Check Point Channel Partner for the life of the contract award.

Response: Atlantic Computing acknowledges and agrees.

1.2. Scope of Business

The State cannot guarantee a specific volume of business over the term of any contract award that may result from this Invitation to Bid. The bid will be initially used to refresh the State's Department of Information Technology Enterprise Firewall Infrastructure. Municipalities, schools, public and private colleges and universities, and libraries, will have access to any contract award that may result from this Invitation to Bid.

Response: Atlantic Computing acknowledges and agrees.

2. Installed Base

2.1. Existing Products

The State has approximately 12 Check Point firewalls running on a combination of SPLAT, Red Hat Linux, Nokia platforms, and Check Point platforms. This is provided for informational purposes only.

Response: Atlantic Computing acknowledges.

3. Bid Responses

3.1. Responses to Invitation to Bid Sections

VARs must compose an original response for each numbered section of the Invitation to Bid and must not refer the State to pre-printed brochures, manuals, web sites, or other references. The evaluation committee will not attempt to derive the intended response from reference materials. Any information requested must be provided as part of the Invitation to Bid response. Response evaluation will be based on the respondent's original answers. Failure to comply with this requirement will result in disqualification. VARs must be current Check Point Channel Partner VAR and must include proof of such on manufacturer's letterhead with bid response.

Response: Atlantic Computing acknowledges and agrees.

3.2. Response Format

Responses must re-state each numbered section (the paragraph number and the text) immediately followed by the reply. Numbering and sequencing of responses must be identical to the Invitation to Bid. VARs must provide an original, one copy of their response to the Invitation to Bid, plus one identical copy on CD-ROM.

Response: Atlantic Computing acknowledges and agrees.

3.3. Compliance with Invitation to Bid Statements

VARs must clearly indicate their willingness and ability to comply with each section. Respondents that do not clearly indicate willingness and ability to comply or do not reply to each section may be disqualified.

Response: Atlantic Computing acknowledges and agrees, and is willing and able to comply.

3.4. Term of Contract Award

The State expects to enter into a contract with a VAR for a two-year term with options for two one-year extensions at the State's discretion. The VAR shall indicate their acceptance of this requirement.

Response: Atlantic Computing acknowledges and agrees.

3.5. Basis of Contract Award

The evaluation of qualified responses will involve the review of information all Bidders are required to provide. Specifically that information includes all items listed on the SP-16 – Bid Schedule document as well as the following:

- VAR Category: Organization, Set-Aside Subcontractors, Staff, Background, Channel Partner, Alternate Support, References
- Products and Services Category: Delivery, Warranty, Used/Refurbished Equipment, Political Subdivisions, Time to Respond, Time to Repair, State Equipment, Escalation Procedures, Maintenance Contract, Additional Services, Technical Training, Training Credits
- Cost Category: Price List, Included Costs, Product Discount, Maintenance Discount, Time and Material Rate (8-5 Monday – Friday), Check Point Certified Engineer (CCSE) (8–5 Monday – Friday)

Response: Atlantic Computing acknowledges and agrees.

4. Value Added Reseller

4.1. VAR Organization

The VAR must provide a detailed organizational description including structure and staffing. This must include a list of all locations and staff assigned to provide service to the State of Connecticut. Parts depot locations must also be identified. This must include certifications and tenure of all engineers, technical staff, support staff, and sales people proposed to support the State account. Any subcontractors must be considered part of the VAR's organization and included as such. The State requests that VARs utilize small, minority, and/or women's business enterprises as subcontractors. During the evaluation process, special consideration will be given to those who provide documentation to evidence their utilization of a certified small minority or women's business and/or demonstrate the VARs commitment to, whenever possible, utilize a certified small, minority or women's business. VARs should identify the certified small minority or women's business and the goods or services the business will supply.

Response: Atlantic Computing acknowledges and agrees. The bid response includes the necessary documentation to establish that the company has the accreditation and staff to meet requirements. Atlantic Computing acknowledges the request for characterization of the company for special consideration.

Atlantic Computing Technology Corporation is a Connecticut C Corporation. Kevin Dowd

and Rick Romkey, longstanding figures in the network security business (1993), the original officers of Atlantic Computing and Integralis US, manage and actively participate in the day-to-day operations of the company. Note that Atlantic Computing has been providing service to the state under 06ITZ0079 since 2006, under the name Halestar. The company reacquired the brand 'Atlantic' following expiration of sales covenants with Integralis. Atlantic does business under the Halestar name for legacy customers. The EIN and company are the same; Halestar is the same company as Atlantic Computing.

Atlantic has facilities in Glastonbury. The company has customers throughout the northeast and mid-Atlantic states.

Atlantic has provided engineering and product to DOIT in the past—since before 06ITZ0079; the company subcontracted for Ergonomic Systems as well. DOIT would be supported primarily by Scott Perzan (CCSE and CCSI), Rick Romkey and Kevin Dowd (both field-qualified engineers with 15 years of Check Point experience). Additional certified staff include Drew Johnson (CCSA). Sales support staff includes Alison Calhoun and Steve Brown. Atlantic has other staff in support of other core lines.

4.2. VAR Staff

During the term of any resulting contract award, the State may ask to retain particular VAR staff due to technical competence and familiarity with the State account. The State will also have the right to require the VAR to replace any VAR or subcontractor employee assigned to the State account if, in the opinion of the State, such employee is unacceptable. The State must not be penalized in any way, including delays in response, completion times, or coverage when a VAR or subcontractor employee is removed from any portion of the State account. The VAR shall indicate their acceptance of these requirements and explain any exceptions.

Response: Atlantic Computing acknowledges and agrees.

4.3. Background Checks

The State may perform background checks on VAR personnel who will work on the State account. The VAR shall indicate their acceptance of this requirement and explain any exceptions.

Response: Atlantic Computing acknowledges and agrees.

4.4. Channel Partner Relationship

The VAR must provide documentation that verifies their Check Point Channel Partner relationship with the manufacturer. Failure to provide this information will result in disqualification of the bid response.

Response: Atlantic Computing acknowledges and agrees. Check Point has provided the documentation to support accreditation, below.

4.5. Alternate VAR Support

The VAR must provide a written guarantee from Check Point to the State that stipulates the levels of support that will be provided to the State in the event of one or more of the following:

- Non-Performance by the VAR
- Liquidation or bankruptcy of the VAR
- Cancellation or termination of the distributor agreement with the manufacturer.
- Failure to maintain acceptable Check Point Channel Partner Certification level.

The VAR must provide assertion by Check Point that an alternate VAR, acceptable to the State, will be available to the State under the pricing and terms of the resultant contract award in the event that the chosen contractor ceases support or is otherwise unavailable to provide support. The VAR must obtain from Check Point a signed guarantee to this effect and include it with the response.

Response: Atlantic Computing acknowledges and agrees. Check Point has provided a guarantee of alternate VAR support, below.

4.6. References

The VAR must provide at least three customer references that are similar in size to the State of Connecticut. The references must be other than State of Connecticut government entities. The references for this section must be customers of the proposing VAR that use Check Point firewall products. For each reference, the VAR must provide:

- The reference organization's name
- Contact person name
- Address
- Telephone number
- Electronic mail address
- A description of the size of the installation

In addition to the VAR-provided references, the State may also utilize other known references, including State agencies. NOTE:This reference requirement is in addition to the reference requirement from the Bidder Qualification document – SP-34.

Response: Atlantic Computing acknowledges. Some references appear here. Others are on the bid qualification pages

Gerber Scientific	Check Point installation: $298K, worldwide manufacturing network, many 10s of Check Point gateways. Contact: Andrew Johnson, andrew.johnson@gerberscientific.com, 860 871-8082, 24 Industrial Park Rd. West, Tolland, CT 06084
SIX Telekurs, USA	Check Point installation: $230K, international trading floor data, redundant pairs of Check Point M8 platforms. Contact: Mitch Kaften, mkaften@tkusa.com, 203 353-8100, River Bend Center, One Omega Drive, Bldg 3, Stamford, CT 06907
Iroquois Gas	Check Point installation: $81K, multiple natural gas compressor stations and corporate offices. Contact: Kevin Money, kevin_money@iroquois.com, 203 925 7230, 1 Corporate Drive, Shelton, CT 06484

5. *Products and Services*

5.1. Delivery Timeframe

The VAR must deliver products within a 15 business-day timeframe after receipt of Purchase Order (A.R.O.). A product delivery interval is defined as the elapsed time between the date of purchase order receipt by the VAR and the date the product is received, in its entirety, at the correct customer location. The VAR shall indicate their acceptance of this requirement and explain any exceptions.

Response: Atlantic Computing acknowledges and agrees without exception.

5.2. Warranty

The VAR must provide a ninety-day (90) warranty from the date of product acceptance. Product acceptance consists of signature approval by the State of a VAR invoice. The warranty must cover parts, labor, firmware upgrades, software upgrades, and all shipping. The State requires advance replacement for any customer installable equipment that fails during warranty. The VAR must provide advance replacement and return at no cost to the State and advance replacement shipping must be provided via same-day or overnight express. The VAR may describe any additional warranty benefits, but these additional warranty benefits should not result in reduced product discounts. The VAR shall indicate their acceptance of these requirements and explain any exceptions.

Response: Atlantic Computing acknowledges and agrees without exception.

5.3. Prohibition of Used and Refurbished Products

Products proposed and provided by the successful VAR must be new. Used or refurbished products will not be accepted. The VAR shall indicate their acceptance of this requirement and explain any exceptions.

Response: Atlantic Computing acknowledges and agrees without exception.

5.4. Time and Materials Service

5.4.1 Time to Respond

For time and materials service (no maintenance contract), the VAR must respond to a routine trouble call within four(4) hours and to an emergency trouble call within two (2) hours. The State considers that a repair call has been responded to when a VAR's qualified technician, suitably equipped to service the installed product, has

arrived at the State agency site. Within two (2) hours after receipt of the routine trouble report, or one (1) hour after receipt of an emergency report, the VAR must notify the appropriate State contact when a qualified service technician will arrive on site. The VAR shall indicate their acceptance of these requirements and explain any exceptions.

Response: Atlantic Computing acknowledges and agrees without exception.

5.4.2 Time to Repair

For time and materials service (no maintenance contract), the VAR must provide time to repair service levels of four (4) hours or less from the receipt of a service call for emergency service calls, and service levels of eight (8) hours or less for routine calls. The determination of a service call as "emergency" or "routine" will be made by the State. The VAR shall indicate their acceptance of these requirements and explain any exceptions.

Response: Atlantic Computing acknowledges and agrees without exception.

5.4.3 State-Owned Equipment

The State will retain any equipment or components that are replaced as part of any repair or upgrade of equipment under time and materials service (not covered under warranty or maintenance contract). The VAR shall indicate their acceptance of this requirement and explain any exceptions.

Response: Atlantic Computing acknowledges and agrees.

5.5. Escalation information

The VAR must provide 24 hour, 7-day escalation procedures to be used by the State. This must include business and home phone numbers, pager/cell phone numbers, and e-mail addresses to reach supervisors, managers, directors, and company officers. The VAR must describe any automatic escalation that takes place within the organization without intervention by the State.

Response: For support and technical questions, the State may either call Atlantic staff directly, or open a service request with Check Point's Dallas based support center. To reach Atlantic, the state may send email to "support@atlantic.com" or for emergencies, contact one of Atlantic's key staff at the contact numbers listed below.

To contact Check Point's support center (TAC), the State may create a service request via Check Point's support portal: https://usercenter.checkpoint.com/usercenter/portal/media-type/html/role/usercenterUser/page/default.psml/js_pane/CreateServiceRequestId) or call them directly at 1-972-444-6600.

Support Escalation can be handled one of four different ways:

Customer Escalation. Under Check Point's Support plan, some work items (especially those associated with critical situations) may need to be expedited. When this becomes the case, Customer shall notify Check Point TAC of the critical situation. If TAC determines that sufficient information has been provided by Customer and the escalation is accepted, Check Point will work with Customer on providing the appropriate solution. The escalation begins in accordance to Check Point standard business practices. Upon request, Check Point may provide an action plan to Customer that may include (but is not limited by): problem statement, next action items to resolve the issue and time estimates on these action items.

Atlantic Escalation. Atlantic may intervene in a service request when we mutually agree with the State that the issue may receive better attention if driven by Atlantic staff. In these cases, Atlantic will act on behalf of the State to get to resolution.

Check Point Internal Escalation Process: When TAC determines an issue needs internal escalation, the issue receives a combination of increasing levels of engineering expertise and managerial attentions in accordance with Check Point standard business practice.

Management Escalation: If Customer feels that the issue is not moving forward in an appropriate timeframe to closure, and/or an issue requires managerial attention, for immediate escalation, Customer can either request Technical Representative to connect the Customer to a Team Leader or contact the Team Leader of the Technical Representative handling the case directly. Team Leader's contact details are located at the bottom of the Service Request email. Regardless of the total elapsed time of an outstanding Service Request, the point of escalation shall be initiated at the Technical Representative level, escalated to the Team Leader(s), followed by TAC Manager(s), the TAC Director(s), and then the TAC Vice President. For the most current list of Check Point TAC Escalation Management contacts, refer to Escalation Management link in Service Request Web tool in the User Center.

CONTACTS:

Check Point Support Phone: 1-972-444-6600
Atlantic Computing Email: support@atlantic.com

Atlantic Emergency Contacts:
Scott Perzan: Mobile 860-985-0318
Rick Romkey: Mobile 860-794-3657, Home 860-645-9702

5.6. Maintenance Contracts

The VAR must confirm that the maintenance plans provided will be of equal coverage as those in the Check Point Systems Product Catalog and Global Price List. All maintenance plans must include hardware, software, and labor. The VAR shall

indicate their acceptance of these requirements and explain any exceptions.

Response: Maintenance plans are Check Point plans with additional advocacy by Atlantic. Hardware and software and support labor are covered. On-site coverage is not part of any maintenance plan.

5.7. Additional Services

The VAR must describe any additional professional services (e.g.: Design Services, Consulting, Network Modeling/Simulation/Performance Review) that are available to the State. The VAR must indicate which of these services are included without extra cost. In addition, any charges for these services must be provided in the response to this Invitation to Bid.

Response: Atlantic does not charge for basic consultative security and network engineering services (design, consulting) in the pre- or post-sales environments for existing customers. Consultative services extend to the infrastructure surrounding the devices under support. Some simulation and mock-up may be performed gratis. More extensive efforts, including on-site troubleshooting, configuration or optimization will be charge at the quoted hourly rates.

5.8. Technical Training

The VAR must describe the availability of training and product updates (e.g. ongoing seminars, product announcements, conferences, user group meetings, updated literature and the availability of courses) for State of Connecticut technical staff.

Response: Atlantic Computing uses third party training organizations to meet the intermittent demand for Check Point training. Check Point, Atlantic and third-party seminars, events and literature updates are available to the State of Connecticut. As an advocate for the state, Atlantic will connect state employees with training and industry events as requested.

5.9. Training Credits

Training of State technical staff is of utmost importance to the State of Connecticut. During the evaluation process, special consideration will be given to responses that adequately provide for staff training. Therefore, the VAR is strongly encouraged to propose and describe an ongoing training program for Check Point products whereby training credits would be earned by the State based on the sales volume under the contract award resulting from this Invitation to Bid. The training credits would be assigned to and administered by DOIT for use by State staff. This training program should be established by the VAR with a Check Point Firewall products certified training organization.

Response: Atlantic will provide one course credits (CCSE or CCSA) for each six months of

tenure.

5.10. Pricing – Check Point Software Product Catalog and Global Price List

The Nokia and Check Point firewall Systems Product Catalog and Global Price List used by all VARs to determine their pricing response to this Invitation To Bid shall be the version in effect as of the date of issuance of this Invitation to Bid. Bidders must indicate the Catalog Date/Version being used on the Bid Schedule. The percentage discount quoted in the VAR's response shall remain constant throughout the term of the contract and shall be applied to the Check Point firewall Systems Product Catalog and Global Price List in effect at time of purchase. The Check Point Firewall Systems Product Catalog andGlobal Price List shall be used solely for purposes of defining the product offerings and prices to apply discounts. Any conditions or terms contained in the catalog or price list or future versions of these documents shall have no effect in any contract awarded by the State of Connecticut as a result of this Invitation to Bid. Nothing in these documents or future versions of these documents shall be deemed to limit or clarify any obligation of the VAR stated in the Invitation to Bid, nor shall it be deemed to impose any obligation on the State. The successful VAR shall provide the State of Connecticut with an electronic copy of the Check Point Firewall Systems product Catalog and Global Price List on a monthly basis. The State may take advantage of any interim pricing changes in the State's favor. The VAR shall indicate their acceptance of these requirements and explain any exceptions.

Response: Atlantic Computing acknowledges and agrees without exception.

5.11. Included Costs

VARs must include all ancillary costs associated with the acquisition of a product or service in their proposal. Failure to include specific reference to an applicable cost will be interpreted as that cost being included in the product or service price. The State will not pay for travel time, shipping, or expenses. The State will not pay for labor charges for warranty service regardless of day or time. The VAR shall indicate their acceptance of these requirements and explain any exceptions.

Response: Atlantic Computing acknowledges and agrees without exception.

SPECIAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS

1. Bidders must be Check Point Firewall Value Added Resellers who are also current Check Point Channel Partners. VARs must submit proof of such on Check Point letterhead with their bid response.
2. Bidders must supply their earliest guaranteed delivery time (A.R.O.) and be specific.
3. Bidders must include all ancillary costs associated with the acquisition of a product or service in their bid. Failure to include specific reference to an applicable cost will be interpreted as that cost being included in the product or service price.
4. Bidders must be able, at the State's option, to demonstrate any/all proposed hardware/software products. Any required benchmark demonstration must be provided at a site approved by the State and without cost to the State.
5. Bidders must certify that their bid is good for the term of the contract award.
6. Bidders agree to accept purchase orders for additional quantities beyond that specified in this document for a period of 6 months after an award unless further extended by mutual consent or equipment is no longer available.
7. The State reserves the right to request complete documentation for any item proposed. Failure to provide said documentation upon request might result in disqualification from an award.
8. **TANGIBLE PERSONAL PROPERTY PROVISION**
   For the entire term of the Agreement and any and all of its extensions, the Contractor, on its own behalf and on behalf of all of its Affiliates, shall comply fully with the provisions of Conn. Gen. Stat. §12-411b, including, but not limited to, the following: (1) The Contractor and its Affiliates shall collect and remit to the State of Connecticut, Department of Revenue Services, on behalf of its customers any Connecticut use tax due under the provisions of Chapter 219 of the Connecticut General Statutes for items of tangible personal property sold by the Contractor or by any of its Affiliates in the same manner as if the Contractor and such Affiliates were engaged in the business of selling tangible personal property for use in Connecticut and had sufficient nexus under the provisions of Chapter 219 to be required to collect Connecticut use tax; (2) A customer's payment of a use tax to the Contractor or its Affiliates relieves the customer of liability for the use tax; (3) The Contractor and its Affiliates shall remit all use taxes they collect from customers no later than the last day of the month of the calendar quarter that follows the effective date of this Agreement or the last day of the tax collection period during which the tax was collected, whichever is later. Notwithstanding the previous sentence, if the Agreement provides for an earlier date, then that earlier date shall control; (4) The Contractor and its Affiliates are not liable for use tax billed by them but not paid to them by a customer; and (5) If the Contractor or its Affiliates fail to remit use taxes collected on behalf of their customers by the date required above, then they shall be subject to the interest and penalties provided for persons required to collect sales tax under Chapter 219 of the Connecticut General Statutes. For purposes of this section of the Agreement, the word "Affiliate" means any person, as defined in Conn. Gen. Stat. §12-1, that controls, is controlled by, or is under common control with another person. A person controls another person if the person owns, directly or indirectly, more than ten per cent of the voting securities of the other person. The word "voting security" means a security that confers upon the holder the right to vote for the election of members of the board of directors or similar governing body of the business, or that is convertible into, or entitles the holder to receive, upon its exercise, a security that confers such a right to vote. "Voting security" includes a general partnership interest. The Contractor represents and warrants that each of its Affiliates has vested in the Contractor plenary authority to so bind the Affiliates in any agreement with the State of Connecticut. The Contractor on its own behalf and on behalf of its Affiliates shall also provide, no later than 30 days after receiving a request by the State's contracting authority, such

information as the State may require to ensure, in the State's sole determination, compliance with the provisions of Chapter 219 of the Connecticut General Statutes, including, but not limited to, §12-411b.

9. Bidders must bid on all new equipment only.

10. Bidders cannot substitute for a manufacturer's installed components.

11. Bidders must list maintenance cost for hardware and software, if applicable. In describing your company's maintenance plans include: location of support center and guaranteed response times. Any award for said maintenance would be at the option of the state.

12. Bidder awards normally are made utilizing the Purchasing Division STANDARD BID AND CONTRACT TERMS AND CONDITIONS (SP-7A) or as specifically amended by the Special Bid and Contract Terms and Conditions contained herein. The State reserves the right to reject any bid that does not comply with the State's contractual requirements.

13. MAINTENANCE & SUPPORT

a. After acceptance of any Product by a Department and subject to the terms, conditions, and charges set forth in this Agreement, Supplier represents and warrants that maintenance and support services for any Product shall be provided to a Department as follows:

1) Supplier shall provide such reasonable and competent assistance as necessary to cause the Product to perform in accordance with applicable portions of the Specifications; and

2) Supplier shall provide Improvements which may be available to Supplier to any Product; and

3) Supplier shall update any Product, if and as required, to cause it to operate under new versions or releases of the operating system(s) specified in the Attachment.

b. Maintenance and support services shall be provided by the Supplier on an annual basis and shall automatically renew for successive twelve (12) month periods unless thirty (30) days' prior written notice of termination is provided to the Supplier by a Department before the end of the initial term or any renewal term of maintenance and support services.

c. Supplier shall maintain sufficient and competent Product support services staff, replacement products and ancillary products to satisfy the Supplier obligations specified herein for any Product.

d. Supplier shall have full and free access to any Product to provide required services thereon.

e. If any Product becomes not usable due to the computer manufacturer's release and the installation of (1) a new PU operating system or (2) an updated version of the present PU operating system or (3) a change to the present PU operating system and the Supplier is unable to provide changes to the Product to cause it to operate according to Specifications within thirty (30) days of written notification by a Department to Supplier of such failure to operate, any such Product so affected shall have its paid maintenance and support period, periodic-payment license period or limited term license period extended an additional period of time equal to the period of time the Product was not usable. If, after the expiration of thirty (30) days from the date of said notification, the Product remains not usable, then the applicable license may be terminated at the option of said Department without further obligation or liability.

f. Supplier shall typically respond to a Department's telephone requests for technical support relative to any installed Product within two (2) hours of such requests during Department weekday working hours (8:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M., Eastern Time). Failure to provide reasonable and competent telephone assistance, the Customer's sole determination, within the two (2) hour period shall entitle said Department to either credit or reimbursement against the applicable Product invoice in regard to a non-perpetual license in the amount of ten percent (10%) of the Supplier's current license fee for each succeeding two (2) hour period that said reasonable and competent assistance is not provided by Supplier. For a perpetual license, the amount shall be 1/6 times the related Product Schedule annual maintenance and support charge, or two (2) times the related Product Schedule monthly maintenance and support charge, as the

case may be, whether payable or not by a Department, for each succeeding two (2) hour period that said reasonable and competent assistance is not provided by Supplier.

14. WARRANTIES

a. Supplier hereby warrants its ownership and/or marketing rights to the Products. Unless stated otherwise in an Attachment, Supplier hereby warrants that a Product installed by Supplier, or installed by a Department in accordance with Supplier's instructions, shall function according to the Specifications on the Acceptance Date for such Product, and that Supplier shall modify and/or replace such Product as necessary to maintain ongoing Product reliability according to Section 13. MAINTENANCE & SUPPORT. This latter warranty shall not apply to any Product deficiency caused by maintenance by a person other than the Supplier or its representative.

b. If the ongoing performance of a Product does not conform to the Section 13. MAINTENANCE & SUPPORT provisions of this Agreement, a Department shall give Supplier written notice of performance deficiencies. Supplier shall then have not more than a ten (10) calendar day cumulative cure period per twelve (12) month period to correct such deficiencies. If the cumulative number of days in a twelve (12) month period is exceeded, and said performance continues to be in nonconformance with said Section 13, the Supplier shall be in default of this Agreement and the Customer at its option may thereupon:

1) request Supplier to replace said Product or service resource at Supplier's expense with a functional Product or competent service.

2) terminate the Product license or service without Department penalty, further obligation or financial liability. In the event of such termination, the Department shall be entitled to a refund according to the following schedule:

Termination of a lump-sum payment perpetual license

Period license of terminated Product has been in effect starting with Acceptance Date:

1st - 12th month - 75% of license fee paid to be refunded
13th - 24th month - 50% of license fee paid to be refunded
25th - 36th month - 25% of license fee paid to be refunded
37th month and over - No refund

Termination of associated services or a periodic payment license or a lump-sum payment non-perpetual license fee paid by a Department applicable to the period following default shall be refunded to the Department.

c. The Supplier neither excludes nor modifies the implied warranties of merchantability and fitness for a particular purpose concerning the Products and services offered under the terms and conditions of this Agreement.

15. LICENSE OF PRODUCTS

a. Subject to the terms and conditions of this Invitation to Bid and receipt of a State Purchase Order, Supplier shall license and furnish to a Department the Product and Services referred to in the Invitation to Bid. Any such license shall be nonexclusive and nontransferable. Such State Purchase Order shall contain, as a minimum, the following information:

1) Department Installation Site and Contact Person;
2) Desired Delivery Date;
3) Identity of this Agreement by Reference Number and Product Schedule;
4) Product Number, Description and Quantity;
5) License Term, Applicable Rate and Quantity Extensions;
6) Installation and Other One-Time Charge Rate(s) (If Applicable); and
7) Desired Maintenance and/or Support and Rate (If Applicable).

b. A Department is authorized to use any licensed software Product to develop and/or enhance said Department's systems, in the pursuit of its own business interests.

c. A Department may use the licensed software Product on designated PU(s) or Site(s) provided, however, Department shall, at its sole option be able to move or re-assign such Product at no charge.

d. Department may make a maximum of two (2) copies of each licensed software Product and a maximum of two (2) copies of the user manuals/documentation and supporting materials for each software Product. The Department shall maintain an accurate record of the location of such copies at all time and such record shall be available to Supplier. All such copies shall be subject to the terms and conditions of this Agreement.

e. Upon Customer receipt of ninety (90) days' prior written notice, Supplier may update any pricing effective July 1 of any Customer fiscal year, provided: (1) no Product license, or related service, rate is increased within the first full year of any Product license, and (2) any such resultant price increase shall not exceed the lesser of five percent (5%) or the Consumer Price Index in any State of Connecticut fiscal year. In no case shall any such increase exceed Supplier's published prices then applicable to local governments and other states. Customer shall provide Supplier written acknowledgement, for Supplier's records, of such received amendment.

f. Products ordered prior to the effective date of any pricing increase shall be protected from license rate increase during their license terms.

g. Supplier shall provide Customer with a discount on any pricing according to Supplier's discount policy in effect when an order is placed or according to the discount shown on the ITB response Bid Product Schedule, whichever is greater.

16. DEPARTMENT TRAINING

Supplier shall provide such pre-installation and post-installation Product compatibility system surveys, consultation, reference manuals and on-site operational training as to facilitate proper installation and operation of all Products. Additional Supplier assistance, if requested by a Department, shall be furnished at Department expense at the then applicable Supplier prices for such services as stated in the applicable Purchase Order.

17. DELIVERY, INSTALLATION & DEINSTALLATION

a. A Department shall undertake at its own expense to prepare and make available any system for installation of any Product in accordance with Supplier-furnished Specifications.

b. If Department installation requirements exceed Supplier Specifications, the Department shall be charged, at prices in effect at the time of Department's order, for the extra work or ancillary products required to complete installation.

c. Department ordered de-installation, relocation and reinstallation of any Product previously installed which requires Supplier assistance shall be at a Department's at a mutually agreed upon price.

18. CONFIDENTIALITY; NONDISCLOSURE

a. A Department shall exercise at least the same degree of care to safeguard any license software Product as a Department does its own property of a similar nature and shall take reasonable steps to assure that neither the Product nor any part thereof received by Department under this Agreement shall be disclosed for other than its own business interests. Such prohibition on disclosures shall not apply to disclosures by a Department to its employees or its representatives, provided such disclosures are reasonably necessary to Department's use of the Product, and provided further that Department shall take all reasonable steps to insure that the Product is not disclosed by such parties in contravention of this Agreement.

b. A Department shall use any license software Product only in the pursuit of its own business interests. Customer shall not sell, lease, license or otherwise transfer with or without consideration, any such Product to any third party (other than those non-designated third parties that have need to know and agree to abide by the terms of this Section 18.) or permit any third party to reproduce or copy or otherwise use such Product. Customer will not create derivative works, translate, reverse engineer or decompile the Product software, in whole or in part, nor create or

attempt to create, by reverse engineering or disassembling of the design, algorithms or other proprietary trade secrets of the source code version of the Product software.

c. Supplier hereby agrees that:

1) All Department information exposed or made available to Supplier or its representatives shall be considered confidential and handled as such.

2) Any such Department information is not to be removed, altered, or disclosed to others in whole or in part by Supplier and its representatives.

3) All Department security procedures shall be adhered to by Supplier and its representatives.

It is expressly understood and agreed that the obligations of this Section 18. shall survive the termination of this Agreement.

ENERGY STAR REQUIREMENTS

19. All Systems MUST be DMI 2.0 Compliant with appropriate BIOS extensions, wired for Management WFM 2.0, remote wake on LAN capable, multiple remote boot protocol supported.

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In consideration of these presents, the Invitation to Bid and the Contract, and for other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are acknowledged, the parties agree to these Standard Bid and Contract Terms and Conditions (the "Terms and Conditions"), the terms of the Invitation to Bid and the Contract.

ALL INVITATIONS TO BID ISSUED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY ("DOIT") WILL BIND BIDDERS TO THESE TERMS AND CONDITIONS, WHICH, UNLESS OTHERWISE SPECIFICALLY NOTED, MAY BE ABROGATED, MODIFIED OR SUPPLEMENTED IN WHOLE OR IN PART BY THE SPECIAL BID AND CONTRACT TERMS AND CONDITIONS (THE "SPECIFICATIONS") ISSUED IN CONNECTION WITH ANY INDIVIDUAL INVITATION TO BID. BY SUBMITTING A BID, THE BIDDER REPRESENTS AND WARRANTS THAT IT IS AGREEING TO ALL OF THE PROVISIONS IN THE INVITATION TO BID, INCLUDING THESE TERMS AND CONDITIONS.

1. Definitions. Unless otherwise indicated, the following definitions shall apply to all Specifications, Invitations to Bid, awards, Contracts, etc., issued by DOIT:

(a) **Agency: A**ny office, department, board, council, commission, institution or other agency of the State.

(b) **Alternate Bids:** Bids submitted in addition to the bidder's primary response to the invitation to bid. Such bids are intended to act as an alternative to the primary bid or be exchanged for, take the place of, replace or substitute for the primary bid should such primary bid be rejected.

(c) **Bid:** An offer submitted in response to an Invitation to Bid.

(d) **Bidder:** As defined in Section 4a-50, Chapter 58 of the Connecticut General Statutes, and as it may be modified, a person, firm or corporation submitting a competitive bid in response to a solicitation.

(e) **Bidder Parties:** A Bidder's members, directors, officers, shareholders, partners, managers, principal officers, representatives, agents, servants, consultants, employees or any one of them or any other person or entity with whom the Bidder is in privity of oral or written contract and the Bidder intends for such other person or entity to perform under the Contract in any capacity.

(f) **Cancellation:** An end to the Contract effected pursuant to a right which the Contract creates due to a breach.

(g) **Claims:** All actions, suits, claims, demands, investigations and proceedings of any kind, open, pending or threatened, whether mature, unmatured, contingent, known or unknown, at law or in equity, in any forum.

(h) **Conditional Bid:** Bid that substantially limits or modifies any of the terms and conditions, specifications or requirements of the invitation to bid.

(i) **Contract:** The agreement, as of its effective date, between the Bidder and DOIT for any, or all, Systems, Systems Properties or ALL IP Rights, and any associated services, at the Bid price. The Contract shall include the Invitation to Bid and the Bid.

(j) **Contractor:** A Bidder who accepts or who is deemed to have accepted a Contract.

(k) **Contractor Parties:** A Contractor's members, directors, officers, shareholders, partners, managers, principal officers, representatives, agents, servants, consultants, employees or any one of them or any other person or entity with whom the Contractor is in privity of oral or written contract and the Contractor intends for such other person or entity to perform under the Contract in any capacity.

(l) **Business Day:** Unless otherwise specifically noted, all calendar days other than Saturdays, Sundays and days designated as national or State of Connecticut holidays.

(m) **Expiration:** An end to the Contract due to the completion in full of the mutual performances of the parties or due to the Contract's term being completed.

(n) **Information Systems:** As defined in Title 4d, Chapter 61 of the Connecticut General Statutes, and as it may be modified, the combination of data processing hardware and software in the collection, processing and distribution of data to and from interactive computer-based systems to meet informational needs.

(o) **Invitation to Bid:** The document through which DOIT solicits sealed competitive Bids for any, or all, Systems and associated services through particular Specifications. The Invitation to Bid shall include these Terms and Conditions, the Specifications and all such other documents that DOIT deems it to be appropriate to include in the solicitation.

(p) **Lowest Responsible Qualified Bidder**: As defined in Title 4a, Chapter 58 of the Connecticut General Statutes, and as it may be modified, the Bidder whose Bid is the lowest of those Bidders possessing the skill, ability and integrity necessary to faithful performance of the work based on objective criteria set forth in the Invitation to Bid and considering past performance and financial responsibility.

(q) **Multiple Bids:** More than one Bid submitted in response to the same invitation to bid by the same bidder, whether on a separate bid form or attached to the initial bid form. Such bids are intended to be separate and distinct from each other and are meant to be evaluated as individual bids without reference to any other bid.

(r) **Records:** All working papers and such other information and materials as may have been accumulated by the Contractor in performing the Contract, including but not limited to, documents, data, plans, books, computations, drawings, specifications, notes, reports, records, estimates, summaries and correspondence, kept or stored in any form.

(s) **State:** The State of Connecticut.

(t) **Systems:** Information Systems and Telecommunication Systems, or separately as the context may require.

(u) **Systems Properties:** Records, source and object programs, documentation, specifications, modifications, designs, models, intellectual property rights, all ideas, concepts, know-how, expressions, and methodologies developed or initially conceived jointly or individually by the parties and the right to obtain and hold patents, copyrights, registrations and other similar protections.

(v) **Telecommunication Systems:** As defined in Title 4d, Chapter 61 of the Connecticut General Statutes, and as it may be modified, the telephone equipment and transmission facilities, either alone or in combination with Information Systems, for the electronic distribution of all forms of information, including voice, data and images.

(w) **Termination:** An end to the Contract effected pursuant to a right which the Contract creates, other than for a breach.

2. Bid Submission Process. Bidders must submit Bids on and in accordance with DOIT forms. DOIT will not accept Telephone or facsimile Bids under any circumstances. The Invitation to Bid sets forth the time and date that DOIT will open Bids. DOIT will not consider Bids arriving after the specified time and date. Bidders must submit Bids in a sealed package to DOIT at such address as the Invitation to Bid specifies. The outside of sealed Bid package

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must clearly indicate the Invitation to Bid number as well as the date and time of the opening of the Bids. The name and address of the Bidder should appear in the upper left-hand corner of the Bid package. Bids may be submitted for all or any part of total quantities or for any or all agency requirements listed in the Invitation to Bid, unless otherwise specifically indicated.

3. Bid Preparation, Content, Execution and Copies. Bids must include all information required in the Invitation to Bid in order for the Bid to be accepted and not rejected. Failure to provide such information will result in the rejection of the Bid. Bidders must verify the contents of their Bids before submission, as DOIT will not consider amendments to any Bids after the time specified for the opening of Bids. Bidders must submit one original and one copy of the Bid to DOIT. Bids shall be handwritten in ink, typewritten, or computer prepared. DOIT will reject all Bids prepared in pencil. A person duly authorized to sign Bids on behalf of the Bidder shall sign all Bids**. DOIT shall reject all unsigned Bids. All signatures shall be original signatures,** unless there is specific authorization from DOIT for the use of non-manual forms of signature. The person signing the Bid or his authorized designee shall initial and date all erasures, alterations or corrections on both the original and copy of any documentation submitted to DOIT. Failure to do so may result in rejection of the Bid for those items erased, altered or corrected and not initialed

4. Addenda to Invitation to Bid. If DOIT issues any addendum to the Invitation to Bid, the Bidder should sign it and return it with the Bid or before the Bid opening. In the event that it is not, vendors will still be held to the obligation of whatever change/modification is set forth in the Addendum

5. Conditional Bids. **Conditional Bids may be rejected in whole or in part.**

6. Alternate and Multiple Bids. Alternate Bids or Multiple Bids may be rejected in whole or in part.

7. No Substitute Specification. **Unless limited by the term "no substitute," the use of the name of a manufacturer or of any particular make, model, or brand in describing a System, does not restrict Bidders to that manufacturer or specific System or System Properties. Such use simply and only indicates the character or quality of the System in which the State is interested. The System offered must be of similar character and quality and include any applicable options, accessories, etc. and serve the purpose for which it is to be used equally as well as the one specified. By submitting the Bid, the Bidder so warrants the System. Bids on comparable Systems must clearly state the exact System offered including any and all applicable options, accessories, etc., and the Bidder shall furnish such other information concerning the System as will be helpful in evaluating its acceptability for the purposes intended. If the Bidder does not indicate that the System offered is other than as specified, it will be understood that the Bidder is offering the System exactly as specified.**

8. Pricing. Prices must be in decimals, not fractions, net, and shall include transportation and delivery charges fully prepaid by the Contractor, FOB, to the destination specified in the Invitation to Bid. In the event of a discrepancy between the unit price and the extension price, the unit price shall govern. Any discrepancy between the original and the copy of the Bid may result in rejection of the Bids for the System items so affected, except in the event of Bids awarded on a total basis, in which case DOIT shall consider the lower total price in making the award.

9. Tax Exemption. In accordance with section 12-412 of the Connecticut General Statutes, the State is exempt from the payment of excise, transportation and sales taxes imposed by the Federal Government and/or the State. Such taxes must not be included in Bid prices.

10. Bid Opening. DOIT will open and read all Bids publicly, unless otherwise provided by law. Bidders may be present or be represented at all openings. After DOIT makes the award, Bids are subject to public inspection by appointment during DOIT's normal business hours. DOIT will not prepare, discuss or communicate summaries of Bids in any way.

11. Right to Cancel or Amend. DOIT may amend an Invitation to Bid at any time prior to the date and time of Bid opening. DOIT may cancel an Invitation to Bid at any time prior to the date and time of Contract award. Such cancellation shall not be deemed to be a breach of contract by DOIT.

12. Samples. If the Invitation to Bid requires that Bidders submit samples of Systems, the samples must meet at a minimum all Specifications. Bidders must submit samples when required and strictly in accordance with instructions, or DOIT may reject the Bid. If DOIT accepts a sample that does not meet the Specifications, this does not indicate or mean that DOIT has lowered or modified the Specifications. However, if any Bid sample is superior in quality to the Specifications, all deliveries shall have the same identity and quality as the Bid sample. If DOIT requests samples subsequent to the opening of Bids, the Bidder shall deliver them as specified in the Bid, free of any charges or fees and be accompanied by a descriptive memorandum indicating the Bidder desires for their return. The State shall return any samples in accordance with such memorandum, provided that they have not been used or made useless by testing. The State may hold samples for comparison with deliveries.

13. Rejected Items; Abandonment. If DOIT notifies Bidders that they must retrieve samples, or any other Systems, goods or equipment (collectively, the "Rejected Items") belonging to the Bidder, wherever located, the Bidder must do so within forty-eight (48) hours after notification unless public health and safety require immediate destruction or other disposal of the Rejected Items. The Bidder agrees and acknowledges that its failure to retrieve and remove from any State premises the Rejected Items within such time shall be deemed to be an abandonment of the Rejected Items and, without more required of any party, shall vest authority in DOIT or any Agency to use or dispose of the Rejected Items as if they were the State's own property, as they deem it to be appropriate and in accordance with the law without incurring any liability or obligation to the Bidder or any other party. To the extent that DOIT and/or any Agency incurs any costs or expenses in connection with the Rejected Items, including, but not limited to, disposing of the Rejected Items, the Bidder shall reimburse the appropriate State entity no later than thirty (30) days after the date of invoice for such costs and expenses. All samples will be set up at DOIT unless DOIT indicates another location.

14. Award Criteria. DOIT shall award Contracts to the Lowest Responsible Qualified Bidder, in accordance with the factors set forth in 4a-59 of the Connecticut General Statutes, in the corresponding regulations and in the Invitation to Bid. Past performance, financial responsibility, the quality of the Systems to be supplied, their conformity with Specifications, their suitability to the requirements of the State, the delivery terms and administrative costs to the State shall always be factors in making contract awards.

15. Right to Manage Award. DOIT may award by System item, or part thereof, groups of Systems, or all Systems in the Invitation to Bid;

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reject any and all Bids in whole or in part; waive or correct minor irregularities and omissions if, in DOIT's judgment, the best interest of the State will be served; or correct inaccurate awards, as it deems to be appropriate, resulting from clerical or administrative errors. If in the case of an irregularity, omission or mistake, the intended correct Bid is clearly evident on the face of the Bid, the Bidder shall be given an opportunity to correct the Bid to reflect the correct intent. Examples of mistakes that are clearly evident on the face of the Bid include but are not limited to, typographical errors, errors in extending unit prices, transposition errors, and arithmetical errors.

16. Effective Date. The Contract shall be deemed to exist and be effective from the time that the Bidder accepts DOIT's Contract award notice to the Bidder. Bidder acceptance shall occur the earlier of the date of Bidder's written acceptance to DOIT in response to the Contract award notice or, absent such written acceptance, ten (10) days from the date of the Contract award notice. If any Bidder refuses or fails to accept DOIT's Contract award within ten (10) days from the date of the Contract award notice, DOIT may award the Contract to the next Lowest Responsible Qualified Bidder, and so on until the Contract is awarded and accepted. Refusal to accept a Contract after the ten (10) day period shall be deemed to be a breach of Contract and the Contractor shall be subject to the section in these terms and conditions concerning Open Market Purchases.

17. Bidder Obligations Concerning the Bid. A Bidder, if requested, must present evidence of experience, ability, service facilities, factory authorization and financial standing necessary to meet satisfactorily the requirements set forth or implied in the Invitation to Bid.

18. Discounts. Bidders may offer a discount for prompt payment, but such discount will not be taken into consideration in determining lowest price, except in the case of a price tie.

19. Rejection of Bids for Malfeasance. DOIT may, in its sole discretion, reject the Bid of any Bidder if at the time of Bid submittal the Bidder or Bidder Parties is in breach of any of the applicable representations and warranties listed in the Representations and Warranties section of these Terms and Conditions

20. Order and Delivery. The Contract shall bind the Bidder to furnish and deliver the Systems and/or services at the prices set forth in the Bid and in accordance with the Invitation to Bid, including these Terms and Conditions. Subject to the sections in these terms and conditions concerning Force Majeure, Termination, Cancellation and Expiration and Open Market Purchases, the Contract shall bind the State to order the Systems and any associated services from the Contractor, and to pay for the accepted Systems and any associated services at the Contract prices. The State may order and the Contractor shall deliver accordingly up to ten (10) percent more or less than the quantity listed in the Invitation to Bid. Subject to Contractor acceptance, Agencies not originally or specifically mentioned in the Invitation to Bid may purchase Systems and associated services from the Contractor. Agencies mentioned in the Invitation to Bid may transfer Systems and any associated services that they would have ordered to one or more other Agencies and the Contractor shall perform accordingly, subject to an adjustment in transportation costs, if applicable, resulting from any possible change in delivery sites. Provided further that such transportation costs are based on separately determined delivery costs to individual Agencies.

21. Contract Amendments. No alterations or variations of the Contract shall be valid or binding upon the State unless made in writing and signed by both parties.

22. Term. Contracts will remain in force for the full period specified in the Invitation to Bid or until;

a. Terminated or Cancelled in accordance with these Terms and Conditions; or

b. Extended in accordance with section 4a-59a of the Connecticut General Statutes, upon written authorization of the CIO and acceptance by the contractor, to permit ordering of unordered balances or additional quantities at the contract price and in accordance with the contract terms.

c. Expired.

23. Assignment. The Contractor shall not assign any of its rights or obligations under the Contract, voluntarily or otherwise, in any manner without the prior written consent of DOIT. DOIT may void any purported assignment in violation of this section and to declare the Contractor in breach of Contract. If the Contractor assigns its rights or obligations under the Contract without the consent of DOIT, DOIT may Cancel the Contract in accordance with the Termination, Cancellation and Expiration section of these Terms and Conditions, effective as of the assignment's occurrence or such other time as DOIT specifies in the Cancellation notice. Any Cancellation is without prejudice to DOIT's rights or possible Claims.

24. Termination, Cancellation and Expiration.

(a) Notwithstanding any provisions in the Invitation to Bid, including these Terms and Conditions, DOIT's Chief Information Officer ("CIO"), or the CIO's designee, may Terminate or Cancel the Contract whenever the CIO makes a written determination that such Termination or Cancellation is in the best interests of the State. DOIT shall notify the Contractor in writing of Termination or Cancellation pursuant to this section, which notice shall specify the effective date of Termination or Cancellation and the extent to which the Contractor must complete performance under the Contract prior to such date.

(b) The CIO shall send the notice of Termination or Cancellation via registered mail, return receipt requested, to the Contractor at the most current address which the Contractor has furnished to the State for purposes of correspondence, or by hand delivery. Upon receiving such notice from the State, the Contractor shall immediately discontinue all services and take all actions affected in accordance with the notice, undertake all commercially reasonable efforts to mitigate any losses or damages, and deliver to the State all Records. The Records are deemed to be the property of the State and the Contractor shall deliver them to DOIT no later than thirty (30) days after the Termination, Cancellation or Expiration of the Contract or fifteen (15) days after the Contractor receives a written request from the State for the Records. The Contractor shall deliver those Records that exist in electronic, magnetic or other intangible form in a non-proprietary format, such as, but not limited to, ASCEE or .TXT.

(c) Upon receipt of a written notice of Termination or Cancellation from the State, the Contractor shall cease operations as directed by the State in the notice, and take all actions that are necessary or appropriate, or that the State may reasonably direct, for the protection and preservation of the Systems, Systems Properties and any other property. Except for any work which DOIT directs the Bidder to perform in the notice prior to the effective date of Termination or Cancellation, and except as otherwise provided in the notice, the Contractor shall terminate or conclude all existing subcontracts and purchase orders and shall not enter into any further subcontracts, purchase orders or commitments.

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(d) In the case of any Termination or Cancellation, the State shall, within forty-five (45) days of the effective date of Termination or Cancellation, reimburse the Contractor for its performance rendered and accepted by the State in accordance with the compensation provisions of the Contract, in addition to all actual and reasonable costs incurred after Termination or Cancellation in completing those portions of the performance which the Contractor was required to complete by the notice. However, the Contractor is not entitled to receive and the State is not obligated to tender to the Contractor any payments for anticipated or lost profits. Upon request by the State, the Contractor shall assign to the State, or any replacement contractor which the State designates, all subcontracts, purchase orders and other commitments, deliver to the State all Records and other information pertaining to its performance, and remove from State premises, whether leased or owned, all such equipment, waste material and rubbish related to its performance as the State may request.

(e) For breach or violation of any of the provisions in the section of these Terms and Conditions concerning Representations and

(f) Warranties, the State may Cancel the Contract in accordance with its terms and revoke any consents to assignments given as if the assignments had never been requested or consented to, without liability to the Contractor or Contractor Parties or any third party.

(g) Upon Termination, Cancellation or Expiration of the Contract, all rights and obligations shall be null and void, so that no party shall have any further rights or obligations to any other party, except with respect to the sections which survive Termination, Cancellation or Expiration of the Contract. All representations, warranties, agreements and rights of the parties under the Contract shall survive such Termination, Cancellation or Expiration to the extent not otherwise limited in the Contract and without each one of them having to be specifically mentioned in the Contract.

(h) Termination or Cancellation of the Contract pursuant to this section shall not be deemed to be a breach of contract by the State.

25. Breach. If either party breaches the Contract in any respect, the non-breaching party shall provide written notice of such breach to the breaching party and afford the breaching party an opportunity to cure the breach within ten (10) days from the date that the breaching party receives such notice, or such other time as provided in the notice, the Invitation to Bid or these Terms and Conditions, whichever is latest. Such right to cure period shall be extended if the non-breaching party is satisfied that the breaching party is making a good faith effort to cure but the nature of the breach is such that it cannot be cured within the right to cure period. The notice may include an effective Contract cancellation date if the breach is not cured by the stated date and, unless otherwise modified by the non-breaching party in writing prior to the cancellation date, no further action shall be required of any party to effect the cancellation as of the stated date. If the notice does not set forth an effective Contract cancellation date, then the non-breaching party may Cancel the Contract by giving the breaching party no less than twenty four (24) hours' prior written notice. If the State believes that the Contractor has not performed according to the Contract, the State may withhold payment in whole or in part pending resolution of the performance issue, provided that DOIT notifies the Contractor in writing prior to the date that the payment would have been due in accordance with the Payment section of these Terms and Conditions. For notice purposes, a lesser payment period shall not apply. If a cash discount for prompt payment is invoiced, the withholding of payments as provided for in this section shall not deprive the State of the right to take such cash discount.

26. Waiver.

(a) No waiver of any breach of the Contract shall be interpreted or deemed to be a waiver of any other or subsequent breach. All remedies afforded in the Contract shall be taken and construed as cumulative, that is, in addition to every other remedy provided in the Contract or at law or in equity.

(b) A party's failure to insist on strict performance of any provision of the Contract shall only be deemed to be a waiver of rights and remedies concerning that specific instance of performance and shall not be deemed to be a waiver of any subsequent rights, remedies or breach.

27. Open Market Purchases. Except to the extent that the Contractor is performing within a right to cure period, failure of the Contractor to perform within the time specified in the Contract, or failure to replace rejected or substandard Systems or fulfill unperformed services when so requested and as the Contract provides or allows, constitutes a breach of the Contract and as a remedy for such breach, such failure shall constitute authority for DOIT, if it deems it to be necessary or appropriate in its sole discretion, to Cancel the Contract and/or to purchase on the open market, Systems and associated services to replace those which have been rejected, not delivered, or not performed. The State shall invoice the Contractor for all such purchases to the extent that they exceed the costs and expenses in Contractor's Bid and the Contractor shall pay the State's invoice immediately after receiving the invoice. If DOIT does not Cancel the Contract, the State will deduct such open market purchases from the Contract quantities. However, if the CIO deems it to be in the best interest of the State, DOIT may accept and use the Systems delivered which are substandard in quality, subject to an adjustment in price to be determined by DOIT.

28. Purchase Orders. The Contract itself is not an authorization for the Contractor to ship any Systems or to begin performing in any way. The Contractor may begin performing only after it has received a duly issued purchase order against the Contract for performance. The Agency using the Contract will issue a purchase order against the Contract directly to the Contractor. All purchase orders must be in writing, bear the Contract number and comply with all other State requirements, particularly the Agency's requirements concerning procurement. A Contractor making delivery without a formal written purchase order does so at his own risk.

29. Nonresponsibility. If (a) a Bidder fails to accept a Contract within ten (10) days, as specified in the Effective Date section of these terms and conditions; (b) a Contractor suffers an unexcused material breach of the Contract and fails to cure that breach in accordance with the procedures set forth in the Breach section of these terms and conditions; or (c) a Contractor fails to reimburse the State for open market purchases as set forth in the Open Market Purchases section of these terms and conditions, then DOIT will take that into consideration in future Invitations to Bid when evaluating the Bidder's responsibility. The consideration of this factor may lead to a "not responsible" finding against the Bidder and make a Bidder ineligible to receive one or more future contract awards.

30. Indemnification.

a. The Contractor shall indemnify, defend and hold harmless the State and its officers, representatives, agents, servants, employees, successors and assigns from and against any and all (1) Claims arising, directly or indirectly, in connection with

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the Contract, including the acts of commission or omission (collectively, the "Acts") of the Contractor or Contractor Parties; and (2) liabilities, damages, losses, costs and expenses, including but not limited to, attorneys' and other professionals' fees, arising, directly or indirectly, in connection with Claims, Acts or the Contract. The Contractor shall use counsel reasonably acceptable to the State and without charge to the State in carrying out its obligations under this section. The Contractor's obligations under this section to indemnify, defend and hold harmless against Claims includes Claims concerning any intellectual property rights, other proprietary rights of any person or entity, copyrighted or uncopyrighted compositions, secret processes, patented or unpatented inventions, articles or appliances furnished or used in the performance of the Contract.

b. The Contractor shall reimburse the State for any and all damages to the real or personal property of the State caused by the Acts of the Contractor or any Contractor Parties. The State shall give the Contractor reasonable notice of any such Claims.

c. The Contractor's duties under this section shall remain fully in effect and binding in accordance with the terms and conditions of the Contract, without being lessened or compromised in any way, even where the Contractor is alleged or is found to have merely contributed in part to the Acts giving rise to the Claims and/or where the State is alleged or is found to have contributed to the Acts giving rise to the Claims.

d. The Contractor shall carry and maintain at all times during the term of the Contract, and during the time that any provisions survive the term of the Contract, sufficient general liability insurance to satisfy its obligations under this section. The Contractor shall name the State as an additional insured on the policy.

e. The rights provided in this section for the benefit of the State shall encompass the recovery of attorneys' and other professionals' fees expended in pursuing a Claim against a third party.

This section shall survive the Termination, Cancellation or Expiration of the Contract, and shall not be limited by reason of any insurance coverage.

31. Forum and Choice of Law. The Contract shall be deemed to have been made in the City of Hartford, State of Connecticut. Both Parties agree that it is fair and reasonable for the validity and construction of the Contract to be, and it shall be, governed by the laws and court decisions of the State of Connecticut, without giving effect to its principles of conflicts of laws. To the extent that any immunities provided by Federal law or the laws of the State of Connecticut do not bar an action against the State, and to the extent that these courts are courts of competent jurisdiction, for the purpose of venue, the complaint shall be made returnable to the Judicial District of Hartford only or shall be brought in the United States District Court for the District of Connecticut only, and shall not be transferred to any other court, provided, however, that nothing here constitutes a waiver or compromise of the sovereign immunity of the State of Connecticut. The Contractor waives any objection which it may now have or will have to the laying of venue of any Claims in any forum and further irrevocably submits to such jurisdiction in any suit, action or proceeding.

32. Contractor Guaranties. Contractor shall:

a. Perform fully under the Contract, the Invitation to Bid and the Bid in accordance with their terms.

b. Guarantee the Systems and, as applicable, Systems Properties, against defective material or workmanship and to repair any damage or marring occasioned in transit or, at the State's option, replace them;

c. Furnish adequate protection from damage for all work and to repair damage of any kind, for which its workers are responsible, to the premises, equipment Systems or System Properties, to the Contractor's work or that of Contractor Parties;

d. With respect to the provision of services, pay for all permits, licenses and fees and give all required or appropriate notices;

e. adhere to all contractual provisions ensuring the confidentiality of Records that the Contractor has access to and are exempt from disclosure under the State's Freedom of Information Act or other applicable law; and

f. Neither disclaim, exclude nor modify the implied warranties of fitness for a particular purpose or of merchantability.

The contractual provisions concerning the confidentiality provisions guarantee in this section shall include civil sanctions for the unauthorized disclosure of the Records. The Contractor and Contractor Parties shall be treated as State employees with respect to any civil or criminal statutes providing for civil or criminal sanctions for unauthorized disclosures.

33. Systems' Standards and Appurtenances. Any Systems delivered must be standard new Systems, latest model, except as otherwise specifically stated in the Invitation to Bid. Where the Invitation to Bid or Bid do not specifically list or describe any part or nominal appurtenances of equipment for the Systems, it shall be understood that the Contractor shall deliver such equipment and appurtenances as are usually provided with the manufacturer's stock model.

34. Delivery.

(a) Any Systems delivered shall be standard new equipment, latest model, except as otherwise stated in the Invitation to Bid. Remanufactured, refurbished or reconditioned equipment may be accepted but only to the extent allowed under the Invitation to Bid. Where any part or nominal appurtenances of equipment are not described, it shall be understood that all equipment and appurtenances, which are usually provided in the manufacturer's stock model, shall be furnished.

(b) Delivery shall be made as ordered and in accordance with the Invitation to Bid. Unless otherwise specified in the Invitation to Bid, delivery shall be to a loading dock or receiving platform. The Contractor or Contractor's shipping designee shall be responsible for removal of Systems from the carrier and placement on the agency loading dock or receiving platform. State receiving personnel are not required to assist in this process. The decision of the CIO as to reasonable compliance with delivery terms shall be final and binding. The burden of proof of proper receipt of the order shall rest with the Contractor.

(c) In order for the time of delivery to be extended, DOIT must first approve a request for extension from the time specified in the Contract, such extension applying only to the particular item or shipment.

(d) Systems shall be securely and properly packed for shipment, according to accepted standard commercial practice, without extra charge for packing cases, baling or sacks. The containers shall remain the property of the State unless otherwise stated in the Bid.

(e) All risk of loss and damage to the Systems and Systems Properties transfers to the State upon Title vesting in the State.

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35. System Inspection. DOIT shall determine the manner and prescribe the inspection of all Systems and the tests of all samples submitted to determine whether they comply with all of the Specifications in the Invitation to Bid. If any System fails in any way to meet the Specifications in the Invitation to Bid, DOIT may, in its sole discretion, either reject it and owe nothing or accept it and pay for it on an adjusted price basis, depending on the degree to which the System meets the Specifications. Any decision pertaining to any such failure or rejection shall be final and binding.

36. Payment. Payment shall be made only after the Agency receives the Systems or services and after acceptance of the Systems or services and presentation of a properly completed invoice. Unless otherwise specified in the Invitation to Bid, payment for all accepted Systems and/or associated services shall be due within forty-five (45) days after acceptance of the Systems or services. Bids that require payment in less than forty-five (45) days shall be rejected, unless DOIT determines in its sole discretion that the Bid's requiring a lesser period is not material.

37. Invoicing. The Contractor shall send all invoices directly to the Agency at the address indicated on the purchase order and shall make all inquiries regarding the status of unpaid invoices also only to such ordering Agency.

38. Force Majeure. The State and the Contractor shall not be excused from their duty to perform in accordance with the Contract except in the case of Force Majeure events and as otherwise provided for in the Contract. In the case of any such exception, the nonperforming party shall give immediate written notice to the other, explaining the cause and probable duration of any such nonperformance.

39. Advertising. The Contractor shall not refer to sales to the State for advertising or promotional purposes without DOIT's prior written approval.

40. American with Disabilities Act. The Contractor shall be and remain in compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 ("Act"), to the extent applicable, during the term of the Contract. The State may Cancel the Contract if the Contractor fails to comply with the Act.

41. Representations and Warranties. The Contractor, and the Bidder, as appropriate, represent and warrant to the State for itself and Contractor Parties and Bidder Parties, as appropriate, that:

(a) if they are entities, they are duly and validly existing under the laws of its state of organization and authorized to conduct business in the State of Connecticut in the manner contemplated by the Contract. Further, as appropriate, they have taken all necessary action to authorize the execution, delivery and performance of the Bid and the Contract and have the power and authority to execute, deliver and perform their obligations under the Contract;

(b) they will comply with all applicable State and Federal laws and municipal ordinances in satisfying their obligations to the State under and pursuant to the Contract, including, but not limited to (1) Connecticut General Statutes Title 1, Chapter 10, concerning the State's Codes of Ethics and (2) Titles 4a and 4d concerning State purchasing, including, but not limited to Sections 4a-60 and 4a-60a, concerning nondiscrimination, 22a-194a concerning the use of polystyrene foam, 4d-32 concerning subcontracts, 4d-34 concerning ownership rights and integrity of public records, 4d-35 concerning applicability of the Connecticut Freedom of Information Act, 4d-36 concerning nondisclosure of public records, 4d-37 concerning prohibition on selling, marketing or profiting from public records and 4d-38 concerning notice to DOIT for violation of certain laws.

(c) the execution, delivery and performance of the Contract will not violate, be in conflict with, result in a breach of or constitute (with or without due notice and/or lapse of time) a default under any of the following, as applicable: (1) any provision of law; (2) any order of any court or any Agencies; or (3) any indenture, agreement, document or other instrument to which it is a party or by which it may be bound;

(d) they are not presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from covered transactions by any Federal or state department or agency;

(e) as applicable, they have not, within the three years preceding the Contract, in any of their current or former jobs, been convicted of, or had a civil judgment rendered against them or against any person who would perform under the Contract, for commission of fraud or a criminal offense in connection with obtaining, attempting to obtain, or performing a public (Federal, state or local) transaction or contract. This includes, but is not limited to, violation of Federal or state antitrust statutes or commission of embezzlement, theft, forgery, bribery, falsification or destruction of records, making false statements, or receiving stolen property;

(f) they are not presently indicted for or otherwise criminally or civilly charged by a governmental entity (Federal, state or local) with commission of any of the offenses listed above;

(g) they have not within the three years preceding the Contract had one or more public transactions (Federal, state or local) cancelled for cause or breach;

(h) they have not employed or retained any entity or person, other than a bona fide employee working solely for them, to solicit or secure the Contract and that they have not paid or agreed to pay any entity or person, other than a bona fide employee working solely for them, any fee, commission, percentage, brokerage fee, gifts, or any other consideration contingent upon or resulting from the award or making of the Contract or any assignments made in accordance with the terms of the Contract;

(i) to the best of their knowledge, there are no Claims involving the Bidder, Bidder Parties, Contractor or Contractor Parties that might reasonably be expected to materially adversely affect their businesses, operations, assets, properties, financial stability, business prospects or ability to perform fully under the Contract;

(j) they shall disclose annually on the anniversary date of the effective date of the Contract, any and all Claims involving the Contractor or Contractor Parties that might reasonably be expected to materially adversely affect their businesses, operations, assets, properties, financial stability, business prospects or ability to perform fully under the Contract;

(k) its participation in the Invitation to Bid process is not a conflict of interest or a breach of ethics under the provisions of Title 1, Chapter 10 of the Connecticut General Statutes concerning the State code of ethics;

(l) the Bid is not made in connection or concert with any other person, entity or Bidder, including any affiliate of the Bidder, submitting a Bid for the same Systems, and is in all respects fair and without collusion or fraud;

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(m) it has not participated in any communications concerning the Invitation to Bid with any person or entity who submits a Bid, including, but not limited to, any manufacturers and/or dealers;

(n) it is able to perform under the Contract using its own resources or the resources of a party who is not a Bidder;

(o) each Systems or each developed, modified or remediated Systems delivered under the Contract shall: (1) accurately assess, present or process date and time data (including, but not limited to, management, manipulation, processing, comparing, sequencing and other use of date data, including single and multi-century formulae and leap years) from, into and between the twentieth and twenty-first centuries, and the years 1999 and 2000 and leap year calculations; (2) properly exchange date and time data when used in combination with other Systems; and (3) perform as a System, if so stipulated in the Contract;

(p) it shall obtain in a written contract all of the representations and warranties in this section from any subcontractor that it contracts with in connection with the Contract and to require that provision to be included in any lower tier subcontracts and purchase orders;

(q) it has paid all applicable workers' compensation second injury fund assessments concerning all previous work done in Connecticut;

(r) it has a record of compliance with Occupational Health and Safety Administration regulations without any unabated, willful or serious violations;

(s) it owes no unemployment compensation contributions;

(t) it is not delinquent in the payment of any taxes owed, or that it has filed a sales tax security bond, and it has, if and as applicable, filed for motor carrier road tax stickers and has paid all outstanding road taxes;

(U) all of its vehicles have current registrations and, unless such vehicles are no longer in service, it shall not allow any such registrations to lapse;

(V) each Contractor Party or Bidder Party has vested in the Contractor and Bidder plenary authority to bind them to the extent necessary or appropriate in any agreement with the State in accordance with these representations and warranties and that they shall also provide, no later than fifteen (days) days after receiving a request from DOIT, such information as DOIT may require to evidence, in the State's sole determination, compliance with this section;

(w) it shall afford the State the lowest rates available for the Systems and any associated services and shall provide an annual written statement that it has complied with such representation and warranty;

(x) except to the extent modified or abrogated in the Specifications, all ownership, title, licenses, rights and interest (including, but not limited to, perpetual use) (collectively, "Title") of and to the Systems and Systems Properties shall pass to the State upon complete installation, testing and acceptance of the Systems and associated services and payment by the State;

(y) if either party Terminates or Cancels the Contract, for any reason, the Contractor shall relinquish to the State all Title to the Systems and Systems Properties delivered, accepted and paid for (except to the extent any invoiced amount is disputed) by the State;

(z) with regard to third party products provided with the Systems, and Systems Properties, the Contractor shall transfer all licenses which it is permitted to transfer in accordance with the applicable third party license;

(aa) the Contractor shall not copyright, register, distribute or claim any rights in or to the Systems and Systems Properties after the effective date of the Contract without DOIT's prior written consent;

(bb) it either owns or has the authority to use all Title of and to the Systems, Systems Properties and that such Title is not the subject of any encumbrances, liens or claims of ownership by any third party;

(cc) the Systems and Systems Properties do not infringe or misappropriate any patent, trade secret or other intellectual property right of a third Party;

(dd) the State's use of any Systems and Systems Properties shall not infringe or misappropriate any patent, trade secret or other intellectual property right of a third Party;

(ee) if the Contractor procures any Systems, Systems Properties Rights, the Contractor shall sub-license such Systems, Systems Properties and that the State shall be afforded the full benefits of any manufacturer or subcontractor licenses for the use of the Systems and Systems Properties;

(ff) the Contractor shall disclose to DOIT all software license and software escrow agreements that it has with any manufacturers or Contractor Parties; and

(gg) the Contractor shall assign or otherwise transfer to DOIT, or afford DOIT the full benefits of any manufacturer's warranty for the Systems, Systems Properties and All IP Rights, to the extent that such warranties are assignable or otherwise transferable to DOIT.

42. Disclosure of Contractor Parties Litigation. The Contractor shall require that all Contractor Parties, as appropriate, disclose to the Contractor annually on the anniversary date of the effective date of the Contract, to the best of their knowledge, any Claims involving the Contractor Parties that might reasonably be expected to materially adversely affect their businesses, operations, assets, properties, financial stability, business prospects or ability to perform fully under the Contract. The Contractor shall provide such information to DOIT no later than ten (10) days after the Contractor receives such information. Disclosure shall be in writing.

43. Bidder Communications with State. The only Agency with which Bidders may communicate concerning the Invitation to Bid and their Bid is DOIT. They may not contact the requesting Agency or any of its employees unless the Bidder has received prior written approval from DOIT. Any alleged oral agreement or arrangement made by a Bidder or Contractor with any Agency or any of its employees shall not bind DOIT or the State.

44. Entirety of Contract. The Contract is the entire agreement between the parties with respect to the its subject matter, and supersedes all prior agreements, proposals, offers, counteroffers and understandings of the parties, whether written or oral. No alteration, modification or interpretation of the Contract shall be valid or binding unless in writing and signed by both parties. The Contract has been entered into after full investigation, neither party relying upon any statement or representation by the other unless such statement or representation is specifically embodied in the Contract.

45. Price Reduction. The parties may agree to a reduction in the Bid price for any part or all of the System and/or associated services after the Contractor begins to perform.

46. Executive Orders. The Contract is subject to the provisions of Executive Order No. Three of Governor Thomas J. Meskill, promulgated June 16, 1971, concerning labor employment practices, Executive Order No. Seventeen of Governor Thomas J.

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Meskill, promulgated February 15, 1973, concerning the listing of employment openings and Executive Order No. Sixteen of Governor John G. Rowland promulgated August 4, 1999, concerning violence in the workplace, all of which are incorporated into and are made a part of the Contract as if they had been fully set forth in it. At the Contractor's request, the Client Agency shall provide a copy of these orders to the Contractor. The Contract may also be subject to Executive Order No. 7C of Governor M. Jodi Rell, promulgated July 13, 2006, concerning contracting reforms and Executive Order No. 14 of Governor M. Jodi Rell, promulgated April 17, 2006, concerning procurement of cleaning products and services, in accordance with their respective terms and conditions.

47. Non-discrimination. References in this section to "contract" shall mean this Contract and references to "contractor" shall mean the Contractor. (a)The following subsections are set forth here as required by section 4a-60 of the Connecticut General Statutes:

(1) The contractor agrees and warrants that in the performance of the contract such contractor will not discriminate or permit discrimination against any person or group of persons on the grounds of race, color, religious creed, age, marital status, national origin, ancestry, sex, mental retardation or physical disability, including, but not limited to, blindness, unless it is shown by such contractor that such disability prevents performance of the work involved, in any manner prohibited by the laws of the United States or of the state of Connecticut. The contractor further agrees to take affirmative action to insure that applicants with job-related qualifications are employed and that employees are treated when employed without regard to their race, color, religious creed, age, marital status, national origin, ancestry, sex, mental retardation, or physical disability, including, but not limited to, blindness, unless it is shown by such contractor that such disability prevents performance of the work involved; (2) the contractor agrees, in all solicitations or advertisements for employees placed by or on behalf of the contractor, to state that it is an "affirmative action-equal opportunity employer" in accordance with regulations adopted by the commission; (3) the contractor agrees to provide each labor union or representative of workers with which such contractor has a collective bargaining agreement or other contract or understanding and each vendor with which such contractor has a contract or understanding, a notice to be provided by the commission advising the labor union or workers' representative of the contractor's commitments under this section, and to post copies of the notice in conspicuous places available to employees and applicants for employment; (4) the contractor agrees to comply with each provision of this section and sections 46a-68e and 46a-68f and with each regulation or relevant order issued by said commission pursuant to sections 46a-56, 46a-68e and 46a-68f; (5) the contractor agrees to provide the Commission on Human Rights and Opportunities with such information requested by the commission, and permit access to pertinent books, records and accounts, concerning the employment practices and procedures of the contractor as relate to the provisions of this section and section 46a-56. (b)If the contract is a public works contract, the contractor agrees and warrants that he will make good faith efforts to employ minority business enterprises as subcontractors and suppliers of materials on such public works project. (c)"Minority business enterprise" means any small contractor or supplier of materials fifty-one per cent or more of the capital stock, if any, or assets of which is owned by a person or persons: (1) Who are active in the daily affairs of the enterprise, (2) who have the power to direct the management and policies of the enterprise and (3) who are members of a minority, as such term is defined in subsection (a) of section 32-9n; and "good faith" means that degree of diligence which a reasonable person would exercise in the performance of legal duties and obligations. "Good faith efforts" shall include, but not be limited to, those reasonable initial efforts necessary to comply with statutory or regulatory requirements and additional or substituted efforts when it is determined that such initial efforts will not be sufficient to comply with such requirements. (d) Determination of the contractor's good faith efforts shall include but shall not be limited to the following factors: The contractor's employment and subcontracting policies, patterns and practices; affirmative advertising, recruitment and training; technical assistance activities and such other reasonable activities or efforts as the commission may prescribe that are designed to ensure the participation of minority business enterprises in public works projects. (e)The contractor shall develop and maintain adequate documentation, in a manner prescribed by the commission, of its good faith efforts. (f)The contractor shall include the provisions of section A above in every subcontract or purchase order entered into in order to fulfill any obligation of a contract with the state and such provisions shall be binding on a subcontractor, vendor or manufacturer unless exempted by regulations or orders of the commission. The contractor shall take such action with respect to any such subcontract or purchase order as the commission may direct as a means of enforcing such provisions including sanctions for noncompliance in accordance with section 46a-56; provided, if such contractor becomes involved in, or is threatened with, litigation with a subcontractor or vendor as a result of such direction by the commission, the contractor may request the state of Connecticut to enter into any such litigation or negotiation prior thereto to protect the interests of the state and the state may so enter. (g)The following subsections are set forth here as required by section 4a-60a of the Connecticut General Statutes: (1) The contractor agrees and warrants that in the performance of the contract such contractor will not discriminate or permit discrimination against any person or group of persons on the grounds of sexual orientation, in any manner prohibited by the laws of the United States or of the state of Connecticut, and that employees are treated when employed without regard to their sexual orientation; (2) the contractor agrees to provide each labor union or representative of workers with which such contractor has a collective bargaining agreement or other contract or understanding and each vendor with which such contractor has a contract or understanding, a notice to be provided by the Commission on Human Rights and Opportunities advising the labor union or workers' representative of the contractor's commitments under this section, and to post copies of the notice in conspicuous places available to employees and applicants for employment; (3) the contractor agrees to comply with each provision of this section and with each regulation or relevant order issued by said commission pursuant to section 46a-56; (4) the contractor agrees to provide the Commission on Human Rights and Opportunities with such information requested by the commission, and permit access to pertinent books, records and accounts, concerning the employment practices and procedures of the contractor which relate to the provisions of this section and section 46a-56. (h)The contractor shall include the provisions of section G above in every subcontract or purchase order entered into in order to fulfill any obligation of a contract with the state and such provisions shall be binding on a subcontractor, vendor or manufacturer unless exempted by regulations or orders of the commission. The contractor shall take such action with respect to any such subcontract or purchase order as the commission may direct as a means of enforcing such provisions including sanctions for noncompliance in accordance with section 46a-56; provided, if such contractor becomes involved in, or is threatened with, litigation with a subcontractor or vendor as a result of such direction by the commission, the contractor may request the state of Connecticut to enter into any such litigation or negotiation prior thereto to protect the interests of the state and the state may so enter.

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48. Whistleblowing. The Contract is subject to the provisions of §4-61dd of the Connecticut General Statutes. In accordance with this section any person having knowledge of any matter involving corruption, violation of state or federal laws or regulations, gross waste of funds, abuse of authority or danger to the public safety occurring in any large state contract, may transmit all facts and information in his possession concerning such matter to the Auditors of Public Accounts. In accordance with subsection (e) if an officer, employee or appointing authority of a large state contractor takes or threatens to take any personnel action against any employee of the contractor in retaliation for such employee's disclosure of information to the Auditors of Public Accounts or the Attorney General under the provisions of this section, the contractor shall be liable for a civil penalty of not more than five thousand dollars for each offense, up to a maximum of twenty per cent of the value of the contract. Each violation shall be a separate and distinct offense and in the case of a continuing violation each calendar day's continuance of the violation shall be deemed to be a separate and distinct offense. The executive head of the state or quasi- public agency may request the Attorney General to bring a civil action in the Superior Court for the Judicial District of Hartford to seek imposition and recovery of such civil penalty. In accordance with subsection (f) each large state contractor shall post a notice of the provisions of this section relating to large state contractors in a conspicuous place which is readily available for viewing by the employees of the contractor.

49. Headings. The headings given to the Sections in these Terms and Conditions are inserted only for convenience and are in no way to be construed as part of the Contract or as a limitation of the scope of the particular Section to which the heading refers.

50. Number and Gender. Whenever the context so requires, the plural or singular shall include each other and the use of any gender shall include all genders.

51. Parties. To the extent that any Contractor Party or Bidder Party is to participate or perform in any way, directly or indirectly in connection with the Bid or the Contract, any reference in the Invitation to Bid, the Bid and the Contract to "Contractor" or "Bidder" shall also be deemed to include "Contractor Parties" or "Bidder Parties," respectively, as if such reference had originally specifically included "Contractor Parties" or "Bidder Parties," since it is the parties' intent for the terms "Contractor Parties" and "Bidder Parties" to be vested with the same rights and obligations as the terms "Contractor" and "Bidder."

52. Contractor Changes. The Contractor shall notify DOIT in writing of any change in its certificate of incorporation, a change in more than a controlling interest in the ownership of the Contractor or a change in the individual(s) in charge of the performance to be completed under the Contract. This change shall not relieve the Contractor of any responsibility for the accuracy and completeness of the performance. DOIT, after receiving written notice by the Contractor of any such change, may require such agreements, releases and other instruments evidencing, to DOIT's satisfaction, that any individuals retiring or otherwise separating from the Contractor have been compensated in full or that provision has been made for compensation in full, for all work performed under terms of the Contract. The Contractor shall deliver such documents to DOIT in accordance with the terms of DOIT's written request. DOIT may also require, and the Contractor shall deliver, a financial statement showing that solvency of the Contractor is maintained. The death of any Contractor Party, as applicable, shall not release the Contractor from the obligation to perform under the Contract; the surviving Contractor Parties, as appropriate, must continue to perform under the Contract until it is fully performed.

53. Further Assurances. The parties shall provide such information, execute and deliver any instruments and documents and take such other actions as may be necessary or reasonably requested by the other party which are not inconsistent with the provision of the Contract and which do not involve the assumption of obligations other than those provided for in the Contract, in order to give full effect to the Contract and to carry out the intent of the Contract.

54. Audit and Inspection of Records. The Contractor shall make all of its and the Contractor Parties' Records available at all reasonable hours for audit and inspection by DOIT and any Agency, including, but not limited to, the Connecticut Auditors of Public Accounts, Attorney General and State's Attorney and their respective agents. Requests for any audit or inspection shall be in writing, at least ten (10) days prior to the requested date. All audits and inspections shall be at the State's expense. The State may request an audit or inspection at any time during the Contract term and for three (3) years from Termination, Cancellation or Expiration of the Contract. The Contractor shall cooperate fully with the State and its agents in connection with an audit or inspection. Following any audit or inspection, the State may conduct and the Contractor shall cooperate with an exit conference.

55. Background Checks. The Contractor and Contractor Parties shall be subject to criminal background checks as provided for in the State of Connecticut Department of Public Safety Administration and Operations Manual.

56. Continued Performance. The Contractor and Contractor Parties shall continue to perform their obligations under the Contract while any dispute concerning the Contract is being resolved.

57. Working and Labor Synergies. The Contractor shall be responsible for maintaining a tranquil working relationship between the Contractor work force, the Contractor Parties and their work force, State employees, and any other contractors present at the work site. The contractor shall quickly resolve all labor disputes which result from the Contractor's or Contractor Parties' presence at the work site, or other action under their control. Labor disputes shall not be deemed to be sufficient cause to allow the Contractor to make any claim for additional compensation for cost, expenses or any other loss or damage, nor shall those disputes be deemed to be sufficient reason to relieve the Contractor from any of its obligations under the Contract.

58. Contractor Responsibility. The Contractor shall be required to assume responsibility for the entire performance under the Contract regardless of whether the Contractor itself performs. The Contractor shall be the sole point of contact concerning the management of the Contract, including performance and payment issues. The Contractor is solely and completely responsible for adherence by the Contractor Parties to all applicable provisions of the Contract.

The Contractor shall exercise all reasonable care to avoid damage to the State's property or to property being made ready for the State's use, and to all property adjacent to any work site. The Contractor shall promptly report any damage, regardless of cause, to the State.

59. Severability. If any term or provision of the Contract or its application to any person, entity or circumstance shall, to any extent, be held to be invalid or unenforceable, the remainder of the Contract or the application of such term or provision shall not be affected as to persons, entities or circumstances other than those as to whom or to which it is held to be invalid or unenforceable. Each remaining term and provision of the Contract shall be valid and enforced to the fullest extent possible by law.

60. Most Favored Nation. The terms of all Systems and services in the Contract are equivalent to or better than those for comparable

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Contractor offerings to any other state or local government under like terms and conditions. If during the term of the Contract the Contractor provides more favorable terms for said offerings to another such state or local government, the Contract shall be deemed to be amended, automatically and without any act required of any party, to provide the same terms to the State.

61. Confidential Information. DOIT will afford due regard to the Bidder's and Contractor's request for the protection of proprietary or confidential information which DOIT receives. However, all materials associated with the Bid and the Contract are subject to the terms of the Connecticut Freedom of Information Act ("FOIA") and all corresponding rules, regulations and interpretations. In making such a request, the Bidder or Contractor may not merely state generally that the materials are proprietary or confidential in nature and not, therefore, subject to release to third parties. Those particular sentences, paragraphs, pages or sections that the vendor believes are exempt from disclosure under the FOIA must be specifically identified as such. Convincing explanation and rationale sufficient to justify each exemption consistent with the FOIA must accompany the request. The rationale and explanation must be stated in terms of the prospective harm to the competitive position of the Bidder or Contractor that would result if the identified material were to be released and the reasons why the materials are legally exempt from release pursuant to the FOIA. To the extent that any other provision or part of the Contract, especially including the Bid and the Specifications, conflicts or is in any way inconsistent with this Section, this Section controls and shall apply.

61. Interpretation. The Contract contains numerous references to statutes and regulations. For purposes of interpretation, conflict resolution and otherwise, the content of those statutes and regulations shall govern over the content of the reference in the Contract to those statutes and regulations.

62. Cross-Default. If the Contractor or Contractor Parties breach, default or in any way fail to perform satisfactorily under the Contract, then the State may, in its sole discretion, without more and without any action whatsoever required of the State, treat any such event as a breach, default or failure to perform under any or all other agreements or arrangements ("Other Agreements") that the Contractor or Contractor Parties have with the State. Accordingly, the State may then exercise at its sole option any and all of its rights or remedies provided for in the Contract or Other Agreements, either selectively or collectively and without such election being deemed to prejudice any rights or remedies of the State, as if the Contractor or Contractor Parties had suffered a breach, default or failure to perform under the Other Agreements.

If the Contractor or Contractor Parties breach, default or in any way fail to perform satisfactorily under any or all other agreements or arrangements ("Other Agreements") that the Contractor or Contractor Parties have with the State, then the State may, in its sole discretion, without more and without any action whatsoever required of the State, treat any such event as a breach, default or failure to perform under the Contract. Accordingly, the State may then exercise at its sole option any and all of its rights or remedies provided for in the Other Agreements or the Contract, either selectively or collectively and without such election being deemed to prejudice any rights or remedies of the State, as if the Contractor or Contractor Parties had suffered a breach, default or failure to perform under the Contract.

63. Disclosure of Records. The Contract may be subject to the provisions of §1-218 of the Connecticut General Statutes. In accordance with this section, each contract in excess of two million five hundred thousand dollars between a public agency and a person for the performance of a governmental function shall (1) provide that the public agency is entitled to receive a copy of records and files related to the performance of the governmental function, and (2) indicate that such records and files are subject to the Freedom of Information Act and may be disclosed by the public agency pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act. No request to inspect or copy such records or files shall be valid unless the request is made to the public agency in accordance with the Freedom of Information Act. Any complaint by a person who is denied the right to inspect or copy such records or files shall be brought to the Freedom of Information Commission in accordance with the provisions of sections 1-205 and 1-206 of the Connecticut General Statutes.

64. Notice of Consulting Affidavit. Section 4a-81 of Connecticut Statutes requires that this solicitation include a notice of the consulting affidavit requirements described in the Statute. Accordingly, pursuant to the Statute, vendors are notified as follows:

No state agency shall execute a contract for the purchase of goods or services, which contract has a total value to the state of fifty thousand dollars or more in any calendar or fiscal year, unless the state agency obtains the written affidavit described in subsection (b) of this section.

(1) The chief official of the vendor awarded a contract described in subsection (a) of this section or the individual awarded such contract who is authorized to execute such contract, shall attest in an affidavit as to whether any consulting agreement has been entered into in connection with such contract. Such affidavit shall be required if any duties of the consultant included communications concerning business of such state agency, whether or not direct contact with a state agency, state or public official or state employee was expected or made. "Consulting agreement" means any written or oral agreement to retain the services, for a fee, of a consultant for the purposes of (A) providing counsel to a contractor, vendor, consultant or other entity seeking to conduct, or conducting, business with the State, (B) contacting, whether in writing or orally, any executive, judicial, or administrative office of the state, including any department, institution, bureau, board, commission, authority, official or employee for the purpose of solicitation, dispute resolution, introduction or requests for information or (C) any other similar activity related to such contract. "Consulting agreement" does not include any agreements entered into with a consultant who is registered under the provisions of Chapter 10 of the Connecticut General Statutes concerning the State's Codes of Ethics, as of the date such affidavit is submitted. (2) Such affidavit shall be sworn as true to the best knowledge and belief of the person signing the certification on the affidavit and shall be subject to the penalties of false statement. (3) Such affidavit shall include the name of the consultant, the consultant's firm, the basic terms of the consulting agreement, a brief description of the services provided, and an indication as to whether the consultant is a former state employee or public official. If the consultant is a former state employee or public official, such affidavit shall indicate his or her former agency and the date such employment terminated. (4) Such affidavit shall be amended whenever the vendor awarded the contract enters into any new consulting agreement during the term of the contract.

If a vendor refuses to submit the affidavit required under subsection (b) of this section, then the state agency shall not award the Contract to such vendor and shall award the contract to the next highest ranked vendor or the next lowest responsible qualified bidder or seek new bids or proposals.

This section is set forth here only for purposes of providing notice of the requirements of the Act. Accordingly, it is neither intended nor should it be interpreted nor relied upon to be a complete and full reiteration of the Act's contents. Any interpretation or understanding

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of the Act's requirements or content by any party must come only from reading the full text of the Act itself.

65. Summary of State Ethics Laws. Pursuant to the requirements of Section 1-101qq of Connecticut General Statutes, the summary of State ethics laws developed by the State Ethics Commission pursuant to section 1-81b of the Connecticut General Statutes is incorporated by reference into and made a part of the Contract as if the summary had been fully set forth in the Contract.

66. Sovereign Immunity. The parties acknowledge and agree that nothing in the Invitation to Bid or the Contract shall be construed as a modification, compromise or waiver by the State of any rights or defenses of any immunities provided by Federal law or the laws of the State of Connecticut to the State or any of its officers and employees, which they may have had, now have or will have with respect to all matters arising out of the Contract. To the extent that this section conflicts with any other section, this section shall govern.

67. Time is of the Essence. Time is of the essence with respect to all provisions of this Agreement that specify a time for performance; provided, however, that this provision shall not be construed to limit or deprive a party of the benefits of any grace or use period allowed in this Agreement.

68. Continuity of Systems. (a) The Contractor acknowledges that the state agency information system and telecommunication system facilities and equipment (the "Systems") and associated services are important to the function of State government and that they must continue without interruption. If the work under the Contract, any subcontract, or amendment to either, is transferred back to the State or to another contractor at any time for any reason, then the Contractor shall cooperate fully with the State, and do and perform all acts and things that DOIT deems to be necessary or appropriate, to ensure continuity of the Systems and services so that there is no disruption or interruption in performance as required or permitted in the Contract. The Contractor shall not enter into any subcontract for any part of the performance under the Contract without prior written approval of such subcontract by DOIT, as required by Conn. Gen. Stat. §4d-32. The Contractor shall include in such subcontract a provision containing all of the substantive terms and conditions of this section, such that the subcontractor will be obligated to DOIT in the same way as the Contractor is obligated to DOIT under this section. The Contractor shall make a full and complete disclosure of and delivery to DOIT or its representatives of all Records and "Public Records," as that term is defined in Conn. Gen. Stat. §4d-33, as it may be amended, in whatever form they exist or are stored and maintained and wherever located, directly or indirectly, concerning the Contract.
(b) The parties shall follow the following procedures in order to ensure the orderly transfer to the State of:
(1) such facilities and equipment-- Unless a shorter period is necessary or appropriate to ensure compliance with subsection (a) above, in which case that shorter period shall apply, the Contractor shall deliver to the State, F.O.B. East Hartford, Connecticut or other State location which DOIT identifies, all Systems related to or arising out of the Contract, subcontract or amendment, no later than 10 days from the date that the work under the Contract is transferred back to the State or to another contractor for any reason. The Contractor shall deliver the Systems to the State, during the State's business hours, in good working order and in appropriately protective packaging to ensure delivery without damage. Concurrent with this delivery, the Contractor shall also deliver all Systems-related operation manuals and other documentation in whatever form they exist and a list of all Systems passwords and security codes;
(2) all software, including all applicable licenses, purchased, created or modified pursuant to the Contract, subcontract or amendment-- Unless a shorter period is necessary or appropriate to ensure compliance with subsection (a) above, in which case that shorter period shall apply, the Contractor shall deliver to the State, F.O.B. East Hartford, Connecticut or other State location which DOIT identifies, all software, including all applicable licenses, purchased, created or modified pursuant to the Contract, subcontract or amendment no later than 10 days from the date that the work under the Contract is transferred back to the State or to another contractor for any reason. The Contractor shall deliver to the State, during the State's business hours, the software, including its source code, if applicable, in good working order, readily capable of being maintained and modified, and housed in appropriately protective packaging or hardware to ensure delivery without damage. Concurrent with this delivery, the Contractor shall also deliver all related operation manuals and other documentation in whatever form they exist and a list of all applicable passwords and security codes; and
(3) all Public Records, as defined in Conn. Gen. Stat. §4d-33, which the Contractor or Contractor Parties possess or create pursuant to the Contract, subcontract or amendment-- Unless a shorter period is necessary or appropriate to ensure compliance with subsection (a) above, in which case that shorter period shall apply, the Contractor shall deliver to the State, F.O.B. East Hartford, Connecticut or other State location which DOIT identifies, all Records and Public Records created or modified pursuant to the Contract, subcontract or amendment no later than the latter of (1) the time specified in the section in this Contract concerning Termination for the return of Records and (2) 10 days from the date that the work under the Contract is transferred back to the State or to another contractor for any reason. The Contractor shall deliver to the State those Records and Public Records that exist in electronic, magnetic or other intangible form in a non-proprietary format, such as, but not limited to, ASCII or .TXT. The Contractor shall deliver to the State, during the State's business hours, those Records and Public Records and a list of all applicable passwords and security codes, all in appropriately protective packaging to ensure delivery without damage.
(c) If the Contractor employs former State employees, the Contractor shall facilitate the exercising of any reemployment rights that such State employees may have with the State, including, but not limited to, affording them all reasonable opportunities during the workday to interview for State jobs. The Contractor shall include language similar to this section in all of its contracts with its subcontractors and applicable Contractor Parties so that they are similarly obligated.

69. Campaign Contribution and Solicitation Ban . With regard to a State contract as defined in P.A. 07-1 having a value in a calendar year of $50,000 or more or a combination or series of such agreements or contracts having a value of $100,000 or more, the authorized signatory to this submission in response to the State's solicitation expressly acknowledges receipt of the State Elections Enforcement Commission's notice advising prospective state contractors of state campaign contribution and solicitation prohibitions, and will inform its principals of the contents of the notice. See attached SEEC Form 11.

70. Conn. Gen. Stat. Sec. 4-252(e).

Conn. Gen. Stat. § 4-252 (the "Statute") requires that the Invitation to Bid, of which these Terms and Conditions are a part, include a notice of the vendor certification requirements described in the Statute. Accordingly, pursuant to the Statute, vendors are notified as follows:

(a) The terms "gift," "quasi-public agency," "state agency," "large state contract," "principals and key personnel" and "participated

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substantially" as used in this section shall have the meanings set forth in the Statute.

(b) No state agency or quasi-public agency shall execute a large state contract unless the state agency or quasi-public agency obtains the written certifications described in this section. Each such certification shall be sworn as true to the best knowledge and belief of the person signing the certification, subject to the penalties of false statement.

(c) The official of the person, firm or corporation awarded the contract, who is authorized to execute the contract, shall certify on such forms as the State shall provide:

(1) That no gifts were made between the date that the state agency or quasi-public agency began planning the project, services, procurement, lease or licensing arrangement covered by the contract and the date of execution of the contract, by (A) such person, firm, corporation, (B) any principals and key personnel of the person, firm or corporation, who participated substantially in preparing the bid or proposal or the negotiation of the contract, or (C) any agent of such person, firm, corporation or principals and key personnel, who participated substantially in preparing the bid or proposal or the negotiation of the contract, to (i) any public official or state employee of the state agency or quasi-public agency soliciting bids or proposals for the contract, who participated substantially in the preparation of the bid solicitation or request for proposals for the contract or the negotiation or award of the contract, or (ii) any public official or state employee of any other state agency, who has supervisory or appointing authority over such state agency or quasi-public agency;

(2) That no such principals and key personnel of the person, firm or corporation, or agent of such person, firm or corporation or principals and key personnel, knows of any action by the person, firm or corporation to circumvent such prohibition on gifts by providing for any other principals and key personnel, official, employee or agent of the person, firm or corporation to provide a gift to any such public official or state employee; and

(3) That the person, firm or corporation made the bid or proposal without fraud or collusion with any person.

(d) Any bidder or proposer that does not make the certifications required under subsection (c) of this section shall be disqualified and the state agency or quasi-public agency shall award the contract to the next highest ranked proposer or the next lowest responsible qualified bidder or seek new bids or proposals.

(e) The date that the state agency or quasi-public agency began planning the project, services procurement, lease or licensing arrangement to be covered by the contract is.

71. <u>Nondiscrimination Certification Requirement</u>

Public Act 07-142 and Public Act 07-245 have amended the nondiscrimination provisions of the Connecticut General Statutes to add civil unions to the existing protected classes and to require State contractors to adopt policies in support of the new statutes by means of a resolution. By law, a contractor must provide the State with documentation in the form of a company or corporate policy adopted by resolution of the board of directors, shareholders, managers, members or other governing body of such contractor to support the nondiscrimination agreement and warranty under C.G.S. §§ 4a-60a and 46a-68h.

Accordingly, attached as Exhibits 1 & 2 are form certifications that the successful contractor must deliver executed at the time that it executes the Contract. The first of these forms is designed to be used by corporate or other business entities; the second is to be used only by individuals who are to sign and perform contracts with the State in their individual capacity. One or the other of these certifications is required for all State contracts, regardless of type, term, cost, or value. The execution and submittal of this certificate is a condition precedent to the State's executing the Contract, unless the contractor is exempt from this statutory requirement, in which case the contractor must obtain a written waiver from the State's Commission on Human Rights and Opportunities.

72. <u>Encryption of Confidential Data</u>

All contracted vendors shall encrypt any and all State stored data that is now, or hereafter, classified as confidential or restricted by the State. This encryption shall, without additional cost to the State, apply to all such data stored on non State owned and/or managed devices. The method used to encrypt data shall be compliant with then current State of Connecticut Architecture and Standards.