STATE OF MISSOURI  
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND SENIOR SERVICES

TERMS AND CONDITIONS

This contract expresses the complete agreement of the parties and performance shall be governed solely by the specifications and requirements contained herein. Any change must be accomplished by a formal signed amendment prior to the effective date of such change.

1. APPLICABLE LAWS AND REGULATIONS

a. The contract shall be construed according to the laws of the State of Missouri (state). The contractor shall comply with all local, state, and federal laws and regulations related to the performance of the contract to the extent that the same may be applicable.

b. To the extent that a provision of the contract is contrary to the Constitution or laws of the State of Missouri or of the United States, the provisions shall be void and unenforceable. However, the balance of the contract shall remain in force between the parties unless terminated by consent of both the contractor and the state.

c. The contractor must be registered and maintain good standing with the Secretary of State of the State of Missouri and other regulatory agencies, as may be required by law or regulations.

d. The contractor must timely file and pay all Missouri sales, withholding, corporate and any other required Missouri tax returns and taxes, including interest and additions to tax.

e. The exclusive venue for any legal proceeding relating to or arising out of the contract shall be in the Circuit Court of Cole County, Missouri.

f. The contractor shall only employ personnel authorized to work in the United States in accordance with applicable federal and state laws and Executive Order 07-13 for work performed in the United States.

2. INVOICING AND PAYMENT

a. The State of Missouri does not pay state or federal taxes unless otherwise required under law or regulation. Prices shall include all packing, handling and shipping charges FOB destination, freight prepaid and allowed unless otherwise specified herein.

b. The statewide financial management system has been designed to capture certain receipt and payment information. For each purchase order received, an invoice must be submitted that references the purchase order number and must be itemized in accordance with items listed on the purchase order. Failure to comply with this requirement may delay processing of invoices for payment.

c. The contractor shall not transfer any interest in the contract, whether by assignment or otherwise, without the prior written consent of the state.

d. Payment for all equipment, supplies, and/or services required herein shall be made in arrears unless otherwise indicated in the specific contract terms.

e. The State of Missouri assumes no obligation for equipment, supplies, and/or services shipped or provided in excess of the quantity ordered. Any unauthorized quantity is subject to the state's rejection and shall be returned at the contractor's expense.

f. All invoices for equipment, supplies, and/or services purchased by the State of Missouri shall be subject to late payment charges as provided in section 34.055, RSMo.

g. The State of Missouri reserves the right to purchase goods and services using the state purchasing card.

3. DELIVERY

Time is of the essence. Deliveries of equipment, supplies, and/or services must be made no later than the time stated in the contract or within a reasonable period of time, if a specific time is not stated.

4. INSPECTION AND ACCEPTANCE

a. No equipment, supplies, and/or services received by an agency of the state pursuant to a contract shall be deemed accepted until the agency has had reasonable opportunity to inspect said equipment, supplies, and/or services.

b. All equipment, supplies, and/or services which do not comply with the specifications and/or requirements or which are otherwise unacceptable or defective may be rejected. In addition, all equipment, supplies, and/or services which are discovered to be defective or which do not conform to any warranty of the contractor upon inspection (or at any later time if the defects contained were not reasonably ascertainable upon the initial inspection) may be rejected.

c. The State of Missouri reserves the right to return any such rejected shipment at the contractor's expense for full credit or replacement and to specify a reasonable date by which replacements must be received.

d. The State of Missouri's right to reject any unacceptable equipment, supplies, and/or services shall not exclude any other legal, equitable or contractual remedies the state may have.

5. CONFLICT OF INTEREST

Elected or appointed officials or employees of the State of Missouri or any political subdivision thereof, serving in an executive or administrative capacity, must comply with sections 105.452 and 105.454, RSMo, regarding conflict of interest.

6. WARRANTY

The contractor expressly warrants that all equipment, supplies, and/or services provided shall: (1) conform to each and every specification, drawing, sample or other description which was furnished to or adopted by the state, (2) be fit and sufficient for the purpose intended, (3) be merchantable, (4) be of good materials and workmanship, and (5) be free from defect. Such warranty shall survive delivery and shall not be deemed waived either by reason of the state's acceptance of or payment for said equipment, supplies, and/or services.
7. REMEDIES AND RIGHTS

   a. No provision in the contract shall be construed, expressly or implied, as a waiver by the State of Missouri of any existing or future right and/or remedy available by law in the event of any claim by the State of Missouri of the contractor's default or breach of contract.

   b. The contractor agrees and understands that the contract shall constitute an assignment by the contractor to the State of Missouri of all rights, title and interest in and to all causes of action that the contractor may have under the antitrust laws of the United States or the State of Missouri for which causes of action have accrued or will accrue as the result of or in relation to the particular equipment, supplies, and/or services purchased or procured by the contractor in the fulfillment of the contract with the State of Missouri.

8. CANCELLATION OF CONTRACT

   a. In the event of material breach of the contractual obligations by the contractor, the state may cancel the contract. At its sole discretion, the state may give the contractor an opportunity to cure the breach or to explain how the breach will be cured. The actual cure must be completed within no more than 10 working days from notification, or at a minimum the contractor must provide the state within 10 working days from notification a written plan detailing how the contractor intends to cure the breach.

   b. If the contractor fails to cure the breach or if circumstances demand immediate action, the state will issue a notice of cancellation terminating the contract immediately. If it is determined the state improperly cancelled the contract, such cancellation shall be deemed a termination for convenience in accordance with the contract.

   c. If the state cancels the contract for breach, the state reserves the right to obtain the equipment, supplies, and/or services to be provided pursuant to the contract from other sources and upon such terms and in such manner as the state deems appropriate and charge the contractor for any additional costs incurred thereby.

   d. The contractor understands and agrees that funds required to fund the contract must be appropriated by the General Assembly of the State of Missouri for each fiscal year included within the contract period. The contractor shall not be binding upon the state for any period in which funds have not been appropriated, and the state shall not be liable for any costs associated with termination caused by lack of appropriations.

9. BANKRUPTCY OR INSOLVENCY

   Upon filing for any bankruptcy or insolvency proceeding by or against the contractor, whether voluntary or involuntary, or upon the appointment of a receiver, trustee, or assignee for the benefit of creditors, the contractor must notify the state immediately. Upon learning of any such actions, the state reserves the right, at its sole discretion, to either cancel the contract or affirm the contract and hold the contractor responsible for damages.

10. INVENTIONS, PATENTS AND COPYRIGHTS

   The contractor shall defend, protect, and hold harmless the State of Missouri, its officers, agents, and employees against all suits of law or in equity resulting from patent and copyright infringement concerning the contractor's performance or products produced under the terms of the contract.

11. NON-DISCRIMINATION AND AFFIRMATIVE ACTION

   In connection with the furnishing of equipment, supplies, and/or services under the contract, the contractor and all subcontractors shall agree not to discriminate against recipients of services or employees or applicants for employment on the basis of race, color, religion, national origin, sex, age, disability, or veteran status unless otherwise provided by law. If the contractor or subcontractor employs at least 50 persons, they shall have and maintain an affirmative action program which shall include:

   a. A written policy statement committing the organization to affirmative action and assigning management responsibilities and procedures for evaluation and dissemination;

   b. The identification of a person designated to handle affirmative action;

   c. The establishment of non-discriminatory selection standards, objective measures to analyze recruitment, an upward mobility system, a wage and salary structure, and standards applicable to layoff, recall, discharge, demotion, and discipline;

   d. The exclusion of discrimination from all collective bargaining agreements; and

   e. Performance of an internal audit of the reporting system to monitor execution and to provide for future planning.

   If discrimination by a contractor is found to exist, the state shall take appropriate enforcement action which may include, but not necessarily be limited to, cancellation of the contract, suspension, or debarment by the state until corrective action by the contractor is made and ensured, and referral to the Attorney General's Office, whichever enforcement action may be deemed most appropriate.

12. AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT

   In connection with the furnishing of equipment, supplies, and/or services under the contract, the contractor and all subcontractors shall comply with all applicable requirements and provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA).

13. FILING AND PAYMENT OF TAXES

   The commissioner of administration and other agencies to which the state purchasing law applies shall not contract for goods or services with a vendor if the vendor or an affiliate of the vendor makes sales at retail of tangible personal property or for the purpose of storage, use, or consumption in this state but fails to collect and properly pay the tax as provided in chapter 144, RSMo. For the purposes of this section, “affiliate of the vendor” shall mean any person or entity that is controlled by or is under common control with the vendor, whether through stock ownership or otherwise.

14. COMMUNICATIONS AND NOTICES

   Any notice to the contractor shall be deemed sufficient when deposited in the United States mail postage prepaid, transmitted by facsimile, transmitted by e-mail or hand-carried and presented to an authorized employee of the contractor.

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