

NASPO ValuePoint Master Agreement For Acquisition Support Services (PASS)

A Contract for the NASPO ValuePoint Cooperative Purchasing Program
Acting by and through the **State of Hawaii** (Lead State)

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I. NASPO VALUEPOINT MASTER AGREEMENT OVERVIEW

A. Parties

This Master Agreement is entered into by and between the State of Hawaii, acting by and through the Department of Accounting and General Services, State Procurement Office (hereinafter called the "Lead State"), and Sine Cera Consulting, LLC for the Procurement of Acquisition Support Services (PASS) for the benefit of Participating Entities and Purchasing Entities. The Contractor and the Lead State hereby agree to the following terms and conditions.

B. Effective Date

This Master Agreement shall be not be effective or enforceable until the date on which it is approved and signed (hereinafter called the "Effective Date") by the State of Hawaii Administrator or designee.

C. Master Agreement Order of Precedence

- 1. Any Order placed under this Master Agreement shall consist of the following documents:
 - **a.** A Participating Entity's Participating Addendum ("PA");
 - **b.** NASPO ValuePoint Master Agreement Terms & Conditions;
 - **c.** A Purchase Order issued against the Master Agreement;
 - **d.** The Scope of Work;
 - The Solicitation or, if separately executed after award, the Lead State's bilateral agreement that integrates applicable provisions;
 - **f.** Contractor's response to the Solicitation, as revised (if permitted) and accepted by the Lead State.
- 2. These documents shall be read to be consistent and complementary. Any conflict among these documents shall be resolved by giving priority to these documents in the order listed above. Contractor terms and conditions that apply to this Master Agreement are only those that are expressly accepted by the Lead State and must be in writing and attached to this Master Agreement as an Exhibit or Attachment.

D. Term of the Master Agreement

- 1. Initial Term. This Master Agreement has a base period of two (2) years and shall terminate unless it is extended.
- 2. Extension Terms. This Master Agreement may be extended for up to three (3) additional 12-month periods or parts thereof at the Lead State's discretion, by mutual agreement and upon review of

requirements of Participating Entities, current market conditions, and Contractor performance.

- 3. Additional Provisions. The Master Agreement may be extended pursuant to Hawaii Administrative Rules (HAR) §3-122-3, (a) if a contract has exhausted its provision for extension(s) of time of performance, or if the contract does not include a provision for extension(s) of time of performance, the contract may be extended upon approval of the chief procurement officer, provided: (1) The period of each extension is for one hundred eighty calendar days or less; (2) The procurement officer makes a written determination that it is not practical to award another contract at the time of the expiration of the contract for reasons to include but not limited to the following: (A) A new contract cannot be executed by the time the contract expires; or (B) The need for the good or service is short term.
- **4. Amendments.** The terms of this Master Agreement shall be not waived, altered, modified, supplemented or amended in any manner whatsoever without prior approval of the Lead State.

E. Contract Type

This Master Agreement is a Firm-Fixed-Price (FFP) contract based on labor hours under which only FFP task orders can be issued. For work performed by the Contractor's employees and/or Subcontractor employees, the labor categories, direct-productive-labor-hours (DPLH) and fixed labor rates shall apply. The pricing per labor category shall be based on the Contractor's offer submitted in response RFP-18-002-SW.

F. Promotion of the NASPO ValuePoint Master Agreement

The NASPO ValuePoint Master Agreement Terms and Conditions include program provisions governing participation in the cooperative, reporting and payment of administrative fees, and marketing/education relating to the NASPO ValuePoint cooperative procurement program. In this regard, know that Contractor will be expected to:

- **1.** Promote the use of the Master Agreement.
- 2. Integrate each state's procurement officials' (CPO) permission to use the Master Agreement.
- 3. Acknowledge that Public entities are sensitive to "scope" issues, that is, whether performance is within the intended scope of the solicitation as awarded. Contractor shall have a strategy to promote agreements of this nature.

II. DEFINITIONS

- A. Acceptance is defined by the applicable commercial code, except Acceptance shall not occur before the completion of delivery in accordance with the Order, installation if required, and a reasonable time for inspection of the Product.
- **B. Contractor** means the person or entity delivering Products or performing services under the terms and conditions set forth in this Master Agreement.
- **C. Embedded Software** means one or more software applications which permanently reside on a computing device.
- **D. HIPRO** means Hawaii Electronic Procurement System.
- **E. Intellectual Property** means any and all patents, copyrights, service marks, trademarks, trade secrets, trade names, patentable inventions, or other similar proprietary rights, in tangible or intangible form, and all rights, title, and interest therein.
- **F. Lead State** means the State centrally administering any resulting Master Agreement(s).
- **G. Master Agreement** means the underlying agreement executed by and between the Lead State, acting on behalf of the NASPO ValuePoint program, and the Contractor, as now or hereafter amended.
- H. NASPO ValuePoint is the NASPO Cooperative Purchasing Organization LLC, doing business as NASPO ValuePoint, a 501(c)(3) limited liability company that is a subsidiary organization the National Association of State Procurement Officials (NASPO), the sole member of NASPO ValuePoint. NASPO ValuePoint facilitates administration of the NASPO cooperative group contracting consortium of state chief procurement officials for the benefit of state departments, institutions, agencies, and political subdivisions and other eligible entities (i.e., colleges, school districts, counties, cities, some nonprofit organizations, etc.) for all states, the District of Columbia, and territories of the United States. NASPO ValuePoint is identified in the Master Agreement as the recipient of reports and may perform contract administration functions relating to collecting and receiving reports as well as other contract administration functions as assigned by the Lead State.
- I. Order or Purchase Order means any purchase order, sales order, contract or other document used by a Purchasing Entity to order the Products.

- J. Participating Addendum means a bilateral agreement executed by a Contractor and a Participating Entity incorporating this Master Agreement and any other additional Participating Entity specific language or other requirements, e.g. ordering procedures specific to the Participating Entity, other terms and conditions.
- **K. Participating Entity** means a state, or other legal entity, properly authorized to enter into a Participating Addendum.
- L. Participating State means a state, the District of Columbia, or one of the territories of the United States that is listed in the Request for Proposal as intending to participate. Upon execution of the Participating Addendum, a Participating State becomes a Participating Entity; however, a Participating State listed in the Request for Proposals is not required to participate through execution of a Participating Addendum.
- M. Product means any equipment, software (including embedded software), documentation, service or other deliverable supplied or created by the Contractor pursuant to this Master Agreement. The term products, supplies and services; and products and services are used interchangeably in these terms and conditions.
- N. Purchasing Entity means a state (as well as the District of Columbia and U.S territories), city, county, district, other political subdivision of a State, and a nonprofit organization under the laws of some states if authorized by a Participating Addendum, that issues a Purchase Order against the Master Agreement and becomes financially committed to the purchase.
- **O. Vendor** means the person or entity that has the capability to sell goods or services but have not entered into a formal contract. (See definition of Contractor).

III. NASPO VALUEPOINT PROGRAM PROVISIONS

A. Price and Rate Guarantee Period

- 1. All labor category rates must be guaranteed for the initial term and additional years of the Master Agreement.
- **2.** Contractor is only authorized to provide services that awarded under this Master Agreement.

B. Participants and Scope

 Contractor may not deliver Products under this Master Agreement until a Participating Addendum acceptable to the Participating Entity and Contractor is executed. The NASPO ValuePoint Master

Agreement Terms and Conditions are applicable to any Order by a Participating Entity (and other Purchasing Entities covered by their Participating Addendum), except to the extent altered, modified, supplemented or amended by a Participating Addendum. By way of illustration and not limitation, this authority may apply to unique delivery and invoicing requirements, confidentiality requirements, defaults on Orders, governing law and venue relating to Orders by a Participating Entity, indemnification, and insurance requirements. Statutory or constitutional requirements relating to availability of funds may require specific language in some Participating Addenda in order to comply with applicable law. The expectation is that these alterations, modifications, supplements, or amendments will be addressed in the Participating Addendum or, with the consent of the Purchasing Entity and Contractor, may be included in the ordering document (e.g. purchase order or contract) used by the Purchasing Entity to place the Order.

- 2. Use of specific NASPO ValuePoint cooperative Master Agreements by state agencies, political subdivisions and other Participating Entities (including cooperatives) authorized by individual state's statutes to use state contracts are subject to the approval of the respective State Chief Procurement Official. Issues of interpretation and eligibility for participation are solely within the authority of the respective State Chief Procurement Official.
- 3. Obligations under this Master Agreement are limited to those Participating Entities who have signed a Participating Addendum and Purchasing Entities within the scope of those Participating Addenda. States or other entities permitted to participate may use an informal competitive process to determine which Master Agreements to participate in through execution of a Participating Addendum. Financial obligations of Participating Entities who are states are limited to the orders placed by the departments or other state agencies and institutions having available funds. Participating Entities who are states incur no financial obligations on behalf of other Purchasing Entities. Contractor shall email a fully executed **PDF** Participating Addendum copy of each PA@naspovaluepoint.org to support documentation of participation and posting in appropriate data bases.
- 4. NASPO Cooperative Purchasing Organization LLC, doing business as NASPO ValuePoint, is not a party to the Master Agreement. It is a nonprofit cooperative purchasing organization assisting states in administering the NASPO cooperative purchasing program for state government departments, institutions, agencies and political subdivisions (e.g., colleges, school districts, counties, cities, etc.) for

- all 50 states, the District of Columbia and the territories of the United States.
- Participating Addenda shall not be construed to amend the following provisions in this Master Agreement between the Lead State and Contractor that prescribe NASPO ValuePoint Program requirements: Term of the Master Agreement; Amendments; Participants and Scope; Administrative Fee; NASPO ValuePoint Summary and Detailed Usage Reports; NASPO ValuePoint Cooperative Program Marketing and Performance Review; NASPO ValuePoint eMarketCenter; Right to Publish; Price and Rate Guarantee Period; and Individual Customers. Any such language shall be void and of no effect.
- 6. Participating Entities who are not states may under some circumstances sign their own Participating Addendum, subject to the approval of participation by the Chief Procurement Official of the state where the Participating Entity is located. Coordinate requests for such participation through NASPO ValuePoint. Any permission to participate through execution of a Participating Addendum is not a determination that procurement authority exists in the Participating Entity; they must ensure that they have the requisite procurement authority to execute a Participating Addendum.
- 7. Resale. "Resale" means any payment in exchange for transfer of tangible goods, software, or assignment of the right to services. Subject to any specific conditions included in the solicitation or Contractor's proposal as accepted by the Lead State, or as explicitly permitted in a Participating Addendum, Purchasing Entities may not resell Products (the definition of which includes services that are deliverables). Any sale or transfer permitted by this subsection must be consistent with license rights granted for use of intellectual property.
- 8. The Lead State expects to evaluate the utilization of the Master Agreement at the annual performance review. Lead State may, in its discretion, cancel the Master Agreement pursuant to section VII. General Provisions, H. Cancellation, or not exercise an option to renew, when Contractor utilization does not warrant further administration of the Master Agreement. The Lead State may exercise its right to not renew the Master Agreement if Contractor fails to record or report revenue for three consecutive quarters, upon 60-calendar day written notice to the Contractor. Cancellation based on nonuse or under-utilization will not occur sooner than two years after award (or execution if later) of the Master Agreement. This subsection does not limit the discretionary right of either the Lead

State or Contractor to cancel the Master Agreement pursuant to section VII. General Provisions, H. Cancellation or to terminate for default pursuant to section VII General Provisions, J Defaults and Remedies.

9. Contractor agrees, within 30 days of contract award, to notify the Lead State and NASPO ValuePoint of any contractual most-favoredcustomer provisions in third-part contracts or agreements that may affect the promotion of this Master Agreements or whose terms provide for adjustments to future rates or pricing based on rates, pricing in, or Orders from this master agreement. Upon request of the Lead State or NASPO ValuePoint, Contractor shall provide a copy of any such provisions.

C. Administrative Fees

- 1. The Contractor shall pay to NASPO ValuePoint, or its assignee, a NASPO ValuePoint Administrative Fee of one-quarter of one percent (0.25% or 0.0025) no later than sixty (60) days following the end of each calendar quarter. The NASPO ValuePoint Administrative Fee shall be submitted quarterly and is based on all sales of products and services under the Master Agreement (less any charges for taxes or shipping). The NASPO ValuePoint Administrative Fee is not negotiable. This fee is part of the Contractor's pricing and not a separate line item.
- 2. Some states may require an additional fee be paid directly to the state only on purchases made by Purchasing Entities within that state. For all such requests, the fee level, payment method and schedule for such reports and payments will be incorporated into the Participating Addendum that is made a part of the Master Agreement. The Contractor may adjust the Master Agreement pricing accordingly for purchases made by Purchasing Entities within the jurisdiction of the state. All such agreements shall not affect the NASPO ValuePoint Administrative Fee percentage or the prices paid by the Purchasing Entities outside the jurisdiction of the state requesting the additional fee. The NASPO ValuePoint Administrative Fee in subsection 6a shall be based on the gross amount of all sales (less any charges for taxes or shipping) at the adjusted prices (if any) in Participating Addenda.

D. NASPO ValuePoint Summary and Detailed Usage Reports

The Contractor shall provide the following NASPO ValuePoint reports.

- 1. Summary Sales Data. The Contractor shall submit quarterly sales reports directly to NASPO ValuePoint using the NASPO ValuePoint Quarterly Sales/Administrative Fee Reporting Tool found at http://calculator.naspovaluepoint.org. Any/all sales made under this Master Agreement shall be reported as cumulative totals by state. Even if Contractor experiences zero sales during a calendar quarter, a report is still required. Reports shall be due no later than thirty (30) days following the end of the calendar quarter (as specified in the reporting tool).
- Detailed Sales Data. Contractor shall also report detailed sales data 2. by: (1) state; (2) entity/customer type, e.g. local government, higher education, K12, non-profit; (3) Purchasing Entity name; (4) Purchasing Entity bill-to and ship-to locations; (4) Purchasing Entity and Contractor Purchase Order identifier/number(s); (5) Purchase Order Type (e.g. sales order, credit, return, upgrade, determined by industry practices); (6) Purchase Order date: (7) Ship Date: (8) and line item description. including product number if used. The report shall be submitted in any form required by the solicitation. Reports are due on a quarterly basis and must be received by the Lead State and NASPO ValuePoint Cooperative Development Team no later than thirty (30) days after the end of the reporting period. Reports shall be delivered to the Lead State and to the NASPO ValuePoint Cooperative Development Team electronically through a designated portal, email, CD-ROM, flash drive or other method as determined by the Lead State and NASPO Detailed sales data reports shall include sales ValuePoint. information for all sales under Participating Addenda executed under this Master Agreement. The format for the detailed sales data report is in shown in Exhibit 3 – SAMPLE NASPO ValuePoint Detailed Sales Report.
- 3. Reportable sales for the summary sales data report and detailed sales data report includes sales to employees for personal use where authorized by the solicitation and the Participating Addendum. Report data for employees should be limited to ONLY the state and entity they are participating under the authority of (state and agency, city, county, school district, etc.) and the amount of sales. No personal identification numbers, e.g. names, addresses, social security numbers or any other numerical identifier, may be submitted with any report.
- 4. Contractor shall provide the NASPO ValuePoint Cooperative Development Coordinator with an executive summary each quarter that includes, at a minimum, a list of states with an active Participating Addendum, states that Contractor is in negotiations with and any Participating Addendum roll out or implementation activities and issues. NASPO ValuePoint Cooperative Development Coordinator

- and Contractor will determine the format and content of the executive summary. The executive summary is due thirty (30) days after the conclusion of each calendar quarter.
- 5. Timely submission of these reports is a material requirement of the Master Agreement. The recipient of the reports shall have exclusive ownership of the media containing the reports. The Lead State and NASPO ValuePoint shall have a perpetual, irrevocable, non-exclusive, royalty free, transferable right to display, modify, copy, and otherwise use reports, data and information provided under this section.

E. NASPO ValuePoint Cooperative Program Marketing and Performance Review

- 1. Contractor agrees to work cooperatively with NASPO ValuePoint personnel. Contractor agrees to present plans to NASPO ValuePoint for the education of Contractor's contract administrator(s) and sales/marketing workforce regarding the Master Agreement contract, including the competitive nature of NASPO ValuePoint procurements, the Master agreement and participating addendum process, and the manner in which qualifying entities can participate in the Master Agreement.
- Contractor agrees to participate in an annual contract performance review at a location selected by the Lead State and NASPO ValuePoint, which may include a discussion of marketing action plans, target strategies, marketing materials, as well as Contractor reporting and timeliness of payment of administration fees.

F. NASPO ValuePoint eMarket Center

- In July 2011, NASPO ValuePoint entered into a multi-year agreement with SciQuest, Inc. (doing business as JAGGAER) whereby JAGGAER will provide certain electronic catalog hosting and management services to enable eligible NASPO ValuePoint's customers to access a central online website to view and/or shop the goods and services available from existing NASPO ValuePoint Cooperative Contracts. The central online website is referred to as the NASPO ValuePoint eMarket Center.
- 2. The Contractor will have visibility in the eMarket Center through Ordering Instructions. These Ordering Instructions are available at no cost to the Contractor and provide customers information regarding the Contractors website and ordering information. The Contractor is required at a minimum to participate in the eMarket Center through Ordering Instructions.

3. At a minimum, the Contractor agrees to the following timeline: NASPO ValuePoint eMarket Center Site Admin shall provide a written request to the Contractor to begin Ordering Instruction process. The Contractor shall have thirty (30) days from receipt of written request to work with NASPO ValuePoint to provide any unique information and ordering instructions that the Contractor would like the customer to have.

G. Right to Publish

Throughout the duration of this Master Agreement, Contractor must secure from the Lead State prior approval for the release of information that pertains to the potential work or activities covered by the Master Agreement. This limitation does not preclude publication about the award of the Master Agreement or marketing activities consistent with any proposed and accepted marketing plan. The Contractor shall not make any representations of NASPO ValuePoint's opinion or position as to the quality or effectiveness of the services that are the subject of this Master Agreement without prior written consent. Failure to adhere to this requirement may result in termination of the Master Agreement for cause.

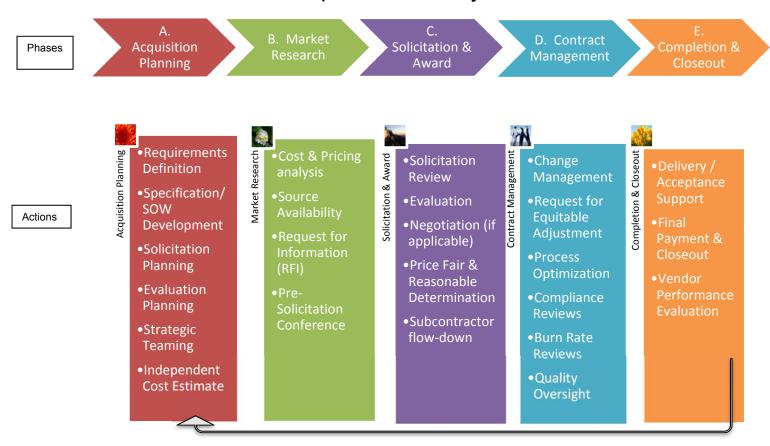
H. Individual Customers

Except to the extent modified by a Participating Addendum, each Purchasing Entity shall follow the terms and conditions of the Master Agreement and applicable Participating Addendum and will have the same rights and responsibilities for their purchases as the Lead State has in the Master Agreement, including but not limited to, any indemnity or right to recover any costs as such right is defined in the Master Agreement and applicable Participating Addendum for their purchases. Each Purchasing Entity will be responsible for its own charges, fees, and liabilities. The Contractor will apply the charges and invoice each Purchasing Entity individually.

IV. SCOPE OF WORK

- **A.** Contractor guarantees a continuing supply of quality services within the scope of work for acquisition support services.
 - 1. The diagram below depicts services that support procurement activities based on a general acquisition lifecycle. Actions indicated within each phase (A. through E.) are examples of when they may be utilized throughout the lifecycle and may be required at any phase.

Acquisition Life Cycle



This contract is intended to supplement the resources needed to assist procurement personnel to obtain the desired goods and/or services. For example, if the agency has the need to procure IT consulting services, the Acquisition Support Services Contractor(s) will assist in writing specifications and/or develop an RFP and/or provide any other acquisition support services that will provide the agency with a resulting contract for such services.

Note: This contract will not include any services related to the procurement of construction.

2. Contractor Responsibility

The Contractor shall be able to provide **all services in all categories** described below. If the Contractor does not maintain the subject matter expert in-house, it will be their responsibility to secure the needed services as the Prime Contractor.

Outside contractors may be utilized to prepare specifications and work statements in the development of a solicitation. Contractors paid for those services shall be precluded from bidding on or receiving a contract when they participated in any way in the development of the solicitation package or any resulting contract. Therefore, if a Contractor is hired to provide any services through the PASS contract, the Prime Contractor and any of its subcontractors are precluded from bidding or responding to the resulting solicitation.

3. General Requirements

Contractors shall be responsible to meet the general requirements applicable across all categories. These requirements include:

Customer Service Management Quality Control Personnel/Staffing Experience

Contractors are expected to maintain the highest standards of these requirements throughout the life of the contract and must require all Subcontractors to attest to the same standards of service.

4. Service Categories

The following describes the service categories and expected outputs that are within the scope of work of the Master Agreement. These services are actions that may be utilized throughout the acquisition lifecycle and may be required at any phase.

A. Acquisition Planning

Category One - Specifications/Scope of Work Review

After a need is determined, the quality, price and the performance of a product or service depend almost entirely on the purchase description used to communicate the requirement. If a specification was used as a method of describing the requirement, which

mostly happens for services, that specification must be clear and concise. Challenges by potential suppliers, costly delays in completing a project or unnecessary problems further down the line are, in most instances, attributed to an improper, inadequate description of definition or requirements. The additional effort spent at the beginning of the procurement lifecycle increases the probability of full satisfaction in meeting the needs of the end-user, procurement and contract specialist and Contractor/supplier.

This category of services is for the **review and/or** <u>assistance</u> in development of a scope of work (SOW) or specification(s). If not available in-house, the technical specification development by a subject-matter-expert shall be obtained/contracted by the awarded Contractor(s) for this category. Services within this category are as follows:

1. Review Services

Provide recommendation to amend/develop specifications/SOW to produce correct, clear, and concise obligations of all parties with respect to the needed goods or services. Review services shall include verification, validation, and recommendation so that the SOW/specifications for needed goods and/or service clearly identify how the specification/SOW may be amended/changed to reflect the following:

- The wording of the scope shall be precise.
- The overall message should be clear and understandable.
- The specification should simplify the process.
- The tolerances should be reasonable.
- The scope/specification should provide a relatively easy process to verify acceptance or rejection.
- The specification should be exact.
- The specification should not be restrictive, but be broad enough to allow competition. If, however, there is justification for a restrictive specification/SOW, the report/recommendation shall provide a clear explanation for the need of the restrictive specification.
- The specification/SOW should provide some built-in flexibility that is applicable to the industry.

2. Requirement Analysis

Requirement analysis is value analysis applicable to the writing of specifications or SOW to eliminate products and services that are not cost effective. Contractor shall identify and make recommendations to specifications or SOW to ensure that an agency will obtain the best products or services or meet the goals that are available in the market at prices that are determined fair and reasonable.

Requirement analysis services shall include review, analysis and recommendation

and clearly identify how the specification/scope of work may be amended/changed to reflect the following, as applicable:

- Eliminate a requirement that is not cost effective.
- Improve the quality level without impacting the cost(s).
- Describe requirement(s) of quality standards to increase the service life.
- Achieve total value, i.e. not only initial expense as the award factor.

3. Specification Writing (Technical)

Contractors' support team members shall possess strong communication skills and expertise in needed topics of and programs. In addition, technical writers must have the skills to research and effectively interview subject matter experts (SMEs), if they are not the SMEs themselves. The technical writer should gather information and communicate complicated ideas in a clear and informative manner.

Contractor(s) shall be able to provide specification writing services for all types of specifications, such as design, specifications, performance specifications, or market grades to name a few.

Contractor shall assist in development and preparation of pre-award Request for Information (RFI), Statements of Work (SOW), Statements of Objective (SOO) and other requirements documents. This effort includes assisting in researching and drafting specifications and standards, including Performance-based Work Statements (PWS); developing performance measures, providing consultation and recommendations; and coordinating requirements documents. Note: State to state may vary on what they call SOW, i.e. statement of work, statement of need, scope of work, etc.

Outputs: SOWs; SOOs; PWSs; and related documents, i.e. restrictive specifications justification.

Category Two – Procurement Strategy/Acquisition Strategy Plan

The procurement team is made up of stakeholders that will participate in developing the procurement strategy plan. Stakeholders are individuals who have an interest in the needed goods or services. These individuals provide a significant contribution to the effort based on their subject matter expertise of the project scope or deliverables. Depending on the complexity of the procurement, support services may be needed to develop the plan. Services within this category are as follows:

1. Procurement Plan Development/Review

Contractor shall provide services to include advice and recommendations for all elements in the plan, including approaches, options, strategies, risks, contracting methods, competition, sources, cost, milestone schedule, etc. If not available inhouse, the subject-matter-expert(s) shall be obtained/contracted by the awarded

Contractor(s) for this category. The plan should contain the following information:

Acquisition Background

Description of Requirement/Statement of Need

Conditions

Background and Contract History

Contract Type: Unit costs or lump sum

Performance Period

Capability and capacity of Performance

Estimated Schedule Estimated cost/budget

Plan of Action

Service Description

Potential Sources

Market Research Results/Interested Sources

Acquisition Approach

Competition

Source Selection Procedures

Contracting Considerations or Incentives

Other Considerations

Contract Administration

Surveillance: Monitoring timelines with milestones

Monitoring performance during contract period

Verifying contractor's performance of SOW through

checklist(s)

2. Research/Reports

The Contractor shall research existing Government-wide contracts for available products and services. Contractor shall evaluate different approaches to and sources for acquisition support. Contractor shall research available suppliers and compare the services and costs of obtaining support from difference providers. Information gathered shall be provided in a report form for use the development of a procurement plan.

Contractor shall provide advice and recommendation for all elements in acquisition plans, including approaches, options, strategies, risks, contracting methods, competition, sources, cost, milestone schedule, etc. Research existing Government-wide contracts for available products and services. Evaluate different approaches to and sources for acquisition support. Research available suppliers and compare services and costs of obtaining support from the different providers.

Outputs: Written acquisition/procurement plans.

Category Three – Independent Government Cost Estimate

An Independent Government Cost Estimate (IGCE) is a tool developed by government personnel to estimate the costs incurred by a Contractor in the performance of a contract. An IGCE is generated by the government, who may utilize and obtain input from an outside Contractor. Such Contractor remains confidential and will not be allowed to respond to a solicitation for which it participated in the IGCE in any manner whatsoever. The IGCE is an unbiased realistic cost estimate that reflects a clear understanding of the requirements. IGCEs serve various functions as:

- A projected, anticipated, or probable cost;
- A benchmark for establishing cost/price analysis;
- An analysis of reasonable and required resources to perform the contract; and
- A justification for decisions made throughout the procurement life cycle.

Specifically, IGCEs are used to project and reserve funds for acquisitions, determine if assumptions in a cost proposal are based on the same or similar assumptions, and determine fair and reasonable pricing.

This category of services is for **consultation and/or** <u>assistance</u> in the development of IGCEs. Government agencies do not always have sufficient resources or expertise to conduct these cost estimates on their own and may rely on third party Contractors to generate these reports on their behalf. Contractors providing these services under the resultant cooperative agreement shall be required to sign non-disclosure agreements and may not have a vested interest in the contract for which the Contractor is generating the estimate. Contractor must be unbiased and objective in its approach and methodologies. Services within this category are as follows:

1. Data Collection

Contractor shall collaborate with the agency to gain a thorough understanding of the contract scope of work for which the IGCE is being generated. Contractor shall establish a plan that identifies stakeholders and other resource requirements necessary to generate the IGCE, including a schedule that specifies the start date and delivery date for the final report, and a list of all potential sources of information required to complete the cost estimate.

At a minimum, the Contractor shall request and receive the following information:

- Statement of Work (SOW) and supporting scope documents (solicitations, drawings, plans, etc.)
- Any agency-developed cost estimates or contractor cost proposal and technical approach.
- Basis of Estimate (BOE), including a description of the scope, methodologies, references and defining deliverables, assumptions and exclusions, clarifications, adjustments, and level of uncertainty.

Other documentation or information that is useful in performing an IGCE include, but are not limited to:

- Past purchases of similar products or services
- Market research and knowledge of current economic conditions
- Proposal narrative, including background
- Work Breakdown Structure (WBS) and WBS Dictionary
- Project schedule
- Risk management plan
- Rates for fees or other mark-ups
- Lists of government-furnished property, equipment or services
- Cost estimate back-up documentation such as contracted labor rates and associated mark-ups, subcontracted quotes, specification sheets, purchase orders, and catalog cut sheets

2. <u>Sufficiency Review</u>

Once all requested information has been received, Contractor shall review the information for sufficiency to ensure adequate quantity and quality of data exists to develop an accurate and effective IGCE. The Sufficiency Review serves to:

- Determine all costs involved in performing the contract scope of work, including any direct and indirect costs as well as contractor profits and fees.
- Examine the information to ensure that it meets the technical requirements for its intended purpose.
- Determine whether the information is clearly documented, well organized, and presented at an appropriate level of detail, and that summary documents are traceable to the supporting documentation.
- Look at the depth and breadth of the supporting documents, and data contained therein.

The Sufficiency Review may determine that certain documentation is insufficient for proceeding with the cost estimate. In such instances, Contractor shall notify the agency, provide a list of the documents that are insufficient, and provide reasons for the finding or specific information needed to make the document acceptable.

3. Data Analysis

Data Analysis consists of two components: review and analysis.

The review component consists of an-depth examination and qualitative analysis of all the sufficient information requested and received as part of Data Collection. Contractor shall conduct a thorough review of the SOW, agency-developed cost estimates or contractor-developed cost estimate or proposal, BOE, and any other

sufficient information received. Contractor shall apply the appropriate estimating methodologies to the data to generate the IGCE.

Once the IGCE is generated, the estimate must be validated. Contractor shall employ the appropriate cost-validation techniques to test the cost estimate and determine whether it is reasonable and includes all necessary costs. Some commonly-accepted techniques include spot checking and preparing a check estimate. Offerors shall detail in their proposals the cost-validation techniques they utilize to validate cost estimates.

4. Results Reporting

Contractor shall prepare an in-depth IGCE report detailing its findings. The IGCE report prepared by the Contractor shall describe the BOE and provide the agency with recommendations based on the findings to assist in decision-making throughout the procurement life cycle. Contractor may be required to update the IGCE report as the acquisition progresses through the different phases of the procurement life cycle.

Contractor shall provide services that may include but are not limited to research and analysis of past purchases of similar products or services, current market value of the products or services, or other agency purchases of similar products and services.

Outputs: IGCEs.

B. Market Research

Category Four – Market Research

Market Research is a necessary step to identify available sources to meet the needs of any given solicitation. Market research refers to the examination of available sources to find the available sources of supply which may identify critical business requirement. Due to limited resources or timing, agencies may require the assistance of an outside Contractor to provide necessary data to develop a solicitation that will reach the widest distribution possible.

This category of services is for **consultation and/or** <u>assistance</u> with market research services. Services within this category are as follows:

<u>Market Research Services</u> – Contractor shall research available suppliers and compare the services and costs of obtaining goods or services from difference providers. Information gathered shall be provided in a report form for use in the development of a competitive solicitation. Contractor shall provide advice and recommendation for all elements in market research, including approaches, options, strategies, risks, methods, competition, sources, cost, milestone, etc. Research existing Government-wide contracts

for available products and services. Research available suppliers and compare services and costs of obtaining support from the different providers.

The market research team should consider the following:

- The overall budget for the project should be clearly stated and the funding source should be identified prior to commencement of services.
- The Market Research Plan should be agreed upon by all parties before any commencement of services.
- The methodology to be used should be clearly specified and agreed upon by all parties.
- The research should have a simplified process.
- The target markets should be clearly identified.
- The research should be broad enough to capture the largest possible data set.
- The research should not be overly restrictive.
- The research should provide some built-in flexibility that is applicable to industry.

Outputs: Market research documentation.

Category Five – Cost & Pricing Analysis

A Cost & Pricing Analysis conducted before a Request for Proposal (RFP) is released will assist a State in determining how to capture all costs related to a project, determine which method is best for evaluating cost, and if the budget for said project is realistic. Cost & Pricing Analysis is a key component to predicting the viability of a project. Because of limited resources or timing, agencies may require the assistance of an outside Contractor to assist with a Cost & Pricing Analysis for stakeholder review.

Cost & Pricing Analysis may also be conducted after BAFOs are received. And Cost & Pricing Analysis may also be conducted post award for contract renewals, modifications or assistance in determination of termination due to non-compliance with contract terms.

This category of services is for **consultation and/or** <u>assistance</u> with cost & pricing analysis services. Services within this category are as follows:

<u>Cost & Pricing Analysis</u> – Contractor shall assist in developing estimated cost and price elements for the work to be performed to prepare analyses for Stakeholders to make sound decisions on the financial viability of a project.

Cost & Pricing Analysis services shall include, but are not limited to:

- Developing plans and alternatives for effective price competition
- Informing states of impact of budget on technical, contract, and pricing outcomes
- Developing approach for State's/Stakeholder' budget planning

- Developing cost proposal solicitation documents to aid states in the development of the RFP
- Analyzing contracts/programs to assess price competitiveness
- Providing alternatives and research for stakeholders
- Providing estimates (case-by-case based on need of State/Stakeholder).
- Demonstrating value of RFP and/or new system/product to State/Stakeholder
- Providing a Make-or-buy analysis
- Providing a Go, no-go analysis
- Developing and analyzing BAFO requests
- Determining that the prices submitted by Offerors are acceptable, fair and reasonable
- Providing cost analysis during RFP evaluation services performed to help States/Stakeholders analyze the cost proposals of several vendors to find best value
- Developing evaluation support documentation to help States/Stakeholders validate the reasonableness of proposed labor rates as well as indirect rates (fringe, overhead, general and administrative, and materials)
- Performing independent review of each cost element within an Offeror's cost proposal
- Providing post-award services (contract renewals, modifications, assistance in determination of termination if not in compliance with contract terms)
- Burn Rate Analysis
- Analysis of Change Orders & Modifications
- Award fee/incentive fee analysis
- Closeout payment analysis

Outputs: Cost and pricing analyses.

C. Solicitation & Award

Category Six – Solicitation Review or Preparation

The solicitation document is the official document inviting the vendor community to respond to the needs of the government entity. The solicitation should foster competition and ensure fair and equitable treatment of interested parties. Competition has multiple levels. Competition exists not only in prices but also in the technical competence of the vendors and in the quality of their products or services. The request for proposal process allows the opportunity for vendors to submit innovative solutions, increasing the Government's latitude of choice and assuring the reasonableness of costs.

This category of services is for the **review and/or development** of a solicitation document. Services within this category would be as follows:

1. Review Services

Contractor shall provide recommendation to amend/develop any part of the solicitation document to produce correct, clear, and concise obligations of all parties with respect to the needed goods or services. Review services shall include verification, validation, recommendation to improve at minimum the following sections of the solicitation:

- Scope of work, statement of work or specifications.
- Standard bid/proposal clauses such as bid guarantee, indemnification, intellectual property rights, insurance, etc.
- Evaluation criteria.
- Bidder/Offeror qualifications.
- Proposal format.
- Administrative and Technical Response Requirements.
- Price and Cost sheets.
- Contract administration, post award.
- Payment terms.

2. <u>RFP Development</u>

Contractor shall develop and prepare the solicitation document, which may be a request for quotes (RFQ), request for proposals (RFP), including two-step process solicitation or any other hybrid solicitation within the system of that State. The solicitation shall include all appropriate solicitation terms and conditions applicable

Outputs: Solicitations

Category Seven – Source Selection

The nature of the source selection planning process, the techniques for obtaining information, the procedures used in evaluation, and the decision-making methods vary from procurement to procurement. Source selection planning entails: preparing to receive bids or proposals, preparing to apply evaluation criteria, and determining standards to select a Contractor. Proposals are often separated into technical and price sections with each evaluated separately. Evaluation may be complex, requiring a panel experts. Some proposal evaluation may require a consultant's assistance. The Source Selection Plan (SSP) should include: evaluation criteria, evaluation standards, weighting system, screening system, and source selection process.

This category of services is for <u>assistance</u> in preparation of a source selection plan and source selection activities. Services within this category are as follows:

<u>Source Selection</u> – Contractor shall develop and prepare source selection plans, in accordance with State statute and rules; instruct evaluation team members on roles and responsibilities; act in the capacity of an advisory role during the evaluation, which may include cost estimating or technical subject matter expertise; ensure Conflict of

Interest/Nondisclosure forms are signed; prepare evaluation sheets or score sheets; and prepare draft of source selection decision memorandum.

Outputs: Source Selection Plans (SSP), Evaluation Sheets

Category Eight – Cost Realism Analysis

Cost Realism Analysis is usually conducted after cost proposals have been received in response to a RFP. Cost Realism Analysis may be requested by States to determine if all components of cost have been contemplated from all vendors. Determining if cost proposals are acceptable and fair will assist States in a successful evaluation and award of a contract which is in the best interest of the State. Cost realism is about the system of logic, the assumptions about the future, and the reasonableness of the historical basis of the estimate. It's about the estimating information (cost data) that makes up the foundation of the estimate.

This category of services is for **consultation and/or** <u>assistance</u> with cost realism analysis services. Services within this category are as follows:

Cost Realism – Contractor shall independently review and evaluate specific elements of each Offeror's proposed cost estimate to determine whether the cost estimate is realistic for the work to be performed; reflects a clear understanding of the requirements; and is consistent with the unique methods of performance and materials described in the Offeror's technical proposal. Cost realism analysis is conducted by evaluating the supportive data that form the bases of the individual elements of cost to determine probable cost of the performance. The probable cost shall be used for the purposes of evaluation to determine the best value. The probable cost is determined by adjusting each Offeror's proposed cost, and fee when appropriate, to reflect any additions or reductions in cost elements to realistic levels based on the results of the cost realism analysis.

Probable Cost Estimate: is the Purchasing Entity's estimate of what it will cost for the Offeror to complete the contract based on the Purchasing Entity's evaluation of the offeror's technical proposal and proposed costs. This estimate is complimentary with and must be performed in conjunction with all cost realism analyses and is a principal product of the Purchasing Entity in the source selection evaluation process.

Cost Realism services shall include, but are not limited to:

- Determining the Offeror's price is realistic for the work proposed
- Understanding and implementation of contract risk factors
- Developing a Purchasing Entity's probable cost estimate
- Conducting cost to technical realism analysis

Outputs: Cost realism analyses.

D. Contract Management

Category Nine - Contract Development/Contract Formation

The goal of contract development is to reduce in writing contract goals, contract type and contract elements. Identification of contract goals include the description of goods or services; delivery information (if applicable); protection of the financial interests of the agency; and any potential areas of dispute such as defining acceptance, handling wrong product, delays, personality conflicts, breach, payment or changes in a contract. The goals also include change order procedures.

Contractor shall provide assistance to the government entity in the formulation of the contract between the awarded vendor and government entity.

This category of services is for **consultation and/or** <u>assistance</u> with contract development. Services within this category are as follows:

Contract Development

Requirements of the contractor, and/or their sub-contractor will include:

- A general working knowledge of each individual state's procurement rules and regulations.
- A general working knowledge of the entity's General Terms and Conditions.
- Appropriate staff with the level of experience to handle the different needs or difficulties of the contract.
- To be able to work with the state entity to develop a schedule for completion of the contract.
- Must have existing legal staff available to vet the contract for each entity's legal requirements.
- Must be able to interact with the awarded vendor's attorney to produce a contract that is amicable to both parties.
- Must be able to format the contract to the entity's preference.
- Must provide pricing for the different levels of staffing that will provide service.
- Will be required to be available to handle and supplemental agreements or legal issues that arise out of the formation of the contract for the duration of the contract.

Outputs: Contract documentation.

Category Ten - Contract Management

Contract management refers to post-award type activities, such as contract implementation, contract administration, measurement of work completion and payment computation. Moreover, it involves the monitoring of a contract, making important

changes and modifications to the contract and dealing with related problems. Activities in contract management facilitate a positive working relationship between the government customer, procurement staff, and the contractor for the successful implementation of the contract award. Acquisition consultants can <u>assist</u> the government procurement staff and program managers in various capacities of administration and facilitation with the contractor, not including any inherent governmental duties.

Services within this category are as follows:

1. Contract Administration

Manage the relationship between the Contractor and end user, including the monitoring contract fulfillment on the part of government agencies. Development of the Contract Administration Plan (CAP) which will define how the contract will be administered. Monitor contractor compliance with terms of the contract, including site visits and labor interviews.

The CAP provides a mechanism to reconcile the various contract documents and the order of precedence into a management tool that can be used to focus and govern implementation activities. The plan itself will vary based on the complexity, risk, and scope along with the requirements of each contract. In many cases a CAP should only be developed for high-risk or highly complex procurements. The frame of the plan should focus on the Who, What, When, Where, and How of contract administration. CAPs generally address a common set of topics, with particular emphasis on process, output and outcome. In government contract management, there may be less emphasis on the "process" the contractor uses to achieve the goals of the contract than of the achievement of the expected outputs and outcomes.

While Contract Administration Plans generally share a similar structure, the inclusion of each topic into the CAP should be chosen based on necessity rather than out of formality. Contract Administration Plan topics may include:

- Project description
- Period of performance
- Schedule, critical milestones and/or delivery dates
- Critical path tasks and deliverables
- Roles and responsibilities
- Data and reporting
- Inspection and acceptance
- Personnel requirements
- Testing

- Warranty provisions
- Watch list items
- Special terms and conditions
- Insurance
- Process for managing change and issue resolution

Outputs: Performance Workplan or CAP; Documentation of Contract Performance such as Observation Record, Compliance Record, Discrepancy Record, Unsatisfactory Performance Report, Summary Evaluation Report, Contractor Status Report.

2. <u>Vendor Performance Plan Development/Review</u>

The Contractor shall have experience drafting comprehensive plans outlining the agency and vendor responsibilities and requirements in an easy to understand document. The plan must describe processes needed and recommend tools that will guide the contracting agency through the vendor performance evaluation. The plan shall include, but not be limited to, how to:

- Improve communication between buyers and vendors regarding performance
- Encourage better performance and accountability through incentives and penalties
- Enable performance analysis through Key Performance Indicators (KPI) and benchmarking
- Capture performance data
- Identify strategic priorities and set targets
- Capture performance data
- Meet strategic priorities and improve programs

The plan shall include the method for scoring and weighting the evaluation criteria and how scores shall be tied to an award or incentive fee determination along with penalties. The plan shall explain how Contractors must receive evaluation criteria, be informed of their performance during the contract, be debriefed at the end of the contract and deal with appeals.

3. Contract Modifications

Assist in the preparation of incentive and award fees. Incentive fees are typically dependent upon the performance over a given period and are usually taken in relation to a benchmark index. Award fees provides an additional profit or fee amount that may be awarded, in whole or in part, based upon periodic evaluations of ongoing contractor performance. Assist in review of directed changes, formal

changes to the original contract resulting from the buyer's actions or directions that impact the cost or schedule for performance. Determine if a constructive change has occurred, that is, any action or inaction on the part of the agency that have not been made through a formal change order, which causes the Contractor to perform additional work outside the scope of the original contract. Contractor can assist government procurement staff and program managers in review and recommendation to make the appropriate contract modification.

Outputs: Award or incentive fee determinations; contract modification determination.

E. Completion & Closeout

Category Eleven – Vendor Performance Evaluation Program

Contract closeout involves several activities. Unlike a purchase order where receipt of the items ordered and subsequent payment constitute closure, a contract requires documentation to the contract file that includes a written report with the description and analysis of the Contractor's performance. A quality vendor performance review (aka performance evaluation) assesses how the vendor is performing against Key Performance Indicators (KPI)'s and Service Level Agreements (SLA)'s established in the vendor's contract. However, it can also show non-contractual performance issues, such as incidents that aren't measured by a service level.

This category for services is for the assistance in the development and implementation of a Vendor Performance Evaluation Program. This does not include vendor performance evaluation for construction contracts. Services within this category are as follows:

Evaluation Program

The contractor shall understand and have insights into the requirements needed to develop a vendor performance evaluation program. The contractor shall work with the contracting agency to determine information that is useful in creating a vendor performance evaluation to include, but not limited to:

- When the vendor performance evaluation is needed and how often it should be measured.
- The KPI's, such as contract compliance, customer satisfaction, cost competitiveness, cost control, continuous improvements, and timeliness should be clearly identified along with formulation of templates for the evaluation which shall become standardized.

Output: Key Performance Indicators, Vendor Performance Evaluation Program

F. Other Services

Category Twelve – Procurement Policy

Procurement planning is part of the annual budgeting process. Each departmental head is responsible for planning his/her project's estimated procurement needs on an annual basis through the use of the annual procurement plan (APP), which indicates the items to be bought in the various quarters of the year.

Services within this category are as follows:

<u>Procurement Policy Writing</u> – Contractor shall assist in developing a high-level overall plan embracing the general goals and acceptable procedures as it relates to the expenditure of governmental funds

Procurement Policy services shall include, but not be limited to, writing procedures for:

- Appointing and paying consultants
- · Appointing and paying temporary staff
- · Appointing and paying casual workers
- · Procurement planning for good and services
- Vendor Selection, to include:
 - o Selection criteria
 - Use of dealers and sole suppliers
 - Recurring purchases
- Procurement Processes
- Procurement Controls

Outputs: Policy analysis and briefings. Policy guides and handbooks.

Category Thirteen – Category Management

Category management is a strategic approach to purchasing that allocates a government's procurement resources into specific categories of spending to be analyzed by category managers and aligned with the marketplace through in-depth spend and market analyses.

The main objective of Category management is to build efficiencies and maximize purchasing decisions across the agency by reducing duplication in the contracting process; better leveraging the government's buying power, and promoting the use of innovative and best in class solutions

By consolidating purchases into main areas of spend, category management serves to move the government away from managing purchases and evaluating prices individually across multiple purchasing units to more directly managing entire categories of common spend to deliver better value for the entire agency.

This category for services is for the <u>assistance</u> in development and implementation

of an action plan for Category Management or Product and Service Catalogs. If not available in-house, the action plan development or implementation by a subject-matter-expert shall be obtained/contracted by the awarded contractor(s) for this category. Services within this category are as follows:

1. Data analysis

The Contractor shall have knowledge of principles and practices in public procurement including category management and have a clear understanding of various types of commodities and government services. Contractor shall be well versed in data analysis including the collecting of historical procurement data and analyzing agency spend data and procurement needs. The contractor shall also conduct in depth spend analysis using the agency's existing code structure (NIGP, NAICS, UNSPC or other). If no code structure exists, the vendor will help to consolidate minor categories and identify major categories of spending.

2. Supplier analysis

The Contractor shall have in-depth knowledge of the supplier marketplace and current economic conditions. The contractor will conduct market analysis to align the identified major categories of spending with the marketplace. Suppliers in the marketplace will be analyzed on their market share, historical changes and overall business health. Emphasis will be put on identifying suppliers that are looking to gain market share and can be leveraged for best prices; and identifying overlaps in suppliers to consolidate categories.

3. Action plan development

The Contractor shall have experience developing specifications and scopes of work aimed at creating efficiencies and reducing costs, developing and executing procurement strategies, driving process improvements and effectively instituting key performance metrics. The contractor shall develop, draft and assist in the execution of an action plan that details the findings of the data and supplier analyses and provide recommendations for implementing category management organization/agency-wide. Action plans should be inclusive of procurement organization and process changes, including timelines and flow charts of how the organization will move from its existing purchasing structure into a category management structure.

The action plan shall include but not be limited to:

 The purpose, strategic mission and vision associated with the new organization direction and structure of the organization/agency.

- The development of an ongoing program to analyze purchasing trends, develop options to reduce costs, improve timely delivery, and enhance the purchasing agencies supplier management strategies, including; performance tracking, benchmarking and planning for future category adjustments.
- The development of a system by which the agency can monitor and track spending data including but not limited to information pertaining to what the agency buys, who it buys it from and what it pays.
- The step by step walkthrough and explanation of requirements for a phased in approach to reorganizing the existing workforce and hiring additional employees to successfully implement a Category Management organization/agency/office structure.

4. Organizational restructure

The contractor shall have knowledge of staffing and management practices as it relates to structuring and organizing a workforce for Category Management. The contractor will be responsible for identifying, communicating and working with stakeholders to identify category managers, category workforce and acquisition workforce. As these stakeholders are identified, the contractor shall collaborate to share the knowledge of the analyses, create insights and trainings designed to serve all stakeholders and align staff with the strategic vision. The contractor will assist in overseeing all hiring and management decisions during implementation to ensure that staffing choices align with the Category Management structure. The contractor will assist in the development of staff evaluations designed to encourage performance and competency within the organization/agency. Upon completion of the restructuring the contractor shall conduct "a lessons learned" and benchmark/milestones presentation to empower the organization/agency to move forward without the need of continuing assistance or consultation.

5. Product and Service Catalogs

The contractor shall have knowledge and experience in e-sourcing and strategic sourcing, including the building of catalogs to consolidate purchasing categories and create ease of access for purchasing agencies. The Contractor shall follow the steps for category management including data and supplier analysis and the creation of an action plan designed for the implementation of organization/agency wide electronic catalog services. The contractor may assist in the development of specifications and evaluation metrics for selecting an appropriate e-catalog provider. The contractor shall also assist in the creation of data collection procedures to track catalog purchases and consolidate catalog categories.

The Contractor shall assist in the planning and implementation of a Category Management procurement process and structure. This effort including assisting in data and supplier analysis as well as the restructuring and staffing of the workforce needed to meet the need of a Category Management system. The contractor may rely on third party tools, methods and best practices to properly empower the contracted organization. All information and insights gathered including the best perceived path forward will be summarized in an action plan, the overarching document for this category that explains all necessary steps to move forward. After the delivery and acceptance of the action plan, the contractor may assist agencies in implementing the changes proposed, including, but not limited to, establishing measurements to track and grow the categories. This includes coming up with benchmarks, projecting future opportunities for efficiencies and category streamlining, creating dashboards and data analytic tools to track the progress of category spend against the benchmarks and creating supplier performance metrics to evaluate suppliers as the categories mature.

Organizations/Agencies may contract through this category for the development of a Product and Services Catalog. The catalog service can be contracted as a stand-alone service or in addition to the Category Management system. Contractors shall deliver an action plan similar to that required for Category Management outlining the steps needed to implement an online Catalog. After delivery and acceptance of the action plan, the contractor may assist in the implementation of the Product and Services Catalog including but not limited to the acquisition of required software and the rollout of the Catalog to the vendor community.

Outputs: Action Plan, Dashboards and other Data Tracking Tools, Product and Services Catalog

V. Administration of Orders

A. Ordering

Order procedures shall be mandatory for State of Hawaii Purchasing Entities as provided in the Participating Addendum and Hawaii State Procurement Office (SPO) Vendor List Contract No. 19-19, and those procedures apply in the event of conflict with this section.

- 1. Master Agreement order and purchase order numbers shall be clearly shown on all acknowledgments, shipping labels, packing slips, invoices, and on all correspondence.
- 2. Purchasing Entities may define project-specific requirements and informally compete the requirement among companies having a Master Agreement on an "as needed" basis. This procedure may also be used when requirements are aggregated or other firm commitments may be made to achieve reductions in pricing. This procedure may be modified in Participating Addenda and adapted to

the Purchasing Entity's rules and policies. The Purchasing Entity may in its sole discretion determine which Master Agreement Contractors should be solicited for a quote. The Purchasing Entity may select the quote that it considers most advantageous, cost and other factors considered.

- 3. Each Purchasing Entity will identify and utilize its own appropriate purchasing procedure and documentation. Contractor is expected to become familiar with the Purchasing Entities' rules, policies, and procedures regarding the ordering of supplies and/or services contemplated by this Master Agreement.
- **4.** Contractor shall not begin work without a valid Purchase Order or other appropriate commitment document under the law of the Purchasing Entity.
- **5.** Orders may be placed consistent with the terms of this Master Agreement during the term of the Master Agreement.
- **6.** All Orders pursuant to this Master Agreement, at a minimum, shall include:
 - a. A description of the services or supplies being delivered;
 - b. The place and requested time of delivery;
 - c. A billing address;
 - d. The name, phone number, and address of the Purchasing Entity representative:
 - e. The price per hour or other pricing elements consistent with this Master Agreement and the Contractor's proposal;
 - f. A ceiling amount of the order for services being ordered; and
 - g. The Master Agreement identifier.
- 7. All communications concerning administration of Orders placed shall be furnished solely to the authorized purchasing agent within the Purchasing Entity's purchasing office, or to such other individual identified in writing in the Order.
- 8. Orders must be placed pursuant to this Master Agreement prior to the termination date thereof, but may have a delivery date or performance period up to 120 days past the then-current termination date of this Master Agreement. Contractor is reminded that financial obligations of Purchasing Entities payable after the current applicable fiscal year are contingent upon agency funds for that purpose being appropriated, budgeted, and otherwise made available. And all fees shall be paid, as applicable, even after the Master Agreement has been terminated or expired.

9. Notwithstanding the expiration, cancellation or termination of this Master Agreement, Contractor agrees to perform in accordance with the terms of any Orders then outstanding at the time of such expiration or termination. Contractor shall not honor any Orders placed after the expiration, cancellation or termination of this Master Agreement, or otherwise inconsistent with its terms. Orders from any separate indefinite quantity, task orders, or other form of indefinite delivery order arrangement priced against this Master Agreement may not be placed after the expiration or termination of this Master Agreement, notwithstanding the term of any such indefinite delivery order agreement.

B. Shipping and Delivery

- 1. The prices are the delivered price to any Purchasing Entity. All deliveries shall be F.O.B. destination, freight pre-paid, with all transportation and handling charges paid by the Contractor. Responsibility and liability for loss or damage shall remain the Contractor's until final inspection and acceptance when responsibility shall pass to the Purchasing Entity except as to latent defects, fraud and Contractor's warranty obligations. The minimum shipment amount, if any, will be found in the special terms and conditions. Any order for less than the specified amount is to be shipped with the freight prepaid and added as a separate item on the invoice. Any portion of an Order to be shipped without transportation charges that is back ordered shall be shipped without charge.
- 2. All deliveries will be "Inside Deliveries" as designated by a representative of the Purchasing Entity placing the Order. Inside Delivery refers to a delivery other than a loading dock, front lobby, or reception area. Specific delivery instructions will be noted on the order form or Purchase Order. Any damage to the building interior, scratched walls, damage to the freight elevator, etc., will be the responsibility of the Contractor. If damage does occur, it is the responsibility of the Contractor to notify the Purchasing Entity placing the Order immediately.
- All products must be delivered in the manufacturer's standard package. Costs shall include all packing and/or crating charges. Cases shall be of durable construction, good condition, properly labeled and suitable in every respect for storage and handling of contents. Each shipping carton shall be marked with the commodity, brand, quantity, item code number and the Purchasing Entity's Purchase Order number.

C. Services – Purchasing Entity Furnished Materials and Facilities

- 1. <u>Facilities, Supplies and Services</u> Work may be performed at a Purchasing entity provided facility, digital or telework (offsite). Basic facilities such as work space and its associated operating requirements (i.e., phones, desks, utilities, information technology, consumable and general-purpose office supplies) may be provided while working in a Purchasing Entity facility.
- 2. <u>Information</u> The Purchasing Entity may provide information, material and forms unique to the Purchasing Entity for supporting the task. All Purchasing Entity unique information related to a requirement, which is necessary for Contractor performance, may be made available to the Contractor. The Purchasing Entity will identify the point of contact for identification of any required information to be supplied by the Purchasing Entity.
- 3. <u>Documentation</u> All existing documentation, relevant to a task accomplishment, may be made available to the Contractor. The Contractor will be required to prepare documentation in accordance with defined guidelines provided by the Purchasing Entity.

D. Travel

The Contractor may be required to travel in performance of orders issued under this contract.

Contractor shall be reimbursed actual cost of all travel conducted while providing the services in accordance with statements of work and respective Purchasing Entities' regulations. Allowable travel and State per diem charges will be agreed upon at the time work is requested. Thus, all travel shall be pre-approved.

The Contractor shall perform all travel necessary to accomplish the tasks contained in a task order. At a minimum, the Contractor shall be prepared to travel in conjunction with studies, contractor site visits, and to provide support at Purchasing Entity meetings. All travel requirements shall be approved in advance by the Purchasing Entity. The Contractor shall be responsible for making all travel arrangements.

Costs for transportation may be based upon mileage rates, actual costs incurred, or a combination thereof, provided the method used results in a reasonable charge. Travel costs shall be considered reasonable and allowable only to the extent that they do not exceed, on a daily basis, the maximum State per diem rates in effect at the time of the travel.

If the additional expenses are not justified and approved by the

Participating Agency, Contractor will be responsible for paying the difference.

E. Training

The Purchasing Entity may provide the Contractor with appropriate training that is directed by the Purchasing Entity and for Purchasing Entity "unique/non-commercial systems."

F. Quality Control

The Contractor shall provide quality services/products and management oversight of all processes. The Contractor shall provide accurate data/reports and meet task order objectives, with emphasis on overall success and positive impact to the acquisition program and organizational mission. The Contractor shall provide for the management and support of personnel, to include training, guidance, and supervision of gualified personnel to accomplish the task order.

G. Laws and Regulations

Any and all Products offered and furnished shall comply fully with all applicable Federal and State laws and regulations.

H. Inspection and Acceptance

- 1. Where the Master Agreement or an Order does not otherwise specify a process for Inspection and Acceptance, this section governs. This section is not intended to limit rights and remedies under the applicable commercial code.
- 2. All Products are subject to inspection at reasonable times and places before Acceptance. Contractor shall provide right of access to the Lead State, or to any other authorized agent or official of the Lead State or other Participating or Purchasing Entity, at reasonable times, in order to monitor and evaluate performance, compliance, and/or quality assurance requirements under this Master Agreement. Products that do not meet specifications may be rejected. Failure to reject upon receipt, however, does not relieve the Contractor of liability for material (nonconformity that substantial impairs value) latent or hidden defects subsequently revealed when goods are put to use. Acceptance of such goods may be revoked in accordance with the provisions of the applicable commercial code, and the Contractor is liable for any resulting expense incurred by the Purchasing Entity related to the preparation and shipping of Product rejected and returned, or for which Acceptance is revoked.
- **3.** If any services do not conform to contract requirements, the Purchasing Entity may require the Contractor to perform the services

again in conformity with contract requirements, at no increase in Order amount. When defects cannot be corrected by reperformance, the Purchasing Entity may require the Contractor to take necessary action to ensure that future performance conforms to contract requirements; and reduce the contract price to reflect the reduced value of services performed.

4. The warranty period shall begin upon Acceptance.

I. Payment

Payment after Acceptance is normally made within thirty (30) days following the date the entire order is delivered or the date a correct invoice is received, whichever is later. After 45 days the Contractor may assess overdue account charges up to a maximum rate of one percent per month on the outstanding balance, unless a different late payment amount is specified in a Participating Addendum, Order, or otherwise prescribed by applicable law. Payments will be remitted by mail. Payments may be made via a State or political subdivision "Purchasing Card" with no additional charge.

J. Warranty

Warranty provisions govern where specified elsewhere in the documents that constitute the Master Agreement; otherwise this section governs. The Contractor warrants for a period of one year from the date of Acceptance that: (a) the Product performs according to all specific claims that the Contractor made in its response to the solicitation. (b) the Product is suitable for the ordinary purposes for which such Product is used, (c) the Product is suitable for any special purposes identified in the solicitation or for which the Purchasing Entity has relied on the Contractor's skill or judgment, (d) the Product is designed and manufactured in a commercially reasonable manner, and (e) the Product is free of defects. Upon breach of the warranty, the Contractor will repair or replace (at no charge to the Purchasing Entity) the Product whose nonconformance is discovered and made known to the If the repaired and/or replaced Product proves to be Contractor. inadequate, or fails of its essential purpose, the Contractor will refund the full amount of any payments that have been made. The rights and remedies of the parties under this warranty are in addition to any other rights and remedies of the parties provided by law or equity, including, without limitation, actual damages, and, as applicable and awarded under the law, to a prevailing party, reasonable attorneys' fees and costs.

K. Title of Product

Upon Acceptance by the Purchasing Entity, Contractor shall convey to Purchasing Entity title to the Product free and clear of all liens, encumbrances, or other security interests. Transfer of title to the Product shall include an irrevocable and perpetual license to use any Embedded

Software in the Product. If Purchasing Entity subsequently transfers title of the Product to another entity, Purchasing Entity shall have the right to transfer the license to use the Embedded Software with the transfer of Product title. A subsequent transfer of this software license shall be at no additional cost or charge to either Purchasing Entity or Purchasing Entity's transferee.

L. License of Pre-Existing Intellectual Property

Contractor grants to the Purchasing Entity a nonexclusive, perpetual, royalty-free, irrevocable, license to use, publish, translate, reproduce, transfer with any sale of tangible media or Product, perform, display, and dispose of the Intellectual Property, and its derivatives, used or delivered under this Master Agreement, but not created under it ("Pre-existing Intellectual Property"). The Contractor shall be responsible for ensuring that this license is consistent with any third party rights in the Pre-existing Intellectual Property.

VI. Labor Categories and Hourly Rates

A. Minimum Qualifications

- **1.** Labor categories shall exhibit the following qualities:
 - a. Proficiency in MS Office (Word, Excel, PowerPoint and Outlook).
 - b. Effective oral and written communication skills.
 - c. Ability to work independently or in a team environment.
 - d. Exhibit a high degree of professionalism in the production of deliverables and in interactions with fellow employees and client personnel.
- 2. Selected Labor Categories are consolidations and serve multiple specialties that fulfill the needed services in the acquisition lifecycle.
- 3. The Minimum Qualifications are not intended to be exhaustive or all inclusive. They are intended to allow placement of appropriately skilled personnel.
- **4.** Additional duties may also be included per Labor Categories that are not specifically listed, (i.e., Other duties as assigned).
- **5.** Exhibit 1 provides minimum qualifications expected of each labor category when a Purchasing Entity contracts for acquisition support services.

B. Hourly Rates

- 1. Hourly rates are fully-burdened rates inclusive of all cost factors, (e.g. direct labor, indirect labor, G&A, and profit), excluding travel price per labor category and other Purchasing Entities' taxes, i.e. sales tax or general excise tax.
- 2. Hourly rates shall remain the same during the base period (two years).
- 3. Hourly rates, in optional periods, were allowed to be adjusted at no more than a 2% inflation rate. See Exhibit 2 for Contractor's labor category hourly rates.
- **4.** All rates shall be guaranteed for each year as part of the Master Agreement. Requests for price adjustment, other than the adjusted price offered (See Exhibit 2), shall not be considered.

C. Off-site vs. On-site

- 1. Off-site means the Contractor's Place of Work
- 2. On-site means the Government (any state or political subdivision)
 Place of Work

VII. General Provisions

A. Insurance

- 1. Unless otherwise agreed in a Participating Addendum, Contractor shall, during the term of this Master Agreement, maintain in full force and effect, the insurance described in this section. Contractor shall acquire such insurance from an insurance carrier or carriers licensed to conduct business in each Participating Entity's state and having a rating of A-, Class VII or better, in the most recently published edition of A.M. Best's Insurance Reports. Failure to buy and maintain the required insurance may result in this Master Agreement's termination or, at a Participating Entity's option, result in termination of its Participating Addendum.
- 2. Coverage shall be written on an occurrence basis. The minimum acceptable limits shall be as indicated below:
 - a. Commercial General Liability covering premises operations, independent contractors, products and completed operations, blanket contractual liability, personal injury (including death), advertising liability, and property damage, with a limit of not less than \$1 million per occurrence/\$2 million general aggregate;

b. Automobile Liability \$1,000,000 per accident

c. Professional Liability \$1,000,000 per claim \$2,000,000 aggregate

Professional Liability shall be required from Contractors or subcontractors providing professional services requiring a license to conduct its business such as an engineer, architect, accountant, lawyer, information technology services etc.

Each insurance policy required by this contract (with the exception of the Professional Liability policy), including a Subcontractor's policy, shall contain the following clauses:

- "The Purchasing Entity is added as an additional insured as respects to operations performed for the Purchasing Entity."
- 2) "It is agreed that any insurance maintained by the Purchasing Entity will apply in excess of, and not contribute with, insurance provided by this policy."
- d. Contractor must comply with any applicable State Workers Compensation or Employers Liability Insurance requirements.
- e. A Waiver of Subrogation shall apply to the General Liability, Automobile Liability and Worker's Compensation insurance policies and shall be in favor of the Purchasing Entity.
- 3. Contractor shall pay premiums on all insurance policies. Contractor shall provide notice to a Participating Entity who is a state within five (5) business days after Contractor is first aware of expiration, cancellation or nonrenewal of such policy or is first aware that cancellation is threatened or expiration, nonrenewal or expiration otherwise may occur.
- 4. Prior to commencement of performance, Contractor shall provide to the Lead State a written endorsement to the Contractor's general liability insurance policy or other documentary evidence acceptable to the Lead State that (1) names the Participating States identified in the Request for Proposal as additional insureds, (2) provides that written notice of cancellation shall be delivered in accordance with the policy provisions, and (3) provides that the Contractor's liability insurance policy shall be primary, with any liability insurance of any

Participating State as secondary and noncontributory. Unless otherwise agreed in any Participating Addendum, other state Participating Entities' rights and Contractor's obligations are the same as those specified in the first sentence of this subsection except the endorsement is provided to the applicable state.

- 5. Contractor shall furnish to the Lead State copies of certificates of all required insurance in a form sufficient to show required coverage within thirty (30) calendar days of the execution of this Master Agreement and prior to performing any work. Copies of renewal certificates of all required insurance shall be furnished within thirty (30) days after any renewal date to the applicable state Participating Entity. Failure to provide evidence of coverage may, at the sole option of the Lead State, or any Participating Entity, result in this Master Agreement's termination or the termination of any Participating Addendum.
- **6**. Coverage and limits shall not limit Contractor's liability and obligations under this Master Agreement, any Participating Addendum, or any Purchase Order.

B. Records Administration and Audit

- 1. The Contractor shall maintain books, records, documents, and other evidence pertaining to this Master Agreement and Orders placed by Purchasing Entities under it to the extent and in such detail as shall adequately reflect performance and administration of payments and fees. Contractor shall permit the Lead State, a Participating Entity, a Purchasing Entity, the federal government (including its grant awarding entities and the U.S. Comptroller General), and any other duly authorized agent of a governmental agency, to audit, inspect. examine, copy and/or transcribe Contractor's books, documents, papers and records directly pertinent to this Master Agreement or orders placed by a Purchasing Entity under it for the purpose of making audits, examinations, excerpts, and transcriptions. This right shall survive for a period of five (5) years following termination of this Agreement or final payment for any order placed by a Purchasing Entity against this Agreement, whichever is later, or such longer period as is required by the Purchasing Entity's state statutes, to assure compliance with the terms hereof or to evaluate performance hereunder.
- 2. Without limiting any other remedy available to any governmental entity, the Contractor shall reimburse the applicable Lead State, Participating Entity, or Purchasing Entity for any overpayments inconsistent with the terms of the Master Agreement or Orders or

- underpayment of fees found as a result of the examination of the Contractor's records.
- 3. The rights and obligations herein exist in addition to any quality assurance obligation in the Master Agreement requiring the Contractor to self-audit contract obligations and that permits the Lead State to review compliance with those obligations.

C. Confidentiality, Non-Disclosure, and Injunctive Relief

- 1. Confidentiality. Contractor acknowledges that it and its employees or agents may, in the course of providing a Product under this Master Agreement, be exposed to or acquire information that is confidential to Purchasing Entity or Purchasing Entity's clients. Any and all information of any form that is marked as confidential or would by its nature be deemed confidential obtained by Contractor or its employees or agents in the performance of this Master Agreement, including, but not necessarily limited to (1) any Purchasing Entity's records, (2) personnel records, and (3) information concerning individuals, is confidential information of Purchasing Entity ("Confidential Information"). Any reports or other documents or items (including software) that result from the use of the Confidential Information by Contractor shall be treated in the same manner as the Confidential Information. Confidential Information does not include information that (1) is or becomes (other than by disclosure by Contractor) publicly known; (2) is furnished by Purchasing Entity to others without restrictions similar to those imposed by this Master Agreement; (3) is rightfully in Contractor's possession without the obligation of nondisclosure prior to the time of its disclosure under this Master Agreement; (4) is obtained from a source other than Purchasing Entity without the obligation of confidentiality. (5) is disclosed with the written consent of Purchasing Entity or; (6) is independently developed by employees, agents or subcontractors of Contractor who can be shown to have had no access to the Confidential Information.
- 2. Non-Disclosure. Contractor shall hold Confidential Information in confidence, using at least the industry standard of confidentiality, and shall not copy, reproduce, sell, assign, license, market, transfer or otherwise dispose of, give, or disclose Confidential Information to third parties or use Confidential Information for any purposes whatsoever other than what is necessary to the performance of Orders placed under this Master Agreement. Contractor shall advise each of its employees and agents of their obligations to keep Confidential Information confidential. Contractor shall use commercially reasonable efforts to assist Purchasing Entity in identifying and preventing any unauthorized use or disclosure of any

Confidential Information. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, Contractor shall advise Purchasing Entity, applicable Participating Entity, and the Lead State immediately if Contractor learns or has reason to believe that any person who has had access to Confidential Information has violated or intends to violate the terms of this Master Agreement, and Contractor shall at its expense cooperate with Purchasing Entity in seeking injunctive or other equitable relief in the name of Purchasing Entity or Contractor against any such person. Except as directed by Purchasing Entity, Contractor will not at any time during or after the term of this Master Agreement disclose, directly or indirectly, any Confidential Information to any person, except in accordance with this Master Agreement, and that upon termination of this Master Agreement or at Purchasing Entity's request, Contractor shall turn over to Purchasing Entity all documents, papers, and other matter in Contractor's possession that embody Confidential Information. Notwithstanding the foregoing, Contractor may keep one copy of such Confidential Information necessary for quality assurance, audits and evidence of the performance of this Master Agreement.

- 3. Injunctive Relief. Contractor acknowledges that breach of this section, including disclosure of any Confidential Information, will cause irreparable injury to Purchasing Entity that is inadequately compensable in damages. Accordingly, Purchasing Entity may seek and obtain injunctive relief against the breach or threatened breach of the foregoing undertakings, in addition to any other legal remedies that may be available. Contractor acknowledges and agrees that the covenants contained herein are necessary for the protection of the legitimate business interests of Purchasing Entity and are reasonable in scope and content.
- **4.** Purchasing Entity Law. These provisions shall be applicable only to extent they are not in conflict with the applicable public disclosure laws of any Purchasing Entity.
- 5. The rights granted Purchasing Entities and Contractor obligations under this section shall also extend to the cooperative's Confidential Information, defined to include Participating Addenda, as well as Orders or transaction data relating to Orders under this Master Agreement that identify the entity/customer, Order dates, line item descriptions and volumes, and prices/rates. This provision does not apply to disclosure to the Lead State, a Participating State, or any governmental entity exercising an audit, inspection, or examination pursuant to section 23. To the extent permitted by law, Contractor shall notify the Lead State of the identify of any entity seeking access to the Confidential Information described in this subsection.

D. Public Information

This Master Agreement and all related documents are subject to disclosure pursuant to the Purchasing Entity's public information laws.

E. Assignment/Subcontracts

- 1. Contractor shall not assign, sell, transfer, subcontract or sublet rights, or delegate responsibilities under this Master Agreement, in whole or in part, without the prior written approval of the Lead State.
- 2. The Lead State reserves the right to assign any rights or duties, including written assignment of contract administration duties to NASPO Cooperative Purchasing Organization LLC, doing business as NASPO ValuePoint and other third parties.

F. Changes in Contractor Representation

The Contractor must notify the Lead State of changes in the Contractor's key administrative personnel managing the Master Agreement in writing within ten (10) calendar days of the change. The Lead State reserves the right to approve changes in key personnel, as identified in the Contractor's proposal. The Contractor agrees to propose replacement key personnel having substantially equal or better education, training, and experience as was possessed by the key person proposed and evaluated in the Contractor's proposal.

G. Independent Contractor

The Contractor shall be an independent contractor. Contractor shall have no authorization, express or implied, to bind the Lead State, Participating States, other Participating Entities, or Purchasing Entities to any agreements, settlements, liability or understanding whatsoever, and agrees not to hold itself out as agent except as expressly set forth herein or as expressly agreed in any Participating Addendum.

H. Cancellation

Unless otherwise stated, this Master Agreement may be canceled by either party upon 60 days written notice prior to the effective date of the cancellation. Further, any Participating Entity may cancel its participation upon thirty (30) days written notice, unless otherwise limited or stated in the Participating Addendum. Cancellation may be in whole or in part. Any cancellation under this provision shall not affect the rights and obligations attending orders outstanding at the time of cancellation, including any right of a Purchasing Entity to indemnification by the Contractor, rights of payment for Products delivered and accepted, rights attending any warranty or default in performance in association with any Order, and requirements for records administration and audit. Cancellation of the Master Agreement

as a result of Contractor default may be immediate.

I. Force Majeure

Neither party to this Master Agreement shall be held responsible for delay or default caused by fire, riot, unusually severe weather, other acts of God, or war which are beyond that party's reasonable control. The Lead State may terminate this Master Agreement after determining such delay or default will reasonably prevent successful performance of the Master Agreement.

J. Defaults and Remedies

- 1. The occurrence of any of the following events shall be an event of default under this Master Agreement:
 - **a.** Nonperformance of contractual requirements; or
 - **b.** A material breach of any term or condition of this Master Agreement; or
 - **c.** Any certification, representation or warranty by Contractor in response to the solicitation or in this Master Agreement that proves to be untrue or materially misleading; or
 - d. Institution of proceedings under any bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization or similar law, by or against Contractor, or the appointment of a receiver or similar officer for Contractor or any of its property, which is not vacated or fully stayed within thirty (30) calendar days after the institution or occurrence thereof; or
 - **e.** Any default specified in another section of this Master Agreement.
- 2. Upon the occurrence of an event of default, the Lead State shall issue a written notice of default, identifying the nature of the default, and providing a period of fifteen (15) calendar days in which Contractor shall have an opportunity to cure the default. The Lead State shall not be required to provide advance written notice or a cure period and may immediately terminate this Master Agreement in whole or in part if the Lead State, in its sole discretion, determines that it is reasonably necessary to preserve public safety or prevent immediate public crisis. Time allowed for cure shall not diminish or eliminate Contractor's liability for damages, including liquidated damages to the extent provided for under this Master Agreement.
- 3. If Contractor is afforded an opportunity to cure and fails to cure the default within the period specified in the written notice of default, Contractor shall be in breach of its obligations under this Master Agreement and the Lead State shall have the right to exercise any or all of the following remedies:

- a. Exercise any remedy provided by law; and
- b. Terminate this Master Agreement and any related Contracts or portions thereof; and
- c. Impose liquidated damages as provided in this Master Agreement; and
- d. Suspend Contractor from being able to respond to future bid solicitations; and
- e. Suspend Contractor's performance; and
- f. Withhold payment until the default is remedied.
- 4. Unless otherwise specified in the Participating Addendum, in the event of a default under a Participating Addendum, a Participating Entity shall provide a written notice of default as described in this section and shall have all of the rights and remedies under this paragraph regarding its participation in the Master Agreement, in addition to those set forth in its Participating Addendum. Unless otherwise specified in a Purchase Order, a Purchasing Entity shall provide written notice of default as described in this section and have all of the rights and remedies under this paragraph and any applicable Participating Addendum with respect to an Order placed by the Purchasing Entity. Nothing in these Master Agreement Terms and Conditions shall be construed to limit the rights and remedies available to a Purchasing Entity under the applicable commercial code.

K. Waiver of Breach

Failure of the Lead State, Participating Entity, or Purchasing Entity to declare a default or enforce any rights and remedies shall not operate as a waiver under this Master Agreement or Participating Addendum. Any waiver by the Lead State, Participating Entity, or Purchasing Entity must be in writing. Waiver by the Lead State or Participating Entity of any default, right or remedy under this Master Agreement or Participating Addendum, or by Purchasing Entity with respect to any Purchase Order, or breach of any terms or requirements of this Master Agreement, a Participating Addendum, or Purchase Order shall not be construed or operate as a waiver of any subsequent default or breach of such term or requirement, or of any other term or requirement under this Master Agreement, Participating Addendum, or Purchase Order.

L. Debarment

The Contractor certifies that neither it nor its principals are presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this transaction (contract) by any governmental department or agency. This certification represents a recurring certification made at the time any Order is placed under this Master Agreement. If the Contractor cannot certify this statement, attach a

written explanation for review by the Lead State.

M. Indemnification

- The Contractor shall defend, indemnify and hold harmless NASPO, NASPO Cooperative Purchasing Organization LLC (doing business as NASPO ValuePoint), Participating Entities, and Purchasing Entities, along with their officers, agents, and employees as well as any person or entity for which they may be liable, from and against third-party claims, damages or causes of action including reasonable attorneys' fees and related costs for any death, injury, or damage to tangible property arising from act(s), error(s), or omission(s) of the Contractor, its employees or subcontractors or volunteers, at any tier, relating to the performance under the Master Agreement.
- 2. Indemnification Intellectual Property. The Contractor shall defend, indemnify and hold harmless NASPO, NASPO Cooperative Purchasing Organization LLC (doing business as NASPO ValuePoint), Participating Entities, Purchasing Entities, along with their officers, agents, and employees as well as any person or entity for which they may be liable ("Indemnified Party"), from and against claims, damages or causes of action including reasonable attorneys' fees and related costs arising out of the claim that the Product or its use, infringes Intellectual Property rights ("Intellectual Property Claim") of another person or entity.
 - a. The Contractor's obligations under this section shall not extend to any combination of the Product with any other product, system or method, unless the Product, system or method is:
 - 1) provided by the Contractor or the Contractor's subsidiaries or affiliates:
 - 2) specified by the Contractor to work with the Product; or
 - reasonably required, in order to use the Product in its intended manner, and the infringement could not have been avoided by substituting another reasonably available product, system or method capable of performing the same function; or
 - 4) It would be reasonably expected to use the Product in combination with such product, system or method.

b. The Indemnified Party shall notify the Contractor within a reasonable time after receiving notice of an Intellectual Property Claim. Even if the Indemnified Party fails to provide reasonable notice, the Contractor shall not be relieved from its obligations unless the Contractor can demonstrate that it was prejudiced in defending the Intellectual Property Claim resulting in increased expenses or loss to the Contractor. If the Contractor promptly and reasonably investigates and defends any Intellectual Property Claim, it shall have control over the defense and settlement of it. The Indemnified Party, however, must consent in writing for any money damages or obligations for which it may be responsible. The Indemnified Party shall furnish, at the Contractor's reasonable request and expense, information and assistance necessary for such defense. If the Contractor fails to vigorously pursue the defense or settlement of the Intellectual Property Claim, the Indemnified Party may assume the defense or settlement of it and the Contractor shall be liable for all costs and expenses, including reasonable attorneys' fees and related costs, incurred by the Indemnified Party in the pursuit of the Intellectual Property Claim. Unless otherwise agreed in writing, this section is not subject to any limitations of liability in this Master Agreement or in any other document executed in conjunction with this Master Agreement.

N. No Waiver of Sovereign Immunity

In no event shall this Master Agreement, any Participating Addendum or any contract or any Purchase Order issued thereunder, or any act of the Lead State, a Participating Entity, or a Purchasing Entity be a waiver of any form of defense or immunity, whether sovereign immunity, governmental immunity, immunity based on the Eleventh Amendment to the Constitution of the United States or otherwise, from any claim or from the jurisdiction of any court.

This section applies to a claim brought against the Participating Entities who are states only to the extent Congress has appropriately abrogated the state's sovereign immunity and is not consent by the state to be sued in federal court. This section is also not a waiver by the state of any form of immunity, including but not limited to sovereign immunity and immunity based on the Eleventh Amendment to the Constitution of the United States.

O. Governing Law and Venue

1. The procurement, evaluation, and award of the Master Agreement shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the Lead State sponsoring and administering the procurement. The construction and effect of the Master Agreement after award shall be governed by the law of the state serving as Lead State. The construction and effect of any Participating Addendum or Order against the Master Agreement shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the Participating Entity's or Purchasing Entity's State.

- 2. Unless otherwise specified in the RFP, the venue for any protest, claim, dispute or action relating to the procurement, evaluation, and award is in the Lead State. Venue for any claim, dispute or action concerning the terms of the Master Agreement shall be in the state serving as Lead State. Venue for any claim, dispute, or action concerning any Order placed against the Master Agreement or the effect of a Participating Addendum shall be in the Purchasing Entity's State.
- 3. If a claim is brought in a federal forum, then it must be brought and adjudicated solely and exclusively within the United States District Court for (in decreasing order of priority): the Lead State for claims relating to the procurement, evaluation, award, or contract performance or administration if the Lead State is a party; a Participating State if a named party; the state where the Participating Entity or Purchasing Entity is located if either is a named party.

P. Assignment of Antitrust Rights

Contractor irrevocably assigns to a Participating Entity who is a state any claim for relief or cause of action which the Contractor now has or which may accrue to the Contractor in the future by reason of any violation of state or federal antitrust laws (15 U.S.C. § 1-15 or a Participating Entity's state antitrust provisions), as now in effect and as may be amended from time to time, in connection with any goods or services provided in that state for the purpose of carrying out the Contractor's obligations under this Master Agreement or Participating Addendum, including, at the Participating Entity's option, the right to control any such litigation on such claim for relief or cause of action.

Q. Contract Provisions for Orders Utilizing Federal Funds

Pursuant to Appendix II to 2 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Part 200, Contract Provisions for Non-Federal Entity Contracts Under Federal Awards, Orders funded with federal funds may have additional contractual requirements or certifications that must be satisfied at the time the Order is placed or upon delivery. These federal requirements may be proposed by Participating Entities in Participating Addenda and Purchasing Entities for incorporation in Orders placed under this Master Agreement.

R. Leasing or Alternative Financing Methods

The procurement and other applicable laws of some Purchasing Entities

may permit the use of leasing or alternative financing methods for the acquisition of Products under this Master Agreement. Where the terms and conditions are not otherwise prescribed in an applicable Participating Addendum, the terms and conditions for leasing or alternative financing methods are subject to negotiation between the Contractor and Purchasing Entity.

THE PARTIES HERETO HAVE EXECUTED THIS MASTER AGREEMENT

*Persons signing for Contractor hereby swear and affirm that they are authorized to act on Contractor's behalf and acknowledge that the Lead State is relying on their representations to that effect.

CONTRACTOR	STATE OF HAWAII
Sine Cera Consulting, LLC	Sarah Allen, Administrator State Procurement Office
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Date: 20 May 2019	Date: 6 20 19

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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Deputy Attorney General

LABOR CATEGORIES								
Labor Category	Minimum Qualification(s)							
Program Director (Key Personnel)	 Must have at a minimum: Bachelor's Degree or higher from an accredited college or university in a related field. Ten or more years of progressive experience in managing significant projects and processes. Must have the ability to manage and direct large and complex project tasks covering contract administration which may include acquisition planning, RFP/IFB preparation, market research, cost and price analysis, evaluation of performance, contract termination, and contract closeout. Ability to research and define multiple project scopes, schedules, and targets. Provides expert advice and guidance to agency senior level staff members. 							
	Preferred Qualifications Project Management certification Master's Degree or higher							
	 Must have at a minimum: Bachelor's Degree or higher from an accredited college or university in a relatedfield. Eight or more years of providing management for multiple projects/tasks and ongoing operational efforts Must have the ability to provide technical knowledge on the effectiveness and efficiency of government programs. 							
Program Manager	 Able to apply advanced or specialized knowledge of the nature of agency programs and activities, agency policies and objectives Possessing the analytical and evaluative methods and techniques for assessing program development and execution. 							
	Preferred Qualifications • Project Management certification • Master's Degree or higher							

	LABOR CATEGORIES
Labor Category	Minimum Qualifications(s)
Subject Matter Expert III	 Must have at a minimum: Bachelor's Degree or higher from an accredited college or university in a related field. Fifteen (15) or more years of progressive experience and possess extensive knowledge when advising on large and high complex project/programs. Must have the ability to analyze project requirements and develop strategic solutions and plans to meet agency's needs. Able to provide highly technical and specialized guidance concerning solutions to complex problems. Demonstrates executive decision-making skills and judgment. Applies principles and methods of the subject matter to specialized solutions.
	Preferred Qualifications Project Management certification Master's Degree or higher
Subject Matter Expert II	 Must have at a minimum: Bachelor's Degree or higher from an accredited college or university in a related field. Eight (8) or more years of progressive experience and possess extensive knowledge when advising on large and high complex project/programs. Must have the ability to analyze project requirements and develop strategic solutions and plans to meet agency's needs. Able to provide highly technical and specialized guidance concerning solutions to complex problems. Demonstrates executive decision-making skills and judgment. Applies principles and methods of the subject matter to specialized solutions. Preferred Qualifications Project Management certification Master's Degree or higher
Subject Matter Expert I	Must have at a minimum: Bachelor's Degree or higher from an accredited college or university in a related field. Five (5) or more years of progressive experience Must have the ability to analyze project requirements and develop strategic solutions and plans to meet agency's needs. Able to provide highly technical and specialized guidance concerning solutions to complex problems. Applies principles and methods of the subject matter to specialized solutions. Preferred Qualifications Project Management certification Master's Degree or higher

LABOR CATEGORIES								
Labor Category	Minimum Qualifications(s)							
Acquisition Support Specialist III	 Must have at a minimum: Bachelor's Degree or higher from an accredited college or university in a related field. Eight (8) or more years of providing a broad range of complex acquisition management support services. Must have the ability read and interpret each State's acquisition policy, regulations, and directives and apply those interpretations fully and legally to all activities described in the Statement of Work (SOW.) Able to analyze cost and pricing data, assistance in proposal evaluations, and 							
(Key Personnel)	 assistance in preparing contract negotiations. Preferred Qualifications Certification from a nationally recognized organization such as NCMA, UPPCC or DAU. Master's Degree or higher in Business Administration, Business Law, or Public Administration 							
Acquisition Support Specialist II	 Must have at a minimum: Bachelor's Degree or higher from an accredited college or university in a related field. Five (5) or more years of providing a broad range of complex acquisition management support services. Must have the ability read and interpret each State's acquisition policy, regulations, and directives and apply those interpretations fully and legally to all activities described in the Statement of Work (SOW.) Able to analyze cost and pricing data, assistance in proposal evaluations, and assistance in preparing contract negotiations. Preferred Qualifications Certification from a nationally recognized organization such as NCM, UPPCC or DAU. Master's Degree or higher in Business Administration, Business Law, or Public 							
Acquisition Support Specialist I	 Administration Must have at a minimum: Bachelor's Degree or higher from an accredited college or university in a related field. Three (3) or more years of providing a broad range of complex acquisition management support services. Must have the ability read and interpret each State's acquisition policy, regulations, and directives and apply those interpretations fully and legally to all activities described in the Statement of Work (SOW.) Able to analyze cost and pricing data, assistance in proposal evaluations, and assistance in preparing contract negotiations. 							
	Preferred Qualifications							

	LABOR CATEGORIES
Labor Category	Minimum Qualification(s)
Analyst II	 Must have at a minimum: Bachelor's Degree or higher from an accredited college or university in a related field. Five (5) or more years of relevant experience in developing and applying analytic methodologies. Ability to lead the application of analytic techniques and assist in defining the project objectives, methodologies, and principles. Perform a wide variety of analytical tasks with the continuous improvement of processes, personnel, organization, system, or training.
	Preferred Qualifications Business Data Analytics Certificate, Cost Estimator/Analyst Certification, CPA License Master's Degree
Analyst I	 Must have at a minimum: Bachelor's Degree or higher from an accredited college or university in a related field. Three (3) or more years of relevant experience in developing and applying analytic methodologies. Ability to lead the application of analytic techniques and assist in defining the project objectives, methodologies, and principles. Perform a wide variety of analytical tasks with the continuous improvement of processes, personnel, organization, system, or training.
	Preferred Qualifications Business Data Analytics Certificate, Cost Estimator/Analyst Certification, CPA License

Field Name	Field Description
VENDOR NAME	The awarded Contractor's name
VENDOR CONTRACT NUMBER	Lead State assigned contract number (using Lead State's numbering protocol)
STATE	State postal abbreviation code (Alaska = AK, Missouri = MO, etc.)
	State Gov't, Education-K12, Education-HED, Local Gov't, Medical, Other - are acceptable
CUSTOMER TYPE (SEGMENT)	segments. [determined by industrial practice for each contract - uniform for each contract]
BILL TO NAME	Customer (agency) Bill to name
BILL TO ADDRESS	Customer (agency) Bill to address
BILL TO CITY	Customer (agency) Bill to city
BILL TO ZIPCODE	Zip code in standard 5-4 format [standard 5 digits is acceptable, formatted as a zip code]
ORDER NUMBER	Vendor assigned order number
CUSTOMER PO NUMBER	Customer provided Purchase Order Number
CUSTOMER NUMBER	Vendor assigned account number for the purchasing entity
	Sales order, Credit/Return, Upgrade/Downgrade, etc. [determined by industrial practice for
ORDER TYPE	each contract - uniform for each contract]
PO DATE (ORDER DATE)	(mm/dd/ccyy)
INVOICE DATE	(mm/dd/ccyy)
INVOICE NUMBER	Vendor assigned Invoice Number
CATEGORY NUMBER	Category number of purchased services
CATEGORY DESCRIPTION	Description of purchased services
LABOR CATEGORY	Title of Labor Category
NASPO ValuePoint PRICE	NASPO ValuePoint Price- US Currency (\$99999.999) - Labor category hourly price
NUMBER OF HOURS	Total number of hours
TOTAL PRICE	Extended Price (hourly price multiplied by the hours invoiced) - US Currency (\$99999999999999)
NASPO ValuePoint ADMIN FEE	Administrative Fee based on Total Price - US Currency (\$999999.999)

Exhibit 3 - SAMPLE NASPO VALUEPOINT DETAILED SALES DATA REPORT

Contractor: Quarter:

| No Quarterly Sales

	Vendor Contract		Customer	Bill to	Bill to		Bill to	Order	Customer	Customer			Invoice	Invoice	Category	Category	Labor	NASPO ValuePoint Labor Category	Number of		
Vendor Name	Number	State	Type	Name	Address	Bill to City	Zipcode	Number	PO Number	Number	Order Type	PO Date	Date	Number	Number	Description	Category	Price	Hours	Total Price	Admin Fee
																Specifications /Scope of	Acquisition Support				
Ameda, Inc.	CA-12345	CA	Local Gov't	A37565 COU	725 EAST SA	A SAN JOSE	95126	Sales Order #	40356934	A37565	Invoice	3/3/2017	3/17/2017	21326	Category Or	า Work Review		\$400.00	50	\$20,000.00	\$50.00
																Cost & Pricing					
Ameda, Inc.	CA-12345	CA	K-12	A73613 STAT	PO BOX 997	3 SACRAMENT	00009-5899	Sales Order #	£ 16-PO-00515	A73613	Invoice	3/2/2017	3/17/2017	21328	Category Fi	vı Analysis	Analyst II	\$500.00	55	\$27,500.00	\$68.75

Procurement of Acquisition Support Services (PASS) RFP-18-18-002-SW NASPO ValuePoint Master Agreement Terms and Conditions

SINE CERA CONSULTING, LLC

Exhibit 2 - Hourly Labor Rates

	Base Period	: Year 1 and 2	Optional Per	iod: Year 3	Optional Pe	riod: Year 4	Optional Period: Year 5		
Labor Categories	Fully Burdened Hourly Rate - Off-site	Fully Burdened Hourly Rate - On-site	Fully Burdened Hourly Rate - Off-site	Fully Burdened Hourly Rate - On-site	Fully Burdened Hourly Rate - Off-site	Fully Burdened Hourly Rate - On-site	Fully Burdened Hourly Rate - Off-site	Fully Burdened Hourly Rate - On-site	
Program Director	\$146.59	\$133.40	\$148.79	\$135.40	\$151.03	\$137.43	\$153.29	\$139.49	
Program Manager	\$134.02	\$121.96	\$136.03	\$123.79	\$138.07	\$125.65	\$140.14	\$127.53	
Subject Matter Expert III	\$205.23	\$186.76	\$208.31	\$189.56	\$211.43	\$192.41	\$214.61	\$195.29	
Subject Matter Expert II	\$139.69	\$127.12	\$141.78	\$129.02	\$143.91	\$130.96	\$146.07	\$132.92	
Subject Matter Expert I	\$118.92	\$108.22	\$120.70	\$109.84	\$122.51	\$111.49	\$124.35	\$113.16	
Acquisition Support Specialist III	\$100.05	\$91.04	\$101.55	\$92.41	\$103.07	\$93.79	\$104.61	\$95.20	
Acquisition Support Specialist II	\$96.65	\$87.95	\$98.10	\$89.27	\$99.57	\$90.61	\$101.06	\$91.97	
Acquisition Support Specialist I	\$86.32	\$78.55	\$87.62	\$79.73	\$88.93	\$80.93	\$90.26	\$82.14	
Analyst II	\$96.65	\$87.95	\$98.10	\$89.27	\$99.57	\$90.61	\$101.06	\$91.97	
Analyst I	\$86.32	\$78.55	\$87.62	\$79.73	\$88.93	\$80.93	\$90.26	\$82.14	
Note:		m, Contractor off-site, in eacl	•	orices noted f	for each labo	or category,			
		Defin	itions:						
Off-site	e Offeror's P	lace of Work							

On-site Government (any state or political subdivision) Place of Work



STATE OF HAWAII

SUPPLEMENTAL CONTRACT NO. 1

TO CONTRACT

RFP-18-002-SW; SPO VL Contract No. 19-19

(Insert contract number or other identifying information) This Supplemental Contract No. , executed on the respective dates June 29 indicated below, is effective as of , between the State Procurement Office . State of Hawaii (Insert name of state department, agency, board or commission) ("STATE"), by its Procurement Officer (Insert title of state officer executing contract) (hereafter also referred to as the HEAD OF THE PURCHASING AGENCY or designee ("HOPA")), 1151 Punchbowl Street, Room 416; Honolulu, HI 96813 whose address is Business Management Research Associates, Inc. (BMRA) ("CONTRACTOR"), corporation (Insert corporation, partnership, joint venture, sole proprietorship. or other legal form of the CONTRACTOR) under the laws of the State of Virginia , whose business address and federal and state taxpayer identification numbers are as follows: 9817 Godwin Drive, Suite 202; Manassas, VA; 20110 FED: 54-0943738; STATE: FR 2094500444801 RECITALS WHEREAS, the STATE and the CONTRACTOR entered into Contract RFP-18-002-SW; SPO VL Contract No. 19-19 (Insert contract number or other identifying information) June 20 ontract No(s). dated , which was amended by Supplemental Contract No(s). dated , which was amended by Supplemental Contract No(s). dated (hereafter collectively referred to as "Contract"), whereby the dated CONTRACTOR agreed to provide the goods or services, or both, described in the Contract; and WHEREAS, the parties now desire to amend the Contract. NOW, THEREFORE, the STATE and the CONTRACTOR mutually agree to amend the Contract as follows: (Check Applicable box(es)) Amend the SCOPE OF SERVICES according to the terms set forth in Attachment-S1, which is made a part of the Contract. Amend the COMPENSATION AND PAYMENT SCHEDULE according to the terms set forth in Attachment-S2, which is made a part of the Contract. Amend the TIME OF PERFORMANCE according to the terms set forth in Attachment-S3, which is made a part of the Contract. Amend the SPECIAL CONDITIONS according to the terms set forth in Attachment-S6 SUPPLEMENTAL SPECIAL CONDITIONS, which is made a part of the Contract. Recognize the CONTRACTOR'S change of name. Change of name, address FEIN and HI State Tax ID FROM:

8036 Springhope Drive; Catlett, VA 20119 Federal: 46-4179022 State: GE40-5046272-01

Sine Cera Consulting, LLC

TO:	Business Management Research Associates, Inc. (BMRA)
	9817 Godwin Drive, Suite 202
	Manassas, VA 20110
	Federal: 54-0943738 State: FR209450444801
As set forti	h in the documents attached hereto as Exhibit 1 , and incorporated
herein.	, and moorporated
	ance certificate from the State of Hawaii x is is not required to be ior to commencing any performance under this Supplemental Contract.
	rance certificate from the Internal Revenue Service x is is not required TE prior to commencing any performance under this Supplemental Contract.
The entire Contract	t, as amended herein, shall remain in full force and effect.
IN VIEW OF THE	ABOVE, the parties execute this Contract by their signatures, on the dates
below, to be effective as of	the date first above written.
FUNDING AGENCY: (if other	*
contracting agency)	Jonne 9 Kakakew
Ву	(Signature)
Signature	Bonnie Kahakui (Print Name)
PRINT NAME:	Procurement Officer
DIRECTOR OF	(Print Title) June 29, 2020
DATE:	
	CONTRACTOR
CORPORATE SEAL	
(If available)	Business Management Research Associates, Inc. (BMRA) (Name of Contractor) (Signature)
	Grank - Coyner (Print Name)
	(Print Title) June 3, 2020 (Date)
APPROVED AS TO FOR	RM:
/s/ Stella M.L. Kam	
Deputy Attorney General	

^{*} Evidence of authority of the CONTRACTOR'S representative to sign this Contract for the CONTRACTOR must be attached.



8036 Springhope Drive, Catlett, VA 20119 626-676-1316 www.SineCera-LLC.com

Sunday, March 1, 2020

Hawaii State Procurement Office Attn: Ms. Don Tsuruda-Kashiwabara 1151 Punchbowl Street, Room 416 Honolulu, HI 96813

Hawaii State Procurement Office:

I have received and accepted an offer of purchase of Sine Cera Consulting, LLC, from Business Management Research Associates, Inc. (BMRA).

BMRA is the largest, service disabled veteran owned small business providing procurement and related training and consulting to the government and commercial entities. With over 100, highly qualified, instructor/consultants, BMRA conducts over 350 courses annually throughout the United States and overseas for over 35 federal, state, local, and commercial agencies.

BMRA also provides expert consulting to a number of federal and state agencies within the areas of acquisition, procurement, finance, and program support. By purchasing Sine Cera, BMRA will expand its support to State and Local governments through the NASPO ValuePoint Acquisition Support Services contract 19-19-14.

Mr. Gray Coyner, CEO of BMRA, and I have worked together on projects while we were both on active duty military and more recently as retired veterans. I am 100% confident that Gray and his staff will provide superior support to the Hawaii SPO and all future Participating Entities.

I will continue to personally assist with Task Order 001 and see the task through to completion. There will be no staff changes on the TO. In the coming weeks, however, BMRA will be reaching out to you regarding necessary steps to implement a novation agreement and transfer of invoicing, payment, and registration with the State of Hawaii.

You can reach Gray Coyner at (703) 691-0868 extension 24 or via email gcoyner@bmra.com At your convenience, Gray and I would like to set up a joint teleconference with you to discuss novation.

Thank you for your trust and confidence in Sine Cera! It has been a pleasure to support the SPO. Under BMRA, support will be even better!

John L. Coombs

Owner, Managing Director Sine Cera Consulting, LLC

STATE OF HAWAII



CONTRACTOR'S STANDARDS OF CONDUCT DECLARATION

For the purposes of this declaration:

"Agency" means and includes the State, the legislature and its committees, all executive departments, boards, commissions, committees, bureaus, offices; and all independent commissions and other establishments of the state government but excluding the courts.

"Controlling interest" means an interest in a business or other undertaking which is sufficient in fact to control, whether the interest is greater or less than fifty per cent (50%).

"Employee" means any nominated, appointed, or elected officer or employee of the State, including members of boards, commissions, and committees, and employees under contract to the State or of the constitutional convention, but excluding legislators, delegates to the constitutional convention, justices, and judges. (Section 84-3, HRS).

On behalf of __Business Management Research Associates, Inc. (BMRA) ____, CONTRACTOR, the undersigned does declare as follows:

- 1. CONTRACTOR is is is not a legislator or an employee or a business in which a legislator or an employee has a controlling interest. (Section 84-15(a), HRS).
- 2. CONTRACTOR has not been represented or assisted personally in the matter by an individual who has been an employee of the agency awarding this Contract within the preceding two years and who participated while so employed in the matter with which the Contract is directly concerned. (Section 84-15(b), HRS).
- 3. CONTRACTOR has not been assisted or represented by a legislator or employee for a fee or other compensation to obtain this Contract and will not be assisted or represented by a legislator or employee for a fee or other compensation in the performance of this Contract, if the legislator or employee had been involved in the development or award of the Contract. (Section 84-14 (d), HRS).
- 4. CONTRACTOR has not been represented on matters related to this Contract, for a fee or other consideration by an individual who, within the past twelve (12) months, has been an agency employee, or in the case of the Legislature, a legislator, and participated while an employee or legislator on matters related to this Contract. (Sections 84-18(b) and (c), HRS).

CONTRACTOR understands that the Contract to which this document is attached is voidable on behalf of the STATE if this Contract was entered into in violation of any provision of chapter 84, Hawaii Revised Statutes, commonly referred to as the Code of Ethics, including the provisions which are the source of the declarations above. Additionally, any fee, compensation, gift, or profit received by any person as a result of a violation of the Code of Ethics may be recovered by the STATE.

*Reminder to Agency: If the "is" block is checked and if the Contract involves goods or services of a value in excess of \$10,000, the Contract must be awarded by competitive sealed bidding under section 103D-302, HRS, or a competitive sealed proposal under section 103D-303, HRS. Otherwise, the Agency may not award the Contract unless it posts a notice of its intent to award it and files a copy of the notice with the State Ethics Commission. (Section 84-15(a), HRS).

CONTRACTOR
By OX Com
Print Name Gray L. Coyner
Print Title CEO
Name of Contractor Business Management Research Associates, Inc. (BMRA)
Date June 3, 2020



STATE OF HAWAII SPECIAL CONDITIONS

Supplemental Agreement 1 adds FEMA Special Provisions as show on Exhibit A.

SPECIAL PROVISIONS

(REQUIRED FEMA DISASTER PROVISIONS)

1. Administrative, Contractual, or Legal Remedies

For all contracts greater or equal to \$150,000, which is the current Simplified Acquisition Threshold set by the Civilian Agency Acquisition Council and the Defense Acquisition Regulations Council pursuant to 41 U.S.C. § 1908, Contractor agrees to be bound by the administrative, contractual, or legal remedies set forth in the State of Hawaii, General Conditions (AG-008), which govern contractors' violation or breach of contract terms and appropriate sanctions and penalties.

2. Termination for Cause and for Convenience

For all contracts in excess of \$10,000, Contractor agrees to be bound by the termination for cause and for convenience provisions set forth in the State of Hawaii, General Conditions (AG-008).

3. Equal Employment Opportunity

If this contract is for construction, Contractor agrees, pursuant to the requirements provided in 2 C.F.R. Part 200, Appendix II, and 41 C.F.R. § 60-1.4(b), as follows:

(A) Contractor will not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, or national origin. The contractor will take affirmative action to ensure that applicants are employed, and that employees are treated during employment without regard to their race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, or national origin. Such action shall include, but not be limited to the following:

Employment, upgrading, demotion, or transfer; recruitment or recruitment advertising; layoff or termination; rates of pay or other forms of compensation; and selection for training, including apprenticeship. The contractor agrees to post in conspicuous places, available to employees and applicants for employment, notices to be provided setting forth the provisions of this nondiscrimination clause.

(B) Contractor will, in all solicitations or advertisements for employees placed by or on behalf of the contractor, state that all qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, or national origin.

- (C) Contractor will not discharge or in any other manner discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because such employee or applicant has inquired about, discussed, or disclosed the compensation of the employee or applicant or another employee or applicant. This provision shall not apply to instances in which an employee who has access to the compensation information of other employees or applicants as a part of such employee's essential job functions discloses the compensation of such other employees or applicants to individuals who do not otherwise have access to such information, unless such disclosure is in response to a formal complaint or charge, in furtherance of an investigation, proceeding, hearing, or action, including an investigation conducted by the employer, or is consistent with the contractor's legal duty to furnish information.
- (D) Contractor will send to each labor union or representative of workers with which he has a collective bargaining agreement or other contract or understanding, a notice to be provided advising the said labor union or workers' representatives of the contractor's commitments under this section, and shall post copies of the notice in conspicuous places available to employees and applicants for employment.
- (E) Contractor will comply with all provisions of Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965 [Part I Nondiscrimination in Government Employment; Part II Nondiscrimination in Employment by Government Contractors and Subcontractors; Part III Nondiscrimination Provisions in Federally Assisted Construction Contracts], and the rules, regulations, and relevant orders of the Secretary of Labor.
- (F) Contractor will furnish all information and reports required by Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, and by rules, regulations, and orders of the Secretary of Labor, or pursuant thereto, and will permit access to his books, records, and accounts by the administering agency and the Secretary of Labor for purposes of investigation to ascertain compliance with such rules, regulations, and orders.
- (G) In the event of Contractor's noncompliance with the nondiscrimination clauses of this contract or with any of the said rules, regulations, or orders, this contract may be canceled, terminated, or suspended in whole or in part and Contractor may be declared ineligible for further Government contracts or federally assisted construction contracts in accordance with procedures authorized in Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, and such other sanctions may be imposed and remedies invoked as provided in Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, or by rule, regulation, or order of the Secretary of Labor, or as otherwise provided by law.
- (H) Contractor also agrees to include the following language in every subcontract or purchase order (unless exempted by rules, regulations, or orders of

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the Secretary of Labor issued pursuant to section 204 of Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965), followed by the provisions of subparagraphs (A) through (G) in this paragraph 3, so that such provisions will be binding upon each subcontractor or yendor.

Contractor shall incorporate or cause to be incorporated into any contract for construction work, or modification thereof, as defined in the regulations of the Secretary of Labor at 41 C.F.R. chapter 60, which is paid for in whole or in part with funds obtained from the federal government or borrowed on the credit of the federal government pursuant to a grant, contract, loan, insurance, or guarantee, or undertaken pursuant to any federal program involving such grant, contract, loan, insurance or guarantee, the following equal opportunity clause:

[followed by Subsections (A) through (G)]

Contractor will take such action with respect to any subcontract or purchase order as the administering agency may direct as a means of enforcing such provisions, including sanctions for non-compliance, provided, however, that in the event Contractor becomes involved in, or is threatened with, litigation with a subcontractor or vendor as a result of such direction by the administering agency, the contractor may request the United States to enter into such litigation to protect the interests of the United States.

4. Davis-Bacon Act

If the Davis-Bacon Act, 40 U.S.C. §§ 3141-3148, is applicable to this contract, Contractor agrees to comply with all provisions of the Davis-Bacon Act and shall pay wages to laborers and mechanics at a rate not less than the prevailing wages specified in a wage determination made by the Secretary of Labor. Contractor also agrees to pay wages not less than once a week. Contractor accepts the current prevailing wage determination issued by the federal Department of Labor. Contractor also agrees to comply with the Copeland "Anti Kickback" Act, 40 U.S.C. § 3145 and Department of Labor regulations, 29 C.F.R. Part 3, and shall not induce, by any means, any person employed in the construction, completion, or repair of public work, to give up any part of the compensation to which he or she is otherwise entitled. The State shall report all suspected or reported violations of the Copeland Anti Kickback Act to FEMA.

To the extent applicable, Contractor's subcontracts shall also require subcontractor to comply with the Davis-Bacon Act, 40 U.S.C. §§ 3141-3148, the Copeland Anti Kickback Act, 40 U.S.C. § 3145, and 29 C.F.R. Part 3, and Contractor shall be responsible for the compliance by any subcontractor or lower tier subcontractor with all of these contract clauses.

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5. Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act

If this contract is in excess of \$100,000 and involves the employment of mechanics or laborers, Contractor agrees to comply with the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act, 40 U.S.C. §§ 3701-3708, and the accompanying Department of Labor regulations, 29 C.F.R. Part 5. Contractor, pursuant to 40 U.S.C. § 3702, shall compute the wages of every mechanic and laborer on the basis of a standard work week of 40 hours. Work in excess of the standard work week is permissible provided that the Contractor shall compensate the worker at a rate of not less than one and a half times the basic rate of pay for all hours worked in excess of 40 hours in the work week. If this contract includes construction work, Contractor shall not require any laborer or mechanic performing work under this contract to perform such work in surroundings or under working conditions which are unsanitary, hazardous or dangerous, provided however, that such requirements shall not apply for purchases of supplies or materials or of articles ordinarily available on the open market, or for contracts for transportation.

6. Clean Air Act and Federal Water Pollution Control Act

Contractor agrees to comply with paragraph 40 (Pollution Control) of the State of Hawaii, General Conditions (AG-008), and all applicable standards, orders or regulations issued pursuant to the Clean Air Act, 42 U.S.C. §§ 7401-7671q, and the Federal Water Pollution Control Act, as amended, 33 U.S.C. §§ 1251-1387, and will report violations to FEMA and the Regional office of the Environmental Protection Agency.

7. Energy Efficiency

To the extent applicable to this contract, Contractor agrees to comply with all applicable mandatory standards and policies relating to energy efficiency of the State.

8. Excluded Parties List System

Contractor understands and agrees that if Contractor is listed on the government-wide Excluded Parties List System in the System for Award Management at www.SAM.gov as suspended or debarred, Contractor cannot be awarded this contract.

9. Byrd Anti-Lobbying Amendment

If this contract is for an award of \$100,000 or more, Contractor shall file a written declaration with the State agency identified as the contracting agency for this project certifying that Contractor has not and will not use federally appropriated funds to pay any person or organization for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any federal agency, a member of Congress, officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a member of Congress in connection with obtaining any federal contract, grant or any other award covered by 31 U.S.C. § 1352. Included within the written declaration shall be the name of any registrant under the Lobbying Disclosure Act of 1995 who has made lobbying contacts on behalf of Contractor with respect to this contract. Contractor also agrees to disclose any lobbying with non-federal funds that takes place in connection with obtaining any federal award.

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10. Recovered and Recycled Materials

To the extent applicable to this contract, Contractor agrees to comply with section 6002 of the Solid Waste Disposal Act, as amended by the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act. Section 6002 requires Contractor to use only items, designated in guidelines of the Environmental Protection Agency at 40 C.F.R. part 247, that contain the highest percentage of recovered materials practicable, consistent with maintaining a satisfactory level of competition, where the purchase price of the item exceeds \$10,000.

GENERAL CONDITIONS

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GENERAL CONDITIONS

- 1. <u>Coordination of Services by the STATE.</u> The head of the purchasing agency ("HOPA") (which term includes the designee of the HOPA) shall coordinate the services to be provided by the CONTRACTOR in order to complete the performance required in the Contract. The CONTRACTOR shall maintain communications with HOPA at all stages of the CONTRACTOR'S work, and submit to HOPA for resolution any questions which may arise as to the performance of this Contract. "Purchasing agency" as used in these General Conditions means and includes any governmental body which is authorized under chapter 103D, HRS, or its implementing rules and procedures, or by way of delegation, to enter into contracts for the procurement of goods or services or both.
- 2. Relationship of Parties: Independent Contractor Status and Responsibilities, Including Tax Responsibilities.
 - a. In the performance of services required under this Contract, the CONTRACTOR is an "independent contractor," with the authority and responsibility to control and direct the performance and details of the work and services required under this Contract; however, the STATE shall have a general right to inspect work in progress to determine whether, in the STATE'S opinion, the services are being performed by the CONTRACTOR in compliance with this Contract. Unless otherwise provided by special condition, it is understood that the STATE does not agree to use the CONTRACTOR exclusively, and that the CONTRACTOR is free to contract to provide services to other individuals or entities while under contract with the STATE.
 - b. The CONTRACTOR and the CONTRACTOR'S employees and agents are not by reason of this Contract, agents or employees of the State for any purpose, and the CONTRACTOR and the CONTRACTOR'S employees and agents shall not be entitled to claim or receive from the State any vacation, sick leave, retirement, workers' compensation, unemployment insurance, or other benefits provided to state employees.
 - c. The CONTRACTOR shall be responsible for the accuracy, completeness, and adequacy of the CONTRACTOR'S performance under this Contract. Furthermore, the CONTRACTOR intentionally, voluntarily, and knowingly assumes the sole and entire liability to the CONTRACTOR'S employees and agents, and to any individual not a party to this Contract, for all loss, damage, or injury caused by the CONTRACTOR, or the CONTRACTOR'S employees or agents in the course of their employment.
 - d. The CONTRACTOR shall be responsible for payment of all applicable federal, state, and county taxes and fees which may become due and owing by the CONTRACTOR by reason of this Contract, including but not limited to (i) income taxes, (ii) employment related fees, assessments, and taxes, and (iii) general excise taxes. The CONTRACTOR also is responsible for obtaining all licenses, permits, and certificates that may be required in order to perform this Contract.
 - e. The CONTRACTOR shall obtain a general excise tax license from the Department of Taxation, State of Hawaii, in accordance with section 237-9, HRS, and shall comply with all requirements thereof. The CONTRACTOR shall obtain a tax clearance certificate from the Director of Taxation, State of Hawaii, and the Internal Revenue Service, U.S. Department of the Treasury, showing that all delinquent taxes, if any, levied or accrued under state law and the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, against the CONTRACTOR have been paid and submit the same to the STATE prior to commencing any performance under this Contract. The CONTRACTOR shall also be solely responsible for meeting all requirements necessary to obtain the tax clearance certificate required for final payment under sections 103-53 and 103D-328, HRS, and paragraph 17 of these General Conditions.
 - f. The CONTRACTOR is responsible for securing all employee-related insurance coverage for the CONTRACTOR and the CONTRACTOR'S employees and agents that is or may be required by law, and for payment of all premiums, costs, and other liabilities associated with securing the insurance coverage.

- g. The CONTRACTOR shall obtain a certificate of compliance issued by the Department of Labor and Industrial Relations, State of Hawaii, in accordance with section 103D-310, HRS, and section 3-122-112, HAR, that is current within six months of the date of issuance.
- h. The CONTRACTOR shall obtain a certificate of good standing issued by the Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs, State of Hawaii, in accordance with section 103D-310, HRS, and section 3-122-112, HAR, that is current within six months of the date of issuance.
- i. In lieu of the above certificates from the Department of Taxation, Labor and Industrial Relations, and Commerce and Consumer Affairs, the CONTRACTOR may submit proof of compliance through the State Procurement Office's designated certification process.

3. Personnel Requirements.

- a. The CONTRACTOR shall secure, at the CONTRACTOR'S own expense, all personnel required to perform this Contract.
- b. The CONTRACTOR shall ensure that the CONTRACTOR'S employees or agents are experienced and fully qualified to engage in the activities and perform the services required under this Contract, and that all applicable licensing and operating requirements imposed or required under federal, state, or county law, and all applicable accreditation and other standards of quality generally accepted in the field of the activities of such employees and agents are complied with and satisfied.
- 4. <u>Nondiscrimination.</u> No person performing work under this Contract, including any subcontractor, employee, or agent of the CONTRACTOR, shall engage in any discrimination that is prohibited by any applicable federal, state, or county law.
- 5. <u>Conflicts of Interest.</u> The CONTRACTOR represents that neither the CONTRACTOR, nor any employee or agent of the CONTRACTOR, presently has any interest, and promises that no such interest, direct or indirect, shall be acquired, that would or might conflict in any manner or degree with the CONTRACTOR'S performance under this Contract.
- 6. <u>Subcontracts and Assignments.</u> The CONTRACTOR shall not assign or subcontract any of the CONTRACTOR'S duties, obligations, or interests under this Contract and no such assignment or subcontract shall be effective unless (i) the CONTRACTOR obtains the prior written consent of the STATE, and (ii) the CONTRACTOR'S assignee or subcontractor submits to the STATE a tax clearance certificate from the Director of Taxation, State of Hawaii, and the Internal Revenue Service, U.S. Department of Treasury, showing that all delinquent taxes, if any, levied or accrued under state law and the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, against the CONTRACTOR'S assignee or subcontractor have been paid. Additionally, no assignment by the CONTRACTOR of the CONTRACTOR'S right to compensation under this Contract shall be effective unless and until the assignment is approved by the Comptroller of the State of Hawaii, as provided in section 40-58, HRS.
 - a. Recognition of a successor in interest. When in the best interest of the State, a successor in interest may be recognized in an assignment contract in which the STATE, the CONTRACTOR and the assignee or transferee (hereinafter referred to as the "Assignee") agree that:
 - (1) The Assignee assumes all of the CONTRACTOR'S obligations;
 - (2) The CONTRACTOR remains liable for all obligations under this Contract but waives all rights under this Contract as against the STATE; and
 - (3) The CONTRACTOR shall continue to furnish, and the Assignee shall also furnish, all required bonds.
 - b. <u>Change of name.</u> When the CONTRACTOR asks to change the name in which it holds this Contract with the STATE, the procurement officer of the purchasing agency (hereinafter referred to as the "Agency procurement officer") shall, upon receipt of a document acceptable or satisfactory to the

Agency procurement officer indicating such change of name (for example, an amendment to the CONTRACTOR'S articles of incorporation), enter into an amendment to this Contract with the CONTRACTOR to effect such a change of name. The amendment to this Contract changing the CONTRACTOR'S name shall specifically indicate that no other terms and conditions of this Contract are thereby changed.

- c. <u>Reports.</u> All assignment contracts and amendments to this Contract effecting changes of the CONTRACTOR'S name or novations hereunder shall be reported to the chief procurement officer (CPO) as defined in section 103D-203(a), HRS, within thirty days of the date that the assignment contract or amendment becomes effective.
- d. <u>Actions affecting more than one purchasing agency.</u> Notwithstanding the provisions of subparagraphs 6a through 6c herein, when the CONTRACTOR holds contracts with more than one purchasing agency of the State, the assignment contracts and the novation and change of name amendments herein authorized shall be processed only through the CPO's office.
- 7. <u>Indemnification and Defense.</u> The CONTRACTOR shall defend, indemnify, and hold harmless the State of Hawaii, the contracting agency, and their officers, employees, and agents from and against all liability, loss, damage, cost, and expense, including all attorneys' fees, and all claims, suits, and demands therefore, arising out of or resulting from the acts or omissions of the CONTRACTOR or the CONTRACTOR'S employees, officers, agents, or subcontractors under this Contract. The provisions of this paragraph shall remain in full force and effect notwithstanding the expiration or early termination of this Contract.
- 8. <u>Cost of Litigation.</u> In case the STATE shall, without any fault on its part, be made a party to any litigation commenced by or against the CONTRACTOR in connection with this Contract, the CONTRACTOR shall pay all costs and expenses incurred by or imposed on the STATE, including attorneys' fees.
- 9. <u>Liquidated Damages.</u> When the CONTRACTOR is given notice of delay or nonperformance as specified in paragraph 13 (Termination for Default) and fails to cure in the time specified, it is agreed the CONTRACTOR shall pay to the STATE the amount, if any, set forth in this Contract per calendar day from the date set for cure until either (i) the STATE reasonably obtains similar goods or services, or both, if the CONTRACTOR is terminated for default, or (ii) until the CONTRACTOR provides the goods or services, or both, if the CONTRACTOR is not terminated for default. To the extent that the CONTRACTOR'S delay or nonperformance is excused under paragraph 13d (Excuse for Nonperformance or Delay Performance), liquidated damages shall not be assessable against the CONTRACTOR. The CONTRACTOR remains liable for damages caused other than by delay.
- 10. STATE'S Right of Offset. The STATE may offset against any monies or other obligations the STATE owes to the CONTRACTOR under this Contract, any amounts owed to the State of Hawaii by the CONTRACTOR under this Contract or any other contracts, or pursuant to any law or other obligation owed to the State of Hawaii by the CONTRACTOR, including, without limitation, the payment of any taxes or levies of any kind or nature. The STATE will notify the CONTRACTOR in writing of any offset and the nature of such offset. For purposes of this paragraph, amounts owed to the State of Hawaii shall not include debts or obligations which have been liquidated, agreed to by the CONTRACTOR, and are covered by an installment payment or other settlement plan approved by the State of Hawaii, provided, however, that the CONTRACTOR shall be entitled to such exclusion only to the extent that the CONTRACTOR is current with, and not delinquent on, any payments or obligations owed to the State of Hawaii under such payment or other settlement plan.
- 11. <u>Disputes.</u> Disputes shall be resolved in accordance with section 103D-703, HRS, and chapter 3-126, Hawaii Administrative Rules ("HAR"), as the same may be amended from time to time.
- 12. <u>Suspension of Contract.</u> The STATE reserves the right at any time and for any reason to suspend this Contract for any reasonable period, upon written notice to the CONTRACTOR in accordance with the provisions herein.
 - a. <u>Order to stop performance</u>. The Agency procurement officer may, by written order to the CONTRACTOR, at any time, and without notice to any surety, require the CONTRACTOR to stop all or any part of the performance called for by this Contract. This order shall be for a specified

period not exceeding sixty (60) days after the order is delivered to the CONTRACTOR, unless the parties agree to any further period. Any such order shall be identified specifically as a stop performance order issued pursuant to this section. Stop performance orders shall include, as appropriate: (1) A clear description of the work to be suspended; (2) Instructions as to the issuance of further orders by the CONTRACTOR for material or services; (3) Guidance as to action to be taken on subcontracts; and (4) Other instructions and suggestions to the CONTRACTOR for minimizing costs. Upon receipt of such an order, the CONTRACTOR shall forthwith comply with its terms and suspend all performance under this Contract at the time stated, provided, however, the CONTRACTOR shall take all reasonable steps to minimize the occurrence of costs allocable to the performance covered by the order during the period of performance stoppage. Before the stop performance order expires, or within any further period to which the parties shall have agreed, the Agency procurement officer shall either:

- (1) Cancel the stop performance order; or
- (2) Terminate the performance covered by such order as provided in the termination for default provision or the termination for convenience provision of this Contract.
- b. <u>Cancellation or expiration of the order.</u> If a stop performance order issued under this section is cancelled at any time during the period specified in the order, or if the period of the order or any extension thereof expires, the CONTRACTOR shall have the right to resume performance. An appropriate adjustment shall be made in the delivery schedule or contract price, or both, and the Contract shall be modified in writing accordingly, if:
 - (1) The stop performance order results in an increase in the time required for, or in the CONTRACTOR'S cost properly allocable to, the performance of any part of this Contract; and
 - (2) The CONTRACTOR asserts a claim for such an adjustment within thirty (30) days after the end of the period of performance stoppage; provided that, if the Agency procurement officer decides that the facts justify such action, any such claim asserted may be received and acted upon at any time prior to final payment under this Contract.
- c. <u>Termination of stopped performance</u>. If a stop performance order is not cancelled and the performance covered by such order is terminated for default or convenience, the reasonable costs resulting from the stop performance order shall be allowable by adjustment or otherwise.
- d. <u>Adjustment of price</u>. Any adjustment in contract price made pursuant to this paragraph shall be determined in accordance with the price adjustment provision of this Contract.

13. Termination for Default.

- a. <u>Default.</u> If the CONTRACTOR refuses or fails to perform any of the provisions of this Contract with such diligence as will ensure its completion within the time specified in this Contract, or any extension thereof, otherwise fails to timely satisfy the Contract provisions, or commits any other substantial breach of this Contract, the Agency procurement officer may notify the CONTRACTOR in writing of the delay or non-performance and if not cured in ten (10) days or any longer time specified in writing by the Agency procurement officer, such officer may terminate the CONTRACTOR'S right to proceed with the Contract or such part of the Contract as to which there has been delay or a failure to properly perform. In the event of termination in whole or in part, the Agency procurement officer may procure similar goods or services in a manner and upon the terms deemed appropriate by the Agency procurement officer. The CONTRACTOR shall continue performance of the Contract to the extent it is not terminated and shall be liable for excess costs incurred in procuring similar goods or services.
- b. <u>CONTRACTOR'S duties.</u> Notwithstanding termination of the Contract and subject to any directions from the Agency procurement officer, the CONTRACTOR shall take timely, reasonable, and

necessary action to protect and preserve property in the possession of the CONTRACTOR in which the STATE has an interest.

- c. <u>Compensation.</u> Payment for completed goods and services delivered and accepted by the STATE shall be at the price set forth in the Contract. Payment for the protection and preservation of property shall be in an amount agreed upon by the CONTRACTOR and the Agency procurement officer. If the parties fail to agree, the Agency procurement officer shall set an amount subject to the CONTRACTOR'S rights under chapter 3-126, HAR. The STATE may withhold from amounts due the CONTRACTOR such sums as the Agency procurement officer deems to be necessary to protect the STATE against loss because of outstanding liens or claims and to reimburse the STATE for the excess costs expected to be incurred by the STATE in procuring similar goods and services.
- d. Excuse for nonperformance or delayed performance. The CONTRACTOR shall not be in default by reason of any failure in performance of this Contract in accordance with its terms, including any failure by the CONTRACTOR to make progress in the prosecution of the performance hereunder which endangers such performance, if the CONTRACTOR has notified the Agency procurement officer within fifteen (15) days after the cause of the delay and the failure arises out of causes such as: acts of God; acts of a public enemy; acts of the State and any other governmental body in its sovereign or contractual capacity; fires; floods; epidemics; quarantine restrictions; strikes or other labor disputes; freight embargoes; or unusually severe weather. If the failure to perform is caused by the failure of a subcontractor to perform or to make progress, and if such failure arises out of causes similar to those set forth above, the CONTRACTOR shall not be deemed to be in default, unless the goods and services to be furnished by the subcontractor were reasonably obtainable from other sources in sufficient time to permit the CONTRACTOR to meet the requirements of the Contract. Upon request of the CONTRACTOR, the Agency procurement officer shall ascertain the facts and extent of such failure, and, if such officer determines that any failure to perform was occasioned by any one or more of the excusable causes, and that, but for the excusable cause, the CONTRACTOR'S progress and performance would have met the terms of the Contract, the delivery schedule shall be revised accordingly, subject to the rights of the STATE under this Contract. As used in this paragraph, the term "subcontractor" means subcontractor at any tier.
- e. <u>Erroneous termination for default.</u> If, after notice of termination of the CONTRACTOR'S right to proceed under this paragraph, it is determined for any reason that the CONTRACTOR was not in default under this paragraph, or that the delay was excusable under the provisions of subparagraph 13d, "Excuse for nonperformance or delayed performance," the rights and obligations of the parties shall be the same as if the notice of termination had been issued pursuant to paragraph 14.
- f. Additional rights and remedies. The rights and remedies provided in this paragraph are in addition to any other rights and remedies provided by law or under this Contract.

14. <u>Termination for Convenience.</u>

- a. <u>Termination</u>. The Agency procurement officer may, when the interests of the STATE so require, terminate this Contract in whole or in part, for the convenience of the STATE. The Agency procurement officer shall give written notice of the termination to the CONTRACTOR specifying the part of the Contract terminated and when termination becomes effective.
- b. <u>CONTRACTOR'S obligations</u>. The CONTRACTOR shall incur no further obligations in connection with the terminated performance and on the date(s) set in the notice of termination the CONTRACTOR will stop performance to the extent specified. The CONTRACTOR shall also terminate outstanding orders and subcontracts as they relate to the terminated performance. The CONTRACTOR shall settle the liabilities and claims arising out of the termination of subcontracts and orders connected with the terminated performance subject to the STATE'S approval. The Agency procurement officer may direct the CONTRACTOR to assign the CONTRACTOR'S right, title, and interest under terminated orders or subcontracts to the STATE. The CONTRACTOR must still complete the performance not terminated by the notice of termination and may incur obligations as necessary to do so.

- c. <u>Right to goods and work product.</u> The Agency procurement officer may require the CONTRACTOR to transfer title and deliver to the STATE in the manner and to the extent directed by the Agency procurement officer:
 - (1) Any completed goods or work product; and
 - (2) The partially completed goods and materials, parts, tools, dies, jigs, fixtures, plans, drawings, information, and contract rights (hereinafter called "manufacturing material") as the CONTRACTOR has specifically produced or specially acquired for the performance of the terminated part of this Contract.

The CONTRACTOR shall, upon direction of the Agency procurement officer, protect and preserve property in the possession of the CONTRACTOR in which the STATE has an interest. If the Agency procurement officer does not exercise this right, the CONTRACTOR shall use best efforts to sell such goods and manufacturing materials. Use of this paragraph in no way implies that the STATE has breached the Contract by exercise of the termination for convenience provision.

d. <u>Compensation.</u>

- (1) The CONTRACTOR shall submit a termination claim specifying the amounts due because of the termination for convenience together with the cost or pricing data, submitted to the extent required by chapter 3-122, HAR, bearing on such claim. If the CONTRACTOR fails to file a termination claim within one year from the effective date of termination, the Agency procurement officer may pay the CONTRACTOR, if at all, an amount set in accordance with subparagraph 14d(3) below.
- (2) The Agency procurement officer and the CONTRACTOR may agree to a settlement provided the CONTRACTOR has filed a termination claim supported by cost or pricing data submitted as required and that the settlement does not exceed the total Contract price plus settlement costs reduced by payments previously made by the STATE, the proceeds of any sales of goods and manufacturing materials under subparagraph 14c, and the Contract price of the performance not terminated.
- (3) Absent complete agreement under subparagraph 14d(2) the Agency procurement officer shall pay the CONTRACTOR the following amounts, provided payments agreed to under subparagraph 14d(2) shall not duplicate payments under this subparagraph for the following:
 - (A) Contract prices for goods or services accepted under the Contract;
 - (B) Costs incurred in preparing to perform and performing the terminated portion of the performance plus a fair and reasonable profit on such portion of the performance, such profit shall not include anticipatory profit or consequential damages, less amounts paid or to be paid for accepted goods or services; provided, however, that if it appears that the CONTRACTOR would have sustained a loss if the entire Contract would have been completed, no profit shall be allowed or included and the amount of compensation shall be reduced to reflect the anticipated rate of loss;
 - (C) Costs of settling and paying claims arising out of the termination of subcontracts or orders pursuant to subparagraph 14b. These costs must not include costs paid in accordance with subparagraph 14d(3)(B);
 - (D) The reasonable settlement costs of the CONTRACTOR, including accounting, legal, clerical, and other expenses reasonably necessary for the preparation of settlement claims and supporting data with respect to the terminated portion of the Contract and for the termination of subcontracts thereunder, together with reasonable storage, transportation, and other costs incurred in connection with the protection or disposition of property allocable to the terminated portion of this Contract. The total sum to be paid the CONTRACTOR under this subparagraph shall not exceed the

total Contract price plus the reasonable settlement costs of the CONTRACTOR reduced by the amount of payments otherwise made, the proceeds of any sales of supplies and manufacturing materials under subparagraph 14d(2), and the contract price of performance not terminated.

- (4) Costs claimed, agreed to, or established under subparagraphs 14d(2) and 14d(3) shall be in accordance with Chapter 3-123 (Cost Principles) of the Procurement Rules.
- 15. Claims Based on the Agency Procurement Officer's Actions or Omissions.
 - a. <u>Changes in scope.</u> If any action or omission on the part of the Agency procurement officer (which term includes the designee of such officer for purposes of this paragraph 15) requiring performance changes within the scope of the Contract constitutes the basis for a claim by the CONTRACTOR for additional compensation, damages, or an extension of time for completion, the CONTRACTOR shall continue with performance of the Contract in compliance with the directions or orders of such officials, but by so doing, the CONTRACTOR shall not be deemed to have prejudiced any claim for additional compensation, damages, or an extension of time for completion; provided:
 - (1) <u>Written notice required.</u> The CONTRACTOR shall give written notice to the Agency procurement officer:
 - (A) Prior to the commencement of the performance involved, if at that time the CONTRACTOR knows of the occurrence of such action or omission;
 - (B) Within thirty (30) days after the CONTRACTOR knows of the occurrence of such action or omission, if the CONTRACTOR did not have such knowledge prior to the commencement of the performance; or
 - (C) Within such further time as may be allowed by the Agency procurement officer in writing.
 - (2) Notice content. This notice shall state that the CONTRACTOR regards the act or omission as a reason which may entitle the CONTRACTOR to additional compensation, damages, or an extension of time. The Agency procurement officer, upon receipt of such notice, may rescind such action, remedy such omission, or take such other steps as may be deemed advisable in the discretion of the Agency procurement officer;
 - (3) <u>Basis must be explained.</u> The notice required by subparagraph 15a(1) describes as clearly as practicable at the time the reasons why the CONTRACTOR believes that additional compensation, damages, or an extension of time may be remedies to which the CONTRACTOR is entitled; and
 - (4) <u>Claim must be justified.</u> The CONTRACTOR must maintain and, upon request, make available to the Agency procurement officer within a reasonable time, detailed records to the extent practicable, and other documentation and evidence satisfactory to the STATE, justifying the claimed additional costs or an extension of time in connection with such changes.
 - b. <u>CONTRACTOR not excused.</u> Nothing herein contained, however, shall excuse the CONTRACTOR from compliance with any rules or laws precluding any state officers and CONTRACTOR from acting in collusion or bad faith in issuing or performing change orders which are clearly not within the scope of the Contract.
 - c. <u>Price adjustment.</u> Any adjustment in the price made pursuant to this paragraph shall be determined in accordance with the price adjustment provision of this Contract.
- 16. <u>Costs and Expenses.</u> Any reimbursement due the CONTRACTOR for per diem and transportation expenses under this Contract shall be subject to chapter 3-123 (Cost Principles), HAR, and the following guidelines:

- a. Reimbursement for air transportation shall be for actual cost or coach class air fare, whichever is less.
- b. Reimbursement for ground transportation costs shall not exceed the actual cost of renting an intermediate-sized vehicle.
- c. Unless prior written approval of the HOPA is obtained, reimbursement for subsistence allowance (i.e., hotel and meals, etc.) shall not exceed the applicable daily authorized rates for inter-island or out-of-state travel that are set forth in the current Governor's Executive Order authorizing adjustments in salaries and benefits for state officers and employees in the executive branch who are excluded from collective bargaining coverage.

17. Payment Procedures; Final Payment; Tax Clearance.

- a. <u>Original invoices required.</u> All payments under this Contract shall be made only upon submission by the CONTRACTOR of original invoices specifying the amount due and certifying that services requested under the Contract have been performed by the CONTRACTOR according to the Contract.
- b. <u>Subject to available funds.</u> Such payments are subject to availability of funds and allotment by the Director of Finance in accordance with chapter 37, HRS. Further, all payments shall be made in accordance with and subject to chapter 40, HRS.

c. Prompt payment.

- (1) Any money, other than retainage, paid to the CONTRACTOR shall be disbursed to subcontractors within ten (10) days after receipt of the money in accordance with the terms of the subcontract; provided that the subcontractor has met all the terms and conditions of the subcontract and there are no bona fide disputes; and
- (2) Upon final payment to the CONTRACTOR, full payment to the subcontractor, including retainage, shall be made within ten (10) days after receipt of the money; provided that there are no bona fide disputes over the subcontractor's performance under the subcontract.
- d. <u>Final payment</u>. Final payment under this Contract shall be subject to sections 103-53 and 103D-328, HRS, which require a tax clearance from the Director of Taxation, State of Hawaii, and the Internal Revenue Service, U.S. Department of Treasury, showing that all delinquent taxes, if any, levied or accrued under state law and the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, against the CONTRACTOR have been paid. Further, in accordance with section 3-122-112, HAR, CONTRACTOR shall provide a certificate affirming that the CONTRACTOR has remained in compliance with all applicable laws as required by this section.
- 18. Federal Funds. If this Contract is payable in whole or in part from federal funds, CONTRACTOR agrees that, as to the portion of the compensation under this Contract to be payable from federal funds, the CONTRACTOR shall be paid only from such funds received from the federal government, and shall not be paid from any other funds. Failure of the STATE to receive anticipated federal funds shall not be considered a breach by the STATE or an excuse for nonperformance by the CONTRACTOR.

19. Modifications of Contract.

- a. <u>In writing.</u> Any modification, alteration, amendment, change, or extension of any term, provision, or condition of this Contract permitted by this Contract shall be made by written amendment to this Contract, signed by the CONTRACTOR and the STATE, provided that change orders shall be made in accordance with paragraph 20 herein.
- b. <u>No oral modification.</u> No oral modification, alteration, amendment, change, or extension of any term, provision, or condition of this Contract shall be permitted.

- c. <u>Agency procurement officer.</u> By written order, at any time, and without notice to any surety, the Agency procurement officer may unilaterally order of the CONTRACTOR:
 - (A) Changes in the work within the scope of the Contract; and
 - (B) Changes in the time of performance of the Contract that do not alter the scope of the Contract work.
- d. <u>Adjustments of price or time for performance</u>. If any modification increases or decreases the CONTRACTOR'S cost of, or the time required for, performance of any part of the work under this Contract, an adjustment shall be made and this Contract modified in writing accordingly. Any adjustment in contract price made pursuant to this clause shall be determined, where applicable, in accordance with the price adjustment clause of this Contract or as negotiated.
- e. <u>Claim barred after final payment.</u> No claim by the CONTRACTOR for an adjustment hereunder shall be allowed if written modification of the Contract is not made prior to final payment under this Contract.
- f. <u>Claims not barred.</u> In the absence of a written contract modification, nothing in this clause shall be deemed to restrict the CONTRACTOR'S right to pursue a claim under this Contract or for a breach of contract.
- g. <u>Head of the purchasing agency approval.</u> If this is a professional services contract awarded pursuant to section 103D-303 or 103D-304, HRS, any modification, alteration, amendment, change, or extension of any term, provision, or condition of this Contract which increases the amount payable to the CONTRACTOR by at least \$25,000.00 and ten per cent (10%) or more of the initial contract price, must receive the prior approval of the head of the purchasing agency.
- h. <u>Tax clearance.</u> The STATE may, at its discretion, require the CONTRACTOR to submit to the STATE, prior to the STATE'S approval of any modification, alteration, amendment, change, or extension of any term, provision, or condition of this Contract, a tax clearance from the Director of Taxation, State of Hawaii, and the Internal Revenue Service, U.S. Department of Treasury, showing that all delinquent taxes, if any, levied or accrued under state law and the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, against the CONTRACTOR have been paid.
- i. <u>Sole source contracts.</u> Amendments to sole source contracts that would change the original scope of the Contract may only be made with the approval of the CPO. Annual renewal of a sole source contract for services should not be submitted as an amendment.
- 20. <u>Change Order.</u> The Agency procurement officer may, by a written order signed only by the STATE, at any time, and without notice to any surety, and subject to all appropriate adjustments, make changes within the general scope of this Contract in any one or more of the following:
 - (1) Drawings, designs, or specifications, if the goods or services to be furnished are to be specially provided to the STATE in accordance therewith;
 - (2) Method of delivery; or
 - (3) Place of delivery.
 - a. Adjustments of price or time for performance. If any change order increases or decreases the CONTRACTOR'S cost of, or the time required for, performance of any part of the work under this Contract, whether or not changed by the order, an adjustment shall be made and the Contract modified in writing accordingly. Any adjustment in the Contract price made pursuant to this provision shall be determined in accordance with the price adjustment provision of this Contract. Failure of the parties to agree to an adjustment shall not excuse the CONTRACTOR from proceeding with the Contract as changed, provided that the Agency procurement officer promptly and duly makes the provisional adjustments in payment or time for performance as may be reasonable. By

- proceeding with the work, the CONTRACTOR shall not be deemed to have prejudiced any claim for additional compensation, or any extension of time for completion.
- b. <u>Time period for claim.</u> Within ten (10) days after receipt of a written change order under subparagraph 20a, unless the period is extended by the Agency procurement officer in writing, the CONTRACTOR shall respond with a claim for an adjustment. The requirement for a timely written response by CONTRACTOR cannot be waived and shall be a condition precedent to the assertion of a claim.
- c. <u>Claim barred after final payment.</u> No claim by the CONTRACTOR for an adjustment hereunder shall be allowed if a written response is not given prior to final payment under this Contract.
- d. Other claims not barred. In the absence of a change order, nothing in this paragraph 20 shall be deemed to restrict the CONTRACTOR'S right to pursue a claim under the Contract or for breach of contract.

21. Price Adjustment.

- a. <u>Price adjustment.</u> Any adjustment in the contract price pursuant to a provision in this Contract shall be made in one or more of the following ways:
 - (1) By agreement on a fixed price adjustment before commencement of the pertinent performance or as soon thereafter as practicable;
 - (2) By unit prices specified in the Contract or subsequently agreed upon;
 - By the costs attributable to the event or situation covered by the provision, plus appropriate profit or fee, all as specified in the Contract or subsequently agreed upon;
 - (4) In such other manner as the parties may mutually agree; or
 - (5) In the absence of agreement between the parties, by a unilateral determination by the Agency procurement officer of the costs attributable to the event or situation covered by the provision, plus appropriate profit or fee, all as computed by the Agency procurement officer in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles and applicable sections of chapters 3-123 and 3-126, HAR.
- b. <u>Submission of cost or pricing data.</u> The CONTRACTOR shall provide cost or pricing data for any price adjustments subject to the provisions of chapter 3-122, HAR.
- 22. <u>Variation in Quantity for Definite Quantity Contracts</u>. Upon the agreement of the STATE and the CONTRACTOR, the quantity of goods or services, or both, if a definite quantity is specified in this Contract, may be increased by a maximum of ten per cent (10%); provided the unit prices will remain the same except for any price adjustments otherwise applicable; and the Agency procurement officer makes a written determination that such an increase will either be more economical than awarding another contract or that it would not be practical to award another contract.
- 23. <u>Changes in Cost-Reimbursement Contract.</u> If this Contract is a cost-reimbursement contract, the following provisions shall apply:
 - a. The Agency procurement officer may at any time by written order, and without notice to the sureties, if any, make changes within the general scope of the Contract in any one or more of the following:
 - (1) Description of performance (Attachment 1);
 - (2) Time of performance (i.e., hours of the day, days of the week, etc.);
 - (3) Place of performance of services;

- (4) Drawings, designs, or specifications when the supplies to be furnished are to be specially manufactured for the STATE in accordance with the drawings, designs, or specifications;
- (5) Method of shipment or packing of supplies; or
- (6) Place of delivery.
- b. If any change causes an increase or decrease in the estimated cost of, or the time required for performance of, any part of the performance under this Contract, whether or not changed by the order, or otherwise affects any other terms and conditions of this Contract, the Agency procurement officer shall make an equitable adjustment in the (1) estimated cost, delivery or completion schedule, or both; (2) amount of any fixed fee; and (3) other affected terms and shall modify the Contract accordingly.
- c. The CONTRACTOR must assert the CONTRACTOR'S rights to an adjustment under this provision within thirty (30) days from the day of receipt of the written order. However, if the Agency procurement officer decides that the facts justify it, the Agency procurement officer may receive and act upon a proposal submitted before final payment under the Contract.
- d. Failure to agree to any adjustment shall be a dispute under paragraph 11 of this Contract. However, nothing in this provision shall excuse the CONTRACTOR from proceeding with the Contract as changed.
- e. Notwithstanding the terms and conditions of subparagraphs 23a and 23b, the estimated cost of this Contract and, if this Contract is incrementally funded, the funds allotted for the performance of this Contract, shall not be increased or considered to be increased except by specific written modification of the Contract indicating the new contract estimated cost and, if this contract is incrementally funded, the new amount allotted to the contract.

24. Confidentiality of Material.

- a. All material given to or made available to the CONTRACTOR by virtue of this Contract, which is identified as proprietary or confidential information, will be safeguarded by the CONTRACTOR and shall not be disclosed to any individual or organization without the prior written approval of the STATE.
- b. All information, data, or other material provided by the CONTRACTOR to the STATE shall be subject to the Uniform Information Practices Act, chapter 92F, HRS.
- 25. <u>Publicity.</u> The CONTRACTOR shall not refer to the STATE, or any office, agency, or officer thereof, or any state employee, including the HOPA, the CPO, the Agency procurement officer, or to the services or goods, or both, provided under this Contract, in any of the CONTRACTOR'S brochures, advertisements, or other publicity of the CONTRACTOR. All media contacts with the CONTRACTOR about the subject matter of this Contract shall be referred to the Agency procurement officer.
- 26. Ownership Rights and Copyright. The STATE shall have complete ownership of all material, both finished and unfinished, which is developed, prepared, assembled, or conceived by the CONTRACTOR pursuant to this Contract, and all such material shall be considered "works made for hire." All such material shall be delivered to the STATE upon expiration or termination of this Contract. The STATE, in its sole discretion, shall have the exclusive right to copyright any product, concept, or material developed, prepared, assembled, or conceived by the CONTRACTOR pursuant to this Contract.
- 27. <u>Liens and Warranties.</u> Goods provided under this Contract shall be provided free of all liens and provided together with all applicable warranties, or with the warranties described in the Contract documents, whichever are greater.

- 28. <u>Audit of Books and Records of the CONTRACTOR</u>. The STATE may, at reasonable times and places, audit the books and records of the CONTRACTOR, prospective contractor, subcontractor, or prospective subcontractor which are related to:
 - a. The cost or pricing data, and
 - b. A state contract, including subcontracts, other than a firm fixed-price contract.
- 29. Cost or Pricing Data. Cost or pricing data must be submitted to the Agency procurement officer and timely certified as accurate for contracts over \$100,000 unless the contract is for a multiple-term or as otherwise specified by the Agency procurement officer. Unless otherwise required by the Agency procurement officer, cost or pricing data submission is not required for contracts awarded pursuant to competitive sealed bid procedures.

If certified cost or pricing data are subsequently found to have been inaccurate, incomplete, or noncurrent as of the date stated in the certificate, the STATE is entitled to an adjustment of the contract price, including profit or fee, to exclude any significant sum by which the price, including profit or fee, was increased because of the defective data. It is presumed that overstated cost or pricing data increased the contract price in the amount of the defect plus related overhead and profit or fee. Therefore, unless there is a clear indication that the defective data was not used or relied upon, the price will be reduced in such amount.

30. Audit of Cost or Pricing Data. When cost or pricing principles are applicable, the STATE may require an audit of cost or pricing data.

31. Records Retention.

- (1) Upon any termination of this Contract or as otherwise required by applicable law, CONTRACTOR shall, pursuant to chapter 487R, HRS, destroy all copies (paper or electronic form) of personal information received from the STATE.
- (2) The CONTRACTOR and any subcontractors shall maintain the files, books, and records that relate to the Contract, including any personal information created or received by the CONTRACTOR on behalf of the STATE, and any cost or pricing data, for at least three (3) years after the date of final payment under the Contract. The personal information shall continue to be confidential and shall only be disclosed as permitted or required by law. After the three (3) year, or longer retention period as required by law has ended, the files, books, and records that contain personal information shall be destroyed pursuant to chapter 487R, HRS or returned to the STATE at the request of the STATE.
- 32. Antitrust Claims. The STATE and the CONTRACTOR recognize that in actual economic practice, overcharges resulting from antitrust violations are in fact usually borne by the purchaser. Therefore, the CONTRACTOR hereby assigns to STATE any and all claims for overcharges as to goods and materials purchased in connection with this Contract, except as to overcharges which result from violations commencing after the price is established under this Contract and which are not passed on to the STATE under an escalation clause.
- 33. Patented Articles. The CONTRACTOR shall defend, indemnify, and hold harmless the STATE, and its officers, employees, and agents from and against all liability, loss, damage, cost, and expense, including all attorneys fees, and all claims, suits, and demands arising out of or resulting from any claims, demands, or actions by the patent holder for infringement or other improper or unauthorized use of any patented article, patented process, or patented appliance in connection with this Contract. The CONTRACTOR shall be solely responsible for correcting or curing to the satisfaction of the STATE any such infringement or improper or unauthorized use, including, without limitation: (a) furnishing at no cost to the STATE a substitute article, process, or appliance acceptable to the STATE, (b) paying royalties or other required payments to the patent holder, (c) obtaining proper authorizations or releases from the patent holder, and (d) furnishing such security to or making such arrangements with the patent holder as may be necessary to correct or cure any such infringement or improper or unauthorized use.

- 34. Governing Law. The validity of this Contract and any of its terms or provisions, as well as the rights and duties of the parties to this Contract, shall be governed by the laws of the State of Hawaii. Any action at law or in equity to enforce or interpret the provisions of this Contract shall be brought in a state court of competent jurisdiction in Honolulu, Hawaii.
- 35. <u>Compliance with Laws.</u> The CONTRACTOR shall comply with all federal, state, and county laws, ordinances, codes, rules, and regulations, as the same may be amended from time to time, that in any way affect the CONTRACTOR'S performance of this Contract.
- 36. <u>Conflict Between General Conditions and Procurement Rules</u>. In the event of a conflict between the General Conditions and the procurement rules, the procurement rules in effect on the date this Contract became effective shall control and are hereby incorporated by reference.
- 37. Entire Contract. This Contract sets forth all of the agreements, conditions, understandings, promises, warranties, and representations between the STATE and the CONTRACTOR relative to this Contract. This Contract supersedes all prior agreements, conditions, understandings, promises, warranties, and representations, which shall have no further force or effect. There are no agreements, conditions, understandings, promises, warranties, or representations, oral or written, express or implied, between the STATE and the CONTRACTOR other than as set forth or as referred to herein.
- 38. <u>Severability.</u> In the event that any provision of this Contract is declared invalid or unenforceable by a court, such invalidity or unenforceability shall not affect the validity or enforceability of the remaining terms of this Contract.
- 39. Waiver. The failure of the STATE to insist upon the strict compliance with any term, provision, or condition of this Contract shall not constitute or be deemed to constitute a waiver or relinquishment of the STATE'S right to enforce the same in accordance with this Contract. The fact that the STATE specifically refers to one provision of the procurement rules or one section of the Hawaii Revised Statutes, and does not include other provisions or statutory sections in this Contract shall not constitute a waiver or relinquishment of the STATE'S rights or the CONTRACTOR'S obligations under the procurement rules or statutes.
- 40. Pollution Control. If during the performance of this Contract, the CONTRACTOR encounters a "release" or a "threatened release" of a reportable quantity of a "hazardous substance," "pollutant," or "contaminant" as those terms are defined in section 128D-1, HRS, the CONTRACTOR shall immediately notify the STATE and all other appropriate state, county, or federal agencies as required by law. The Contractor shall take all necessary actions, including stopping work, to avoid causing, contributing to, or making worse a release of a hazardous substance, pollutant, or contaminant, and shall promptly obey any orders the Environmental Protection Agency or the state Department of Health issues in response to the release. In the event there is an ensuing cease-work period, and the STATE determines that this Contract requires an adjustment of the time for performance, the Contract shall be modified in writing accordingly.
- 41. <u>Campaign Contributions.</u> The CONTRACTOR is hereby notified of the applicability of 11-355, HRS, which states that campaign contributions are prohibited from specified state or county government contractors during the terms of their contracts if the contractors are paid with funds appropriated by a legislative body.
- 42. Confidentiality of Personal Information.
 - a. Definitions.

"Personal information" means an individual's first name or first initial and last name in combination with any one or more of the following data elements, when either name or data elements are not encrypted:

- (1) Social security number;
- (2) Driver's license number or Hawaii identification card number; or

(3) Account number, credit or debit card number, access code, or password that would permit access to an individual's financial information.

Personal information does not include publicly available information that is lawfully made available to the general public from federal, state, or local government records.

"Technological safeguards" means the technology and the policy and procedures for use of the technology to protect and control access to personal information.

b. Confidentiality of Material.

- (1) All material given to or made available to the CONTRACTOR by the STATE by virtue of this Contract which is identified as personal information, shall be safeguarded by the CONTRACTOR and shall not be disclosed without the prior written approval of the STATE.
- (2) CONTRACTOR agrees not to retain, use, or disclose personal information for any purpose other than as permitted or required by this Contract.
- (3) CONTRACTOR agrees to implement appropriate "technological safeguards" that are acceptable to the STATE to reduce the risk of unauthorized access to personal information.
- (4) CONTRACTOR shall report to the STATE in a prompt and complete manner any security breaches involving personal information.
- (5) CONTRACTOR agrees to mitigate, to the extent practicable, any harmful effect that is known to CONTRACTOR because of a use or disclosure of personal information by CONTRACTOR in violation of the requirements of this paragraph.
- (6) CONTRACTOR shall complete and retain a log of all disclosures made of personal information received from the STATE, or personal information created or received by CONTRACTOR on behalf of the STATE.

c. <u>Security Awareness Training and Confidentiality Agreements.</u>

- (1) CONTRACTOR certifies that all of its employees who will have access to the personal information have completed training on security awareness topics relating to protecting personal information.
- (2) CONTRACTOR certifies that confidentiality agreements have been signed by all of its employees who will have access to the personal information acknowledging that:
 - (A) The personal information collected, used, or maintained by the CONTRACTOR will be treated as confidential:
 - (B) Access to the personal information will be allowed only as necessary to perform the Contract; and
 - (C) Use of the personal information will be restricted to uses consistent with the services subject to this Contract.
- d. <u>Termination for Cause.</u> In addition to any other remedies provided for by this Contract, if the STATE learns of a material breach by CONTRACTOR of this paragraph by CONTRACTOR, the STATE may at its sole discretion:

- (1) Provide an opportunity for the CONTRACTOR to cure the breach or end the violation; or
- (2) Immediately terminate this Contract.

In either instance, the CONTRACTOR and the STATE shall follow chapter 487N, HRS, with respect to notification of a security breach of personal information.

e. Records Retention.

- (1) Upon any termination of this Contract or as otherwise required by applicable law, CONTRACTOR shall, pursuant to chapter 487R, HRS, destroy all copies (paper or electronic form) of personal information received from the STATE.
- (2) The CONTRACTOR and any subcontractors shall maintain the files, books, and records that relate to the Contract, including any personal information created or received by the CONTRACTOR on behalf of the STATE, and any cost or pricing data, for at least three (3) years after the date of final payment under the Contract. The personal information shall continue to be confidential and shall only be disclosed as permitted or required by law. After the three (3) year, or longer retention period as required by law has ended, the files, books, and records that contain personal information shall be destroyed pursuant to chapter 487R, HRS or returned to the STATE at the request of the STATE.

ASSIGNMENT AGREEMENT

THIS AGREEMENT, made and entered into as of the day of June 29 , 2020, by and between the STATE OF HAWAII (hereinafter referred to as the "State"), by Bonnie Kahakui, its Procurement Officer, and SINE CERA CONSULTING, LLC (hereinafter referred to as "Assignor") and BUSINESS MANAGEMENT RESEARCH ASSOCIATES, INC. (BMRA) (hereinafter referred to as "Assignee").

WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, by <u>SPO Vendor List Contract No. 19-19</u> dated <u>December 6, 2019</u> (hereinafter referred to as "Primary Agreement"), the State engaged the Assignor to perform the certain work specified in Request for Proposals No. <u>RFP-18-002-SW</u>; and

WHEREAS, the Assignor has been purchased by Business Management Research Associates, Inc. (BMRA).

WHEREAS, the Assignor desires to assign to the Assignee its interest under the Primary Agreement in order to fulfill Assignor's obligations under the Primary Agreement;

NOW THEREFORE, it is mutually agreed by the parties hereto as follows:

- 1. Assignor hereby assigns its interest in the Primary Agreement to the Assignee effective as of June 29 , 2020.
- 2. Assignee hereby agrees to assume and discharge all duties and obligations of the Assignor contained in the Primary Agreement from and after June 29, 2020.
- 3. The State hereby consents to the assignment of the Assignor's interest in the Primary Agreement from Assignor to Assignee, provided it is understood that:

- a. This consent is subject to all the terms, covenants and conditions contained in the Primary Agreement;
- b. This consent shall not release Assignor from liability under the Primary Agreement;
- c. This consent shall not be construed as a consent to any further or other assignment, or as a waiver of any of the terms, covenants, provisions, or conditions in the Primary Agreement;
- d. This consent shall not release Assignor from any of the terms, covenants or obligations contained in the Primary Agreement, paid or performed.
- 4. Payments for the balance of amounts due under the Primary Agreement will be forwarded directly by the State to the Assignee, in accordance with the terms of the Primary Agreement. The Assignee agrees to make all necessary disbursements to its subcontractors, if any.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have executed this Agreement, effective the day and year first above written.

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Date

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AMENDMENT #1 (Assignment of Master

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MASTER AGREEMENT



Procurement of Acquisition Support Services (PASS)

Led by the State of Hawaii

Master Agreement #: 19-19-14 (hereinafter "Master Agreement")

Contractor: Business Management Research Associates, Inc. (hereinafter "Contractor")

Participating Entity: **STATE OF HAWAII** (hereinafter "Participating State")

State of Hawaii, State Procurement Office (SPO) Vendor List Contract No. 19-19

This Assignment of Master Agreement (Master Agreement #19-19-14) for Procurement of Acquisition Support Services (PASS) (this "Assignment"), effective upon signature of the State Administrator/Chief Procurement Officer and among the Sine Cera Consulting, LLC ("Assignor"), Business Management Research Associates, Inc. (BMRA) ("Assignee") and State of Hawaii. Assignor, Assignee and the State of Hawaii are collectively referred to herein as the "Parties."

RECITALS

WHEREAS, Assignor and the State of Hawaii are parties to a Master Agreement fully executed on June 20, 2019 (the "MA");

WHEREAS, the Parties agree to assign the Master Agreement as set forth herein.

NOW THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual promises contained herein and other good and sufficient consideration, the receipt and adequacy of which is hereby acknowledged, the Parties hereto agree as follows:

AGREEMENT

- Assignment. Assignor hereby assigns to Assignee all of its rights, title and interest in the Master Agreement (19-19-14).
- 2. <u>Assumption of Obligations</u>. Assignee:
 - acknowledges the receipt of a signed copy of the Master Agreement;
 - b. hereby assumes all of Assignor's interest, rights, duties and obligations as provided in the Master Agreement; and
 - agrees to comply with all of the terms and obligations set forth in the Master Agreement 19-19-14 and the applicable terms of Sine Cera Consulting, LLC Master Agreement 19-19-14; and

- d. shall perform all of Assignor's rights, duties and obligations set forth in the Master Agreement as if Assignee were the original party thereto.
- 3. <u>Assignor's Representations</u>. Assignor and the State of Hawaii each warrant that the Master Agreement is in full force and effect and may be assigned to Assignee with the consent of the Parties hereto.
- 4. <u>Binding Effect</u>. The covenants and conditions contained in this Assignment shall apply to and bind Assignor and Assignee and their heirs, legal representative, successors and permitted assigns.
 - Special Provisions for Purchases During Declared Disaster: The attached Exhibit A, Required FEMA Disaster Provisions are made part of this addendum under this Agreement. FEMA requires certain provisions in order to receive reimbursement.

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AMENDMENT #1

PARTICIPATING ADDENDUM



Assignee: Business Management Research

Procurement of Acquisition Support Services (PASS)

Led by the State of Hawaii

Assignor: Sine Cera Consulting, LLC

THE PARTIES HERETO HAVE EXECUTED THIS ASSIGNMENT AGREEMENT have caused this Assignment to be fully executed as of the date signed by State of Hawaii Administrator.

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	Date: 3 June 2020	Date:
	APPROVED AS TO FORM:	
	/s/ Stella M.L. Kam	
Deputy Attorney General		
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	By: Sarah Allen, Administrator	

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Procurement of Acquisition Support Services (PASS)

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	Associates, Inc.
Signature:	Signature:
Name:	Name: Gray K. Coyner
Title:	Title: /
Date:	Date: June 3, 2020
APPROVED AS TO FORM: /s/ Stella M.L. Kam	
Deputy Attorney General	
Hawaii State Procurement Office	
By:Sarah Allen, Administrator	Date:

SPECIAL PROVISIONS

(REQUIRED FEMA DISASTER PROVISIONS)

1. Administrative, Contractual, or Legal Remedies

For all contracts greater or equal to \$150,000, which is the current Simplified Acquisition Threshold set by the Civilian Agency Acquisition Council and the Defense Acquisition Regulations Council pursuant to 41 U.S.C. § 1908, Contractor agrees to be bound by the administrative, contractual, or legal remedies set forth in the State of Hawaii, General Conditions (AG-008), which govern contractors' violation or breach of contract terms and appropriate sanctions and penalties.

2. Termination for Cause and for Convenience

For all contracts in excess of \$10,000, Contractor agrees to be bound by the termination for cause and for convenience provisions set forth in the State of Hawaii, General Conditions (AG-008).

3. Equal Employment Opportunity

If this contract is for construction, Contractor agrees, pursuant to the requirements provided in 2 C.F.R. Part 200, Appendix II, and 41 C.F.R. § 60-1.4(b), as follows:

(A) Contractor will not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, or national origin. The contractor will take affirmative action to ensure that applicants are employed, and that employees are treated during employment without regard to their race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, or national origin. Such action shall include, but not be limited to the following:

Employment, upgrading, demotion, or transfer; recruitment or recruitment advertising; layoff or termination; rates of pay or other forms of compensation; and selection for training, including apprenticeship. The contractor agrees to post in conspicuous places, available to employees and applicants for employment, notices to be provided setting forth the provisions of this nondiscrimination clause.

(B) Contractor will, in all solicitations or advertisements for employees placed by or on behalf of the contractor, state that all qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, or national origin.

- (C) Contractor will not discharge or in any other manner discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because such employee or applicant has inquired about, discussed, or disclosed the compensation of the employee or applicant or another employee or applicant. This provision shall not apply to instances in which an employee who has access to the compensation information of other employees or applicants as a part of such employee's essential job functions discloses the compensation of such other employees or applicants to individuals who do not otherwise have access to such information, unless such disclosure is in response to a formal complaint or charge, in furtherance of an investigation, proceeding, hearing, or action, including an investigation conducted by the employer, or is consistent with the contractor's legal duty to furnish information.
- (D) Contractor will send to each labor union or representative of workers with which he has a collective bargaining agreement or other contract or understanding, a notice to be provided advising the said labor union or workers' representatives of the contractor's commitments under this section, and shall post copies of the notice in conspicuous places available to employees and applicants for employment.
- (E) Contractor will comply with all provisions of Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965 [Part I Nondiscrimination in Government Employment; Part II Nondiscrimination in Employment by Government Contractors and Subcontractors; Part III Nondiscrimination Provisions in Federally Assisted Construction Contracts], and the rules, regulations, and relevant orders of the Secretary of Labor.
- (F) Contractor will furnish all information and reports required by Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, and by rules, regulations, and orders of the Secretary of Labor, or pursuant thereto, and will permit access to his books, records, and accounts by the administering agency and the Secretary of Labor for purposes of investigation to ascertain compliance with such rules, regulations, and orders.
- (G) In the event of Contractor's noncompliance with the nondiscrimination clauses of this contract or with any of the said rules, regulations, or orders, this contract may be canceled, terminated, or suspended in whole or in part and Contractor may be declared ineligible for further Government contracts or federally assisted construction contracts in accordance with procedures authorized in Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, and such other sanctions may be imposed and remedies invoked as provided in Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, or by rule, regulation, or order of the Secretary of Labor, or as otherwise provided by law.
- (H) Contractor also agrees to include the following language in every subcontract or purchase order (unless exempted by rules, regulations, or orders of

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the Secretary of Labor issued pursuant to section 204 of Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965), followed by the provisions of subparagraphs (A) through (G) in this paragraph 3, so that such provisions will be binding upon each subcontractor or vendor.

Contractor shall incorporate or cause to be incorporated into any contract for construction work, or modification thereof, as defined in the regulations of the Secretary of Labor at 41 C.F.R. chapter 60, which is paid for in whole or in part with funds obtained from the federal government or borrowed on the credit of the federal government pursuant to a grant, contract, loan, insurance, or guarantee, or undertaken pursuant to any federal program involving such grant, contract, loan, insurance or guarantee, the following equal opportunity clause:

[followed by Subsections (A) through (G)]

Contractor will take such action with respect to any subcontract or purchase order as the administering agency may direct as a means of enforcing such provisions, including sanctions for non-compliance, provided, however, that in the event Contractor becomes involved in, or is threatened with, litigation with a subcontractor or vendor as a result of such direction by the administering agency, the contractor may request the United States to enter into such litigation to protect the interests of the United States.

4. Davis-Bacon Act

If the Davis-Bacon Act, 40 U.S.C. §§ 3141-3148, is applicable to this contract, Contractor agrees to comply with all provisions of the Davis-Bacon Act and shall pay wages to laborers and mechanics at a rate not less than the prevailing wages specified in a wage determination made by the Secretary of Labor. Contractor also agrees to pay wages not less than once a week. Contractor accepts the current prevailing wage determination issued by the federal Department of Labor. Contractor also agrees to comply with the Copeland "Anti Kickback" Act, 40 U.S.C. § 3145 and Department of Labor regulations, 29 C.F.R. Part 3, and shall not induce, by any means, any person employed in the construction, completion, or repair of public work, to give up any part of the compensation to which he or she is otherwise entitled. The State shall report all suspected or reported violations of the Copeland Anti Kickback Act to FEMA.

To the extent applicable, Contractor's subcontracts shall also require subcontractor to comply with the Davis-Bacon Act, 40 U.S.C. §§ 3141-3148, the Copeland Anti Kickback Act, 40 U.S.C. § 3145, and 29 C.F.R. Part 3, and Contractor shall be responsible for the compliance by any subcontractor or lower tier subcontractor with all of these contract clauses.

5. Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act

If this contract is in excess of \$100,000 and involves the employment of mechanics or laborers, Contractor agrees to comply with the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act, 40 U.S.C. §§ 3701-3708, and the accompanying Department of Labor regulations, 29 C.F.R. Part 5. Contractor, pursuant to 40 U.S.C. § 3702, shall compute the wages of every mechanic and laborer on the basis of a standard work week of 40 hours. Work in excess of the standard work week is permissible provided that the Contractor shall compensate the worker at a rate of not less than one and a half times the basic rate of pay for all hours worked in excess of 40 hours in the work week. If this contract includes construction work, Contractor shall not require any laborer or mechanic performing work under this contract to perform such work in surroundings or under working conditions which are unsanitary, hazardous or dangerous, provided however, that such requirements shall not apply for purchases of supplies or materials or of articles ordinarily available on the open market, or for contracts for transportation.

6. Clean Air Act and Federal Water Pollution Control Act

Contractor agrees to comply with paragraph 40 (Pollution Control) of the State of Hawaii, General Conditions (AG-008), and all applicable standards, orders or regulations issued pursuant to the Clean Air Act, 42 U.S.C. §§ 7401-7671q, and the Federal Water Pollution Control Act, as amended, 33 U.S.C. §§ 1251-1387, and will report violations to FEMA and the Regional office of the Environmental Protection Agency.

7. Energy Efficiency

To the extent applicable to this contract, Contractor agrees to comply with all applicable mandatory standards and policies relating to energy efficiency of the State.

8. <u>Excluded Parties List System</u>

Contractor understands and agrees that if Contractor is listed on the government-wide Excluded Parties List System in the System for Award Management at www.SAM.gov as suspended or debarred, Contractor cannot be awarded this contract.

9. Byrd Anti-Lobbying Amendment

If this contract is for an award of \$100,000 or more, Contractor shall file a written declaration with the State agency identified as the contracting agency for this project certifying that Contractor has not and will not use federally appropriated funds to pay any person or organization for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any federal agency, a member of Congress, officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a member of Congress in connection with obtaining any federal contract, grant or any other award covered by 31 U.S.C. § 1352. Included within the written declaration shall be the name of any registrant under the Lobbying Disclosure Act of 1995 who has made lobbying contacts on behalf of Contractor with respect to this contract. Contractor also agrees to disclose any lobbying with non-federal funds that takes place in connection with obtaining any federal award.

10. Recovered and Recycled Materials

To the extent applicable to this contract, Contractor agrees to comply with section 6002 of the Solid Waste Disposal Act, as amended by the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act. Section 6002 requires Contractor to use only items, designated in guidelines of the Environmental Protection Agency at 40 C.F.R. part 247, that contain the highest percentage of recovered materials practicable, consistent with maintaining a satisfactory level of competition, where the purchase price of the item exceeds \$10,000.

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Procurement of Acquisition Support Services (PASS)

Led by the State of Hawaii

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Participating Entity: **STATE OF HAWAII** (hereinafter "Participating State")

State of Hawaii, State Procurement Office (SPO) Vendor List Contract No. 19-19

A. This Amendment #1 will amend the Contractor from Sine Cera Consulting, LLC to Business Management Research Associates, Inc. (BMRA) and amend #6 Primary Contact information as follows:

Contractor

Name:

Mr. Gray Coyner, CEO

Address:

9817 Godwin Drive, Ste. 202

Manassas, VA 20110

Telephone:

(703) 691-0868 x24

Fax:

(703) 691-2731

E-mail:

gcoyner@bmra.com

Any other reference to Sine Cera Consulting, LLC in the Participating Addendum shall be replaced with Business Management Research Associates, Inc. (BMRA).

- B. This Amendment #1 will also amend the Participating Addendum to add the following:
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AMENDMENT #1

PARTICIPATING ADDENDUM



Procurement of Acquisition Support Services (PASS)

Led by the State of Hawaii

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have executed this Addendum as of the date of execution by both parties below.

Participating Entity: STATE OF HAWAII	Contractor: Business Management Research Associates, Inc.
Signature:	Signature:
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Name: Sarah Allen	Name:
	Gray K. Coyner
Title: Administrator, SPO	Title: /
Date: 06/29/2020	Date: 5 2020

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

/s/ Stella M.L. Kam	
Deputy Attorney General	

For questions on executing a participating addendum, please contact:

NASPO ValuePointCooperative	Ted Fosket	
Contracting Coordinator:		
Telephone:	(360) 339-7998	
Email:	tfosket@naspovaluepoint.org	

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to support documentation of participation and posting in appropriate data bases.]

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AMENDMENT #1 (Assignment of Master

Agreement)

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State of Hawaii, State Procurement Office (SPO) Vendor List Contract No. 19-19

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RECITALS

WHEREAS, Assignor and the State of Hawaii are parties to a Master Agreement fully executed on June 20, 2019 (the "MA");

WHEREAS, the Parties agree to assign the Master Agreement as set forth herein.

NOW THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual promises contained herein and other good and sufficient consideration, the receipt and adequacy of which is hereby acknowledged, the Parties hereto agree as follows:

AGREEMENT

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 - agrees to comply with all of the terms and obligations set forth in the Master Agreement 19-19-14 and the applicable terms of Sine Cera Consulting, LLC Master Agreement 19-19-14; and

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AMENDMENT #1

PARTICIPATING ADDENDUM



Assignee: Business Management Research

Procurement of Acquisition Support Services (PASS)

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Assignor: Sine Cera Consulting, LLC

THE PARTIES HERETO HAVE EXECUTED THIS ASSIGNMENT AGREEMENT have caused this Assignment to be fully executed as of the date signed by State of Hawaii Administrator.

A CONTRACTOR OF THE PERSON NAMED IN COLUMN NAM		Associates, Inc.
_	Signature: Comps	Signature:
_	Name:	Name:
	JOHN L. COOMBS	
	Title: Owner, Managina Director	Title:
	Date: 3 June 2020	Date:
	APPROVED AS TO FORM:	
	/s/ Stella M.L. Kam	p.
	Deputy Attorney General	
	Hawaii State Procurement Office	
	By:Sarah Allen, Administrator	Date:
	Salah Alleh, Administrator	

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Signature:	Signature:
Name:	Name:
	Gray K. Coyner
Title:	Title: /
Date:	Date: June 3, 2020
APPROVED AS TO FORM	, , , ,
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/s/ Stella M.L. Kam	
Deputy Attorney General	
Hawaii State Procurement Office	
Sullin.	Data: 06/29/2020
By:Sarah Allen Administrator	Date:

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Contractor

Name:

Mr. Gray Coyner, CEO

Address:

9817 Godwin Drive, Ste. 202

Manassas, VA 20110

Telephone:

(703) 691-0868 x24

Fax:

(703) 691-2731

E-mail:

gcoyner@bmra.com

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have executed this Addendum as of the date of execution by both parties below.

Contractor: Business Management Research Associates, Inc.
Signature:
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Name:
Gray K. Coyner
Title: /
Date:
June 3, 2020

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

/s/ Stella M.L. Kam	
Deputy Attorney General	

For questions on executing a participating addendum, please contact:

NASPO ValuePointCooperative	Ted Fosket	
Contracting Coordinator:		
Telephone:	(360) 339-7998	
Email:	tfosket@naspovaluepoint.org	

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Lead State: **STATE OF HAWAII** (hereinafter "Lead State")

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AGREEMENT

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2. <u>Amendment – Hourly Rates:</u>

- a. Per the Master Agreement, all labor category rates must be guaranteed for the initial term and additional years of the Master Agreement.
- b. Hourly rates in optional periods were allowed to be adjusted at no more than a 2% inflation rate. See Exhibit 2 for rates for Year 3 applicable to this amendment and extension period.
- All rates shall be guaranteed for each year as part of the Master
 Agreement. Requests for price adjustment, other than the adjusted price
 offered shall not be considered.

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AMENDMENT #2

MASTER AGREEMENT



Procurement of Acquisition Support Services (PASS)

Led by the State of Hawaii

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

THE PARTIES HERETO HAVE EXECUTED THIS AMENDMENT THROUGH THEIR DULY AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVES WITH FULL KNOWLEDGE OF AND AGREEMENT WITH ITS TERMS AND CONDITIONS.

CONTRACTOR: Business Management Research Associates, Inc.	LEAD STATE: State of Hawaii
Signature:	Signature:
Gray K. Coyner	PVR
Name:	Name: Bonnie Kahakui, Department of
Gray K Coyner	Accounting Services, State Procurement Office
Title: CEO and PM	Title: Acting Administrator
Date: 05/26/2021	Date: 6 · 4 · 2 0 2 /

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BUSINESS MANAGEMENT RESEARCH ASSOCIATES, INC.

Exhibit 2 - Hourly Labor Rates

	Base Period:	Base Period: Year I and Z	Optional Period: Year 3	lod: Year 3	Optional Period: Year 4	riod: Year 4	Optional Period: Year 5	riod: Year 5
Labor Categories	Fully Burdened Hourly Rate - Off-site	Fully Burdened Hourly Rate - On-site	Fully Burdened Hourly Rate - Off-site	Fully Burdened Hourly Rate - On-site	Fully Burdened Hourly Rate - Off-site	Fully Burdened Hourly Rate - On-site	Fully Burdened Hourly Rate - Off-site	Fully Burdened Hourly Rate - On-site
Program Director	\$146.59	\$133.40	\$148.79	\$135.40	\$151.03	\$137.43	\$153.29	\$139.49
Program Manager	\$134.02	\$121.96	\$136.03	\$123.79	\$138.07	\$125.65	\$140.14	\$127.53
Subject Matter Expert III	\$205.23	\$186.76	\$208.31	\$189.56	\$211.43	\$192.41	\$214.61	\$195.29
Subject Matter Expert II	\$139.69	\$127.12	\$141.78	\$129.02	\$143.91	\$130.96	\$146.07	\$132.92
Subject Matter Expert I	\$118.92	\$108.22	\$120.70	\$109.84	\$122.51	\$111.49	\$124.35	\$113.16
Acquisition Support Specialist III	\$100.05	\$91.04	\$101\$	14.26\$	\$103.07	62.86\$	\$104.61	\$95.20
Acquisition Support Specialist II	\$96.65	\$87.95	\$98.10	<i>1</i> 2°68\$	\$99.57	19.06\$	\$101.06	\$91.97
Acquisition Support Specialist I	\$86.32	\$78.55	29.78\$	£2'62\$	\$88.93	86.08\$	\$90.26	\$82.14
Analyst II	\$9.96\$	\$87.95	\$98.10	\$89.27	\$99.57	19.06\$	\$101.06	\$91.97
Analyst I	\$86.32	\$78.55	\$87.62	\$79.73	\$88.93	\$80.93	\$90.26	\$82.14
	At minimur	At minimum, Contractor shall honor prices noted for each labor category,	shall honor μ	orices noted i	for each labo	or category,		
Note:	on-site or o	or off-site, in each period	n period.					
		Definitions:	tions:					
Off-site	Offeror's PI	Off-site Offeror's Place of Work						

On-site Government (any state or political subdivision) Place of Work

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AMENDMENT #3

MASTER AGREEMENT



Procurement of Acquisition Support Services (PASS)

Led by the State of Hawaii

Master Agreement #: 19-19-14 (hereinafter "Master Agreement")

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Lead State: **STATE OF HAWAII** (hereinafter "Lead State")

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MASTER AGREEMENT



Procurement of Acquisition Support Services (PASS)

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Research	CTOR: Business Management Associates, Inc.	LEAD STATE: State of Hawaii
Signature	: Gray K. Coyner	Signature: Poune 9 Kakakew
Name:	Gray K. Coyner	Name: Bonnie Kahakui, Department of Accounting and General Services, State Procurement Office
Title:	CEO	Title: Acting Administrator
Date:	04/15/2022	Date: 05/13/2022

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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Deputy Attorney General		

BUSINESS MANAGEMENT RESEARCH ASSOCIATES, INC.

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	Base Period	: Year 1 and 2	Optional Per	iod: Year 3	Optional Pe	riod: Year 4	Optional Pe	riod: Year 5
Labor Categories	Fully Burdened Hourly Rate - Off-site	Fully Burdened Hourly Rate - On-site	Fully Burdened Hourly Rate - Off-site	Fully Burdened Hourly Rate - On-site	Fully Burdened Hourly Rate - Off-site	Fully Burdened Hourly Rate - On-site	Fully Burdened Hourly Rate - Off-site	Fully Burdened Hourly Rate - On-site
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Note:	At minimum, Contractor shall honor prices noted for each labor category, on-site or off-site, in each period.	
	Definitions:	
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Procurement of Acquisition Support Services (PASS) RFP-18-002-SW, NASPO ValuePoint Master Agreement Terms and Conditions