

STATE OF FLORIDA
DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION
STANDARD CONTRACT
CONTRACT NO. *Contract No.*

This Contract is entered into between the Florida Department of Environmental Protection (Department) and *Contractor Name, Contractor Address (Contractor), a Insert Entity Type.*

NOW, THEREFORE, the parties agree as follows:

1. Scope of Work.

The Contractor shall have the ability and resources to provide staff augmentation services for site management for the Petroleum Restoration Program (PRP) and to respond to the events, as described more fully in Attachment 3, Scope of Work, which was procured under DEP Solicitation No. ITN 2020005.

2. Duration.

- a. Term. The Contract shall begin on the date of execution and continue for five (5) years, unless otherwise terminated.
- b. Renewals. This Contract may be renewed for a period of five (5) years.

3. Contract Managers.

Department's Contract Manager Name: _____ <div style="text-align: right; margin-right: 50px;">or successor</div> Address: _____ _____ Phone: _____ Email: _____	Contractor's Contract Manager Name: _____ <div style="text-align: right; margin-right: 50px;">or successor</div> Address: _____ _____ Phone: _____ Email: _____
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4. Attachments and Exhibits.

The Parties agree to comply with the terms and conditions of the following attachments and exhibits which are hereby incorporated by reference:

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Attachment 1: Standard Terms and Conditions for Competitively Procured Contracts
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Attachment 2: Special Terms and Conditions
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Attachment 3: Scope of Work
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Attachment 4: Public Records Requirements
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Attachment 5: Price Sheet
<input type="checkbox"/> Attachment 6: Technology Standards
<input type="checkbox"/> Attachment 7: Contractor's Proposal (RFPs Only)
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Attachment 8: Contractor's BAFO (ITNs Only)
<input type="checkbox"/> Additional Attachments (if necessary):
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Exhibit A: General Contract Conditions – PUR 1000
<input type="checkbox"/> Exhibit B: Subcontractor Utilization Report Form
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Exhibit C: Contractor Affidavit/Release of Claims Form
<input type="checkbox"/> Exhibit D: Quality Assurance Requirements for Contracts
<input type="checkbox"/> Exhibit E: Advance Payment Terms and Interest Earned Memo
<input type="checkbox"/> Additional Exhibits (if necessary):

5. Compensation.

- a. As consideration for the services rendered by Contractor under the terms of this Contract, the Department shall pay the Contractor on a fixed unit rate basis up to a maximum of *insert \$ amount* for the completion of services as specified in the Scope of Work.
- b. The Department shall not reimburse the Contractor for any costs incurred in the performance of this Contract.
- c. Department shall authorize all work assignments by Task Assignment Notification Form (TA) or Task Assignment Change Order Form (TACO).
- d. Contractor, or its subcontractors if authorized under this Contract, shall not commence work until either a TA/TACO has been fully executed, by both Department and Contractor.
- e. In the event services are required that are within the general description of the Scope of Work, but are not specifically identified by name, the Department and Contractor reserve the right to negotiate Task Assignments covering performance of those required services only if there is established pricing in the Contract and such services do not expand the Scope of Work.
- f. Release of Claims. Upon payment for satisfactory completion of any portion of the services performed, the Contractor shall execute and deliver to the Department a release of all claims against the Department arising under, or by virtue of, the services, except claims which are specifically exempted by the Contractor to be set forth therein using Exhibit C, Contractor Affidavit/Release of Claims Form. Receipt by the Department of the Contractor's Release is a condition of final payment under this Contract. Unless otherwise provided in this Contract, by State law or otherwise expressly agreed to by the parties to this Contract, final payment or settlement upon termination of this Contract shall not constitute a release or waiver of the Department's claims against the Contractor, or the Contractor's sureties, subcontractors, successors or assigns under this Contract or as against applicable performance and payment bonds.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, this Contract shall be effective on the date indicated above or the last date signed below, whichever is later.

CONTRACTOR NAME

FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

By: _____
(Authorized Signature)

By: _____
 Secretary or Designee

 Date Signed

 Date Signed

 Print Name and Title of Person Signing

 Print Name and Title of Person Signing

FEID No. FEID No.

Additional signatures attached on separate page.

**STATE OF FLORIDA
DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION
Standard Terms and Conditions for Competitively Procured Contracts**

ATTACHMENT 1

1. Entire Agreement.

This Contract, including any Attachments and Exhibits referred to herein and/or attached hereto, constitutes the entire agreement between the parties with respect to the subject matter hereof and supersedes all prior agreements, whether written or oral, with respect to such subject matter. Any terms and conditions included on Contractor's forms or invoices shall be null and void.

2. Contract Administration.

- a. Order of Precedence. If there are conflicting provisions among the documents that make up the Contract, the order of precedence for interpretation of the Contract is as follows:
 - i. Standard Contract
 - ii. Attachments other than Attachment 1, in numerical order as designated in the Standard Contract
 - iii. Attachment 1, Standard Terms and Conditions
 - iv. The Exhibits in the order designated in the Standard Contract
- b. All approvals, written or verbal, and other written communication between the parties, including all notices, shall be obtained by or sent to the parties' Contract Managers. All written communication shall be by electronic mail, U.S. Mail, a courier delivery service, or delivered in person. Notices shall be considered delivered when reflected by an electronic mail read receipt, a courier service delivery receipt, other mail service delivery receipt, or when receipt is acknowledged by recipient. If the notice is delivered in multiple ways, the notice will be considered delivered at the earliest delivery time.
- c. If a different Contract Manager is designated by either party after execution of this Contract, notice of the name and contact information of the new Contract Manager will be submitted in writing to the other party and maintained in the respective parties' records. A change of Contract Manager does not require a formal amendment or change order to the Contract.
- d. This Contract may be amended only by a written agreement between both parties. Amendments shall be based on availability of funding. A change order may be used when there is (1) a change in the subcontractor or approval of subcontractors, (2) changes in deliverables due dates that do not change the overall Contract term or increase in the deliverable price or Contract amount, or (3) changes in the price of an individual deliverable in cost reimbursement Contract when the overall Contract amount does not change. All other changes shall be done through a formal amendment.
- e. There is no minimum amount of work guaranteed as a result of this Contract. Any and all work assigned will be at the sole discretion of the Florida Department of Environmental Protection ("Department").
- f. The Department reserves the right to suspend or terminate any portion of this Contract or any other contract with the Department, if the Department and Contractor (or any of its affiliates or authorized subcontractors) are adverse in any litigation, administrative proceeding or alternative dispute resolution. The suspension may last until such adverse relationship is resolved either by agreement or by final non-appealable order of a court.
- g. All days in this Contract are calendar days unless otherwise specified.

3. Contract Duration.

- a. Term. The term of the Contract shall begin and end on the dates indicated in the Standard Contract, unless extended or terminated earlier in accordance with the applicable terms and conditions.
- b. Renewals. Any renewals provided under the Contract must meet the requirements of Section 287.058(1)(g), Florida Statute (F.S.), which is incorporated herein by reference. If the Standard Contract indicates renewals are available, the Contract may be renewed for those timeframe(s). All renewals are contingent upon satisfactory performance by Contractor. Renewals may be for the entire period or in increments.

4. Deliverables.

The Contractor agrees to render the services or otherwise provide deliverables as set forth in Attachment 3, Scope of Work and as otherwise set forth in this Contract. The services and/or deliverables shall be delivered in accordance with the schedule and at the pricing outlined in the Contract. Deliverables may be comprised of activities that must be completed prior to the Department making payment on that deliverable.

5. Performance Measures.

The Contractor warrants that: (1) the services will be performed by qualified personnel; (2) the services will be of the kind and quality described in the Scope of Work; (3) Any and all such equipment, products or materials necessary to perform these services, or requirements shall be supplied by the Contractor; (4) the services will be performed in a professional and workmanlike manner in accordance with industry standards and practices; (5) the services shall not infringe upon the intellectual property rights, or any other proprietary rights, of any third party; and (6) its employees, subcontractors, and/or subgrantees shall comply with any security and safety requirements and processes for work done at the Department or other location(s). The Department reserves the right to investigate or inspect at any time to determine whether the services or qualifications offered by the Contractor meet the Contract requirements. Notwithstanding any provisions herein to the contrary, written acceptance of a particular deliverable does not foreclose Department's remedies in the event deficiencies in the deliverable cannot be readily measured at the time of delivery.

6. Acceptance of Deliverables.

- a. Acceptance Process. All deliverables must be received and accepted in writing by the Department's Contract Manager before payment. If the Department's Contract Manager does not accept the deliverables within 30 days of receipt, they will be deemed rejected.
- b. Rejection of Deliverables. The Department reserves the right to reject deliverables, as outlined in the Scope of Work, as incomplete, inadequate, or unacceptable due, in whole or in part, to the Contractor's lack of satisfactory performance under the terms of this Contract. Failure to fulfill the applicable technical requirements or complete all tasks or activities in accordance with the Scope of Work will result in rejection of the deliverable and the associated invoice. Payment for the rejected deliverable will not be issued unless the rejected deliverable is made acceptable to the Department in accordance with the Contract requirements. The Department, at its option, may allow additional time within which the Contractor may remedy the objections noted by the Department. The Contractor shall work diligently to correct all deficiencies in the deliverable that remain outstanding, within a reasonable timeframe. The Contractor's efforts to correct the rejected deliverables will be at the Contractor's sole expense. The Contractor's failure to make adequate or acceptable deliverables after a reasonable opportunity to do so shall constitute an event of default.

7. Financial Consequences for Nonperformance.

- a. Withholding Payment. In addition to the specific consequences explained in the Scope of Work and/or Special Terms and Conditions, the State of Florida (State) reserves the right to withhold payment when the Contractor has failed to perform/comply with provisions of this Contract. None of the financial consequences for nonperformance in this Contract, as more fully described in the Scope of Work, shall be considered penalties.
- b. Corrective Action Plan. If the Contractor fails to correct all the deficiencies in a rejected deliverable within the specified timeframe, the Department may, in its sole discretion, request that a proposed Corrective Action Plan (CAP) be submitted by the Contractor to the Department. The Department request that the Contractor specify the outstanding deficiencies in the CAP. All CAPs must be able to be implemented and performed in no more than sixty (60) calendar days.
 - i. The Contractor shall submit a CAP within ten (10) calendar days of the date of the written request from the Department. The CAP shall be sent to the Contract Manager for review and approval. Within ten (10) calendar days of receipt of a CAP, the Department shall notify the Contractor in writing whether the proposed CAP has been accepted. If the CAP is not accepted, the Contractor shall have ten (10) calendar days from receipt of the Department letter rejecting the proposal to submit a revised proposed CAP. Failure to obtain the Department approval of a CAP as specified above may result in the Department's termination of this Contract for cause as authorized in this Contract.
 - ii. Upon the Department's notice of acceptance of a proposed CAP, the Contractor shall have ten (10) calendar days to commence implementation of the accepted plan. Acceptance of the proposed CAP by the Department does not relieve the Contractor of any of its obligations under the Contract. In the event the CAP fails to correct or eliminate performance deficiencies by Contractor, the Department shall retain the right to require additional or further remedial steps, or to terminate this Contract for failure to perform. No actions approved by the Department or steps taken by the Contractor shall preclude the Department from subsequently asserting any deficiencies in performance. The Contractor shall continue to implement the CAP until all deficiencies are corrected. Reports on the progress of the CAP will be made to the Department as requested by the Department's Contract Manager.
 - iii. Failure to respond to a Department request for a CAP or failure to correct a deficiency in the performance of the Contract as specified by the Department may result in termination of the Contract.

8. Payment.

- a. Payment Process. Subject to the terms and conditions established by the Contract, the pricing per deliverable, and the billing procedures established by the Department, the Department agrees to pay the Contractor for services rendered in accordance with Section 215.422, F.S. Contractor shall submit invoices to the Department within thirty (30) days after the date of the Department's written acceptance of each interim deliverable or the final deliverable specified in the Scope of Work. Invoices and the appropriate documentation shall be submitted via email to the Department's Contract Manager. Contractor's failure to submit invoices within this timeframe may result in forfeiture of retainage suspension or termination of remaining work, or the Contractor's forfeiture of any unpaid balance for such deliverables.
- b. Vendor Rights. A Vendor Ombudsman has been established within the Department of Financial Services. The duties of this individual include acting as an advocate for Contractors who may be experiencing Problems in obtaining timely payment(s) from state agencies. The vendor Ombudsman may be reached at (850) 413-5516.
- c. Taxes. The Department is exempted from payment of State sales and use taxes and Federal excise taxes. The Contractor, however, shall not be exempted from paying any taxes that it is subject to, including State sales and use taxes, or for payment by the Contractor to suppliers for taxes on materials used to fulfill its contractual obligations with the Department. The Contractor shall not use the Department's exemption number in securing such materials. The Contractor shall be responsible and liable for the payment of all its FICA/Social Security and other taxes resulting from this Contract.
- d. Invoice Detail. All charges for services rendered or for reimbursement of expenses authorized by the Department pursuant to the Scope of Work shall be submitted to the Department in sufficient detail for a proper pre-audit and post-audit to be performed. The Contractor shall only invoice the Department for deliverables that are completed in accordance with the Scope of Work.
- e. Multiple Payment Request. Contractor's submitted invoice shall represent a full account of the work done during each invoice period, and include all fees and costs claimed for work done during that period. Department's payment of an invoice shall constitute full payment and a final settlement of all of Contractor's claims for services provided during the invoice period. No subsequently asserted claims or invoices for services performed during a previously invoiced period will be payable by the Department.
- f. Interim Payments. Interim payments may be made by the Department, at its discretion, if the completion of deliverables to date have first been accepted in writing by the Department's Contract Manager.
- g. Final Payment Request. A final payment request should be submitted to the Department no later than sixty (60) calendar days following the completion date of the Contract to ensure the availability of funds for payment. However, all work performed pursuant to the Scope of Work must be performed on or before the completion date of the Contract.
- h. Annual Appropriation Contingency. The State's performance and obligation to pay under this Contract is contingent upon an annual appropriation by the Legislature. Authorization for continuation and completion of work and any associated payments may be rescinded, with proper notice, at the discretion of the Department if the Legislature reduces or eliminates appropriations.
- i. Interest Rates. All interest rates charged under the Contract shall be calculated on the prevailing rate used by the State Board of Administration. Interest payments of less than \$1 will not be issued unless Contractor requests such payment. To obtain the applicable interest rate, please refer to: <http://www.myfloridacfo.com/Division/AA/Vendors/default.htm>.
- j. Limitation on Payment. Contractor shall not be compensated for services performed prior to execution of this Contract, for services performed following its expiration, termination, or suspension, nor for services that exceed the funding amount specified herein or in any amendment to this Contract. It is the Contractor's responsibility to know when the authorized compensation amount of the Contract will be reached. Contractor shall not perform, nor be compensated for, any services beyond the services described in the Scope of Work.

9. Documentation Required for Cost Reimbursement Contracts.

If Cost Reimbursement is authorized in the Standard Contract, the following conditions apply. To be eligible for reimbursement, costs and supporting documentation must be in compliance with laws, rules, and regulations governing agreements for services, including, but not limited to, the Reference Guide for State Expenditures, which can be accessed at the following web address: http://www.myfloridacfo.com/aadir/reference_guide/. Invoices for cost reimbursement shall be supported by an itemized listing of expenditures by category (salary, travel expenses, etc.). Supporting documentation must indicate that the item was paid and indicate the date of service.

10. Preferred Pricing Clause.

If this Contract incorporates the PUR 1000, section 4.(b) or other preferred pricing clause, the Contractor must submit an affidavit, at least annually, attesting that Contract is in compliance with the preferred-pricing clause.

11. Retainage.

The following provisions apply if the Department withholds retainage under this Contract:

- a. The Department reserves the right to establish the amount and application of retainage on the work performed under this Contract up to the maximum percentage described in Attachment 2, Special Terms and Conditions. Retainage may be withheld from each payment to Contractor, pending satisfactory completion of work and approval of all deliverables.
- b. The Department reserves the right to withhold payment of retainage for Contractor's failure to respond to or correct identified deficiencies within the timeframe stipulated in the Scope of Work. The Department shall provide written notification to Contractor of identified deficiencies and the Department's intent to withhold retainage. Contractor's failure to rectify the identified deficiency within the timeframe stated in the Department's notice will result in forfeiture of retainage by Contractor.
- c. If Contractor fails to perform the requested work, or fails to perform the work in a satisfactory manner, Contractor shall forfeit its right to payment for the work and the retainage called for under the entire Scope of Work. Failure to perform includes, but is not limited to, failure to submit the required deliverables or failure to provide adequate documentation that the work was actually performed.
- d. No retainage shall be released or paid for incomplete work while this Contract is suspended.
- e. Except as otherwise provided above, Contractor shall be paid the retainage associated with the work, provided Contractor has completed the work and submits an invoice for retainage held in accordance with the invoicing procedures under this Contract.

12. Insurance.

- a. Proof of Insurance. Upon execution of this Contract, the Contractor shall provide the Department documentation demonstrating the existence and amount for each type of applicable insurance coverage *prior to* performance of any work under this Contract. Upon receipt of written request from the Department, the Contractor shall furnish the Department with proof of applicable insurance coverage by standard form certificates of insurance, a self-insured authorization, or other certification of self-insurance.
- b. Deductibles. The Department shall be exempt from, and in no way liable for, any sums of money representing a deductible in any insurance policy. The payment of such deductible shall be the sole responsibility of the Contractor providing such insurance.
- c. Duty to Maintain Coverage. In the event that any applicable coverage is cancelled by the insurer for any reason, or if Contractor cannot get adequate coverage, the Contractor shall immediately notify the Department of such cancellation and shall obtain adequate replacement coverage conforming to the requirements herein and provide proof of such replacement coverage within ten (10) days after the cancellation of coverage.
- d. Insurance Requirements for Sub-Contractors. Department shall not be liable to any subcontractor for any expenses or liabilities incurred under any subcontract, regardless of whether the Department has approved such subcontract or subcontractor. Contractor shall be solely liable to its subcontractor(s) for all expenses and liabilities incurred under any subcontract. Any subcontracts made under or in performance of this Contract must include the same conditions specified in this Contract, and shall include a release of any rights, claims or liabilities against the Department. The level of insurance to be carried by subcontractors performing work under this Contract shall be at the discretion of Contractor.

13. Termination.

- a. Termination for Convenience. When it is in the State's best interest, the Department may, in its sole discretion, terminate the Contract in whole or in part by giving thirty (30) days written notice to the Contractor. The Department shall notify the Contractor of the termination for convenience with instructions as to the effective date of termination or the specific stage of work at which the Contract is to be terminated. The Contractor must submit all invoices for work to be paid under this Contract within thirty (30) days of the effective date of termination. The Department shall not pay any invoices received after thirty (30) days of the effective date of termination.
- b. Termination for Cause. The Department may terminate this Contract if any of the events of default described in the Events of Default provision below occur or in the event that the Contractor fails to fulfill any of its other obligations under this Contract. If, after termination, it is determined that the Contractor was not in default, or that the default was excusable, the rights and obligations of the parties shall be the same as if the termination had been issued for the convenience of the Department. The rights and remedies of the Department in this clause are in addition to any other rights and remedies provided by law or under this Contract.
- c. Contractor Obligations upon Notice of Termination. After receipt of a notice of termination or partial termination, unless otherwise directed by the Department, the Contractor shall not furnish any service or deliverable on the date, and to the extent specified, in the notice. However, the Contractor shall continue work on any portion of

the Contract not terminated. If the Contract is terminated before performance is completed, the Contractor shall be paid only for that work satisfactorily performed for which costs can be substantiated. The Contractor shall not be entitled to recover any cancellation charges or lost profits.

- d. Continuation of Prepaid Services. If the Department has paid for any services prior to the expiration, cancellation, or termination of the Contract, the Contractor shall continue to provide the Department with those services for which it has already been paid or, at Department's discretion, Contractor shall provide a refund for services that have been paid for but not rendered.
- e. Transition of Services Upon Termination, Expiration, or Cancellation of the Contract. If services provided under the Contract are being transitioned to another provider(s), the Contractor shall assist in the smooth transition of Contract services to the subsequent provider(s). This requirement is at a minimum an affirmative obligation to cooperate with the new provider(s), however additional requirements may be outlined in the Scope of Work. The Contractor shall not perform any services after Contract expiration or termination, except as necessary to complete the transition or continued portion of the Contract, if any.

14. Step-in Rights.

If the Contractor is in material breach of its obligation to perform any of the services under the Contract and fails to remedy such breach within ten (10) days after written notice of the breach from the Department, the Department, at its sole discretion, shall have the right to "step-in" (i.e. perform the work itself) or hire another contractor to perform these services. Contractor shall be liable to the Department for any fees or expenses that the Department may incur in exercising its step-in rights or securing a substitute provider to assume completion of those services.

15. Notice of Default.

If the Contractor defaults in the performance of any covenant or obligation contained in the Contract, including, any of the events of default, the Department shall provide notice to the Contractor and an opportunity to cure that is reasonable under the circumstances. This notice shall state the nature of the failure to perform and provide a time certain for correcting the failure. The notice will also provide that, should the Contractor fail to perform within the time provided, the Contractor will be found in default, and the Department may terminate the Contract effective as of the date of receipt of the default notice.

16. Events of Default.

Provided such failure is not the fault of the Department or outside the reasonable control of the Contractor, the following non-exclusive list of events, acts, or omissions, shall constitute events of default:

- a. The commitment of any material breach of this Contract by the Contractor, including failure to timely deliver a material deliverable, failure to perform the minimal level of services required for a deliverable, discontinuance of the performance of the work, failure to resume work that has been discontinued within a reasonable time after notice to do so, or abandonment of the Contract;
- b. Failure to maintain adequate progress, thus endangering the performance of the Contract;
- c. The commitment of any material misrepresentation or omission in any materials, or discovery by the Department of such, made by the Contractor in this Contract or in its response to the solicitation;
- d. Failure to honor any term of the Contract;
- e. Failure to abide by any statutory, regulatory, or licensing requirement, including an entry of an order revoking the certificate of authority granted to the Contractor by a state or other licensing authority;
- f. Failure to pay any and all entities, individuals, and furnishing labor or materials, or failure to make payment to any other entities as required by this Contract;
- g. Employment of an unauthorized alien in the performance of the work, in violation of Section 274 (A) of the Immigration and Nationality Act;
- h. Failure to maintain the insurance required by this Contract;
- i. Failure to comply with a preferred-pricing clause required by this Contract, if any, at the Department's discretion;
- j. Failure to comply with the Employment Eligibility Verification requirements of this Contract; and
- k. One or more of the following circumstances, uncorrected for more than 30 calendar days unless, within the specified 30-day period, the Contractor (including its receiver or trustee in bankruptcy) provides to the Department adequate assurances, reasonably acceptable to the Department, of its continuing ability and willingness to fulfill its obligations under the Contract:
 - i. Entry of an order for relief under Title 11 of the United States Code;
 - ii. The making by the Contractor of a general assignment for the benefit of creditors;
 - iii. The appointment of a general receiver or trustee in bankruptcy of the Contractor's business or property; and/or
 - iv. An action by the Contractor under any state insolvency or similar law for the purpose of its bankruptcy, reorganization, or liquidation.

17. Indemnification.

- a. The Contractor shall be fully liable for the actions of its agents, employees, partners, or subcontractors and shall fully indemnify, defend, and hold harmless the Department and its officers, agents, and employees, from suits, actions, damages, and costs of every name and description arising from or relating to:
 - i. personal injury and damage to real or personal tangible property alleged to be caused in whole or in part by Contractor, its agents, employees, partners, or subcontractors; provided, however, that the Contractor shall not indemnify for that portion of any loss or damages proximately caused by the negligent act or omission of the Department;
 - ii. the Contractor's breach of this Contract or the negligent acts or omissions of the Contractor.
- b. The Contractor's obligations under the preceding paragraph with respect to any legal action are contingent upon the Department giving the Contractor (1) written notice of any action or threatened action; (2) the opportunity to take over and settle or defend any such action at Contractor's sole expense; and (3) assistance in defending the action at Contractor's sole expense.
- c. Notwithstanding sections a. and b. above, the following is the sole indemnification provision that applies to Contractors that are governmental entities: Each party hereto agrees that it shall be solely responsible for the negligent or wrongful acts of its employees and agents. However, nothing contained herein shall constitute a waiver by either party of its sovereign immunity or the provisions of Section 768.28, F.S. Further, nothing herein shall be construed as consent by a state agency or subdivision of the State to be sued by third parties in any matter arising out of any contract or this Contract.
- d. No provision in this Contract shall require the Department to hold harmless or indemnify the Contractor, insure or assume liability for the Contractor's negligence, waive the Department's sovereign immunity under the laws of Florida, or otherwise impose liability on the Department for which it would not otherwise be responsible. Any provision, implication or suggestion to the contrary is null and void.

18. Limitation of Liability.

The Department's liability for any claim arising from this Contract is limited to compensatory damages in an amount no greater than the sum of the unpaid balance of compensation due for goods or services rendered pursuant to and in compliance with the terms of the Contract. Such liability is further limited to a cap of \$100,000.

Unless otherwise specifically enumerated in the Contract, purchase order, or task order, Department shall not be liable to another for special, indirect, punitive, or consequential damages, including lost data or records (unless the contract or purchase order requires the Contractor to back-up data or records), even if the party has been advised that such damages are possible. Department shall not be liable for lost profits, lost revenue, or lost institutional operating savings. The Department may, in addition to other remedies available to them at law or equity and upon notice to the Contractor, retain such monies from amounts due Contractor as may be necessary to satisfy any claim for damages, penalties, costs and the like asserted by or against them. The Department may set off any liability or other obligation of the Contractor or its affiliates to the Department against any payments due the Contractor under any contract with the State.

19. Remedies.

All rights and remedies provided in this Contract are cumulative and not exclusive of any other rights or remedies that may be available to the Department, whether provided by law, equity, statute, in any other agreement between the parties or otherwise. Department shall be entitled to injunctive and other equitable relief, including, but not limited to, specific performance, to prevent a breach, continued breach or threatened breach of this Contract. No remedy or election hereunder shall be deemed exclusive. A failure to exercise or a delay in exercising, on the part of the Department, any right, remedy, power or privilege hereunder shall not operate as a waiver thereof; nor shall any single or partial exercise of any right, remedy, power or privilege hereunder preclude any other or further exercise thereof or the exercise of any other right, remedy, power or privilege. The Department may, in addition to other remedies available to it at law or in equity and upon notice to the Contractor, retain such monies from amounts due Contractor as may be necessary to satisfy any claim for damages, penalties, costs and the like asserted by or against it. Nothing in this Contract shall be construed to make the Contractor liable for force majeure events.

20. Ownership of Documents.

All plans, specifications, maps, computer files, databases and/or reports prepared or obtained under this Contract, as well as data collected together with summaries and charts derived therefrom, shall become the property of the Department upon completion or termination of this Contract, without restriction or limitation on their use, and shall be made available upon request to the Department at any time during the performance of such services and/or upon completion or termination of this Contract. Upon delivery to the Department of said document(s), the Department shall become the custodian thereof in accordance with Chapter 119, F.S. Contractor shall not copyright any material and products or patent any invention developed under this Contract.

21. Statutory Notices Relating to Unauthorized Employment and Subcontracts.

- a. The Department shall consider the employment by any Contractor of unauthorized aliens a violation of Section 274A(e) of the Immigration and Nationality Act. If the Contractor/subcontractor knowingly employs unauthorized aliens, such violation shall be cause for unilateral cancellation of this Contract. The Contractor shall be responsible for including this provision in all subcontracts with private organizations issued as a result of this Contract.
- b. Pursuant to Sections 287.133 and 287.134, F.S., the following restrictions apply to persons placed on the convicted vendor list or the discriminatory vendor list:
 - i. Convicted Vendors. A person or affiliate who has been placed on the convicted vendor list following a conviction for a public entity crime may not submit a bid, proposal, or reply on a contract to provide any goods or services to a public entity; may not submit a bid, proposal, or reply on a contract with a public entity for the construction or repair of a public building or public work; may not submit bids, proposals, or replies on leases of real property to a public entity; may not be awarded or perform work as a Contractor, supplier, subcontractor, or consultant under a contract with any public entity; and may not transact business with any public entity in excess of the threshold amount provided in Section 287.017, F.S., for CATEGORY TWO for a period of 36 months following the date of being placed on the convicted vendor list.
 - ii. Discriminatory Vendors. An entity or affiliate who has been placed on the discriminatory vendor list may not submit a bid, proposal, or reply on a contract to provide any goods or services to a public entity; may not submit a bid, proposal, or reply on a contract with a public entity for the construction or repair of a public building or public work; may not submit bids, proposals, or replies on leases of real property to a public entity; may not be awarded or perform work as a contractor, supplier, subcontractor, or consultant under a contract with any public entity; and may not transact business with any public entity.
 - iii. Notification. The Contractor shall notify the Department if it or any of its suppliers, subcontractors, or consultants have been placed on the convicted vendor list or the discriminatory vendor list during the life of the Contract. The Florida Department of Management Services is responsible for maintaining the discriminatory vendor list and posts the list on its website. Questions regarding the discriminatory vendor list may be directed to the Florida Department of Management Services, Office of Supplier Diversity, at (850) 487-0915.

22. Employee Eligibility.

Contractor is required to use the U.S. Department of Homeland Security's E-Verify system to verify the employment eligibility of all employees used by the Contractor under this Contract, pursuant to State of Florida Executive Order No.: 11-116. Also, the Contractor shall include in related subcontracts, if authorized under this Contract, a requirement that subcontractors performing work or providing services pursuant to this Contract utilize the E-Verify system to verify employment eligibility of all employees used by the subcontractor for the performance of the Work.

23. Compliance with Federal, State and Local Laws.

- a. The Contractor and all its agents shall comply with all federal, state and local regulations, including, but not limited to, nondiscrimination, wages, social security, workers' compensation, licenses, and registration requirements. The Contractor shall include this provision in all subcontracts issued as a result of this Contract.
- b. No person, on the grounds of race, creed, color, religion, national origin, age, gender, or disability, shall be excluded from participation in; be denied the proceeds or benefits of; or be otherwise subjected to discrimination in performance of this Contract.
- c. This Contract shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State.
- d. Any dispute concerning performance of the Contract shall be processed as described herein. Jurisdiction for any damages arising under the terms of the Contract will be in the courts, and venue will be in a court of competent jurisdiction, in Leon County, Florida. Except as otherwise provided by law, the parties agree to be responsible for their own attorney fees incurred in connection with disputes arising under the terms of this Contract.

24. Scrutinized Companies.

- a. Contractor certifies that it and its subcontractors are not on the Scrutinized Companies that Boycott Israel List. Pursuant to Section 287.135, F.S., the Department may immediately terminate this Contract at its sole option if the Contractor or its subcontractors are found to have submitted a false certification; or if the Contractor, or its subcontractors are placed on the Scrutinized Companies that Boycott Israel List or is engaged in the boycott of Israel during the term of the Contract.

- b. If this Contract is for more than one million dollars, the Contractor certifies that it and its subcontractors are also not on the Scrutinized Companies with Activities in Sudan, Scrutinized Companies with Activities in the Iran Petroleum Energy Sector List, or engaged with business operations in Cuba or Syria as identified in Section 287.135, F.S. Pursuant to Section 287.135, F.S., the Department may immediately terminate this Contract at its sole option if the Contractor, its affiliates, or its subcontractors are found to have submitted a false certification; or if the Contractor, its affiliates, or its subcontractors are placed on the Scrutinized Companies that Boycott the Scrutinized Companies with Activities in Sudan List, or Scrutinized Companies with Activities in the Iran Petroleum Energy Sector List, or engaged with business operations in Cuba or Syria during the term of the Contract.
- c. As provided in Subsection 287.135(8), F.S., if federal law ceases to authorize these contracting prohibitions then they shall become inoperative.

25. Lobbying and Integrity.

The Contractor agrees that no funds received by it under this Contract will be expended for the purpose of lobbying the Legislature or a State agency pursuant to Section 216.347, F.S., except that pursuant to the requirements of Section 287.058(6), F.S., during the term of any executed agreement between the Contractor and the State, the Contractor may lobby the executive or legislative branch concerning the scope of services, performance, term, or compensation regarding that agreement. The Contractor shall comply with Sections 11.062 and 216.347, F.S.

26. Record Keeping.

The Contractor shall maintain books, records and documents directly pertinent to performance under this Contract in accordance with United States generally accepted accounting principles (US GAAP) consistently applied. The Department, the State, or their authorized representatives shall have access to such records for audit purposes during the term of this Contract and for five (5) years following the completion date or termination of the Contract. In the event that any work is subcontracted, the Contractor shall similarly require each subcontractor to maintain and allow access to such records for audit purposes. Upon request of the Department's Inspector General, or other authorized State official, the Contractor shall provide any type of information the Inspector General deems relevant to the Contractor's integrity or responsibility. Such information may include, but shall not be limited to, the Contractor's business or financial records, documents, or files of any type or form that refer to or relate to the Contract. The Contractor shall retain such records for the longer of: (1) three years after the expiration of the Contract; or (2) the period required by the General Records Schedules maintained by the Florida Department of State (available at: <http://dos.myflorida.com/library-archives/records-management/general-records-schedules/>).

27. Audits.

- a. Inspector General. This Contract is subject to a post performance audit by the Department's or State's Inspector General. The Contractor understands its duty, pursuant to Section 20.055(5), F.S., to cooperate with the Inspector General in any investigation, audit, inspection, review, or hearing regarding the Contract. The Contractor will comply with this duty and ensure that its Subcontracts issued under this Contract, if any, impose this requirement, in writing, on its sub-Contractors.
- b. Physical Access and Inspection. Department personnel shall be given access to and may observe and inspect work being performed under this Contract, with reasonable notice and during normal business hours, including by any of the following methods:
 - i. Contractor shall provide access to any location or facility on which Contractor is performing work, or storing or staging equipment, materials or documents;
 - ii. Contractor shall permit inspection of any facility, equipment, practices, or operations required in performance of any work pursuant to this Contract; and,
 - iii. Contractor shall allow and facilitate sampling and monitoring of any substances, soils, materials or parameters at any location reasonable or necessary to assure compliance with any work or legal requirements pursuant to this Contract.
- c. Proof of Transactions. In addition to documentation provided to support cost reimbursement as described herein, the Department may periodically request additional proof of a transaction to evaluate the appropriateness of costs to the Contract pursuant to State and Federal guidelines (including cost allocation guidelines). The Department may also request a cost allocation plan in support of Contractor's multipliers (overhead, indirect, general administrative costs, and fringe benefits). The Contractor must provide the additional proof within thirty (30) calendar days of such request.

28. Conflict of Interest.

The Contractor covenants that it presently has no interest and shall not acquire any interest which would conflict in any manner or degree with the performance of services required.

29. Independent Contractor.

The Contractor is an independent contractor and is not an employee or agent of the Department.

30. Subcontracting.

- a. Unless otherwise specified in the Special Terms and Conditions, all services contracted for are to be performed solely by the Contractor and may not be subcontracted or assigned without the prior written consent of the Department.
- b. The Department may, for cause, require the replacement of any Contractor's employee, subcontractor, or agent. Shall cause, includes technical or training qualifications, quality of work, change in security clearance, or non-compliance with an applicable Department policy or other requirement.
- c. The Department may, for cause, deny access to the Department's secure information or any facility by any Contractor employee, subcontractor, or agent.
- d. The Department's actions under paragraphs b. or c. shall not relieve the Contractor of its obligation to perform all work in compliance with the Contract. The Contractor shall be responsible for the payment of all monies due under any subcontract. The Department shall not be liable to any subcontractor for any expenses or liabilities incurred under any subcontract and the Contractor shall be solely liable to the subcontractor for all expenses and liabilities incurred under any subcontract.
- e. The Department supports diversity in its procurement program and requests that all subcontracting opportunities afforded by this Contract embrace diversity enthusiastically. The award of subcontracts should reflect the full diversity of the citizens of the State. A list of minority-owned firms that could be offered subcontracting opportunities may be obtained by contacting the Office of Supplier Diversity at (850) 487-0915.
- f. The Contractor shall not be liable for any excess costs for a failure to perform, if the failure to perform is caused by the default of a subcontractor at any tier, and if the cause of the default is completely beyond the control of both the Contractor and the subcontractor(s), and without the fault or negligence of either, unless the subcontracted products or services were obtainable from other sources in sufficient time for the Contractor to meet the required delivery schedule.

31. Improvements to Real Property.

If any state funds are provided under this Contract for the purchase of or improvements to real property, the Contractor shall grant to the state a security interest in the property equal to the amount of state funds provided for at least five (5) years from the date of purchase or the completion of the improvements, unless otherwise provided by law.

32. Guarantee of Parent Company.

In the event the Contractor is sold during the period the Contract is in effect, the Contractor agrees that it will be a requirement of sale that the new parent company guarantee all of the obligations of the Contractor.

33. Headings.

The headings contained herein are for convenience only, do not constitute a part of this Contract and shall not be deemed to limit or affect any of the provisions hereof.

34. Interpretation of Contract.

- a. Where appropriate: the singular includes the plural and vice versa; references to statutes or regulations include all statutory or regulatory provisions consolidating, amending or replacing the statute or regulation referred to; unless otherwise indicated references to Rules are to the adopted rules in the Florida Administrative Code; the words "including," "includes" and "include" shall be deemed to be followed by the words "without limitation"; unless otherwise indicated references to sections, appendices or schedules are to this Contract; words such as "herein," "hereof" and "hereunder" shall refer to the entire document in which they are contained and not to any particular provision or section; words not otherwise defined which have well-known technical or construction industry meanings, are used in accordance with such recognized meanings; references to Persons include their respective successors and assigns and, in the case of Governmental Persons, Persons succeeding to their respective functions and capacities; and words of any gender used herein shall include each other gender where appropriate.
- b. Contractor acknowledges and agrees that it has independently reviewed this Contract with legal counsel, and that it has the requisite experience and sophistication to understand, interpret and agree to the particular language of the terms. Accordingly, if an ambiguity in (or dispute regarding the interpretation of) this Contract shall arise, the Contract shall not be interpreted or construed against the Department, and, instead, other rules of interpretation and construction shall be used. If the Contract is competitively procured, the Contractor further acknowledges and agrees that it had the opportunity and obligation, prior to submission of its Response, to review the terms and conditions of this Contract and to bring to the attention of the Department any conflicts or ambiguities contained therein.

35. Modifications Required by Law.

Department reserves the right to revise this Contract to include additional language required by Federal agency(ies) or other sources awarding funding to the Department in support of this Contract, if applicable, and to include changes required by Florida law or Administrative Code rule changes.

36. Survival.

The respective obligations of the parties, which by their nature would continue beyond the termination or expiration of this Contract, including without limitation, the obligations regarding confidentiality, proprietary interests, and public records, shall survive termination, cancellation, or expiration of this Contract.

37. Third Parties.

The Department shall not be deemed to assume any liability for the acts, failures to act or negligence of the Contractor, its agents, servants, and employees. The Contractor shall not disclaim its own negligence to the Department or any third party. This Contract does not and is not intended to confer any rights or remedies upon any person other than the parties. If the Department consents to a subcontract, the Contractor will specifically disclose that this Contract does not create any third-party rights. Further, no third parties shall rely upon any of the rights and obligations created under this Contract.

38. MFMP Transaction Fee

- a. The State through the Department of Management Services (DMS), has instituted MyFloridaMarketPlace (MFMP), a statewide e-procurement system. Pursuant to Section 287.057(22)(c), F.S., all payments shall be assessed a Transaction Fee which the Contractor shall pay the State unless exempt pursuant to Rule 60A-1.031, Florida Administrative Code (F.A.C.).
- b. For payments within the State accounting system (FLAIR or its successor), the Transaction Fee shall, when possible, be automatically deducted from payments to the Contractor. If automatic deduction is not possible, the Contractor shall pay the Transaction Fee pursuant to Rule 60A-1.031, F.A.C. By submission of these reports and corresponding payments, the Contractor certifies their correctness. All such reports and payments shall be subject to audit by the State or its designee.
- c. Contractor shall receive a credit for any Transaction Fee paid by the Contractor for the purchase of any item(s) if such item(s) is/are returned to the Contractor through no fault, act, or omission of the Contractor. Notwithstanding the foregoing, a Transaction Fee is non-refundable when an item is rejected, returned, or declined, due to the Contractor's failure to perform or comply with specifications or requirements of this Contract.
- d. Failure to comply with these requirements shall constitute grounds for declaring the Contractor in default and recovering re-procurement costs from the Contractor in addition to all outstanding fees. **CONTRACTORS THAT ARE DELINQUENT IN PAYING TRANSACTION FEES MAY BE EXCLUDED FROM CONDUCTING FUTURE BUSINESS WITH THE STATE.**

39. Execution in Counterparts.

This Contract, any amendments, and/or change orders related to the Contract, may be executed in counterparts, each of which shall be an original and all of which shall constitute the same instrument. In accordance with the Electronic Signature Act of 1996, electronic signatures, including facsimile transmissions, may be used and shall have the same force and effect as a written signature.

40. Warranty of Authority to Sign.

Each person signing this Contract warrants that he or she is duly authorized to do so and to bind the respective party to the Contract.

**STATE OF FLORIDA
DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION
Special Terms and Conditions**

ATTACHMENT 2

These Special Terms and Conditions shall be read together with general terms outlined in the Standard Terms and Conditions, Attachment 1. Where in conflict, these more specific terms shall apply.

1. Insurance.

Required Coverage. At all times during the Contract the Contractor, at its sole expense, shall maintain insurance coverage of such types and with such terms and limits described below. The limits of coverage under each policy maintained by the Contractor shall not be interpreted as limiting the Contractor's liability and obligations under the Contract. All insurance policies shall be through insurers licensed and authorized to issue policies in Florida. Additional insurance requirements for this Contract may be required elsewhere in this Contract, however the minimum insurance requirements applicable to this Contract are:

a. Commercial General Liability Insurance.

The Contractor shall provide adequate commercial general liability insurance coverage and hold such liability insurance at all times during the Contract. The Department, its employees, and officers shall be named as an additional insured on any general liability policies. The minimum limits shall be \$1,000,000 for each occurrence and \$1,000,000 policy aggregate.

b. Commercial Automobile Insurance.

If the Contractor's duties include the use of a commercial vehicle, the Contractor shall maintain automobile liability, bodily injury, and property damage coverage. Insuring clauses for both bodily injury and property damage shall provide coverage on an occurrence basis. The Department, its employees, and officers shall be named as an additional insured on any automobile insurance policy. The minimum limits shall be as follows:

\$200,000/300,000	Automobile Liability for Company-Owned Vehicles, if applicable
\$200,000/300,000	Hired and Non-owned Automobile Liability Coverage

c. Workers' Compensation and Employer's Liability Coverage.

The Contractor shall provide workers' compensation, in accordance with Chapter 440, F.S., and employer's liability insurance with minimum limits of \$100,000 per accident, \$100,000 per person, and \$500,000 policy aggregate. Such policies shall cover all employees engaged in any work under the Contract.

d. Professional Liability Insurance.

The Contractor shall provide adequate professional liability insurance coverage and hold such liability insurance at all times during the Contract. The Department, its employees, and officers shall be named as an additional insured on any professional liability policies. The minimum limits shall be \$1,000,000 for each occurrence and \$1,000,000 policy aggregate.

2. Payment and Performance Bonds.

There are no bonds required under this Contract.

3. Liquidated Damages.

In addition to other remedies elsewhere in this Contract, and as provided by law, unless otherwise stipulated in the Scope of Work, the Contractor hereby covenants and agrees to pay liquidated damages to the Department as follows:

- a. The Contractor acknowledges that time is of the essence for all services provided under this Contract, and the actual damages to be suffered by late performance and the damages suffered by failing to meet the standards as outlined in the Scope of Work are incapable of accurate calculation. Therefore, the parties agree that it is in the parties' best interests to agree upon a reasonable amount of liquidated damages, which are not intended to be a penalty and are solely intended to compensate for unknown and unascertainable damages.
- b. In addition to any other provisions of this Contract, in the event that the deliverable identified in the Scope, is not completed and submitted by the close of business on the date the deliverable is due, the compensation amount stated for that portion of the Work may be reduced by 0.5% per week for each week the deliverable is late, with the total amount of the liquidated damages not to exceed the total compensation amount of the Scope of Work deliverable.

- c. The date of submission of the deliverable shall be the date of receipt by the Department.
- d. If completion is or will be justifiably delayed due to reasons set out in the Force Majeure provisions of this Contract, the Department may provide for additional time to complete the delayed deliverable as evidenced by an Amendment.
- e. If the deliverable(s) fail to comply with the requirements of this Contract, or if questions arise from review and the Contractor is so notified and requested to respond, the Contractor shall furnish the required additions, deletions, or revisions in accordance with the Scope of Work at no additional cost to the Department.
- f. If the additions, deletions, and revisions are not submitted to the Department's Contract Manager in accordance with the Scope, the compensation stated for that portion of the services may be reduced by 0.5% per week for each week that the requested deliverable is late, as specified. The total reduction shall not exceed the total amount of the deliverable.
- g. The Contractor's failure to respond to a request to correct the deliverable(s) will result in termination of the service and/or the entire Contract and forfeiture of any unpaid balance for such deliverables. Additionally, the Department, at its discretion, may re-assign future services.

4. Retainage.

Retainage is permitted under this Contract. Retainage may be up to a maximum of ten (10) percent of the total amount of the Contract.

5. MFMP Transaction Fee.

Pursuant to Rule 60A-1.031, Florida Administrative Code, the Contractor is required to pay the MFMP Transaction Fees for payments made pursuant to this Contract.

6. Quality Assurance Requirements.

There are no special Quality Assurance requirements under this Contract.

7. Subcontracting.

The Contractor shall not subcontract any services under this Contract.

8. Personnel Changes.

The Contractor may remove its personnel assigned to perform under this Contract and substitute other qualified personnel. The Contractor shall notify the Department Contract Manager to any such changes, and, upon request from the Department Contract Manager, give the new employee's name, security clearance, if applicable, and technical qualifications. Any removals or replacements shall be at no additional cost to the Department.

9. Intellectual Property.

- a. The Contractor's intellectual property rights that preexist this Contract will remain with the Contractor. Intellectual property rights to all property created or otherwise developed by Contractor specifically for the Department will be owned by the State through the Department. Proceeds derived from the sale, licensing, marketing, or other authorization related to any such Department-controlled intellectual property right shall be handled in the manner specified by applicable statute.
- b. If the Contractor fails to provide, or no longer can provide, a deliverable or service under the Contract that contains or otherwise utilizes intellectual property controlled by the Contractor, the Contractor shall grant the Department a royalty-free, paid-up, nonexclusive, perpetual license to use, modify, reproduce, distribute, publish or release to others, such Contractor-controlled intellectual property solely for use in connection with the deliverables or services under the Contract.

10. Additional Terms.

None.

STATE OF FLORIDA
DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION
Scope of Work
ATTACHMENT 3

[TO BE INSERTED]

**STATE OF FLORIDA
DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION
Public Records Requirements**

ATTACHMENT 4

1. Public Records Access Requirements.

- a. If the Contract exceeds \$35,000.00, and if the Contractor is acting on behalf of the Department in its performance of services under the Contract, the Contractor must allow public access to all documents, papers, letters, or other material, regardless of the physical form, characteristics, or means of transmission, made or received by the Contractor in conjunction with the Contract (Public Records), unless the Public Records are exempt from section 24(a) of Article I of the Florida Constitution or section 119.07(1), F.S.
- b. The Department may unilaterally terminate the Contract if the Contractor refuses to allow public access to Public Records as required by law.

2. Additional Public Records Duties of Section 119.0701, F.S., If Applicable.

If the Contractor is a "contractor" as defined in section 119.0701(1)(a), F.S., the Contractor shall:

- a. Keep and maintain Public Records required by the Department to perform the service.
- b. Upon request, provide the Department with a copy of requested Public Records or allow the Public Records to be inspected or copied within a reasonable time at a cost that does not exceed the cost provided in Chapter 119, F.S., or as otherwise provided by law.
- c. A Contractor who fails to provide the Public Records to the Department within a reasonable time may be subject to penalties under section 119.10, F.S.
- d. Ensure that Public Records that are exempt or confidential and exempt from Public Records disclosure requirements are not disclosed except as authorized by law for the duration of the Contract term and following completion of the Contract if the Contractor does not transfer the Public Records to the Department.
- e. Upon completion of the Contract, transfer, at no cost, to the Department all Public Records in possession of the Contractor or keep and maintain Public Records required by the Department to perform the service. If the Contractor transfers all Public Records to the Department upon completion of the Contract, the Contractor shall destroy any duplicate Public Records that are exempt or confidential and exempt from Public Records disclosure requirements. If the Contractor keeps and maintains Public Records upon completion of the Contract, the Contractor shall meet all applicable requirements for retaining Public Records. All Public Records stored electronically must be provided to the Department, upon request from the Department's custodian of Public Records, in a format specified by the Department as compatible with the information technology systems of the Department. These formatting requirements are satisfied by using the data formats as authorized in the Contract or Microsoft Word, Outlook, Adobe, or Excel, and any software formats the Contractor is authorized to access.

- f. **IF THE CONTRACTOR HAS QUESTIONS REGARDING THE APPLICATION OF CHAPTER 119, F.S., TO THE CONTRACTOR'S DUTY TO PROVIDE PUBLIC RECORDS RELATING TO THE CONTRACT, CONTACT THE DEPARTMENT'S CUSTODIAN OF PUBLIC RECORDS AT:**

Telephone: (850) 245-2118

Email: Public.Services@FloridaDEP.gov

Mailing Address: Department of Environmental Protection

ATTN: Office of Ombudsman and Public Services

Public Records Request

3900 Commonwealth Boulevard, MS 49

Tallahassee, Florida 32399

**STATE OF FLORIDA
DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION
Price Sheet**

ATTACHMENT 5

[TO BE INSERTED]

**STATE OF FLORIDA
DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION
General Contract Conditions – PUR 1000**

EXHIBIT A

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1. **Definitions.** The definitions contained in s. 60A-1.001, F.A.C. shall apply to this agreement. The following additional terms are also defined:
 - (a) “Contract” means the legally enforceable agreement that results from a successful solicitation. The parties to the Contract will be the Customer and Contractor.
 - (b) “Customer” means the State agency or other entity identified in a contract as the party to receive commodities or contractual services pursuant to a contract or that orders commodities or contractual services via purchase order or other contractual instrument from the Contractor under the Contract. The “Customer” may also be the “Buyer” as defined in the PUR 1001 if it meets the definition of both terms.
 - (c) “Product” means any deliverable under the Contract, which may include commodities, services, technology or software.
 - (d) “Purchase order” means the form or format a Customer uses to make a purchase under the Contract (e.g., a formal written purchase order, electronic purchase order, procurement card, contract or other authorized means).
2. **Purchase Orders.** In contracts where commodities or services are ordered by the Customer via purchase order, Contractor shall not deliver or furnish products until a Customer transmits a purchase order. All purchase orders shall bear the Contract or solicitation number, shall be placed by the Customer directly with the Contractor, and shall be deemed to incorporate by reference the Contract and solicitation terms and conditions. Any discrepancy between the Contract terms and the terms stated on the Contractor’s order form, confirmation, or acknowledgement shall be resolved in favor of terms most favorable to the Customer. A purchase order for services within the ambit of section 287.058(1) of the Florida Statutes shall be deemed to incorporate by reference the requirements of subparagraphs (a) through (f) thereof. Customers shall designate a contract manager and a contract administrator as required by subsections 287.057(15) and (16) of the Florida Statutes.
3. **Product Version.** Purchase orders shall be deemed to reference a manufacturer’s most recently release model or version of the product at the time of the order, unless the Customer specifically requests in writing an earlier model or version and the contractor is willing to provide such model or version.
4. **Price Changes Applicable only to Term Contracts.** If this is a term contract for commodities or services, the following provisions apply.
 - (a) Quantity Discounts. Contractors are urged to offer additional discounts for one time delivery of large single orders. Customers should seek to negotiate additional price concessions on quantity purchases of any products offered under the Contract. State Customers shall document their files accordingly.
 - (b) Best Pricing Offer. During the Contract term, if the Customer becomes aware of better pricing offered by the Contractor for substantially the same or a smaller quantity of a product outside the Contract, but upon the same or similar terms of the Contract, then at the discretion of the Customer the price under the Contract shall be immediately reduced to the lower price.
 - (c) Sales Promotions. In addition to decreasing prices for the balance of the Contract term due to a change in market conditions, a Contractor may conduct sales promotions involving price reductions for a specified lesser period. A Contractor shall submit to the Contract Specialist documentation identifying the proposed (1) starting and ending dates of the promotion, (2) products involved, and (3) promotional prices compared to then-authorized prices. Promotional prices shall be available to all Customers. Upon approval, the Contractor shall provide conspicuous notice of the promotion.
 - (d) Trade-In. Customers may trade-in equipment when making purchases from the Contract. A trade-in shall be negotiated between the Customer and the Contractor. Customers are obligated to actively seek current fair market value when trading equipment, and to keep accurate records of the process. For State agencies, it may be necessary to provide documentation to the Department of Financial Services and to the agency property custodian pursuant to Chapter 273, F.S.
 - (e) Equitable Adjustment. The Customer may, in its sole discretion, make an equitable adjustment in the Contract terms or pricing if pricing or availability of supply is affected by extreme and unforeseen volatility in the marketplace, that is, by circumstances that satisfy all the following criteria: (1) the volatility is due to causes wholly beyond the Contractor’s control, (2) the volatility affects the marketplace or industry, not just the particular Contract source of supply, (3) the effect on pricing or availability of supply is substantial, and (4) the volatility so affects the Contractor that continued performance of the Contract would result in a substantial loss.

5. **Additional Quantities.** For a period not exceeding ninety (90) days from the date of solicitation award, the Customer reserves the right to acquire additional quantities up to the amount shown on the solicitation but not to exceed the threshold for Category Two at the prices submitted in the response to the solicitation.
6. **Packaging.** Tangible product shall be securely and properly packed for shipment, storage, and stocking in appropriate, clearly labeled, shipping containers and according to accepted commercial practice, without extra charge for packing materials, cases, or other types of containers. All containers and packaging shall become and remain Customer's property.
7. **Inspection at Contractor's Site.** The Customer reserves the right to inspect, at any reasonable time with prior notice, the equipment or product or plant or other facilities of a Contractor to assess conformity with Contract requirements and to determine whether they are adequate and suitable for proper and effective Contract performance.
8. **Safety Standards.** All manufactured items and fabricated assemblies subject to operation under pressure, operation by connection to an electric source, or operation involving connection to a manufactured, natural, or LP gas source shall be constructed and approved in a manner acceptable to the appropriate State inspector. Acceptability customarily requires, at a minimum, identification marking of the appropriate safety standard organization, where such approvals of listings have been established for the type of device offered and furnished, for example: the American Society of Mechanical Engineers for pressure vessels; the Underwriters Laboratories and/or National Electrical Manufacturers' Association for electrically operated assemblies; and the American Gas Association for gas-operated assemblies. In addition, all items furnished shall meet all applicable requirements of the Occupational Safety and Health Act and state and federal requirements relating to clean air and water pollution.
9. **Americans with Disabilities Act.** Contractors should identify any products that may be used or adapted for use by visually, hearing, or other physically impaired individuals.
10. **Literature.** Upon request, the Contractor shall furnish literature reasonably related to the product offered, for example, user manuals, price schedules, catalogs, descriptive brochures, etc.
11. **Transportation and Delivery.** Prices shall include all charges for packing, handling, freight, distribution, and inside delivery. Transportation of goods shall be FOB Destination to any point within thirty (30) days after the Customer places an Order. A Contractor, within five (5) days after receiving a purchase order, shall notify the Customer of any potential delivery delays. Evidence of inability or intentional delays shall be cause for Contract cancellation and Contractor suspension.
12. **Installation.** Where installation is required, Contractor shall be responsible for placing and installing the product in the required locations at no additional charge, unless otherwise designated on the Contract or purchase order. Contractor's authorized product and price list shall clearly and separately identify any additional installation charges. All materials used in the installation shall be of good quality and shall be free of defects that would diminish the appearance of the product or render it structurally or operationally unsound. Installation includes the furnishing of any equipment, rigging, and materials required to install or replace the product in the proper location. Contractor shall protect the site from damage and shall repair damages or injury caused during installation by Contractor or its employees or agents. If any alteration, dismantling, excavation, etc., is required to achieve installation, the Contractor shall promptly restore the structure or site to its original condition. Contractor shall perform installation work so as to cause the least inconvenience and interference with Customers and with proper consideration of others on site. Upon completion of the installation, the location and surrounding area of work shall be left clean and in a neat and unobstructed condition, with everything in satisfactory repair and order.
13. **Risk of Loss.** Matters of inspection and acceptance are addressed in s. 215.422, F.S. Until acceptance, risk of loss or damage shall remain with the Contractor. The Contractor shall be responsible for filing, processing, and collecting all damage claims. To assist the Contractor with damage claims, the Customer shall: record any evidence of visible damage on all copies of the delivering carrier's Bill of Lading; report damages to the carrier and the Contractor; and provide the Contractor with a copy of the carrier's Bill of Lading and damage inspection report. When a Customer rejects a product, Contractor shall remove it from the premises within ten days after notification or rejection. Upon rejection notification, the risk of loss of rejected or non-conforming product shall remain with the Contractor. Rejected product not removed by the Contractor within ten days shall be deemed abandoned by the Contractor, and the Customer shall have the right to dispose of it as its own property. Contractor shall reimburse the Customer for costs and expenses incurred in storing or effecting removal or disposition of rejected product.
14. **Transaction Fee.** The State of Florida has instituted MyFloridaMarketPlace, a statewide eProcurement System ("System"). Pursuant to section 287.057(23), Florida Statutes (2002), all payments shall be assessed a Transaction Fee of one percent (1.0%), which the Contractor shall pay to the State, unless exempt pursuant to 60A-1.032, F.A.C.

For payments within the State accounting system (FLAIR or its successor), the Transaction Fee shall, when possible, be automatically deducted from payments to the Contractor. If automatic deduction is not possible, the Contractor shall pay the

Transaction Fee pursuant to Rule 60A-1.031(2), F.A.C. By submission of these reports and corresponding payments, Contractor certifies their correctness. All such reports and payments shall be subject to audit by the State or its designee.

Contractor shall receive a credit for any Transaction Fee paid by the Contractor for the purchase of any item(s) if such item(s) are returned to the Contractor through no fault, act, or omission of the Contractor. Notwithstanding the foregoing, a Transaction Fee is non-refundable when an item is rejected or returned, or declined, due to the Contractor's failure to perform or comply with specifications or requirements of the agreement.

Failure to comply with these requirements shall constitute grounds for declaring the Contractor in default and recovering procurement costs from the Contractor in addition to all outstanding fees. **CONTRACTORS DELINQUENT IN PAYING TRANSACTION FEES MAY BE SUBJECT TO BEING REMOVED FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF MANAGEMENT SERVICES' VENDOR LIST AS PROVIDED IN RULE 60A-1.006, F.A.C.**

15. Invoicing and Payment. Invoices shall contain the Contract number, purchase order number if applicable, and the appropriate vendor identification number. The State may require any other information from the Contractor that the State deems necessary to verify any purchase order placed under the Contract.

At the State's option, Contractors may be required to invoice electronically pursuant to guidelines of the Department of Management Services. Current guidelines require that Contractor supply electronic invoices in lieu of paper-based invoices for those transactions processed through the system. Electronic invoices shall be submitted to the Customer through the Ariba Supplier Network (ASN) in one of the following mechanisms – EDI 810, cXML, or web-based invoice entry within the ASN.

Payment shall be made in accordance with sections 215.422 and 287.0585 of the Florida Statutes, which govern time limits for payment of invoices. Invoices that must be returned to a Contractor due to preparation errors will result in a delay in payment. Contractors may call (850) 413-7269 Monday through Friday to inquire about the status of payments by State Agencies. The Customer is responsible for all payments under the Contract. A Customer's failure to pay, or delay in payment, shall not constitute a breach of the Contract and shall not relieve the Contractor of its obligations to the Department or to other Customers.

16. Taxes. The State does not pay Federal excise or sales taxes on direct purchases of tangible personal property. The State will not pay for any personal property taxes levied on the Contractor or for any taxes levied on employees' wages. Any exceptions to this paragraph shall be explicitly noted by the Customer in the special contract conditions section of the solicitation or in the Contract or purchase order.

17. Governmental Restrictions. If the Contractor believes that any governmental restrictions have been imposed that require alteration of the material, quality, workmanship or performance of the products offered under the Contract, the Contractor shall immediately notify the Customer in writing, indicating the specific restriction. The Customer reserves the right and the complete discretion to accept any such alteration or to cancel the Contract at no further expense to the Customer.

18. Lobbying and Integrity. Customers shall ensure compliance with Section 11.062, FS and Section 216.347, FS. The Contractor shall not, in connection with this or any other agreement with the State, directly or indirectly (1) offer, confer, or agree to confer any pecuniary benefit on anyone as consideration for any State officer or employee's decision, opinion, recommendation, vote, other exercise of discretion, or violation of a known legal duty, or (2) offer, give, or agree to give to anyone any gratuity for the benefit of, or at the direction or request of, any State officer or employee. For purposes of clause (2), "gratuity" means any payment of more than nominal monetary value in the form of cash, travel, entertainment, gifts, meals, lodging, loans, subscriptions, advances, deposits of money, services, employment, or contracts of any kind. Upon request of the Customer's Inspector General, or other authorized State official, the Contractor shall provide any type of information the Inspector General deems relevant to the Contractor's integrity or responsibility. Such information may include, but shall not be limited to, the Contractor's business or financial records, documents, or files of any type or form that refer to or relate to the Contract. The Contractor shall retain such records for the longer of (1) three years after the expiration of the Contract or (2) the period required by the General Records Schedules maintained by the Florida Department of State (available at: <http://dos.myflorida.com/library-archives/records-management/general-records-schedules/>). The Contractor agrees to reimburse the State for the reasonable costs of investigation incurred by the Inspector General or other authorized State official for investigations of the Contractor's compliance with the terms of this or any other agreement between the Contractor and the State which results in the suspension or debarment of the Contractor. Such costs shall include, but shall not be limited to: salaries of investigators, including overtime; travel and lodging expenses; and expert witness and documentary fees. The Contractor shall not be responsible for any costs of investigations that do not result in the Contractor's suspension or debarment.

19. Indemnification. The Contractor shall be fully liable for the actions of its agents, employees, partners, or subcontractors and shall fully indemnify, defend, and hold harmless the State and Customers, and their officers, agents, and employees, from suits, actions, damages, and costs of every name and description, including attorneys' fees, arising from or relating to personal injury and damage

to real or personal tangible property alleged to be caused in whole or in part by Contractor, its agents, employees, partners, or subcontractors, provided, however, that the Contractor shall not indemnify for that portion of any loss or damages proximately caused by the negligent act or omission of the State or a Customer.

Further, the Contractor shall fully indemnify, defend, and hold harmless the State and Customers from any suits, actions, damages, and costs of every name and description, including attorneys' fees, arising from or relating to violation or infringement of a trademark, copyright, patent, trade secret or intellectual property right, provided, however, that the foregoing obligation shall not apply to a Customer's misuse or modification of Contractor's products or a Customer's operation or use of Contractor's products in a manner not contemplated by the Contract or the purchase order. If any product is the subject of an infringement suit, or in the Contractor's opinion is likely to become the subject of such a suit, the Contractor may at its sole expense procure for the Customer the right to continue using the product or to modify it to become non-infringing. If the Contractor is not reasonably able to modify or otherwise secure the Customer the right to continue using the product, the Contractor shall remove the product and refund the Customer the amounts paid in excess of a reasonable rental for past use. The customer shall not be liable for any royalties.

The Contractor's obligations under the preceding two paragraphs with respect to any legal action are contingent upon the State or Customer giving the Contractor (1) written notice of any action or threatened action, (2) the opportunity to take over and settle or defend any such action at Contractor's sole expense, and (3) assistance in defending the action at Contractor's sole expense. The Contractor shall not be liable for any cost, expense, or compromise incurred or made by the State or Customer in any legal action without the Contractor's prior written consent, which shall not be unreasonably withheld.

- 20. Limitation of Liability.** For all claims against the Contractor under any contract or purchase order, and regardless of the basis on which the claim is made, the Contractor's liability under a contract or purchase order for direct damages shall be limited to the greater of \$100,000, the dollar amount of the contract or purchase order, or two times the charges rendered by the Contractor under the purchase order. This limitation shall not apply to claims arising under the Indemnity paragraph contain in this agreement.

Unless otherwise specifically enumerated in the Contract or in the purchase order, no party shall be liable to another for special, indirect, punitive, or consequential damages, including lost data or records (unless the contract or purchase order requires the Contractor to back-up data or records), even if the party has been advised that such damages are possible. No party shall be liable for lost profits, lost revenue, or lost institutional operating savings. The State and Customer may, in addition to other remedies available to them at law or equity and upon notice to the Contractor, retain such monies from amounts due Contractor as may be necessary to satisfy any claim for damages, penalties, costs and the like asserted by or against them. The State may set off any liability or other obligation of the Contractor or its affiliates to the State against any payments due the Contractor under any contract with the State.

- 21. Suspension of Work.** The Customer may in its sole discretion suspend any or all activities under the Contract or purchase order, at any time, when in the best interests of the State to do so. The Customer shall provide the Contractor written notice outlining the particulars of suspension. Examples of the reason for suspension include, but are not limited to, budgetary constraints, declaration of emergency, or other such circumstances. After receiving a suspension notice, the Contractor shall comply with the notice and shall not accept any purchase orders. Within ninety days, or any longer period agreed to by the Contractor, the Customer shall either (1) issue a notice authorizing resumption of work, at which time activity shall resume, or (2) terminate the Contract or purchase order. Suspension of work shall not entitle the Contractor to any additional compensation.
- 22. Termination for Convenience.** The Customer, by written notice to the Contractor, may terminate the Contract in whole or in part when the Customer determines in its sole discretion that it is in the State's interest to do so. The Contractor shall not furnish any product after it receives the notice of termination, except as necessary to complete the continued portion of the Contract, if any. The Contractor shall not be entitled to recover any cancellation charges or lost profits.
- 23. Termination for Cause.** The Customer may terminate the Contract if the Contractor fails to (1) deliver the product within the time specified in the Contract or any extension, (2) maintain adequate progress, thus endangering performance of the Contract, (3) honor any term of the Contract, or (4) abide by any statutory, regulatory, or licensing requirement. Rule 60A-1.006(3), F.A.C., governs the procedure and consequences of default. The Contractor shall continue work on any work not terminated. Except for defaults of subcontractors at any tier, the Contractor shall not be liable for any excess costs if the failure to perform the Contract arises from events completely beyond the control, and without the fault or negligence, of the Contractor. If the failure to perform is caused by the default of a subcontractor at any tier, and if the cause of the default is completely beyond the control of both the Contractor and the subcontractor, and without the fault or negligence of either, the Contractor shall not be liable for any excess costs for failure to perform, unless the subcontracted products were obtainable from other sources in sufficient time for the Contractor to meet the required delivery schedule. If, after termination, it is determined that the Contractor was not in default, or that the default was excusable, the rights and obligations of the parties shall be the same as if the termination had been issued for the convenience of the Customer. The rights and remedies of the Customer in this clause are in addition to any other rights and remedies provided by law or under the Contract.

- 24. Force Majeure, Notice of Delay, and No Damages for Delay.** The Contractor shall not be responsible for delay resulting from its failure to perform if neither the fault nor the negligence of the Contractor or its employees or agents contributed to the delay and the delay is due directly to acts of God, wars, acts of public enemies, strikes, fires, floods, or other similar cause wholly beyond the Contractor's control, or for any of the foregoing that affect subcontractors or suppliers if no alternate source of supply is available to the Contractor. In case of any delay the Contractor believes is excusable, the Contractor shall notify the Customer in writing of the delay or potential delay and describe the cause of the delay either (1) within ten (10) days after the cause that creates or will create the delay first arose, if the Contractor could reasonably foresee that a delay could occur as a result, or (2) if delay is not reasonably foreseeable, within five (5) days after the date the Contractor first had reason to believe that a delay could result. **THE FOREGOING SHALL CONSTITUTE THE CONTRACTOR'S SOLE REMEDY OR EXCUSE WITH RESPECT TO DELAY.** Providing notice in strict accordance with this paragraph is a condition precedent to such remedy. No claim for damages, other than for an extension of time, shall be asserted against the Customer. The Contractor shall not be entitled to an increase in the Contract price or payment of any kind from the Customer for direct, indirect, consequential, impact or other costs, expenses or damages, including but not limited to costs of acceleration or inefficiency, arising because of delay, disruption, interference, or hindrance from any cause whatsoever. If performance is suspended or delayed, in whole or in part, due to any of the causes described in this paragraph, after the causes have ceased to exist the Contractor shall perform at no increased cost, unless the Customer determines, in its sole discretion, that the delay will significantly impair the value of the Contract to the State or to Customers, in which case the Customer may (1) accept allocated performance or deliveries from the Contractor, provided that the Contractor grants preferential treatment to Customers with respect to products subjected to allocation, or (2) purchase from other sources (without recourse to and by the Contractor for the related costs and expenses) to replace all or part of the products that are the subject of the delay, which purchases may be deducted from the Contract quantity, or (3) terminate the Contract in whole or in part.
- 25. Changes.** The Customer may unilaterally require, by written order, changes altering, adding to, or deducting from the Contract specifications, provided that such changes are within the general scope of the Contract. The Customer may make an equitable adjustment in the Contract price or delivery date if the change affects the cost or time of performance. Such equitable adjustments require the written consent of the Contractor, which shall not be unreasonably withheld. If unusual quantity requirements arise, the Customer may solicit separate bids to satisfy them.
- 26. Renewal.** Upon mutual agreement, the Customer and the Contractor may renew the Contract, in whole or in part, for a period that may not exceed 3 years or the term of the contract, whichever period is longer. Any renewal shall specify the renewal price, as set forth in the solicitation response. The renewal must be in writing and signed by both parties, and is contingent upon satisfactory performance evaluations and subject to availability of funds.
- 27. Purchase Order Duration.** Purchase orders issued pursuant to a state term or agency contract must be received by the Contractor no later than close of business on the last day of the contract's term to be considered timely. The Contractor is obliged to fill those orders in accordance with the contract's terms and conditions. Purchase orders received by the contractor after close of business on the last day of the state term or agency contract's term shall be considered void.

Purchase orders for a one-time delivery of commodities or performance of contractual services shall be valid through the performance by the Contractor, and all terms and conditions of the state term or agency contract shall apply to the single delivery/performance, and shall survive the termination of the Contract.

Contractors are required to accept purchase orders specifying delivery schedules exceeding the contracted schedule even when such extended delivery will occur after expiration of the state term or agency contract. For example, if a state term contract calls for delivery 30 days after receipt of order (ARO), and an order specifies delivery will occur both in excess of 30 days ARO and after expiration of the state term contract, the Contractor will accept the order. However, if the Contractor expressly and in writing notifies the ordering office within ten (10) calendar days of receipt of the purchase order that Contractor will not accept the extended delivery terms beyond the expiration of the state term contract, then the purchase order will either be amended in writing by the ordering entity within ten (10) calendar days of receipt of the contractor's notice to reflect the state term contract delivery schedule, or it shall be considered withdrawn.

The duration of purchase orders for recurring deliveries of commodities or performance of services shall not exceed the expiration of the state term or agency contract by more than twelve months. However, if an extended pricing plan offered in the state term or agency contract is selected by the ordering entity, the contract terms on pricing plans and renewals shall govern the maximum duration of purchase orders reflecting such pricing plans and renewals.

Timely purchase orders shall be valid through their specified term and performance by the Contractor, and all terms and conditions of the state term or agency contract shall apply to the recurring delivery/performance as provided herein, and shall survive the termination of the Contract.

Ordering offices shall not renew a purchase order issued pursuant to a state term or agency contract if the underlying contract expires prior to the effective date of the renewal.

- 28. Advertising.** Subject to Chapter 119, Florida Statutes, the Contractor shall not publicly disseminate any information concerning the Contract without prior written approval from the Customer, including, but not limited to mentioning the Contract in a press release or other promotional material, identifying the Customer or the State as a reference, or otherwise linking the Contractor's name and either a description of the Contract or the name of the State or the Customer in any material published, either in print or electronically, to any entity that is not a party to Contract, except potential or actual authorized distributors, dealers, resellers, or service representative.
- 29. Assignment.** The Contractor shall not sell, assign or transfer any of its rights, duties or obligations under the Contract, or under any purchase order issued pursuant to the Contract, without the prior written consent of the Customer. In the event of any assignment, the Contractor remains secondarily liable for performance of the contract, unless the Customer expressly waives such secondary liability. The Customer may assign the Contract with prior written notice to Contractor of its intent to do so.
- 30. Antitrust Assignment.** The Contractor and the State of Florida recognize that in actual economic practice, overcharges resulting from antitrust violations are in fact usually borne by the State of Florida. Therefore, the contractor hereby assigns to the State of Florida any and all claims for such overcharges as to goods, materials or services purchased in connection with the Contract.
- 31. Dispute Resolution.** Any dispute concerning performance of the Contract shall be decided by the Customer's designated contract manager, who shall reduce the decision to writing and serve a copy on the Contractor. The decision shall be final and conclusive unless within twenty one (21) days from the date of receipt, the Contractor files with the Customer a petition for administrative hearing. The Customer's decision on the petition shall be final, subject to the Contractor's right to review pursuant to Chapter 120 of the Florida Statutes. Exhaustion of administrative remedies is an absolute condition precedent to the Contractor's ability to pursue any other form of dispute resolution; provided, however, that the parties may employ the alternative dispute resolution procedures outlined in Chapter 120.

Without limiting the foregoing, the exclusive venue of any legal or equitable action that arises out of or relates to the Contract shall be the appropriate state court in Leon County, Florida; in any such action, Florida law shall apply and the parties waive any right to jury trial.

- 32. Employees, Subcontractors, and Agents.** All Contractor employees, subcontractors, or agents performing work under the Contract shall be properly trained technicians who meet or exceed any specified training qualifications. Upon request, Contractor shall furnish a copy of technical certification or other proof of qualification. All employees, subcontractors, or agents performing work under the Contract must comply with all security and administrative requirements of the Customer and shall comply with all controlling laws and regulations relevant to the services they are providing under the Contract. The State may conduct, and the Contractor shall cooperate in, a security background check or otherwise assess any employee, subcontractor, or agent furnished by the Contractor. The State may refuse access to, or require replacement of, any personnel for cause, including, but not limited to, technical or training qualifications, quality of work, change in security status, or non-compliance with a Customer's security or other requirements. Such approval shall not relieve the Contractor of its obligation to perform all work in compliance with the Contract. The State may reject and bar from any facility for cause any of the Contractor's employees, subcontractors, or agents.
- 33. Security and Confidentiality.** The Contractor shall comply fully with all security procedures of the United States, State of Florida and Customer in performance of the Contract. The Contractor shall not divulge to third parties any confidential information obtained by the Contractor or its agents, distributors, resellers, subcontractors, officers or employees in the course of performing Contract work, including, but not limited to, security procedures, business operations information, or commercial proprietary information in the possession of the State or Customer. The Contractor shall not be required to keep confidential information or material that is publicly available through no fault of the Contractor, material that the Contractor developed independently without relying on the State's or Customer's confidential information, or material that is otherwise obtainable under State law as a public record. To insure confidentiality, the Contractor shall take appropriate steps as to its personnel, agents, and subcontractors. The warranties of this paragraph shall survive the Contract.
- 34. Contractor Employees, Subcontractors, and Other Agents.** The Customer and the State shall take all actions necessary to ensure that Contractor's employees, subcontractors and other agents are not employees of the State of Florida. Such actions include, but are not limited to, ensuring that Contractor's employees, subcontractors, and other agents receive benefits and necessary insurance (health, workers' compensations, and unemployment) from an employer other than the State of Florida.
- 35. Insurance Requirements.** During the Contract term, the Contractor at its sole expense shall provide commercial insurance of such a type and with such terms and limits as may be reasonably associated with the Contract. Providing and maintaining adequate insurance

coverage is a material obligation of the Contractor. Upon request, the Contractor shall provide certificate of insurance. The limits of coverage under each policy maintained by the Contractor shall not be interpreted as limiting the Contractor's liability and obligations under the Contract. All insurance policies shall be through insurers authorized or eligible to write policies in Florida.

- 36. Warranty of Authority.** Each person signing the Contract warrants that he or she is duly authorized to do so and to bind the respective party to the Contract.
- 37. Warranty of Ability to Perform.** The Contractor warrants that, to the best of its knowledge, there is no pending or threatened action, proceeding, or investigation, or any other legal or financial condition, that would in any way prohibit, restrain, or diminish the Contractor's ability to satisfy its Contract obligations. The Contractor warrants that neither it nor any affiliate is currently on the convicted vendor list maintained pursuant to section 287.133 of the Florida Statutes, or on any similar list maintained by any other state or the federal government. The Contractor shall immediately notify the Customer in writing if its ability to perform is compromised in any manner during the term of the Contract.
- 38. Notices.** All notices required under the Contract shall be delivered by certified mail, return receipt requested, by reputable air courier service, or by personal delivery to the agency designee identified in the original solicitation, or as otherwise identified by the Customer. Notices to the Contractor shall be delivered to the person who signs the Contract. Either designated recipient may notify the other, in writing, if someone else is designated to receive notice.
- 39. Leases and Installment Purchases.** Prior approval of the Chief Financial Officer (as defined in Section 17.001, F.S.) is required for State agencies to enter into or to extend any lease or installment-purchase agreement in excess of the Category Two amount established by section 287.017 of the Florida Statutes.
- 40. Prison Rehabilitative Industries and Diversified Enterprises, Inc. (PRIDE).** Section 946.515(2), F.S. requires the following statement to be included in the solicitation: "It is expressly understood and agreed that any articles which are the subject of, or required to carry out, the Contract shall be purchased from the corporation identified under Chapter 946 of the Florida Statutes (PRIDE) in the same manner and under the same procedures set forth in section 946.515(2) and (4) of the Florida Statutes; and for purposes of the Contract the person, firm, or other business entity carrying out the provisions of the Contract shall be deemed to be substituted for the agency insofar as dealings with such corporation are concerned." Additional information about PRIDE and the products it offers is available at <http://www.pridefl.com>.
- 41. Products Available from the Blind or Other Handicapped.** Section 413.036(3), F.S. requires the following statement to be included in the solicitation: "It is expressly understood and agreed that any articles that are the subject of, or required to carry out, this contract shall be purchased from a nonprofit agency for the Blind or for the Severely Handicapped that is qualified pursuant to Chapter 413, Florida Statutes, in the same manner and under the same procedures set forth in section 413.036(1) and (2), Florida Statutes; and for purposes of this contract the person, firm, or other business entity carrying out the provisions of this contract shall be deemed to be substituted for the State agency insofar as dealings with such qualified nonprofit agency are concerned." Additional information about the designated nonprofit agency and the products it offers is available at <http://www.respectofflorida.org>.
- 42. Modification of Terms.** The Contract contains all the terms and conditions agreed upon by the parties, which terms and conditions shall govern all transactions between the Customer and the Contractor. The Contract may only be modified or amended upon mutual written agreement of the Customer and the Contractor. No oral agreements or representations shall be valid or binding upon the Customer or the Contractor. No alteration or modification of the Contract terms, including substitution of product, shall be valid or binding against the Customer. The Contractor may not unilaterally modify the terms of the Contract by affixing additional terms to product upon delivery (e.g., attachment or inclusion of standard preprinted forms, product literature, "shrink wrap" terms accompanying or affixed to a product, whether written or electronic) or by incorporating such terms onto the Contractor's order or fiscal forms or other documents forwarded by the Contractor for payment. The Customer's acceptance of product or processing of documentation on forms furnished by the Contractor for approval or payment shall not constitute acceptance of the proposed modification to terms and conditions.
- 43. Cooperative Purchasing.** Pursuant to their own governing laws, and subject to the agreement of the Contractor, other entities may be permitted to make purchases at the terms and conditions contained herein. Non-Customer purchases are independent of the agreement between Customer and Contractor, and Customer shall not be a party to any transaction between the Contractor and any other purchaser.

State agencies wishing to make purchases from this agreement are required to follow the provisions of s. 287.042(16)(a), F.S. This statute requires the Department of Management Services to determine that the requestor's use of the contract is cost-effective and in the best interest of the State.

- 44. Waiver.** The delay or failure by the Customer to exercise or enforce any of its rights under this Contract shall not constitute or be deemed a waiver of the Customer's right thereafter to enforce those rights, nor shall any single or partial exercise of any such right preclude any other or further exercise thereof or the exercise of any other right.
- 45. Annual Appropriations.** The State's performance and obligation to pay under this contract are contingent upon an annual appropriation by the Legislature.
- 46. Execution in Counterparts.** The Contract may be executed in counterparts, each of which shall be an original and all of which shall constitute but one and the same instrument.
- 47. Severability.** If a court deems any provision of the Contract void or unenforceable, that provision shall be enforced only to the extent that it is not in violation of law or is not otherwise unenforceable and all other provisions shall remain in full force and effect.

STATE OF FLORIDA
DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION
Contractor Affidavit / Release of Claims Form

EXHIBIT C

This affidavit must be completed and signed by the Contractor when requesting final payment for a Florida Department of Environmental Protection (Department) authorized Task Assignment. The signature of the Contractor shall be notarized as set forth below. Final payment for a Task Assignment will not be released until this form is accepted by the Department.

The undersigned certifies as follows:

1. I, _____ am the _____ of
(name of person appearing) (title of person appearing)

_____ with the authority to
(name of Contractor)

make this statement on behalf;

2. _____ ("the Contractor") entered into an
(name of company or person)

Agreement with the Department to perform certain work under Task Assignment No. _____.

3. Contractor has completed the work in accordance with the aforementioned Work Assignment, including all attachments. Thereto.

4. All subcontractors have been paid in full.

5. Upon receipt by Contractor from Department of final payment under the aforementioned Work Assignment, Contractor releases Department from any and all claims of Contractor and any of its subcontractors and vendors that may arise under, or by virtue of, the Task Assignment, except those claims that may be specifically exempt and set forth under the terms of this Contract. Exemptions claimed must be attached to this affidavit and reference the Task Assignment number. Any exemptions not attached are waived.

(Signature of Authorized Contractor Representative)

----- **Notarization of Signature of Contractor (required)** -----

State of _____ County of _____

Sworn to and subscribed before me by means of physical presence or online notarization this

_____ this _____ day of _____, 20____.

[Notary Seal]

Notary Public

Name typed, printed or stamped
My Commission Expires: _____

Notary Public, State of _____ Commission Number (if applicable) _____

Personally known OR Produced Identification

Type of ID: _____