

CONTRACT CLAUSES

The Following FAR Clauses are Provided in Full Text:

52.212-5 Contract Terms and Conditions Required To Implement Statutes or Executive Orders—Commercial Products and Commercial Services. (JUN 2023)

(a) The Contractor shall comply with the following Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) clauses, which are incorporated in this contract by reference, to implement provisions of law or Executive orders applicable to acquisitions of commercial products and commercial services:

(1) [52.203-19](#), Prohibition on Requiring Certain Internal Confidentiality Agreements or Statements (JAN 2017) (section 743 of Division E, Title VII, of the Consolidated and Further Continuing Appropriations Act, 2015 (Pub. L. 113-235) and its successor provisions in subsequent appropriations acts (and as extended in continuing resolutions)).

(2) [52.204-23](#), Prohibition on Contracting for Hardware, Software, and Services Developed or Provided by Kaspersky Lab and Other Covered Entities (NOV 2021) (Section 1634 of Pub. L. 115-91).

(3) [52.204-25](#), Prohibition on Contracting for Certain Telecommunications and Video Surveillance Services or Equipment. (NOV 2021) (Section 889(a)(1)(A) of Pub. L. 115-232).

(4) [52.209-10](#), Prohibition on Contracting with Inverted Domestic Corporations (NOV 2015).

(5) [52.232-40](#), Providing Accelerated Payments to Small Business Subcontractors (MAR 2023) ([31 U.S.C. 3903](#) and [10 U.S.C. 3801](#)).

(6) [52.233-3](#), Protest After Award (AUG 1996) ([31 U.S.C. 3553](#)).

(7) [52.233-4](#), Applicable Law for Breach of Contract Claim (OCT 2004) (Public Laws 108-77 and 108-78 ([19 U.S.C. 3805 note](#))).

(b) The Contractor shall comply with the FAR clauses in this paragraph (b) that the Contracting Officer has indicated as being incorporated in this contract by reference to implement provisions of law or Executive orders applicable to acquisitions of commercial products and commercial services:

[Contracting Officer check as appropriate.]

___ (1) [52.203-6](#), Restrictions on Subcontractor Sales to the Government (JUN 2020), with *Alternate I* (NOV 2021) ([41 U.S.C. 4704](#) and [10 U.S.C. 4655](#)).

___ (2) [52.203-13](#), Contractor Code of Business Ethics and Conduct (NOV 2021) ([41 U.S.C. 3509](#))).

___ (3) [52.203-15](#), Whistleblower Protections under the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (JUN 2010) (Section 1553 of Pub. L. 111-5). (Applies to contracts funded by the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009.)

___ (4) [52.204-10](#), Reporting Executive Compensation and First-Tier Subcontract Awards (JUN 2020) (Pub. L. 109-282) ([31 U.S.C. 6101 note](#)).

___ (5) [Reserved].

__ (6) [52.204-14](#), Service Contract Reporting Requirements (OCT 2016) (Pub. L. 111-117, section 743 of Div. C).

__ (7) [52.204-15](#), Service Contract Reporting Requirements for Indefinite-Delivery Contracts (OCT 2016) (Pub. L. 111-117, section 743 of Div. C).

X(8) [52.204-27](#), Prohibition on a ByteDance Covered Application (JUN 2023) (Section 102 of Division R of Pub. L. 117-328).

__ (9) [52.209-6](#), Protecting the Government's Interest When Subcontracting with Contractors Debarred, Suspended, or Proposed for Debarment. (NOV 2021) ([31 U.S.C. 6101 note](#)).

__ (10) [52.209-9](#), Updates of Publicly Available Information Regarding Responsibility Matters (OCT 2018) ([41 U.S.C. 2313](#)).

__ (11) [Reserved].

__ (12) [52.219-3](#), Notice of HUBZone Set-Aside or Sole-Source Award (OCT 2022) ([15 U.S.C. 657a](#)).

__ (13) [52.219-4](#), Notice of Price Evaluation Preference for HUBZone Small Business Concerns (OCT 2022) (if the offeror elects to waive the preference, it shall so indicate in its offer) ([15 U.S.C. 657a](#)).

__ (14) [Reserved]

X(15) (i) [52.219-6](#), Notice of Total Small Business Set-Aside (NOV 2020) ([15 U.S.C. 644](#)).

__ (ii) Alternate I (MAR 2020) of [52.219-6](#).

__ (16) (i) [52.219-7](#), Notice of Partial Small Business Set-Aside (NOV 2020) ([15 U.S.C. 644](#)).

__ (ii) Alternate I (MAR 2020) of [52.219-7](#).

__ (17) [52.219-8](#), Utilization of Small Business Concerns (OCT 2022) ([15 U.S.C. 637\(d\)\(2\)](#) and (3)).

__ (18) (i) [52.219-9](#), Small Business Subcontracting Plan (OCT 2022) ([15 U.S.C. 637\(d\)\(4\)](#)).

__ (ii) Alternate I (NOV 2016) of [52.219-9](#).

__ (iii) Alternate II (NOV 2016) of [52.219-9](#).

__ (iv) Alternate III (JUN 2020) of [52.219-9](#).

__ (v) Alternate IV (SEP 2021) of [52.219-9](#).

__ (19) (i) [52.219-13](#), Notice of Set-Aside of Orders (MAR 2020) ([15 U.S.C. 644\(r\)](#)).

__ (ii) Alternate I (MAR 2020) of [52.219-13](#).

__ (20) [52.219-14](#), Limitations on Subcontracting (OCT 2022) ([15 U.S.C. 637s](#)).

- __ (21) [52.219-16](#), Liquidated Damages—Subcontracting Plan (SEP 2021) ([15 U.S.C. 637\(d\)\(4\)\(F\)\(i\)](#)).
- __ (22) [52.219-27](#), Notice of Service-Disabled Veteran-Owned Small Business Set-Aside (OCT 2022) ([15 U.S.C. 657f](#)).
- X(23) (i) [52.219-28](#), Post Award Small Business Program Rerepresentation (MAR 2023)([15 U.S.C. 632\(a\)\(2\)](#)).
- __ (ii) Alternate I (MAR 2020) of [52.219-28](#).
- __ (24) [52.219-29](#), Notice of Set-Aside for, or Sole-Source Award to, Economically Disadvantaged Women-Owned Small Business Concerns (OCT 2022) ([15 U.S.C. 637\(m\)](#)).
- __ (25) [52.219-30](#), Notice of Set-Aside for, or Sole-Source Award to, Women-Owned Small Business Concerns Eligible Under the Women-Owned Small Business Program (OCT 2022) ([15 U.S.C. 637\(m\)](#)).
- __ (26) [52.219-32](#), Orders Issued Directly Under Small Business Reserves (MAR 2020) ([15 U.S.C. 644\(r\)](#)).
- __ (27) [52.219-33](#), Nonmanufacturer Rule (SEP 2021) ([15U.S.C. 637\(a\)\(17\)](#)).
- X(28) [52.222-3](#), Convict Labor (JUN 2003) (E.O.11755).
- X(29) [52.222-19](#), Child Labor-Cooperation with Authorities and Remedies (DEC 2022) (E.O.13126).
- X(30) [52.222-21](#), Prohibition of Segregated Facilities (APR 2015).
- X(31) (i) [52.222-26](#), Equal Opportunity (SEP 2016) (E.O.11246).
- __ (ii) Alternate I (FEB 1999) of [52.222-26](#).
- __ (32) (i) [52.222-35](#), Equal Opportunity for Veterans (JUN 2020) ([38 U.S.C. 4212](#)).
- __ (ii) Alternate I (JUL 2014) of [52.222-35](#).
- __ (33) (i) [52.222-36](#), Equal Opportunity for Workers with Disabilities (JUN 2020) ([29 U.S.C. 793](#)).
- __ (ii) Alternate I (JUL 2014) of [52.222-36](#).
- __ (34) [52.222-37](#), Employment Reports on Veterans (JUN 2020) ([38 U.S.C. 4212](#)).
- __ (35) [52.222-40](#), Notification of Employee Rights Under the National Labor Relations Act (DEC 2010) (E.O. 13496).
- X(36) (i) [52.222-50](#), Combating Trafficking in Persons (NOV 2021) ([22 U.S.C. chapter 78](#) and E.O. 13627).
- __ (ii) Alternate I (MAR 2015) of [52.222-50](#) ([22 U.S.C. chapter 78](#) and E.O. 13627).

__ (37) [52.222-54](#), Employment Eligibility Verification (MAY 2022) (Executive Order 12989). (Not applicable to the acquisition of commercially available off-the-shelf items or certain other types of commercial products or commercial services as prescribed in FAR [22.1803](#).)

__ (38) (i) [52.223-9](#), Estimate of Percentage of Recovered Material Content for EPA–Designated Items (May 2008) ([42 U.S.C. 6962\(c\)\(3\)\(A\)\(ii\)](#)). (Not applicable to the acquisition of commercially available off-the-shelf items.)

__ (ii) Alternate I (MAY 2008) of [52.223-9](#) ([42 U.S.C. 6962\(i\)\(2\)\(C\)](#)). (Not applicable to the acquisition of commercially available off-the-shelf items.)

__ (39) [52.223-11](#), Ozone-Depleting Substances and High Global Warming Potential Hydrofluorocarbons (Jun 2016) (E.O. 13693).

__ (40) [52.223-12](#), Maintenance, Service, Repair, or Disposal of Refrigeration Equipment and Air Conditioners (JUN 2016) (E.O. 13693).

__ (41) (i) [52.223-13](#), Acquisition of EPEAT®-Registered Imaging Equipment (JUN 2014) (E.O.s 13423 and 13514).

__ (ii) Alternate I (OCT 2015) of [52.223-13](#).

__ (42) (i) [52.223-14](#), Acquisition of EPEAT®-Registered Televisions (JUN 2014) (E.O.s 13423 and 13514).

__ (ii) Alternate I (Jun2014) of [52.223-14](#).

__ (43) [52.223-15](#), Energy Efficiency in Energy-Consuming Products (MAY 2020) ([42 U.S.C. 8259b](#)).

__ (44) (i) [52.223-16](#), Acquisition of EPEAT®-Registered Personal Computer Products (OCT 2015) (E.O.s 13423 and 13514).

__ (ii) Alternate I (JUN 2014) of [52.223-16](#).

X (45) [52.223-18](#), Encouraging Contractor Policies to Ban Text Messaging While Driving (JUN 2020) (E.O. 13513).

__ (46) [52.223-20](#), Aerosols (JUN 2016) (E.O. 13693).

__ (47) [52.223-21](#), Foams (Jun2016) (E.O. 13693).

__ (48) (i) [52.224-3](#) Privacy Training (JAN 2017) (5 U.S.C. 552 a).

__ (ii) Alternate I (JAN 2017) of [52.224-3](#).

X (49) (i) [52.225-1](#), Buy American-Supplies (OCT 2022) ([41 U.S.C. chapter 83](#)).

__ (ii) Alternate I (OCT 2022) of [52.225-1](#).

__ (50) (i) [52.225-3](#), Buy American-Free Trade Agreements-Israeli Trade Act (DEC 2022) ([19 U.S.C. 3301 note](#), [19 U.S.C. 2112 note](#), [19 U.S.C. 3805 note](#), [19 U.S.C. 4001 note](#), 19 U.S.C. chapter 29 (sections 4501-4732), Public Law 103-182, 108-77, 108-78, 108-286, 108-302, 109-53, 109-169, 109-283, 110-138, 112-41, 112-42, and 112-43).

__ (ii) Alternate I [Reserved].

__ (iii) Alternate II (DEC 2022) of [52.225-3](#).

__ (iv) Alternate III (JAN 2021) of [52.225-3](#).

__ (v) Alternate IV (Oct 2022) of [52.225-3](#).

__ (51) [52.225-5](#), Trade Agreements (DEC 2022) ([19 U.S.C. 2501](#), *et seq.*, [19 U.S.C. 3301](#) note).

X (52) [52.225-13](#), Restrictions on Certain Foreign Purchases (FEB 2021) (E.O.'s, proclamations, and statutes administered by the Office of Foreign Assets Control of the Department of the Treasury).

__ (53) [52.225-26](#), Contractors Performing Private Security Functions Outside the United States (Oct 2016) (Section 862, as amended, of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2008; 10 U.S.C. Subtitle A, Part V, Subpart G Note).

__ (54) [52.226-4](#), Notice of Disaster or Emergency Area Set-Aside (Nov 2007) ([42 U.S.C. 5150](#)).

__ (55) [52.226-5](#), Restrictions on Subcontracting Outside Disaster or Emergency Area (Nov2007) ([42 U.S.C. 5150](#)).

__ (56) [52.229-12](#), Tax on Certain Foreign Procurements (FEB 2021).

__ (57) [52.232-29](#), Terms for Financing of Purchases of Commercial Products and Commercial Services (NOV 2021) ([41 U.S.C. 4505](#), [10 U.S.C. 3805](#)).

__ (58) [52.232-30](#), Installment Payments for Commercial Products and Commercial Services (NOV 2021) ([41 U.S.C. 4505](#), [10 U.S.C. 3805](#)).

X (59) [52.232-33](#), Payment by Electronic Funds Transfer-System for Award Management (OCT2018) ([31 U.S.C. 3332](#)).

__ (60) [52.232-34](#), Payment by Electronic Funds Transfer-Other than System for Award Management (Jul 2013) ([31 U.S.C. 3332](#)).

__ (61) [52.232-36](#), Payment by Third Party (MAY 2014) ([31 U.S.C. 3332](#)).

__ (62) [52.239-1](#), Privacy or Security Safeguards (AUG 1996) ([5 U.S.C. 552a](#)).

__ (63) [52.242-5](#), Payments to Small Business Subcontractors (JAN 2017) ([15 U.S.C. 637\(d\)\(13\)](#)).

__ (64) (i) [52.247-64](#), Preference for Privately Owned U.S.-Flag Commercial Vessels (NOV 2021) ([46 U.S.C. 55305](#) and [10 U.S.C. 2631](#)).

__ (ii) Alternate I (APR 2003) of [52.247-64](#).

__ (iii) Alternate II (NOV 2021) of [52.247-64](#).

(c) The Contractor shall comply with the FAR clauses in this paragraph (c), applicable to commercial services, that the Contracting Officer has indicated as being incorporated in this contract by reference to implement provisions of law or Executive orders applicable to acquisitions of commercial products and commercial services:

[Contracting Officer check as appropriate.]

__ (1) [52.222-41](#), Service Contract Labor Standards (AUG 2018) ([41 U.S.C. chapter 67](#)).

__ (2) [52.222-42](#), Statement of Equivalent Rates for Federal Hires (MAY 2014) ([29 U.S.C. 206](#) and [41 U.S.C. chapter 67](#)).

__ (3) [52.222-43](#), Fair Labor Standards Act and Service Contract Labor Standards-Price Adjustment (Multiple Year and Option Contracts) (AUG 2018) ([29 U.S.C. 206](#) and [41 U.S.C. chapter 67](#)).

__ (4) [52.222-44](#), Fair Labor Standards Act and Service Contract Labor Standards-Price Adjustment (May 2014) ([29 U.S.C. 206](#) and [41 U.S.C. chapter 67](#)).

__ (5) [52.222-51](#), Exemption from Application of the Service Contract Labor Standards to Contracts for Maintenance, Calibration, or Repair of Certain Equipment-Requirements (May 2014) ([41 U.S.C. chapter 67](#)).

__ (6) [52.222-53](#), Exemption from Application of the Service Contract Labor Standards to Contracts for Certain Services-Requirements (MAY 2014) ([41 U.S.C. chapter 67](#)).

__ (7) [52.222-55](#), Minimum Wages for Contractor Workers Under Executive Order 14026 (JAN 2022).

__ (8) [52.222-62](#), Paid Sick Leave Under Executive Order 13706 (JAN 2022) (E.O. 13706).

__ (9) [52.226-6](#), Promoting Excess Food Donation to Nonprofit Organizations (Jun 2020) ([42 U.S.C. 1792](#)).

(d) *Comptroller General Examination of Record*. The Contractor shall comply with the provisions of this paragraph (d) if this contract was awarded using other than sealed bid, is in excess of the simplified acquisition threshold, as defined in FAR [2.101](#), on the date of award of this contract, and does not contain the clause at [52.215-2](#), Audit and Records-Negotiation.

(1) The Comptroller General of the United States, or an authorized representative of the Comptroller General, shall have access to and right to examine any of the Contractor's directly pertinent records involving transactions related to this contract.

(2) The Contractor shall make available at its offices at all reasonable times the records, materials, and other evidence for examination, audit, or reproduction, until 3 years after final payment under this contract or for any shorter period specified in FAR subpart [4.7](#), Contractor Records Retention, of the other clauses of this contract. If this contract is completely or partially terminated, the records relating to the work terminated shall be made available for 3 years after any resulting final termination settlement. Records relating

to appeals under the disputes clause or to litigation or the settlement of claims arising under or relating to this contract shall be made available until such appeals, litigation, or claims are finally resolved.

(3) As used in this clause, records include books, documents, accounting procedures and practices, and other data, regardless of type and regardless of form. This does not require the Contractor to create or maintain any record that the Contractor does not maintain in the ordinary course of business or pursuant to a provision of law.

(e) (1) Notwithstanding the requirements of the clauses in paragraphs (a), (b), (c), and (d) of this clause, the Contractor is not required to flow down any FAR clause, other than those in this paragraph (e)(1), in a subcontract for commercial products or commercial services. Unless otherwise indicated below, the extent of the flow down shall be as required by the clause-

(i) [52.203-13](#), Contractor Code of Business Ethics and Conduct (NOV 2021) ([41 U.S.C. 3509](#)).

(ii) [52.203-19](#), Prohibition on Requiring Certain Internal Confidentiality Agreements or Statements (Jan 2017) (section 743 of Division E, Title VII, of the Consolidated and Further Continuing Appropriations Act, 2015 (Pub. L. 113-235) and its successor provisions in subsequent appropriations acts (and as extended in continuing resolutions)).

(iii) [52.204-23](#), Prohibition on Contracting for Hardware, Software, and Services Developed or Provided by Kaspersky Lab and Other Covered Entities (NOV 2021) (Section 1634 of Pub. L. 115-91).

(iv) [52.204-25](#), Prohibition on Contracting for Certain Telecommunications and Video Surveillance Services or Equipment. (NOV 2021) (Section 889(a)(1)(A) of Pub. L. 115-232).

(v) [52.204-27](#), Prohibition on a ByteDance Covered Application (JUN 2023) (Section 102 of Division R of Pub. L. 117-328).

(vi) [52.219-8](#), Utilization of Small Business Concerns (OCT 2022) ([15 U.S.C. 637\(d\)\(2\)](#) and (3)), in all subcontracts that offer further subcontracting opportunities. If the subcontract (except subcontracts to small business concerns) exceeds the applicable threshold specified in FAR [19.702\(a\)](#) on the date of subcontract award, the subcontractor must include [52.219-8](#) in lower tier subcontracts that offer subcontracting opportunities.

(vii) [52.222-21](#), Prohibition of Segregated Facilities (APR 2015).

(viii) [52.222-26](#), Equal Opportunity (SEP 2015) (E.O.11246).

(ix) [52.222-35](#), Equal Opportunity for Veterans (JUN 2020) ([38 U.S.C. 4212](#)).

(x) [52.222-36](#), Equal Opportunity for Workers with Disabilities (JUN 2020) ([29 U.S.C. 793](#)).

(xi) [52.222-37](#), Employment Reports on Veterans (JUN 2020) ([38 U.S.C. 4212](#)).

(xii) [52.222-40](#), Notification of Employee Rights Under the National Labor Relations Act (DEC 2010) (E.O. 13496). Flow down required in accordance with paragraph (f) of FAR clause [52.222-40](#).

(xiii) [52.222-41](#), Service Contract Labor Standards (AUG 2018) ([41 U.S.C. chapter 67](#)).

(xiv) (A) [52.222-50](#), Combating Trafficking in Persons (NOV 2021) ([22 U.S.C. chapter 78](#) and E.O. 13627).

(B) Alternate I (MAR 2015) of [52.222-50](#) ([22 U.S.C. chapter 78 and E.O. 13627](#)).

(xv) [52.222-51](#), Exemption from Application of the Service Contract Labor Standards to Contracts for Maintenance, Calibration, or Repair of Certain Equipment-Requirements (May 2014) ([41 U.S.C. chapter 67](#)).

(xvi) [52.222-53](#), Exemption from Application of the Service Contract Labor Standards to Contracts for Certain Services-Requirements (MAY 2014) ([41 U.S.C. chapter 67](#)).

(xvii) [52.222-54](#), Employment Eligibility Verification (MAY 2022) (E.O. 12989).

(xviii) [52.222-55](#), Minimum Wages for Contractor Workers Under Executive Order 14026 (JAN 2022).

(xix) [52.222-62](#), Paid Sick Leave Under Executive Order 13706 (JAN 2022) (E.O. 13706).

(xx) (A) [52.224-3](#), Privacy Training (Jan 2017) ([5 U.S.C. 552a](#)).

(B) Alternate I (JAN 2017) of [52.224-3](#).

(xxi) [52.225-26](#), Contractors Performing Private Security Functions Outside the United States (OCT 2016) (Section 862, as amended, of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2008; 10 U.S.C. Subtitle A, Part V, Subpart G Note).

(xxii) [52.226-6](#), Promoting Excess Food Donation to Nonprofit Organizations (JUN 2020) ([42 U.S.C. 1792](#)). Flow down required in accordance with paragraph (e) of FAR clause [52.226-6](#).

(xxiii) [52.232-40](#), Providing Accelerated Payments to Small Business Subcontractors (Mar 2023) ([31 U.S.C. 3903](#) and [10 U.S.C. 3801](#)). Flow down required in accordance with paragraph (c) of [52.232-40](#).

(xxiv) [52.247-64](#), Preference for Privately Owned U.S.-Flag Commercial Vessels (NOV 2021) ([46 U.S.C. 55305](#) and [10 U.S.C. 2631](#)). Flow down required in accordance with paragraph (d) of FAR clause [52.247-64](#).

(2) While not required, the Contractor may include in its subcontracts for commercial products and commercial services a minimal number of additional clauses necessary to satisfy its contractual obligations.

(End of clause)

Alternate I (FEB 2000). As prescribed in [12.301](#) (b)(4)(i), delete paragraph (d) from the basic clause, redesignate paragraph (e) as paragraph (d), and revise the reference to "paragraphs (a), (b), (c), or (d) of this clause" in the redesignated paragraph (d) to read "paragraphs (a), (b), and (c) of this clause".

Alternate II (JUN 2023). As prescribed in [12.301](#) (b)(4)(ii), substitute the following paragraphs (d)(1) and (e)(1) for paragraphs (d)(1) and (e)(1) of the basic clause as follows:

(d)(1) The Comptroller General of the United States, an appropriate Inspector General appointed under section 3 or 8 G of the Inspector General Act of 1978 ([5 U.S.C. App.](#)), or an authorized representative of either of the foregoing officials shall have access to and right to—

(i) Examine any of the Contractor's or any subcontractors' records that pertain to, and involve transactions relating to, this contract; and

(ii) Interview any officer or employee regarding such transactions.

(e)(1) Notwithstanding the requirements of the clauses in paragraphs (a), (b), and (c), of this clause, the Contractor is not required to flow down any FAR clause in a subcontract for commercial products or commercial services, other than—

(i) *Paragraph (d) of this clause.* This paragraph flows down to all subcontracts, except the authority of the Inspector General under paragraph (d)(1)(ii) does not flow down; and

(ii) *Those clauses listed in this paragraph (e)(1).* Unless otherwise indicated below, the extent of the flow down shall be as required by the clause-

(A) [52.203-13](#), Contractor Code of Business Ethics and Conduct (NOV 2021) ([41 U.S.C. 3509](#)).

(B) [52.203-15](#), Whistleblower Protections Under the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (JUN 2010) (Section 1553 of Pub. L. 111-5).

(C) [52.204-23](#), Prohibition on Contracting for Hardware, Software, and Services Developed or Provided by Kaspersky Lab and Other Covered Entities (NOV 2021) (Section 1634 of Pub. L. 115-91).

(D) [52.204-25](#), Prohibition on Contracting for Certain Telecommunications and Video Surveillance Services or Equipment. (NOV 2021) (Section 889(a)(1)(A) of Pub. L. 115-232).

(E) [52.204-27](#), Prohibition on a ByteDance Covered Application (JUN 2023) (Section 102 of Division R of Pub. L. 117-328).

(F) [52.219-8](#), Utilization of Small Business Concerns (OCT 2022) ([15 U.S.C. 637\(d\)\(2\) and \(3\)](#)), in all subcontracts that offer further subcontracting opportunities. If the subcontract (except subcontracts to small business concerns) exceeds the applicable threshold specified in FAR [19.702\(a\)](#) on the date of subcontract award, the subcontractor must include [52.219-8](#) in lower tier subcontracts that offer subcontracting opportunities.

(G) [52.222-21](#), Prohibition of Segregated Facilities (APR 2015).

(H) [52.222-26](#), Equal Opportunity (SEP 2016) (E.O. 11246).

(I) [52.222-35](#), Equal Opportunity for Veterans (JUN 2020) ([38 U.S.C. 4212](#)).

(J) [52.222-36](#), Equal Opportunity for Workers with Disabilities (JUN 2020) ([29 U.S.C. 793](#)).

(K) [52.222-40](#), Notification of Employee Rights Under the National Labor Relations Act (DEC 2010) (E.O. 13496). Flow down required in accordance with paragraph (f) of FAR clause [52.222-40](#).

(L) [52.222-41](#), Service Contract Labor Standards (AUG 2018) ([41 U.S.C. chapter 67](#)).

(M) ___ (I) [52.222-50](#), Combating Trafficking in Persons (NOV 2021) ([22 U.S.C. chapter 78](#) and E.O 13627).

___ (2) Alternate I (MAR 2015) of [52.222-50](#) ([22 U.S.C. chapter 78 and E.O. 13627](#)).

(N) [52.222-51](#), Exemption from Application of the Service Contract Labor Standards to Contracts for Maintenance, Calibration, or Repair of Certain Equipment-Requirements (May 2014) ([41 U.S.C. chapter 67](#)).

(O) [52.222-53](#), Exemption from Application of the Service Contract Labor Standards to Contracts for Certain Services-Requirements (MAY 2014) ([41 U.S.C. chapter 67](#)).

(P) [52.222-54](#), Employment Eligibility Verification (MAY 2022) (Executive Order 12989).

(Q) [52.222-55](#), Minimum Wages for Contractor Workers Under Executive Order 14026 (JAN 2022).

(R) [52.222-62](#), Paid Sick Leave Under Executive Order 13706 (JAN 2022) (E.O. 13706).

(S) ___ (I) [52.224-3](#), Privacy Training (JAN 2017) ([5 U.S.C. 552a](#)).

___ (2) Alternate I (JAN 2017) of [52.224-3](#).

(T) [52.225-26](#), Contractors Performing Private Security Functions Outside the United States (Oct 2016) (Section 862, as amended, of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2008; 10 U.S.C. Subtitle A, Part V, Subpart G Note).

(U) [52.226-6](#), Promoting Excess Food Donation to Nonprofit Organizations. (JUN 2020) ([42 U.S.C. 1792](#)). Flow down required in accordance with paragraph (e) of FAR clause 52.226-6.

(V) [52.232-40](#), Providing Accelerated Payments to Small Business Subcontractors (MAR 2023) ([31 U.S.C. 3903](#) and [10 U.S.C. 3801](#)). Flow down required in accordance with paragraph (c) of [52.232-40](#).

(W) [52.247-64](#), Preference for Privately Owned U.S.-Flag Commercial Vessels (Nov 2021) ([46 U.S.C. 55305](#) and [10 U.S.C. 2631](#)). Flow down required in accordance with paragraph (d) of FAR clause 52.247-64.

FAR 52.217-6, OPTION FOR INCREASED QUANTITY (MAR 1989)

The Government may increase the quantity of supplies called for in the Schedule at the unit price specified. The Contracting Officer may exercise the option by written notice to the Contractor within [insert in the clause the period of time in which the Contracting Officer has to exercise the option]. Delivery of the added items shall continue at the same rate as the like items called for under the contract, unless the parties otherwise agree.

(End of clause)

FAR 52.252-2, CLAUSES ARE INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE (FEB 1998)

This contract incorporates one or more clauses by reference, with the same force and effect as if they were given in full text. Upon request, the Contracting Officer will make their full text available. Also, the full text of a clause may be accessed electronically at this address: www.acquisition.gov

The following Contract Clauses are Incorporated by Reference:

FAR 52.204-9, Personal Identity Verification of Contractor Personnel (Jan 2011)
FAR 52.204-13, System for Award Management Maintenance (OCT 2018)
FAR 52.204-25, Prohibition on Contracting for Certain Telecommunications and Video Surveillance Services or Equipment (NOV 2021)
FAR 52.212-4, Contract Terms and Conditions, Commercial Products and Commercial Services (DEC 2022)
FAR 52.223-1, Biobased Product Certification (May 2012)
FAR 52.223-2 Affirmative Procurement of Biobased Products under Service and Construction Contracts (Sept. 2013)
FAR 52.223-3 Hazardous Material Identification and Material Safety Data (FEB 2021)
FAR 52.223-5 Pollution Prevention and Right-To-Know Information (May 2011) (Referenced) FAR 52.223-10 Waste Reduction Program (May 2011) (Referenced)
FAR 52.237-2 Protection of Government Buildings, Equipment and Vegetation (Apr 1984) (Referenced)
FAR 52.232-39, Unenforceability of Unauthorized Obligations (JUN 2013)
FAR 52.232-40, Providing Accelerated Payments to Small Business Subcontractors (Mar 2023)

The following CAR clause(s) is/are included in full text:

CAR 1352.237-71 SECURITY PROCESSING REQUIREMENTS – LOW RISK CONTRACTS (APR 2010)

(a) Investigative Requirements for Low Risk Contracts. All contractor (and subcontractor) personnel proposed to be employed under a Low Risk contract shall undergo security processing by the Department's Office of Security before being eligible to work on the premises of any Department of Commerce owned, leased, or controlled facility in the United States or overseas, or to obtain access to a Department of Commerce IT system. All Department of Commerce security processing pertinent to this contract will be conducted at no cost to the contractor.

(b) Investigative requirements for Non-IT Service Contracts are:

- (1) Contracts more than 180 days - National Agency Check and Inquiries (NACI).
- (2) Contracts less than 180 days - Special Agency Check (SAC).

(c) Investigative requirements for IT Service Contracts are:

- (1) Contracts more than 180 days - National Agency Check and Inquiries (NACI).
- (2) Contracts less than 180 days - National Agency Check and Inquiries (NACI).

(d) In addition to the investigations noted above, non-U.S. citizens must have a background check that includes an Immigration and Customs Enforcement agency check.

(e) Additional Requirements for Foreign Nationals (Non-U.S. Citizens). Non-U.S. citizens (lawful permanent residents) to be employed under this contract within the United States must have:

- (1) Official legal status in the United States;
- (2) Continuously resided in the United States for the last two years; and
- (3) Obtained advance approval from the servicing Security Officer in consultation with the Office of Security headquarters.

(f) DOC Security Processing Requirements for Low Risk Non-IT Service Contracts. Processing requirements for Low Risk non-IT Service Contracts are as follows:

(1) Processing of a NACI is required for all contract employees employed in Low Risk non-IT service contracts for more than 180 days. The Contracting Officer's Representative (COR) will invite the prospective contractor into e-QIP to complete the SF-85. The contract employee must also complete fingerprinting.

(2) Contract employees employed in Low Risk non-IT service contracts for less than 180 days require processing of Form OFI-86C Special Agreement Check (SAC), to be processed. The Sponsor will forward a completed Form OFI-86C, FD-258, Fingerprint Chart, and Credit Release Authorization to the servicing Security Officer, who will send the investigative packet to the Office of Personnel Management for processing.

(3) Any contract employee with a favorable SAC who remains on the contract over 180 days will be required to have a NACI conducted to continue working on the job site.

(4) For Low Risk non-IT service contracts, the scope of the SAC will include checks of the Security/Suitability Investigations Index (SII), other agency files (INVA), Defense Clearance Investigations Index (DCII), FBI Fingerprint (FBIF), and the FBI Information Management Division (FBIN).

(5) In addition, for those individuals who are not U.S. citizens (lawful permanent residents), the Sponsor may request a Customs Enforcement SAC on Form OFI-86C, by checking Block #7, Item I. In Block 13, the Sponsor should enter the employee's Alien Registration Receipt Card number to aid in verification.

(6) Copies of the appropriate forms can be obtained from the Sponsor or the Office of Security. Upon receipt of the required forms, the Sponsor will forward the forms to the servicing Security Officer. The Security Officer will process the forms and advise the Sponsor and the Contracting Officer whether the contract employee can commence work prior to completion of the suitability determination based on the type of work and risk to the facility (*i.e.*, adequate controls and restrictions are in place). The Sponsor will notify the contractor of favorable or unfavorable findings of the suitability determinations. The Contracting Officer will notify the contractor of an approved contract start date.

(g) Security Processing Requirements for Low Risk IT Service Contracts. Processing of a NACI is required for all contract employees employed under Low Risk IT service contracts.

(1) Contract employees employed in all Low Risk IT service contracts will require a National Agency Check and Inquiries (NACI) to be processed. The Contracting Officer's Representative (COR) will invite the prospective contractor into e-QIP to complete the SF-85. Fingerprints and a Credit Release Authorization must be completed within three working days from start of work, and provided to the Servicing Security Officer, who will forward the investigative package to OPM.

(2) For Low Risk IT service contracts, individuals who are not U.S. citizens (lawful permanent residents) must undergo a NACI that includes an agency check conducted by the Immigration and Customs Enforcement Service. The Sponsor must request the ICE check as a part of the NAC.

(h) Notification of Disqualifying Information. If the Office of Security receives disqualifying information on a contract employee, the Sponsor and Contracting Officer will be notified. The Sponsor shall coordinate with the Contracting Officer for the immediate removal of the employee from duty requiring access to Departmental facilities or IT systems. Contract employees may be barred from working on the premises of a facility for any of the following reasons:

(1) Conviction of a felony crime of violence or of a misdemeanor involving moral turpitude.

(2) Falsification of information entered on security screening forms or of other documents submitted to the Department.

(3) Improper conduct once performing on the contract, including criminal, infamous, dishonest, immoral, or notoriously disgraceful conduct or other conduct prejudicial to the Government regardless of whether the conduct was directly related to the contract.

(4) Any behavior judged to pose a potential threat to Departmental information systems, personnel, property, or other assets.

(i) Failure to comply with security processing requirements may result in termination of the contract or removal of contract employees from Department of Commerce facilities or denial of access to IT systems.

(j) Access to National Security Information. Compliance with these requirements shall not be construed as providing a contract employee clearance to have access to national security information.

(k) The contractor shall include the substance of this clause, including this paragraph, in all subcontracts.

(End of clause)

CAR 1352.239-71 ELECTRONIC AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (APR 2010)

(a) To be considered eligible for award, offerors must propose electronic and information technology (EIT) that meet the applicable Access Board accessibility standards at 36 CFR 1194 designated below:

___ 1194.21 Software applications and operating systems

___ 1194.22 Web-based intranet and internet information and applications

___ 1194.23 Telecommunications products

___ 1194.24 Video and multimedia products

___ 1194.25 Self-contained, closed products

___ 1194.26 Desktop and portable computers

___ 1194.31 Functional performance criteria

___ 1194.41 Information, documentation and support

(b) The standards do not require the installation of specific accessibility-related software or the attachment of an assistive technology device, but merely require that the EIT be compatible with such software and devices so that it can be made accessible if so required by the agency in the future.

(c) Alternatively, offerors may propose products and services that provide equivalent facilitation. Such offers will be considered to have met the provisions of the Access Board standards for the feature or components providing equivalent facilitation. If none of the offers that meet all applicable provisions of the standards could be accepted without imposing an undue burden on the agency or component, or if none of the offerors propose products or services that fully meet all of the applicable Access Board's provisions, those offerors whose products or services meet some of the applicable provisions will be considered eligible for award. Awards will not be made to an offeror meeting all or some of the applicable Access Board provisions if award would impose an undue burden upon the agency.

(d) Offerors must submit representation information concerning their products by completing the VPAT template at <http://www.Section508.gov>

(End of clause)

CAR 1352.239-72 SECURITY REQUIREMENTS FOR INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY RESOURCES (APR 2010)

(a) *Applicability.* This clause is applicable to all contracts that require contractor electronic access to Department of Commerce sensitive non-national security or national security information contained in systems, or administrative control of systems by a contractor that process or store information that directly supports the mission of the Agency.

- (b) *Definitions.* For purposes of this clause, the term “Sensitive” is defined by the guidance set forth in the Computer Security Act of 1987 (Pub. L. 100–235), including the following definition of the term:
- (1) Sensitive information is “ * * * any information, the loss, misuse, or unauthorized access to, or modification of which could adversely affect the national interest or the, conduct of Federal programs, or the privacy to which individuals are entitled under section 552a of title 5, United States Code (The Privacy Act), but which has not been specifically authorized under criteria established by an Executive Order or an Act of Congress to be kept secret in the interest of national defense or foreign policy.”
 - (2) For purposes of this clause, the term “National Security” is defined by the guidance set forth in:
 - (i) The DOC IT Security Program Policy and Minimum Implementation Standards, Section 4.3.
 - (ii) The DOC Security Manual, Chapter 18.
 - (iii) Executive Order 12958, as amended, Classified National Security Information. Classified or national security information is information that has been specifically authorized to be protected from unauthorized disclosure in the interest of national defense or foreign policy under an Executive Order or Act of Congress.
 - (3) Information technology resources include, but are not limited to, hardware, application software, system software, and information (data). Information technology services include, but are not limited to, the management, operation (including input, processing, transmission, and output), maintenance, programming, and system administration of computer systems, networks, and telecommunications systems.
- (c) The contractor shall be responsible for implementing sufficient Information Technology security, to reasonably prevent the compromise of DOC IT resources for all of the contractor's systems that are interconnected with a DOC network or DOC systems that are operated by the contractor.
- (d) All contractor personnel performing under this contract and contractor equipment used to process or store DOC data, or to connect to DOC networks, must comply with the requirements contained in the DOC *Information Technology Management Handbook* (see DOC, Office of the Chief Information Officer Web site), or equivalent/more specific agency or operating unit counsel guidance as specified immediately hereafter [insert agency or operating unit counsel specific guidance, if applicable].
- (e) Contractor personnel requiring a user account for access to systems operated by the contractor for DOC or interconnected to a DOC network to perform contract services shall be screened at an appropriate level in accordance with Commerce Acquisition Manual 1337.70, *Security Processing Requirements for Service Contracts*.
- (f) Within 5 days after contract award, the contractor shall certify in writing to the COR that its employees, in performance of the contract, have completed initial IT security orientation training in DOC IT Security policies, procedures, computer ethics, and best practices, in accordance with *DOC IT Security Program Policy*, chapter 15, section 15.3. The COR will inform the contractor of any other available DOC training resources. Annually thereafter the contractor shall certify in writing to the COR that its employees, in performance of the contract, have completed annual refresher training as required by section 15.4 of the *DOC IT Security Program Policy*.
- (g) Within 5 days of contract award, the contractor shall provide the COR with signed acknowledgement of the provisions as contained in Commerce Acquisition Regulation (CAR), 1352.209–72, *Restrictions Against Disclosures*.
- (h) The contractor shall afford DOC, including the Office of Inspector General, access to the contractor's and subcontractor's facilities, installations, operations, documentation, databases, and personnel used in performance of the contract. Access shall be provided to the extent required to carry out a program of IT inspection, investigation, and audit to safeguard against threats and hazards to the integrity, availability, and confidentiality of DOC data or to the function of computer systems operated on behalf of DOC, and to preserve evidence of computer crime.
- (i) For all contractor-owned systems for which performance of the contract requires interconnection with a DOC network on which DOC data will be stored or processed, the contractor shall provide, implement, and maintain a System Accreditation Package in accordance with the *DOC IT Security Program Policy*. Specifically, the contractor shall:

- (1) Within 14 days after contract award, submit for DOC approval a System Certification Work Plan, including project management information (at a minimum the tasks, resources, and milestones) for the certification effort, in accordance with *DOC IT Security Program Policy* and [Insert agency or operating unit counsel specific guidance, if applicable]. The Certification Work Plan, approved by the COR, in consultation with the DOC IT Security Officer, or Agency/operating unit counsel IT Security Manager/Officer, shall be incorporated as part of the contract and used by the COR to monitor performance of certification activities by the contractor of the system that will process DOC data or connect to DOC networks. Failure to submit and receive approval of the Certification Work Plan may result in termination of the contract.
- (2) Upon approval, follow the work plan schedule to complete system certification activities in accordance with *DOC IT Security Program Policy* Section 6.2, and provide the COR with the completed System Security Plan and Certification Documentation Package portions of the System Accreditation Package for approval and system accreditation by an appointed DOC official.
- (3) Upon receipt of the Security Assessment Report and Authorizing Official's written accreditation decision from the COR, maintain the approved level of system security as documented in the Security Accreditation Package, and assist the COR in annual assessments of control effectiveness in accordance with *DOC IT Security Program Policy*, Section 6.3.1.1.

(j) The contractor shall incorporate this clause in all subcontracts that meet the conditions in paragraph (a) of this clause.

(End of clause)

CAR 1352.246-70 PLACE OF ACCEPTANCE (APR 2010)

- (a) The Contracting Officer or the duly authorized representative will accept supplies and services to be provided under this contract.
- (b) The place of acceptance will be:

FIELD OPERATIONS DIV/N/OPS2
NOS 672 INDEPENDENCE PKWY
CHESAPEAKE VA 23320

(End of clause)

CAR 1352.270-70 PERIOD OF PERFORMANCE (APR 2010)

- (a) The base period of performance of this contract is from Date of Award through Delivery; 60 days ARO. If an option is exercised, the period of performance shall be extended through the end of that option period.
- (b) The option periods that may be exercised are as follows:
- (c) The notice requirements for unilateral exercise of option periods are set out in FAR 52.217-9.

(End of clause)

The following Commerce Acquisition Regulation (CAR) clauses are Incorporated by Reference:

- CAR 1352.201-70 Contracting Officer's Authority (APR 2010)
- CAR 1352.208-70 Restrictions on Printing and Duplicating (APR 2010)
- CAR 1352.209-73 Compliance with the Laws (APR 2010)
- CAR 1352.209-74 Organizational Conflict of Interest (APR 2010)

The following NOAA Acquisition Manual (NAM) clauses are included in full text:

NAM 1330-52-232-72 NOAA Transition to the Invoice Processing Platform Electronic Invoicing System (Feb 2023)

Beginning October 1, 2023, when NOAA implements the Department of Commerce Business Applications Solution, the Contractor must submit payment requests electronically through the U.S. Department of the Treasury's Invoice Processing Platform (the IPP) System. The Contractor must use the IPP website to register, access, and submit payment requests. The IPP website address is <https://www.ipp.gov>. "Payment request" means any request for contract financing payment or invoice payment to the Contractor. To be considered proper, invoices must be prepared in accordance with, and contain all elements specified in, the contract payment clause (e.g., FAR 52.212-4(g), FAR 52.232-25(a)(3), FAR 52.232-26(a)(2), FAR 52.232-27(a)(2)). All supporting documents required by the Contracting Officer must be included as attachments to payment requests submitted through the IPP. If the Contractor is unable to comply with the requirement to submit payment requests through the IPP due to a threat to national security; a matter of unusual or compelling urgency; or because the political, financial, or communications infrastructure of a foreign country does not support access to the IPP, the Contractor must request an exception in writing. Contact the Contracting Officer for more information about requesting an exception.

(End of Clause)

NAM 1330-52.237-70 CONTRACTOR COMMUNICATIONS

- (a) A contractor employee shall be identified both by the individual's name and the contractor's name when:
 - (1) Included in NOAA's locator, and
 - (2) When submitting any type of electronic correspondence to any NOAA employee or stakeholder.
- (b) Any written correspondence from a contractor or any contractor employee shall be printed on company/organization letterhead or otherwise clearly identify the sender as an employee of the company or organization and shall identify the contract number.
- (c) Contractors and/or contractor employees shall clearly identify themselves as such in any verbal communications, whether in informal discussion or a formal meeting.

(End of clause)

NAM 1330.237-72 CONTRACTOR ACCESS TO NOAA FACILITIES (SEPT 2017)

- (a)
 - 1. The performance of this contract requires employees of the prime contractor or its subcontractors, affiliates, consultants, or team members ("contractor employees") to have access to and to the extent authorized, mobility within, a NOAA facility.
 - 2. NOAA may close and or otherwise deny contractor employees access to a NOAA facility for a portion of a business day or longer for various reasons including, but not limited, to the following events:
 - i. Federal public holidays for Federal employees in accordance with 5 U.S.C. 6103;
 - ii. Fires, floods, earthquakes, and unusually severe weather, including but not limited to snow storms, tornadoes, and hurricanes;
 - iii. Occupational safety or health hazards;
 - iv. Lapse in Appropriations; or
 - v. Federal Statute, Executive Order, Presidential Proclamation, or any other unforeseen reason.
 - 3. In such events, the contractor employees may be denied access to a NOAA facility that is ordinarily available for the contractor to perform work or make delivery, as required by the contract.
- (b) In all instances where contractors are denied access or required to vacate a NOAA facility, in part or in whole, the contractor shall be responsible to ensure contractor personnel working under the contract comply. If the circumstances permit, the contracting officer will provide direction to the contractor, either directly or through the Contracting Officer's Representative (COR), which could include continuing on-site performance during the NOAA facility closure period; however, if Government oversight is required and is not available, on-site performance shall not be allowed. In the absence of such direction, the contractor shall exercise sound judgment to minimize

unnecessary contract costs and performance impacts, for example, performing required work off- site if possible or reassigning personnel to other activities if appropriate.

(c) The contractor shall be responsible for monitoring the Office of Personnel Management at opm.gov, the local radio, television stations, NOAA web sites, and other communication channels. Once the facility is accessible, the contractor shall resume contract performance as required by the contract.

(d) For the period that NOAA facilities were not accessible to contractors who required access in order to perform the services, the contracting officer may—

1. Adjust the contract performance or delivery schedule for a period equivalent to the period the NOAA facility was not accessible;
2. Forego the work; or
3. Reschedule the work by mutual agreement of the parties.

(e) Notification procedures of a NOAA facility closure, including contractor denial of access, are as follows:

1. The contractor shall be responsible for notification of its employees of the NOAA facility closure to include denial of access to the NOAA facility. The dismissal of NOAA employees in accordance with statute and regulations providing for such dismissals shall not, in itself, equate to a NOAA facility closure in which contractors are denied access. Moreover, the leave status of NOAA employees shall not be conveyed or imputed to contractor personnel. Accordingly, unless a NOAA facility is closed and the contractor is denied access to the facility, the contractor shall continue performance in accordance with the contract.
2. Access to Government facilities and resources, including equipment and systems, will be limited and personnel necessary to administer contract performance may not be available. Generally, supply and service contracts that are funded beyond the date of the lapse in appropriation and do not require access to Government facilities, active administration by Government personnel or the use of Government resources in a manner that would cause the Government to incur additional obligations during the lapse in appropriation may continue. If a delivery date for a contract falls during the period of a lapse in appropriations, Government personnel may not be available to receive delivery. Contractors are directed to consult with a contracting officer before attempting to make a delivery. Contracting officers will be available throughout the lapse in appropriation period to provide guidance. Once OMB guidance is given, CORs, in consultation with the contracting officer, will notify those contractors that are deemed by the Program Office to be performing excepted work and identify the contractor personnel requiring access to NOAA facilities. CORs will also coordinate with directly with facility management or physical security personnel at respective locations to ensure that the names of contractor personnel requiring access to Government facilities during the lapse in appropriations are provided to physical security personnel. Contractors who are not designated as performing excepted work are not allowed access to Government facilities or to utilize Government resources in a manner that would incur any additional obligation of funding on behalf of the Government during the lapse in appropriation.
3. Unless otherwise specified within the contract award, contractors requiring access to NOAA facilities outside normal business hours or outside the normal workweek shall submit a written request in writing through the COR to the contracting officer. The written request shall provide justification supporting the required access and be submitted _____ hours/days (contracting officer insert number of days. If blank, 72 hours applies) before access to the NOAA facility is needed.

(End of Clause)

NAM 1330-52.242- 70 INVOICES

(a) The Contractor shall prepare and submit an invoice to the Government Point of Contact (GPOC) for approval with a copy to the contracting officer for information. All invoices shall be submitted (via electronic copy) by the 10th day of the subsequent month.

(b) Payment will be based on receipt of a proper invoice and satisfactory contract performance and guidelines in FAR 32.9, Prompt Payment. To constitute a proper invoice, the contractor's invoice shall be prepared in accordance with, and contain all elements specified in FAR 52.212-4(g), "Invoices".

(c) Original invoices shall be mailed (via electronic copy) to the designated billing office as follows:

Email: Jennifer.Mcrae@noaa.gov

A copy of all invoices shall be emailed to the contract administration office as follows:

NOAA/Eastern Region Acquisition Division
Attn: Chelsea Vera,
200 Granby St. Ste. 815
Norfolk, VA 23510-1811
Email: Chelsea.Vera@noaa.gov

The designated payment office for this contract is:

NOAA--Finance Office
Bldg. SSMC3
1315 East West Hwy
Silver Spring, MD 20910

- (d) The Contractor will submit invoices to the GPOC stating the hours worked, the task and/or equipment purchases made. A final invoice should be submitted with the final report, and will be paid when the final report and all tasks are reviewed and deemed to be complete by the Agency.
- (e) The Government will return invoices that do not comply with these requirements. If the invoice does not comply with FAR 52.212-4(g), "Invoices", the GPOC will return it to contractor within seven days after the date the designated office received the invoice along with a statement as to the reasons why it is not a proper invoice.

(End of Clause)

NAM 1330-52.243-70 REQUESTS FOR EQUITABLE ADJUSTMENT (OCT 2017)

- (a) The amount of any request for equitable adjustment to contract terms shall accurately reflect the contract adjustment for which the Contractor believes the Government is liable. The request shall include only costs for performing the change. All indirect costs included in the request shall be properly allocable to the change in accordance with applicable acquisition regulations.
- (b) Any request for equitable adjustment to contract terms that exceeds the simplified acquisition threshold shall bear, at the time of submission, the following certificate executed by an individual authorized to certify the request on behalf of the Contractor:
I certify that the request is made in good faith, and that the supporting data are accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief.

(Official's Name)

(Title)

- (c) The certification in paragraph (b) of this clause requires full disclosure of all relevant facts, including:
 - (1) Certified cost or pricing data, if required, in accordance with subsection 15.403-4 of the Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR); and
 - (2) Data other than certified cost or pricing data, in accordance with subsection 15.403-3 of the FAR, including actual cost data and data to support any estimated costs, even if certified cost or pricing data are not required.
- (d) The certification requirement in paragraph (b) of this clause does not apply to:
 - (1) Requests for routine contract payments; for example, requests for payment for accepted supplies and services, routine vouchers under a cost-reimbursement type contract, or progress payment invoices; or
 - (2) Final adjustments under an incentive provision of the contract.

(End of clause)

NOAA ACQUISITION AND GRANTS OFFICE OMBUDSMAN (OCT 2022)

(a) The NOAAAGO Ombudsman is available to organizations to promote responsible and meaningful exchanges of information. Generally, the purpose of these exchanges will be to:

1. Allow contractors to better prepare for and propose on business opportunities.
2. Advise as to technologies and solutions within the marketplace that the Government may not be aware of, or is not fully benefiting.
3. Identify constraints in transparency.

(b) The AGO Ombudsman will objectively, reasonably, and responsibly collaborate with parties and recommend fair, impartial, and constructive solutions to the matters presented to him/her. Further, the AGO Ombudsman will maintain the reasonable and responsible confidentiality of the source of a concern, when such a request has been formally made by an authorized officer of an organization seeking to do business with, or already doing business with NOAA.

(c) Before consulting with the AGO Ombudsman, interested parties must first address their concerns, issues, disagreements, and/or recommendations with the respective contracting officer for resolution. However, direct access to the AGO Ombudsman may be sought when an interested party questions the objectivity or equity of a contracting officer's decision, or when there is a bona fide reason to believe that reasonable, responsible, and objective consideration will not be received from an assigned contracting officer.

(d) There are several constraints to the scope of the AGO Ombudsman's authority, for instance:

1. Consulting with the AGO Ombudsman does not alter or postpone the timelines of any formal process (e.g., protests, claims, debriefings, employee employer actions, activities involving A76 competition performance decisions, judicial or congressional hearings, or proposal, amendment, modification or deliverable due dates).
2. The AGO Ombudsman cannot participate in the evaluation of proposals, source selection processes, or the adjudication of protests or formal contract disputes.
3. The AGO Ombudsman is not authorized to generate or alter laws, judicial decisions, rules, policies, or formal guidance.
4. The AGO Ombudsman is not authorized to develop or alter opportunity announcements, solicitations, contracts, or their terms or conditions.
5. The AGO Ombudsman cannot overrule the authorized decisions or determinations of the contracting officer.
6. The AGO Ombudsman has no authority to render a decision that binds AGO, NOAA, the Department of Commerce, or the U.S. Government.
7. The AGO Ombudsman is not NOAA's agent relative to the service of magistrate or judicial process and cannot be used to extend service of process to another party (whether federal, public, or a private entity).

(e) After review and analysis of a filed concern or recommendation, the AGO Ombudsman may refer the interested party to another more suitable Federal official for consideration. Moreover, concerns, disagreements, and/or recommendations that cannot be resolved by the AGO Ombudsman will need to be pursued through more formal venues.

(f) The AGO Ombudsman is not to be contacted to request copies of forms and/or documents under the purview of a contracting officer. Such documents include Requests for Information, solicitations, amendments, contracts, modifications, or conference materials.

(g) Questions regarding items (a) through (f) within this language shall be directed to ago.ombudsman@noaa.gov.

(End of clause)

SOLICITATION PROVISIONS

The following solicitation provisions are provided in full text:

FAR 52.204-24 REPRESENTATION REGARDING CERTAIN TELECOMMUNICATIONS AND VIDEO SURVEILLANCE SERVICES OR EQUIPMENT (NOV 2021)

The Offeror shall not complete the representation at paragraph (d)(1) of this provision if the Offeror has represented that it "does not provide covered telecommunications equipment or services as a part of its offered products or services to the Government in the performance of any contract, subcontract, or other contractual instrument" in paragraph (c)(1) in the provision at [52.204-26](#), Covered Telecommunications Equipment or Services—Representation, or in paragraph (v)(2)(i) of the provision at [52.212-3](#), Offeror Representations and Certifications-Commercial Products or Commercial Services. The Offeror shall not complete the representation in paragraph (d)(2) of this provision if the Offeror has represented that it "does not use covered telecommunications equipment or services, or any equipment, system, or service that uses covered telecommunications equipment or services" in paragraph (c)(2) of the provision at [52.204-26](#), or in paragraph (v)(2)(ii) of the provision at [52.212-3](#).

(a) *Definitions.* As used in this provision—

Backhaul, covered telecommunications equipment or services, critical technology, interconnection arrangements, reasonable inquiry, roaming, and substantial or essential component have the meanings provided in the clause [52.204-25](#), Prohibition on Contracting for Certain Telecommunications and Video Surveillance Services or Equipment.

(b) *Prohibition.*

(1) Section 889(a)(1)(A) of the John S. McCain National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2019 (Pub. L. 115-232) prohibits the head of an executive agency on or after August 13, 2019, from procuring or obtaining, or extending or renewing a contract to procure or obtain, any equipment, system, or service that uses covered telecommunications equipment or services as a substantial or essential component of any system, or as critical technology as part of any system. Nothing in the prohibition shall be construed to—

- (i) Prohibit the head of an executive agency from procuring with an entity to provide a service that connects to the facilities of a third-party, such as backhaul, roaming, or interconnection arrangements; or
- (ii) Cover telecommunications equipment that cannot route or redirect user data traffic or cannot permit visibility into any user data or packets that such equipment transmits or otherwise handles.

(2) Section 889(a)(1)(B) of the John S. McCain National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2019 (Pub. L. 115-232) prohibits the head of an executive agency on or after August 13, 2020, from entering into a contract or extending or renewing a contract with an entity that uses any equipment, system, or service that uses covered telecommunications equipment or services as a substantial or essential component of any system, or as critical technology as part of any system. This prohibition applies to the use of covered telecommunications equipment or services, regardless of whether that use is in performance of work under a Federal contract. Nothing in the prohibition shall be construed to—

- (i) Prohibit the head of an executive agency from procuring with an entity to provide a service that connects to the facilities of a third-party, such as backhaul, roaming, or interconnection arrangements; or
- (ii) Cover telecommunications equipment that cannot route or redirect user data traffic or cannot permit visibility into any user data or packets that such equipment transmits or otherwise handles.

(c) *Procedures.* The Offeror shall review the list of excluded parties in the System for Award Management (SAM) (<https://www.sam.gov>) for entities excluded from receiving federal awards for "covered telecommunications equipment or services".

(d) *Representation.* The Offeror represents that—

(1) It will, will not provide covered telecommunications equipment or services to the Government in the performance of any contract, subcontract or other contractual instrument resulting from this solicitation. The Offeror shall provide the additional disclosure information required at paragraph (e)(1) of this section if the Offeror responds "will" in paragraph (d)(1) of this section; and

(2) After conducting a reasonable inquiry, for purposes of this representation, the Offeror represents that—

It does, does not use covered telecommunications equipment or services, or use any equipment, system, or service that uses covered telecommunications equipment or services. The Offeror shall provide the additional disclosure information required at paragraph (e)(2) of this section if the Offeror responds "does" in paragraph (d)(2) of this section.

(e) *Disclosures.*

(1) Disclosure for the representation in paragraph (d)(1) of this provision. If the Offeror has responded "will" in the representation in paragraph (d)(1) of this provision, the Offeror shall provide the following information as part of the offer:

(i) For covered equipment—

- (A) The entity that produced the covered telecommunications equipment (include entity name, unique entity identifier, CAGE code, and whether the entity was the original equipment manufacturer (OEM) or a distributor, if known);
- (B) A description of all covered telecommunications equipment offered (include brand; model number, such as OEM number, manufacturer part number, or wholesaler number; and item description, as applicable); and
- (C) Explanation of the proposed use of covered telecommunications equipment and any factors relevant to determining if such use would be permissible under the prohibition in paragraph (b)(1) of this provision.

(ii) For covered services—

- (A) If the service is related to item maintenance: A description of all covered telecommunications services offered (include on the item being maintained: Brand; model number, such as OEM number, manufacturer part number, or wholesaler number; and item description, as applicable); or
- (B) If not associated with maintenance, the Product Service Code (PSC) of the service being provided; and explanation of the proposed use of covered telecommunications services and any factors relevant to determining if such use would be permissible under the prohibition in paragraph (b)(1) of this provision.

(2) Disclosure for the representation in paragraph (d)(2) of this provision. If the Offeror has responded "does" in the representation in paragraph (d)(2) of this provision, the Offeror shall provide the following information as part of the offer:

(i) For covered equipment—

- (A) The entity that produced the covered telecommunications equipment (include entity name, unique entity identifier, CAGE code, and whether the entity was the OEM or a distributor, if known);
- (B) A description of all covered telecommunications equipment offered (include brand; model number, such as OEM number, manufacturer part number, or wholesaler number; and item description, as applicable); and
- (C) Explanation of the proposed use of covered telecommunications equipment and any factors relevant to determining if such use would be permissible under the prohibition in paragraph (b)(2) of this provision.

(ii) For covered services—

- (A) If the service is related to item maintenance: A description of all covered telecommunications services offered (include on the item being maintained: Brand; model number, such as OEM number, manufacturer part number, or wholesaler number; and item description, as applicable); or
- (B) If not associated with maintenance, the PSC of the service being provided; and explanation of the proposed use of covered telecommunications services and any factors relevant to determining if such use would be permissible under the prohibition in paragraph (b)(2) of this provision.

(End of provision)

FAR 52.204-26 COVERED TELECOMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT OR SERVICES-REPRESENTATION (OCT 2020)

- (a) *Definitions.* As used in this provision, "covered telecommunications equipment or services" and "reasonable inquiry" have the meaning provided in the clause [52.204-25](#), Prohibition on Contracting for Certain Telecommunications and Video Surveillance Services or Equipment.
- (b) *Procedures.* The Offeror shall review the list of excluded parties in the System for Award Management (SAM) (<https://www.sam.gov>) for entities excluded from receiving federal awards for "covered telecommunications equipment or services".
- (c)
 - (1) *Representation.* The Offeror represents that it does, does not provide covered telecommunications equipment or services as a part of its offered products or services to the Government in the performance of any contract, subcontract, or other contractual instrument.
 - (2) After conducting a reasonable inquiry for purposes of this representation, the offeror represents that it does, does not use covered telecommunications equipment or services, or any equipment, system, or service that uses covered telecommunications equipment or services.

(End of provision)

52.212-3 Offeror Representations and Certifications—Commercial Products and Commercial Services.(Dec 2022)

The *Offeror shall* complete only paragraph (b) of this provision if the *Offeror* has completed the annual representations and certification electronically in the *System for Award Management (SAM)* accessed through <https://www.sam.gov>. If the *Offeror* has not completed the annual representations and certifications electronically, the *Offeror shall* complete only paragraphs (c) through (v) of this provision.

(a) *Definitions.* As used in this provision—

"Covered telecommunications equipment or services" has the meaning provided in the clause [52.204-25](#), Prohibition on *Contracting* for Certain Telecommunications and Video Surveillance Services or Equipment.

Economically disadvantaged women-owned small business (EDWOSB) concern means a *small business concern* that is at least 51 percent directly and unconditionally owned by, and the management and daily business operations of which are controlled by, one or more women who are citizens of the *United States* and who are economically disadvantaged in accordance with [13 CFR part 127](#), and the concern is certified by SBA or an approved third-party certifier in accordance with [13 CFR 127.300](#). It automatically qualifies as a women-owned small business eligible under the WOSB Program.

Forced or indentured child labor means all work or service—

- (1) Exacted from any person under the age of 18 under the menace of any penalty for its nonperformance and for which the worker does not *offer* himself voluntarily; or
- (2) Performed by any person under the age of 18 pursuant to a contract the enforcement of which can be accomplished by process or penalties.

Highest-level owner means the entity that owns or controls an *immediate owner* of the *offeror*, or that owns or controls one or more entities that control an *immediate owner* of the *offeror*. No entity owns or exercises control of the highest level owner.

Immediate owner means an entity, other than the *offeror*, that has direct control of the *offeror*. Indicators of control include, but are not limited to, one or more of the following: ownership or interlocking management, identity of interests among family members, shared facilities and equipment, and the common use of employees.

Inverted domestic corporation, means a foreign incorporated entity that meets the definition of an *inverted domestic corporation* under [6 U.S.C. 395\(b\)](#), applied in accordance with the rules and definitions of [6 U.S.C. 395\(c\)](#).

Manufactured end product means any *end product* in product and service codes (PSCs) 1000-9999, except—

- (1) PSC 5510, Lumber and Related Basic Wood Materials;
- (2) Product or Service Group (PSG) 87, Agricultural *Supplies*;
- (3) PSG 88, Live Animals;
- (4) PSG 89, Subsistence;
- (5) PSC 9410, Crude Grades of Plant Materials;
- (6) PSC 9430, Miscellaneous Crude Animal *Products*, Inedible;
- (7) PSC 9440, Miscellaneous Crude Agricultural and Forestry *Products*;
- (8) PSC 9610, Ores;
- (9) PSC 9620, Minerals, Natural and Synthetic; and
- (10) PSC 9630, Additive Metal Materials.

Place of manufacture means the place where an *end product* is assembled out of *components*, or otherwise made or processed from raw materials into the finished product that is to be provided to the Government. If a product is disassembled and reassembled, the place of reassembly is not the *place of manufacture*.

Predecessor means an entity that is replaced by a *successor* and includes any *predecessors* of the *predecessor*.

Reasonable inquiry has the meaning provided in the clause [52.204-25](#), Prohibition on *Contracting* for Certain Telecommunications and Video Surveillance Services or Equipment.

Restricted business operations means business operations in Sudan that include power production activities, mineral extraction activities, oil-related activities, or the production of military equipment, as those terms are defined in the Sudan Accountability and Divestment Act of 2007 (Pub. L. 110-174). *Restricted business operations* do not include business operations that the person (as that term is defined in Section 2 of the Sudan Accountability and Divestment Act of 2007) conducting the business can demonstrate—

- (1) Are conducted under contract directly and exclusively with the regional government of southern Sudan;
- (2) Are conducted pursuant to specific authorization from the Office of Foreign Assets Control in the Department of the Treasury, or are expressly exempted under Federal law from the requirement to be conducted under such authorization;
- (3) Consist of providing goods or services to marginalized populations of Sudan;

(4) Consist of providing goods or services to an internationally recognized peacekeeping force or humanitarian organization;

(5) Consist of providing goods or services that are used only to promote health or education; or

(6) Have been voluntarily suspended. "*Sensitive technology*"—

Sensitive technology—

(1) Means hardware, software, telecommunications equipment, or any other technology that is to be used specifically—

(i) To restrict the free flow of unbiased information in Iran; or

(ii) To disrupt, monitor, or otherwise restrict speech of the people of Iran; and

(2) Does not include information or informational materials the export of which the President does not have the authority to regulate or prohibit pursuant to section 203(b)(3) of the International *Emergency Economic Powers Act* (50 U.S.C. 1702(b)(3)).

Service-disabled veteran-owned small business concern—

(1) Means a *small business concern*—

(i) Not less than 51 percent of which is owned by one or more service-disabled veterans or, in the case of any publicly owned business, not less than 51 percent of the stock of which is owned by one or more service-disabled veterans; and

(ii) The management and daily business operations of which are controlled by one or more service-disabled veterans or, in the case of a service-disabled veteran with permanent and severe disability, the spouse or permanent caregiver of such veteran.

(2) Service-disabled veteran means a veteran, as defined in [38 U.S.C. 101](#)(2), with a disability that is service connected, as defined in [38 U.S.C. 101](#)(16).

Small business concern—

(1) Means a concern, including its *affiliates*, that is independently owned and operated, not dominant in its field of operation, and qualified as a small business under the criteria in [13 CFR part 121](#) and size standards in this *solicitation*.

(2) *Affiliates*, as used in this definition, means business concerns, one of whom directly or indirectly controls or has the power to control the others, or a third party or parties control or have the power to control the others. In determining whether affiliation exists, consideration is given to all appropriate factors including common ownership, common management, and contractual relationships. SBA determines affiliation based on the factors set forth at 13 CFR 121.103.

Small disadvantaged business concern, consistent with 13 CFR 124.1002, means a *small business concern* under the size standard applicable to the *acquisition*, that—

(1) Is at least 51 percent unconditionally and directly owned (as defined at 13 CFR 124.105) by—

(i) One or more socially disadvantaged (as defined at 13 CFR 124.103) and economically disadvantaged (as defined at 13 CFR 124.104) individuals who are citizens of the *United States*; and

(ii) Each individual claiming economic disadvantage has a net worth not exceeding \$750,000 after taking into account the applicable exclusions set forth at 13 CFR 124.104(c)(2); and

(2) The management and daily business operations of which are controlled (as defined at 13 CFR 124.106) by individuals, who meet the criteria in paragraphs (1)(i) and (ii) of this definition.

Subsidiary means an entity in which more than 50 percent of the entity is owned—

- (1) Directly by a parent corporation; or
- (2) Through another *subsidiary* of a parent corporation

Successor means an entity that has replaced a *predecessor* by acquiring the assets and carrying out the affairs of the *predecessor* under a new name (often through *acquisition* or merger). The term "*successor*" does not include new offices/divisions of the same company or a company that only changes its name. The extent of the responsibility of the *successor* for the liabilities of the *predecessor* may vary, depending on State law and specific circumstances.

Veteran-owned small business concern means a *small business concern*—

- (1) Not less than 51 percent of which is owned by one or more veterans (as defined at 38 U.S.C. 101(2)) or, in the case of any publicly owned business, not less than 51 percent of the stock of which is owned by one or more veterans; and
- (2) The management and daily business operations of which are controlled by one or more veterans.

Women-owned business concern means a concern which is at least 51 percent owned by one or more women; or in the case of any publicly owned business, at least 51 percent of its stock is owned by one or more women; and whose management and daily business operations are controlled by one or more women

Women-owned small business concern means a *small business concern*—

- (1) That is at least 51 percent owned by one or more women; or, in the case of any publicly owned business, at least 51 percent of the stock of which is owned by one or more women; and
- (2) Whose management and daily business operations are controlled by one or more women.

Women-owned small business (WOSB) concern eligible under the WOSB Program (in accordance with [13 CFR part 127](#)), means a *small business concern* that is at least 51 percent directly and unconditionally owned by, and the management and daily business operations of which are controlled by, one or more women who are citizens of the *United States*, and the concern is certified by SBA or an approved third-party certifier in accordance with [13 CFR 127.300](#).

(b)

(1) *Annual Representations and Certifications*. Any changes provided by the *Offeror* in paragraph (b)(2) of this provision do not automatically change the representations and certifications in SAM.

(2) The *offeror* has completed the annual representations and certifications electronically in SAM accessed through <http://www.sam.gov>. After reviewing SAM information, the *Offeror* verifies by submission of this *offer* that the representations and certifications currently posted electronically at FAR [52.212-3](#), *Offeror Representations and Certifications-Commercial Products and Commercial Services*, have been entered or updated in the last 12 months, are current, accurate, complete, and applicable to this *solicitation* (including the business size standard(s) applicable to the NAICS code(s) referenced for this *solicitation*), at the time this *offer* is submitted and are incorporated in this *offer* by reference (see FAR [4.1201](#)), except for paragraphs ___.

[*Offeror to identify the applicable paragraphs at (c) through (v) of this provision that the offeror has completed for the purposes of this solicitation only, if any.*

These amended representation(s) and/or certification(s) are also incorporated in this offer and are current, accurate, and complete as of the date of this offer.

Any changes provided by the offeror are applicable to this solicitation only, and do not result in an update to the representations and certifications posted electronically on SAM.]

(c) Offerors must complete the following representations when the resulting contract is for supplies to be delivered or services to be performed in the United States or its outlying areas, or when the contracting officer has applied [part 19](#) in accordance with [19.000\(b\)\(1\)\(ii\)](#). Check all that apply.

(1) *Small business concern.* The offeror represents as part of its offer that—

(i) It is, is not a *small business concern*; or

(ii) It is, is not a small business joint venture that complies with the requirements of [13 CFR 121.103\(h\)](#) and [13 CFR 125.8\(a\)](#) and [\(b\)](#). [The offeror shall enter the name and unique entity identifier of each party to the joint venture: _____.]

(2) *Veteran-owned small business concern.* [Complete only if the offeror represented itself as a small business concern in paragraph (c)(1) of this provision.] The offeror represents as part of its offer that it is, is not a veteran-owned *small business concern*.

(3) *Service-disabled veteran-owned small business concern.* [Complete only if the offeror represented itself as a veteran-owned small business concern in paragraph (c)(2) of this provision.] The offeror represents as part of its offer that—

(i) It is, is not a *service-disabled veteran-owned small business concern*; or

(ii) It is, is not a joint venture that complies with the requirements of [13 CFR 125.18\(b\)\(1\)](#) and [\(2\)](#). [The offeror shall enter the name and unique entity identifier of each party to the joint venture: _____.] Each *service-disabled veteran-owned small business concern* participating in the joint venture shall provide representation of its *service-disabled veteran-owned small business concern* status.

(4) *Small disadvantaged business concern.* [Complete only if the offeror represented itself as a small business concern in paragraph (c)(1) of this provision.] The offeror represents, that it is, is not a *small disadvantaged business concern* as defined in 13 CFR 124.1002.

(5) *Women-owned small business concern.* [Complete only if the offeror represented itself as a small business concern in paragraph (c)(1) of this provision.] The offeror represents that it is, is not a *women-owned small business concern*.

(6) *WOSB joint venture eligible under the WOSB Program.* The offeror represents that it is, is not a joint venture that complies with the requirements of [13 CFR 127.506\(a\)](#) through [\(c\)](#). [The offeror shall enter the name and unique entity identifier of each party to the joint venture: _____.]

(7) *Economically disadvantaged women-owned small business (EDWOSB) joint venture.* The offeror represents that it is, is not a joint venture that complies with the requirements of [13 CFR 127.506\(a\)](#) through [\(c\)](#). [The offeror shall enter the name and unique entity identifier of each party to the joint venture: _____.]

(8) *Women-owned business concern (other than small business concern).* [Complete only if the offeror is a women-owned business concern and did not represent itself as a small business concern in paragraph (c)(1) of this provision.] The offeror represents that it is a *women-owned business concern*.

(9) *Tie bid priority for labor surplus area concerns.* If this is an invitation for bid, small business offerors may identify the *labor surplus areas* in which costs to be incurred on account of manufacturing or production (by offeror or first-tier subcontractors) amount to more than 50 percent of the contract price: _____

(10) *HUBZone small business concern.* [Complete only if the offeror represented itself as a small business concern in paragraph (c)(1) of this provision.] The offeror represents, as part of its offer, that—

(i) It is, is not a *HUBZone small business concern* listed, on the date of this representation, as having been certified by SBA as a *HUBZone small business concern* in the Dynamic Small Business Search and SAM, and will attempt to maintain an employment rate of *HUBZone* residents of 35 percent of its employees during performance of a *HUBZone contract* (see [13 CFR 126.200\(e\)\(1\)](#)); and

(ii) It is, is not a *HUBZone* joint venture that complies with the requirements of [13 CFR 126.616\(a\)](#) through [\(c\)](#).
[*The offeror shall enter the name and unique entity identifier of each party to the joint venture: _____.*]
Each *HUBZone small business concern* participating in the *HUBZone* joint venture shall provide representation of its *HUBZone* status.

(d) Representations required to implement provisions of Executive Order 11246-

(1) Previous contracts and compliance. The *offeror* represents that-

(i) It has, has not participated in a previous contract or subcontract subject to the Equal Opportunity clause of this *solicitation*; and

(ii) It has, has not filed all required compliance reports.

(2) *Affirmative Action Compliance*. The *offeror* represents that-

(i) It has developed and has on file, has not developed and does not have on file, at each establishment, affirmative action programs required by rules and regulations of the Secretary of Labor (41 CFR parts 60-1 and 60-2), or

(ii) It has not previously had contracts subject to the written affirmative action programs requirement of the rules and regulations of the Secretary of Labor.

(e) *Certification Regarding Payments to Influence Federal Transactions* (31 <http://uscode.house.gov/> U.S.C. 1352). (Applies only if the contract is expected to exceed \$150,000.) By submission of its *offer*, the *offeror* certifies to the best of its knowledge and belief that no Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress or an employee of a Member of Congress on his or her behalf in connection with the award of any resultant contract. If any registrants under the Lobbying Disclosure Act of 1995 have made a lobbying contact on behalf of the *offeror* with respect to this contract, the *offeror shall* complete and submit, with its *offer*, OMB Standard Form LLL, Disclosure of Lobbying Activities, to provide the name of the registrants. The *offeror* need not report regularly employed officers or employees of the *offeror* to whom payments of reasonable compensation were made.

(f) *Buy American Certificate*. (Applies only if the clause at Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) [52.225-1](#), Buy American-Supplies, is included in this *solicitation*.)

(1)

(i) The *Offeror* certifies that each *end product* and that each domestic *end product* listed in paragraph (f)(3) of this provision contains a critical *component*, except those listed in paragraph (f)(2) of this provision, is a domestic *end product*.

(ii) The *Offeror shall* list as foreign *end products* those *end products* manufactured in the *United States* that do not qualify as domestic *end products*. For those foreign *end products* that do not consist wholly or predominantly of iron or steel or a combination of both, the *Offeror shall* also indicate whether these foreign *end products* exceed 55 percent domestic content, except for those that are COTS items. If the percentage of the domestic content is unknown, select "no".

(iii) The *Offeror shall* separately list the *line item numbers* of domestic *end products* that contain a critical *component* (see FAR 25.105).

(iv) The terms "*commercially available off-the-shelf (COTS) item*," "*critical component*," "*domestic end product*," "*end product*," "*foreign end product*," and "*United States*" are defined in the clause of this *solicitation* entitled "Buy American-Supplies."

(2) Foreign End Products:

Line Item No.	Country of Origin	Exceeds 55% domestic content (yes/no)
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

Line Item No. Country of Origin Exceeds 55% domestic content (yes/no)

[List as necessary]

(3) Domestic *end products* containing a critical *component*:

Line Item No. ____

[List as necessary]

(4) The Government will evaluate *offers* in accordance with the policies and procedures of FAR [part 25](#).

(g)

(1) *Buy American-Free Trade Agreements-Israeli Trade Act Certificate*. (Applies only if the clause at FAR [52.225-3](#), *Buy American-Free Trade Agreements-Israeli Trade Act*, is included in this *solicitation*.)

(i)

(A) The *Offeror* certifies that each *end product*, except those listed in paragraph (g)(1)(ii) or (iii) of this provision, is a domestic *end product* and that each domestic *end product* listed in paragraph (g)(1)(iv) of this provision contains a critical *component*.

(B) The terms "Bahrainian, Moroccan, Omani, Panamanian, or Peruvian *end product*," "*commercially available off-the-shelf (COTS) item*," "*critical component*," "*domestic end product*," "*end product*," "*foreign end product*," "Free Trade Agreement country," "Free Trade Agreement country *end product*," "*Israeli end product*," and "*United States*" are defined in the clause of this *solicitation* entitled "Buy American-Free Trade Agreements-Israeli Trade Act."

(ii) The *Offeror* certifies that the following *supplies* are Free Trade Agreement country *end products* (other than Bahrainian, Moroccan, Omani, Panamanian, or Peruvian *end products*) or Israeli *end products* as defined in the clause of this *solicitation* entitled "Buy American-Free Trade Agreements-Israeli Trade Act."

Free Trade Agreement Country *End Products* (Other than Bahrainian, Moroccan, Omani, Panamanian, or Peruvian *End Products*) or *Israeli End Products*:

Line Item No. Country of Origin

[List as necessary]

(iii) The *Offeror shall* list those *supplies* that are foreign *end products* (other than those listed in paragraph (g)(1)(ii) of this provision) as defined in the clause of this *solicitation* entitled "Buy American-Free Trade Agreements-Israeli Trade Act." The *Offeror shall* list as other foreign *end products* those *end products* manufactured in the *United States* that do not qualify as domestic *end products*. For those foreign *end products* that do not consist wholly or predominantly of iron or steel or a combination of both, the *Offeror shall* also indicate whether these foreign *end products* exceed 55 percent domestic content, except for those that are COTS items. If the percentage of the domestic content is unknown, select "no".

Other Foreign End Products:

Line Item No. Country of Origin Exceeds 55% domestic content (yes/no)

Line Item No. Country of Origin Exceeds 55% domestic content (yes/no)

_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

[List as necessary]

(iv) The *Offeror shall* list the *line item numbers* of domestic *end products* that contain a *critical component* (see FAR [25.105](#)).

Line Item No. ____

[List as necessary]

(v) The Government will evaluate *offers* in accordance with the policies and procedures of FAR [part 25](#).

(2) *Buy American-Free Trade Agreements-Israeli Trade Act Certificate, Alternate II*. If *Alternate II* to the clause at FAR [52.225-3](#) is included in this *solicitation*, substitute the following paragraph (g)(1)(ii) for paragraph (g)(1)(ii) of the basic provision:

(g)(1)(ii) The *offeror* certifies that the following *supplies* are Israeli *end products* as defined in the clause of this *solicitation* entitled "Buy American—Free Trade Agreements—Israeli Trade Act":

Israeli End Products:

Line Item No.

[List as necessary]

(3) *Buy American-Free Trade Agreements-Israeli Trade Act Certificate, Alternate III*. If *Alternate III* to the clause at [52.225-3](#) is included in this *solicitation*, substitute the following paragraph (g)(1)(ii) for paragraph (g)(1)(ii) of the basic provision:

(g)(1)(ii) The *offeror* certifies that the following *supplies* are Free Trade Agreement country *end products* (other than Bahrainian, Korean, Moroccan, Omani, Panamanian, or Peruvian *end products*) or Israeli *end products* as defined in the clause of this *solicitation* entitled "Buy American-Free Trade Agreements-Israeli Trade Act":

Free Trade Agreement Country *End Products* (Other than Bahrainian, Korean, Moroccan, Omani, Panamanian, or Peruvian *End Products*) or Israeli *End Products:*

Line Item No.	Country of Origin
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_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

[List as necessary]

(4) *Trade Agreements Certificate*. (Applies only if the clause at FAR [52.225-5](#), Trade Agreements, is included in this *solicitation*.)

(i) The *offeror* certifies that each *end product*, except those listed in paragraph (g)(5)(ii) of this provision, is a U.S.-made or designated country *end product*, as defined in the clause of this *solicitation* entitled "Trade Agreements."

(ii) The offeror shall list as other end products those end products that are not U.S.-made or designated country end products.

Other End Products:

Line Item No.	Country of Origin
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

[List as necessary]

(iii) The Government will evaluate offers in accordance with the policies and procedures of FAR [part 25](#). For line items covered by the WTO GPA, the Government will evaluate offers of U.S.-made or designated country end products without regard to the restrictions of the Buy American statute. The Government will consider for award only offers of U.S.-made or designated country end products unless the Contracting Officer determines that there are no offers for such products or that the offers for such products are insufficient to fulfill the requirements of the solicitation.

(h) *Certification Regarding Responsibility Matters (Executive Order 12689)*. (Applies only if the contract value is expected to exceed the *simplified acquisition threshold*.) The offeror certifies, to the best of its knowledge and belief, that the offeror and/or any of its principals—

(1) Are, are not presently debarred, suspended, proposed for *debarment*, or declared *ineligible* for the award of contracts by any *Federal agency*;

(2) Have, have not, within a three-year period preceding this offer, been convicted of or had a civil judgment rendered against them for: commission of fraud or a criminal offense in connection with obtaining, attempting to obtain, or performing a Federal, state or local government contract or subcontract; violation of Federal or state antitrust statutes relating to the submission of offers; or commission of embezzlement, theft, forgery, bribery, falsification or destruction of records, making false statements, tax evasion, violating Federal criminal tax laws, or receiving stolen property;

(3) Are, are not presently indicted for, or otherwise criminally or civilly charged by a Government entity with, commission of any of these offenses enumerated in paragraph (h)(2) of this clause; and

(4) Have, have not, within a three-year period preceding this offer, been notified of any delinquent Federal taxes in an amount that exceeds the threshold at [9.104-5\(a\)\(2\)](#) for which the liability remains unsatisfied.

(i) Taxes are considered delinquent if both of the following criteria apply:

(A) *The tax liability is finally determined*. The liability is finally determined if it has been assessed. A liability is not finally determined if there is a pending administrative or judicial challenge. In the case of a judicial challenge to the liability, the liability is not finally determined until all judicial appeal rights have been exhausted.

(B) *The taxpayer is delinquent in making payment*. A taxpayer is delinquent if the taxpayer has failed to pay the tax liability when full payment was due and required. A taxpayer is not delinquent in cases where enforced collection action is precluded.

(ii) *Examples*.

(A) The taxpayer has received a statutory notice of deficiency, under I.R.C. §6212, which entitles the taxpayer to seek Tax Court review of a proposed tax deficiency. This is not a delinquent tax because it is not a final tax liability. *Should* the taxpayer seek Tax Court review, this will not be a final tax liability until the taxpayer has exercised all judicial appeal rights.

(B) The IRS has filed a notice of Federal tax lien with respect to an assessed tax liability, and the taxpayer has been issued a notice under I.R.C. §6320 entitling the taxpayer to request a hearing with the IRS Office of Appeals contesting the lien filing, and to further appeal to the Tax Court if the IRS determines to sustain the lien filing. In the course of the hearing, the taxpayer is entitled to contest the underlying tax liability because the taxpayer has had no prior opportunity to

contest the liability. This is not a delinquent tax because it is not a final tax liability. *Should* the taxpayer seek tax court review, this will not be a final tax liability until the taxpayer has exercised all judicial appeal rights.

(C) The taxpayer has entered into an installment agreement pursuant to I.R.C. §6159. The taxpayer is making timely payments and is in full compliance with the agreement terms. The taxpayer is not delinquent because the taxpayer is not currently required to make full payment.

(D) The taxpayer has filed for bankruptcy protection. The taxpayer is not delinquent because enforced collection action is stayed under 11 U.S.C. §362 (the Bankruptcy Code).

(i) *Certification Regarding Knowledge of Child Labor for Listed End Products (Executive Order 13126). [The Contracting Officer must list in paragraph (i)(1) any end products being acquired under this solicitation that are included in the List of Products Requiring Contractor Certification as to Forced or Indentured Child Labor, unless excluded at [22.1503\(b\)](#).]*

(1) *Listed end products.*

Listed End Product	Listed Countries of Origin

(2) *Certification. [If the Contracting Officer has identified end products and countries of origin in paragraph (i)(1) of this provision, then the offeror must certify to either (i)(2)(i) or (i)(2)(ii) by checking the appropriate block.]*

(i) The *offeror* will not supply any *end product* listed in paragraph (i)(1) of this provision that was mined, produced, or manufactured in the corresponding country as listed for that product.

(ii) The *offeror may* supply an *end product* listed in paragraph (i)(1) of this provision that was mined, produced, or manufactured in the corresponding country as listed for that product. The *offeror* certifies that it has made a good faith effort to determine whether *forced or indentured child labor* was used to mine, produce, or manufacture any such *end product* furnished under this contract. On the basis of those efforts, the *offeror* certifies that it is not aware of any such use of child labor.

(j) *Place of manufacture.* (Does not apply unless the *solicitation* is predominantly for the *acquisition of manufactured end products*.) For statistical purposes only, the *offeror shall* indicate whether the *place of manufacture* of the *end products* it expects to provide in response to this *solicitation* is predominantly-

(1) In the *United States* (Check this box if the total anticipated price of offered *end products* manufactured in the *United States* exceeds the total anticipated price of offered *end products* manufactured outside the *United States*); or

(2) Outside the *United States*.

(k) *Certificates regarding exemptions from the application of the Service Contract Labor Standards* (Certification by the *offeror* as to its compliance with respect to the contract also constitutes its certification as to compliance by its subcontractor if it subcontracts out the exempt services.) [*The contracting officer is to check a box to indicate if paragraph (k)(1) or (k)(2) applies.*]

(1) Maintenance, calibration, or repair of certain equipment as described in FAR [22.1003-4\(c\)\(1\)](#).
The *offeror* does does not certify that-

(i) The items of equipment to be serviced under this contract are used regularly for other than Governmental purposes and are sold or traded by the *offeror* (or subcontractor in the case of an exempt subcontract) in substantial quantities to the general public in the course of normal business operations;

(ii) The services will be furnished at prices which are, or are based on, established catalog or market prices (see FAR [22.1003-4\(c\)\(2\)\(ii\)](#)) for the maintenance, calibration, or repair of such equipment; and

(iii) The compensation (wage and fringe benefits) plan for all service employees performing work under the contract will be the same as that used for these employees and equivalent employees servicing the same equipment of commercial customers.

(2) Certain services as described in FAR [22.1003-4\(d\)\(1\)](#). The *offeror* does does not certify that-

(i) The services under the contract are offered and sold regularly to non-Governmental customers, and are provided by the *offeror* (or subcontractor in the case of an exempt subcontract) to the general public in substantial quantities in the course of normal business operations;

(ii) The contract services will be furnished at prices that are, or are based on, established catalog or market prices (see FAR [22.1003-4\(d\)\(2\)\(iii\)](#));

(iii) Each service employee who will perform the services under the contract will spend only a small portion of his or her time (a monthly average of less than 20 percent of the available hours on an annualized basis, or less than 20 percent of available hours during the contract period if the contract period is less than a month) servicing the Government contract; and

(iv) The compensation (wage and fringe benefits) plan for all service employees performing work under the contract is the same as that used for these employees and equivalent employees servicing commercial customers.

(3) If paragraph (k)(1) or (k)(2) of this clause applies—

(i) If the *offeror* does not certify to the conditions in paragraph (k)(1) or (k)(2) and the *Contracting Officer* did not attach a Service Contract Labor Standards wage determination to the *solicitation*, the *offeror shall* notify the *Contracting Officer* as soon as possible; and

(ii) The *Contracting Officer may* not make an award to the *offeror* if the *offeror* fails to execute the certification in paragraph (k)(1) or (k)(2) of this clause or to contact the *Contracting Officer* as required in paragraph (k)(3)(i) of this clause.

(l) *Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN)* ([26 U.S.C. 6109](#), [31 U.S.C. 7701](#)). (Not applicable if the *offeror* is required to provide this information to the SAM to be eligible for award.)

(1) All *offerors must* submit the information required in paragraphs (l)(3) through (l)(5) of this provision to comply with debt collection requirements of [31 U.S.C. 7701\(c\) and 3325\(d\)](#), reporting requirements of [26 U.S.C. 6041, 6041A, and 6050M](#), and implementing regulations issued by the Internal Revenue Service (IRS).

(2) The TIN *may* be used by the Government to collect and report on any delinquent amounts arising out of the *offeror's* relationship with the Government ([31 U.S.C. 7701\(c\)\(3\)](#)). If the resulting contract is subject to the payment reporting requirements described in FAR [4.904](#), the TIN provided hereunder *may* be matched with IRS records to verify the accuracy of the *offeror's* TIN.

(3) *Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN)*.

TIN: _____.

TIN has been applied for.

TIN is not required because:

Offeror is a nonresident alien, foreign corporation, or foreign partnership that does not have income effectively connected with the conduct of a trade or business in the *United States* and does not have an office or place of business or a fiscal paying agent in the *United States*;

Offeror is an agency or instrumentality of a foreign government;

Offeror is an agency or instrumentality of the Federal Government.

(4) *Type of organization.*

Sole proprietorship;

Partnership;

Corporate entity (not tax-exempt);

Corporate entity (tax-exempt);

Government entity (Federal, State, or local);

Foreign government;

International organization per 26 CFR1.6049-4;

Other _____.

(5) *Common parent.*

Offeror is not owned or controlled by a common parent;

Name and TIN of common parent:

Name _____.

TIN _____.

(m) *Restricted business operations in Sudan.* By submission of its *offer*, the *offeror* certifies that the *offeror* does not conduct any *restricted business operations* in Sudan.

(n) *Prohibition on Contracting with Inverted Domestic Corporations.*

(1) Government agencies are not permitted to use appropriated (or otherwise made available) funds for contracts with either an *inverted domestic corporation*, or a *subsidiary of an inverted domestic corporation*, unless the exception at [9.108-2\(b\)](#) applies or the requirement is waived in accordance with the procedures at [9.108-4](#).

(2) *Representation.* The *Offeror* represents that—

(i) It is, is not an *inverted domestic corporation*; and

(ii) It is, is not a *subsidiary of an inverted domestic corporation*.

(o) *Prohibition on contracting* with entities engaging in certain activities or transactions relating to Iran.

(1) The *offeror shall* e-mail questions concerning *sensitive technology* to the Department of State at CISADA106@state.gov.

(2) *Representation and Certifications.* Unless a waiver is granted or an exception applies as provided in paragraph (o)(3) of this provision, by submission of its *offer*, the *offeror*—

(i) Represents, to the best of its knowledge and belief, that the *offeror* does not export any *sensitive technology* to the government of Iran or any entities or individuals owned or controlled by, or acting on behalf or at the direction of, the government of Iran;

(ii) Certifies that the *offeror*, or any person owned or controlled by the *offeror*, does not engage in any activities for which sanctions *may* be imposed under section 5 of the Iran Sanctions Act; and

(iii) Certifies that the *offeror*, and any person owned or controlled by the *offeror*, does not knowingly engage in any transaction that exceeds the threshold at FAR [25.703-2\(a\)\(2\)](#) with Iran's Revolutionary Guard Corps or any of its officials, agents, or *affiliates*, the property and interests in property of which are blocked pursuant to the International *Emergency Economic Powers Act* (et seq.) (see OFAC's Specially Designated Nationals and Blocked Persons List at <https://www.treasury.gov/resource-center/sanctions/SDN-List/Pages/default.aspx>).

(3) The representation and certification requirements of paragraph (o)(2) of this provision do not apply if-

(i) This *solicitation* includes a trade agreements certification (e.g., [52.212-3\(g\)](#)) or a comparable agency provision); and

(ii) The *offeror* has certified that all the offered *products* to be supplied are designated country *end products*.

(p) *Ownership or Control of Offeror*. (Applies in all *solicitations* when there is a requirement to be registered in SAM or a requirement to have a *unique entity identifier* in the *solicitation*).

(1) The *Offeror* represents that it has or does not have an *immediate owner*. If the *Offeror* has more than one *immediate owner* (such as a joint venture), then the *Offeror shall* respond to paragraph (2) and if applicable, paragraph (3) of this provision for each participant in the joint venture.

(2) If the *Offeror* indicates "has" in paragraph (p)(1) of this provision, enter the following information:

Immediate owner CAGE code: _____.

Immediate owner legal name: _____.

(Do not use a "doing business as" name)

Is the *immediate owner* owned or controlled by another entity: Yes or No.

(3) If the *Offeror* indicates "yes" in paragraph (p)(2) of this provision, indicating that the *immediate owner* is owned or controlled by another entity, then enter the following information:

Highest-level owner CAGE code: _____.

Highest-level owner legal name: _____.

(Do not use a "doing business as" name)

(q) *Representation by Corporations Regarding Delinquent Tax Liability or a Felony Conviction under any Federal Law*.

(1) As required by sections 744 and 745 of Division E of the Consolidated and Further Continuing Appropriations Act, 2015 (Pub. L. 113-235), and similar provisions, if contained in subsequent appropriations acts, The Government will not enter into a contract with any corporation that-

(i) Has any unpaid Federal tax liability that has been assessed, for which all judicial and administrative remedies have been exhausted or have lapsed, and that is not being paid in a timely manner pursuant to an agreement with the authority responsible for collecting the tax liability, where the awarding agency is aware of the unpaid tax liability, unless an agency has considered *suspension* or *debarment* of the corporation and made a determination that *suspension* or *debarment* is not necessary to protect the interests of the Government; or

(ii) Was convicted of a felony criminal violation under any Federal law within the preceding 24 months, where the awarding agency is aware of the *conviction*, unless an agency has considered *suspension* or *debarment* of the corporation and made a determination that this action is not necessary to protect the interests of the Government.

(2) The *Offeror* represents that—

(i) It is is not a corporation that has any unpaid Federal tax liability that has been assessed, for which all judicial and administrative remedies have been exhausted or have lapsed, and that is not being paid in a timely manner pursuant to an agreement with the authority responsible for collecting the tax liability; and

(ii) It is is not a corporation that was convicted of a felony criminal violation under a Federal law within the preceding 24 months.

(r) *Predecessor of Offeror*. (Applies in all *solicitations* that include the provision at [52.204-16](#), Commercial and Government Entity Code Reporting.)

(1) The *Offeror* represents that it is or is not a *successor* to a *predecessor* that held a Federal contract or grant within the last three years.

(2) If the *Offeror* has indicated "is" in paragraph (r)(1) of this provision, enter the following information for all *predecessors* that held a Federal contract or grant within the last three years (if more than one *predecessor*, list in reverse chronological order):

Predecessor CAGE code: (or mark "Unknown").

Predecessor legal name:_____.

(Do not use a "doing business as" name).

(s) [Reserved].

(t) *Public Disclosure of Greenhouse Gas Emissions and Reduction Goals*. Applies in all *solicitations* that require *offerors* to register in SAM ([12.301](#)(d)(1)).

(1) This representation *shall* be completed if the *Offeror* received \$7.5 million or more in contract awards in the prior Federal fiscal year. The representation is optional if the *Offeror* received less than \$7.5 million in Federal contract awards in the prior Federal fiscal year.

(2) Representation. [*Offeror* to check applicable block(s) in paragraph (t)(2)(i) and (ii)].

(i) The *Offeror* (itself or through its *immediate owner* or *highest-level owner*) does, does not publicly disclose greenhouse gas emissions, i.e., makes available on a publicly accessible website the results of a greenhouse gas inventory, performed in accordance with an accounting standard with publicly available and consistently applied criteria, such as the Greenhouse Gas Protocol Corporate Standard.

(ii) The *Offeror* (itself or through its *immediate owner* or *highest-level owner*) does, does not publicly disclose a quantitative greenhouse gas emissions reduction goal, i.e., make available on a publicly accessible website a target to reduce absolute emissions or emissions intensity by a specific quantity or percentage.

(iii) A publicly accessible website includes the *Offeror's* own website or a recognized, third-party greenhouse gas emissions reporting program.

(3) If the *Offeror* checked "does" in paragraphs (t)(2)(i) or (t)(2)(ii) of this provision, respectively, the *Offeror shall* provide the publicly accessible website(s) where greenhouse gas emissions and/or reduction goals are reported:_____.

(u)

(1) In accordance with section 743 of Division E, Title VII, of the Consolidated and Further Continuing Appropriations Act, 2015 (Pub. L. 113-235) and its *successor* provisions in subsequent appropriations acts (and as extended in continuing resolutions), Government agencies are not permitted to use appropriated (or otherwise made available) funds for contracts with an entity that requires employees or subcontractors of such entity seeking to report waste, fraud, or abuse

to sign internal confidentiality agreements or statements prohibiting or otherwise restricting such employees or subcontractors from lawfully reporting such waste, fraud, or abuse to a designated investigative or law enforcement representative of a Federal department or agency authorized to receive such information.

(2) The prohibition in paragraph (u)(1) of this provision does not contravene requirements applicable to Standard Form 312 (*Classified Information* Nondisclosure Agreement), Form 4414 (Sensitive Compartmented Information Nondisclosure Agreement), or any other form issued by a Federal department or agency governing the nondisclosure of *classified information*.

(3) *Representation*. By submission of its *offer*, the *Offeror* represents that it will not require its employees or subcontractors to sign or comply with internal confidentiality agreements or statements prohibiting or otherwise restricting such employees or subcontractors from lawfully reporting waste, fraud, or abuse related to the performance of a Government contract to a designated investigative or law enforcement representative of a Federal department or agency authorized to receive such information (e.g., agency Office of the Inspector General).

(v) *Covered Telecommunications Equipment or Services-Representation*. Section 889(a)(1)(A) and section 889 (a)(1)(B) of Public Law 115-232.

(1) The *Offeror shall* review the list of excluded parties in the *System for Award Management (SAM)* (<https://www.sam.gov>) for entities excluded from receiving federal awards for "covered telecommunications equipment or services".

(2) The *Offeror* represents that—

(i) It does, does not provide covered telecommunications equipment or services as a part of its offered *products* or services to the Government in the performance of any contract, subcontract, or other contractual instrument.

(ii) After conducting a *reasonable inquiry* for purposes of this representation, that it does, does not use covered telecommunications equipment or services, or any equipment, system, or service that uses covered telecommunications equipment or services.

(End of Provision)

Alternate I (Oct 2014). As prescribed in [12.301\(b\)\(2\)](#), add the following paragraph (c)(11) to the basic provision:

(11) (Complete if the *offeror* has represented itself as disadvantaged in paragraph (c)(4) of this provision.)

Black American.

Hispanic American.

Native American (American Indians, Eskimos, Aleuts, or Native Hawaiians).

Asian-Pacific American (persons with origins from Burma, Thailand, Malaysia, Indonesia, Singapore, Brunei, Japan, China, Taiwan, Laos, Cambodia (Kampuchea), Vietnam, Korea, The Philippines, Republic of Palau, Republic of the Marshall Islands, Federated States of Micronesia, the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, Guam, Samoa, Macao, Hong Kong, Fiji, Tonga, Kiribati, Tuvalu, or Nauru).

Subcontinent Asian (Asian-Indian) American (persons with origins from India, Pakistan, Bangladesh, Sri Lanka, Bhutan, the Maldives Islands, or Nepal).

Individual/concern, other than one of the preceding.

FAR 52.216-1 TYPE OF CONTRACT (APR 1984)

The Government Contemplates award of a Firm Fixed Price Contract resulting from this solicitation.

(End of provision)

FAR 52.252-1 SOLICITATION PROVISIONS INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE (FEB 1998)

This solicitation incorporates one or more solicitation provisions by reference, with the same force and effect as if they were given in full text. Upon request, the Contracting Officer will make their full text available. The offeror is cautioned that the listed provisions may include blocks that must be completed by the offeror and submitted with its quotation or offer. In lieu of submitting the full text of those provisions, the offeror may identify the provision by paragraph identifier and provide the appropriate information with its quotation or offer. Also, the full text of a solicitation provision may be accessed electronically at this/these address(es): www.Acquisition.gov

(End of provision)

The following solicitation provisions are incorporated by reference:

FAR 52.204-7, System for Award Management (OCT 2018)

FAR 52.204-16, Commercial and Government Entity Code Reporting (AUG 2020)

FAR 52.204-17, Ownership or Control of Offeror (AUG 2020)

FAR 52.209-2, Prohibition on Contracting With Inverted Domestic Corporations – Representation (NOV 2015)

FAR 52.212-1, Instructions to Offerors – Commercial Products and Commercial Services (MAR 2023)

FAR 52.225-25, Prohibition on Contracting with Entities Engaging in Certain Activities or Transactions Relating to Iran—
Representation and Certification (JUN 2020)

CAR 1352.213-70 EVALUATION UTILIZING SIMPLIFIED ACQUISITION PROCEDURES (APR 2010)

The Government will award a contract resulting from this solicitation to the responsible offeror whose offer conforming to the solicitation is the Lowest Price Technically Acceptable Offer (LPTA). Technically acceptable is defined as the offeror's ability to meet all the requirements/salient characteristics identified in the Statement of Work/Specification and the offeror's demonstrated ability to perform the contract successfully through Past Performance. Only the lowest priced offer will be evaluated for technical acceptability. If the lowest priced offer is found not to be technically acceptable, then the next lowest priced offer will be evaluated. This process will continue until a technically acceptable offer is identified; not all offers will be evaluated. The following factors shall be used to evaluate offers: (1) Technical, (2) Past Performance, and (3) Price

(1) Technical (Pass/Fail)

The government will evaluate the offeror's ability and method/approach to providing all the requirements in the Statement of Work as identified in their technical section/proposal. Technical will be rated as to the extent the offeror can clearly and fully demonstrate that it has a thorough understanding of the requirements and can successfully provide the requirements. Offerors that cannot specifically address their ability and method/approach to providing all the requirements in the Statement of Work or that do not submit a Technical Section with their offer may be rejected without further consideration.

(2) Past Performance (Pass/Fail)

The Government will evaluate an offeror's past performance to determine the degree to which current and previous contract efforts indicate the probability of the offeror successfully accomplishing/performing the requirements of the Statement of Work. The currency and relevancy of the information, source of the information, context of the data, and general trends in contractor's performance will be considered.

Past performance information received from the offeror shall be within the past 3 years or ongoing and be relevant to this requirement (i.e. the same or similar requirements.) Only relevant past performance will be evaluated.

(3) Price (Only the lowest priced technically acceptable offer will be evaluated on Price)

The Government will evaluate price for reasonableness and award a contract to the offeror with the lowest priced technically acceptable offer. Offerors are required to provide a unit price for all items. A zero dollar figure (\$0.00) unit price means the Offeror will provide the service or supply at no charge to the Government. Unit price left blank or

annotated with something other than a dollar figure will be considered unacceptable and the Government has discretion whether to reject the offer without any further consideration.

(End of Provision)

CAR 1352.215-72 INQUIRIES (APR 2010)

Offerors must submit all questions concerning this solicitation in writing to Chelsea.Vera@noaa.gov. Questions should be received no later than August 23, 2023. Any responses to questions will be made in writing, without identification of the questioner, and will be included in an amendment to the solicitation. Even if provided in other form, only the question responses included in the amendment to the solicitation will govern performance of the contract.

(End of Provision)

CAR 1352.233-70, AGENCY PROTESTS (APR 2010)

- (a) An agency protest may be filed with either: (1) the contracting officer, or (2) at a level above the contracting officer, with the appropriate agency Protest Decision Authority. See 64 FR 16,651 (April 6, 1999).
- (b) Agency protests filed with the Contracting Officer shall be sent to the following address:
U.S. Department of Commerce
National Oceanic & Atmospheric Administration
Eastern Acquisition Division
200 Granby Street, Suite 865
Norfolk, VA 23510
ATTN: Dawn Dabney, Contracting Officer
- (c) Agency protests filed with the agency Protest Decision Authority shall be sent to the following address:
National Oceanic & Atmospheric Administration
Eastern Acquisition Division
ATTN: Dawn Dabney, NOAA Simplified Acquisition Branch Chief
200 Granby Street, Suite 815
Norfolk, VA 23510
- (d) A complete copy of all agency protests, including all attachments, shall be served upon the Contract Law Division of the Office of the General Counsel within one day of filing a protest with either the Contracting Officer or the Protest Decision Authority.
- (e) Service upon the Contract Law Division shall be made as follows: U.S. Department of Commerce, Office of the General Counsel, Chief, Contract Law Division, Room 5893, Herbert C. Hoover Building, 14th Street and Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20230. FAX: (202) 482-5858.

(End of Provision)

CAR 1352.233-71 GAO AND COURT OF FEDERAL CLAIMS PROTESTS (APR 2010)

- (a) A protest may be filed with either the Government Accountability Office (GAO) or the Court of Federal Claims unless an agency protest has been filed.
- (b) A complete copy of all GAO or Court of Federal Claims protests, including all attachments, shall be served upon (i) the Contracting Officer, and (ii) the Contract Law Division of the Office of the General Counsel, within one day of filing a protest with either GAO or the Court of Federal Claims.
- (c) Service upon the Contract Law Division shall be made as follows: U.S. Department of Commerce, Office of the General Counsel, Chief, Contract Law Division, Room 5893, Herbert C. Hoover Building, 14th Street and Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20230. FAX: (202) 482-5858.

(End of Provision)

(END OF SOLICITATION AND CONTRACT LANGUAGE)