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STATE OF CONNECTICUT

DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES

PROCUREMENT DIVISION
165 Capitol Avenue, 5th Floor South

HARTFORD, CT 06106-1659

CONTRACT AWARD NO.:

12PSX0164

Contract Award Date:

11 December 2012

Proposal Due Date:

31 July 2012

SUPPLEMENT DATE:

3 July 2014

CONTRACT AWARD SUPPLEMENT #1

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

DESCRIPTION: Auction Services for Surplus Property

FOR:
Department of Administrative Services and Political
Subdivisions

TERM OF CONTRACT:
December 11, 2012 through December 31, 2015

AGENCY REQUISITION NUMBER: 000000839

CHANGE TO IN STATE (NON-SB) CONTRACT VALUE	CHANGE TO DAS-CERTIFIED SMALL BUSINESS CONTRACT VALUE	CHANGE TO OUT OF STATE CONTRACT VALUE	CHANGE TO TOTAL CONTRACT AWARD VALUE
NA	NA	NA	NA

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS: This notice is not an order to ship. Purchase Orders against contracts will be furnished by the using agency or agencies on whose behalf the contract is made. INVOICE SHALL BE RENDERED DIRECT TO THE ORDERING AGENCY.

NOTE: Dollar amounts listed next to each contractor are possible award amounts, however, they do not reflect any expected purchase amounts (actual or implied). They are for CHRO use only.

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

CASH DISCOUNTS: Cash discounts, if any, shall be given SPECIAL ATTENTION, but such cash discount shall not be taken unless payment is made within the discount period.

PRICE BASIS: Unless otherwise noted, prices include delivery and transportation charges fully prepaid f.o.b. agency. No extra charge is to be made for packing or packages.

CONTRACTOR INFORMATION:

REFER TO THE CONTRACT ON THE DAS PROCUREMENT WEB PAGE FOR THE MOST CURRENT CONTRACTOR INFORMATION. (<http://das.ct.gov/mp1.aspx?page=8>)

Company Name: **Property Bureau.com, Inc. dba Property Room.com, Inc.**

Company Address: **5257 Buckeystown Pike, Suite 475, Frederick, MD 21704**

Tel. No.: **240-751-9119**

Fax No.: **240-230-0229**

Contract Value: **Revenue Generated**

Contact Person: **Kathryn Coles**

Delivery: **N/A**

Company E-mail Address and/or Company Web Site: kathryncoles@propertyroom.com

Certification Type (SBE, MBE or None): **NA**

Agrees to Supply Political SubDivisions: **Yes**

Terms: **Net 45 Days**

Cash Discount: **% Days**

PLEASE NOTE:

This supplement is to amend contract language between the State of Connecticut and Property Bureau.com, Inc dba Property Room.com, Inc. See attached First Amendment Agreement for details.

All terms and conditions not otherwise affected by this supplement remain unchanged and in full force and effect.

APPROVED _____

LYNN PECCERILLO-HILLS

Contract Specialist

(Original Signature on Document in Procurement Files)

FIRST AMENDMENT AGREEMENT
TO
CONTRACT BETWEEN
THE STATE OF CONNECTICUT
AND
PROPERTYBUREAU.COM, INC. DBA PROPERTYROOM.COM, INC.
FOR
AUCTION SERVICES FOR SURPLUS PROPERTY

This First Amendment Agreement (the "Amendment") is made as of the 1st day of July, 2014, by and between PropertyBureau.com, Inc. dba Property.Room.com, Inc. (the "Contractor"), with a principal place of business at 5257 Buckeytown Pike, Suite 475, Frederick, MD 21704, acting by PJ Bellomo, its President And Chief Executive Officer, duly authorized, and the State of Connecticut, Department of Administrative Services ("DAS"), with a principal place of business at 165 Capitol Ave, Hartford, Connecticut, acting by Carol Wilson, its Procurement Director, duly authorized, in accordance with Sections 4a-2(2), 4a-51, 4a-57 and 4a-59 of the Connecticut General Statutes.

WHEREAS, the State and the Contractor entered into an agreement dated 11 December 2012 for AUCTION SERVICES FOR SURPLUS PROPERTY and further identified as contract number 12PSX0164 (the "Agreement"); and

WHEREAS the State and the Contractor desire to amend the Agreement.

Now therefore, in consideration of these premises and mutual covenants and agreements, and for other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are acknowledged, the Contractor and the State agree as follows:

Auction of vehicles and equipment

1. The State of Connecticut approves the Contractor's transition from the current subcontractor Copart to Corona's Auto Parts, Inc. ("Corona").
2. Contractor shall auction vehicles and equipment via the Contractor's website and not through Copart.
3. Contractor shall tow the vehicles and or heavy equipment from the requested location to their subcontractor Corona's facility located at 608 Wethersfield Ave, Hartford, Connecticut.

Bidder/Buyer Fees

1. No charge for bidder/buyers to register to bid on items will be allowed.
2. For winning items, the Contractor will charge the buyer a buyer's premium of 12.5% of the sale price.
3. Buyers will be charged a gate fee of \$30.00 which will be due to Corona at pick up of vehicle.
4. Contractor may not add any additional buyer fees.

Transition Plan


1. Contractor shall manage transition from the current operational process to the new process and shall provide the Client Agency with a transition plan acceptable to Client Agency by July 15, 2014.

All other terms and conditions not otherwise affected by this Amendment shall remain in full force and effect.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have executed this Amendment through their duly authorized representatives with full knowledge of and agreement with its terms and conditions.

PROPERTYBUREAU.COM, INC. DBA PROPERTYROOM.COM, INC. STATE OF CONNECTICUT

Department of Administrative Services

By: 
Name: PJ Bello

By: 
Name: Carol Wilson

Title: President & CEO

Title: Procurement Director

Date: July 2, 2014

Date: 7/3/14

STATE OF CONNECTICUT

DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES

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Contract Award Date:	11 December 2012
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DESCRIPTION: **Web Based Online Auction Services for the Sale of the State of Connecticut's Surplus Property**

FOR: The Department of Administrative Services, Surplus Property Program and Political Subdivisions		TERM OF CONTRACT / DELIVERY DATE REQUIRED: Date of Award through December 31, 2015	
		AGENCY REQUISITION NUMBER: 0000000839	
IN STATE (NON-SB) CONTRACT VALUE	DAS CERTIFIED SMALL BUSINESS CONTRACT VALUE	OUT OF STATE CONTRACT VALUE	TOTAL CONTRACT AWARD VALUE
N/A	N/A	N/A	\$4,500,000.00 Estimated Revenue Generated

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Tel. No.: *240-751-9119*

Fax No.: *240-230-0229*

Contract Value: *Revenue Generated*

Contact Person: *Kathryn Coles*

Delivery: *N/A*

Company E-mail Address and/or Company Web Site: kathryncoles@propertyroom.com

Remittance Address:

Certification Type (SBE, MBE or None): *NA*

Agrees to Supply Political SubDivisions: *Yes*

Terms: *Net 45 Days*

Cash Discount: *% Days*

Company Name: *The Public Group, LLC*

Company Address: *1503 South 40 East Ste 350, Provo, UTAH 84606*

Tel. No.: *800-591-5546*

Fax No.: *801-932-7001*

Contract Value: *Revenue Generated*

Contact Person: *Eric Heaps, CEO*

Delivery: *N/A*

Company E-mail Address and/or Company Web Site: eric@thepublicgroup.com

Remittance Address:

Certification Type (SBE, MBE or None): *N/A*

Agrees to Supply Political SubDivisions: *Yes*

Terms: *Net 45 Days*

Cash Discount: *% Days*

APPROVED

LYNN PECCERILLO-HILLS
Contract Specialist

APPROVED

CAROL WILSON
Procurement Director

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Between

THE STATE OF CONNECTICUT

Acting by its

DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES

AND

PROPERTYBUREAU.COM, INC. DBA PROPERTYROOM.COM, INC.

FOR

**WEB BASED ONLINE AUCTION SERVICES FOR
THE SALE OF THE STATE OF CONNECTICUT'S SURPLUS PROPERTY**

December 11, 2012

Contract Award Date

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This Contract (the “Contract”) is made as of the 11th day of December, in the year 2012, by and between, PropertyBureau.com, Inc. dba PropertyRoom.com, Inc. (the “Contractor,”) with a principal place of business at 5257 Buckeystown Pike, Suite 475, Frederick, MD 21704, acting by PJ Bellomo, its President and CEO and the State of Connecticut, Department of Administrative Services (“DAS”), with a principal place of business at 165 Capitol Ave, Hartford, Connecticut 06106-1659, acting by Carol Wilson, its Procurement Director, in accordance with Sections 4a-2 and 4a-51 of the Connecticut General Statutes.

All references in this Contract to any statute, public act, regulation, code or executive order shall mean such statute, public act, regulation, code or executive order, respectively, as it has been amended, replaced or superseded at any time. Notwithstanding any language in this Contract that relates to such statute, public act, regulation, code or executive order, and notwithstanding a lack of a formal amendment to this Contract, this Contract shall always be read and interpreted as if it contained the most current and applicable wording and requirements of such statute, public act, regulation, code or executive order as if their most current language had been used in and requirements incorporated into this Contract at the time of its execution.

Now therefore, in consideration of these presents, and for other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which the parties acknowledge, the Contractor and the State agree as follows:

1. **Definitions.** Unless otherwise indicated, the following terms shall have the following corresponding definitions:
 - (a) **Claims:** All actions, suits, claims, demands, investigations and proceedings of any kind, open, pending or threatened, whether mature, unmatured, contingent, known or unknown, at law or in equity, in any forum.
 - (b) **Client Agency:** Department of Administrative Services, Surplus Property Program and Political Subdivisions
 - (c) **Confidential Information:** This shall mean any information about a client, including but not limited to first name and last name, or first initial and last name, in combination with any one or more of the following related to such client: (a) Social Security Number; (b) driver’s license number or State-issued identification card number; (c) date of birth; and (d) financial account number, or credit or debit card number, with or without any required security code, access code, personal identification number or password, that would permit access to a client’s financial account. Without limiting the foregoing, Confidential Information shall also include any information that the Department classifies as “confidential” or “restricted”. Confidential Information shall not include information that may be lawfully obtained from publicly available sources or from federal, state, or local government records which are lawfully made available to the general public.
 - (d) **Confidential Information Breach:** This shall mean, generally, an instance where an unauthorized person or entity accesses Confidential Information in any manner, including but not limited to the following occurrences: (1) any Confidential Information that is not encrypted or protected is misplaced, lost, stolen or in any way compromised; (2) one or more

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third parties have had access to or taken control or possession of any Confidential Information that is not encrypted or protected without prior written authorization from the State; (3) the unauthorized acquisition of encrypted or protected Confidential Information together with the confidential process or key that is capable of compromising the integrity of the Confidential Information; or (4) if there is a substantial risk of identity theft or fraud to the client, the Contractor, the Department or State.

- (e) Contract: The agreement, as of its effective date, between the Proposer and the State for any or all Goods or Services at the Proposal price.
- (f) Contractor: A person or entity who submits a Proposal and who executes a Contract.
- (g) Contractor Parties: A Contractor's members, directors, officers, shareholders, partners, managers, principal officers, representatives, agents, servants, consultants, employees or any one of them or any other person or entity with whom the Contractor is in privity of oral or written contract and the Contractor intends for such other person or entity to Perform under the Contract in any capacity.
- (h) Day: All calendar days other than Saturdays, Sundays and days designated as national or State of Connecticut holidays upon which banks in Connecticut are closed.
- (i) Force Majeure: Events that materially affect the cost of the Goods or Services or the time schedule within which to Perform and are outside the control of the party asserting that such an event has occurred, including, but not limited to, labor troubles unrelated to the Contractor, failure of or inadequate permanent power, unavoidable casualties, fire not caused by the Contractor, extraordinary weather conditions, disasters, riots, acts of God, insurrection or war.
- (j) Goods: For purposes of the Contract, all things which are movable at the time that the Contract is effective and which include, without limiting this definition, supplies, materials and equipment, as specified in the Request for Proposals and set forth in Exhibit A.
- (k) Goods or Services: Goods, Services or both, as specified in the Request for Proposals and set forth in Exhibit A.
- (l) Proposal: A Proposer's submittal in response to a Request for Proposals.
- (m) Proposer Parties: A Proposer's members, directors, officers, shareholders, partners, managers, principal officers, representatives, agents, servants, consultants, employees or any one of them or any other person or entity with whom the Proposer is in privity of oral or written contract and the Proposer intends for such other person or entity to Perform under the Contract in any capacity.
- (n) Records: All working papers and such other information and materials as may have been accumulated by the Contractor in performing the Contract, including but not limited to, documents, data, plans, books, computations, drawings, specifications, notes, reports, records, estimates, summaries and correspondence, kept or stored in any form.
- (o) Request for Proposals: A State request inviting proposals for Goods or Services. This Contract shall be governed by the statutes, regulations and procedures of the State of Connecticut, Department of Administrative Services.

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- (p) **Services:** The performance of labor or work, as specified in the Request for Proposals and set forth in Exhibit A.
- (q) **State:** The State of Connecticut, including DAS, the Client Agency and any office, department, board, council, commission, institution or other agency of the State.
- (r) **Termination:** An end to the Contract prior to the end of its term whether effected pursuant to a right which the Contract creates or for a breach.
- (s) **Title:** all ownership, title, licenses, rights and interest, including, but not limited to, perpetual use, of and to the Goods or Services.

2. Term of Contract; Contract Extension. The Contract will be in effect from December 1, 2012 through December 31, 2015.

The parties may extend this Contract, prior to Termination or expiration, one or more times for a combined total period not to exceed the complete length of the original term, but only in accordance with the section in this Contract concerning Contract Amendments.

3. Description of Goods or Services. The Contractor shall perform as set forth in Exhibit A. For purposes of this Contract, to perform and the performance in Exhibit A is referred to as "Perform" and the "Performance."

4. Price Schedule, Payment Terms and Billing, and Price Adjustments.

(a) **Price Schedule:** Price Schedule under this Contract is set forth in Exhibit B.

(b) **Payment Terms and Billing:** Payment shall be made only after the Client Agency receives and accepts the Goods or Services and after it receives a properly completed invoice. Unless otherwise specified in the Contract, payment for all accepted Goods or Services shall be due within forty-five (45) days after acceptance of the Goods or Services, or thirty (30) days if the Contractor is a certified small contractor or minority business enterprise as defined in Conn. Gen. Stat. § 4a-60g. The Contractor shall submit an invoice to the Client Agency for the Performance. The invoice shall include detailed information for Goods or Services, delivered and performed, as applicable, and accepted. Any late payment charges shall be calculated in accordance with the Connecticut General Statutes.

(c) If applicable to and during the term of this Contract, the Price Schedule will be adjusted to reflect any increase in the minimum wage rate that may occur, as mandated by state law. The Price Schedule will not be adjusted until the Contractor provides documentation, in the form of certified payroll or other documentation acceptable to the State, substantiating the increase in minimum wage rate.

(d) **Price Adjustments:** No price increases are allowed under this Contract.

The parties may agree to a price reduction in the Bid price for any part or all goods or services after the Contractor begins to perform.

5. Rejected Items; Abandonment.

(a) The Contractor may deliver, cause to be delivered, or, in any other way, bring or cause to be brought, to any State premises or other destination, Goods, as samples or otherwise, and other supplies, materials, equipment or other tangible personal property. The State may, by

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written notice and in accordance with the terms and conditions of the Contract, direct the Contractor to remove any or all such Goods (“the “Rejected Goods”) and any or all other supplies, materials, equipment or other tangible personal property (collectively, the “Contractor Property”) from and out of State premises and any other location which the State manages, leases or controls. The Contractor shall remove the Rejected Goods and the Contractor Property in accordance with the terms and conditions of the written notice. Failure to remove the Rejected Goods or the Contractor Property in accordance with the terms and conditions of the written notice shall mean, for itself and all Contractor Parties and Proposer Parties, that:

- (1) they have voluntarily, intentionally, unconditionally, unequivocally and absolutely abandoned and left unclaimed the Rejected Goods and Contractor Property and relinquished all ownership, title, licenses, rights, possession and interest of, in and to (collectively, “Title”) the Rejected Goods and Contractor Property with the specific and express intent of (A) terminating all of their Title to the Rejected Goods and Contractor Property, (B) vesting Title to the Rejected Goods and Contractor Property in the State of Connecticut and (C) not ever reclaiming Title or any future rights of any type in and to the Rejected Goods and Contractor Property;
 - (2) there is no ignorance, inadvertence or unawareness to mitigate against the intent to abandon the Rejected Goods or Contractor Property;
 - (3) they vest authority, without any further act required on their part or the State’s part, in the Client Agency and the State to use or dispose of the Rejected Goods and Contractor Property, in the State’s sole discretion, as if the Rejected Goods and Contractor Property were the State’s own property and in accordance with law, without incurring any liability or obligation to the Contractor or any other party;
 - (4) if the State incurs any costs or expenses in connection with disposing of the Rejected Goods and Contractor Property, including, but not limited to, advertising, moving or storing the Rejected Goods and Contractor Property, auction and other activities, the State shall invoice the Contractor for all such cost and expenses and the Contractor shall reimburse the State no later than thirty (30) days after the date of invoice; and
 - (5) they do remise, release and forever discharge the State and its employees, departments, commissions, boards, bureaus, agencies, instrumentalities or political subdivisions and their respective successors, heirs, executors and assigns (collectively, the “State and Its Agents”) of and from all Claims which they and their respective successors or assigns, jointly or severally, ever had, now have or will have against the State and Its Agents arising from the use or disposition of the Rejected Goods and Contractor Property.
- (b) The Contractor shall secure from each Contractor Party or Proposer Party, as appropriate, such document or instrument as necessary or appropriate as will vest in the Contractor plenary authority to bind the Contractor Parties and Proposer Parties to the full extent necessary or appropriate to give full effect to all of the terms and conditions of this section. The Contractor shall provide, no later than fifteen (15) days after receiving a request from the State, such information as the State may require to evidence, in the State’s sole determination, compliance with this section.
6. Order and Delivery. The Contract shall bind the Contractor to furnish and deliver the Goods or Services in accordance with Exhibit A and at the prices set forth in Exhibit B. Subject to the sections in this Contract concerning Force Majeure, Termination and Open Market

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Purchases, the Contract shall bind the Client Agency to order the Goods or Services from the Contractor, and to pay for the accepted Goods or Services in accordance with Exhibit B.

7. Contract Amendments.

No amendment to or modification or other alteration of the Contract, including extensions, shall be valid or binding upon the parties unless made in writing, signed by the parties and, if applicable, approved by the Connecticut Attorney General.

8. Assignment. The Contractor shall not assign any of its rights or obligations under the Contract, voluntarily or otherwise, in any manner without the prior written consent of DAS. DAS may void any purported assignment in violation of this section and declare the Contractor in breach of Contract. Any Termination by DAS for a breach is without prejudice to DAS's or the State's rights or possible Claims.

9. Termination.

- (a) Notwithstanding any provisions in this Contract, the Agency, through a duly authorized employee, may Terminate the Contract whenever the Agency makes a written determination that such Termination is in the best interests of the State. The Agency shall notify the Contractor in writing of Termination pursuant to this section, which notice shall specify the effective date of Termination and the extent to which the Contractor must complete its Performance under the Contract prior to such date.
- (b) Notwithstanding any provisions in this Contract, the Agency, through a duly authorized employee, may, after making a written determination that the Contractor has breached the Contract, Terminate the Contract in accordance with the provisions in the Breach section of this Contract.
- (c) The Agency shall send the notice of Termination via certified mail, return receipt requested, to the Contractor at the most current address which the Contractor has furnished to the Agency for purposes of correspondence, or by hand delivery. Upon receiving the notice from the Agency, the Contractor shall immediately discontinue all services affected in accordance with the notice, undertake all commercially reasonable efforts to mitigate any losses or damages, and deliver to the Agency all Records. The Records are deemed to be the property of the Agency and the Contractor shall deliver them to the Agency no later than thirty (30) days after the Termination of the Contract or fifteen (15) days after the Contractor receives a written request from the Agency for the Records. The Contractor shall deliver those Records that exist in electronic, magnetic or other intangible form in a non-proprietary format, such as, but not limited to, ASCII or .TXT.
- (d) Upon receipt of a written notice of Termination from the Agency, the Contractor shall cease operations as the Agency directs in the notice, and take all actions that are necessary or appropriate, or that the Agency may reasonably direct, for the protection, and preservation of the Goods and any other property. Except for any work which the Agency directs the Contractor to Perform in the notice prior to the effective date of Termination, and except as otherwise provided in the notice, the Contractor shall terminate or conclude all existing subcontracts and purchase orders and shall not enter into any further subcontracts, purchase orders or commitments.
- (e) The Agency shall, within forty-five (45) days of the effective date of Termination, reimburse the Contractor for its Performance rendered and accepted by the Agency in accordance with Exhibit A, in addition to all actual and reasonable costs incurred after Termination in

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completing those portions of the Performance which the notice required the Contractor to complete. However, the Contractor is not entitled to receive and the Agency is not obligated to tender to the Contractor any payments for anticipated or lost profits. Upon request by the Agency, the Contractor shall assign to the Agency, or any replacement contractor which the Agency designates, all subcontracts, purchase orders and other commitments, deliver to the Agency all Records and other information pertaining to its Performance, and remove from State premises, whether leased or owned, all of Contractor's property, equipment, waste material and rubbish related to its Performance, all as the Agency may request.

- (f) For breach or violation of any of the provisions in the section concerning Representations and Warranties, the Agency may Terminate the Contract in accordance with its terms and revoke any consents to assignments given as if the assignments had never been requested or consented to, without liability to the Contractor or Contractor Parties or any third party.
 - (g) Upon Termination of the Contract, all rights and obligations shall be null and void, so that no party shall have any further rights or obligations to any other party, except with respect to the sections which survive Termination. All representations, warranties, agreements and rights of the parties under the Contract shall survive such Termination to the extent not otherwise limited in the Contract and without each one of them having to be specifically mentioned in the Contract.
 - (h) Termination of the Contract pursuant to this section shall not be deemed to be a breach of contract by the Agency.
10. Cost Modifications. The parties may agree to a reduction in the cost of the Contract at any time during which the Contract is in effect. Without intending to impose a limitation on the nature of the reduction, the reduction may be to hourly, staffing or unit costs, the total cost of the Contract or the reduction may take such other form as the State deems to be necessary or appropriate.
11. Breach. If either party breaches the Contract in any respect, the non-breaching party shall provide written notice of such breach to the breaching party and afford the breaching party an opportunity to cure the breach within ten (10) days from the date that the breaching party receives such notice. Any other time provided for in the notice shall trump such ten (10) days. Such right to cure period shall be extended if the non-breaching party is satisfied that the breaching party is making a good faith effort to cure but the nature of the breach is such that it cannot be cured within the right to cure period. The notice may include an effective Contract Termination date if the breach is not cured by the stated date and, unless otherwise modified by the non-breaching party in writing prior to the Termination date, no further action shall be required of any party to effect the Termination as of the stated date. If the notice does not set forth an effective Contract Termination date, then the non-breaching party may Terminate the Contract by giving the breaching party no less than twenty four (24) hours' prior written notice. If DAS believes that the Contractor has not performed according to the Contract, the Client Agency may withhold payment in whole or in part pending resolution of the Performance issue, provided that DAS notifies the Contractor in writing prior to the date that the payment would have been due in accordance with Exhibit B.
12. Waiver.
- (a) No waiver of any breach of the Contract shall be interpreted or deemed to be a waiver of any other or subsequent breach. All remedies afforded in the Contract shall be taken and

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construed as cumulative, that is, in addition to every other remedy provided in the Contract or at law or in equity.

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

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

14. Purchase Orders.

- (a) The Contract itself is not an authorization for the Contractor to ship Goods or begin Performance in any way. The Contractor may begin Performance only after it has received a duly issued purchase order against the Contract for Performance.
- (b) The Client Agency shall issue a purchase order against the Contract directly to the Contractor and to no other party.
- (c) All purchase orders shall be in written or electronic form, bear the Contract number (if any) and comply with all other State and Client Agency requirements, particularly the Client Agency's requirements concerning procurement. Purchase orders issued in compliance with such requirements shall be deemed to be duly issued.
- (d) A Contractor making delivery without a duly issued purchase order in accordance with this section does so at the Contractor's own risk.
- (e) The Client Agency may, in its sole discretion, deliver to the Contractor any or all duly issued purchase orders via electronic means only, such that the Client Agency shall not have any additional obligation to deliver to the Contractor a "hard copy" of the purchase order or a copy bearing any hand-written signature or other "original" marking.

15. Indemnification.

- (a) The Contractor shall indemnify, defend and hold harmless the State and its officers, representatives, agents, servants, employees, successors and assigns from and against any and all (1) Claims arising, directly or indirectly, in connection with the Contract, including the acts of commission or omission (collectively, the "Acts") of the Contractor or Contractor Parties;

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and (2) liabilities, damages, losses, costs and expenses, including but not limited to, attorneys' and other professionals' fees, arising, directly or indirectly, in connection with Claims, Acts or the Contract. The Contractor shall use counsel reasonably acceptable to the State in carrying out its obligations under this section. The Contractor's obligations under this section to indemnify, defend and hold harmless against Claims includes Claims concerning confidentiality of any part of or all of the Contractor's bid, proposal or any Records, any intellectual property rights, other proprietary rights of any person or entity, copyrighted or uncopyrighted compositions, secret processes, patented or unpatented inventions, articles or appliances furnished or used in the Performance.

- (b) The Contractor shall not be responsible for indemnifying or holding the State harmless from any liability arising due to the negligence of the State or any other person or entity acting under the direct control or supervision of the State.
- (c) The Contractor shall reimburse the State for any and all damages to the real or personal property of the State caused by the Acts of the Contractor or any Contractor Parties. The State shall give the Contractor reasonable notice of any such Claims.
- (d) The Contractor's duties under this section shall remain fully in effect and binding in accordance with the terms and conditions of the Contract, without being lessened or compromised in any way, even where the Contractor is alleged or is found to have merely contributed in part to the Acts giving rise to the Claims and/or where the State is alleged or is found to have contributed to the Acts giving rise to the Claims.
- (e) The Contractor shall carry and maintain at all times during the term of the Contract, and during the time that any provisions survive the term of the Contract, sufficient general liability insurance to satisfy its obligations under this Contract. The Contractor shall name the State as an additional insured on the policy and shall provide a copy of the policy to the Agency prior to the effective date of the Contract. The Contractor shall not begin Performance until the delivery of the policy to the Agency. The Agency shall be entitled to recover under the insurance policy even if a body of competent jurisdiction determines that the Agency or the State is contributorily negligent.
- (f) The rights provided in this section for the benefit of the State shall encompass the recovery of attorneys' and other professionals' fees expended in pursuing a Claim against a third party.
- (g) This section shall survive the Termination of the Contract and shall not be limited by reason of any insurance coverage.

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

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17. Contractor Guaranties. Contractor shall:

- (a) Perform fully under the Contract;
- (b) Guarantee the Goods or Services against defective material or workmanship and to repair any damage or marring occasioned in transit or, at the Client Agency's option, replace them;
- (c) Furnish adequate protection from damage for all work and to repair damage of any kind, for which its workers are responsible, to the premises, Goods, the Contractor's work or that of Contractor Parties;
- (d) With respect to the provision of Services, pay for all permits, licenses and fees and give all required or appropriate notices;
- (e) Adhere to all Contractual provisions ensuring the confidentiality of Records that the Contractor has access to and are exempt from disclosure under the State's Freedom of Information Act or other applicable law; and
- (f) Neither disclaim, exclude nor modify the implied warranties of fitness for a particular purpose or of merchantability.

18. Implied Warranties. DAS does not disclaim, exclude or modify the implied warranty of fitness for a particular purpose or the warranty of merchantability.

19. Goods, Standards and Appurtenances. Any Goods delivered must be standard new Goods, latest model, except as otherwise specifically stated in the Contract. Remanufactured, refurbished or reconditioned equipment may be accepted but only to the extent allowed under the Contract. Where the Contract does not specifically list or describe any part or nominal appurtenances of equipment for the Goods, it shall be understood that the Contractor shall deliver such parts and appurtenances as are usually provided with the manufacturer's stock model.

20. Delivery.

- (a) Delivery shall be made as ordered and in accordance with the Contract. Unless otherwise specified in the Contract, delivery shall be to a loading dock or receiving platform. The Contractor or Contractor's shipping designee shall be responsible for removal of Goods from the carrier and placement on the Client Agency loading dock or receiving platform. The receiving personnel of the Client Agency are not required to assist in this process. The decision of DAS as to reasonable compliance with delivery terms shall be final and binding. The burden of proof of proper receipt of the order shall rest with the Contractor.
- (b) In order for the time of delivery to be extended, the Client Agency must first approve a request for extension from the time specified in the Contract, such extension applying only to the particular item or shipment.
- (c) Goods shall be securely and properly packed for shipment, according to accepted standard commercial practice, without extra charge for packing cases, baling or sacks. The containers shall remain the property of the Client Agency unless otherwise stated in the Proposal.

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- (d) All risk of loss and damage to the Goods transfers to the Client Agency upon Title vesting in the Client Agency.
21. Goods Inspection. The Client Agency shall determine the manner and prescribe the inspection of all Goods and the tests of all samples submitted to determine whether they comply with all of the specifications in the Contract. If any Goods fail in any way to meet the specifications in the Contract, the Client Agency may, in its sole discretion, either reject it and owe nothing or accept it and pay for it on an adjusted price basis, depending on the degree to which the Goods meet the specifications. Any decision pertaining to any such failure or rejection shall be final and binding.
22. Setoff. In addition to all other remedies that DAS may have, the State, in its sole discretion, may setoff (1) any costs or expenses that the State incurs resulting from the Contractor's unexcused nonperformance under the Contract and under any other agreement or arrangement that the Contractor has with the State and (2) any other amounts that are due or may become due from the State to the Contractor, against amounts otherwise due or that may become due to the Contractor under the Contract, or under any other agreement or arrangement that the Contractor has with the State. The State's right of setoff shall not be deemed to be the State's exclusive remedy for the Contractor's or Contractor Parties' breach of the Contract, all of which shall survive any setoffs by the State.
23. Force Majeure. The State and the Contractor shall not be excused from their obligation to Perform in accordance with the Contract except in the case of Force Majeure events and as otherwise provided for in the Contract. In the case of any such exception, the nonperforming party shall give immediate written notice to the other, explaining the cause and probable duration of any such nonperformance.
24. Advertising. The Contractor shall not refer to sales to the State for advertising or promotional purposes, including, but not limited to, posting any material or data on the Internet, without DAS's prior written approval.
25. Americans With Disabilities Act. The Contractor shall be and remain in compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 ("Act"), to the extent applicable, during the term of the Contract. DAS may Terminate the Contract if the Contractor fails to comply with the Act.
26. Representations and Warranties. The Contractor, and the Proposer, as appropriate, represent and warrant to DAS for itself, Contractor Parties and Proposer Parties, as appropriate, that:
- (a) if they are entities, they are duly and validly existing under the laws of their respective states of organization and authorized to conduct business in the State of Connecticut in the manner contemplated by the Contract. Further, as appropriate, they have taken all necessary action to authorize the execution, delivery and Performance of the Proposal and the Contract and have the power and authority to execute, deliver and Perform their obligations under the Contract;
- (b) they will comply with all applicable State and Federal laws and municipal ordinances in satisfying their obligations to the State under and pursuant to the Contract, including, but not limited to (1) Connecticut General Statutes Title 1, Chapter 10, concerning the State's Codes of Ethics and (2) Title 4a concerning State purchasing, including, but not limited to 22a-194a concerning the use of polystyrene foam;

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- (c) the execution, delivery and Performance of the Contract will not violate, be in conflict with, result in a breach of or constitute (with or without due notice and/or lapse of time) a default under any of the following, as applicable: (1) any provision of law; (2) any order of any court or the State; or (3) any indenture, agreement, document or other instrument to which it is a party or by which it may be bound;
- (d) they are not presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from covered transactions by any governmental entity;
- (e) as applicable, they have not, within the three years preceding the Contract, in any of their current or former jobs, been convicted of, or had a civil judgment rendered against them or against any person who would Perform under the Contract, for commission of fraud or a criminal offense in connection with obtaining, attempting to obtain, or performing a transaction or contract with any governmental entity. This includes, but is not limited to, violation of Federal or state antitrust statutes or commission of embezzlement, theft, forgery, bribery, falsification or destruction of records, making false statements, or receiving stolen property;
- (f) they are not presently indicted for or otherwise criminally or civilly charged by any governmental entity with commission of any of the offenses listed above;
- (g) they have not within the three years preceding the Contract had one or more contracts with any governmental entity Terminated;
- (h) they have not employed or retained any entity or person, other than a bona fide employee working solely for them, to solicit or secure the Contract and that they have not paid or agreed to pay any entity or person, other than a bona fide employee working solely for them, any fee, commission, percentage, brokerage fee, gifts, or any other consideration contingent upon or resulting from the award or making of the Contract or any assignments made in accordance with the terms of the Contract;
- (i) to the best of their knowledge, there are no Claims involving the Proposer, Proposer Parties, Contractor or Contractor Parties that might reasonably be expected to materially adversely affect their businesses, operations, assets, properties, financial stability, business prospects or ability to Perform fully under the Contract;
- (j) they shall disclose, to the best of their knowledge, to DAS in writing any Claims involving them that might reasonably be expected to materially adversely affect their businesses, operations, assets, properties, financial stability, business prospects or ability to Perform fully under the Contract, no later than ten (10) Days after becoming aware or after they should have become aware of any such Claims. For purposes of the Contractor's obligation to disclose any Claims to DAS, the ten (10) Days in the section of this Contract concerning Disclosure of Contractor Parties Litigation shall run consecutively with the ten (10) Days provided for in this representation and warranty;
- (k) their participation in the Request for Proposals process is not a conflict of interest or a breach of ethics under the provisions of Title 1, Chapter 10 of the Connecticut General Statutes concerning the State's Code of Ethics;
- (l) the Proposal was not made in connection or concert with any other person, entity or Proposer, including any affiliate (as defined in the Tangible Personal Property section of this

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Contract) of the Proposer, submitting a Proposal for the same Goods or Services, and is in all respects fair and without collusion or fraud;

- (m) they are able to Perform under the Contract using their own resources or the resources of a party who is not a Proposer;
- (n) the Contractor shall obtain in a written contract all of the representations and warranties in this section from any Contractor Parties and to require that provision to be included in any contracts and purchase orders with Contractor Parties;
- (o) they have paid all applicable workers' compensation second injury fund assessments concerning all previous work done in Connecticut;
- (p) they have a record of compliance with Occupational Health and Safety Administration regulations without any unabated, willful or serious violations;
- (q) they owe no unemployment compensation contributions;
- (r) they are not delinquent in the payment of any taxes owed, or, that they have filed a sales tax security bond, and they have, if and as applicable, filed for motor carrier road tax stickers and have paid all outstanding road taxes;
- (s) all of their vehicles have current registrations and, unless such vehicles are no longer in service, they shall not allow any such registrations to lapse;
- (t) each Contractor Party has vested in the Contractor plenary authority to bind the Contractor Parties and Proposer Parties to the full extent necessary or appropriate to ensure full compliance with and Performance in accordance with all of the terms and conditions of the Contract and that all appropriate parties shall also provide to DAS, no later than fifteen (15) days after receiving a request from DAS, such information as DAS may require to evidence, in DAS's sole determination, compliance with this section;
- (u) except to the extent modified or abrogated in the Contract, all Title shall pass to the Client Agency upon complete installation, testing and acceptance of the Goods or Services and payment by the Client Agency;
- (v) if either party Terminates the Contract, for any reason, they shall relinquish to the Client Agency all Title to the Goods delivered, accepted and paid for (except to the extent any invoiced amount is disputed) by the Client Agency;
- (w) with regard to third party products provided with the Goods, they shall transfer all licenses which they are permitted to transfer in accordance with the applicable third party license;
- (x) they shall not copyright, register, distribute or claim any rights in or to the Goods after the effective date of the Contract without DAS's prior written consent;
- (y) they either own or have the authority to use all Title of and to the Goods, and that such Title is not the subject of any encumbrances, liens or claims of ownership by any third party;
- (z) the Goods do not infringe or misappropriate any patent, trade secret or other intellectual property right of a third party;

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- (aa) the Client Agency's use of any Goods shall not infringe or misappropriate any patent, trade secret or other intellectual property right of a third party;
- (bb) if they procure any Goods, they shall sub-license such Goods and that the Client Agency shall be afforded the full benefits of any manufacturer or subcontractor licenses for the use of the Goods; and
- (cc) they shall assign or otherwise transfer to the Client Agency, or afford the Client Agency the full benefits of any manufacturer's warranty for the Goods, to the extent that such warranties are assignable or otherwise transferable to the Client Agency.

27. Representations and Warranties Concerning Motor Vehicles. If in the course of Performance or in any other way related to the Contract the Contractor at any time uses or operates "motor vehicles," as that term is defined by Conn. Gen. Stat. §14-1(53) (including, but not limited to such services as snow plowing, sanding, hauling or delivery of materials, freight or merchandise, or the transportation of passengers), the Contractor, and the Proposer, as appropriate, represent and warrant for itself, the Contractor Parties and Proposer Parties, as appropriate, that:

- (a) It is the owner of record or lessee of record of each such motor vehicle used in the Performance of the Contract, and each such motor vehicle is duly registered with the Connecticut Department of Motor Vehicles ("ConnDMV") in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 246 of the Connecticut General Statutes. Each such registration shall be in valid status, and shall not be expired, suspended or revoked by ConnDMV, for any reason or cause. If such motor vehicle is not registered with ConnDMV, then it shall be duly registered with another state or commonwealth in accordance with such other state's or commonwealth's applicable statutes. Each such registration shall be in valid status, and shall not be expired, suspended or revoked by such other state or commonwealth for any reason or cause.
- (b) Each such motor vehicle shall be fully insured in accordance with the provisions of Sections 14-12b, 14-112 and 38a-371 of the Connecticut General Statutes, as amended, in the amounts required by the said sections or in such higher amounts as have been specified by ConnDMV as a condition for the award of the Contract, or in accordance with all substantially similar provisions imposed by the law of the jurisdiction where the motor vehicle is registered.
- (c) Each Contractor Party who uses or operates a motor vehicle at any time in the Performance of the Contract shall have and maintain a motor vehicle operator's license or commercial driver's license of the appropriate class for the motor vehicle being used or operated. Each such license shall bear the endorsement or endorsements required by the provisions of Section 14-36a of the Connecticut General Statutes, as amended, to operate such motor vehicle, or required by substantially similar provisions imposed by the law of another jurisdiction in which the operator is licensed to operate such motor vehicle. The license shall be in valid status, and shall not be expired, suspended or revoked by ConnDMV or such other jurisdiction for any reason or cause.
- (d) Each motor vehicle shall be in full compliance with all of the terms and conditions of all provisions of the Connecticut General Statutes and regulations, or those of the jurisdiction where the motor vehicle is registered, pertaining to the mechanical condition, equipment, marking and operation of motor vehicles of such type, class and weight, including, but not limited to, requirements for motor vehicles having a gross vehicle weight rating of 18,000 pounds or more or motor vehicles otherwise described by the provisions of Conn. Gen. Stat.

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§ 14-163c(a) and all applicable provisions of the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Regulations, as set forth in Title 49, Parts 382 to 399, inclusive, of the Code of Federal Regulations.

28. Disclosure of Contractor Parties Litigation. The Contractor shall require that all Contractor Parties, as appropriate, disclose to the Contractor, to the best of their knowledge, any Claims involving the Contractor Parties that might reasonably be expected to materially adversely affect their businesses, operations, assets, properties, financial stability, business prospects or ability to Perform fully under the Contract, no later than ten (10) Days after becoming aware or after they should have become aware of any such Claims. Disclosure shall be in writing.
29. Entirety of Contract. The Contract is the entire agreement between the parties with respect to its subject matter, and supersedes all prior agreements, proposals, offers, counteroffers and understandings of the parties, whether written or oral. The Contract has been entered into after full investigation, neither party relying upon any statement or representation by the other unless such statement or representation is specifically embodied in the Contract.
30. Exhibits. All exhibits referred to in and attached to this Contract are incorporated in this Contract by such reference and shall be deemed to be a part of it as if they had been fully set forth in it.
31. Executive Orders. This Contract is subject to the provisions of Executive Order No. Three of Governor Thomas J. Meskill, promulgated June 16, 1971, concerning labor employment practices, Executive Order No. Seventeen of Governor Thomas J. Meskill, promulgated February 15, 1973, concerning the listing of employment openings and Executive Order No. Sixteen of Governor John G. Rowland promulgated August 4, 1999, concerning violence in the workplace, all of which are incorporated into and are made a part of the Contract as if they had been fully set forth in it. The Contract may also be subject to Executive Order No. 7C of Governor M. Jodi Rell, promulgated July 13, 2006, concerning contracting reforms and Executive Order No. 14 of Governor M. Jodi Rell, promulgated April 17, 2006, concerning procurement of cleaning products and services, in accordance with their respective terms and conditions. If Executive Orders 7C and 14 are applicable, they are deemed to be incorporated into and are made a part of the Contract as if they had been fully set forth in it. At the Contractor's request, the Client Agency or DAS shall provide a copy of these orders to the Contractor.
32. Non-discrimination. References in this section to "contract" shall mean this Contract and references to "contractor" shall mean the Contractor.

(a) For purposes of this Section, the following terms are defined as follows:

- (1) "Commission" means the Commission on Human Rights and Opportunities;
- (2) "Contract" and "contract" include any extension or modification of the Contract or contract;
- (3) "Contractor" and "contractor" include any successors or assigns of the Contractor or contractor;
- (4) "Gender identity or expression" means a person's gender-related identity, appearance or behavior, whether or not that gender-related identity, appearance or

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behavior is different from that traditionally associated with the person's physiology or assigned sex at birth, which gender-related identity can be shown by providing evidence including, but not limited to, medical history, care or treatment of the gender-related identity, consistent and uniform assertion of the gender-related identity or any other evidence that the gender-related identity is sincerely held, part of a person's core identity or not being asserted for an improper purpose.

(5) "good faith" means that degree of diligence which a reasonable person would exercise in the performance of legal duties and obligations;

(6) "good faith efforts" shall include, but not be limited to, those reasonable initial efforts necessary to comply with statutory or regulatory requirements and additional or substituted efforts when it is determined that such initial efforts will not be sufficient to comply with such requirements;

(7) "marital status" means being single, married as recognized by the state of Connecticut, widowed, separated or divorced;

(8) "mental disability" means one or more mental disorders, as defined in the most recent edition of the American Psychiatric Association's "Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders", or a record of or regarding a person as having one or more such disorders;

(9) "minority business enterprise" means any small contractor or supplier of materials fifty-one percent or more of the capital stock, if any, or assets of which is owned by a person or persons: (1) who are active in the daily affairs of the enterprise, (2) who have the power to direct the management and policies of the enterprise, and (3) who are members of a minority, as such term is defined in subsection (a) of Connecticut General Statutes § 32-9n; and

(10) "public works contract" means any agreement between any individual, firm or corporation and the State or any political subdivision of the State other than a municipality for construction, rehabilitation, conversion, extension, demolition or repair of a public building, highway or other changes or improvements in real property, or which is financed in whole or in part by the State, including, but not limited to, matching expenditures, grants, loans, insurance or guarantees.

For purposes of this Section, the terms "Contract" and "contract" do not include a contract where each contractor is (1) a political subdivision of the state, including, but not limited to, a municipality, (2) a quasi-public agency, as defined in Conn. Gen. Stat. Section 1-120, (3) any other state, including but not limited to any federally recognized Indian tribal governments, as defined in Conn. Gen. Stat. Section 1-267, (4) the federal government, (5) a foreign government, or (6) an agency of a subdivision, agency, state or government described in the immediately preceding enumerated items (1), (2), (3), (4) or (5).

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(b)

(1) The Contractor agrees and warrants that in the performance of the Contract such Contractor will not discriminate or permit discrimination against any person or group of persons on the grounds of race, color, religious creed, age, marital status, national origin, ancestry, sex, gender identity or expression, mental retardation, mental disability or physical disability, including, but not limited to, blindness, unless it is shown by such Contractor that such disability prevents performance of the work involved, in any manner prohibited by the laws of the United States or of the State of Connecticut; and the Contractor further agrees to take affirmative action to insure that applicants with job-related qualifications are employed and that employees are treated when employed without regard to their race, color, religious creed, age, marital status, national origin, ancestry, sex, gender identity or expression, mental retardation, mental disability or physical disability, including, but not limited to, blindness, unless it is shown by the Contractor that such disability prevents performance of the work involved;

(2) the Contractor agrees, in all solicitations or advertisements for employees placed by or on behalf of the Contractor, to state that it is an "affirmative action-equal opportunity employer" in accordance with regulations adopted by the Commission;

(3) the Contractor agrees to provide each labor union or representative of workers with which the Contractor has a collective bargaining agreement or other contract or understanding and each vendor with which the Contractor has a contract or understanding, a notice to be provided by the Commission, advising the labor union or workers' representative of the Contractor's commitments under this section and to post copies of the notice in conspicuous places available to employees and applicants for employment;

(4) the Contractor agrees to comply with each provision of this Section and Connecticut General Statutes §§ 46a-68e and 46a-68f and with each regulation or relevant order issued by said Commission pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes §§ 46a-56, 46a-68e and 46a-68f; and

(5) the Contractor agrees to provide the Commission on Human Rights and Opportunities with such information requested by the Commission, and permit access to pertinent books, records and accounts, concerning the employment practices and procedures of the Contractor as relate to the provisions of this Section and Connecticut General Statutes § 46a-56. If the contract is a public works contract, the Contractor agrees and warrants that he will make good faith efforts to employ minority business enterprises as subcontractors and suppliers of materials on such public works projects.

(c) Determination of the Contractor's good faith efforts shall include, but shall not be limited to, the following factors: The Contractor's employment and subcontracting policies, patterns and practices; affirmative advertising, recruitment and training; technical assistance activities and such other reasonable activities or efforts as the Commission may prescribe that are designed to ensure the participation of minority business enterprises in public works projects.

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- (d) The Contractor shall develop and maintain adequate documentation, in a manner prescribed by the Commission, of its good faith efforts.
- (e) The Contractor shall include the provisions of subsection (b) of this Section in every subcontract or purchase order entered into in order to fulfill any obligation of a contract with the State and such provisions shall be binding on a subcontractor, vendor or manufacturer unless exempted by regulations or orders of the Commission. The Contractor shall take such action with respect to any such subcontract or purchase order as the Commission may direct as a means of enforcing such provisions including sanctions for noncompliance in accordance with Connecticut General Statutes §46a-56; provided if such Contractor becomes involved in, or is threatened with, litigation with a subcontractor or vendor as a result of such direction by the Commission, the Contractor may request the State of Connecticut to enter into any such litigation or negotiation prior thereto to protect the interests of the State and the State may so enter.
- (f) The Contractor agrees to comply with the regulations referred to in this Section as they exist on the date of this Contract and as they may be adopted or amended from time to time during the term of this Contract and any amendments thereto.
- (g)
 - (1) The Contractor agrees and warrants that in the performance of the Contract such Contractor will not discriminate or permit discrimination against any person or group of persons on the grounds of sexual orientation, in any manner prohibited by the laws of the United States or the State of Connecticut, and that employees are treated when employed without regard to their sexual orientation;
 - (2) the Contractor agrees to provide each labor union or representative of workers with which such Contractor has a collective bargaining agreement or other contract or understanding and each vendor with which such Contractor has a contract or understanding, a notice to be provided by the Commission on Human Rights and Opportunities advising the labor union or workers' representative of the Contractor's commitments under this section, and to post copies of the notice in conspicuous places available to employees and applicants for employment;
 - (3) the Contractor agrees to comply with each provision of this section and with each regulation or relevant order issued by said Commission pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes § 46a-56; and
 - (4) the Contractor agrees to provide the Commission on Human Rights and Opportunities with such information requested by the Commission, and permit access to pertinent books, records and accounts, concerning the employment practices and procedures of the Contractor which relate to the provisions of this Section and Connecticut General Statutes § 46a-56.
- (h) The Contractor shall include the provisions of the foregoing paragraph in every subcontract or purchase order entered into in order to fulfill any obligation of a contract

with the State and such provisions shall be binding on a subcontractor, vendor or manufacturer unless exempted by regulations or orders of the Commission. The Contractor shall take such action with respect to any such subcontract or purchase order as the Commission may direct as a means of enforcing such provisions including sanctions for noncompliance in accordance with Connecticut General Statutes § 46a-56; provided, if such Contractor becomes involved in, or is threatened with, litigation with a subcontractor or vendor as a result of such direction by the Commission, the Contractor may request the State of Connecticut to enter into any such litigation or negotiation prior thereto to protect the interests of the State and the State may so enter.

33. Tangible Personal Property.

- (a) The Contractor on its behalf and on behalf of its Affiliates, as defined below, shall comply with the provisions of Conn. Gen. Stat. §12-411b, as follows:
- (1) For the term of the Contract, the Contractor and its Affiliates shall collect and remit to the State of Connecticut, Department of Revenue Services, any Connecticut use tax due under the provisions of Chapter 219 of the Connecticut General Statutes for items of tangible personal property sold by the Contractor or by any of its Affiliates in the same manner as if the Contractor and such Affiliates were engaged in the business of selling tangible personal property for use in Connecticut and had sufficient nexus under the provisions of Chapter 219 to be required to collect Connecticut use tax;
 - (2) A customer's payment of a use tax to the Contractor or its Affiliates relieves the customer of liability for the use tax;
 - (3) The Contractor and its Affiliates shall remit all use taxes they collect from customers on or before the due date specified in the Contract, which may not be later than the last day of the month next succeeding the end of a calendar quarter or other tax collection period during which the tax was collected;
 - (4) The Contractor and its Affiliates are not liable for use tax billed by them but not paid to them by a customer; and
 - (5) Any Contractor or Affiliate who fails to remit use taxes collected on behalf of its customers by the due date specified in the Contract shall be subject to the interest and penalties provided for persons required to collect sales tax under chapter 219 of the general statutes.
- (b) For purposes of this section of the Contract, the word "Affiliate" means any person, as defined in section 12-1 of the general statutes, that controls, is controlled by, or is under common control with another person. A person controls another person if the person owns, directly or indirectly, more than ten per cent of the voting securities of the other person. The word "voting security" means a security that confers upon the holder the right to vote for the election of members of the board of directors or similar governing body of the business, or that is convertible into, or entitles the holder to receive, upon its exercise, a security that confers such a right to vote. "Voting security" includes a general partnership interest.
- (c) The Contractor represents and warrants that each of its Affiliates has vested in the Contractor plenary authority to so bind the Affiliates in any agreement with the State of Connecticut. The Contractor on its own behalf and on behalf of its Affiliates shall also provide, no later than 30 days after receiving a request by the State's contracting authority, such information as the State may require to ensure, in the State's sole determination, compliance with the

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provisions of Chapter 219 of the Connecticut General Statutes, including, but not limited to, §12-411b.

34. Whistleblowing. This Contract may be subject to the provisions of Section 4-61dd of the Connecticut General Statutes. In accordance with this statute, if an officer, employee or appointing authority of the Contractor takes or threatens to take any personnel action against any employee of the Contractor in retaliation for such employee's disclosure of information to any employee of the contracting state or quasi-public agency or the Auditors of Public Accounts or the Attorney General under the provisions of subsection (a) of such statute, the Contractor shall be liable for a civil penalty of not more than five thousand dollars for each offense, up to a maximum of twenty per cent of the value of this Contract. Each violation shall be a separate and distinct offense and in the case of a continuing violation, each calendar day's continuance of the violation shall be deemed to be a separate and distinct offense. The State may request that the Attorney General bring a civil action in the Superior Court for the Judicial District of Hartford to seek imposition and recovery of such civil penalty. In accordance with subsection (f) of such statute, each large state contractor, as defined in the statute, shall post a notice of the provisions of the statute relating to large state contractors in a conspicuous place which is readily available for viewing by the employees of the Contractor.

35. Notice. All notices, demands, requests, consents, approvals or other communications required or permitted to be given or which are given with respect to this Contract (for the purpose of this section collectively called "Notices") shall be deemed to have been effected at such time as the notice is placed in the U.S. mail, first class and postage pre-paid, return receipt requested or placed with a recognized, overnight express delivery service that provides for a return receipt. All such Notices shall be in writing and shall be addressed as follows:

If to DAS:

State of Connecticut, Department of Administrative Services
165 Capitol Ave, 5th Floor South
Hartford, CT 06106-1659
Attention: Lynn Peccerillo-Hills, Contract Specialist

If to the Contractor:

PropertyBureau.com, Inc. dba PropertyRoom.com, Inc.
5257 Buckeystown Pike, Suite 475
Frederick, MD 21704,
Attn. PJ Bellomo, President and CEO

36. Insurance. Before commencing Performance, the Contractor shall obtain and maintain at its own cost and expense for the duration of the Contract, the following insurance as described in (a) through (h) below. Contractor shall assume any and all deductibles in the described insurance policies. The Contractor's insurers shall have no right of recovery or subrogation against the State and the described Contractor's insurance shall be primary coverage. Any failure to comply with the claim reporting provisions of the policy shall not affect coverage provided to the State.

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- (a) Reserved
 - (b) Commercial General Liability: \$1,000,000 combined single limit per occurrence for bodily injury, personal injury and property damage. Coverage shall include, Premises and Operations, Independent Contractors, Products and Completed Operations, Contractual Liability and Broad Form Property Damage coverage. If a general aggregate is used, the general aggregate limit shall apply separately to the project or the general aggregate limit shall be twice the occurrence limit.
 - (c) Automobile Liability: \$1,000,000 combined single limit per accident for bodily injury. Coverage extends to owned, hired and non-owned automobiles. If the vendor/contractor does not own an automobile, but one is used in the execution of the contract, then only hired and non-owned coverage is required. If a vehicle is not used in the execution of the contract then automobile coverage is not required.
 - (d) Workers' Compensation and Employers Liability: Statutory coverage in compliance with the Compensation laws of the State of Connecticut. Coverage shall include Employer's Liability with minimum limits of \$100,000 each accident, \$500,000 Disease – Policy limit, \$100,000 each employee.
 - (e) Reserved
 - (f) Umbrella Liability: Excess/umbrella liability insurance may be included to meet minimum requirements. Umbrella coverage must indicate the existing underlying insurance coverage.
 - (g) Claims Made: Not acceptable with the exception of Professional Liability when specified.
 - (h) Reserved
 - (i) Comprehensive Crime Bond: The Contractor shall submit a Comprehensive Crime Bond with limits of not less than \$1,000,000.00 per occurrence covering all dishonest acts of employees, agents and representatives of the contractor while performing services as specified throughout this contract.
 - (j)
37. Headings. The headings given to the sections in the Contract are inserted only for convenience and are in no way to be construed as part of the Contract or as a limitation of the scope of the particular section to which the heading refers.
38. Number and Gender. Whenever the context so requires, the plural or singular shall include each other and the use of any gender shall include all genders.
39. Parties. To the extent that any Contractor Party or Proposer Party is to participate or Perform in any way, directly or indirectly in connection with the Proposal or the Contract, any reference in the Request for Proposals and the Contract to "Contractor" or "Proposer" shall also be deemed to include "Contractor Parties" or "Proposer Parties," respectively, as if such reference had originally specifically included "Contractor Parties" or "Proposer Parties," since it is the parties' intent for the terms "Contractor Parties" and "Proposer Parties" to be vested with the same respective rights and obligations as the terms "Contractor" and "Proposer."

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40. Contractor Changes. The Contractor shall notify DAS in writing no later than ten (10) Days from the effective date of any change in:

- a) its certificate of incorporation or other organizational document;
- b) more than a controlling interest in the ownership of the Contractor; or
- c) the individual(s) in charge of the Performance.

This change shall not relieve the Contractor of any responsibility for the accuracy and completeness of the Performance. DAS, after receiving written notice by the Contractor of any such change, may require such agreements, releases and other instruments evidencing, to DAS's satisfaction, that any individuals retiring or otherwise separating from the Contractor have been compensated in full or that provision has been made for compensation in full, for all work performed under terms of the Contract. The Contractor shall deliver such documents to DAS in accordance with the terms of DAS's written request. DAS may also require, and the Contractor shall deliver, a financial statement showing that solvency of the Contractor is maintained. The death of any Contractor Party, as applicable, shall not release the Contractor from the obligation to Perform under the Contract; the surviving Contractor Parties, as appropriate, must continue to Perform under the Contract until Performance is fully completed.

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

42. Audit and Inspection of Plants, Places of Business and Records.

- (a) Audit and Inspection of Plants, Places of Business and Records. The State and its agents, including, but not limited to, the Connecticut Auditors of Public Accounts, Attorney General and State's Attorney and their respective agents, may, at reasonable hours, inspect and examine all of the parts of the Contractor's and Contractor Parties' plants and places of business which, in any way, are related to, or involved in, the performance of this Contract.
- (b) The Contractor shall maintain, and shall require each of the Contractor Parties to maintain, accurate and complete Records. The Contractor shall make all of its and the Contractor Parties' Records available at all reasonable hours for audit and inspection by the State and its agents.
- (c) The State shall make all requests for any audit or inspection in writing and shall provide the Contractor with at least twenty-four (24) hours' notice prior to the requested audit and inspection date. If the State suspects fraud or other abuse, or in the event of an emergency, the State is not obligated to provide any prior notice.
- (d) All audits and inspections shall be at the State's expense.
- (e) The Contractor shall keep and preserve or cause to be kept and preserved all of its and Contractor Parties' Records until three (3) years after the latter of (i) final payment under

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this Contract, or (ii) the expiration or earlier termination of this Contract, as the same may be modified for any reason. The State may request an audit or inspection at any time during this period. If any Claim or audit is started before the expiration of this period, the Contractor shall retain or cause to be retained all Records until all Claims or audit findings have been resolved.

(f) The Contractor shall cooperate fully with the State and its agents in connection with an audit or inspection. Following any audit or inspection, the State may conduct and the Contractor shall cooperate with an exit conference.

(g) The Contractor shall incorporate this entire Section verbatim into any contract or other agreement that it enters into with any Contractor Party.

43. Background Checks. The State may require that the Contractor and Contractor Parties undergo criminal background checks as provided for in the State of Connecticut Department of Public Safety Administration and Operations Manual or such other State document as governs procedures for background checks. The Contractor and Contractor Parties shall cooperate fully as necessary or reasonably requested with the State and its agents in connection with such background checks.

Reference **Exhibit D - DOC Security Regulations**.

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

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

46. Contractor Responsibility.

(a) The Contractor shall be responsible for the entire Performance under the Contract regardless of whether the Contractor itself performs. The Contractor shall be the sole point of contact concerning the management of the Contract, including Performance and payment issues. The Contractor is solely and completely responsible for adherence by the Contractor Parties to all applicable provisions of the Contract.

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

47. Severability. If any term or provision of the Contract or its application to any person, entity or circumstance shall, to any extent, be held to be invalid or unenforceable, the remainder of the Contract or the application of such term or provision shall not be affected as to persons, entities or circumstances other than those as to whom or to which it is held to be invalid or

unenforceable. Each remaining term and provision of the Contract shall be valid and enforced to the fullest extent possible by law.

48. Confidential Information. The State will afford due regard to the Proposer's and Contractor's request for the protection of proprietary or confidential information which the State receives. However, all materials associated with the Proposal and the Contract are subject to the terms of the Connecticut Freedom of Information Act ("FOIA") and all corresponding rules, regulations and interpretations. In making such a request, the Proposer or Contractor may not merely state generally that the materials are proprietary or confidential in nature and not, therefore, subject to release to third parties. Those particular sentences, paragraphs, pages or sections that the vendor believes are exempt from disclosure under the FOIA must be specifically identified as such. Convincing explanation and rationale sufficient to justify each exemption consistent with the FOIA must accompany the request. The rationale and explanation must be stated in terms of the prospective harm to the competitive position of the Proposer or Contractor that would result if the identified material were to be released and the reasons why the materials are legally exempt from release pursuant to the FOIA. To the extent that any other provision or part of the Contract, especially including the Proposal, the Records and the specifications, conflicts or is in any way inconsistent with this section, this section controls and shall apply and the conflicting provision or part shall not be given effect. If the Proposer or Contractor indicates that certain documentation is submitted in confidence, by specifically and clearly marking said documentation as CONFIDENTIAL, DAS will endeavor to keep said information confidential to the extent permitted by law. DAS, however, has no obligation to initiate, prosecute or defend any legal proceeding or to seek a protective order or other similar relief to prevent disclosure of any information that is sought pursuant to a FOIA request. The Contractor shall have the burden of establishing the availability of any FOIA exemption in any proceeding where it is an issue. In no event shall DAS or the State have any liability for the disclosure of any documents or information in its possession which the State or DAS believes are required to be disclosed pursuant to the FOIA or other requirements of law.
49. Interpretation. The Contract contains numerous references to statutes and regulations. For purposes of interpretation, conflict resolution and otherwise, the content of those statutes and regulations shall govern over the content of the reference in the Contract to those statutes and regulations.
50. Cross-Default.
- (a) If the Contractor or Contractor Parties breach, default or in any way fail to Perform satisfactorily under the Contract, then DAS may, in its sole discretion, without more and without any action whatsoever required of the State, treat any such event as a breach, default or failure to perform under any or all other agreements or arrangements ("Other Agreements") that the Contractor or Contractor Parties have with DAS. Accordingly, DAS may then exercise at its sole option any and all of its rights or remedies provided for in the Contract or Other Agreements, either selectively or collectively and without such election being deemed to prejudice any rights or remedies of DAS, as if the Contractor or Contractor Parties had suffered a breach, default or failure to perform under the Other Agreements.
- (b) If the Contractor or Contractor Parties breach, default or in any way fail to perform satisfactorily under any or all Other Agreements with DAS or the State, then DAS may, in its sole discretion, without more and without any action whatsoever required of the State, treat any such event as a breach, default or failure to Perform under the Contract. Accordingly, the State may then exercise at its sole option any and all of its rights or remedies provided for

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in the Other Agreements or the Contract, either selectively or collectively and without such election being deemed to prejudice any rights or remedies of DAS or the State, as if the Contractor or Contractor Parties had suffered a breach, default or failure to Perform under the Contract.

51. Disclosure of Records. This Contract may be subject to the provisions of section 1-218 of the Connecticut General Statutes. In accordance with this statute, each contract in excess of two million five hundred thousand dollars between a public agency and a person for the performance of a governmental function shall (a) provide that the public agency is entitled to receive a copy of records and files related to the performance of the governmental function, and (b) indicate that such records and files are subject to FOIA and may be disclosed by the public agency pursuant to FOIA. No request to inspect or copy such records or files shall be valid unless the request is made to the public agency in accordance with FOIA. Any complaint by a person who is denied the right to inspect or copy such records or files shall be brought to the Freedom of Information Commission in accordance with the provisions of sections 1-205 and 1-206 of the Connecticut General Statutes.
52. Summary of State Ethics Laws. Pursuant to the requirements of section 1-101qq of the Connecticut General Statutes, the summary of State ethics laws developed by the State Ethics Commission pursuant to section 1-81b of the Connecticut General Statutes is incorporated by reference into and made a part of the Contract as if the summary had been fully set forth in the Contract.
53. Sovereign Immunity. The parties acknowledge and agree that nothing in the Request for Proposals or the Contract shall be construed as a modification, compromise or waiver by the State of any rights or defenses of any immunities provided by Federal law or the laws of the State of Connecticut to the State or any of its officers and employees, which they may have had, now have or will have with respect to all matters arising out of the Contract. To the extent that this section conflicts with any other section, this section shall govern.
54. Time of the Essence. Time is of the essence with respect to all provisions of this Contract that specify a time for performance; provided, however, that this provision shall not be construed to limit or deprive a party of the benefits of any grace or use period allowed in this Contract.
55. Certification as Small Contractor or Minority Business Enterprise.
This paragraph was intentionally left blank.
56. Campaign Contribution Restriction. For all State contracts as defined in P.A. 07-1 having a value in a calendar year of \$50,000 or more or a combination or series of such agreements or contracts having a value of \$100,000 or more, the authorized signatory to this Contract expressly acknowledges receipt of the State Elections Enforcement Commission's notice advising state contractors of state campaign contribution and solicitation prohibitions, and will inform its principals of the contents of the notice. See Exhibit C [SEEC Form 11].
57. Health Care Portability and Accountability Act.
 - (a) If the Contactor or Contractor Parties is a Business Associate under the requirements of the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 ("HIPAA"), the Contractor or Contractor Parties must comply with all terms and conditions of this Section of the Contract.

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If the Contractor or Contractor Parties is not a Business Associate under HIPAA, this Section of the Contract does not apply to the Contractor or Contractor Parties for this Contract.

- (b) The Contractor or Contractor Parties is required to safeguard the use, publication and disclosure of information on all applicants for, and all clients who receive, services under the Contract in accordance with all applicable federal and state law regarding confidentiality, which includes but is not limited to HIPAA, more specifically with the Privacy and Security Rules at 45 C.F.R. Part 160 and Part 164, subparts A, C, and E; and
- (c) The Client Agency is a “covered entity” as that term is defined in 45 C.F.R. § 160.103; and
- (d) The Contractor or Contractor Parties, on behalf of the Client Agency, performs functions that involve the use or disclosure of “individually identifiable health information,” as that term is defined in 45 C.F.R. § 160.103; and
- (e) The Contractor or Contractor Parties is a “business associate” of the Department, as that term is defined in 45 C.F.R. § 160.103; and
- (f) The Contractor or Contractor Parties and the Client Agency agree to the following in order to secure compliance with the HIPAA, the requirements of Subtitle D of the Health Information Technology for Economic and Clinical Health Act (the HITECH Act), (Pub. L. 111-5, sections 13400 to 13423), and more specifically with the Privacy and Security Rules at 45 C.F.R. Part 160 and Part 164, subparts A, C, and E.
- (g) Definitions. For the purposes of this Section of the Contract:
 - (1) “Breach” shall have the same meaning as the term is defined in section 13400 of the HITECH Act (42 U.S.C. §17921(1)).’
 - (2) “Business Associate” shall mean the or Contractor or Contractor Parties.
 - (3) “Covered Entity” shall mean the Client Agency.
 - (4) “Designated Record Set” shall have the same meaning as the term “designated record set” in 45 C.F.R. § 164.501.
 - (5) “Electronic Health Record” shall have the same meaning as the term is defined in section 13400 of the HITECH Act (42 U.S.C. §17921(5)).
 - (6) “Individual” shall have the same meaning as the term “individual” in 45 C.F.R. § 160.103 and shall include a person who qualifies as a personal representative as defined in 45 C.F.R. § 164.502(g).
 - (7) “Privacy Rule” shall mean the Standards for Privacy of Individually Identifiable Health Information at 45 C.F.R. part 160 and part 164, subparts A and E.
 - (8) “Protected Health Information” or “PHI” shall have the same meaning as the term “protected health information” in 45 C.F.R. § 160.103, limited to information created or received by the Business Associate from or on behalf of the Covered Entity.
 - (9) “Required by Law” shall have the same meaning as the term “required by law” in 45 C.F.R. § 164.103.

(10) “Secretary” shall mean the Secretary of the Department of Health and Human Services or his designee.

(11) “More stringent” shall have the same meaning as the term “more stringent” in 45 C.F.R. § 160.202.

(12) “This Section of the Contract” refers to the HIPAA Provisions stated herein, in their entirety.

(13) “Security Incident” shall have the same meaning as the term “security incident” in 45 C.F.R. § 164.304.

(14) “Security Rule” shall mean the Security Standards for the Protection of Electronic Protected Health Information at 45 C.F.R. part 160 and part 164, subpart A and C.

(15) “Unsecured protected health information” shall have the same meaning as the term as defined in § 13402(h)(1)(A) of HITECH. Act. (42 U.S.C. §17932(h)(1)(A)).

(h) Obligations and Activities of Business Associates.

(1) Business Associate agrees not to use or disclose PHI other than as permitted or required by this Section of the Contract or as Required by Law.

(2) Business Associate agrees to use appropriate safeguards to prevent use or disclosure of PHI other than as provided for in this Section of the Contract.

(3) Business Associate agrees to use administrative, physical and technical safeguards that reasonably and appropriately protect the confidentiality, integrity, and availability of electronic protected health information that it creates, receives, maintains, or transmits on behalf of the Covered Entity.

(4) Business Associate agrees to mitigate, to the extent practicable, any harmful effect that is known to the Business Associate of a use or disclosure of PHI by Business Associate in violation of this Section of the Contract.

(5) Business Associate agrees to report to Covered Entity any use or disclosure of PHI not provided for by this Section of the Contract or any security incident of which it becomes aware.

(6) Business Associate agrees to insure that any agent, including a subcontractor, to whom it provides PHI received from, or created or received by Business Associate, on behalf of the Covered Entity, agrees to the same restrictions and conditions that apply through this Section of the Contract to Business Associate with respect to such information.

(7) Business Associate agrees to provide access, at the request of the Covered Entity, and in the time and manner agreed to by the parties, to PHI in a Designated Record Set, to Covered Entity or, as directed by Covered Entity, to an Individual in order to meet the requirements under 45 C.F.R. § 164.524.

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- (8) Business Associate agrees to make any amendments to PHI in a Designated Record Set that the Covered Entity directs or agrees to pursuant to 45 C.F.R. § 164.526 at the request of the Covered Entity, and in the time and manner agreed to by the parties.
- (9) Business Associate agrees to make internal practices, books, and records, including policies and procedures and PHI, relating to the use and disclosure of PHI received from, or created or received by, Business Associate on behalf of Covered Entity, available to Covered Entity or to the Secretary in a time and manner agreed to by the parties or designated by the Secretary, for purposes of the Secretary determining Covered Entity's compliance with the Privacy Rule.
- (10) Business Associate agrees to document such disclosures of PHI and information related to such disclosures as would be required for Covered Entity to respond to a request by an Individual for an accounting of disclosures of PHI in accordance with 45 C.F.R. § 164.528 and section 13405 of the HITECH Act (42 U.S.C. § 17935) and any regulations promulgated thereunder.
- (11) Business Associate agrees to provide to Covered Entity, in a time and manner agreed to by the parties, information collected in accordance with clause h. (10) of this Section of the Contract, to permit Covered Entity to respond to a request by an Individual for an accounting of disclosures of PHI in accordance with 45 C.F.R. § 164.528 and section 13405 of the HITECH Act (42 U.S.C. § 17935) and any regulations promulgated thereunder. Business Associate agrees that at the Covered Entity's direction to provide an accounting of disclosures of PHI directly to an individual in accordance with 45 C.F.R. § 164.528 and section 13405 of the HITECH Act (42 U.S.C. § 17935) and any regulations promulgated thereunder.
- (12) Business Associate agrees to comply with any state or federal law that is more stringent than the Privacy Rule.
- (13) Business Associate agrees to comply with the requirements of the HITECH Act relating to privacy and security that are applicable to the Covered Entity and with the requirements of 45 C.F.R. sections 164.504(e), 164.308, 164.310, 164.312, and 164.316.
- (14) In the event that an individual requests that the Business Associate (a) restrict disclosures of PHI; (b) provide an accounting of disclosures of the individual's PHI; or (c) provide a copy of the individual's PHI in an electronic health record, the Business Associate agrees to notify the covered entity, in writing, within two business days of the request.
- (15) Business Associate agrees that it shall not directly or indirectly receive any remuneration in exchange for PHI of an individual without (1) the written approval of the covered entity, unless receipt of remuneration in exchange for PHI is expressly authorized by this Contract and (2) the valid authorization of the individual, except for the purposes provided under section 13405(d)(2) of the HITECH Act,(42 U.S.C. § 17935(d)(2)) and in any accompanying regulations
- (16) Obligations in the Event of a Breach
 - (A) The Business Associate agrees that, following the discovery of a breach of unsecured protected health information, it shall notify the Covered Entity of

such breach in accordance with the requirements of section 13402 of HITECH (42 U.S.C. § 17932(b) and the provisions of this section of the contract.

- (B) Such notification shall be provided by the Business Associate to the Covered Entity without unreasonable delay, and in no case later than 30 days after the breach is discovered by the Business Associate, except as otherwise instructed in writing by a law enforcement official pursuant to section 13402 (g) of HITECH (42 U.S.C. § 17932(g)) . A breach is considered discovered as of the first day on which it is, or reasonably should have been, known to the Business Associate. The notification shall include the identification and last known address, phone number and email address of each individual (or the next of kin of the individual if the individual is deceased) whose unsecured protected health information has been, or is reasonably believed by the Business Associate to have been, accessed, acquired, or disclosed during such breach.
- (C) The Business Associate agrees to include in the notification to the Covered Entity at least the following information:
1. A brief description of what happened, including the date of the breach and the date of the discovery of the breach, if known.
 2. A description of the types of unsecured protected health information that were involved in the breach (such as full name, Social Security number, date of birth, home address, account number, or disability code).
 3. The steps the Business Associate recommends that individuals take to protect themselves from potential harm resulting from the breach.
 4. A detailed description of what the Business Associate is doing to investigate the breach, to mitigate losses, and to protect against any further breaches.
 5. Whether a law enforcement official has advised either verbally or in writing the Business Associate that he or she has determined that notification or notice to individuals or the posting required under section 13402 of the HITECH Act would impede a criminal investigation or cause damage to national security and contact information for said official.
- (D) Business Associate agrees to provide appropriate staffing and have established procedures to ensure that individuals informed by the Covered Entity of a breach by the Business Associate have the opportunity to ask questions and contact the Business Associate for additional information regarding the breach. Such procedures shall include a toll-free telephone number, an e-mail address, a posting on its Web site and a postal address. Business Associate agrees to include in the notification of a breach by the Business Associate to the Covered Entity, a written description of the procedures that have been established to meet these requirements. Costs of such contact procedures will be borne by the Contractor or Contractor Parties.
- (E) Business Associate agrees that, in the event of a breach, it has the burden to demonstrate that it has complied with all notifications requirements set forth above, including evidence demonstrating the necessity of a delay in notification to the Covered Entity.

(i) Permitted Uses and Disclosure by Business Associate.

(1) **General Use and Disclosure Provisions** Except as otherwise limited in this Section of the Contract, Business Associate may use or disclose PHI to perform functions, activities, or services for, or on behalf of, Covered Entity as specified in this Contract, provided that such use or disclosure would not violate the Privacy Rule if done by Covered Entity or the minimum necessary policies and procedures of the Covered Entity.

(2) **Specific Use and Disclosure Provisions.**

(A) Except as otherwise limited in this Section of the Contract, Business Associate may use PHI for the proper management and administration of Business Associate or to carry out the legal responsibilities of Business Associate.

(B) Except as otherwise limited in this Section of the Contract, Business Associate may disclose PHI for the proper management and administration of Business Associate, provided that disclosures are Required by Law, or Business Associate obtains reasonable assurances from the person to whom the information is disclosed that it will remain confidential and used or further disclosed only as Required by Law or for the purpose for which it was disclosed to the person, and the person notifies Business Associate of any instances of which it is aware in which the confidentiality of the information has been breached.

(C) Except as otherwise limited in this Section of the Contract, Business Associate may use PHI to provide Data Aggregation services to Covered Entity as permitted by 45 C.F.R. § 164.504(e)(2)(i)(B).

(j) Obligations of Covered Entity.

(1) Covered Entity shall notify Business Associate of any limitations in its notice of privacy practices of Covered Entity, in accordance with 45 C.F.R. § 164.520, or to the extent that such limitation may affect Business Associate's use or disclosure of PHI.

(2) Covered Entity shall notify Business Associate of any changes in, or revocation of, permission by Individual to use or disclose PHI, to the extent that such changes may affect Business Associate's use or disclosure of PHI.

(3) Covered Entity shall notify Business Associate of any restriction to the use or disclosure of PHI that Covered Entity has agreed to in accordance with 45 C.F.R. § 164.522, to the extent that such restriction may affect Business Associate's use or disclosure of PHI.

(k) Permissible Requests by Covered Entity. Covered Entity shall not request Business Associate to use or disclose PHI in any manner that would not be permissible under the Privacy Rule if done by the Covered Entity, except that Business Associate may use and disclose PHI for data aggregation, and management and administrative activities of Business Associate, as permitted under this Section of the Contract.

(l) Term and Termination.

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- (1) Term. The Term of this Section of the Contract shall be effective as of the date the Contract is effective and shall terminate when the information collected in accordance with clause h. (10) of this Section of the Contract is provided to the Covered Entity and all of the PHI provided by Covered Entity to Business Associate, or created or received by Business Associate on behalf of Covered Entity, is destroyed or returned to Covered Entity, or, if it is infeasible to return or destroy PHI, protections are extended to such information, in accordance with the termination provisions in this Section.
- (2) Termination for Cause Upon Covered Entity's knowledge of a material breach by Business Associate, Covered Entity shall either:
 - (A) Provide an opportunity for Business Associate to cure the breach or end the violation and terminate the Contract if Business Associate does not cure the breach or end the violation within the time specified by the Covered Entity; or
 - (B) Immediately terminate the Contract if Business Associate has breached a material term of this Section of the Contract and cure is not possible; or
 - (C) If neither termination nor cure is feasible, Covered Entity shall report the violation to the Secretary.
- (3) Effect of Termination.
 - (A) Except as provided in (1)(2) above, upon termination of this Contract, for any reason, Business Associate shall return or destroy all PHI received from Covered Entity, or created or received by Business Associate on behalf of Covered Entity. Business Associate shall also provide the information collected in accordance with clause h. (10) of this Section of the Contract to the Covered Entity within ten business days of the notice of termination. This provision shall apply to PHI that is in the possession of subcontractors or agents of Business Associate. Business Associate shall retain no copies of the PHI.
 - (B) In the event that Business Associate determines that returning or destroying the PHI is infeasible, Business Associate shall provide to Covered Entity notification of the conditions that make return or destruction infeasible. Upon documentation by Business Associate that return or destruction of PHI is infeasible, Business Associate shall extend the protections of this Section of the Contract to such PHI and limit further uses and disclosures of PHI to those purposes that make return or destruction infeasible, for as long as Business Associate maintains such PHI. Infeasibility of the return or destruction of PHI includes, but is not limited to, requirements under state or federal law that the Business Associate maintains or preserves the PHI or copies thereof.

(m) Miscellaneous Provisions.

- (1) Regulatory References. A reference in this Section of the Contract to a section in the Privacy Rule means the section as in effect or as amended.
- (2) Amendment. The Parties agree to take such action as in necessary to amend this Section of the Contract from time to time as is necessary for Covered Entity to comply

with requirements of the Privacy Rule and the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996, Pub. L. No. 104-191.

- (3) **Survival.** The respective rights and obligations of Business Associate shall survive the termination of this Contract.
- (4) **Effect on Contract.** Except as specifically required to implement the purposes of this Section of the Contract, all other terms of the Contract shall remain in force and effect.
- (5) **Construction.** This Section of the Contract shall be construed as broadly as necessary to implement and comply with the Privacy Standard. Any ambiguity in this Section of the Contract shall be resolved in favor of a meaning that complies, and is consistent with, the Privacy Standard.
- (6) **Disclaimer.** Covered Entity makes no warranty or representation that compliance with this Section of the Contract will be adequate or satisfactory for Business Associate's own purposes. Covered Entity shall not be liable to Business Associate for any claim, civil or criminal penalty, loss or damage related to or arising from the unauthorized use or disclosure of PHI by Business Associate or any of its officers, directors, employees, contractors or agents, or any third party to whom Business Associate has disclosed PHI contrary to the provisions of this Contract or applicable law. Business Associate is solely responsible for all decisions made, and actions taken, by Business Associate regarding the safeguarding, use and disclosure of PHI within its possession, custody or control.
- (7) **Indemnification.** The Business Associate shall indemnify and hold the Covered Entity harmless from and against any and all claims, liabilities, judgments, fines, assessments, penalties, awards and any statutory damages that may be imposed or assessed pursuant to HIPAA, as amended or the HITECH Act, including, without limitation, attorney's fees, expert witness fees, costs of investigation, litigation or dispute resolution, and costs awarded thereunder, relating to or arising out of any violation by the Business Associate and its agents, including subcontractors, of any obligation of Business Associate and its agents, including subcontractors, under this section of the contract, under HIPAA, the HITECH Act, the Privacy Rule and the Security Rule.

58. Protection of Confidential Information.

- (a) Contractor and Contractor Parties, at their own expense, have a duty to and shall protect from a Confidential Information Breach any and all Confidential Information which they come to possess or control, wherever and however stored or maintained, in a commercially reasonable manner in accordance with current industry standards.
- (b) Each Contractor or Contractor Party shall develop, implement and maintain a comprehensive data - security program for the protection of Confidential Information. The safeguards contained in such program shall be consistent with and comply with the safeguards for protection of Confidential Information, and information of a similar character, as set forth in all applicable federal and state law and written policy of the Department or State concerning the confidentiality of Confidential Information. Such data-security program shall include, but not be limited to, the following:

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- (1) A security policy for employees related to the storage, access and transportation of data containing Confidential Information;
 - (2) Reasonable restrictions on access to records containing Confidential Information, including access to any locked storage where such records are kept;
 - (3) A process for reviewing policies and security measures at least annually;
 - (4) Creating secure access controls to Confidential Information, including but not limited to passwords; and
 - (5) Encrypting of Confidential Information that is stored on laptops, portable devices or being transmitted electronically.
- (c) The Contractor and Contractor Parties shall notify the Department and the Connecticut Office of the Attorney General as soon as practical, but no later than twenty-four (24) hours, after they become aware of or suspect that any Confidential Information which Contractor or Contractor Parties have come to possess or control has been subject to a Confidential Information Breach. If a Confidential Information Breach has occurred, the Contractor shall, within three (3) business days after the notification, present a credit monitoring and protection plan to the Commissioner of Administrative Services, the Department and the Connecticut Office of the Attorney General, for review and approval. Such credit monitoring or protection plan shall be made available by the Contractor at its own cost and expense to all individuals affected by the Confidential Information Breach. Such credit monitoring or protection plan shall include, but is not limited to reimbursement for the cost of placing and lifting one (1) security freeze per credit file pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes § 36a-701a. Such credit monitoring or protection plans shall be approved by the State in accordance with this Section and shall cover a length of time commensurate with the circumstances of the Confidential Information Breach. The Contractors' costs and expenses for the credit monitoring and protection plan shall not be recoverable from the Department, any State of Connecticut entity or any affected individuals.
- (d) The Contractor shall incorporate the requirements of this Section in all subcontracts requiring each Contractor Party to safeguard Confidential Information in the same manner as provided for in this Section.
- (e) Nothing in this Section shall supersede in any manner Contractor's or Contractor Party's obligations pursuant to HIPAA or the provisions of this Contract concerning the obligations of the Contractor as a Business Associate of the Department.

59. Financial Audit for State Grants.

This paragraph was intentionally left blank.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have executed this Contract by their duly authorized representatives with full knowledge of and agreement with its terms and conditions.

PROPERTYBUREAU.COM, INC.
dba PropertyRoom.com, Inc

THE STATE OF CONNECTICUT
Department of Administrative Services

By: _____

By: _____

PJ Bellomo
Print or Type Name

Carol Wilson
Print or Type Name

Title: President and CEO

Title: Procurement Director

Date: _____

Date: _____

Description of Goods and Services

I. SCOPE

- A. This Contract is for web-based auction services for the Sale of the State's Surplus property. This Property shall include but not limited to Vehicles, Heavy Equipment and Transit Buses.
- B. The Client Agency is responsible for the disposition of the State's surplus property in accordance with DAS State Purchasing Regulations Section 4a-52-21.
- C. This Contract is intended for use by the Client Agency to manage the disposition process of the State's Surplus property. State Agencies are required to channel all of their surplus property through the Client Agency for disposition authorization and may not utilize this contract separately unless approved in writing by the Client Agency. Connecticut Political Subdivisions may utilize this contract.
- D. All State Agencies shall obtain prior authorization from the Client Agency for the disposition of their Surplus Property.
- E. The Client Agency, in conjunction with the Contractor shall communicate and provide State Agencies the necessary training on surplus property disposition and any policy and procedural changes.
- F. The Surplus Property is being made available for online auction by the Contractor on an "as is, where is" basis without any warranties or representations, express or implied, whatsoever, except a warranty of title, including, but not limited to the Surplus Property's compliance with the Occupational Safety and Health Act or other guidelines, regulations or other similar laws, regulations or provisions.
- G. The Client Agency makes no warranties or representations about the use or intended use of any of the Surplus Property and specifically disavows any responsibility for any use or intended use by the Contractor or its successors, assigns or transferees.
- H. Prior to auction, sale, transfer or exchange of any property, the Contractor will provide written notice of a "Property Disclaimer" to the bidders of said property, including but not limited to a written and oral statement that property is sold on an "as is" basis.

II. CLIENT AGENCY RESPONSIBILITIES

- A. In accordance with the provisions of this Agreement, the Client Agency may make available for auction by the Contractor, the State of Connecticut's Surplus Vehicles and Heavy Equipment.
- B. The Client Agency, in its sole discretion, shall determine at all times which items shall constitute State Surplus Property and shall determine what Vehicles and Heavy Equipment will be made available to the Contractor for auction.
- C. The Client Agency, in its sole discretion, reserves the right to contract separately for alternative forms of Auction Services for the Sale and or disbursement of Surplus Vehicles and Heavy Equipment.
- D. The Client Agency shall determine and identify a Surplus Property process for identifying surplus items and for identifying "scrap".

III. CONTRACTOR RESPONSIBILITIES

- A. The Contractor shall be responsible for the entire auction process as specified throughout this contract document.

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- B. The Contractor shall be responsible for the security of the Surplus Property at all times while in the Contractor's possession.
- C. The Contractor shall store and maintain Surplus vehicles and Heavy Equipment prior to sale in a manner that will protect their value and prevent damage.

D. EQUIPMENT PROCESSING

- 1. Contractor shall pick up vehicles and/or heavy equipment within 24-48 hours of receiving notification.
- 2. Contractor shall tow the vehicles and or heavy equipment from the requested location to the Contractor's facility located in New Britain, Connecticut.
- 3. The Contractor shall not charge for towing services for vehicles if the pickup location is within thirty (30) nautical miles of the Contractor's facility.
- 4. The State Agency shall provide the Contractor with the Certificate of Origin /Title and keys.
- 5. Prior to public sale, the Contractor shall hold the vehicles and heavy equipment for 14 days after receipt in order to provide reallocation services.
- 6. The Contractor shall
 - a. Clean vehicles inside and out;
 - b. Take photographs up to 10 Views;
 - c. Perform "Run and Drive" tests;
 - d. Shrink wrap to protect interiors if broken or missing windows;
 - e. Post vehicles to be auctioned to online catalog and notify potential auction bidders;
 - f. Accept pre-auction bids and allow proxy auction bidding;
 - g. Hold open house inspections at the Contractor's facility to permit potential bidders/buyers to inspect the vehicles in person, prior to sale;
 - h. Provide auction bidding kiosks at the Contractor's facility for bidders/buyers convenience;
 - i. Auction the surplus items on a weekly basis;
 - j. If assets do not sell at set minimum value the Contractor shall conduct after-hour auction sales to reach new bidders in time zones around the world;
 - k. Receive bids submitted via the internet;
 - l. Preregister bidders/buyers;

E. PAYMENT PROCESS

The Contractor shall:

- 1. Collect and process payments from bidders/buyers;
- 2. Processing certificate of origins; title and registration transfers with the Department of Motor Vehicles.
- 3. Arrange local, in-state, out-of-state, and international shipping for bidders/buyers at the bidders/buyers expense.

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4. Provide detailed inventory tracking and internal accounting reports to the Client Agency to permit full disclosure and total transparency into the Contractor's handling of the State's assets;
5. File and pay all required taxes and fees in connection with vehicle sales, if applicable;
6. Remit monthly checks to the Client Agency for all assets sold during the prior month.

F. RE-ALLOCATION PRIOR TO PUBLIC SALE

1. Prior to public auction, surplus vehicles and heavy equipment shall be made available for purchase by a State Agency and/or Municipality.
2. The Contractor shall work in conjunction with the Client Agency to identify a process for reallocation of vehicles and heavy equipment to State Agencies and Municipalities.
3. The Contractor shall hold the vehicles and or heavy equipment for a period of 14 calendar days after pick up or drop off to the contractor's facility.
4. During the 14 Calendar days, State Agencies and Municipalities shall have the ability to view vehicles and or heavy equipment at the contractor's facility.
5. If the Contractor incurred a fee for tow costs associated with pick up at a location, the contractor shall be reimbursed for that fee. The Client Agency and the contractor shall work together to establish a process for who and how this fee will be reimbursed to the Contractor.
6. The Contractor shall market and announce the availability of surplus vehicles and heavy equipment to State Agencies and Municipalities within the State of Connecticut. This announcement shall include a link on the State's web page that takes potential buyers directly to the Contractor's web-site where the State's assets will be displayed.
7. If requested by the Client Agency, the Contractor shall process the sale of the vehicle or heavy equipment to the State Agency or Municipality.
 - a. The Contractor shall:
 1. Collect and process payments from buyers;
 2. Processing certificate of origins; title and registration transfers; or any other applicable forms with the Department of Motor Vehicles.
 3. Arrange local, in-state, out-of-state, and international shipping at the State Agency and Municipality-buyers expense.
 4. File and pay all required taxes and fees in connection with vehicle sales; if applicable;
 5. Remit monthly checks to the Client Agency for all assets sold during the prior month.
 - b. The State Agency or Municipality-buyers shall remove the vehicle or heavy equipment from the Contractor's facility within 30 days.
 - c. If items are not picked up within 90 days, the Contractor shall charge \$5 day storage for vehicles under 11k GVW and \$10 per day for vehicle over 11k GVW. This fee shall be added onto the price of vehicle and be charged to the State Agency or Municipality – buyers.

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G. REPORTING

The Contractor shall provide reporting as identified and requested by the Client Agency.

H. DE-IDENTIFYING VEHICLES

1. If requested by the Client Agency, the Contractor shall remove all decals, stickers, light bars, cages and any other identifying emblems from the vehicle. An additional fee shall apply for this service.

I. MARKETING

1. The Contractor shall provide comprehensive advertising and shall initiate steps to ensure maximize sales are received. These steps shall include but is not limited to the following:
 - a. Sending emails to previous buyers of similar assets an alert of any upcoming sale.
 - b. Run custom banners on the contractor's website featuring the Client Agency's asset auctions and run them continually to help drive additional traffic to those auctions
 - c. Post to an online catalog of upcoming sales to permit buyers to preview vehicles and bid.
 - d. The Contractor shall assist the Client Agency to develop and execute a comprehensive marketing and advertising program to be applied to various targeted populations.

J. FEE STRUCTURE

1. The Contractor shall retain a commission rate of the proceeds of the sale of the surplus assets as outlined in Exhibit B.
2. Towing charges are not allowed if the Client Agency drops off the vehicle at the facility
3. Towing charges are not allowed for vehicles less than 11,000 GVW, if the pickup location is within thirty (30) nautical miles of the Contractor's facility.
4. Towing charges shall apply if the pickup location is over thirty (30) nautical miles of the Contractor's facility.
5. A fee shall apply for heavy tows and special equipment for vehicles in excess of 11,000 GVW as outlined in Exhibit B.
6. A fee shall apply for de-identifying vehicles as outlined in Exhibit B.

K. TRANSITION/IMPLEMENTATION

1. Contractor shall manage transition from a manual environment to web-based and shall provide the Client Agency with a transition plan by January 2, 2013.
2. The contractor shall provide a training plan and roll-out plan to all using state entities to the Client Agency by January 16, 2013.
3. Provide on-site training and/or seminars on an as needed basis throughout the term of the contract period.
4. The Contractor shall assist the Client Agency with:
 - a. Establish internal processes and procedures and assist in communicating procedures to the State Agencies.
 - b. Establish training events for State agencies;
 - c. Establish written marketing/communication events for State Agencies and the public;

**EXHIBIT B, RFP-16
PRICE SCHEDULE**

CONTRACT: 12PSX0164

CONTRACTOR NAME:		PROPERTY BUREAU.CO, INC. DBA PROPERTY ROOM.COM, INC.	
DELIVERY:	As Specified	TERMS: Net 45 Days	CASH DISCOUNT: % Days

ITEM #	DESCRIPTION OF COMMODITY AND/OR SERVICES	PRICE
1.	Auction Services as specified in Exhibit A	Commission fee 12.5% of sale proceeds.
1.1	Towing Fees: As specified in Exhibit A	\$10.00 for every ten (10) miles over the first thirty (30) miles
1.2	Sales to State Agencies and Municipalities	Commission fee 12.5% of sale proceeds.
2.	Heavy tows and special equipment (Vehicles or heavy equipment in excess of 11,000 GVW)	\$375.00 Each
3.	De-identifying vehicles	\$40.00 per Hour <i>(Can be charged in 30 minute increments)</i>



Notice to Executive Branch State Contractors and Prospective State Contractors of Campaign Contribution and Solicitation Limitations

This notice is provided under the authority of Connecticut General Statutes §9-612(G)(2), as amended by P.A. 10-1, and is for the purpose of informing state contractors and prospective state contractors of the following law (italicized words are defined on the reverse side of this page).

CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTION AND SOLICITATION LIMITATIONS

No *state contractor, prospective state contractor, principal of a state contractor or principal of a prospective state contractor*, with regard to a *state contract* or *state contract solicitation* with or from a state agency in the executive branch or a quasi-public agency or a holder, or principal of a holder of a valid prequalification certificate, shall make a contribution to (i) an exploratory committee or candidate committee established by a candidate for nomination or election to the office of Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Attorney General, State Comptroller, Secretary of the State or State Treasurer, (ii) a political committee authorized to make contributions or expenditures to or for the benefit of such candidates, or (iii) a party committee (which includes town committees).

In addition, no holder or principal of a holder of a valid prequalification certificate, shall make a contribution to (i) an exploratory committee or candidate committee established by a candidate for nomination or election to the office of State senator or State representative, (ii) a political committee authorized to make contributions or expenditures to or for the benefit of such candidates, or (iii) a party committee.

On and after January 1, 2011, no state contractor, prospective state contractor, principal of a state contractor or principal of a prospective state contractor, with regard to a state contract or state contract solicitation with or from a state agency in the executive branch or a quasi-public agency or a holder, or principal of a holder of a valid prequalification certificate, shall **knowingly solicit** contributions from the state contractor's or prospective state contractor's employees or from a *subcontractor or principals of the subcontractor* on behalf of (i) an exploratory committee or candidate committee established by a candidate for nomination or election to the office of Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Attorney General, State Comptroller, Secretary of the State or State Treasurer, (ii) a political committee authorized to make contributions or expenditures to or for the benefit of such candidates, or (iii) a party committee.

DUTY TO INFORM

State contractors and prospective state contractors are required to inform their principals of the above prohibitions, as applicable, and the possible penalties and other consequences of any violation thereof.

PENALTIES FOR VIOLATIONS

Contributions of solicitations of contributions made in violation of the above prohibitions may result in the following civil and criminal penalties:

Civil Penalties – Up to \$2,000 or twice the amount of the prohibited contribution, whichever is greater, against a principal or a contractor. Any state contractor or prospective state contractor which fails to make reasonable efforts to comply with the provisions requiring notice to its principals of these prohibitions and possible consequences of their violations may also be subject to civil penalties of up to \$2,000 or twice the amount of the prohibited contributions made by their principals.

Criminal penalties – Any knowing and willful violation of the prohibition is a Class D felony, which may subject the violator to imprisonment of not more than 5 years, or not more than \$5,000 in fines, or both.

CONTRACT CONSEQUENCES

In the case of a state contractor, contributions made or solicited in violation of the above prohibitions may result in the contract being voided.

In the case of a prospective state contractor, contributions made or solicited in violation of the above prohibitions shall result in the contract described in the state contract solicitation not being awarded to the prospective state contractor, unless the State Elections Enforcement Commission determines that mitigating circumstances exist concerning such violation.

The State shall not award any other state contract to anyone found in violation of the above prohibitions for a period of one year after the election for which such contribution is made or solicited, unless the State Elections Enforcement Commission determines that mitigating circumstances exist concerning such violation.

Additional information may be found on the website of the State Elections Enforcement Commission, www.ct.gov/seec. Click on the link to "Lobbyist/Contractor Limitations."



DEFINITIONS

“State contractor” means a person, business entity or nonprofit organization that enters into a state contract. Such person, business entity or nonprofit organization shall be deemed to be a state contractor until December thirty-first of the year in which such contract terminates. “State contractor” does not include a municipality or any other political subdivision of the state, including any entities or associations duly created by the municipality or political subdivision exclusively amongst themselves to further any purpose authorized by statute or charter, or an employee in the executive or legislative branch of state government or a quasi-public agency, whether in the classified or unclassified service and full or part-time, and only in such person's capacity as a state or quasi-public agency employee.

“Prospective state contractor” means a person, business entity or nonprofit organization that (i) submits a response to a state contract solicitation by the state, a state agency or a quasi-public agency, or a proposal in response to a request for proposals by the state, a state agency or a quasi-public agency, until the contract has been entered into, or (ii) holds a valid prequalification certificate issued by the Commissioner of Administrative Services under section 4a-100.

“Prospective state contractor” does not include a municipality or any other political subdivision of the state, including any entities or associations duly created by the municipality or political subdivision exclusively amongst themselves to further any purpose authorized by statute or charter, or an employee in the executive or legislative branch of state government or a quasi-public agency, whether in the classified or unclassified service and full or part-time, and only in such person's capacity as a state or quasi-public agency employee.

“Principal of a state contractor or prospective state contractor” means (i) any individual who is a member of the board of directors of, or has an ownership interest of five per cent or more in, a state contractor or prospective state contractor, which is a business entity, except for an individual who is a member of the board of directors of a nonprofit organization, (ii) an individual who is employed by a state contractor or prospective state contractor, which is a business entity, as president, treasurer or executive vice president, (iii) an individual who is the chief executive officer of a state contractor or prospective state contractor, which is not a business entity, or if a state contractor or prospective state contractor has no such officer, then the officer who duly possesses comparable powers and duties, (iv) an officer or an employee of any state contractor or prospective state contractor who has *managerial or discretionary responsibilities with respect to a state contract*, (v) the spouse or a *dependent child* who is eighteen years of age or older of an individual described in this subparagraph, or (vi) a political committee established or controlled by an individual described in this subparagraph or the business entity or nonprofit organization that is the state contractor or prospective state contractor.

“State contract” means an agreement or contract with the state or any state agency or any quasi-public agency, let through a procurement process or otherwise, having a value of fifty thousand dollars or more, or a combination or series of such agreements or contracts having a value of one hundred thousand dollars or more in a calendar year, for (i) the rendition of services, (ii) the furnishing of any goods, material, supplies, equipment or any items of any kind, (iii) the construction, alteration or repair of any public building or public work, (iv) the acquisition, sale or lease of any land or building, (v) a licensing arrangement, or (vi) a grant, loan or loan guarantee. “State contract” does not include any agreement or contract with the state, any state agency or any quasi-public agency that is exclusively federally funded, an education loan, a loan to an individual for other than commercial purposes or any agreement or contract between the state or any state agency and the United States Department of the Navy or the United States Department of Defense.

“State contract solicitation” means a request by a state agency or quasi-public agency, in whatever form issued, including, but not limited to, an invitation to bid, request for proposals, request for information or request for quotes, inviting bids, quotes or other types of submittals, through a competitive procurement process or another process authorized by law waiving competitive procurement.

“Managerial or discretionary responsibilities with respect to a state contract” means having direct, extensive and substantive responsibilities with respect to the negotiation of the state contract and not peripheral, clerical or ministerial responsibilities.

“Dependent child” means a child residing in an individual's household who may legally be claimed as a dependent on the federal income tax of such individual.

“Solicit” means (A) requesting that a contribution be made, (B) participating in any fund-raising activities for a candidate committee, exploratory committee, political committee or party committee, including, but not limited to, forwarding tickets to potential contributors, receiving contributions for transmission to any such committee or bundling contributions, (C) serving as chairperson, treasurer or deputy treasurer of any such committee, or (D) establishing a political committee for the sole purpose of soliciting or receiving contributions for any committee. Solicit does not include: (i) making a contribution that is otherwise permitted by Chapter 155 of the Connecticut General Statutes; (ii) informing any person of a position taken by a candidate for public office or a public official, (iii) notifying the person of any activities of, or contact information for, any candidate for public office; or (iv) serving as a member in any party committee or as an officer of such committee that is not otherwise prohibited in this section.

“Subcontractor” means any person, business entity or nonprofit organization that contracts to perform part or all of the obligations of a state contractor's state contract. Such person, business entity or nonprofit organization shall be deemed to be a subcontractor until December thirty first of the year in which the subcontract terminates. “Subcontractor” does not include (i) a municipality or any other political subdivision of the state, including any entities or associations duly created by the municipality or political subdivision exclusively amongst themselves to further any purpose authorized by statute or charter, or (ii) an employee in the executive or legislative branch of state government or a quasi-public agency, whether in the classified or unclassified service and full or part-time, and only in such person's capacity as a state or quasi-public agency employee.

“Principal of a subcontractor” means (i) any individual who is a member of the board of directors of, or has an ownership interest of five per cent or more in, a subcontractor, which is a business entity, except for an individual who is a member of the board of directors of a nonprofit organization, (ii) an individual who is employed by a subcontractor, which is a business entity, as president, treasurer or executive vice president, (iii) an individual who is the chief executive officer of a subcontractor, which is not a business entity, or if a subcontractor has no such officer, then the officer who duly possesses comparable powers and duties, (iv) an officer or an employee of any subcontractor who has managerial or discretionary responsibilities with respect to a subcontract with a state contractor, (v) the spouse or a dependent child who is eighteen years of age or older of an individual described in this subparagraph, or (vi) a political committee established or controlled by an individual described in this subparagraph or the business entity or nonprofit organization that is the subcontractor.

State of Connecticut
Department of Correction
SECURITY REGULATIONS FOR CONTRACT FORCES

SR 3.01 Facility Admittance

1. Due to the location and nature of the work, the contractors shall be required to issue identification badges to each of their employees. These badges shall be worn in plain sight at all times within the confines of the Correctional Facility.
2. All bidders and contracted personnel shall provide to the Facility Maintenance Supervisor the following information at least 72 hours in advance of being admitted on site:
 - a. Name
 - b. Date of Birth
 - c. Social Security Number
 - d. Driver's License Number

SR 3.02 Official Working Rules

The following are a list of Official Working Rules submitted by the Department of Correction, which the Contractor shall be obligated to follow.

- a. No verbal or personal contact with any inmates.
- b. All workmen will work under the observation of an assigned correctional officer or supervisor who will check them in and out.
- c. Equipment will be checked daily and, when not in use, locked in a secure place as the facility officials may direct.
- d. Hacksaws, blades, and files will remain in the custody of the officer assigned, except when actually being used.
- e. The correctional officials reserve the right to refuse admittance to any workman for any cause the correctional officials deem sufficient.
- f. In the event of any emergency, all outside workmen will be escorted outside the facility by the correctional official.
- g. All questions pertaining to interruptions of service or to safety of the facility, will be taken up with the appropriate correctional official.
- h. Work at the facility shall be carried on during the time between 8:00 a.m. and 12:00 Noon and between 12:30 p.m. and 4:30 p.m., the maximum allowable working day being 8 hours. No work shall be carried on at the facility on any Saturday, Sunday or Holiday, unless there is an emergency requirement.
- i. The contractor shall insure that when all apparatus is not in use, it will be made unusable or be supervised to prevent use by inmates for escape.
- j. The contractor shall supply, to the agency, a copy of all material safety data sheets for all products used in the process of construction, construction materials, and products brought onto the premises.
- k. Vendors shall provide a detailed list of tools brought into the institution including length of hacksaws, drill bits, etc. Institutions shall conduct inventories of contractor tools upon entering the institution.

SR 3.03 "Rules and Regulations of the Dept. of Correction Facility"

All persons employed or entering the Dept. of Correction facility shall read the following rules and regulations and extracts of the laws governing the introduction and control of contraband. Each employee or person shall sign this paper to assure that he/she understands the penalties imposed for violation of these rules and regulations.

SR 3.04 Restricted Areas

All persons except Correctional personnel employees, upon entering the grounds are restricted to the immediate area of their work assignment. In order to go to other areas, written permission must be granted by the supervisory correctional official in charge. Only persons having official business will be admitted to construction sites.

SR 3.05 Inmates

There may be times when inmates may be working adjacent to or in the same area as construction personnel. All persons are prohibited from accepting or giving anything to an inmate. Inmates are accountable to Correctional personnel only, no other person shall have any conversation or dealings with inmates without the approval of the Correction authorities.

SR 3.06 Vehicle Control

Any persons entering upon the Correction grounds, shall remove the ignition keys and lock the vehicle when they leave it for any reason. A Correction Officer shall remain with the contractors' vehicle(s) while inside the compound. Vendors shall insure that equipment on trucks are secured while in the compound.

SR 3.07 Contraband

Clothing or contraband shall not be brought into or onto the Correction facility's grounds or left in a vehicle. Contraband is defined in subsequent paragraphs and all persons are subject to these Department of Correction Facility Rules and Regulations concerning contraband when on the Correction facility's grounds.

The introduction or attempt to introduce into or upon the grounds of the Correction facility or the taking or attempt to take or send therefrom anything whatsoever without the knowledge of the Facility supervisor is prohibited.

Contraband may be defined as any article whatsoever which is unauthorized under the circumstances and may include letters, stamps, tools, weapons, papers, floor implements, writing materials, messages (written and verbal) instruments and the like. Any questions which may arise regarding such matters should be promptly discussed with the Facility supervisor.

Failure or negligence in complying with these regulations will result in immediate disciplinary action and/or removal from the site.

Cigarettes are considered contraband in the institutions and shall NOT be brought into the institution.

SR 3.08 "State Laws Governing Contraband"

1. P.A. 73-639 Section 16. Section 53a-174 of the 1971 noncumulative supplement of General Statutes, as amended by number 12 in lieu thereof:
 - a. Any person not authorized by law who conveys or passes or causes to be conveyed or passed, into any corrections or humane institution or the grounds or buildings thereof, or to an inmate of such an institution who is outside the premises thereof and known to the person so conveying or passing or causing such convey or passing to be such an inmate any controlled drug, as defined in Section #443, any intoxicating littering, and firearm, weapon, DANGEROUS INSTRUMENTS or explosives of any kind, any United States currency, or any rope, ladder or other instrument or device for use in making, attempting or aiding an escape, for a Class D Felony per Sec. 53a-35 subsection a, b, c, d is a term not to exceed five (5) years.
The unauthorized conveying, passing, or possessing of any rope or ladder or other instrument or device, adapted for use in making or aiding an escape, into any such institution or the grounds or building thereof, shall be presumptive evidence that it was so conveyed, passed or possessed for such use.
 - b. Any person not authorized by law who conveys into any such institution any letter or other missive which is intended for any person confined therein, or who conveys within the enclosure to the outside of such institution any letter or other missive written or given by person confined therein, shall be guilty of a Class A misdemeanor. Penalty for a Class "All misdemeanor per Sec. 53a-36 subsection 1, the term is not to exceed one (1) year.
 - c. Any person or visitor who enters or attempts to enter a Correctional Institution or facility by using a misleading or false name or title shall be guilty of a Class A misdemeanor.
2. Sec. 17 Section **53a-174a** of said supplement is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof:
 - a. A person is guilty of possession of a weapon or DANGEROUS INSTRUMENT in a Correctional Institution when, being an inmate of such institution, he knowingly makes, conveys from place to place or has in his possession or under his control any firearm, weapons DANGEROUS INSTRUMENT, explosive, or any other substance or thing designed to kill, injure or disable.
 - b. Possession of a weapon or DANGEROUS INSTRUMENT in a Correctional Institution is a Class "B" felony. Penalty for a Class "B" felony per Sec. 53a-35 subsection a, b, c, d is a term not to exceed twenty (20) years.

Signed: _____

DAS security property entrance clause

1. Security property entrance:

Contractor shall adhere to established security and/or property entrance policies and procedures established for each requesting Contract User. It is the responsibility of each Contractor to understand and adhere to those policies and procedures prior to any attempt to enter the Contract User premises.

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Between

THE STATE OF CONNECTICUT

Acting by its

DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES

AND

THE PUBLIC GROUP, LLC

FOR

**WEB BASED ONLINE AUCTION SERVICES FOR
THE SALE OF THE STATE OF CONNECTICUT'S SURPLUS PROPERTY**

December 11, 2012

Contract Award Date

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This Contract (the “Contract”) is made as of the 11th day of December, in the year 2012, by and between, The Public Group, LLC (the “Contractor,”) with a principal place of business at 1503 South 40, East Suite 350, Provo, UT 84606, acting by Eric Heaps, its Chief Operating Officer and the State of Connecticut, Department of Administrative Services (“DAS”), with a principal place of business at 165 Capitol Ave, Hartford, Connecticut 06106-1659, acting by Carol Wilson, its Procurement Director, in accordance with Sections 4a-2 and 4a-51 of the Connecticut General Statutes.

All references in this Contract to any statute, public act, regulation, code or executive order shall mean such statute, public act, regulation, code or executive order, respectively, as it has been amended, replaced or superseded at any time. Notwithstanding any language in this Contract that relates to such statute, public act, regulation, code or executive order, and notwithstanding a lack of a formal amendment to this Contract, this Contract shall always be read and interpreted as if it contained the most current and applicable wording and requirements of such statute, public act, regulation, code or executive order as if their most current language had been used in and requirements incorporated into this Contract at the time of its execution.

Now therefore, in consideration of these presents, and for other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which the parties acknowledge, the Contractor and the State agree as follows:

1. Definitions. Unless otherwise indicated, the following terms shall have the following corresponding definitions:
 - (a) Claims: All actions, suits, claims, demands, investigations and proceedings of any kind, open, pending or threatened, whether mature, unmatured, contingent, known or unknown, at law or in equity, in any forum.
 - (b) Client Agency: Department of Administrative Services, Surplus Property Program and Political Subdivisions
 - (c) Confidential Information: This shall mean any information about a client, including but not limited to first name and last name, or first initial and last name, in combination with any one or more of the following related to such client: (a) Social Security Number; (b) driver’s license number or State-issued identification card number; (c) date of birth; and (d) financial account number, or credit or debit card number, with or without any required security code, access code, personal identification number or password, that would permit access to a client’s financial account. Without limiting the foregoing, Confidential Information shall also include any information that the Department classifies as “confidential” or “restricted”. Confidential Information shall not include information that may be lawfully obtained from publicly available sources or from federal, state, or local government records which are lawfully made available to the general public.
 - (d) Confidential Information Breach: This shall mean, generally, an instance where an unauthorized person or entity accesses Confidential Information in any manner, including but not limited to the following occurrences: (1) any Confidential Information that is not encrypted or protected is misplaced, lost, stolen or in any way compromised; (2) one or more third parties have had access to or taken control or possession of any Confidential

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Information that is not encrypted or protected without prior written authorization from the State; (3) the unauthorized acquisition of encrypted or protected Confidential Information together with the confidential process or key that is capable of compromising the integrity of the Confidential Information; or (4) if there is a substantial risk of identity theft or fraud to the client, the Contractor, the Department or State.

- (e) Contract: The agreement, as of its effective date, between the Proposer and the State for any or all Goods or Services at the Proposal price.
- (f) Contractor: A person or entity who submits a Proposal and who executes a Contract.
- (g) Contractor Parties: A Contractor's members, directors, officers, shareholders, partners, managers, principal officers, representatives, agents, servants, consultants, employees or any one of them or any other person or entity with whom the Contractor is in privity of oral or written contract and the Contractor intends for such other person or entity to Perform under the Contract in any capacity.
- (h) Day: All calendar days other than Saturdays, Sundays and days designated as national or State of Connecticut holidays upon which banks in Connecticut are closed.
- (i) Force Majeure: Events that materially affect the cost of the Goods or Services or the time schedule within which to Perform and are outside the control of the party asserting that such an event has occurred, including, but not limited to, labor troubles unrelated to the Contractor, failure of or inadequate permanent power, unavoidable casualties, fire not caused by the Contractor, extraordinary weather conditions, disasters, riots, acts of God, insurrection or war.
- (j) Goods: For purposes of the Contract, all things which are movable at the time that the Contract is effective and which include, without limiting this definition, supplies, materials and equipment, as specified in the Request for Proposals and set forth in Exhibit A.
- (k) Goods or Services: Goods, Services or both, as specified in the Request for Proposals and set forth in Exhibit A.
- (l) Proposal: A Proposer's submittal in response to a Request for Proposals.
- (m) Proposer Parties: A Proposer's members, directors, officers, shareholders, partners, managers, principal officers, representatives, agents, servants, consultants, employees or any one of them or any other person or entity with whom the Proposer is in privity of oral or written contract and the Proposer intends for such other person or entity to Perform under the Contract in any capacity.
- (n) Records: All working papers and such other information and materials as may have been accumulated by the Contractor in performing the Contract, including but not limited to, documents, data, plans, books, computations, drawings, specifications, notes, reports, records, estimates, summaries and correspondence, kept or stored in any form.
- (o) Request for Proposals: A State request inviting proposals for Goods or Services. This Contract shall be governed by the statutes, regulations and procedures of the State of Connecticut, Department of Administrative Services.

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- (p) **Services:** The performance of labor or work, as specified in the Request for Proposals and set forth in Exhibit A.
- (q) **State:** The State of Connecticut, including DAS, the Client Agency and any office, department, board, council, commission, institution or other agency of the State.
- (r) **Termination:** An end to the Contract prior to the end of its term whether effected pursuant to a right which the Contract creates or for a breach.
- (s) **Title:** all ownership, title, licenses, rights and interest, including, but not limited to, perpetual use, of and to the Goods or Services.

2. Term of Contract; Contract Extension. The Contract will be in effect from December 11, 2012 through December 31, 2015.

The parties may extend this Contract, prior to Termination or expiration, one or more times for a combined total period not to exceed the complete length of the original term, but only in accordance with the section in this Contract concerning Contract Amendments.

3. Description of Goods or Services. The Contractor shall perform as set forth in Exhibit A. For purposes of this Contract, to perform and the performance in Exhibit A is referred to as "Perform" and the "Performance."

4. Price Schedule, Payment Terms and Billing, and Price Adjustments.

(a) **Price Schedule:** Price Schedule under this Contract is set forth in Exhibit B.

(b) **Payment Terms and Billing:** Payment shall be made only after the Client Agency receives and accepts the Goods or Services and after it receives a properly completed invoice. Unless otherwise specified in the Contract, payment for all accepted Goods or Services shall be due within forty-five (45) days after acceptance of the Goods or Services, or thirty (30) days if the Contractor is a certified small contractor or minority business enterprise as defined in Conn. Gen. Stat. § 4a-60g. The Contractor shall submit an invoice to the Client Agency for the Performance. The invoice shall include detailed information for Goods or Services, delivered and performed, as applicable, and accepted. Any late payment charges shall be calculated in accordance with the Connecticut General Statutes.

(c) If applicable to and during the term of this Contract, the Price Schedule will be adjusted to reflect any increase in the minimum wage rate that may occur, as mandated by state law. The Price Schedule will not be adjusted until the Contractor provides documentation, in the form of certified payroll or other documentation acceptable to the State, substantiating the increase in minimum wage rate.

(d) **Price Adjustments:** No price increases are allowed under this Contract.

The parties may agree to a price reduction in the Bid price for any part or all goods or services after the Contractor begins to perform.

5. Rejected Items; Abandonment.

(a) The Contractor may deliver, cause to be delivered, or, in any other way, bring or cause to be brought, to any State premises or other destination, Goods, as samples or otherwise, and other supplies, materials, equipment or other tangible personal property. The State may, by

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written notice and in accordance with the terms and conditions of the Contract, direct the Contractor to remove any or all such Goods (“the “Rejected Goods”) and any or all other supplies, materials, equipment or other tangible personal property (collectively, the “Contractor Property”) from and out of State premises and any other location which the State manages, leases or controls. The Contractor shall remove the Rejected Goods and the Contractor Property in accordance with the terms and conditions of the written notice. Failure to remove the Rejected Goods or the Contractor Property in accordance with the terms and conditions of the written notice shall mean, for itself and all Contractor Parties and Proposer Parties, that:

- (1) they have voluntarily, intentionally, unconditionally, unequivocally and absolutely abandoned and left unclaimed the Rejected Goods and Contractor Property and relinquished all ownership, title, licenses, rights, possession and interest of, in and to (collectively, “Title”) the Rejected Goods and Contractor Property with the specific and express intent of (A) terminating all of their Title to the Rejected Goods and Contractor Property, (B) vesting Title to the Rejected Goods and Contractor Property in the State of Connecticut and (C) not ever reclaiming Title or any future rights of any type in and to the Rejected Goods and Contractor Property;
 - (2) there is no ignorance, inadvertence or unawareness to mitigate against the intent to abandon the Rejected Goods or Contractor Property;
 - (3) they vest authority, without any further act required on their part or the State’s part, in the Client Agency and the State to use or dispose of the Rejected Goods and Contractor Property, in the State’s sole discretion, as if the Rejected Goods and Contractor Property were the State’s own property and in accordance with law, without incurring any liability or obligation to the Contractor or any other party;
 - (4) if the State incurs any costs or expenses in connection with disposing of the Rejected Goods and Contractor Property, including, but not limited to, advertising, moving or storing the Rejected Goods and Contractor Property, auction and other activities, the State shall invoice the Contractor for all such cost and expenses and the Contractor shall reimburse the State no later than thirty (30) days after the date of invoice; and
 - (5) they do remise, release and forever discharge the State and its employees, departments, commissions, boards, bureaus, agencies, instrumentalities or political subdivisions and their respective successors, heirs, executors and assigns (collectively, the “State and Its Agents”) of and from all Claims which they and their respective successors or assigns, jointly or severally, ever had, now have or will have against the State and Its Agents arising from the use or disposition of the Rejected Goods and Contractor Property.
- (b) The Contractor shall secure from each Contractor Party or Proposer Party, as appropriate, such document or instrument as necessary or appropriate as will vest in the Contractor plenary authority to bind the Contractor Parties and Proposer Parties to the full extent necessary or appropriate to give full effect to all of the terms and conditions of this section. The Contractor shall provide, no later than fifteen (15) days after receiving a request from the State, such information as the State may require to evidence, in the State’s sole determination, compliance with this section.
6. Order and Delivery. The Contract shall bind the Contractor to furnish and deliver the Goods or Services in accordance with Exhibit A and at the prices set forth in Exhibit B. Subject to the sections in this Contract concerning Force Majeure, Termination and Open Market

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Purchases, the Contract shall bind the Client Agency to order the Goods or Services from the Contractor, and to pay for the accepted Goods or Services in accordance with Exhibit B.

7. Contract Amendments.

No amendment to or modification or other alteration of the Contract, including extensions, shall be valid or binding upon the parties unless made in writing, signed by the parties and, if applicable, approved by the Connecticut Attorney General.

8. Assignment. The Contractor shall not assign any of its rights or obligations under the Contract, voluntarily or otherwise, in any manner without the prior written consent of DAS. DAS may void any purported assignment in violation of this section and declare the Contractor in breach of Contract. Any Termination by DAS for a breach is without prejudice to DAS's or the State's rights or possible Claims.

9. Termination.

- (a) Notwithstanding any provisions in this Contract, the Agency, through a duly authorized employee, may Terminate the Contract whenever the Agency makes a written determination that such Termination is in the best interests of the State. The Agency shall notify the Contractor in writing of Termination pursuant to this section, which notice shall specify the effective date of Termination and the extent to which the Contractor must complete its Performance under the Contract prior to such date.
- (b) Notwithstanding any provisions in this Contract, the Agency, through a duly authorized employee, may, after making a written determination that the Contractor has breached the Contract, Terminate the Contract in accordance with the provisions in the Breach section of this Contract.
- (c) The Agency shall send the notice of Termination via certified mail, return receipt requested, to the Contractor at the most current address which the Contractor has furnished to the Agency for purposes of correspondence, or by hand delivery. Upon receiving the notice from the Agency, the Contractor shall immediately discontinue all services affected in accordance with the notice, undertake all commercially reasonable efforts to mitigate any losses or damages, and deliver to the Agency all Records. The Records are deemed to be the property of the Agency and the Contractor shall deliver them to the Agency no later than thirty (30) days after the Termination of the Contract or fifteen (15) days after the Contractor receives a written request from the Agency for the Records. The Contractor shall deliver those Records that exist in electronic, magnetic or other intangible form in a non-proprietary format, such as, but not limited to, ASCII or .TXT.
- (d) Upon receipt of a written notice of Termination from the Agency, the Contractor shall cease operations as the Agency directs in the notice, and take all actions that are necessary or appropriate, or that the Agency may reasonably direct, for the protection, and preservation of the Goods and any other property. Except for any work which the Agency directs the Contractor to Perform in the notice prior to the effective date of Termination, and except as otherwise provided in the notice, the Contractor shall terminate or conclude all existing subcontracts and purchase orders and shall not enter into any further subcontracts, purchase orders or commitments.
- (e) The Agency shall, within forty-five (45) days of the effective date of Termination, reimburse the Contractor for its Performance rendered and accepted by the Agency in accordance with Exhibit A, in addition to all actual and reasonable costs incurred after Termination in

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completing those portions of the Performance which the notice required the Contractor to complete. However, the Contractor is not entitled to receive and the Agency is not obligated to tender to the Contractor any payments for anticipated or lost profits. Upon request by the Agency, the Contractor shall assign to the Agency, or any replacement contractor which the Agency designates, all subcontracts, purchase orders and other commitments, deliver to the Agency all Records and other information pertaining to its Performance, and remove from State premises, whether leased or owned, all of Contractor's property, equipment, waste material and rubbish related to its Performance, all as the Agency may request.

- (f) For breach or violation of any of the provisions in the section concerning Representations and Warranties, the Agency may Terminate the Contract in accordance with its terms and revoke any consents to assignments given as if the assignments had never been requested or consented to, without liability to the Contractor or Contractor Parties or any third party.
 - (g) Upon Termination of the Contract, all rights and obligations shall be null and void, so that no party shall have any further rights or obligations to any other party, except with respect to the sections which survive Termination. All representations, warranties, agreements and rights of the parties under the Contract shall survive such Termination to the extent not otherwise limited in the Contract and without each one of them having to be specifically mentioned in the Contract.
 - (h) Termination of the Contract pursuant to this section shall not be deemed to be a breach of contract by the Agency.
10. Cost Modifications. The parties may agree to a reduction in the cost of the Contract at any time during which the Contract is in effect. Without intending to impose a limitation on the nature of the reduction, the reduction may be to hourly, staffing or unit costs, the total cost of the Contract or the reduction may take such other form as the State deems to be necessary or appropriate.
11. Breach. If either party breaches the Contract in any respect, the non-breaching party shall provide written notice of such breach to the breaching party and afford the breaching party an opportunity to cure the breach within ten (10) days from the date that the breaching party receives such notice. Any other time provided for in the notice shall trump such ten (10) days. Such right to cure period shall be extended if the non-breaching party is satisfied that the breaching party is making a good faith effort to cure but the nature of the breach is such that it cannot be cured within the right to cure period. The notice may include an effective Contract Termination date if the breach is not cured by the stated date and, unless otherwise modified by the non-breaching party in writing prior to the Termination date, no further action shall be required of any party to effect the Termination as of the stated date. If the notice does not set forth an effective Contract Termination date, then the non-breaching party may Terminate the Contract by giving the breaching party no less than twenty four (24) hours' prior written notice. If DAS believes that the Contractor has not performed according to the Contract, the Client Agency may withhold payment in whole or in part pending resolution of the Performance issue, provided that DAS notifies the Contractor in writing prior to the date that the payment would have been due in accordance with Exhibit B.
12. Waiver.
- (a) No waiver of any breach of the Contract shall be interpreted or deemed to be a waiver of any other or subsequent breach. All remedies afforded in the Contract shall be taken and

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construed as cumulative, that is, in addition to every other remedy provided in the Contract or at law or in equity.

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

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

14. Purchase Orders.

- (a) The Contract itself is not an authorization for the Contractor to ship Goods or begin Performance in any way. The Contractor may begin Performance only after it has received a duly issued purchase order against the Contract for Performance.
- (b) The Client Agency shall issue a purchase order against the Contract directly to the Contractor and to no other party.
- (c) All purchase orders shall be in written or electronic form, bear the Contract number (if any) and comply with all other State and Client Agency requirements, particularly the Client Agency's requirements concerning procurement. Purchase orders issued in compliance with such requirements shall be deemed to be duly issued.
- (d) A Contractor making delivery without a duly issued purchase order in accordance with this section does so at the Contractor's own risk.
- (e) The Client Agency may, in its sole discretion, deliver to the Contractor any or all duly issued purchase orders via electronic means only, such that the Client Agency shall not have any additional obligation to deliver to the Contractor a "hard copy" of the purchase order or a copy bearing any hand-written signature or other "original" marking.

15. Indemnification.

- (a) The Contractor shall indemnify, defend and hold harmless the State and its officers, representatives, agents, servants, employees, successors and assigns from and against any and all (1) Claims arising, directly or indirectly, in connection with the Contract, including the acts of commission or omission (collectively, the "Acts") of the Contractor or Contractor Parties;

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and (2) liabilities, damages, losses, costs and expenses, including but not limited to, attorneys' and other professionals' fees, arising, directly or indirectly, in connection with Claims, Acts or the Contract. The Contractor shall use counsel reasonably acceptable to the State in carrying out its obligations under this section. The Contractor's obligations under this section to indemnify, defend and hold harmless against Claims includes Claims concerning confidentiality of any part of or all of the Contractor's bid, proposal or any Records, any intellectual property rights, other proprietary rights of any person or entity, copyrighted or uncopyrighted compositions, secret processes, patented or unpatented inventions, articles or appliances furnished or used in the Performance.

- (b) The Contractor shall not be responsible for indemnifying or holding the State harmless from any liability arising due to the negligence of the State or any other person or entity acting under the direct control or supervision of the State.
- (c) The Contractor shall reimburse the State for any and all damages to the real or personal property of the State caused by the Acts of the Contractor or any Contractor Parties. The State shall give the Contractor reasonable notice of any such Claims.
- (d) The Contractor's duties under this section shall remain fully in effect and binding in accordance with the terms and conditions of the Contract, without being lessened or compromised in any way, even where the Contractor is alleged or is found to have merely contributed in part to the Acts giving rise to the Claims and/or where the State is alleged or is found to have contributed to the Acts giving rise to the Claims.
- (e) The Contractor shall carry and maintain at all times during the term of the Contract, and during the time that any provisions survive the term of the Contract, sufficient general liability insurance to satisfy its obligations under this Contract. The Contractor shall name the State as an additional insured on the policy and shall provide a copy of the policy to the Agency prior to the effective date of the Contract. The Contractor shall not begin Performance until the delivery of the policy to the Agency. The Agency shall be entitled to recover under the insurance policy even if a body of competent jurisdiction determines that the Agency or the State is contributorily negligent.
- (f) The rights provided in this section for the benefit of the State shall encompass the recovery of attorneys' and other professionals' fees expended in pursuing a Claim against a third party.
- (g) This section shall survive the Termination of the Contract and shall not be limited by reason of any insurance coverage.
- (h) Contractor shall not be responsible for indemnifying or holding the State harmless from any liability arising due to the negligence of the State or any other person or entity acting under the direct control or supervision of the State."

16. Forum and Choice of Law. The parties deem the Contract to have been made in the City of Hartford, State of Connecticut. Both parties agree that it is fair and reasonable for the validity and construction of the Contract to be, and it shall be, governed by the laws and court decisions of the State of Connecticut, without giving effect to its principles of conflicts of laws. To the extent that any immunities provided by Federal law or the laws of the State of Connecticut do not bar an action against the State, and to the extent that these courts are courts of competent jurisdiction, for the purpose of venue, the complaint shall be made returnable to the Judicial District of Hartford only or shall be brought in the United States District Court for the District of Connecticut only, and shall not be transferred to any other

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court, provided, however, that nothing here constitutes a waiver or compromise of the sovereign immunity of the State of Connecticut. The Contractor waives any objection which it may now have or will have to the laying of venue of any Claims in any forum and further irrevocably submits to such jurisdiction in any suit, action or proceeding.

17. Contractor Guaranties. Contractor shall:

- (a) Perform fully under the Contract;
- (b) Guarantee the Goods or Services against defective material or workmanship and to repair any damage or marring occasioned in transit or, at the Client Agency's option, replace them;
- (c) Furnish adequate protection from damage for all work and to repair damage of any kind, for which its workers are responsible, to the premises, Goods, the Contractor's work or that of Contractor Parties;
- (d) With respect to the provision of Services, pay for all permits, licenses and fees and give all required or appropriate notices;
- (e) Adhere to all Contractual provisions ensuring the confidentiality of Records that the Contractor has access to and are exempt from disclosure under the State's Freedom of Information Act or other applicable law; and
- (f) Neither disclaim, exclude nor modify the implied warranties of fitness for a particular purpose or of merchantability.

18. Implied Warranties. DAS does not disclaim, exclude or modify the implied warranty of fitness for a particular purpose or the warranty of merchantability.

19. Goods, Standards and Appurtenances. Any Goods delivered must be standard new Goods, latest model, except as otherwise specifically stated in the Contract. Remanufactured, refurbished or reconditioned equipment may be accepted but only to the extent allowed under the Contract. Where the Contract does not specifically list or describe any part or nominal appurtenances of equipment for the Goods, it shall be understood that the Contractor shall deliver such parts and appurtenances as are usually provided with the manufacturer's stock model.

20. Delivery.

- (a) Delivery shall be made as ordered and in accordance with the Contract. Unless otherwise specified in the Contract, delivery shall be to a loading dock or receiving platform. The Contractor or Contractor's shipping designee shall be responsible for removal of Goods from the carrier and placement on the Client Agency loading dock or receiving platform. The receiving personnel of the Client Agency are not required to assist in this process. The decision of DAS as to reasonable compliance with delivery terms shall be final and binding. The burden of proof of proper receipt of the order shall rest with the Contractor.
- (b) In order for the time of delivery to be extended, the Client Agency must first approve a request for extension from the time specified in the Contract, such extension applying only to the particular item or shipment.

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- (c) Goods shall be securely and properly packed for shipment, according to accepted standard commercial practice, without extra charge for packing cases, baling or sacks. The containers shall remain the property of the Client Agency unless otherwise stated in the Proposal.
- (d) All risk of loss and damage to the Goods transfers to the Client Agency upon Title vesting in the Client Agency.
21. Goods Inspection. The Client Agency shall determine the manner and prescribe the inspection of all Goods and the tests of all samples submitted to determine whether they comply with all of the specifications in the Contract. If any Goods fail in any way to meet the specifications in the Contract, the Client Agency may, in its sole discretion, either reject it and owe nothing or accept it and pay for it on an adjusted price basis, depending on the degree to which the Goods meet the specifications. Any decision pertaining to any such failure or rejection shall be final and binding.
22. Setoff. In addition to all other remedies that DAS may have, the State, in its sole discretion, may setoff (1) any costs or expenses that the State incurs resulting from the Contractor's unexcused nonperformance under the Contract and under any other agreement or arrangement that the Contractor has with the State and (2) any other amounts that are due or may become due from the State to the Contractor, against amounts otherwise due or that may become due to the Contractor under the Contract, or under any other agreement or arrangement that the Contractor has with the State. The State's right of setoff shall not be deemed to be the State's exclusive remedy for the Contractor's or Contractor Parties' breach of the Contract, all of which shall survive any setoffs by the State.
23. Force Majeure. The State and the Contractor shall not be excused from their obligation to Perform in accordance with the Contract except in the case of Force Majeure events and as otherwise provided for in the Contract. In the case of any such exception, the nonperforming party shall give immediate written notice to the other, explaining the cause and probable duration of any such nonperformance.
24. Advertising. The Contractor shall not refer to sales to the State for advertising or promotional purposes, including, but not limited to, posting any material or data on the Internet, without DAS's prior written approval.
25. Americans With Disabilities Act. The Contractor shall be and remain in compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 ("Act"), to the extent applicable, during the term of the Contract. DAS may Terminate the Contract if the Contractor fails to comply with the Act.
26. Representations and Warranties. The Contractor, and the Proposer, as appropriate, represent and warrant to DAS for itself, Contractor Parties and Proposer Parties, as appropriate, that:
- (a) if they are entities, they are duly and validly existing under the laws of their respective states of organization and authorized to conduct business in the State of Connecticut in the manner contemplated by the Contract. Further, as appropriate, they have taken all necessary action to authorize the execution, delivery and Performance of the Proposal and the Contract and have the power and authority to execute, deliver and Perform their obligations under the Contract;
- (b) they will comply with all applicable State and Federal laws and municipal ordinances in satisfying their obligations to the State under and pursuant to the Contract, including, but not

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limited to (1) Connecticut General Statutes Title 1, Chapter 10, concerning the State's Codes of Ethics and (2) Title 4a concerning State purchasing, including, but not limited to 22a-194a concerning the use of polystyrene foam;

- (c) the execution, delivery and Performance of the Contract will not violate, be in conflict with, result in a breach of or constitute (with or without due notice and/or lapse of time) a default under any of the following, as applicable: (1) any provision of law; (2) any order of any court or the State; or (3) any indenture, agreement, document or other instrument to which it is a party or by which it may be bound;
- (d) they are not presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from covered transactions by any governmental entity;
- (e) as applicable, they have not, within the three years preceding the Contract, in any of their current or former jobs, been convicted of, or had a civil judgment rendered against them or against any person who would Perform under the Contract, for commission of fraud or a criminal offense in connection with obtaining, attempting to obtain, or performing a transaction or contract with any governmental entity. This includes, but is not limited to, violation of Federal or state antitrust statutes or commission of embezzlement, theft, forgery, bribery, falsification or destruction of records, making false statements, or receiving stolen property;
- (f) they are not presently indicted for or otherwise criminally or civilly charged by any governmental entity with commission of any of the offenses listed above;
- (g) they have not within the three years preceding the Contract had one or more contracts with any governmental entity Terminated;
- (h) they have not employed or retained any entity or person, other than a bona fide employee working solely for them, to solicit or secure the Contract and that they have not paid or agreed to pay any entity or person, other than a bona fide employee working solely for them, any fee, commission, percentage, brokerage fee, gifts, or any other consideration contingent upon or resulting from the award or making of the Contract or any assignments made in accordance with the terms of the Contract;
- (i) to the best of their knowledge, there are no Claims involving the Proposer, Proposer Parties, Contractor or Contractor Parties that might reasonably be expected to materially adversely affect their businesses, operations, assets, properties, financial stability, business prospects or ability to Perform fully under the Contract;
- (j) they shall disclose, to the best of their knowledge, to DAS in writing any Claims involving them that might reasonably be expected to materially adversely affect their businesses, operations, assets, properties, financial stability, business prospects or ability to Perform fully under the Contract, no later than ten (10) Days after becoming aware or after they should have become aware of any such Claims. For purposes of the Contractor's obligation to disclose any Claims to DAS, the ten (10) Days in the section of this Contract concerning Disclosure of Contractor Parties Litigation shall run consecutively with the ten (10) Days provided for in this representation and warranty;
- (k) their participation in the Request for Proposals process is not a conflict of interest or a breach of ethics under the provisions of Title 1, Chapter 10 of the Connecticut General Statutes concerning the State's Code of Ethics;

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- (l) the Proposal was not made in connection or concert with any other person, entity or Proposer, including any affiliate (as defined in the Tangible Personal Property section of this Contract) of the Proposer, submitting a Proposal for the same Goods or Services, and is in all respects fair and without collusion or fraud;
- (m) they are able to Perform under the Contract using their own resources or the resources of a party who is not a Proposer;
- (n) the Contractor shall obtain in a written contract all of the representations and warranties in this section from any Contractor Parties and to require that provision to be included in any contracts and purchase orders with Contractor Parties;
- (o) they have paid all applicable workers' compensation second injury fund assessments concerning all previous work done in Connecticut;
- (p) they have a record of compliance with Occupational Health and Safety Administration regulations without any unabated, willful or serious violations;
- (q) they owe no unemployment compensation contributions;
- (r) they are not delinquent in the payment of any taxes owed, or, that they have filed a sales tax security bond, and they have, if and as applicable, filed for motor carrier road tax stickers and have paid all outstanding road taxes;
- (s) all of their vehicles have current registrations and, unless such vehicles are no longer in service, they shall not allow any such registrations to lapse;
- (t) each Contractor Party has vested in the Contractor plenary authority to bind the Contractor Parties and Proposer Parties to the full extent necessary or appropriate to ensure full compliance with and Performance in accordance with all of the terms and conditions of the Contract and that all appropriate parties shall also provide to DAS, no later than fifteen (15) days after receiving a request from DAS, such information as DAS may require to evidence, in DAS's sole determination, compliance with this section;
- (u) except to the extent modified or abrogated in the Contract, all Title shall pass to the Client Agency upon complete installation, testing and acceptance of the Goods or Services and payment by the Client Agency;
- (v) if either party Terminates the Contract, for any reason, they shall relinquish to the Client Agency all Title to the Goods delivered, accepted and paid for (except to the extent any invoiced amount is disputed) by the Client Agency;
- (w) with regard to third party products provided with the Goods, they shall transfer all licenses which they are permitted to transfer in accordance with the applicable third party license;
- (x) they shall not copyright, register, distribute or claim any rights in or to the Goods after the effective date of the Contract without DAS's prior written consent;
- (y) they either own or have the authority to use all Title of and to the Goods, and that such Title is not the subject of any encumbrances, liens or claims of ownership by any third party;

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- (z) the Goods do not infringe or misappropriate any patent, trade secret or other intellectual property right of a third party;
- (aa) the Client Agency's use of any Goods shall not infringe or misappropriate any patent, trade secret or other intellectual property right of a third party;
- (bb) if they procure any Goods, they shall sub-license such Goods and that the Client Agency shall be afforded the full benefits of any manufacturer or subcontractor licenses for the use of the Goods; and
- (cc) they shall assign or otherwise transfer to the Client Agency, or afford the Client Agency the full benefits of any manufacturer's warranty for the Goods, to the extent that such warranties are assignable or otherwise transferable to the Client Agency.

27. Representations and Warranties Concerning Motor Vehicles. If in the course of Performance or in any other way related to the Contract the Contractor at any time uses or operates "motor vehicles," as that term is defined by Conn. Gen. Stat. §14-1(53) (including, but not limited to such services as snow plowing, sanding, hauling or delivery of materials, freight or merchandise, or the transportation of passengers), the Contractor, and the Proposer, as appropriate, represent and warrant for itself, the Contractor Parties and Proposer Parties, as appropriate, that:

- (a) It is the owner of record or lessee of record of each such motor vehicle used in the Performance of the Contract, and each such motor vehicle is duly registered with the Connecticut Department of Motor Vehicles ("ConnDMV") in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 246 of the Connecticut General Statutes. Each such registration shall be in valid status, and shall not be expired, suspended or revoked by ConnDMV, for any reason or cause. If such motor vehicle is not registered with ConnDMV, then it shall be duly registered with another state or commonwealth in accordance with such other state's or commonwealth's applicable statutes. Each such registration shall be in valid status, and shall not be expired, suspended or revoked by such other state or commonwealth for any reason or cause.
- (b) Each such motor vehicle shall be fully insured in accordance with the provisions of Sections 14-12b, 14-112 and 38a-371 of the Connecticut General Statutes, as amended, in the amounts required by the said sections or in such higher amounts as have been specified by ConnDMV as a condition for the award of the Contract, or in accordance with all substantially similar provisions imposed by the law of the jurisdiction where the motor vehicle is registered.
- (c) Each Contractor Party who uses or operates a motor vehicle at any time in the Performance of the Contract shall have and maintain a motor vehicle operator's license or commercial driver's license of the appropriate class for the motor vehicle being used or operated. Each such license shall bear the endorsement or endorsements required by the provisions of Section 14-36a of the Connecticut General Statutes, as amended, to operate such motor vehicle, or required by substantially similar provisions imposed by the law of another jurisdiction in which the operator is licensed to operate such motor vehicle. The license shall be in valid status, and shall not be expired, suspended or revoked by ConnDMV or such other jurisdiction for any reason or cause.
- (d) Each motor vehicle shall be in full compliance with all of the terms and conditions of all provisions of the Connecticut General Statutes and regulations, or those of the jurisdiction where the motor vehicle is registered, pertaining to the mechanical condition, equipment,

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marking and operation of motor vehicles of such type, class and weight, including, but not limited to, requirements for motor vehicles having a gross vehicle weight rating of 18,000 pounds or more or motor vehicles otherwise described by the provisions of Conn. Gen. Stat. § 14-163c(a) and all applicable provisions of the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Regulations, as set forth in Title 49, Parts 382 to 399, inclusive, of the Code of Federal Regulations.

28. Disclosure of Contractor Parties Litigation. The Contractor shall require that all Contractor Parties, as appropriate, disclose to the Contractor, to the best of their knowledge, any Claims involving the Contractor Parties that might reasonably be expected to materially adversely affect their businesses, operations, assets, properties, financial stability, business prospects or ability to Perform fully under the Contract, no later than ten (10) Days after becoming aware or after they should have become aware of any such Claims. Disclosure shall be in writing.
29. Entirety of Contract. The Contract is the entire agreement between the parties with respect to its subject matter, and supersedes all prior agreements, proposals, offers, counteroffers and understandings of the parties, whether written or oral. The Contract has been entered into after full investigation, neither party relying upon any statement or representation by the other unless such statement or representation is specifically embodied in the Contract.
30. Exhibits. All exhibits referred to in and attached to this Contract are incorporated in this Contract by such reference and shall be deemed to be a part of it as if they had been fully set forth in it.
31. Executive Orders. This Contract is subject to the provisions of Executive Order No. Three of Governor Thomas J. Meskill, promulgated June 16, 1971, concerning labor employment practices, Executive Order No. Seventeen of Governor Thomas J. Meskill, promulgated February 15, 1973, concerning the listing of employment openings and Executive Order No. Sixteen of Governor John G. Rowland promulgated August 4, 1999, concerning violence in the workplace, all of which are incorporated into and are made a part of the Contract as if they had been fully set forth in it. The Contract may also be subject to Executive Order No. 7C of Governor M. Jodi Rell, promulgated July 13, 2006, concerning contracting reforms and Executive Order No. 14 of Governor M. Jodi Rell, promulgated April 17, 2006, concerning procurement of cleaning products and services, in accordance with their respective terms and conditions. If Executive Orders 7C and 14 are applicable, they are deemed to be incorporated into and are made a part of the Contract as if they had been fully set forth in it. At the Contractor's request, the Client Agency or DAS shall provide a copy of these orders to the Contractor.
32. Non-discrimination. References in this section to "contract" shall mean this Contract and references to "contractor" shall mean the Contractor.

(a) For purposes of this Section, the following terms are defined as follows:

- (1) "Commission" means the Commission on Human Rights and Opportunities;
- (2) "Contract" and "contract" include any extension or modification of the Contract or contract;
- (3) "Contractor" and "contractor" include any successors or assigns of the Contractor or contractor;

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(4) "Gender identity or expression" means a person's gender-related identity, appearance or behavior, whether or not that gender-related identity, appearance or behavior is different from that traditionally associated with the person's physiology or assigned sex at birth, which gender-related identity can be shown by providing evidence including, but not limited to, medical history, care or treatment of the gender-related identity, consistent and uniform assertion of the gender-related identity or any other evidence that the gender-related identity is sincerely held, part of a person's core identity or not being asserted for an improper purpose.

(5) "good faith" means that degree of diligence which a reasonable person would exercise in the performance of legal duties and obligations;

(6) "good faith efforts" shall include, but not be limited to, those reasonable initial efforts necessary to comply with statutory or regulatory requirements and additional or substituted efforts when it is determined that such initial efforts will not be sufficient to comply with such requirements;

(7) "marital status" means being single, married as recognized by the state of Connecticut, widowed, separated or divorced;

(8) "mental disability" means one or more mental disorders, as defined in the most recent edition of the American Psychiatric Association's "Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders", or a record of or regarding a person as having one or more such disorders;

(9) "minority business enterprise" means any small contractor or supplier of materials fifty-one percent or more of the capital stock, if any, or assets of which is owned by a person or persons: (1) who are active in the daily affairs of the enterprise, (2) who have the power to direct the management and policies of the enterprise, and (3) who are members of a minority, as such term is defined in subsection (a) of Connecticut General Statutes § 32-9n; and

(10) "public works contract" means any agreement between any individual, firm or corporation and the State or any political subdivision of the State other than a municipality for construction, rehabilitation, conversion, extension, demolition or repair of a public building, highway or other changes or improvements in real property, or which is financed in whole or in part by the State, including, but not limited to, matching expenditures, grants, loans, insurance or guarantees.

For purposes of this Section, the terms "Contract" and "contract" do not include a contract where each contractor is (1) a political subdivision of the state, including, but not limited to, a municipality, (2) a quasi-public agency, as defined in Conn. Gen. Stat. Section 1-120, (3) any other state, including but not limited to any federally recognized Indian tribal governments, as defined in Conn. Gen. Stat. Section 1-267, (4) the federal government, (5) a foreign government, or (6) an agency of a subdivision, agency, state or government described in the immediately preceding enumerated items (1), (2), (3), (4) or (5).

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(b)

(1) The Contractor agrees and warrants that in the performance of the Contract such Contractor will not discriminate or permit discrimination against any person or group of persons on the grounds of race, color, religious creed, age, marital status, national origin, ancestry, sex, gender identity or expression, mental retardation, mental disability or physical disability, including, but not limited to, blindness, unless it is shown by such Contractor that such disability prevents performance of the work involved, in any manner prohibited by the laws of the United States or of the State of Connecticut; and the Contractor further agrees to take affirmative action to insure that applicants with job-related qualifications are employed and that employees are treated when employed without regard to their race, color, religious creed, age, marital status, national origin, ancestry, sex, gender identity or expression, mental retardation, mental disability or physical disability, including, but not limited to, blindness, unless it is shown by the Contractor that such disability prevents performance of the work involved;

(2) the Contractor agrees, in all solicitations or advertisements for employees placed by or on behalf of the Contractor, to state that it is an "affirmative action-equal opportunity employer" in accordance with regulations adopted by the Commission;

(3) the Contractor agrees to provide each labor union or representative of workers with which the Contractor has a collective bargaining agreement or other contract or understanding and each vendor with which the Contractor has a contract or understanding, a notice to be provided by the Commission, advising the labor union or workers' representative of the Contractor's commitments under this section and to post copies of the notice in conspicuous places available to employees and applicants for employment;

(4) the Contractor agrees to comply with each provision of this Section and Connecticut General Statutes §§ 46a-68e and 46a-68f and with each regulation or relevant order issued by said Commission pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes §§ 46a-56, 46a-68e and 46a-68f; and

(5) the Contractor agrees to provide the Commission on Human Rights and Opportunities with such information requested by the Commission, and permit access to pertinent books, records and accounts, concerning the employment practices and procedures of the Contractor as relate to the provisions of this Section and Connecticut General Statutes § 46a-56. If the contract is a public works contract, the Contractor agrees and warrants that he will make good faith efforts to employ minority business enterprises as subcontractors and suppliers of materials on such public works projects.

(c) Determination of the Contractor's good faith efforts shall include, but shall not be limited to, the following factors: The Contractor's employment and subcontracting policies, patterns and practices; affirmative advertising, recruitment and training; technical assistance activities and such other reasonable activities or efforts as the Commission may prescribe that are designed to ensure the participation of minority business enterprises in public works projects.

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- (d) The Contractor shall develop and maintain adequate documentation, in a manner prescribed by the Commission, of its good faith efforts.
- (e) The Contractor shall include the provisions of subsection (b) of this Section in every subcontract or purchase order entered into in order to fulfill any obligation of a contract with the State and such provisions shall be binding on a subcontractor, vendor or manufacturer unless exempted by regulations or orders of the Commission. The Contractor shall take such action with respect to any such subcontract or purchase order as the Commission may direct as a means of enforcing such provisions including sanctions for noncompliance in accordance with Connecticut General Statutes §46a-56; provided if such Contractor becomes involved in, or is threatened with, litigation with a subcontractor or vendor as a result of such direction by the Commission, the Contractor may request the State of Connecticut to enter into any such litigation or negotiation prior thereto to protect the interests of the State and the State may so enter.
- (f) The Contractor agrees to comply with the regulations referred to in this Section as they exist on the date of this Contract and as they may be adopted or amended from time to time during the term of this Contract and any amendments thereto.
- (g)
 - (1) The Contractor agrees and warrants that in the performance of the Contract such Contractor will not discriminate or permit discrimination against any person or group of persons on the grounds of sexual orientation, in any manner prohibited by the laws of the United States or the State of Connecticut, and that employees are treated when employed without regard to their sexual orientation;
 - (2) the Contractor agrees to provide each labor union or representative of workers with which such Contractor has a collective bargaining agreement or other contract or understanding and each vendor with which such Contractor has a contract or understanding, a notice to be provided by the Commission on Human Rights and Opportunities advising the labor union or workers' representative of the Contractor's commitments under this section, and to post copies of the notice in conspicuous places available to employees and applicants for employment;
 - (3) the Contractor agrees to comply with each provision of this section and with each regulation or relevant order issued by said Commission pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes § 46a-56; and
 - (4) the Contractor agrees to provide the Commission on Human Rights and Opportunities with such information requested by the Commission, and permit access to pertinent books, records and accounts, concerning the employment practices and procedures of the Contractor which relate to the provisions of this Section and Connecticut General Statutes § 46a-56.

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(h) The Contractor shall include the provisions of the foregoing paragraph in every subcontract or purchase order entered into in order to fulfill any obligation of a contract with the State and such provisions shall be binding on a subcontractor, vendor or manufacturer unless exempted by regulations or orders of the Commission. The Contractor shall take such action with respect to any such subcontract or purchase order as the Commission may direct as a means of enforcing such provisions including sanctions for noncompliance in accordance with Connecticut General Statutes § 46a-56; provided, if such Contractor becomes involved in, or is threatened with, litigation with a subcontractor or vendor as a result of such direction by the Commission, the Contractor may request the State of Connecticut to enter into any such litigation or negotiation prior thereto to protect the interests of the State and the State may so enter.

33. Tangible Personal Property.

(a) The Contractor on its behalf and on behalf of its Affiliates, as defined below, shall comply with the provisions of Conn. Gen. Stat. §12-411b, as follows:

(1) For the term of the Contract, the Contractor and its Affiliates shall collect and remit to the State of Connecticut, Department of Revenue Services, any Connecticut use tax due under the provisions of Chapter 219 of the Connecticut General Statutes for items of tangible personal property sold by the Contractor or by any of its Affiliates in the same manner as if the Contractor and such Affiliates were engaged in the business of selling tangible personal property for use in Connecticut and had sufficient nexus under the provisions of Chapter 219 to be required to collect Connecticut use tax;

(2) A customer's payment of a use tax to the Contractor or its Affiliates relieves the customer of liability for the use tax;

(3) The Contractor and its Affiliates shall remit all use taxes they collect from customers on or before the due date specified in the Contract, which may not be later than the last day of the month next succeeding the end of a calendar quarter or other tax collection period during which the tax was collected;

(4) The Contractor and its Affiliates are not liable for use tax billed by them but not paid to them by a customer; and

(5) Any Contractor or Affiliate who fails to remit use taxes collected on behalf of its customers by the due date specified in the Contract shall be subject to the interest and penalties provided for persons required to collect sales tax under chapter 219 of the general statutes.

(b) For purposes of this section of the Contract, the word "Affiliate" means any person, as defined in section 12-1 of the general statutes, that controls, is controlled by, or is under common control with another person. A person controls another person if the person owns, directly or indirectly, more than ten per cent of the voting securities of the other person. The word "voting security" means a security that confers upon the holder the right to vote for the election of members of the board of directors or similar governing body of the business, or that is convertible into, or entitles the holder to receive, upon its exercise, a security that confers such a right to vote. "Voting security" includes a general partnership interest.

(c) The Contractor represents and warrants that each of its Affiliates has vested in the Contractor plenary authority to so bind the Affiliates in any agreement with the State of Connecticut. The Contractor on its own behalf and on behalf of its Affiliates shall also provide, no later

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than 30 days after receiving a request by the State's contracting authority, such information as the State may require to ensure, in the State's sole determination, compliance with the provisions of Chapter 219 of the Connecticut General Statutes, including, but not limited to, §12-411b.

34. Whistleblowing. This Contract may be subject to the provisions of Section 4-61dd of the Connecticut General Statutes. In accordance with this statute, if an officer, employee or appointing authority of the Contractor takes or threatens to take any personnel action against any employee of the Contractor in retaliation for such employee's disclosure of information to any employee of the contracting state or quasi-public agency or the Auditors of Public Accounts or the Attorney General under the provisions of subsection (a) of such statute, the Contractor shall be liable for a civil penalty of not more than five thousand dollars for each offense, up to a maximum of twenty per cent of the value of this Contract. Each violation shall be a separate and distinct offense and in the case of a continuing violation, each calendar day's continuance of the violation shall be deemed to be a separate and distinct offense. The State may request that the Attorney General bring a civil action in the Superior Court for the Judicial District of Hartford to seek imposition and recovery of such civil penalty. In accordance with subsection (f) of such statute, each large state contractor, as defined in the statute, shall post a notice of the provisions of the statute relating to large state contractors in a conspicuous place which is readily available for viewing by the employees of the Contractor.

35. Notice. All notices, demands, requests, consents, approvals or other communications required or permitted to be given or which are given with respect to this Contract (for the purpose of this section collectively called "Notices") shall be deemed to have been effected at such time as the notice is placed in the U.S. mail, first class and postage pre-paid, return receipt requested or placed with a recognized, overnight express delivery service that provides for a return receipt. All such Notices shall be in writing and shall be addressed as follows:

If to DAS:

State of Connecticut, Department of Administrative Services
165 Capitol Ave, 5th Floor South
Hartford, CT 06106-1659
Attention: Lynn Peccerillo-Hills, Contract Specialist

If to the Contractor:

The Public Group, LLC
1503 South 40 East Suite 350
Provo UT 84606
Attention: Eric Heaps, Chief Operating Officer

36. Insurance. Before commencing Performance, the Contractor shall obtain and maintain at its own cost and expense for the duration of the Contract, the following insurance as described in (a) through (h) below. Contractor shall assume any and all deductibles in the described insurance policies. The Contractor's insurers shall have no right of recovery or subrogation against the State and the described Contractor's insurance shall be primary coverage. Any

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failure to comply with the claim reporting provisions of the policy shall not affect coverage provided to the State.

- (a) Reserved
 - (b) Commercial General Liability: \$1,000,000 combined single limit per occurrence for bodily injury, personal injury and property damage. Coverage shall include, Premises and Operations, Independent Contractors, Products and Completed Operations, Contractual Liability and Broad Form Property Damage coverage. If a general aggregate is used, the general aggregate limit shall apply separately to the project or the general aggregate limit shall be twice the occurrence limit.
 - (c) Automobile Liability: \$1,000,000 combined single limit per accident for bodily injury. Coverage extends to owned, hired and non-owned automobiles. If the vendor/contractor does not own an automobile, but one is used in the execution of the contract, then only hired and non-owned coverage is required. If a vehicle is not used in the execution of the contract then automobile coverage is not required.
 - (d) Workers' Compensation and Employers Liability: Statutory coverage in compliance with the Compensation laws of the State of Connecticut. Coverage shall include Employer's Liability with minimum limits of \$100,000 each accident, \$500,000 Disease – Policy limit, \$100,000 each employee.
 - (e) Reserved
 - (f) Umbrella Liability: Excess/umbrella liability insurance may be included to meet minimum requirements. Umbrella coverage must indicate the existing underlying insurance coverage.
 - (g) Claims Made: Not acceptable with the exception of Professional Liability when specified.
 - (h) Reserved
37. Headings. The headings given to the sections in the Contract are inserted only for convenience and are in no way to be construed as part of the Contract or as a limitation of the scope of the particular section to which the heading refers.
38. Number and Gender. Whenever the context so requires, the plural or singular shall include each other and the use of any gender shall include all genders.
39. Parties. To the extent that any Contractor Party or Proposer Party is to participate or Perform in any way, directly or indirectly in connection with the Proposal or the Contract, any reference in the Request for Proposals and the Contract to "Contractor" or "Proposer" shall also be deemed to include "Contractor Parties" or "Proposer Parties," respectively, as if such reference had originally specifically included "Contractor Parties" or "Proposer Parties," since it is the parties' intent for the terms "Contractor Parties" and "Proposer Parties" to be vested with the same respective rights and obligations as the terms "Contractor" and "Proposer."
40. Contractor Changes. The Contractor shall notify DAS in writing no later than ten (10) Days from the effective date of any change in:
- a) its certificate of incorporation or other organizational document;

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- b) more than a controlling interest in the ownership of the Contractor; or
- c) the individual(s) in charge of the Performance.

This change shall not relieve the Contractor of any responsibility for the accuracy and completeness of the Performance. DAS, after receiving written notice by the Contractor of any such change, may require such agreements, releases and other instruments evidencing, to DAS's satisfaction, that any individuals retiring or otherwise separating from the Contractor have been compensated in full or that provision has been made for compensation in full, for all work performed under terms of the Contract. The Contractor shall deliver such documents to DAS in accordance with the terms of DAS's written request. DAS may also require, and the Contractor shall deliver, a financial statement showing that solvency of the Contractor is maintained. The death of any Contractor Party, as applicable, shall not release the Contractor from the obligation to Perform under the Contract; the surviving Contractor Parties, as appropriate, must continue to Perform under the Contract until Performance is fully completed.

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

42. Audit and Inspection of Plants, Places of Business and Records.

- (a) Audit and Inspection of Plants, Places of Business and Records. The State and its agents, including, but not limited to, the Connecticut Auditors of Public Accounts, Attorney General and State's Attorney and their respective agents, may, at reasonable hours, inspect and examine all of the parts of the Contractor's and Contractor Parties' plants and places of business which, in any way, are related to, or involved in, the performance of this Contract.
- (b) The Contractor shall maintain, and shall require each of the Contractor Parties to maintain, accurate and complete Records. The Contractor shall make all of its and the Contractor Parties' Records available at all reasonable hours for audit and inspection by the State and its agents.
- (c) The State shall make all requests for any audit or inspection in writing and shall provide the Contractor with at least twenty-four (24) hours' notice prior to the requested audit and inspection date. If the State suspects fraud or other abuse, or in the event of an emergency, the State is not obligated to provide any prior notice.
- (d) All audits and inspections shall be at the State's expense.
- (e) The Contractor shall keep and preserve or cause to be kept and preserved all of its and Contractor Parties' Records until three (3) years after the latter of (i) final payment under this Contract, or (ii) the expiration or earlier termination of this Contract, as the same may be modified for any reason. The State may request an audit or inspection at any time during this period. If any Claim or audit is started before the expiration of this period, the

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Contractor shall retain or cause to be retained all Records until all Claims or audit findings have been resolved.

- (f) The Contractor shall cooperate fully with the State and its agents in connection with an audit or inspection. Following any audit or inspection, the State may conduct and the Contractor shall cooperate with an exit conference.
- (g) The Contractor shall incorporate this entire Section verbatim into any contract or other agreement that it enters into with any Contractor Party.

43. Background Checks. The State may require that the Contractor and Contractor Parties undergo criminal background checks as provided for in the State of Connecticut Department of Public Safety Administration and Operations Manual or such other State document as governs procedures for background checks. The Contractor and Contractor Parties shall cooperate fully as necessary or reasonably requested with the State and its agents in connection with such background checks. **See Exhibit D- for the DOC Security Regulations.**

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

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

46. Contractor Responsibility.

- (a) The Contractor shall be responsible for the entire Performance under the Contract regardless of whether the Contractor itself performs. The Contractor shall be the sole point of contact concerning the management of the Contract, including Performance and payment issues. The Contractor is solely and completely responsible for adherence by the Contractor Parties to all applicable provisions of the Contract.
- (b) The Contractor shall exercise all reasonable care to avoid damage to the State's property or to property being made ready for the State's use, and to all property adjacent to any work site. The Contractor shall promptly report any damage, regardless of cause, to the State.

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

48. Confidential Information. The State will afford due regard to the Proposer's and Contractor's request for the protection of proprietary or confidential information which the State receives.

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However, all materials associated with the Proposal and the Contract are subject to the terms of the Connecticut Freedom of Information Act (“FOIA”) and all corresponding rules, regulations and interpretations. In making such a request, the Proposer or Contractor may not merely state generally that the materials are proprietary or confidential in nature and not, therefore, subject to release to third parties. Those particular sentences, paragraphs, pages or sections that the vendor believes are exempt from disclosure under the FOIA must be specifically identified as such. Convincing explanation and rationale sufficient to justify each exemption consistent with the FOIA must accompany the request. The rationale and explanation must be stated in terms of the prospective harm to the competitive position of the Proposer or Contractor that would result if the identified material were to be released and the reasons why the materials are legally exempt from release pursuant to the FOIA. To the extent that any other provision or part of the Contract, especially including the Proposal, the Records and the specifications, conflicts or is in any way inconsistent with this section, this section controls and shall apply and the conflicting provision or part shall not be given effect. If the Proposer or Contractor indicates that certain documentation is submitted in confidence, by specifically and clearly marking said documentation as CONFIDENTIAL, DAS will endeavor to keep said information confidential to the extent permitted by law. DAS, however, has no obligation to initiate, prosecute or defend any legal proceeding or to seek a protective order or other similar relief to prevent disclosure of any information that is sought pursuant to a FOIA request. The Contractor shall have the burden of establishing the availability of any FOIA exemption in any proceeding where it is an issue. In no event shall DAS or the State have any liability for the disclosure of any documents or information in its possession which the State or DAS believes are required to be disclosed pursuant to the FOIA or other requirements of law.

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

50. Cross-Default.

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

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

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51. Disclosure of Records. This Contract may be subject to the provisions of section 1-218 of the Connecticut General Statutes. In accordance with this statute, each contract in excess of two million five hundred thousand dollars between a public agency and a person for the performance of a governmental function shall (a) provide that the public agency is entitled to receive a copy of records and files related to the performance of the governmental function, and (b) indicate that such records and files are subject to FOIA and may be disclosed by the public agency pursuant to FOIA. No request to inspect or copy such records or files shall be valid unless the request is made to the public agency in accordance with FOIA. Any complaint by a person who is denied the right to inspect or copy such records or files shall be brought to the Freedom of Information Commission in accordance with the provisions of sections 1-205 and 1-206 of the Connecticut General Statutes.
52. Summary of State Ethics Laws. Pursuant to the requirements of section 1-101qq of the Connecticut General Statutes, the summary of State ethics laws developed by the State Ethics Commission pursuant to section 1-81b of the Connecticut General Statutes is incorporated by reference into and made a part of the Contract as if the summary had been fully set forth in the Contract.
53. Sovereign Immunity. The parties acknowledge and agree that nothing in the Request for Proposals or the Contract shall be construed as a modification, compromise or waiver by the State of any rights or defenses of any immunities provided by Federal law or the laws of the State of Connecticut to the State or any of its officers and employees, which they may have had, now have or will have with respect to all matters arising out of the Contract. To the extent that this section conflicts with any other section, this section shall govern.
54. Time of the Essence. Time is of the essence with respect to all provisions of this Contract that specify a time for performance; provided, however, that this provision shall not be construed to limit or deprive a party of the benefits of any grace or use period allowed in this Contract.
55. Certification as Small Contractor or Minority Business Enterprise.
This paragraph was intentionally left blank.
56. Campaign Contribution Restriction. For all State contracts as defined in P.A. 07-1 having a value in a calendar year of \$50,000 or more or a combination or series of such agreements or contracts having a value of \$100,000 or more, the authorized signatory to this Contract expressly acknowledges receipt of the State Elections Enforcement Commission's notice advising state contractors of state campaign contribution and solicitation prohibitions, and will inform its principals of the contents of the notice. See Exhibit C [SEEC Form 11].
57. Health Care Portability and Accountability Act.
- (a) If the Contactor or Contractor Parties is a Business Associate under the requirements of the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 ("HIPAA"), the Contractor or Contractor Parties must comply with all terms and conditions of this Section of the Contract. If the Contractor or Contractor Parties is not a Business Associate under HIPAA, this Section of the Contract does not apply to the Contractor or Contractor Parties for this Contract.
- (b) The Contractor or Contractor Parties is required to safeguard the use, publication and disclosure of information on all applicants for, and all clients who receive, services under the Contract in accordance with all applicable federal and state law regarding confidentiality,

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which includes but is not limited to HIPAA, more specifically with the Privacy and Security Rules at 45 C.F.R. Part 160 and Part 164, subparts A, C, and E; and

- (c) The Client Agency is a “covered entity” as that term is defined in 45 C.F.R. § 160.103; and
- (d) The Contractor or Contractor Parties, on behalf of the Client Agency, performs functions that involve the use or disclosure of “individually identifiable health information,” as that term is defined in 45 C.F.R. § 160.103; and
- (e) The Contractor or Contractor Parties is a “business associate” of the Department, as that term is defined in 45 C.F.R. § 160.103; and
- (f) The Contractor or Contractor Parties and the Client Agency agree to the following in order to secure compliance with the HIPAA, the requirements of Subtitle D of the Health Information Technology for Economic and Clinical Health Act (the HITECH Act), (Pub. L. 111-5, sections 13400 to 13423), and more specifically with the Privacy and Security Rules at 45 C.F.R. Part 160 and Part 164, subparts A, C, and E.
- (g) Definitions. For the purposes of this Section of the Contract:
 - (1) “Breach” shall have the same meaning as the term is defined in section 13400 of the HITECH Act (42 U.S.C. §17921(1)).’
 - (2) “Business Associate” shall mean the or Contractor or Contractor Parties.
 - (3) “Covered Entity” shall mean the Client Agency.
 - (4) “Designated Record Set” shall have the same meaning as the term “designated record set” in 45 C.F.R. § 164.501.
 - (5) “Electronic Health Record” shall have the same meaning as the term is defined in section 13400 of the HITECH Act (42 U.S.C. §17921(5)).
 - (6) “Individual” shall have the same meaning as the term “individual” in 45 C.F.R. § 160.103 and shall include a person who qualifies as a personal representative as defined in 45 C.F.R. § 164.502(g).
 - (7) “Privacy Rule” shall mean the Standards for Privacy of Individually Identifiable Health Information at 45 C.F.R. part 160 and part 164, subparts A and E.
 - (8) “Protected Health Information” or “PHI” shall have the same meaning as the term “protected health information” in 45 C.F.R. § 160.103, limited to information created or received by the Business Associate from or on behalf of the Covered Entity.
 - (9) “Required by Law” shall have the same meaning as the term “required by law” in 45 C.F.R. § 164.103.
 - (10) “Secretary” shall mean the Secretary of the Department of Health and Human Services or his designee.
 - (11) “More stringent” shall have the same meaning as the term “more stringent” in 45 C.F.R. § 160.202.

(12) “This Section of the Contract” refers to the HIPAA Provisions stated herein, in their entirety.

(13) “Security Incident” shall have the same meaning as the term “security incident” in 45 C.F.R. § 164.304.

(14) “Security Rule” shall mean the Security Standards for the Protection of Electronic Protected Health Information at 45 C.F.R. part 160 and part 164, subpart A and C.

(15) “Unsecured protected health information” shall have the same meaning as the term as defined in § 13402(h)(1)(A) of HITECH. Act. (42 U.S.C. § 17932(h)(1)(A)).

(h) Obligations and Activities of Business Associates.

- (1) Business Associate agrees not to use or disclose PHI other than as permitted or required by this Section of the Contract or as Required by Law.
- (2) Business Associate agrees to use appropriate safeguards to prevent use or disclosure of PHI other than as provided for in this Section of the Contract.
- (3) Business Associate agrees to use administrative, physical and technical safeguards that reasonably and appropriately protect the confidentiality, integrity, and availability of electronic protected health information that it creates, receives, maintains, or transmits on behalf of the Covered Entity.
- (4) Business Associate agrees to mitigate, to the extent practicable, any harmful effect that is known to the Business Associate of a use or disclosure of PHI by Business Associate in violation of this Section of the Contract.
- (5) Business Associate agrees to report to Covered Entity any use or disclosure of PHI not provided for by this Section of the Contract or any security incident of which it becomes aware.
- (6) Business Associate agrees to insure that any agent, including a subcontractor, to whom it provides PHI received from, or created or received by Business Associate, on behalf of the Covered Entity, agrees to the same restrictions and conditions that apply through this Section of the Contract to Business Associate with respect to such information.
- (7) Business Associate agrees to provide access, at the request of the Covered Entity, and in the time and manner agreed to by the parties, to PHI in a Designated Record Set, to Covered Entity or, as directed by Covered Entity, to an Individual in order to meet the requirements under 45 C.F.R. § 164.524.
- (8) Business Associate agrees to make any amendments to PHI in a Designated Record Set that the Covered Entity directs or agrees to pursuant to 45 C.F.R. § 164.526 at the request of the Covered Entity, and in the time and manner agreed to by the parties.
- (9) Business Associate agrees to make internal practices, books, and records, including policies and procedures and PHI, relating to the use and disclosure of PHI received from, or created or received by, Business Associate on behalf of Covered Entity,

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available to Covered Entity or to the Secretary in a time and manner agreed to by the parties or designated by the Secretary, for purposes of the Secretary determining Covered Entity's compliance with the Privacy Rule.

- (10) Business Associate agrees to document such disclosures of PHI and information related to such disclosures as would be required for Covered Entity to respond to a request by an Individual for an accounting of disclosures of PHI in accordance with 45 C.F.R. § 164.528 and section 13405 of the HITECH Act (42 U.S.C. § 17935) and any regulations promulgated thereunder.
- (11) Business Associate agrees to provide to Covered Entity, in a time and manner agreed to by the parties, information collected in accordance with clause h. (10) of this Section of the Contract, to permit Covered Entity to respond to a request by an Individual for an accounting of disclosures of PHI in accordance with 45 C.F.R. § 164.528 and section 13405 of the HITECH Act (42 U.S.C. § 17935) and any regulations promulgated thereunder. Business Associate agrees that at the Covered Entity's direction to provide an accounting of disclosures of PHI directly to an individual in accordance with 45 C.F.R. § 164.528 and section 13405 of the HITECH Act (42 U.S.C. § 17935) and any regulations promulgated thereunder.
- (12) Business Associate agrees to comply with any state or federal law that is more stringent than the Privacy Rule.
- (13) Business Associate agrees to comply with the requirements of the HITECH Act relating to privacy and security that are applicable to the Covered Entity and with the requirements of 45 C.F.R. sections 164.504(e), 164.308, 164.310, 164.312, and 164.316.
- (14) In the event that an individual requests that the Business Associate (a) restrict disclosures of PHI; (b) provide an accounting of disclosures of the individual's PHI; or (c) provide a copy of the individual's PHI in an electronic health record, the Business Associate agrees to notify the covered entity, in writing, within two business days of the request.
- (15) Business Associate agrees that it shall not directly or indirectly receive any remuneration in exchange for PHI of an individual without (1) the written approval of the covered entity, unless receipt of remuneration in exchange for PHI is expressly authorized by this Contract and (2) the valid authorization of the individual, except for the purposes provided under section 13405(d)(2) of the HITECH Act,(42 U.S.C. § 17935(d)(2)) and in any accompanying regulations
- (16) Obligations in the Event of a Breach
 - (A) The Business Associate agrees that, following the discovery of a breach of unsecured protected health information, it shall notify the Covered Entity of such breach in accordance with the requirements of section 13402 of HITECH (42 U.S.C. § 17932(b) and the provisions of this section of the contract.
 - (B) Such notification shall be provided by the Business Associate to the Covered Entity without unreasonable delay, and in no case later than 30 days after the breach is discovered by the Business Associate, except as otherwise instructed in writing by a law enforcement official pursuant to section 13402 (g) of

HITECH (42 U.S.C. § 17932(g)) . A breach is considered discovered as of the first day on which it is, or reasonably should have been, known to the Business Associate. The notification shall include the identification and last known address, phone number and email address of each individual (or the next of kin of the individual if the individual is deceased) whose unsecured protected health information has been, or is reasonably believed by the Business Associate to have been, accessed, acquired, or disclosed during such breach.

- (C) The Business Associate agrees to include in the notification to the Covered Entity at least the following information:
1. A brief description of what happened, including the date of the breach and the date of the discovery of the breach, if known.
 2. A description of the types of unsecured protected health information that were involved in the breach (such as full name, Social Security number, date of birth, home address, account number, or disability code).
 3. The steps the Business Associate recommends that individuals take to protect themselves from potential harm resulting from the breach.
 4. A detailed description of what the Business Associate is doing to investigate the breach, to mitigate losses, and to protect against any further breaches.
 5. Whether a law enforcement official has advised either verbally or in writing the Business Associate that he or she has determined that notification or notice to individuals or the posting required under section 13402 of the HITECH Act would impede a criminal investigation or cause damage to national security and contact information for said official.
- (D) Business Associate agrees to provide appropriate staffing and have established procedures to ensure that individuals informed by the Covered Entity of a breach by the Business Associate have the opportunity to ask questions and contact the Business Associate for additional information regarding the breach. Such procedures shall include a toll-free telephone number, an e-mail address, a posting on its Web site and a postal address. Business Associate agrees to include in the notification of a breach by the Business Associate to the Covered Entity, a written description of the procedures that have been established to meet these requirements. Costs of such contact procedures will be borne by the Contractor or Contractor Parties.
- (E) Business Associate agrees that, in the event of a breach, it has the burden to demonstrate that it has complied with all notifications requirements set forth above, including evidence demonstrating the necessity of a delay in notification to the Covered Entity.

(i) Permitted Uses and Disclosure by Business Associate.

- (1) **General Use and Disclosure Provisions** Except as otherwise limited in this Section of the Contract, Business Associate may use or disclose PHI to perform functions, activities, or services for, or on behalf of, Covered Entity as specified in this Contract, provided that such use or disclosure would not violate the Privacy Rule if done by

Covered Entity or the minimum necessary policies and procedures of the Covered Entity.

(2) **Specific Use and Disclosure Provisions.**

(A) Except as otherwise limited in this Section of the Contract, Business Associate may use PHI for the proper management and administration of Business Associate or to carry out the legal responsibilities of Business Associate.

(B) Except as otherwise limited in this Section of the Contract, Business Associate may disclose PHI for the proper management and administration of Business Associate, provided that disclosures are Required by Law, or Business Associate obtains reasonable assurances from the person to whom the information is disclosed that it will remain confidential and used or further disclosed only as Required by Law or for the purpose for which it was disclosed to the person, and the person notifies Business Associate of any instances of which it is aware in which the confidentiality of the information has been breached.

(C) Except as otherwise limited in this Section of the Contract, Business Associate may use PHI to provide Data Aggregation services to Covered Entity as permitted by 45 C.F.R. § 164.504(e)(2)(i)(B).

(j) **Obligations of Covered Entity.**

(1) Covered Entity shall notify Business Associate of any limitations in its notice of privacy practices of Covered Entity, in accordance with 45 C.F.R. § 164.520, or to the extent that such limitation may affect Business Associate's use or disclosure of PHI.

(2) Covered Entity shall notify Business Associate of any changes in, or revocation of, permission by Individual to use or disclose PHI, to the extent that such changes may affect Business Associate's use or disclosure of PHI.

(3) Covered Entity shall notify Business Associate of any restriction to the use or disclosure of PHI that Covered Entity has agreed to in accordance with 45 C.F.R. § 164.522, to the extent that such restriction may affect Business Associate's use or disclosure of PHI.

(k) **Permissible Requests by Covered Entity.** Covered Entity shall not request Business Associate to use or disclose PHI in any manner that would not be permissible under the Privacy Rule if done by the Covered Entity, except that Business Associate may use and disclose PHI for data aggregation, and management and administrative activities of Business Associate, as permitted under this Section of the Contract.

(l) **Term and Termination.**

(1) **Term.** The Term of this Section of the Contract shall be effective as of the date the Contract is effective and shall terminate when the information collected in accordance with clause h. (10) of this Section of the Contract is provided to the Covered Entity and all of the PHI provided by Covered Entity to Business Associate, or created or received by Business Associate on behalf of Covered Entity, is destroyed or returned to Covered

Entity, or, if it is infeasible to return or destroy PHI, protections are extended to such information, in accordance with the termination provisions in this Section.

(2) Termination for Cause Upon Covered Entity's knowledge of a material breach by Business Associate, Covered Entity shall either:

(A) Provide an opportunity for Business Associate to cure the breach or end the violation and terminate the Contract if Business Associate does not cure the breach or end the violation within the time specified by the Covered Entity; or

(B) Immediately terminate the Contract if Business Associate has breached a material term of this Section of the Contract and cure is not possible; or

(C) If neither termination nor cure is feasible, Covered Entity shall report the violation to the Secretary.

(3) Effect of Termination.

(A) Except as provided in (1)(2) above, upon termination of this Contract, for any reason, Business Associate shall return or destroy all PHI received from Covered Entity, or created or received by Business Associate on behalf of Covered Entity. Business Associate shall also provide the information collected in accordance with clause h. (10) of this Section of the Contract to the Covered Entity within ten business days of the notice of termination. This provision shall apply to PHI that is in the possession of subcontractors or agents of Business Associate. Business Associate shall retain no copies of the PHI.

(B) In the event that Business Associate determines that returning or destroying the PHI is infeasible, Business Associate shall provide to Covered Entity notification of the conditions that make return or destruction infeasible. Upon documentation by Business Associate that return or destruction of PHI is infeasible, Business Associate shall extend the protections of this Section of the Contract to such PHI and limit further uses and disclosures of PHI to those purposes that make return or destruction infeasible, for as long as Business Associate maintains such PHI. Infeasibility of the return or destruction of PHI includes, but is not limited to, requirements under state or federal law that the Business Associate maintains or preserves the PHI or copies thereof.

(m) Miscellaneous Provisions.

(1) Regulatory References. A reference in this Section of the Contract to a section in the Privacy Rule means the section as in effect or as amended.

(2) Amendment. The Parties agree to take such action as is necessary to amend this Section of the Contract from time to time as is necessary for Covered Entity to comply with requirements of the Privacy Rule and the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996, Pub. L. No. 104-191.

(3) Survival. The respective rights and obligations of Business Associate shall survive the termination of this Contract.

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- (4) Effect on Contract. Except as specifically required to implement the purposes of this Section of the Contract, all other terms of the Contract shall remain in force and effect.
- (5) Construction. This Section of the Contract shall be construed as broadly as necessary to implement and comply with the Privacy Standard. Any ambiguity in this Section of the Contract shall be resolved in favor of a meaning that complies, and is consistent with, the Privacy Standard.
- (6) Disclaimer. Covered Entity makes no warranty or representation that compliance with this Section of the Contract will be adequate or satisfactory for Business Associate's own purposes. Covered Entity shall not be liable to Business Associate for any claim, civil or criminal penalty, loss or damage related to or arising from the unauthorized use or disclosure of PHI by Business Associate or any of its officers, directors, employees, contractors or agents, or any third party to whom Business Associate has disclosed PHI contrary to the provisions of this Contract or applicable law. Business Associate is solely responsible for all decisions made, and actions taken, by Business Associate regarding the safeguarding, use and disclosure of PHI within its possession, custody or control.
- (7) Indemnification. The Business Associate shall indemnify and hold the Covered Entity harmless from and against any and all claims, liabilities, judgments, fines, assessments, penalties, awards and any statutory damages that may be imposed or assessed pursuant to HIPAA, as amended or the HITECH Act, including, without limitation, attorney's fees, expert witness fees, costs of investigation, litigation or dispute resolution, and costs awarded thereunder, relating to or arising out of any violation by the Business Associate and its agents, including subcontractors, of any obligation of Business Associate and its agents, including subcontractors, under this section of the contract, under HIPAA, the HITECH Act, the Privacy Rule and the Security Rule.

58. Protection of Confidential Information.

- (a) Contractor and Contractor Parties, at their own expense, have a duty to and shall protect from a Confidential Information Breach any and all Confidential Information which they come to possess or control, wherever and however stored or maintained, in a commercially reasonable manner in accordance with current industry standards.
- (b) Each Contractor or Contractor Party shall develop, implement and maintain a comprehensive data - security program for the protection of Confidential Information. The safeguards contained in such program shall be consistent with and comply with the safeguards for protection of Confidential Information, and information of a similar character, as set forth in all applicable federal and state law and written policy of the Department or State concerning the confidentiality of Confidential Information. Such data-security program shall include, but not be limited to, the following:
 - (1) A security policy for employees related to the storage, access and transportation of data containing Confidential Information;
 - (2) Reasonable restrictions on access to records containing Confidential Information, including access to any locked storage where such records are kept;

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- (3) A process for reviewing policies and security measures at least annually;
 - (4) Creating secure access controls to Confidential Information, including but not limited to passwords; and
 - (5) Encrypting of Confidential Information that is stored on laptops, portable devices or being transmitted electronically.
- (c) The Contractor and Contractor Parties shall notify the Department and the Connecticut Office of the Attorney General as soon as practical, but no later than twenty-four (24) hours, after they become aware of or suspect that any Confidential Information which Contractor or Contractor Parties have come to possess or control has been subject to a Confidential Information Breach. If a Confidential Information Breach has occurred, the Contractor shall, within three (3) business days after the notification, present a credit monitoring and protection plan to the Commissioner of Administrative Services, the Department and the Connecticut Office of the Attorney General, for review and approval. Such credit monitoring or protection plan shall be made available by the Contractor at its own cost and expense to all individuals affected by the Confidential Information Breach. Such credit monitoring or protection plan shall include, but is not limited to reimbursement for the cost of placing and lifting one (1) security freeze per credit file pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes § 36a-701a. Such credit monitoring or protection plans shall be approved by the State in accordance with this Section and shall cover a length of time commensurate with the circumstances of the Confidential Information Breach. The Contractors' costs and expenses for the credit monitoring and protection plan shall not be recoverable from the Department, any State of Connecticut entity or any affected individuals.
- (d) The Contractor shall incorporate the requirements of this Section in all subcontracts requiring each Contractor Party to safeguard Confidential Information in the same manner as provided for in this Section.
- (e) Nothing in this Section shall supersede in any manner Contractor's or Contractor Party's obligations pursuant to HIPAA or the provisions of this Contract concerning the obligations of the Contractor as a Business Associate of the Department.

59. Financial Audit for State Grants.

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Contract Document

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Prev. Rev. 4/26/2012

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have executed this Contract by their duly authorized representatives with full knowledge of and agreement with its terms and conditions.

THE PUBLIC GROUP, LLC

STATE OF CONNECTICUT
Department of Administrative Services

By: _____

By: _____

Eric Heaps _____

Carol Wilson _____

Print or Type Name

Print or Type Name

Title: Chief Operating Officer _____

Title: Procurement Director _____

Date: _____

Date: _____

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I. SCOPE

- A. This Contract is for web-based auction services for the sale of the State's surplus property. **No other contracts and/or agreements shall be recognized and/or binding.**
- B. The Client Agency is responsible for the disposition of the State's surplus property in accordance with DAS State Purchasing Regulations Section 4a-52-21.
- C. On or about January 1, 2013, the current process for the disbursement of surplus property shall change from a physical warehouse to a virtual warehouse through the use of this contract.
- D. This Contract shall be used by the Client Agency to manage the disposition process of the State's surplus property. State Agencies are required to channel all surplus property through the Client Agency for disposition authorization and shall not utilize this contract separately unless approved in writing by the Client Agency. Connecticut Political Subdivisions may utilize this contract.
- E. The Client Agency and the Contractor shall partner to assist State Agencies in the transition to this web based functionality by providing communication, training on surplus property disposition, policy and procedural changes, and website functionality.
- F. The Contractor shall meet with the Client Agency to establish roll out processes and procedures and timelines for the transition to a virtual warehouse.

II. CLIENT AGENCY

- A. The Client Agency shall determine and make available the State of Connecticut's surplus property for auction by the Contractor.
- B. The Client Agency shall determine and identify surplus items as "scrap".
- C. The Client Agency reserves the right to contract separately for auction event(s), if in the judgment of the Client Agency, the surplus articles are sufficiently large and/or items with specific market value to enable the State to recognize proceeds over and above a single auction listing, whether or not such proceeds actually occur.
- D. Use of Software
 - 1. No contingency to the Client Agency's sales offer exists other than those stated in the listing at the time of sale.
 - 2. The Client Agency is capable of transferring title to the property offered for sale in a timely manner.
 - 3. Accuracy and nature of Client Agency information
 - a. The Client Agency is responsible for all information provided to the Contractor or other users on the Contractor's website. The Contractor shall act as a passive conduit for the online distribution and publication of the Information.
 - b. The Client Agency shall make every effort to ensure the information listed on the Contractor's website;
 - 1) Shall not be false, inaccurate, or misleading;
 - 2) Shall not violate any law, statute, ordinance or regulation; and
 - 3) Shall not be defamatory, trade libelous, unlawfully threatening or unlawfully harassing.
 - 4. Disruption to Contractor website or services.

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- a. Client Agency shall not attempt any action that may disrupt Contractor website or services.
 - b. Client Agency shall agree that surplus information and all other input on the website shall not contain any viruses, Trojan horses, worms, time bombs, cancelbots, easter eggs or other software, devices, files or routines that may damage, interfere with, copy, reproduce, intercept or expropriate any system, data or personal information;
 - c. Client Agency shall not cause Contractor to lose (in whole or in part) the services of their internet service providers or other vendors;
 - d. Client Agency shall not use the Contractor's website to obtain e-mail addresses for bulk e-mail solicitations or otherwise;
 - e. Client Agency shall not reverse engineer any of their services, programs, or infrastructure;
 - f. Client Agency shall not use any robot, spider, other automatic device, or manual process to monitor, copy or reproduce our web pages or the content contained herein without the Contractor's prior express written permission; and
 - g. Client Agency shall not take any action that imposes an unreasonable or disproportionately large load on our infrastructure.
5. User Password
- a. During the registration process, Client Agency shall select a username and a password. Client Agency shall be responsible for preserving the confidentiality of their username and password, and shall be responsible for all activities and charges related to the use of the username and password, including unauthorized use.
 - b. Client Agency shall not furnish username, password or other information to any other party for use of the website and the services. Client Agency shall notify the Contractor immediately of any unauthorized use of the Client Agency's personal password or username and any other breach of security regarding the services.
6. Obligation to Ensure Compliance
- The Client Agency shall take all steps necessary to ensure that employees, contractors, and agents comply with the provisions of this Contract.
7. Client Agency Understandings and Obligations
- In listing or offering items for sale on the Contractor website or otherwise accessing Contractor website and services in any way, Client Agency shall:
- a. Shipment. At the close of an auction in which there is a winning auction-bidder, Client Agency shall make the property immediately available for pickup and/or shipment.
8. Property Disclaimer
- The Client Agency shall supply specific language for property disclaimer to the Contractor , prior to auction, sale, transfer or exchange of any property, the Contractor shall provide written notice of a "Property Disclaimer" to the auction-bidder/buyer of said property, including but not limited to a written and oral statement that property is sold on an "as is" basis.

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III. CONTRACTOR SERVICES

A. Online Software

The Contractor shall supply a fully functional, customizable and secure online auction software service for the purpose of reallocating and/or selling the State's surplus property.

1. The Contractor shall supply an online auction software service that includes, but is not limited to, the following on-line functionality:
 - a. Access to the Contractor's web-based "Software as a Service" (SaaS) application called "Public Surplus". The application shall not require downloading of any specialized software or individual license(s) and can be accessed via any web browser.
 - b. The ability for the Client Agency to create users with varying levels of accessible permission(s).
 - c. Contractor shall provide all maintenance and support, including email; online and telephone support needed to operate the auction website.
 - d. The Contractor software service shall provide the ability for the following:
 - 1) Auction-bidder/buyer to register, log-in, view photographs; descriptions and technical specifications of items being bid on during the auction process. Auction-bidder/buyer to accept terms and conditions of items being auctioned and bid on. Create listings; determine category, selection duration, input a description and upload photos of assets.
 - 2) Provide real time information regarding participating auction bidder/buyer during the auction and once the auction has closed.
 - 3) Revise existing listings, copy existing listing for creation of new listing, and the ability to retract or end listings.
 - 4) Auction multiple line items per lot;
 - 5) Auction one asset per listing;
 - 6) Add the applicable sales tax to the winning bids;
 - 7) List specific times for public viewing and different times for pick-up;
 - 8) List multiple locations and complete descriptions including terms of sale;
 - 9) List multiple starting and ending times;
 - 10) Embed "You Tube" video or other video images into auction listings;
 - 11) Provide auction detail and summary data to the Client Agency;
 - 12) Provide detailed reporting and records in both paper and electronic format;
 - 13) Set reserve and minimum bid amounts for asset to be sold
 - 14) Block or otherwise decline auction-bidder/buyer whom have defaulted on previous bids;
 - 15) Offer asset to the next highest auction bidder /buyer if a Auction-bidder/buyer defaults;

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- 16) Auction-bidder/buyer to estimate shipping charges so that they can auction-bid more efficiently knowing in advance of shipping expenses.
- 17) Provide private auction functionality to allow the Client Agency to sell assets to a select group of pre-qualified / screened auction-bidder/buyer.
- 18) Track payment and payment collection;
- 19) Provide audit trail of all surplus asset sales and transactions processed through the Contractor's website to the Client Agency.
- 20) Upgrade and host software;
- 21) Provide notification of sales, transactions, and revenues to the Client Agency and or State Agency.

B. Consent to E-Mail Correspondence from Contractor

1. Contractor may send future correspondence via electronic mail ("e-mail") that provides notification of sales opportunities or other matters that may be of interest.
2. Any e-mail correspondence
 - a. Shall be clearly and conspicuously identified as sent by the Contractor; and
 - b. Shall clearly and conspicuously display a functioning return e-mail address to enable a reply to Contractor.

C. Privacy

1. Contractor shall not sell or rent the Client Agency's information to third parties for their marketing purposes without the Client Agency's explicit consent.
2. The Contractor shall store and process the information on computers located in the United States that are protected by physical as well as technological security devices.
3. The Client Agency can access and modify the information provided.
4. Anonymous Access
 - a. The Client Agency can access the website home page and browse the website without disclosing any personal data.
 - b. Statistical information such as IP address and which pages visited are collected for historical and statistical purposes.
 - c. The Contractor uses "cookies" to provide a user with customized information. A "cookie" is an element of data which a service or website, when visited by a user, sends to that user's browser, which in turn, may store that element on the user's hard drive or memory.
5. Data Collection and Purpose Specification
 - a. The Contractor collects the personal data entered while using their services.
 - b. The Contractor does not collect information about visitors from other sources such as public records or bodies or private organizations.
6. Disclosure and Visitor Choice
 - a. The Contractor maintains two distinct user bases: Buyers and Sellers (Government Agencies).

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- b. Contact information about buyers is available to the Client Agency for the purpose of contacting the winning bidder.
 - c. The Contractor does not sell or disclose any personal information, including email addresses, to their subsidiaries or any other private entity, except when required by law.
 - d. All vendors and agencies within the Contractor's system are verified and activated individually. Anonymous, un-verified registrations are not allowed.
7. Confidentiality and Security
- a. The Contractor shall implement security policies, rules and technical measures to protect the personal data entered from:
 - 1) unauthorized access;
 - 2) improper use or disclosure;
 - 3) unauthorized modification;
 - 4) unlawful destruction or accidental loss
 - b. Contractor's employees are obliged to respect the confidentiality of the Client Agency's personal data.

D. Changes to website and services

Contractor reserves the right, in its sole discretion, to modify, suspend or terminate any aspect of their website and services, including, but not limited to, content, auction features, news and information, and product categories without notice.

E. Intellectual property

- 1. All inventions, know how, improvements, discoveries, methods, processes, concepts, designs, ideas, prototypes, samples, drawings, blueprints, specifications, buyer database; computer or intellectual property programs, methods of doing business, systems, copyrights, trademarks, trade names, software and/or other works conceived of and/or reduced to practice or writing or otherwise relating in any way to the website or the services are the exclusive intellectual property of the Contractor.
- 2. In addition, all content contained on the Contractor's website is copyrighted material, and the Contractor retains and reserves all rights and interests in the content. The Contractor's IP may be created by one of more of the Contractor's employee(s) alone or jointly with a user or users of the website or services arising from the users' use and development of the services or as a result of feedback regarding the website or services ("Feedback"). All right, title, and interest in any Contractor's IP shall belong to the Contractor and shall be subject to the conditions of this Contract.
- 3. Client Agency hereby irrevocably assign to the Contractor all right, title, and interest required in any Contractor's IP, whether or not generated from feedback.
- 4. Contractor may, at its option, file an application for intellectual property protection for Contractor's IP.
- 5. If any such IP is created with the Client Agency's participation or feedback, the Client Agency agrees to cooperate with the Contractor to assure that such application(s) shall cover, to the best of its knowledge, all related assets, including all features of commercial interest and importance.

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6. Contractor's IP is the sole and exclusive property of the Contractor and may not be used, copied, reproduced, modified, published, transmitted, distributed, displayed, or sold, or derivative works created, without the prior written consent of the Contractor.
7. Furthermore, the Client Agency may not provide access to, or information from, the website to any other party without the Contractor's prior written consent.

F. Trademarks

The Contractor's website and trade names, domain names, and logos found on the website are trademarks or service marks of the Contractor. No display or use of such marks may be made without the express written permission of the Contractor.

IV. PAYMENT PROCESSING SERVICES

A. Scope of Payment Processing Services

In the event that the Client Agency elects to have the Contractor receive and process payments made by Bidder/Buyer, The Client Agency agrees to the provisions set forth in this Agreement relating thereto. The Client Agency understands and agrees as follows:

1. The services do not include risk or fraud management, dispute management, collection agency services, or electronic checks;
2. The Contractor shall not perform services with respect to transactions prohibited by the applicable laws or by bank, financial institution, or credit card association bylaws or rules;
3. The Contractor shall not provide services with incomplete transaction information or if transaction information cannot be confirmed;
4. Contractor shall perform services for domestic credit cards only; and
5. The Client Agency shall not engage any other person to perform services.

B. Bidder/Buyer Steps & Procedures for Payment

1. The Contractor shall receive and process payments on the Client Agency's behalf only if Bidder/Buyer makes the payment by following the steps, instructions, and procedures included on the website and sent by e-mail to winning Buyer and in compliance with applicable laws and bank, financial institution, or credit card association rules and procedures (including but not limited to PCI Security Standards).
2. Among other things, the payment for each successful bid must be made
 - a. to the Contractor;
 - b. by certain means (credit cards, wire transfers, etc.) specified on the website that vary based upon the amount of the payment;
 - c. in a timely manner as specified on the website, and;
 - d. in a single payment by a single authorized means (no partial payments, multiple payments, or payment by two different means allowed).
3. Contractor Not a Seller, Nor a Collection Agency; No Consignment.

The Client Agency acknowledges and agrees that the Contractor does not

- a. Assume the role of seller of the Client Agency's property;
- b. Make any representations or statements about the Client Agency's property;

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- c. Act as a collection agency to collect monies unpaid by Buyers;
 - d. Take consignment of the Client Agency's property, nor;
 - e. Undertake or assume any other role or responsibility not contemplated by this Agreement;
 - f. The Client Agency agrees that the Client Agency or its employees and representatives shall not make any statements or act in any way inconsistent with the Contractor's limited role under this Contract.
4. Processing Payment to the Client Agency
- a. The Contractor shall keep records of all amounts received in good funds on the Client Agency's behalf.
 - b. The Contractor shall make payments to the Client Agency monthly (unless otherwise agreed) of amounts received (net of fees, offsets, and any taxes). Unless otherwise agreed by the Contractor, Client Agency agrees that payment shall only be made by Automated Clearing House (ACH) deposits to an account specified and properly maintained by the Client Agency.
 - c. The Client Agency agrees to provide promptly the authorizations needed for such ACH deposits and to be responsible and liable for any and all fees relating to such ACH deposits.
 - d. The Client Agency is responsible for monitoring the account and the deposits therein. The Contractor shall be responsible for fraud, mistake, or deception by the Contractor or its employees or agents.
5. The fee for this service shall be passed on to the auction-bidder/buyer as a buyer's premium as outlined in Exhibit B – Price Schedule.
6. The Contractor and the Client Agency shall establish and mutually agree to a payment remittance schedule and procedures.

V. RE-ALLOCATION PRIOR TO PUBLIC SALE

- A. The Contractor shall provide a seven (7) tiered sales structure wherein the Client Agency can create select groups or organization levels. The Client Agency shall have the ability to list assets for reallocation for a variety of time frames prior to be offered for sale to the public.
- B. The reallocation system shall support tiers, so that the Client Agency can choose at what level they wish to reallocate (city, county, state, etc.).
- C. This tiered structure shall be based upon a fixed price method, providing the Client Agency with an opportunity to establish a fixed price for assets.
- D. If items are not reallocated, then they can be released for online sale to the public at large. All internal reallocation sales (regardless of proceeds to the Client Agency) shall be commission free.

VI. MARKETING OF SURPLUS AUCTIONS

- A. The Contractor shall be responsible for providing comprehensive advertising and shall initiate steps to ensure maximize sales are received. These steps may include but is not limited to the following:
 - 1. Advertising in Trade Publications;

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2. Telephone call campaigns;
 3. Various newsgroups and/or newspaper articles;
 4. Power point slides for viewing on Public Television
 5. Various clubs and trade associations, and other known parties that are known to have an interest in State's surplus property.
- B. The Contractor shall provide continuous marketing and shall consistently develop new individual and professional bidders/buyers, whose surplus purchasing habits shall mesh with surplus assets for sale by the Client Agency.
- C. The Contractor agrees to work with the Client Agency to develop and execute a comprehensive marketing and advertising program to be applied to various targeted populations.
- D. The Contractors shall promote and market the State's surplus property in an effort to maximize the full revenue potential of any given asset. These steps shall include but not limited to targeting known bidders/buyers locally, regionally, and nationally that have an interest in specific commodities.
- E. The Contractor shall seek approval of any advertising copy, news release, etc. from the Client Agency prior to release.

VII. REPORTING

- A. The Contractor shall provide reporting as identified and requested by the Client Agency.

VIII. TRAINING

- A. The Contractor shall coordinate a comprehensive training session for the Client Agency, , and or Political Subdivision user including but not limited to the following areas:
1. Navigation of the website;
 2. Creation of terms & conditions for Bidder/Buyer;
 3. Auction creation / modification;
 4. Introduction of built-in value added services;
 5. Accessing / creating reports;
 6. Providing proven strategies for increased sales;
 7. Account Management;
- B. The Contractor shall provide on-site and /or online training to the Client Agency users of the system, and shall work with members of the Client Agency's Information Technology group to ensure adequate testing and functionality with the State's websites.
- C. The Contractor shall provide the Client Agency end user training in a group type forum via an online presentation and training program. Users shall be able to interact and voice questions during the presentation, and on certain occasions video conferencing tools may be implemented.
- D. The Contractor shall coordinate and provide on-site training and/or seminars on an as needed basis throughout the term of the contract period.
- E. The Contractor shall provide user manuals and other written support documentation as requested from the Client Agency. There shall be no limit on the number or location of on-site user training.

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- F. The Contractor shall provide the Client Agency with 24/7 administrative access to their accounts including: current and held auctions completed and cancelled listings, bidder/buyer information, and a comprehensive reporting suite of common activity reports.

IX. CUSTOMER SERVICE

- A. The Contractor shall provide the Client Agency and users with 24/7 support and assistance with auction creation, minimum bid, reserve pricing strategies, and creation of disclaimers, etc.
- B. The Contractor shall provide customer service assistance to the Client Agency and users.
- C. Auction Technician

The Contractor shall offer an onsite Auction Technician at an additional fee. These services shall be requested by the Client Agency as deemed necessary, by the Client Agency.

1. The Contractor shall provide an auction technician who shall photograph items, write descriptions and create auctions on the website on behalf of the Client Agency.
2. This service can be provided on a monthly, quarterly or semi-annual basis depending on the volume of property to be listed for auction.
3. There is a \$200.00 minimum charge per day for an auction service technician. If the Contractor collects \$200.00 or more (derived from the 6 % buyer's premium) for auctions from that location then there shall be no fee charged to the State for the auction service technician for that day.

X. QUALITY CONTROL

- A. The Contractor shall have policies and procedures that are designed to protect the data and overall integrity of information that is stored.
- B. The Contractor shall routinely employ external security scans to ensure Payment Card Information (PCI) compliance. Encryption technology shall be used for both online and offline storage and for transmission of all sensitive information.
- C. The Contractor shall have strict procedures in place within their customer support section to ensure that user's identity is not disclosed to wrong individuals.
- D. The Contractor shall also maintain a rigid internal Quality Assurance Policy with regards to Support Representatives and their interaction with government agencies.
- E. The Contractor shall have a comprehensive check and balance system for agency requested changes to auctions, listings, and other details regarding their account.

XI. FEE STRUCTURE

- A. This is a "no cost" on-line solution to the Client Agency. All fees for services shall be passed on to auction-bidder/buyer in the form of a "Buyers Premium".
- B. There is a \$200.00 minimum charge per day for an auction service technician. If the Contractor collects \$200.00 or more (derived from the 6 % Buyer's Premium) for auctions from that location then there shall be no fee charged to the State for the auction service technician for that day.

XII. TRANSITION/IMPLEMENTATION

- A. The Contractor shall work with the Client Agency to transition from existing process to the online system which should be in full force and effect on or about January 1, 2013.

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- B. The Contractor shall meet with the Client Agency to learn about existing process and to establish a transition and training plan for end users.
- C. Contractor shall manage transition from a manual environment to web-based and shall provide the Client Agency with a transition plan by January 2, 2013.
- D. The contractor shall provide a training plan and roll-out plan to all using state entities to the Client Agency by January 16, 2013.
- E. The Contractor shall work to promote a smooth transition from the current provider as well as partner with the Client Agency to contact the existing bidder/buyer base to re-direct them to the online system.
- F. The Contractor shall work with the Client Agency to:
 - 1. Establish internal processes and procedures and assist in communicating procedures to the State Agencies.
 - 2. Establish training events for State agencies;
 - 3. Establish written marketing/communication events for State Agencies and the public;
- G. The Contractor shall present a unified marketing plan for the Client Agency's approval wherein the Contractor shall inform the public of the surplus listings by January 16, 2013.
- H. The Contactor shall provide on-site training and/or seminars on an as needed basis throughout the term of the contract period.

**EXHIBIT B, RFP-16
PRICE SCHEDULE**

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PROPOSER NAME:		The Public Group, LLC			
DELIVERY:	Per Contract Terms	TERMS: Net	Days	CASH DISCOUNT:	% Days

ITEM #	DESCRIPTION OF COMMODITY AND/OR SERVICES	BUYERS PREMIUM
1.	Web-Based Auction Service Solutions	
	A. Sold Assets	4 % (Percent)
	B. Payment Collection	3 % (Percent)
2.	Auction Technician- There is a \$200.00 minimum charge per day charge for an Auction Service Technician. If the Contractor collects \$200.00 or more (derived from the 6 % Buyer's Premium) for auctions from that location then there shall be no fee charged to the State for the Auction Service Technician for that day.	



Notice to Executive Branch State Contractors and Prospective State Contractors of Campaign Contribution and Solicitation Limitations

This notice is provided under the authority of Connecticut General Statutes §9-612(G)(2), as amended by P.A. 10-1, and is for the purpose of informing state contractors and prospective state contractors of the following law (italicized words are defined on the reverse side of this page).

CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTION AND SOLICITATION LIMITATIONS

No *state contractor, prospective state contractor, principal of a state contractor or principal of a prospective state contractor*, with regard to a *state contract* or *state contract solicitation* with or from a state agency in the executive branch or a quasi-public agency or a holder, or principal of a holder of a valid prequalification certificate, shall make a contribution to (i) an exploratory committee or candidate committee established by a candidate for nomination or election to the office of Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Attorney General, State Comptroller, Secretary of the State or State Treasurer, (ii) a political committee authorized to make contributions or expenditures to or for the benefit of such candidates, or (iii) a party committee (which includes town committees).

In addition, no holder or principal of a holder of a valid prequalification certificate, shall make a contribution to (i) an exploratory committee or candidate committee established by a candidate for nomination or election to the office of State senator or State representative, (ii) a political committee authorized to make contributions or expenditures to or for the benefit of such candidates, or (iii) a party committee.

On and after January 1, 2011, no state contractor, prospective state contractor, principal of a state contractor or principal of a prospective state contractor, with regard to a state contract or state contract solicitation with or from a state agency in the executive branch or a quasi-public agency or a holder, or principal of a holder of a valid prequalification certificate, shall **knowingly solicit** contributions from the state contractor's or prospective state contractor's employees or from a *subcontractor* or *principals of the subcontractor* on behalf of (i) an exploratory committee or candidate committee established by a candidate for nomination or election to the office of Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Attorney General, State Comptroller, Secretary of the State or State Treasurer, (ii) a political committee authorized to make contributions or expenditures to or for the benefit of such candidates, or (iii) a party committee.

DUTY TO INFORM

State contractors and prospective state contractors are required to inform their principals of the above prohibitions, as applicable, and the possible penalties and other consequences of any violation thereof.

PENALTIES FOR VIOLATIONS

Contributions of solicitations of contributions made in violation of the above prohibitions may result in the following civil and criminal penalties:

Civil Penalties – Up to \$2,000 or twice the amount of the prohibited contribution, whichever is greater, against a principal or a contractor. Any state contractor or prospective state contractor which fails to make reasonable efforts to comply with the provisions requiring notice to its principals of these prohibitions and possible consequences of their violations may also be subject to civil penalties of up to \$2,000 or twice the amount of the prohibited contributions made by their principals.

Criminal penalties – Any knowing and willful violation of the prohibition is a Class D felony, which may subject the violator to imprisonment of not more than 5 years, or not more than \$5,000 in fines, or both.

CONTRACT CONSEQUENCES

In the case of a state contractor, contributions made or solicited in violation of the above prohibitions may result in the contract being voided.

In the case of a prospective state contractor, contributions made or solicited in violation of the above prohibitions shall result in the contract described in the state contract solicitation not being awarded to the prospective state contractor, unless the State Elections Enforcement Commission determines that mitigating circumstances exist concerning such violation.

The State shall not award any other state contract to anyone found in violation of the above prohibitions for a period of one year after the election for which such contribution is made or solicited, unless the State Elections Enforcement Commission determines that mitigating circumstances exist concerning such violation.

Additional information may be found on the website of the State Elections Enforcement Commission, www.ct.gov/seec. Click on the link to "Lobbyist/Contractor Limitations."



DEFINITIONS

“State contractor” means a person, business entity or nonprofit organization that enters into a state contract. Such person, business entity or nonprofit organization shall be deemed to be a state contractor until December thirty-first of the year in which such contract terminates. “State contractor” does not include a municipality or any other political subdivision of the state, including any entities or associations duly created by the municipality or political subdivision exclusively amongst themselves to further any purpose authorized by statute or charter, or an employee in the executive or legislative branch of state government or a quasi-public agency, whether in the classified or unclassified service and full or part-time, and only in such person's capacity as a state or quasi-public agency employee.

“Prospective state contractor” means a person, business entity or nonprofit organization that (i) submits a response to a state contract solicitation by the state, a state agency or a quasi-public agency, or a proposal in response to a request for proposals by the state, a state agency or a quasi-public agency, until the contract has been entered into, or (ii) holds a valid prequalification certificate issued by the Commissioner of Administrative Services under section 4a-100.

“Prospective state contractor” does not include a municipality or any other political subdivision of the state, including any entities or associations duly created by the municipality or political subdivision exclusively amongst themselves to further any purpose authorized by statute or charter, or an employee in the executive or legislative branch of state government or a quasi-public agency, whether in the classified or unclassified service and full or part-time, and only in such person's capacity as a state or quasi-public agency employee.

“Principal of a state contractor or prospective state contractor” means (i) any individual who is a member of the board of directors of, or has an ownership interest of five per cent or more in, a state contractor or prospective state contractor, which is a business entity, except for an individual who is a member of the board of directors of a nonprofit organization, (ii) an individual who is employed by a state contractor or prospective state contractor, which is a business entity, as president, treasurer or executive vice president, (iii) an individual who is the chief executive officer of a state contractor or prospective state contractor, which is not a business entity, or if a state contractor or prospective state contractor has no such officer, then the officer who duly possesses comparable powers and duties, (iv) an officer or an employee of any state contractor or prospective state contractor who has *managerial or discretionary responsibilities with respect to a state contract*, (v) the spouse or a *dependent child* who is eighteen years of age or older of an individual described in this subparagraph, or (vi) a political committee established or controlled by an individual described in this subparagraph or the business entity or nonprofit organization that is the state contractor or prospective state contractor.

“State contract” means an agreement or contract with the state or any state agency or any quasi-public agency, let through a procurement process or otherwise, having a value of fifty thousand dollars or more, or a combination or series of such agreements or contracts having a value of one hundred thousand dollars or more in a calendar year, for (i) the rendition of services, (ii) the furnishing of any goods, material, supplies, equipment or any items of any kind, (iii) the construction, alteration or repair of any public building or public work, (iv) the acquisition, sale or lease of any land or building, (v) a licensing arrangement, or (vi) a grant, loan or loan guarantee. “State contract” does not include any agreement or contract with the state, any state agency or any quasi-public agency that is exclusively federally funded, an education loan, a loan to an individual for other than commercial purposes or any agreement or contract between the state or any state agency and the United States Department of the Navy or the United States Department of Defense.

“State contract solicitation” means a request by a state agency or quasi-public agency, in whatever form issued, including, but not limited to, an invitation to bid, request for proposals, request for information or request for quotes, inviting bids, quotes or other types of submittals, through a competitive procurement process or another process authorized by law waiving competitive procurement.

“Managerial or discretionary responsibilities with respect to a state contract” means having direct, extensive and substantive responsibilities with respect to the negotiation of the state contract and not peripheral, clerical or ministerial responsibilities.

“Dependent child” means a child residing in an individual's household who may legally be claimed as a dependent on the federal income tax of such individual.

“Solicit” means (A) requesting that a contribution be made, (B) participating in any fund-raising activities for a candidate committee, exploratory committee, political committee or party committee, including, but not limited to, forwarding tickets to potential contributors, receiving contributions for transmission to any such committee or bundling contributions, (C) serving as chairperson, treasurer or deputy treasurer of any such committee, or (D) establishing a political committee for the sole purpose of soliciting or receiving contributions for any committee. Solicit does not include: (i) making a contribution that is otherwise permitted by Chapter 155 of the Connecticut General Statutes; (ii) informing any person of a position taken by a candidate for public office or a public official, (iii) notifying the person of any activities of, or contact information for, any candidate for public office; or (iv) serving as a member in any party committee or as an officer of such committee that is not otherwise prohibited in this section.

“Subcontractor” means any person, business entity or nonprofit organization that contracts to perform part or all of the obligations of a state contractor's state contract. Such person, business entity or nonprofit organization shall be deemed to be a subcontractor until December thirty first of the year in which the subcontract terminates. “Subcontractor” does not include (i) a municipality or any other political subdivision of the state, including any entities or associations duly created by the municipality or political subdivision exclusively amongst themselves to further any purpose authorized by statute or charter, or (ii) an employee in the executive or legislative branch of state government or a quasi-public agency, whether in the classified or unclassified service and full or part-time, and only in such person's capacity as a state or quasi-public agency employee.

“Principal of a subcontractor” means (i) any individual who is a member of the board of directors of, or has an ownership interest of five per cent or more in, a subcontractor, which is a business entity, except for an individual who is a member of the board of directors of a nonprofit organization, (ii) an individual who is employed by a subcontractor, which is a business entity, as president, treasurer or executive vice president, (iii) an individual who is the chief executive officer of a subcontractor, which is not a business entity, or if a subcontractor has no such officer, then the officer who duly possesses comparable powers and duties, (iv) an officer or an employee of any subcontractor who has managerial or discretionary responsibilities with respect to a subcontract with a state contractor, (v) the spouse or a dependent child who is eighteen years of age or older of an individual described in this subparagraph, or (vi) a political committee established or controlled by an individual described in this subparagraph or the business entity or nonprofit organization that is the subcontractor.

State of Connecticut
Department of Correction
SECURITY REGULATIONS FOR CONTRACT FORCES

SR 3.01 Facility Admittance

1. Due to the location and nature of the work, the contractors shall be required to issue identification badges to each of their employees. These badges shall be worn in plain sight at all times within the confines of the Correctional Facility.
2. All bidders and contracted personnel shall provide to the Facility Maintenance Supervisor the following information at least 72 hours in advance of being admitted on site:
 - a. Name
 - b. Date of Birth
 - c. Social Security Number
 - d. Driver's License Number

SR 3.02 Official Working Rules

The following are a list of Official Working Rules submitted by the Department of Correction, which the Contractor shall be obligated to follow.

- a. No verbal or personal contact with any inmates.
- b. All workmen will work under the observation of an assigned correctional officer or supervisor who will check them in and out.
- c. Equipment will be checked daily and, when not in use, locked in a secure place as the facility officials may direct.
- d. Hacksaws, blades, and files will remain in the custody of the officer assigned, except when actually being used.
- e. The correctional officials reserve the right to refuse admittance to any workman for any cause the correctional officials deem sufficient.
- f. In the event of any emergency, all outside workmen will be escorted outside the facility by the correctional official.
- g. All questions pertaining to interruptions of service or to safety of the facility, will be taken up with the appropriate correctional official.
- h. Work at the facility shall be carried on during the time between 8:00 a.m. and 12:00 Noon and between 12:30 p.m. and 4:30 p.m., the maximum allowable working day being 8 hours. No work shall be carried on at the facility on any Saturday, Sunday or Holiday, unless there is an emergency requirement.
- i. The contractor shall insure that when all apparatus is not in use, it will be made unusable or be supervised to prevent use by inmates for escape.
- j. The contractor shall supply, to the agency, a copy of all material safety data sheets for all products used in the process of construction, construction materials, and products brought onto the premises.
- k. Vendors shall provide a detailed list of tools brought into the institution including length of hacksaws, drill bits, etc. Institutions shall conduct inventories of contractor tools upon entering the institution.

SR 3.03 "Rules and Regulations of the Dept. of Correction Facility"

All persons employed or entering the Dept. of Correction facility shall read the following rules and regulations and extracts of the laws governing the introduction and control of contraband. Each employee or person shall sign this paper to assure that he/she understands the penalties imposed for violation of these rules and regulations.

SR 3.04 Restricted Areas

All persons except Correctional personnel employees, upon entering the grounds are restricted to the immediate area of their work assignment. In order to go to other areas, written permission must be granted by the supervisory correctional official in charge. Only persons having official business will be admitted to construction sites.

SR 3.05 Inmates

There may be times when inmates may be working adjacent to or in the same area as construction personnel. All persons are prohibited from accepting or giving anything to an inmate. Inmates are accountable to Correctional personnel only, no other person shall have any conversation or dealings with inmates without the approval of the Correction authorities.

SR 3.06 Vehicle Control

Any persons entering upon the Correction grounds, shall remove the ignition keys and lock the vehicle when they leave it for any reason. A Correction Officer shall remain with the contractors' vehicle(s) while inside the compound. Vendors shall insure that equipment on trucks are secured while in the compound.

SR 3.07 Contraband

Clothing or contraband shall not be brought into or onto the Correction facility's grounds or left in a vehicle. Contraband is defined in subsequent paragraphs and all persons are subject to these Department of Correction Facility Rules and Regulations concerning contraband when on the Correction facility's grounds.

The introduction or attempt to introduce into or upon the grounds of the Correction facility or the taking or attempt to take or send therefrom anything whatsoever without the knowledge of the Facility supervisor is prohibited.

Contraband may be defined as any article whatsoever which is unauthorized under the circumstances and may include letters, stamps, tools, weapons, papers, floor implements, writing materials, messages (written and verbal) instruments and the like. Any questions which may arise regarding such matters should be promptly discussed with the Facility supervisor.

Failure or negligence in complying with these regulations will result in immediate disciplinary action and/or removal from the site.

Cigarettes are considered contraband in the institutions and shall NOT be brought into the institution.

SR 3.08 "State Laws Governing Contraband"

1. P.A. 73-639 Section 16. Section 53a-174 of the 1971 noncumulative supplement of General Statutes, as amended by number 12 in lieu thereof:
 - a. Any person not authorized by law who conveys or passes or causes to be conveyed or passed, into any corrections or humane institution or the grounds or buildings thereof, or to an inmate of such an institution who is outside the premises thereof and known to the person so conveying or passing or causing such convey or passing to be such an inmate any controlled drug, as defined in Section #443, any intoxicating littering, and firearm, weapon, DANGEROUS INSTRUMENTS or explosives of any kind, any United States currency, or any rope, ladder or other instrument or device for use in making, attempting or aiding an escape, for a Class D Felony per Sec. 53a-35 subsection a, b, c, d is a term not to exceed five (5) years.
The unauthorized conveying, passing, or possessing of any rope or ladder or other instrument or device, adapted for use in making or aiding an escape, into any such institution or the grounds or building thereof, shall be presumptive evidence that it was so conveyed, passed or possessed for such use.
 - b. Any person not authorized by law who conveys into any such institution any letter or other missive which is intended for any person confined therein, or who conveys within the enclosure to the outside of such institution any letter or other missive written or given by person confined therein, shall be guilty of a Class A misdemeanor. Penalty for a Class "All misdemeanor per Sec. 53a-36 subsection 1, the term is not to exceed one (1) year.
 - c. Any person or visitor who enters or attempts to enter a Correctional Institution or facility by using a misleading or false name or title shall be guilty of a Class A misdemeanor.
2. Sec. 17 Section **53a-174a** of said supplement is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof:
 - a. A person is guilty of possession of a weapon or DANGEROUS INSTRUMENT in a Correctional Institution when, being an inmate of such institution, he knowingly makes, conveys from place to place or has in his possession or under his control any firearm, weapons DANGEROUS INSTRUMENT, explosive, or any other substance or thing designed to kill, injure or disable.
 - b. Possession of a weapon or DANGEROUS INSTRUMENT in a Correctional Institution is a Class "B" felony. Penalty for a Class "B" felony per Sec. 53a-35 subsection a, b, c, d is a term not to exceed twenty (20) years.

Signed: _____

DAS security property entrance clause

1. Security property entrance:

Contractor shall adhere to established security and/or property entrance policies and procedures established for each requesting Contract User. It is the responsibility of each Contractor to understand and adhere to those policies and procedures prior to any attempt to enter the Contract User premises.