

## STANDARD CONTRACT FOR SERVICES #40070

1. **Parties.** This is a contract for services between the State of Vermont, Department of Buildings and General Services, Office of Purchasing and Contracting. (hereinafter called “State”), and Shanix Inc, with a principal place of business in Cranston, RI (hereinafter called “Contractor”). Contractor’s form of business organization is Corporation. It is Contractor’s responsibility to contact the Vermont Department of Taxes to determine if, by law, Contractor is required to have a Vermont Department of Taxes Business Account Number.
2. **Subject Matter.** The subject matter of this contract is services generally on the subject of AV Equipment and Services. Detailed services to be provided by Contractor are described in Attachment A.
3. **Maximum Amount.** In consideration of the services to be performed by Contractor, the State agrees to pay Contractor, in accordance with the payment provisions specified in Attachment B, a sum not to exceed \$200,000.00.
4. **Contract Term.** The period of Contractor’s performance shall begin on June 15, 2020 and end on June 14, 2022 The Contract Term may be renewed for Two additional one-year period at the discretion of the State.
5. **Prior Approvals.** This Contract shall not be binding unless and until all requisite prior approvals have been obtained in accordance with current State law, bulletins, and interpretations.
6. **Amendment.** No changes, modifications, or amendments in the terms and conditions of this contract shall be effective unless reduced to writing, numbered and signed by the duly authorized representative of the State and Contractor.
7. **Termination for Convenience.** This contract may be terminated by the State at any time by giving written notice at least thirty (30) days in advance. In such event, Contractor shall be paid under the terms of this contract for all services provided to and accepted by the State prior to the effective date of termination.
8. **Attachments.** This contract consists of 17 pages including the following attachments which are incorporated herein:

Attachment A - Statement of Work

Attachment B - Payment Provisions

Attachment C – “Standard State Provisions for Contracts and Grants” a preprinted form (revision date 12/15/2017)

Attachment D - Other Provisions

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9. **Order of Precedence.** Any ambiguity, conflict or inconsistency between the documents comprising this contract shall be resolved according to the following order of precedence:

- (1) Standard Contract
- (2) Attachment D
- (3) Attachment C (Standard State Provisions for Contracts and Grants)
- (4) Attachment A
- (5) Attachment B

**WE THE UNDERSIGNED PARTIES AGREE TO BE BOUND BY THIS CONTRACT**

By the State of Vermont:

By the Contractor:

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: Christopher Cole

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Title: Commissioner – Buildings & General Services

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

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## ATTACHMENT A – STATEMENT OF WORK

### ATTACHMENT A: GENERAL PROVISIONS OF CONTRACT

1. **Available Products & Services:** The following products and services are available for purchase under this Contract:

Category 1: Interactive Whiteboards & Touchscreens (SmartBoards, other brands of interactive white boards, Touch screen LCD and LED displays.)

Category 2: Presentation Systems Multimedia Projectors (PA systems, Speakers, Projectors, Screens

Category 3: Televisions (LCD, LED, PLASMA, televisions and displays.)

Category 4: Media Accessories (AV cables, Carts, Brackets, Stands, Media Players.)

Category 5: Services

\*Services may include warranty services, labor, maintenance, installation, de-installation, factory integration (software or equipment components), asset management, recycling/disposal, training and certification, pre-implementation design, disaster recovery planning and support, service desk/helpdesk, and any other directly related technical support service required for the effective operation of a Product supplied under this Contract.

2. **Participation:** This Contract may be used by all departments, offices, institutions, and other agencies of the State of Vermont and counties (hereinafter “State Purchasers”) according to the process for ordering and other restrictions applicable to State Purchasers set forth herein.

Political subdivisions of the State of Vermont under 29 V.S.A. § 902(a) and any institution of higher education chartered in Vermont and accredited or holding a certificate of approval from the State Board of Education (hereinafter “Additional Purchasers”) may participate in this contract at the same prices, terms and conditions. Further, items furnished to Additional Purchasers will be billed directly to and paid for by the Additional Purchaser. Neither the State of Vermont nor its Commissioner of Buildings and General Services, personally or officially, assumes any responsibility or liability for Additional Purchasers.

3. **Restrictions:** The restrictions in this section shall apply to all purchases made by State Purchasers under this Contract.

- a. **Third Party Products.** Contractor shall attach to any and all quotes for Third Party Products the applicable third-party terms that will bind the purchaser. State Purchasers may not procure Third Party Products that include third party terms that would bind the State Purchaser without prior approval from the Chief Procurement Officer, Office of the Attorney General and State CIO, which approvals shall not be granted without consideration of applicable third party terms. Contractor is not authorized to sell Third Party Products to a State Purchaser without verification from the State Purchaser that these requisite approvals have been obtained.

- b. **Services Transactions over \$15,000.** State Purchasers may not procure Services with a cost in excess of \$15,000 without prior approval from the Office of the Attorney General and State CIO. Contractor is not authorized to sell Services to a State Purchaser without verification from the State Purchaser that these requisite approvals have been obtained.

4. **General Requirements:**

- a. **INTEGRATION** – Contractor shall guarantee proper network operation and interoperability with existing State network standards as specified by ADS.

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- b. ON GOING SUPPORT – Contractor shall ensure proper operation of hardware and software, and provide support for all components as part of the turnkey solution for the term of the contract including helpdesk and onsite maintenance.
  - c. Quotes may include value added options; however, all value added options shall be directly related to the scope of the Contract. The State reserves the right to include or exclude any proposed value added options in the final Purchase Order.
  - d. Contractor shall identify the contract number on all quotes.
  - e. The Contractor shall be responsible for the professional quality, technical accuracy, timely completion, and coordination of all services furnished by the Contractor, its subcontractors and their principals, officers, employees and agents under this Agreement. In performing the specified services, the Contractor shall follow practices consistent with generally accepted professional and technical standards. The Contractor shall be responsible for ensuring that all services, products and deliverables furnished pursuant to this Agreement comply with the technology and security standards and policies promulgated by the Agency of Digital Services (ADS) If any service, product or deliverable furnished pursuant to this Agreement does not conform to ADS standards, the Contractor shall, at its expense and option either (1) replace it with a conforming equivalent or (2) modify it to conform to ADS standards. The Contractor shall be and remain liable in accordance with the terms of this Agreement and applicable law for all damages to Vermont caused by the Contractor's failure to ensure compliance with ADS standards.
5. **Installation of Equipment:** Contractor shall provide and install Interactive Smartboard/Touch Screen Equipment turnkey solutions (AV category) and or supplemental Projector & TV equipment and services For Basic On-site Turn Key installation, Contractor shall:
- a. Supply as part of the deliverable all essential components of a completely functional system as defined in the Purchase Order. Essential components may include, but are not limited to, hardware, building wiring, portable carts "if applicable", cables, cable management devices, mounting brackets, racks and software provided by the contractor.
  - b. Install, assemble, and configure all components (connection cables, securing cables, mounting hardware, brackets, etc.) for proper operations.
  - c. Perform power-up, initial system configuration, system diagnostics and confirm system equipment is functioning properly.
  - d. Provide technical point of contact an overview (orientation) of the system and its operation
  - e. Dress (tie-wrap) all cables and arrange equipment to appropriate or designated areas
  - f. Clean room and all installed equipment to restore room to its original condition
  - g. Coordinate end user / system administrator training schedule
  - h. Supply the purchaser with all serial and model numbers as well as IP addresses "if applicable"
  - i. After installation, contractor shall initiate all applicable warranties, as well as paperwork relative to invoicing.
  - j. Provide all backboards, connector blocks, patch cords, connector cables and any additional equipment. All equipment and accessory materials must be new with no refurbished, reconditioned, used or previously installed materials permitted unless expressly agreed to in advance by the State.
  - k. All cable used in this installation shall conform to National Electric Code Articles 800 and 725 for use in telephone systems and interconnecting cable runs as modified by the latest version of local electrical codes. Proper fire-stop restorations shall be made to all structural penetrations as specified in the NEC, UL and local fire codes.
  - l. Installation shall be conducted to ensure a minimum of interruption to the purchaser.

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m. For Installations that require additional cabling runs, jack installation beyond the basic turnkey installation the contractor shall include the hours or labor and cost of parts in the quote.

6. **Maintenance & Support:** A primary consideration for system selection will be the vendor's ability to provide maintenance, service and support. This section establishes the minimum requirements of the Maintenance Agreement.

- a. Contractor shall supply a rate card if requested, listing annual maintenance cost for the installed audio and video systems for the post-warranty year of installation. These costs are to be listed for Helpdesk, next day parts shipment, or onsite maintenance services. Contractor shall be very specific as to what is covered and what time and material costs are. Maintenance costs are to be itemized in a separate section.
- b. All standard manufacturer's equipment warranties apply. Service and technical support provided through Certified Full Service Facility. Extended (multi-year) Customer Care Service agreements available (provided with bid response). Individual customized service agreements available as well.
- c. It is mandatory to have a toll-free dial-up telephone support service with remote diagnostic troubleshooting capabilities. The Contractor shall provide help desk services and remote diagnostics to the State of Vermont on purchases made from this contract (see provided Customer Care Agreement). Problem determination, tracking, reporting and follow-up with callers shall be provided (see provided Customer Care Agreement). The Contractor shall provide help desk and remote diagnostics for existing systems. Maintenance escalation procedures shall be defined if response times are not met.
- d. The Contractor's help desk services and remote diagnostics shall be available, at a minimum, Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. EST. The Contractor shall provide an answering service, pager, or voice mail system to receive incoming calls during hours that helpdesk is not attended.
- e. The Contractor agrees that the supplies or services furnished under the Contract shall be covered by the most favorable commercial warranties the Contractor has given or offered to any customer for such supplies or services.
- f. The Contractor's extended service agreement shall include full parts replacement, including all onsite labor and shipping costs. Defective material shall be returned to the Contractor for repair or replacement and returned to the installation site at no cost to the purchaser. In stock replacement parts shall ship within 48 hours.
- g. Extended warranties shall be fully explained in writing during the quote process.

7. **Reporting:** Contractor shall submit quarterly reports electronically detailing the purchasing of all items under this Contract. The reports shall be submitted and sent as an attachment to SOV.ThePathForward@Vermont.gov . Reports shall contain accurate descriptions of the products, goods or services procured, purchaser information, quantities procured and prices paid. This report shall include all sales under this Contract. Any exception to this mandatory requirement or failure to submit complete reports, or in the format required, may result in corrective action, up to and including termination for cause. Contractor's reporting shall state "no activity" for any month in which there is no activity during a quarterly reporting period.

Quarterly reports must be submitted in accordance with the following schedule:

<b>Reporting Period</b>	<b>Report Due</b>
January 1 - March 31	April 30
April 1 - June 30	July 31

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July 1 - September 30  
October 1 - December 31

October 31  
January 31

8. **Primary Contacts:** The primary contact individuals for this this Contract are as follows (or their named successors):

The Parties will keep and maintain current at all times a primary point of contact for administration of this Contract.

9. **Orders:** Any order placed by the State or an Additional Purchaser for a product or service available under this Contract (hereinafter "Purchase Order") shall be deemed to be a sale governed by the prices and other terms and conditions of this Contract, provided that the Contract Number must appear on every Purchase Order placed under this Contract.

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- a. **Method of Ordering for State Purchasers:** State Purchasers must solicit Quotes before making any purchases under this Contract. Written Purchase Orders, including electronic orders, must be used to order items available under this Contract. Verbal orders shall not be accepted by Contractor.

The restrictions set forth in this section are not applicable to Additional Purchasers.

- b. **Transactions over \$500,000:** In accordance with 22 V.S.A. § 901 (a)(4)(A), State Purchasers must obtain prior written approval from the State Chief Information Officer for any individual Purchase Order with a cost in excess of \$500,000, and such written approval must be affixed to the Purchase Order. Contractor shall not execute or fulfill any individual Purchase Order in excess of \$500,000 unless such Purchase Order is accompanied by specific written approval from Vermont's Chief Information Officer. This restriction is not applicable to Additional Purchasers.
- c. **No Lease Agreements:** State Purchasers are prohibited from leasing under this Contract. This restriction is not applicable to Additional Purchasers.
- d. **Delivery:** Liability for product delivery remains with the Contractor until the product is properly delivered and accepted. Contractor shall ensure that shipments are securely and properly packed, according to accepted commercial practices, without extra charge for packing cases or other containers. Upon delivery, such containers will become the property of the State unless otherwise stated. Delivered goods that either do not conform to the specifications or are not in good condition upon receipt shall be replaced promptly by Contractor.

The State does not agree to reimburse Contractor for expenses except as may be specified in Attachment B to this Contract.

A Purchasing Entity shall determine whether all Products and Services delivered meet the Contractor's published specifications (a.k.a. "Specifications"). No payment shall be made for any Products or Services until the Purchasing Entity has accepted the Products or Services. The Purchasing Entity will make every effort to notify the Contractor within thirty (30) calendar days following delivery non-acceptance of a Product or Service. In the event that the Contractor has not been notified within 30 calendar days from delivery of Product or completion of Service, the Product and Services will be deemed accepted on the 31<sup>st</sup> day after delivery of Product or completion of Services. This clause shall not be applicable if

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accepting testing and corresponding terms have been mutually agreed by both parties in writing.

- e. **Quality:** All products provided by Contractor under this contract will be new and unused, unless otherwise stated. Factory seconds or remanufactured products will not be accepted unless specifically requested by the State. All products provided by Contractor must meet all federal, state, and local standards for quality and safety requirements. Products not meeting these standards will be deemed unacceptable and returned to Contractor for credit at no charge to the State.
  
- f. **Business Associate Agreement (BAA), and the Agency of Human Services Standard State Contract Provisions:** The parties agree that the Business Associate Agreement (BAA) and the Agency of Human Services Standard State Contract Provisions, as mutually negotiated, shall be incorporated into this Agreement by amendment, as applicable.

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**ATTACHMENT B – PAYMENT PROVISIONS**

The maximum dollar amount payable under this contract is not intended as any form of a guaranteed amount. The Contractor will be paid for products or services actually delivered or performed, as specified in Attachment A, up to the maximum allowable amount specified on page 1 of this contract.

1. Prior to commencement of work and release of any payments, Contractor shall submit to the State:
  - a. a certificate of insurance consistent with the requirements set forth in Attachment C, Section 8 (Insurance), and with any additional requirements for insurance as may be set forth elsewhere in this contract; and
  - b. a current IRS Form W-9 (signed within the last six months).
2. Payment terms are **Net 30** days from the date the State receives an error-free invoice with all necessary and complete supporting documentation.
3. Contractor shall submit detailed invoices itemizing all work performed during the invoice period, including the dates of service, rates of pay, hours of work performed, and any other information and/or documentation appropriate and sufficient to substantiate the amount invoiced for payment by the State. All invoices must include the Contract # for this contract.
4. Contractor shall submit invoices to the State in accordance with the schedule set forth in this Attachment B. Unless a more particular schedule is provided herein, invoices shall be submitted not more frequently than monthly.
5. Invoices shall be submitted to the State to the address listed on the purchase order.
6. The payment schedule for delivered products, or rates for services performed, and any additional reimbursements, are as follows:

AV Equipment

<b><u>Price Schedule</u></b>			
<b><u>Manufacturer</u></b>	<b><u>Category</u></b>	<b><u>Product</u></b>	<b><u>% Off List</u></b>
Viewsonic	1, 2, 3	Interactive Displays, Projectors, Monitors, Digital Displays	20%-25%
Panasonic	1, 2, 3	Interactive Displays, Projectors, Digital Displays	15%
Sharp	1, 3	Aquos Interactive Display, Monitors, Digital Displays	15%
Samsung	1, 3	Touch Displays, Monitors, Digital Displays	15%
Crestron	4	Room Controls, Digital Processing, Video Conferencing, Collaboration	25%
Chief	4	Mounts, Mobile Carts, Accessories	10%
Da Lite	4	Screens, Projection Whiteboards	15%
C2G	4	Cabling, Accessories	15%



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Middle Atlantic	4	Racks, Enclosures	10%-15%
Vaddio	4	Cameras, Accessories	10%
<b><u>Labor</u></b>			
<b><u>Service</u></b>		<b><u>Rate</u></b>	
Installation		\$75	
Emergency Service		\$125	
Design / Engineer		\$125	
Training Remote		\$75	
Training Onsite (4 hour min.)		\$125	
Turnkey Installation		\$1,245	

**ATTACHMENT C: STANDARD STATE PROVISIONS  
FOR CONTRACTS AND GRANTS  
REVISED DECEMBER 15, 2017**

**1. Definitions:** For purposes of this Attachment, “Party” shall mean the Contractor, Grantee or Subrecipient, with whom the State of Vermont is executing this Agreement and consistent with the form of the Agreement. “Agreement” shall mean the specific contract or grant to which this form is attached.

**2. Entire Agreement:** This Agreement, whether in the form of a contract, State-funded grant, or Federally-funded grant, represents the entire agreement between the parties on the subject matter. All prior agreements, representations, statements, negotiations, and understandings shall have no effect.

**3. Governing Law, Jurisdiction and Venue; No Waiver of Jury Trial:** This Agreement will be governed by the laws of the State of Vermont. Any action or proceeding brought by either the State or the Party in connection with this Agreement shall be brought and enforced in the Superior Court of the State of Vermont, Civil Division, Washington Unit. The Party irrevocably submits to the jurisdiction of this court for any action or proceeding regarding this Agreement. The Party agrees that it must first exhaust any applicable administrative remedies with respect to any cause of action that it may have against the State with regard to its performance under this Agreement. Party agrees that the State shall not be required to submit to binding arbitration or waive its right to a jury trial.

**4. Sovereign Immunity:** The State reserves all immunities, defenses, rights or actions arising out of the State’s sovereign status or under the Eleventh Amendment to the United States Constitution. No waiver of the State’s immunities, defenses, rights or actions shall be implied or otherwise deemed to exist by reason of the State’s entry into this Agreement.

**5. No Employee Benefits For Party:** The Party understands that the State will not provide any individual retirement benefits, group life insurance, group health and dental insurance, vacation or sick leave, workers compensation or other benefits or services available to State employees, nor will the State withhold any state or Federal taxes except as required under applicable tax laws, which shall be determined in advance of execution of the Agreement. The Party understands that all tax returns required by the Internal Revenue Code and the State of Vermont, including but not limited to income, withholding, sales and use, and rooms and meals, must be filed by the Party, and information as to Agreement income will be provided by the State of Vermont to the Internal Revenue Service and the Vermont Department of Taxes.

**6. Independence:** The Party will act in an independent capacity and not as officers or employees of the State.

**7. Defense and Indemnity:** The Party shall defend the State and its officers and employees against all third party claims or suits arising in whole or in part from any act or omission of the Party or of any agent of the Party in connection with the performance of this Agreement. The State shall notify the Party in the event of any such claim or suit, and the Party shall immediately retain counsel and otherwise provide a complete defense against the entire claim or suit. The State retains the right to participate at its own expense in the defense of any claim. The State shall have the right to approve all proposed settlements of such claims or suits.

After a final judgment or settlement, the Party may request recoupment of specific defense costs and may file suit in Washington Superior Court requesting recoupment. The Party shall be entitled to recoup costs only upon a showing that such costs were entirely unrelated to the defense of any claim arising from an act or omission of the Party in connection with the performance of this Agreement.

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The Party shall indemnify the State and its officers and employees if the State, its officers or employees become legally obligated to pay any damages or losses arising from any act or omission of the Party or an agent of the Party in connection with the performance of this Agreement.

Notwithstanding any contrary language anywhere, in no event shall the terms of this Agreement or any document furnished by the Party in connection with its performance under this Agreement obligate the State to (1) defend or indemnify the Party or any third party, or (2) otherwise be liable for the expenses or reimbursement, including attorneys' fees, collection costs or other costs of the Party or any third party.

**8. Insurance:** Before commencing work on this Agreement the Party must provide certificates of insurance to show that the following minimum coverages are in effect. It is the responsibility of the Party to maintain current certificates of insurance on file with the State through the term of this Agreement. No warranty is made that the coverages and limits listed herein are adequate to cover and protect the interests of the Party for the Party's operations. These are solely minimums that have been established to protect the interests of the State.

*Workers Compensation:* With respect to all operations performed, the Party shall carry workers' compensation insurance in accordance with the laws of the State of Vermont. Vermont will accept an out-of-state employer's workers' compensation coverage while operating in Vermont provided that the insurance carrier is licensed to write insurance in Vermont and an amendatory endorsement is added to the policy adding Vermont for coverage purposes. Otherwise, the party shall secure a Vermont workers' compensation policy, if necessary to comply with Vermont law.

*General Liability and Property Damage:* With respect to all operations performed under this Agreement, the Party shall carry general liability insurance having all major divisions of coverage including, but not limited to:

Premises - Operations

Products and Completed Operations

Personal Injury Liability

Contractual Liability

The policy shall be on an occurrence form and limits shall not be less than:

\$1,000,000 Each Occurrence

\$2,000,000 General Aggregate

\$1,000,000 Products/Completed Operations Aggregate

\$1,000,000 Personal & Advertising Injury

*Automotive Liability:* The Party shall carry automotive liability insurance covering all motor vehicles, including hired and non-owned coverage, used in connection with the Agreement. Limits of coverage shall not be less than \$500,000 combined single limit. If performance of this Agreement involves construction, or the transport of persons or hazardous materials, limits of coverage shall not be less than \$1,000,000 combined single limit.

*Additional Insured.* The General Liability and Property Damage coverages required for performance of this Agreement shall include the State of Vermont and its agencies, departments, officers and employees as Additional Insureds. If performance of this Agreement involves construction, or the transport of persons or hazardous materials, then the required Automotive Liability coverage shall include the State of Vermont and its agencies, departments, officers and employees as Additional Insureds. Coverage shall be primary and non-contributory with any other insurance and self-insurance.

*Notice of Cancellation or Change.* There shall be no cancellation, change, potential exhaustion of aggregate limits or non-renewal of insurance coverage(s) without thirty (30) days written prior written notice to the State.

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**9. Reliance by the State on Representations:** All payments by the State under this Agreement will be made in reliance upon the accuracy of all representations made by the Party in accordance with this Agreement, including but not limited to bills, invoices, progress reports and other proofs of work.

**10. False Claims Act:** The Party acknowledges that it is subject to the Vermont False Claims Act as set forth in 32 V.S.A. § 630 *et seq.* If the Party violates the Vermont False Claims Act it shall be liable to the State for civil penalties, treble damages and the costs of the investigation and prosecution of such violation, including attorney's fees, except as the same may be reduced by a court of competent jurisdiction. The Party's liability to the State under the False Claims Act shall not be limited notwithstanding any agreement of the State to otherwise limit Party's liability.

**11. Whistleblower Protections:** The Party shall not discriminate or retaliate against one of its employees or agents for disclosing information concerning a violation of law, fraud, waste, abuse of authority or acts threatening health or safety, including but not limited to allegations concerning the False Claims Act. Further, the Party shall not require such employees or agents to forego monetary awards as a result of such disclosures, nor should they be required to report misconduct to the Party or its agents prior to reporting to any governmental entity and/or the public.

**12. Location of State Data:** No State data received, obtained, or generated by the Party in connection with performance under this Agreement shall be processed, transmitted, stored, or transferred by any means outside the continental United States, except with the express written permission of the State.

**13. Records Available for Audit:** The Party shall maintain all records pertaining to performance under this agreement. "Records" means any written or recorded information, regardless of physical form or characteristics, which is produced or acquired by the Party in the performance of this agreement. Records produced or acquired in a machine readable electronic format shall be maintained in that format. The records described shall be made available at reasonable times during the period of the Agreement and for three years thereafter or for any period required by law for inspection by any authorized representatives of the State or Federal Government. If any litigation, claim, or audit is started before the expiration of the three-year period, the records shall be retained until all litigation, claims or audit findings involving the records have been resolved.

**14. Fair Employment Practices and Americans with Disabilities Act:** Party agrees to comply with the requirement of 21 V.S.A. Chapter 5, Subchapter 6, relating to fair employment practices, to the full extent applicable. Party shall also ensure, to the full extent required by the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, as amended, that qualified individuals with disabilities receive equitable access to the services, programs, and activities provided by the Party under this Agreement.

**15. Set Off:** The State may set off any sums which the Party owes the State against any sums due the Party under this Agreement; provided, however, that any set off of amounts due the State of Vermont as taxes shall be in accordance with the procedures more specifically provided hereinafter.

**16. Taxes Due to the State:**

- A.** Party understands and acknowledges responsibility, if applicable, for compliance with State tax laws, including income tax withholding for employees performing services within the State, payment of use tax on property used within the State, corporate and/or personal income tax on income earned within the State.
- B.** Party certifies under the pains and penalties of perjury that, as of the date this Agreement is signed, the Party is in good standing with respect to, or in full compliance with, a plan to pay any and all taxes due the State of Vermont.

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- C. Party understands that final payment under this Agreement may be withheld if the Commissioner of Taxes determines that the Party is not in good standing with respect to or in full compliance with a plan to pay any and all taxes due to the State of Vermont.
- D. Party also understands the State may set off taxes (and related penalties, interest and fees) due to the State of Vermont, but only if the Party has failed to make an appeal within the time allowed by law, or an appeal has been taken and finally determined and the Party has no further legal recourse to contest the amounts due.

**17. Taxation of Purchases:** All State purchases must be invoiced tax free. An exemption certificate will be furnished upon request with respect to otherwise taxable items.

**18. Child Support:** (Only applicable if the Party is a natural person, not a corporation or partnership.) Party states that, as of the date this Agreement is signed, he/she:

- A. is not under any obligation to pay child support; or
- B. is under such an obligation and is in good standing with respect to that obligation; or
- C. has agreed to a payment plan with the Vermont Office of Child Support Services and is in full compliance with that plan.

Party makes this statement with regard to support owed to any and all children residing in Vermont. In addition, if the Party is a resident of Vermont, Party makes this statement with regard to support owed to any and all children residing in any other state or territory of the United States.

**19. Sub-Agreements:** Party shall not assign, subcontract or subgrant the performance of this Agreement or any portion thereof to any other Party without the prior written approval of the State. Party shall be responsible and liable to the State for all acts or omissions of subcontractors and any other person performing work under this Agreement pursuant to an agreement with Party or any subcontractor.

In the case this Agreement is a contract with a total cost in excess of \$250,000, the Party shall provide to the State a list of all proposed subcontractors and subcontractors' subcontractors, together with the identity of those subcontractors' workers compensation insurance providers, and additional required or requested information, as applicable, in accordance with Section 32 of The Vermont Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (Act No. 54).

Party shall include the following provisions of this Attachment C in all subcontracts for work performed solely for the State of Vermont and subcontracts for work performed in the State of Vermont: Section 10 ("False Claims Act"); Section 11 ("Whistleblower Protections"); Section 12 ("Location of State Data"); Section 14 ("Fair Employment Practices and Americans with Disabilities Act"); Section 16 ("Taxes Due the State"); Section 18 ("Child Support"); Section 20 ("No Gifts or Gratuities"); Section 22 ("Certification Regarding Debarment"); Section 30 ("State Facilities"); and Section 32.A ("Certification Regarding Use of State Funds").

**20. No Gifts or Gratuities:** Party shall not give title or possession of anything of substantial value (including property, currency, travel and/or education programs) to any officer or employee of the State during the term of this Agreement.

**21. Copies:** Party shall use reasonable best efforts to ensure that all written reports prepared under this Agreement are printed using both sides of the paper.

**22. Certification Regarding Debarment:** Party certifies under pains and penalties of perjury that, as of the date that this Agreement is signed, neither Party nor Party's principals (officers, directors, owners, or partners) are presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible or excluded from participation in Federal programs, or programs supported in whole or in part by Federal funds.

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Party further certifies under pains and penalties of perjury that, as of the date that this Agreement is signed, Party is not presently debarred, suspended, nor named on the State's debarment list at: <http://bgs.vermont.gov/purchasing/debarment>

**23. Conflict of Interest:** Party shall fully disclose, in writing, any conflicts of interest or potential conflicts of interest.

**24. Confidentiality:** Party acknowledges and agrees that this Agreement and any and all information obtained by the State from the Party in connection with this Agreement are subject to the State of Vermont Access to Public Records Act, 1 V.S.A. § 315 et seq.

**25. Force Majeure:** Neither the State nor the Party shall be liable to the other for any failure or delay of performance of any obligations under this Agreement to the extent such failure or delay shall have been wholly or principally caused by acts or events beyond its reasonable control rendering performance illegal or impossible (excluding strikes or lock-outs) ("Force Majeure"). Where Force Majeure is asserted, the nonperforming party must prove that it made all reasonable efforts to remove, eliminate or minimize such cause of delay or damages, diligently pursued performance of its obligations under this Agreement, substantially fulfilled all non-excused obligations, and timely notified the other party of the likelihood or actual occurrence of an event described in this paragraph.

**26. Marketing:** Party shall not refer to the State in any publicity materials, information pamphlets, press releases, research reports, advertising, sales promotions, trade shows, or marketing materials or similar communications to third parties except with the prior written consent of the State.

### **27. Termination:**

- A. Non-Appropriation:** If this Agreement extends into more than one fiscal year of the State (July 1 to June 30), and if appropriations are insufficient to support this Agreement, the State may cancel at the end of the fiscal year, or otherwise upon the expiration of existing appropriation authority. In the case that this Agreement is a Grant that is funded in whole or in part by Federal funds, and in the event Federal funds become unavailable or reduced, the State may suspend or cancel this Grant immediately, and the State shall have no obligation to pay Subrecipient from State revenues.
- B. Termination for Cause:** Either party may terminate this Agreement if a party materially breaches its obligations under this Agreement, and such breach is not cured within thirty (30) days after delivery of the non-breaching party's notice or such longer time as the non-breaching party may specify in the notice.
- C. Termination Assistance:** Upon nearing the end of the final term or termination of this Agreement, without respect to cause, the Party shall take all reasonable and prudent measures to facilitate any transition required by the State. All State property, tangible and intangible, shall be returned to the State upon demand at no additional cost to the State in a format acceptable to the State.

**28. Continuity of Performance:** In the event of a dispute between the Party and the State, each party will continue to perform its obligations under this Agreement during the resolution of the dispute until this Agreement is terminated in accordance with its terms.

**29. No Implied Waiver of Remedies:** Either party's delay or failure to exercise any right, power or remedy under this Agreement shall not impair any such right, power or remedy, or be construed as a waiver of any such right, power or remedy. All waivers must be in writing.

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**30. State Facilities:** If the State makes space available to the Party in any State facility during the term of this Agreement for purposes of the Party's performance under this Agreement, the Party shall only use the space in accordance with all policies and procedures governing access to and use of State facilities which shall be made available upon request. State facilities will be made available to Party on an "AS IS, WHERE IS" basis, with no warranties whatsoever.

**31. Requirements Pertaining Only to Federal Grants and Subrecipient Agreements:** If this Agreement is a grant that is funded in whole or in part by Federal funds:

**A. Requirement to Have a Single Audit:** The Subrecipient will complete the Subrecipient Annual Report annually within 45 days after its fiscal year end, informing the State of Vermont whether or not a Single Audit is required for the prior fiscal year. If a Single Audit is required, the Subrecipient will submit a copy of the audit report to the granting Party within 9 months. If a single audit is not required, only the Subrecipient Annual Report is required.

For fiscal years ending before December 25, 2015, a Single Audit is required if the subrecipient expends \$500,000 or more in Federal assistance during its fiscal year and must be conducted in accordance with OMB Circular A-133. For fiscal years ending on or after December 25, 2015, a Single Audit is required if the subrecipient expends \$750,000 or more in Federal assistance during its fiscal year and must be conducted in accordance with 2 CFR Chapter I, Chapter II, Part 200, Subpart F. The Subrecipient Annual Report is required to be submitted within 45 days, whether or not a Single Audit is required.

**B. Internal Controls:** In accordance with 2 CFR Part II, §200.303, the Party must establish and maintain effective internal control over the Federal award to provide reasonable assurance that the Party is managing the Federal award in compliance with Federal statutes, regulations, and the terms and conditions of the award. These internal controls should be in compliance with guidance in "Standards for Internal Control in the Federal Government" issued by the Comptroller General of the United States and the "Internal Control Integrated Framework", issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission (COSO).

**C. Mandatory Disclosures:** In accordance with 2 CFR Part II, §200.113, Party must disclose, in a timely manner, in writing to the State, all violations of Federal criminal law involving fraud, bribery, or gratuity violations potentially affecting the Federal award. Failure to make required disclosures may result in the imposition of sanctions which may include disallowance of costs incurred, withholding of payments, termination of the Agreement, suspension/debarment, etc.

**32. Requirements Pertaining Only to State-Funded Grants:**

**A. Certification Regarding Use of State Funds:** If Party is an employer and this Agreement is a State-funded grant in excess of \$1,001, Party certifies that none of these State funds will be used to interfere with or restrain the exercise of Party's employee's rights with respect to unionization.

**B. Good Standing Certification (Act 154 of 2016):** If this Agreement is a State-funded grant, Party hereby represents: (i) that it has signed and provided to the State the form prescribed by the Secretary of Administration for purposes of certifying that it is in good standing (as provided in Section 13(a)(2) of Act 154) with the Agency of Natural Resources and the Agency of Agriculture, Food and Markets, or otherwise explaining the circumstances surrounding the inability to so certify, and (ii) that it will comply with the requirements stated therein.

(End of Standard Provisions)

ATTACHMENT D  
OTHER PROVISIONS

**1. CONTRACTOR'S REPRESENTATIONS AND WARRANTIES**

**1.1 General Representations and Warranties.** The Contractor represents, warrants and covenants that:

- (i) The Contractor has all requisite power and authority to execute, deliver and perform its obligations under this Contract and the execution, delivery and performance of this Contract by the Contractor has been duly authorized by the Contractor.
- (ii) There is no pending litigation, arbitrated matter or other dispute to which the Contractor is a party which, if decided unfavorably to the Contractor, would reasonably be expected to have a material adverse effect on the Contractor's ability to fulfill its obligations under this Contract.
- (iii) The Contractor will comply with all laws applicable to its performance of the services and otherwise to the Contractor in connection with its obligations under this Contract.
- (iv) The Contractor (a) owns, or has the right to use under valid and enforceable agreements, all intellectual property rights reasonably necessary for and related to delivery of the services and provision of the services as set forth in this Contract; (b) shall be responsible for and have full authority to license all proprietary and/or third party software modules, including algorithms and protocols, that Contractor incorporates into its product; and (c) none of the services or other materials or technology provided by the Contractor to the State will infringe upon or misappropriate the intellectual property rights of any third party.
- (v) The Contractor has adequate resources to fulfill its obligations under this Contract.
- (vi) Neither Contractor nor Contractor's subcontractors has past state or federal violations, convictions or suspensions relating to miscoding of employees in NCCI job codes for purposes of differentiating between independent contractors and employees.

**1.2 Contractor's Performance Warranties.** Contractor represents and warrants to the State that:

- (i) Each and all of the services shall be performed in a timely, diligent, professional and skillful manner, in accordance with the highest professional or technical standards applicable to such services, by qualified persons with the technical skills, training and experience to perform such services in the planned environment.
- (ii) Any time software is delivered to the State, whether delivered via electronic media or the internet, no portion of such software or the media upon which it is stored or delivered will have any type of software routine or other element which is designed to facilitate unauthorized access to or intrusion upon; or unrequested disabling or erasure of; or unauthorized interference with the operation of any hardware, software, data or peripheral equipment of or utilized by the State. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, if the State believes that harmful code may be present in any software delivered hereunder, Contractor will, upon State's request, provide a new or clean install



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of the software. Notwithstanding the foregoing, Contractor assumes no responsibility for the State's negligence or failure to protect data from viruses, or any unintended modification, destruction or disclosure.

- (iii) To the extent Contractor resells commercial hardware or software it purchased from a third party, Contractor will, to the extent it is legally able to do so, pass through any such third party warranties to the State and will reasonably cooperate in enforcing them. Such warranty pass-through will not relieve the Contractor from Contractor's warranty obligations set forth herein.

### 2. PROFESSIONAL LIABILITY AND CYBER LIABILITY INSURANCE COVERAGE

In addition to the insurance required in Attachment C to this Contract, before commencing work on this Contract and throughout the term of this Contract, Contractor agrees to procure and maintain (a) Technology Professional Liability insurance for any and all services performed under this Contract, with minimum third party coverage of \$1,000,000.00 per claim, \$2,000,000.00 aggregate. To the extent Contractor has access to, processes, handles, collects, transmits, stores or otherwise deals with State Data, Contractor shall maintain first party Breach Notification Coverage of not less than \$500,000.00.

Before commencing work on this contract, the Contractor must provide certificates of insurance to show that the foregoing minimum coverages are in effect.

- 3. **REMEDIES FOR DEFAULT.** In the event either party is in default under this Contract, the non-defaulting party may, at its option, pursue any or all of the remedies available to it under this Contract, including termination for cause, and at law or in equity.

### 4. SOV Cybersecurity Standard 19-01

All products and service provided to or for the use of the State under this Contract shall be in compliance with State of Vermont Cybersecurity Standard 19-01, which Contractor acknowledges has been provided to it, and is available on-line at the following URL:

<https://digitalservices.vermont.gov/cybersecurity/cybersecurity-standards-and-directives>