

SOLICITATION/CONTRACT/ORDER FOR COMMERCIAL PRODUCTS AND COMMERCIAL SERVICES
OFFEROR TO COMPLETE BLOCKS 12, 17, 23, 24, & 30

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2. CONTRACT NO.	3. AWARD/EFFECTIVE DATE	4. ORDER NO.	5. SOLICITATION NUMBER 36C26223R0034	6. SOLICITATION ISSUE DATE 03-01-2023
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7. FOR SOLICITATION INFORMATION CALL:	a. NAME Jonathan C. Ford	b. TELEPHONE NO. (No Collect Calls) 562-766-2235	8. OFFER DUE DATE/LOCAL TIME 03-31-2023 10:00AM PST
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9. ISSUED BY Department of Veterans Affairs Network Contracting Office 22 4811 Airport Plaza Drive Suite 600 Long Beach CA 90815	CODE 36C262	10. THIS ACQUISITION IS <input type="checkbox"/> UNRESTRICTED OR <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> SET ASIDE: 100 % FOR: <input type="checkbox"/> SMALL BUSINESS <input type="checkbox"/> WOMEN-OWNED SMALL BUSINESS (WOSB) ELIGIBLE UNDER THE WOMEN-OWNED SMALL BUSINESS PROGRAM NAICS: 621610 <input type="checkbox"/> HUBZONE SMALL BUSINESS <input type="checkbox"/> EDWOSB <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> SERVICE-DISABLED VETERAN-OWNED SMALL BUSINESS <input type="checkbox"/> 8(A) SIZE STANDARD: \$16.5 Million
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11. DELIVERY FOR FOB DESTINATION UNLESS BLOCK IS MARKED <input type="checkbox"/> SEE SCHEDULE	12. DISCOUNT TERMS	<input type="checkbox"/> 13a. THIS CONTRACT IS A RATED ORDER UNDER DPAS (15 CFR 700)	13b. RATING N/A	14. METHOD OF SOLICITATION <input type="checkbox"/> RFQ <input type="checkbox"/> IFB <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> RFP
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15. DELIVER TO VA Greater Los Angeles Healthcare System 11301 Wilshire Blvd Los Angeles CA 90073	CODE 36C262	16. ADMINISTERED BY Department of Veterans Affairs Network Contracting Office 22 4811 Airport Plaza Drive Suite 600 Long Beach CA 90815
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17a. CONTRACTOR/OFFEROR TELEPHONE NO. _____ CODE _____ FACILITY CODE _____ UI: _____ EFT: _____	18a. PAYMENT WILL BE MADE BY Department of Veterans Affairs Financial Services Center PHONE: _____ FAX: _____	CODE _____
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17b. CHECK IF REMITTANCE IS DIFFERENT AND PUT SUCH ADDRESS IN OFFER SEE ADDENDUM

19. ITEM NO.	20. SCHEDULE OF SUPPLIES/SERVICES	21. QUANTITY	22. UNIT	23. UNIT PRICE	24. AMOUNT
	<p>The Government requires a contractor to Provide Home Medical Equipment (HME) services to patients at their residences located within the VA Greater Los Angeles Healthcare System catchment area.</p> <p>This solicitation is set aside 100% for Service Disabled Veteran Owned Businesses.</p> <p>See subsequent pages for details.</p> <p>(Use Reverse and/or Attach Additional Sheets as Necessary)</p>				

25. ACCOUNTING AND APPROPRIATION DATA See CONTINUATION Page	26. TOTAL AWARD AMOUNT (For Govt. Use Only)
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<input type="checkbox"/> 27a. SOLICITATION INCORPORATES BY REFERENCE FAR 52.212-1, 52.212-4. FAR 52.212-3 AND 52.212-5 ARE ATTACHED. ADDENDA	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ARE <input type="checkbox"/> ARE NOT ATTACHED.
<input type="checkbox"/> 27b. CONTRACT/PURCHASE ORDER INCORPORATES BY REFERENCE FAR 52.212-4. FAR 52.212-5 IS ATTACHED. ADDENDA	<input type="checkbox"/> ARE <input type="checkbox"/> ARE NOT ATTACHED

<input type="checkbox"/> 28. CONTRACTOR IS REQUIRED TO SIGN THIS DOCUMENT AND RETURN _____ COPIES TO ISSUING OFFICE. CONTRACTOR AGREES TO FURNISH AND DELIVER ALL ITEMS SET FORTH OR OTHERWISE IDENTIFIED ABOVE AND ON ANY ADDITIONAL SHEETS SUBJECT TO THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS SPECIFIED	<input type="checkbox"/> 29. AWARD OF CONTRACT: REF. _____ OFFER DATED _____ YOUR OFFER ON SOLICITATION (BLOCK 5), INCLUDING ANY ADDITIONS OR CHANGES WHICH ARE SET FORTH HEREIN IS ACCEPTED AS TO ITEMS:
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30a. SIGNATURE OF OFFEROR/CONTRACTOR	31a. UNITED STATES OF AMERICA (SIGNATURE OF CONTRACTING OFFICER)
30b. NAME AND TITLE OF SIGNER (TYPE OR PRINT)	31b. NAME OF CONTRACTING OFFICER (TYPE OR PRINT)
30c. DATE SIGNED	31c. DATE SIGNED

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B.1 CONTRACT ADMINISTRATION DATA

1. **CONTRACT ADMINISTRATION:** All contract administration matters will be handled by the following individuals:

a. CONTRACTOR:

b. GOVERNMENT:

Department of Veterans Affairs, Jonathan C. Ford
 Network Contracting Office 22
 4811 Airport Plaza Drive
 Suite 600
 Long Beach CA 90815

2. PARTICIPATING FACILITIES

VA Greater Los Angeles Healthcare System
 11301 Wilshire Blvd
 Los Angeles, CA 90073

3. **INVOICES:** Invoices shall be submitted **monthly** arrears to the COR for each participating facility per the instructions in the performance work statement.

4. **ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF AMENDMENTS:** The offeror acknowledges receipt of amendments to the Solicitation numbered and dated as follows:

AMENDMENT NO	DATE

5. **DATA UNIVERSAL NUMBERING SYSTEM (DUNS) NUMBER:** In accordance with FAR Provision 52.212-1 paragraph (j), please provide the Dun and Bradstreet Number

DUNS# _____ - _____ - _____

B.2. SCHEDULE OF SUPPLIES/SERVICES

This is an indefinite delivery, indefinite quantity, (IDIQ) fixed-price contract. Prices in this schedule represent an all-inclusive rate including labor, incidental costs, overhead, and insurance premium payments for applicable insurance coverage. Costs not incorporated into the contractor's price will not be reimbursed by the Government.

The guaranteed minimum amount for this contract is \$2,000.00. The maximum aggregate value of the orders that can be placed under this contract is \$7,625,371.13. The Government does not guarantee that it will place any orders under this contract in excess of the guaranteed minimum amount.

The previous option period pricing will apply to any extension pursuant to FAR 52.217-8

The contract period of performance for this Indefinite Delivery Indefinite Quantity Contract (IDIQ) is a Base Period of One-Year and four (4) One-Year option periods to be exercised at the discretion of the Government.

Base Period: TBD

ITEM NUMBER	DESCRIPTION OF SUPPLIES/SERVICES	UNIT	UNIT PRICE
A001GLA	Delivery/pick up within 50 miles of VAGLAHS or HME Facility, whichever is closest to delivery/pick up location	JOB	\$
A002GLA	Delivery/pick up within 51 - 100 miles of VAGLAHS or HME Facility, whichever is closest to delivery/pick up location	JOB	\$
A003GLA	Delivery/pick up within 101 - 150 miles of VAGLAHS or HME Facility, whichever is closest to delivery/pick up location	JOB	\$
A004GLA	Delivery/pick up within 151 - 200 miles of VAGLAHS or HME Facility, whichever is closest to delivery/pick up location	JOB	\$
A005GLA	Delivery/pick up over 200 miles from VAGLAHS or HME Facility, whichever is closest to delivery/pick up location	JOB	\$
A006GLA	Delivery & Set-Up or Pick-Up of Bariatric beds. Charges will be ADDED to base delivery rate.	JOB	\$
A007GLA	Delivery & Set-Up or Pick-Up of G - beds. Charges will be ADDED to base delivery rate.	JOB	\$
A008GLA	Veteran self pick up of HME at Contractor facility with instructions.	JOB	\$
A009GLA	Labor charges for repairs (other than minor repairs, PMIs or adjustments) to HME maintained under the contract	HOUR	\$
A0010GLA	Emergency service charges will be ADDED to the base delivery charge.	JOB	\$

Option Period One: TBD

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A001GLA	Delivery/pick up within 50 miles of VAGLAHS or HME Facility, whichever is closest to delivery/pick up location	JOB	\$
A002GLA	Delivery/pick up within 51 - 100 miles of VAGLAHS or HME Facility, whichever is closest to delivery/pick up location	JOB	\$
A003GLA	Delivery/pick up within 101 - 150 miles of VAGLAHS or HME Facility, whichever is closest to delivery/pick up location	JOB	\$
A004GLA	Delivery/pick up within 151 - 200 miles of VAGLAHS or HME Facility, whichever is closest to delivery/pick up location	JOB	\$
A005GLA	Delivery/pick up over 200 miles from VAGLAHS or HME Facility, whichever is closest to delivery/pick up location	JOB	\$
A006GLA	Delivery & Set-Up or Pick-Up of Bariatric beds. Charges will be ADDED to base delivery rate.\$	JOB	\$
A007GLA	Delivery & Set-Up or Pick-Up of G - beds. Charges will be ADDED to base delivery rate.	JOB	\$
A008GLA	Veteran self pick up of HME at Contractor facility with instructions.	JOB	\$
A009GLA	Labor charges for repairs (other than minor repairs, PMIs or adjustments) to HME maintained under the contract	HOUR	\$
A0010GLA	Emergency service charges will be ADDED to the base delivery charge.	JOB	\$

Option Period Two: TBD

ITEM NUMBER	DESCRIPTION OF SUPPLIES/SERVICES	UNIT	UNIT PRICE
A001GLA	Delivery/pick up within 50 miles of VAGLAHS or HME Facility, whichever is closest to delivery/pick up location	JOB	\$
A002GLA	Delivery/pick up within 51 - 100 miles of VAGLAHS or HME Facility, whichever is closest to delivery/pick up location	JOB	\$
A003GLA	Delivery/pick up within 101 - 150 miles of VAGLAHS or HME Facility, whichever is closest to delivery/pick up location	JOB	\$
A004GLA	Delivery/pick up within 151 - 200 miles of VAGLAHS or HME Facility, whichever is closest to delivery/pick up location	JOB	\$

A005GLA	Delivery/pick up over 200 miles from VAGLAHS or HME Facility, whichever is closest to delivery/pick up location	JOB	\$
A006GLA	Delivery & Set-Up or Pick-Up of Bariatric beds. Charges will be ADDED to base delivery rate.	JOB	\$
A007GLA	Delivery & Set-Up or Pick-Up of G - beds. Charges will be ADDED to base delivery rate.	JOB	\$
A008GLA	Veteran self pick up of HME at Contractor facility with instructions.	JOB	\$
A009GLA	Labor charges for repairs (other than minor repairs, PMIs or adjustments) to HME maintained under the contract	HOUR	\$
A0010GLA	Emergency service charges will be ADDED to the base delivery charge.	JOB	\$

Option Period Three: TBD

ITEM NUMBER	DESCRIPTION OF SUPPLIES/SERVICES	UNIT	UNIT PRICE
A001GLA	Delivery/pick up within 50 miles of VAGLAHS or HME Facility, whichever is closest to delivery/pick up location	JOB	\$
A002GLA	Delivery/pick up within 51 - 100 miles of VAGLAHS or HME Facility, whichever is closest to delivery/pick up location	JOB	\$
A003GLA	Delivery/pick up within 101 - 150 miles of VAGLAHS or HME Facility, whichever is closest to delivery/pick up location	JOB	\$
A004GLA	Delivery/pick up within 151 - 200 miles of VAGLAHS or HME Facility, whichever is closest to delivery/pick up location	JOB	\$
A005GLA	Delivery/pick up over 200 miles from VAGLAHS or HME Facility, whichever is closest to delivery/pick up location	JOB	\$
A006GLA	Delivery & Set-Up or Pick-Up of Bariatric beds. Charges will be ADDED to base delivery rate.	JOB	\$
A007GLA	Delivery & Set-Up or Pick-Up of G - beds. Charges will be ADDED to base delivery rate.	JOB	\$
A008GLA	Veteran self pick up of HME at Contractor facility with instructions.	JOB	\$
A009GLA	Labor charges for repairs (other than minor repairs, PMIs or adjustments) to HME maintained under the contract	HOUR	\$

A0010GLA	Emergency service charges will be ADDED to the base delivery charge.	JOB	\$
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Option Period Four: TBD

ITEM NUMBER	DESCRIPTION OF SUPPLIES/SERVICES	UNIT	UNIT PRICE
A001GLA	Delivery/pick up within 50 miles of VAGLAHS or HME Facility, whichever is closest to delivery/pick up location	JOB	\$
A002GLA	Delivery/pick up within 51 - 100 miles of VAGLAHS or HME Facility, whichever is closest to delivery/pick up location	JOB	\$
A003GLA	Delivery/pick up within 101 - 150 miles of VAGLAHS or HME Facility, whichever is closest to delivery/pick up location	JOB	\$
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A009GLA	Labor charges for repairs (other than minor repairs, PMIs or adjustments) to HME maintained under the contract.	HOUR	\$
A0010GLA	Emergency service charges will be ADDED to the base delivery charge.	JOB	\$

B.3. PERFORMANCE WORK STATEMENT (PWS)

HOME MEDICAL EQUIPMENT SERVICES

1. SCOPE OF WORK

1.1 The contractor shall provide all the necessary labor, facilities, transportation, and management to perform delivery and pick-up services, set-up and disassembly, minor repair, and storage of government-owned Home Medical Equipment (HME). Services will be provided to VA beneficiaries as directed by the Veterans Integrated Service Network (VISN) 22 Prosthetic and Sensory Aids Services Departments listed herein. The use of the terms “Veteran”, “beneficiaries” and “patient” are used interchangeably and refer to the recipient of required equipment and incidental services required under the contract.

1.2 Minor repair is defined as a repair that can be performed without the use of additional parts that are specific to the equipment being repaired (e.g, replacing bolts, screws, or wiring connectors are considered minor repairs).

1.3 All services will be performed in the Veteran’s place of residence. The contractor shall have a facility or resources physically located in the area of service depicted in the next section under the Geographic Coverage Area, in which they will provide service. The contractor’s office location shall include, but not be limited to the following: service office, warehouse, dispatch of vehicles and other functions related to the performance of services of this contract within a fifty (50) mile radius of the VA facility listed in in the following section below to facilitate periodic inspections by VA and/or other accrediting agencies.

2. GEOGRAPHIC COVERAGE: The geographical boundaries described herein for this contract have been determined as the areas of responsibility/jurisdiction for the VA Greater Los Angeles Healthcare System. (VAGLAHS) located at 11301 Wilshire Blvd. Los Angeles, CA 90073. This coverage includes all of the following counties in Southern California: Los Angeles, Ventura, Kern, Santa Barbara, San Luis Obispo.

3. SERVICE SPECIFICATIONS

3.1 Orders: The VAGLAHS Prosthetics Purchasing Agent, COR, or COR designee will submit the request (via encrypted email or fax) to the contractor to initiate delivery, set-up, pick-up, or repair of HME. The request may be made orally but will be confirmed in writing within one (1) business day. The contractor shall confirm receipt (via VA approved encrypted email and fax) of the request within two (2) working hours of notification.

3.2 DELIVERY/SET-UP OF HME: The contractor shall deliver HME to patients, within forty-eight (48) hours of request from the COR, designee, or VAGLAHS Prosthetics Purchasing Agent (dependent on patient’s availability), to include after normal business hours, weekends, and holidays not identified below; this response time will also apply to service calls. Upon receipt of a request, the contractor will schedule by telephone a delivery time with the patient/caregiver. If a delivery time cannot be scheduled within the time frame stated above, the contractor will document all attempts and notify the COR or designee. Retrieved/refurbished equipment will be issued before new equipment is issued - unless otherwise instructed by VA COR or designee.

3.3 HME delivered will be clean, sanitized, and disinfected. HME will be packed in a manner to avoid damage during transport to the patients’ home. HME will be in operating condition; If a piece HME is

delivered and is unserviceable, or the delivery is incomplete, (i.e., all components not delivered), subsequent job(s) required to complete the order will be made without additional cost to the Government. The scheduled time for delivery must be met, even if multiple jobs; as a result of the contractor's actions are required.

3.4 HOME ASSESSMENT REQUIREMENTS: The contractor will perform a home safety assessment to ensure the home environment is safe and adequate for the intended use of the HME. The assessment includes, but is not limited to the following:

- a. Potential spatial and cleanliness issues, which may impede safety and/or proper usage.
- b. The contractor will check the adequacy of the electrical outlet(s) in the patient's home if applicable to the HME. When it is determined that the electrical outlet(s) are not properly grounded, but it is otherwise adequate, the contractor will provide and install a three (3) prong adapter.
- c. If it is determined by the contractor, that the HME cannot be safely installed and used without creating a potential safety hazard for the patient/caregiver, the COR or designee will be notified **immediately** by phone (followed up with an email) or email. The delivery will not be completed until cleared by the COR or designee. In the event the COR advises the contractor that the delivery cannot be completed because of the safety and/or home environment related issues, the contractor will be entitled to payment for the delivery service.

3.5 PATIENT EDUCATION: The contractor will provide verbal and written instructions to patient and/or caregiver as part of delivery/set-up services. This will include, at a minimum, the following information:

- a. Basic purpose, operating instructions, troubleshooting and correct use of HME
- b. Safety precautions and warnings associated with the HME in relation to it's in home use
- c. Known safety hazards related to use with provision of a written checklist of HME information and safety checks incorporating the manufacturer's instructions
- d. When applicable, back-up HME and accessories, and emergency plans
- e. Maintenance to be performed by the patient/caregiver
- f. Any cleaning or disinfecting to be performed on HME or accessories and infection control procedures
- g. Appropriate storage and transportation of HME
- h. Demonstration of HME usage by the Contractor **and** observation of demonstration of usage by the patient/caregiver

3.6 The contractor will provide the operation manual, if applicable, for all equipment to the patient and/or caregiver upon delivery of equipment.

3.7 Occasionally patients/caregivers will pick-up HME at the contractor's storage facility. The contractor will provide instruction on HME as appropriate. There will be no charge to the Government when HME is picked up by patients/caregivers if no instructions were provided. The patient/caregiver will sign stating that instructions were or were not provided.

3.8 Written instructions will be documented on the "Certification of Delivery" form, provided to the contractor by the VAGLAHS.

3.9 The contractor will provide all patients/caregivers a copy of VA Patient Rights & Responsibilities. A VA Patient Rights & Responsibilities document will be provided to the contractor by the COR. The Contractor will make appropriate copies to provide to patients/caregivers.

3.10 The contractor will fully complete the “Certification of Delivery” form and submit it with each individualized itemized invoice. Certification must be signed and dated by the patient/caregiver. Invoices received without or incomplete “Certification of Delivery” forms will be returned to the contractor without action.

3.11 PICK-UP OF EQUIPMENT: The contractor will be required to pick-up HME from a patient’s home within forty-eight (48) hours of request from the COR designee, or Prosthetics Purchasing Agent(or at the time arranged by the patient/caregiver) to include after normal business hours, weekends, and. The date and time of HME pick-up will be coordinated with the patient/caregiver or next of kin. The contractor will make every effort to meet the patient’s or patient’s families’ requests for pick-up times. The contractor will honor their requests to pick-up equipment before or after funerals or family gatherings. The contractor will treat such requests with the utmost courtesy and give such requests the highest priority. In the event a pick-up time cannot be scheduled with the patient/caregiver or next of kin within forty-eight (48) hours, the contractor will notify the COR or designee

3.12 All HME being picked up will be packed in a manner to avoid damage during transportation. HME returned as a unit will be packed together or marked clearly as a part of the overall unit for inventory.

3.13. Contractor may be required to perform repairs at Veteran’s place of residence. Service/repair calls must be invoiced for a minimum of one (1) hour.

4. LIST OF EQUIPMENT: The government-owned Home Medical Equipment (HME) may be new or retrieved and refurbished. HME will include **but not be limited to** the items identified below for this station: **VA GREATER LOS ANGELES HEALTHCARE SYSTEM**

	EQUIPMENT	MONTHLY AVERAGE
1	Hospital beds with side rails (sets)	20
2	Hospital Bed Accessories (bed Extender, hand control pendent)	10
3	Standard mattresses	20
4	Bariatric beds	3
5	Specialty mattresses	15
6	Trapeze assemblies	10
7	Over-bed tables	5
8	Patient lifts & Accessories	5
9	Wheelchairs (manual)	2
10	Electric mobility devices (i.e., power wheelchairs & scooters)	

11	Bathroom safety aids (commode chairs, tub seats, tub benches)	15
12	Ambulatory aids (rollators, walkers, crutches, etc.)	5
13	Vehicle and Van lifts	5
14	Portable wheelchair ramps	3
15	Feeding Pumps & Intravenous Therapy (IV)Poles	10
16	Wheelchair batteries (repair and replace dead batteries)	0

5. DISPOSABLE ITEMS: Retrieved or returned single use disposable items, i.e., mattresses, foam rubber cushions, pads and soft goods will NOT be stored but will be disposed of by the contractor at no additional cost to the Government. The contractor will comply with all Federal, State, and local laws and regulations governing the disposal of such items.

6. EMERGENCY SERVICE REQUEST: Emergency service requests may be for delivery or repair services and will be completed within **four (4) hours** after receipt of request. Cost for emergency services will be billed in addition to the per JOB rate and identified on applicable invoices as an emergency service charge

7. BILLING: Delivery/pick-up will be billed by JOB. Rates to include delivery/pick-up of HME to/from patients' home, VA facilities or the contractor's facilities. Set-up/ disassembly of all government-owned HME, storage, documentation of instructions, issuance of patient's rights and responsibilities, home safety guidelines, universal precautions, removing from and placing into storage, record keeping for inventory control, testing, calibrations, and routine preventative maintenance (PM) and adjustments shall also be included in the JOB rate. Rates will also include minor repair, cleaning and disinfecting of HME. Invoice line items (except maintenance of picked up items) must also include the Veteran's name, address, and service(s) received. Invoices received without this information for each line item will be returned to the contractor without action.

8. EQUIPMENT MAINTENANCE AND REPAIRS

8.1 All HME retrieved from a patient's home will be held in a designated contaminated equipment area. Within five (5) working days of the pick-up, the contractor will assess the equipment and notify the COR or designee, in writing, via the "**HOME MEDICAL EQUIPMENT RETURN TO STOCK REQUEST**" form, provided to the contractor by the COR, that the item(s) have either been:

- 1) cleaned and ready for re-issuance in accordance with the requirements specified herein and placed in inventory, or
- 2) is in need of repair.

8.2 Before being placed in the clean HME storage area, all retrieved HME, in addition to being cleaned, will be checked for proper operation, function, safety, and serviceability. HME will then be inventoried and protectively wrapped in plastic. Cleaning and assessment are at no charge to the Government.

8.3 All reusable HME will be cleaned by steam or other methods approved or recommended by the Center of Disease Control (CDC). This may include, but not be limited to, washing by hand with a

detergent disinfectant solution, quaternary ammonium and hospital grade disinfectants as identified and accepted by the CDC.

8.4 Notification of items in need of repair will include a descriptive assessment of the item(s) condition and any recommendations for and/or estimated number of labor hours and parts needed to repair or refurbish **PRIOR** to starting any repair via the "**HOME MEDICAL EQUIPMENT RETURN TO STOCK REQUEST**" form. The contractor will not be reimbursed for repairs made without proper authorization. The estimate will also include the initials and last four of the SSN of the patient who last utilized the HME. The spare parts may be purchased by the VA for drop shipment to the contractor. Cost for repairs (other than minor repairs) will be billed as per hour rates in the Schedule of Supplies/Services. Repairs and refurbishment will be accomplished by appropriately trained and qualified personnel.

8.5 When it is determined by the VA that an item is beyond economical reconditioning or repair, the item will be held in storage, tagged as unserviceable, and returned to the VA (at no charge) or disposed of as instructed.

8.6 In accordance with sound industry practice, and the terms and conditions of this contract; the contractor will be responsible for the proper care, maintenance, and use of government-owned HME in its possession or control from the time of receipt until properly relieved of responsibility from that property by the COR or designee.

9. STORAGE

9.1 CLEAN HME: All government-owned HME, (new) and retrieved (used), that has been cleaned, sanitized, disinfected and refurbished, will be stored on the contractor's premises in a secured area designated solely for "clean" government-owned HME. A separate storage area will be designated for VAGLAHS. The vendor must allow for adequate space to service equipment and to store equipment that is awaiting parts and service.

9.2 The "clean" HME storage area will be segregated from other functions of the contractor's business. The storage area must be adequately equipped with industrial steel shelves and bins to properly accommodate the items being stored and use the space most efficiently. Storage areas will be labeled with the following information:

- a) Item Master Number (if applicable) assigned by the VA for each model of equipment;
- b) Manufacturer,
- c) Stock level,
- d) Re-order levels (stock and re-order levels will be determined by each facility).

Oversized boxes or containers will not be stored on the floor, but on raised pallets and/or platforms. The storage area must be climate controlled, no lower than 55 degrees and no higher than 85 degrees Fahrenheit, with adequate ventilation/air circulation to protect HME from deterioration from dust, moisture/humidity and extreme temperatures. HME will be stored in an orderly manner to allow for immediate access to all items and to its component parts. Only HME which is suitable and ready for immediate issuance to patients will be stored in the clean equipment storage area.

9.3 The contractor will ensure HME is marked appropriately for identification as government-owned property and identified as VAGLAHS HME equipment. All HME tags will be marked in bold lettering 'VA' along with the following information:

Date picked up

Patient's initials and last four of social
Make & Model
Serial Number
Date Cleaned & inspected
Date of last preventive maintenance

Status:

To be repaired
Ready to issue
Cannot be repaired

9.4 The contractor will provide a separate secured holding area for HME pending cleaning, sanitizing, disinfecting, servicing and/or refurbishing. The holding area will be secured and maintained in such a manner as to prevent the possibility of contamination of cleaned HME. The holding area may be a shared area in which the contractor uses for the same purpose.

Note: There will be no additional charge for storage of HME

10. INVENTORY

10.1 The VA will purchase HME and/or parts for repairs for drop-shipment directly to the contractor's storage facility for storage. It is the contractor's responsibility to:

- 1) properly receive HME,
- 2) check for damage before accepting receipt from shipper,
- 3) document receipt,
- 4) tag appropriately as government-owned HME,
- 5) place in storage area,
- 6) immediately EMAIL and/or FAX shipping documents along with purchase order information and acceptance certification to the appropriate VA ordering facility's COR.

The contractor may provide acceptance certification on the packing list/shipping document provided by the supplier. All invoices, receiving documents, and acceptance certification shall be forwarded to the COR or designee no later than two (2) business days of receipt of HME.

10.2 In the event overages, shortages, or damages are discovered upon receipt of government-owned HME and/or parts, the contractor will provide a statement of the condition and apparent causes to the COR or designee immediately, no later than twenty-four (24) hours after occurrence. Only the quantity received will be recorded in the inventory control record.

10.3 The contractor will maintain inventory controls and prepare a perpetual inventory control record of all government-owned HME, new and retrieved, held in storage under the terms of this contract. The contractor will perform weekly inventory counts to maintain the required inventory levels and to ensure that proper inventory procedures are operating effectively at no additional cost to the Government. A copy of the weekly inventory report will be provided via email and/or FAX (FAX Numbers and or email addresses will be provided upon contract award) as determined by the COR or designee by COB Friday of each week. The contractor will provide a listing of all inventory awaiting repairs and item status.

10.4 The contractor's inventory control record will contain the following basic information for every item of government-owned HME in the contractor's possession:

HME Description

Model Number
Serial Number
New or Used
Location (clean storage, temporary storage or patients' home)

10.5 Discrepancies of inventory will be investigated by the contractor and a written explanation provided to the COR or designee via email and/or FAX. Resolution of discrepancies must be completed before the next inventory reporting period.

10.6 The contractor and COR or designee will establish procedures for notification if inventory of an item reaches a level that an emergency order for that item needs to be completed.

10.7 The contractor will also maintain a cumulative log of HME issued during the contract period. The log will contain the following information:

Date issued
Patient's initials and SSN
Make, Model and Serial Numbers

10.8 Immediately upon termination or completion of the contract, the contractor will clean all HME that is pending cleaning in the same manner identified in paragraph 8.3 of this section. Additionally the contractor will perform a physical inventory, adequate for disposal purposes, of all government-owned HME applicable to the contract and provide the CORs with the Inventory Control Record document within seventy-two (72) hours after termination or completion.

10.9 The Department of Veterans Affairs has placed a high priority on inventory control. If, during the duration of the contract, a new VA Inventory System becomes a reality, a Bar Code Reader will be furnished by the VA to assist with maintaining an accurate inventory. In the event that this occurs, the contractor will be responsible for the safe storage and proper use of the Bar Code Reader.

11. REPORTS

11.1 SENTINEL EVENTS: The contractor is required to verbally inform the COR or designee of all accidents, malfunctions, injuries and deaths related to the delivery and use of HME **IMMEDIATELY**. A follow-up written report of contact describing the event, analysis of cause/effect, and corrective action taken, will be provided to the COR within **five (5) business days** of the verbal report.

11.2 PATIENT INQUIRIES: The contractor will make a written report of all inquiries, complaints, and requests received from patient or caregivers and furnish a copy to the COR. The written report must contain at a minimum: the nature of the inquiry, complaint, or request; the contractor's decision; and the basis for the decision and outcome. The report will be signed by the contractor's employee who received the call and the contractor's official who reviewed it for appropriate action. All complaints will be addressed and resolved within **five (5) business days**. All records will be provided to the COR for review upon request and/or at quarterly site visits.

11.3 PATIENT SATISFACTION REPORT: patient satisfaction surveys will be conducted **quarterly** with a random **10%** sampling. Analysis of the surveys along with originals of the actual surveys will be provided to the COR or designee, (along with any actions taken) quarterly, or upon request.

12. REQUIREMENTS AND STANDARDS

12.1 JOINT COMMISSION ACCREDITATION/STANDARDS: The contractor must be accredited by the Joint Commission or meet Joint Commission standards related to Home Care and Equipment Management. The contractor must maintain Joint Commission accreditation or continuously meet Joint Commission standards. If at any time the contractor loses Joint Commission accreditation or receives provisional accreditation, the VA must receive immediate notification in writing citing the type of deficiencies and supplemental recommendations. The VA reserves the right to terminate the contract if Joint Commission standards are not met or maintained.

12.2 The contractor must have at minimum 2 years of experience in storage, delivery, set-up, education, maintenance, and pick-up of Home Medical Equipment related to the requirements contained herein.

12.3 The contractor must adhere to the provisions of Public Law 104-191, Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA) of 1996 and the National Standards to Protect the Privacy and Security of Protected Health Information (PHI). As required by HIPAA, the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) has promulgated rules governing the security and use and disclosure of protected health information by covered entities, including the Department of Veterans Affairs.

12.4 The contractor shall employ Universal Precautions in **ALL** aspects of services provided under this contract in accordance with Joint Commission standards. All packaging and marking for infection control shall meet Joint Commission standards, as well as storage methods and facilities. VA Survey Teams will be responsible for periodic inspections to ensure Joint Commission standards are met.

12.5 INFECTION CONTROL REQUIREMENTS: If contaminated and clean items are transported in the same vehicle, the vehicle will have clearly demarcated areas for contaminated and clean items. The contractor's procedure for handling the pick-up of contaminated equipment will also meet Joint Commission standards.

- a. Contractor will have a current plan for surveillance, prevention, and control of infection. The plan must meet or exceed current Joint Commission standards.
- b. Contractor will provide a list of names to the COR or designee of all patients exposed to communicable diseases by contracted staff during an identified incubation period within 24 hours of identifying this exposure. The type of exposure will also be identified.
- c. The COR or designee will consult with VA infection control staff regarding the need to contact exposed patients and/or complete any needed medical follow-up

12.6 CONTRACTOR VEHICLES: The contractor will have duly licensed vehicles able to transport the maximum weight recommended by the vehicle manufacturer. The contractor will ensure the vehicles used in the performance of this contract are licensed and meet the minimum requirements as mandated by the state, each county and city in which performance occurs. All vehicles will be clearly identified with the contractor's name.

12.7 INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS: The contractor agrees to procure and maintain, while the contract is in effect, Worker's Compensation, Employer's Liability, General Liability and Motor Vehicle Liability Insurance in accordance with the laws of the States of California. The policy will provide coverage for Public Liability Limits of not less than the statutory limitation for any one accident, and at least meeting the statutory limitation, if more than one person is involved.

12.8 EVIDENCE OF COVERAGE: Before commencing work under the contract, the contractor will furnish to the Contracting Officer a certificate of insurance indicating the coverage outlined herein and containing an endorsement to the effect that cancellation of, or any material change in the policies which adversely affect the interests of the Government in such insurance will not be effective unless a 30-day advance written notice of cancellation or change is furnished the Government.

12.9 EQUIPMENT CHANGE OUT FROM PREVIOUS CONTRACTOR(S): When there is a change in the contractor, the new contractor will pick-up all government-owned HME and related supplies from the previous contractor and will store that equipment until it is ready to be issued to patients. A mutually acceptable relocation date will be coordinated by the COR with the new and prior contractors to facilitate a smooth transition without disrupting the provisions of services to patients. The transition will include the transfer of all inventory records.

13. CONTRACT MONITORING

13.1 The VA COR or designee will monitor the contractor's performance in the following areas:

- a. Was the set-up or delivery completed within 48 hours
- b. Was all documentation received in Prosthetics within five (5) working days
- c. Did the paperwork indicate New or Used
- d. Serial Numbers annotated
- e. Was patient education completed
- f. Were patient or caregivers' signatures obtained
- g. Were any safety issues identified & noted
- h. Was the overall documentation correct, complete and timely

13.2 The contract will be monitored in the above areas and will allow for a **maximum non-compliance** rate of no more than **15%** in any individual area and will allow for a maximum overall **non-compliance** rate of **10%** in all areas combined.

13.3 The COR or designee will perform a scheduled on-site visit of the contractor's facility bi-annually or as needed, to inspect the facilities and review necessary documented records to monitor contractor's compliance with the specifications of the contract. The Government reserves the right to conduct unscheduled on-site visits at any time of contractor's facility to visually inspect all government-owned HME and to ensure contract compliance. The contractor agrees to make available all records and documentation necessary during any on-site visit.

14. CONTRACTOR PERSONNEL

14.1 The contractor will develop and maintain personnel records for all employees providing services under this contract and make available for review upon request of the Contracting Office or COR. Contractor must have in place a policy in which personnel will be required to submit to drug testing and back-ground check

14.2 The contractor will provide and document employee orientation, ongoing employee education, and ongoing assessment of employee competence for all employees involved with the performance of this contract. The contractor will ensure that only contractor employees that have been properly trained and who have demonstrated competency perform equipment maintenance or repair, deliveries, recoveries, and patient education on the equipment provided under this contract.

14.3 The contractor will be sufficiently staffed to render satisfactory and courteous service at all times to patients. The Contractor will be responsible for the acts and omissions of its employees, its sub-contractors or satellite office and their employees. Sub-contractors are required to adhere to all requirements of this contract; the contractor is responsible for ensuring its sub-contractors adhere to the requirements of this contract.

14.4 It is of the utmost importance that a high degree of sensitivity and professionalism be demonstrated when patient/caregiver contact is made. The patients serviced by this contract may have significant physical disabilities or chronic illnesses that, in many cases, influence their behavior and lifestyle. The contractor is expected to be discreet and tactful, and to demonstrate concern, compassion, and patience with all patients.

14.5 The contractor shall require that its employees wear a uniform when providing on-site services to patients under this contract and that employees present and maintain a professional appearance during the performance of this contract. Contractor's employees shall bear identification when providing services or making deliveries. Such identification will show the company name, employee's name and the employee's picture

14.6 The VA reserves the right to remove any contractor employee from the performance of service under this contract if their behavior and the level of service provided are not in accordance with the specifications and requirements contained herein.

15. CONTRACTOR'S FACILITY

15.1 The contractor's facility will meet the requirements of the contract as it relates to storage of government-owned equipment. Clean equipment, equipment awaiting repairs/reconditioning and equipment to be turned-in will be segregated in accordance with Joint Commission standards.

15.2 The contractor's facility will provide a proper area for providing instructions to VA beneficiaries/caregivers and an environment that is safe and secure for VA beneficiaries seeking services required under this contract. The contractor's facility will be accessible for persons with disabilities and be representative of the VA's good image in appearance and safety.

16. HOURS OF SERVICE: The contractor shall perform the services as specified herein twenty-four (24) hours per day seven (7) days per week,. Services will normally be requested during normal business hours, however, after hour and weekend services may be required These services should not be considered emergency. Example: Requests entered on Thursday, 48 hours would result in delivery on Saturday and should be done at regular price. Normal business hours are 7:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday. The contractor must present the COR with a plan for handling requests outside of normal business hours upon contract award.

16.1 The Vendor is not required to provide service on the following National holidays, nor shall the Vendor be paid for these holidays. The following national holidays observed by the Federal Government:

New Year's Day	1 January
Martin Luther King's Birthday	Third Monday in January
President's Day	Third Monday in February
Memorial Day	Last Monday in May

Juneteenth Independence Day	19 June
Independence Day	4 July
Labor Day	First Monday in September
Columbus Day	Second Monday in October
Veterans Day	11 November
Thanksgiving Day	4th Thursday in November
Christmas Day	25 December

16.2 If a holiday falls on Sunday, the following Monday shall be observed as the National Holiday. When a holiday falls on a Saturday, the preceding Friday is observed as a National Holiday by U.S. Government agencies. Also included would be any day specifically declared by the President of the United States.

17. The contractor will verify all patients currently receiving HME services and transition all HME equipment to their facility within 30 days after contract award.

SECTION C - CONTRACT CLAUSES

C.1 52.212-4 CONTRACT TERMS AND CONDITIONS—COMMERCIAL PRODUCTS AND COMMERCIAL SERVICES (NOV 2021)

(a) *Inspection/Acceptance.* The Contractor shall only tender for acceptance those items that conform to the requirements of this contract. The Government reserves the right to inspect or test any supplies or services that have been tendered for acceptance. The Government may require repair or replacement of nonconforming supplies or reperformance of nonconforming services at no increase in contract price. If repair/replacement or reperformance will not correct the defects or is not possible, the Government may seek an equitable price reduction or adequate consideration for acceptance of nonconforming supplies or services. The Government must exercise its post-acceptance rights—

(1) Within a reasonable time after the defect was discovered or should have been discovered; and

(2) Before any substantial change occurs in the condition of the item, unless the change is due to the defect in the item.

(b) *Assignment.* The Contractor or its assignee may assign its rights to receive payment due as a result of performance of this contract to a bank, trust company, or other financing institution, including any Federal lending agency in accordance with the Assignment of Claims Act (31 U.S.C. 3727). However, when a third party makes payment (e.g., use of the Governmentwide commercial purchase card), the Contractor may not assign its rights to receive payment under this contract.

(c) *Changes.* Changes in the terms and conditions of this contract may be made only by written agreement of the parties.

(d) *Disputes.* This contract is subject to 41 U.S.C. chapter 71, Contract Disputes. Failure of the parties to this contract to reach agreement on any request for equitable adjustment, claim, appeal or action arising under or relating to this contract shall be a dispute to be resolved in accordance with the clause at Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) 52.233-1, Disputes, which is incorporated herein by reference. The Contractor shall proceed diligently with performance of this contract, pending final resolution of any dispute arising under the contract.

(e) *Definitions.* The clause at FAR 52.202-1, Definitions, is incorporated herein by reference.

(f) *Excusable delays.* The Contractor shall be liable for default unless nonperformance is caused by an occurrence beyond the reasonable control of the Contractor and without its fault or negligence such as, acts of God or the public enemy, acts of the Government in either its sovereign or contractual capacity, fires, floods, epidemics, quarantine restrictions, strikes, unusually severe weather, and delays of common carriers. The Contractor shall notify the Contracting Officer in writing as soon as it is reasonably possible after the commencement of any excusable delay, setting forth the full particulars in connection therewith, shall remedy such occurrence with all reasonable dispatch, and shall promptly give written notice to the Contracting Officer of the cessation of such occurrence.

(g) Invoice.

(1) The Contractor shall submit an original invoice and three copies (or electronic invoice, if authorized) to the address designated in the contract to receive invoices. An invoice must include—

(i) Name and address of the Contractor;

(ii) Invoice date and number;

(iii) Contract number, line item number and, if applicable, the order number;

(iv) Description, quantity, unit of measure, unit price and extended price of the items delivered;

(v) Shipping number and date of shipment, including the bill of lading number and weight of shipment if shipped on Government bill of lading;

(vi) Terms of any discount for prompt payment offered;

(vii) Name and address of official to whom payment is to be sent;

(viii) Name, title, and phone number of person to notify in event of defective invoice; and

(ix) Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN). The Contractor shall include its TIN on the invoice only if required elsewhere in this contract.

(x) Electronic funds transfer (EFT) banking information.

(A) The Contractor shall include EFT banking information on the invoice only if required elsewhere in this contract.

(B) If EFT banking information is not required to be on the invoice, in order for the invoice to be a proper invoice, the Contractor shall have submitted correct EFT banking information in accordance with the applicable solicitation provision, contract clause (e.g., 52.232-33, Payment by Electronic Funds Transfer—System for Award Management, or 52.232-34, Payment by Electronic Funds Transfer—Other Than System for Award Management), or applicable agency procedures.

(C) EFT banking information is not required if the Government waived the requirement to pay by EFT.

(2) Invoices will be handled in accordance with the Prompt Payment Act (31 U.S.C. 3903) and Office of Management and Budget (OMB) prompt payment regulations at 5 CFR part 1315.

(h) *Patent indemnity*. The Contractor shall indemnify the Government and its officers, employees and agents against liability, including costs, for actual or alleged direct or contributory infringement of, or inducement to infringe, any United States or foreign patent, trademark or copyright, arising out of the performance of this contract, provided the Contractor is reasonably notified of such claims and proceedings.

(i) Payment.—

(1) *Items accepted.* Payment shall be made for items accepted by the Government that have been delivered to the delivery destinations set forth in this contract.

(2) *Prompt payment.* The Government will make payment in accordance with the Prompt Payment Act (31 U.S.C. 3903) and prompt payment regulations at 5 CFR part 1315.

(3) *Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT).* If the Government makes payment by EFT, see 52.212-5(b) for the appropriate EFT clause.

(4) *Discount.* In connection with any discount offered for early payment, time shall be computed from the date of the invoice. For the purpose of computing the discount earned, payment shall be considered to have been made on the date which appears on the payment check or the specified payment date if an electronic funds transfer payment is made.

(5) *Overpayments.* If the Contractor becomes aware of a duplicate contract financing or invoice payment or that the Government has otherwise overpaid on a contract financing or invoice payment, the Contractor shall—

(i) Remit the overpayment amount to the payment office cited in the contract along with a description of the overpayment including the—

(A) Circumstances of the overpayment (e.g., duplicate payment, erroneous payment, liquidation errors, date(s) of overpayment);

(B) Affected contract number and delivery order number, if applicable;

(C) Affected line item or subline item, if applicable; and

(D) Contractor point of contact.

(ii) Provide a copy of the remittance and supporting documentation to the Contracting Officer.

(6) *Interest.*

(i) All amounts that become payable by the Contractor to the Government under this contract shall bear simple interest from the date due until paid unless paid within 30 days of becoming due. The interest rate shall be the interest rate established by the Secretary of the Treasury as provided in 41 U.S.C. 7109, which is applicable to the period in which the amount becomes due, as provided in (i)(6)(v) of this clause, and then at the rate applicable for each six-month period as fixed by the Secretary until the amount is paid.

(ii) The Government may issue a demand for payment to the Contractor upon finding a debt is due under the contract.

(iii) *Final decisions.* The Contracting Officer will issue a final decision as required by 33.211 if—

(A) The Contracting Officer and the Contractor are unable to reach agreement on the existence or amount of a debt within 30 days;

(B) The Contractor fails to liquidate a debt previously demanded by the Contracting Officer within the timeline specified in the demand for payment unless the amounts were not repaid because the Contractor has requested an installment payment agreement; or

(C) The Contractor requests a deferment of collection on a debt previously demanded by the Contracting Officer (see 32.607-2).

(iv) If a demand for payment was previously issued for the debt, the demand for payment included in the final decision shall identify the same due date as the original demand for payment.

(v) Amounts shall be due at the earliest of the following dates:

(A) The date fixed under this contract.

(B) The date of the first written demand for payment, including any demand for payment resulting from a default termination.

(vi) The interest charge shall be computed for the actual number of calendar days involved beginning on the due date and ending on—

(A) The date on which the designated office receives payment from the Contractor;

(B) The date of issuance of a Government check to the Contractor from which an amount otherwise payable has been withheld as a credit against the contract debt; or

(C) The date on which an amount withheld and applied to the contract debt would otherwise have become payable to the Contractor.

(vii) The interest charge made under this clause may be reduced under the procedures prescribed in FAR 32.608-2 in effect on the date of this contract.

(j) *Risk of loss.* Unless the contract specifically provides otherwise, risk of loss or damage to the supplies provided under this contract shall remain with the Contractor until, and shall pass to the Government upon:

(1) Delivery of the supplies to a carrier, if transportation is f.o.b. origin; or

(2) Delivery of the supplies to the Government at the destination specified in the contract, if transportation is f.o.b. destination.

(k) *Taxes.* The contract price includes all applicable Federal, State, and local taxes and duties.

(l) *Termination for the Government's convenience.* The Government reserves the right to terminate this contract, or any part hereof, for its sole convenience. In the event of such termination, the Contractor shall immediately stop all work hereunder and shall immediately cause any and all of its suppliers and subcontractors to cease work. Subject to the terms of this contract, the Contractor shall be paid a percentage of the contract price reflecting the percentage of the work performed prior to the notice of termination, plus reasonable charges the Contractor can demonstrate to the satisfaction of the Government using its standard record keeping system, have resulted from the termination. The Contractor shall not be required to

comply with the cost accounting standards or contract cost principles for this purpose. This paragraph does not give the Government any right to audit the Contractor's records. The Contractor shall not be paid for any work performed or costs incurred which reasonably could have been avoided.

(m) *Termination for cause.* The Government may terminate this contract, or any part hereof, for cause in the event of any default by the Contractor, or if the Contractor fails to comply with any contract terms and conditions, or fails to provide the Government, upon request, with adequate assurances of future performance. In the event of termination for cause, the Government shall not be liable to the Contractor for any amount for supplies or services not accepted, and the Contractor shall be liable to the Government for any and all rights and remedies provided by law. If it is determined that the Government improperly terminated this contract for default, such termination shall be deemed a termination for convenience.

(n) *Title.* Unless specified elsewhere in this contract, title to items furnished under this contract shall pass to the Government upon acceptance, regardless of when or where the Government takes physical possession.

(o) *Warranty.* The Contractor warrants and implies that the items delivered hereunder are merchantable and fit for use for the particular purpose described in this contract.

(p) *Limitation of liability.* Except as otherwise provided by an express warranty, the Contractor will not be liable to the Government for consequential damages resulting from any defect or deficiencies in accepted items.

(q) *Other compliances.* The Contractor shall comply with all applicable Federal, State and local laws, executive orders, rules and regulations applicable to its performance under this contract.

(r) *Compliance with laws unique to Government contracts.* The Contractor agrees to comply with 31 U.S.C. 1352 relating to limitations on the use of appropriated funds to influence certain Federal contracts; 18 U.S.C. 431 relating to officials not to benefit; 40 U.S.C. chapter 37, Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards; 41 U.S.C. chapter 87, Kickbacks; 41 U.S.C. 4712 and 10 U.S.C. 2409 relating to whistleblower protections; 49 U.S.C. 40118, Fly American; and 41 U.S.C. chapter 21 relating to procurement integrity.

(s) *Order of precedence.* Any inconsistencies in this solicitation or contract shall be resolved by giving precedence in the following order:

(1) The schedule of supplies/services.

(2) The Assignments, Disputes, Payments, Invoice, Other Compliances, Compliance with Laws Unique to Government Contracts, and Unauthorized Obligations paragraphs of this clause;

(3) The clause at 52.212-5.

(4) Addenda to this solicitation or contract, including any license agreements for computer software.

(5) Solicitation provisions if this is a solicitation.

- (6) Other paragraphs of this clause.
- (7) The Standard Form 1449.
- (8) Other documents, exhibits, and attachments
- (9) The specification.
- (t) [Reserved]
- (u) *Unauthorized Obligations.*

(1) Except as stated in paragraph (u)(2) of this clause, when any supply or service acquired under this contract is subject to any End User License Agreement (EULA), Terms of Service (TOS), or similar legal instrument or agreement, that includes any clause requiring the Government to indemnify the Contractor or any person or entity for damages, costs, fees, or any other loss or liability that would create an Anti-Deficiency Act violation (31 U.S.C. 1341), the following shall govern:

(i) Any such clause is unenforceable against the Government.

(ii) Neither the Government nor any Government authorized end user shall be deemed to have agreed to such clause by virtue of it appearing in the EULA, TOS, or similar legal instrument or agreement. If the EULA, TOS, or similar legal instrument or agreement is invoked through an “I agree” click box or other comparable mechanism (e.g., “click-wrap” or “browse-wrap” agreements), execution does not bind the Government or any Government authorized end user to such clause.

(iii) Any such clause is deemed to be stricken from the EULA, TOS, or similar legal instrument or agreement.

(2) Paragraph (u)(1) of this clause does not apply to indemnification by the Government that is expressly authorized by statute and specifically authorized under applicable agency regulations and procedures.

(v) *Incorporation by reference.* The Contractor’s representations and certifications, including those completed electronically via the System for Award Management (SAM), are incorporated by reference into the contract.

(End of Clause)

ADDENDUM to FAR 52.212-4 CONTRACT TERMS AND CONDITIONS—COMMERCIAL PRODUCTS AND COMMERCIAL SERVICES

Clauses that are incorporated by reference (by Citation Number, Title, and Date), have 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 following clauses are incorporated into 52.212-4 as an addendum to this contract:

C.2 52.216-18 ORDERING (AUG 2020)

(a) Any supplies and services to be furnished under this contract shall be ordered by issuance of delivery orders or task orders by the individuals or activities designated in the Schedule. Such orders may be issued from TBD.

(b) All delivery orders or task orders are subject to the terms and conditions of this contract. In the event of conflict between a delivery order or task order and this contract, the contract shall control.

(c) A delivery order or task order is considered "issued" when—

(1) If sent by mail (includes transmittal by U.S. mail or private delivery service), the Government deposits the order in the mail;

(2) If sent by fax, the Government transmits the order to the Contractor's fax number; or

(3) If sent electronically, the Government either—

(i) Posts a copy of the delivery order or task order to a Government document access system, and notice is sent to the Contractor; or

(ii) Distributes the delivery order or task order via email to the Contractor's email address.

(d) Orders may be issued by methods other than those enumerated in this clause only if authorized in the contract.

(End of Clause)

C.3 52.216-19 ORDER LIMITATIONS (OCT 1995)

(a) *Minimum order.* When the Government requires supplies or services covered by this contract in an amount of less than \$50.00, the Government is not obligated to purchase, nor is the Contractor obligated to furnish, those supplies or services under the contract.

(b) *Maximum order.* The Contractor is not obligated to honor—

(1) Any order for a single item in excess of \$2,000,000

(2) Any order for a combination of items in excess of \$; or 2,000,000

(3) A series of orders from the same ordering office within 5 days that together call for quantities exceeding the limitation in paragraph (b)(1) or (2) of this section.

(c) If this is a requirements contract (i.e., includes the Requirements clause at subsection 52.216-21 of the Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR)), the Government is not required to order a part of any one requirement from the Contractor if that requirement exceeds the maximum-order limitations in paragraph (b) of this section.

(d) Notwithstanding paragraphs (b) and (c) of this section, the Contractor shall honor any order exceeding the maximum order limitations in paragraph (b), unless that order (or orders) is returned to the ordering office within 5 days after issuance, with written notice stating the

Contractor's intent not to ship the item (or items) called for and the reasons. Upon receiving this notice, the Government may acquire the supplies or services from another source.

(End of Clause)

C.4 52.216-22 INDEFINITE QUANTITY (OCT 1995)

(a) This is an indefinite-quantity contract for the supplies or services specified, and effective for the period stated, in the Schedule. The quantities of supplies and services specified in the Schedule are estimates only and are not purchased by this contract.

(b) Delivery or performance shall be made only as authorized by orders issued in accordance with the Ordering clause. The Contractor shall furnish to the Government, when and if ordered, the supplies or services specified in the Schedule up to and including the quantity designated in the Schedule as the "maximum." The Government shall order at least the quantity of supplies or services designated in the Schedule as the "minimum."

(c) Except for any limitations on quantities in the Order Limitations clause or in the Schedule, there is no limit on the number of orders that may be issued. The Government may issue orders requiring delivery to multiple destinations or performance at multiple locations.

(d) Any order issued during the effective period of this contract and not completed within that period shall be completed by the Contractor within the time specified in the order. The contract shall govern the Contractor's and Government's rights and obligations with respect to that order to the same extent as if the order were completed during the contract's effective period; *provided*, that the Contractor shall not be required to make any deliveries under this contract after TBD.

(End of Clause)

C.5 52.217-8 OPTION TO EXTEND SERVICES (NOV 1999)

The Government may require continued performance of any services within the limits and at the rates specified in the contract. These rates may be adjusted only as a result of revisions to prevailing labor rates provided by the Secretary of Labor. The option provision may be exercised more than once, but the total extension of performance hereunder shall not exceed 6 months. The Contracting Officer may exercise the option by written notice to the Contractor within 10 days.

(End of Clause)

C.6 52.217-9 OPTION TO EXTEND THE TERM OF THE CONTRACT (MAR 2000)

(a) The Government may extend the term of this contract by written notice to the Contractor within 10 days; provided that the Government gives the Contractor a preliminary written notice of its intent to extend at least 30 days before the contract expires. The preliminary notice does not commit the Government to an extension.

(b) If the Government exercises this option, the extended contract shall be considered to include this option clause.

(c) The total duration of this contract, including the exercise of any options under this clause, shall not exceed five (5) years.

C.7 52.219-14 LIMITATIONS ON SUBCONTRACTING (OCT 2022)

(a) This clause does not apply to the unrestricted portion of a partial set-aside.

(b) *Definition. Similarly situated entity*, as used in this clause, means a first-tier subcontractor, including an independent contractor, that—

(1) Has the same small business program status as that which qualified the prime contractor for the award (e.g., for a small business set-aside contract, any small business concern, without regard to its socioeconomic status); and

(2) Is considered small for the size standard under the North American Industry Classification System (NAICS) code the prime contractor assigned to the subcontract.

(c) *Applicability*. This clause applies only to—

(1) Contracts that have been set aside for any of the small business concerns identified in 19.000(a)(3);

(2) Part or parts of a multiple-award contract that have been set aside for any of the small business concerns identified in 19.000(a)(3);

(3) Contracts that have been awarded on a sole-source basis in accordance with subparts 19.8, 19.13, 19.14, and 19.15;

(4) Orders expected to exceed the simplified acquisition threshold and that are—

(i) Set aside for small business concerns under multiple-award contracts, as described in 8.405–5 and 16.505(b)(2)(i)(F); or

(ii) Issued directly to small business concerns under multiple-award contracts as described in 19.504(c)(1)(ii);

(5) Orders, regardless of dollar value, that are—

(i) Set aside in accordance with subparts 19.8, 19.13, 19.14, or 19.15 under multiple-award contracts, as described in 8.405–5 and 16.505(b)(2)(i)(F); or

(ii) Issued directly to concerns that qualify for the programs described in subparts 19.8, 19.13, 19.14, or 19.15 under multiple-award contracts, as described in 19.504(c)(1)(ii); and

(6) Contracts using the HUBZone price evaluation preference to award to a HUBZone small business concern unless the concern waived the evaluation preference.

(d) *Independent contractors*. An independent contractor shall be considered a subcontractor.

(e) *Limitations on subcontracting*. By submission of an offer and execution of a contract, the Contractor agrees that in performance of a contract assigned a North American Industry Classification System (NAICS) code for—

(1) Services (except construction), it will not pay more than 50 percent of the amount paid by the Government for contract performance to subcontractors that are not similarly situated entities. Any work that a similarly situated entity further subcontracts will count towards the prime contractor's 50 percent subcontract amount that cannot be exceeded. When a contract includes both services and supplies, the 50 percent limitation shall apply only to the service portion of the contract;

(2) Supplies (other than procurement from a nonmanufacturer of such supplies), it will not pay more than 50 percent of the amount paid by the Government for contract performance, excluding the cost of materials, to subcontractors that are not similarly situated entities. Any work that a similarly situated entity further subcontracts will count towards the prime contractor's 50 percent subcontract amount that cannot be exceeded. When a contract includes both supplies and services, the 50 percent limitation shall apply only to the supply portion of the contract;

(3) General construction, it will not pay more than 85 percent of the amount paid by the Government for contract performance, excluding the cost of materials, to subcontractors that are not similarly situated entities. Any work that a similarly situated entity further subcontracts will count towards the prime contractor's 85 percent subcontract amount that cannot be exceeded; or

(4) Construction by special trade contractors, it will not pay more than 75 percent of the amount paid by the Government for contract performance, excluding the cost of materials, to subcontractors that are not similarly situated entities. Any work that a similarly situated entity further subcontracts will count towards the prime contractor's 75 percent subcontract amount that cannot be exceeded.

(f) The Contractor shall comply with the limitations on subcontracting as follows:

(1) For contracts, in accordance with paragraphs (c)(1), (2), (3) and (6) of this clause—

By the end of the base term of the contract and then by the end of each subsequent option period; or

By the end of the performance period for each order issued under the contract.

(2) For orders, in accordance with paragraphs (c)(4) and (5) of this clause, by the end of the performance period for the order.

(g) A joint venture agrees that, in the performance of the contract, the applicable percentage specified in paragraph (e) of this clause will be performed by the aggregate of the joint venture participants.

(1) In a joint venture comprised of a small business protégé and its mentor approved by the Small Business Administration, the small business protégé shall perform at least 40 percent of the work performed by the joint venture. Work performed by the small business protégé in the joint venture must be more than administrative functions.

(2) In an 8(a) joint venture, the 8(a) participant(s) shall perform at least 40 percent of the work performed by the joint venture. Work performed by the 8(a) participants in the joint venture must be more than administrative functions.

(End of Clause)

C.8 VAAR 852.212-70 PROVISIONS AND CLAUSES APPLICABLE TO VA ACQUISITION OF COMMERCIAL ITEMS (APR 2020)

(a) The Contractor agrees to comply with any provision or clause that is incorporated herein by reference to implement agency policy applicable to acquisition of commercial items or components. The following provisions and clauses that have been checked by the Contracting Officer are incorporated by reference.

852.203–70, Commercial Advertising.

852.209–70, Organizational Conflicts of Interest.

852.211–70, Equipment Operation and Maintenance Manuals.

852.214–71, Restrictions on Alternate Item(s).

852.214–72, Alternate Item(s). [Note: this is a fillable clause.]

852.214–73, Alternate Packaging and Packing.

852.214–74, Marking of Bid Samples.

852.215–70, Service-Disabled Veteran-Owned and Veteran-Owned Small Business Evaluation Factors.

852.215–71, Evaluation Factor Commitments.

852.216–71, Economic Price Adjustment of Contract Price(s) Based on a Price Index.

852.216–72, Proportional Economic Price Adjustment of Contract Price(s) Based on a Price Index.

852.216–73, Economic Price Adjustment—State Nursing Home Care for Veterans.

852.216–74, Economic Price Adjustment—Medicaid Labor Rates.

852.216–75, Economic Price Adjustment—Fuel Surcharge.

852.219–9, VA Small Business Subcontracting Plan Minimum Requirements.

852.219–10, VA Notice of Total Service-Disabled Veteran-Owned Small Business Set-Aside.

852.219–11, VA Notice of Total Veteran-Owned Small Business Set-Aside.

852.222–70, Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards—Nursing Home Care for Veterans.

852.228–70, Bond Premium Adjustment.

852.228–71, Indemnification and Insurance.

852.228–72, Assisting Service-Disabled Veteran-Owned and Veteran-Owned Small Businesses in Obtaining Bonds.

852.232–72, Electronic Submission of Payment Requests.

852.233–70, Protest Content/Alternative Dispute Resolution.

852.233–71, Alternate Protest Procedure.

852.237–70, Indemnification and Medical Liability Insurance.

852.246–71, Rejected Goods.

852.246–72, Frozen Processed Foods.

852.246–73, Noncompliance with Packaging, Packing, and/or Marking Requirements.

852.270–1, Representatives of Contracting Officers.

852.271–72, Time Spent by Counselee in Counseling Process.

852.271–73, Use and Publication of Counseling Results.

852.271–74, Inspection.

852.271–75, Extension of Contract Period.

852.273–70, Late Offers.

852.273–71, Alternative Negotiation Techniques.

852.273–72, Alternative Evaluation.

852.273–73, Evaluation—Health-Care Resources.

852.273–74, Award without Exchanges.

(b) All requests for quotations, solicitations, and contracts for commercial item services to be provided to beneficiaries must include the following clause:

852.237–74, Nondiscrimination in Service Delivery.

(End of Clause)

C.9 VAAR 852.219-74 LIMITATIONS ON SUBCONTRACTING— MONITORING AND COMPLIANCE (JUL 2018)

(a) This solicitation includes VAAR 852.219-10 VA Notice of Total Service-Disabled Veteran-Owned Small Business Set-Aside.

(b) Accordingly, any contract resulting from this solicitation is subject to the limitation on subcontracting requirements in 13 CFR 125.6, or the limitations on subcontracting requirements in the FAR clause, as applicable. The Contractor is advised that in performing contract administration functions, the Contracting Officer may use the services of a support contractor(s) retained by VA to assist in assessing the Contractor's compliance with the limitations on subcontracting or percentage of work performance requirements specified in the clause. To that end, the support contractor(s) may require access to Contractor's offices where the Contractor's business records or other proprietary data are retained and to review such business records regarding the Contractor's compliance with this requirement.

(c) All support contractors conducting this review on behalf of VA will be required to sign an "Information Protection and Non-Disclosure and Disclosure of Conflicts of Interest Agreement" to ensure the Contractor's business records or other proprietary data reviewed or obtained in the course of assisting the Contracting Officer in assessing the Contractor for compliance are protected to ensure information or data is not improperly disclosed or other impropriety occurs.

(d) Furthermore, if VA determines any services the support contractor(s) will perform in assessing compliance are advisory and assistance services as defined in FAR 2.101, Definitions, the support contractor(s) must also enter into an agreement with the Contractor to protect proprietary information as required by FAR 9.505-4, Obtaining access to proprietary information, paragraph (b). The Contractor is required to cooperate fully and make available any records as may be required to enable the Contracting Officer to assess the Contractor's compliance with the limitations on subcontracting or percentage of work performance requirement.

(End of Clause)

C.10 VAAR 852.219-77 VA NOTICE OF LIMITATIONS ON SUBCONTRACTING—CERTIFICATE OF COMPLIANCE FOR SERVICES AND CONSTRUCTION (SEP 2021) (DEVIATION)

(a) Pursuant to 38 U.S.C. 8127(k)(2), the offeror certifies that—

(1) If awarded a contract (see FAR 2.101 definition), it will comply with the limitations on subcontracting requirement as provided in the solicitation and the resultant contract, as follows:

(i) [X] Services. In the case of a contract for services (except construction), the contractor will not pay more than 50% of the amount paid by the government to it to firms that are not VIP-listed SDVOSBs as set forth in 852.219-10 or VOSBs as set forth in 852.219-11. Any work that a similarly situated VIP-listed subcontractor further subcontracts will count towards the 50% subcontract amount that cannot be exceeded. Other direct costs may be excluded to the extent they are not the principal purpose of the acquisition and small business concerns do not provide the service as set forth in 13 CFR 125.6.

(ii) General construction. In the case of a contract for general construction, the contractor will not pay more than 85% of the amount paid by the government to it to firms that are not VIP-listed SDVOSBs as set forth in 852.219-10 or VOSBs as set forth in 852.219-11. Any work that a similarly situated VIP-listed subcontractor further subcontracts will count towards the 85% subcontract amount that cannot be exceeded. Cost of materials are excluded and not considered to be subcontracted.

(iii) Special trade construction contractors. In the case of a contract for special trade contractors, the contractor will not pay more than 75% of the amount paid by the government to it to firms that are not VIP-listed SDVOSBs as set forth in 852.219-10 or VOSBs as set forth in 852.219-11. Any work that a similarly situated subcontractor further subcontracts will count towards the 75% subcontract amount that cannot be exceeded. Cost of materials are excluded and not considered to be subcontracted.

(2) The offeror acknowledges that this certification concerns a matter within the jurisdiction of an Agency of the United States. The offeror further acknowledges that this certification is subject to Title 18, United States Code, Section 1001, and, as such, a false, fictitious, or fraudulent certification may render the offeror subject to criminal, civil, or administrative penalties, including prosecution.

(3) If VA determines that an SDVOSB/VOSB awarded a contract pursuant to 38 U.S.C. 8127 did not act in good faith, such SDVOSB/VOSB shall be subject to any or all of the following:

- (i) Referral to the VA Suspension and Debarment Committee;
- (ii) A fine under section 16(g)(1) of the Small Business Act (15 U.S.C. 645(g)(1)); and
- (iii) Prosecution for violating section 1001 of title 18.

(b) The offeror represents and understands that by submission of its offer and award of a contract it may be required to provide copies of documents or records to VA that VA may review to determine whether the offeror complied with the limitations on subcontracting requirement specified in the contract. The Contracting Officer may, at their discretion, require the Contractor to demonstrate its compliance with the limitations on subcontracting at any time during performance and upon completion of a contract if the information regarding such compliance is not already available to the Contracting Officer. Evidence of compliance includes, but is not limited to, invoices, copies of subcontracts, or a list of the value of tasks performed.

(c) The offeror further agrees to cooperate fully and make available any documents or records as may be required to enable VA to determine compliance with the limitations on subcontracting requirement. The offeror understands that failure to provide documents as requested by VA may result in remedial action as the Government deems appropriate.

(d) Offeror completed certification/fill-in required. The formal certification must be completed, signed, and returned with the offeror's bid, quotation, or proposal. The Government will not consider offers for award from offerors that do not provide the certification, and all such responses will be deemed ineligible for evaluation and award.

Certification:

I hereby certify that if awarded the contract, [*insert name of offeror*] will comply with the limitations on subcontracting specified in this clause and in the resultant contract. I further certify that I am authorized to execute this certification on behalf of [*insert name of offeror*].

Printed Name of Signee: _____

Printed Title of Signee: _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Company Name and Address: _____

(End of Clause)

C.11 VAAR 852.242-71 ADMINISTRATIVE CONTRACTING OFFICER (OCT 2020)

The Contracting Officer reserves the right to designate an Administrative Contracting Officer (ACO) for the purpose of performing certain tasks/duties in the administration of the contract. Such designation will be in writing through an ACO Letter of Delegation and will identify the responsibilities and limitations of the ACO. A copy of the ACO Letter of Delegation will be furnished to the Contractor.

(End of Clause)

C.12 52.252-2 CLAUSES 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/these address(es):

<http://www.acquisition.gov/far/index.html>
<http://www.va.gov/oal/library/vaar/>

(End of Clause)

<u>FAR Number</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Date</u>
52.203-17	CONTRACTOR EMPLOYEE WHISTLEBLOWER RIGHTS AND REQUIREMENT TO INFORM EMPLOYEES OF WHISTLEBLOWER RIGHTS	JUN 2020
52.204-4	PRINTED OR COPIED DOUBLE-SIDED ON POSTCONSUMER FIBER CONTENT PAPER	MAY 2011
52.204-9	PERSONAL IDENTITY VERIFICATION OF CONTRACTOR PERSONNEL	JAN 2011
52.204-13	SYSTEM FOR AWARD MANAGEMENT MAINTENANCE	OCT 2018
52.204-18	COMMERCIAL AND GOVERNMENT ENTITY CODE MAINTENANCE	AUG 2020

52.224-1	PRIVACY ACT NOTIFICATION	APR 1984
52.224-2	PRIVACY ACT	APR 1984
852.204-70	PERSONAL IDENTITY VERIFICATION OF CONTRACTOR PERSONNEL	MAY 2020

(End of Addendum to 52.212-4)

C.13 52.212-5 CONTRACT TERMS AND CONDITIONS REQUIRED TO IMPLEMENT STATUTES OR EXECUTIVE ORDERS—COMMERCIAL PRODUCTS AND COMMERCIAL SERVICES (MAY 2022) (JUL 2020) (DEVIATION)

(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) 52.233-3, Protest After Award (Aug 1996) (31 U.S.C. 3553).

(6) 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:

(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. 2402).

(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).

(8) 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).

(9) 52.209-9, Updates of Publicly Available Information Regarding Responsibility Matters (Oct 2018) (41 U.S.C. 2313).

(10) [Reserved]

(11) 52.219–3, Notice of HUBZone Set-Aside or Sole-Source Award (SEP 2021) (15 U.S.C. 657a).

(12) 52.219–4, Notice of Price Evaluation Preference for HUBZone Small Business Concerns (SEP 2021) (if the offeror elects to waive the preference, it shall so indicate in its offer) (15 U.S.C. 657a).

(13) [Reserved]

(14)(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.

(15)(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.

(16) 52.219-8, Utilization of Small Business Concerns (Oct 2018) (15 U.S.C. 637(d)(2) and (3)).

(17)(i) 52.219–9, Small Business Subcontracting Plan (NOV 2021) (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.

(18)(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.

(19) 52.219–14, Limitations on Subcontracting (SEP 2021) (15 U.S.C. 657s).

(20) 52.219-16, Liquidated Damages—Subcontracting Plan (SEP 2021) (15 U.S.C. 637(d)(4)(F)(i)).

(21) 52.219–27, Notice of Service-Disabled Veteran-Owned Small Business Set-Aside (SEP 2021) (15 U.S.C. 657f).

(22) (i) 52.219–28, Post-Award Small Business Program Rerepresentation (SEP 2021) (15 U.S.C. 632(a)(2)).

(ii) Alternate I (MAR 2020) of 52.219–28.

(23) 52.219–29, Notice of Set-Aside for, or Sole-Source Award to, Economically Disadvantaged Women-Owned Small Business Concerns (SEP 2021) (15 U.S.C. 637(m)).

(24) 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 (SEP 2021) (15 U.S.C. 637(m)).

(25) 52.219-32, Orders Issued Directly Under Small Business Reserves (MAR 2020) (15 U.S.C. 644(r)).

(26) I(26) 52.219–33, Nonmanufacturer Rule (SEP 2021) (15 U.S.C. 657s).

(27) 52.222-3, Convict Labor (June 2003) (E.O. 11755).

(28) 52.222–19, Child Labor—Cooperation with Authorities and Remedies (JUL 2020) (DEVIATION) (E.O. 13126).

(29) 52.222-21, Prohibition of Segregated Facilities (APR 2015).

(30)(i) 52.222–26, Equal Opportunity (SEP 2016) (E.O. 11246).

(ii) Alternate I (FEB 1999) of 52.222-26.

(31)(i) 52.222–35, Equal Opportunity for Veterans (JUN 2020) (38 U.S.C. 4212).

(ii) Alternate I (JULY 2014) of 52.222-35.

(32)(i) 52.222–36, Equal Opportunity for Workers with Disabilities (JUN 2020) (29 U.S.C. 793).

(ii) Alternate I (JULY 2014) of 52.222-36.

(33) 52.222–37, Employment Reports on Veterans (JUN 2020) (38 U.S.C. 4212).

(34) 52.222-40, Notification of Employee Rights Under the National Labor Relations Act (DEC 2010) (E.O. 13496).

(35)(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).

(36) 52.222-54, Employment Eligibility Verification (MAY 2022). (E. O. 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.)

(37)(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.)

(38) 52.223-11, Ozone-Depleting Substances and High Global Warming Potential Hydrofluorocarbons (JUN 2016) (E.O. 13693).

(39) 52.223-12, Maintenance, Service, Repair, or Disposal of Refrigeration Equipment and Air Conditioners (JUN 2016) (E.O. 13693).

(40)(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.

(41)(i) 52.223-14, Acquisition of EPEAT®-Registered Televisions (JUN 2014) (E.O.s 13423 and 13514).

(ii) Alternate I (JUN 2014) of 52.223-14.

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

(43)(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.

(44) 52.223–18, Encouraging Contractor Policies to Ban Text Messaging While Driving (JUN 2020) (E.O. 13513).

(45) 52.223-20, Aerosols (JUN 2016) (E.O. 13693).

(46) 52.223-21, Foams (JUN 2016) (E.O. 13693).

(47) (i) 52.224-3, Privacy Training (JAN 2017) (5 U.S.C. 552a).

(ii) Alternate I (JAN 2017) of 52.224-3.

(48) 52.225-1, Buy American—Supplies (NOV 2021) (41 U.S.C. chapter 83).

(49)(i) 52.225-3, Buy American—Free Trade Agreements—Israeli Trade Act (JUL 2020) (DEVIATION) (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), Pub. L. 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 II (JUL 2020) (DEVIATION) of 52.225-3.

(iii) Alternate III (JUL 2020) (DEVIATION) of 52.225-3.

(50) 52.225–5, Trade Agreements (JUL 2020) (DEVIATION) (19 U.S.C. 2501, et seq., 19 U.S.C. 3301 note).

(51) 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).

(52) 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. 2302 Note).

(53) 52.226-4, Notice of Disaster or Emergency Area Set-Aside (Nov 2007) (42 U.S.C. 5150).

(54) 52.226-5, Restrictions on Subcontracting Outside Disaster or Emergency Area (Nov 2007) (42 U.S.C. 5150).

(55) 52.229–12, Tax on Certain Foreign Procurements (FEB 2021).

(56) 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. 2307(f)).

(57) 52.232-30, Installment Payments for Commercial Products and Commercial Services (NOV 2021) (41 U.S.C. 4505, 10 U.S.C. 2307(f)).

(58) 52.232-33, Payment by Electronic Funds Transfer—System for Award Management (Oct 2018) (31 U.S.C. 3332).

(59) 52.232-34, Payment by Electronic Funds Transfer—Other than System for Award Management (Jul 2013) (31 U.S.C. 3332).

(60) 52.232-40, Providing Accelerated Payments to Small Business Subcontractors (DEC 2013) (DEVIATION AUG 2020) (31 U.S.C. 3903 and 10 U.S.C 2307).

(61) 52.239-1, Privacy or Security Safeguards (AUG 1996) (5 U.S.C. 552a).

(62) 52.242-5, Payments to Small Business Subcontractors (JAN 2017)(15 U.S.C. 637(d)(13)).

(63)(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:

(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).

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(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) 52.219–8, Utilization of Small Business Concerns (Oct 2018) (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.

(vi) 52.222-21, Prohibition of Segregated Facilities (APR 2015).

(vii) 52.222–26, Equal Opportunity (SEP 2016) (E.O. 11246).

(viii) 52.222–35, Equal Opportunity for Veterans (JUN 2020) (38 U.S.C. 4212).

(ix) 52.222–36, Equal Opportunity for Workers with Disabilities (JUN 2020) (29 U.S.C. 793).

(x) 52.222–37, Employment Reports on Veterans (JUN 2020) (38 U.S.C. 4212).

(xi) 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.

(xii) 52.222-41, Service Contract Labor Standards (AUG 2018) (41 U.S.C. chapter 67).

(xiii)(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).

(xiv) 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).

(xv) 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).

(xvi) 52.222-54, Employment Eligibility Verification (MAY 2022) (E. O. 12989).

(xvii) 52.222-55, Minimum Wages for Contractor Workers Under Executive Order 14026 (JAN 2022).

(xviii) 52.222-62 Paid Sick Leave Under Executive Order 13706 (JAN 2022) (E.O. 13706).

(xix)(A) 52.224-3, Privacy Training (JAN 2017) (5 U.S.C. 552a).

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

(xx) 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. 2302 Note).

(xxi) 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.

(xxii) 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)

C.14 MANDATORY WRITTEN DISCLOSURES

Mandatory written disclosures required by FAR clause 52.203-13 to the Department of Veterans Affairs, Office of Inspector General (OIG) must be made electronically through the VA OIG Hotline at <http://www.va.gov/oig/contacts/hotline.asp> and clicking on "FAR clause 52.203-13 Reporting." If you experience difficulty accessing the website, call the Hotline at 1-800-488-8244 for further instructions.

**SECTION D - CONTRACT DOCUMENTS, EXHIBITS, OR
ATTACHMENTS**

D.1 DOL WAGE DETERMINATIONS – ATTACHED

D.2 PRICE WORKSHEET – ATTACHED

SECTION E - SOLICITATION PROVISIONS

E.1 52.212-1 INSTRUCTIONS TO OFFERORS—COMMERCIAL PRODUCTS AND COMMERCIAL SERVICES (NOV 2021)

(a) *North American Industry Classification System (NAICS) code and small business size standard.* The NAICS code(s) and small business size standard(s) for this acquisition appear elsewhere in the solicitation. However, the small business size standard for a concern that submits an offer, other than on a construction or service acquisition, but proposes to furnish an end item that it did not itself manufacture, process, or produce is 500 employees if the acquisition—

(1) Is set aside for small business and has a value above the simplified acquisition threshold;

(2) Uses the HUBZone price evaluation preference regardless of dollar value, unless the offeror waives the price evaluation preference; or

(3) Is an 8(a), HUBZone, service-disabled veteran-owned, economically disadvantaged women-owned, or women-owned small business set-aside or sole-source award regardless of dollar value.

(b) *Submission of offers.* Submit signed and dated offers to the office specified in this solicitation at or before the exact time specified in this solicitation. Offers may be submitted on the SF 1449, letterhead stationery, or as otherwise specified in the solicitation. As a minimum, offers must show—

(1) The solicitation number;

(2) The time specified in the solicitation for receipt of offers;

(3) The name, address, and telephone number of the offeror;

(4) A technical description of the items being offered in sufficient detail to evaluate compliance with the requirements in the solicitation. This may include product literature, or other documents, if necessary;

(5) Terms of any express warranty;

(6) Price and any discount terms;

(7) "Remit to" address, if different than mailing address;

(8) A completed copy of the representations and certifications at Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) 52.212-3 (see FAR 52.212-3(b) for those representations and certifications that the offeror shall complete electronically);

(9) Acknowledgment of Solicitation Amendments;

(10) Past performance information, when included as an evaluation factor, to include recent and relevant contracts for the same or similar items and other references (including contract numbers, points of contact with telephone numbers and other relevant information); and

(11) If the offer is not submitted on the SF 1449, include a statement specifying the extent of agreement with all terms, conditions, and provisions included in the solicitation. Offers that fail to furnish required representations or information, or reject the terms and conditions of the solicitation may be excluded from consideration.

(c) *Period for acceptance of offers.* The offeror agrees to hold the prices in its offer firm for 150 calendar days from the date specified for receipt of offers, unless another time period is specified in an addendum to the solicitation.

(d) *Product samples.* When required by the solicitation, product samples shall be submitted at or prior to the time specified for receipt of offers. Unless otherwise specified in this solicitation, these samples shall be submitted at no expense to the Government, and returned at the sender's request and expense, unless they are destroyed during pre-award testing.

(e) *Multiple offers.* Offerors are encouraged to submit multiple offers presenting alternative terms and conditions, including alternative line items (provided that the alternative line items are consistent with FAR subpart 4.10), or alternative commercial products or commercial services for satisfying the requirements of this solicitation. Each offer submitted will be evaluated separately.

(f) Late submissions, modifications, revisions, and withdrawals of offers.

(1) Offerors are responsible for submitting offers, and any modifications, revisions, or withdrawals, so as to reach the Government office designated in the solicitation by the time specified in the solicitation. If no time is specified in the solicitation, the time for receipt is 4:30 p.m., local time, for the designated Government office on the date that offers or revisions are due.

(2)(i) Any offer, modification, revision, or withdrawal of an offer received at the Government office designated in the solicitation after the exact time specified for receipt of offers is "late" and will not be considered unless it is received before award is made, the Contracting Officer determines that accepting the late offer would not unduly delay the acquisition; and—

(A) If it was transmitted through an electronic commerce method authorized by the solicitation, it was received at the initial point of entry to the Government infrastructure not later than 5:00 p.m. one working day prior to the date specified for receipt of offers; or

(B) There is acceptable evidence to establish that it was received at the Government installation designated for receipt of offers and was under the Government's control prior to the time set for receipt of offers; or

(C) If this solicitation is a request for proposals, it was the only proposal received.

(ii) However, a late modification of an otherwise successful offer, that makes its terms more favorable to the Government, will be considered at any time it is received and may be accepted.

(3) Acceptable evidence to establish the time of receipt at the Government installation includes the time/date stamp of that installation on the offer wrapper, other documentary evidence of receipt maintained by the installation, or oral testimony or statements of Government personnel.

(4) If an emergency or unanticipated event interrupts normal Government processes so that offers cannot be received at the Government office designated for receipt of offers by the exact time specified in the solicitation, and urgent Government requirements preclude amendment of the solicitation or other notice of an extension of the closing date, the time specified for receipt of offers will be deemed to be extended to the same time of day specified in the solicitation on the first work day on which normal Government processes resume.

(5) Offers may be withdrawn by written notice received at any time before the exact time set for receipt of offers. Oral offers in response to oral solicitations may be withdrawn orally. If the solicitation authorizes facsimile offers, offers may be withdrawn via facsimile received at any time before the exact time set for receipt of offers, subject to the conditions specified in the solicitation concerning facsimile offers. An offer may be withdrawn in person by an offeror or its authorized representative if, before the exact time set for receipt of offers, the identity of the person requesting withdrawal is established and the person signs a receipt for the offer.

(g) *Contract award (not applicable to Invitation for Bids)*. The Government intends to evaluate offers and award a contract without discussions with offerors. Therefore, the offeror's initial offer should contain the offeror's best terms from a price and technical standpoint. However, the Government reserves the right to conduct discussions if later determined by the Contracting Officer to be necessary. The Government may reject any or all offers if such action is in the public interest; accept other than the lowest offer; and waive informalities and minor irregularities in offers received.

(h) *Multiple awards*. The Government may accept any item or group of items of an offer, unless the offeror qualifies the offer by specific limitations. Unless otherwise provided in the Schedule, offers may not be submitted for quantities less than those specified. The Government reserves the right to make an award on any item for a quantity less than the quantity offered, at the unit prices offered, unless the offeror specifies otherwise in the offer.

(i) Availability of requirements documents cited in the solicitation.

(1)(i) The GSA Index of Federal Specifications, Standards and Commercial Item Descriptions, FPMR Part 101-29, and copies of specifications, standards, and commercial item descriptions cited in this solicitation may be obtained for a fee by submitting a request to—

GSA Federal Supply Service Specifications Section

Suite 8100 470 East L'Enfant Plaza, SW

Washington, DC 20407

Telephone (202) 619-8925

Facsimile (202) 619-8978.

(ii) If the General Services Administration, Department of Agriculture, or Department of Veterans Affairs issued this solicitation, a single copy of specifications, standards, and commercial item descriptions cited in this solicitation may be obtained free of charge by submitting a request to the addressee in paragraph (i)(1)(i) of this provision. Additional copies will be issued for a fee.

(2) Most unclassified Defense specifications and standards may be downloaded from the following ASSIST websites:

(i) ASSIST (<https://assist.dla.mil/online/start/>);

(ii) Quick Search (<http://quicksearch.dla.mil/>);

(3) Documents not available from ASSIST may be ordered from the Department of Defense Single Stock Point (DoDSSP) by-

(i) Using the ASSIST Shopping Wizard (<https://assist.dla.mil/wizard/index.cfm>);

(ii) Phoning the DoDSSP Customer Service Desk (215) 697-2179, Mon-Fri, 0730 to 1600 EST; or

(iii) Ordering from DoDSSP, Building 4, Section D, 700 Robbins Avenue, Philadelphia, PA 19111-5094, Telephone (215) 697-2667/2179, Facsimile (215) 697-1462.

(4) Nongovernment (voluntary) standards must be obtained from the organization responsible for their preparation, publication, or maintenance.

(j) *Unique entity identifier.* (Applies to all offers that exceed the micro-purchase threshold, and offers at or below the micro-purchase threshold if the solicitation requires the Contractor to be registered in the System for Award Management (SAM).) The Offeror shall enter, in the block with its name and address on the cover page of its offer, the annotation "Unique Entity Identifier" followed by the unique entity identifier that identifies the Offeror's name and address. The Offeror also shall enter its Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT) indicator, if applicable. The EFT indicator is a four-character suffix to the unique entity identifier. The suffix is assigned at the discretion of the Offeror to establish additional SAM records for identifying alternative EFT accounts (see FAR subpart 32.11) for the same entity. If the Offeror does not have a unique entity identifier, it should contact the entity designated at www.sam.gov for unique entity identifier establishment directly to obtain one. The Offeror should indicate that it is an offeror for a Government contract when contacting the entity designated at www.sam.gov for establishing the unique entity identifier.

(k) [Reserved]

(l) *Debriefing.* If a post-award debriefing is given to requesting offerors, the Government shall disclose the following information, if applicable:

(1) The agency's evaluation of the significant weak or deficient factors in the debriefed offeror's offer.

(2) The overall evaluated cost or price and technical rating of the successful and the debriefed offeror and past performance information on the debriefed offeror.

(3) The overall ranking of all offerors, when any ranking was developed by the agency during source selection.

(4) A summary of the rationale for award;

(5) For acquisitions of commercial products, the make and model of the product to be delivered by the successful offeror.

(6) Reasonable responses to relevant questions posed by the debriefed offeror as to whether source-selection procedures set forth in the solicitation, applicable regulations, and other applicable authorities were followed by the agency.

(End of Provision)

E.2 NOTIFICATION TO OFFERORS & PROPOSAL SUBMISSION INSTRUCTIONS

1. Instructions for Proposal Submission.

a. Period of Acceptance of Offers. The Offeror agrees to hold prices in its offer firm for a period of one-hundred-fifty (150) calendar days from the date specified for the receipt of offers. The offeror shall date and sign the SF1449 in blocks 30 a, b and c agreeing to all terms and conditions of this solicitation and the resulting contract.

b. Offerors' proposals are to be submitted via email to the contract specialist at Jonathan.Ford1@va.gov by **10:00am Pacific Time on March 31, 2023**. The subject Line for Offeror's submission shall read as follows: **36C26223R0034-Offeror/Company Name**.

c. Offerors shall submit proposals via email in three (3) attachments as indicated below. Email size shall not exceed 7MB. It is the responsibility of the Offeror to ensure their proposal submission has been received.

Volume 1 – SF 1449 completed and signed; section B.1 Contract Administration completed; section B.2 Schedule of Services and Price completed in its entirety; any signed amendments, and Offeror Representations and Certifications. All documents shall be in PDF format.

Volume 2 – Cover Letter (optional) and Offeror's Response to Factor 1. All documents shall be in PDF format.

Volume 3 – Price Worksheet using Attachment D.2 in Excel format.

d. Past Performance. The past performance of the apparent successful offeror will be reviewed by the contracting officer prior to award as part of the contracting officer's responsibility determination per FAR Part 9.

e. Any previous contracts held for providing HME services (identify a **maximum of two**). Please be sure to include with whom the contract was held and the contract period of performance.

f. In order to be considered for award of an IDIQ contract pursuant to this solicitation, Offerors must propose to provide services for each of the contract line items identified in Section B.2, Schedule of Services/Supplies, and to provide services for the VA Greater Los Angeles at the offered prices identified in Section B.2.

g. Questions pertaining to this solicitation shall be emailed to Jonathan.Ford1@va.gov by

12:00pm PT, March 09, 2023 . Questions will be answered via an amendment to this solicitation on or about **March 15, 2023**. No telephone inquiries will be considered.

g. Per VA Acquisition Regulation 852.219-10(b)(1) incorporated by reference in this solicitation and the resulting contract, Offers are solicited only from eligible service-disabled Veteran-owned small business concerns. Only service-disabled Veteran-owned small business concerns (SDVOSBs) listed as “verified” at VA’s Vendor Information pages (VIP) on the date proposals are due, available at www.vip.vetbiz.va.gov, may submit offers in response to this solicitation. Offers received from concerns that are not VIP-listed service-disabled Veteran-owned small business concerns shall not be considered. Please note that Offeror’s identifying themselves as a “Joint Venture” arrangement will not be considered to meet eligibility as a SDVOSB for this procurement unless the Offeror is listed as a “Joint Venture” and is listed as a “verified” SDVOSB at VA’s VIP on the date proposals are due.

h. Per FAR 52.204-7, included in this solicitation by reference, an Offeror is required to be registered in SAM when submitting its offer, and shall continue to be registered until time of award, during performance, and through final payment of any contract, basic agreement, basic ordering agreement, or blanket purchasing agreement resulting from this solicitation.

2. Anticipated Award. The Government intends to make a single contract award in response to this solicitation; however, multiple awards may be deemed necessary.

3. Response to Evaluation Factors.

a. **Factor 1 – Experience.** This factor will be used to assess the Offeror’s experience, which must be a minimum of two years, in providing contracted Home Medical Equipment (HME) services to patients in their place of residence. Offerors shall describe their specific experience in providing home medical equipment services to patients in their place of residence. **the Offeror shall provide the following information in pdf format. No other format shall be used.**

- (1) a description providing details of the specific tasks the Offeror performed;
- (2) in what geographic location the Offeror performed these services;
- (3) the number of patients to whom the Offeror provided HME services per month;
- (4) whether the Offeror or its proposed subcontractor was the prime contractor or a subcontractor for that provided reference contract;

NOTE: The information requested above is required for the Government to evaluate proposals for the Experience evaluation factor. General statements claiming experience providing contracted HME services that do not include specific references to prior contract work, or that do not include all of the information required above, are not acceptable. **FAILURE TO SUBMIT THE INFORMATION REQUIRED ABOVE, USING THE WORKSHEET SPECIFIED ABOVE, TO SUPPORT THE OFFEROR’S CLAIMED EXPERIENCE MAY BE VIEWED BY THE GOVERNMENT AS EVIDENCE THAT THE OFFEROR LACKS EXPERIENCE IN PROVIDING CONTRACTED HME SERVICES, WHEN EVALUATING PROPOSALS FOR THE EXPERIENCE EVALUATION FACTOR.**

b. **Factor 2 – Price.** This factor shall be used to assess the reasonableness of the Offeror’s proposed price. For this factor, Offerors shall submit their Price Proposal using the Schedule of Services and Price from section B.2. of this solicitation and the Price Worksheet in section D.

E.3 52.212-2 EVALUATION—COMMERCIAL PRODUCTS AND COMMERCIAL SERVICES (NOV 2021)

a. The Government will award a contract resulting from this solicitation to the responsible offeror whose offer conforming to the solicitation will be most advantageous to the Government, price and other factors considered.

b. The following factors will be evaluated as part of the trade-off analysis:

Factor 1 – Experience. This factor will be used to assess the Offeror’s experience providing contracted HME services to patients in their place of residence.

Factor 2 – Price. This factor shall be used to assess the reasonableness of the Offeror’s proposed price.

c. For the purposes of this evaluation, factors are listed in descending order of importance. Factor 1 is more important than price for the purpose of determining the best value to the Government, therefore the Government may award to other than the lowest priced offeror if it is in the Government’s best interest to do so.

d. Options. The Government will consider offers for award purposed by adding the total price for all options to the total price for the basic requirement. The Government may determine that an offer is unacceptable if the option prices are significantly unbalance. Evaluation of options shall not obligation the Government to exercise the option(s)

e. A written notice of award or acceptance of an offer, mailed or otherwise furnished to the successful offeror within the time for acceptance specified in the offer, shall result in a binding contract without further action by either party. Before the offer’s specified expiration time, the Government may accept an offer (or part of an offer) whether or not there are negotiations after its receipt, unless a written notice of withdrawal is received before award.

E.4 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 and 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) *Representations.* 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)

E.5 52.209-7 INFORMATION REGARDING RESPONSIBILITY MATTERS (OCT 2018)

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

"Administrative proceeding" means a non-judicial process that is adjudicatory in nature in order to make a determination of fault or liability (e.g., Securities and Exchange Commission Administrative Proceedings, Civilian Board of Contract Appeals Proceedings, and Armed Services Board of Contract Appeals Proceedings). This includes administrative proceedings at the Federal and State level but only in connection with performance of a Federal contract or grant. It does not include agency actions such as contract audits, site visits, corrective plans, or inspection of deliverables.

"Federal contracts and grants with total value greater than \$10,000,000" means—

(1) The total value of all current, active contracts and grants, including all priced options; and

(2) The total value of all current, active orders including all priced options under indefinite-delivery, indefinite-quantity, 8(a), or requirements contracts (including task and delivery and multiple-award Schedules).

"Principal" means an officer, director, owner, partner, or a person having primary management or supervisory responsibilities within a business entity (e.g., general manager; plant manager; head of a division or business segment; and similar positions).

(b) The offeror [] has [] does not have current active Federal contracts and grants with total value greater than \$10,000,000.

(c) If the offeror checked "has" in paragraph (b) of this provision, the offeror represents, by submission of this offer, that the information it has entered in the Federal Awardee Performance and Integrity Information System (FAPIS) is current, accurate, and complete as of the date of submission of this offer with regard to the following information:

(1) Whether the offeror, and/or any of its principals, has or has not, within the last five years, in connection with the award to or performance by the offeror of a Federal contract or grant, been the subject of a proceeding, at the Federal or State level that resulted in any of the following dispositions:

(i) In a criminal proceeding, a conviction.

(ii) In a civil proceeding, a finding of fault and liability that results in the payment of a monetary fine, penalty, reimbursement, restitution, or damages of \$5,000 or more.

(iii) In an administrative proceeding, a finding of fault and liability that results in—

(A) The payment of a monetary fine or penalty of \$5,000 or more; or

(B) The payment of a reimbursement, restitution, or damages in excess of \$100,000.

(iv) In a criminal, civil, or administrative proceeding, a disposition of the matter by consent or compromise with an acknowledgment of fault by the Contractor if the proceeding could have led to any of the outcomes specified in paragraphs (c)(1)(i), (c)(1)(ii), or (c)(1)(iii) of this provision.

(2) If the offeror has been involved in the last five years in any of the occurrences listed in (c)(1) of this provision, whether the offeror has provided the requested information with regard to each occurrence.

(d) The offeror shall post the information in paragraphs (c)(1)(i) through (c)(1)(iv) of this provision in FAPIIS as required through maintaining an active registration in the System for Award Management, which can be accessed via <https://www.sam.gov> (see 52.204-7).

(End of Provision)

E.6 52.216-1 TYPE OF CONTRACT (APR 1984)

The Government contemplates award of a Firm-Fixed-Price, Indefinite Quantity contract resulting from this solicitation.

(End of Provision)

E.7 52.233-2 SERVICE OF PROTEST (SEP 2006)

Protests, as defined in section 33.101 of the Federal Acquisition Regulation, that are filed directly with an agency, and copies of any protests that are filed with the Government Accountability Office (GAO), shall be served on the Contracting Officer (addressed as follows) by obtaining written and dated acknowledgment of receipt from:

Hand-Carried Address:

Department of Veterans Affairs

Jonathan Ford
Network Contracting Office 22
4811 Airport Plaza Drive
Suite 600

Long Beach CA 90815

Mailing Address:

Department of Veterans Affairs

Jonathan Ford
 Network Contracting Office 22
 4811 Airport Plaza Drive
 Suite 600
 Long Beach CA 90815

(b) The copy of any protest shall be received in the office designated above within one day of filing a protest with the GAO.

(End of Provision)

E.8 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):

<http://www.acquisition.gov/far/index.html>
<http://www.va.gov/oal/library/vaar/>

(End of Provision)

<u>FAR Number</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Date</u>
52.204-7	SYSTEM FOR AWARD MANAGEMENT	OCT 2018
52.204-16	COMMERCIAL AND GOVERNMENT ENTITY CODE REPORTING	AUG 2020
52.229-11	TAX ON CERTAIN FOREIGN PROCUREMENTS—NOTICE AND REPRESENTATION	JUN 2020

(End of Addendum to 52.212-1)

E.9 52.212-3 OFFEROR REPRESENTATIONS AND CERTIFICATIONS—COMMERCIAL PRODUCTS AND COMMERCIAL SERVICES (MAY 2022) (JUL 2020) (DEVIATION)

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. 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—

(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 the field of operation in which it is bidding on Government contracts, 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.

(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 .

(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 it [] is, [] is not a small business concern.

(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 it [] is, [] is not a service-disabled veteran-owned small business concern.

(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 concern eligible under the WOSB Program. [Complete only if the offeror represented itself as a women-owned small business concern in paragraph (c)(5) of this provision.] The offeror represents that—

(i) It [] is, [] is not a WOSB concern eligible under the WOSB Program, has provided all the required documents to the WOSB Repository, and no change in circumstances or adverse decisions have been issued that affects its eligibility; and

(ii) It [] is, [] is not a joint venture that complies with the requirements of 13 CFR part 127, and the representation in paragraph (c)(6)(i) of this provision is accurate for each WOSB concern eligible under the WOSB Program participating in the joint venture. [The offeror shall enter the name or names of the WOSB concern eligible under the WOSB Program and other small businesses that are participating in the joint venture: _____.] Each WOSB concern eligible under the WOSB Program participating in the joint venture shall submit a separate signed copy of the WOSB representation.

(7) Economically disadvantaged women-owned small business (EDWOSB) concern. [Complete only if the offeror represented itself as a WOSB concern eligible under the WOSB Program in (c)(6) of this provision.] The offeror represents that—

(i) It [] is, [] is not an EDWOSB concern, has provided all the required documents to the WOSB Repository, and no change in circumstances or adverse decisions have been issued that affects its eligibility; and

(ii) It [] is, [] is not a joint venture that complies with the requirements of 13 CFR part 127, and the representation in paragraph (c)(7)(i) of this provision is accurate for each EDWOSB concern participating in the joint venture. [The offeror shall enter the name or names of the EDWOSB concern and other small businesses that are participating in the joint venture: _____.] Each EDWOSB concern participating in the joint venture shall submit a separate signed copy of the EDWOSB representation.

Note: Complete paragraphs (c)(8) and (c)(9) only if this solicitation is expected to exceed the simplified acquisition threshold.

(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, on the List of Qualified HUBZone Small Business Concerns maintained by the Small Business Administration, and no material change in ownership and control, principal office, or HUBZone employee percentage has occurred since it was certified by the Small Business Administration in accordance with 13 CFR Part 126; and

(ii) It [] is, [] is not a joint venture that complies with the requirements of 13 CFR Part 126, and the representation in paragraph (c)(10)(i) of this provision is accurate for the HUBZone small business concern or concerns that are participating in the joint venture. [The offeror shall enter the name or names of the HUBZone small business concern or concerns that are participating in the joint venture:_____.] Each HUBZone small business concern participating in the joint venture shall submit a separate signed copy of the HUBZone representation.

(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 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, 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.

(iii) The terms “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

[List as necessary]

(3) 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 (JUL 2020) (DEVIATION), 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.

(B) The terms “Bahrainian, Moroccan, Omani, Panamanian, or Peruvian end product,” “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.

Other Foreign End Products:

Line item No.	Country of origin

[List as necessary]

(iv) 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. (JUL 2020) (DEVIATION)* 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 (JUL 2020) (DEVIATION)*. If *Alternate III* 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 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

[List as necessary]

(4) *Trade Agreements Certificate*. (Applies only if the clause at FAR 52.225-5, Trade Agreements (JUL 2020) (DEVIATION), 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. Sec. 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. Sec. 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. Sec. 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).*

(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 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 CFR 1.6049-4;

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 email 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 (50 U.S.C. 1701 *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 Web site 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 Web site a target to reduce absolute emissions or emissions intensity by a specific quantity or percentage.

(iii) A publicly accessible Web site includes the Offeror’s own Web site 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 Web site(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)